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# THE FIFTH QUARTER

By PAUL YOUNT

## "Guests in the House"

The colium chores are taken over this week by Jimmie Alexander and Whittie Smith, since we could get no farther north than Norfolk or south than Charlotte during the between-conference interval. Alexander's comments on Army appear below and Whittie's run-in with the "politicians" in Atlanta appears elsewhere on the page.

"We'll start out by saying that Army is as good a football team as has graced a collegiate gridiron in years. It rates up there with the greatest of grid outfits, and we certainly hope that Colonel Karl Blak's military mind can card a game with the Washington Redskins to insure that they get a little workout before undressing for the season.

"The Cadets, still untested, bank on Doc Blanchard and Glenn Davis when they face major opponents, but believe us, there are many other good football players at the Point, able operatives, capably coached.

"Army gave its second and third stringers much action against Duke, but that only after the first team had taken its toll from the Blue Devils. Incidentally, those who rant about the T-formation being the answer to all football ills should watch the difference when Army's third team is employing it.

## 46-Yard Line

"The West Point passing against Duke was awesomely accurate. Army scored a touchdown the first time it got its hands on the ball and gave the impression to everyone in the Polo Grounds that it was quite likely to do so any time it got its hands on the ball. Army's 46-yard line seemed to be the favorite point for the Cadets to begin operations. The first two scores came from that point in single plays and the third was a six-play march from that line. Duke, using a seven-man line with a diamond box in the secondary in an effort to stop Army's T, did not have the manpower. Cameron's setup was as good as any.

"Some unidentified G.I. had the right idea about stopping the great Army eleven. Standing behind the end zone by the bleachers, he tucked in a successful conversion under his arm and ran like hell out of the hall park. Future Army foes should consider that angle. Blanchard and Davis ain't so wonderful when they don't have a hall to play with.

## Ruh! Ruh!

"Only two regular cheerleaders, Steve Stackelager and Dee Gentner, (see picture) were on hand for the game. Corky Rose, Pat Kelly, Jimmie Alexander, and Jean Rokey came to the rescue to bolster the two and add their color to the event."



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# Clark-Less Devils Risk Conference Crown Gerard Releases 22-Game Cage Card, Opens Formal Drill

## Opening Contest Set For Dec. 4 With Marines

By DAVID SCHENCK

Heading the 22-game card for the 45-46 basketball season, according to the schedule just released by Coach Gerry Gerard, Training Station, Norfolk Naval Air Station, Georgia Tech, and the University of North Carolina, among others.

With a host of newcomers and a sizeable number of returning veterans, coach Jerry Gerard has opened formal cage drills for the 1945-46 season. Seeking to regain their lost Southern Conference crown, the Blue Devils began practice early with a squad consisting of some 30 hopefuls. The opening encounter on the schedule, is with Oak Grove Marines here on December 4, less than a month away. In this short time the talent has to be weeded from the large turnout of recruits, and a well-coordinated unit drilled to victory.

Several of the stars of past seasons will be on hand this season to give the Devils a veteran aggression. Ed Koffenberg, lanky pivot man now working with coach Cameron on the gridiron, is slated to fill the position he so capably occupied last season, while it is hoped that Gordon Carver, also of football fame, will again be led to lend his talent and experience, gained in three years of play at Duke. A third Blue Devil regular of the past, Kelly Mote, is now back at school having been discharged from the Marine Corps. Mote played for the Southern Conference championship team in 1943, and his return puts new hope into an already bright prospect of the future.

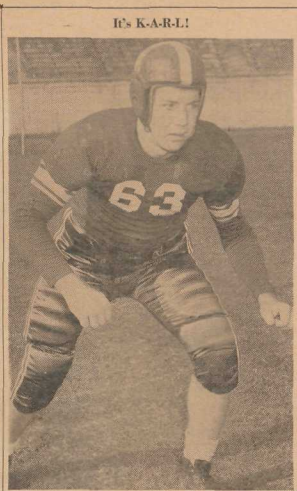
Among the newcomers, Dick Whitting, a Naval transfer from Mullenberg, is the best of the rookie crop. Although Whitting is still on the football squad, his widespread hardwood reputation has made it certain that he will see much action for Duke this winter.

Tom Greene, Bob Roelke, George Brunner, and George Hoffmeister, all talented holdovers from last season, complete a well-rounded nucleus of experienced men on which coach Gerard hopes to build a team which will live up to traditional Duke cage fame.

The schedule as known to this date follows:

Date	Opponent	Place
Dec. 4	Oak Grove Marines	here
Dec. 11	University of North Carolina	here
Dec. 14	Georgia Tech	here
Dec. 18	South Carolina	here
Dec. 21	Marshall	here
Dec. 25	University of North Carolina	here
Dec. 28	North Carolina State	here
Jan. 12	Norfolk Naval Training Sta.	here
Jan. 19	Georgia Tech	here
Jan. 26	South Carolina	here
Jan. 29	Marshall	here
Feb. 2	North Carolina State	here
Feb. 9	Temple	here
Feb. 16	University of North Carolina	here

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Lawrence Karl, has figured prominently in the past two Duke games, but he hasn't been receiving the proper credit. In New York he was called Whitting, and in Atlanta, Marshall.

## Smith Tackles Chick Hosch To Put In Word For Clark

By Whittie Smith

Atlanta, mid-morning as it was last Saturday, or under beaming sunshine, is still the Sports Capital of the South. The trading post for the press politicians who toss in their "good words" for their respective All-American candidates, and if you don't believe Atlanta counts, take a look at the All-American players Tech has "produced" in the last four years whether her lemons have been anything to rave about or not.

I dropped by the Associated Press office to throw in two cents worth for George Clark, the player called by his own coach "as good as any back ever to play for Duke." But his gentlemanly of the press must be from Missouri; they have to see for themselves.

Chick Hosch, Southern Sports Editor of the A.P., is a nice sort of fellow with a fine newspaper record behind him. Unlike his New York colleagues who critically watched Army play Duke in the Polo Grounds, he's a friendly, easy-going one who can listen as well as talk.

Chick figured I was beating my head against a brick wall (Continued on page 4)



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## White Squad Meets Bragg In Last Tilt

Hershel Caldwell's twelve-beam White Squad will attempt to break even for the season this Saturday as they journey to Fort Bragg for their final contest.

In the three games they have played to date, the Little Devils have defeated Emory-Henry, bowled to the Naval Academy Plebes in Annapolis, and to the Wright Field Cadets last week at Dayton, Ohio.

It is noteworthy that in their two defeats the Whites were not outdone by more than one touchdown. At Annapolis the winning margin proved to be two extra points as the Devils went down to defeat 14-12. Last week at Dayton a second period pass good for 12 yards and a touchdown was all that the strong Wright Field team could manufacture in the way of a score. As Caldwell's men were held scoreless for the first time this season.

## Intramural Grid Tilt Captured By Sigma Nu Frat.

Sigma Nu captured the intramural football tilt, finishing the season without a setback. SAE came in second, with a single defeat, and the Fleet Club ran third, losing one and tying one.

Starters that sparked Sigma Nu to victory were Schlie, Hutter, Rubner, Snodden, Lattimer, Ellis, Massey, Judas, and Merrill. End Jimmie Heffner was high scorer for the winners with 42 points.

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## Eight Blues Lost; Herlong Likely To Draw Starting Tailback Post

By R. REESE CANSON

Duke's Blue Devils, hampered by the departure of eight Blue Squadmen, will attempt to improve their already good standing in the race for Southern Conference honors when they play host to the hard-fighting N. C. State eleven. A good crowd is expected to witness the 2:30 kickoff tomorrow, as the game promises to be a rough and tumble one from the start, packed with plenty of surprises.

## Jim Davis Leads Harriers Against N. C. State Squad

Tomorrow morning Duke's cross country team runs against North Carolina State in its fourth contest of the season. The meet is scheduled at eleven o'clock over the Blue Devil's course. Coach Persons is planning to use his whole squad in order to give all of the boys a chance to show what improvement they have made since the season opened.

Last Saturday morning the harriers ran against Georgia Tech in Atlanta. Although the meet was held during a steady rain, Jim Davis of Duke set a record for the 2.7 mile course by covering it in 14 minutes and 11 seconds. The Blue Devils turned the race into a walk-away by taking five out of the first six places.

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By Don Marlowe

**Dark Outlook**  
"Things looked bad for quite a while," Ed continued. We were threatened with shooting continually. My foot, which had been injured in the jump, was

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