

## Sports Scope

By Sonny Cherry

As school gets underway once more at RMSHS, one word can be should prove quite a tussle as the heard louder and more often than any other — football!

it looks like the year for the Black- cats, (sticking my neck cut,) I'll birds. Opening with an impressive say by about 13 points in a low-34-0 victory over Oxford Orphan- scoring ball game. age, the Birds played a promising offensive and a terrific defensive brand of ball.

the Salisbury game as the locals unleashed a devastating ground game to whip the Yellow Jackets 18-0 without throwing a pass. Halfbacks Harper and Bell consis-

The Wilmington encounter Wildcats have looked good in their early games. However, it looks from here as if the Blackbirds This is no accident, however, as should be too much for the Wild-

#### School Spirit

Being big (197 pound average This pattern was continued in on the line) and tough, the Birds could go a long way. Much of their success depends on the support of the student body, however, and it will give the team sometently ate up yardage, and fullback thing to really fight for if they Maples ripped off several long can feel this support. The cheerruns. The entire line looked very leaders are doing a fine job this sharp, both on offense and de- year but need the support of everyfense, with Fred Harris playing an one in order to keep the spirit exceptionally fine defensive ball high. Let's stay behind the team all the way.

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# Rampaging Birds Beat Quakes



HIGH FLYING BLACKBIRD — Big Donald Stallings, 220 pound Blackbird tackle, toughens up for Wilmington encounter.

# Blackbirds Have Eyes On Undefeated Season

is what the Birds are yelling as | Conference champion Durham practice begins for the Wilming- follows New Bern and as usual ton battle, which promises to be they are the team to beat. The

The team then returns for an for what the team hopes will be a fast, hard-hitting team. Then could spell trouble. Rocky Mount battles the Bears of Rocky Mount closes the season New Bern there. This is one of with arch rival Wilson and will the stronger AA clubs and will be out to revenge the upset of last provide stiff competition for any- year.

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## Win Third Game Birds Undefeated

Rocky Mount fought its way to victory Friday night over Goldsboro by a score of 13-0, a score which does not tell the true story of the game as the Birds played most of the time in Goldsboro

All of the scoring came in the second quarter with Bunny Bell doing the honors. His first tally came on an 11 yard sprint around end. Adam Maples was true with the try for extra point and the Birds led 7-0.

Minutes later an intercepted pitch out set up the second TD. This time Bell went over from the three yard line. The extra point was no good.

#### Birds Defeat Oxford

Blackbirds open season by soundly trouncing the outclassed Oxford Red Devils, an eleven who fought gamely but could not match the potent running attack and iron clad defense unveiled by the Birds.

Ray Harper started the fireworks in the first quarter by plunging over from four yards out. He scored again in the last quarter with Adam Maples kicking the extra point true the second time.

After a scoreless second quarter, the Birds roared back with three encounter with the Fayetteville a breather. Raleigh will bring to touchdowns. Scoring for the locals eleven. They are expected to field town a much improved team and in that quarter were Bunny Bell, Bruce Ethridge, and Donald Birch-

> Guard Paul Eilers played a tremendous game on offense and de-

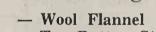
Locals Outfight Salisbury

Bunny Bell with two TD's and Ray Harper with one led the Blackbirds to a well earned victory over highly-touted Salisbury.

Bell scored in the second and fourth quarters on runs of six and feur yards. His first score was set up on a 60-yard sprint by Adam Maples. An intercepted pass by Ray Harper set up the second one. In the third quarter Harper climaxed a 65-yard sustained drive by diving over from the three yard

The Birds showed tremendous defensive power with co-captains' Fred Harris and Pat Warren standing out magnificently.

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