



Hoffman surveys big baseline

Senior Brad Hoffman pauses against Maryland last weekend, as Mitch Kupchak, Tom Roy and Steve Sheppard look on.

Staff photo by Gary Fress

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Maryland Terps conduct Heel-stomping revival

"Brothers and sisters, heed me. I am honored and pleased that those of you with great abounding faith have decided to come to this revival.

Our numbers are ever on the increase. We are as an army, lovers of basketball, pursuers of the truth. We ask the universal question, who is No. 1?

And I, as your leader, the right reverend Lerand (Lefty) Druscill, will lead you in the weekly holy roller part of our worship. I ask you to answer my statements with a loud chorus of Amen.

Now, brothers and sisters, we must speak of the ACC, that most holy of basketball bastions.

"Amen." "And we must talk of the now legendary Massacre on the Hill. Oh, woe to the legion of Tar Heel followers who were present at the worst beating any Carolina team has suffered in the hallowed halls of Carmichael."

"Amen." "Oh, how well those Terrapins played. How superbly the Deceptive Brad Davis and Strong Steve Sheppard played. How lucky is Lefty Driesell to have a team so good that he does not have to do any coaching."

"Amen." "How fortunate are the Maryland Followers to know they worship the best team in the ACC this year."

"Amen." "And how mighty in importance will the battle between those hated rivals Carolina and State be. How loud will echo the walls as the Tar Heels try to do something they have never done — beat David Thompson."

"Amen." "Oh brethren, I fear that I have sad news for those who follow the Carolina fortunes. The bad news is that Maryland almost assuredly has won a spot in the NCAA

playoffs thanks to the Massacre on the Hill. Woe also that the Tar Heels must follow with an act of strength mighty in comparison to their talent. They must win the ACC Tournament or at least come in second to Lefty's Legions."

"Amen." "Woe to the Carolina team that has played so well on the road only to play so-so at home. Woe to the fans who have witnessed games in which the Tar Heels played just well enough to win against the likes of South Florida, Virginia, and Duke — teams that they are clearly better than."

"Amen." "Prayers, brothers and sisters. Say prayers for the Carolina team in hopes that they will again play as well as they did at Maryland and State."

"Amen." "Pray that Walter Davis can find the confidence in his shooting and begin to hit the baseline jumper."

"Amen." "Pray that Phil Ford can continue to show the brilliance he has shown, so unusual in a

freshman."

"Amen."

"Pray that Mitch Kupchak keeps his back in shape. That Hoffman can keep hitting from downtown. And that LaGarde can hit the boards stronger."

"Amen, amen, amen." "Oh, brothers and sisters, we must continue to be strong. We must seek new ways to stop David Thompson. We must find a way to control the tempo and slow down Towe and Rivers."

"Amen." "Finally, brothers, we must find a way to get into the NCAA Tournament, the holiest of affairs. We must do all we can to avoid another trip to that city of sin — New York. We have to make sure that we end up with a team that will not be described thusly — The Carolina team, they were not bad, but they were not good."

"Amen." "Your prayers and your money are greatly appreciated brethren. I hope to see you again next week. The collection plate is on the right, as you exit."

Lefty: 'Pretty darn good'

by United Press International

After the Maryland Terrapins routed 10th-ranked North Carolina 96-74, gave the Tar Heels their biggest defeat ever in Carmichael Auditorium and ended a clean sweep on Big Four courts this season, Terp coach Lefty Driesell has every right to crow his team is "pretty darn good."

"I hesitate to call us a great team, but we've got to be pretty darn good to win down here by 20 points," Driesell said following the Atlantic Coast Conference win and the final regular season game the Terps have scheduled to play in North Carolina.

The Terps held on to their no. 1 spot in the ACC, compiling an 8-2 record in the conference and climbing to 18-3 overall. North Carolina State moved a half game behind Maryland with their 89-87 escape past Wake Forest. The Wolfpack is 7-2 in the ACC and 18-3 overall, while Wake Forest remains resting in the cellar with a 2-10 ACC

record and a 10-12 overall. Clemson (7-3, 13-8) thrashed Duke (2-8, 12-10) 100-66 and Virginia (3-7, 10-10) fell to Pittsburgh 71-70.

All-America David Thompson and freshman Kenny Carr racked up 22 points each to lead fourth-ranked North Carolina State over the scrappy Deacons. At the half Wake Forest, which upset the defending ACC champions earlier in the season, led 43-37. But the Wolfpack came back strong in the second half. Jerry Schellenberg of the Deacons led game scoring with 25 points.

In Clemson's revenge battle against Duke, Skip Wise hit for 21 points to lead the Tigers to their win and a fourth-place hold on the ACC roster. Tiger coach Tate Locke emptied his bench in the second half against the Blue Devils. Leading Duke scoring were Bob Fleischer with 16 points and Mark Crow with 14.

Pittsburgh had to go into overtime to beat Virginia, but a layup with two seconds still on the clock gave the Panthers the one-point

advantage. Leading all scorers was the Cavaliers' Wally Walker with 25 points.

Wednesday Maryland goes to Virginia. North Carolina State hosts Duke, Davidson entertains Wake Forest and Clemson travels to Georgia Tech.

The Saturday game between North Carolina State and Clemson will be regionally televised. Also Saturday, North Carolina visits Virginia, Long Island visits Wake Forest and Georgia Tech comes to Duke. Sunday Maryland will be at Duquesne.

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