

Garnet defeats White in annual spring game

By **TIM THORSEN**
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Open season was declared on the quarterbacks as the Garnet squad defeated the White squad 26-7 in Saturday's Spring Game.

The two teams, allowed to rush no more than five players per play according to the rules of the scrimmage, accounted for 11 sacks for a total loss of 91 yards on the day. Redshirt sophomore Jabbar Mayse led the assault for the Garnet with five sacks for a total loss of 51 yards. Overall, the Garnet tallied eight sacks while the White was credited with three.

Sophomore defensive end David Turnipseed also starred for the Garnet defense. He forced a fumble, recovered a fumble, and was credited with three sacks for a loss of 23 total yards. In addition, he had four tackles on the day.

Defensive standouts for the White team were junior linebacker

Mike Landry with 14 tackles and freshman James Flowers, who has moved from running back to defensive back. On the day, Flowers had nine tackles.

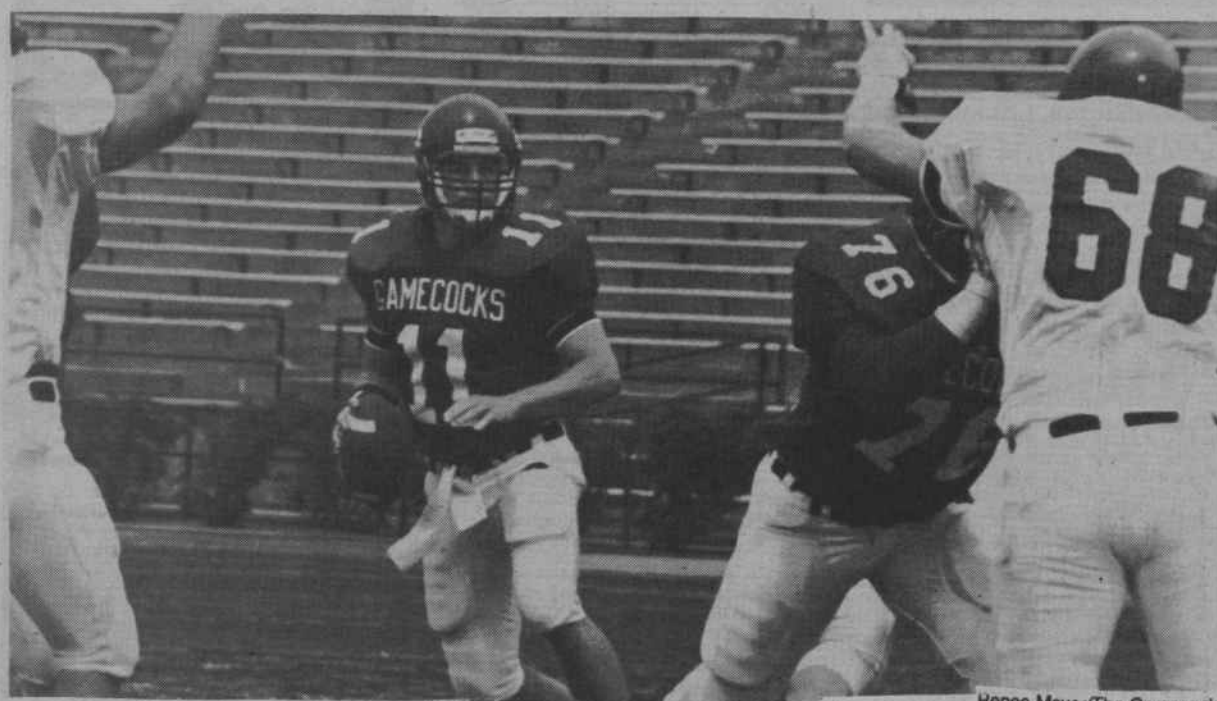
Senior quarterback Wright Mitchell led the corps of players looking to land the job of starting quarterback for the Gamecocks. For the game, Mitchell, playing for the Garnet team, completed 12 of 14 attempts for 121 yards and one touchdown. His longest completion of the game was a 39-yard strike to junior wide receiver Bru Pender for a touchdown, and he was not intercepted.

Sophomore wide receiver Asim Penny had an excellent day catching the ball. He totaled 75 yards in receptions on just four catches, while making three acrobatic grabs. Senior H-back Leroy Jeter also had a good day catching the ball. He pulled in seven receptions for 55 yards.

Freshman Derwin Jeffcoat led the punters with two punts for an average of 41 yards per punt. His 47-yard punt was the longest of the day. Sophomore Marty Simpson attempted four punts, averaging 29.3 yards a punt, with a long of 36 yards. Freshman Jason Morrison attempted three punts, averaging 33.7 yards with a long of 39 yards.

Sophomore placekicker Jim Tarle, of the Garnet team, was two for three on field goal attempts. He was successful on kicks from 42 and 32 yards, but missed one kick as well.

Several players missed the game because of injury. They included Lawrence Mitchell, Brandon Bennett and Mike Redick. Injured during the game were Norman Greene with a broken jaw, Chad Ledford with torn ligaments in his knee, and Cedric Surratt with a dislocated right elbow.



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The Gamecock football team started its centennial year of play with the annual Spring Game.

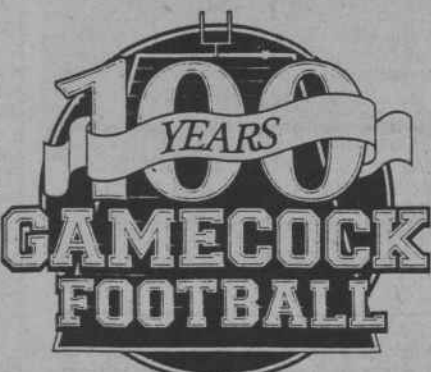
Banquet honors USC football centennial

By **CHAD BRAY**
Sports Editor

Hundreds of fans, former players, coaches and dignitaries joined the Athletic Department in kicking off South Carolina's 100th year of football competition Friday night.

The Athletic Department hosted a gala banquet Friday at the Ellison Building on the State Fairgrounds to honor South Carolina's football program.

Former players came from all over the country to attend the banquet. Bobby Meranda, an actor who recently appeared in "The Untouchables," and his wife took time to drive from Los Angeles.



Other former players in attendance included Hall of Fame

members Lou Sossoman, a board of trustee member who played

from 1940 to 1942, Larry Smith, a center from the '50s who played professionally with the

Chicago Bears, the Green Bay Packers and in the Canadian Football League; Jeff Grantz, a second team All-American in 1975; Alex Hawkins, a former

Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year who played with the Baltimore Colts and the Atlanta Falcons; King Dixon, USC's cur-

rent athletic director who played in the '50s, and George Rogers, a Heisman trophy winner who

Castillejo beat the Wake Forest team of Manain and Elaine Smith 6-2, 6-0. In other doubles action,

Nathalie and Paulina Rodreguiz lost to the team of Barker and

Evans 6-2, 2-6, 6-0. The final doubles match between Dietch and Acacio and McKeon and Zawacki was suspended with the score 4-6, 6-5 because the outcome was already determined.

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The Lady Gamecocks will compete in the SEC Championships April 23-26 in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Baseball team splits twin-bill with UGA

By **JOHN REESE**
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The Gamecock baseball team split a doubleheader with Georgia Saturday at Sarge Frye Field. The Bulldogs won game one 5-4, while the Gamecocks (25-14, 2-9) came back to take game two 8-3.

In game one, the Bulldogs' Ray Suplee ripped a run scoring double to left field to give Georgia a 1-0 lead. First baseman John Yselonia drove home a run on a fielder's choice.

The Gamecocks scored two runs of their own in the bottom of the first when junior D.T. Cromer doubled home Mark Gugino. Senior Burke Cromer added an RBI single in the first.

Georgia added a run in the third before the rains came and delayed the game for an hour and 41 minutes.

The Bulldogs' Jim Polo blasted a two-run homer in the top of the fifth off of Gamecock starter Jared Baker (1-4). Brad Butler got the win for Georgia, despite four hits, including two doubles and a home run, by senior Dave Willman.



Cromer

In game two, Georgia's Jim Musselwhite did not allow a Gamecock to reach base for the first four innings. Yselonia homered off of junior Matt Threehouse (5-4) to give the Bulldogs a 1-0 lead through four innings.

After senior Brian Lawler singled and junior Jeff Parnell doubled, B. Cromer deposited a hanging curve from Musselwhite over the left-centerfield wall. Sophomore Stacy Stokes followed with a single, and pinch-hitter Mac White drove him home with a two-run homer to right.

"I just told them to keep swinging the bat," coach June Raines said.

Gamecocks lose in SEC, again

By **ROB RODUSKY**
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South Carolina's men's tennis team continued its Southeastern Conference woes as it was pounded by No. 4 Kentucky 5-1 Saturday afternoon in Lexington, Ky.

Junior Alex Schad was the

Gamecocks' lone bright spot, taking a 7-5, 6-1 decision over Mike Hopkinson. Schad raised his record to 20-6, second best on the team.

The Gamecocks, who fell to 8-10 overall, 3-6 in the SEC, will travel to Clemson tomorrow to play the Tigers.

Women's tennis team loses to No. 24 Wake Forest

By **NANCY SALOMONSKY**
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The 25th ranked South Carolina women's team fell victim to the 24th ranked Wake Forest Demon Deacons 5-3 in Winston-Salem N.C.

The Lady Gamecocks scored only two victories in the singles competition. Senior Nathalie Rodriguez beat Calina Manain 7-6, 2-6, 6-0, and senior Michelle Duda earned the other singles win with a victory over Dana Evans 7-6, 7-6. Rodriguez and Duda are ranked 32nd and 51st.

"They were very consistent," Rodriguez said of the Wake Forest squad. "We're playing very well against the good teams, and not as well against the teams that we should easily beat."

The Lady Gamecocks' senior Robin Deitch dropped the first set 6-3 to Lady Deacon Liz Baker and came back to take the second set 6-4. Deitch lost a close third set tiebreaker to 11-9 as Baker took

the final set 7-6.

The team of Duda and Nina Castillejo beat the Wake Forest team of Manain and Elaine Smith 6-2, 6-0. In other doubles action, Nathalie and Paulina Rodreguiz lost to the team of Barker and Evans 6-2, 2-6, 6-0. The final doubles match between Dietch and Acacio and McKeon and Zawacki was suspended with the score 4-6, 6-5 because the outcome was already determined.

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