

BULLDOG BARKS

ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

Johnny Youngblood

Another play is stopped short as Johnny Youngblood breaks through to make the tackle. Johnny has just finished his third year of varsity football and this year he played a very important part in Albemarle defense.

Johnny, besides being an outstanding football player, is popular with his fellow students. He is mostly known around school as Young'un. Besides playing football he holds different offices and belongs to several clubs.

Johnny, who is six feet one inch tall and weighs one hundred seventy pounds, holds the position of right tackle.

In every game Johnny shines for his fine playing and for his team spirit.

Next fall Johnny plans to enter Catawba College in Salisbury.

Bud Griffith

In on most of the tackles, Bud Griffith was one of the outstanding linesmen for the Albemarle Bulldogs. Many of Albemarle's runs would not have been possible if it had not been for the blocking of Bud.

Bud, being a senior this year, has finished two successful seasons of varsity football. On the football field the opponents soon realize that number thirty-seven is not just an ordinary player.

An outstanding student as well as a football player, Bud is treasurer of the Monogram Club and a member of the Boosters Club.

Bud is a six footer and hits the scales at one hundred seventy pounds. He does not have any definite plans for the future.

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What has been your most memorable experience during your football career? This question, put to senior varsity members, received various answers.

Leslie Swanner—"I can't single them down to one, because all of them have been exciting for me."

Bruce Lowder—"Defeating Kannapolis and Asheboro."

Bud Griffith—"That goal line stand against Lexington."

Keith Byrd—"When I covered a blocked kick in the end zone for the touchdown against Kannapolis."

Johnny Youngblood—"When Bud and I tackled a man behind the goal line when we played Winecoff."

Tub Russell—"When Moose threw me a pass and I ran it over for the touchdown."

Ham Morton—"When Moose hit Tub Russell with a pass for a touchdown."

Doug Knotts—"Blocking that kick against Kannapolis."

AHS's Football Scores of 1951

Albemarle 15	Winecoff	0
Albemarle 7	Kannapolis	6
Albemarle 0	Lexington	0
Albemarle 7	Barium Springs	7
Albemarle 39	Spencer	6
Albemarle 1	Monroe (forfeit)	0
Albemarle 35	Mooresville	0
Albemarle 32	Statesville	0
Albemarle 7	Concord	6
Albemarle 19	Asheboro	6
Total 162	Total	31

Varsity Crushes Comets In Final

AHS Bulldogs conquered the Asheboro Comets 19-6 here Friday night, November 9, to gain their fifth conference win and revenge from the 1950 season's game.

The Bulldogs' big chance came in the second quarter when Bruce Lowder and Leslie Swanner pushed over two TD's, making the score 13-0 at halftime.

Gene Snuggs was also a big gun in the offense as well as the defense as he took a reverse from Leslie Swanner early in the third quarter and scooted 42 yards for the score.

Asheboro's big hope came in the third quarter after scoring once. They knocked twice at Albemarle's goal line, but were resisted by the strong defense led by Johnny Youngblood, Gene Snuggs, and Doug Knotts.

Snuggs and Lowder were considered the secret weapons for Albemarle as they continually changed positions from tailback to wingback and consistently made good gains from both positions.

Other deciding factors for the Bulldogs in the win were Les Swanner, who played a whale of a game on offense as well as defense; Keith Byrd, Johnny Youngblood, David Bruton, Bud Griffith, Claude Lawhon, James Gibson, and Raygene Smith.

Captains For '52 Picked By Squad

James Gibson and David Bruton were elected Co-captains for the 1952 football season at a meeting held by the team.

James, who weighs 165 and stands 5' 10", is a blocking back, while David, at 6' 0" and 185, is a tackle.

Both boys played outstanding football this year, and the fans of AHS are looking forward to another good season under the able leadership of James and David.

ONE DAY DOUG KNOTTS was kidding Johnny Youngblood about being dumb.

Doug: "You're so dumb, Johnny, if your mother sent you to the grocery store to buy some D.D.T., you'd forget how to spell it before you got there."

Bulldogs Defeat Spiders To Wrap Up Second Place

Bulldogs Finish Second This Year

The Albemarle Bulldogs finished second in the South Piedmont Conference with seven wins, two ties, and no losses. Only Lexington and Wilkes Central had better records, with each winning five and tying one.

Lexington's only blot in the season was a tie, and that was at the hands of the Bulldogs of Albemarle.

The final standings in the conference are:

Teams	Wins	Ties	Losses	Pct.
Lexington	5	1	0	.916
Wilkes Central	5	1	0	.916
Albemarle	7	2	0	.888
Concord	4	0	2	.666
Children's Home	3	1	2	.583
Kannapolis	4	0	3	.571
Asheboro	3	2	3	.500
Barium Springs	3	2	3	.500
Thomasville	3	0	4	.428
Mooresville	2	2	4	.375
Monroe	1	1	5	.214
Statesville	1	0	9	.100
Spencer	0	0	6	.000

Monroe Forfeits Albemarle Game

The Albemarle Bulldogs' only loss, which was to Monroe 7-6, has been forfeited to Albemarle by a score of 1-0 due to Monroe's use of an ineligible player.

Coach Webb was informed of the forfeit November 16. Thomasville and Kannapolis also received forfeits by the same score. Concord had defeated Monroe, so the score remained as it was in that game.

Coach Webb and the Bulldog co-captains, Doug Knotts and Leslie Swanner, say Monroe beat them, and that if Bill Kennington, the ineligible blocking back whose parental residence is Pageland, S. C., had not participated, the score would probably have been the same.

The forfeit, however, gives the Bulldogs an undefeated season officially, with two ties.

"I want to buy a pair of hose for my wife," said a customer to Patsy Williford. "Sheer?" asked Patsy. "Nope, she's home."

Albemarle High School closed its 1951 football season by defeating Concord 7-6 in a hard-fought battle on a very muddy field in Concord on Friday, November 16.

Early in the first quarter, the Bulldogs began to roll. On the fourth down and three yards to go, Swanner elected to run, and broke away for a nineteen yard gain to their twenty-two yard line. Lowder scooted ten more yards to the twelve yard line, but there the drive bogged down and Concord took over.

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The fighting was mostly even from then until the third quarter, when Larry McCall threw a running pass to Widenhouse, who kept going for sixty-five yards until Gene Snuggs brought him down from behind. Then Gene broke up the threat by intercepting a pass on the three yard line and returning it to the nine.

Late in the third quarter Bruce Lowder intercepted a Concord pass on the Bulldog forty-five and returned it to the Concord forty-two. Lowder engineered a first down to the twenty-six, and the quarter ended with Albemarle getting a first down on the fifteen.

Lowder carried once and Swanner twice for a first down on the four-yard line. Swanner then went on from the four and Bowers made the extra point.

Concord then took over with an aerial from Austin to Widenhouse and marched thirty-eight yards to a touchdown, with Widenhouse receiving a pass in the end zone. The kick was wide so Albemarle led 7-6.

Doug Knotts intercepted a desperation pass and the Bulldogs ran the clock out for a 7-6 advantage.

Playing their last game for Albemarle High School were Doug Knotts, Leslie Swanner, Keith Byrd, Bruce Lowder, Johnny Youngblood, Bud Griffith, Ham bone Morton, and Tub Russell.

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