

Tar Heels Have Backs To Tough Duke Wall

By CURRY KIRKPATRICK

DURHAM—It's a rough situation on the verge of disaster when you're 1-2 in the league and about to meet the country's ninth-ranked team, an undefeated one in the conference, on its home floor.

But that's exactly the position UNC and Coach Dean Smith find themselves in this afternoon after the loss to Wake Forest Thursday night. The Tar Heels play at Duke Indoor Stadium on a floor where they have not won since Feb. 4, 1960 at 2:00 in the second of the regionally televised ACC Saturday games.

And they play a Blue Devil team which has beaten them four straight times, won 23 consecutive league games, is 9-3 this

year and has lost only to three of the NCAA's top ten teams, (Kentucky, Michigan and Vanderbilt).

"We're in a bad spot, all right," Smith said yesterday before bringing his team here to work out at the stadium before watching the UNC-Duke frosh game last night. "And this is one of the toughest games any club in the country has to play this year—Duke at Duke."

Duke's last outing stopped Clemson—something UNC couldn't do—Wednesday, 81-75. But while the Devils were idle Thursday, they were probably the biggest winners after Wake's 80-71 win over Carolina. For the defeat left UNC with two league losses (the same as Duke's other

strong challengers, Wake and Clemson) while the Blue Devils are 5-0 in ACC play.

Smith, a bit disconsolate, was nevertheless optimistic about the Heel chances today. "We don't like to learn things the hard way but, if anything, the defeat Thursday will psychologically help us against Duke."

"We couldn't get into our offense against Wake, we never did get going, the only thing good about it for us was the effort. The rest was disappointing, but this is a good group of kids. They'll bounce back."

Duke's many-pronged attack includes an established college super-star, two six-ten plus giants, quick guards and tremendous depth.

"They are a better rebounding team than Wake, a better shooting team, and they have that good bench," Smith says. "But we'll be better too. I guarantee we'll get into the shuffle and improve our working the ball this time."

The game, an 8,800 sellout two months in advance, may feature a scoring joust between UNC's fabulous Billy Cunningham and Duke's outstanding shooter, Jeff Mullins. But, again, it may not.

For the Blue Devils have, in Hack Tison, as hot a performer as the ACC has seen in the past few weeks. Tison (6-10), who looked great at times last year, has looked greater in the last four games when he has opened Coach Vic Bubas's eyes with 83

points, 27 of them against strong Kentucky.

The spurt has lifted his average to 12.8, second on the team to Mullins. The latter (6-4), an exceptionally quick and strong player, is the type of guy who can break up a game fast. His average, 35th best in the nation, is 23.2, and he leads the team in rebounding with 96 total.

The two usually start at forwards with Jay Buckley (6-10) at center. But when Mullins moves to backcourt, Bubas may bring in one of two sophomores that have helped him out of some holes this year. The up-front soph is Jack Martin (6-6) whose average just does trail Buckley's. It is 10.1 to the big senior's 11.4. When Mullins stays at a for-

ward, Duke can alternate four guards, just about equal in all phases of the game except experience.

They are Buzzy Harrison (6-3), Ron Herbster (6-2), Denny Ferguson (6-0) and soph Steve Vacendak (6-1). Harrison, a veteran who started on last year's third-place NCAA team, is averaging 8.2, Vacendak, 6.1, and Herbster and Ferguson, about three apiece.

Brent Kitching (6-7) is another reason Duke's bench is strong—

he is one of its best rebounders.

The Tar Heels, mistakenly named by the Associated Press yesterday morning as the country's field-goal percentage leaders (N. C. State is), looked confused on offense against Wake Forest, and the defense, of course, could not save them against the 55.4 shooting average of the Deacons.

Cunningham, at 25.3 before the game (22nd nationally), got 27 and support from Mike Cooke (15) and Ray Respass (10) in the

loss. Cooke, weak from a bout with the flu, should be okay today, and Carolina needs his long-range bombing even to come close.

Charlie Shaffer will probably start with Cooke in backcourt, with either Bob Bennett, who had a miserable time at Wake, or Billy Galant up front at the fifth spot.

Bill Brown and Ray Hassell supply the UNC guard help with Bryan McSweeney, Carolina's best defensive man, being also its fifth front court player.

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SOUTH BEND, Ind. (UPI)—Veteran Notre Dame basketball Coach Johnny Jordan resigned Friday in the middle of a disappointing season. He said he's through with coaching.

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of "Jordan must go" after an Irish loss to old rival De Paul earlier this week, made the surprise resignation effective at the end of the season.

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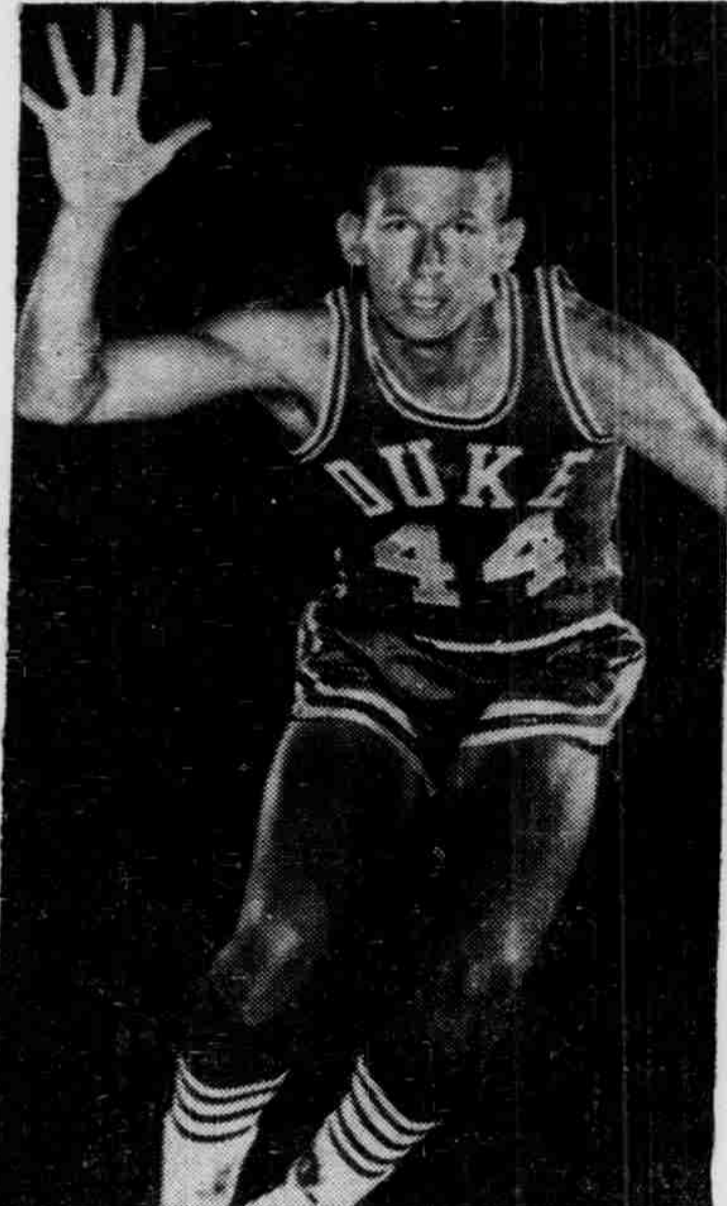
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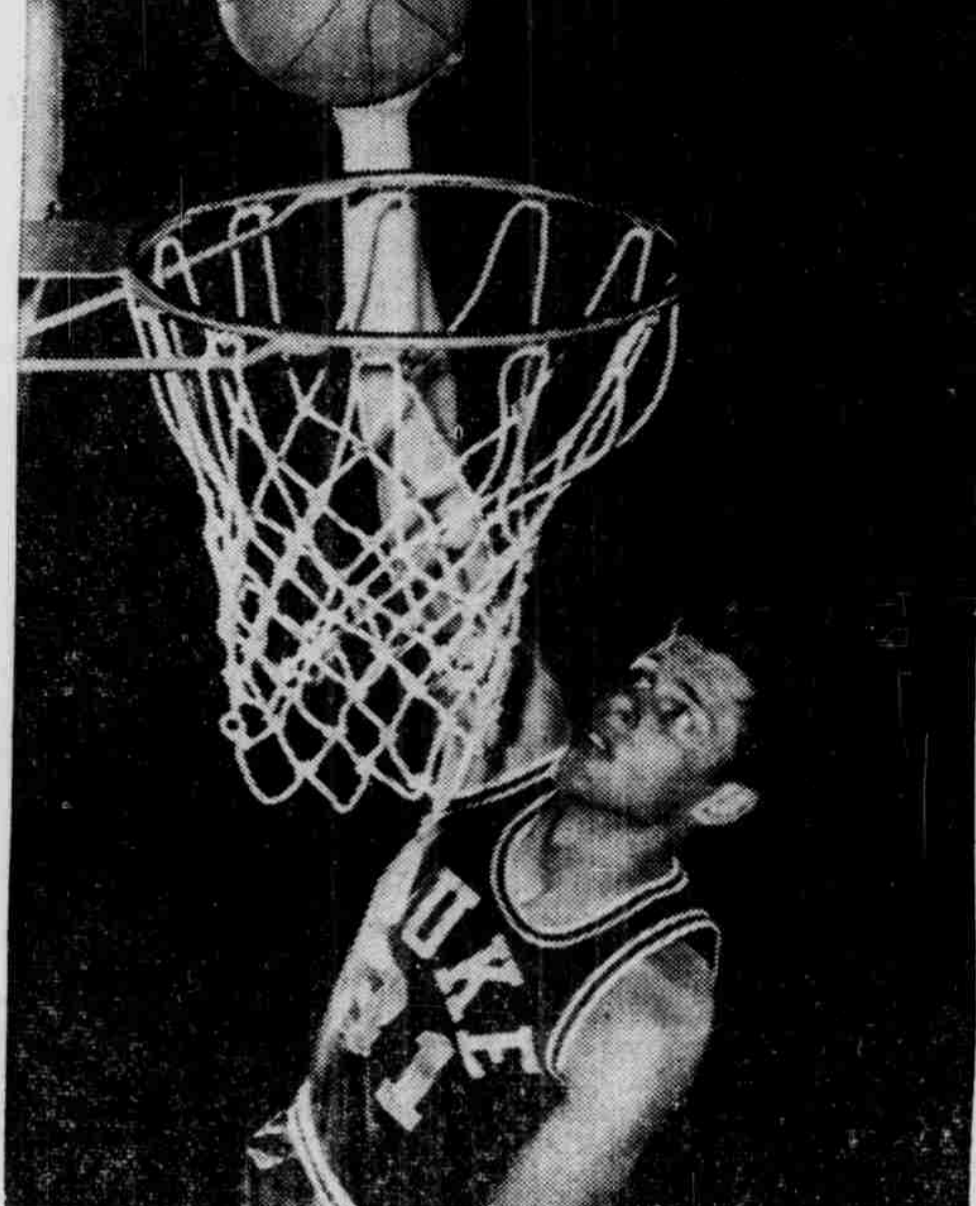
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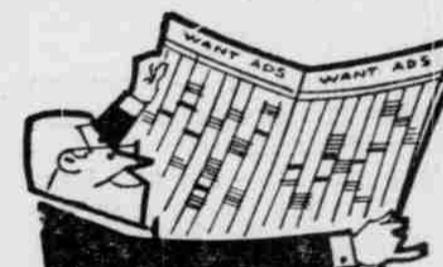
Frosh Win

DURHAM — North Carolina's freshman basketball team waited and waited and waited last night — waited until the final frenzied moments to capture its biggest win of the season, a 81-78 victory over Duke.

Hot-handed Bobby Lewis, who got 40 points, was also the ice man as the two teams came down the wire. UNC, fighting back from a nine-point deficit, took its first lead of the night with 1:50 left. Donnie Moe scored then on a beautiful feed by Danny Talbott to put the Tar Babies up, 79-78.

With Lewis rebounding and blocking Duke's last-gasp shots, UNC held its slim advantage. With six seconds left, Lewis hit from the inside to sew the ball game up.

Lewis also stretched his foul shooting mark to 31 in a row, hitting on 14 of 14 from the line.



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Tankers Host VPI—Expect Victory No. 7

By PERRY McCARTY

Carolina's Blue Dolphins hope to add their seventh victory in as many outings, when they face VPI this afternoon at four in Bowman Gray Pool. The visiting Gobblers should provide only moderate opposition.

Coach Pat Earey praised his swimmers for being ready early in the season on the strength of a determined effort. This plus outstanding individual performances give the tankers a perfect 6-0 mark prior to today's meet. The enthusiasm generated by hopes for an undefeated season has carried over to the post-holiday workouts.

Earey plans to experiment with a shuffled lineup in today's meet. Several of the number two and three men in each event have come along nicely and should be ready to provide much-needed depth by the time of the all-important N. C. State, Maryland, and ACC meets. Then too, most of the front line are committed to certain events. By using them in events other than their specialty, Earey hopes to present a more balanced attack.

Sophomore breast stroker Rick Forum and Pete Werthen, freshman freestyle ace, both participated in the Collegiate Swimming Forum held in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., during the recent holiday. Forum has been particularly impressive since his return.

Soaring Clark Seeks New Mark In Track Opener

RICHMOND, Va.—North Carolina high jumper Tom Clark will be out to break his own record today at the Chesterfield Invitational—the opening indoor meet of the season for Carolina.

Strangely enough, Clark, whose 6-6 leap last year set the Invitational record, didn't win the event then. He was tied by Maryland's Jim Bland, and when both boys missed at 6-7, Bland was awarded the win on fewer misses.

Saturday, Clark rates as a heavy favorite to take the title and the record. He's soared six feet, nine and a quarter inches since this time last year—and Clark's a guy still on his way up.

Optimistic Hickey's Contract Extended Through '67 Season

By JOHN MONTAGUE

Football coach Jim Hickey was awarded a new three-year contract Friday. The contract will go into effect when the present one expires a year from now—taking Hickey through the 1967 season.

"I am very pleased with the new contract," said Hickey yesterday afternoon. "I guess it's natural to be pretty happy when you get a contract extension such as this."

The quiet man who came through with a big win and lost record this fall predicted a

bright future for Carolina's football fortunes.

"We lose some mighty fine boys this year, but we've got the nucleus of a good team coming back," said Hickey. "The main thing we've got to get is more help at the tackles." At this position, UNC loses three of its top four through graduation. Cole Kortner, Vic Esposito and Gene Sigmon leave; John Hill returns.

"So far we haven't done as much recruiting this year as we would have liked to, but starting right now we'll be very busy on this."

"Overall, I think we have a better back-log of football players here at Carolina than we did a few years ago. I don't say we'll improve on this year, but the outlook for the next few years is good."



Hickey

Hickey, who has been at the helm of UNC's football ship since he was elevated from the ranks of assistant coach following the death of Jim Tatum in 1959,

brought Carolina through its best gridiron season in 15 years this past season. The Tar Heels' 9-2 record included two UNC firsts—an ACC title (shared with N.C. State) and a post-season bowl victory—and it brought Hickey's five-year record to 25-26.

Chancellor William B. Aycock and Athletic Director Chuck Erickson made the announcement after a meeting of the Executive Committee of the school's Board of Trustees yesterday in Raleigh. The contract was approved by CU President William Friday and the trustees.

Matmen In Blacksburg Today

BLACKSBURG, Va.—North Carolina's wrestling team brings a 2-2 record to this mountain town today. The occasion is a four-team meet with Ohio State, N. C. State and host Virginia Tech.

For Coach Sam Barnes' UNC matmen, this is the second trip into this state this week. On Monday night the Tar Heels de-

feated VMI, but the next night it was Virginia that came out on top.

After today one more meet remains on the Carolina grapplers' pre-exam schedule. East Carolina visits UNC next Saturday night—the first home match of the season.

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While you were off carousing, that restless ripper at the Intimate got at the Old Book Corner again. As a result, a lot of books are now perching on the 97c shelf. A lot that were dozing on the 97c shelf have skidded to 72c each, and a lot of former 72c aristocrats have joined the proletariat 38c group.

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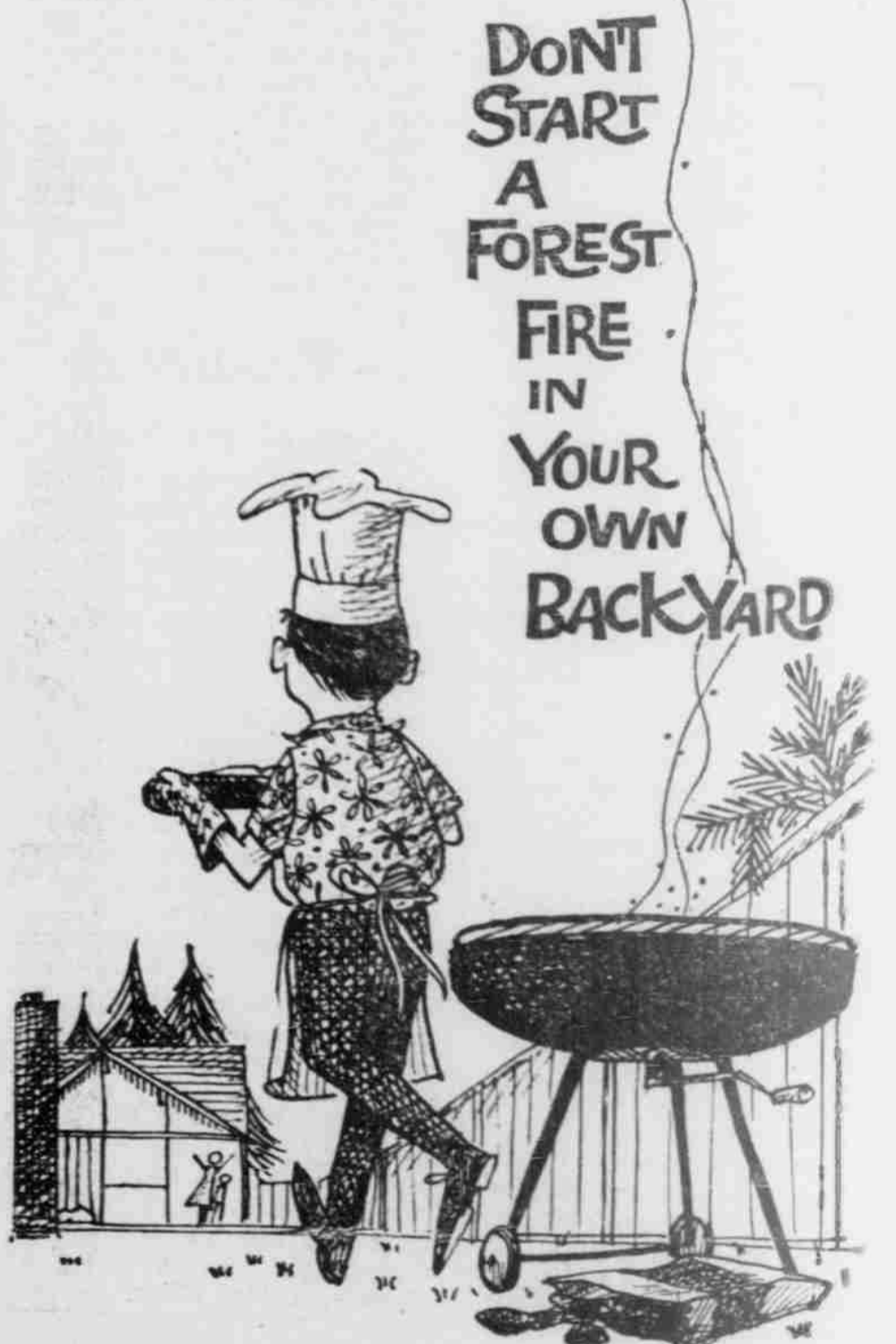
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