

Rambling

With YOCK MALLOY

A few records will be broken when the Christians entrain for Miami Wednesday, for their game with Miami U. It will be the first time in the history of Elon that the team has traveled by train. It will also be the longest trip ever made by the Fighting Christians. But there is one record we hope will not be broken, and that is the undefeated record of our team.

We believe the team will be in better shape for the Miami game than for any other on the schedule. With three close hard-fought games behind them, and a two-weeks rest since the Lenoir-Rhyne game, the Christians should be in top-flight shape. We are in doubt as to whether it is a twist of fate or cleverness on the part of the coaches, that the Miami game should occupy the key spot on our schedule. But whatsoever it may be, we believe it is to the team's advantage.

Although Elon will enter the game as the underdog, it is not impossible for the Christians to emerge the victor. Upsets seem to be the byword of this topsy-turvy season.

The ineligibility of the Freshmen for this game will be one of the handicaps that the Hendricksonmen will have to face. The other will be injuries; Bernie Daher and Hub Laws are definitely out, while it is still doubtful as to whether Curry Bryan and Joe Tomanchek will play.

When Bill Palantonio recovered that Lenoir-Rhyne fumble in the first quarter of the game last Friday, it was the first time in his career that "Birdlegs" had ever scored a touchdown. Palantonio, along with Showfety and Zurlis, made the center of the line a tough place for the Bears to crack.

The tight aerial defense of the Christians bogged down in the Lenoir-Rhyne game. The Bears completed 7 passes out of 14 tries, one for a touchdown in the second quarter. That makes two touchdowns scored on the Cannonade this season, one through the line and the other by the air lanes. This leaves the two lines of defense even as to touchdowns. We wonder which will hold the best throughout the rest of the season.

Extral Extral Extral Max Zyvith has been elected captain of the Suicide Squad. As to the election of Captain "Zybo," "Coach" Allison has this to say, quote: "I don't think the boys could have made a better selection. Max is a fine player and a capable leader."

It was a tough break that an offside penalty had to nullify that touchdown Bernie Askin made in the Lenoir-Rhyne game. It would have been the first one of his college career.

We are happy to announce that Art Lea, captain of the Christians last year, has been added to the coaching staff at Wake Forest. But we don't know whether to congratulate Art or not; after all, who wants to be around "Pea-head" after that beating Clemson handed the Baptists last week.

FOOTBALL TEAM IS AWARE OF BACKING BY STUDENT BODY

Anxious to know what the Elon team's reaction is to the kind of spirit displayed before and during the Lenoir-Rhyne game, the Maroon and Gold interviewed a member of the team. His remarks, in substance, were these:

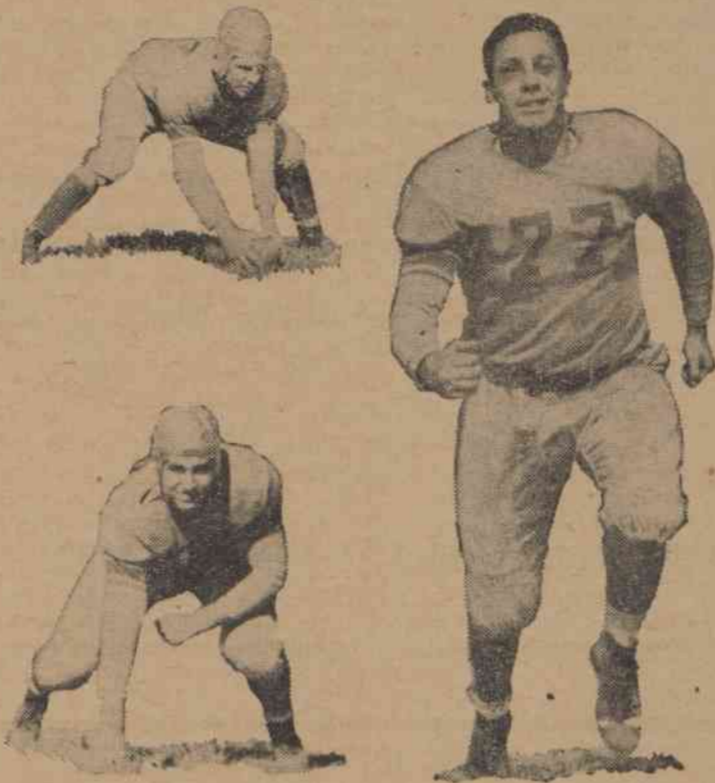
We football players think the spirit of the student body is at a very high level. The student body is the fight of any team, whether football, basketball, or baseball. The students help a fair team to be a winning team, and a good team to be champions.

Do the players hear the cheers and yells? Well, yes and no. When we say no, we mean that we hear no individual or any small group. But when we say yes, we mean that we hear them as one large group in a rhythmic way. By this we mean that the rhythm of the music and yells makes each player work in a rhythmic form. Therefore each of us clicks, and when the whole team clicks, look what you have—a winning team.

We think we have a fair team, so let's stick with the click, hang with the gang, and finish up with a bang! Help us make this fair team become a better team with the wonderful spirit you have now.

Elon Faces Major Test In Miami Game

Hard Charging Elon Linemen



The center of Elon's forward wall was responsible for all points scored by the Christians in the Lenoir-Rhyne game. Palantonio, pictured on the right, scored the only Elon touchdown when he recovered a Bear fumble in the first quarter. Showfety, lower left, blocked the kick which resulted in a safety, and which proved to be Elon's margin of victory. Wilkinson, upper left, played a stellar game at center and intercepted the pass that put an end to a Bear touchdown bid.

CRUISING WITH CRUTCHFIELD

For all the difference it will make to North Carolina football teams, post-season bowl games might as well be cancelled now.

Before the season opened, grid fans were speculating as to which Tar Heel club or clubs would be among those rating an invitation to one of the many New Year's Day classics. Duke had another Rose Bowl squad—Wake Forest surely would reach the Orange or Sugar Bowl—Carolina, an unknown quantity, might come through and win a chance at one of them. So predicted the experts.

But, and perhaps luckily for the fan who likes to see real football played, all thought of any post-season clashes is gone. Early season opponents have killed the chances of every team in the state to prolong the year.

Carolina was first to drop from its questionable throne, bowing to Wake Forest, 14 to 0. Then Duke stepped down from its position among the high and mighty, allowing Tennessee to romp at will for a 13 to 0 triumph.

Through all of this, Peahead Walker's Demon Deacons were riding high, wide, and handsome. The New York press experts were raving over "The Mystery Team of the South". But the day of reckoning was to come sooner than any expected, and a decidedly

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The Undefeated Christians Leave Wednesday To Face The Highly Favored Miami Hurricanes, Next Friday Night, In Elon's First Intersectional Clash Of The Year.

Before an expected crowd of 30,000, the mighty Christians will put at stake their undefeated record for the season, when they try to stop the vaunted attack of the Miami University team, come Friday night. For the first time this season the Cannonade will be placing their record before a major team, and will enter the game decidedly the underdogs.

The Christians came through the Lenoir-Rhyne game in fairly good shape, and after a two-weeks layoff they will be raring to go. Coaches Hendrickson and Brunansky have been pushing the boys to get them in top shape for this crucial tilt. The suicide squad has been running Miami plays against the varsity for the past week; the line has withstood the onslaught, while the pass defense has bogged down at times.

This will be the first time that Elon has faced a Miami team on the football field, but Miami is no newcomer to the basketball team, Elon having played and beaten the University team last year.

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