

Carolina Has Won Thirty-four State and Southern Athletic Titles in the Past Six Years

Basketball and Track Are Sports Most Replete With Victories.

EIGHT SPORT BRANCHES

State Track Title Held Six Years in Succession and Southern Title Once—Individual Stars in All Sports.

The six years that have elapsed since the Fetzer brothers came in 1921 have in a sense been a millenium for the University athletic hosts. During that period the Tar Heels have won thirty-four state and southern titles in eight branches of sport. These figures in themselves bespeak the high ability of the University coaching staff and the teams they have sent out.

There are two sports in particular in which University athletes have written their names in letters of flame over the South's athletic horizon. Those two branches of sports are basketball and track. Their records on hardwood floor and cinder path will go down in Dixie athletic annals among the greatest achievements of all time.

Four times in six seasons the Tar Heel hoopsters have emerged at the pinnacle of southern basketball, winning undisputed sway over every court aggregation in the section. During that same half dozen years when they have been four times crowned with the proud title of "Southern Champions," they have also won the state championship four times and tied for it once.

Six years in succession Tar Heel track teams have galloped home with the state title laid away in their belts, and in 1926 Coach Bob Fetzer's proteges brought back the Southern Conference title after winning over nineteen of the greatest cinder teams in the South.

Track Fame

The Tar Heels, in addition to their title winning proclivities in track, have also hung up a remarkable record in dual competition. No other team has led the Tar Heels in a dual meet in five years, and only once have they failed to win in triangular meets. The only team to top them at all outside of Southern Conference title meets was the strong Navy team of 1925.

The cross-country and relay teams operate under separate heads, but they are really a part of the broad track program which operates all the year round. In these, too, Carolina has a proud record. The cross-country team has been state title-holders three years hand-running, and has not lost a dual meet in four seasons. For the past two years they have hung up Southern Conference crowns in their home trophy room.

The four-mile relay team has won the Southern championship and has held the southern record for three straight years, now, and next spring dope indicates that the Tar Heels have fine chances to win the World's championship and set up a new world's record, breaking one that has stood for twelve long seasons.

Other Sports

However, it must not be thought that the University is represented in these sports alone, for there are many other teams that have "brought the breakfast strips home to the Hill." The Tar Heel football teams have won three state championships in six years and the "Wonder Team of 1922" tied with Georgia Tech and Vanderbilt for Southern Conference crown. That famous eleven was undefeated in the South and lost only to Yale in the "Eli Bowl" by a close margin.

Other titles have been won in baseball, tennis, wrestling and boxing. For several years Carolina tennis stars held a monopoly on tennis honors throughout this section. In 1923 the Tar Heels won first and second place in the Southern Conference tournament, and the two Carolina teams came back here to play for the southern championship before their own supporters.

Baseball

Too, the college baseball fans will remember for years to come some of the famous baseball nines that sported Carolina colors in those years. The 1922 team was particularly brilliant. It began the season with many of the 1921 State Champions back in the fold and literally ran wild over some of the strongest college teams in the East and South.

Their outstanding feat was a scoreless series against the Virginia Cavaliers, for they met and shut-out the Virginians in three straight games. "Lefty" Wilson began the good work on Emerson Field here with a 6 to 0 victory. Herman Bryson won a 4 to 0 decision in the annual Greensboro classic, and Captain Manly Lewellyn had a last fling at the Cavaliers on

Fighting Tackle



Nelson Howard, of Tarboro, has been alternating with Aq Warren at right-tackle throughout the season. He has played consistent, hard-hitting football and will be a valuable lineman to remain in next year's squad.

their own grounds and won 7 to 0.

Incidentally Lewellyn was perhaps the greatest pitcher to ever don Carolina diamond togs, for he won twenty-five games and lost two over his four years of varsity competition. He went directly to the New York "Yankees" from Carolina after that great 1922 season.

Other baseball heroes of recent Tar Heel diamond history include such men as "Mule" Shirley, who stayed with the Washington "Senators" for two seasons as a reserve first sacker. The "mule" was an artist around first sack in his college days and participated in the World Series in his first year out of college. He was called upon to pinch-hit for the Washington club in a crucial moment of the 1924 series and came through with a single to win the game and aid Bucky Harris' men in winning that year's World Championship.

"Rabbit" Bonner was another colorful athlete who cavorted over the baseball field for Carolina. He was a brilliant outfielder and catcher, beginning his time in the gardens and captaining the nine from behind the bat in 1925. He also starred in football, for his phenomenal speed made him one of the most feared halfbacks in the state in 1924 and 1925.

Football and Basketball

Each year when the All-State and All-Southern teams are chosen by sports scribes after the various seasons are over, the Tar Heels draw their fair share of these mentions on the "Honor Rolls of the Diamond, Court and Gridiron." Almost every year there are four or five Tar Heels on the All-State football elevens, and occasionally one of the more brilliant attain All-Southern or All-American mention.

The roll of Carolina's All-State and All-Southern football stars for the past six years would read like a list of gridiron immortals of this section. There appear the names of "Runt" Lowe, "Monk" McDonald, Fred and Casey Morris, Grady Pritchard, Bill Blount, Allen McGee, "Pondy" Poindecker, Herman McIver, George Robinson, "Red" Johnston, "Rabbit" Bonner, Emmett Underwood, Jack Merritt, Harry Schwartz, Garrett Morehead, and Tom Young. All of them All-State players, and many of them All-Southern. Pritchard, Blount, McIver, Johnston, and Robinson were named All-Southern, and the last three were mentioned for All-American.

Just a single glance at Carolina's basketball rosters since 1922 is sufficient to show the greatest players ever produced in the South. Four times in that six years intervening they have won the southern title, and of a possible thirty places on All-Southern teams the Tar Heels have filled fourteen.

"Wonder Quint of 1924"

"Cart" Carmichael was All-Southern for three consecutive years and in 1924 made the All-American five at forward. Incidentally that 1924 team was considered the greatest quintet of hoop stars to ever go out of the South. It romped undefeated through a schedule of twenty-six games that include contests with many strong eastern outfits, and at the conclusion of the Southern Conference tournament it placed three men on the All-Southern team.

Morgan Blake, "Dean of Southern Sports-Writers," said of them, "Just trot out the entire Carolina team and its substitutes, and there's my All-Southern team."

Every regular on that team was All-Southern for two or more years during his varsity career. "Cart" Carmichael and "Sprat" Cobb, forward; Bill Dodderer, center; and

"Monk" McDonald and Billy Devin, guards. Individually and collectively, what a team!

Cobb was on the team three years, led the squad in season scoring for three years, led the Southern Conference Tournament scoring for three years, and was unanimous choice for All-Southern forward for three years. That is a record which will probably never be equalled.

That list, however, does not include such brilliant hoopsters as Artie Newcombe, who jumped from a substitute to All-Southern center in the last two weeks of the 1926 season, nor Bunn Hackney and "Pinky" Morris, All-Southern guards and captains of the quint's of 1927 and 1928.

There have been heroes in other sports, too, such as Ad Warren, "Ox" Shuford, Ed Butler, Galen Elliott and Hoyt Pritchett. Warren is a three-sport man, who concludes his career today in the annual battle with Virginia. He has starred in boxing, wrestling and football. He is the only man in the history of the University to captain four varsity teams. He led the boxers three straight years and captained the wrestlers last season. He won national junior titles in both the light-heavy and heavy-weight boxing divisions in 1926. Along with Shuford and Butler he helped bring three southern titles back to the "Hill" last spring as members of Carolina's undefeated boxing team.

Elliott and Pritchett, captains of the cross-country and track teams respectively, are in their third year of varsity competition, and have been on five southern championship teams. They may be on two more next spring. In addition Elliott holds the southern record of 4 minutes 21.2 seconds for the mile and the Conference mark for five miles. He also holds the state and University record for the half. His record mile in 1926 gave him "All-American" honors that summer. Pritchett holds the southern record of 9 minutes 48 seconds for two miles.

An All-State Selection Is Offered by Tar Heel on Date of Season's Close

(Continued from page eight) olina, Lepo of State, and Phelps of Wake Forest were all on a par as far as defensive power is concerned, but Morehead gets the call because of his wealth of experience and admirable cleverness. Lepo, only a sophomore, will bear watching.

Guards

It was not difficult to select the guards, as both Farris of Carolina and Nicholson of State have been consistently good. Farris is the sensational type of guard and Nicholson is the steady, smart player who rarely

breaks into the limelight, but causes his opponents a world of trouble. Jones of Duke and Melton of Davidson will play guards on the second aggregation.

Centers

Schwartz is an ideal choice for the pivot position. Metts of State, just a little better than Brummit of Duke, is placed on the second team.

Quarterbacks

Sam Buie of Duke, although he fell down considerably in his two big games with State and Carolina, is easily the most outstanding field general. The whole Duke attack was built up around his ability to punt, pass, and carry the ball. Wilson of Davidson is placed on the second team as a tribute to his braininess.

Halfbacks

McDowall, as mentioned above, will play one half. Young of Carolina has the edge on Cox of Wake Forest, Cox might be a better ball carrier, but Young is far and away the best defensive half seen in many a year, blocks better than any back in the state, is a wonder at catching passes and in his last two games has uncorked a powerful running game that has drawn lots of admiration. Gray of Davidson is another good half, and was an outstanding player in every one of Davidson's games.

Fullbacks

Jankoski of Duke is a splendid lit-

tle ball carrier that can drive with the best of them. As a defensive full he is probably surpassed by Warren of State, but Jankoski's feat of scoring

almost a hundred points during the year is proof positive of the little fellow's worth and he will play the fullback position on the first team.

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