Christians look good, despite new injuries

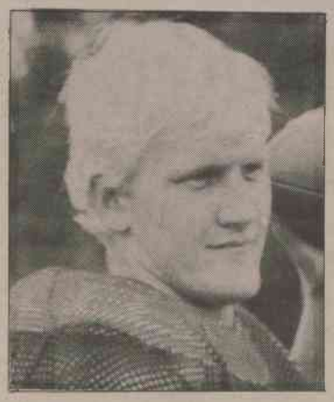
Hot weather and long practice is beginning to take a toll on Elon's football squad. A number of players have been injured as Elon prepares for the season opener with Guilford in 10 days.

The battle for the starting quarterback position got a little tighter this week as two of the combatants went down with injuries.

Veterans Garrett Robinson and Mike Brodowicz and newcomer Perry Cuda are the combatants who remain after the knee injury to Tony Clark and the broken leg suffered by Craig Taylor.

Clark is expected to be out for the season while Taylor will be out for at least four weeks.

Quarterback is not the only position suffering casualties. Two offensive linemen are doubtful this week as tackle Ricky Sigmon suffered an injured shoulder and center Mike Henley has a questionable knee.



Mike Brodowicz

The Fightin' Christians are not down and out though. Head Coach Mackey Carden said, "Our receivers have probably been the brightest spot on the team. They've come together and worked well as a group. Chuck Ward has shown great improvement and is really doing a good job catching while Willis Dingle has looked good with blocking. Stanley Hairston and Jay Simmons, along with Richie Linens have looked good, too."

By the way, Simmons is not the same Jay Simmons who as a senior last year led the Christians with 34 catches for three TDs. This year's Jay Simmons is a sophomore from Highland, Ind.

"We do have a big question with our offensive line," Carden continued. "In fact, right now we have a couple of freshman in the first unit. We don't know if it will stay this way, but we will start our best people in that first game, regardless of class."

The Fightin' Christians will count on Jonas Davis and Mike O'Lari in the backfield but both have been hampered on and off injuries. The two should be ready when Sept. 21 comes around. In 1984 Davis made all-conference and all-district by gaining 1,103 yards rushing and scoring 14 TDs. "Dwayne Clark has probably been the one individual whose performance has been consistent every practice. He's worked fullback, but we may be able to use him in the tailback position as well," Carden said.

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well as lower-class families and in all racial groups. "Child abuse was once seen as a lower-class problem," he said, "but that isn't so now."

Ann Wooten of the Alamance County Department of Social Services says that children themselves are helping to publicize child abuse more widely than ever before. "Often children have felt that when they are abused, it is their own fault. They have to try and tell their parents they are being abused—and many are doing so now."

Nowell, who came to Elon last January after having served as security director at the Gallaudet College for the deaf in Washington, D.C., was accused of having had sex with one 10-year-old child and another 14-year-old who was mentally impaired. *The Greensboro News and Record* reported that when Alamance County sheriff's deputies entered Nowell's home, they found pornographic literature, films and sexual devices.

Nowell was wanted on three fugitive warrants from Maryland, on charges of engaging in perverted acts with children that could have gotten him up to three life sentences.

Almost everyone at Elon who knew Nowell even slightly seemed stunned that the softspoken, professionally competent man could have had such a character flaw.

"He came to us with an excellent background," says Nan Perkins, an assistant to the president. "He never gave us any cause for concern."

Arcaro says there is no way to determine if someone is a sexual deviant, even in an interview. "People are very adept to falsifying. In an interview, you can pass off a favorable and consistent personality," Arcaro said. Arcaro defines this as "compartmentalization." This occurs when an individual separates home life, work life and social life. "People show one face to Mommy and Daddy, one to teachers and one to employers. It is a way of exercising differnet dimensions of the personality," Arcaro said.

Arcaro says that this form of extreme sexual deviance that Nowell exhibited is much more widespread than people understand. Arcaro, doesn't believe Nowell was any less competent a security guard than anyone else. "As far as him being a threat to someone on campus, I doubt he would be because he kept it so closed. It was very painful for him."

Alamance County Superior Court Judge Robert L. Farmer sentenced Nowell without comment after Nowell told of his own abused childhood.

"He took the stand and said he was sexually abused by an adult, but had never told his parents," said Jim Roberson, an assistant district attorney. After his arrest, Nowell tried to commit suicide by slashing his wrists. Elon College Police Chief Dan Ingle described Nowell as professionally "perfect" but privately, a "broken man."

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