

Cagers Cop Pair From Forest City

Girls Win First Start By 46-43; Boys Win 39-17

Kings Mountain high's cagers got off to a good start in South Group, Western AA Conference play last Thursday night at Central gymnasium as the girls and boys varsity clubs posted wins over Forest City.

The games completed play for the two teams prior to the holidays, with action scheduled to be resumed on January 7, 1955 at Cherryville.

Coach Elizabeth Collette's sextet, playing its first game of the season, looked sharp in the closely-played opener, coming from behind at the end of the first quarter and staying ahead to edge the visiting lassies 46-43.

Coach Don Parker's quint, playing without the services of Forward George Harris, leading letterman back from last season, who underwent an appendectomy on December 15, overcame a ragged first half with a torrid third quarter effort to win going away by 39-17.

Nancy Bishop paced the scoring for Kings Mountain's girls with 19 points, with Hazel Nance hitting 13 and Fern Barrett get-

ting 12. The winners were trailing by one point (10-11) at the end of the first chapter but with Bishop hitting 9 points pulled ahead in the second period to lead by 23-23 at the half.

The two clubs matched points in the third quarter and, with Barrett hitting three goals to pace the effort, stayed ahead in the final canto to nall down the verdict.

Two players, Janice Alexander with 25 and Sara Melton with 18, did all the scoring for the losers. Coach Collette started Bishop, Nance and Barrett at the forward positions and Kay Henderson, Gwen Pearson and Shirley Ware at guard. Other forwards on the club are Doris Jean Sellers, Barbara Smith, Derice Weir, Jean Arthur, Butch Houser, Jerric Carter, Pratt Falls and Faye Robbs. Other guards are Rachael Jolly, letterman from last season, Annette Lawrence, Jackie Arnette, Glenda Spake, Judy Owens, Jackie Dixon and Mary Ann Beam.

The opening half of the boy's contest will probably go down as a low-scoring record for the season as the two clubs managed only 25 points, with Kings Mountain getting the jump to hold a 15-10 lead after the first two periods of play.

Coach Parker's quint held the visitors to two goals in the first half, one in each period, and connected with seven to gain the half-

time advantage.

The Mountaineers began to hit in the third canto and the defense remained potent as the losers finished points in the final two quarters. Forest City got only four field goals, one in each period, and added the remainder of its points via free throws.

Guard Jerry McCarter set the pace with set shots in the third quarter and Center Bobby Littlejohn and Guard Mearl Valentine added tip-ins as the Mountaineers pulled away with a 16-point production, which bettered their first half mark by one.

Littlejohn topped the scoring with 11 points, with McCarter and Forward Eddie Goforth getting 9 each and Valentine adding eight. Joe Greenlee topped the losers with seven.

The win was the first in loop play for the Mountaineers, who split in two practice games with Belmont Abbey high in the only other contests played this season.

Coach Parker started Jerry Ross and Goforth at the forward spots, Littlejohn at center and Valentine and McCarter at the guard positions. Other players seeing action were John McGinnis and Fred Falls, forwards, Ronnie Cole at center, and Earl Marlowe, Winfred White and Charles Yelton, guards. Other players on the roster are Harris, who may be out for the season, Forward Charles Bridges and Guard Bobby Wilson.

Thursday's boxes:

KINGS MOUNTAIN (46)				
Player	Pos.	G	FG	FT
Hazel Nance	f	6	13	2
Fern Barrett	f	6	12	1
Nancy Bishop	f	8	3	19
Kay Henderson	g	1	0	2
Gwen Pearson	g	0	0	0
Shirley Ware	g	0	0	2
Annette Lawrence	g	1	4	10
TOTALS		21	46	10

FOREST CITY (43)				
Player	Pos.	G	FG	FT
Sara Melton	f	5	2	18
Janice Alexander	f	12	3	25
Pat Throckmorton	f	0	0	0
Evelyn Davis	f	0	0	0
Cathy Boyce	f	0	0	0
Marilyn Tate	g	0	0	0
Barbara Watkins	g	0	0	2
Annie L. Davis	g	0	0	1
Jean Green	g	0	0	2
Virginia Hames	g	0	0	3
TOTALS		20	3	43

SCORE BY PERIODS:
Kings Mountain 10 15 10 11-46
Forest City 11 12 10 10-43

OFFICIALS: A. M. Tolano, referee; T. L. Warlick, umpire; Billie Mabry, scorer; Lewis Cole, timer.

BOYS
KINGS MOUNTAIN (39)
Player Pos. G FG FT
Jerry Ross f 0 0 0 1-4
Eddie Goforth f 3 3 9 1-4
John McGinnis f 0 0 0 0-0
Fred Falls f 1 0 2 0-0
Ronnie Cole c 5 1 11 2-2
Earl Marlowe g 4 0 8 1-1
Mearl Valentine g 4 0 8 1-1
Jerry McCarter g 4 0 9 5-11
Gard Marlowe g 0 0 0 0-0
Winfred White g 0 0 0 0-0
Charles Yelton g 0 0 0 0-0
TOTALS 17 5 29 10-7

FOREST CITY (17)
Henry Callahan f 0 0 0 0-0
Red Bowen f 0 0 0 0-0
Mickey Reep f 0 0 0 0-0
George Lancaster f 0 0 0 0-0
Steve Hardin c 0 0 2 1-0-0
Dillard Morrow c 0 0 0 0-0
Joe Greenlee g 0 0 0 0-0
Chester Huff g 0 0 0 0-0
Tommy Callison g 1 2 4 0-3
Tom Bradley g 0 0 0 0-0
TOTALS 4 2 17 7-7

SCORE BY PERIODS:
Kings Mountain 9 16 8-39
Forest City 4 6 5 2-17

OFFICIALS: Lewis Cole and Leonard Wright, scorers; Jerry Ledford, timer.



NEW LITHIUM PLANT FROM AIR—Air view of Lithium Corporation's Bessemer City, North Carolina plant showing crushing circuit (lower right) stockpile conveyor and kiln (right center) cooler, ore storage silos and roaster (lower right center). Processing plant is at the left.

Lithium's Bessemer City Plant Reported 80 Percent Complete

MINNEAPOLIS. — Construction of Lithium Corporation of America's Bessemer City, North Carolina plant is 80 per cent completed, according to Fremont F. Clarke, vice president and project production manager. Expected onstream in January, 1955, the chemical plant is proceeding on schedule.

Unique in the industry, the plant will process run-of-mine ore directly through the chemical plant, eliminating the hitherto necessary step of first concentrating the ore. Freight savings are also effected. The plant will treat the company's extensive deposits of spodumene ore reserves in the adjacent Kings Mountain area. "Capacity of the plant," Clarke stated, "is greatly in excess of our St. Louis Park, Minnesota plant."

Built to supply Lithium compounds to industry at large, the mine and plant will employ 150 people. Mining operations are ahead of schedule, and an 80,000 ton stockpile of raw ore, mined by the open cut method, is ready for processing. Equipment, all specially designed, includes a 250-foot roasting kiln with an 11-foot interior diameter. A completely equipped laboratory for analytical and chemical control is also being constructed.

Electricity will be used for all power units, while processing power will be tapped from the main line of the Transcontinental Gas Company, which bypasses the plant.

The \$7,000,000 expansion project was first announced last spring.

MOOSE MEETING
The regular meeting of Moose Lodge No. 1748 will be held Thursday night at 8:15 at the lodge on Bessemer City road.

In general, meats, dairy products and grain food products prices in North Carolina are below last year's.

DIANE 29 DRIVE IN THEATRE
FRI. - SAT. — 3 BIG HITS
Special Christmas Program
No. 1—CARTOON CARNIVAL
No. 2—"ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN"
with Jose Ferrer and Kim Hunter
No. 3—"THE NAKED JUNGLE"
with Charlton Heston and Eleanor Parker
SUN. - MON. - TUES.
BENJAMIN BRIGADE
with Rock Hudson, Arlene Dahl
WED. - THURS.
Naked Aibi
with Sterling Hayden, Gloria Grahame

DIXIE
The Family Theatre
Open 8:30 Daily—12:30 Sat.
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Check Special Holiday Opening Time Below
Merry Christmas
WED. - THURSDAY
OPEN 3 P. M.
Richard Carlson
Julia Adams
"CREATURE FROM BLACK LAGOON"
—ALSO—
Comedy — Cartoon
FRIDAY - SATURDAY
OPEN 1 P. M. FRIDAY
DOUBLE FEATURE
Roy Rogers
"MAN FROM OKLAHOMA"
—ALSO—
Bud Abbott
Lou Costello
"LOST IN ALASKA"
—PLUS—
Serial — Cartoon
MONDAY - TUESDAY
Doris Day
Howard Keel
"CALAMITY JANE"
—PLUS—
Comedy — Cartoon
WED. - THURSDAY
NEXT WEEK
Dean Martin
Jerry Lewis
"SCARED STIFF"

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WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY DECEMBER 22-23
DOUBLE FEATURE
"MISS ROBIN CRUSOE"
with Amanda Blake
"MIAMI STORY"
with Barry Sullivan
FRIDAY - SATURDAY DECEMBER 24-25
DOUBLE FEATURE — OPEN AT 11 O'CLOCK
"ARROW IN THE DUST"
with Sterling Hayden
"PARIS PLAYBOYS"
with Bowery Boys
MONDAY - TUESDAY DECEMBER 27-28
"THE GORILLA AT LARGE"
with Cameron Mitchell and Anne Bancroft
WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY DECEMBER 29-30
"TRIPOLI"
with John Payne and Maureen O'Hara

Effort Underway To Reorganize Baseball League

WAUSAU WISC. — John Moss, general manager of Wausau Sports Enterprises, left here Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in Kings Mountain.

While at home, Moss will meet with baseball officials to discuss the possibility of reorganizing the Western Carolina league, a move that will have support of National Minor League aides.

Moss, general manager of the Wausau "Musksies", professional football team, recently was appointed here as sales manager of L. H. Hall Motor Co.

Yule Holiday (Continued from front page)

Finance firms had previously announced a long weekend closing. First National Bank will close through Monday at the close of business Friday, while building and loan associations will close Friday at noon.

The Kings Mountain Herald will close at noon Wednesday and will re-open Monday morning.

Kings Mountain industry's holiday schedule shows Mauney Mills, Inc., Bonnie Cotton Mills, Consolidated Textiles, Inc., Superior Stone Company and Kerns Brothers suspending operations on Friday and Saturday and resuming work Monday morning.

Elmer Lumber Company will close Friday through Monday, resuming operations Tuesday morning.

Neisler Mills, Inc., Park Yarn Mills, Lambeth Rope Corporation, Craftsman Yarns, and Burlington Mills Phenix plant will suspend operations Thursday morning and resume work Monday morning.

Mauney Hosiery Company will close Friday morning and resume work Tuesday.

Sadie Cotton Mills will close Thursday morning and resume operations the morning of December 29.

Bennett Brick and Tile Company suspended production for annual cleaning and overhauling operations on December 14. However, majority of the company's employees have been busy with the overhauling job. Dorus Bennett reported. The firm will close for the holiday period Thursday and resume operations Monday.

work Tuesday, while Sadie Cotton Mills will close Thursday morning and resume operations the morning of December 29.

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Friday And Late Show Friday Night
Open 1:00 P. M. Friday
CINEMASCOPE
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Torn by Race Barriers, Tainted by Prejudice!
SPENCER TRACY
ROBERT WAGNER
JEAN PETERS
RICHARD WIDMARK
Broken Lance
with KATY JURADO - EDUARD FRANZ
SOL C. SIEGEL - EDWARD DMYTRYK - RICHARD MURPHY

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Open 2:30 Saturday

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with Edgar Buchanan - Wallace Ford - Mary Wickes - Alan Hale, Jr.
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Late News — Cartoon
Wednesday - Thursday — Next Week
They stand too long... they too much!
JAMES STEWART
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REAR WINDOW
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Merry Christmas
WEIR'S COAL
The board voted Miss Gussie Huffstetler a month's extension of permission to hire a substitute teacher and approved minutes of meetings of November 15 and 17.

Best Wishes
To our friends and neighbors... greetings and sincerest wishes for the happiest Christmas you ever enjoyed.
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