

Mountaineers Drop Two Basketball Games To Hilltoppers At Spindale

Kings Mountain's first invasion of Rutherford County was thrown back last Friday night as Rutherfordford, Spindale high school's Hilltoppers captured a South Group Western AA Conference twin bill at Spindale. It was the first action for the Mountaineers since the holidays.

In the opener, the Rutherfordford lassies got off to a fast start and dumped Kings Mountain 42 to 33.

The winners "froze out" a close contest in the afterpiece, as Kings Mountain's quilt pressed into too many fouls in the last few minutes trying to make up a four-point deficit. The final count was 49-39.

Nora Jane Deese and Butchie Houser paced the Kings Mountain sextet with 13 points each. Sheila Mayberry and Esther Kirby had 12 each for the winners, who were held down in the scoring column by Kings Mountain's alert guards. The Rutherfordford Spindale boys put the clamp on Kings Mountain's Milton Hope and managed to shake their three big boys loose for enough points for the win. Hope got 9 points, as did Richard George and Ollie Harris topped the effort with 14 markers. Doug Padgett shook the nets for 18 points, Rollins got 14 and

E. J. Huffstickler 12.

The winners took a four-point lead at the end of the first period, 11-7, and didn't slip much, 22-19, by halftime. Kings Mountain out-scored the Hilltoppers 14-13 in the third canto to trail by only two points at the start of the final chapter.

It was the first meeting of the two schools on the hardwood this season.

The box scores:

GIRLS

Kings Mountain (33)	Spindale (42)
Plyer, F. 2	Sheila Mayberry, S. 5
Nancy Bishop, F. 2	Martha Padgett, F. 3
Nora Jane Deese, F. 4	Esther Kirby, F. 3
Sara Barrett, F. 1	Ruth Spindale, F. 6
Butchie Houser, F. 5	Judith Decker, F. 0
Derice Weir, F. 0	Sheila Lytle, F. 0
Rachael Jolly, F. 0	Jalie Budgins, F. 0
Gwendolyn Pearson, F. 0	Sara Hodge, F. 0
Jane Ormand, G. 0	Jane Martin, F. 0
Pat Freeman, G. 0	Francis Houser, G. 0
Mary Owens, G. 1	Ronnie McGinnis, G. 0
Jackie Annette, G. 2	Pat Spawn, G. 0
Cook, G. 0	Sparks, G. 0
TOTALS 19 4 48 19 5	

SCORE BY PERIODS:
KINGS MTH. 8 10 9 8-35
RUTH-SPINDALE 10 15 9 8-42

OFFICIALS: Pat Owens, scorer; Danny Wall, timer.

BOYS

Kings Mountain (39)	Spindale (48)
Plyer, F. 2	E. J. Huffstickler, F. 5
Ronnie Layton, F. 1	Wade Byrd, F. 0
Milton Hope, F. 1	Carpenter, F. 0
Ollie Harris, G. 5	Doug Padgett, C. 7
Don McCarter, G. 2	Rollins, F. 0
Richard George, G. 4	Deane, G. 1
TOTALS 18 7 28 9 7	

SCORE BY PERIODS:
KINGS MTH. 7 12 14 6-39
RUTH-SPINDALE 11 11 13 14-48

OFFICIALS: Camp, referee; Knapp, umpire; Buddy Murray, scorer; Danny Wall, timer.

FORTUNE TELLER

ORIENT

2 3 4 5 6 7

YOU can have fun figuring out your message from the Orient by use of this pleasant little letter puzzle. If the number of letters in your first name is 5 or less, subtract from 7. If more than 5 letters in your first name, subtract from 11. Now take this result and find your key letter in the word ORIENT at the top of this puzzle. Then, starting at the upper left corner, check each one of your large key letters as it appears from left to right. Below the key letters is a code message for you.

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I have already received a number of new seed catalogs for 1954 and they are better than ever—beautifully illustrated, and containing many new varieties of flowers and vegetables. If you haven't received yours, address a post card to your favorite seed house, or send for several different ones so that you can compare their specialties.

Each company has certain specialties and novelties which it emphasizes and recommends to its customers, as well as the standard varieties. This is especially true of hybrid varieties. A few seed companies produce new hybrid varieties which are offered for sale only by themselves. There are many hybrid varieties of vegetables being introduced by seedsmen—especially of tomatoes, cucumbers, and sweet corn. Some of these are distinct improvements over standard varieties; some are not as good. The way to find out if they suit your needs is to try them out.

The seed of hybrid varieties are usually more expensive than standard sorts because of the labor involved in hand pollination. The home gardener should try out small plantings of these new varieties and hybrids because he takes very little financial risk and at the same time he may be well pleased with the results. He should, however, continue to plant the old proven varieties until he has given the new ones a fair trial.

Every gardener should take an interest in the "All-America" vegetable and flower variety selections of the last few years. These have been tested in several different locations in the country and can be generally recommended. Good examples are Wade snap beans, Salad Bowl leaf lettuce, Premier Great Lakes head lettuce, America spinach, Cherry Belle radish, and many others.

Next week's column will include a list of recommended vegetable and flower varieties.

Girl Scout News

Brownie Troop 1 met at Central Methodist church. The meeting was called to order and dues were collected.

The refreshment committee served refreshments. Then we read and acted out the Brownie story. Then we went out to play. When we came in we sang the good bye song.

Reporter, Cary Shore

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COURT OF HONOR
Regular Boy Scout Court of Honor for Kings Mountain district Boy Scouts will be held at City Hall courtroom Thursday, tonight, at 7:30, according to announcement from Piedmont council headquarters.

MARCH OF DIMES
January 2 to 31

Join the **MARCH OF DIMES** IT WILL TAKE MORE IN '54!

YOU'LL FIND IT IN THE HERALD WANT ADS

More IRON LUNGS
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<p>Nearly 8.2 million tons of the major deciduous fruits of the United States were produced in 1953—some 5 per cent less than in 1952.</p>	<p>United States farmers harvested more than 340 million acres in 1953, less than during 1952, or any of the seven years from 1949.</p>	<p>The average yield of lespedeza seed in North Carolina is estimated at 180 pounds per acre, compared with the national average of 150 pounds.</p>
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Despite droughts and high winds United States farmers produced the country's third highest crop yields during 1953.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION HOME BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION

of Kings Mountain, N. C., as of December 31st, 1953
(COPY OF SWORN STATEMENT SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE AS REQUIRED BY LAW.)

ASSETS

Cash on Hand and in Banks	\$ 101,719.88
State of North Carolina and U. S. Government Bonds	\$ 82,400.00
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank	\$ 21,000.00
Mortgage Loans	\$1,257,097.59
Money loaned to members for the purpose of enabling them to own their homes. Each loan secured by first mortgage on local improved real estate.	
Share Loans	\$ 10,910.00
Advances made to our shareholders against their shares. No loan exceeds 90% of amount actually paid in.	
Advances for Insurance, Taxes, Etc.	\$ 3,668.91
Office Furniture and Fixtures	\$ 14,126.69
Office Building	\$
Real Estate Owned	\$
Real Estate Sold Under Contract	\$
Other Assets	\$
TOTAL	\$1,490,923.07

LIABILITIES

THE ASSOCIATION OWES:

To Shareholders

Funds entrusted to our care in the form of payments on shares as follows:	
Installment Shares	\$ 31,914.75
Full-Paid Shares	\$755,600.00
Prepaid Shares	\$
Optional Shares	\$582,406.46
Other Shares	\$
Notes Payable, Federal Home Loan Bank	\$1,369,921.21
Notes, Payable, Other	\$ None
Money borrowed for use in making loans to members, or retiring matured shares. Each note approved by at least two-thirds of entire Board of Directors as required by law.	
Accounts Payable	\$
Loans in Process	\$
Undivided Profits	\$ 3,300.00
Earnings held in trust for distribution to share-holders at maturity of their shares.	
Federal Insurance Reserve (If Insured)	\$ 7,157.53
Reserve for Contingencies	\$ 110,308.42
To be used for the payment of any losses, if sustained. This reserve increases the safety and strength of the Association.	
Other Liabilities	\$ 235.91
TOTAL	\$1,490,923.07

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CLEVELAND

SS:
A. H. Patterson, Secretary-Treasurer of the above named Association personally appeared before me this day, and being duly sworn, says that the foregoing statement is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.
A. H. PATTERSON, Secretary-Treasurer.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th day of January, 1954.
Mildred M. Whetstone, Notary Public.
My Com. Exp. 4/16/55.

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