



A crowd estimated at 10,000 spectators by members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsors of the national motorboat races at Wrightsville Beach yesterday afternoon, were thrilled as 75 boats, operated by drivers from 10 southern states, roared along the one-mile course laid out in Banks' channel. The "putt-putts" started their competition at 10:30 o'clock and the roar of motors filled the ears of the assembled throng until late afternoon. There were no serious mishaps although three craft were damaged during the races. To the left are a portion of the crowd gathered around one of the boat pits near the Carolina Yacht club dock; in the middle is a shot of Mallory Edwards, of Jacksonville, Fla., Edwards gave one of the finer performances of the day including in his wins a first place in the Class "B" Hydroplane finals and a second place in the Class "C" Runabout final. To the right is the start of the Class "C" finals with four boats pictured in the takeoff. The shots were lensed by Pete Knight, Star-News staff photographer.

Along The Sidelines

WITH ELTON CASEY



DID YOU KNOW?

That the Eastern Class AA Conference football leaders are already tabbing Leon Brogden's Wilmington Wildcats and chubby Lee Stone's Raleigh Capitals as the clubs to beat in this year's grid race. Brogden has 18 veterans back while Stone has about a dozen monogram wearers back from the team that licked Tony Simeon's High Point Black Bisons for the State Class A cup last season.

We label Fred Emmerson's Durham High Bulldogs as the loop's darkhorse.

That basketball talk is already in the air. Yep, they say most of the University of North Carolina's returning stars are leaving the "Hill." We understand that Jim Paxton, Jim Jordan and several other of the lads who were leaders in the White Phantoms march into the National Cage tourney last year are not planning on reporting to Chapel Hill for this hardwood campaign.

That will certainly take everything out of the bright picture that most Tar Heel supporters had painted. Carolina has lost their ace mentor—Ben Carnevale—to the United States Military Academy and their ace pivot man—Horace "Bones" McKinney—has joined the potent Hanes' Hosiery quintet in Winston-Salem.

Speaking of the Winston-Salem crew, which will be piloted by Joby Hawn, reminds us that they are LOADED with cage material. Remember Cedric Loftis, the Duke ace and member of Durham High's National Champ club, and speedy Dan Anderson, Carolina star? Well, both of these lads have signed to play with Hanes as well as other former College stars throughout the South. Hawn, former popular High School athletic director in the Twin City, has outlined quite an impressive schedule for this year's club.

While on the topic of basketball, we hear that the local Wildcats are also counting on one of their best years. We hope so. That was a tough break last year to have to drop out of the Eastern Conference with such a good club.

P. H. (Chuck) Quinlan, veteran trainer at Carolina and head wrestling coach, is back on the job after a vacation with his home folks in New England.

"Quimny", who has tended the ills of Tar Heel gridders for the past 20 years, is a rabid baseball fan and a staunch Boston Red Sox supporter. He saw the pennant-hungry Red Sox play every club in the American League while he was on vacation.

White Auld is currently the "hottest pitcher" in the Senior Softball Circuit. The husky blonde-haired tosser recently pocketed his fifth win in a row and is being counted on heavily by Sunshine Laundry heads to keep them in front in the loop race. Auld, former New Hanover athlete and Navy dischargee, attended Wake Forest College last year and roamed one of the meadow slots for Murray Greason's Deacons. This year, White says he is not going back to the Baptist Institution, but will enroll in the New Hanover College set-up.

That Bill Milner was recently named Captain of this year's Duke eleven. Milner, All-American several years ago at Duke, started his College grid career by wearing the garb of the South Carolina Gamecocks.

That Bill McIlwain, former sports ed of the Wilmington Star and later reporter in Charlotte and Jacksonville, will leave tomorrow to resume his studies at Wake Forest College. "Mc" will do some free-lance writing while at the Wake County "house of knowledge."

Dickie Watts, former Wilmington star, is back home for a few days before going back to Wake Forest. Watts was out for football, but quit.

"Piggy" Dykes, another New Hanover star, has reported back to his shipping post in the Merchant Marine.

If you haven't secured a Wilmington High athletic ticket yet, you had better hurry for we hear they are going at a fast clip. Incidentally, Wilmington opens its campaign next Friday night at Kinston. The following Friday, Laurinburg invades Legion Stadium for the 'Cats initial home outing.

We made a mistake in our column the other day when running a story on New Hanover High's football squad. We referred to Ruppert Bryan as athletic director and mentioned Brogden as Head Coach. Well, Ruppert is Business Manager and Brogden is Athletic Director. We are like everybody else, we make mistakes often, but we do like to clear them up later.

CROWDS ARE THRILLED BY RACES

Dodgers Cut Card's Lead; Pocket 4 To 1 Decision

BROOKLYN, Sept. 7 — (AP) — Kirby Higbe turned in a magnificent one-hitter against the New York Giants as the Brooklyn pennant contenders opened a 14-game home stand with a 4-1 victory to cut the St. Louis Cardinals National league lead to two games. A victory capacity crowd of 31,117 watched the game.

Ernie Lombardi spoiled Higbe's chance for a no-hitter in the second inning with his 11th home run of the season and his third in as many games. The drive was a liner that stayed inside the left field line by two feet.

The victory was Higbe's 15th against five setbacks. He fanned nine batters and walked three.

Dave Koslo, who started for the Giants, was chased in the fourth after allowing five hits and was charged with all four Dodger runs. Woody Abernathy and Gene Thompson held the Dodgers the rest of the way.

TRIPPI SHINES IN GEORGIA WORKOUT

ATHENS, Ga., Sept. 7—(U.P.)—Looking like the phantom halfback of old, Charley Trippi turned in several good runs today as Coach Wally Butts sent the Georgia Bulldogs through their first scrimmage of the season.

The swell blocking of right halfback Jim "Chicken" Gatewood also was encouraging to Butts and several other backfield men also looked good including Eli Marichik, Jackie Pounds, Rabbit Smith, Mel Bray, Johnny Rauch, Johnny Cook, and John Donaldson.

Sideline Sidelights On Motorboat Festival As Listed By Sports Ed

BY ELTON CASEY
Star-News Sports Editor

While this writer was perched in the press coop with the scorching sun beating down on him and his fellow publicity comrades, he jotted down the following sideline highlights at yesterday's Outboard Motorboat Race.

Col. Roscoe Turner attended his first Motorboat Race yesterday and he enjoyed it thoroughly. Turner, who flew down Friday with some friends, has at one time or another, held more air records than any man alive. The popular Colonel served as starter for the initial race of the day. . . Mallory Jackson, handsome contestant, set two records at New Bern last week in Class B and C Hydroplanes. . . It was said that better times could have been recorded if the water-noon. . . Eddie Baltz, who is Commodore of the President's Cup Racing Association, was perched in the "Jim Jam" on the far side of the course. Several of the participants in yesterday's classic are planning on entering the President's Cup in Washington, D. C., on Sept. 21-23. . . Most of the gallery were amused at the way Claude Smith wore his helmet. He let it sit on the back of his "noggin" and in case of emergency, would have proved to be very helpful. . . The programs that the Jaycees had printed didn't sell as well as anticipated, but those concessions went like "hot cakes". . . Bill Sharpe, Director of the State News Bureau, and his ace photographer, John Helmen along with local photographer Hugh Morton were busy all day. . . Young Leslie Hummell served as pilot of the Safety Boat and he went out on two speedy missions. . . Fred Willetts, Jr., local Motorboat contestant, was in action in the morning races, but a bad motor forced him on the sidelines when the afternoon fire-

Hot? Look Below

CLEMSON, S. C., Sept. 7—(U.P.)—Led by freshman Gerald Leverman, and returning letterman Robert Gage, each of whom accounted for three touchdowns, Clemson's first team romped to an easy 40 to 0 win over the Tigers' second team in a practice game today.

Leverman passed to end Chip Clark for two touchdowns and then scored a third himself on a lateral.

Gage passed to Theron Cook for one touchdown and followed with another toss to Cook good for 50 yards which set up another score. Gage also scored himself on a 36-yard joint after taking a lateral.

Bowen Rejoins Tech Gridders By Oct. 1

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 7—(U.P.)—Halfback "Dinkey" Bowen, who booted the field goal to sink Navy 17 to 15 here in 1944, will rejoin the Georgia Tech Yellowjackets by Oct. 1. Coach Bobby Dodd announced today.

Bowen, who is now stationed at Enid, Okla., Army Air Field, informed Dodd he was scheduled to report for discharge Sept. 21 and would return to Tech soon afterwards.

Bowen, a hard runner and an expert extra-point man, played halfback in 1944 but is scheduled for the fullback berth on this year's squad.

The Yellowjackets went through a hard scrimmage today with servicemen holding down most of the first team positions.

TAR HEELS IN ROUGH DRILL; PUPA SHINES

CHAPEL HILL, Sept. 7—(AP)—Defensively Carolina's Tar Heels were tops but offensively they were duds in a long, rough scrimmage today. First string backs were able to do little damage against either one of the club's best forward walls or against third and fourth stringers. Blocking was badly off. Charlie Justice, Jack Fitch, Joe Kosinski and Walt Pupa made up the banner backfield which was stopped cold almost all the way. Pupa, who did some of the best work, was at fullback in place of Hosea Rodgers, who is on a short leave of absence from the squad.

Only one touchdown was scored during the workout, Hugh (Shot) Sox hit bog Art Weiner with a 21-point, otherwise passing was faulty although Pete Watkins dropped a beauty from Bill Maceyko which should have resulted in a touchdown. There were no long runs.

Playoffs On Thursday

MEMPHIS Tenn., Sept. 7—(AP)—The Southern Association's Shaughnessy playoff — the four-way scramble for \$4,500 in cash and the privilege of competing in the Dixie series with the Texas league winner—will open Tuesday night at Atlanta and Memphis.

The pennant-winning Crackeders will be host to the yet undecided fourth place finisher—New Orleans, Nashville or Mobile.

The Memphis Chicks, whose blazing windup landed them in second place, will engage third-place Chattanooga in the best fourth-out-of-seven semi-final series.

Gallery Of 10,000 Witness Classic Reeled Off In Favorable Weather; Davis Chap, Three Spills Feature

By ELTON CASEY
Star-News Sports Editor

Some 10,000 comfortably attired sportsmen converged upon Wrightsville Beach all day yesterday to take in the Outboard Motorboat Race, which was sponsored by the Wilmington Junior Chamber of Commerce. This event was reeled off in favorable weather on the Banks Channel and was sanctioned by the National Outboard Drivers Association.

Yesterday's classic was the first Outboard Motorboat Races to be conducted by Wilmington Race Officials since 1940 and it was proven beyond a shadow of a doubt that this event is here to stay. In 1928, Wrightsville Beach was the scene of the National Outboard Race.

Old Man Weather turned out to be in a very good humor after threatening to frown upon the much-publicized outing earlier in the morning. The clouds were dark and were hanging very low around 10:15 o'clock and the first race was scheduled to get underway at 10:30 o'clock. Right after the initial race, which was a Class A Runabout, a light drizzle came down, but shortly afterwards Ol. Sol came out in full glory and all the gallery prepared for an enjoyable "day at the races."

In fact, most of the spectators were counting on good weather as they were garbed in shorts and light sweat shirts. Most of the gallery were as red as beet when they strolled away from the race after sitting in on nearly five hours of thrilling and spine-tingling entertainment.

Youngster Wins
The most spectacular event of the day occurred in the morning when young C. L. Davis, of Wrightsville Beach piloted his boat into fourth place in the finals of the Class Runabout, which was a four-mile test. Davis, who had the entire gallery sending ear-breaking bellows and cheers trying to pull him across the finish line with a prize position, is

ed up by the safety boat and carried to shore. Eddie Powell, of Norfolk, Va., was one of the drivers who spilled.

The water was smooth for the morning's races, but in the afternoon it became rough and some of the officials said that better times could have been recorded had the course been calmer.

On Time

Local Jaycees were "on their toes" and most of the races were run on time. The festivities ceased around 5 o'clock and most of the spectators went home well pleased with the "care devils" of the water.

A total of \$1,600 in cash prizes was given to the first four winners in each class with \$400 appearance money also to be divided. Prizes for the runabouts went like this: 1st, \$30; 2nd, \$20; 3rd, \$10; 4th, five dollars. All hydroplane winners received the following rate of

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