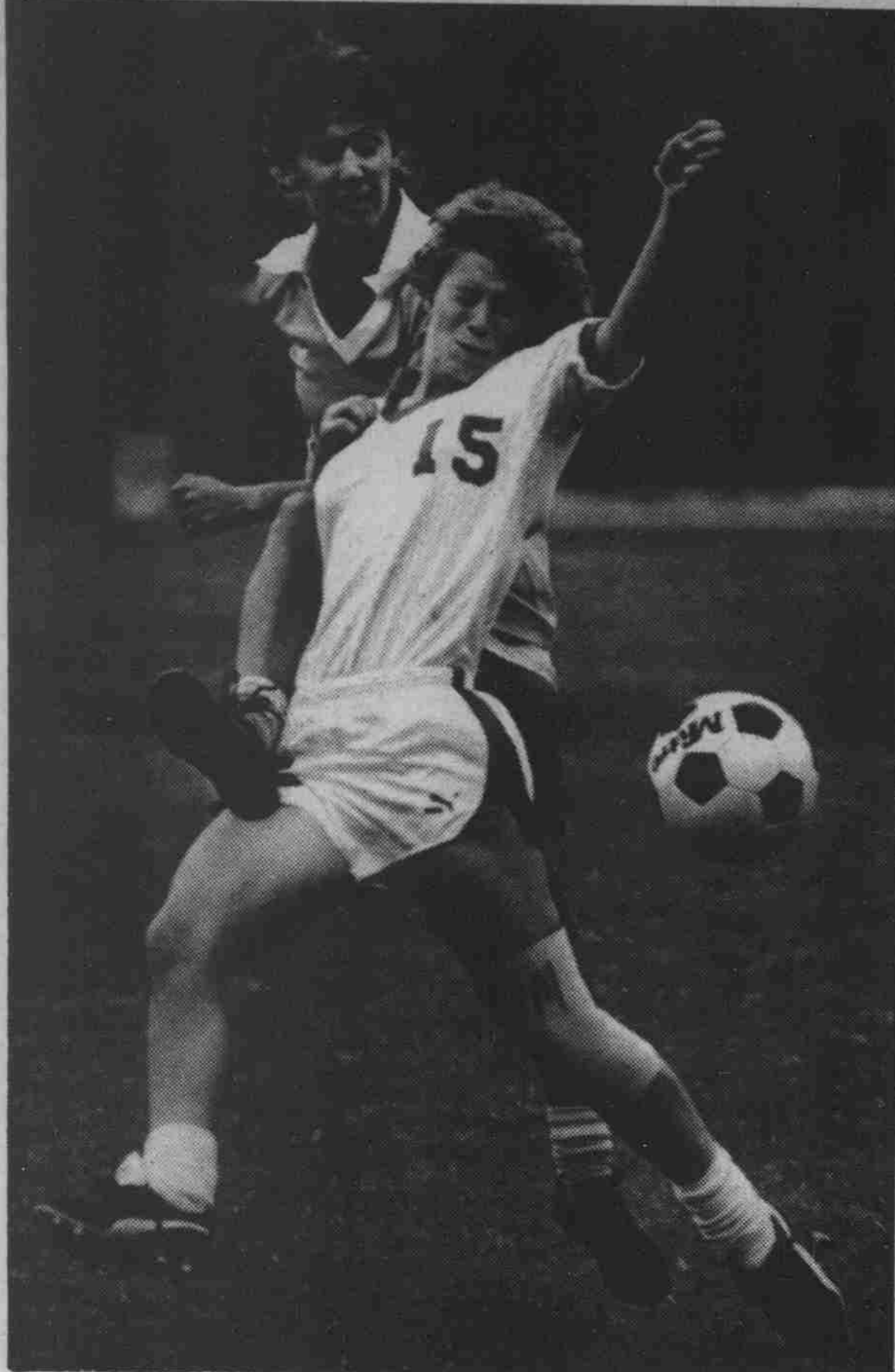


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Jo Boobas, Tar Heels had a foot up on N.C. State all day
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N.C. State, however, did not give up. With 19:60 remaining in the match, Debbie Liske scored the Wolfpack's first goal to give N.C. State a boost of confidence. Due to Liske's goal, the Wolfpack seemed to play harder. UNC's lead was trimmed to a 4-2 margin with 5:26 remaining when N.C. State freshman Kim Daley scored unassisted. All of a sudden, UNC's last goal was not so insignificant. The Tar Heels managed to hold on to their two-goal lead and clinched their fourth consecutive berth to the NCAA semifinals.

"I thought we played well today although I feel we could have played better," UNC coach Anson Dorrance said. "Our combinations were not quite as effective as I would have liked them to be but they obviously worked well enough for us to win."

One possible factor going into the contest with N.C. State was the condition of UNC goalkeeper Kathleen O'Dell. O'Dell injured her wrist in practice on November 11 and was forced to play with a cast on Saturday.

"I think having the cast on only made me play harder," O'Dell said. "I had to concentrate more than usual because the cast restricts my movement. I was afraid that coach Dorrance would lose confidence in me, but he assured me that he had confidence in my ability and that really gave me a big lift."

How does Dorrance assess UNC's chances of bringing yet another soccer championship to Chapel Hill?

"I believe we have a good chance, but the University of Massachusetts has to be the favorite," he said. "They're a very strong team and I would have to say that they are the team to beat."

N.C. State coach Larry Gross, however, feels somewhat differently.

"North Carolina is the best team I've seen this season," Gross said. "They have excellent speed and are well-coached. I'll be amazed if they don't win the whole thing."

The rest of the story will be written Saturday in Fairfax, Va.

Cavaliers-Tar Heels game a tale of two young quarterbacks

By JAMES SUROWIECKI
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"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." Charles Dickens used these words to describe the French Revolution, but they apply equally well to Saturday's UNC-Virginia game, a game we might call *A Tale of Two Quarterbacks*.

Strictly speaking this is a tale of four quarterbacks, but Don Majkowski and Kevin Anthony play only supporting roles. The stars of this story, using the word "star" very loosely, are the two starters, Virginia's Scott Secules, who plays Charles Darnay, and UNC's Jonathan Hall, who plays a more pitiful than usual version of Sydney Carton. You get it, don't you, Hall placing his head on the executioner's block so Secules can escape with a win and live happily ever after. Well, maybe not.

In any case, this tale has a prologue, which begins last Saturday in Kenan Stadium. There, in the first start of his young career, Hall completes 12 of his 20 passes and leads UNC to a spine-tingling 21-20 victory over Clemson. He is instantly acclaimed as UNC's newest savior and the next Doug Flutie. Visions of bowl games begin to dance in Tar Heel heads.

As for poor Kevin Anthony, standing on the sideline, hopefully warming up, well, he is written off by most fans. "Anthony, ha!" they say with disdain dripping from their words. "He'll never throw another pass for us again." Obviously they hadn't learned to never say never.

Part two of the prologue takes place in Charlottesville, Va. sometime Thursday, when Virginia starting quarterback Majkowski violates a team rule. Exactly which team rule he violated we don't know, but rumor has it the transgression happened at night. Do with that information what you will. Virginia coach George Welsh suspends Majkowski for the UNC game and names sophomore Secules as the starter. End of prologue.

All the action in this tale takes place at Virginia's Scott Stadium, where Hall gets the first crack at the ball. On a second and five, he fades back and fires the ball to William Humes for a gain of four yards. Not the best beginning, but not the worst. Just wait, though. Two plays later, Hall rolls right and zips a pass to Brad Lopp. Well, not really. What he really does is zip the ball through Lopp's hands. On the next play, the Cavaliers blitz and get to Hall just as he releases the ball. It falls incomplete, out of Quint Smith's reach.

Secules trots onto the field. On a third-and-seven play he drops back and throws his tenth pass of the year, good to Barry Word, who is nevertheless stopped short of the first down marker. Virginia has to punt. On the next play from scrimmage, Hall is back to pass off a play action fake. He fires to Smith but the ball is tipped away.

At this point, you might be asking, "But where is the drama, the pathos that characterizes Dickens' work?" Just wait. Hall's story will give you pathos enough, while Secules' tale is pretty dramatic. And remember, Anthony is still on the bench.

Two possessions later, on the first play of the second quarter, Hall finds Earl Winfield over the middle for nine yards and his third completion. Who would have guessed at that point that the nine-yard gain would be Hall's longest pass of the day and that he would have but one more completion the entire game?

One of the reasons for his inability to duplicate last week's performance could be found on his very next attempt. Faced with a second-and-five situation, Hall drops back, looking for Smith. But the Virginia rush caves in the pocket and Hall is just destroyed as he gets off the pass, which naturally falls incomplete. All day, where Secules was protected, Hall

was exposed. Where Secules had time, Hall had to hurry. "Sure, the pressure makes it tougher and made me rush my throws," Hall said later. "But we had some good plays called against the rush. Virginia just did a lot of good things on defense."

Back to Secules. Two possessions after the scene above takes place, he takes a deep drop and finds tight end David Griggs splitting the defense. Secules hits Griggs right on the numbers for a 29-yard gain, a precursor of his touchdown pass. On his next two attempts, he fires to running back Kevin Morgan, and then, from the two yard line, he hits Geno Zimmerlink in the end zone for the touchdown.

The second half begins inauspiciously for Secules, as he throws an incomplete and is then intercepted by Norris Davis. But Hall's story is no better. After hitting Winfield for eight yards, he has another pass intended for Smith broken up. Secules gets the ball back, and from the UNC 40 tosses a perfect strike to Zimmerlink down the right sideline for six points and the victory in this tale. From there, it is all over but the shouting.

Hall walks slowly onto the field, unwittingly placing his head beneath the guillotine. On a third and two, he is flushed out of the pocket but manages to scramble for six yards. Two plays later, he rolls left, right into the arms of linebacker Scott Lageman, who drops him for a seven-yard loss. Hall then fades back again, is once more flushed from his sanctum and is almost picked off. Then, from the Virginia 28, he seals his fate by overthrowing Winfield in the end zone and having his pass for Smith knocked away. Chop!

On the next UNC possession, Anthony strides in, looking to save the day and win back the job he once had. He quickly leads the team downfield for a score but can do no more than that, as he too succumbs to the Virginia rush. His last four passes are incompletions. "It was just something I had to wait for," he said. "I came in and did the best I could." Saturday, his best wasn't quite good enough.

And so this tale comes thankfully to an end. Oh yes, on the day Secules was eight of 14 for 106 yards, Hall four of 14 for 27 yards, Anthony seven of 12 for 78 yards, and Majkowski zero of zero for zero yards. And as the sun fades on this story, we see Hall hoping for a resurrection next week, Anthony hoping he was good enough as backup to start next week, and Secules riding off with the victory Hall helped him win, the words of his coach ringing in his ears, "He played better than I thought he was going to play. He played better than he practiced." Sometimes even Charles Darnay gets no respect.

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its own 32 with Kevin Anthony at quarterback. Anthony came out firing, and quickly completed his first two passes. Two plays later, under intense pressure, he put up a wounded duck that Earl Winfield came back for and caught for a touchdown. Crum decided to go for two, and Anthony's pass to Humes was complete but outside of the end zone. No good.

The Tar Heels got the ball back twice more, but the spark had gone out of the offense. On the last possession, after completing three passes for short gains, Anthony, who looked a little rusty, missed receivers four times in a row to seal the Virginia victory. This Saturday, there would be no last-second winning drive for the Tar Heels. Instead, thanks to UNC's mistakes, Scott Secules and Barry Word, all there will be is another winter of second-guessing and looking ahead to next year. Sounds familiar, doesn't it?

Volleyball takes last 2 home matches

By PHYLLIS A. FAIR
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UNC ended its regular season with two very exciting wins over Virginia on Friday night in Carmichael and Rutgers on Saturday night in Fetzer, defeating the Cavaliers 13-15, 15-6, 15-10, 15-8 and the Knights 15-8, 15-4, 15-1.

After losing the first game to the Cavaliers, the Tar Heels played a very intense second game, battling back and forth for each point, having long drawn-out rallies to enhance the excitement of the crowd.

UNC came back in the third game playing like they had in the second, with intensity and determination. The Tar Heels played very strong ball both offensively and defensively, despite the Cavaliers having a large cheering crowd.

The Cavaliers took the lead early in the game at 6-0 until UNC got the ball back and scored. Dawn Wood played extremely well through-out the night, both by blocking and spiking.

The Tar Heels saw their biggest lead of the match in the fourth game when they led 12-3. This lead slowly dwindled when the Cavs began coming back, serving two non-returnable balls. This, however, was not enough because the Tar Heels went on to defeat the Cavs 15-8.

Saturday night the Tar Heels played with more intensity than Friday with Jill Berkebile playing one of her most astounding games ever.

Berkebile in the opening minutes of the second game spiked the ball four times to give UNC a 4-0 lead, when Rutgers called a time-out to regroup.

In this game the Tar Heels saw one of the longest rallies of the match until they finally won the point. During this game the Tar Heels could do nothing wrong.

They were more determined and full of excitement, wanting to win the final game of the season.

The third game went very fast for the Tar Heels. They allowed the Knights to score one point and won the game and match. The Tar Heels played with more control and were more aggressive, something they had lacked the night before, coach Peggy Bradley-Doppes said.

With the ACCs in a week the lady Tar Heels are hopeful to play like they did this week-end, Heather Ostrem said.

"We are planning to be in the finals and we are going to give whoever is there a good match," Ostrem said.

The team is playing with a lot of confidence now and is expecting to win, according to Berkebile.

"We are going to do our best," she said.

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