

# Mounties Beat Burns, At Lincolnton For Final

## Herald Sports

**BOILING SPRINGS** — From Germany and Kansas ... from mothers with addresses of sons now in Vietnam ... and from Boiling Springs and towns and cities across the South ... came the checks.

Checks is one word but tribute would be the superior term for these gift fund contributions meant for Coach Norman Harris, who is a 20 year tradition at Gardner-Webb College.

The color television set, tape recorder, clothing, and chair given to Coach Harris before the beginning of the GW-East Tennessee Frosh game Saturday was an expression of love and respect for him from former players and also from friends.

Bob Bush, Chase High coach, expressed it well in the presentation as he said, "This man's record speaks for itself so we give him these gifts as a token of our regard for his untiring efforts, loyalty, friendship and faithful service. Please accept these gifts in loving gratitude."

Coach Harris, joined by his wife at the presentation, had to wait several minutes before speaking as the crowd expressed its feelings through long applause.

"Words cannot express how I feel ... this group (he motions at the large gathering of former athletes at his side) is a part of my life ... some of them is in me ... I guess some of me is in them ... words just don't come ..."

His players put the words into something more tangible as they went out and smashed East Tennessee's Frosh 69-0 to give Coach Harris his 100th career victory and a shoulder ride to the center of the field.

It was a great night for this still young coach who began his work at Gardner-Webb in 1948 as an assistant and who in 1950 took over the reins of head coach in all sports. Today, instead of shouldering the entire athletic program, he can look at a system in which has seven men coaching intercollegiate athletics and others working in physical education. The physical plant includes the fine facilities of Spangler Memorial Stadium, the V. F. Hamrick Fieldhouse, the Bost Gymnasium and enclosed swimming pool, a baseball field fenced with dugouts and an athletic scholarship program nearing the \$25,000 mark.

Coach Harris' ailing father from Black Mountain got an opportunity to see his son honored and to see him with his 100th as friends brought him to the sidelines in a station wagon.

It was a great night for a man who is already an institution in his own time in junior college circles.

Bobby Richardson, former second baseman for the New York Yankees for over a decade, spoke to approximately 600 persons at the college's Annual Alumni Barbecue Saturday evening. His talk centered around the theme that we live in a "sports oriented society" where heroes are made and forgotten in a rapid pace and where the attitude of athletes has a great bearing on the attitude of young people today.

His challenge was for the nation to develop "real men with inner poise. It's important what's in a man's head and heart — not in his physical size or strength. Strength of will is what we need ... quality in our convictions ..."

The Sumter, S. C., native told of his swift rise from Legion baseball into the Yankee organization after only two and one half years in the minors. His first game was played against Detroit with 65,000 fans in the park. From that day he played 11 years in New York with a team which got into the World Series eight of the first nine years he played.

Richardson spent the day on campus. He attended the dedication luncheon at noon for the \$85,000 entrance and played golf that afternoon with Rev. U. A. McMarcus, director of Kennedy-Sinclair work at the college and Charles Mack, business manager of the college. During the luncheon he was joined by another baseball star, Ted Abernathy of Gaston County, who plays for the Cincinnati Reds. Richardson is now a representative for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and responsible for Community Service for Liberty Life Insurance Co. of Greenville, S. C.

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## Easter Leads Wolfpack, Which Has 8-1 Record

Kings Mountain closes out its '68 football season Friday night at Lincolnton against one of the state's finest 3-A clubs.

The Wolves, defending South-west 3-A Conference champions, are 8-1 on the season and ranked sixth in the state. Their only loss was to Shelby, 14-0.

The Mountaineers, who haven't had a winning season in four years in the SWC, are 5-4 overall and 4-1 in conference play. The Mounties need a victory to go over the .500 mark.

Kings Mountain's big problem will be stopping the running and pass-catching of Lincolnton's senior flankerback, Bobby Joe Easter, who has scored over 120 points so far this season. The All-Conference star is recognized as the best all-round athlete in the SWC and one of the finest in North Carolina.

Easter gets plenty of help in the backfield from fullbacks Leroy Diamond and Terry Reinhardt, a converted tackle. John Colvard, Larry Hunter and Colin Rudisill are tough up front.

The Mountaineers, under veteran coach Bill Bates, will probably stick with their same lineup of Clarence Ashe and Ross Springer at ends, Stanley Brown and Jerry YLoveale at tackles, Eddie Black and Mike Brown at guards, Joe Dover at center, Geepier Howard at quarterback, Wayne Mullinax at tailback, Joe Cornwell at wingback and Philbert Smith at fullback.

Eight of the Mountaineer starters, all except Howard, Mike Brown and Smith, will be playing in the final game of the KMHS career. Mullinax goes into the game as the team's leading rusher with 582 yards.

With their explosive offense, the Wolves have enjoyed running the score up on most of their opponents. Outside of Shelby, the only team in the league to play the Wolves a close game was R-S Central. The Wolves defeated the Hilltoppers 70 in the season opener.

The Lines have posted such victories as 680 over Burns, 347 over Crest, 40-6 over East Rutherford, 31-7 over Belmont, 21-0 over Chase, which tied Shelby 28-28 last week, and 53-12 over Cherryville.

Quarterbacking the Wolves of Von Ray Harris is senior Scotty Norwood.

Going into the contest, the Mountaineers have scored 139 points against 96 for the opposition. However, 65 of those points came against to clubs, Bessemer City (32-0) and Burns (33-0). All other victories for KM were by two touchdowns or less.

The Mountaineers have shutout three opponents, including the last two, Crest and Burns. They have been shutout only once, by Shelby, 32-0 three weeks ago.

The Wolves have shutout four opponents and have been shutout once. Lincolnton stands a half-game behind Shelby in Division One of the SWC with the Mountaineers in fourth place.

With its 28-28 tie with Shelby last week, Chase clinched the Division Two championship. Shelby needs a victory over East Rutherford in its finale Friday night to sew up its division title.



**PATRIOTS** — Pictured above are the Central Junior High Patriots, who finished their season with a 2-4 record. Front row, left to right, are Ronnie Perkins, Myron George, Calvin Gill, Mark George, Butch Blalock, David Bell, Fred Wilson and Randy Blanton. Second row, Phil Bradford, Billy Wade, David Caldwell, Mark Stockton, Allen Pate, Fred Williams, Alfred Ashe, and Warren Brown. Third row, Robert Smith (manager), Gus Hayes, Marcus

## Patriots Lose Finale, 12-8

Clover scored twice during the last two minutes of the ball game to defeat Central Junior High's Patriots 12-8 in their season finale last Wednesday at John Gamble Memorial Stadium.

The Patriots, who finished their season with a 2-4 record, scored a safety early in the first period when Fraver White blocked a punt and then tackled the Clover punter in the end zone.

Quarterback Chris Johnson scored on a two-yard plunge in the third quarter to push the Patriots out front by 8-0. Clover then came back to win on a 57-yard pass and a 26-yard run.

The Patriots led in first downs, nine to three, but were behind in total yardage, 146 to 100. The Patriots lost three fumbles.

Defensively, coach Porter Griggs cited Jake Bridges, Fraver White and John Bridges.

## Brown Named Student Of Month

Andrew Brown, 22 yrs. old and residing at 113 Carpenter St. here in Kings Mountain, has been named "Karate Student of the Month", and was presented with a special gift from the local Academy.

Brown is a member of a newly beginners class consisting of twelve students. They have just completed their first month period of training. The student award was decided by the student who gave of his best in effort and hard work during the training sessions.

Another beginners class has started this week, after an all day demonstration at Central Jr. High, where Adams appeared and lectured during all the physical education classes.

One reason given for converting the world's telephone dialing systems to numbers is that letters cause trouble in overseas calls. The Danes have no "W" on their dial. English-speaking users associate the letter "O" with zero, and the French dial includes "Q". Sweden and New Zealand have no letters at all on their telephone dials.

## Oates, Plonk Leads League

Jenny Oates' team has taken over a two-game lead in the Kings Mountain Ladies Duckpin Bowling League.

The Oates team won four games off Plonk Brothers Tuesday night to move two games out front of Drewes Tax Service, which won three games off Herman's Phillips 66 to take over second spot.

The previous first place team, Phillips 66, slipped into a tie for third place with the American Legion, which lost three games to fifth place Patterson Auto Parts.

Jenny Oates rolled a 132 line and 354 set to pace her team's win. Dessie Loftin had a 105 line and 296 set for the losers.

Glenda Bell's 198 line and Betty Hullender's 305 set led Drewes Tax to its 3-1 win over Herman's Phillips 66. For Herman's, Betty Wells had a 102-286.

Louise Dover had a 116-308 in Patterson's 3-1 win over the American Legion. Lib Gault of

the losers was high scorer for the match with a 125 line and 331 set. Pat Herndon added a 125-303 for the losers.

In men's league action, Plonk Oil Co. saw its lead cut to one game as it dropped four games to the Bob Herndon team.

Herndon had a 140 line and 347 set to lead the victory while Ranny Blanton had a 139-368 for Plonk Oil.

Al Henderson rolled a 154 line and a 358 set to lead Clyde Culbertson to a 3-1 win over Dilling Heating, Harold Barber's 123 line and Furman Wilson's 320 set topped the losers.

Albert Brackett's team split a four-game series with Richard Culbertson. Dan Reeves, had a 120 line and Brackett added a 333 set for the Brackett team while Culbertson topped his club with a 135 line and 352 set.

In mixed league action, Bob Herndon's team continues to lead after winning three games Thursday night over Richard Culbertson.

Herndon's 144 line and 372 set led the way while Gerald Hipps had a 127-340 for the losers. Ranny Blanton won three

games off Ronnie Culbertson as Blanton rolled a 149 line and 368 set. Culbertson topped his team with a 130-330.

John Dilling gained scoring honors for the week with a 150 line and 403 set but his team still dropped three games to Clyde Culbertson. Culbertson had a 145 line and 401 set.

STANDINGS (Ladies League)

Teams	W	L
Oates Shell	24	16
Drewes Tax	22	18
American Legion	21	19
Herman's Phillips 66	21	19
Patterson Auto.	17	23
Plonk Bros.	15	25

(Men's League)

Plonk Oil Co.	25	19
Bob Herndon	24	20
C. Culbertson	23	21
Albert Brackett	22	22
R. Culbertson	21	23
Dilling Heating	17	27

(Mixed League)

Bob Herndon	16	12
C. Culbertson	15	13
Ranny Blanton	15	13
John Dilling	13	15
Rich. Culbertson	13	15
Ron. Culbertson	12	16

## Baby Apps Host To Gardner-Webb

BOONE — Appalachian State's freshmen football team will have the unenviable task Friday night of trying to halt powerful Gardner-Webb Junior College.

The 8 p.m. encounter is scheduled for Conrad Stadium here. By comparison, the ASU yearlings will be confronting a mammoth chore just to stay in the game with the powerful Boiling Springs team. The Baby Apps have split two games with East Tennessee's frosh, winning 20-7 and losing 7-5. Last Saturday, Gardner-Webb crushed East Tennessee by 69-0.

The Appalachian freshmen, really not representative in that the 10 top first-year recruits are members of the university's varsity squad, own a 1-3 record for their first season of competition. Other setbacks have been at Lees McRae Junior College by 56-20, and at Hargrave Military Academy by 20-6.

Fullback Tommy Renfro, of Statesboro, Ga., has been the Baby Apps' leading ground gainer with 271 yards in 44 carries — a 6.2 average. He is the only player to score as many as two touchdowns through four games.

Frosh quarterback Jim Holland, of Asheville, has completed 15 of 41 passes for 194 yards. He has guided the team over the last three games after Everett Middleton was injured in the season opener.

The Mountaineer yearlings have gained 913 yards compared to 1,113 by their four foes.

## Flag Football Games Scheduled

Two all-star flag football teams from Kings Mountain will play two teams from Laurinburg in a big doubleheader Saturday afternoon at City Stadium.

Admission for the games is 50 cents per person. The first game will get underway at 4 p.m.

The two KM teams are made up of all-stars who participated in the Kings Mountain Flag Football League, which was organized this season.

Coaches for the two local teams will be Phillip Weatherston, Bilj Grissom, D. C. Payseur Jr. and Roy Pearson.

## Central Schedules Faculty-PTA Game

Central Junior High School will hold a Faculty-PTA basketball doubleheader on Friday, Nov. 22. The first game, between the lady members of the faculty and the PTA, will begin at 7 p.m.

Admission will be 50 cents and one dollar in advance and 60 cents and \$1.25 at the door. Tickets can be obtained at Falls Ezzo, East King Ezzo, or Central School, or through Bud Medlin or Rev. Charles Easley.

For the men's game, members of the faculty team will include John Blalock, Barry Gibson, Warren (Bo) Goforth, George Lu blanezki and Fred Withers, the school principal.

Members of the opposing team, the PTA, will include James Scruggs, principal of Grover Elementary School, Rev. Easley, Medlin and Gerald Valentine.

## Murphy Sets Three More Records As Mounties Crush Wofford, 47-28

BOONE — Appalachian learned Saturday that it can win, and score repeatedly against good defensive opposition, without the services of its most potent runners.

Facing the prospects of battling Wofford without starting backs Jackie Roten and Dwight Kerr, ASU Coach Carl Messere was rather uneasy. The Terriers had limited powerful Lenoir Rhyne to two touchdowns and had whipped Furman by allowing only one score.

Messere's Mountaineers responded to the challenge, however, by riding the passing arm of Pat Murphy and the record-breaking receiving antics of Bob Agle to overwhelm Wofford by 47-28.

Murphy, for the second time in the past 10 games, hurled five touchdown passes, scored once himself, and established three new school records: most yards passing in a single game, 344; most touchdown responsibility in a single game, six; and most touchdown passes in one season, 17.

Agile, who included a couple of spectacular grabs among his 10 receptions, set two school marks and tied another. His 260 yards on catches was a new one-game record as was his total four touchdowns receptions. His four touchdowns tied a single-game record.

Appalachian, for the first time ever in recorded history, did not rush from scrimmage more than it passed. The Mounties ran 33 times and Murphy passed 33 times against Wofford.

Wofford, despite its three-touchdown defeat, established four new records for ASU foes: 29 first downs, 73 rushing attempts, 95 total offensive plays, and 42 individual rushes by fullback Ted Phelps, who gained 177 yards.

Appalachian freshman Clayton Deskins, filling in for the injured Roten at tailback, kept the Terrier defense honest by gaining 106 yards in 11 carries. He had six runs of 12-yards or more, and scored the first touchdown on a 12-yard aerial from Murphy.

## Brown Named Player Of Week

Stanley Brown, a 220-pound senior, has been named Mountaineer Player of the Week for the second time this season.

Brown, a three-year starter at KMHS, played his best game of the season Friday night in the Mounties' 33-0 conference win over Burns.

Coach Bill Bates cited Brown for his offensive blocking and also his defensive play. Bates said Brown teamed with freshman linebacker Danny Oliver in holding the Bulldogs to zero yards rushing off their side of the defensive line.

As a result of being named player of the week Brown will receive a gift from the men's department of Fulton's Department Store.

## Mounties Post Second Straight Shutout, 33-0

Kings Mountain's Mounties took advantage of five fumbles Friday night to post a 33-0 Southwestern Conference victory on Tuesday.

The Mounties built up a 19-0 lead in the first quarter, then cruised to a 33-0 victory, seeing most of the second half.

It was the ninth shutout that Burns went down. The Bulldogs still haven't heading into their season this Friday at Belmont.

The Mountaineers had an opportunity to win they got the football, but a Burns fumble in four minutes and Burns took the game.

The second time the Mounties got the pigskin to move from the Burns 35 to the Burns lost the ball on a fumble.

Burns fumbled again on its own 27 and the Mounties drove in for their final touch-down, which was scored by Geepier Howard on a quarterback sneak.

Howard passed from the Burns 37 to the Burns 5, giving the Mounties a first-and-goal. Howard rolled to the three and Wayne Mullinax backed to the one, setting up the score. Eddie Black converted, giving the Mounties a 7-0 lead with 2:43 remaining in the first quarter.

Defensive tackle Randy Ross recovered a Bulldog fumble on the Burns 33 on the second following KM's kickoff, setting up the second Mountaineer score.

Howard hit wingback Joe Cornwell with a 23-yard pass which gave the Mounties a first-and-goal at the Burns 7. Fullback Philbert Smith carried to the one, which point Cornwell converted, making it 14-0 in the first period.

In the closing moments of the first half, the Mounties pounced on another Bulldog fumble at the Burns 21. Point KM began its third TD drive.

Mullinax carried over first five, but Black's PAT was sailed wide, leaving the score 19-0.

With three minutes left in the third period, end Clarence pounced on a fumbled pitchout, giving the Mounties possession at the Bulldog yard line.

Smith scored from the one. Black's third conversion of the night pushed the Mounties out front by 27-0.

The final Kings Mountain touchdown came late in the fourth period on a seven-pass from freshman quarterback David Bolin to halfback E. Etheridge. Black's PAT attempt failed, making the final score 30-0.

The victory was the second straight for the Mountaineers who close out their '68 campaign Friday night at Lincolnton. The last two KM victories, over Crest and Burns, were both shutouts.

## MOUNTAINEER GRIDGRAPH

### KM RUSHING

PLAYER	T	G	L	N	Avg
Smith	9	45	0	43	5
Mullinax	10	37	0	37	3.7
Cornwell	6	13	4	9	1.5
Howard	2	22	0	22	11
Barnes	4	16	0	16	4
Carpenter	6	22	0	22	3.1
Bolin	2	5	0	5	2.1
Easley	3	19	0	19	6
Kerns	1	0	-2	-2	-2
Hoyle	1	9	0	9	9
Black	1	5	0	5	5
Bell	5	13	0	13	2.1

### KM PASSING

PLAYER	Att	Comp	Int	Yds	TD
Howard	8	3	1	65	0
Easley	4	2	0	22	0

### KM RECEIVING

PLAYER	Cgt	Yds	TD
Cornwell	2	50	0
Springer	1	15	0
Bolin	1	11	0
Barnes	1	11	0

### KM BURNS

First Downs	12	10
Yds. Rush.	173	65
Yds. Pass.	87	58
Passes	5-12	6-15
Yds. Per Pass	4.21-1	4.29-0
Ball Lost On Punt	1	6
Yds. Penal.	45	70