

Teeners Beat Tennessee 14-2 For Regional Title



Herald Sports

By GARY STEWART

Smith's The Little Man With Big Stick

You've heard the expression "the little man with the big stick." That's the way you would have to describe Mike Smith's batting in the three-game series with Greenville, Tenn., in the Area IV Teener Championships at Belmont - Abbey College last week.

The little second baseman for KM's Teener League all-star team batted a cool .600 against Tennessee with six hits in 10 times at bat. He also drove in four runs, scored five, had two stolen bases and committed only one error.

Unofficially, Mike batted 13 times against Tennessee. He collected six hits, walked three times, was safe on an error once, grounded out twice, and struck out once.

In the first game of the series Monday, Smith was 1-for-4. He grounded out, singled, was safe on an error and struck out. Tuesday, he was 2-for-2 with two hits and two walks and Friday he was 3-for-4 with three singles, a walk and a ground out.

Outfielder Eddie Black placed second in hitting against Greenville with a .571 average. Black sat out the first game but collected four hits in seven trips during the last two contests. He scored one run and batted in one.

Wayne Mullinax topped the team in runs batted in during the three-game set with five. Wayne came to bat officially only six times. He got three hits for a .500 batting mark, scored three runs, had three stolen bases and made only one error.

Outfielder Glenn Perkins had a 1.000 batting mark, however, he didn't see action in the last two games. In the first game, which Greenville won 5-4, Perkins had a double and a run scored in one official time at bat.

Catcher Clarence Ash led the team in extra base hits with two doubles. He had a 4-for-10 performance against Tennessee for a .400 batting average. Ash scored three runs, made two errors and had four runs batted in.

Outfielder Joe Cornwell, who made a couple of spectacular catches against the Tennessee lads, was the leader in runs scored with nine. Although he collected only one hit during the series, he got on base nearly every time he came to bat.

Whetstine, Goforth Outstanding For KM

Pitchers Darrell Whetstine and Rocky Goforth turned in outstanding mound performances. Whetstine, a lanky right-hander, limited the Tennessee lads to only two hits in seven innings while running his tournament won-loss record to 5-0.

Goforth, a southpaw, hurled a three-hitter in the final game Friday and gave up only five hits in the game Monday, but came out on the losing end of a 5-4 score.

Rocky pitched a total of 11 innings against Tennessee and fanned 10 batters. Both Goforth and Whetstine helped their own cause with timely singles.

Team-wise, the Teeners hit at a .346 clip with 27 hits in 78 times at bat. The Mounties scored 28 runs, made only nine errors and stole 11 bases.

The KM defense limited Greenville to just 10 hits and six runs.

Below is a list of the batting averages, compiled only of statistics during the Area IV series against Tennessee:

| Player | AB | R | H | E | 2B | SB | RBI | BA |
|-------------------|----|----|----|---|----|----|-----|-------|
| Glenn Perkins | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Mike Smith | 10 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | .600 |
| Eddie Black | 7 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .571 |
| Wayne Mullinax | 6 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 5 | .500 |
| Darrell Whetstine | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .500 |
| Clarence Ash | 10 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | .400 |
| Geeper Howard | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .400 |
| Gene Putnam | 11 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | .273 |
| Rocky Goforth | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .200 |
| Ken Mitchem | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .125 |
| Joe Cornwell | 9 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .111 |
| Larry Carroll | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Jack Bell | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Totals | 78 | 28 | 27 | 9 | 3 | 11 | 19 | .346 |

Teeners To Miss First Week Of Football

Kings Mountain high school football Coach Bill Bates will have six boys missing the first week of grid practice because of the Teener team going to Hershey, Pa., for the Teener National Championships.

Football practice is due to begin Monday morning. Physical examinations will be given Thursday afternoon at the KMHS gym and the team is scheduled to run the mile Friday afternoon at City Stadium.

The Mounties will swing into twice-a-day practice sessions Monday morning and will go that way for one full week before drills taper off to one per day.

Two Teeners — Wayne Mullinax and Joe Cornwell — are being counted on by Coach Bates to see a lot of action in the inexperienced backfield this year. The Mounties will have four returning lettermen in the backfield but only quarterbacks Tommy Finger and Tommy Goforth started on offense last season.

Mullinax was the leading scorer and ground gainer on the ninth grade team last year and will be one of the top halfback candidates, despite missing the first week of

Goforth Hurls, Smith Hits KM Past Greenville

By GARY STEWART

Kings Mountain's Teeners used a three-hitter by Rocky Goforth and a 12-hit batting attack to defeat Greenville, Tenn., 14-2 Friday and win a trip to Hershey, Pa., and the National Teener Championships.

The locals used a six-run second inning to take a big jump on the Tennessee lads and then cruised to their second straight run-away victory. KM beat Greenville 10-0 Tuesday after losing the first game on Monday, 5-4.

The 14-2 win over Greenville gave the local VFW all-stars the Area IV title as well as the North Carolina crown they won two weeks ago in Greenville, N. C.

Second-baseman Mike Smith continued his hot hitting with a 3-for-4 plate performance which led all hitters for the second straight game. Clarence Ash, Eddie Black and Geeper Howard added two hits each and Ken Mitchem and Wayne Mullinax each had two RBI's with timely singles.

Goforth worked five of the six innings and gave up only three singles, one earned run, walked three and struck out five. Darrell Whetstine relieved Goforth in the sixth and got the home team three-up, three-down. The game was called after six innings because of the 10-run rule.

Kings Mountain got a run in the first inning on singles by Smith and Mullinax and then unloaded for six runs in the second inning to take a quick 7-0 advantage.

Singles by Howard and Mitchem, a double by Ash, four consecutive walks and a sacrifice fly by Gene Putnam turned the trick in the second.

Greenville pushed across a run in the third on back-to-back singles by Jimmy Gillen and Phil Smith, a KM error and a fielder's choice.

The locals tallied three more runs in the fourth on singles by Smith and Putnam, four walks, three stolen bases and two Greenville errors. Greenville scored its final run in the fifth on a single by Gillen, two bases on balls, a KM error and a fielder's choice.

Kings Mountain put the game away in the sixth on singles by Smith, Black and Howard, a double by Ash, a balk, a fielder's choice, an error and a wild pitch.

Greenville used three pitchers with starter Todd Brenizer, a southpaw, getting tagged with the loss. Brenizer pitched only one inning. Gillen came on in the second but was relieved by Ronnie Myers after giving up a hit and walking three straight batters.

The win gave Goforth a 2-2 tournament record. He defeated Greenville 7-2 in the opening game of the district playoffs but suffered a one-run loss to Gastonia in the state tourney and a one-run loss to Tennessee in the regionals.

Kings Mountain will carry a 7-2 tournament record into the National Championships in Hershey, Whetstine, the most valuable player at the state tourney, has a 5-0 record thus far.

All-Star Game Saturday Night

Five all-star contests will be played at City Stadium Saturday night with proceeds to go to the Recreation Dept. to sponsor a banquet for the Little Leaguers and Teeners next Saturday at the American Legion.

Admission for the five tilts Saturday will be 35 cents for children and \$1 for adults. Action will begin at 5:00 when the two tee league all-star teams do battle. Then at 6:00 the women's all-star softball team will play the team which finished first in regular season play this year.

A men's softball game at 7:00 will feature the Bees against an opponent.

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summer practice. Cornwell quarterbacked last year's ninth grade team which finished the season with a 6-1 record.

Eddie Black, an outfielder on the Teener team, is being counted on to give some added depth at a guard position. Rocky Goforth, Mike Smith and Clarence Ash are the other Teeners signed up to play football.

The footballers will have a month in which to prepare for their '66 opener here against Thomasville. The Thomasville game will be followed up by home contests against Chase and Cherryville and then the Mounties will hit the road for four games before hosting R-S Central in the home finale on October 28. That will also be the homecoming game.

The Mountaineers will have a host of starters back, however, the backfield will present a big problem. The interior line should be strong but summer practice alone will tell whether or not it will be quick.

Of course, the line is going to be strong with tackles Carl Wiesener (260), Kenny Plonk (255), Eddie Bridges (205) and Charles Green (220), along with guards Paul Gaffney (178), Chucky Gladden (175) and Larry Patrick (175) heading a long list of candidates.

It's a fact Kings Mountain has a lot of room to improve its '65 record of three wins and seven losses.



IN ALL-STAR GAME — Pictured above is Ben Grimes, former football letterman at Kings Mountain high school, who will be playing for the North Friday night in the annual Boys Home Bowl Game at East Carolina College. Grimes played first unit center — linebacker at Oxford last season.

Grimes To Play In All-Star Game Friday

Ben Grimes, III, of Oxford, N. C., a former center on the Kings Mountain high school football team will be on the North Roster Friday night when the annual Boys Home Bowl Game is played at Ficklen Stadium at East Carolina College in Greenville, N. C.

Grimes received a letter at KMHS his sophomore and junior years. His family moved away last summer and he played first unit center-linebacker at J. F. Webb high school in Oxford.

While at KMHS Grimes played behind all-conference elect Hubert McGinnis and played first unit linebacker for the 1963 and '64 Southwest Conference champions.

Grimes was also a starter on the Mountaineer basketball team in his junior year and was instrumental in leading Coach Don Parker's charges to the conference championship with a 13-1 record.

This is the fourth year of the Boys Bowl Game. Friday's game will get underway at 8 p.m.

Jimmy Clement of East Rutherford will represent the South-west Conference, however, he will be playing with the South squad.

Local Fans See Braves Beat LA

The following people saw the Atlanta Braves beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 2-1 Tuesday night in Atlanta:

Paul Hamm, John McGill, Ricky Day, Larry Horn, Jerome Cash, Timmy Lockridge, Bobby Byars, Kenny Queen, Dana Franklin, Keith Franklin, Jimmy Stoll, Tommy Hamrick.

Scottie Grahl, Rodney Deaton, Kenny Bolin, Mike Swofford, Don Blanton, David Hurlender, Monty Wilson, Dale Suggs, J. L. McGill, Lena McGill, Rosa Lee Suber, Dot Finger, Harold Coggins.

Octavia Coggins, John Cloninger, Marcia Ware, Jean Phifer, Rita Crawford, Corky Fulton, Carl Fulton, Johnny Reynolds, Wendell Bunch, Claude Suber, Ann Finger, Mike White, Jack King, Bruce King, David Hord and Jody Green.

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KM - Tennessee Boxscore

| Kings Mountain | AB | R | H |
|---|----|----|------------|
| Cornwell, cf | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Smith, 2b | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Black, lf | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| Putnam, ss | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| Mullinax, 3b | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Ash, c | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Mitchem, 1b | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Goforth, p | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Bell, ph | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Whetstine, p | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 29 | 14 | 12 |
| Greenville | AB | R | H |
| Scott, 2b | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Justice, 2b | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Burns, ss | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Gillen, cf, p, rf | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Smith, lf | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Fillers 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Ricker, c | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Kinser, 3b | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Herron, ph | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Davis, rf | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Myers, p | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| McCaney, ph | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Brenizer, cf | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Bishop, ph | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | 23 | 2 | 3 |
| E-Scott 2, Burns, Ricker, Myers, Smith, Putnam, Ash, Goforth, LOB—KM 9, Tenn. 7. 2B—Ash (2), SB—Mullinax (2), Cornwell, Black, Putnam. HBP—Mullinax, by Myers. SF—Putnam. | | | |
| Pitching: | IP | H | R ER BB SO |
| Goforth (w) | 5 | 3 | 2 1 3 5 |
| Whetstine | 1 | 0 | 0 0 0 1 |
| Brenizer (l) | 1 | 4 | 3 2 0 1 |
| Gillen | 0 | 1 | 4 4 3 0 |
| Myers | 5 | 7 | 7 4 5 4 |

Mounties Open Grid Drills Monday Morning At Stadium

Football practice for over 50 Kings Mountain high school students will begin Monday morning at 9:00 at City Stadium.

Coach Bill Bates said Monday that physical examinations will be given Thursday (today) at 1:30 at the Kings Mountain high school gymnasium. This year's candidates will run the mile Friday afternoon and swing into twice-a-day practices beginning Monday morning.

Bates said that all boys interested in playing football this year should meet at the KMHS gym for registration, physicals and issuance of equipment.

Practices will be held from 9:00 until 10:30 in the mornings and from 4:30 until 6:00 in the afternoons until next Monday when the practice sessions will taper off to one a day.

Skull practice will be held each afternoon from 3:30 until 4:00. Coach Bates reports that 50 boys have signed up to play varsity football, however, that total does not include boys who played for Compact last year.

There will be 15 lettermen back from last year's team which

finished sixth in the Southwest Conference with a 3-7 overall record. Plus, there are several boys coming up from last year's ninth grade team which posted a 6-1 record, however, six of those will miss the first week of practice because of playing with the Teener all-star team in the National Championships in Hershey, Pa.

Coach Bates expects around 65 boys Monday for varsity practice. KMHS will field only two teams this season, a junior varsity (ninth and tenth graders) and a varsity.

Of the 15 lettermen returning, four are backs, four are guards, three are two ends, three tackles and two centers. There are 11 lettermen not returning this year.

The Mountaineers will have four weeks to prepare for their September 9 home opener against Thomasville. The Mounties will play their first three games at home and then will hit the road for the following four contests.

1966 MOUNTAINEER FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| DATE | TEAM | PLACE |
|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| September | | |
| 9 | Thomasville | Home |
| 16 | Cherryville | Home |
| 23 | Chase | Home |
| 30 | East Rutherford | Away |
| October | | |
| 7 | Bessemer City | Away |
| 14 | Concord | Away |
| 21 | Shelby | Away |
| 28 | R-S Central | Home |
| November | | |
| 4 | Belmont Away | |
| 11 | Lincolnton | Away |

TO MONTREAL

Dr. Paul Ausley, minister of First Presbyterian church, and Mrs. Ausley are in Montreal attending the annual Bible Conference.

DECORATING TIPS

By GENE TIMMS
SOME DECORATING TIPS ON USING SCREENS

In this column each week we bring you all kinds of decorating tips and this week we thought we'd bring you some ideas on the subject of screens. You may not be ready to buy a screen but you might enjoy reading about them. Did you ever think of all the uses of screens? Here are a few.

Screens of many types make excellent room dividers. A screen may be the answer concerning how to decorate that blank wall.

A wallpaper screen in the same or contrasting pattern of the wallpaper used in the room may be used very effectively as a headboard. Other types of screens may also be used for the same purpose.

Use a screen depicting a pleasant outdoor scene in any room that is devoid of a view.

Screens may be used to hide an air conditioner when not in use, or may be used in place of a kitchen door.

Oriental and other types of decorative screens have been used as a wall mural over sofas.

With the more wide-spread use of screens, there are naturally a wider variety of screens made today than ever before. Among the domestic and imported types on the market are everything from the heavy teakwood inlaid screens from Hong Kong to the open latticed screens and hand painted screens from various places.

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