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Marvin learns soccer abroad

By BILL FIELDS Staff Writer

UNC soccer standout Rick Marvin is receiving an international education right now-but it's not in any foreign classroom.

Marvin, a freshman midfielder on the Tar Heels' 12-3-4 temm, is learning on a soccer field in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. He and 19 other American youths under age 19 are learning-and perhaps teaching-soccer in the North and Central American regional youth World Cup qualifications.

The U.S. team is composed of the best, young soccer players in the country, including several professionals. The players were selected by the United States Soccer League. The team is coached by Bill Muse, but U.S. Olympic soccer coach Walter Chyzowych serves in an advisory capacity.

"These players represent the best young soccer talent this country has to offer," Chyzowych said, "And they are among the best in the world."

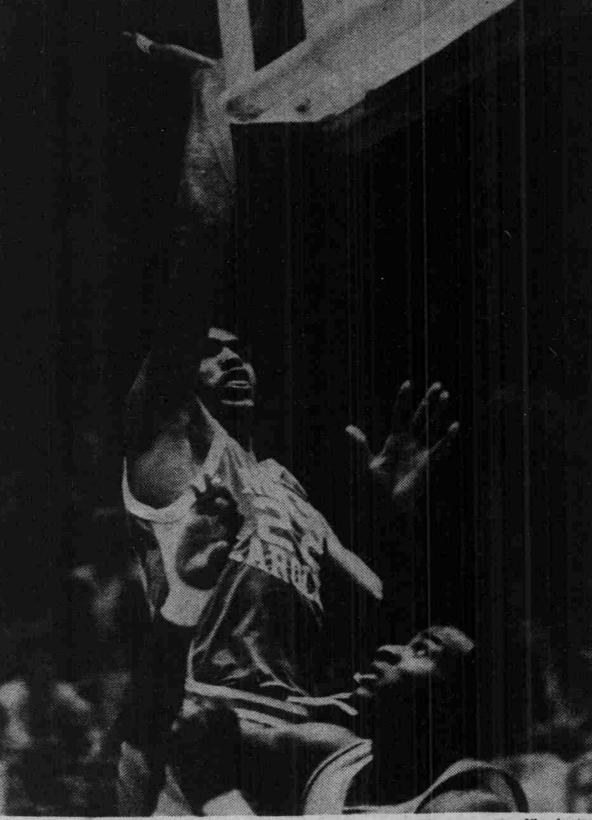
For most 18-year-olds, a chance to play international soccer would be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. But not for Rick Marvin-this is his third international soccer action, and he showed his ability by scoring a goal in the United States' opening-round win over a Puerto Rican team, 2-0 Tuesday night. The squad advanced to secondround play in the tournament, which runs through Dec. 17.

Before the tournament Chyzowych said, "if we can learn to play together as a team we can compete with anyone in Honduras. I think we have an excellent chance of advancing to Japan for the finals next year."

The two top finishers in this western hemisphere competition will travel to the Far East in August 1979 to compete for the youth World Cup title. And the youth World Cup is just a notch below the World Cup, which draws attention from all corners of the globe.

So with all the things associated with the tournament, you might think Rick Marvin would be kind of nervous down in Honduras. Not so, however, because he's been there before.

The red-haired dynamo from Baltimore, Md., got his first international experience in August of last year when he played on a United States Soccer Federation team that toured West Germany. The Americans finished the tour 5-1-1, and Marvin scored a team-leading five goals from the center-forward position.



Dudley Bradley tries his hand on offensive end aggressive senior leads UNC effort on defense

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Big Four Bradley's defensive play a plus as Tar Heels take on Deacons

By LEE PACE Sports Editor

Dudley Bradley may have played only 17 minutes Wednesday night as Carolina whipped Northwestern, but he played those 17 as if they were his last. But you wouldn't know it just by reading the box score.

Two out of four field goals-no big deal there. Three rebounds-they could've just fallen into his hands. No free throws, no assists, no blocked shots. It's doubtful Bradley plans on writing home about those figures.

But check the personal foul and steals column. They tell the story of Bradley's reckless defensive play, the kind Wake Forest's Demon Deacons will run into tonight in the Big Four in Greensboro Coliseum.

Four personal fouls, three steals. Bradley spent the first few minutes of Carolina's 97-67 win scrambling around the court like a madman, harrassing the Wildcats' offensive plans and generally making a nuisance of himself. Only problem, he got a little too aggressive at times and picked up three fouls with over 11 minutes to go in the first half. "They were calling it pretty tight," Bradley said. "A couple of times I just barely touched the guy."

If Bradley can adjust to officiating from game to game, he'll play a lot for the Tar Heels this winter, no matter how many jumpers Al Wood swishes from the corner or how many layups John Virgil manages in traffic. He'll play big guard and small forward and do a good job at both. Bradley considered his role on Carolina's basketball team Thursday morning as he waited with his teammates in Chicago's O'Hare Airport to board a jet for home,

"I just try to hustle, to play with intensity, with savvy, with enthusiasm," he said. "Really I get more thrill from an assist than a steal. Assists are harder to come by than steals. On offense, if I get the shot, I'll take it."

But when Bradley had to sit down Wednesday, the rest of the Tar Heels took up for him. Carolina stole the ball from the Wildcats 15 times and helped force 10 more NU



Falk. "Because of the pressure we had people completely panic, in my opinion. The thing that concerned me the most was playing an organization like North Carolina, a team with a proven reputation. Their combination defense, the fresh faces in there all the time, always somebody new in there. Their first game out of the chute and a perfect example of how you have to play to have a national power."

Carolina will need all of that and more this weekend. UNC and Wake open the tourney at 7 p.m. tonight, followed by No. 1 Duke and No. 6 N.C. State at 9 p.m. Losers will play at 7 p.m. Saturday, winners at 9 p.m. Both games Saturday will be telecast on Channel 5.

"I've said consistently the Big Four is one of the toughest tournaments in the country year in and year out," State coach Norman Sloan says. "Other than the NCAA finals, it's got to be the toughest because of the competition, the added fact that you're playing traditional rivals and that the games do not count in the conference standings."

Wake Forest is 1-0 after opening with a 70-68 win last Friday at Jacksonville. State is 3-0 with wins over Texas A&M, Pepperdine and Louisville in the Alaskan Shootout and Duke is 2-0 with an easy win over Western Kentucky and a hard-fought win over SMU Monday.

All attention, until Saturday at least, is focused on State and Duke. "The experience in Alaska helped us get ready," Sloan says. "I don't know if anything really helps except playing in it. Fortunately, nine of our top 10 players played in it last year, but Duke can say

Marvin's second trip abroad came three months later when the United States youth squad traveled to Monaco for an international invitational event. The U.S. team finished behind a strong Soviet squad, which posted the top record.

"Russia was really strong," Marvin recalled before leaving for Honduras. "They beat everybody."

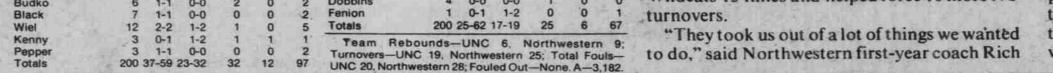
In his third stint of competition against foreign competitors, Marvin agains hopes the United States can win. Marvin said he would like a chance to go to Japan. Looking farther ahead, a good performance in the youth competitions will help Marvin in a quest for the U.S. Olympic team in 1980.

"This is the big trip, what I've been waiting for," he said.

"I think I might be a little young in 1980 since most of the players are college seniors, but I'd like to give it a try. The competition is tough.

"You learn some good tricks playing with foreign players," he said. Carolina's opponents this fall found out about the tricks when they were rammed hard with shoulder charges and victimized by other international secrets by No. 9 in Blue.

But Marvin's not able to "trick" any of the fellows he's playing against in warm Honduras. He's relying on natural soccer ability-something he's got a full supply of.



the same thing. When you're playing the No. 1' team in the nation, you don't worry about who'll you play in the second game."

Stiff weekend dual meet awaits swimmers

The Carolina swim team plunges into action this weekend as it travels to University Park, Pa., to compete in Saturday's 18-team Penn State Relays after Thursday's dual match opener at Pittsburgh.

The women's team, winner of seven events at the ACC Relays two weeks ago, faces Eastern Michigan and Pitt in the Panthers' pool.

"We're excited about starting our dual meet 'season," Carolina coach Frank Comfort said as he begins his second year here. "It's good for us to open against such strong teams. Swimming against such great squads helps us find out exactly where we are and determines what we have to do to get better."

Pittsburgh is one of the top teams in the East. Both the men and women Panthers copped the Eastern championships last season. In a 1977 meet, Pitt's men out-swam Carolina in the final relay event to earn a 61-52 victory.

"Both teams are stronger than they were last year," Comfort said. "The meets should be close and exciting."

The Tar Heels go into Saturday's Penn State Relays as the defending champions. Last year they edged Pitt 312-282 to take the title

The Carolina women are the pre-meet that to happen again."

The Tar Heels have already seen one of the favorite in the highly competitive Pitt Relays. nation's best teams when they competed Pitt won the title last season but Carolina's against N.C. State in ACC Relays. eighth-place finish at the AIAW National Championships places the Tar Heels in the role of the favorite, at least on paper, where UNC returns seven All-Americas.

> This weekend is only the beginning for both teams. Tough East Carolina comes into town on Wednesday for a 7:30 meet.

"Although the women's team at East Carolina has improved, we think we can beat them because of our overall depth," Comfort said. "However, the men's meet should be a classic. We expect them to be shaved and tapered for us. They beat us last year, 61-52, for the first time in history. We don't want

B-ballers on road

The UNC women's basketball team traveled to Boone Thursday night to face Appalachian State. Results will be reported in Monday's Daily Tar Heel. On Saturday the Heels travel to play Old Dominion, one of the nation's top-ranked teams, before coming home next Tuesday to be host to N.C. State in Carmichael Auditorium. Carolina is 1-0 after defeating Lenoir Rhyne in its opener.

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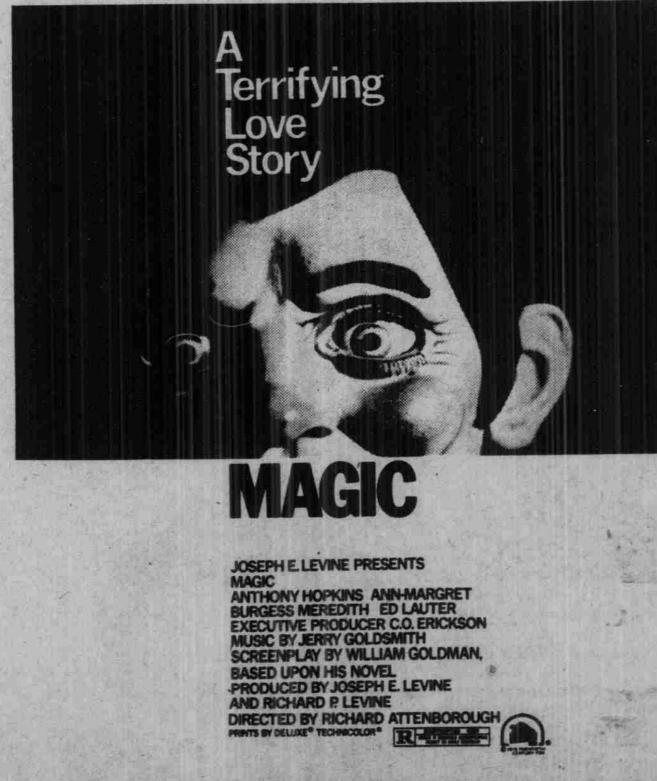
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