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Tar Heels Fall Short in Bid for ACC Title

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GREENSBORO — North Carolina point guard Nikki Teasley had carried the Tar Heels on her road-tested legs throughout Monday's ACC title game against Duke.

But at game's end, her right wrist couldn't flick off one last moment of magic.

Teasley missed 3-point opportunities with 51 seconds

and 23 seconds left that could have given UNC a late lead. Instead, Duke survived and claimed its first ACC Tournament championship, knocking off the Tar Heels 79-76 at the Greensboro Coliseum.

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| Duke |79 |

Teasley, who finished with 31 points on 12-of-19 shooting, drained a 25-footer with 1:51 left to give North Carolina a 72-71 lead, its first advantage since an 18-16 lead 9:05 into the game.

But after Duke junior Georgia Schweitzer canned a layup with 1:06 left, Teasley missed a 3-pointer from the same spot of her last make, and the ball rolled harmlessly out of bounds.

Blue Devil guard Missy West was fouled and hit one free throw, but Teasley's shot from the opposite wing on UNC's next offensive trip also sailed off the mark.

"I felt pretty good about shooting anywhere on the floor," said Teasley, who scored 15 second-half points and hit 7-of-11 treys in the game. "They gave me just a little bit of space, just enough to shoot, and I was going for the win, not for the tie."

Teasley almost got another offensive chance for UNC when it appeared she had stolen Duke senior Lauren Rice's inbound pass with 12.6 seconds left. But Teasley caught the ball and landed on the end line.

The Blue Devils (26-5) used their second life to throw a game-clinching touchdown pass to Schweitzer, who fed Michele Matyasovsky for a layup.

"I really thought we were going to get the steal, go for the shot, probably get fouled and win on the foul line," UNC coach Sylvia Hatchell said.

The Tar Heels (18-12) got into a position for a late run behind the sweet shooting of Juana Brown. Brown missed 10 of her first 12 shot attempts but rattled off seven consecutive UNC points in a span of 1:13 to help UNC close to

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Unexpected Star Shines for Duke In ACC Title Win

By **WILL KIMMEY**
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GREENSBORO — Few people knew who Missy West was before the ACC Women's Basketball Tournament.

Duke's reserve forward had played less than 13 minutes per game during the regular season, averaging 6.3 points.

But she has quickly made a name for herself during the last three days. The senior averaged 14 points per contest in the Blue Devils' three-game run to the title and was named to the all-tournament second team.

"A lot of people, I think, doubted my ability, and that ticks me off," she said wearing a grin and an ACC champion T-shirt after Duke defeated North Carolina 79-76 on Monday.

UNC coach Sylvia Hatchell said she knew that West could stroke it from the outside, but West made sure that the Tar Heels would always remember that fact by scoring six of Duke's final 12 points. She tallied 14 for the game on 3-of-4 3-point shooting. West drilled a trifecta with 3:58 remaining to end a 7-0 UNC run and push the Blue Devil lead to five at 67-62.

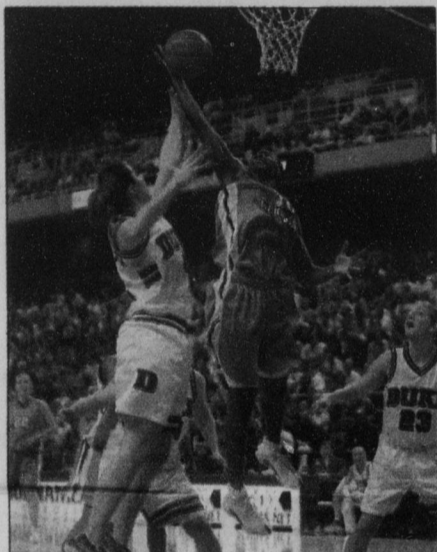
Then West had to prove her mettle from the free throw line. With UNC ahead by one and 1:38 left in the game, she missed the front end of a one-and-one.

About a minute later, West stepped back to the line with her team clinging to a 73-72 lead. She made the first shot, but the second caromed out. Duke led by two with 39 seconds left.

UNC guard Nikki Teasley missed a 3-pointer, West grabbed the rebound, and the Tar Heels again sent her to the line. This time, she knocked down both freebies, giving Duke a 76-72 lead.

"I wanted to make those foul shots," West said. "Even though I missed some, I made the last two which counted the most."

While the pressure of making free throws with the game on



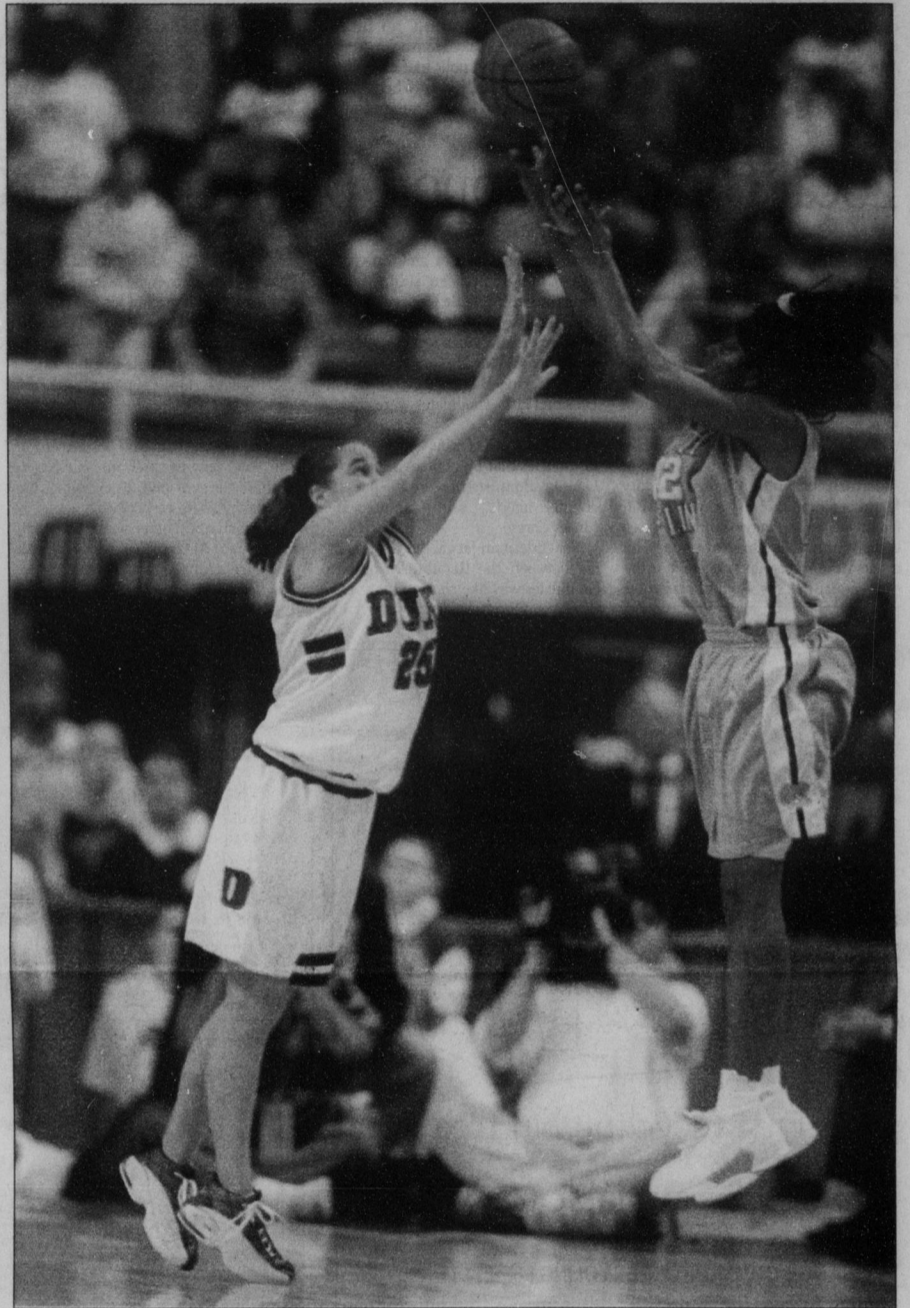
UNC junior forward Jackie Higgins snags one of her 12 rebounds from Duke's Michele Matyasovsky.

the line is tough, it wasn't West's most difficult chore of the evening. She had to guard Teasley, who poured in 31 points. "I took it as a challenge," West said. "I wanted to guard her to prove that I could guard her. I can't say that I did a really great job, but I tried my best. She got me a couple of times one-on-one, but hey, we won."

West's biggest problem in keeping up with Teasley was her lack of quickness, which can be attributed to three knee operations. Despite the injuries, West never stopped trying.

"Missy's probably one of the toughest players I've ever

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North Carolina point guard Nikki Teasley pulls up for a jump shot over Duke's Missy West in Monday night's ACC Tournament championship game. Teasley scored a game-high 31 points in the Tar Heels' 79-76 loss.

Student Recounts Story Of Honor Court Battle

By **JASON ARTHURS**
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A UNC junior has spent the last few months untangling herself from the controversy caused by a small impromptu protest against Kraft Inc.

Last week's out-of-court compromise between Chiara D'Amore and University officials that relieved her of Honor Court charges marked the end of a lengthy battle that began more than four months ago.

D'Amore faced Honor Court charges for her involvement in a campaign against Philip Morris, Kraft's parent company, that placed protesters face to face with Kraft recruiters.

She said the events leading to the confrontation between protesters and Kraft recruiters began Oct. 27 when she received a phone call from her former coordinator from Green Corps, an environmental activist group, whom she worked for in the fall semester.

The group aimed to shed light on



Junior Chiara D'Amore said she never expected a small protest to develop into a heated debate.

Kraft's affiliation with Philip Morris, a heavyweight in the tobacco industry.

At the coordinator's request, D'Amore said she scheduled an appointment with the recruiters, not knowing she needed to register first with University Career Services.

When the coordinator informed her that the protest would be moved from the Pit to her meeting with the recruits, she said she backed down.

"I just didn't think it was a good idea," she said. "They were just two middle-aged women there to recruit."

D'Amore said she went straight to the recruiters to cancel her appointment, but five or six of the protesters followed.

"The recruiters shut the door in their face," she said. "I'm surprised it became such a big issue."

The events of Oct. 28 really became a big issue the next week when then Student Attorney General Drew Haywood called her and later decided to prosecute her for three Honor Court violations. The case was thrust into the national media limelight when The Associated Press and London-based television Channel Four picked up the story.

"Phillip Morris has been in the spotlight anyway," D'Amore said. "It could have seemed like a money issue."

She said, however, that concern over First Amendment rights and the Honor

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Civil Suit vs. County Dismissed

By **ERICA COLEMAN**
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An Orange County judge ruled Monday that the county was not liable for a 1998 rape that occurred in a bathroom of the county courthouse.

During the hearing that preceded the decision, it was argued whether the victim, who was anonymously pursuing the civil case against the county under the alias "Jane Doe," could sue for inadequate safety procedures she says could have prevented her assault.

Attorneys representing the two sides argued for different laws that would

apply to the case. These laws would determine whether the county could be held liable and therefore whether or not the case should proceed to trial by jury.

Doe, a former paralegal at the Orange County Courthouse in Hillsborough, was attacked and raped at around 3 p.m. Sept. 14, 1998. She was raped three times before she was cut with a kitchen knife across the neck, Lischer said. The knife was brought into the courthouse undetected, raising concern over the lack of metal detectors, she said.

No one was able to help the victim, despite hearing the screams for help,

because the door had been locked from the inside, she said.

Rodney Jenkins, 23, was arrested and sentenced to 45 years in prison on rape, assault and robbery charges in June of 1998.

Tracy Lischer, an attorney representing the plaintiff, said the courthouse needed better safety protection for staff and visitors.

"We need some kind of presence, some kind of thing to let criminals know they will get caught and that they don't have a safe place to come in and rape

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UNC Trauma Center on Probation

Staff and Wire Reports

The state placed UNC Hospitals' Level I Trauma Center rating on probation Monday, weeks after officials identified problems with documentation and failure to improve performance.

The probation, which could last up to a year, comes after a December state review that turned up a negative recommendation of the hospital.

UNC Hospitals spokeswoman Karen Stinneford said Monday the hospital had already corrected the problems cited in the review.

"We look forward to getting our full

accreditation back soon," she said.

Since 1982, UNC Hospitals has held the Level I designation, which placed it in a category with only four other hospitals in the state.

A Level I Trauma Center offers a variety of emergency care such as injury and rehabilitation services. It also has a trauma surgeon on call around the clock.

In early February, the Trauma Subcommittee of the state Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council encouraged a six- to 12-month probation for the Trauma Center.

Subcommittee members were concerned because the records tracking the

movement of patients each year through the center were missing.

The subcommittee made its decision based on a staff recommendation compiled by a state site team. The team was comprised both in-state and out-of-state physicians and nurses recruited by the N.C. Office of Emergency Medical Services.

Jim Jones, spokesman for the Department of Health and Human Services, told The Daily Tar Heel in February that when an institution loses its Level I status, it does not fall to Level II.

Rather, it ceases to have any ranking, he said.

INSIDE Tuesday

Yahoo! Serious?

Duke University officials protested a Yahoo! survey of the nation's most wired campuses, saying the research methods were flawed, causing their school to rank low. See **Page 2**.

State of the Union

Students who work at the Union desk have developed their own subculture while performing tasks such as setting up rooms for UNC clubs and answering questions. See **Page 5**.

Dance the Night Away

Dance Theater of Harlem will take the stage at Memorial Hall tonight for a second performance. A limited number of tickets remain at the Carolina Union Box Office. See **Page 7**.

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Today's Weather

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Low 80s.

Drunkness is nothing but voluntary madness.

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