

SPORTS PARADE

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Well, here we are for our last Sports Parade. We are taking this Sports Parade to review all sports events during the year, which include football, basketball, and the intra-murals.

FOOTBALL

The Bulldogs with a record of one win and five losses came from behind to win the last four ball games, to split their season in half. It turned out to be a pretty good year, if you take into consideration the tough schedule that was played. The Bulldogs scored a total of 137 points and held the competition to 116 points.

Eleven players who graduate will be greatly missed by next year's team. Boys going are pass snagging Bill Grigg from right end; Cranford Hathcock, a hard charging right tackle; Bob Barringer, a dependable center; Bob Youngblood, Co-captain and vicious blocker from left guard; John Helms, a speedy wingback; Elbert Holt, field general and hard blocker, from blocking back; Leroy Swaringen, a speedy broken field runner, from tailback; pass throwing Carroll Davis, from tailback; Dwight Cranford, a good runner, from wingback; and extra point kicker Harry Pawlik.

BASKETBALL

After the football season was over the Bulldogs turned to the basketball courts. The girls' team, led by Frances Hinson, Ellene Holbrook, Bobbie Watson, Perlene Hartsell, Sara Skidmore and Janet Deese, won all of their conference games except two to take the runner-up position in the conference. Special honor went to Perlene Hartsell, who made all-state for two years, and Sara Skidmore, who made an all-tournament team. The boys' team had tough luck during their season, but they played some tight ball games.

INTRAMURALS

The intramural athletic program has recently been completed and was considered very successful. Blue ribbons have been given to first place winners. This year there was a tie for first place between the 11th and 12th grades, each accumulating 190 points. This was for the intramural trophy. There was also a tie for the Intramural Achievement Trophy between Harold Hudson and Joe McAnulty, each accumulating 30 points. About 90 per cent of the 300 boys in high school took part in the events this year.

The program started last fall with volleyball and tag football. The 10th grade number one team, composed of Doug Knotts, Jimmy Skidmore, Keith Byrd, Leslie Swanner, Henry Carpenter, and Jimmy Michael, won the volleyball event, while the 12th grade number one team, composed of Dwight Cranford, Harry Pawlik, Carroll Davis, John Helms, Hoyle Gilbert, Bob Youngblood, Bob Barringer, Jack Lee, and George Lee won the football tournament.

The winter program consisted of a basketball league. The championship was won by the 12th grade number four team, of Doug Archer, Jimmie Austin, Stencil Aldridge, Claude Hartsell, Ed Whitley, Tom Lilly and Kirk Michael.

The spring program consisted of softball, Field Day, tennis and horse shoes. The winner of the softball league was the 11th grade number one team, composed of Malcom Lowder, Charles Litaker, Jimmy Scarboro, John Harwood, Tom Snuggs, Harold Hudson, Frank Wilhelm, Joe McAnulty, and Charles Whitley. The doubles tennis championship was won by Doug Archer and Paul Suggs, while the singles championship was won by Joe McAnulty. The doubles horseshoes championship was won by Carroll Foster and Jerry Latin and singles championship was won by Carroll Foster. Field Day high scorer was the 11th grade followed by the 12th grade.

SWEATERS

You have noticed some of the boys and girls around school wearing dark blue sweaters with white letters and stripes. Some of the lower classmen inquired what were the stripes for. Each stripe stands for one year of competition in one of two school sports, football and basketball. Boys and girls that have sweaters are:

Three stripes—John Harwood, Joe McAnulty, Sara Skidmore, Johnny Knight and Bill Kluttz.

Two stripes—Bill Grigg, Whit Whitley, Elbert Holt, Leroy Swaringen, Cranford Hathcock, Ed Patterson, Bob Youngblood, Bobby Watson, Perlene Hartsell, Frances Hinson, Jack Morton, Mary Lamar, Charles Whitley, Ted Burleson, Ellene Holbrook.

One stripe—Dwight Cranford, John Helms, Carroll Davis, Bob Barringer, Harry Pawlik, Richard Doby, Sidney Helms, Ken Willis, Bill Barnes, Johnny Boyette, George Lee, Reid McLendon, Martha Moore, Connie McLain, Sue Barringer, and Hoyle Gilbert.

Girls' Basketball Mentor To Leave Coaches Webb, Peiffer Look Ahead

Mrs. Keith Almond Resigns Position Of Teacher-Coach

Five years ago a young and pretty teacher came to AHS from Kings Mountain, North Carolina, via Western Carolina Teachers' College. When she arrived in September, 1945, all the boys from the eighth grade to the twelfth fell in love with her, but she broke our young hearts several years later when she was married to a former basketball star of A. H. S. This young and pretty teacher was Miss Clara Mae Gantt, now Mrs. Keith Almond.

Mrs. Almond has been teaching physical education and coaching the girls' basketball team for the past five years. During her stay at AHS she has coached the girls' basketball team to a successful season each year for five years. Her first year's team was a graduation-riddled team from the previous year's championship team. They won 10 games, lost seven, and tied one. The team of 1946-47 was probably the finest team that Mrs. Almond coached. They won twelve straight conference games, while losing none, to win the South Piedmont Conference Girls' Championship. This fine aggregation also entered the South Piedmont Tournament at Catawba College and came home with the championship trophy. This past season has been highly successful for Mrs. Almond and her team. They won 16 games while dropping only 2 to place second in the conference standings, and they also placed second in the tournament at Statesville, losing to Barium Springs.

Mrs. Almond is finally leaving to keep house for her husband. It will not be the same to go to the gym or to a basketball game and not see her bright eyes and friendly smile. The students of AHS will miss her very much.

The sports staff of the *Full Moon* wishes to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Mrs. Clara Gantt Almond. To us she is a good sport, a grand teacher, and a fine friend. Her co-operation in giving us information with which we wrote articles about the team is greatly appreciated. We wish her beaucoup good luck and happiness.

Hall Of Fame

Congratulations to the following seniors who have completed their athletic careers at A.H.S.

DOUG ARCHER — 2 yrs. tennis team, 1 yr. B-team football.

BOB BARRINGER — 2 yrs. varsity football, 2 yrs. B-team football.

TED BURLESON — 2 yrs. varsity basketball.

DWIGHT CRANFORD — 2 yrs. varsity football, 1 yr. B-team football, basketball manager.

CARROLL DAVIS — 2 yrs. varsity football, 1 yr. B-team basketball.

JANET DEESE — 2 yrs. varsity basketball, 1 yr. B-team basketball.

HOYLE GILBERT — 2 yrs. varsity football manager.

BILL GRIGG — 2 yrs. varsity football, 3 yrs. B-team football, 2 yrs. B-team basketball.

PERLENE HARTSELL — 3 yrs. varsity basketball, 2 yrs. All-State, 2 yrs. All-Tourney.

CRANFORD HATHCOCK — 3 yrs. varsity football, 2 yrs. B-team football.

JOHNNY HELMS — 3 yrs. varsity football, 1 yr. B-team football, 1 yr. varsity basketball, 1 yr. B-team basketball.

FRANCES HINSON — 2 yrs. varsity basketball, 1 yr. B-team basketball.

ELLENE HOLBROOK — 2 yrs. varsity basketball, 1 yr. B-team basketball.

ELBERT HOLT — 3 yrs. varsity football, 1 yr. B-team football, 2 yrs. varsity basketball.

BILL KLUTTZ — 4 yrs. varsity football, 1 yr. B-team football, 3 yrs. B-team basketball, 2 yrs. varsity baseball, 2 yrs. All-Conference, Honorable Mention All-State football.

JOHNNY KNIGHT — 3 yrs. varsity football manager.

GEORGE LEE — 1 yr. varsity basketball, 1 yr. B-team basketball.

TOMMY LILLY — 1 yr. tennis team.

MARTHA MOORE — 1 yr. varsity basketball, 1 yr. B-team basketball.

JACK MORTON — 2 yrs. varsity basketball manager, 1 yr. tennis team.

CONNIE McLAIN — 2 yrs. varsity basketball.

HARRY PAWLIK — 1 yr. varsity football, 1 yr. B-team football.

SARA SKIDMORE — 3 yrs. varsity basketball, 1 yr. B-team basketball, All-Tourney 1 yr.

LEROY SWARINGEN — 2 yrs. varsity football, 2 yrs. B-team football, 2 yrs. varsity basketball.

BOBBIE WATSON — 2 yrs. varsity basketball.

KENT WILLIS — 2 yrs. varsity basketball, 1 yr. B-team basketball, 1 yr. B-team football.

Many Boys Will Be Returning To The Fold In '50

Coaches Toby Webb and Don Peiffer won't speculate, but from the students' viewpoint things look okay for AHS during 1950-51.

Although the football team loses eleven seniors, it is bolstered by the return of eight lettermen; Ed Patterson, Elbert Whitley, Charles Whitley, Sidney Helms, Reid McLendon, Johnny Boyette, Bill Barnes, and Richard Doby. The 1950-51 edition of the AHS Bulldogs will encounter on the gridiron many tough customers such as Monroe, Asheboro, Harding High, Concord, Kannapolis, and many others. Plans are being made to shift rugged Ed Patterson into the backfield to help fill the gaps left by graduation. No one will comment on the aspects of next season's team, but the rumor is going around that it may be a good one.

Coach Don Peiffer will build his 1950-51 boy's basketball team around returning lettermen Joe McAnulty, John Harwood, Charles and Elbert Whitley. Graduation will take guard Leroy Swaringen, center Ted Burleson, and forward George Lee. Although the past season was not highly successful, Coach Peiffer hopes that the returning boys gained enough experience to make them tough competition for the next campaign.

BOB YOUNGBLOOD — 3 yrs. varsity football, 1 yr. B-team football, N. C. All-Star player.

MARY LAMAR — manager girls' basketball team 2 yrs.

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