

UNC Freshmen, Duke Varsity Claim WTVD Track Titles

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TRACK SPECTATORS ENJOY LOCAL TRACK MEET

The inaugural State Track and Field Championships sponsored by WTVD here last week at Duke was a successful meet. Despite the fact that the meet was held during mid-week in the early afternoon and the slight rainfall on Wednesday, the caliber of competition was tops. Open to all the colleges in North Carolina, some 14 schools throughout the Tarheel State participated in the two-day competition.

The battle for the team championship went down to the wire in both the freshman and varsity categories. UNC managed to edge North Carolina College 50½ points to 46½ in the freshman division and the Duke varsity was able to hang to a 47-45 win over the NCC thincalcs in the varsity competition.

With the absence of Duke's Dave Dunaway, Erwin Roberts was far the most outstanding performer in the varsity competition. Roberts breezed to a first place finish in the 100 and 200 yard dashes and anchored the record setting 440 relay team. With his team still in the running for team honors, Roberts was called on to run the last leg on the mile relay team. His efforts was in vain however, because Duke finished third in the event while the best the Eagles could do was fourth.

Freshmen participants also turned in some remarkable performances. Robert Beamon of A&T College was named the most outstanding performer in the first-year competition after winning 3 first places, one second and running on the 440 relay team which tied for first. Beamon won first place in the broad and triple jumps as well as the 220 yard dash and finished second in the 100.

REVISED PLANS MAY HELP NEXT YEAR
The associates at WTVD have already starting laying plans for next year's run offs. With a few minor changes,

the second edition may be more meaningful to the public. For example, holding the meet on Saturday may draw a larger crowd. Also another plan worth thinking about is permitting an athlete to compete in higher competition if he so desires. Take Beamon for instance, if he had been able to participate in the varsity division of the meet, this may have been another highlight. It narrows down to the final judgement of the boy. If a freshman thinks he can compete against varsity performances, then let him do so but a varsity performer entering a freshman event is out of the question.

This event can become one of the top sporting events in our state. An outgrowth of the annual AAU held in Raleigh each year, it should be continued and Durham should be the host.

CLAY CALM EVEN IN TRIUMPH

The usual loud and boisterous world heavyweight champion Cassius Clay changed his tactics after his fight with Henry Cooper last Saturday. Instead of the boastful remarks after the fight, Clay had nothing but words of encouragement for the challenger. Not at one time did he brag about his punches nor did he ever shout the statement, "I am the greatest."

Maybe Clay has decided to let his fists do the talking from now on. Since the recent run-in with the Louisville selective service authority, Clay has come up with the idea of more thinking and less talking. After all, his mouth is going to win very few if any fights especially with "Uncle Sam."

The champion, who is called Mohammed Ali because of his religion, praised his religious leader first. Then he spoke a few words of thanks for the United States government who may have made this fight possible.

Maybe if Clay had tried this method in the first place, he may would have been in better shape with the Louisville selective service people. Maybe he

has realized after a short while, that talking is not the only way, because listening sometimes can be much more valuable than a short statement coming from the mouth.

MORE TROPHIES FOR LOGAN-LEWIS

Durham's Bonnie Logan and J. D. Lewis of Raleigh added some more trophies to their cases last week as the result of winning the singles championships of ATA National Inter-scholastics last week at Winston-Salem. Miss Logan won the female title while Lewis annexed his first national boys singles title.

Both Logan and Lewis won the district and state championships of the NCHSAC this year and to add a national crown is a salute to North Carolina. Miss Logan, already one of the top ranking tennis stars in the nation, is just proving her ratings but for Lewis this was his first national achievement. With another year of eligibility for both the tennis stars, North Carolina is certain to be nationally recognize in tennis.

FIRST NEGRO NAMED TO EAST-WEST BASKETBALL GAME

In naming the East team for the annual East-West Basketball game sponsored by the NCHSAA, David Lawrence, a Negro, was picked to the team. This marked the first time a Negro has been chosen to play in the all-star contest. Lawrence, 65; played at West Columbus this past season.

Daryl Cherry of West Charlotte has already been chosen for one of the benefit football games which will be held this summer. This was also a first but even more, it was the first time an athlete from a predominantly Negro school has been picked to play in the best season games.

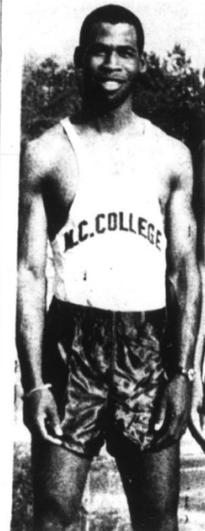
Home Damaged

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Fire caused extensive damage Monday to the Omaha home of St. Louis Cardinals pitcher Bob Gibson. Flames destroyed a family room and damaged the attic of the one-story house. Other rooms had heat, smoke and water damage. A friend of the family said the room destroyed contained many of Gibson's trophies, among them baseballs used in the 1964 World Series victory over the New York Yankees.

Salerno Sidelined

BOSTON (AP) — The American League said Monday that umpire Al Salerno will be sidelined for a few days because of a minor eye infection. He is undergoing treatment at his home in New Hartford, N.Y.

NCC Runs Close Second in Both Groups; Roberts, Beamon MVP



ROBERTS



BEAMON

The University of North Carolina won the freshman division and Duke was able to hold to first place in the varsity category in the first annual WTVD State Intercollegiate Track and Field Championships held at Duke University last Tuesday and Wednesday.

The UNC freshman first year performers edged North Carolina College 50½ to 46½ while the Duke varsity thincalcs nipped the Eagles cindermen 47-45. Erwin Roberts was voted the most outstanding individual in the varsity meet and Robert Beamon of A.&T. College was named the recipient of the award in the freshman ranks.

Roberts won the 100 yard dash in 9.5, the 220 in 21.4 and ran the anchor leg on the winning 440 relay team composed of Edward Watson, Percy Crisp and Charles Copeland and Roberts which was timed in 42.0.

Beamon won the triple jump with a leap of 49-9¼, the broad jump 23-10 and the 220-yard dash in 21.6. He was second in the 100-yard dash besides running on the 440 relay team which tied NCC in 42.5.

Duke, a surprise team winner especially after its star Dave Dunaway had to scratch from the meet because of a pulled muscle, led the Eagles by one point going into the last event of the varsity competition, the mile relay. The result of this event, Duke finishing third and NCC 4th, decided the team championship.

Winston-Salem's Leon Coleman won the 120-yard high hurdles and the 440-yard intermediate hurdles. He won the highs in 14.0 and the lows in 53.0. Hardin Kirkley of NCC won the freshman intermediate hurdles in 54.1.

In other freshman events, Lionel Urgan of NCC won the 100 (9.4), Vince Matthews thews of J. C. Smith and Harold Harvey of NCC tied in the 440 (49.5), Steve Dixon of A. and T. won the javelin (199-4), John Williams of Johnson C. Smith U. and jump (6-6) and the Golden Bulls of Smith won the mile relay in 3:16.

The battle in the discus in shot between Duke's Ron Stewart and A&T's Elvin Bethea in the varsity competition ended in a tie. Stewart won the shot (59) feet and Bethea was second (58½) but the order of finish was reversed in the discus. Bethea was first with a heave of 171' 10¼" while Stewart was second (165-5). Thomas Norman of NCC won the varsity high jump (6-5) and Charles Johnson of A&T won the broad jump (23).

All entries and housing requests should be sent to:

W. L. Cook
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All entries must be sent before June 13.

Juniors may play in Senior Events. This will be the first A. T. A. sanctioned tournament. I.D. Cards will be available.



MOST OUTSTANDING ATHLETE—Coach Earl K. Curry (right) awards Walter Jackson, senior from Miami, Florida, two trophies at the Athletic Banquet held on Saint Augustine's campus recently. Jackson, who led the Saint Augustine's football team in scoring and yardage gained last season was voted Outstanding Athlete of the Year.



BEAR CAPTAINS — Willie Jones (extreme left) and James Cheek (second from right) pose here with the football coaches at Shaw University following their election as captains of the Bears' 1966 football squad. Pictured here (from left to right) are Jones, head football coach Lee Royster, Cheek, and Horace Smalls, assistant football coach.

S. E. Tennis Tourney Set For Durham

W. L. Cook, President of the North Carolina Tennis Association, announces this week that the Southeastern Tennis Tournament held last year in Richmond, Virginia, will be held this year on the Forest Hills Integrated Tennis Court in Durham. Trophies will be offered for the following events: Men and Women Senior Singles, Junior Boys and Girls Under 18 and Under 16. Doubles: Men and Senior Doubles; Mixed Doubles.

Play will start 10 A. M. Friday, June 17 in all singles first-round matches.

The Entertainment Committee will endeavor to show Durham Hospitality that will make you want to return.

Ligon Drops Hillside From Baseball Playoffs

RALEIGH—The Ligon Little Blues eliminated the Hillside Hornets from the NCHSAC baseball playoffs with a 4-1 win here last Friday night at Chavis Park.

The Little Blues behind the two hit pitching of Lemuel Jones and the two run clout by William Cooper advanced to the semifinals of the Eastern playoffs. Ligon was to meet Laurel Hill in Laurinburg Tuesday.

In the other Eastern game, E. E. Smith had a date at Wilmington against Williston. Williston, Laurel Hill and E. E. Smith finished the regular season with perfect 12-0 records. Hillside, Ligon and Clayton's Cooper compiled 11-1 slates. Hillside defeated Cooper 13-3 in Durham last Thursday behind the three hit pitching of Charles Cannady to gain the right to play Ligon.

Jones handcuffed the Hornets in the Capitol City. The southpaw struckout 14 batters and walked five in going the route on the hill for his sixth win against one setback. The lone run Hillside tallied in the second inning was unearned.

Cooper's two run blast over the left field fence in the second inning was all Jones needed but the homesteaders added a pair of insurance runs in the fifth frame without the aid of a hit but four Hillside miscues paved the way.

Cannady, in running his record to 6-0 for the year, got some nifty hitting from Johnny Steele and Richard Davis. Both collected three hits apiece. Davis had two triples and a double and drove in three runs as did James Watson while Steele had a single, triple and a two run blast over the right centerfield fence at Durham Athletic Park.

Cannady struckout 13 batters but kept himself in a jam by walking nine Cooper batters. Base on balls led to all of the Cooper scoring.

Coach Willie Bradshaw's nine finished the year with a 12-2 mark.

West Charlotte In Golf Victory

WINSTON-SALEM (AP) — West Charlotte posted a 350 and won the first North Carolina High School Athletic Conference Golf Tournament at Winston Lake Golf Course Thursday.

Greensboro Dudley was second with 253. Medalist was Eugene Gray of Winston-Salem Atkins who carded a 78.

Other team scores were: Charlotte York Road, 358; Winston-Salem Atkins, 358; Winston-Salem Anderson, 377; West Southern Pines, 384, and Carver, 405. Individual scores were: 1—Eugene Gray, Carver, 78; 2—John Lathan, York Road, 82; 3—Jerry Osborne, York Road, 83; 4—Vernon Hughes, Dudley, 83; 5—Braxton Hairston, Atkins, 83; 6—Leroy Easter, Atkins, 84; 7—Richard Latimer, W. Charlotte, 84; 8—Nathaniel Pettis, W. Charlotte, 84; 9—Melvin Thompson, Dudley, 84; 10—Ralph Funches, Anderson, 86.

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TOPS IN COLLEGE PLAZA BOWLING LEAGUE — The Schlitz team finished the season first in the College Plaza League which is played of

Sportland Lanes. The Schlitz team is composed of Walter Wilson, Rufus Hedgpeth, Allen Dillard, Jimmy Nesbitt and Day F. Reed. Other teams in

the league include the East Siders, Regulars, Kappas, Astros and the Chargers. The individual tournament in the league will be held June 4

at the Sportland Lanes. Roosevelt Lipscomb serves as president of the league. (Photo by Purefoy)

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