

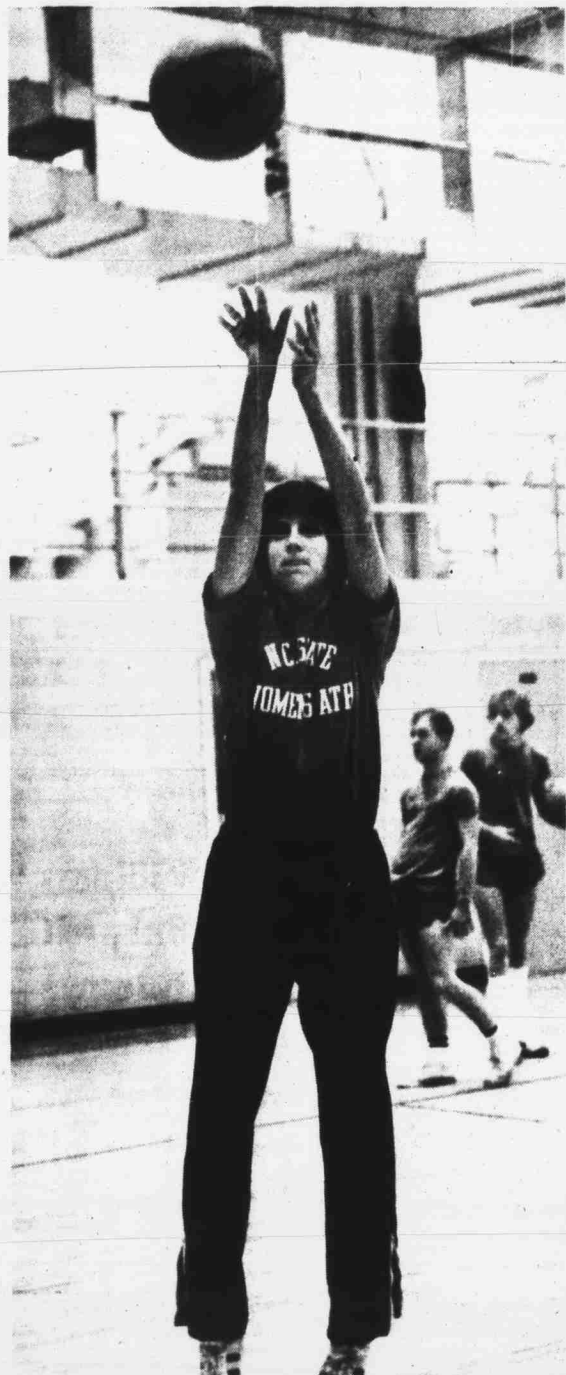
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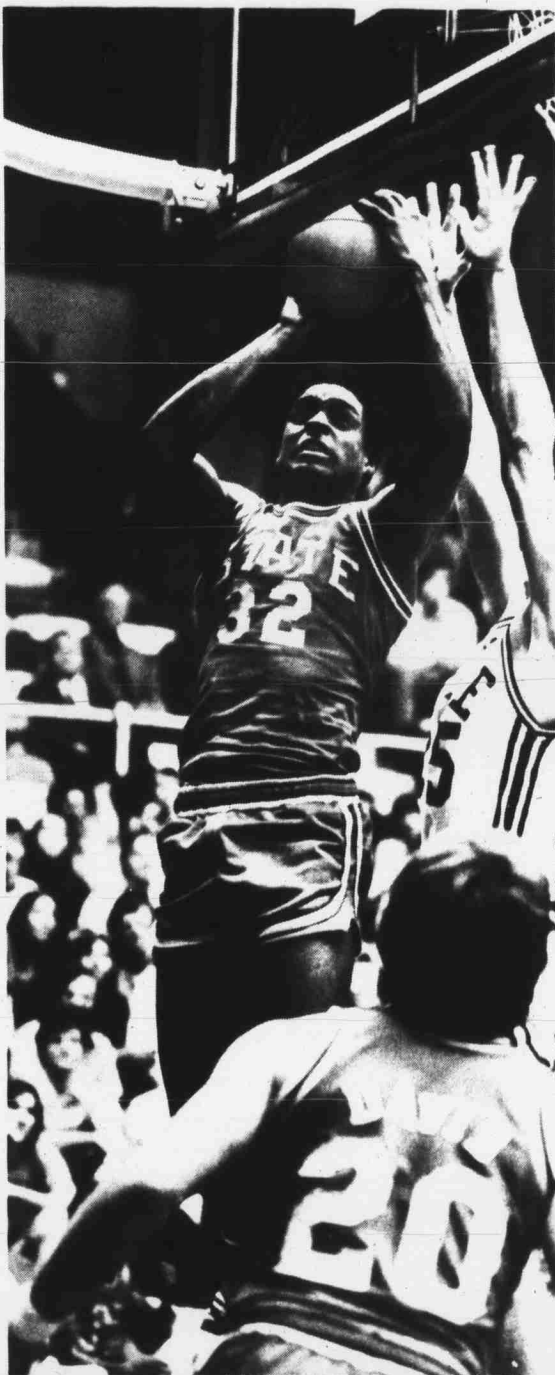
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All-America Susan Yow



All-America Candidate Kenny Carr

Men's schedule

Sat. Nov. 29	The Citadel	Raleigh	7:30
Wed. Dec. 3	East Carolina	Raleigh	7:30
Sat. Dec. 6	UNC-Asheville	Asheville	7:30
Sat. Dec. 13	Western Carolina	Raleigh	7:30
Sat. Dec. 20	Michigan State	Greensboro	8:00
Fri. Dec. 26	Duke-State Doubleheader Duke vs. Auburn NCSU vs. West. Kentucky	Raleigh	
Sat. Dec. 27	Duke-State Doubleheader Duke vs. West. Kentucky NCSU vs. Auburn	Raleigh	
Fri. Jan. 2	Big Four Tournament NCSU vs. Duke Wake Forest vs. UNC-CH	Greensboro	7:00 9:00
Sat. Jan. 3	Big Four Tournament 3rd Place Game Championship Game	Greensboro	7:00 9:00
Wed. Jan. 7	Appalachian State	Raleigh	7:30
Sat. Jan. 10	Rollins College	Raleigh	7:30
Wed. Jan. 14	Maryland (TV)	Raleigh	8:00
Fri. Jan. 16	Virginia	Raleigh	7:30
Sun. Jan. 18	UNC-Chapel Hill (TV)	Chapel Hill	5:00
Sat. Jan. 24	Duke (TV)	Raleigh	2:00
Wed. Jan. 28	Maryland (TV)	College Park, Md.	9:00
Sat. Jan. 31	Virginia (TV)	Charlottesville, Va.	2:00
Tues. Feb. 3	Clemson	Raleigh	7:30
Fri. Feb. 6	North-South Doubleheader NCSU vs. Furman	Charlotte	7:00 9:00
Sat. Feb. 7	North-South Doubleheader UNC-CH vs. Georgia Tech NCSU vs. Georgia Tech	Charlotte	7:00 9:00
Wed. Feb. 11	UNC-Charlotte	Raleigh	7:30
Sat. Feb. 14	Wake Forest (TV)	Raleigh	2:00
Wed. Feb. 18	Duke	Durham	8:00
Sat. Feb. 21	Clemson (TV)	Clemson, S.C.	4:00
Tues. Feb. 24	UNC-Chapel Hill (TV)	Raleigh	9:00
Sat. Feb. 28	Wake Forest (TV)	Winston-Salem	5:00
Mar. 4,5,6	ACC Tournament	Landover, Md.	

Men's roster

Darnell Adell	5-11	178.	Sr.	East Chicago, Ind.
Eric Agardy	6-8	217.	Fresh.	Plymouth, Mich.
Mike Buurma	6-9	208.	Soph.	Willard, Ohio
Kenny Carr	6-6	224.	Soph.	Hyattsville, Md.
Craig Davis	5-7	156.	Soph.	Rockville, Md.
Dirk Ewing	6-3	180.	Fresh.	Raleigh
Al Green	6-0	174.	Soph.	New York City
Robert Jackson	6-0	184.	Soph.	East Chicago, Ind.
Setella Long	6-0	180.	Fresh.	Kinston
Phil Spence	6-6	218.	Sr.	Raleigh
Gary Stokan	5-11	158.	Soph.	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Glenn Sudhop	7-1	226.	Fresh.	South Bend, Ind.
Steve Walker	6-4	200.	Fresh.	Lebanon, Ind.

Women's schedule

Sat. Dec. 6	Carolina	Chapel Hill	3:30
Sat. Dec. 13	Pfeiffer	Raleigh	5:00
Sat. Jan. 10	Charleston	Raleigh	5:00
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Thurs. Jan. 22	UNC-Greensboro	Greensboro	7:00
Sat. Jan. 24	Old Dominion	Greensboro	5:45
Tues. Jan. 27	Carolina	Norfolk, Va.	7:30
Thurs. Jan. 29	Duke	Durham	7:30
Sat. Jan. 31	Virginia	Charlottesville, Va.	11:30
Thurs.-Sat. Feb. 5-7	Virginia Invitational Tournament	Blacksburg, Va.	
Wed. Feb. 11	Davidson	Davidson	5:45
Sat. Feb. 14	Pfeiffer	Misemheimer	7:00
Thurs. Feb. 19	Duke	Raleigh	7:30
Sat. Feb. 21	Wake Forest	Winston-Salem	3:00
Mon. Feb. 23	Old Dominion	Raleigh	7:30
Fri. Feb. 27	Appalachian St.	Raleigh*	7:00
Sat. Feb. 28	Western Carolina	Raleigh*	1:00
Thurs.-Sat. March 4-6	NCAIAW Division I Tourney Chapel Hill		
Thurs.-Sat. March 11-13	AIAW Region 2 Tourney Cullowhee		
Wed.-Sat. March 24-27	National AIAW Tourney University Park, Pa.		

Women's roster

Donna Andrews	5-9	135	Jr.	Asheboro
Christine Chambers	5-9	155	Fresh.	Richmond, Va.
Lynn Davidson	5-7	130	Fresh.	Statesville
Christy Earnhardt	5-9	130	Fresh.	Rockwell
Deana Frazier	5-7 1/2	139	Fresh.	Asheboro
Kay Ingram	5-8	130	Fresh.	Thomasville
Gwen Jenkins	5-7	170	Soph.	Stonewall
Laura Kilpatrick	5-4	145	Sr.	Grifton
Regina Lucy	5-5	125	Soph.	Willow Springs
Connie Langley	5-6	135	Fresh.	Fountain
Pam Lejman	6-1	147	Fresh.	Raleigh
Carolyn Lewallen	6-1	164	Fresh.	Asheboro
Stephanie Mason	5-10	150	Soph.	Statesville
Cheryl McNeill	6-0	132	Fresh.	Fayetteville
Lorraine Owen	5-10	143	Fresh.	Staley
Sherri Pickard	5-9	155	Jr.	Graham
Elizabeth Speight	6-4	150	Fresh.	Richmond, Va.
Carolyn Treece	5-5	125	Fresh.	Asheville
Joy Usery	5-10	153	Fresh.	Albemarle
Teresa Wimbrow	5-7	137	Jr.	Raleigh
Susan Yow	5-10	132	Sr.	Gibsonville

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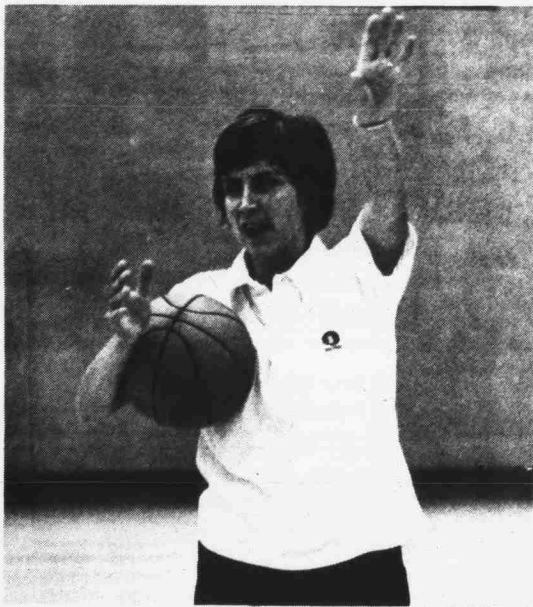


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"To me, a coach is the greatest thing you could be... It's the only contact I have in helping people learn and grow."

They call her coach, and she loves it

by Jimmy Carroll

Kay Yow skips quickly across the basketball court, her watchful eyes perceiving every player's slightest move. Lightly on the balls of her feet she trots backward down the court, following the efforts of each student.

She points, nods, winces, shouts and stomps. Her instructions come in patient but firm doses, and they are heeded with respect that borders on reverence.

During a scrimmage, Kay's younger sister, Susan dribbles deftly toward the basket, stops and fires a pass under the basket. The pass is sharp and perfect, but the receiver is caught napping and the ball caroms out of bounds.

"Susan!" the coach shouts. "When you get in that lane, you shoot the ball! I've told you that before!" Her voice turns the heads of those on nearby courts. Her orders contain the immediacy of General Patton and at the same time are sprinkled with the comfort of Dear Abby.

Basketball practice is Kay Yow's most precious moment. It's like Christmas coming to a child every afternoon at four o'clock. It's as exciting as a young man's first kiss or a girl's first prom. It's what she lives for.

"To me, a coach is the greatest thing you could be," she said, as her eyes brightened. "That's the most important thing to me. It's the only contact I have in helping people learn and grow.

"The office work and things of

that nature... I see that as helping others, but the reason I took this job is because I felt basketball is a medium in which to reach a lot of people and teach a lot of skills. It's a means in which to develop yourself."

Yow took over at State as women's athletics coordinator on July 1 of this year, and she now is in the process of fielding her first Wolfpack basketball team. As volleyball coach this fall, her team posted a winning record in the school's first venture into that sport. Yow also plans to coach the women's softball team in the spring. But basketball is her first love.

"I'm excited about basketball season," she readily admits. "Volleyball didn't seem to do much, not much at all. But I've had several people, guys included, ask me when the first basketball game is. They come and watch practices, and they're not just waiting for a court. Many of them watch the entire practice."

At East Carolina University, Yow participated in intramurals. "There was no intercollegiate program at that time," she explains.

After graduating from East Carolina in 1964, Yow coached at Allen Jay High School for four years before being hired at Elon College where she built a program of national prominence, capturing state titles the past two seasons.

"I've just always been interested in promoting women's athletics. I don't see myself as a women's liberator though. I have just been

fortunate to have the opportunity at Elon and in coaching high school to help the women's program. I certainly didn't want to hinder it."

Yow brings a refreshing, vivacious and dedicated personality to a budding women's program that is growing step by step.

"We're always discussing possible additions. Track and field, golf and field hockey are some of the ones we're considering. But I will say that we have not eliminated any sport from consideration.

"Even without Title IX (legislation providing equal funding for women's athletics) I think State would have been one of the first schools to bring a strong women's program because of Mr. Casey (athletics director). He's very much behind the program."

Although she would be content to coach basketball from dawn to dusk, Yow's position entails many more duties and responsibilities.

"The major decisions are made by Mr. Casey, but I have direct feed in to him," she explains. "I discuss with him what the interests of the women are. Also, I am the voting representative of North Carolina State at all state, regional and national association meetings. Mr. Casey and I will discuss which way this institution wants to go on record. I make recommendations, and he leaves some decisions with me."

Women's athletics has been greatly affected by the women's rights movements in recent years. The old fashioned ideas that nice young ladies should not perspire

have long since gone out the window in most instances.

Boys are no longer afraid of dating a girl athlete. For young Suzie to be on the basketball team is an accepted occurrence nowadays. At least, by most. However, there are those who refuse to go along with the modern trend, but Yow is happy that no one at State is in that category.

"I'm very pleased with the attitude on campus toward the women's program," she said. "I have talked to several of the coaches and I think they're all very much for it.

"The men see us as being dedicated toward the same type of goals they're striving for. We're all striving for excellence. I've had talks with Coach Holtz in terms of philosophy. I've discovered that our philosophies are very similar."

Yow has also found that the athletes at State are also very much behind building a top-notch program.

"The athletes here have a strong desire to develop a competitive program," she praised. "They also have strong desire to enjoy what they're doing. I don't think I can ask for more than that."

She always seem careful not to ask for too much not even in financial appropriations for women.

"I think women should receive comparable funding to men... comparable is a much more accurate word than equal," she declares. "It does not need to be equal. It would be a waste to give

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Players listen intently to Yow's instructions.

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the women's program as much as the men's football team, for example. We should just be given comparable funding."

For a woman, the chore of recruiting is made more difficult than for the men. Women, for example, cannot take expense-paid recruiting trips. Any expenses encountered in recruiting must be paid personally by the coach. The idea is to prevent recruiting from becoming the underhanded, unpleasant task it has become in many men's programs. But the limit on women has a definite negative effect in Yow's eyes.

"I am limited in the number of girls I am able to see play," she said. "If we're gonna give scholarships, which North Carolina State is giving, I feel like I should at least see the girls play."

"Recruiting is the bad part of scholarships."

The recent surge in women's athletics, Yow feels, makes it hard to tell exactly what lies ahead.

"It has come so far in the past five years that it's difficult to project what growth will occur in the future. At the national level, women will have capacity crowds. People who are avid sports fans want to see the best."

"The sport this institution will put emphasis on is basketball," Yow said. "It is one of the few sports that can become revenue-producing. Our goal is to be able to compete with people in our division and state. We would like to be recognized nationally in basketball."

Sitting in her Reynolds Coliseum office, her neat, attractive profile strikes a stunning pose with a huge

red and white snarling wolf tapestry hanging in the background behind her desk. She appears to be right at home, like a fish in water, Yow and basketball office seem to have an unmistakable attraction.

But that attraction cannot be matched by her overwhelming desire for teaching basketball to young, eager minds. On the court is where she belongs.

The bounce of the basketball is rivaled only by the sound of her feet sliding and dancing across the practice floor. Her energy never dies.

She does not look 33 years old. She coaches with the enthusiasm of a 10-year-old.

"I'm super excited about being at State," she remarks, a warm glowing smile crossing her face.

"The biggest crowds we ever played before was 1500. We think we can earn the respect of the spectators. We hope they will give us a chance, but if they can't see us they can't be impressed."

She feels she has as good a chance to impress people at State as anywhere.

"I just don't know of a better place there could be," she bragged. "There is every opportunity here to do anything you could ask for and more."

Practice was beginning to get ragged, and the coach took over.

In a consoling tone, she calmly gathered the players around.

"I'm not trying to be harsh, I'm only telling you these things so we can work on them and improve."

Practice is over. But not permanently. Practice is never over for Kay Yow. There are only time lapses until the next one.

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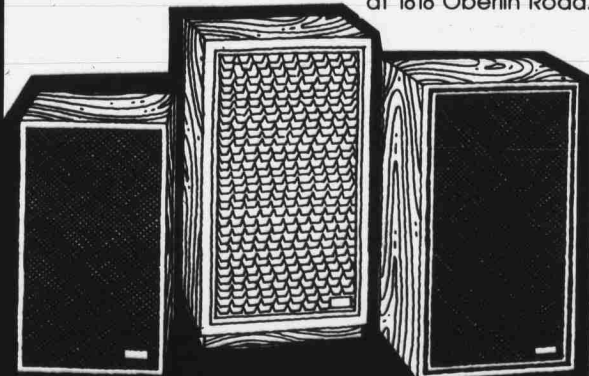


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Interview by Kevin Fisher

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Technician: How does it feel to start a basketball season without David Thompson?

Sloan: I haven't noticed really any special feeling because I think we were all prepared for it over a long period of time. I've been wrapped up in watching the new guys play and watching them come together. I really haven't thought that much about them being gone.

I follow them, I guess I would think a little more about them if they were closer and I was reading about them every day. I knew they were going to be gone and I was thinking ahead about who was going to play before they left. That doesn't mean I don't miss them or appreciate them. It's quite the opposite, I loved them and I was very appreciative of having them here.

Now that he's gone . . . how do you feel about what Monte Towe did at North Carolina State?

Monte has spent his entire life proving to people that he can play. He had to prove it in junior high school, he had to prove it in high school, and he had to prove it here in college, and now he's having to prove that he can make it in pro ball and so far he's made it. Now he's not a leading scorer and he's not a starter for Denver but he's on the team. And when you take his size into consideration and compare it to what he has accomplished, you have to admire him.

He didn't succeed because of great

physical talent or great size; he had heart, a desire and competitive spirit that wouldn't be denied and I think any of us would have to admire that in anyone regardless of what walk of life we are talking about whether it be professional, personal, or whatever. I admire him greatly, am very close to him, and have very close feelings about him. And Monte and David both are very special people in my life and that won't ever change.

What about the new fellows? Is the team gelling as well as can be expected with all the new players we have? Are you pleased with the progress of the team so far as a unit?

I think the best way to answer that is to say that we have fantastic individual talent in small numbers. We have in Phil Spence, Kenny Carr, and Al Green, three of the most talented, from an athletic point of view, basketball players in the country. It's just a matter of a new bunch of guys coming together and developing a personality. My philosophy towards basketball is contrary to what some people think. They say I'm not much of an "x" and "o" guy and that we're not organized. We're organized. We have a very definite organization, but what we do is allow the players to demonstrate their personality which gives the team a definite personality. It's something that happens on the court; it's not something that I make a decision about in advance and say here is the way it's going to be.

We have an approach to it and a philosophy and a certain style of movement and so forth and then the players have a right to express themselves out there. So when you have that philosophy and all new players it takes a little time. I could do it a lot

quicker but I think we would be less effective and I don't think we'd be as strong if I just went out and ran plays, and I said 'alright here we have a play for you Kenny and we have a play for you over here Al.' I'm real pleased with the way they are going about it.

We've been working awfully hard; we've worked as hard as any basketball team I've ever been associated with. I don't know if I'm pleased with the progress we've made or not. I'm really not trying to evaluate that at this time. We're just trying to work hard and we keep trying to bring certain things up each day. Maybe we concentrate on some aspect of defense today and tomorrow maybe some little thing on offense or it may be board play. You just keep upgrading the entire program.

What about the prospects for this season? Do you see this as principally a building year or . . .?

I don't get involved in those kinds of cliches. Now, I've second guessed myself on that, I don't know, maybe I should. Maybe it would be wise for me to emphasize and play up on the fact that we only have four players back and that we lost the greatest player in the history of the school. But that isn't the way I feel. I would be dishonest if I did that.

This is not a building year, I don't think any year should be a building year. I think a building year is a year where you have more or less pitched it in as far as being a championship contender that year. That isn't the case. This should be a better basketball team than the one we had last year. And I like the team we had last year, don't misunderstand me. It's not a putdown on last year; I'm just saying this should be a better team than we had last

Where have all the heroes gone?

Mostly to Denver.

But to Norm Sloan, the time to live is the present, not the past.

year. I'll just have to wait and see whether it is or not. We won't know that until we get into conference competition. But it's not a building year in the sense that we're just going to mark time.

So as far as you're concerned, we're out there going after it.

Yes sir, as much so as we have the last three years.

What about last year... the way the season went as opposed to what you might have thought at the beginning? Do you consider last year's team did as much as it could or do you look back on it as somewhat of a letdown?

It didn't do as much as I had hoped it would do and it didn't do as much as they hoped it would do. We were all disappointed in the fact that we didn't win the ACC championship. I think had we won the ACC championship we all would have felt like we had a pretty good year.

Any time you win 20 basketball games or more and are ranked in the top ten it's been a pretty good year. A lot of people would like to be ranked in the top ten so I'm not going to say it was a bad year but it was a disappointment in the way it ended. We were in the championship game of the tournament and we lost the championship game of the tournament and that's the way our season ended. So that was a disappointment but the season was not a disappointment to me; 20 wins, 7th ranked in the nation, that can't be a disappointment. But to be in the final game and not win the championship with a team that was that good, yes we were all disappointed.

What about individual talent... Kenny

Carr is being touted as the "star"? Do you expect him to live up to that billing? And also, in a general sense, would you compare Kenny to David?

Sure. I very definitely expect Kenny to live up to that billing. Kenny will be an All-American, and is a potential player of the year winner. Kenny might break all of David's records here, he's that good. He is certainly in a class with David Thompson when it comes to athletic and basketball ability. He is a very fine person, he's very quiet and demonstrates strong leadership qualities, however, even though he is quiet. I think he's one of the next superstars to come out of college basketball and go into professional basketball.

What about Glen Sudhop? How does he compare to Tommy [Burleson] at this stage?

I think it's going to be natural for everybody to compare Glenn to Tommy, Craig to Monte, Kenny to David. I think it's natural. I find myself doing it too. However, I don't think it's good. I think we make a mistake as fans to do that because we're going to deprive ourselves of total enjoyment that is there in just watching Kenny be Kenny and Craig be Craig and Glenn be Glenn.

But I know what you're talking about. Glenn is going to start for us. Glenn will play well for us. Glenn will not dominate the other centers or overpower them in this league this year. I'm not saying he isn't going to play successfully against them but I just said he won't dominate and overpower.

Tommy didn't dominate or overpower in this league until his senior year. I didn't think. Now on a given occasion he did in a given game. But to go out game after game and over a period of a whole season and be the boss over the centers - I didn't think that happened until his senior year. I don't know if it will happen to Glenn before his senior year, I don't know if it will happen in Glenn's senior year. That's something we will have to wait and see. The basic talent is there - Glenn has soft hands. I would say that as far as his

basketball skills are concerned he's advanced over Tom Burleson at this stage

Tommy always had that fierce, burning desire to win. Do you detect this in Glenn Sudhop?

No, Glenn has a desire but it's not like Tommy demonstrated. Tommy was unique, I've never known a player big or little to be like that constantly, and certainly he is the only big man who has ever come close to. . . I've never known another. . . big men most of the time act like big men but he'd go firing out there like he was a Monte Tower, a pepper pot type of person, but he was over seven foot, you know. No, Glenn isn't of that personality.

Are you pleased with Al Green's performance thus far?

Al is a super-talent, and Al is working awfully hard at becoming more of a team player. I hesitate to say that, because I'm not coming down on him. He's been an individual in every situation he has been in up to this point they've just looked to him, and he's formed strong habits along those lines and you don't go out there and break habits overnight. He's worked hard at it because our philosophy here as you know, is a team philosophy.

We will have an individual leading scorer, yes, and we will have some people maybe that will do some fantastic things on an individual basis. . . which I think will happen. I think the Coliseum record will be broken this year by one of our players. I really do. I think we have that kind of talent on the team. But that will just happen. It won't happen because we're going to set somebody up and go for it. So Al is working awfully hard on our team philosophy as far as defense and offense is concerned. He's a very gifted player. You all are going to enjoy him.

How about the other new players?

Steve Walker and Dirk Ewing are comparable players in size; their style is a little different. Both of them are going to contribute this year. Right now one of the

two has to contribute. We just need them; you have to have a minimum of eight players that can go in there and do the job. Hopefully both of them will, they're capable of doing it. Dirk is a pure shooter type player; Steve is a scrambler, gets his hands on everything, comes up with loose balls, he snakes the ball in at the end on an unusual play. . . he's a great garbage player. That doesn't look good in print, but you know what I mean. He's always there, always around the darn ball and he gets it and puts it in the hole.

In regard to Clemson's probation, will you offer an opinion of Tate Locke? Do you think he hurt the ACC? Do you think he hurt college basketball in general?

I don't know what happened; I don't know who was responsible for the things they were convicted of, I don't even know exactly what they were convicted of. I never read a list of the things they said they convicted them of. I really don't know. I don't know the particulars of the thing. I know that of all the things that I heard they were accusing Rollins of, for example, he was found guilty of two things, and they were very minute. The things they were found guilty of, in the case of Rollins, were very similar to the situation we got into. They were really technical interpretations. They were charged with a lot of things, just like we were. As I understand it, the thing that hung them more than anything else was the recruiting of Phil Ford and Moses Malone. Again I don't know the particulars of that. So I don't know if Tate intentionally went out and did something or not. My attitude, I can generalize my position on that, having been involved in a situation one time myself here at North Carolina State, is that it is hard to know all the rules and all the interpretations and I don't think you should come down too hard on a player or a coach that have found themselves, or are found, in violation of some technical interpretations that are obscure or hard at best to understand.

Now the intentional violations such as illegal aid, money, clothes, cars - we all



know that and anybody that's involved in that, I think the coach should be fired and that the player should be declared ineligible. I think that's a personal thing. I don't really think the institution should necessarily be punished if you punish those individuals. In other words, the attitude of the NCAA is that we're going to hold the institution responsible and the institution therefore should police their own people. Well, I think that's true too but if a coach. . . the institution can say to me, "Norman Sloan if you violate a rule intentionally, we'll fire you." What if I go violate the rule? They fire me; then should the school be punished?

I think when someone intentionally violates a rule such as illegal aid offered or given, illegal aid offered doesn't necessarily incriminate the player, but if a player takes money, or clothes or he takes some additional benefit he knows that it is in violation and I think he should lose his eligibility and his opportunity to be on athletic scholarship at any college anywhere in the country and the coach should be fired.

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Susan Yow: All-American girl

by David Carroll

State has yet another All-America who will be playing Tobacco Road's favorite sport. But unlike previous enshrined basketball players, this athlete is female.

Her name is Susan Lee Yow. She transferred to State from Elon College this fall and will complete her collegiate eligibility this season under the tutelage of first-year coach Kay Yow, Susan's older sister.

The most prestigious of the pre-season basketball publications, *Street and Smith's*, has picked her second team All-America. And she is cut right out of the mold of what the term "all-America" originally meant.

Susan's visage is one of wholesome freshness, one that could appear on one of those vitamin C orange juice commercials. She has a natural look about her. Her brown eyes are framed by molasses shaded hair that covers her ears, extending to the tip of her back and shoulders.

The personable young lady's words come in straightforward tones of pleasantness. She is a visible reminder of the old days when you went out in the backyard or to the local gym and ran, jumped and shot from sunrise to sunset just for fun, for the sheer satisfaction reaped from participating in this enduring sport. Her approach to basketball is indeed refreshing.

"It's just something I enjoy doing...playing basketball," she said, a smile lighting up her pretty face. "I really love basketball. When I started playing basketball years ago I had no idea that it would become so important to me. But it has. I have a lot of fun playing it."

"While growing up I played mostly with guys, and I feel that helped me a lot," she continued. "If you play with better players you become a better player."

Susan's career has been an immensely successful one. In high school she made all-conference, all-district and all-state. Last season at Elon she made first team Eastman Kodak All-America.

However, she has still performed in relative obscurity, receiving some attention, but not nearly as

much as she warrants. She doesn't bask in the adoration that her male counterparts receive. And it is doubtful that any replicas of her face will be carved of a bevy of awards bestowed upon her.

Yet, to Susan, the play-for-fun-athlete, that matters not. The important thing to her is team success.

"I don't care about the publicity that I get. That's not important to me," she emphasized, motioning with her hands. I just go out to play for fun...to do my best. I just want to help the team win."

Winning is one thing that Susan thinks the Pack's women team could do—potentially. That and create excitement. But, she thinks it will take some time for them to gel into one

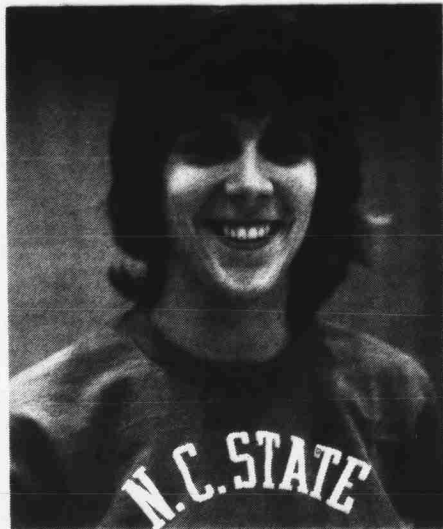
cohesive unit.

"This team has probably the highest potential of any team that I've played on," she assessed. "I think it will be an exciting team. We will fast break and use a man-to-man press. I think we will be an exciting team to watch. One of the main differences between the way that we play and the way that the men play is that the men play above the rim and we have to play below the rim. I think our way provides more excitement."

"But we will be a young team," she cautioned, adding, "we will need time. You have to put a lot of emphasis on winning, but have to if you want to draw the support and interest. The only thing is that it will take some time for us. We won't even be in a third of



Susan led Elon to the state title last season and is expected to head an improved Wolfpack team this year.



our offense and defense when we open up at Carolina on Dec. 6. We will be more free lance at first. We just haven't had the time to do everything. We will get better as the season goes along. We will be much better at the end of the season. I just hope that people won't judge us by our first game."

If Susan has anything to do with it, which she undoubtedly will, the women's basketball team will be a good one. She is adroit and graceful beyond belief. The butterscotch-smooth Gibsonville native will surprise many a skeptic of women's basketball when she takes the floor for the first time. All one has to do is observe her in practice.

She dribbles the ball, feints to the left, turns right, and springs upward, releasing the ball at the height of her jump. It swishes through the net in a flash.

She puts the ball up again, 16 straight times, and each time the result is the same, with her always perfect follow through precisionally guiding the ball through the rim.

She drives past a baffled defender, stops in her tracks and fires a 12-footer from just inside the foul line. The ball ripples through the net with uncommon accuracy and finality.

But shooting is not her only forte.

Her passes have unmissable snap, which can be attributed to excellent wrist action.

She also plays a tenacious brand of defense. Her agile hands and arms seem to cover offensive players like a blanket, leaving them in a virtual state of frustration.

"I like to think that I'm pretty much of an all-

around player...that I do everything well," reflected the 5-10 Yow, who also participates in volleyball. "I work hard to improve at every part of my game."

She does not want the women's programs to be in competition with the men's. What she desires is for the women's programs to improve within themselves.

"I hope the women's programs can improve and I think they will," voiced the polite performer who played guard last year, but will play swingman this season. "Much of it depends upon the interest that the girls put into it."

"I remember at Elon... when the guys in the stands would go to the games thinking they wouldn't see good, exciting basketball. And they wound up saying, 'Hey, I didn't know that girls could do that.' I think that many people will say that if they come see us play. They will be amazed at some of the things that the girls can do."

Serving as her primary inspiration in her athletic endeavors has been her sister and coach, Kay also coached Susan in high school.

"My sister is everything that a coach should be. I just think so much of her. She seems to get respect from her players. She seems to get the best from her players. And her teams win," she concluded.

And Susan, like her older sister, plans to head into the laborious but often rewarding profession of coaching.

"I want to start coaching as soon as possible," she stated with a look of anticipation. "I want to help others."

Susan Yow: All-America. Somehow, the name and honor seem to go together.



Starring role facing Kenny Carr

by David Carroll

With the departure of David Thompson, Tim Stoddard, Moe Rivers and Monte Towse, the role that Kenny Carr will play in State's basketball fortunes is a very significant one.

The 6-7, 224-pound Hyattsville, Md., native is counted on heavily to help make up for the gap left by the graduation of four solid performers. Coach Norman Sloan had so much respect for and confidence in the sophomore that he named him captain of the team. "I named Kenny captain because I have great

confidence in him and the leadership which he has demonstrated both on and off the court," stated the veteran coach. "He was the finest big forward I saw on the college level last season. He's definitely an All-America candidate as a sophomore, and before he finishes his career, he'll be a contender for national Player of the Year honors."

The smoothly muscular, sleepy-eyed young man is proud to be the chosen leader of the Pack.

"I feel it is a great honor that they had enough confidence in me to pick me captain. I'm going to try to fill the position the best that

I can," he confided.

Carr played exceptionally well for a freshman, earning a starting berth in the early stages of the season. He went on to become one of the team's top players, finishing the season as the club's No. 2 scorer with a 13.8 average and was third in rebounding at 7.2.

Much of Carr's immediate success comes as a result of long hours spent on the playgrounds. His soft shooting touch from the perimeter on in; his aggressive style of play while clearing the boards; his sticky defense; his uncanny ability to go to the basket; finding the most accessible routes to scoring two points. All of these special attributes come instinctively for Carr. They come through years of training on the asphalt courts of Washington. In the trade, the term is called "basketball sense." It may come natural, but it doesn't come easy.

"I learned to do all of those things through playing as long as I have on the playgrounds. . . playing there everyday. In the summers I played all day. It was really fun, but it was tiring. You learn to do a lot of things out there. I learned most of the things that I know about basketball in those pickup games. My game really developed by playing out there. That's where it all started.

"You always have a lot of goals, but I was a little hesitant, because when I started playing I was a little guy," he continued. "But when I grew a lot, those goals became a little more realistic. My goals were to play college and maybe pro. I was 5-10 in the ninth grade and I grew to 6-4 my sophomore year. That add-

ed height helped. And when I went to DeMatha High, they had a great basketball program and coach, which helped a lot. Their coach, Morgan Wooten, is a great one. He finds his talent and molds it together. He's a great instructor of basketball and has a great record. Most of the players come from the ghetto. . . the playgrounds, where there is a lot of talent. Players such as Adrian Dantley, who is now a star for Notre Dame, have played there."

Carr's decision to cast his lot with State came about for two reasons. First, he yearned to compete in the the Atlantic Coast Conference wars. Second, he has always pulled for the Wolfpack.

"While I was growing up, the ACC was THE conference," he reflected. "The ACC was the conference that I kept up with. I liked the ball that was played in it. I watched it on TV. And since the best basketball is played in the ACC, I knew that I wanted to play in it. And since North Carolina State was always my team, I knew that I wanted to come here."

One of the things that Carr appreciates the most about this conference is the fan mania and hysteria which surrounds its games and, especially, its tournament.

"The fans in this conference are terrific. They make it a great atmosphere to play in. . . especially at tournament time. The tournament means so much to the fans. It also gives a team a chance to make up for a bad season."

Embarking upon his second season in the collegiate ranks, Carr can

hardly wait for the opening tap against The Citadel. His every syllable has an optimistic luster to it.

"I think we'll have a real good team when we start. We'll get better as the season goes along. I wish it would hurry up and begin. You get tired of playing the same people all the time. We want to play against outside competition rather than against ourselves. But the game against Athletics in Action kinda broke up the monotony.

"As far as the conference race goes, I think Carolina, Maryland and State will be the three top teams. I'm not going to say who's number one, two or three. We'll just have to wait and see. But I do think we will definitely go to a post-season tournament. I want to go to the NCAA, but if the NIT offered a bid to us I believe we would accept it."

As is so often the case when one potential superstar is just entering or beginning his career after another has left, comparisons arise. So, naturally the comparisons of Thompson and Carr are inevitable. Carr is the first one to say that David is a great player, but he wants to be accepted and talked of based on his own merit, his own accomplishments.

"I wish people wouldn't compare us, but I guess they will," Carr sighed. "I would rather be known for the things that I do, than be compared with the things he did."

But if Carr performs as some expect he will, the contrast between him and Thompson will, no doubt, be forgotten. He could very well make a name for himself. Then, some budding star of 1978 might be compared to him.



Kenny Carr drives to basket.

Youth, talent abundant on women's team

by Ginger Andrews

First-year coach Kay Yow will have a lot of talent, height, and experience to work with, but for 17 of the 21 girls who will comprise the varsity squads this will be the first year that they have played at State.

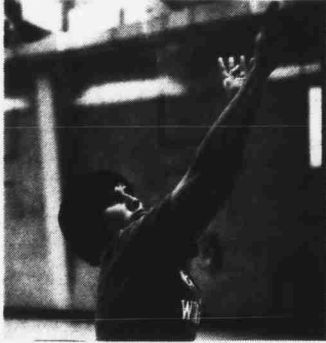
Only four return from the team that won the NIAAW class B state championship last year. Donna Andrews, the leading scorer, and Stephanie Mason, the leading rebounder from last year's team are two who bring a great deal of playing time from last year's team.

AFTER COACHING Elon College to the state class A championship last year, Yow came to Wolfpack country with two of her best players, her sister, All-America Susan Yow, and Sherri Pickard. Pickard, a 5-9 junior and Susan, a 5-10 senior, were starters for the Elon team.

Susan, Pickard, Andrews, and Teresa Wimbrow, a transfer from Peace, will be used more in swingman positions rather than as straight forwards. Wimbrow brings more experience as a starter on the Peace team that won the state junior college championship and finished sixth in the national junior college tournament.

Besides experience, 6-1 Pam Lejman will add height to one of the tallest teams that Yow has coached.

"We have eight players 5-10 and over," said Kay. "That is quite a bit of height considering that the tallest player I have



Sherri Pickard



Christy Earnhardt

ever had to this point was 5-10 and I only had two of those. To have eight gives us some height to work with. We should be able to establish an inside game with some effectiveness."

Though Lejman is only a freshman, the Raleigh native played a great deal in the City Recreation League last year, sitting out a year between graduation from Cardinal Gibbons High School and enrollment at State. She will be looked to for a great deal of "effectiveness" at center.

FOR IMMEDIATE help at the guard position, Kay will be looking to Laura Kilpatrick, who started at guard on the East Carolina team that went to the national tournament.

"Now we have strength at center, forward and guard," said Kay. "I don't know if maybe later, one of these will dominate. Now we are just strong with individual talent and all.

"All the people that have been mentioned have had some type of competitive experience," continued the coach. "This gives them a little more of an advantage."

There are others who have not had as much experience, but who show a lot of promise for the future.

"There is a lot of talent displayed by our younger players," said the coach, whose team is composed of more than 50 per cent freshmen.

Christy Earnhardt, Lorraine

Owen, and Connie Langley are freshmen who participated in the state East-West All-Star game this summer in Greensboro.

"That was another opportunity to play against strong competition," explained Coach Yow. "Every experience is an opportunity to learn and gain from those experiences."

ELIZABETH SPEIGHT, a 6-3 freshman, will also be trying out for center.

"She doesn't have the experience as Pam does," said Yow. "She has two inches on her and with some time for practice and playing experience, she could help us at either low or high post position."

Regina Lacy and Gwen Jenkins, who played valuable roles as

reserve guards on last year's team, return to the squad that will not be divided into varsity and junior varsity units until next week.

Other freshmen that have displayed a great deal of potential are Joy Ussery, Cheryl McNeill, Lynn Davidson, Kay Ingram, Carolyn Treece, Christine Chambers, Carolyn Lewallen, and Deana Frazier.

"We had a great amount of skill displayed by a large number of people trying out for the team. We know we have a tremendous amount of interest," said Kay, who just recently made the first cut of 21 girls from a troop of about 35 who tried out for the team.

However, the experienced coach finds it difficult to evaluate her team so early in the season.

"I CAN'T SAY how well we are going to do in the early season, because of the fact that we are a new team. We have three groups, last year's team, transfers, and freshmen, that we must mold into one team. It is difficult to say how we will do."

"Obviously," she maintains, "teamwork is most important. It is difficult to tell so early in the season."

However, later in the season, Coach Yow expects the women to be strong contenders for the state title in Division I.

"With a few breaks, we could do well in the early season," she is quick to say.

"Our goal is to be one of the teams that advances to the Southern Region II playoffs that will be held at Western Carolina. We are in a good position."



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Phil Spence wants back on top

by Ginger Andrews

State's poetic basketball player Phil Spence is the only veteran from the 1973-74 national championship team. Long gone are the original starting five, the bumper stickers, the posters, and the cries of being number one that greeted the lanky Raleigh native when he returned "home" that season, his sophomore year.

"That was like a homecoming," said the Vincennes Junior College transfer. "My sophomore year was the best year of my life, being home, winning the championship, going overseas (the NCAA champs took a tour of the Far East in 1974), and playing the Russians."

Although, Spence was the sixth man on the Squad that defeated UCLA and Marquette for the crown, his junior year was marred somewhat by a "complacent" senior team that failed to even take the ACC title.

After losing only one starter, center Tommy Burleson, the hopes for a repeat were high, but the Wolfpack failed to recruit someone to replace him and Spence, the natural forward was forced to play center.

However, after starting at the beginning of the season, the midway mark found him sitting on the bench with rumors flying about discord with head coach Norman Sloan.

Spence disputed these rumors. "It was due to a mental lapse," he explained. "Like we were complacent as a team and I guess I was too. I lost my confidence. I was sitting on the sides seeing



Wolfpack senior Phil Spence hopes to reach successfully "to be number one."

these guys not playing too well, and I said I must not be much better. When you have a loss of confidence you have nothing to go on.

"Being a player and a coach you see things differently," he continued. "Now I can see from the coach's point-of-view and he was right. If you are not doing the job he will have to sit you down and play the best men."

However, he hopes his game will improve with the acquisition

of seven-footer Glenn Sudhop who has replaced Spence at center.

"I would rather play at forward. I believe it will help my game," he prophesized.

Spence will have only a short time to improve his game since he is the only senior on the squad other than Darnell Adell, who is playing his first and last season with the Wolfpack as a transfer from Murray State.

The Broughton product almost

threw this season away, though, when he applied for hardship consideration with the National Basketball Association last spring.

However, he withdrew his name to finish out his senior year. "I am glad I came back," he reflected. "I kind of wish I had never put my name in for consideration. I put my name in because I was so close to the guys that were leaving (David Thompson, Monte Towe, Morris Rivers, and Tim Stoddard). But they all went to college for four years and I have to, too. Seeing them leave has made me mature a little more."

Spence, who as a high school student from south Raleigh area thought of State as "the big white school across town," realized, "I got a free education and I was about to throw that out the window."

Just a few months from receiving his college degree, the 6-8 senior has no regrets about having attended State.

"Graduating from State means a lot to me, the youngest of four brothers and one sister. I am the only one that has come this far. It means a lot to me because to get a degree, play basketball and establish a name here when, like I said, I thought of State as the big white school across town. I had no visions of this."

Spence does envision a team that is "potentially a lot better than the team last year."

"The only difference is that we are young," he said. "When we get we will be a lot better team. The attitude is a lot better. We know we are young and we have to

work hard."

As a veteran, the sensitive young man feels that his most important role in a winning season will be one of leadership.

"I know now that I have to play a more complete game than just fill in the gaps left by others," he said. "This is more of a leadership role. Since I have been through it and have got the experience and stuff I can reveal what I know to help the younger guys learn quicker."

Although sophomore Kenny Carr was named captain of the Wolfpack squad, Spence still feels that he is looked to for leadership.

"I have been around longer. I believe in Coach Sloan and the people on the team. Kenny was a good choice," said the quiet Spence who wants to leave State on as good a note as when he came here.

"Each day is coming closer to the last day and these days will be memories," said Spence. "I want them to be good memories."

To the soft-spoken veteran these have been "three beautiful years." If he had to, he feels that he would do them again. Although professional basketball was all that he once dreamed of, Spence has re-established his priorities to include a college degree that will give him an alternative route. The vocational industrial education major hopes to work with kids if pro contracts elude him.

"I guess I have been down the road of glory and beauty of being a winner," Spence concluded. "I am trying to tell the guys to ship up and play right so we can be number one again."

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Player profiles

Pack sports young look

The following is a brief look at the individual players of the 1975-76 Wolfpack.

Al Green

Al joins the Wolfpack with outstanding credentials and has definite All-America potential. In his brief career to date, Al has already been named All-America at three levels - high school, prep school and junior college. Green led Western Arizona Junior College to a No. 9 national ranking and a 30-4 record last season, averaging 29.8 points and seven assists per game. For his outstanding performances, Green was voted Junior College Player of the Year in Arizona.

At Maine Central Institute two years ago, Green hit an astonishing 40 points per game and snared 12 rebounds per outing in pacing his team to a 23-2 record.

During his senior year in high school, Al averaged 30 points as Harlem Prep went undefeated with an 18-0 record. That season, he was named all-city, all-state and All-America.

"Al is considered by many qualified observers to be the finest guard prospect in the country," says coach Norm Sloan. "He has all the talents



Al Green

required of a great guard. By that, I mean, he is a fine play-maker, rebounds well, is an excellent shooter from inside and outside, and he plays 100 per cent defense. Al is a very exciting player to watch."

In high school Al ran track and was clocked in 9.7 in the 100-yard dash. In a New York City summer league game, he once scored an amazing 88 points, and he also scored 56 in a practice game against Boston College while at Maine Central.

Al's hobbies are swimming and tennis. Al is majoring in Industrial and Technical Education.

Craig Davis

Craig, who will bid to become Wolfpack floor leader, played in all 28 of State's games last season as a freshman and displayed excellent poise. Craig's main assets are his quickness, good play-making ability and sound knowledge of the game.

Davis' high point totals came against Kent State and Georgia Tech as he scored eight points in each. Craig is expected to battle Darnell Adell and Bobo Jackson for a starting spot.

"Craig does many things well," says coach Norm Sloan. "He'll be given every opportunity to become one of our regulars." Davis is one of only four lettermen that return from last year's team.

He was chosen Most Valuable Player for the Washington, D.C. Metro all-stars in the 1974 Capital Classic game against the U.S. all-stars. Craig won high school All-America honors at Peary High in Rockville, Md., and he also lettered in football and baseball.

Craig likes to play golf and is a Speech-Communications major.



Craig Davis



Darnell Adell

Darnell Adell

Darnell comes to State for his final season after being declared ineligible on a technicality at Murray State. Darnell was a two-year starter at Murray State and averaged almost 13 points per contest. He could move into a starting role this season.

"Darnell knows his way around a basketball court, and we're counting on him for a lot of help," says coach Norm Sloan. Adell, who possesses exceptional quickness and is a strong leaper, was a regular on the George Washington High team that went undefeated with a 29-0 record in 1971 and won the Indiana state championship. Other members of that team included UCLA's Pete Trgovich, and Louisville's Junior Bridgeman and State's Tim Stoddard.

Adell was also a football and track star in high school and captained the track and basketball squads.

He scored 31 points against Western Kentucky in his freshman year at Murray State. The Vocational Industrial Education

major enjoys horseback riding and table pool.

Robert Jackson

Bobo appeared in all 28 games as a freshman last year and could move into a starting spot at point guard this year. Jackson is extremely quick and is a good leaper. He has the tenacity and agility to play strong defense but lacks experience.

Bobo injured his foot shortly before pre-season drills and missed the first ten days of practice. He saw enough action last season to letter hitting his season high of eight points against Maryland.

"Bobo is a fine athlete and he's going to be an excellent player in time," says coach Norm Sloan. Bobo played at George Washington High where Darnell Adell also played. Bobo starred in football and baseball in high school and served as captain of the basketball team, helping his club to a 44-19 record during his three years. Bobo was MVP his senior year and scored 36 points



Bobo Jackson

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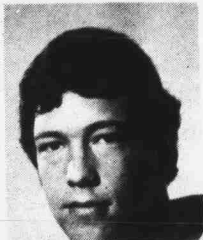


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against the league's No. 1 team. He is an education major.

Glenn Sudhop

Glenn gives the Wolfpack its second genuine seven-footer and will be the starting pivotman even though he's only a freshman. Sudhop was highly recruited from South Bend's Adams High where he sparked his team to a 41-7 slate in his last two seasons. He averaged 17.8 points and 12 rebounds as a senior and earned all-state honors.



Glenn Sudhop

"In time Glenn is going to be a super player," says coach Norm Sloan. "He has some excellent moves, and he's a great competitor." Glenn has been impressive in pre-season drills.

He led Adams to the sectional title last year and was on the state runner-up team as a sophomore. Sudhop played on the Indiana all-star team that defeated the Russians, scoring 10 points. He scored 19 against the Ohio all-stars and nine against the Kentucky stars. Glenn was an All-America last season. Sudhop received more than

100 scholarship offers but elected to attend State because of "its winning tradition and the friendliness of the people on campus." Glenn is majoring in Speech-Communications.

Steve Walker

Walker has been impressive in early practices and should see considerable action in his first season. Steve moves well, has a good touch from the outside and appears gifted at spotting the open man.

"Steve has much more experience than the average freshman," says coach Norman Sloan. "He already does many things well, and there's no question but what he's going to be an outstanding player."

Walker led Lebanon High to the semifinals of the state tourney with a 24-3 record, averaging 22.5 points and 54 per cent shooting accuracy. He won the coveted Trester Award, emblematic of the top student-athlete in the state tournament. Steve scored 29 points and grabbed 14 rebounds in his final tourney game, raising his seven-game tournament average to 24.0. In three seasons as a starter, Steve led Lebanon to an overall 65-12 record. He averaged 21.3 over the three-year span. Steve won all-conference, all-regional and all-state honors, and he was voted to the Indiana all-star team which faced the Kentucky and Russian all-stars last summer. The Business Management major also lettered in track in high school.

Dirk Ewing

Dirk is another freshman who

shows excellent promise and could figure prominently in the Wolfpack picture this season. Dirk will be used as a swingman, although he played forward at Sanderson High, where he averaged 20 points and 12 rebounds as a senior. He has outstanding leaping ability and is a hustling, aggressive player.

"Dirk has fine potential and we're expecting a lot from him. He definitely will help us this year," says coach Norman Sloan. Ewing was an all-state selection and was a three-year starter at Sanderson.

Being a Raleigh native, Dirk decided at an early age to attend State and was the first player to sign a grant-in-aid with the Wolfpack last March. Sanderson was 21-5 in Dirk's final year. Although he was not heavily recruited, Dirk has the talents to become a top-flight ACC player and could be a "sleeper" this season. Dirk is an Education major.

Mike Buurma

Mike was sidelined last season with a knee injury and was red-shirted. Mike saw action in 13 games as a freshman with the 1974 NCAA championship club and participated in the team's eight-game tour of the Orient the following summer. Buurma is counted on as a reserve in the frontcourt.

He elected to come to State after being chosen prep Player of the Year in Ohio's 2-A ranks by UPI. As captain and the team's MVP, Mike led Willard High to a 19-1 record in his senior year while averaging 23.7 points and 13.4 rebounds, then saw his jersey number permanently re-

tired. Buurma averaged 12 points for the U.S. all-stars which went 10-0 in Europe. Buurma is an Education major.

Eric Agardy

Eric averaged 19.1 points and 10.2 rebounds in leading Salem High to a 22-3 record and the semifinals of the state tournament. His play earned him all-league, All-Detroit Metro and third-team all-state honors.

"Eric has good size and we hope that he will be able to make a contribution this year," says coach Norman Sloan. "He is not as far along as some of our other freshmen, but he works hard and gives good effort."



Eric Agardy

Agardy, who was a high jumper and shot putter for the Salem track team, is an exceptional leaper. He earned MVP honors on the track squad. Eric, whose older brother Tom plays basketball at Eastern Michigan, is an Economics major.

Gary Stokan

Gary transferred to State from

Edinboro State College, where he averaged 18 points and 10 assists as a freshman. He joined the Wolfpack on his own and earned scholarship help.

"Gary hustles and has good ability," says coach Norman Sloan. "He may not help us right away, but he should in the future."

Stokan attended South Hills Catholic High in Pittsburgh and lettered in basketball and football. He led the cage team to the Catholic state title and won nomination to the Dapper Dan Classic. Gary was an honor student and a member of the student council at South Hills. Serving as captain of both the football and basketball teams, Gary sparked the eagles to a two-year mark of 39-8. He is majoring in Business Management.

Stetella Long

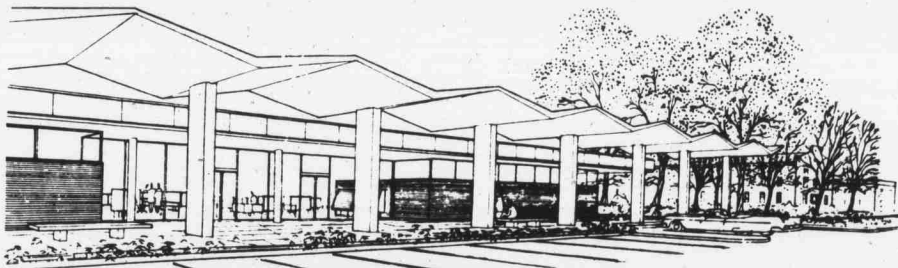
Stetella is a non-scholarship player with good credentials. He was a key member of the Kinston High team that made the state 4-A finals in 1974. So scored 26 points and hauled in 12 rebounds in the title game that year and was named to the all-tourney team.

"We're glad to have So on the squad," says coach Norman Sloan. "He's a good worker and really loves the game." In addition to basketball, where he was voted the team's best all-around player, So was a starter for Kinston in football and baseball. So was also active in student affairs, earning membership in the National Honor Society while serving on the student council and in the music club. He is majoring in Electrical Engineering.

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MARYLAND

If Maryland's prize recruits can adjust to Atlantic Coast Conference competition, the Terps are the best bet to capture the coveted championship.

The newcomers will join a quick guard-oriented team that returns four of last year's top six players. Seasoned John Lucas, Mo Howard, Brad Davis and Steve Sheppard will all be counted on heavily in Maryland's proverbial drive for the title.

But the ACC crown is not, according to coach Lefty Driesell, the Terps' goal. Lefty wants the one that is being played in Philadelphia in March.

"I want to win the thing that Norm Sloan won two years ago," he stated emphatically. "Our goal is to win the national championship not the ACC championship."

If Maryland's vast abundance of talent can blend together, the Terps could very well have what is necessary to finish number one — both nationally and in the ACC.

For one thing, Maryland probably possesses the best backcourt trio in the nation in Lucas, Howard and Davis.

"We have a consensus All-America player returning in John Lucas, last year's



Terp senior John Lucas

top freshman in Brad Davis, and with Maurice Howard also back the three finest backcourt men in the nation," says Driesell.

Lucas was the Terps' floor leader at guard in his first two seasons, directing Maryland to lofty national rankings each year. However, last year, the versatile senior was switched to forward, a move which enabled both Howard and Davis to be starters.

It also doesn't hurt to have a pair like

Howard and Davis to move the ball, or to work their way inside. The 6-3 cat-like Howard can do practically everything well. He's a good shooter, rebounds well, plays tenacious defense and has an uncanny ability to drive to the basket. Davis' forte is his unique ability to penetrate the opposing defense with pinpoint passes that seem to thread the needle. He is also capable of putting the ball through the hoop. Last year he was probably the best freshman guard in the country.

Steve Sheppard, a 6-6, 210-pound junior from New York City, will be counted on to throw his weight around in order to give the young frontline time, if they really need it, to adjust. With the departure of Tom Roy and Owen Brown, he should become a more noticeable cog in Maryland's explosive attack.

The tall newcomers which everyone is talking about are 6-10 frosh center Larry Gibson and 6-8 junior college transfer Larry Boston. Both come to College Park with impressive credentials. But it takes more than high school newspaper clippings to make it in the ACC. And if both of these talented young men can develop the way that Lefty thinks they can, the Terps will be well off.

Perhaps it is a blessing in disguise that 6-9 sophomore Chris Patton won't be around until January. That way Gibson and Boston will have time to improve their skills against relatively weak competition, thus, building up their confidence.

Talented 6-4 freshman leaper James Tilman, the best player out of the DC metro area, and rookie guard Brian Magid should also provide depth to an already formidable array of talent.

So Maryland had possibly the best recruiting year of any team in the country. If those talented newcomers can develop, being together with four solid returnees, a speedy Maryland team should be well on the road to success... and to Philadelphia.

NORTH CAROLINA

The Tar Heels, defending conference champions, are expected once again to field a strong, solid team. Four of five starters return from last season's team, and coach Dean Smith appears confident. "I think we can be a very good team," said Smith. "We should be a good rebounding team. I think we will be the same type of team we have been in the past. We are fortunate to have some outstanding players."

If the Tar Heels have a weakness it is felt to be in their depth, but Smith doesn't see that as an accurate assumption.

"You gain depth by playing people," Smith stated. "The only weakness we have is in the strength of the league."

Returning starters include guard Phil Ford, forwards Walter Davis and Tommy LaGarde and center Mitch Kupchak. Expected to fill the other guard position is either junior John Kuester or freshman Keith Valentine, described by Smith as possessing "blazing speed and quickness."

Kupchak, an all-league choice last season, underwent back surgery during the off-season, and his status was questionable much of the summer. However, Smith now expects the 6-10 Kupchak to be "as good as new." Last season, Kupchak averaged 18.5 points and 10.8 rebounds per game.

He feels Carolina could be stronger this season than last. "It's got the potential to be stronger," Kupchak predicted. "We're a lot more experienced this year than we were last year."

Sophomore Ford is one of the nation's best playmakers, and he is the sparkplug of the Tar Heels. Although it took him over a month to get fully into the swing of the Carolina scheme last year, Ford still averaged 16.4 points per outing.

Davis suffered a severe shooting slump much of the season but was a terror in the

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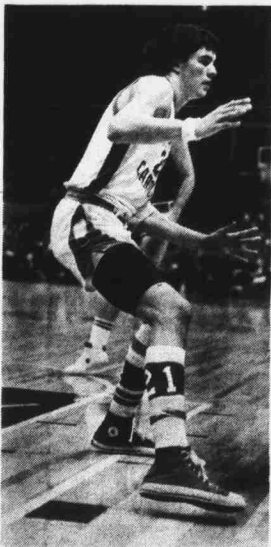
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Heels' three tournament triumphs. The slender junior averaged 16.1 points per game and possesses the ability to be devastating.

LaGarde has not lived up to the billing he received when signed by Carolina two



Tar Heel Mitch Kupchak

years ago. However, he could explode from his shell any time.

After the starting five (or four) the Heels could have problems. Smith likes to utilize his bench, but this season he may not have one to utilize. Outside of Valentine, the Heels didn't have a good recruiting year. Gigantic Jeff Crompton is back, but Smith says, "If he loses 45 pounds he'll be a great player." Crompton is 6-11, 280.

Reserves Bill Chambers, Bruce Buckley and Tom Zalagiris at forwards and Dave Hanners at guard could determine much of the success of the Tar Heels. The 10-man travel squad could have more of an adverse effect on Carolina than anyone in the conference. Not only does Smith's style of coaching call for an abundance of bench strength, but the Heels play 16 of their 25 games away from home.

Smith's greatest concern appears to be with the overall strength in the rest of the conference. "You can take two players from each team and field a pretty good Olympic team," smiled Smith, who will coach the United States in the Olympic Games next summer.

Despite his tremendous concern for the other ACC teams, Smith's Tar Heels look to be Maryland's top challengers.

WAKE FOREST

Last year Wake Forest had a pretty good backcourt, decent forwards, but found an atrocious hole at the all-important center position. That gap caused many a frustration for Deacon coach Carl Tacy.

But this year things are different at the small, southern Baptist school. All because of a .9-year-old freshman from Baltimore named Larry Harrison, who happens to be 6-10. Many of the Deacs' hopes and dreams rest on this young man's inexperienced but sturdy shoulders.

"The biggest key for us is Larry Harrison," said Tacy. "He's gaining confidence bit by bit. He won't make us an instant winner but he does possess the height, strength and quickness we've been

Deacon Skip Brown



looking for."

If Harrison comes through, it means that Wake won't have to combat the ACC with centers who have to stare at opposing pivotmen's necks. Instead, they'll be able to look its position in the eye.

So evident were the Deac's problems up front last season, that both guard Skip Brown and Tacy pointed out that Wake lost five games by a total of nine points, and in all of those contests its opponents outrebounced them.

Directing the Deacs attack is 6-0 junior Brown, who was second only to David Thompson in both all-conference balloting and scoring, chalking up an impressive average of 22.7 points per game. He will be counted on to keep things running smoothly. Rookie Mark Dale (5-8) is expected to spell Brown, as well as receiving much more playing time. The diminutive guard is supposed to have the potential to develop into an excellent sparkplug for the future.

Possibly filling the other guard spot will be 6-6 junior Jerry Schellenberg, who was moved there from forward last year. He did a fine job, netting 11.2 points per game.

Contesting for the other positions are Rod Griffin, Charlie Floyd, Mike Palma, Daryl Peterson, Lee Foye, Henry Hicks and Al Myatt.

Palma, Foye and Hicks could also see action at guard.

Griffin and Floyd had strong freshman seasons last year and should continue to improve as they gather more experience. Griffin averaged a solid 13.9 points and 7.6 rebounds per game in his initial campaign. The 6-7 forward displayed all the poise of a senior during the latter portion of last

season. Floyd, also 6-7, performed admirably.

Palma, a 6-5 freshman, could break into the starting combination before tournament time. He sported a 28-point scoring average in high school, to go along with grabbing rebounds at a clip of 12 per game.

Senior Foye, a 6-6 three-year letterman, should also be on the floor quite a bit.

Wake Forest seems to be on a gradual course of improvement, becoming better slowly but surely. The Deacons seem to be the ACC's darkhorse candidate.

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"We have gotten better gradually by degrees," considered Tacy. "We have gotten to the point we can compete with anybody in the conference."

If Harrison can play his 6-10 height, then the mediocrity associated with Wake in the recent past will turn into legitimate respect. And the possibility of them going somewhere in post-season play, such as the NIT, will be realistic.

CLEMSON

"The last six months have curled my hair."

That, in a nutshell, sums up Bill Foster's predicament as head basketball coach at Clemson.

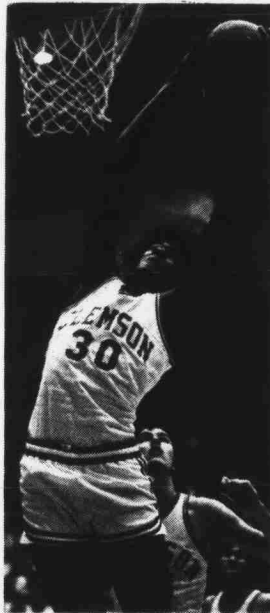
The first-year Tiger coach faces a three-year probationary period placed on Clemson because of the illegal recruiting tactics of ex-Tiger boss Bates Locke. Foster has also been handcuffed with strict recruiting limitations. Add to those the departure of All-ACC guard Skip Wise and it's enough to curl anyone's hair.

"It (the recruiting penalty) is more severe than I thought it would be," said Foster. "But adversity is good for anyone."

Foster took over the Clemson job after building a highly successful program at UNCC. After the violations were found to be true, and the probation meted out, Foster has begun renegotiating his original contract.

However, Foster does not see the entire picture as dull. "The best thing that happened to us was on Oct. 16 when practice started," he said. "Our style of play will lend to the rebounding to be spread out a bit more. I think you will see our kids pull together. Boy, the attitude and spirit has been something else."

Despite the legal problems, the Tigers



Clemson's Wayne "Tree" Rollins

don't appear to be lacking a great deal in the personnel department. Seven foot, one inch center Tree Rollins leads a group of 30 lettermen which return from last season's team which finished 17-11 and gained an NIT berth.

Sophomores Colon Abraham and Stan Rome bring a combined scoring and rebounding average of 17.5 and 6.7 back from last season. Rome, who played

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football for the Tigers this fall, will be used this year at guard according to Foster. Rome was a forward last year.

Other lettermen returning include center Charlie Rogers, forwards David Brown, Andy Butchko and Jimmy Howell and guards John Franken and Bruce Harman.

Foster recruited 6-7 forward Marvin Dickerson and guards Greg Coles (6-3) and Derrick Johnson (6-2). Dickerson averaged 23.0 points per game and 15.0 rebounds last season while Coles hit 24.0 points and grabbed 12.0 rebounds per contest.

On early season practices, Foster said he has spent many hours looking over the players because they are new to him.

"We have scrimmaged more in the last three weeks than in any two years combined since I've been coaching," he stated. "For one reason, I'd never seen them before."

Foster said that "in December, you will probably see us play nine or 10 guys a lot."

Rollins, who averaged 13 points and 11.7 rebounds per game last season, predicted that the Tigers "will be running more and having more of a pressure defense." As for personal goals, Rollins stated, "I want to average 20 points and 17 rebounds a game."

Much of Clemson's hopes appear to rest with how the players will psychologically react to the probation and how well the Tree performs. Last season, Rollins was hurt by inconsistency and foul troubles. However, if the Tigers can keep their minds on basketball and Rollins becomes the devastating player he can be, Clemson could challenge Carolina for the No. 2 spot.

VIRGINIA

"The big news is newcomers," says Virginia coach Terry Holland, summing up the Cavaliers' hopes for 1978-79.

Holland is hoping that a giant frontline plus the talents of veteran Wally Walker can blend together and make the Cavaliers genuine contenders for the ACC crown.

"Last year we had one of the smallest teams in the conference. This year we have one of the biggest," Holland said.

Heading the list of tall trees is 6-9 sophomore Mark Iavaroni, moved from center to forward. Last season, Iavaroni averaged 10.8 points and 7.9 rebounds per game.

"I expect Mark to have an even better year this year. He did quite well for a freshman last season," praised Holland.

A couple of freshman recruits add more height to the Virginia frontline. Center Otis Fulton, a 6-11 native of Richmond who averaged 21.5 points and 14.5 rebounds last season, and forward Steve Castellani of Cheverly, Md., (38.3 points, 21.1 rebounds) are looked to for immediate help. In fact, in Virginia's intrasquad game, the team with all four freshmen beat the veterans.

"We have good size. We have a good nucleus," said Holland. "Some nights we are gonna play very well. Some we are not. Of our 10-man traveling squad, seven could be freshmen or sophomores."

Other freshman signees are 6-6 forward Kevin Moore of Detroit and 5-11 guard Bob Stokes of King William, Va. Says Holland, "Bob is small, too small to probably play in the ACC. But that was proven not to be true by Monte Towe."

Both Holland and Iavaroni felt the fans at Virginia could be psyched for the cage season to begin. And one reason is football. The Cavaliers were 1-10 on the gridiron, and like Holland says, "Obviously Virginia fans are looking for something to hand their hats on."

"The fans are looking forward to the basketball season for two reasons," stated Iavaroni, "because of the young, big trees we have and because the football program stinks."

The Cavs possess some fine talent outside of the three giants.

Walker has the potential to be the league's top scorer, but he suffers from inconsistency. "In his three years at Virginia, he's had three knee operations," says Holland of Walker who has started each of the past three years.

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Cavalier hope Wally Walker

Guards Dave Koesters and Billy Langloh are also very capable. Koesters, says Holland, "is probably our most solid player."

Reserve help must come from lettermen Tom Briscoe and Bob Sefcik at guards and Mark Newlen and Lamont Carr at forwards.

"Last year at the beginning of the season, I felt like I was trying to sell goods," the second-year coach stated. "But this year, I feel like I have a legitimate product."

"If we can win some of the games on the road, it could help us."

The Cavaliers appear to have the potential to be an excellent basketball team, like Holland says, "on some nights."

If Walker, Iavaroni, Fulton, Castellani, Koesters and Langloh are playing up to their potential they could cause a lot of problems for opponents. But "potential" is a mighty risky word.

DUKE

When choosing the finish of the 1975 ACC football race, nearly all prognosticators filled in the number seven position with Wake Forest and went from there. The same is true in the basketball outlook except that Duke, the most storied name in a league rich in cage tradition, has replaced the Deacs on the bottom rung of the ladder.

But observers must remember what happened to the Deacons in football. Duke coach Bill Foster hopes the same will occur to his cagers.

"I think we are going to be a team that gets better as we go along," Foster predicts. "We'll have a little bit more flexibility. We'll change the starting lineups often. Our defense, which sometimes resembled a wave, a shout and a dirty look, will be improved."

"Even though we lost our top three scorers, I think we can continue at a very high level."

Gone from the Duke lineup are three-year starters Bob Fleischer, Pete

Kramer, and Kevin Billerman, but Foster is looking for an improved defense to offset those losses.

"Our biggest concern is rebounding," Foster said. "We think that George Moses will help solve our rebounding problem." Moses was effective in the early portions



Blue Devil Tate Armstrong

of last season but was declared academically ineligible for the latter part of the season.

Foster outlined the probable starting lineup as follows: 6-2 guard Tate Armstrong, a junior from Houston, Texas, who scored at a 9.7 clip last season; 6-5 freshman guard Jim Spanarkel from Jersey City, New Jersey, who averaged 21.0 points and 10.0 rebounds in his senior year in high school; 6-9 senior Willie Hodge at center, a native of San Antonio, Texas, an 11.4 scorer in '74 who also grabbed 7.4 rebounds; Moses at one forward and 6-7 junior Mark Crow at the other.

As reserves, Foster will rely on 6-10 Terry Chili, 6-2 guard Paul Fox, 6-3 guard Rick Gomez, 5-10 guard Ken Young, and 6-4 forward Dave O'Connell.

The Blue Devils had only a fair recruiting year, landing five new faces. Besides Spanarkel, Foster inked 6-9 center Scott Getsch of Chatsworth, California, who averaged 17.0 points and 11.0 rebounds his senior prep season; 6-2 guard Steve Gray of Woodland Hills, California, who scored 24 points per game in high school; 6-9 forward Cameron Hall of Dundas, Ontario, (26 points, 19 rebounds); and 6-7 forward Harold Morrison of West Orange, N. J. (25 points, 15 rebounds).

Despite what is projected to be a poor season for the Blue Devils, Tate Armstrong Remains calm.

"I know that we are being picked last in the conference," he said. The thing that is nice about talking to writers is that we know we aren't going to finish last. We are one of the best offensive teams in the conference. We have worked on playing much better defense.

"We can have a very large lineup," he continued. "We can go with so many different lineups. It's a matter of trying to get an entire team offense into it."

Foster and Armstrong remain optimistic, but the season has not started yet. Even though Duke defeated NIT champion Princeton twice last year by nine and 17 points, that will not help the Blue Devils in the rugged ACC title race.

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What about recruiting in general? Do you think the set-up as it is... do you think the NCAA is too picky, asks too much...?

It's impossible for any coach... there isn't anybody that studies the rules any more than we do here at North Carolina State. There isn't an athletic director any more knowledgeable about the rules anywhere in the country, I assure you, than Willis Casey and every day we run into a rule we didn't know about - every day. That being the case here at State where we study them, and I know some places where they really don't go into the thing that much in detail as far as knowing the book and knowing the rule, I bet a week doesn't go by that we don't make at least two calls to the NCAA and maybe three to the Commissioner's office asking about some rule.



What I'm saying is that the rules are too confusing as they exist now. I think you have to have rules but I think you could go back and consolidate and simplify and you could have major violations and minor violations catalogued and outlined with a heavy emphasis on major violations such as illegal aid and so forth.

But it's a tough job and you have to have enforcement. You have to have investigations, you have to have rules and regulations but I think we've gone along with this one book and this one organization for so long that the thing is so cumbersome now... in other words, I can show you the book with an official interpretation of rule so-and-so, section so-and-so, number 301. You have a rule, then a section to a rule, and then 301 interpretations of that rule. And you're held responsible for each interpretation as if it's a rule in itself. So it's very complicated; it's hard to stay up with, but we try to, just like the two things Tree was involved in down in Clemson. There is no way that you expect him to know that he was in violation of a rule so Tree cannot be held responsible for that. Again I'm not trying to evade the issue, I know I'm being general but I think the nature of the situation and your question and the answer is such that I have to be general.

What exactly was N. C. State convicted of, in regard to David Thompson?

In the first place, there were two things involving David and three other things that had to do with some three-four years prior to that, summer school. We had a basketball player in summer school here before he enrolled here in the fall. Everybody in the country was doing that at the time and we didn't see anything wrong with that. I had written permission from the Commissioner to use Tom Burleson in my basketball camp. I questioned it, that's why I called him, I didn't think he could do it, but I had been told that you could after the kid signed. The Commissioner sent me a letter and said that he could because the kid had now undergone status change, and the NCAA said you went to the wrong authority. Those are two of the things.

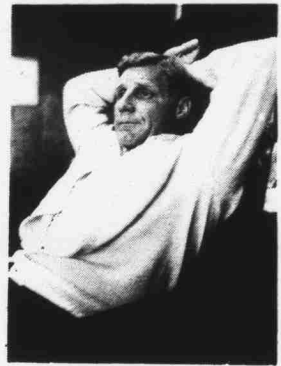
A third one had to do with we paid a representative of athletic interest to bring a prospect to the campus on his second visit. At that time you were allowed two visits, an alumnus visit where the alumnus paid for the visit and the official visit. And we paid this alumnus to bring this kid because there wasn't flight transportation out of that area and we didn't want him coming on a bus, and they said that made him a talent scout. You see, there's nobody around that would think there was anything wrong with that.

David Thompson's violations - one, he came here on campus at his own expense and his own transportation and stayed a week at his own expense. He did not rent a room. You could rent a room at that time for \$8 a week. He stayed with two friends, this was in August, he signed in May, and he was here all week and the NCAA said we knew he was here, which we did, and they said that constituted a violation. The fact that he received free housing here. But he didn't receive it from us. But he stayed with some friends. It wasn't like he had a room to himself. He just moved in, pulled a mattress in as I understand it and slept on the floor. And the other one was that while he was here he engaged in a pick-up game over in Carmichael.

Now that is what we were put on probation for one year. Now those things I classify as technical infractions. None of them were intentional and most of them we didn't even know they were violations or we wouldn't have done them. The simplest thing would have been for David to have rented a room for \$8 for one week. He could have afforded \$8, and had we known this was going to be a problem, we would have said "David you can't stay on campus unless you rent a room and it's only going to cost you eight bucks, get a receipt and the whole thing is over with."

What about the penalty itself? Do you look back on that with bitterness?

I'm not bitter, I'm very unhappy about it because there is a stigma that will be lifelong as far as I'm personally concerned and the university is concerned, because I was the coach at that time, and I'm held



responsible for what happens in the program and that's the way it should be, and it will be constantly referred to and now and then. Here we have this situation at Clemson which I understand is drastically different from ours in terms of why they were penalized as severely as they were and yet people are going to say State bought a national championship, they got away with it, they robbed the bank and got to keep the money. That's what I resent about this.

I don't think we should have been put on probation, at worst, I thought that we should have had a reprimand because of the fact that we did have five violations that were technical violations and you should be reprimanded for that. But just like Duke, they put Duke on probation for one year for something that was totally out of their hands. I'm not bitter about it, however, that's life, I sure wish it hadn't happened.

How are relationships among ACC coaches? Are ACC coaches generally friends? People say you and Dean Smith

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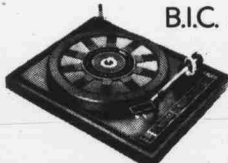
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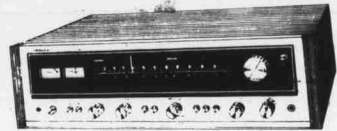
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wouldn't even have your picture made together.

What you're doing here is getting involved in semantics and definition. What I might call a friend and what you call a friend could be different. It's grossly overexaggerated and that all goes back to when Frank McGuire was here. Frank had a thing going about how all the other coaches in the league hated him and how the coaches in the league hated each other and it was the subject of an article in a national magazine, and this thing spread and then because we're so close to Carolina, because there is such an intense rivalry there have been a lot of people who have said how bitter Dean and I are towards each other, and it isn't true.

Dean Smith and I . . . I talked to him yesterday on the phone . . . we're not close friends. It's hard to have a rivalry as intense as ours and say that you're a close friend of a guy that's out trying to recruit a kid that you need and vice versa. You can look at it one way . . . we're both trying to get the other one fired. That isn't true but you can look at it that way because we're trying to win every game that we play against them, and if we win too many games over too long a period of time, then he would be in trouble, and the same thing is true if he wins too many games over us over a long period of time our people are going to get a little disgruntled and unhappy . . . Lefty Drisell and I are better friends than Dean and I are but we're farther apart geographically, and it makes a big difference.

I think if Dean wasn't the basketball coach at North Carolina and I wasn't the basketball coach at North Carolina State we would probably be good friends. We're more than acquaintances but we're not close friends. That would be dishonest and foolish for anyone to expect that to be the case. But we're not enemies and we don't

detest each other. Now there are some alumni that detest us and probably some of our alumni detest them and then they associate that to Dean and me or to Lou Holtz and Bill Dooley see and that's a little unfair because that kind of relationship doesn't exist between the coaches as far as I know. If it does I am totally unaware of it I really am.



Who do you think, including or excluding yourself, is the best basketball mind in the ACC?

This is something I get the biggest kick out of is the media and their evaluation of coaches, which is constant. . . I think the media feels that they are expected to and have a right to and it's their job to evaluate coaches. What I have noticed though is that they evaluate them in terms of what they are told. They don't really personally evaluate coaches. . . they glom on to a reputation that already exists, and either go with it or attack it. I made the comment three years ago that we had great talent and I said "I'm not going to handicap these guys with a lot of X's and O's. Immediately out of that one comment

came the fact that Sloan is unorganized, undisciplined in his approach to the game of basketball as opposed to Dean Smith who is highly controlled. Our basketball offenses are almost identical. Almost identical.

Now we don't do all the signalling and changes of defenses that they do. . . we run as many defenses as they do. In other

explanation of a game is different.

Dean is highly technical in his explanation of the game; they win against us over there and Timmy Stoddard takes a shot at the gun that rolls out that would have tied the game. Dean's approach to describing that was "we used our suicide scramble defense" that's exactly what he said, "a suicide scramble to win the game at the end."

THE SHOT DIDN'T GO IN THE BASKET! You see now, I wouldn't have said that. But that doesn't mean we wouldn't have done the same thing on defense. So what I'm saying is when you get down to the really bare facts of it, we're doing basically the same thing but it is explained differently by each coach which is interpreted differently by the media.

The tag, "Stormin' Norman." How do you feel about that? Where did it come from?

It rhymes, it rhymes. The first time, a sportswriter for the Nashville Banner, came to our game at Vanderbilt and he came away and wrote about Stormin' Norman. Now I don't imagine that's the first time an athlete or a person in athletics whose first name is Norman was called Stormin'. You know it was just picked up by people around and I would assume that they had used another tag that had caught on but it doesn't really bother me.

Along this same line, how do you feel about your press treatment in general? Do you think it has leaned toward good, bad or fair?

I think honest, basically honest, and I think the people I get along best with are the people I've known the longest. I think for some reason or another I have a difficult time, and I probably do it myself, I'm sure it's my fault, because it's a consistent thing that my initial contact with media generally is a little volatile, because I have a feeling they are attacking or they are being dishonest with me or saying that I am dishonest because I'm not; I try to be very, very honest and I

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You see if I have a problem with a media person it will be over something like that more than anything else where I will feel that they have put me in a position of saying something that I didn't say and I resent that and don't think you should do that. Say Sloan is a lousy coach, I don't agree with him, I don't like the way he decorates his office. That's fine, but when they say Sloan says or Sloan stands for then I get a little edgy and a little testy about that. But over a period of time I think I have an excellent relationship with the media people.

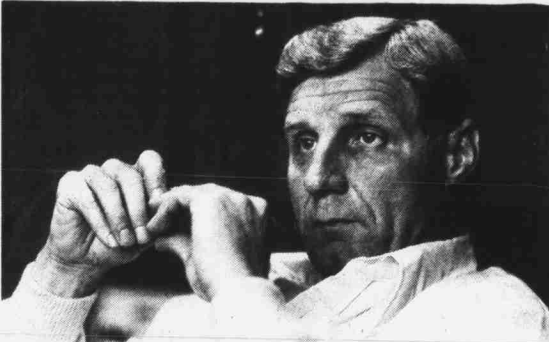
For example when the University of Florida came down here and played football, Ed Seaman downstairs said, "Why don't you get along with these people around here, those people down there love you." I said I get along with these people around here and I'll get along with them better and better as time goes on. I was down there for six years and then I left and we maintained our contacts. No, I don't think it's been bad or good I think it's been a basically honest relationship that we've had. Maybe some was a little too good, maybe some was a little too bad but that's life, it all balances out. In the main I would say it's been an honest relationship.

During the years you coached at Presbyterian, The Citadel, and Florida did you have in the back of your mind that you always wanted to return here?

Oh, yes, I always wanted to coach here but I never thought it would happen. The breaks just don't come that way, you know, it just doesn't happen. There is always an assistant coach there and a very talented person who is already there and should have the job. It just so happened Coach Case's sudden illness, Press Maravich's sudden decision to leave and there wasn't someone who aspired that much to the job who was that capable, and they did not consider the assistant, and so the job was open which is unusual. And I had a chance to get it and I was lucky enough to get it. Yes, I always wanted to be here.

As for Everett Case, he never won a national championship yet there has been an aura... do you ever feel like you're operating in the shadow of Everett Case?

I never have. Some people say, who were pretty close to the situation, after the recent years of success and particularly after a national championship, "well finally you have dispelled



working in the shadow of Coach Case." I never, ever felt that. I played for the man, I had great respect for him, I had a particular feeling about him as a player/coach relationship, and I didn't feel that I was being compared to him, or the program to him, but apparently some people did. But no, I have never personally felt that. My only feeling has been that it has been a great help to have been on his teams, associated with him and I think it helped me get the job. I don't think I could have gotten the job otherwise, if I hadn't been one of his players.

I take it then, that this is where you want to stay?

I have no intention of being anywhere else. If I coach basketball anywhere, it will be right here.

This is somewhat a cliché question. biggest thrill/greatest disappointment. The thrill is a two-fold thing: an individual game thrill was the champion-

Well of course, it had to be in the individuals too because that's how it came about but it was just a bad time, an unbelievably bad time of what's the best thing to do, they're two of my players, real close. I have a responsibility to them and I have a responsibility to the public, I have a responsibility to the program, we tried our best to handle it properly. It was just a bad time.

I've always thought your wife's singing the National Anthem has a real touch of class. How did that come about?

I'm glad you think it has a touch of class because I wonder myself how the public... she's talented and she does it extremely well... she does it as well as anybody you'll hear on any level. She's a very talented person. I wonder how the people are receiving it, you know, because of the fact that we're married. I've often wondered if they think it's a little gauche but I've had almost unanimous expression similar to yours.

We were at Presbyterian College and we had a pretty good basketball team. We had a bad little gym, we were trying to jazz it up and make as much of a production of the whole evening as we could to get people to come and we said well one of the things we can do is be first class in the national anthem thing because here's Joanne who can do it.

Then we went to The Citadel and Citadel people had heard her and wanted her to continue and some of the people spoke to me about it so she started. She was going to do it and General Clark had heard about it... this is a little parenthetical thing you might get a kick out of... he's a tough guy, I really like him, he's one of the finest people I've been associated with, but a tough guy. He heard she was going to sing, and he got me on the phone and said, "Norman, General Clark, I understand your wife is planning on singing the National Anthem. It is not intended as a vocal piece, it is an instrumental piece - impossible to sing and I don't want her singing it."

He's (Clark) a powerful human being

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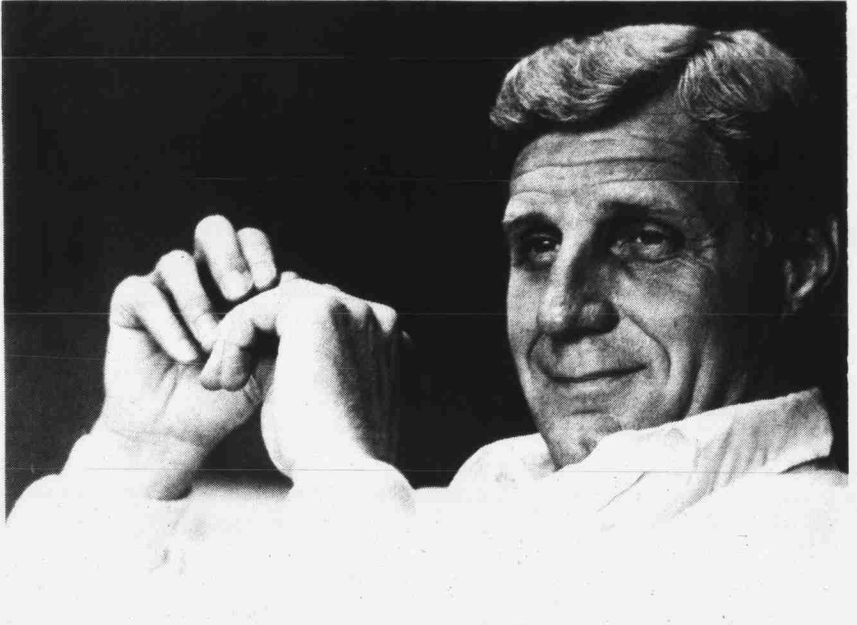
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a very awesome figure and kind of on display all the time, he's really at the top of the situation. Well, I was young and he fired me up, kind of upset me so I was hot enough to say, "Have you heard my wife sing the National Anthem?" He said, "Certainly not!" And I said, "I would appreciate it if you would reserve final judgement until you've heard her." So he reluctantly agreed to it so she sang the first game.

General Clark called me on Monday, the game was on Saturday, and said, "Norman, General Clark." "Yessir." "Your wife will sing the National Anthem. . ." And then each year at the final home game he would present her with two dozen beautiful red roses and a nice gift. That's the kind of guy he is.

So this thing has been very much a part of our program, and when we went to Florida, some of the people who were at The Citadel were now involved at Florida and they wanted her to sing and it has just been something that has kind of continued.

I don't know when her eligibility is going to run out but it has to be pretty soon. I asked her the other day when this was going to stop, and she said I don't know. She gets very nervous about doing it; it's a big thing. She doesn't just casually step up there and do it. . .

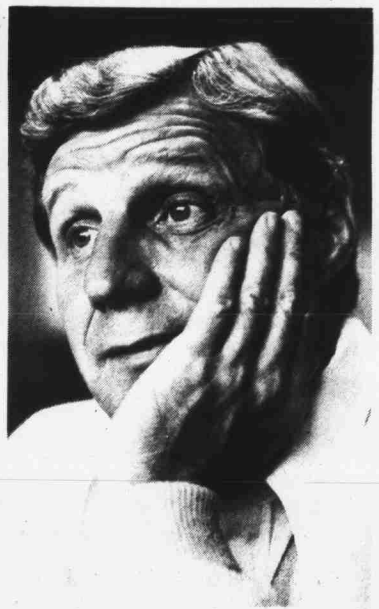
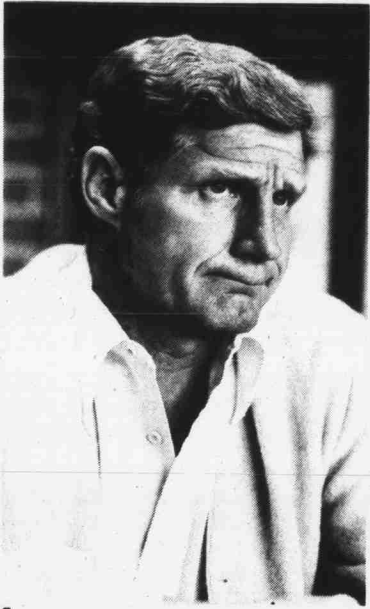


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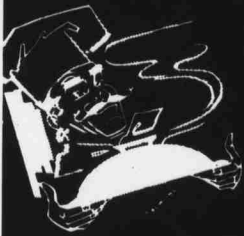
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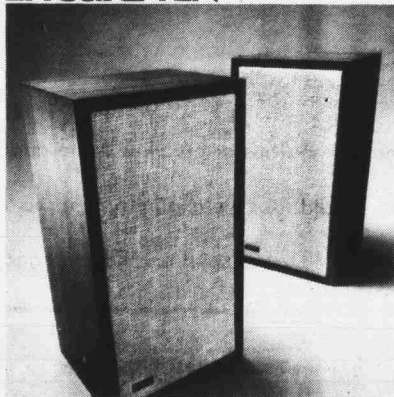
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