

State routs Heel women

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CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va. — For the first 12 minutes of its ACC tournament semifinal game here against N.C. State Friday night, Carolina's women's basketball team played what coach Jennifer Alley called its best ball of the season.

But the Tar Heel play in the remaining 28 minutes resulted in "the most embarrassing loss we've had since before Christmas," Alley said.

After a 15-point first-half scoring streak brought the Wolfpack behind, a 24-point second-half streak devastated the Tar Heels as State rolled to a 89-58 win.

Saturday, the Wolfpack was upset by seventh-ranked Maryland, 89-82, in the championship game. The Terps' Tara Heiss was the unanimous choice as the tourney's most valuable player.

Carolina, who had not played particularly well in beating Wake Forest in the first round, did little wrong in the opening minutes against State.

The swarming Tar Heel defense treated the second-ranked Wolfpack just like it did East Carolina and Appalachian the week before, making numerous steals resulting in fast breaks. Coupled with strong offensive inside play, the Tar Heels moved out to their biggest lead, 27-22, with eight minutes to play.

But State switched from its man-to-man defense to a zone trap, and Carolina started making turnovers. By the time UNC scored again, State had moved out to a 37-27 lead. At the half it was 45-35.

Three straight UNC baskets early in the second half made it 51-45 with 14:48 left, but over the next eight minutes, State scored 24 points to Carolina's none, to move out to a 75-45 lead.

Pack wrestlers escape with win over Heels

By KEITH JONES
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Having beaten the Tar Heels once already this year, the N.C. State wrestling team came to Chapel Hill Saturday and escaped with a 23-16 victory in a match that saw UNC coach Bill Lam and his wrestlers constantly questioning the judgment of the referee.

Lam was too upset following the match to comment on the officiating and could not be reached for comment Sunday.

"I don't really want to comment on the officiating too much," said UNC 190-pounder Dean Brior, "I'd rather let Coach do that. He (the official) did seem to be tense and uptight at the beginning of the match, and then everyone started to get on him. He was not consistent in his calls at all. One of their best wrestlers, Terry Reese, came up to me after the match and wanted to know where we had found the ref. He didn't think he'd done a very good job either."

Most of the quarrelling centered around stalling violations. At 118 the Heels were hurt by stalling penalties against Bob Monaghan. Monaghan acted as the aggressor for most of the match, yet

somehow managed to lose one point for stalling. Jim Zenz won a 6-4 decision.

At 142, the official awarded State's Joe Butto two points for stalling against Bill Rumley with less than ten seconds to go in the match, to tie the score at 8-8. Jeff Reintgen was penalized a point for stalling in the 150-pound bout and ended with a 5-5 draw. His opponent, Mike Koob, stalled almost the entire match yet was not even warned.

At 158, Tar Heel Carter Mario was tagged with a stalling point with seven seconds remaining. The point enabled State's Terry Reese to escape with a 7-6 decision.

The loss was the second disappointing defeat at the hands of State this season, dropping the Heels' record to 6-2. Both of the matches easily could have been Carolina victories. The league title will be determined in Raleigh in the conference tournament March 3 and 4.

The team will be back in action Friday night when it travels to Greenville to meet East Carolina. The Heels whipped ECU earlier this year 25-15 in a match in Carmichael.



The brace that Rich Yonakor wore on his left knee when UNC downed Clemson two weeks ago is now a cast as the Tar Heel center reinjured it in practice Friday. And forward Mike O'Koren sprained his ankle in Carolina's 61-59 loss Sunday at Providence. Staff photo by Andy James.

Providence opens doors for weary UNC caravan

Monday Morning
By GENE UPCHURCH

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — "Providence will not be open tomorrow," the headline in Sunday's Providence newspaper read.

Despite food shortages, traffic bans and other problems, Carolina's basketball team was able to struggle into the snow-stricken city in time for its nationally televised game with Providence Sunday.

But it wasn't easy. The Tar Heels were aboard the first plane to arrive at the Providence airport since it had closed a week ago when a blizzard hit the Northeast. The arriving passengers were such a novelty that one television station had a cameraman on hand to film the event.

The team arrived in Providence about 12:30 a.m. Sunday, just twelve and one half hours before the game with the Friars. The team, a few supporters and a couple of writers all crowded onto one Providence city bus with their luggage. Many of the players stood during the 45-minute ride through the slick streets of the city past snow plows which dwarfed the bus and mountains of snow.

Non-emergency traffic was banned in the city, and violators faced a \$500 fine. The bus driver carried a card from the Rhode Island's governor's office giving him permission to travel in case he were stopped by city or military police which were patrolling.

Carolina's coaches wanted the team to have a high-protein breakfast of steak and eggs Sunday before the game. But the motel where the team was staying told the coaches Saturday that all they could serve because of the short food supply would be the eggs or some French toast. So before the team left New York Saturday after the Rutgers game, some steaks were bought and flown in with the team.

"This is an adventure," Dean Smith understated early Sunday morning.

Rich Yonakor sat out the Rutgers and Providence games because of a recurring knee problem which he aggravated in practice Friday before the team left for its trip north. The starting center's injury comes at a critical time in the season, just when Carolina was plagued by injuries last season to Tommy LaGarde, Walter Davis and Phil Ford.

"You know," said Al McGuire, former Marquette coach now a basketball analyst for NBC television, "I can't remember having any injury like this in 13 years at Marquette. It must be something in the way they're trained."

McGuire retired from active coaching last season after Marquette won the national championship.

"No," he said when asked if he missed coaching. "In fact, I waited too long. I should have done it two years ago."

The Carolina team visited Mike O'Koren's mother after arriving in New York Friday night.

The team traveled to a Jersey City hospital where O'Koren's mother is recovering from a back injury she received when she slipped and fell on some ice.

Weekend sports shorts

Swim, fencing, track fare well

The UNC swim team scored victories over a confident Duke team Saturday in Durham, leaving only a dual meet with N.C. State Tuesday in Bowman Gray Pool before conference and national competition. The Tar Heel men won 63-50, a close meet compared to the Tar Heel women's convincing 85-46 win.

The women won all but the last event, when they substituted for their 400-yard freestyle relay team. Ann Marshall, Bonnie Brown, Lauran Dupree and Janis Hape were double winners.

Mike Amaya put in the best performance for the men in the 200-yard breaststroke. His 2:09.92 bettered the old University record, especially noteworthy since Amaya beat last season's No. 1

finisher in the event in the ACC Championships, Duke's Steinhouse.

"It was an easy win," co-captain Mark List said. "We got excited from the very beginning. The first three events we just blew them out of the water. They lost some of their psyche."

The UNC men's fencing team swept the first two rounds of the foil and sabre competition, clinched the match at 14-2 and then eased to a 22-5 win over Virginia Saturday in Women's Gym.

Steve Bachmann won three bouts and team captain Mark Scott, Mac Moretz and Keith Herron added two wins each as the foil team was undefeated for the match.

Stan Schulman, Rich Weil and Barry O'Dell

recorded two wins apiece, and Tal House took one bout in sabre. Tom Killian, Paul Conway and Frank Blake evenly divided six wins in epee to round out the Heels' scoring.


Carolina will host Clemson in a dual meet this Saturday. The Heels will be out to avenge an early season loss at the hands of the Tigers.

"Clemson will be tough," Scott said. "But our confidence is up, and we are ready to take it to them."

UNC's women's indoor track team set three meet records and the men's team won two events in the second annual N.C. State Invitational in Raleigh.

Meet records were set by Karen Stevenson in the 60-yard hurdles with a time of 8.7, Michelle Langan in the high jump with a 5-foot-5 jump and Rosie Riddick in the shot put with a 38-foot-1 throw.

In the men's events Doug Slack won the mile with a time of 4:15.8 and Erwin Jones won the high jump, clearing six feet, 10 inches.



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