

### Hardwood Hilites

By ED DUPREE

The Atlantic Coast Conference is in the midst of one of its wildest seasons in nine basketball seasons. Not since 1956 has the jockeying for positions been so hectic. That season UNC and N.C. State finished with 11-3 records, while Wake Forest and Duke compiled 10-4 marks.

An ACC team has to lead a charmed life to go through 14 neighborhood contests without defeat. Carolina's 1957 National Champions were the only team to do this and the fabulous Tar Heels had to struggle through overtime games with Maryland and South Carolina, not to mention narrow victories over Wake Forest and Duke. Frank McGuire's unbeaten team was experienced in pressure-packed games by the time it tangled with Michigan State and Kansas in the NCAA playoffs.

In 1954, the only season in which all eight teams played less than 14 games, Duke captured the top spot with a 9-1 slate. Four times a 12-2 mark has been good enough for top seeding in the tournament, and twice an 11-3 record was best.

Duke's Blue Devils now lead the ACC by a half game margin and Coach Vic Bubas' crew has a 7-2 mark. Finishing the season with only two losses would be a feat since the Methodists must play four of their five games on the road. Toughest of these could be their journey to College Park, where Maryland has already ambushed UNC and Wake Forest.

The ACC is—and has always been—a home court league. Winning a game in another team's backyard takes a tremendous effort by the visiting squad.

Carolina's Dean Smith thinks the home crowds are an important factor, but not so much as the goals the players are accustomed to shooting at each day in practice. The Tar Heel coach pointed out that "it takes a good team to win at home, but a great team to win on the road."

Coach Smith added that an 11-3 season slate should take the top spot, while a 10-4 mark would be a cinch for a tie.

Using the home court advantage as a yardstick, Wake Forest is this column's pick to take first place in the regular season standings, but the ACC championship—decided in the tournament—is up for grabs.

The Demon Deacons are currently in second place with a 6-2 mark. They play four of their six games in Winston-Salem's Memorial Coliseum where they've lost only to Ohio State. Bones McKinney also brings his once high-ranked Deacs to Chapel Hill and Raleigh for important contests, but home court games with Maryland and Duke could be the key to a fast finish like the Baptists had last season when they took the conference championship.

N.C. State's Wolfpack has only four games remaining and none of these are on the enemy's home court. Everett Case's boys play host to UNC and Wake and meet Clemson and South Carolina at Charlotte. The Pack sports a 7-3 record and is only a half game behind Duke. Case is gleefully looking ahead to the tournament, played in the friendly confines of Reynolds Coliseum in Raleigh.

Carolina's Tar Heels are currently in fourth place with a 5-3 record and Dean Smith takes his boys to only one more enemy court—Reynolds Coliseum. The Chapel Hillians meet Wake, Duke, and Maryland in Woollen Gym, where a Carolina team hasn't lost since the 1959-60 season. The remaining two games will be at Charlotte against Clemson and South Carolina. Tar Heel teams have always played well in Charlotte, where this year's edition romped over Notre Dame, 99-90, in January.

Maryland is still in the running, but the Terps play four of their seven games on the road. They'll meet Duke, Virginia, and Clemson at home while trying to improve on their 3-4 mark. Road games at South Carolina, Clemson, Wake, and UNC could be disastrous to Bud Millikan's men.

The other three—South Carolina, Clemson, and Virginia have little hope of finishing in the first division, but by tournament time they'll start from scratch, just as Maryland and the Big Four.

All the marbles go to the tournament winner in March, but meanwhile the red-hot scramble for the seeded positions has three weeks to go—and anything and everything could happen.

McGill still ranks No. 1 in the nation with a 36.1-point average, but Workman cut the leader's margin nearly in half last week, according to the latest NCAA Service Bureau figures, which included games through Feb. 6.

Workman's average has risen to 33.7 while Jack (The Shot) Foley is third with a 31.6 mark. Len Chappell of Wake Forest (28.6) and Jimmy Rayl of Indiana (27.9) complete the top five scorers.

All-America Jerry Lucas of Ohio State leads in field goal shooting with a .636 average while Tommy Boyer of Arkansas heads the free throw department with a .955 mark.

Paul Silas of Creighton rates as the top rebounder, grabbing 23 per cent of all rebounds in his games.

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# Swimmers Meet Maryland For ACC Lead

By CURRY KIRKPATRICK

First place in the ACC will be on the line this afternoon when North Carolina's swimming team battles the University of Maryland at 4:00 in College Park.

The Tar Heels, who suffered their first setback Wednesday at the hands of mighty Florida, have won two meets in conference competition. They are 5-1 overall, having defeated East Carolina twice and VMI in addition to league victories over Duke and Clemson.

Coach Pat Earey's mermen, co-holder of the 1961 ACC championship with Maryland and North Carolina State, will be out to avenge last year's tough 50-45 loss, which deprived them of sole ownership of the title.

Unbeaten Thompson Mann, the sophomore phenom from Hickory, Va., will lead the Tar Heels in their quest to get back on the winning track. Mann and Jim Huff-

man will probably race in the backstroke and medley relay events.

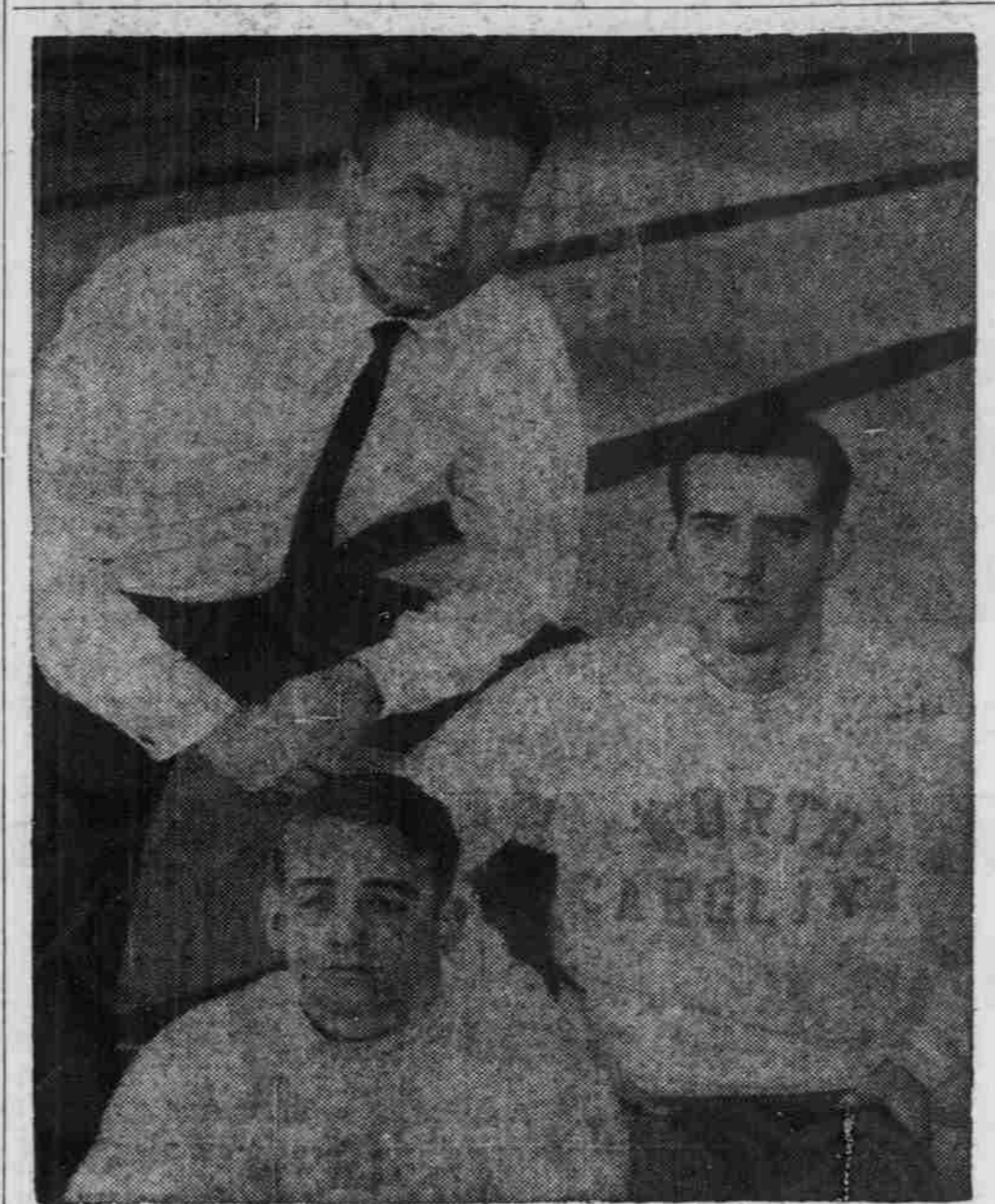
Senior cocaptain Bob Briggs, who along with Mann garnered a first place in the Florida meet, will start in his specialty—the 200-yard breaststroke. Bob Bilbro, Carolina's other co-captain and Bryan Williams are set in the freestyle sprints while Willie Bloom and either Frank Lea or Art Merrill will swim the freestyle distances.

In the 200-yard butterfly, Earey will probably go with Barry King and Randy Dodson. Doug Fambrough, who performed so well against Florida's All-American Steve McBride, and Sandy Patterson will do the diving for Carolina.

Earey's tankmen will have their hands full today in trying to stop the Terps. Coach Bill Campbell's crew, which has vanquished five conference foes, including the

vaunted N. C. State team, has only to win this afternoon to sew up the championship.

The College Park mermen, 7-1 on the season, feature three of last year's individual ACC champions, two of whom broke records in their specialties.



North Carolina swimming coach, Pat Earey, with co-captains Bob Briggs (left), and Bob Bilbro.

## Tar Heel Track Men Host State College Tonight At 6

By MARTY KRUMING

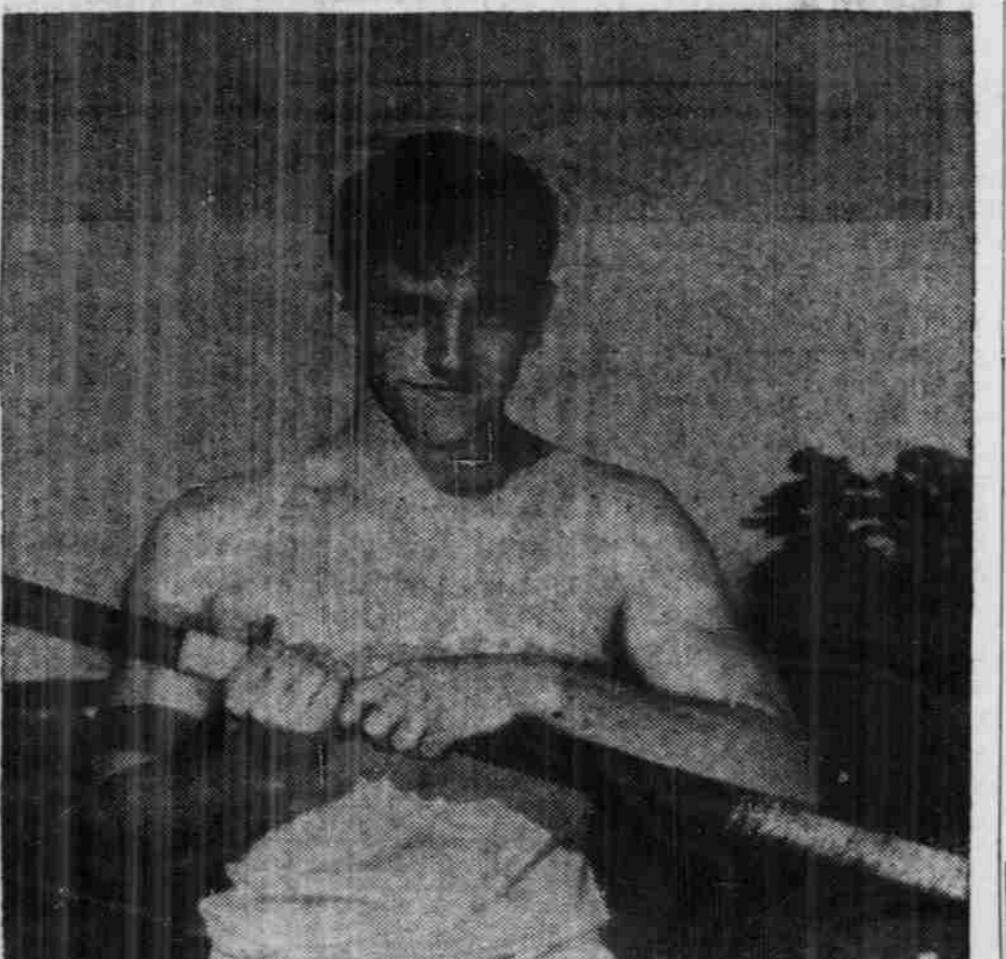
Labeled as one of the finest winter track teams to ever represent Carolina, Coach Dale Ranson's Tar Heels return to the Tar Can this evening to battle N.C. State in a meet beginning at six. Only last month the Wolfpack was soundly trounced at Chapel Hill.

In the V.M.I. relays held last weekend, Carolina's showing was highlighted by the individual performances of senior co-captain Rett Everett in the two-mile run and Tom Clark's 6-4 leap in the high jump. Everett's lightning time of 9:30.1 was good enough to earn him the "most valuable runner" award for the meet, and a tie of the old record set by Wayne Bishop of Carolina in 1959. In the distance medley, featuring Scott Brent, Bob Hart, Jerry Stuver, and Charlie Little, and in the sprint medley, the Tar Heels copped two firsts. Although the schools entered in the relays were not given a total score, Coach Ranson was delighted

with the efforts of the entire squad.

The Tar Heels should have no difficulty breezing past State. Both co-captain Barrie Tiedemann and junior Heath Whittle, whose vault of 14 feet in the V.M.I. relays was good enough to take second, have cleared the 14-foot mark in official competition this season. As for the other field events, Harvey Henry in the shot put and John O'Bannon and Dick Lewishorn in the broad jump have turned in creditable showings. Everett's entrance in the mile run should be a highlight for the fans attending tonight.

With Quantico's German-born pole vaulter John Uelses having become the first man to break the sixteen-foot barrier, Ranson hopes to bring the Marine squad back for a return engagement before the close of the season. Although Uelses won the Carolina meet with a vault of 15 feet, he just barely missed at 15-6.



BARRY TIEDEMANN—One of the Tar Heel pole vaulters in tonight's track meet with N.C. State.

## Carolina Caravan

By JAKE WADE

CHAPEL HILL — North Carolina's cagers will welcome the opportunity of cavorting on the hardwood of their own cozy and friendly Woollen Gym when they tangle with the Wake Forest Deacs Saturday afternoon. . . . The Tar Heels haven't exactly distinguished themselves on their journeys abroad this season, all losses so far having been on the road. . . . There is consolation in the fact that they get another shot at all their conquerors, except Indiana, and right where they toil daily in practice and where most of the cheering will be for them. . . . Forgetting about game sites, all those affiliated with the team are puzzled over Carolina's recent loss of sharpness that was shown in earlier efforts.

Larry Brown's mother came down from New York to see him play at College Park and, while grieving over the Tar Heels' loss, nevertheless loaded up her debonair son with goodies to bring back to the campus. . . . Buck Freeman, once an able assistant to Franklin McGuire when he coached here, also commuted from New York to watch the Maryland game. . . . Charlie Shaffer may report to the football squad for the wind-up of off-season practice after the basketball campaign ends. . . . Tar Heel wrestler Pete Gilchrist has had five straight pins for Dr. Sam Barnes' up-and-coming team. . . . And Dick Blackman so far this season has collected 25 points. . . . Both he and Pete stand to break

the schools' individual wrestling scoring record. . . . Pete's from Charlotte, Blackman from Whiteville.

THIS AND THAT—Runner John Gutknecht, the UNC graduate student who is the national six-mile cross country champion, was wed recently to Miss Lillian Anne Terry of Durham, the nuptials taking place at Rockingham. . . . Ben Gallagher, the Charlottean who had to forfeit his last year of football eligibility at Carolina because of scholastic difficulties, has caught on with the Minnesota Vikings. . . . That's the pro outfit on which Rip Hawkins starred last season as a rookie, leading the league in pass interceptions. . . . The Tar Heels have a three-year pact with Michigan State and a two-year deal with Ohio State, the Big Ten football powers they will meet for the first time next season.

UNC track coach Dale Ranson will be taking off soon on a short leave of absence to teach the Chicago Cubs how to be swifter. . . . This will be the second year he has taught his "fleetness running" to the big leaguers. . . . On that recent balmy Sunday, upwards of 200 golfers toured the University's Finley course, very unusual for this time of year. . . . Members of the Atlantic Coast Sports Writers Association have received invitations to a golf party and banquet March 6 at Greenville to kick off the college baseball season. . . . Reynolds May and other Greenville citizens will be hosts.

## AGD And Spencer Lead Coed Sports

In the race for the championship all-sports trophies to be awarded at the end of the year to the dormitory with the most cumulative points and to the sorority with the greatest number of participation points, Spencer Dormitory with 177 points and Alpha Gamma Delta with 219 points are leading their respective divisions.

Alderman Dormitory with 129 points is second in the dormitory competition and Delta Delta Delta with 163 points in the sorority division. To date there have been intramural tournaments in tennis singles, volleyball, and table tennis. Basketball intramurals begin next week, with the schedule as follows:

- League I
  - Chi O vs. Alpha Gam, Thursday, Feb. 15, 7:00.
  - Spencer II (Bye)
  - Alpha Gam vs. Spencer II, Thursday, Feb. 22, 7:00.
  - Chi O (Bye)
  - Spencer II vs. Chi O, Thursday, March 1, 7:00.
  - Alpha Gam (Bye)
- League II
  - Kappa vs. Pi Phi, Thursday, Feb. 15, 8:00.
  - Whitehead vs. Nurses, Thursday, Feb. 22, 8:00.
  - Kappa vs. Nurses, Thursday, March 8, 7:00.
  - Whitehead vs. Kappa, Tuesday, March 6, 8:00.
  - Pi Phi vs. Nurses, Tuesday, March 13, 7:00.
- League III
  - KD II vs. Alderman, Tuesday, Feb. 20, 7:00.
  - McIver (Bye)
  - Alderman vs. McIver, Tuesday, Feb. 27, 7:00.
  - KD II (Bye)
  - McIver vs. KD II, Tuesday, March 6, 7:00.
  - Alderman (Bye)
- League IV
  - KD I vs. Spencer I, Tuesday, Feb. 20, 8:00.
  - Tri Delt (Bye)
  - Spencer I vs. Tri Delt, Tuesday, Feb. 27, 8:00.
  - KD I (Bye)
  - Tri Delt vs. KD I, Thursday, March 8, 8:00.
  - Spencer I (Bye)

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## Gum Company Is Accused By FTC

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Thursday accused the nation's biggest manufacturer of bubble gum of illegally monopolizing the sale of cards bearing pictures of big league baseball players.

It filed the complaint against Topps Chewing Gum, Inc., of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The FTC said that Topps has exclusive picture card contracts with 414 of the 421 baseball players in the major leagues. The 7 bubble gum holdouts were not identified.

According to the FTC, the company also has signed up virtually all of about 1,500 minor league players of major league caliber or potential.

The FTC complaint said the company has used threats of legal action and secret payments to baseball players' agents to frustrate the effort of its competitors to use the players' pictures on similar cards.

The company was accused of signing up minor league players for \$5 to contracts that bind them from granting picture card rights to anyone other than Topps.

### WAA MEETINGS

The Splash Club has changed its time of meeting to Tuesday nights at 7:00.

A new club is being offered for the first time this semester. The Badminton Club will meet on Wednesdays in the Women's Gym at 3:30.

The WAA Council will have a supper meeting next Monday at 5:00 in the Women's Gym.

### GOLFERS

Golfers interested in trying out for either the varsity or freshman golf teams should contact Coach Ed Kenney at Finley Golf Course this week.

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### SOCCER MATCH

Carolina's varsity soccer team will meet an all-campus team this afternoon at 4 on Feter Field.



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