

# BULLDOG BARKS

## ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

**Louise Cooper**

There goes two points for Albemarle High. This is usually the case when Louise Cooper, Co-captain of the girls' basketball team, puts her old stuff on the ball. Her deadly shots and fast breaks have won her the title of Co-captain. She is well liked by all the members of her squad and also her classmates.

Her numerous activities and the way she carries them out have won her friends all through high school.

She is a very active member of the Monogram club and the Boosters club.

Louise played the role of Aunt Agatha in the Junior play, "A Ready-Made Family", and held the audience with her fine acting.

She is a member of the feature staff of the Full Moon and of the art staff of Crossroads.

Louise is undecided about her future, but she surely has been seeing a lot of a boy named "Chunk".

**Larry Chance**

The ball is arched up toward the basket by a member of the A. H. S. basketball team, and chances are that it is none other than Larry Chance, Athlete of the Month for February, pouring in another one of his frequent baskets.

This is Larry's third year of varsity basketball and even though he is only about 5 ft. 8 in. tall, he always turns in a very creditable job at one of the guard positions for the Bulldogs. On numerous occasions Larry has stolen the ball from an opponent and dribbled down the court for an easy layup and two points.

Basketball doesn't occupy all of Larry's time because he has found time during his high school career to take part in many other school activities.

He is a member of the Hi-Y club, Boosters club, Monogram club, Mixed Chorus, baseball team, and has been a member of the Student Council.

**Future Football**

People in Albemarle High School have already started thinking about next year's football team, which will have the job of defending the crown of the Southern Division of the South Piedmont Conference.

Next year's team got off to a fine start by electing Wade Smith and Luther Kimery as co-captains for the 1955 season.

Also returning for another season will be Edshay Brunson, who played some fine games for the Bulldogs this past season. Some new faces will probably be seen when Robert Smith, Joe Kluttz, Eddie Fenters and many other boys get their chance to play full time.

In the line Lane Lowder, Junior Dennis, Roger Whitley, Roger Mauldin, and Punkin Gantt should show the opponents that the Bulldogs will still have a mighty strong line.

The losses from this year's team will be heavy in some positions but as always Coach Webb will find somebody to fill the gaps. Good luck to next year's Bulldogs!

**Boosters**

Great turnouts at the basketball games are the results of the fine job done by Zalotta Harris and her helpers.

Zalotta with the aid of her helpers has put schedules in just about every place of business in town. There is also one in every classroom.

For the first time in the history of A. H. S., we are having fine music at the games rendered by a few of Mr. Hatley's band members. It seems to put a feeling of liveliness in the crowd.

Mr. R. C. Hatley is doing a great job of announcing and we hope they all keep up the good work.

# Local Bulldogs Make Fair Showing

## Albemarle Downed by Winecoff Five

Albemarle was once again defeated last Tuesday by a strong Winecoff five with a score of 80 to 58.

The Winecoff boys took the lead from the opening and were never behind. Wade Smith was high scorer for the Bulldogs with 15 points, followed by Dickie Cashwell's 13 and Donnie Smith's 12. Don Williams with 32 points and Wayne White with 17 were high scorers for the winners.

## Albemarle 72; Concord 80

Albemarle high school's Bulldogs went down in defeat to a "hot" Concord team in a hard-fought high scoring game in the A.H.S. gym Friday night, January 28, by the score of 80 to 72.

The Bulldogs, as in the last five out of six games, were leading at the half but could not hold on to the lead. They suffered their third loss, while winning the same number.

Jimmy Coggins, Albemarle's high scoring center, led the scoring by 30 points. He was followed by Dickie Cashwell, who had 14 points.

The Bulldogs held the lead for the major part of the game, but could not make the points where they were needed in the fourth quarter, and Concord was scoring and playing their best at the end. This, and making good on most of their foul shots, enabled them to win.

## Albemarle 52; China Grove 37

Albemarle won their second conference game of the year by defeating China Grove by a score of 52 to 37.

The Bulldogs were led by their junior center, Coggins, who scored 18 points. He was followed by Cashwell, with 15 points. The Bulldogs were ahead by ten points at the half and were never overtaken.

None of the China Grove players hit the double figures.

## Albemarle 6; China Grove 57

The Albemarle high school boys' basketball team, sparked by the playing of Wade Smith, defeated the China Grove boys 65-57 to win their third game of the season as against two losses.

Wade Smith dumped in six field goals and six from the foul line for 18 points, and Dickie Cashwell added another 15 points for the locals on five field goals and five free throws. Jimmy Coggins was the third Albemarle player to hit in double figures, scoring four from the floor and four from the foul line for an even dozen points.

Larry Chance and Marvin Clark led the Albemarle defensive effort, stealing the ball several times and driving down the court for easy lay up shots.

John Shinn paced the losers with an 18-point personal effort, while two other China Grove players also hit in double figures.

## Albemarle Girls Lose To Winecoff

The strong offensive team from Winecoff threw the Albemarle girls for their fifth loss of the season, making the final score 61-54.

Ashley, Winecoff's top forward, racked in all but 12 points making her total 49.

The Albemarle Bulldogs gave Winecoff a strong battle with Libby McLeod, a sophomore, tallying 23 points, and Carrie Eudy, a junior, not far behind with 18. Albemarle led at halftime with 4 points but slipped back in the last few minutes of the game.

## Albemarle 43; Concord 60

The local girls bowed to the Concord six Friday, January 28, by a score of 43-60.

High scorer was Libby McLeod with 20 points, while Peggy Ritchie was next with 12 points. Brantley was high scorer with 22 and Smith followed close behind with 20.

Concord had a 19-25 point lead at the half and held on to make the locals go down in defeat.

## Albemarle 38; China Grove 48

The varsity girls went down in defeat for the second time in a week to the China Grove team in the China Grove gym on January 25. The final score was 38 to 48.

Libby McLeod led the local girls with a big 23 points. Pat Allan followed with six.

The China Grove team led at the halftime by a score of 15 to 28 and maintained the pace to hand the local varsity their third straight conference defeat.

## Albemarle 74; Mooresville 69

The A.H.S. Bulldogs traveled to Mooresville and won their first conference game 74 to 69. Jimmy Coggins was high scorer with 20 points and Wade Smith was second with 18 points. Young scored 26 for Mooresville while Sims had 22.

## Albemarle 46; Monroe 47

In the South Piedmont Conference opener the Albemarle Bulldogs traveled to Monroe and were defeated by a score of 47 to 46. Jimmy Coggins was high scorer for the locals with 16 points; Wade Smith was next with 10 points. Craig was high scorer for Monroe with 20 points.

## Albemarle 39; Monroe 25

The A.H.S. girls got off to a fine start in conference play by defeating the Monroe team 39 to 25 on Tuesday, January 4, in the Monroe gym. Every girl on the Albemarle team played.

Sophomore Libby McLeod led the home team in points by tossing in seven field goals and three free throws for a total of 17 points. Louise Cooper followed

## Albemarle 26; China Grove 27

The A.H.S. girls showed the spectators a very interesting battle with China Grove in their first home game of the season on January 21. There was a very close score throughout the game with the China Grove team handing the locals a final two-point defeat of 25 to 27.

Libby McLeod and Peggy Ritchie got six points apiece, and Louise Cooper followed with five.

The halftime score was 12 to 9 in favor of the home team who once again couldn't maintain the lead and went down for their second conference loss.

## Albemarle 49; Winecoff 60

The girls' varsity basketball team went down for their first conference defeat on January 14 against the Winecoff team. The final score was 49 to 60.

Libby McLeod and Peggy Ritchie were the offensive stars of the night by tossing in 16 and 15 respectively. The A.H.S. guards did a good job of defensive playing but just couldn't stop Winecoff's big gun, Ashby, who poured in 52 points.

The local girls got off to a fast start and held a halftime lead of three points. They couldn't maintain the pace in the closing quarter, however, and went down in defeat.

## Albemarle 51; Mooresville 48

Albemarle girls came out on top of a battle with the Mooresville team by a narrow margin of three points. The final score was 51 to 48. The game, which was played at Mooresville, was the second conference win for the home team.

Peggy Ritchie poured in 19 for the local team, followed closely by Bobby Kimrey with 15.

There were many substitutions in the hard-won game.

The half-time score was 28 to 24 in favor of the home team. The Mooresville girls, however, held a one-point lead as the third quarter ended. Hard playing enabled the local girls to regain the small lead in the fourth quarter and emerge the victors.

## Winecoff 61; Albemarle 50

The Winecoff boys' basketball team defeated the Albemarle Bulldogs by a score of 61 to 50 in the Winecoff gym.

Wade Smith, a junior forward, led the Bulldogs with an 18-point effort and Dickie Cashwell followed close behind with 12 points. Donald Dennis was the high scorer for Winecoff with 20 points and Wayne White followed with 17.

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The Albemarle girls got off to a fast start with a halftime score of 20 to 10. They maintained the lead throughout the last half and won by a 14-point margin.

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