

Down The SPORTS TRAIL

Annual Football Classic In Haywood

The eve of the annual football classic in Haywood, which brings Waynesville and Canton football teams together, finds fans tense and just as excited as ever. This is one sports event that over-shadows all others—world series, big college games, fishing and hunting, come almost to a standstill as Haywood is concerned when Waynesville and Canton play each other in football.

With an even break in the weather, the Canton stadium has been bulging at the seams Friday night, with anxious and cheering fans. All this week, wherever sports fans happened to be, the main topic was the first of the 1953 two-series games set for Friday night. Predictions were free for the ask with the vast majority passing them out with a professional "winner picking" attitude.

The first game of the series between the two teams is highly speculative, and even more so this year, because the two teams have not to date met the same opponents.

Both teams have perfect 1953 records. Canton has played three times, and Waynesville only twice. The third Waynesville game being cancelled because of ankle-deep mud on the playing field.

Waynesville's goal line has been crossed just once, while Canton's three opponents have pushed across one touchdown each.

A study of the 1953 records of both teams, shows that Waynesville has done the majority of their scoring in the last half while Canton rolled up the most of their points in the first half of their games. This might be of secondary importance, but it does reveal to some degree the fact that Canton tends to get their scoring done early, while the Mountaineers are conservative and cautious.

The 1953 records show that in two games Waynesville completed 16 passes, and completed eight, for a 50 per cent average. The Black Bears have thrown 19 passes in three games, with 13 completed, for an average of 61 per cent.

In the first downs department, Canton has rolled up 45 first three downs, against Waynesville's 17 in two games. Here, once again, with the two teams not meeting the opponents, it is hard to make such a comparison meaning relative to the Friday contest.

When it comes to rushing, the Mountaineers have traveled 19 yards on the ground in two games for an average of 9.5 yards per game. The Black Bears have to their credit 19 yards in three games for an average of 193 2/3 yards per game. But included in that was the high mark registered in the Sand Hill game, which also accounted for many of the touchdowns.

Waynesville's punts have averaged a yard and a half per kick, while Canton's have averaged 33 1/2 yards against 32 per kick.

As for penalties, both teams have suffered an even 80 penalties for the season.

Canton has missed making the extra points on nine occasions this year, and Waynesville three. And there hangs the tale of last year's first game, when the Black Bears defeated Waynesville by a 7-6 score.

Carpenter will be the best passer the Mountaineers have up against this year. And by the same token, the Waynesville line will be the fastest charging group that Carpenters has had rush him this season.

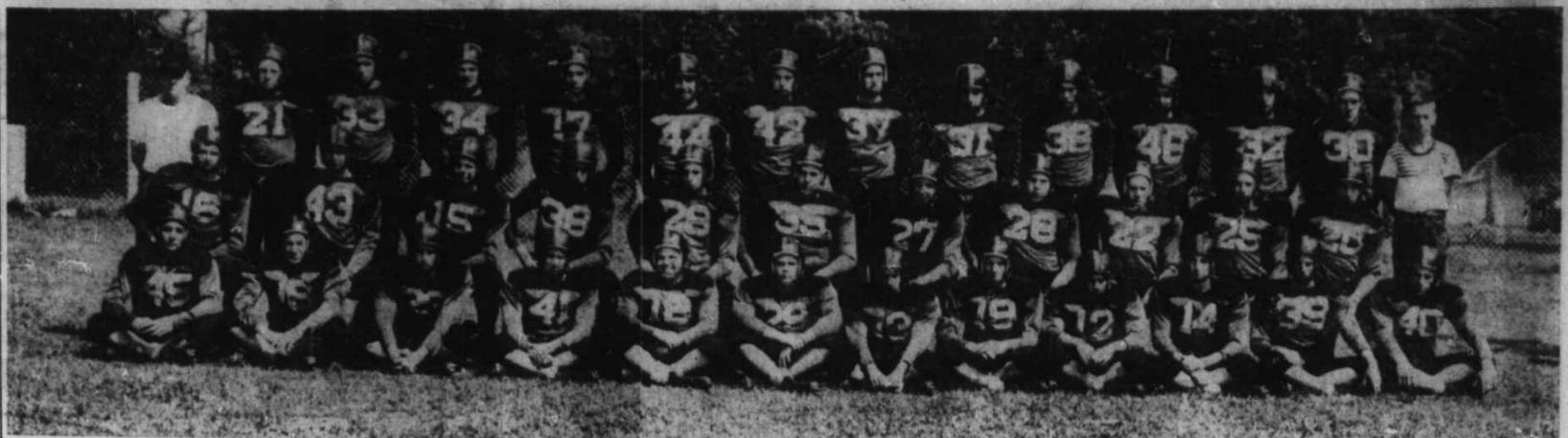
The Black Bear ends are quick on the take-off, and are at holding the ball once they get their hands on it, but Waynesville's backs have been strong in the art of breaking through the line.

Based on the 1952 and 1953 record, the Mountaineer will likely go into the Friday game as the underdogs, but we are confident that under rates their ability to produce in a pinch.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

(Predictions for Games of Saturday, Oct. 3)
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EAST		
BRIGHAM over LAFAYETTE	Won 28-6 last fall	
OHIO STATE over OHIO U.	Cantab opener	
POLY CROSS over COLGATE	13-7 last time	
DUKE over DARTMOUTH	Off Wm. & Mary game	
LAHOMA over PITT	49-20 in 1952	
PENN STATE over PENN STATE	Leads series, 24-13-1	
UNC over COLUMBIA	14-0 last fall	
WISCONSIN over CORNELL	Looms as toss-up	
YALE over YALE	Won only meeting	
YALE over BROWN	28-0 last season	
MID-WEST		
ILLINOIS over STANFORD	Won other meeting	
INDIANA over WASHINGTON STATE	Figures best	
MICHIGAN over TULANE	Won other meeting	
MINNESOTA over MINNESOTA	Won previous meeting	
NEBRASKA to halt KANSAS STATE	27-14 last season	
OREGON over ARIZONA	Could be close	
OREGON over PURDUE	26-14 last fall	
TEXAS A&M over TEXAS TECH	Out to even series	
UTAH over BRADLEY	13-0 last year	
UTAH over CINCINNATI	Won only meeting	
WISCONSIN over MARQUETTE	43-19 last fall	
SOUTH		
ALABAMA to take VANDERBILT	Leads series, 15-14-1	
FLORIDA over TENNESSEE	Beat Vols 7-0 last year	
FLORIDA to conquer KENTUCKY	27-0 last season	
GORGIA TECH over SMU	20-7 last fall	
MISSISSIPPI to beat BOSTON COLLEGE	Won previous meeting	
MISSISSIPPI to beat AUBURN	28-0 last season	
MISSISSIPPI STATE over NORTH TEXAS STATE	14-0 last year	
NORTH CAROLINA over WASHINGTON & LEE	Leads series, 4-3-2	
NORTH CAROLINA to edge VIRGINIA	21-14 last year	
FLORIDA to conquer WAKE FOREST	20-0 last fall	
WEST VIRGINIA over WAYNESBURG	49-12 last time	
SOUTHWEST		
GORGIA over TEXAS AGGIES	First meeting	
TEXAS to trim HOUSTON	On record alone	
TEXAS CHRISTIAN over ARKANSAS	13-7 last year	
ROCKY MOUNTAINS		
UTAH to trim NEW MEXICO AGGIES	62-12 last year	
FAR WEST		
CALIFORNIA to nip OHIO STATE	Home field a factor	
WASHINGTON to halt OREGON STATE	38-13 last fall	
Washington-Oregon State to be televised nationally by NBC, 4:45 P.M.		



THE CANTON BLACK BEARS will meet the Mountaineers of Waynesville Friday night in the Canton stadium for the first of a two-game series this season. The second game, and Blue Ridge Conference game, will be played in Waynesville on Thanksgiving. Front row, left to right: Dean Matthews (45) back; Bruce L. Smathers, (16) end; Dale Childers, (23) end; Charles Rector (41) center; Ralph Worley, (18) guard; Bruce Corzine, (29) guard; Doyce Cannon, (13) back; George Hughes, (19) back; Jack Worley, (12) back; Bobby Owen, (14) back; DeWayne Miller, (39) back, and Mitchell Early, (40) back. Second row: Charles Rector, (16) center; Sonny Warren, (43) tackle; Frank McCracken, (15) center; David Miller, (38) back; John Massey, (28) guard; Carrol Sheppard, (35) tackle; Bruce Smathers, (27) center; Hugh Powell, (26) back; Skeeter Curtis, (22) back; Bruce Stamey, (25) end; Weaver

Hipps, (20) back. Third row: James Hemphill, manager; Robert Wilson, (21) back; Neil Cody, (33) tackle; Bill Cody, (34) guard; Charles Carpenter, (17) back; Donald Boone, (44) back; Jimmy Duckett, (42) tackle; Charles Bolen, (37) end; Wiley Carpenter, (31) end; Gerald Milner, (36) end; Bill Bryant, (46) back; Charles Wilson, (32) end; Charles Roper, (30) tackle, and Eugene Vanhook, manager. (Photo by Teague and Hawkins, Canton).

Stage Set For Haywood Annual Grid Classic

Waynesville-Canton To Meet At 8

KICKOFF TIME 8 P. M.

In just a short time from now Waynesville Mountaineers will come up with an answer to the question troubling the minds of all fans of the Gold and Black: Can Waynesville stop Charlie Carpenter?

Last year "Chuckin' Charlie" proved too tough to handle, and the Mountaineers lost both tilts to their county rivals. Again this year, Mr. Carpenter is the big "it" in Waynesville's plans for a successful season. Expectations are that Coach C. E. Weatherby's highlanders can conquer

2 BACKS INJURED

The Mountaineers' attack against Canton will be hampered considerably by injuries to Co-Captain Tom Cogdill and Bill Grahl, both backfield men who usually see a lot of service. According to Assistant Coach Jaynes, Cogdill and Grahl will see only limited action in Waynesville's important clash with the Black Bears at Canton tomorrow night.

Canton if they can put the brakes on Carpenter, but that's about as easy to do as trying to reason with a Smoky Mountain wild boar.

Friday night's clash at Canton will mark the 48th meeting between the two strong Haywood opponents—a rivalry which began Nov. 18, 1922. Since that time, Waynesville has won 26, and Canton 19. In the matter of points, the Mountaineers have tallied 621 to Canton's 456.

The highest score ever made by Waynesville was 34 points in 1941. Canton's highest total—33—was posted in 1945.

Last season Canton had won only one game and lost two when they surprised a favored Waynesville team 7-6 in their first meeting. The Black Bears, again paced by Carpenter, came back Thanksgiving Day to win by 13 to 7.

This year, Canton is generally favored, so it'll be the Mountaineers who have the opportunity to spring a surprise.

Both teams are undefeated, but Canton has met tougher opponents than have the Gold and Black. The Bears have downed Asheville 19-6, Sand Hill 44-6, and Brevard 33-7. The Mountaineers have beaten Sylva 27-7 and Bethel 26-0. Last week's scheduled game with Murphy there was drowned out.

Despite Carpenter's all-round excellence, Canton is still not a one-man team; the Bears have several other backs who would look good in anyone's lineup. Beefy Hugh Powell packs a lot of weight in his line plunges, and Skeeter Curtis moves faster than a sailor on shore leave.

While the two grid aggregations are settling their family feud over the chalk stripes, the marching bands of Waynesville and Canton will stage another of their interesting musical duels at halftime. No matter who emerges on top.

FRIDAY NIGHT

TELESPORTS DIGEST
WBTV 8:30

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MEN'S LEAGUE

Pet Dairy bowlers continue to set the pace in the Haywood County Bowling League this week as the result of a 3-0 win over the WBC team. Charlie's Place moved into second place with a 3-0 victory over the Biltmore Dairy five and the National Guard team dropped Welco Shoe 3-0 to take over third place standings.

Bill Cochran, of Pet, rolled a 245 game, only nine pins short of the all time record to increase his league leading average to 192. Weldon Goolsby, of Biltmore, had a 545 series to push his average to 179.3.

Cochran also took high series honors with a 595 set.

Team High Series	
National Guard	974
Pet Dairy	965
Pet Dairy	958

Team Standings	
Pet Dairy	8 1 389
Charlie's Place	6 3 367
National Guard	5 4 356
WBC	4 5 344
Biltmore Dairy	3 6 333
Welco Shoe Co.	1 8 111

Top Ten Averages for Season	
B. Cochran (Pet)	192
W. Goolsby (Biltmore)	179.3
E. Gribble (Pet)	175.4
B. Rector (Charlie's)	172.3
W. Medford (Pet)	166.5
P. Clark (Pet)	166.4
J. Caldwell (Charlie's)	165.6
W. Deitz (Charlie's)	165.1
S. Carswell (Nat'l Guard)	164.4
R. Stretcher (WBC)	161.6

WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Sims kept their top position in the Women's Bowling League, although by the narrow margin of one game over Welco.

In the play Tuesday Welco blanked Reliable 3 to 0, while Sims gave Dayton the same type treatment. Howell Motor took 2 as Champion Y was getting 1.

High Team Game	
Sims	838
Welco	764

High Team Series	
Sims	803 838 786—2427
Welco	764 747 722—2233

High Individual Game	
Ila Jean Yount (Sims)	178
Fern Messer (Sims)	169

High Individual Series	
Yount (Sims)	130 178 150—458
Messer (Sims)	169 138 151—458
M. Killian (W'co)	151 151 145—447

TEAM STANDINGS	
Sims	10 2
Wellen	9 3
Howell Motor	5 7
Reliable Jewelers	4 5
Champion Y	3 9
Dayton Rubber	2 7

Schedule For October 6
Champion Y vs Dayton.
Sims vs Reliable Jewelers.
Welco vs Howell Motor.

Friday night's game should bolster the claims of local fans who'll argue with any "furriners" who might doubt that Haywood County is the "Bowling Capital of Western Carolina."

St. John's Now Holding Cage Practice

St. John's High School basketball team, coached by Frank Shaw, former member of the Cuban cage squad in the Pan-American Olympic games at El Salvador, is now holding practice sessions in preparation for the winter hardwood campaign.

Expected to see a lot of service this season are holdovers Ronnie Arch, Tommie Edge, David Jeter, David Green, and John David Arch. Newcomers are John Gurdin, Wilbur Duncan and Joe Kuykendall.

On the girls' quintet will be Margaret Kingsland, Phyllis Ann Mease, Nancy Morrow, Sofia Szerenga, Pat Reeves, and Betty Sutton.

St. John's first game will be a practice session against Warren Wilson College in Asheville. The date has not been set.

Coach Shaw, an employee of the Welco Shoe Corp., has been in Waynesville since last February.

Monthly Singing Sunday

At Red Bank Baptist

The Red Bank Baptist Church will hold its monthly Singing Sunday, October 4, at 7 p.m. Ray Parker is in charge, and several unusual quartets are expected. Everyone is invited to come and take part.

Coaches, School Officials To Hear State Athletic Secretary Explain Program

A large group of Western Carolina sports and school officials are scheduled to attend a conference at Sand Hill school Monday night.

L. J. Perry, executive secretary of the N. C. High School Athletic Association, is slated to give the coaches and school officials information as to the state-wide tournament and other phases of the State program. There have been charges by members of the Blue Ridge Conference that this area has not been getting sufficient information.

Accompanying Mr. Perry to the meeting will be C. B. Ross, state president, of Fayetteville.

C. C. Poindexter, secretary of the Conference, said letters of invitation to attend the conference had been sent to all schools, the superintendents and coaches, as well as others to attend. Besides the Blue Ridge Conference members, there has been an invitation issued to the Smoky Mountain Conference, Toe River Conference, Buncombe County Conference to attend.

Don Hipps, of Canton, is president of the Blue Ridge group.

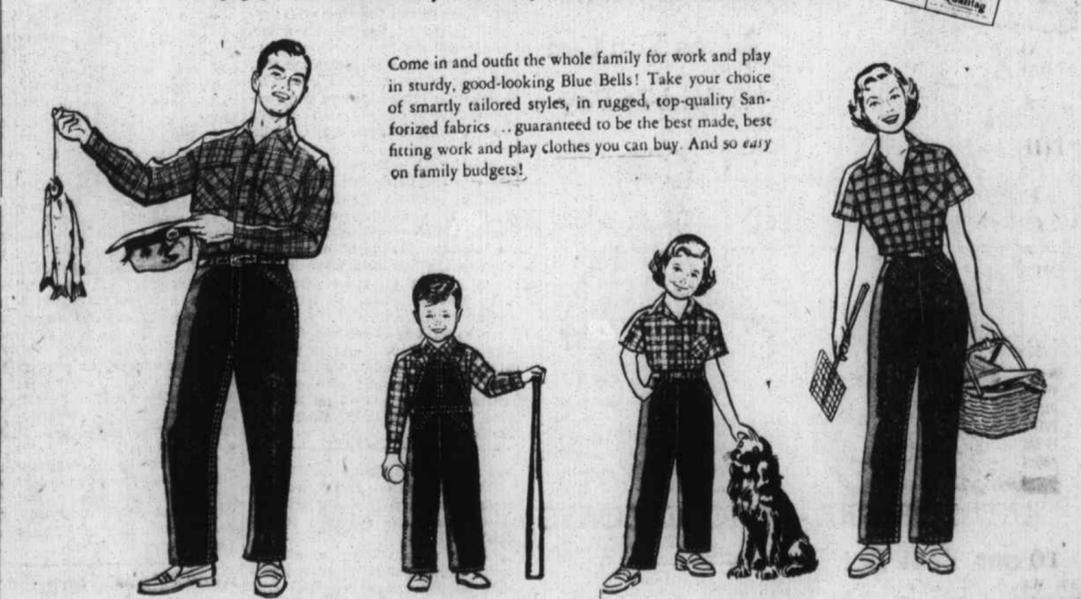
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