Not too long ago, North Carolina's gymnastics scores
and Tammy Gilbert, could perform on a given day.
stable and holding firm in the 160 s.
Now, the burden of scoring has left the shoulders of
Kaiser and Gilbert. Gymnasts such as Christine Thorne
and Anne Ruppert, combining with strong input from
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Elise Slobodin and Mickie Robinson, have formed a
Elise Slobodin and Mickie Robinson, have formed a
more balanced attack for UNC.
Now, the squad has firmly raised its average into the
170s.
That new-found depth was never more evident than
last Saturday when the Tar Heels took four of the top
five all-around spots in sweeping away three opponents.
Carolina tallied 171.15 points, followed by N.C. State
at crovina tallied 171.15 points, followed by N.C. State
College at 151.65 . This was the final home meet of the season, raising the
Tar Heels' record to 8 -3 overall.
UNC showed its muscle early on with an impressive
team total of 43.95 on the vault, a full point better than
The meet was all but over following the bars, as the
Tar Heels built up
Tar Heels built up a 2.75 -point advantage. Ruppert was
tops in the event with a 9.05 , while Gilbert managed 8.7,
good for fifth.
UNC proved once again where its No. 1 strong point
is by earning two scores of better than nine on the floor
routines. Thorne was first with 9.1 , while Kaiser was
routines. Thorne was
close second at 9.05 .
North Carolin's baseball team didn't mind opening
the 1987 ceacnn with three games in three davs After all.
Sweep final home meet

Gymnasts winning with depth

State, Wake to host
basketball tourney

GREENSBORO - Wake Forest and North Carolina State will co-host an annual college basketball
doubleheader beginning in December 1983, officials announced Monday.
The "McDonalds Classic," sponsored by the national
fast food chain, will pit the host teams fast food chain, will pit the host teams against Virginia
Tech and North Carolina-Charlote in its inaugural yea Dec. 2-3 in Greensboro Coliseum. Visiting teams will be
 the Tar Heels swept by their opponents $8-0$ and $9-1$.

## Tennis team romps

 in season openerBy LEW PRICE
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The UNC men's tennis team opened its season Sunday by
beating UNC-Asheville 8-1. Not totally satisfied, they followed Monday with a $9-0$ win over UNC-Charlotte. but he played, with an injured knee which will keep him out of action for the next few matches.
In January the team learned they would be without the much
anticipated services of Wayne Hearn, who is academically in-
eligible.
Coach Allen Morris and the rest of the team are optimistic, however, that this will be a good year.
"For these to be the first matches of the year I'm pretty pleased with the play," Morris said. "We have more depth and are probably better at the top than these teams.
Ken Whitaker, who has seen play at the four and five spots thus far, said these matches were not indicative of matches to "I'm optimistic about our chances this year and feel we have a legitimate shot at the ACC," he said. "But these teams are not
as strong and the competition will get tougher in the future."

In the UNC-Asheville match: Josh Sarner def. Maynard $6-7$ ( $8-6$ ),
$6-2,6-2 ;$ Ron Erskine lost to Cizek $6-1,6-7(7-5), 46 ;$ Ken Ludwig def.


 Wake Forest Athletic Director Dr. Gene Hooks said the
doubleheader was an attempt to replace the Big Four doubleheader was an attempt to replace the Big Four
Tournament, which featured Wake Forest, N.C. State,
Duke and North Carolina. It ended its 10 -year run in 1980 Duke and North Carolina. It ended its 10 -year run in 1980
when North Carolina pulled out of the tournament. when North Carolina pulled out of the tournament.
"We'll range out further than just this area of the country to find good opponents," said Hooks. "We have been talking to the Big Five in Philadelphia and the Big 10 . We
have contacted quite a number of schools about playing in the Classic.'


