

Footballers Are In Good Condition For Saturday's Opener

Strictly Ad Lib

By Zane Robbins

Lessons in Southern Football

FOOTBALL ON THE OTHER side of "The Line" have a fond habit of spouting off about the great football they play up that-a-way, at the same time denouncing the "country style" game we-all play down here in what many of the high-and-mighties would like to call the "backwoods."

Of course, no one pays much attention to them—unless it's a next-door neighbor—but it might be interesting to take a game that will pass for a typical case and inspect the ratio.

How about last month's College All-Star game that pitted the National Football League rookies against the Philadelphia Eagles, 1949 NFL champs?

A glance down the starting lineup for that game shows six starters from the South, three from the Midwest, and two from the Far West. None from the East.

Carolina's Art Weiner, Porter Payne of Georgia, George Hughes of William and Mary, Leon Manley of Oklahoma, Travis Tidwell of Auburn, and Doak Walker of Southern Methodist—all fair country ballplayers—were the Southern starters.

Add to these, the entire Philadelphia starting backfield—Tommy Thompson, Tulsa; Steve Van Buren, L. S. U.; Clyde (Smackover) Scott, Arkansas; and Joe Muha, V. M. I. Need more? Bobby Dodd of Georgia Tech was the assistant coach for the All-Stars. Philadelphia Head Coach Earle (Greasy) Neale is a graduate of West Virginia, as is one of his assistants, John Kellison.

Cream of the Crop

THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT—the South definitely supplied the cream of the crop for that classic battle. Take away the Rebel graduates and there was little left—of course some people like skimmed milk.

That was just the starting lineup considered in the preceding paragraphs. Add All-Star reserves like Charlie (need I say more?) Justice, Adrian Burk of Baylor, and George Thomas of Oklahoma in the backfield and whatayagot? There are more—and more—and more—but continuing would only push this column right through the ads at the bottom of the page.

The ratio is clear. With men who know football best, it's Rebels, 6 to 5 (All-Star-team). Swiping a phrase from a well-known caddy ad it's easy to see that the not-so-easy-going Southern brand of gridiron poison is best for the coaches' T-zone. "T" for tops, and "T" for touchdown.

Hail the Mighty Choo

MUCH HAS BEEN WRITTEN regarding Justice's great performance in the All Star shebang, but I can't resist the temptation to add just one more postscript.

It was fitting that the great Choo Choo who will always be All-American in the minds and hearts of North Carolinians great and small should close out his ever-dramatic career as an active player in such stunning fashion.

The performance put on by the Carolina tailback who originally refused an offer to play with the All Stars was, perhaps, the most magnificent individual show in the history of the charity tilt.

Justice was slated to spell Santa Clara Halfback Hal Haynes before the game got underway, but when the Choo went into action, the Stars proved tougher than anything the Eagles met all year in the rough, tough NFL.

Who was it that said, "Justice is the greatest 'T' halfback the game has ever known"?

Charlie's a Real Pal

ORVILLE CAMPBELL, THE AMIABLE operator of Colonial Press and a songwriter of some renown, married Miss Betsy Scrivner, a former UNC coed, early this month in Lexington, Ky. Orville, a long-time friend and "big brother" to Justice, invited Charlie to serve as his best man at the wedding. Charlie gladly accepted—and then the fun began.

First of all, Justice telephoned a radio announcer in Lexington on the morning of the wedding and asked him to announce that the public was invited. Later in the day another of Orville's "buddies" got the announcer on the phone and had him announce that Justice would sign autographs in the church from 4:40 until 5 p.m., the hour set for the ceremony.

On arriving at the church, Campbell was no little surprised to find a mob milling around the church—and Justice happily signing autographs for football fans large and small in the church's lobby.

The crowd was finally dispersed, however, and the wedding went on as scheduled.

Charlie's a real pal, huh Orville?

Conference Football Briefs

Gamecocks Prepare

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 21—(AP)—Defense got most of the attention today on the University of South Carolina football practice field.

The Gamecocks' defensive backfield worked on Duke pass patterns executed by the freshmen, in preparation for Saturday's game with the Blue Devils here.

Ed Paaky, Billy Stephens and Dick Balka were on the tossing end.

VMI Prep For W&M

LEXINGTON, Va., Sept. 21—(AP)—A timing was stressed in a dummy scrimmage today as Virginia Military Institute's Keydets were forced inside by rain. The Keydets meet William and Mary at Roanoke, Va., Saturday night.

W&L Seems Improved

LEXINGTON, Va., Sept. 21—(AP)—If self-assurance means anything in football—and most coaches agree that it does—Washington and Lee's Generals will parade a much better team onto Wilson Field here Saturday in their opener with a highly-respected Furman eleven.

Driven indoors by rain today, the W&L gridmen listened to blackboard lectures.

Cats Miss Lambeth

DAVIDSON, Sept. 21—(AP)—A full hour's scrimmage was thrown at Davidson's Wildcats today.

Head Coach Crowell Little said his squad needed more conditioning before the season opener with Furman, a week from Saturday. Captain and quarterback Auburn Lambeth was still out of action with a shoulder injury.

Light Work Tops Drills For State

Carolina's Big Blue wound up heavy drills yesterday for the big game Saturday on Navy Field and all indications are that the Tar Heels will be ready to meet any challenges which may be forthcoming from the usually rough Wolfpack.

Yesterday's practice session found the coaches putting the team through both offensive and defensive patterns with passing drills receiving a large share of the stress. Most of the backs and ends saw service in the passing while the linemen were on another corner of the field receiving last minute instructions in the finer points of line play.

This afternoon, the team will dress for the first time in game uniforms and move into Kenan Stadium for light drills and a squad picture.

Injuries at Minimum

Pre-season injuries have been held to a minimum. Dub Hord, non-letterman guard, and Carmen Annillo, sophomore sensation, will be out of action Saturday. Hord suffered a shoulder separation and Annillo has an injured leg. George Verchick, veteran wingback and blocking back, has returned to duty.

At the ends, Tom Higgins and C. C. White, a pair of highly regarded sophomores, appear to be first in line for offensive flank posts. Bill O'Brien and Bill Ellington will also see offensive duty. Glen Nickerson and Ed Bilpuch, defensive stalwarts in 1949, will probably retain their posts.

Carolina's probable starting backfield of Rizzo, Gantt, Bunting and Hayes presents a seasoned combination which will be topped by few others in the Conference. Backed up by such standouts as Weiss, Verchick, Carson, Liberatori, Wissman, Hesmer and Sherman, the Tar Heels are expected to have three top-flight backfield combinations.

Strong in Line

Strong in the line, Carolina will be the prohibitive favorites to top their West Raleigh cousins by a comfortable margin, but the vets remember the '48 and '49 games when Carolina was pressed to hang up 14-0 and 26-6 victories late in the game.

Many observers fear that the '50s may be looking ahead to the Notre Dame clash next Saturday and an upset might be in the offing. The game this week should give a pretty good indication of what to expect from the 1950 Tar Heels and Notre Dame's scouts are expected to be out in force.

Light Drills Mark Wolfpack Practice

Raleigh, Sept. 21—(AP)—Coach Beattie Feathers put the finishing touches on the offensive and defensive play of N. C. State's Wolfpack today preparatory to Saturday's game with North Carolina.

Coach Feathers spent the practice session going over all phases of play, but kept the drill light in order to have his squad in the best possible physical shape.

Only a light signal drill is scheduled for tomorrow. The Wolfpack will go by bus Saturday morning to Chapel Hill for the opening contest for both teams.

The first team expected to start against Carolina's Tar Heels is composed of Captain Tony Romanosky and Bernie Allman, ends; Fred Beaver and Elmer Costa at tackle, Vince Bagonis and Walter Schacht at guards; Tom Tofaute at center, Ed Moonen at tailback, Jim O'Rourke at fullback, Ray Barbouskie at blocking back and Jimmy Smith at wingback.

A big pep rally of State students, including a parade down Raleigh streets, will be held tomorrow night.



COACH CARL SNAVELY, NOW in his eighth year as head football coach at UNC, has been working the Tar Heels hard all week in preparation for Saturday's opener with N. C. State in Kenan Stadium. The "Grey Fox" hopes to keep up his high winning percentage which shows 52 wins, 15 losses, and three ties during his Tar Heel reign.

Former Tar Heel Gridders Now In Varied Activities

Several of the Tar Heel football players of the past two years who have made the headlines with their gridiron prowling, have continued to star in the sporting world.

Ted Hazelwood remained at Carolina after graduation and took over a coaching post on the Carolina staff. Len Szafaryn turned pro with the Washington Redskins, but is now with the Detroit Lions. Ernie Williamson, a giant tackle, is with the professional Richmond Rebels for the coming season. Art Weiner, All-American end, is with the New York Yankees. Hosea Rodgers went to the Philadelphia Eagles, but decided not to play pro football and is back at Carolina. Rodgers played with Los Angeles of the All-America Conference last year.

The coaching field claimed Joe Neikirk who is at Mooresville as head high school football coach. Jim Hendrick is at Atlantic Christian College, Merl Norcross, ex-Tar Heel wingback, is assistant coach at the Chapel Hill High School. Mike Rubish, who was a pro with the Richmond Rebels last year, is working with athletics in Chapel Hill.

Don Hartig and Fletcher McLane are at Morganton High School as coach and assistant coach respectively. Chris Shay is assistant coach at Raleigh High, and John Tandy is coaching at Reynolds High in Winston-Salem.

Sid Varney went into pro baseball for a while but is now assistant football coach and head baseball coach at Presbyterian College in Clinton, S. C. Hardy Henry is at Thomasville High as coach, and George Sparger is at Central High in Charlotte as assistant coach.

Charlie Justice, is with the North Carolina Medical Foundation. Several of the old-timers, Ken Powell, Ed Washington, Eddie Knox, Joe Kosinski, and Joe Gurtis, are continuing in college.

Inexperience was most costly to the Wildcats last week, but Coach Grice feels that his lads will display a smoother attack this afternoon. In their meeting last year, Chapel Hill defeated the Orphanage 21 to 0.

The Wildcats play at home for the first time next Friday when they meet Graham in an arc-light contest beginning at 8 p.m. at the new Carrboro stadium.

Murals Set; Entries Open On Sept. 26

The Intramural program will be in full swing by Oct. 9, but teams and individuals wishing to participate in Intramurals must register on or before Oct. 3. Entries will open on Sept. 26 in the Intramural office, it was announced yesterday.

Football will be the top team sport, but horseshoes and tennis will take the highlight in individual activity. Unlike the other sports, registration for the horseshoes tourney opened Sept. 19. A single elimination tournament will be held in both singles and doubles. Play will be held beside the Tin Can each evening.

Individual Competition

Tennis competition will also be on an individual basis. Both the open and novice divisions will be played, but any college tennis letterman or pro must enter the open division. All matches, including finals, will be best two of three regulation sets. The matches will be played on the varsity tennis courts.

According to Bill Kucyk of the Intramural department, trophies will be awarded to both singles and doubles champions and are now on display at the Book Exchange in the Y. To each member of the winning team in Intramurals, individual trophies will be awarded.

Volley ball will be conducted on a team basis and entries will close Oct. 10. There will be a single elimination plan to determine the winner in the tournament.

Dancing classes will be conducted each Monday night, beginning Oct. 2, in the Woman's Gym with Mr. and Mrs. John Lehman instructing. The date has been changed from Tuesday night to Monday night. All classes will begin at 7 p.m. There will be no charge for students.

'50 Harriers Look Strong

The cross country season is in the immediate offing and indications are that the Tar Heel harriers will be the strongest in years and may be the team to beat in the Conference.

Veterans Otis Honeycutt, Frank Hooper, Gordon Hamrick, Billy Burgess, Jerry Lewis, John Ross, Ed Dixon, and Buz Field will have a real battle on their hands to hold down berths in the face of the strong sophomore contingent.

The opening meet has been set for Oct. 14 when the Tar Heels are hosts to the harriers from Wake Forest and Virginia Tech. Other meets scheduled for the 1950 season are:

The remainder of the schedule follows:
Oct. 17—N. C. State, there; 21—Maryland, College Park, Md.; 22—Wake, here; 28—William and Mary, here.
Nov. 4—Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.; 12—Southern Conference, Raleigh; Dec. 9 (tentative)—Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

The Sports Observer

By Dick Herbert

(This is the first in a series of articles written specially for the Daily Tar Heel by leading Southern sportswriters. Today's article on N. C. State is written by Dick Herbert, sports editor of the Raleigh News and Observer.)

Feathers and Psychology

Beattie Feathers never worries about psychology when he prepares his State College football teams for important games. When asked whether his Wolfpack was in the proper frame of mind for Saturday's test with Carolina, he replied, "They're ready mentally. That's never a problem. That's what I like about Big Four football. In any game, both teams are fired up. I expect Carolina will be just as spirited as we are. It's always that way."

Because that happy situation exists, more than 40,000 spectators will be in Kenan Stadium despite the fact State is given only a very slim chance of winning. The paying public has learned to ignore the pre-game odds when the Big Four gets down to family feuding. The folks who pay the freight remember the terrific game the Wolfpack played two years ago when it completely dominated the first half but couldn't punch across the stout goal line defense thrown up by the Tar Heels. They remember the 1949 contest which was very close until the final period.

Those who have given close inspection to the State squad of this season can't see how the Wolfpack can make it close; but Feathers is not one of this group. Any time he sends a team on the field he does it with the intention of winning. He, like the public, knows that ancient rivalries bridge the gaps in manpower.

Likes Team's Chances

On the eve of the 1950 game, the former Tennessee All-American believes his team has a chance—and it's not because he won't have to watch Charlie Justice and Art Weiner destroy their opposition. He figures Carl Snavely will have another outstanding team.

"It looks to me," he says, "that Carolina will be very good again. I believe it will have a better running attack. It should be able to control possession of the ball for longer periods, and that is the important thing in football as it is played today. The passing attack may not be as good with Weiner gone, but in Billy Hayes Carolina has an excellent passer. You know there were some football men who didn't think Charlie Justice was an exceptionally good passer, but he sure could make the ball go where he wanted it. He may not have been a great passer, but his threat as a runner and his ability to get clear to make his toss made him very effective."

Wolfpack Can Break Even

Those prophets who look at football rosters in July and predict how many games a team will win seem agreed that State has a chance to finish with a 5-5 record. The Wolfpack, they say, may be able to handle Catawba, Richmond, Virginia Tech, Davidson, and Clemson. And they are given a chance of pulling an upset against one of the remaining five opponents—Carolina, Duke, Wake Forest, Maryland, and William and Mary.

Naturally, the boys at State would like for that upset to come in their first game. Last year it came against Wake Forest and almost against Maryland. There was only one point separating them and Duke at the final gun, 14-13.

The prophets say it can't be done against Carolina. But those boys in West Raleigh long ago forgot to look at the odds and be influenced by them.

That's why you may see a real ball game Saturday.

Tech Loses Kraynak

BLACKSBURG, Va., Sept. 21—Ed Kraynak, sophomore guard, injured his left knee today and will likely miss Virginia Tech's opening game September 30 against the Quantico Marines.

Coach Bob McNeish showed apparent dissatisfaction with the performance of several veterans by moving some sophomores to the first team.

Mural Managers

Walter Rabb, director of Intramural Athletics has announced that there will be an important meeting of all dormitory and fraternity intramural managers on Tuesday, Oct. 3, at 7:30 p.m., in Room 304, Woolen Gym.

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