

First Annual Pro-Alumni Game Slated For Sat.



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Robert McAdoo and Charlie Scott were two of the greatest roundball stars to wear the V-necked Carolina blue jersey. But they displayed their talents in front of near segregated live audiences, with their most avid Black fans cheering for them through the television screen. But hope is not lost. Tar Heel fans young and old will now have a chance to see their favorite basketball stars. And it may be an annual affair.

It all starts Saturday, September 10 at 5:00 p.m. when Campus Chest sponsors the First Annual Pro-Alumni Basketball Game. Admission to the game, to be held in Carmichael Auditorium, will be \$3.00. Proceeds from the game will go to Campus Chest, which supports several local charities.

According to the Sports Information Office, invitations were sent to all former Carolina players who received pay checks from the National Basketball Association or the defunct American Basketball Association. Invitations were also sent to Walter Davis, Tommy LaGarde,

John Kuester, Bruce Buckley and Woody Coley, senior members of last year's Tar Heel team.

NBA head coaches Larry Brown of the Denver Nuggets and Doug Moe of the San Antonio Spurs will serve as player-coaches in the game.

Besides McAdoo, who plays for the New York Knicks and the Celtics' Scott, other active professionals receiving invitations are Mitch Kupchak of the Washington Bullets, George Karl of Moe's San Antonio Spurs, Donald Washington and Bobby Jones of Brown's Denver Nuggets, and Darrell Elston of the Atlanta Hawks.

Remember the 1957 National Champions? (They were before my time.) This contingent won 32 games in a row including a triple over-time victory over a Kansas team that was led by a guy named Wilton Chamberlain. Three members, Pete Brennon, Lennie Rosenbluth and Joe Quigg, of that elite Carolina team will return to Carmichael with their assortment of one hand push shots and two hand set shots.

Other pros receiving invitations to play in this initial Pro-Alumni affair are Lee Shaffer, Lee Dedmon,

Bob Lewis, Larry Miller, Bill Chamberlain, Dennis Wuycik, York Larese and Billy Cunningham.

"This game should be a great attraction for long-time Carolina basketball fans," said Tar Heel Coach Dean Smith. "It's going to be a great thrill for them to see someone like Charlie Scott introduced in Carmichael Auditorium again."

Smith said every effort will be made to divide the two teams equally to insure a close, exciting game.

The Sports Information Office reports that plans call for this game to be played each year before the professional players report to their training camps.

Who was really the best? McAdoo? Scott? Or was it Walter Davis? (Some say it was Rosenbluth).

It will indeed be a thrill to look down on the court at some of our greatest Black stars. And for them, it will certainly be a change of scenery when they look up into the stands and see a few more Black faces.

However the outcome on the court, this first Annual Pro-Alumni basketball game should be a winner.

Football '77 The Offensive Line Is The Big Question

Carolina opens its 1977 schedule on September 10 exactly the way it closed in '76 -- against highly regarded Kentucky and without All-America Tar Heel rushing "king", Mike Voight. Last season injuries took Voight out of the offense, but this time graduation has taken its course.

A Preview By Gregory Clay, Sports Editor

Coach Dooley has a big job in finding a replacement for Voight, but he may solve it if he puts his idea of switching Billy Johnson to tailback in action.

Johnson is a powerful, 250-pound sophomore from Buckingham, Virginia, who played fullback last year, but has the speed to operate in Dooley's tailback-oriented offense. "As tailback, Johnson will start from five-and-a-half or six yards out, instead of three as fullback," Dooley said. "He'll hit that line with a whole lot more velocity."

Because of his size and blocking activity, Johnson may be a better fixture at fullback and there is also a list of other candidates for the tailback position with some impressive credentials.

There's Terence Burrell, who starred in the J.V. Duke game two years ago by gaining 136 yards rushing and capturing MVP honors. Doug Paschal, Delbert Powell (the

All-ACC kick returner as a freshman last year), Phil Farris, and an exciting newcomer, "Famous" Amos Lawrence, who averaged over seven yards a carry in high school at Virginia Beach, are all vying for that tailback position.

Finding a capable tailback is one thing, but operating behind a good offensive line is another because you ain't gonna gain no yards if your guys up front can't do their job. The offensive line was destroyed by graduation at the close of last season and thoughts of rebuilding are scary since depth is a problem. But the list of returning candidates all have game experience with the likes of John Rushing and Mike Salzano at guard, Bobby Hukill and Steve Junkman at tackle, and Scott Davison at the center position.

Matt Kupec is a cinch to be the starting signal-caller this year and last year's experience should help him. His receiving targets are back and with much depth led by senior Mel Collins, a potential touchdown on every play. Also veterans Walker Lee, Jim Rouse, tight end Brooks Williams, and speedy Wayne Tucker, who was MVP in the spring Blue-White game when he caught a 43-yard scoring pass with 14 seconds remaining, enabling the Whites to win, 21-14.

Defensively, the strength is the line headed by All-American candidates Dee Hardison at tackle and Ken Sheets at end. Rod Broadway, a strong defensive tackle, comes back for his fifth season and Bunn Rhames will compete for a tackle slot. Dave Simmons, who could very well be the fastest lineman in



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Cornerback Bobby Cale(31) led the ACC in interceptions last year with five.

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