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State Seeks Upset Victory Tonight

Wolfpack Stalking Gamecocks

by Jack Cozort

The ACC race gets down to cold facts tonight. All of the pre-season claims and mid-season adjustments will tell whether State or South Carolina has the horses to represent the ACC in the post-season tourneys.

The 9:12 tip-off begins a hectic ten days for the Pack. State must play Wake Forest on Saturday, February 21, Duke on Wednesday February 25, and USC again on Saturday, February 28. Only the South Carolina rematch will be played outside the friendly confines of Reynolds Coliseum.

But there is little worry that the Wolfpack will be looking ahead to the rest of the season. Frank McGuire has his Gamecocks polished to a dazzling glitter. John Roche and Co. have swept to an 18-2 record including a perfect 10-0 mark in rugged conference play.

The Gamecocks will be facing their major pretender to the throne in the Wolfpack. Vann Williford has led the Red Terrors to an 18-3 record and an 8-2 conference mark.

Neither team depends on a one-man show. South Carolina has Tom Owens, the ACC's most efficient rebounder, Tom Riker, a 6-10 sophomore, John Ribock, a 6-8 forward, and Bobby Cremins to support Roche, a 22.0 scorer.

Williford has 6-9 Paul Coder and 6-6 Rick Anheuser to help him out on the front line and possibly the ACC's fastest pair of guards, Al Heartley and Ed Leftwich, to supply the backcourt power.

The real show will be on the front line where South Carolina boasts a 6-11, 6-10, 6-8 combination. The average height for the Gamecocks front line is taller than State's tallest player.

Nevertheless, State has fought and scrambled to the rebounding lead in the conference, pulling down an average of 51.9 each game. USC is not far behind with a 49.9 average.

Most teams have tried to slow the game down and control the tempo against South Carolina. Tennessee was able to do it for a 55-54 win, but that was back on December 6. Davidson staged a brilliant second-half comeback to take a six-point win from the Gamecocks one week ago tonight.

Davidson managed their win by getting Owens in foul trouble. Without Owens 15.6 rebounding average, South Carolina could not control the boards as they have against almost every opponent this year.

Norm Sloan's boys are not a slow-down team. Six time this year State has eclipsed the magic 100 point mark. They are at their best when Coder grabs the ball off the board and Leftwich and Heartley race down the court.

Carolina dried the stall against the Gamecocks and failed miserably, 65-52. The scoring in this game should be a little more prolific, as the Pack averages 88.0 points per game, second best in the conference.

South Carolina is holding opponents to 57.2 points per game, one of the best records in the nation, largely because most teams have tried to slow the game down.

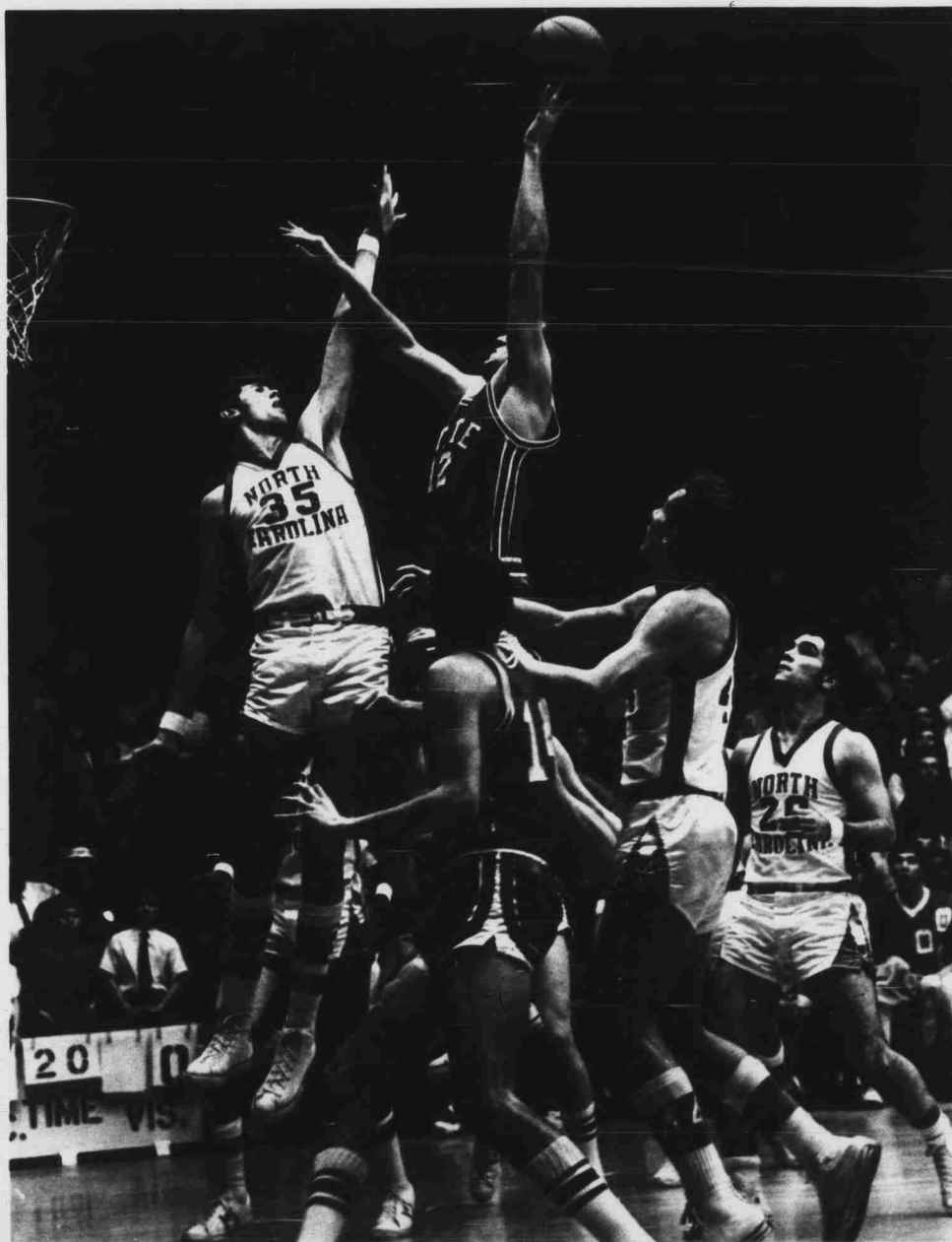
By about 10:45 the ACC will have taken on a new look, one way or another.



Tom Owens



Tom Riker



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FINGERTIP CONTROL—Paul Coder gets airborne to score a basket over 6-10 Lee Dedmon (35) of Carolina. Coder will face his toughest test of his sophomore season tonight when the Gargantuan Gamecocks rumble into Reynolds Coliseum. The South Carolina front line consists of 6-10 Tom Owens, 6-10 Tom Riker, and 6-8

John Ribock. The Gamecock trio has a collective scoring average of 37 points and 30.5 rebounds per game. The Pack front line of Coder, Vann Williford and Rick Anheuser contribute 50.9 points and 27 rebounds per game to the Wolfpack effort which has resulted in the best record for a State team in many years.

One Of Nation's Best

Vann Sets State Pace

by Jack Cozort
"The Moving Vann."
Very little else need be said about State's Vann Williford for everyone to know who the talk is about. He moves, and how he moves. Through the lane for a driving layup, to the corner for an 18-foot jumper, under the basket for a rebound, filling the outside lane on a fast break, he is everywhere.

"Vann is as good a player as there is in the ACC," said Norm Sloan at the beginning of the year. By mid-season, Sloan had changed his tune a little. "If any one in the U.S. deserves to be an all-America, Vann does," the State mentor said after Williford turned in a

sterling performance to bring State back against a determined Virginia team.

The Fayetteville, N.C. native has all the credentials for a number of post-season honors. Vann has hit 50 percent of his field goals and 80 percent of his free throws for a 23.1 scoring average and a 9.3 rebound mean.

Scoring Leader

Williford has led the Pack in scoring for 14 times in their 21 games. He has scored 20 or more points 13 times. He has led or tied for the rebounding lead in eight games.

"He helps a team in so many ways," Sloan said of Williford. Vann adds a great

defensive ability to his offensive talents. There is no facet of the game that the 6-6 senior has not mastered.

In the latest ACC statistics, Vann was third in scoring, ninth in rebounding, sixteenth in field goal percentage, and eleventh in free throw accuracy. No other player in the conference has a record that even approaches that of Williford's.

This season is not the first that Williford has starred for the Pack. Last year Vann averaged 21.6 points, 10.0 rebounds, had 11 games over 25 points, led State in scoring in 19 of 25 games, made all-ACC, and won all-NCAA District III honors.

But this year Vann has led the team in more ways than the statistics could ever verify. "Vann always seems to be able to come up with the clutch play," said teammate Ed Leftwich not long ago.

Time after time Williford has come up with four or five baskets when the Pack was either falling behind or losing a lead. Vann gets the rebound to stop another team's momentum late in the game and preserve a State win.

Against Wake Forest, the out-going senior could barely walk due to an ankle injury in the Carolina game just three days earlier, but Williford led the Pack in scoring and in rebounds, with 29 and 9, to pull State to a three-point win.

Always An Optimist

Always an optimist and a leader in team inspiration, Vann's winning attitude and optimism carries over into his outside activities. Williford, an engineering operations major, was named one of the most outstanding students in summer ROTC camp and earned a position on the fall semester dean's list.

The list of amazing things Williford has done goes on and on. But perhaps the most amazing thing is the desire to win and the ability to perform well under adverse conditions.

Williford played center on last year's Wolfpack team. At only 6-6 he often faced taller and heavier men who dished out a lot of physical punishment. Williford took it all and led State, one of the shortest



staff photo by John Raymer
VANN WILLIFORD NIGHT—Earlier this year Vann was honored with a ceremony in his home town of Fayetteville, N.C. Here he receives a proclamation from the Fayetteville mayor.

teams in the nation, to a 15-10 record and a third place finish in the ACC.

Williford is having a great year this year while fighting off a number of injuries. His ankle has been injured three different times and he has played almost every game with a heavy bandage on his thigh.

But Williford has not been stopped, nor has he been slowed down. His play is typical of the entire State team:

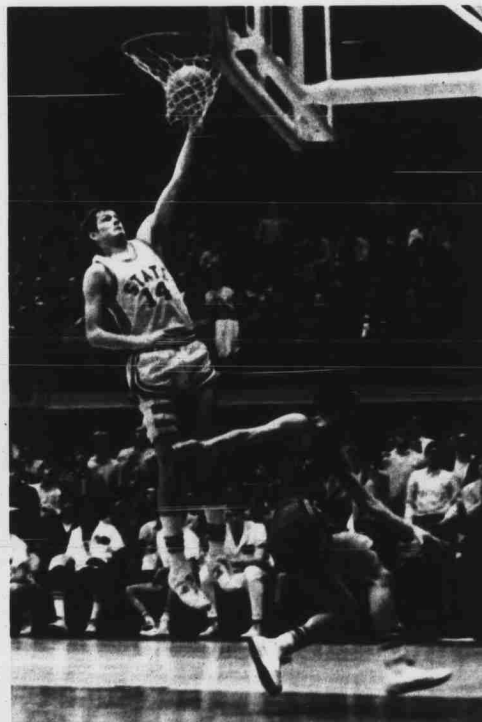
relentless, tenacious, steady, unspectacular play. That may be the only thing that keeps him off the all-America teams.

Even if he does not receive the all-America recognition, Vann will know that he has done well. State is now 18-3 and has a shot at a 20 game winning season, something that has been seen in Wolfpack Country only once since 1959.

So Williford moves, and he takes the Pack with him.



staff photo by Ed Caram
THE PICTURE JUMPSHOT—Williford bombs for two in the first State-Carolina meeting this year. Vann scored 20 and 23 points in the Pack's two games against the Tar Heels this season. State players are Paul Coder (12) and Rick Anheuser (moving to the basket).



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HE SCORES LAY UPS, TOO—Williford gets a bucket off the fast break as Maryland's Steve Kebeck tries in vain to prevent the two points.



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Anheuser Spreads Pack's Bread With Butter This Year

by Jack Cozort

The Raleigh *News and Observer* calls him "The Phantom" and teammate Vann Williford refers to him as the "Bread and Butter man." They're talking about Rick Anheuser, State's senior co-captain from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Rick is in his second season at State, having played at Bradley University before coming South. He came to Wolfpack Country thanks to Warren Cartier, his high school

and ex-Pack teammate of State Coach Norm Sloan.

Sloan can be thankful for old friends. Anheuser has become one of the most brilliant passers to ever wear the Red and White. In one game this year the 6-6 hustler handed out 13 assists, an all-time State record.

Anheuser was a dependable performer for the Pack last year, but he has really blossomed for State this year. His averages have increased only slightly, from 9.0 points to

10.4 and 5.8 rebounds to 7.2, but his contributions can be measured in so many other ways.

Rick is a versatile player; he can be used on the point as a guard, setting up the State offense, or he can muscle his 205 pounds inside to team up with Vann Williford and Paul Coder for a formidable front line.

The blond recreation major is one of the finest defensive players in the Atlantic Coast Conference and usually takes the opponent's leading scorer.

Rick's dependable play, which often comes without flash, is what prompted the *News and Observer* to dub him "The Phantom." His heroics have usually gone unnoticed to a large majority of the fans and the press. But not so with Sloan or his teammates.

"Rick has done a tremendous job setting up our offense and running things," Sloan said recently. "He has a knack of

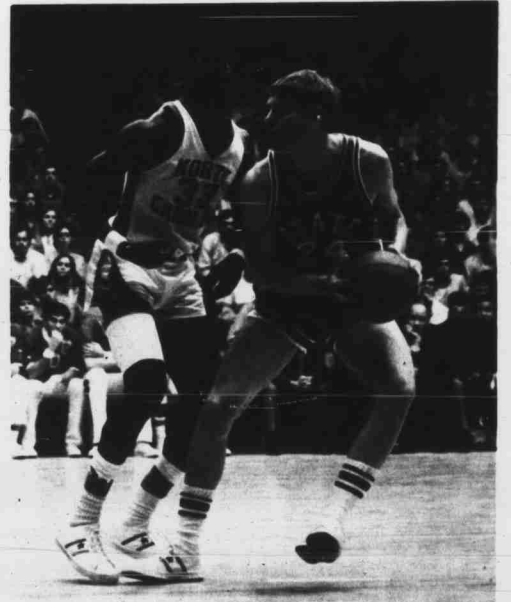
finding the open man which has rubbed off on the rest of the club."

Anheuser has a fine repertoire of offensive moves that make him especially effective in a one-on-one. The inside men from the opponents usually drop off on Rick to help out, and Rick dumps the ball off to Williford or Coder for an easy basket.

In a few instances this year, teams have tried to stop Rick without dropping an extra defender off on him. Anheuser has responded with points, like the 28 he pumped in against Clemson.

Against Virginia Tech, Anheuser pulled down 17 rebounds, a figure matched only by the 6-9 Coder against Carolina. He has never led the Pack in scoring, but that fact never bothers him.

The only thing that counts is winning, and the quiet hustler has become a tenacious winner on the court.



special Technician photo by Eli Gukich

LOOK OUT CHARLIE! State's Rick Anheuser looks for an open man as Carolina's Charlie Scott defends. Rick dished out 13 assists in one game this year for a State record.



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BEHIND YOU, WILL! Maryland's Will Hetzel seems lost as Rick drives in for a lay up. Anheuser is averaging over 10 points and seven rebounds a game for the Pack.

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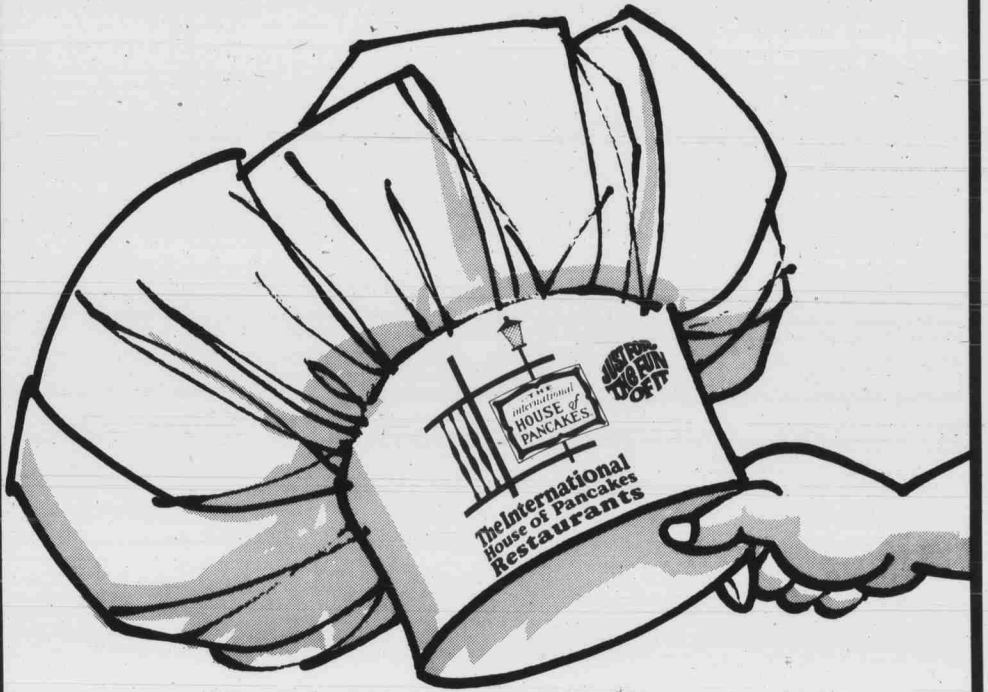
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Ed Brings The Crowd To Its Feet

Lefty Adds Style, Quickness

by Jack Cozort

"Ed has the potential to be one of the finest players this league has ever known." The speaker was Norm Sloan and the subject was Ed Leftwich, 6-5 sophomore guard for State Wolfpack.

Leftwich is one of the reasons State has risen to second place in the ACC and the top ten in the country. He can do it all: grab the rebound, drive the lane, steal the ball, hit the 30-foot jumper.

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Against Atlantic Christian, the 195-pound backcourt ace hit 43 points for one of the five times he has led the Pack in scoring in his initial season.

On last year's freshman team, Ed began his career as a guard. Until that time, the Burlington, N.J. native had been a forward and had even pulled some time at center. State can take advantage of Leftwich's wide experience by using him in the front line and the backcourt with assurance that he could do the job in either position.

He has done the kind of job that has helped the Pack become a consistent winner. Winning is no new thing for Ed; he became accustomed to it in high school. He led Burlington City High to a state title in 1966 and a 69-3 record during his three varsity seasons.

The confident star came to State because he wanted to play where the basketball was the best. And according to

Leftwich, the best is in the ACC.

He has been matched against about the best the ACC has to offer. And for a sophomore, the results are almost staggering. Against Carolina, the long-awaited duel between senior Tar Heel Charlie Scott and Leftwich materialized.

Leftwich almost turned the meeting into a farce. Scott picked up three fouls in about ten minutes of man-to-man with the brash young sophomore, and that was the last time Charles would tangle with State's recreation major on that night.

Against Wake Forest and East Carolina Leftwich really emerged as an outstanding player and made himself known around the league.

Ed stole the ball twice, made a lay up, drew two Deacon fouls, and made three free throws, all in the last 1:02 of the Wake Forest game. Then in State's next game, this one with the East Carolina Pirates, Leftwich again took command in the waning minutes of the game.

East Carolina was making a late comeback, led by Tom Miller's long outside shooting, when Leftwich challenged the Pirate guard to a little one-on-one. Miller was shut out for the last four minutes of the game, Leftwich stole the ball to start a State fast break, and he hit long jumpers to stifle the ECU rally and lead the Pack to a 100-81 victory.

State fans can expect such things for two more years.



LEFTWICH DRIVES—State's 6-5 guard draws Carolina's Previs (13), Wycik (44), and Dedmon (35) in under the basket before passing off to Vann Williford for a bucket. Leftwich had four assists and 16 points in the game at Chapel Hill.

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YOU LEAD, I'LL FOLLOW—Lefty and Maryland's Mickey Wiles do their version of the cha-cha.

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Heartley Improves Play, Breaks First Five

by Jack Cozort

Al Heartley is what is known as a "walk-on." He came to State without a scholarship his freshman year, and not only won a place on the Pack team, but also a starting slot.

Al played in 23 of the Wolfpack's 25 games his sophomore year, but he feels he did not have a particularly good year. "I didn't play well in the Duke game, and it seemed like I didn't get to play much after that," Heartley remembered. "I would only get in for one or

two minutes a game."

The two-minute Heartley is a thing of the past. The Clayton junior broke into the State starting five midway through this current season and has been improving ever since.

In State's recent clash with Carolina, Heartley played so well that it prompted Coach Norm Sloan to call it "the finest game he has seen any guard play" since he has been coaching at State.

Heartley scored 15 points against the Heels and beat their press with his outstanding

speed. Al's offensive statistics are not that impressive, 4.5 points and 3.5 rebounds, but the applied math major makes up for that with brilliant defensive play.

Al attributes much of his success to the fact that he attended Johnston Central High in Smithfield instead of going to school in Clayton. His parents taught school in Smithfield, where Coach Reginald Ennis had a better developed athletic program.

"I didn't know how good my high school coach was until

I came to State," Heartley said. "He did a lot of things the way Sloan does them at State."

"I always felt pretty bad because we never ran any plays like the other schools did. But then I came to State, and Sloan doesn't run any set plays, either. Now I see that a free-lance offense is the best," noted Heartley.

Al's high school record was 52-15 in his three varsity seasons, and he has become accustomed to the winning ways.

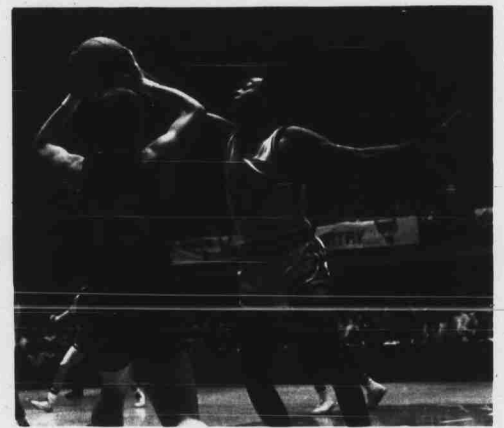
"There is never any substi-

tute for winning," the 6-1 jumping jack said. "I like to go back after a game and just dream about winning."

The entire State team has a dream about winning. The

dream has carried them to an 18-3 season so far, 8-2 in the ACC.

And with Al Heartley around, the Wolfpack may never wake up.



staff photo by Ed Caram

Al Heartley (32) puts pressure on Maryland's Mickey Wiles. Heartley scored 15 points in one of the Pack's outings this year.

Sixth-Man Wells Lifts Pack Spirits, Adds Power As ACC's Best Reserve

by Jack Cozort

"We have seven players of comparable ability who could be starting," said Coach Norm Sloan, "and Wells is one of those."

Forward Dan Wells could start on almost any team in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The rugged 6-6 junior comes off the State bench and grabs a rebound, blocks a shot, or scores a basket to rouse the Pack out of melancholy and send it on its winning way.

"We wouldn't be losing a thing by putting Wells in for Coder or Anheuser or Williford," continued Sloan. "The total production would be basically the same."

Wells has averaged 8.7 points and 5.4 rebounds per game in the playing time he has logged. His high point game has been 15, and in the Wolfpack's last outing against Clemson, Dan was the leading rebounder of the game with 15 recoveries.

"You have to have guys who can come in and play to make the play and not worry about making a mistake," Sloan said. "That's what Dan does a fine job of."

"I really don't worry too much while I'm on the bench," Wells noted. "I know I will get in, so I just watch the players on the other team to see how they play."

There are some in the conference who do not approve of the way Wells plays. The folks over at Chapel Hill have called Dan a "guerrilla fighter" and

made a big point of making signs just for his benefit.

Although the Windson, Connecticut, native admits that he does "not appreciate being called a guerrilla," the other team's fans do not seem to bother him in the least.

A roar always goes up from the State rooters when Dan pulls off his warm-up shirt and reports in at the scorer's table.

The 205-pounder muscles his way under the basket, where he is almost unstoppable. And now Wells is finding the range on his jump shot and is becoming even more effective.

In one game this year against Virginia, four Wells jumpers late in the first half were about the only thing that kept State in the rough game.

Wells finds the range often enough to compile a .533 shooting percentage, one of the best in the conference. Combined with his .531 field goal record in his sophomore year, Wells may wind up with one of the best career shooting records ever for State.



staff photo by Al Wells

Dan Wells crashes into the Clemson Tigers in an attempt to grab one of the 15 rebounds he had against the Tigers.

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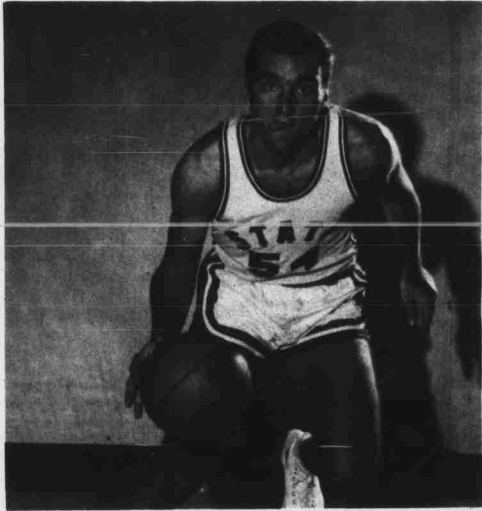
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Wolflets Have 9-3 Season With Strong Team, Blue Imps Field Strongest Five In Big Four

by Stephen Boutwell
Those who think the ACC has the strongest teams in the nation should take an even closer look at freshmen teams, most notably those of the Big Four.

State, Duke, Carolina, and Wake Forest are said to have captured some of the finest talent in the nation. From the looks of the statistics, the Big Four will get no argument on this point.



RICK HOLDT

Blue Imps

The Blue Imps of Duke are undefeated in Big Four competition and sport an unblemished 12-0 work sheet overall. The Duke Frosh have four scholarship players on the squad and are paced by Jeff Dawson, a *Scholastic Magazine* All-America selection from Downers Grove, Ill.

The 6-1 guard, who had more than 200 colleges after him, is scoring at a clip of 19.7 ppg. Dawson was also among the *Coach and Athlete Magazine's* top ten outstanding high school players in America.

At the other guard spot is 6-2 Gary Melchionni, brother of Bill Melchionni. Melchionni was named player of the year in basketball-rich Southern New Jersey. The Liberal Arts major is averaging 18.4 points in the Blue Imps first 12 games.

The Blue Imps, coached by Jack Schalow, are averaging an amazing 101.0 points a game as a team while limiting their opponents to only 76.3 points. Only once have they scored less than 90 points and that was in a 70-59 victory over a Carolina stall. The Duke's highest scoring output has been 124 points against a tough Gaston College.

Tar Babies

The Carolina Tar Babies, defending Big Four champs, managed to recruit only two men on scholarship but have found ample help from several home-state boys.

One of the scholarship players who have paced the Tar Babies to their present 9-3 record is 6-8 Donn Johnston from Jamestown, New York.

Johnston is averaging 18.5 ppg and 11.1 rebounds. The other scholarship player, George Karl, has been out since the sixth game of the season with an injured back.

At the time Karl was averaging 22.0 ppg. Of the native boys, John Austin has proven he can fit in. Austin has taken over as playmaker of the team and is scoring at a 16.6 clip. At 6-6 Ronnie Moffitt of Hendersonville is the team's fourth leading scorer at 10.6. He is also the second leading rebounder with 7.0 a game.

The Tar Babies are 9-3 overall and 3-3 against Big Four teams (having beaten Wake twice, lost to Duke twice and split with State).

Deaclets

Wake Forest's Deaclets, the third member of the Big Four, don't possess as glamorous a record (0-5 Big Four, 5-8 overall) as the others, but the value of the players to future varsity squads can't be denied.

The frosh are led by guard Willie Griffin. The 6-3 quarterback leads the Deaclets in scoring with a 20.0 game average. The Winston-Salem native was honored as Player-of-the-year in N. C. Class 4-A circles and honorable mention All-America.

Wake's big man is Pat Kelly, a 6-9 center from Bountiful, Utah. Kelly leads the team with 14.8 rebounds a game.

Joe Neal, 6-1 guard from New Jersey, is the second leading score maker with 19.1 game average.

Right behind Neal is Charlotte native Eddie Payne, also a 6-1 guard, with a 19.0 scoring average.

Wolflets

The State Wolflets have proven a surprise in Big Four competition. The Frosh, coached by former State star Eddie Biedenback, are 2-2 in Big Four play (having lost to high powered Duke, splitting with the Tar Babies and taking Wake Forest) and sport a 9-3 overall record.

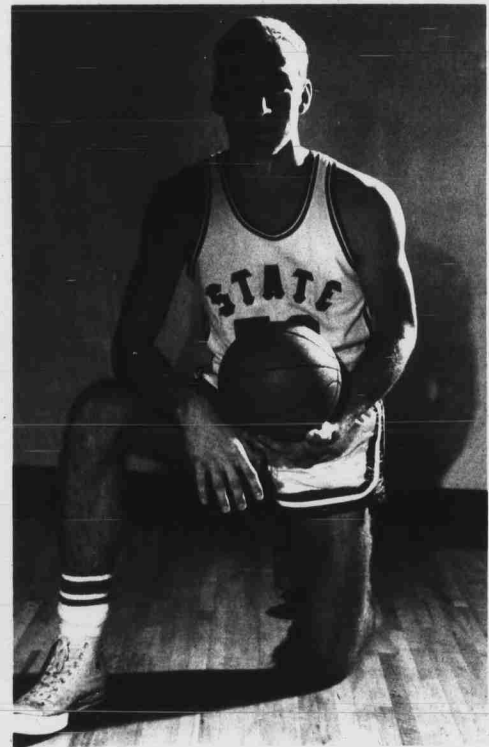
The Wolflets are led by 6-2 guard Bill Benson. Bill is averaging 21.0 points a game and acts as team quarterback.

Leading the team in scoring is Rick Holdt, a 6-6 product from the state of New Jersey. Rick is averaging 25.0 points per game.

Behind the two leaders stand versatile Mike Gillespie and Bob Heuts, who are scoring at a 12.8 and 12.1 clip respectively.

Newcomer Dick Curran is the team's leading rebounder with 11.9 grabs in his eight games. Forward Jerry Beyer has been very helpful in a reserve role for the team.

The team is averaging 89.9 ppg, having dropped from their seasonal 90-plus average due to the stalling tactics of Carolina last week. The Wolflets have scored over the century mark four times this season and have limited their opponents to 80.6 points per game.



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Dimmock's Crew Leads Cheers

by Jack Cozort

Fifteen of the reasons State has rolled to such a successful season can be seen on the court before the game, at halftime, and at crucial time outs. Tom Dimmock and his band of bounding cheerleaders keep the spirit up in the Wolfpack crowds.

"It has been a real challenge and a lot of fun," said Dimmock, a junior from Raleigh. "The fans have put out a lot of effort and it's really great to do something that might be worth while."

Nine boys and six girls, plus two alternates, make up the squad that devotes so much of their time to Wolfpack sports. Linda Adkins, Leighton Holmes, Barbara Walters, Coleen Holden, and Larry Myer (the Wolf) are all seniors. All hail from North Carolina except Leighton, who came to State by way of Jacksonville, Florida and St. Mary's Junior College.

Dan Dreman, the one you see doing flips and cartwheels all over the Coliseum, is a graduate student in applied math. His undergraduate work

was done at the University of Florida, where he was head cheerleader.

Anne Davis, Jill Stivers, Bren Redding, who is one of the alternates, Ed Morrow, Eric Walters, and Miles Peak are the juniors who lead the cheering. The remaining members are all sophomores: Mike Dodd, Jack Liverman, Dick Scott, and Marcia Martin, the other alternate. Anne is from Washington, D. C. and Mike calls Puerto Rico his home; the others are native North Carolinians.

Most probably think that the cheerleaders show up once or twice a week for a game and that's that. "We practice about three hours a week, not counting the game time," says Linda. "We make up all of the stuff we do except the really old cheers like 'Rip 'em up!'"

"And then there's all the work we have to do with the pep rallies and promoting school spirit," added Barbara. "There's always lots to do outside the actual cheering. But it's a great feeling when our

team comes out and the crowd goes berserk."

"We don't mind making a fool of ourselves as long as the crowd does likewise," said Dimmock. "In basketball we have had unbelievable response because we have had an unbelievable team."

The dances which are performed as the pep band plays are not spontaneous, either. "We work on a new dance when we realize that we need one," Leighton noted. "Sometimes Tom will tell us that a big game is coming up and we need something new and different. Their hardest part of all is just keeping together. We always come back a week early at the first of the year and practice twice a day every day."

The year for a cheerleader is not over with the conclusion of basketball season. "We consider ourselves cheerleaders for the University and not just the football and basketball teams," said Dimmock. "We have made an effort to emphasize the other sports and teams."



staff photo by Ed Caram

"Oh there'll never be a Gamecock victory!" says senior Linda Adkins.

"The seniors' jobs have just begun when basketball season is over," added Barbara. "The ones who will not return are in charge of tryouts for people for the next year."

Dimmock elaborated a little on the tryouts. "We have tryouts coming up in April and we want as many people as possible to try out. All the varsity regualrs have to try out again."

No one automatically makes the squad, including the wolf.

"There are three parts to the tryouts: an off-campus interview, cheering, and gymnastics. The gymnastics are really difficult because we want to find the extremely talented people. The first day usually discourages about half of those trying out," he concluded.



staff photo by Al Wells

Senior Cheerleaders Barbara Walters and Leighton Holmes confer before doing their next cheer.



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GO STATE! And you can bet the fans are about to raise the roof in Reynolds Coliseum to chase the Maryland Terps home.

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Open League Bowling: Entries are now being accepted. League play will begin the week of March 9. There will be an organizational meeting Wednesday, March 4th at 8:00 p.m. in Room 211, Carmichael Gymnasium.

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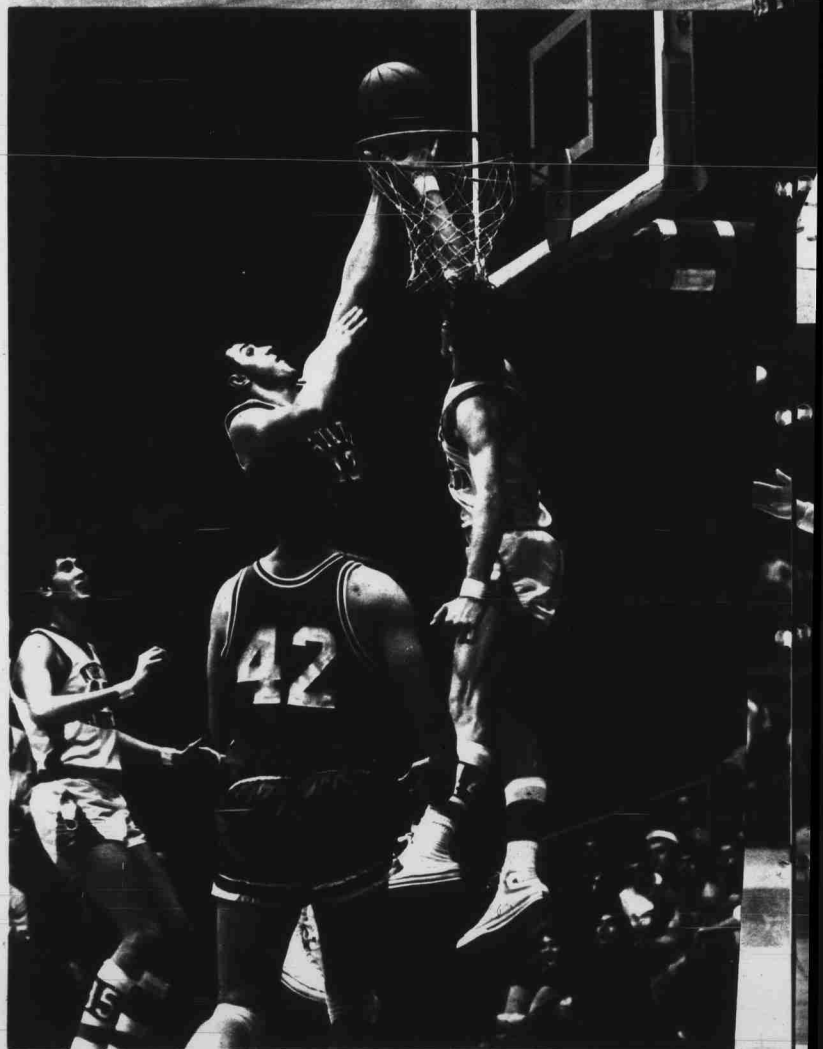
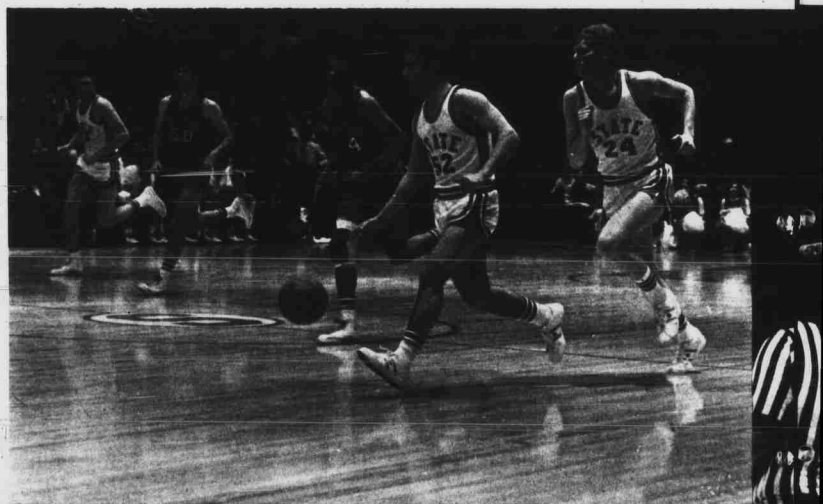
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State Voted 8, 12 Carolina Only 13

By United Press International
South Carolina remains two games on top in the Atlantic Coast Conference with a perfect 10-0 mark, going into the next to last week of regulation play.

The Gamecocks tripped Duke Saturday 82-65, sparked by a rally late in the second half led by sophomore Rick Aydtlett. He entered the game with the Gamecocks down by five points and tallied 18.

"Aydtlett's shooting against a zone is great," said Gamecock Coach Frank McGuire.

He said, "Duke is a good basketball team. We were pleased to have won by this much."

It was a hard fought contest in which Duke's Randy Denton and South Carolina's Tom Riker were ejected for fighting. John Roche was high man for South Carolina with 23 points.

Duke Coach Bucky Waters said he was not proud of the effort. "We were handled pretty well physically," Waters said. "We were beaten off the boards and out-shot from the floor and foul lines."

Georgia Tech repeated an upset in the North-South Doubleheaders in Charlotte Saturday, knocking off eighth-ranked North Carolina 104-95. Friday night the Yellow

Jackets upset sixth-ranked State.

Rich Yunkus dumped in 47 points for Tech against the Tar Heels. North Carolina's high scorer was Charlie Scott, who had 26.

Tar Heel Coach Dean Smith said he thought Scott did a "good defensive job" on Yunkus but praised the Yellow Jacket as a "terrific shooter."

The Wolfpack snapped back from the Friday night loss to crush Clemson 102-84. The Tigers got a game high performance of 43 points from Butch Zatezalo. Ed Leftwich was high for the Wolfpack with 23.

State Coach Norm Sloan said "We were a lot more determined, more emotional than we were in our game against Georgia Tech."

Sloan was upset over the officiating in the weekend of play in Charlotte. He was assessed with a technical foul during the win over the Tigers.

"The officiating is inexcusable and it ought to be corrected," said Sloan. "We have in the ACC the man who can do it—Norvall Neve. He has the authority."

Virginia Tech downed Wake Forest 94-78 Saturday on a 26-point effort by Lloyd King. Charlie Davis was high for the Deacons and the game with 29 points.

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Dunning, Risinger, Tilley Make 8

Bench Adds To First 5

by Jack Cozort

"We would like to have eight players of comparable ability," said Coach Norm Sloan. "We like to have three guards, two centers, and three forwards. Then you could rotate them, give them a rest, and protect them against fouls."

The bench is becoming a more important part of the basketball game. How strong the reserves are often determines the ultimate winner of the game.

"We have only seven that I have been using regularly," Sloan continued. "We have Wells and Dunning in addition to our starting five. However, Tilley went in and did a fine job against Clemson in the North-South Doubleheader. Risinger has done a good job from time to time this year. Lovisa has been out sick much of the year, so we really don't know about him."

"There is just no telling how valuable your reserves are," Sloan went on. "This is the reason North Carolina has had so much success in recent



staff photo by Ed Caram
Joe Dunning fights his way around a Sparky Still (24) screen to keep up with Maryland's Mickey Wiles.

years. They have had depth and people who could come off the bench."

Joe Dunning has been the surprise story for the Pack in recent games. The 5-11 junior has improved both his defense and his scoring.

"Joe's play has been a matter of attitude and confidence," says Sloan. "There

was one period in pre-season where he was absolutely super. He is approaching that type of play again."

"It's a matter of confidence, a matter of believing in yourself. You have to have guys who come off the bench and don't worry about making a mistake. Joe has been doing this on several occasions and seems to be doing more and more of it all the time."

"We have been through a tough period," Sloan noted. Losing the Carolina game really hurt us. But prior to the last Carolina game, we weren't playing well."

"It was to be expected, though. We have been playing our optimum game in and game out for so many games. We have now played 21 ball games."

"We had to have a down period, and we did. We suffered through it during both games of the North-South Doubleheader."

"But today (Monday) in practice, they had the same old zip and enthusiasm. They are over the down period now. It couldn't have come at a better time," Sloan concluded.



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State's Jim Risinger guards Carolina's Eddie Fogler in the first meeting between the two teams.

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YOUR SAY-The band

To the Editor:

As an ardent Wolfpack supporter, I have for several years been distressed over the lack of enthusiastic participation by the N.C. State marching and pep bands at the football and basketball games. Penn State, South Carolina, Clemson—to name but a few—brought their marching bands to Raleigh for football games. Do we reciprocate with even a reduced size, "traveling" band? When visiting another school a halftime performance isn't necessary; but it is amazing what a 25 or 50 piece band can do to boost a team's morale as they let forth a resounding "Charge!"

At the home football games why must the Wolfpack score before the band plays? Why can't the band play to give the team a lift when it's down? Why can't the band play as the defense digs in? *Ebb Tide* is a lovely song, but it has no place in a football stadium. In its place we need frequent rousing fight songs and stirring marches. Think back to the nationally televised N.C. State-Penn State football game—what an A-1 halftime performance by the Penn State band—what an uninspired performance by the N.C. State band. Incidentally, just how old are our band uniforms? Frankly they look drab and ancient!

I feel our pep band does an excellent job at the home basketball games and perhaps—10 years ago—our marching band did the same. But times change.

At the January 2 and 3 basketball doubleheader in Greensboro, Maryland's pep band was there. N.C. State's—

no. During the Christmas holidays? That didn't stop Maryland.

This past weekend the North-South Doubleheader was held in Charlotte. Georgia Tech—supported by their pep band—participated; Clemson—supported by their pep band—participated; Carolina—supported by their pep band—participated; N.C. State—well, occasionally the Charlotte coliseum organist took pity on us—participated. Believe me, the N.C. State pep band was very conspicuous by its absence!

Wherever a Wolfpack team plays, it should be enthusiastically supported by a band. To listen to Clemson's pep band this past weekend, you would have thought Clemson was beating Carolina by 40 points—not the other way around.

Where does the fault lie? Was it lack of interest and

school spirit that kept the pep band at home this week end or was it lack of money? How do the other bands manage? Do they pay their own way, is there a school fund to cover their expenses, or do the athletic booster clubs and alumni help with their expenses? Are we truly the "poor country cousin"?

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YOUR SAY Ticket system needs help

To the Editor:

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The method of distribution which I would like to suggest may not be the best solution, but at least it is a step in the right direction. It would be comparatively inexpensive to incorporate and would give each student a fair chance to receive good seats for at least one of the big games. The method is outlined in the following steps:

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'One Of The Finest Big Men' Is Sophomore Coder's Plaudit

by Jack Cozort

"We will be much better than last year with the addition of sophomores Paul Coder and Ed Leftwich to our team," said an optimistic Norman Sloan as the current season began.

No observers believed that the addition of two men could mean so much to a team, but with the addition of Coder, Leftwich, and Rennie Lovisa, another fine sophomore, to the Pack and with the tremendous-

ly improved play from last year's veterans, State is certainly the surprise of the ACC.

"Coder is going to be one of the best big men to ever play in this conference," Sloan predicted. Coder has lived up to

Sloan's expectations and even surpassed many of them.

The 6-9 Rockville, Maryland, sophomore has already established himself as one of the premier big men in the conference and the South. He is scoring at a 17.7 clip, topped only by Tom Owens of USC (17.9) and Randy Denton of Duke (22.6) for centers in the ACC. Owens and Denton are both juniors.

Coder is also averaging 10.5 rebounds, again right behind Owens and Denton in that category. But Paul is currently hitting 60 per cent of his shots from the floor, better than any other regular in the league, and is connecting on 74 per cent of his free throws. Statistically, he is second in the conference in consistency to teammate Vann Williford.

According to the latest ACC statistics, Coder was ninth in scoring, fourth in rebounding, sixth in field goal accuracy, and eighteenth in free throw accuracy, but the 235-pound pivot man has raised all figures except his rebounding. He dropped from a 10.6 average to a 10.5 this past week.

"Paul helps us as much on defense as he does on offense," notes Coach Sloan. "We have never had a man to cover the opposition's big man before. He is an excellent defensive player with good jumping ability and he has the knack for blocking shots."

Coder has done well in his meetings against the big men of

'Pittsburgh Pirate' Hunts Players Instead Of Shots

by Janet Chiswell

"I think a lot of the school," said Freshman Basketball Coach Eddie Biedenbach, when asked what it was like to coach at his Alma Mater.

While playing for State, Biedenbach made the all-ACC basketball team both in 1966 and 1968, and was also named to the 1966 all-ACC Tournament squad.

Considered by many as one of the best defensive players in

the conference, he has won the title of the "Pittsburgh Pirate" for his adeptness at stealing the ball from the opposing team.

"Sometimes it's hard for them to look at me as a coach instead of as just a friend," he explained when questioned about the nearness of his age to that of the men he was coaching.

"It would probably be different if I were the head coach—almost impossible," he

added, but said he feels that the relationship with the players is a beneficial one.

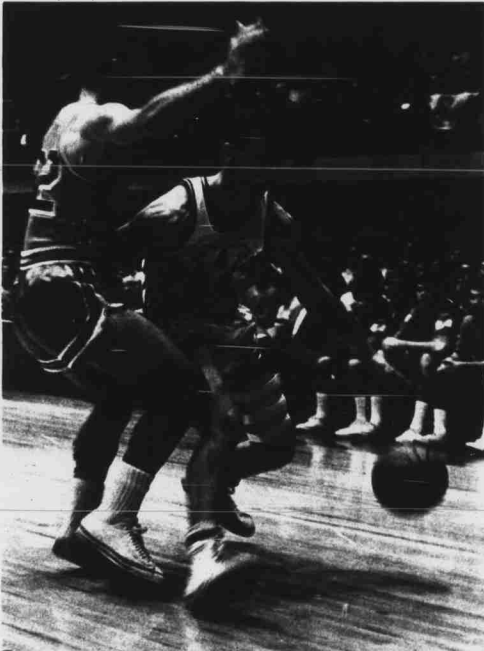
"Telling them to do something I didn't do," is the hardest thing about coaching men so close to his own age.

"The major thing I do is recruit," he explained, noting he has just returned from a three week trip for this purpose. But the young coach also cites his usefulness in individual help to players with personal problems as well as problems in their playing. "After all," he said "They are going through the same things I went through."

In regard to the freshman team, Coach Biedenbach said "We expected a lot of them. They should not have lost to Carolina," he added, referring to the first game with the Tar Babies.

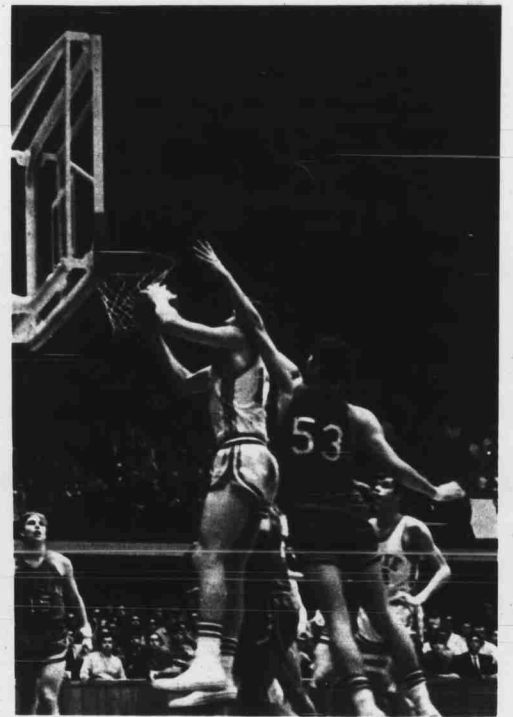
"We recruit for the varsity," he added; and "There are some great players who are really going to help the varsity."

He said the best players are found in the metropolitan areas such as New York and Philadelphia.



staff photo by Joe Hankins

NOT LONG AGO—Eddie Biedenbach used to dazzle 'em with his dribbling, but now he has to watch and teach his Frosh.



staff photo by Rob Westcott

ANOTHER REBOUND FOR CODER—Paul is the finest big man State has had for many years.

the ACC and of non-conference foes this year. Against UNC's Lee Dedmon, for example, Coder has scored 36 points and grabbed 22 rebounds in two encounters to 21 points and 20 rebounds for the Tar Heel center.

The economics major has turned in high games of 31 points and 17 rebounds. Paul hit a mild mid-season slump but has really broken loose in his last three games. He has hit 26 of 33 attempts from the floor in his last three outings.

Paul is soft-spoken both on the court and off. But he does his talking with a basketball. He has led the Pack in scoring only three times, but he has captured rebound honors a whopping 11 times.

Coder's name will be heard around the ACC for many years to come. Even after he has graduated from State, and his college playing days are over, sports fans will speak of Paul Coder as one of the giants who started State back on the road to Pack Power.



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Four Years Ago This Month

Wolfpack Rolls Past Carolina

Four years can blur memories. The last time the Pack beat the Heels was February 15, '66. This story, which ran in the February 18 edition of the Technician for that year, tells how the 87-77 victory was managed.

by Bob Hudgins
"Revenge is sweet" could well have been the motto of the State Wolfpack as they defeated the University of North Carolina Tar Heels by a score of 87-77 at the Coliseum Tuesday night.

In the first meeting of the

two teams in Chapel Hill, the Heels came out the victors by a score of 83-75. This game was an entirely different story, as the Wolfpack came out ready for anything that the Heels could throw at them.

Using a pressing defense, State forced Carolina into 18 ball handling errors in the first half and rushed to a quick 25-7 lead on the shooting of Eddie Biedenbach, Tommy Mattocks, and Ray Hodgdon. Many of the State points came on easy lay ups after steals by Biedenbach and Hodgdon.

Carolina could not seem to do anything with the State press in the first ten minutes of the half. When the Heels called time out with 9:57 left in the half, they had not managed to get a single field goal. If it hadn't been for the foul shooting of Bob Lewis, Carolina would have been much worse off than they were. He scored five of the seven points up to that point.

When play resumed, the Heels managed to close the score to 30-19 on the shooting from outside of Lewis and lay ups by Larry Miller and Bob Bennett. Larry Worsley they hit two quick buckets to push the State lead to 34-19. After Lewis hit a jumper from the corner, Coker retaliated with a quick two points. Mattocks then hit two foul shots to give State a 38-23 lead. Miller hit a last second lay up on a broken play to cut the State lead to 32-25 at the end of the half.

The statistics of the first half tell the true story of how the game went up to that point. Carolina hit only 6 of twenty field goal attempts and made 18 turnovers. State, on the other hand, hit 16 of 32 attempts and had only seven turnovers.

The second half could be divided into two distinct parts. In the first part, the Wolfpack pushed their lead out to 55-34 on the dead eye shooting of Mattocks. Hal Blondeau and Pete Coler controlled both boards for the Wolfpack in this spurt. The teams traded goals until there were almost six minutes left in the half.

Carolina threw up a pressing defense of their own at this time, and the State lead started to shrink quickly. With Lewis and Miller both hitting from the outside, and the control of the boards going over to

Carolina, the lead was cut to 73-61. The State offense could not seem to handle the press of Carolina and lost the ball on turnovers. The only person hitting for State in this time was Mattocks on long jumpers from the corners.

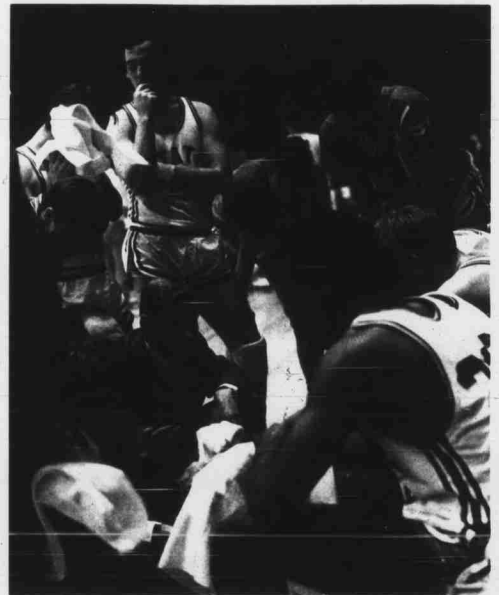
With just 52 seconds left in the game, Miller hit on two lay

ups to cut the lead to 85-77. Mattocks hit on a lay up to make the final score 87-77.

Hodgdon played an outstanding game for State both on offense and defense. Biedenbach, as always, was the leader of the great press. Mattocks with 22 points in the second half, and 28 for the game lead the Wolfpack in scoring. Hodgdon threw in 16 while Coker, in an off night, had 12, and Biedenbach dropped in 11.

For Carolina, Lewis had a total of 22 while Miller dumped in 18. Tom Gauntlett hit 12 points, mostly on long jump shots. Bennett had 10 to round out the Tar Heels in double figures.

State's next home game is with the Furman Purple Paladins on Monday night.



staff photo by Ed Caram

DO YOU REMEMBER—when and how State last beat Carolina? Coach Sloan imparts the technique to his '69 cagers.

KNC Carries Cage Contest

by Paul Brown
Wednesday evening WPAK and WKNC-FM will continue its coverage of N.C. State Freshman Basketball, when the Wolflets take on the Biddies from the University of South Carolina. WPAK/WKNC-FM, operated by the students of N.C. State, will begin live coverage of the game at 6:35, ten minutes before tip-off.

The pre-game show will feature team spotlights, the line-ups, team stand-outs, and an interview with Jack Cozort, assistant sports editor for the Technician. During half-time, the scoring totals and trends in the game will be spotlighted.

An interview with Dennis Julian, assistant sports information director, will also be conducted. After the game, scoring totals and the official

statistics will be announced. A possible highlight of the wrap-up will be an interview with freshman coach Eddie Biedenbach.

All home freshman basketball games are carried except those played during university holidays. WPAK, a carrier current AM station is at 600 on the dial. It can be picked up only on the campus. WKNC-FM broadcasts throughout Raleigh and nearby areas

and is found at 88.1 on the FM dial.

The game Wednesday and two other games will round out this year's home schedule. On Feb. 21, the frosh take on the Baby Deacons of Wake Forest and end the season with an encounter with the Duke Blue Imps on Feb. 28.

Air time for the other games is 5:50. The play-by-play announcer is Gary Barrett. He is backed up by anchormen Gary Conrad and Paul Brown. So while you're getting ready for the varsity game, tune in the Twin Voices of the Wolfpack for live coverage of State freshman basketball.



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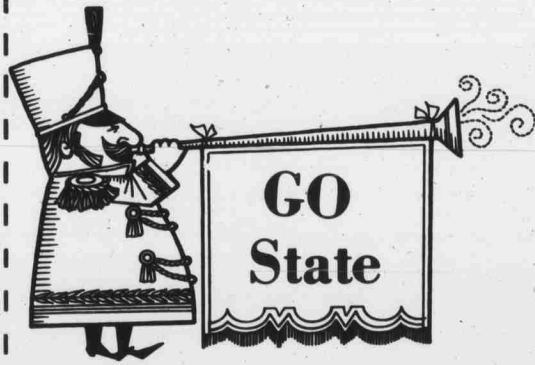
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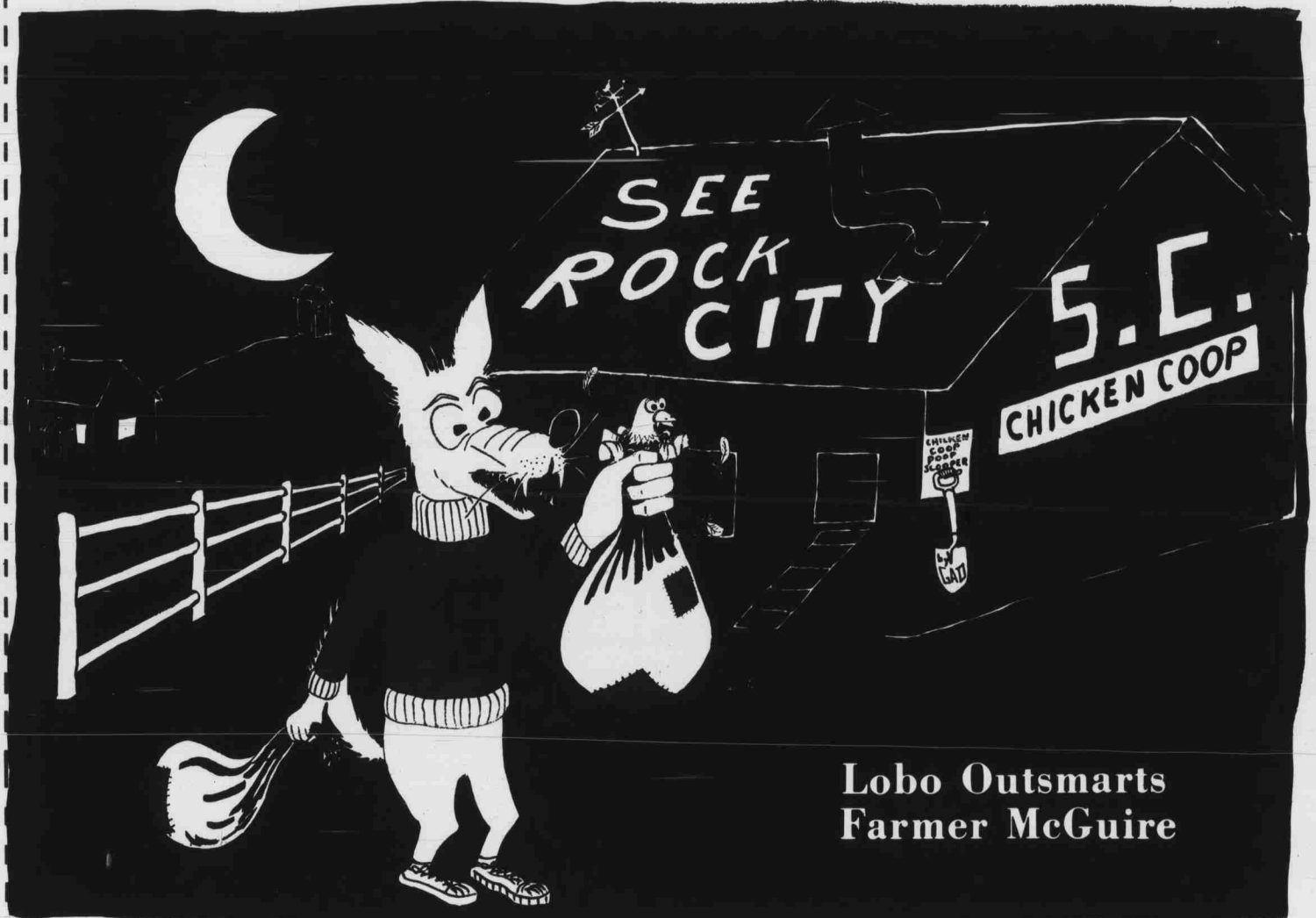
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54	Renaldo Lovisa	6-8	225	Soph.	Homer City, Pa.
42	DAN WELLS	6-6	210	Jr.	Windsor, Conn.
14	VANN WILLIFORD	6-6	190	Sr.	Fayetteville, N.C.

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12	Paul Coder	6-9	233	Soph.	Rockville, Md.
50	DOUG TILLEY	6-7	187	Jr.	Bethesda, Md.

GUARDS

52	Joe Dunning	5-11	170	Jr.	Wilmington, Del.
32	AL HEARTLEY	6-1	163	Jr.	Clayton, N.C.
30	Ed Leftwich	6-5	195	Soph.	Burlington, N.J.
34	JIM RISINGER	6-2	165	Jr.	Richmond, Ind.

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21	BOBBY CREMINS	6-2	160	Sr.	New York, N. Y.
20	Rick Aydielt	6-7	205	So.	Blacksburg, Va.
24	TOM OWENS	6-10	192	Jr.	New York, N. Y.
31	Billy Grimes	6-5	190	So.	Staten Island, N. Y.

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41	JOHN RIBOCK	6-8	238	Jr.	Augusta, Ga.
51	Tom Riker	6-10	225	So.	Hicksville, N. Y.

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