

Jim Thomas Stars In AAU Swim Meet

UNC Merman Sets Record; To Swim Against Japanese

Jimmy Thomas, Carolina's star swimmer, rose to his greatest heights of a record-smashing summer by setting a new American record in the 330-yard individual medley and finishing fourth in individual scoring with nine points in the 1950 Senior Men's Outdoor AAU swimming championships in Seattle, Washington, last weekend.

Thomas, a rising senior at the University, was one of a dozen outstanding amateur swimmers in this country picked to represent the United States in competition against the best Japan has to offer. He left the West Coast Monday for Tokyo, where the group will meet the Japanese mermen. He will swim in the backstroke events.

In setting his new record, the Tar Heel swimmer twice shaved seconds off the old record of 3:58.6, set by Adolph Kiefer in 1940. Thomas won his heat in the preliminaries with 3:56.1, and he captured the finals in 3:55.1.

In addition to his record-breaking performance, Thomas took third in the backstroke event and sixth in the freestyle.

Sara Wakefield, Susan Fink Will Compete at H-P

(Special to the Tar Heel)

By Art Greenbaum

HIGH POINT—Since the inauguration of swimming at North Carolina in 1939, many Tar Heel mermen have received national honors in the aquatic sport. Yet, with the approaching of the senior outdoor Women's National AAU's here on August 4th and 5th, the prestige of the feminine side of swimming in the Tar Heel state is brought forth.

The first lady natators made their way to Chapel Hill back in 1939 when the first men's varsity squad was formed. Miss Caroline Perritt from Tarboro became the first to make the headlines as she set new records in almost all of the AAU events.

Between '41 and '47, scores of young ladies made their bids for national honors both at the University and throughout North Carolina. Probably the best in this group were Peggy Pate, Mary Jane and Beth Lloyd, and Randy Hudson.

Now, only two stars carry the Tar Heel colors into the fray and one of these has brought the only national women's championship to the University. The other is just a junior in Chapel Hill high school, but she promises to be a great aquatic star.

Both of these gals will enter the AAU meet here in August and should take home a few pieces of the bacon. Sara Wakefield will take in the one-meter diving event, while Susan Fink will enter the 200 backstroke and one or two of the distance freestyle events.

Sara is a good bet to win the low board event although she will receive stiff competition. This is Susan's first sortie into the "majors" but if she doesn't win, it won't be from stage-fright, since she has stood up well against the best in the South.

Miss Fink is expected to enter the University in two years and could possibly bring another national championship to Carolina.

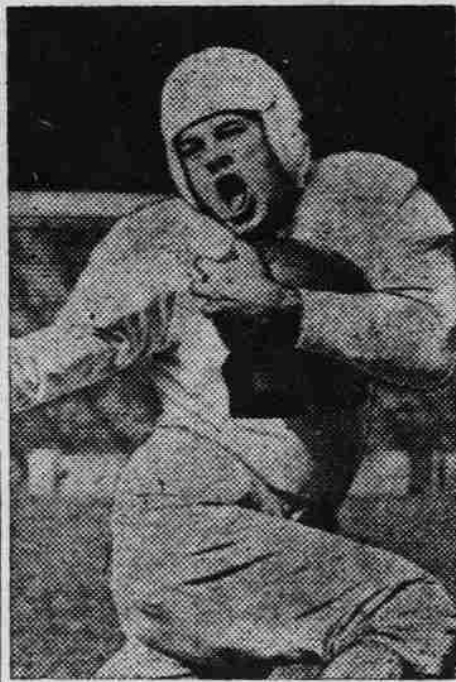
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Sports Shorts

By JOE CHERRY

CHARLIE JUSTICE and ART WEINER, Carolina's All-American football combination for the past four years, have accepted invitations to play in the annual College All-Star Game vs the professional Philadelphia Eagles, defending National Football League champions. The contest will take place in Chicago, August 11. Weiner recently inked a contract with the professional Yankees. . . . Justice's cancellation of a trip to Europe in order to play in the All-Star game has caused at least one sports scribe in the state to predict that the Choo will go pro in the near future.

It's a boy. Samuel Hosea, at seven pounds, 12 ounces, for the Hosea Rodgers. Papa Hosea was



Charlie Justice

. . . . One last run

the hard running, all-conference fullback for the Tar Heel footballers in 1948. . . . Heath Alexander, 1951 Tar Heel tennis captain, has been top seeded in the annual Carolinas closed tennis tournament in Hartsville, S. C.

One coaching position still not filled for the 1950-51 season is that of head lacrosse mentor. . . . Jess Greenbaum, grad student who earned ten letters during his athletic career at UNC, has been mentioned as possible successor to Bill Darden, who has tutored the lacrossemen since the revival of the sport in 1949. Darden will be an instructor at Annapolis this year.

Bait Casting Tourney Opens Mural Program

A four-sport Intramural program has been announced by Intramural Director Walter Rabb and his staff for the second summer session.

Competition is scheduled in horseshoes, softball, golf, and bait casting, with all students, both dormitory and fraternity, eligible to take part in these sports.

First on the mural agenda is the bait casting tournament, slated for 7:45 Wednesday night, August 2, in the outdoor pool. Everyone—students, townspeople, University employees—is invited to enter the tourney. Contestants may enter by contacting the Intramural office or by making their entry at the pool just prior to the tournament.

Fishing tackle will be furnished for those who do not have their own equipment. Items of fishing equipment will be awarded to the top three scorers in the tournament.

Entries for the softball leagues will be open through Friday, July 28. Games will be scheduled Monday through Friday afternoons at 4 and 5 o'clock on

Intramural Field.

Horseshoe pitchers may enter the mural tourney by signing the entry sheets posted in Woollen Gym or by contacting the Mural office.

In Action

Two of Carolina's greatest athletes, Victor Seixas and Harvie Ward, are still hitting the tournament trails in their respective sports.

Seixas, who captained the 1949 Tar Heel tennis team and is ranked as one of the most promising amateur netmen in this country, recently gained the finals of the Swiss International Tennis Tournament before being defeated by Eric Sturgess of South Africa. Sturgess and Seixas teamed up to take the doubles title.

Ward, former NCAA golf champion, captured the Carolinas Amateur Golf Association title at Columbia, S. C., but went down to defeat in the early rounds after winning medal honors at the Colonial Golf Tournament in Memphis, Tenn.

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