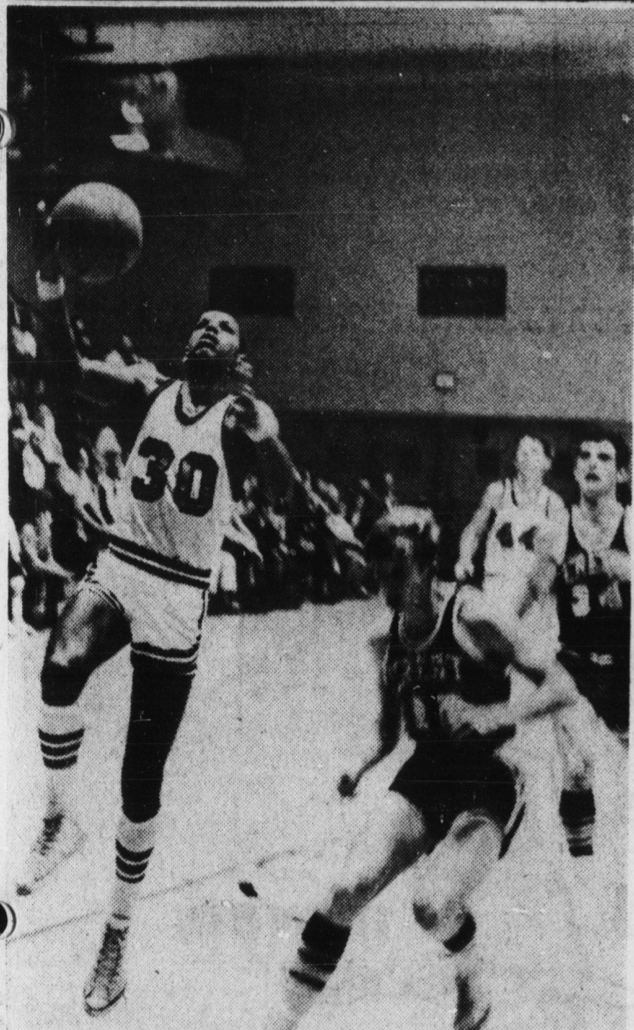


# Mountaineers Gun Down Crest And Cavaliers



TWO OF 26 — Charles Barnes (with ball) goes in for layup against Crest here Friday night. Barnes, a junior guard, scored his career high of 26 points in leading the Mounties to an easy 76-48 victory. (Photo by I. G. Alexander).

## Barnes Scores 26 To Lead Win Over Chargers

Junior guard Charles Barnes scored a career high 26 points here Friday to lead Kings Mountain's Mountaineers to an easy 76-48 victory over a Southwestern Conference basketball game.

The 5-6 Barnes tallied 12 of his points in the first half and 14 in the final two periods.

Two other Mountaineers joined Barnes in double figures. Otis Cole, the conference's leading scorer, added 21 points and playmaker Alan Hambricht had 10.

The Mountaineers were in command most of the way. Coach Bob Hussey's charges held a 16-5 lead after one period and it was 37-16 at halftime.

The Chargers of Coach Ed Peeler were led in scoring by sophomore David Thompson with 16 points. Barry Ledbetter, a 6-7 center, added 14 points and Bill Cameron 11.

In the girls game, the Mountaineers suffered their second straight loss, 40-37.

Cathy Washburn paced the way for Crest with 11 points but game scoring honors went to KM's Linda Childers, who scored her season high of 20.

The score was close throughout the first half as the Lady Chargers held only a one-point lead, 18-17, at halftime.

The Crest lead zoomed to five early in the third period and the Mountaineers couldn't catch up. The lead was cut to three late in the final stanza but with 38 seconds left, Margaret Ashe sank a pair of free throws to seal it.

## A Night In The Life Of A Basketball Coach



DIFFERENT MOODS — Photographer I. G. Alexander caught KMHS Coach Bob Hussey in these poses at last Friday's game between the Mountaineers and Crest. At left, Hussey wonders as his team sets up play. At center, his enthusiasm is at a peak and at right... well, they must have scored.

## Cole's 36 Leads Mounties Into Second Place

Junior forward Otis Cole scored a season and career high 36 points last night to lead Kings Mountain's Mountaineers to an easy 83-60 victory over East Rutherford in a Southwestern 3-A Conference basketball game.

The victory moves Coach Bob Hussey's Mountaineers into sole possession of second place in the SWC, standings with an 8-2 record, two games back of undefeated (in league play) Cherryville, which edged Shelby, 50-48.

Kings Mountain's girls weren't so fortunate in the opening contest. Coach Blaine Frenberger's Mountaineettes dropped their third straight, 37-35 to the Lady Cavaliers.

Behind the sharp shooting Cole, the Mountaineers broke on top early in the game and were never headed. Cole gunned in nine points in the first quarter, 10 in the second, nine in the third and eight in the fourth.

Cole and the other four Mountaineers regulars played only sparingly in the second half.

Cole's 36 points fell only two shy of the all-time KMHS scoring record of 38, set last year against Shelby by George Adams. It was the third 30-plus game of the season for Cole, who leads the conference in scoring with a 23.6 average.

Guard Charles "Bad News" Barnes, who has come on like a house afire since the Christmas break, added 15 to the Mountaineer cause and senior Ken Mitchell, an outstanding game off the both backboards.

Leading the Cavalier scoring attack was Rick Champion with 15 points, followed by Robbie Micalove with 14.

The Mountaineers held an 18-point lead at halftime, 42-23.

Linda Harrell and Barbara Green scored 11 points each to lead the East gals to victory in the opener. Linda Childers of the Mountaineettes was high scorer for the Mountaineettes and the game with 29 points and Vickie Turner added 12.

The loss dropped the Mountaineettes to 5-5 in conference play and 5-6 overall.

## Shu Carlton Named To 'Hall Of Fame'

Former Kings Mountain High School football coach Everett (Shu) Carlton was inducted into the Gastonia Sports "Hall of Fame" Monday night at the Chamber of Commerce Sports Banquet at the YMCA in Gastonia.

Carlton, now head football coach and athletic director at Gastonia Ashley High School, became the "fifth member of the Gastonia 'Hall of Fame.'" He follows Roy Sudduth, John Roberts, Buddy Lewis and Russ Bergmann.

Carlton's 1968 Ashley team finished 12-2 and won the Southwestern 4-A Conference championship. Ashley lost to Wilson for the state championship.

A Marine veteran, Coach Carlton came to Kings Mountain in 1948 and started the Mountaineers on their rise to football power.

After two years here, Carlton was recalled into the Marines when the Korean War broke out. He returned in 1954 to guide the Mountaineers to a 7-3 season.

In 1955, Carlton coached the Mountaineers to the Southwestern 3-A Conference championship, finishing with a 10-1 overall record.

The next season, which was his last at KMHS, Carlton guided the Mountaineers to a perfect 11-0 record and the Western N. C. Association championship.

Carlton turned out one of only two Shrine Bowlers from King Mountain, quarterback George Harris. Harris quarterbacked the '55 championship team and later called signals for Duke University.

Carlton resigned following the '66 season and the late John Gamble took over the KMHS football program.

Coach Carlton, a past winner of the Kings Mountain Jaycees DSA Award, moved on to Ashley where he has had but one losing season in 12 years.

In the Sixties, five Ashley High teams have participated in the state playoffs.

Among special guests who attended Monday night's Hall of Fame banquet were Pat Murphy, Hubert McGinnis and Prude Ratterree of Kings Mountain.

Murphy represented Appalachian University. McGinnis represented Lenoir Rhyne and Ratterree, South Carolina, where he is a football assistant under Paul Dietzel.

Carlton is a native of Lexington where he was an outstanding fullback in high school. He later played college football at Duke and Lenoir Rhyne.

## Holbrook To Speak To K M Rotary Club

Eddie Holbrook, head basketball coach at Gardner-Webb College, will be guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Kings Mountain Rotary Club today (Thursday) at 12:15 at the Country Club.

A former standout guard at Lenoir Rhyne, Holbrook is in his fifth year as head coach at G-W. His first four teams had a combined record of 92-24 and this year's squad is 19-2.

Sixteen of those losses came in his first two seasons, when he had the Bulldogs in the rebuilding stage. At present, his team is ranked 10th nationally among junior college quints.

His best season was last year when the Bulldogs finished 30-3, the three losses coming by a combined total of four points, two of them in the national tournament in Hutchinson, Kan.

He has been named "Coach of the Year" in the Western Carolinas Conference two of his four years at G-W, and his teams have won three straight league titles and headed toward a possible fourth.

Coach Holbrook is a "winner" who has initiated a successful Holiday Tournament at G-W, held a fine basketball camp last summer and assists in the Duke and Lenoir Rhyne camps.

Holbrook is a fine recruiter. Last year he landed three prep All-Americans in 7-2 Artis Gilmore, 6-5 Ernie Fleming and 6-4 Arthur Roberts.

This year he landed the top two scorers in North Carolina, 6-4 George Adams of Kings Mountain and 5-8 Alan Land of (Continued on Page Eight)

## KM - Crest Boxscores GIRLS GAME

Crest	(40)
F-Washburn	11
F-Lowery	9
F-Jones	7
G-Bridges	6
G-Ware	4
G-Ashe	2
Subs Scoring: Padgett 1, Kings Mountain	(37)
F-Childers	20
F-Reynolds	7
F-Turner	6
G-Oliver	1
G-Ledbetter	1
G-Atkinson	1
Subs Scoring: Wilson 2, HT Score: Crest 18, K. Mtn. 17	
BOYS GAME	
Crest	(48)
F-Thompson	16
F-Cameron	11
C-Ledbetter	14
G-Walker	2
G-McMurray	2
Subs Scoring: Walton 2, Hamrick 1, Kings Mountain	(76)
F-Cole	21
F-Howard	6
C-Mitchem	6
G-Barnes	26
G-Hambricht	10
Subs Scoring: Gladden 3, Francis 2, HT Score: K. Mtn. 37, Crest 16.	

## Third Tri-State Karate Tourney Set For April

The third annual Tri-State karate championships will be held in Kings Mountain on Sunday, April 13. The tournament will be directed by David Adams and Carl Jones.

Special guests will include Master Chung-Koo Kim, former Korean National Champion and director of the first annual international open a few weeks back in New York, Master Jhoon Goo Rhee, a director of the national karate championships, and Richard Baillargeon, president of the Kai Karate Union.

Special assistance will be given by Thomas Lapuppet, leading East Coast competitor.

Adams said eliminations will begin at 12 noon and finals will get underway at 6 p.m.

A site for the tournament has not yet been announced.

Tickets may be obtained by writing Adams, Academy of Karate, P. O. Box 266, Kings Mountain, 28086.

Tickets will be \$2 in advance and \$3 at the door.

## KM Hosts Lincs, Belmont

Kings Mountain High School, with the Mountaineers on a five-game winning streak, plays host to Lincolnton Friday night and Belmont Tuesday as the 1968-69 Southwestern Conference basketball season heads down the home stretch.

The Mountaineers, with junior forward Otis Cole scoring at a conference-leading 23.6 pace, carry an 8-2 conference record and 9-3 overall mark into Friday's meeting with an explosive Lincolnton team.

Lincolnton, 4-6 in league play and 6-6 overall, has had its ups and downs. The Wolves are led offensively by Bobby Jo Easter and Herbert Finger, but Emanuel Kirkland, Scotty Norwood and others have been getting their share of the points.

The Wolves, coached by Clyde Smith, are fresh from a victory over Belmont, also 4-6 in the conference.

Coach Bob Hussey, who has his club in second place, two games behind undefeated Cherryville, will most likely stick to the starting lineup of Cole and Geoper Howard at forwards, Ken Mitchell at center and Alan Hambricht and Charles Barnes at the guards.

The Mountaineers easily defeated the Wolves, 84-63, in their first outing with Cole scoring 31 points. That represented his career high until Tuesday night when he scored 36 in an 83-60 win over East Rutherford.

Cole, an All-Conference performer last year at Gastonia KM's 25-1 powerhouse, is currently hitting right at 60 percent of his field goal attempts, ranking him among the best shooters in the state.

Lincolnton's girls also own the conference's top scorer in Paul ette Smith, an All-SWC star. She led the Wolverettes to a 42-40 victory over the Mountaineettes earlier this year.

The Mountaineettes, paced by seniors Linda Childers and Vickie Turner, will be trying to break a three-game losing streak which has dropped their conference record to 5-5 and their overall chart is 5-6.

Tuesday night's opponent, Belmont, is a young team, but the Red Raiders of Aubrey Cochran are a never-say-die bunch. They have twice taken Lincolnton down to the wire, losing once by two points in overtime.

The Raiders are led by 6-1 junior Rick Cherry, a three-sports star at Belmont. Cherry quarterbacked the Red Raider football team to a 4-2 record last fall and he is also a standout pitcher in baseball.

The Mountaineettes should rank as heavy favorites in Tuesday's contest. Belmont's losses are 2-8 in league play and 2-10 overall.

## Bulldogs Host Lees-McRae; Adams Injured

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C. — Stakes are high Thursday night as the Lees-McRae Bobcats visit Gardner-Webb College for a Western Carolinas Junior College Conference game.

Each team has lost once in loop contests and the winner Thursday goes away with a stranglehold on the title with mid-season already past.

GW is 6-1 and the Bobcats 5-1 going into the game which was "set-up" Saturday evening at Brevard where the Tornados ripped the Bulldogs 89-72 in a major upset among junior college circles. Coach Chick Martin's Tornados hit 59 percent and simply were more aggressive as they caught the high-riding GW unit on a cold shooting night.

Jack Lytton, a young coach in his second season at Banner Elk will have his Bobcats ready for this one. They are led by 6-6 sophomore Steve Owens.

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## Only Two Contests In Recreation Loop

Only two games were played in the City Recreation Basketball League this week.

In action Monday night, second place Kings Mountain Gulf Service crushed Bessemer City 56-40 and Gastonia won over Fulton's Dept. Store, 51-36.

For Gastonia, Ricky Gibbs led the way with 17 points as the Gastons ran their record to 3-3. Perry Champion's 13 points were high for the losers.

In KM Gulf's victory over Bessemer City, 10 players took part in the scoring. Glenn Perkins led the way with nine points while Steve Owens hit 18 for the losers.

## City Recreation Dept. To Host Invitational Basketball Tourney

The City Recreation Department will sponsor an invitational basketball tournament the weekend of Feb. 14 and 15 and Feb. 21 and 22.

Eight teams will be entered, according to Elmer Ross, who will serve as tournament director.

Games will be played in the Central Junior High Gym with all proceeds going to the Central Junior High Athletic Association.

Several outstanding teams will be entered, including Craftspun Yarns and possibly Plonk Oil Co. of Kings Mountain.

Three teams from Gaston County will be entered: Groves Thread, Collins Dept. Store of Stanley and Wilson Perkins Auto.

Wilson Perkins features two men who were All-State in high school, 6-6 Joe Ladd of Lowell, who later played at Wake Forest and Sid Woody of Bessemer City.

Groves Thread is led by Bobby Burkett, a former Gaston College scoring ace and Whistle Howard of Lowell, a professional baseball pitcher.

Plonk Oil Co. is led by former Kings Mountain High stars Ken Cash, Tommy Barrett and Lawrence Bolin.

The tournament will be a single elimination with the first round scheduled for Feb. 14-15.

The semi-finals will be held on Feb. 21 and the finals are slated for Saturday night, Feb. 22.

Admission will be one dollar per person.

## John Dilling Mixed Team Is Undeclared

John Dilling's team continues to go along unbeaten in the local mixed bowling league.

Last Thursday night, Dilling's boys ran their second half record to 12-0 by taking four games from Bob Herndon.

Dilling's 138 line and 351 set led the way. Steve Rathbone added a 315 series while Herndon topped his club with a 152-361.

Richard Culbertson won three off Ronnie Culbertson as Richard rolled a 132-350. Charles Fite led the losers with a 140-332.

Ranny Blanton won three off Clyde Culbertson behind Blanton's week-high 150 line and 353 set. Lib Gault led the losers with a 120-330.

Albert Brackett saw his lead chopped to one game in the men's league Monday night. Dilling Heating took all four games from the frontrunners.

John Dilling led the winners with a 136 line and 364 series while Jerry Dover topped Brackett's team with a 131-321.

Ranny Blanton, still not cooled off from the previous Thursday night, combined lines of 140, 136 and 113 for a 389 series to lead first half champ Plonk Oil Co. to a 3-1 victory over Clyde Culbertson.

For the losers, Al Henderson had a 127 line and Culbertson added a 341 series.

Bob Herndon and Richard Culbertson split a four-game set. Richard Bridges led the Herndon attack with a 139 line and 378 set while Rod House's 127 line and Richard Culbertson's 349 set were high marks for Culbertson.

Patterson Auto Parts ran its record to 10-2 in the ladies league Tuesday night by winning three games off American Legion.

Becky Barnett's 117 line and Louise Dover's 318 set were high scores for the winners while Lib

## Central Defeats Wray; Host To Lincoln Monday

Gault rolled a 321 set and Pat Herndon added a 110 line for the losers.

Drewaves tax won three games off Phillips 66 as Betty Hulleader scored a 115 line and 327 series. Peggy Ross led the losers with a 100-283.

First half champ Oates Shell won three games off Plonk Brothers as Jenny Oates rolled a 113 line and 318 set. Mickie Houser and Dessie Loftin pad 107 lines, and Loftin added a 299 set for the losers.

STANDINGS (Ladies League)

Teams	W	L
Patterson Auto Parts	10	2
Drewes Tax	7	5
Oates Shell	7	5
American Legion	6	6
Phillips 66	3	9
Plonk Bros.	3	9
(Mens League)		
Albert Brackett	13	7
Dilling Heating	12	8
Bob Herndon	10	10
Plonk Oil	9	11
Richard Culbertson	9	11
Clyde Culbertson	7	13
(Mixed League)		
John Dilling	12	9
Ranny Blanton	9	3
Richard Culbertson	8	4
Bob Herndon	3	9
Ronnie Culbertson	2	10
Clyde Culbertson	2	10

Central also dropped a 51-28 decision to Shelby during the past week. Donnie Bennis led the Patriots to that one with 10 points.

The Patriots were scheduled to host Arlington of Gastonia Wednesday afternoon.

Next Thursday, Feb. 6, the Patriots are host to Gaston Day. Highland comes in on Feb. 11, then the Patriots close out season play on Feb. 13 at Wray.

## The World Of Self-Defense

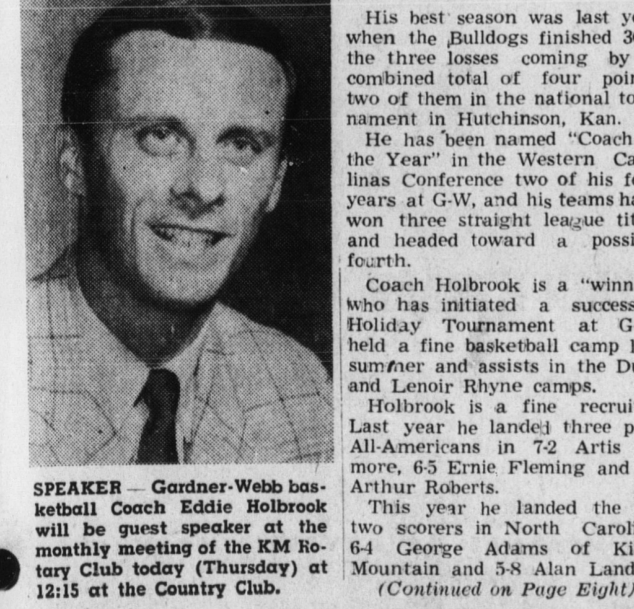
Late hour driving for women could prove to be dangerous! To begin with, women should evade habits of driving on long dark roads during the late hours. However, because of working conditions in this area, such as late shifts, etc., this seems to be a widespread practice.

The woman who finds herself in the position of coming across deserted cars, hitch-hikers, and other noticeable objects, should immediately brighten her lights and proceed with caution. If someone is standing by the road, even with a car, and no one else seems to be present, drive on with caution. Do not stop and play police woman. If the condition of the man or automobile seems serious enough to check into, you should continue on and when you come to the first service station or development, you should advise someone of what you have seen or notify the authorities immediately.

There will be very few instances where you will find a woman alongside the road such as this, asking for help. But if you do, you should first look for signs of other members of her party.

This could be a trick, but the chances are slim. Be open minded and aware of everything. The circumstances would determine whether or not to stop, such as time, place, and most of all, YOU.

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SPEAKER — Gardner-Webb basketball Coach Eddie Holbrook will be guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the KM Rotary Club today (Thursday) at 12:15 at the Country Club.