

SPORTS

Humes won't let injury end dream

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"I feel healthy. I haven't had any major setbacks. I just hope I can stay there. I'm hoping my past injuries are all over with." — William Humes, Picture Day, 8/25/85

"I'm hoping this injury is just a minor setback. It's going to put me out, but I hope when I get in there, I can perform even better and make up for lost time." — Humes, 10/9/85

William Humes' football career at North Carolina has been one of great promise stunted by injury.

Ten days ago at football practice, Humes was handed the ball for a routine running play up the middle. It was near the end of practice and the junior tailback was fired up, trying to finish the day with a flourish. The preceding Saturday, Humes had fired up the crowd at Kenan Stadium, rushing for 104 yards against VMI. "He was beginning to come into his own as a player," coach Dick Crum said.

But Humes cut too hard on the soft practice field, as he passed through the line of scrimmage. "I went to throw a move, planted my left foot and turned too deep and it popped," Humes said. "It was a freak accident."

Humes tore the cartilage on the outside of his left knee and required arthroscopic surgery. The operation was performed successfully by Dr. Timothy Taft this past Monday to repair the cartilage damage, but Humes' expected recovery period is still uncertain. "It is impossible to tell at this point whether he can return this season," Dr. Taft said.

And so continues the hard luck story of William Humes at UNC.

Humes' injury woes began in the fifth



William Humes

game of his freshman season against Wake Forest, when he tore cartilage in his left knee. That injury ended his season.

The most recent injury is similar to the one he suffered in his freshman year, except less serious. But the fact that it occurred in the same area of the knee may expand the recovery period for his latest injury. "Reinjuries take longer to come around sometimes," Dr. Taft said.

Last season, Humes exhibited flashes

of greatness, including a dominating performance against N.C. State, when he gained 156 yards rushing and scored three touchdowns. But he sprained an ankle the next week and disappeared for the rest of the season.

Prior to the 1985 season, Humes again harbored high hopes as he stepped into Ethan Horton's sizeable shoes, as North Carolina's starting tailback. He is stubbornly refusing to let this latest setback wipe out his dream to become a part of UNC's great tailback tradition.

He began rehabilitation the day after his surgery with a rigorous schedule of basic leg extensions and hamstring curls designed to rebuild strength, mobility and range of motion in the knee. "The coach and the physical therapist are going to let me recover at my own speed," Humes said. "They're not going to rush me."

But Humes, who once said that he didn't like to set goals because he tended to demand too much of himself, has nonetheless set a timetable for his latest recovery. "If things go the way I want them to," he said, "I'm hoping to be back in four or five weeks."

In the meantime, the battle between William Humes' desire to play football and his disappointment concerning his physical problems rages on, without a clear winner.

Heels look to rebound vs. Wake

By **LEE ROBERTS**
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Embarrassment is the key word for the North Carolina football team as it heads into Saturday's 1:00 p.m. matchup at Kenan Stadium against a talented Wake Forest squad.

The Tar Heels were humiliated last week in a 31-0 thrashing by Georgia Tech and also in their 14-3 loss at Wake Forest last season, agreed upon by many UNC players as the low point of the 1984 season.

It is a pivotal contest for both teams in that they sport 0-1 records in the ACC. Whichever team loses will be hard-pressed to make a serious run at the title in light of Georgia Tech's 3-1 start. Wake Forest is 3-2 overall, North Carolina 2-2.

The Tar Heels will try to make an upward swing on their 1985 roller coaster ride by knocking off a Deacon team that presents many weapons in its arsenal, both offensively and defensively. The Deacons lead the ACC in total offense (421 yards a game), total passing offense (235 yards a game) and are second in total defense (281) and rushing defense (100).

"Wake is an experienced, balanced team," UNC coach Dick Crum said earlier this week. "There's not one real area you can count on stopping. They have a very good scheme of defense."

The Demon Deacons come off a 31-29 loss to a very tough Tennessee team last Saturday in Knoxville, in which they outgained the Volunteers in total offense, 462 yards to 309. Deacon quarterback Foy White (who's completed a whopping 66 percent of his passes) went 25-for-40 passing for 277 yards and three touchdowns in that game. White has thrown for 1,079 yards and 13 touchdowns already this season, on a pace to crush the ACC season record of 21 TD tosses set by Wake's Jay Venuto in 1980.

He's aimed his aerial circus at running back Michael Ramseur (33 catches on the year, eighth in the country) and wide receiver James Brim (25 catches).

Ramseur also leads the ACC in all-purpose yards (142 yards a game) and teams up with Topper Clemons, who's second in the ACC in rushing (426 yards, 6.1 per carry average).

Those numbers present a very real challenge to the UNC defense, which dropped to seventh in the conference in total defense after the Tech travesty. But Wake Forest coach Al Groh expressed respect for the UNC defenders.

"North Carolina has as good a defensive front as any team in the ACC," Groh said. "I'm also very impressed with their linebacker (Carl Carr), who is what I term a big-play type player."

But the UNC offense has something to prove, as well. Coming off the first whitewashing of a Tar Heel team in ten years, the pressure will be on quarterback Kevin Anthony and Co. to put some points up on the board.

"As I am every year, I'm impressed with their overall athletic skill," Groh

said. "They've got two legitimate pro prospects in Earl Winfield and Arnold Franklin. It will be important for us to control both of them."

Winfield was controlled last week to the tune of three catches last week for 25 yards, and Franklin caught two passes for only nine yards.

It will also be necessary to get the running game going as well, a tall order in the wake of leading rusher William Humes' injury last week. Freshman Brad Sullivan started at tailback for UNC against Georgia Tech and compiled 62 yards in relief of Humes.

Series Record

UNC leads series, 53-26-2

First meeting: Wake Forest 6, UNC 4, 1888

Last UNC victory: UNC 30, Wake Forest 10, 1983

Last meeting: Wake Forest 14, UNC 3, 1984

football picks of the week

Teams	Lee Roberts	Tim Crothers	Scott Fowler
	28-21-1	27-22-1	30-19-1
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Wake Forest at UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC
Duke at South Carolina	USC	USC	USC
Virginia at Clemson	Clem.	UVA.	Clem.
N.C. State at Pittsburgh	Pitt.	Pitt.	Pitt.
Western Carolina at Georgia Tech	GT	GT	GT
Alabama at Penn State	PSU	Ala.	Ala.
Nebraska at Oklahoma State	Neb.	OSU	Neb.
Florida State at Auburn	FSU	FSU	Aub.
Michigan at Michigan State	MU	MU	MU
Oklahoma vs. Texas	OU	OU	Tex.

scoreboard

Calendar

WOMEN'S TENNIS at Harvard Tournament, Cambridge, Mass.
VOLLEYBALL at Maryland Invitational, College Park, Md.

Saturday
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY at Marquette Invitational, Milwaukee, Wisc.
FIELD HOCKEY at Maryland, College Park, Md., 11:00 a.m.
FOOTBALL vs. Wake Forest, Kenan Stadium, 1:00 p.m.
WOMEN'S SOCCER at Massachusetts, Amherst, Mass., 11:00 a.m.
WOMEN'S TENNIS at Harvard Tournament, Cambridge, Mass.
VOLLEYBALL at Maryland Invitational, College Park, Md.



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