

UNC Battles Duke Today

The Carolina baseball team journeys to Durham today for its first meeting of the season with Duke. Game time is 3 p.m.

The Tar Heels carry a 2-1 conference record into the contest. The overall mark is 3-3. Duke is 1-5 and 5-11.

If UNC beats the Blue Devils and Wake Forest tops N. C. State, the Tar Heels will go into a percentage tie for first in the ACC with Clemson.

Left-hander Beattie Leonard (23) is the probable starting pitcher for UNC. In his last start, on April 11, he threw a one-hitter at Georgia Tech. Carolina pitching has allowed only two runs in the last three games.

Leading hitter for Coach Walter Rabb's Tar Heels is first baseman Danny Talbott. Through 16 games, Talbott is hitting .406. An 0-for-7 slump against Clemson and South Carolina cut Talbott's mark from .456.

The conference standings through games of Sunday, are as follows: (Conference records first)

- Clem 6-2, .750; 12-2, .857
- N. C. State 3-1, .750; 6-6, .500
- Maryland 4-2, .667; 7-5, .583
- UNC 2-1, .667; 8-8, .500
- USC 5-3, .625; 10-3, .769
- Wake Forest 1-4, .200; 5-7, .417
- Duke 1-5, .167; 5-11, .313
- Virginia 1-5, .167; 3-10, .231

Russell Named Celtics Coach

BOSTON (AP) — Bill Russell, former All-America whose defensive wizardry built the Boston Celtics into a perennial power, was named coach of the National Basketball Association club yesterday, becoming the first Negro to head a major league sports team.

"I'm pleased, proud and happy," Russell told a news conference. "Once again the Celtics are making National Basketball Association history — not only on the court but on the bench."

The 32-year-old Russell, who is completing the first season of a three-year contract paying him \$100,000 annually, will move into the role of player-coach after the Celtics wind up their championship series with the Los Angeles Lakers.

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Wins And Losses

By Barry Jacobs



Spring Sports Count, Too

Most of the publicity and interest generated by college sports centers around football first and basketball second. Such emphasis is only natural. Football has been played on campuses for nearly a century, longer, for example, than major league baseball has been played. Basketball also has a long history as a college sport.

Most important, both of these sports became popular as college sports. Professional football and basketball developed later and used college players of material almost exclusively.

In contrast with the big sports, spring sports tend to be played down. Collegiate baseball, tennis and golf get little national publicity. The primary area of interest for these sports is outside the colleges — professional baseball, professional and amateur tennis and golf. (There is interest in college track, but it is the individuals, not the teams, that receive most of the attention.)

There's nothing really wrong with playing up the "Big Two" sports, but the little sports shouldn't be forgotten. A school with mediocre football and basketball teams is branded as weak athletically, despite fine records in other sports.

At Carolina, the football and basketball seasons were not exactly resounding successes this year. The gridgers were 4-6 and were crushed, 34-7, by Duke. The basketball team did wind up with a winning season (16-11) but lost three straight to the Blue Devils.

The Tar Heels may be able to recoup some lost glory this spring. The tennis team is having its usual outstanding season. Coach Don Skakle's netters have reeled off six straight wins since having their 33-match win streak snapped by Florida State. Next month they will defend their ACC title in the tournament at Clemson.

On the diamond the Tar Heels are currently in a tie for third in the Conference. Walter Rabb's boys have lost only one ACC game — by a 1-0 count. Three conference games this week, with Duke, Maryland and Virginia, should give a clearer line on the Tar Heels' title chances. Danny Walker and Buddy Cahoon showed some top-caliber pitching in the weekend series with Clemson and South Carolina, and the victory over the previously unbeaten Tigers gives Carolina fans something to get excited about.

Spring could be a bright season for UNC sports.

Meaningless Rankings

Speaking of college baseball, one of the more interesting exercises in nonsense is the bi-weekly ranking of the top ten college ball clubs. The teams are ranked by a poll conducted by a national newspaper devoted to college baseball.

Football and basketball polls don't mean much, but at least the people voting have had an opportunity to learn some thing about what they are voting on. They can see some games live and others on television or film, and what they don't see, they can read about.

Baseball balloters, on the other hand, are really voting blind. They probably see some of the games that take place in their area and are familiar with the merits of the teams around them. About teams from other parts of the country, however, the voters can know very little, if anything. Sports writers in North Carolina know which teams are good in the Atlantic Coast Conference, but what about the South West Conference or the Big Ten?

The tendency, of course, would be for the voter to rate the teams in his area high, since he knows them. He may feel like giving his team a boost if it is any good. The only way he can rate teams from the rest of the country is by their won-lost records, which may be out of date when he gets them. Caliber of competition is impossible to assess.

The ratings themselves are rather old when they come out, since the publication is a bi-weekly and balloting is done by mail. They are subject to wild fluctuations; teams can go from seventh to first to tenth in three polls.

The baseball rankings don't really hurt anybody, of course. They can be nice if your favorite team gets a high rating. Remember what they are, though, and take them with two grains of salt.

DTH Sports Quiz

- When was the last time that the New York Yankees lost the pennant two years in a row?
 - Which college football team holds the record for the longest winning streak? How long was it? What team snapped the victory string?
 - Keiso recently retired as the horse racing's all-time money winning champion with nearly \$2 million in earnings. Which horse held the record before Kelso?
 - This American athlete won the grueling decathlon in the 1948 Olympics at the age of 17. He repeated his victory in 1952. Name him.
 - When a Negro became heavyweight champion in 1908, boxing's "white hope" era began. Who was this Negro and who was the white hope who finally beat him?
- (Answers to Sunday's quiz.)
1. City College of New York won the NCAA and NIT basketball tournaments in 1950, the only time this feat has
 2. The only three fighters to defeat Joe Louis were Max Schmeling in 1936, Ezzard Charles in 1949 and Rocky Marciano in 1951. The defeats by Charles and Marciano came after Louis came out of retirement.
 3. When Sandy Koufax struck out 382 men last year, he ended the dispute over whether Bob Feller or Rube Waddell held the record. Feller fanned 348 in 1946. There is a question of whether Waddell whiffed 343 or 349 for the Philadelphia Athletics in 1904.
 4. The last man to lead the National Football League in rushing before Jimmy Brown entered the league was Rick Casares of the Chicago Bears. Casares led the NFL in 1956 with 1,126 yards.
 5. The only four major college basketball teams to go undefeated since World War II were Kentucky in 1953-54, San Francisco in 1955-56, UNC in 1956-57, and UCLA in 1963-64.



THE NEW WAY to watch baseball at the bright green, fresh field is demonstrated by relaxed residents of Parker, Teague and Avery residence halls. Yesterday the Freshman ball club faced Louisburg, but lost the first game of a doubleheader, 2-0.

Louisburg Tops Freshmen In First Game Of Two, 2-0

By BILL HASS, DTH Sports Writer

Carolina's freshman baseball team could not take advantage of two golden opportunities and lost to Louisburg in the first game of a doubleheader yesterday, 2-0.

In the second game, Tar Baby pitcher Gary Hill hurled a perfect game for six innings before giving up a hit in the seventh. Carolina led, 9-0.

The game was scheduled for seven innings, but went eight before Louisburg managed two runs off of hard-luck pitcher John Yancey. Both runs were unearned.

In the eighth, pitcher Eyer got on base when UNC shortstop Joe Swain let the ball go through his legs for an error. More bunted, but Yancey fielded quickly and

Danny Weaves A Spell Walker Controls Tigers

By BILL ROLLINS, DTH Assistant Sports Editor

And then there was Danny Walker. Clemson had breezed to an unbeaten record through 13 games, and had everybody fearing that the ACC title race would become a shambles before it got started.

But last Friday the Tigers ran into an old nemesis, and they never had it so tough. An old nemesis? You'd better believe it.

When Walker beat the big boppers from Death Valley by 6-1 the other day, it wasn't the first time Clemson had seen the Tar Heels' senior righty. Their formal introduction took place April 30, 1965 on old Emerson Field, when they tried to hit him for a full 13 frustrating innings, managed only five safe blows for their trouble and got beat 4-3.

Last Friday wasn't the second time for Walker and the Tigers either. He pitched three innings of hitless relief against them at Clemson later in the '65 season in a game the Tigs finally won off another UNC pitcher.

In fact, Coach Bill Wilhelm's team had not been beaten (19-0-2 record) by anybody since that April day some 50 weeks ago—until they came back to Chapel Hill.

Quite A Spell

And then there was Danny Walker on the hill again, rock-in' and firin' and weaving his spell.

And quite a spell it was, too. The six-foot, 185-pounder struck out nine and walked but one while working his second straight complete game in as many starts. He allowed eight hits, only four until the ninth inning.

Although he lowered his earned-run-average to a solid 3.12, that is still a ballooned figure when compared to the type of pitching which is the 21-year-old's usual standard.

He worked 44 innings in eight games for Coach Walter Rabb last year, yielding 28 hits, fanning 38, walking just 16 and posting a brilliant 1.02 ERA. His record was 3-1.

During the past summer he pitched for New Market in the Shenandoah Valley League in Virginia, hurling nine complete games for a 7-2 record and finishing with a 2.04 ERA in about 100 innings.

50% Fast Balls

Danny calls the slider his best pitch, but "Against Clemson my fast ball was working best, and I guess I used it about 50 per cent of the time. I threw my slider about 30 per cent and used curves and some change-ups too. They got five or six of their hits off breaking pitches, so I relied on the fast one when I needed the pitch real bad."

Sluggers Stopped

Of particular interest in Walker's performance last Friday was the way he handled the heart of the Tiger batting order. The third, fourth and fifth-place hitters had combined for 16 home runs, 51 RBI and a batting average of .360 in 13 games.

But in 12 trips to the plate against Danny, the power boys got just two singles and a walk, and hit only one ball out of the infield. The first two times Walker faced the

three, he struck them out in order. The third time around, he whiffed third-place hitter Jack McCall also.

The only man to reach base from the fourth through the seventh was opposing pitcher Charlie Watson, who smashed a single off Walker's right foot with one out in the sixth — and then was killed on a double play.

Great Support

"I had great support both at the plate (Bob Boneczek and Mike McLaughlin gave him four runs with homers) and in the field (no errors), and you can't win without that," Danny declared.

Better Vs. FSU

Strangely, Danny says that he probably pitched better in his 4-1 loss to Florida State during the vacation tour. How so?

"They (FSU) had even better hitters than Clemson," he began, "and only got four hits. Also, they had seven left-handed batters and I jammed them pretty good and they only got one hit between them."

"But as far as control goes, I was around the plate much more against Clemson. I walked six at Florida State (he passed just one Tiger), and do you know that three of them scored! That was the game, working so hard on the lefties, a right-hander sliced a two-run homer to the opposite field!"

That homer was the only one Danny has yielded in 81 innings of pitching at Carolina.

Control Problem

Danny Walker's biggest criticism of himself is his control, which until last Friday definitely left a lot to be desired. He's walked 20 batters in 36 innings — 19 in 27 before Clemson.

"I think I'll do all right if I can keep finding the plate as I did against Clemson," Danny says.

Cheerleaders

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Lacrosse Team Wins First

Pete Williams fired in two third-period goals within 30 seconds Saturday and paced Tar Heel scoring as the rebounding lacrosse team topped Washington and Lee at Lexington, Va., 6-5. UNC's record is now 1-3.

Williams topped all scorers with three goals, but the victory was a unified team effort — five goals were scored with the aid of assists.

Less than a minute had elapsed in the opening period when Williams moved through W&L for his first score. Then with a minute gone in the second round, Tim Balch snapped

a 1-1 tie with a tallying shot and the Heels were never headed.

Sandy Reider scored on the face-off following Balch's goal, and UNC led at the half, 3-2. Reider got his second marker with five minutes gone in the third period, and seven minutes later Williams hit his two-goals-in-30-seconds blitz to push the lead to 6-3.

Balch added to his one score with two assists, and Ben Howe, Jake Hubbard and Loring Swasey also assisted.

Coach Don Skakle's netmen scored their sixth straight tennis win last Saturday. The 9-0 victory over Virginia was the third straight shutout for Bronson Van Wyck, Gene Hamilton and Co.

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