Ramblin' with Russ

Tar Heels Number 1; Three Tilts This Week

Tar Heels, Number 1. Last year the sport was basketball and the number referred to the nation and this year it is baseball and number 1 represents the ACC, but the surprise is just as great either way you look at it. Coach Walt Rabb's Carolina baseballers have won seven games in a row, five of them against conference competition. They have knocked off the three teams most in contention and right now sit on the top of the totem pole with a 5-1 record. Wake Forest, famous upsets in every sport, turned the trick again last Saturday as they put the skids on leagueleading Clemson 5-4 while the Tar Heels were busy whipping South Carolina 2-0. So the Deacs, who have won only two conference clashes all year, helped put the Heels on top. So far, Clemson's ill-fated journey up Tobacco Road has helped everyone but the Tigers, as they have dropped their last two straight to Big Fourt teams, and still have a long way to go before returning to the comparative peace and quiet of South Carolina. The Bengals visit Duke Thursday and Friday and move over to State on Saturday. They will have to do some fast playing to come out of those three days in god shape.

3 ACC Games This Week

Speaking of grinds in the schedule department, the Tar Heels have three more big ones coming up this week, all against ACC competition. The Heels play a return engagement with State at Raleigh today, Maryland is here Friday, and Virginia visits Chapel Hill Saturday. State should be the toughest of the three. The Pack has a pair of outfielders who are slapping the ball all over the league in gridder Dick Hunter and Russ Casteen, brother of pitcher Danny. Hunter is hitting .422 and Casteen has a .360 average to date. State also has a pair of pitchers who mean trouble to any opposing team—Dan Casteen and Joe Jones pitched a one-hitter over Carolina in the finals of the Dixie Classic but the Tar Heels beat him 5-3 here at Chapel Hill.

Pressure On Carolina

The pressure at this point is on Carolina. Clemson has only four more conference games remaining, while Carolina has eight left. Should Clemson finish without losing another game, Carolina would have to win the rest of its games to finish on top.

Stowe's Perfect 7-0 Record Spoiled

Clemson's Harold Stowe, ace of the pitching staff with a 7-1 season mark, said in an interview with the Greensboro Daily News last week, "Of all teams, why Carolina-". He was referring to the fact that the Heels inflicted his first loss of the year last Friday in Chapel Hill and spoiled his perfect 7-0 record. Stowe, a product of Gastonia, stated that the reason for the success of his teammates, who finished last season with a paltry 8-10 record, is the coaching of Bill Wilhelm, acquired this winter. Wilhelm was Walt Rabb's assistant here at Carolina last year and played Carolina League ball with the Greensboro Patriots last summer.

Only 4 Runs For Heels — But Enough

By way of oddities—Carolina scored only four runs in its two games last week, but it proved to be enough. The Tar Heels beat Clesmon 2-0 and South Carolina 2-1. It is interesting to note that pitchers Ben Harding and Wayne Young gave up a grand total of O earned runs last week. Young has a phenomenal 0.59 earned run average, and Harding has racked up five wins without a loss.

Tar Babies Looking Good

Outlook—The frosh baseball team has really been looking good and should furnish plenty of help to the varsity nine next year. The Tar Babies have compiled an 9-1 record, and have beaten such teams as Duke and State. Standouts include Ferg Norton, 2b; Carroll Bolick, catcher; Dee Frady, lf; Tommy Camp, 3b; and pitchers Jerry McNeil, Wayne Allen, and Bob Deaton to name a few.

Raugh Now With Augusta

Whereabouts—one of Carolina's all time great baseball players, pitcher Jim Raugh, is now with Augusta. Daugh is in the Detroit Tiger organization, and was previously scheduled to play with Durham of the Carolina League but made the jump sucessfully in in spring training.

Emerson Stadium Packed

A pleasant sight which we at first mistook for a mirage last week was Emerson Stadium packed with nearly 4,000 fans for the Clemson game. It could be that the pleasant weather is pulling them out of the dorms, but we'ed like to think that maybe the Carolina fans are waking up to the fact that they have quite a baseball team.

ROD AND GUN WINNERS — Three Carolina boys who won events in the first annual Rod and Gun Field Meet last fall. Left to right are John Crawford, target shooting; Tommy Nelms, archery; and Gay Cowan, trap shooting. The second annual rod and gun field meet is scheduled for Wednesday at the Durham Wildlife Club.

Carolina Meets State Today At 3:30 In Conference Contest

Riding on the crest of a seven-game winning streak the Tar Heels of Carolina today journey to the state capital to battle the State College Wolfpack in an Atlantic Coast Conference contest.

Carolina is sitting on top of the standings today with a 5-1 conference slate, compared to runner-up Clemson's 8-2. Last Saturday, while Carolina was beating South Carolina 2-0, Wake Forest upset front-running Clemson to put the Tar Heels in first place for the time this year.

Ben Harding led the Tar Heels to the victory over South Carolina as he pitched a 7-hit shutout over the Birds, never allowing an extra base blow. Roger Honneycutt slammed a 400 foot home run to lead Carolina batters for the day, and Al Pons got his 18th run batted in of the season.

The first five men in the Carolina line-up are all hitting over .285 going into today's game. Gerald Griffin leads with a .343 average, folowed by Carson Oldham at 328, Al Pons at .300 Vaughn Bryson with a .286, and John Burgwyn with a .286.

State's Dick Hunter is burning up the league with a blazing .422 average, and his outfield teammate Russ Casteen is sailing along at a .360 clip. The Pack has two of the better pitchers in the league in Dan Casteen and Joe Jones. Jones will probably be on the mound for the Wolfpack today, since it was he who shutout the Heels on a one-hitter in the finals of the Dixie Classic.

Carolina counters with two equally top-notch pitchers, Wayne Young and Ben Harding. Harding leads the team with a perfect 5-0 record. Young, who received credit for the win over Clemson as he struck out eight batters, has a miraculous 0.59 earned run average to go with a 3-2 record and a 15 strikeout performance against the Duke Blue Devils earlier in the season. Young is the probable starter for Carolina today.

Gametime is 3:30 and WCHL will broadcast the game from the State College campus in Raleigh at 3:20.

Fencers Beat VMI By 19-8

The UNC fencers returned a previous meet here and traveled to Lexington, Va. last Saturady where they defeated the VMI swordsmen by a total bout score of 19-8 for the meet. Scoring impressive wins in Sabre (8-1) and Foil (7-2), the Tar Heels were bested in Epee by a single bout (5-4). The Tar Heels were without the services of their No. 1 epee man, Bob Clay, and their No. 2 man, Carroll Raver. In the foil division Carolina's Bill Orr and Dave Evans both won three out of three, taking victories over VMI's foilsmen, Hill, Schaaf and Mahoney. Lopez of UNC scored his single victory in foil over Hirsch of VMI and lost to Mahoney and Hill for the 7-2 foil total.

In sabre, both Mudd and Aldridge handed defeats to all three of VMI's sabremen, Caldwell, Garrison and Marlowe. Dave Matthews of UNC defeated two out of three losing only to Caldwell of VMI to give Carolina the victory in sabre by an overwhelming 8-1 margin.

Despite the lack of their top two epeeists, UNC managed to score four victories over their opponents in that weapon with Bill Orr doubling in both foil and epee and winning two out of three in the latter, losing only to Fox and defeating Smith and Winiker, all of VMI. Carolina's other two victories in duelling sword were collected by Mudd (doubling in sabre & epee) and Simpson who each took one of three at the expense of VMI's Smith and Fox respectively. None of the VMI fencers were able to duplicate the feat of four of Carolina's men by winning three out of three, but in epee, Fox and Winiker of VMI did win two out of three with Smith's single victory over UNC's Simpson totaling five bouts to UNC's four in epee.

The annual individual intramurals championships will begin this Friday evening in Graham Memorial with the foil individual competition and will be followed one week later on Friday, May 9th by the individuals in sabre and concluded the following week, also Friday (the 16th), with the duelling sword championship.

Frosh Win 7-0

The Carolina Tar Babies upped their season record to 9-1 Saturday night as they beat Wilmington Junior College 7-0.

Wayne Allen pitched a five -hit shutout for the freshmen and also got 3 hits in five trips, including a double. Ferg Norton got 2 for 4. The Tar Babies meet State's Wolflets here today at 3:30. They previously beat State in a game at Raleigh.

Baseball Attendance Up

NEW YORK (AP)—The Los Angeles Dodgers are running ahead of the all-time record attendance pace while spearheading a National League increase of more than 50 per cent over last season.

The Dodgers have hauled in 377,601 customers in nine appearances in the Los Angeles Coliseum. When the Cleveland Indians set the big league record of 2,620,627 in their pennant-winning 1948 season they had 337,844 after nine home games.

The Milwaukee Braves, who established the National League mark of 2,215,404 paid admissions last season, drew 196,746 in their first nine games in County Stadium in 1957.

The Dodgers had a gate total of 109,520 in nine Ebetts Field games a year ago. The capacity in the Brooklyn park is 32,111 and in the Coliseum it is about 94,000.

The San Francisco Giants also show a healthy incerase. Although the capacity in Seals Stadium is less than half that of the Polo Grounds 23,448 to 52,000, the Giants have played before 168,728 home fans. In as many showings in New York in 1957 only 68,695 turned out.

In addition to the Giants and Dodgers only the Chicago Cubs and St. Louis Cardinals are moving in front of last season's attendance figures. Milwaukee is 6,000 behind. Philadelphia and Cincinnati trail by 25,000 and Pittsburgh by 22,000.

TODAY'S BASEBALL

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Cleveland at Washington, night — Score 2-1 vs. Pascualg 0-1.
Chicago at Baltimore, night — Pierce 0-2 vs. O'Dell 1-2.
Detroit at New York — Foytack 2-0 vs. Shantz 1-0.
Kansas City at Boston — Urban 1-0 vs. Brewer 1-1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis at Cincinnati, night — Mizell 0-1 vs. Purkey 2-0.
Milwaukee at Chicago — Spahn 2-0 vs. Phillips 0-0 or Fodge 1-0.
Pittsburgh at Los Angeles, night—Friend 2-0 vs. Erskine 1-0.
Philadelphia at San Francisco — Simmons 0-2 vs. Monzant 2-1.

Rod And Gun Meet Set

The second annual Big Four Rod and Gun Field Meet will be held Wednesday afternoon at the Durham Wildlife Club. The UNC Intrumaural Department, with the aid of the Durham Wildlife Club is sponsoring the event to encourage the other Big Four schools to begin participating in rod and gun activities.

This year the meet will feature four events: target shooting, archery, trap shooting, and bait casting. Trophies, provided by the State Intramural Department, will be given to the individual winners of each event.

Carolina and State Tie

In last year's meet Carolina and State tied for first place in the team standings. This years Tar Heel team group will be led by John Crawford, Tommy Nelms and Gay Cowan all of whom won events in the first meet. State is expected to enter a strong team again this year along with Wake Forest.

All students except those on the R.O.T.C. rifle teams are eligible to participate. Any number of students from each school may enter with only the highest score in each event counting toward the team score. Due to limited time, however, contestants will be permitted to enter only one event.

Any interested students should call the intramural office (9424) to secure further information. Transportation to the meet will be provided.

Murals

Tennis—4:00—KA vs TEP, Lamb Chi vs DU

Horseshoes—7:00—Zeta Psi vs Phi Delt, DU vs TEP, Sig Nu vs Zeta Psi (W), SAE vs DKE-2 (W), Cobb vs Joyner, Peacocks-1 vs Med Sch

Softball—4:00—Pi Lamb vs Chi Psi, KA vs Phi Delt, Beta vs DKE, Connor vs Dent Sch-3, Law Sch-2 vs Med Sch-2, SpE vs ZBT

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