

# Duke Rules Favorite With Better Record

## Varsity Contest Starts at 8 o'Clock With Badminton Exhibition to Follow

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Tonight's the night!

Once again Duke and Carolina will meet on a basketball court, and the stage is all set. The scene will be Duke's mammoth indoor stadium; and the time will be 8 o'clock. In a preliminary feature, the frosh cage teams of both schools will meet, starting at 6:30.

An added attraction tonight will be the special badminton exhibition match between Ken Davidson and Hugh Forgie, internationally famous badminton stars. The pair will take the floor about 9:30 o'clock, immediately following the main event.

Although the Blue Devils won the first game of this year's series, 52-40, at Chapel Hill three weeks ago, the Phantoms are going to shoot the works tonight and Duke will have to play its best brand of basketball to make it two in a row over the visitors from the Hill.

On paper, the Blue Devils should win handily, especially with a record of 14 victories in 15 starts in Southern conference competition, as compared to the Phantoms' nine victories and four losses in the conference, but all past records are forgotten when these two old rivals face each other.

Veterans Hap Spuhler and Bill McCahan claim that Bob Rose, flashy Carolina center, is just about the best all-around performer in conference competition; and with the Blue Devils just back from Washington and a taste of George Washington's Matt Zunic, they should know whereof they speak.

Captain Rose has averaged 10.6 points per game in 15 games and has scored a total of 159 points. Don Wilson, the White Phantoms' dependable forward, has scored 93 points in 15 games, and the third man of this sharpshooting trio, Bobby Gersten, has rung up 73 points in the same number of contests. Julian Smith, Reid Suggs, and George Paine are close behind Gersten in scoring.

Coming into the fray fresh

from a victory over V. P. I. last Tuesday night, the Blue Devils are decided favorites over the Phantoms, who beat an inferior Richmond team, 47-30, a few days ago with Rose scoring 11 points.

Tonight may not be the last time the two teams will meet each other this year, for the fates may pit them against each other in the coming Southern conference tournament next weekend. Both squads have cinched berths for the Raleigh event. Last year, the Blue Devils upset the favored Phantoms in the first round of the tournament.

Tonight's game, however, will mark the last regularly-scheduled contest for both Duke and Carolina. For Carolina, Captain Rose, Gersten, and Smith end their playing career in regularly-scheduled competition, and Captain Hap Spuhler, Clyde Allen, and Bill McCahan conclude their cage efforts for Duke.

In the preliminary contest, the battle between the Tar Babies of Carolina and the Blue Imps should show plenty of fast-moving action, as the Duke freshmen are much improved since their last scrap with the Tar Babies, when the Imps absorbed a 58-25 licking. If the Blue Imps turn the tables on the Carolina yearlings, the Imps would tie for second place with the Tar Babies in the Big Five race.

Here are the probable starting lineups for tonight's varsity tilt:

Carolina	Pos.	Duke
Suggs	f.....	Spuhler (C)
Paine	f.....	Rothbaum
Smith	c.....	Allen
Rose (C)	g.....	McCahan
Gersten	g.....	Stark

# Badminton Exhibition Follows Tonight's Hardwood Battle

Immediately following tonight's varsity basketball game between Duke and North Carolina, Ken Davidson and Hugh Forgie, internationally famous badminton stars, will stage a special exhibition match in the indoor stadium.

The two badminton players have been touring the United States and Great Britain since 1937, and in 1939 they played to a command performance before the King and Queen of England.

Davidson is recognized as the world's foremost badminton exhibitionist and authority. The match offers a preview of the United States championship, to be played in Duke's indoor stadium, April 2, 3, and 4.

Davidson has on more than one occasion proved his mastery of the shuttlecock. One time in London when he took on Bill Tilden, the tennis ace who is not a stranger to any sport played with a racquet, Davidson won by a score of 15-0.

Another time Davidson spotted Berkley Bell, a better-than-average tennis player, 14 points and then, playing in his street clothes and wearing an overcoat, beat him, 15-14.


Besides playing before the King and Queen of England, Da-

vidson is known to thousands of patrons at Radio City's Rainbow Room. He has also played before 19,000 spectators at Madison Square Garden.

Crowds have watched Davidson and Forgie, then have gone home to start a program of backyard badminton. Today more than 100,000 Americans are playing the game.

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