



# PERSON SPORTS SLANTS

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## Clean Ball For All . . . . .

Over in Chapel Hill John McCauley operates a bowling alley. Now, bowling is, shall we say, one of the minor sports, much believed in by those who like to knock the ten-pins down. And Mr. McCauley is an alley operator, with a difference, according to a "Special" dispatch sent out by Bob Madrey's crew of newshawks. The story goes that Mr. McC., watched the big balls rolling down and as he watched he noticed how dirty they were. Having noticed, he then set about discovering a method whereby the spheres could be dipped in a germ annihilating solution and brought out clean.

The idea is perfectly good. We wonder someone had not thought of it before. But where will the end be? Will our football, basketball and baseball players be wanting their coaches, captains and managers to purify their balls between halves, periods and innings? The handling these balls receive is not nearly so multiple as the handling given a bowling alley ball but there must be any number of kickable germs on them. We shall wait and see what happens. And if ever we should bowl—we would really prefer going over to Mr. McCauley's place.

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## Drug-Store Work . . . . .

In one of the local corner drug stores, which does not happen to be on a corner after all, though it ought to be, football chatter rules any day that comes. Saturday many of the talkers went over to Chapel Hill to become money-takers, one way or the other, on the Carolina-State game. Several others, if they had had the cash would have liked to have been going to Atlanta for the same purpose and pleasure, but not many Roxboro-Peronites were able to say they saw the Duke-Georgia Tech kickoff.

In Greensboro last night there was a game between Elon and Appalachian, not a game to draw great crowds, but a good game never-the-less. And out of the state circles had their interests tied up in such contests as Army vs Notre Dame, Tennessee vs Louisiana State and Kentucky vs Alabama.

The latter part of the past week Laurence Leonard, of the Greensboro Daily News and several other daily sports editors over the state got out their weekly and to be expected check lists of "Predictions". Sunday morning is too late for a nice big check list, unless you go in for scores for the coming Saturday. How about sending in a few personal opinions before then?

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## Local Garden . . . . .

The other day we were talking to a Person county woman, a resident of one of the township communities near Roxboro. This lady, it so happens, works in an office open to our daily calls on matters not much concerned with sports. Also, we have known her for some several years longer than we have known Roxboro and Person county.

When we first met her she was a "business girl", a secretary, to be exact. Later she married and moved to Person county. Now she has two or three jobs, where once there was only one and right now she and the residents of her community are concerned with the building fund for a gymnasium at their school. To help the fund the women of this community have given benefit suppers, school programs and parties almost beyond counting. We commend them for their efforts, for we think the county should know it takes all manner of turning to promote and keep going the sports instinct in a rural section.

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"SWEET" JIM LALANNE, QUARTERBACK, NORTH CAROLINA

Jim "Sweet" Lalanne, who alternates with Stirnweiss as the Tar Heel's quarterback, is one of the three mentioned for this position as All-Southern conference selection. He may also get a berth on one of the All-America teams.

## INFORMATION ON THREE STARS

If you want three good examples of why pickers of all-star teams sometimes go around mumbling to themselves, take a look at the performances of George Stirnweiss, Jim Lalanne and George McAfee.

Stirnweiss and Lalanne alternate at quarterback on the North Carolina team. McAfee is the regular halfback-quarterback of Duke's Blue Devils—he plays many of the quarterback assignments, but usually doesn't call signals.

There's only a shade of difference in their amazing statistical records. All are heady players and dependable safety men. All can punt, pass, and run in very fast top-flight company.

One of the three is almost certain to become the All-Southern conference, and possibly even the All-America quarterback. But which one?

### How They Stand

Their records to date this season stack up this way:

Average yards gained by rushing—Stirnweiss, 7.4; Lalanne, 7.2; McAfee, 6.9.

Percentage of passes completed—Stirnweiss, 58; Lalanne, 51; McAfee, 55.

Number of touchdown passes—Stirnweiss, 3; Lalanne, 7; McAfee, none.

Punting average, in yards from line of scrimmage—Stirnweiss, 28; Lalanne, 11; McAfee, 22.2.

Points scored—Stirnweiss, 18; Lalanne, 36; McAfee, 36.

### Here's Another Angle

While Stirnweiss and Lalanne have an edge on McAfee in several departments, the Duke quarterback might be rated as more versatile, because he receives—as well as throws—forward passes. McAfee has caught seven passes for a total gain of 188 yards. Three of these were for touchdowns—39 yards against Colgate, seven yards against Pitt and 46 yards against Syracuse.

McAfee has intercepted three passes, and returned the ball for a total of 47 yards. He raced 40 yards to the end-zone on an in-

terception in the Davidson game, but the score was nullified and the gain cut of 23 yards by a clipping penalty.

Lalanne has intercepted one pass, Stirnweiss, none. Lalanne's interception was in the Virginia Tech game, and he returned the ball 47 yards and put the Tar Heels in scoring position.

### Their Long Runs

The longest run was made by Stirnweiss, who raced 87 yards off tackle for a touchdown in The Citadel game. McAfee gained 58 yards on a play from scrimmage in the Syracuse game. Lalanne made a 45-yard touchdown run against The Citadel.

McAfee is the fastest of the three—he is a member of the Duke track team and has been clocked at 9.7 seconds for the 100-yard dash.

Carolina has played one more game than Duke, but since Stirny and Lalanne alternate at quarterback, McAfee probably has seen more action than either.

For further details on their respective abilities, we refer you to the Duke-Carolina football game on November 18, when McAfee will meet Stirnweiss and Lalanne.

## NEW MENINGITIS CURE DISCOVERED

Chicago — Announcement that sulfapyridine cured eight of 17 persons suffering from pneumococcal meningitis—a disease heretofore virtually always fatal—was recently made in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The high recovery rate—47 percent—gives assurance that physicians for the first time have a definitely effective treatment for the ailment, which causes inflammation of a membrane of the spinal cord and brain.

The successful cases contrasted sharply with a mortality rate of 100 per cent in 29 victims who did not receive the new drug because they had the disease before this treatment was developed.

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## LITTLETON WHIPS RAMBLERS BY AIR

After having won four of five games of the current season, the Roxboro high school football team met defeat for the first time this year Friday afternoon in a 20 to 6 game against Littleton, played on the Littleton gridiron.

Opening the game with a touchdown, the first two plays, the Ramblers from Roxboro missed an extra point. In the second quarter Littleton, completing a pass, carried the ball to the Roxboro second yard line in the final play of the quarter. At the half the score stood 6-6.

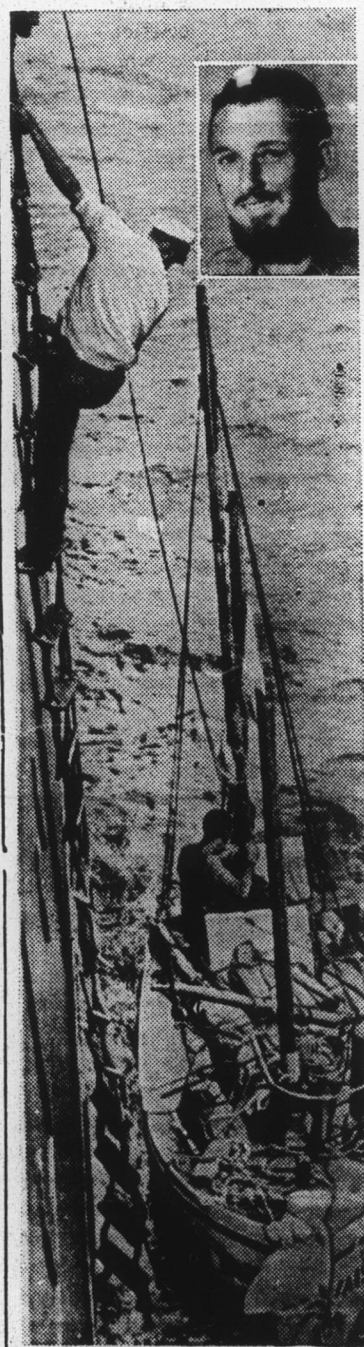
In the third quarter Littleton's boys intercepted another pass and scored a touchdown. Roxboro took the ball down to the five yard line but failed to score. Littleton intercepted another pass in the fourth quarter for a touchdown and the game ended 20 to 6 in favor of the Littleton boys.

Members of the Roxboro team reported that it was a good game and that Roxboro made as many first downs, or more, than their rivals. Wallace Moore, center, and Fred Woods, guard, did good work for the Ramblers.

Considerable fumbling was done by the local aggression which resulted in several costly losses.

The Ramblers play three more games this season, all at home, unless the schedule is revised. On November 11 the locals meet the Methodist orphanage in an Armistice day game sponsored by the American Legion; on the 17th, the boys play Warrenton and on the 24th, they close the season with a game against their old rivals, Bethel Hill, on the local gridiron.

## Naval Disaster



Near victim of the sea was Guy C. Avery, (Inset) lone navigator who attempted a solo cruise from Tampa, Fla., to Europe in his 18-foot yawl. Avery left Tampa a year ago, and when picked up by an Italian freighter was lost 500 miles west of Gibraltar.

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TONY RUFFA

True-toe Tony Ruffa, Duke's starting left tackle, is the man who works hard in the line and also does all the place kicking for the team.

## Duke Teams Are Away For Weekend

Durham — All Duke fall sports outfits were in action on foreign soil over the weekend. While the gridgers were in Atlanta meeting Georgia Tech Saturday, the cross-country team clashed with Carolina at Chapel Hill in their annual setto. The soccer boys went against Davidson at Davidson to start the weekend's activity.

Coach Jerry Gerard planned several changes in the soccer team lineup which started against High Point in the hopes of developing some scoring punch. These included the shifting of Johnson from fullback to halfback and

using either Venall or Ryan at the fullback post. The remainder of the lineup consisted of the forward wall of Aufhammer, Beatty, Asan, Clayton, and Jones, Cowdrick and Palmer at the other two halfback positions, Wolley at the other fullback and Morris at goal.



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