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## Bryant in spotlight as UNC gears up for Pitt; Bowl tradition stressed

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Chapel Hill is a crowded town once again after summer vacation. One topic of conversation which always seems to come up these days, is "Imagine if we beat both Pittsburgh and Clemson?"

But UNC football coach Dick Crum knows that two games do not make a season. Nor is the nationally-televised game with Pittsburgh, which will kick off the season Sept. 9, being overplayed at practices.

"Certainly, it's an important game, but it's only one of 11," Crum said. "We have a whole schedule to play after that."

But, Crum also said, "This could be the best team Pitt has had since coming back to national prominence in the 70's."

Indeed, Pitt will roll into Three Rivers Stadium on September 9th with ten returning starters on both offense and defense, including the deadly scoring tandem of quarterback Dan Marino and split end Julius Dawkins that combined for 15 touchdown catches last season. And the Panthers' stingy defense led the nation last fall in total defense and rushing defense.

"A lot has been made about this football team already. I just hope our fans don't expect too much," Crum said. "Certainly, I want people to be excited and enthusiastic about our team. However, I just don't want them to have unreasonable expectations."

The Panthers have been ranked No. 1 on several preseason polls, while the Tar Heels are a solid Top 10 team. But not even the players will allow the national hype of the Pitt game to enter their minds.

"After that game, we'll have 10 more games," said quarterback Rod Elkins. "And one of our goals is to win the Atlantic Coast Conference championship."

"We're concentrating really hard to get ready for the season," said All-America offensive guard David Drechsler. "We want to be ready for Pitt because the opening game is important, but it won't make the season if we win or lose."

While Crum has been known in the past for his emphasis on defense, the offense will present him with many options.

Kelvin Bryant, a senior from Tarboro, will be in the spotlight this season. A knee injury he suffered in the fourth game of the year at Georgia Tech last season forced him to the sidelines. Bryant only played in 22 of Carolina's 44 quarters, but he still scored 18 touchdowns and compiled 1,015 yards rushing.

Bryant scored 15 of his TD's in the first three games, including six in the season opener against East Carolina. This season, Bryant is considered a strong candidate for the Heisman Trophy and he has made all of the pre-season All-America teams.

"He's a complete back," Crum said of his star performer. "He not only runs well, but he's a good receiver."

Crum said that Bryant's knee injury is now healed completely and he should have no ill effects this season.

Starting in front of Bryant at fullback will be James Jones, a 5-11, 195-pound junior from Rocky Mount. Jones was a starter in the Duke game last season after Alan Burrus went down with a knee injury at Virginia.

Three other backs have plenty of game experience and they will give Crum several different possible combinations. Burrus, prior to his injury, rushed for 463 yards and was an outstanding blocker for Bryant. Tyrone Anthony, a junior tailback, picked up 699 yards last season. He was named ACC Player of the Week after a 224-yard performance against Wake Forest.

Ethan Horton, a 6-4 sophomore, was shifted from No. 3 quarterback to starting tailback after Anthony was injured in the South Carolina game. Horton ran for 144 yards in the Gator Bowl win over Arkansas and was named co-MVP, along with Bryant.

Senior quarterback Rod Elkins will lead the balanced Tar Heel attack. Elkins, who passed for 994 yards last season, has an outstanding arm, runs well, and has the qualities of a good field leader.

"We didn't work enough on our passing game early because we didn't want to appear to be running up the score on people," Crum said. "Because of that we weren't as effective throwing the ball down the stretch as we would have liked."

Elkins has a mammoth wall of meat and muscle in front of him — and he knows it. "We have one of the best offensive lines in the country — the best I think," he said.

All-American David Drechsler and All-ACC performer Ron Spruill return to give Carolina one of the top guard combinations in the country. Steve McGrew, a center, and Brian Blados, a tackle, are the other returning starters on the line. Sophomore Bill Lawson, who was red shirted last season, will replace graduated Mike Marr at the other tackle, while senior letterman Doug Sickels will move into the tight end spot vacated by Shelton Robinson.

Though none of the Carolina receivers finished in the top 10 of the ACC's statistics, they are all capable of having outstanding seasons and making big plays. Mark Smith, a junior, is a returning starter at flanker. Lettermen Victor Harrison and Larry Griffin will see much action at the split end positions.

Crum has always been known for having strong defensive teams, and this year is no different.

Only outside linebacker Calvin Daniels, a draft choice of the Kansas City Chiefs, graduated on the front line. All-America candidate William Fuller returns with Mike Wilcher, Jack Parry, and Steve Fortson to form a strong pass rush, which will be tested early in games with Pitt and Vanderbilt.

The defense lost Lee Shaffer and Darrell Nicholson, both inside linebackers, to graduation, but Crum is confident with his replacements. Senior Chris Ward and junior Bill Sheppard, whom Crum says are "two quality linebackers," both saw action last year and will start this season.

Senior cornerback Greg Poole, an All-ACC performer last season, heads a secondary that he says is "as good as there's been since I've been here." Walter Black is the other cornerback, and Sammy Johnson is back at free safety. Willie Harris, a junior letterman, is the likely starter at strong safety.

"We have four guys who want to fly to the football," Poole said. "We want to punish the receivers — make them think the second time."

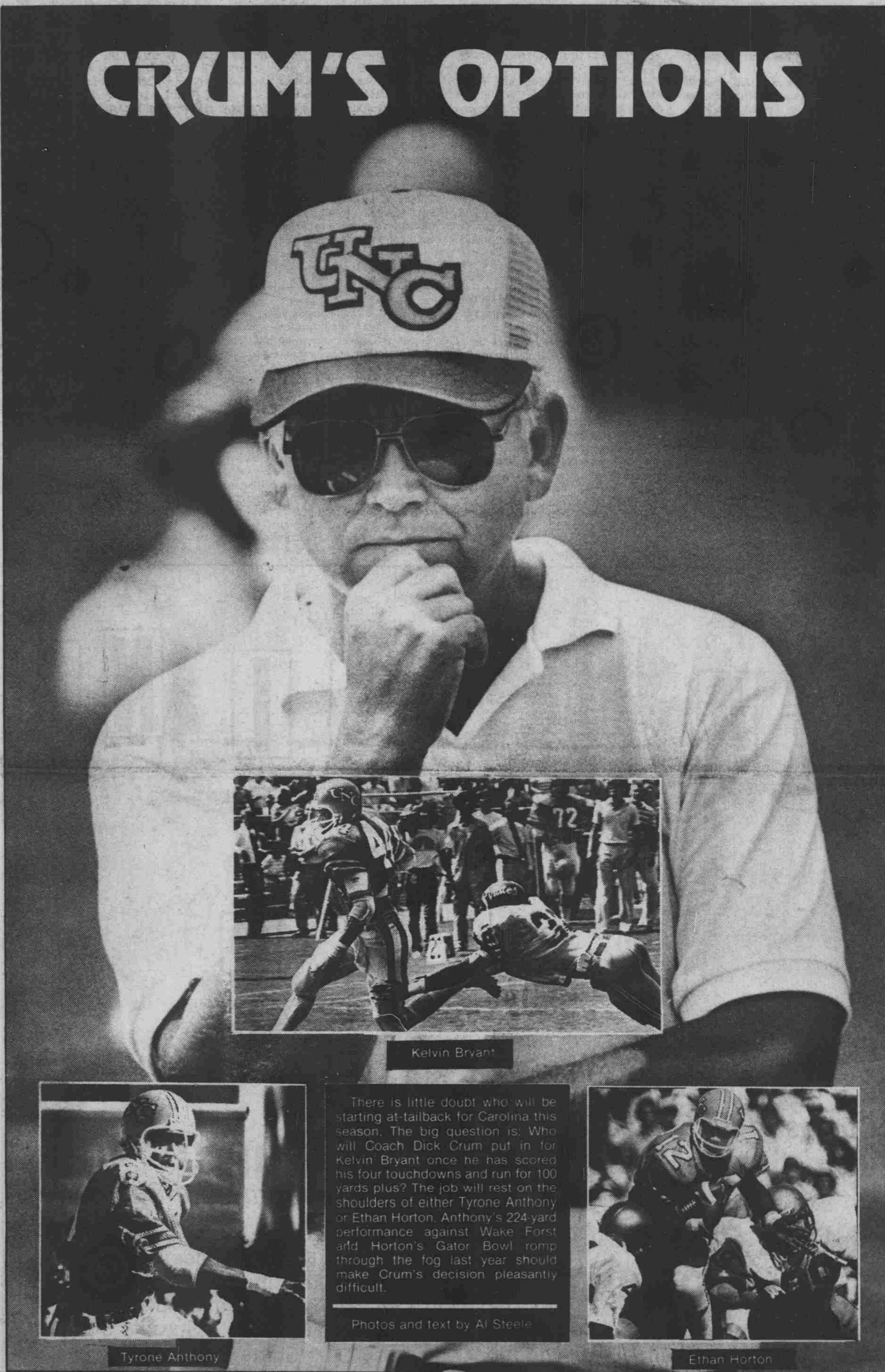
Jeff Hayes, who doubled as Carolina's kicker and punter last fall, graduated. Brooks Barwick will handle the kicking duties this season, while the punting job is up for grabs between Chuck Sharpe, T.J. Murray, David Lowe, and Rob Rogers.

While the possibility of an undefeated season is there, Poole believes the team will try to lengthen Carolina's string of three consecutive bowl victories.

"For the past three or four seasons," he said, "Carolina football has come a long way. Basketball has always been there, and they won their championship last spring."

"But since Coach Crum has been here," he added, "Carolina football has become pretty good. We're a Top 10 power and we want to keep up that tradition."

## CRUM'S OPTIONS



Kelvin Bryant

Tyrone Anthony

Ethan Horton

There is little doubt who will be starting at-tailback for Carolina this season. The big question is: Who will Coach Dick Crum put in for Kelvin Bryant once he has scored his four touchdowns and run for 100 yards plus? The job will rest on the shoulders of either Tyrone Anthony or Ethan Horton. Anthony's 224-yard performance against Wake Forest and Horton's Gator Bowl romp through the fog last year should make Crum's decision pleasantly difficult.

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## AIAW's demise raises questions about future of women's athletics

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The same day the Equal Rights Amendment died, another pioneer in the field of women's rights expired. On June 30, the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women officially closed its doors in Washington, D.C. This year, women will compete under the auspices of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

"We've discontinued all services, sold our furniture and the whole experiment is basically in mothballs now," said Dr. Ann Uhlir, executive director of the AIAW for the past three years. "Our only chance of survival is success in the upcoming anti-trust trial against the NCAA."

The AIAW, founded 11 years ago, can claim a great deal of credit for the evolution of women's collegiate athletics, from the prehistoric days of home-made uniforms to the \$100 million operation of 1982.

Financial aid awarded to female athletes in the 971 AIAW member institutions grew to more than \$30 million in 1980-81 and women's athletic budgets had risen from one percent of the men's to nearly 16 percent.

The AIAW may have been a victim of its own idealism. Its goal was development of an athletic model that would enhance the education of women while avoiding the commercialism that seems to be an inherent part of college sports.

"We wanted to insure that an athlete remained a student first and foremost," Uhlir said. "We believe there are many ways colleges can sustain competitive programs without entering into a high profit mode and becoming entangled with all the problems that go with it."

Since 1975 the NCAA has considered administering women's athletics at the national level. During the 1980 and 1981 conventions, the NCAA decided to accommodate women's interests and approved governance and championships for

women for the 1981-1982 season. The NCAA scheduled 16 of its 29 championships in direct conflict with those of the AIAW and paid transportation to its events. It was an offer 119 AIAW schools couldn't refuse.

"In effect, the NCAA was subsidizing women's championships for \$3 million in one year, something we couldn't afford to do," Uhlir said. "We've used this analogy before. It's like they're the Safeway store giving out free bread while we're the bakery next door who can't compete."

The NCAA also filed a lawsuit against the Department of Health, Education and Welfare in 1976 disputing the applicability of Title IX to intercollegiate athletics, which has yet to be resolved.

"The same organization that sought to dilute the impact of Title IX had in three short years devastated the AIAW," Uhlir wrote in a *New York Times* article. "The NCAA owns a clear monopoly of college sports for men. If it is allowed to extend its absolute control over women as well,

the NCAA will see to it that women's athletics and female leaders and athletes stay in their proper place—second-class citizens in the intercollegiate athletics programs of higher education."

Not everybody feels that way. "It's an absolutely positive change," said UNC swimming coach Frank Comfort, also an NCAA committee member. "The NCAA is better structured to take care of the wants and needs of women. The AIAW tried hard and looking back, it did a great job when nobody was interested in the progress of women's athletics. But they simply outgrew the AIAW."

UNC was a charter member of the AIAW in 1971. Associate Athletic Director Frances Hogan said women's athletics should benefit from consolidation with the stronger, wealthier NCAA. Unity won't necessarily mean inequality. "The whole idea is that men and women will operate under the same set of rules," Hogan said. "The AIAW did not have an effective way to in-

vestigate all infractions. We'll have to wait and see if the NCAA can do a better job, but I don't think anything can stop women's sports from continuing to move forward."

Others say the resources of the NCAA will improve women's programs.

"The NCAA proved itself last year in terms of media, money and publicity and I think that makes the future brighter than it's ever been," said Mike Sondheim, assistant director of women's athletics at the University of Southern California. "We hosted the volleyball nationals here for the third year. With NCAA-backing, we drew 10,000 people for two days of competition whereas the most we had before was 7,000 for three days. The whole thing was much more professional this year."

"I think the AIAW's views got away from the women they were representing and centered on those of the board," Sondheim said. "There were

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