

# KING'S KORNER

By BILL KING

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## Tatum Concerned About Stopping Duke Offense

Jim Tatum's main concern about the Tar Heel's game with Duke Saturday is a simple one, but it carries more meaning than first meets the eye. "We've got to stop Duke," Tatum avers frankly. "Of course that's true with any team, but more so against Duke because they play possession ball."

The Tar Heel chieftain feels that his club will have to get possession of the ball in order to win because, "we're not the type ball club that has many 80-yard drives. We've only driven that far, or even close to it, once this season (against Wake Forest). We have to get them in their own territory and get possession, then capitalize."

Assistant Coach, Pat Preston had this to say: "We expect them to move as they have all season, mostly running, but they've proved they can pass too."

## Duke Wasn't As Bad As All That—Tatum

Thus the Tar Heels will have their work cut out for them when they meet the Blue Devils in Duke Stadium Saturday. Nobody is taking this game lightly, least of all Tatum. He thinks the Blue Devils were much better than has been indicated against Clemson last week-end.

"That Clemson line didn't push Duke around so much," he said. "Those Clemson fumbles looked like bad breaks, but you've got to remember that the Duke line wasn't lying down and playing dead; it was hitting hard."

As an example of how tough Tatum feels the Blue Devils will be, he gave this comparison: Physique—equal; Agility—Duke; Speed—Duke; Experience—Duke. But the Tar Heel mentor still feels his club has an excellent chance against the Devils despite the odds, and the team feels the same way.

## Affect Of Layoff Can't Be Determined Yet

How much will the layoff affect the Tar Heels? "Nobody can tell about the advantages and disadvantages of a layoff until after a game," says Tatum. "It has been a great advantage in getting Ron Koes and Nelson Lutz ready, and it has given several other boys who have had minor injuries a chance to recover."

Tatum said that, at present, only halfback Don Coker might not be in top shape for the Duke fray. Coker has been bothered by an ankle injury for the past few weeks and is not recovering as rapidly as expected. Boys like Jim Schuler and Phil Blazer are back in good shape and should be ready, Tatum says.

## Blue Devils Deep In Experienced Talent—Preston

Preston, who has scouted Duke several times this season, had this to say about the Blue Devils:

"Duke has a fine array of talent and is deep in every position. They have such depth, in fact, that Murray (Coach Bill) sometimes doesn't even know who he'll start."

Preston praised the hard-running Duke backfield highly. He pointed out the work of halfback George Dutrow and fullback Harold McElhane as vital elements in the Blue Devil's success. He also commended fullback Phil Dupler as a good replacement for the off-injured McElhane.

As far as quarterback is concerned, Preston feels that Bob Brodhead and Pryor Millner can run the team with equal ability and says that both are fine passers, although Duke depends mostly on a running game.

## 'Seven Good Men In First String Line'

Preston also expressed respect for Duke's tremendous collection of reserve backs. He and Tatum both agree that the fact that competition for each position is so tough has a lot to do with the fine record of the Devils.

"They're deep in talent," says Tatum. "They have sophomores on the bench and some other holdouts who could make most any team."

Preston declined to single out anybody in the Duke line for special praise saying, "they are all very good." He was especially impressed with the size of the Blue Devils, conjecturing that the smallest man in the line was about six feet tall. "They have seven good first string linemen," Preston said, "and plenty more on the bench."

## Today Is Last Day For \$2.00 Duke Tickets

Sports briefs. Another press box is being erected in Woollen Gym as Tar Heel officials prepare for the 1957-58 basketball season which opens December 7. The new box is a welcome sight to sportswriters who remember how tight things were in the other one last season. Two boxes should alleviate a good deal of confinement.

Better get those Duke student tickets right now. Today is the last day they can be purchased for half price. Starting tomorrow, the price will be the full four bucks. Better get that passbook and ID card and hustle on down to Woollen Gym before 4:30 this afternoon.

Jim Tatum still feels that his club's best effort of the season was its victory over South Carolina in the last game the Tar Heels played.

# No Victory, No Bowl Says Navy Official

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—Capt. Slade Cutter, Naval Academy athletic director, made clear today that the Middies won't go to any football bowl game unless they beat Army.

And this, Cutter emphasized, is the last he wants to hear the word "bowl" mentioned until after the Army-Navy classic at Philadelphia on Nov. 30.

Cutter clarified Navy's bowl situation at a Washington Touchdown Club luncheon.

"I get sick and tired of hearing all this bowl talk," he said. "We are not going to any bowl if we don't beat Army."

Navy has been prominently mentioned as a possible opponent of the Southwest Conference champion in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas on New Year's Day.

Army announced last week that

it would not participate in any post-season game. Navy, more interested in bowl competition, last played in one of the big events on Jan. 1, 1955, when it defeated Mississippi in the Sugar Bowl.

The Middies have won seven of their nine games, losing only to North Carolina in an upset and tying Duke. The Midshipmen are currently ranked seventh in the Associated Press poll.

Cutter again gave an idea of just how crucial the Army game is to inveterate Navy rooters.

"I am perhaps the only athletic director in the country who at this stage of the season is looking forward to his first game," Cutter said. "We have been scrimmaging along at a merry clip, but Army is our first and last football game."

# Dale Ranson--Modest Man With Record

By BILL KING

Dale Ranson is a man with a record. And what a record. For those who have never heard of Ranson, and there are some since he doesn't hit the headlines too often, he's the Carolina cross-country and track coach.

It's true, Ranson isn't one of these fellows who's always plugging himself. But you know he's around when you take a look at Carolina's fabulously consistent cross-country and track success.

STARTED IN '25

The modest, articulate Tar Heel coach has been around the Carolina campus for quite some time. In fact, his entire coaching career has been spent right here in Chapel Hill. It dates back to 1925 when he and Coach Bob Fetzer got together to build the grand old sport of running into something that has lived and progressed here ever since.

Speaking of cross-country only, Ranson has a pretty fair record to put on the line if there's any doubt about his being one of the truly outstanding

cross-country coaches in the nation. Back in 1936 a Ranson cross-country team won its first conference title—Monday, a Ranson cross-country team won its eighteenth conference title. Eighteen championships in 33 years—a right good country record in any man's book.

GREAT C-C RECORD

We're not even mentioning the fine track record which he has helped compiled over the years (Coach Fetzer has retired now) and we're not mentioning the numerous state titles, etc.

which his teams have captured. His cross-country record is, in itself, indictive enough of his capabilities.

Carolina has belonged to three conferences since Ranson came on the scene and he's chalked up very impressive records in each. None of his cross-country teams have ever finished any lower than fourth, and that goes back to the days when the Tar Heels were in a 23 team conference.

ELLIOT WAS FIRST

All Americans? Ranson has

had his share since Galan Elliot received the distinction in Ranson's second year of coaching. The Tar Heel mentor estimates he's had about eight or ten or All-Americans, and for Ranson, that's probably a conservative estimate.

Ranson doesn't have much to say about his records. He gives all the credit to his boys when he says: "We've had fine cooperation from all the boys during these years. They've always been willing to work hard for the betterment of our team."



Ranson

# Tar Heel Booters In Finale At State Today

## Wolfpack Defense Is Most Potent Weapon

By JIM PURKS

RALEIGH—The Carolina soccer team will try to end the season with a favorable note today when it takes on the defensively-strong N. C. Wolfpack in Raleigh at 3 p. m.

Today's game marks the season finale for the hardluck Tar Heels, who have been tied in their last two conference games.

While lacking a powerful offensive punch, the State eleven will be the toughest defensive team the Tar Heels have faced all season. The Wolfpack has been stingy with goals to conference rivals this season. Maryland got the largest number of goals off State in a 3-1 victory.

THOMPSON PACES

Pacing the high-scoring forward line for the Tar Heels will be center forward Mike Thompson, who has scored nine goals in the six games played so far this season. One of Thompson's biggest goals occurred when he scored the fifth and tying goal against Duke with 30 seconds remaining in the game, to top off

Carolina's electrifying comeback against the Blue Devils.

With Thompson on the forward line will be insides Tom Rand and John Ghanim, while Rick Grauman and Coleman Barks will be at the wing positions.

INJURIES HAVE HURT

Defensively, the Virginia and Duke games have proven costly for Carolina as the two rough games reduced the ranks of Coach Allen's first string defensemen due to injuries.

In the Virginia game, first-string goalie Jim Rattay was lost to the Tar Heels for the season when he suffered a fractured cheekbone following a collision in front of the goal.

Ted Youhanna, a key fullback for the Tar Heels' defensive unit, was injured during the Duke game when he suffered a dislocated rib following a collision with a teammate.

HOGABOOM OUT

Pete Hogaboom, who played a good second half during the Duke game sustained a sprained ankle and will also not be able to play in the State contest. Hogaboom, who had not played much this season, promised to be a starter in the vacated right fullback slot for today's game.

Today's game marks the season finale for the hardluck Tar Heels, who now have a 2-2 record for the season. In their last two outings, the Tar Heels were tied by conference opponents Virginia and Duke.

## Wrestling Team Will Be Better Barnes Thinks

By ELLIOTT COOPER

Sam Barnes, starting his eighth year as varsity wrestling coach, is expecting his team to improve upon last year's record of four wins, five losses, and one tie.

Coach Barnes has eight lettermen returning from last year's squad. The eight returnees separate themselves into seven different weight divisions. Dave Wall, the lightest veteran, comes in at 115. Henry Rhyne and Perrin Henderson are expected to hold down the 130 and 137 pound classes respectively. Jeff Pyatte returns at 147, and captain Kenny Hoke is slated to start at 157. Dave Atkinson and Jack Gray both fall into the 167 pound class at the moment; Rob Boyette will be at 177.

CANDIDATES

The present squad numbers 24 men including several members of last year's excellent freshman team. Curt Champlin, Charlie Whitfield, and David Corky will join the team after the completion of the soccer season. The squad will also be bolstered at the heavy-weight position when Larry Hayes returns to the mats next semester.

Barnes feels that if the team is able to secure some added depth in the heavier weight classes it will have a successful season.

THE SCHEDULE

- December 6—At Virginia.
- December 7—At Washington and Lee.
- December 11—At Davidson.
- December 14—At Maryland.
- January 8—N. C. State.
- January 11—The Citadel.
- January 18—Virginia Military Institute.
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- February 15—Wake Forest.
- February 22—Duke.
- March 7-8—ACC Tournament at College Park, Md.

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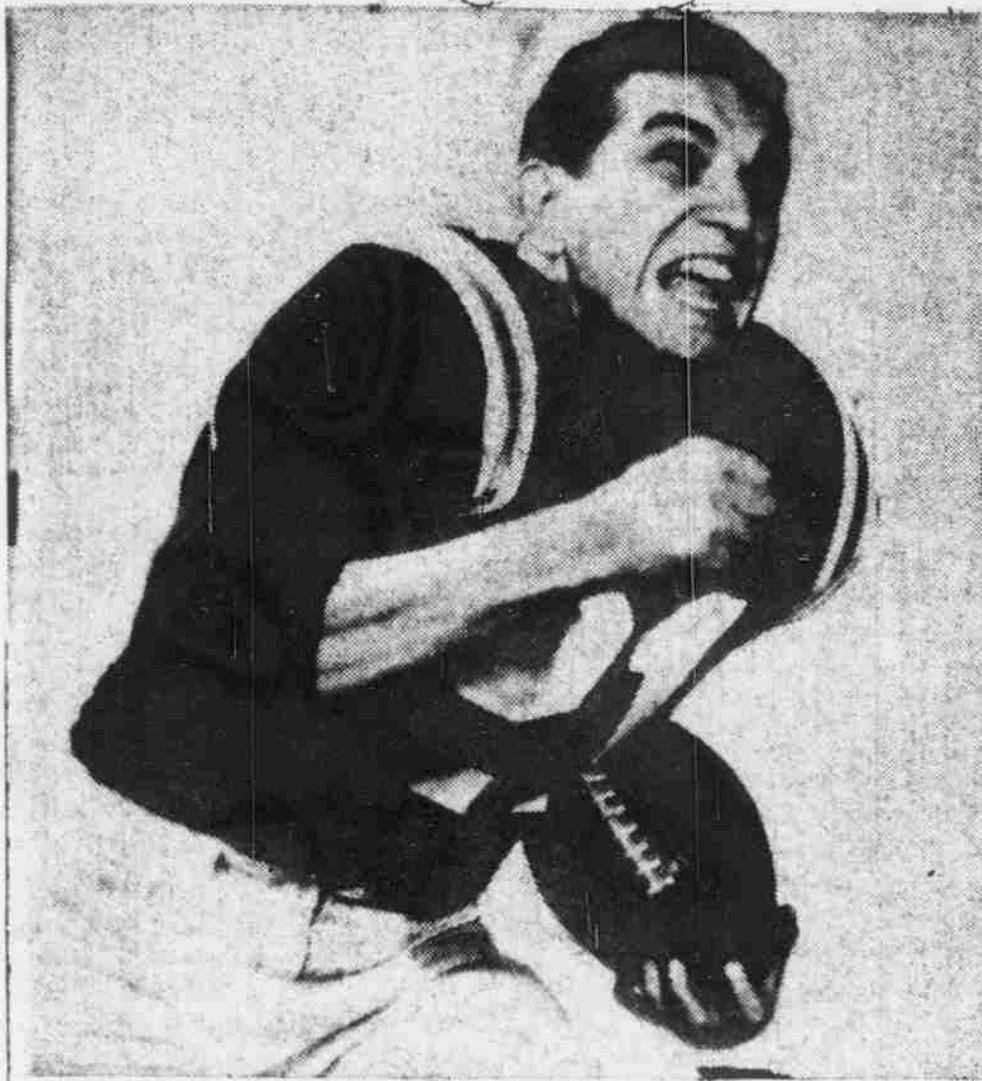
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Carolina's Explosive Runner

## Watch Out For Emil!

He usually comes in with Carolina's alternating unit, rather than starting, but when he gets on the field, there is apt to be an explosion, both on offense and defense.

That's Emil (Moe) DeCantis, exciting 190-pound junior halfback from Scranton, Pa., who could greatly annoy Duke at Durham Saturday, if he carries on as he played for the most part this season, and especially if he has some carry over from his performance in the South Carolina game.

Some consider DeCantis Carolina's best back. His coaches certainly hold him in high regard and always, talking about him, point out what a fine defensive back he is.

BIG DAY

Against the Gamecocks, DeCantis ran eight times for 39 net yards and pulled in a 33-yard pass for a touchdown. He also threw a touchdown pass to Daley Goff. Moe can throw as well as catch passes and he is about as deadly in one art as the other. Also, he can travel, when he has the ball under his arms.

Down at Miami this year he was a

part of a backfield passing conspiracy that killed the hopes of the Hurricanes. He and Ron Marquette teamed up in two superlative running pass plays. On the first Moe pitched to Marquette for 43 yards to set up a touchdown. Then Marquette turned around and threw to DeCantis for 33 and the score.

That night he ran 10 times for 29 yards.

DeCantis stamped himself as a fine runner as a sophomore when he was the team's second best rusher, behind only Ed Sutton. He ran 43 times for 214 yards and a 4.7 average.

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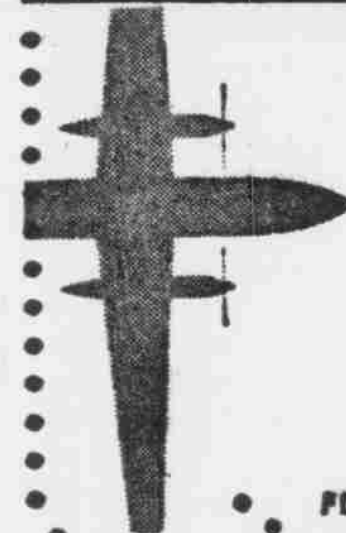
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