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COLLEGE PARK, Md. — North Carolina, with its fast break working to perfection and its shooting on target, shattered Boston College's N.C.A.A. Tournament dream Saturday night with a second half blitz that produced a 96-80 victory in the Eastern Regional finals.

The Eagles, unable to keep up with the Tar Heels down the stretch, were all but swept out of Maryland's Cole Field House as a partisan Dixie crowd of 13,043 roared its approval.

SPREADING WINGS —

Willie Wolters of Boston College stretches long arms in an attempt to steal the ball from Rusty Clark of North Carolina.

(AP)

It marked a somewhat disheartening ending to the finest basketball season in Boston College history, 23 victories in 26 games.

The Eagles put up a grand fight while it lasted. They just did not have that extra inch, that extra step or that real hot hand that the Tar Heels had in duplicate.

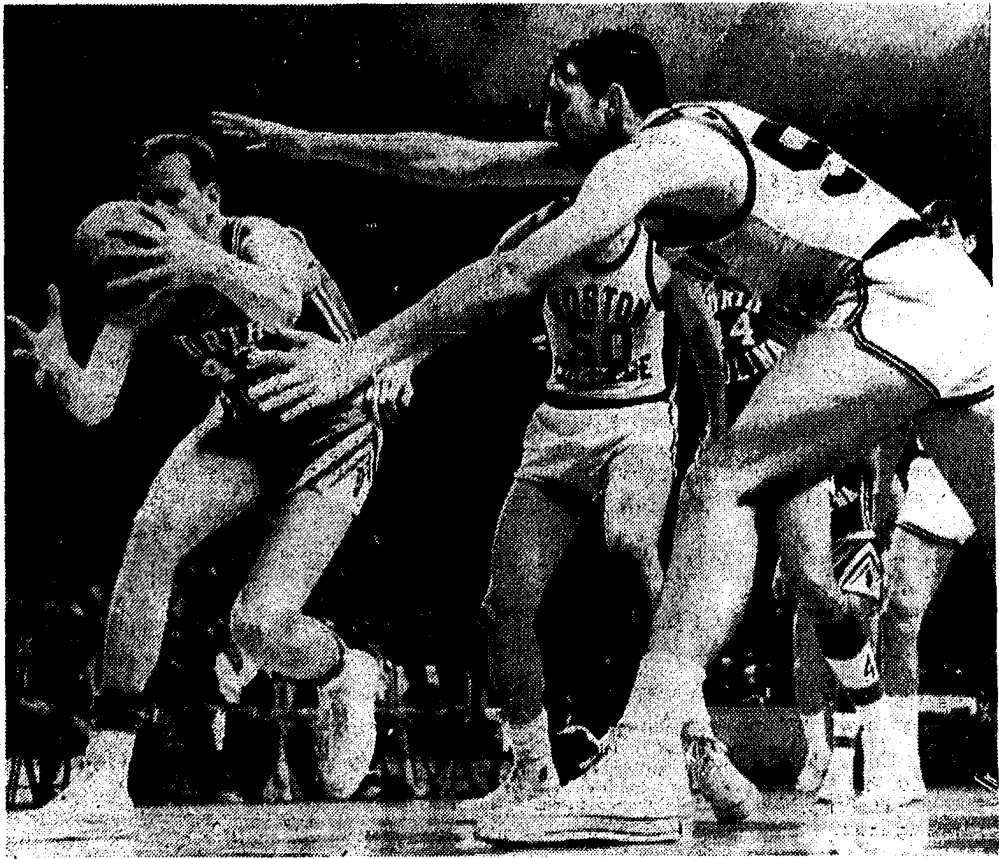
They talk a lot about a couple of look-alikes named Larry Miller and Bob Lewis down in Chaple Hill, and they do it with justification. These two were unstoppable.

Lewis, held to 15 points Friday night against Princeton, and Miller, held to 11, exploded for 53 between them.

B.C. slowed to a deliberate type of play in its first two tournament games, came out in a man-to-man defense, with Doug Hice going on Lewis, the high man in the game with 31 points.

But Hice, and center Willie Wolters defending giant Rusty Clark, picked up three fouls apiece in the early going.

The Eagles were anything but tight Saturday night, in contrast to the night before when both B.C. and St. John's were groping through much of the game.



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B.C. shot into a quick 12-3 lead before the Tar Heels knew what hit them. Here Lewis and Miller took charge. That 12-3 deficit suddenly became a 15-14 advantage. Lewis counted eight straight during the stretch.

The Eagles fell behind by eight at one point. But, with Jackie Kvanz turning shooter and sophomore Terry Driscoll, shaking loose a couple of times inside, B.C. cut it to two at the half.

Those first-half fouls forced B.C. Coach Bob Cousy into a second half zone. And it was to the liking of the Tar Heels.

One minute it was 64-60 North Carolina. A short time later it was 76-64. Once those look-alikes started to hit, it was only a matter of time.

The play that broke the Eagles back came with just under seven minutes left, and the difference eight points.

Miller came barreling up court on a pass from Dick Grubar. He laid it in and was fouled. He missed the free throw. But Bill Bunting was there to tap in the rebound.

That made it 12 points, and the trip to the national finals in Louisville was practically guaranteed.

North Carolina shot a blistering 55.6 percent (35 for 63) from the floor. B.C., 33 for 82, for a 40.2 per cent, actually had 21 more shots at the basket and outrebounded the Tar Heels, 48 to 41.

But the only thing that counted was the final score. It was the true measure and it was final.

No. Carolina	BOSTON COL.		
	G	F	P
Miller	6	10	22
Bunting	5	2	12
Clark	7	4	18
Grubar	1	1	3
Lewis	11	9	31
Frye	1	0	2
Tuttle	1	0	2
Gauntlett	1	0	2
Brown	2	0	4
			Kvanz
			5
			1
			11
Totals	35	26	96
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			33
			14
			80