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A shocker in the Pacific Northwest and two close wins at home illustrated all of



MARCH'S MADNESS



Barksdale Big As UNC Earns Sweet 16 Spot

By BRIAN MURPHY
Sports Editor

For the second consecutive game, North Carolina forward LaQuanda Barksdale played the role of closer. And as a result, the Tar Heels are headed back to the Sweet 16.

Barksdale, often overlooked on a team filled with flashier players, scored seven consecutive Tar Heel points to stem a late Alabama comeback and pace UNC to a 70-56 win before 2,235 fans at Carmichael Auditorium in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

"As she gets stronger physically, she's going to be an unbelievable player because she can shoot outside and inside - just do basically about everything," UNC coach Sylvia Hatchell said.

Barksdale, a second-team All-ACC selection, finished with 17 points on 8-of-14 shooting in a team-high 35 minutes.

With the win, fourth-seeded UNC advanced to the Midwest Regionals in Normal, Ill., next weekend. UNC will take on the winner of tonight's game between No. 1 seed Purdue and Kansas, the region's ninth seed, on Saturday.

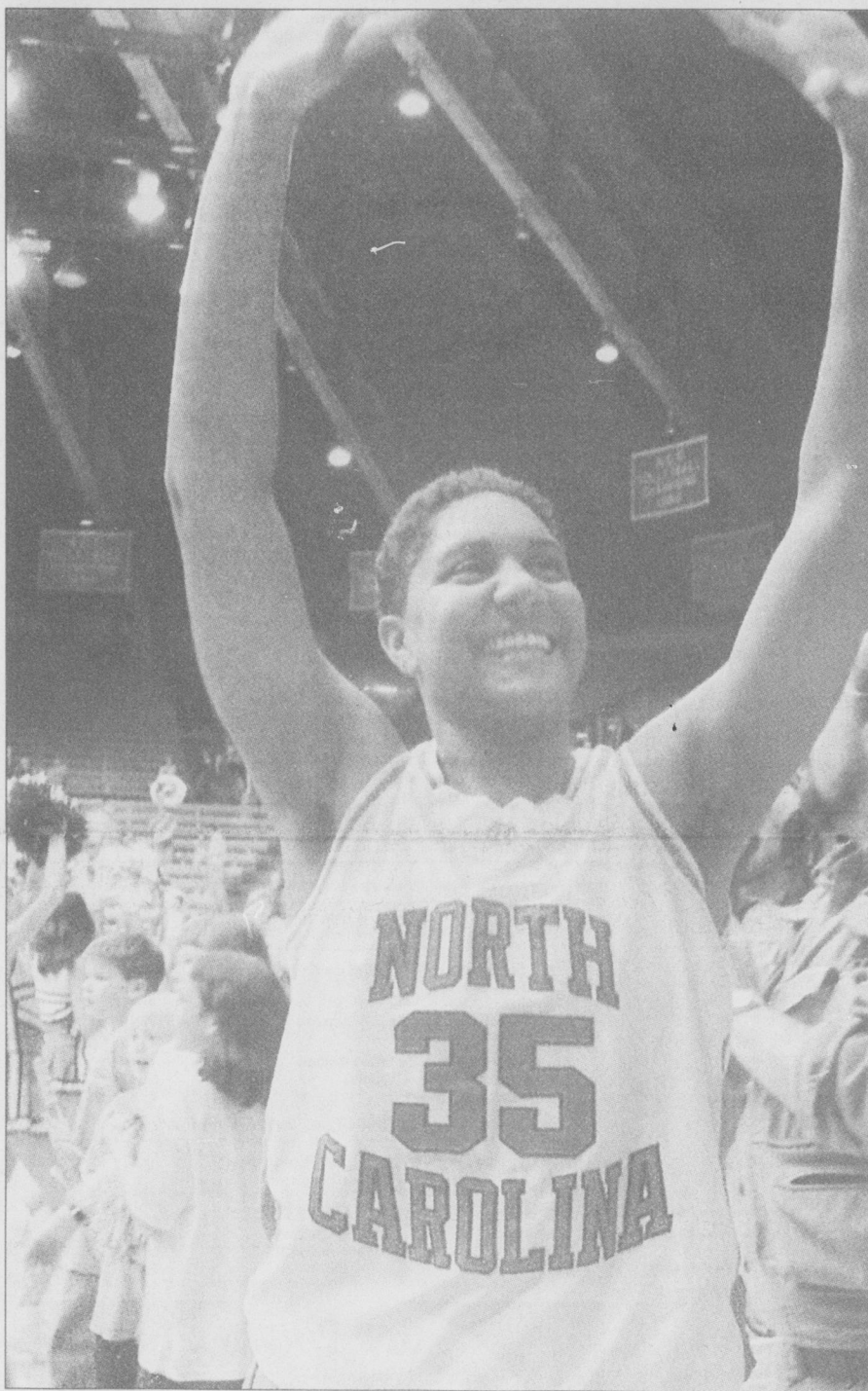
The Tar Heels (28-7) might not have even been in Sunday's contest if not for Barksdale's defense at the end of Friday night's opening-round contest with 13th-seeded Northeastern.

With the Huskies trailing by four with less than two minutes to play, Barksdale stole two consecutive passes and took both in for lay-ups, ending the Huskies' upset hopes and cementing the Tar Heels' 64-55 victory.

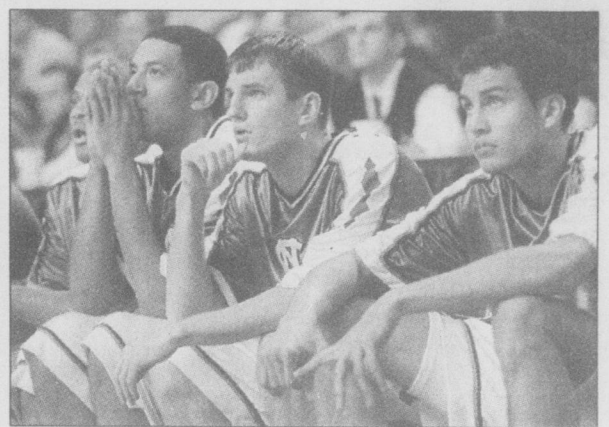
"I think those were really big buckets," Barksdale said. "But I know if I had played better defense earlier in the game, we wouldn't have been in that position. I guess better late than never."

Sunday's heroics came a little earlier. Barksdale's seven-point swing pushed the Tar Heel lead from three to six, and the fifth-seeded Crimson Tide would

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UNC senior center Yanick Clay celebrates after the Tar Heels topped Alabama 70-56 to advance to the Sweet 16 for the third consecutive year. The fourth-seeded Tar Heels will play again Saturday in Normal, Ill.



SPECIAL TO THE DTH/BRAD SMITH

North Carolina's bench stares in disbelief as Weber State closes out its shocking first-round upset of the Tar Heels.

Winless in Seattle: WSU Shocks UNC

By AARON BEARD
Senior Writer

SEATTLE - There were 1.2 seconds to play. Ninety-four feet stood between Brian Bersticker and a final chance for North Carolina to avoid the painful bite of the upset bug.

Weber State had led UNC throughout Thursday's second half. And though the Tar Heels were on their vintage squeeze-every-last-drop-of-the-clock comeback alert, the Wildcats tenuously held a two-point lead.

With no timeouts, UNC's only chance was to chuck the ball the length of the court and pray for a show-stopping finish.

Instead "The Show" finished the Tar Heels.

After torching UNC for 36 points, Wildcats' forward Harold "The Show" Arceneaux came up with the interception of Bersticker's heave that lifted No. 14 Weber State to a 76-74 shocker against the third-seeded Tar Heels in the first round of the NCAA Tournament's West Region at KeyArena.

"I told people back home all week See MEN'S BASKETBALL, Page 8

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AARON BEARD
FROM THE STANDS

'99's Struggles Embodied in Seattle Shock

SEATTLE - "When was the last time your school lost a first-round game?"

The question jarred me from my tunnel-vision focus on the game. It came from a reporter sitting only one seat over, yet I could barely hear his inquiry. KeyArena's partisans were getting louder and louder as Weber State forward Harold Arceneaux scored basket after basket and North Carolina fell further and further behind.

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Suspect Arrested for Assault

A female victim was treated for scrapes and bruises after an assault and attempted rape at 3:30 a.m. Friday.

By MATT LECLERCQ
Assistant City Editor

A man arrested Sunday for an attempted rape that occurred over the weekend near a busy Chapel Hill intersection will have a first appearance in Orange County District Court today.

Leonard Grant Rone, 26, whose last known address was on Oakwood Drive Extension in Carrboro, faces four charges, including felony attempted first-degree rape, according to police.

At 3:30 a.m. Friday, a manager of a store near the intersection of Estes Drive and Franklin Street saw a man and woman talking in a parking lot, Chapel Hill police Capt. Tony Oakley said.

The manager then heard a woman



Police charged Leonard G. Rone with attempted rape, assault, kidnapping and common law robbery.

scream and notified police, but no longer saw anyone outside. A few minutes later, a nearby resident also called police and said an injured woman was at her door, Oakley said.

Police believe the victim, who was Rone's girlfriend, was assaulted in a parking lot adjacent to where the store manager had seen her and Rone talking a few minutes earlier.

"(The victim) had bruises and scrapes in the upper part of her body and to her face," and she was treated and released from UNC Hospitals, Oakley said.

Rone also faces one felony charge of first-degree kidnapping and misde-

meanor charges of assault inflicting serious injury and common law robbery, according to police.

He was being held in Orange County Jail on Sunday evening under a \$79,150 secured bond.

The victim had been forced from one parking lot to another parking lot, which warranted a kidnapping charge.

Rone also took the victim's keys, which constitutes common law robbery, Oakley said.

Police would not reveal any information about the victim except to say that she was not a UNC student.

In an unrelated incident on Jan. 24, a female UNC student was getting into her car in the Northside community at about 6 a.m. when a man with a sawed-off shotgun entered her car and sexually assaulted and robbed her.

Police have not made any arrests in connection to that incident.

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Housekeeping Head Gets Nod of Approval

By JIM HARRIS
Staff Writer

New director of the Housekeeping Services Department Michael O'Brien is already impressing some housekeeping employees and administrators with his spot checks of the department.

Many of O'Brien's colleagues said he spent much of his time talking to employees to learn how the department functioned.

Lonzo Perry, a UNC housekeeping employee in his fourth year, works in Craige Residence Hall and said O'Brien efforts thus far had gotten the director off to a great start. "So far, he is doing real good," Perry said. "He seems like a fair and honest man. Mr. (Hardy) White, (assistant director of housekeeping), was the director, but Mr. O'Brien must be the most suitable man for the position."

O'Brien said that when he began

working as director of housekeeping in January he was scared by the past grievances. "I was intimidated at the beginning when I heard there were major problems."

While some said O'Brien had done well thus far, he has not experienced the test of transition and conflict faced by his predecessors. In 1991, UNC housekeepers filed grievances against UNC because they felt they received low pay and inadequate supervision. UNC administrators passed a settlement agreement in 1997 that increased wage rates and created a training program. Although these steps were taken, members of the housekeeping department said many internal problems still remained.

White said that from that, O'Brien saw where the department needed to go

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INSIDE Monday

Death and Taxes

Since more new development impacts Chapel Hill by straining schools, clogging roads and leading to other growing pains, the Town Council will hear from residents at a public hearing tonight about the possibility of taxing those new developments. See Page 5.

It's All in the Family

UNC sophomore Sheryl Lynn Black passed the torch of being a Morehead Scholar to her younger brother, Jeffrey. Jeffrey Black, a West Charlotte High School senior, is one of 34 recipients from North Carolina to receive the prestigious scholarship. See Page 2.

Today's Weather

Rain:
Upper 40s.
Tuesday: Mostly sunny;
Mid 50s.

Every time you win, you're reborn; when you lose, you die a little.

George Allen