

# Waynesville Girls, Canton Boys Cop Gold Medal Title

## Girls Lick Bethel, Boys Down Locals In Final Matches

The Canton boys and the Waynesville girls are the 1939 Canton Gold Medal Tournament basketball champions.

Both teams came through as expected in Saturday night's finals.

Betty Sheehan scored 48 points as she led the defending champion Waynesville sextet to a 64-51 victory over the Bethel girls.

The Canton boys, seeded third but rated as top favorites by the fans, defeated the fourth-seeded Waynesville boys, 34-23, in a close defensive battle.

The high-scoring honors went uncontested to Bethel's Virginia Mease, who ran up an amazing 173 points in boosting the lady Blue Demons into the finals.

She scored 28 points against the Waynesville girls and, in the quarter-finals, set what is believed to be a new individual scoring record in Western North Carolina for a single game when she connected for 60 points.

The high-scoring honors for the boys went to Sutton.

The Clyde girls and Etowah boys won the consolation games.

Jewell Evans and Helen Fore paced the Clyde girls to a 46-15 win over Fines Creek. The Etowah boys, with Connie Allison's 17 points topping the scoring, dumped Edneyville, 35-24.

In the girls' finals, it was close throughout the first period, but after that the Waynesville girls started pulling away.

At half time, they held a 38-26 lead.

The boys' game was even until the last few minutes.

Then Canton staged an uprising that broke it up and won the Bears the title.

The 13-13 deadlock at half time showed the way matters ran until the Bears staged their rally.

The tournament victory gave the Canton boys a record of 22 victories and only two losses for the season to date, and they're not through playing yet. Still ahead are the Enka Invitational and Blue Ridge Conference events.

For the Waynesville girls, the finals victory over the Bethel team they had defeated twice in the regular season extended their undefeated streak to 29 straight games.

The only blotch on their record is the 22-22 tie with Fines Creek that came in their third game of the current season.

Since then, they've won 14 straight.

Over the past two seasons, the Waynesville girls have hung up a brilliant record of 39 victories, only one loss, and the one tie.

The last time they lost was in their final game of the regular 1949 season when Canton's girls came through with a 27-24 win.

For the Waynesville boys also the season has been good—much better than last year.

The boy Mountaineers won 11 and lost five (two to Canton and Cullowhee, one to Clyde), before hanging up their 3-1 record in the tournament.

The Waynesville girls' record in the Gold Medal event shows victories of 57-31 over Flat Rock, 58-52 over Canton, and 52-30 over Clyde, before the title win over Bethel.

Canton's boys won the event by walloping Woodfin, Etowah (38-29), and Saluda (57-22) to land in the finals.

The Waynesville boys and girls breezed into the finals with decisive victories over Edneyville and Clyde respectively.

Virginia Mease continued her torrid scoring pace by connecting for 39 points as she led the Bethel girls into the finals game with Waynesville on a 44-32 victory over the fighting Fines Creek sextet.

Canton's boys completed the Saturday night club by defeating a stubborn Etowah five, 36-29.

The Clyde girls kept high-scoring Betty Sheehan pretty well bottled up, holding her to 13 points.

But the versatility of the Waynesville offensive was too much for them to cope with.

Marjorie Cogdill and Nancy Medford broke loose for 20 and 19 points respectively, to give the lady Mountaineers all the points they needed.

Jewell Evans connected for 16 points for Clyde, but the Waynesville guards kept her two usually high-scoring forward mates under control.

The battle was a close one throughout the first half, the Clyde girls trailing by only 25-23 at half time, then tied it up shortly after the third period opened.

But then the Waynesville guards stalled the Clyde offense while the forwards went to work methodically to put the game on ice.

The Waynesville boys went to work fast after the opening tap, took the lead, and kept it all the way. By half time, they had worked it up to a 20-5 lead, and that was the ball game.

Bill Sutton again took high scoring honors, tallying 16 points and playing a whole of a game generally. The rest of the Mountaineer points were spread fairly evenly over the remainder of the lineup.

## Waynesville Boys Bone Up For Tournament



Waynesville's basketball players listen while Coach Carl Ratcliffe (with ball) lectures on strategy for the Gold Medal Tournament at Canton. The boys ended their regular season Friday night. Though they dropped a close 45-41 decision to powerful Canton, their season was a success: 11 victories, five losses against the toughest competition in Western North Carolina. Standing, left to right, are James (Perk) Fugate, Carol Swanger, Sammy Jones, J. D. Cable, Buck Atkinson, Ralph Jenkins, Tommy Boyd, Ted Carswell, and Gene Linder. Kneeling, left to right: Junior Varsity Coach Bill Swift, Bud Buchanan, Allen Davis, and Bob Davis. Bill Sutton returned to school at the end of the season in time for the Gold Medal Tournament at Canton. He was not present when this picture was taken. (Mountaineer photo by Ingram's Studio.)

In the Canton-Etowah game, it was Johnny Phillips again who led the scoring, connecting for 16 points.

The Fines Creek girls gave Virginia Mease and her teammates a whole of a fight for three quarters before their offensive faltered.

In fact, they led from shortly after the opening whistle until two minutes after the second half started before the Bethel girls came from behind and clinched it.

At half time, the Fines Creek girls held a 25-22 lead.

Bethel tied it up on Virginia's field goal, the Bethel offense smoothed out, and the guards tightened their defenses to sew up the ball game.

Betty Sheehan had led the Waynesville girls to a 58-42 quarterfinal triumph Thursday night over Canton's girls.

Betty hit her highest mark of the season, scoring 38 points. The winners admitted after the game that the Canton girls that night had turned in the best of their three performances against them.

The Canton girls made it close in the first period, but after that the lady Mountaineers started pulling away, taking a 31-20 lead at half time.

It was Beulah Johnson's deadly effectiveness at long range that was the major reason for the Waynesville girls having to play one of their best games of the season.

Beulah fired 14 field goals, all on long set shots, and one free throw for a total contribution of 29 points to the losing cause.

The Waynesville boys swept to an easy 60-30 victory over Lake Lure to gain the semifinals also.

Bill Sutton's 18 points and Tommy Boyd's 17 set the winning scoring pace as the Mountaineers finished the game with 48-30.

The Clyde girls earned their match with Waynesville by rolling over Lake Lure's sextet, 61-35.

Helen Fore took scoring honors with 22 points for the winners, while steady Jewell Evans collected 18 for runnerup laurels.

Johnny Phillips sank 20 points as he led the Canton boys into the semifinals on a 57-22 triumph over game but defenseless Saluda.

The Bear defense limited the Saluda lads to two points in the entire first half as they left the floor with a 22-2 lead at intermission, then played a steady game the rest of the way.

### CHAMPIONSHIP (GIRLS)

Waynesville (64) Bethel (51)  
F—Sheehan (48) Cook (6)  
F—Cogdill (7) Blalock (17)  
F—Medford (9) Mease (28)  
G—Farmer Z. Rhinehart  
G—Grasty P. Clark  
G—Leopard K. Rhinehart  
Waynesville subs: Creaman, Reece, Bethel subs: Henson, B. Clark.

### CHAMPIONSHIP (BOYS)

Canton (34) Waynesville (23)  
F—King Linder (7)  
F—Poindexter (8) Davis (4)  
C—Phillips (2) Sutton (8)  
G—Stiles (7) Boyd (3)  
G—Moore (14) Jenkins  
Canton subs: Coman 4, Alexander 1.  
Waynesville subs: Buchanan, Atkinson 1.

### SEMI-FINALS

**GIRLS**  
Bethel (44) Fines Creek (32)  
F—Cook (3) Russell (8)  
F—Blalock (2) E. Rathbone (13)  
F—Mease (39) R. Ferguson (10)  
G—Z. Rhinehart C. Ledford  
G—P. Clark F. Ledford  
G—K. Rhinehart C. Ferguson  
Bethel subs: Henson, Fines Creek subs: Clark 1, Evans, Messer.

**BOYS**  
Waynesville (56) Edneyville (26)  
F—Linder (8) Griffin (2)  
F—Davis (6) Nesbitt (4)  
C—Sutton (16) Bradley (4)  
G—Jenkins (1) B. Laughter  
G—Boyd (7) Prior (4)  
Waynesville subs: Buchanan 7, Carswell 3, Atkinson 2, Fugate 4, Jones 2, Edneyville subs: Brevard 4, L. Lyda 6, Rickman, B. Lyda 2.

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**GIRLS**

Player	Points
Spider Medford	166
Stretcher	165
F. Caldwell	163
E. Dudley	162
E. Gribble	157
M. Rose	157
J. Higgins	155
B. Cochrane	155
R. Fultz	154
O. Yount	154
S. Casswell	153
N. Pressley	153
Hinkley	152

**BOYS**

Player	Points
A. C. Lawrence	10 11 476
Life Ins. Co. of Va.	7 14 333

### QUARTER FINALS

**GIRLS**

Waynesville (58) Canton (42)  
F—Sheehan (38) McCray (7)  
F—Cogdill (10) Johnson (29)  
F—Medford (10) Palen (6)  
G—Farmer Haynie  
G—Grasty Branc  
G—Leopard Cook  
Waynesville subs: Taylor, Sparks, Pickery, Creaman, Green, Canton subs: Ford, Bentley.  
Halftime: Waynesville 31, Canton 20.

**BOYS**

Waynesville (60) Lake Lure (30)  
F—Davis (11) J. Wilson (2)  
F—Linder (5) Mills  
C—Sutton (18) Carricker (6)  
G—Boyd (17) W. Wilson (3)  
G—Jenkins (3) Moffitt (3)  
Waynesville subs: Carswell, Buchanan 3, Atkinson 2, Jones 1, Fugate, Lake Lure subs: W. Flynn, T. Flynn 2, R. Wilson 2, C. Wilson, B. Wilson 1.  
Halftime: Waynesville 25, Lake Lure 10.

## Ward's Gains In Bowling Loop Race

Ward's Esso and A. C. Lawrence won their Haywood County League bowling matches last Tuesday night by narrow 2-1 margins.

Ward's defeated league-leading Waynesville Bowling Center, and Lawrence downed Life Insurance Company of Virginia.

Dr. Hinkley of Life Insurance won high game honors with a brilliant 219 pins, His consistent work in the last few matches is giving the individual leaders a run for their money.

Dr. Stretcher's 208 was second best for the evening, while J. Caldwell's 577 took the honors in the individual series and was the major factor in the defeat of the league leaders.

Spider Medford of Ward's Esso turned in a 514 for second high series, while Dr. Hinkley's 508 was good for third place.

Ward's won the team high series with 7,275, and the team high single game with 961.

Life Insurance Company was second in team high single game with 921.

The standings:

Team	W	L	Pct.
WBC	13	8	619
Ward's Esso	12	9	571
A. C. Lawrence	10	11	476
Life Ins. Co. of Va.	7	14	333

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Player	Points
Spider Medford	166
Stretcher	165
F. Caldwell	163
E. Dudley	162
E. Gribble	157
M. Rose	157
J. Higgins	155
B. Cochrane	155
R. Fultz	154
O. Yount	154
S. Casswell	153
N. Pressley	153
Hinkley	152

A Twentieth Century Fund study says that experts believe American farm plants could be expanded by one-third, if necessary, and farm production by 50 per cent.

## Underwood Cagers Win 2 In County League Play

Underwood's cagers of Waynesville rolled over Candler and Dayton on successive nights last week to stay undefeated in the second-half play of the Haywood County Basketball League.

On Thursday night, Paul Rogers connected for 38 points as he led the Waynesville boys to an easy 78-18 victory over Candler.

The Underwoods had considerably more trouble the following night, however. They had to come from behind in the last three minutes to win, 41-33.

In the Candler game, the Underwoods poured 22 points through the hoop while holding the losers scoreless in the first quarter to take a commanding lead they never lost.

Center Max Rogers connected for 20 points to take runnerup honors to Paul in the scoring parade.

The Friday night contest was anybody's ball game until the second period when Dayton connected for eight straight points to fashion an 11-point lead halfway through the period.

By half time, the Underwoods had whittled only three points off the deficit, with Dayton still leading, 25-18.

The Underwoods worked up to within three points by the end of the third frame, trailing 30-27 as the final period started.

From there on out, it was all Underwoods. The Waynesville cagers opened a scoring barrage that gave them the lead three minutes before the end and had them winning going away.

Paul Rogers and Max Rogers paced the winners' scoring with 13 and 10 points respectively, while Kirkpatrick's eight was tops for Dayton.

The lineups:

**Underwood's (70)** Candler (16)  
F—P. Rogers (28) Wilson (4)  
F—Troutman (16) Smathers (2)  
C—M. Rogers (20) Long (8)  
G—Gardner (2) Jones  
G—Yount (2) H. Wilson (2)  
Underwood's sub: Kanos 20.

**Underwood's (41)** Dayton (33)  
F—P. Rogers (13) C. Beck (4)  
F—Troutman (9) Davis (1)  
C—M. Rogers (10) Kirkpatrick (8)  
G—Gardner (9) Messer (6)  
G—Yount (2) Arrington (6)  
Underwood's subs: Kanos, Platt, Dayton subs: Wyatt 4, W. Beck 4.

## Wellco 2 Keeps Lead In Bowling

The Wellco No. 2 team continued to hold first place by winning three games from the second place independent team. The Southern Bell team won two out of three games from the Wellco No. 1 team.

Grace Rogers of Wellco No. 2 had the high single game with 159 pins. Geraldine Parris (Ind.) turned in a 156 game. Geraldine Parris had high series with games of 135-156-153 for a total of 444 pins. Grace Rogers had second high series with games of 159-125-141 for a total of 425 pins.

Wellco No. 2 set a high team series with games of 726-728-747 for a total of 2201, 31 pins higher than their previous record made last week. The Independents with games of 716-720-741 for 2177 pins rolled the 2nd high series of the year, even though they lost three close games to the Wellco No. 2 team.

**Standings**

Team	W	L	Pct.
Wellco No. 2	26	10	.722
Independents	22	14	.611
Southern Bell	16	20	.444
Wellco No. 1	8	23	.222

Schedule, Monday, Feb. 27th  
Independents vs. Wellco No. 1  
Southern Bell vs. Wellco No. 2

## Committees Named For Saunook Program

Saunook residents heard a discussion of the American Red Cross campaign which opens Wednesday and the work of the organization, and rounded out the lineups of their special committees for the Community Development Program at a session last week.

O. L. Yates, campaign chairman for the Waynesville area Red Cross chapter told the audience of the work of the organization in Haywood County.

Afterward, a committee was appointed by the Rev. N. L. Stephens, the chairman, to aid with the campaign in the Saunook community.

Comprising this committee are Bernice Smathers, chairman; Juanita Hill, and Alden McCracken. The special committee set up to work in the Community Development Program are as follows:

Recreation—Clifton Shook, chairman; Mrs. Clifton Shook, Mr. and Mrs. Carl McCracken, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smathers, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hill, Jr., Viola Mae Taylor, Juanita Hill, Doris Queen, Autheline Mehaffey, Alden McCracken, and Bill Corbin.

Community Improvement—Claude Hill, chairman; Carl McCracken, Jr., and Frank Mann.

The other committees will be chosen at the next regular meeting which will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

A special program will be held March 13 at the Saunook School featuring the showing of films on community improvement.

## Saunook, West Pigeon Cagers Break Even

West Pigeon and Saunook Community Development cagers divided a twin bill last Monday night at the Bethel School gym.

The West Pigeon girls, paced by Mrs. Wyatt's 32-point performance, won the preliminary, 49-32. Edith McCracken led the losers with 18.

But the Saunook boys, with Jimmy Hooper connecting for 27 points, took the nightcap, 44-42.

Center Ted Owens was high for West Pigeon's lads with 12 points.

The lineups:

**GIRLS**

Saunook (32) West Pigeon (49)  
F—McCracken (18) Wyatt (32)  
F—Phillips Owen (12)  
F—Clark (14) Peek (4)  
G—Smathers Gibson  
G—D. Phillips Rigdon  
G—Hooper Shepard  
Saunook subs: Mehaffey, Queen, W. Pigeon sub: McCracken.

**BOYS**

Saunook (44) W. Pigeon (42)  
F—Shook (4) H. Owens (9)  
F—J. Hooper (27) Sayles (7)  
C—A. McCracken (6) T. Owens (12)  
G—Smathers (7) Rickman  
G—Hall Mull  
Saunook subs: Rhinehart, M. Hooper, W. Pigeon subs: Rigdon, O. Rigdon 6, Gibson, Welch 6, Dietz 2.

## Winter's Best Deal Made By Reds Says Pile

By FRANK ECK  
AP Newsfeatures Sports Editor

NEW YORK—The Cincinnati Reds made the best deal of the winter. Authority for that statement is Frankie Frisch, former member of the Gas House gang now managing the Chicago Cubs.

"The Reds got two good ball-players for one," said Frisch just before he quit his off-season life in New Rochelle for the Cubs' preliminary training base at Catalina Island.

"They got Ron Northey and Lou Klein for Harry Walker. They got two regulars for one."

Of course the Cubs didn't do too badly in the winter market, either, Frisch was reminded. They picked up a grumbling Bill Voiselle from the Boston Braves for Gene Mauch, at best a reserve infielder, and they bought Johnny Vander Meer from the Reds.

Voiselle may not be one of the ten best pitchers in the National League but when he's right he is almost unbeatable. Voiselle finished only five of his 22 starts last season but four of them were shutouts. He was the only pitcher to blank Brooklyn twice. His season record, however, was a mediocre 7 wins and 8 defeats.

"I know all about Voiselle," says Frisch. "I remember him from the Polo Grounds. I think I know how to handle him."

Frisch was a play-by-play radio announcer here when Voiselle pitched for the Giants in 1947.

Jimmy Gallagher, Chicago's general manager, was asked how the Voiselle for Mauch deal was made. Was it a straight deal?

"It never is a straight player deal when the Cubs are involved," replied Gallagher. "The other teams always want our cash."



LOU KLEIN



RON NORTHEY

## Francis Cove, Iron Duff Win CDP Cage Tests

By MRS. BILL HOLLINGSWORTH  
(Mountaineer Correspondent)

Iron Duff's Community Development basketball teams won both ends of a doubleheader Friday night from the Francis Cove teams.

But the Francis Cove girls came through with a victory over the Ratcliffe Cove girls.

A large crowd of fans watched the games and expressed admiration for the spirit of sportsmanship the players exhibited.

## Two Bisons With A's

By MRS. BILL HOLLINGSWORTH  
(Mountaineer Correspondent)

BUFFALO, N. Y. (AP)—Bob Hooper and Gene Markland, two members of the Buffalo Bisons, 1949 International League pennant winners, are getting trials with the Athletics this spring.

Hooper won 19 games and lost three to top the league while Markland, who can play second or third, batted .305. Markland had a trial with the Chicago White Sox last spring.

## Brother Act

CINCINNATI (AP)—Cincinnati infielder Bobby Adams rapped out six consecutive hits in one game while playing for Columbia, S. C., in the Sally League in 1941, and by an amazing coincidence, his brother Dick performed the



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