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Ali lives-and they still haven't found anything white that can give him a fight, Lester Maddox and his axe-handles notwithstanding.

Jerry Quarry was sorry and Maddox was "mourning." but Ali was proudly fighting for 22-million black people.

It took the champ less than three rounds to make up for three idle years. He was fast as the Ali of 1967, and no other fighter could ever make that statement.

It was worth a million dollars for the finest boxer in two decades to lose 25-pounds and bloody the face of a man who was supposedly the top white in the ring today. Quarry must have been seeing dollar signs, too, because he never saw what punched him out.

They should have let Quarry use a can of mace, or at least a night stick. That might have reduced the odds. At that, he probably couldn't have won even if Bull Connor had been the referee.

Seldom Challenged

The only whites who ever seriously challenged Ali were a slick TV man and the justices of the Supreme Court. Madison Avenue and the United States legal system got in a few body punches, anyway.

Broadcaster Howard Cosell used to torment the champ when his videotaped fights were telecast. At least Ali's tongue got a workout. Then the Army decided to let Ali do some sparring for it. He declined and the court moved in. Ali was backed on the ropes but he kept swinging.

In the intervening three years he has been fighting to stay out of jail for draft evasion.

Various boxing commissions and authorities took away his world heavyweight title without laying a glove on him, which was about par for the course.

When the novel called "The Pretenders" came out, everyone thought it was going to be about the heirs to Ali's title. At any rate, the book was better than most of the men who vied in the "tournament" that selected his official successor.

Ali, in the meantime, toured college campuses and talked with thousands of students. In the process, he seemed to mature and abandoned the old jive, a mixture of jokes and poetry.

Return To Ring

When it became apparent, about a year ago, that Ali wouldn't mind returning to the ring, all the patriot-bigots in the country with access to an auditorium bandedtogether and denied him a fight site.

Finally Atlanta made ramshackle Municipal Auditorium available, and 5,000 people would get a chance to see his return. Thar was roughly comparable to providing a few dozen toilets for last summer's Atlanta Pop Festival: it was better than nothing.

Ali had ballooned to 240 pounds, but because he did not indulge in "bad women, whiskey and nightclubs," as he said, his body did not deteriorate. The muscles got soft and he accumulated the extra weight, but six weeks of vigorous conditioning took care of that.

Ali sought "to make no mistakes in preparing for Quarry, running harder and sacrificing more than ever."

He got "crazy with loneliness, though, missing the times with the black power groups and the white hippies at the student union building," as Sports Illustrated reported last week.

Black Power Symbol

Ali saw himself as a black power symbol and his fears were not so much for himself as for his race. "I'm not just fighting one man, I'm fighting a lot of men, who'll be rejoicin' and jumpin' up and down and hollerin' and just rollin' under beds and chairs," should he lose, the magazine continued.

The former Cassius Clay, who made the heralded switch to the Islamic religion after he won the world title, was also motivated by a desire "to please Allah." He was adamant about not letting "court decisions determine my life and providing for my family so they won't have it as difficult as I did."

Equipped with this set of desires and more boxing tools than he will ever need, Ali certainly had the edge over Quarry. It was a straight right hand that opened the woundthat resulted in a merciful TKO for Quarry. But, as Ali said, "it was more than a win for a fighter-it was a social victory."

If only Quarry's blood, which he will never miss, could indeed make up for three centuries of black setbacks outside the boxing ring...

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Heels Tackle Virginia

Dooley: Homecoming Win Vital

by Al Thomas Assistant Sports Editor

The Tar Heels' football outlook took a dramatic turn for the worse with last Saturday's loss to Wake Forest.

Before that game, UNC coach Bill Dooley said a win against the Deacons was "vital if we are to be in contention for the Atlantic Coast Conference championship.

Now, with the 14-13 defeat a matter or record, Dooley said Tuesday, "a win against Virginia this week is vital if we are to have any type of season."

No longer was the emphasis on the ACC championship. With the Tar Heels 4-3 overall and 2-2 in conference play. Dooley's hopes lie in having a "respectable season," not a championship

"There's no excuse for us losing the Wake Forest game." Dooley said. "To be quite frank about it, the reason we've lost three in a row is that we've been unable to come up with the big play.

"That's been our downfall." he continued. "When there has been a critical situation on the field, we haven't had the big play on offense or defense.

Carolina's seeming inability to come up with the big play was not all that upset Dooley about the Wake Forest game, however.

Immediately following the game, Dooley said he would protest the officiating, but did not give the specific reason for the protest.

After Wake's quarterback Larry Russell said in an interview after the game that his teammate Larry Hopkins had pushed him into the end zone for their

Virginians Star For UNC

position quickly. "He's one of our

blue-chippers," lauds Smith, "one of the

Klise from Portsmouth, tormented the

Another Virginia quarterback John

He hit six of 13 passes for 37 yards

"He showed a lot of poise," says the

coach, "in knowing when to pass and

"He's instinctively good-he already

Klise's instincts gave the Tar Babies

After sprinting 21 yards, Klise then

Although Klise passed well when he

"We've got to throw more, but there's

their go-ahead touchdown with five

handed off to fullback Sammy Johnson

on the 11-yard line. Johnson fumbled,

but the alert QB scooped it up on one

had to, Smith still thinks the freshmen

not much time for us to work as a unit.

And now that standard time is back and

it gets darker earlier, it will be harder on

bounce and darted into the end zone.

need a better air attack.

knows a lot of things we can't teach."

minutes left in the fourth quarter.

and ran for 82 in 15 attempts, but Smith

didn't have to see the statistics to point

tremendous athletes on the team."

Cavalier defense.

out Klise's best quality.

how to hit the open man."

first touchdown (which is illegal) Dooley discussed the incident on his television show Sunday.

publicly criticize the officials." Dooley said Tuesday. "I do expect them to be good, though, and the officiating was not the book. They keep you off balance." good.

"I'll never again publicly criticize the officials," he continued, "and wouldn't have mentioned the pushing play if Russell hadn't talked about it in his interview.

"I am protesting it through the official channels, including a lot of other

complaints about the game, too." Dooley noted, however, that his players have forgotten the Wake Forest game, concerning themselves with streaking Virginia.

The Cavaliers have won three games in a row, and now sport a 4-3 overall record.

the same as Carolina's.

"Virginia has a sophomore quarterback, Bill Troup, who gives them "It wasn't in very good taste for me to the big play passing the ball." Dooley said. 'They run a multiple style offense. using about every offensive formation in

> The Cavaliers began the year with quarterback Larry Albert in command, but during the last few games have primarily used Troup, who stands 6-5, 215 pounds. Albert stayed mainly with a running game, while Troup is a passing quarterback.

> Virginia's main strength during its recent battles has been the passing game, with Bob Bischoff, 6-3, 195 pounds, and Dave Sullivan, 6-0, 180 pounds, doing most of the receiving.

> The Cavaliers' main weakness has been in its defensive secondary, however, the same as Carolina's.



The eight finalists in the Homecoming Court met the press Tuesday at Coach Bill Dooley's weekly luncheon at a local restaurant. Left to right are Donna Frye, Wendy Boulton, Eva Fregakis, Ann Welfare, Linda Beukema, Laurie Venning, Christy King and Tess West. Dooley stood aside while they posed.

Frosh Prospects

by Mark Whicker

Sports Writer

from the Carolina recruiters, but enough

Old Dominion prospects came south to

give UNC another topnotch freshman

Virginia 22-12 last Friday, and with

injuries quickly healing, they appear

Charlottesville, was held to 73 yards by

a couple of transplanted Virginians, Ted

Levrenz and Terry Taylor, were there to

Coach Moyer Smith, "and for that matter

native as a "real winner" and "one of the

best linemen to ever come out of

Leverenz, from Alexandria, is playing

At 6'2" and 190 pounds, he could be

State, Wake Forest and Virginia backs

outstanding at defensive back, wide

know that Leverenz has learned his

defensive end for the first time in his

career, and maybe the last time too.

receiver, linebacker or running back.

Merritt, the 9.3 sprinter from

Every time he tried to sweep the ends,

"Virginia wanted Taylor badly," says

Smith describes the Harrisonburg

ready to fulfill their potential.

Notre Dame wanted him too."

the UNC defense.

Virginia."

The Tar Babies came back to upend

Yes, Virginia, Kent Merritt got away

Stickmen End Work

Coach Fred Mueller was pleased with his lacrosse team's first annual Blue-White scrimmage, which was held recently on James Field. The contest, which marked the end of fall practice for the stickmen, gave the coaches an opportunity to look over both the freshmen and the veterans.

The Whites won the game, 8-6, despite four goals by Blue attackman Frank Upchurch.

John Meiners of the Whites got the first goal of the game early in the first quarter, but All-American Ray Seipp tallied for the Blues to tie the score, 1-1.

After Mac McKenzie's goal put the Whites ahead, Upchurch scored twice to give the Blues a precarious 3-2 lead. The Whites recaptured the lead on goals by Jim Howard and Glenn Taylor, but Upchurch's scored again knotted the see-saw contest at 4-4.

Hitchcock are back in the lineup.

at 6-4 and 215, can return to tackle.

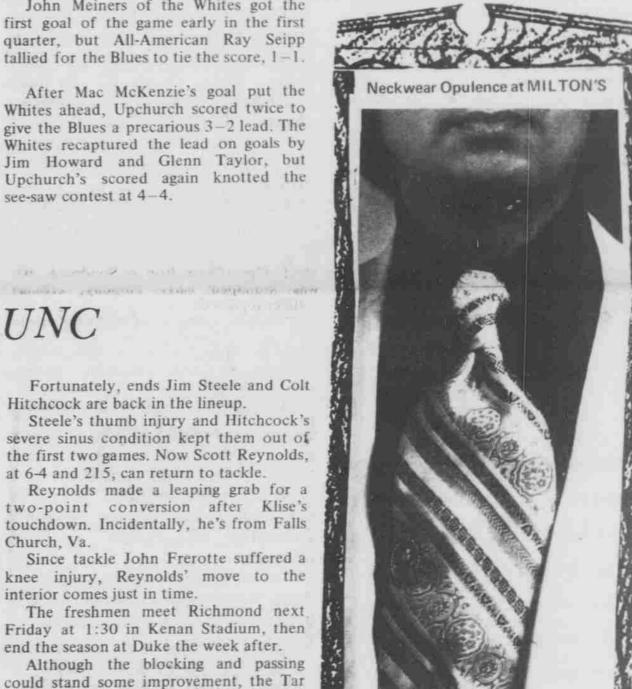
end the season at Duke the week after.

interior comes just in time.

Church, Va.

The White squad finally took the lead for good as Jim Gould scored on a pass from Ron Cox, After freshman Ken Bauer scored, McKenzie followed with a goal to stake the Whites to a 7-4 lead.

The Blues rallied on goals by Upchurch and Mike Tiernan, but Roder clinched the game for the Whites as he scored to make the final margin 8-6.



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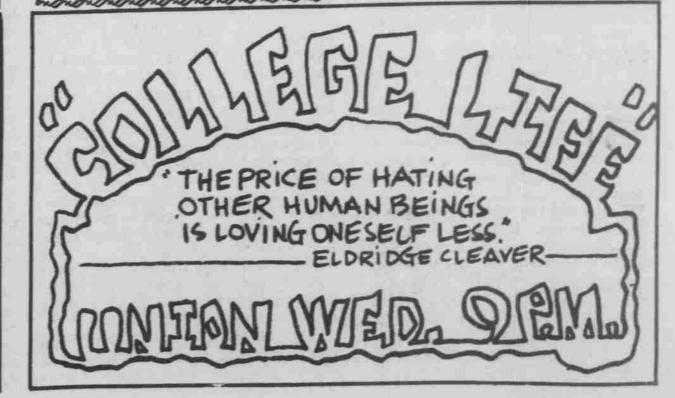
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