

Mountaineers Meet Wofford Saturday In Spartanburg

Speaking Of Golf

By JOE MAPLES

A total of 176 players are fighting it out over the Boone Golf Course to see who can take home the biggest share of the more than \$2,000 in prize money and awards in the Fifth Annual Blue Ridge Pro-Am. The winner of this event will be decided when the thirty-six holes of play are completed on Thursday afternoon. Defending champion Hampton Auld is defending his title but a lot of good players are making a determined effort to see that he doesn't repeat. The finest players from the two Carolinas and Virginia are competing, so if you want to see some good golf, come on out. There is no admission charge and spectators are more than welcome.

The first excitement of the Boone Golf Club championship was created Sunday when young lefthander Sam Adams started his qualifying round. Sam played the front nine three under par and was eight feet from the hole on fifteen, four under par. He missed his bid to go five under however and made bogeys on sixteen and seventeen to finish with two under 69, the lowest score turned in so far. Brother Austin leads the qualifying so far with rounds of 71-73-144, two over par. Austin by the way pulled off a good trick during the week, making two eagles on par four holes. He did it on the ninth and fourteenth holes. His eagle on nine put him five under par but he ran into some minor trouble on the fourteenth and ended up with 71. Then later he made the eagle on fourteen, getting a small measure of revenge on the hole, as he went on to turn in 69. Playing with Austin were A. E. Hamby, Willie Maples and myself and we decided our best ball team score of fourteen under par for the round would be mighty nice to have during the Pro-Am.

Boone Ladies'
Fifteen of our ladies took part in a Bingle-Bangle-Bongle tournament last week. In this type of event, points are awarded to the player in each foursome who gets on the green first, gets closest to the hole on the approach shot and to the one who gets into the hole first. Jo Joinés won first place with twenty-eight points followed closely by Johnny Crockett with twenty-seven and Martha Watkins with twenty-three.

Several of our ladies played in the two day Ladies Foothill League tournament at Blowing Rock Monday and Tuesday in which around one hundred and fifty were expected from about ten of the league towns. This is an annual event held each fall at the Rock and the most popular one of the Foothill

Devils Romp To 56-6 Win In Opener

By RONNIE HUNT

The Appalachian High School Blue Devils opened their 1963 football season successfully with a 56-6 romp over Surry Central last Friday night. The Devils scored almost at will and the contest was never in doubt. It was the twentieth win in a row for Appalachian over a three-year period. Leading the offensive charges for the Devils were Phil Hampton, Wayne Clawson, and Johnny Parker with two touchdowns each. The other touchdowns were scored by Bob Wilson and Jimmy Shoemaker.

After piling up a big lead, the first unit left the game early in the second quarter and the reserves played the remainder of the game. Friday night the Blue Devils take on the Ashe Central Black Panthers in what should be a much closer contest. The game is to be held in Boone at 8 p.m.

Reserved Grid Tickets Are Being Offered

Advanced reserved seat tickets to all four home football games of Appalachian State Teachers College are now on sale at the athletic office, according to an announcement by Jim Jones Business Manager of Athletics. The tickets entitle the holder to the same reserved seat at home games for only eight dollars, the price that would be required for general admission tickets to home contests. All seats to be sold in this manner are located between the fifty and forty-five yard lines on the Appalachian side of the field; all sell for \$2.50 at regular prices.

The sale of season tickets is limited both in number and time, with the offer of tickets at the reduced price closing Friday, September 20. Tickets will be good for: Newberry—September 21; Western Carolina—Sept. 28; Lenoir Rhyne—October 12; Carson-Newman—October 28.

The Appalachian State Teachers College Mountaineers kick the lid off the 1963 football season this Saturday night when they meet the Wofford Terriers in Spartanburg, South Carolina. The non-conference tilt is scheduled under the lights at 8.

The Mountaineers expect to enter the contest with an experienced squad including 20 lettermen performers. Guards Richard Tickle and Greg Van Orden, end Joe Hightower, and fullback Jimmy Hayes were all-conference selections last year and have been listed on pre-season polls to repeat.

Ends Larry and Terry Harbin, tackles Larry Crutchfield and Kent Umberger, and guard Don Mauldin have all been looking good in early drills and could figure in giving Appalachian its strongest line combination in several seasons.

A better scoring punch can be expected from the Mountaineer backfield. Hayes, leading ground-gainer the past two years, will carry the brunt of the offensive load, but ample help can be expected from halfbacks Sherrill Norville and Tom Culbreth. Dennis Saunders has apparently nailed down the starting quarterback job but Guy Flynt will probably play as much as Saunders.

All this makes Appalachian State the team to beat in Carolina Conference action this year. Most coaches around the conference have stated that the Mountaineers' chances of winning the conference championship are excellent.

The Mountaineers had a 5-5 season last year, but Coach Jim Duncan pointed out that one more touchdown in each of the first three games would have given the team an 8-2 record. Understandably, Coach Duncan is concentrating on offense this season, with his more experienced team.

Five conference games in a row follow the game with Wofford on the Mountaineers' schedule.

The Terriers of Wofford are in a rebuilding stage and pose something of a question mark in the opening battle. With 19 lettermen returning, Wofford could be a little short on experience, especially in line reserve strength. However, the Terriers are reported to have the most outstanding group of freshmen in the school's history.

Backs expected to give Mountaineer linemen the most trouble are Bill Lane and Walter Sweatt, both halfbacks. Lane was the top scorer as a sophomore last year and tips the scales at 180 pounds. Sweatt nailed down a starting post in spring drills and could be plenty of trouble with his 195 pounds.

Up front the Terriers are heavy. Guards Ken Moorhead and Jim Brannon both weigh in at better than 200 pounds, while tackles Wayne Rogers and Jerry Belcher top the 225 mark. Center Mickey Byrd tips the scales at 230 pounds.

Overall, the contest could develop into a test of Mountain depth and Terrier weight. The two teams have met one time on the gridiron with Wofford taking a 23-14 win.

OPPOSES TEST TREATY

Gen. Thomas S. Power, chief of the Strategic Air Command, opposes the limited nuclear test ban treaty as "not in the best interests of the United States."

Power's stand was in direct conflict with that of the heads of the Air Force, Navy and Marines, who testified publicly recently in support of the treaty provided minimum safeguards are guaranteed.



JOE HIGHTOWER . . . left end

Johnnie Coe, AHS Grid Star, Hurt In Opener

Appalachian High School's 56-6 victory over Surry Central in Friday night's football game contained an unfortunate note of sadness and disappointment. Sophomore quarterback Johnnie Coe of the Blue Devils suffered a severe neck sprain on a defensive play late in the game, and his football career is apparently ended.

Coe, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. "Jerry" Coe of Highland Park, sustained a number of torn muscles and ligaments in his neck, the result of a pileup on the field after he had thrown an opposing ballcarrier for a loss. In addition, two neck vertebrae were jammed together.

He was immediately taken to Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, where X-ray studies by a team of specialists revealed that the result was not so severe as had first been feared, and would result in no permanent disablement. Doctors emphasized, however, that Johnny must avoid rough physical contact, which means that he will never again play football.

Coe was fitted with a neck brace, which he must wear for at least 4-5 weeks, and released from Baptist Hospital Saturday afternoon. He is now back in school.

"We are blaming no one for the injury," Johnnie's father said. "What happened was



JOHNNIE COE

the result of lack of experience on the part of some of the players.

"I feel that Johnnie was extremely lucky in some ways. We are thankful that the injury was not crippling. But Johnnie, I think, took the disappointment as hard as the injury. He had wanted to play football since he was four years old."

Coach Jack Groce of AHS stated that Coe had been coming along surprisingly well and was developing into a fine prospect at quarterback. Coe had quarterbacked the winning Blue Devils throughout most of the second half.

Bowling Highlights

Monday Night League

High Sets—Howard Poindexter 722, Stan Smith 717, Bob Wilcox 684, Tracy Norris 649, Mac Greene 640, Dick Young 628, Charles Craig 626, Joe Mast 617, Bob Sherrill 617.

High Games—Howard Poindexter 220, Stan Smith 210, Bob Wilcox 201, Glenn Coffey 186, Bob Sherrill 192, Tracy Norris 187, Joe Mast 181.

Tuesday Night League

High Sets—Marvin Deal 761, David Thomas 736, Jake Jacobs 724, Glenn Coffey 677, John Morrison 702, Bill Edmisten 671, Rev. Blake Brinkerhoff 653, Roger Thomas 638, Barry Farris 633.

High Games—Marvin Deal 228, David Thomas 212, Jake Jacobs 204, John Morrison 187, Barry Farris 190, Rev. Blake Brinkerhoff 190, Wayne Thomas 190, Jack Martin 189, Glenn Coffey 185, Roger Thomas 185.

Major Scratch League

The Strikers bowling team won the championship in the Major Scratch League by winning both halves of play. The winning team was composed of Lowell Cable, Ray Farthing and Robert Warren. The runner-up position in the league will be decided by a match between the Holdouts and Ward's team.

In the final night's action of play John Broyhill, posted a

five game set of 1001 pins. The set included games of 202, 206, 177, 190 and 244.

High Sets—John Broyhill 1001, Robert Warren 962, Ernie Lewis 945, Ray Farthing 932, Lyle Cook 926, Marvin Deal 886, Horace Dowling 882, Jake Jacobs 879, Stan Smith 865, Harvey Ayers 864.

High Games—John Broyhill 243, Robert Warren 242, Ernie Lewis 227, Lowell Cable 224, Lyle Cook 216, C. M. Shore 218, Marvin Deal 211, Max Moody 204, Ray Farthing 202.

Mixed League

In the final night's action of the mixed league Jack Gragg hit a 613 set which included games of 177, 203 and 233, while Martha Gould posted a 581 set by hitting games of 186, 173, and 222. The playoffs in the league will start next Thursday night.

Ladies High Games—Martha Gould 222, Jean Cook 192, Leotta Triplett 180, Rube Smith 173, Mamie Craig 159, Ruth Edmisten 157, Georgia Smitherman 150, Mildred Stephenson 149, Mary Helen Teague 146.

Men's High Games—Jack Gragg 238, Jake Jacobs 203, Charles Craig 197, Willard Trivett 183, Stan Smith 180, Bruce Bumgarner 178, Lynn Stephenson 174.

Comment On Sports

By PETE FRITCHIE

Washington, D. C.—The New York Yankees of 1963 undoubtedly rank with the strongest Major League pennant winners of all time. This club is, in the opinion of such as Yogi Berra, the best of the modern era.

One can appreciate Ralph Houck's team potential better when he considers that the Yankees ran away from their rest of the league without their two greatest power hitters, Mickey Mantle and Roger Maris.

What other club could lose two such swatters and shrug it off, rolling over everything in sight as if nothing had happened? The record shows the Yankees have not even missed their two power hitters—in the won-lost column.

The key this year, of course, is Houck's new pitching staff. He still has the one and only Whitey Ford but he also has two or three young hurlers who give a fine performance every outing. And when in late August the one club that might have challenged the Yankees were faced, in two big series, the Yankees won on pitching.

The game that must be counted the back-breaker, the one that killed the last chance of the Chicago White Sox, was

the first of a four-game set in Chicago. The Sox led going in to the ninth 2-0. Juan Pizarro had limited New York to four hits and it looked like the Sox had the first game of this crucial series.

Al Lopez had said his club had to trim the big Yankee lead in the two August series and this was the first game of eight. In the ninth, the Yankees struck for three homers and won. Next day Gary Peters two-hit the Yankees, but on the third day the Yankees took two, to win the first series 3 games to one.

This finished the Sox, and after the Yankee-Chicago clash in New York, a few days later, in which the Yanks again won three out of four, the Yanks enjoyed a twelve game lead. Peters had managed to beat them again, in extra innings, but the Sox had only one Peters, and that left them three short.

This year's Yankee club has a typical power-laden lineup. Players like Blanchard and Lopez have starred in fill-in roles. Even without Mantle and Maris the Yankees win with both power and tight pitching. It is difficult to see how any National League winner will be able to halt this club in the World Series.



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