Tar Heels Team To Beat

Dixie Classic: A Family Fight

By BOB QUINCY
Charlotte News Sports Editor

RALEIGH — Records aren't on Frank McGuire's mind. Winning the Dixie Classic tournament is—and here tonight McGuire and his Tar Heels will find their fustre lies in disposing of home folks.

The Classic has boiled to a battle of the Big Four, a non-unusual occurrence in these parts.

No matter what they say about football in the Carolinas — after yesterday's events they'll have to admit basketball is pretty sound.

In the games leading to the championship, it's Wake Forest after North Carolina State and North Carolina against Duke. Along the path are the mangled frames of DePaul, Iowa, Utah and West Virginia.

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WHEN UNC TOOK Utah to camp, 97-76, the losing coach, Jack Gardner, nodded approval of the first-night finals.

"They didn't do anything spectacular," he said, "but we were beaten by a very capable team — one that deserves its second place rank in the nation."

What did the Tar Heels do to the Salt Lake Mormons? They rode herd on them like they were gunning for all sorts of recognition — which later was denied by Coach McGuire.

"Records," said he, "mean nothing to me or my team. No, I didn't know I was within one of the Dixie Classic scoring record. It didn't matter. All I wanted to preserve was our lead.

"I see leads vanish so quickly in modern basketball," continued McGuire, "I was taking no chances. Yes, we handled Utah much easier than I expected."

The Tar Heels had a 10-point halftime advantage. They didn't falter.

Lennie Rosenbluth, the shotmaker extraordinary, was the chief gunner with 36 points, that in itself shy of a 47-point tourney record. But UNC was too big, too poised for the visitors from Salt Lake City.

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CAN THEY take the cake from Duke, a team that dumped West Virginia 73-67? Well, that really will be the test, their biggest in what could be the top basketball season in UNC history. The Tar Heels will be meeting their first Big Four foe of the season.

"We played commendably," said McGuire at the conclusion of Utah's effort. "I'll take that kind of game every time we go on the court. It wasn't our best game. Our most polished showing was against Clemson at Charlotte earlier in the season."

The Tar Heels have it. Height, rebounding power, bench strength. Can they run with Duke's frisky Blue Devils? That remains to be seen. Chances are they'll play their own game—as they did against Utah.

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"UTAH wanted us to run against them," said McGuire. "It would have been foolish. We know what we can do. We try to mix up the opposition."

The Tar Heels did, nicely. Rosenbluth, Pete Brennan, Joe Quigg under the basket. Outside, it was Tommy Kearns (15) setting up the plays.

Duke won't be easy.

Best performance of the tourney, despite Rosenbluth's 36, was Jim Newcome's 19 against West Virginia. This Duke kid can take charge. Carolina won't have an easy time of it—and may be bounced.

State and Wake in the afternoon makes a fine piece of lead-off action. Home floor favors the Wolfpack, nothing else.

The Classic is terrific. Wish you were here.

State, 'Heels Picked

With Joe Harris, the crystal ball expert on hand for first-rate pickins', here's the way the Dixie Classic games of today are shaped:

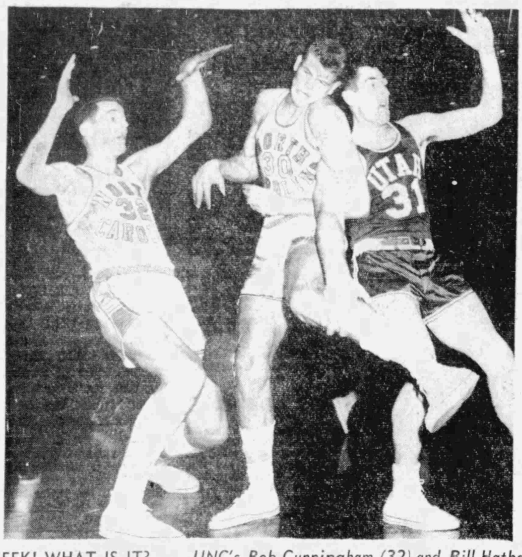
2 P. M. — DePaul by 4 over Iowa.

3:30 — N. C. State by 4 over Wake Forest.

7:30 — West Virginia by 6 over Utah.

9:30 — North Carolina by 8 over Duke.

Harris had a fine day yesterday, but miscued on the DePaul-Wake Forest game. He picked DePaul by three. Harris had Duke by (73-67), North Carolina by 14 (97-76), and State by 11 (84-70).



EEK! WHAT IS IT? . . . *UNC's Bob Cunningham (32) and Bill Hathaway (30) stare in horror and amazement at bouncing sphere. Utah player is Pearl Pollard.*

—Jets Here Tonight—

Clips Get Big Break; Won't Forfeit Games

By JACK KISER

I DON'T think anything's going to stop us now."

That's the way Charlotte Clipper coach Andy Brown sums up his team's chances in the Eastern Hockey League.

The smiling coach, surprisingly happy for a guy who had just been fined $100, directs his charges against tough Johnstown at the Charlotte Coliseum tonight at 8 p.m. and a win could give them a tie for first place.

Brown has just returned from a league meeting in New York, one that cost him 100 and the Clipper management $500. "But they didn't take any games away from us," Andy said, "and that was what we were afraid they would do.

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TOM LOCKHART, EHL president, fined Charlotte "for laxness in using an ineligible player (Bob Maxwell) for two games," Philadelphia and Clinton had lodged a protest, seeking to have the games forfeited, but Lockhart overuled the move.

So Charlotte's 18-5 record was left intact and gives the Clips a chance of duplicating Philadelphia's 38 points (18-9-2) tonight.

The Dixie Dandies should win, Johnstown's hard-luck Jets are nobody's cousins.

"Give us a couple of breaks and we could be leading the league."

Those words come from Jet coach Lloyd Ailsby. Give or take a few goals, they would be in the thick of it. Although they have a 9-18 worksheet, the opposition has outscored them by only six goals (108-114).

The Jets are the only club which have downed the Clippers on home ice thus far this season. It's a remarkable record for Coach Andy Brown's crew.

On Nov. 15, the Jets beat the locals, 4-3. Since then, the Clips have swept seven straight at home, or nine out of ten since the opener.

Johnstown has strengthened its defenses by acquiring Indian Joe Nolan from Clinton. The huge "stick-hacking" giant figures to help the Jets who have never looked for high scores, but could improve decisively. In fact Johnstown's games are always close and hard found as attested by the four-game Clipper series with scores of 3-4; 3-1; 6-5 and 6-5.

Despite a terrific 18-5 record, the high powered Charlotte Clips are locked in a bitter three way fight for the EHL lead. Philadelphia, which makes its first appearance in Charlotte on Jan. 3 and 4, still paces the pack by three points, while the Clippers 7-2 winners over New Haven here last Saturday) and New Haven are alternating in the runner up spot.

Johnstown boasts the EHL's top all-time scorer in Don Tall, while the Clips have the league's current pace setter in Bibber O'Hearn. The latter has tallied 42 points in 23 outings, and paired with Stan Warecki's 36 and 33 for center Jim McNulty gives the Clip top line of 111 points. Similarly, Hall working with Ken Coombes and Ed Rumi show a total of 90 points in 26 tilts.

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After the O'Hearn-McNulty-Warecki trio, the Dixie Dandies can shoot in another tremendous line of Doug Adam (35), Herve Lalonde (29) and little Gerry Sullivan (24). The latter turned in the top trick (4 goals in one game) against New Haven last Saturday when the Clips knocked off the defending champion Blades for the sixth straight time, 7-2.

The Clippers' log shows 9 out of 10 at home, and 9 out of 13 on the road.

'Total' — the Clippers new hockey fans participation contest still hasn't been hit although a Miss Janey Myers came within 27 seconds of taking home the $1,000 cash award last week.

(Special News Photos by Burnie Batchelor)

DUKE'S BIG GUNS . . . *Bob Vernon (15), Jim Newcome (19), and Paul Schmidt (15).*

Bob Feller Retires

CLEVELAND (AP) — Bob Feller, a right-hander who was the Cleveland Indians' "Rapid Robert" for so many years, said today he is retiring from baseball. After 17 seasons with the club, he'll devote his time to business.

Schaus Lauds Bradley

Durham Dandy Doing Coach-Of-Year Job?

By SANDY GRADY
Charlotte News Sportswriter

RALEIGH — Is Hal Bradley doing the best basketball coaching job in the South?

If Duke gets past North Carolina tonight, the shrewd, greying little man from Durham may get 12,060 Coliseum votes. Bradley gets one Dixie Classic ballot lost night — from Fred Schaus, whose West Virginia team lost its first game, 73-67, to Duke.

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"I WANT to say," said Schaus, waiting for his unhappy warriors to dress, "that Bradley has made a working, fighting, smart ball club out of green material. I think that is a damn fine accomplishment."

Schaus gave two reasons why Bradley — and Duke assistant Tony Drago — are heroes in the coaching fraternity. "He's beating good teams without using experienced boys, and he's playing an unorthodox defense — one that many coaches wouldn't try to teach."

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DUKE, says Schaus, isn't a smooth, clever club. "Never has been, he claims. "They make mistakes and recover like blazes. They hustle. They beat you to death on the boards. Sure, we beat them in Birmingham (by one point). If we played Duke 10 times, we'd be happy to take five defeats." (Schaus' own club rates No. 4 in America).

How is Dukt's tenderfoot gang staying in the same league with older, wiser teams? Schaus again gives the answer: "They have two fine, underrated players in (Bucky) Allen and (Jim) Newcome. That Allen quarterback the club, and Newcome . . ." Here Schaus shook his head with a rueful smile. Raw-boned, bespectacled Newcome has plucked 41 rebounds against West Virginia in two games.

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AND HOW does Bradley feel about this praise? In the flash bulb-popping Duke quarters, Hal looks as worried and harrassed as ever. "The thing is the spirit," he says simply. "In the past we have had stars. This team has 100 per cent more desire than last year."

There will be no Belmont, Mayer, Lakata, Kalbfus, Buhowsky, Tobin, Cashman in the lineup against UNC tonight. Duke lost an entire starting five by classroom failure. Bradley isn't crying. His foes are.

HAL BRADLEY

Rosie Rides Again

UTAH	G	F	P	T
McCleary, f	2	4-4	3	8
Kane, f	6	4-4	3	16
Ballantyne, f	0	2-4	4	2
Bertoy, f	2	0-0	2	4
Pollard, c	3	2-4	2	8
Mathison, c	3	3-4	2	9
J. Jenson, g	3	2-3	3	8
Hale, g	2	1-4	0	5
Shores, g	2	0-1	4	4
Pastrell, g	1	0-0	2	2
Benson, g	2	1-4	1	5
W. Paul, g	0	1-2	1	1
Totals	26	21-34	26	76

NORTH CAROLINA	F	G	P	T
Rosenbluth, f	11	10-13	4	36
Brennan, f	4	3-3	3	11
Holland, f	0	0-0	1	0
Hathaway, c	0	1-2	2	1
Kearns, g	4	1-3	2	13
Cunningham, g	1	0-0	3	2
Searcy, g	0	1-2	1	1
Rosemond, g	0	0-0	1	0
Lotz, g	0	0-1	2	0
Quigg, c	7	7-8	3	21
Groll, g	1	1-2	0	3
Radovich, g	1	0-1	1	2
Totals	33	31-40	19	92
UTAH		32	44-76	
NORTH CAROLINA		42	55-97	

Newcome Was Hot

WEST VIRGINIA	G	F	P	T
Smith, f	7	2-2	4	16
Hundley, f	9	5-8	3	24
Sharrar, c	3	3-5	3	9
Vincent, g	1	0-2	3	2
Kabaugh, g	6	7-7	1	19
Gardner, g	1	0-0	1	2
Retton, g	0	0-0	1	0
Chuisaion, g	0	0-1	1	0
Constantine, g	0	0-1	0	0
Totals	27	17-22	21	67

DUKE	G	F	P	T
Schmidt, f	6	3-6	2	15
Newcome, f	8	3-3	3	19
Clement, g	2	3-3	2	7
Allen, g	2	2-2	0	6
Vernon, c	7	9-11	1	23
Robertson, g	4	1-2	2	9
Miller, g	0	0-0	0	0
Barnes, g	1	0-0	3	2
Totals	25	23-31	14	77
WEST VIRGINIA		35	38	67
DUKE		34	39	73

Gilley Gets Right

DEPAUL	G	F	P	T
Rosen, f	5	5-6	3	15
Hesse, f	9	8-11	4	26
Henry, f	5	0-1	5	10
Naughton, c	0	3-4	3	3
Meiress, g	1	0-1	1	2
Lakin, g	6	0-0	1	12
Totals	26	16-23	18	68
WAKE FOREST	G	F	P	T
Carr, f	6	1-4	3	13
Williams, f	4	5-8	1	13
Odom, f	0	1-1	1	1
Gilley, c	7	3-11	2	17
Ladd, g	2	0-0	2	4
Murdock, f	7	5-8	2	19
Wiggins, f	2	0-0	2	4
Totals	27	20-39	14	74
DePaul		34	34-68	
Wake Forest		38	36-74	

'Pack Still Has It

IOWA (60)	G	F	P	T
Gunther, f	5	4-7	3	14
Seabury, f	0	1-2	1	1
Bubas, c	2	2-3	0	6
Payne, c	1	3-4	3	15
Johnson, g	0	2-4	1	2
Mariel, g	8	1-2	3	17
Wendlaw, g	0	0-1	1	0
McCormick, g	4	1-2	1	13
Williams, g	1	1-2	1	3
Totals	24	14-29	14	70

N. C. STATE (64)	G	F	P	T
Hafer, f	5	6-7	2	18
Richter, f	4	1-1	3	11
Hooper, f	0	0-0	0	2
Kelly, f	0	2-2	0	2
Clark, c	1	4-4	3	6
Seitz, c	5	2-3	3	12
Bell, g	1	1-4	0	3
Maglio, g	7	7-10	2	21
Waters, g	1	0-0	1	2
Pucillo, g	1	1-2	0	3
Totals	27	29-33	19	81
Iowa		28	42-70	
N. C. State		32	52-84	

Tag Match & Girls Head Grapple Card

George Becker and Dick Steinborn meet Karl Von Hess and Skull Murphy in the main event of the weekly wrestling card at the Park Center Monday night.

Other matches have Danno O'Shocker tackling Herb Larsen and Elaine Ellie running into Pattie Neff in a girls' match.

—Hot Rod Should Be On Stage

THE TOURNAMENT'S most touching scene, ham a la king Hot Rod division, was when Messr. Hundley, the West Virginia showman, misread the number of fouls against him with 1:21 remaining in the contest against Duke.

Assuming he had been banished, he approached the Mountaineer bench, tears streaming down his photogenic cheeks, his hands outstretched in helplessness.

The official scorer passed on the word Hundley had only four infractions against him. Hot Rod returned to action, but much of his virility had been spent in the superb scene. He, nor West Virginia, was never the same.

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Bell Tabs Barnes As Great Back

RALEIGH — The Classic Comment: One of the officials here calling the plays is Tommy Bell of Lexington, Ky. Two nights ago, he was referee of a football contest, that being the North-South game at Miami.

"Bill Barnes, your Wake Forest back," said Bell, "is a marvelous performer. Only one better is Tommy McDonald of Oklahoma. Say, that McDonald's eagerness almost caused us our only rhubarb of the North-South contest.

"He's eager, always wants to be moving. When he's tackled, he's up like a bouncing ball. One time he went down and began scrambling up. The other players thought he was kicking them. I told him, 'Tommy, take it easy. You're not playing for Bud (Wilkinson) tonight.' Otherwise, the game was a dream to call."

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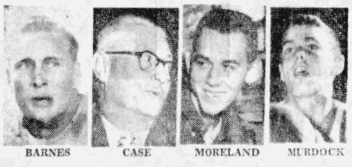
Ray Meyer, the DePaul coach, had lavish praise for Ernie Wiggins and Jackie Murdock of Wake Forest

"Usually a zone defense can be cracked," said he, lamenting his club's failure against Wake's favorite entrenchment. "But with those two out front dogging the opposition, it's tough. We thought they might tire toward the end.

"Gosh, they're just as strong in the late stages of the game as they are in the early portion. And what an amount



BARNES CASE MORELAND MURDOCK

of space they cover. Two kids like that are rare. No wonder Wake Forest is so tough to beat."

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Ev Case, the man who made the Dixie Classic a reality, was as chipper as a college freshman on his first vacation after his win over Iowa in the opener.

"Tournament play is different," said he, sweeping his hands out in observance of the Coliseum. "Kids know it is a do-or-die proposition. They go a little harder, they try with everything they have."

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Half Zone, Half Man-To-Man

MIXED-UP DEFENSE TAMED IOWA

By RONALD GREEN
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RALEIGH — Hours before Everett Case put his N. C. State Wolfpack onto the Reynolds Coliseum boards to meet Iowa here yesterday afternoon, he called in assistant Vic Bubas and they sat down to a rough task.

"We've got to find a defense to stop Iowa," Case told Bubas.

The conference lasted well into the night. A plan which Case had been kicking around in his mind was outlined and agreed upon.

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YESTERDAY, in the Wolfpack's impressive 84-70 victory over the Iowans in the opening round of the Dixie Classic the defense paid off.

But when he was asked to describe it, Case had to admit, "I can't. Not very well, anyway. It even had us confused."

He called it a "zone defense with a man-to-man principle."

To the layman's eye, it appeared to start as a zone, change to man-to-man, then revert to a zone.

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"I KNOW Iowa didn't know how to set up for it," Case said, "because even we didn't know what we were doing some of the time."

The Wolfpack reserved the tape-and-wire strategy for the second half, a half which was most notable in that it smacked of the Wolfpack might of old.

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THE FAST break, which stands as a symbol of the dash of other Wolfpacks, made its return to state's game. Cliff Hafer, John Maglio and Lou Pucillo made it go and busted the game apart with it in one big push.

State's return to form (after having abandoned the fast game for the most part earlier in the season and having been slugged often and hard) troubled Wake Forest, the 'Pack's 4 p .m. foe today. It also troubled the other winners.

Case's club was back in the position of title contender after having been displaced in pre-tourney speculation.

"BEST SECOND half we have played all year," said Case, "with the exception, maybe, of one. Maglio (21 points) and Pucillo played better than they have played all season.

"'Bob) Seitz helped break the game open with his hoo!: shots (12 points) and Hafer did a fine all-round job (18 points, seven rebounds)."

Case, unusually happy, smiled and said, "They looked like some of our old teams today. Maybe even more so."

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