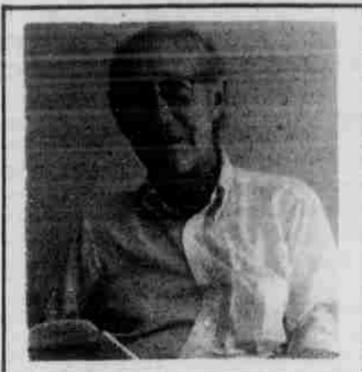




#### A drink and a show

Resident mixologist Carl Fox explains how to make that delightful concoction, the Mai Tai, while veteran reviewer Walter Spearman travels to the Village Dinner Theatre to see *Second Time Around*; both on page 3.



#### Weekender sports

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## Heels go hunting for the title UNC, Clemson defenses clash for all the marbles

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*It is late summer. Charley Pell leans back in a chair in the athletes' dining room at Clemson University, contemplating the approach of his first year as the head coach of the football team there. "What this team needs," he says as he scratches his head, "is a little taste of winning. That would change things around here."*

Eight football games have passed since Charley Pell said that. The former player under Alabama's 'Bear' Bryant has done something to the Tiger squad to change it and give it that taste of winning he said it needed. The team has won seven games and lost one. It has the potential now to have the best record a Clemson team has had in nearly 20 years.

But he thought about other things this week, namely a Carolina defense, a Carolina homecoming, Clemson injuries and an ACC championship.

"I'm concerned about homecoming," he

said from Clemson this week as he looked at the UNC-Clemson football game Saturday — the Tar Heel homecoming game. "It looks like we're up against all the odds."

On the line in this game literally is the ACC championship. A loss for Carolina would throw Clemson and Carolina into a tie for the lead with one loss each. Carolina, should it lose, would have to win the rest of its conference games (against Virginia and Duke) to ensure a tie in the league while the Carolina game is the last league game of the season for the Tigers. Carolina must win the rest of its games this season in order to secure the conference title.

Pell, who normally gets upset at very few things, ran down the list of Clemson casualties from the 26-0 Clemson win over Wake Forest last week. His second-leading rusher, Lester Brown, suffered an injured knee and missed two days of practice this week. Linebacker Randy Scott, the team's leading tackler, has a thigh bruise and missed three days of practice. Backup nose guard Toney Williams has an injured shoulder.

And doctors wouldn't let starting fullback Tracy Perry have any contact early this week.

"If we don't get some players well, I don't know if we'll have enough to fill the plane coming up there," Pell said.

The game between Clemson and Carolina is expected to be a defensive struggle because both teams have strong and experienced defenses. But Pell said he's worried about Carolina.

"We'll probably punt," he said. "I'm serious about having to punt. They don't have any weaknesses. I don't know what we're going to do. I'll be honest with you because, hell, nobody's been able to do anything against them. They have the most pressure of any team we've faced so far."

Pell said he's especially worried about the speed of the Tar Heel defense and the quick pursuit of opposing quarterbacks he's seen on defense. Pell's quarterback, Steve Fuller, is one of the best — perhaps THE best — quarterback in the league.

"I don't want them to do to him what

they've done to some other quarterbacks this season," Pell said, referring to the trouble encountered by quarterbacks such as N.C. State's Johnny Evans and South Carolina's Ron Bass.

Fuller, whom Tar Heel coach Bill Dooley called "an outstanding field general" this week, can throw and run and even though Carolina has encountered some very good quarterbacks, perhaps is the most versatile to go up against the highly touted Tar Heel defense.

Fuller has gained nearly 1,300 yards in total offense this season and has 12 touchdowns. He has completed 60 of 125 passes for 981 yards and seven touchdowns and has rushed 123 times for 310 yards and five touchdowns.

Fuller plays behind a big, experienced offensive line which includes 258-pound junior guard Joe Bostic, 275-pound senior tackle Lacy Brumley and 241-pound junior guard Steve Kenney.

Jerry Butler, a speedy junior who reportedly does the 40 in 4.3 seconds, has caught 33 passes this season for nearly 600 yards and three touchdowns. The leading rusher for the Tigers is Warren Ratchford, who is averaging 5.5 yards per carry and has picked up 459 yards this season.

But one of the real sparks for the Tigers — one that has Dooley worried — is the kicking threat of Nigerian Obed Ariri, who was transferred from the top-ranked Clemson soccer squad when Pell needed a placekicker. Ariri tied the conference record against Wake for the longest field goal with a 57-yard boot and leads Clemson in scoring with 37 points. He has not missed a point-after-touchdown in 16 attempts and is 7 for 13 in field-goal attempts.

"Anytime they get to midfield, they're a scoring threat," Dooley said.

Clemson's defense has allowed only 68 points in its eight games this season, and 21 of those were in the 21-14 season-opening loss to Maryland. Scott, the team's leading tackler, has thrown ball carriers for a loss 14 times in his 89 tackles and has broken up three passes.

Despite the strength of the two team's defenses, Pell said he doesn't think the game will be a defensive battle.

"People have been asking me that," he said. "But I haven't seen anybody stop (Amos) Lawrence or (Matt) Kupec. Shoot, have you seen anybody stop (Billy) Johnson or (Doug) Paschal. And then, of all things, there's (placekicker Tom) Biddle. With him around, you have to play goalline at the 50-yard line."

"And then, of all things, there's homecoming. We're playing the homecoming game at Chapel Hill. There's a lot of things we'd rather be doing than taking part in that."

