Black's presence felt on track squad

Brown: Latin Lover invades Chapel Hill

By Ron Tillman

When the starter shouted go, the runner took off effortlessly. The body was just a blur as it sped around the track

"Let's go Reg, let's go!" spectators shouted.

"You're the one Reg, you're the one!"

"It's yours Reg, it's yours!"

The body flew around the far turn. His arms and legs moved easily. The stride was perfect. The body lean and superb. The figure was gliding across the finish with as mucp ease as when the runner began.

The runner's name is Reggie

Reg, "The Latin Laver," as his

teammates call him, transferred here as a junior from Spokane, Wash., which was even farther from his native Trinidad. After his impressive years at the junior college, where he ran his best 440 in 47.0 seconds, Reg came here with the encouragement of former UNC runner Lennox Stewart.

Reg likes it at UNC, he says. After an adjustment period, he seemed to fit right in, he adds. He feels that the associations with his teammates helped him adjust.

"They're really a good group of guys, he says. "They've helped me by introducing me to people, helping me with courses and the like."

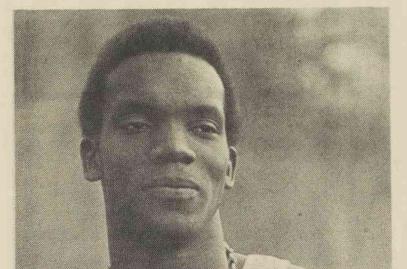
"The people (at UNC) for the most part have really been friendly, and the chicks . . . What can I say?"

As far as track is concerned, "It's a very integral part of my life. I love it," he says. "I love to run, and above all, to compete. Competition is when all your hard work pays off, your goals are achieved. That's when it all counts."

His all time best in the 440 was 46.8 seconds, which he ran in Trinidad. The UNC record stands at 47.5 seconds. Reg hopes to bring that record much lower.

Note: The Carolina April 15 relays mark the last home performances for seniors Sam Beasley, Elwood Johnson and Winfred Falls, mainstays of the team over the past few years.

The BLACK INK salutes them!



Sam Beasley is a UNC record holder in the long jump at 25 feet. Beasley, from Pensacola, Fla. has been co-captain of this year's team.

He defends his ACC outdoor long jump title at N.C. State, April 19, at the ACC Championship meet.

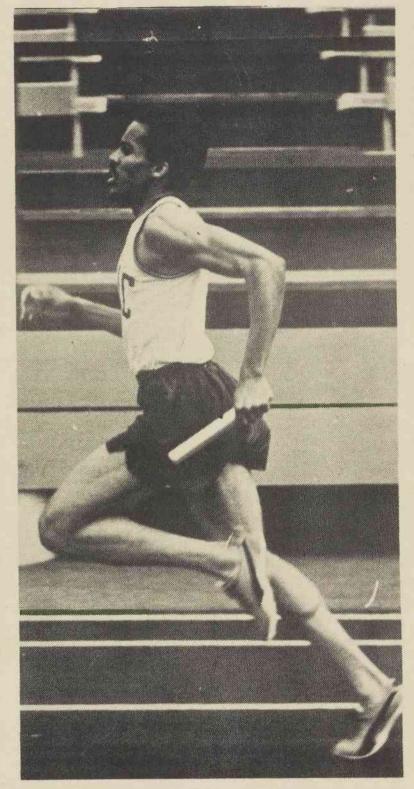
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middle of basketball season, and therefore track receives little or no coverage.

Outdoor season begins in March, with the most prestigious event being the Carolina Relays in April. Top Black teams around North Carolina, including A&T, NCCU, and Fayetteville State meet at Carolina. However, this event usually, as it does this year, occurs on the same day as the Annual BSM picnic, thus the crowd participation is greatly lessened.

The track team deserves a lot more backing and encouragement. I hope that the recognition of the track team's journalistic injustic, as well as its non-support by the Black members of the student body, will allow next year's team to receive coverage and fan support from the beginning of the season.



Reggie Brown

Bynum excels in campus bowling

Sports Writer

Terry Bynum has a 165 average here at Carolina. For the academic community, that's phenomenal. For a batting average, he could stand some work. But for bowling, an average like that is not too bad.

He's been bowling since the tenth grade, when he really got into team competition. Starting in Greensboro gave him a chance to bowl against other brothers near his neighborhood. But when a lady bought the alley near his home and decided to turn the place into a discount jewelry house, things didn't look too bright for the brothers, even for Terry.

Carolina, however, gave him a chance to pick up the habit again, and he has started out to become one of the top bowlers on campus. Team intramurals has a lot to do with it.

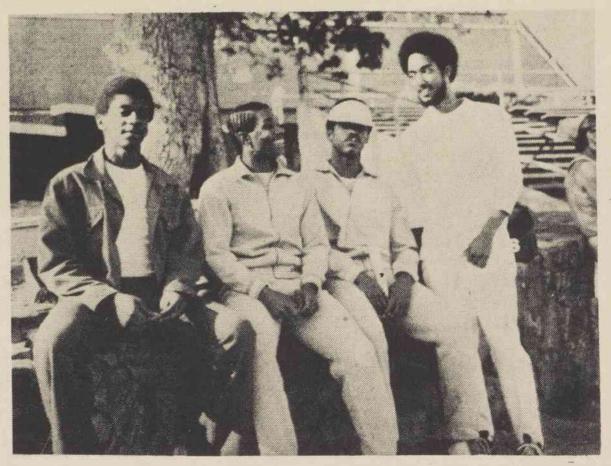
"Since school had interrupted bowling on a regular basis, I just welcomed the opportunity to bowl again. I'm graduating this year, so I'd like to start back bowling in a couple of leagues.

"My game would have to improve a lot before I would go pro. It depends on how much time I had to bowl. It's just like a living. Pro bowlers have to put so much time into their bowling. I don't know if I'm ready to go pro."

Terry's ability was recognized by some fellow bowlers while he was participating in dorm league at Hinton James. The guys obviously liked what they saw, and they asked him to be part of the team.

"I guess they noticed me while I was bowling with the dorm team. They came by my room and asked me did I want to bowl. I didn't know they had gotten a team together."

Terry is now finishing Carolina as a pharmacy mojor. With his bowling improving as it has with practice and competition, before long there could be another break in an athletic barrier on the professional level.



Elwood Johnson (left), and Winfred Falls (center), quartermilers from Greensboro will graduate this year. Chuck Hayes (left center) and Howard Fitz (right) remain as mainstays of the teams.