Impact Will Be Name Of The Game
In Annual Tech Spring Contest

BLACKSBURG—Impact will be the name of the game Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at Lane Stadium when the "Headhunters" collide with the "Mean Machine" in Virginia Tech's spring football game.

Starting places on next September's varsity will be at stake when the two squads go at it in the culmination of all the knocks and bruises of a practice season that had its emphasis on hit and hit back.

Alternating at quarterback for the Machine will be Tech's all-time top passer Phil Rogers, converted to quarterback, and Greg Mullins.

Mitchell Barnes and John Mason will handle the signal-calling chores for the Headhunters.

The lineup does not include quarterback Eddie Smoll, likely to miss the game with a shoulder separation suffered recently in a practice session.

The players:

HEADHUNTERS:
No. 12, Mitchell Barnes, QB; 33, John Mason, QB; 15, Harry Bradley, DB; 20, Ralph DiGiovanni, DB; 21, Ken Tomco, PK; 23, Dick Holway, RB; 28, Ronald Davis, DB; 29, Moses Foster, RB; 30, Tony Hauff, FB; 31, Dave Delkari, P/D; 34, Wayne Bailey, S; 38, Rick Razzano, LB; 41, Dale Babione, WR; 45, Morris Blueford, RB; 47, Glen Conner, RB; 48, Tom Cooper, DB; 50, Mike Hester, C; 51, Mark Beach, LB; 53, Doug Thacker, LB; 55, Jimmy Stickland, C; 57, Rusty Bailey, LB-E; 59, Larry Hoel, RB; 61, Randy Stayton, OL; 64, Jim Banks, OL; 65, Ty Kilner, OL; 66, Sam Capua, L; 67, Ed Klime, OL; 68, Bill Weihenmayer, OL; 72, Mike Callison, OL; 73, Bill Houserwright, DL; 74, Wayne Moon, OL; 77, Kim Turner, DT; 80, Steve Epstein, TE; 85, John Goodwin, WR; 86, Jerry Ingo, WR; 87, Dave Dolphin, TE; 88, Billy Harden, DB; 91, Keith McCarter, DE; 92, Stuart Patterson, DE; 95, Ron Walgreen, DE; Chris Nicholas, S.

MEAN MACHINE:
No. 14, Greg Mullins, QB; 20, Chip Keatley, DB; 21, Rick Burrows, DB; 23, Chuck Pethoe, DB; 24, Wayne Latimer, PK; 25, Steve Galloway, WR; 26, Mark Stadman, RB; 27, Chuck Nuttlycombe, RB; 31, Dennis Windmuller, DB; 32, George Hough, RB; 33, Billy King, FB; 36, Nick Rapone, DB; 37, Bruce McDaniell, P; 39, Ronnie Code, RB; 40, Phil Rogers, QB; 42, Greg Payne, DB; 46, Charlie Moore, FB; 49, Steve Julian, LB; 54, Keith Gibson, OL; 56, Bill Shoemaker, LB; 58, Mike Bottomley, C; 58, Larry Capua, OL; 61, John Dadioch, DL; 63, Gerald Sheehan, LB; 64, Steve Cameron, LB; 67, Larry Schimmell, DL; 69, Greg Borsch, OL; 70, Robert Stayton, DL; 74, Steve Pielack, OL; 75, Joe Samsone, OL; 78, Mike Arbaugh, OL; 81, Kevin Dick, TE; 82, Mike Hughes, DE; 83, Jay Neal, WR; 90, Larry Hunt, DE; 91, Steve Thompson, DL; 93, Greg Tracy, DE; 94, John Groover, DE.

Girls' sports at Blacksburg High School are enjoying possibly their most successful year with the undefeated girls' tennis team as the latest example.

The girls' basketball team was undefeated but can't win the state championship since there is no team competition for girls at the state Group AA level.

The Virginia High School League (VHSL) heard of girls' sports! Not so you would notice. Let's hope that the coaches and athletic directors apply a little friendly pressure toward the VHSL on girls' sports in the high schools, including championship events in each sport at the state level.

With widespread participation, it isn't fair to snub one, and with its present growing popularity, certainly not tennis.

Members of the undefeated team are Cathy Hall, Becky Blanchard, Corey Edwards, Janis Torgeren, Katie Hucksell, Lori Oliver, Lanny Kidd, Pam Forrestan, Lisa McDaniell, with manager Terry Weber and coach King.

A perfect season in only its third year of tennis is a major achievement for Blacksburg which deserves, but won't get a chance to be no. 1.

As for VHSL's apparent attitude toward girls' sports we can only say you've come a short way, baby.

Congratulations to the Indians.

The racing Thomases of Christiansburg-Jabe and son Ronnie—will head for Charlotte for two races next weekend.

Ronnie's Pinto, which wrecked at Metroplex Speedway and was heavily damaged, was in Minnick's garage for repair and is expected to be ready for the Baby Grand National race following completion of time trials Saturday afternoon in the Sunday race.

Grant E. Bryant Funeral Home in Elliston has shown an interest in sponsoring Ronnie's car which was running third at the time of the Metroplex wreck.

Jae's Ward's Mobile Home Chevrolet and the Pinto both will be on hand for qualifying at the super speedway.

Virginia Tech's final home stand of the baseball season, which has two games remaining, both against Western Carolina Saturday and Sunday, offers a chance to see the best Hokie baseball team since the late sixties and also a chance to hear some of the distinctive language of the baseball fan.

You may hear a sound that seems to be "hombby." What it really says is "humm, baby," and it refers to the pitcher's fast ball that is so fast that it hums as it comes through the air. At least that is the idea and sometimes it does.

A retired academic from Tech told us that he has been watching Tech baseball since 1942 and "that coach (Bob Humphreys) has put something into that team."

Our best guess is that the something is in part enthusiasm, along with Tech's most elaborate preparation yet, including conditioning and exhibition games in the fall, a continuation of conditioning until the season opened, and the largest number of games so far on a Tech baseball schedule—all of which have paid off in Tech's best hitting team ever and the breakthrough in the annals of Hokie baseball.

It would mean the same thing to say that the coach found a way to get out of the team what was already there, just below the surface.

We are informed that a lady golfer playing in this county recently hit a ball that came to rest—we don't kid you—atop a live muscle. This occasioned no interruption in play and the round continued.

We have no word on whether the snake gave a "play through" signal or what club was used, but one thing is certain:

There was only one way to play the golfer's next shot: very carefully.

An avid TV viewer, we know was switching between three channels recently, when Gusman, Monday Night baseball and an interview with Ann Whitmer, who does the Harry Truman one man show, all were running simultaneously.

He reported the following dialogue:

"You're just a lowdown lazy frog, you little skunk..."

"Well, I'll just have to show you the best trick around this year in the league this year. I guess you could call it..."

"Snobyposter!"