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before tough meets so the

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There comes a part in ever a

but everyone is expected

full strength for the up

meet. Practices become

can rest for their run.

of people back," Hinz

son that, because of thet

load, you become suscept

Senior Milli Ondras s

"We're going easy this Texa

Ondras said. "Our mileage and

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after last year's dismal last one

the Big 12. The womenload hav tinue improving this we though the field will be even The men's team is thin imp

The men's team is thin imp NCAA South Central Regine mic

fashioned rivalry seems to Con

the making to see who will p.m. one to qualify for the NC Aud

right behind Texas. A go

finish second to the untou

Arkansas team. This mer

determine whether the Agi

catch up to the Longhoms

acting like they like you?

With students gathereda

pressing against window

North Carolina team ent

packed room of about

reporters, former players,

staff and friends inside the

Center (Dean Dome) just ma

before the coach. His player somber, shocked that Smit

chosen to retire so suddenly.

Smith appeared at ease began to address the cross

began to cry when he talked

his players — all of them.

"What loyalty I've had my players ..." Smith said, w away tears, then dropping

head for several moments

couldn't if I turned right no

he tried to regain his compose pros

my last team. Yes, there is to for

Smith said. "I look at their ties

and I just couldn't handle ahea

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teams have eased up a little practices this week.

been under 60, but what

after we've rested."

illness and to injury."

Harriers hit road

to South Carolin

**By JEFF WEBB** 

Staff writer

Team faces its toughest competi-

tion of the year when they hit the starting line in Greenville, South

Carolina at the Furman

fourth straight team victory last

week at the North Texas Pre-

Region meet, and are looking

healthier and faster than ever. The

stiffest competition of the year lies

in wait for the Aggies in Greenville.

most challenging meet we've gone

to in my five years here," Coach

Greg Hinze said. "In theory, they

take the top 30 teams in the coun-

try into this meet and we were for-

tunate enough to be one of the

Junior Stephen Erath said the

"This is our first chance to run

meet is a huge opportunity for

against unusually strong competi-

tion for us. This is the biggest

meet this team's gone to in years,

so it's an opportunity for us to run

against teams that are respected

all over the nation," Erath said.

"This maybe gives us a chance to

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) -

Dean Smith retired as basketball

coach at North Carolina on

Thursday, a job that lasted 36

years, produced two national titles

and raised him to the pinnacle of

Guthridge takes over with little time

to waste: Practice for the upcoming

ball coach of all time said he was

80 percent sure last week he want-

ed to step down; after the week-

"This timing is something I

believed in all along," said Smith,

who broke Adolph Rupp's career

victory mark of 876 last season

certainly wouldn't want to say I'll

coach this year and resign after

the season. Can you imagine how

many rocking chairs at different

places I would get and them all

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during the NCAA tournament. "

season starts in nine days.

end, it was 100 percent.

His longtime assistant Bill

The winningest college basket-

teams they selected."

win some respect."

his profession.

the Aggies.

"This weekend will be by far the

The Aggie men posted their

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