

# Don Hartig "Toed" A Long Road

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Carolina kicked the Florida Gators half way back to Gainesville on Saturday, and the big toe behind it all belongs to Don Hartig, the Tar Heel place kicking expert.

Hartig's three field goals of 42, 44 and 47 yards alone were enough to beat the Gators who could only muster one touchdown against a stingy UNC defense. Hartig's 47-yarder, the first score of the ballgame, broke a 29-year old Carolina record. Hartig really toed it, through the driving rain, and it cleared the goal posts by better than ten yards.

His second was nearly as long. He bombed it 44-yards on a line, the ball landing halfway up in the endzone bleachers.

These two boots got the Heels off and winging, but Hartig's third field goal could very well have been a more crucial one.

It came with the score 13-7 after the Tar had recovered one

of eight Gator fumbles, stopping a game-tying drive. This time, Hartig had the wind and rain in his face as he drilled a 42-yarder just over the cross-bar giving the Tar Heels an important 9-point lead at halftime.

A stranger watching Hartig in action this season would think he was a born place-kicker sought after by many colleges. But actually, the Greensboro native answered a DTH ad placed two years ago by Bill Dooley who was seeking an unheard-of but talented toe.

"I kicked off for the freshmen team but had to give up football when I hurt my knee," Hartig said. "In the spring of my sophomore year I read Coach Dooley's ad and decided to try out."

Hartig worked diligently that summer to get his toe back into shape, and when the 1967 season opened at North Carolina State, he was the Tar Heels' number one place kicker.

Hartig went on to kick four

field goals and 10 conversions last season to end up as the number two scorer for Carolina.

In only half as many games so far this season, Hartig has already bettered his 1967 total and has booted six of seven field goals.

"I felt that I hit my stride in the South Carolina game when I reached the endzone with the opening kick-off," Hartig said.

"Since then, everything has fallen in."

Hartig called Saturday's victory over Florida a "tremendous thrill... the greatest day of my life."

He said the biggest problem with the weather was not his footing but keeping his shoes dry.

"I wasn't happy to see it rain," Hartig said, "but actually the field didn't get real

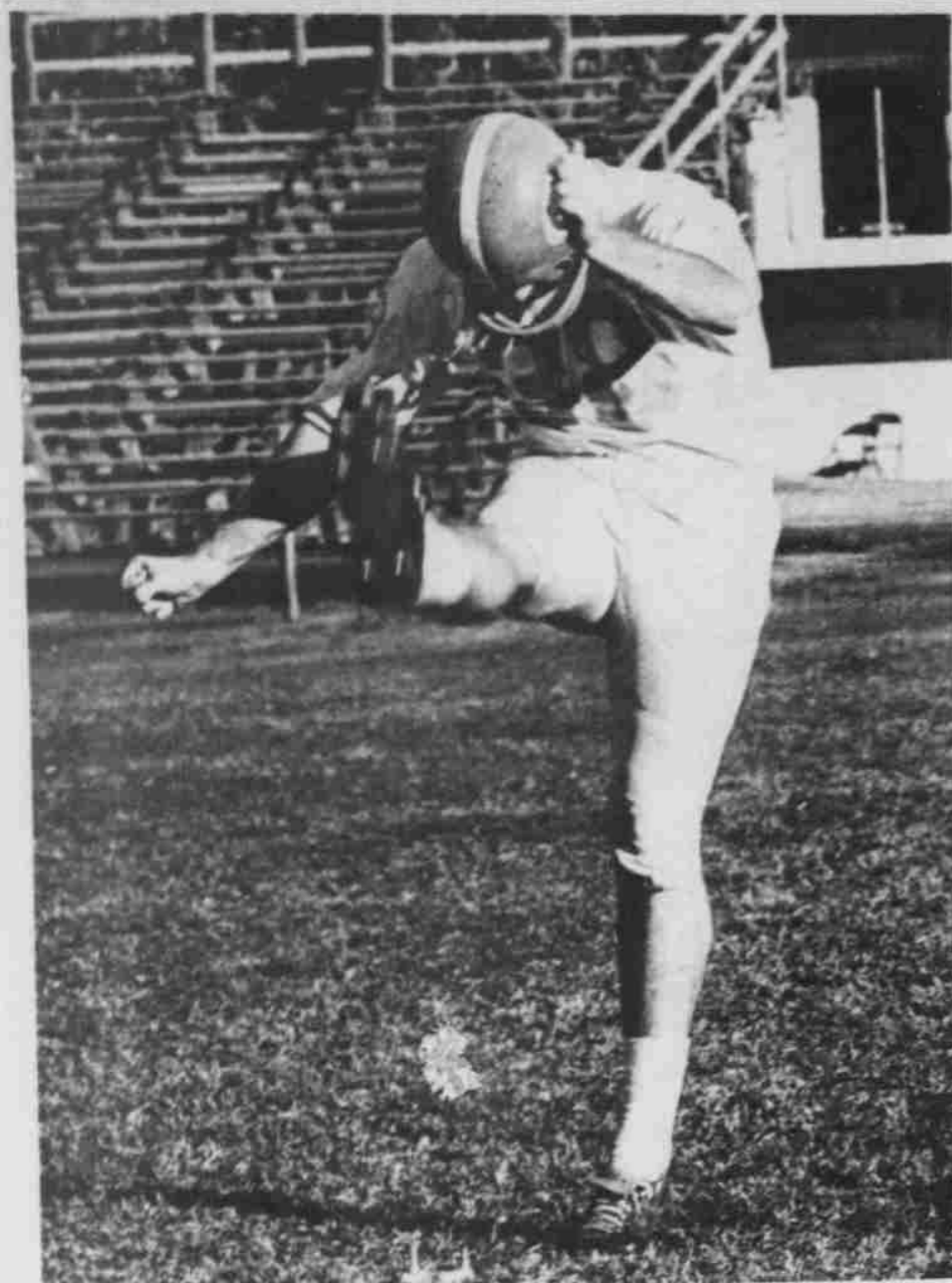
bad until the second half."

Hartig plans to graduate in June but still has another year of eligibility left, because he missed his sophomore year.

"I hope to enroll in the Carolina School of Dentistry," the chemistry major said, "but whether I'll be able to play even if I get in remains to be

seen."

Whether Hartig will boot 'em for the Tar Heels again next year does remain to be seen, but this year is only half over, and before he's through many more Carolina records may be crushed by the big toe of Don Hartig.



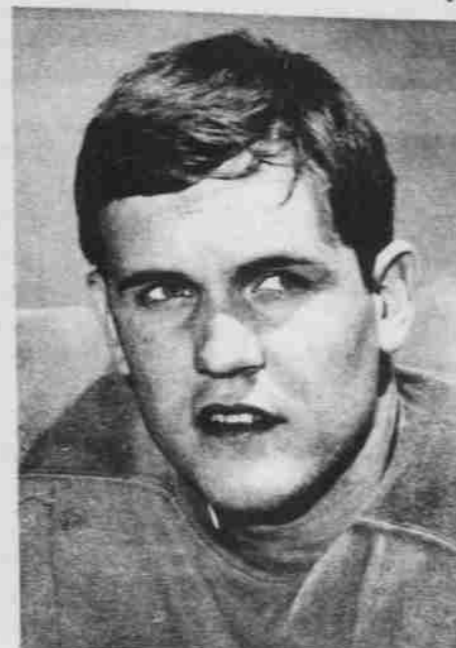
UNC Place Kicker Don Hartig  
...Booted Three Over 40 Yards Saturday

## Wall Injured; Out For Year

Carolina football was dealt a damaging blow yesterday when it was learned that guard Battle Wall has played his last game for the Tar Heels.

Wall, a senior from Wadesboro, N.C. and a three year starter, underwent surgery Sunday for a knee injury suffered in Saturday's victory over Florida.

Wall is definitely out for the season and may never play football again. Wall's defensive guard position will be taken by sophomore Flip Ray of Fort Mill, S.C.



Battle Wall

## State Tops ACC

By CHRIS COBBS  
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Carolina and N.C. State moved ahead in the rain Saturday.

The Tar Heels maintained their perfect record in the Southeastern Conference with a 22-7 victory over Florida, and share the unofficial "lead" in the SEC.

State relied on its old formula for success—a vicious defense—to halt Virginia's bid for the top spot in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The Wolfpack upped its conference mark to 4-0, which gives coach Earle Edwards and State undisputed possession of the ACC lead.

Clemson finally won a game, Wake Forest came very close to victory against highly-rated Purdue, and Maryland maintained the winning streak it began against UNC last week.

Virginia floundered in the Raleigh mud and in the grasps of the State defenders, who reclaimed some of the praise they had relinquished in early season lapses against Oklahoma and SMU.

Frank Quayle, the Cavaliers'

answer to O.J. Simpson, went into the State contest averaging 9.9 yards every time he ran with the football. Against the Pack he could do no better than 3.9 yards per carry in 18 tries.

Coach Frank Howard of Clemson found one of "his kind of players" in the Tigers' 39-22 victory over Duke.

Howard praised running back Ray Yauger for his efforts under pressure in the second half, when the sophomore gained 70 of his 97 yards rushing.

"Those touchdowns you get after you're way ahead come pretty easy," said the veteran coach, "but those that break it open are something else, and Yauger made a heck of a run for that touchdown."

Purdue had to call upon its candidate for the Heisman trophy, Leroy Keyes, for a last minute touchdown to edge Wake Forest 28-27.

Maryland followed its victory over Carolina with a 21-19 win over South Carolina.

The Gamecocks dropped out of contention for the ACC title by losing their third conference test in four outings.

## Harriers Defeat Wake; Gain 4th Win

By RICHARD W. SMITH  
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Phil Beavers was Wake's first man across the line, but he was beaten by seven Carolina runners.

The race had all the aspects of a time trial for the Heels, and the lack of competition may have affected their times. Head coach Joe Hilton reviewed the afternoon's results and commented on what he believes to be the Heels biggest problem.

"We are always glad to win, but I can't seem to get them moving," he said. "Their (Carolina's) times are just what they have been all year," he said.

When asked whether or not he would alter the workouts, he replied, "No I'm not. I think you can give a team too much work, but I don't think I've done that because the team recuperates from the workouts. In fact, today's run was almost the same as practice."

There was some question as to whether Hilton would take the harriers to the District III meet in Atlanta this Saturday, and he indicated he would not.

"I think that we need the work more during the two days that it would take to make that meet. We run Duke Oct. 30 and we have to prepare for that one," he said.

Kenny Helms, who won this meet, came away from a similar easy win at Clemson last week. These two individual wins were preceded by a failure to finish in the loss to Maryland.

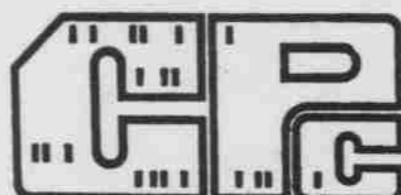
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