

# KMHS Offense Is Not Consistent

## Jones' Boys Look Better On Defense

Kings Mountain High's new head football coach, Bob Jones, is still eyeing a good season but the former Holbrook High mentor hasn't been too well pleased with the Mountaineers' showing on offense lately.

"Our defense has looked good," says Jones, "but we've been pretty ragged on offense. I think our lack of good, hard-nosed blocking is the big problem."

Jones and his staff are working the Mountaineers hard in preparation for their 1971 opener here Sept. 3 against Bessemer City. The Mountaineers were scheduled to hold a controlled scrimmage here last night against 4-A Glynn High School of Charlotte.

Jones said the switch from the Wilhoite offense to his Power I attack might have something to do with the Mountaineers' poor showing offensively.

"Adjusting is part of the problem," he said "but the boys get a little lazy sometimes on offense. It takes more finesse to play offense and we're not any where near what we want yet." Jones is almost settled on his starting lineup but says that they are subject to change.

David B-llin, a senior who played fullback the past two years, is still calling the shots at quarterback and Jones says he's progressing well.

"David's going to be a good quarterback," Coach Jones remarked. "He's a good runner is throwing the ball good and has learned the offense real good."

Marshall Logan and Chris Blanton, two returnees, are running at the halfback slots, though Frankie Stokes, the leading ground gainer last year is going to see a lot of action also. Senior John Grier, a 195-pounder, is progressing at fullback after playing guard his first three years.

"Grier has been looking good both on offense and defense," said Jones. "And another player who has looked good both ways is Jacob Bridges."

Bridges, a tackle, will be the Mountaineers' biggest starter at 262 pounds. He'll be joined at tackle by Steve Ingle or Johnny Bridgeman.

Gerald Owensby, a returnee, and Bobby Johnson are the starting ends but Jerry Valentine, who is up from the jayvees is looking good in practice and will see a lot of action. Owensby will move to the backfield on defense and Wendell Dawkins will join Johnson at end.

Dale Russell, the top blocker on last year's 7-3 team, and Alfred Ash are the starting guards and both should be among the top linemen in the Southwestern Conference.

Mark George, a starter last year, and Steve Plank are still engaged in a battle for the starting center position and will probably alternate. George will team with Grier in giving the Mountaineers one of the top linebacking combinations in the conference.

Kings Mountain's only question mark on defense will be the secondary. The line is strong with returning starters at every position except for the ends.

"Our ends are inexperienced," says Jones, "but we have some good boys there and they'll be strong if the secondary comes through."

The Mountaineer squad is now down to 34 players. Tackle Joe Bell and halfback Fraver White, both of whom were ticketed to possible starting duty, are no longer with the team.

"We feel like we can use all 34 of those players," said Jones. "We feel like we've got some good kids who're not counting on to start but who can do the job just as well as the starters."

Jones is pointing to South Point as the conference favorite but says that Kings Mountain, Lincoln, East Rutherford and Shelby are capable of going all the way.

"If we can get our offense moving consistently," he said, "I feel like we'll have as good a chance as anybody. We're going to be playing some strong teams but we should be in contention."

Jones said the offensive play has been spotty.

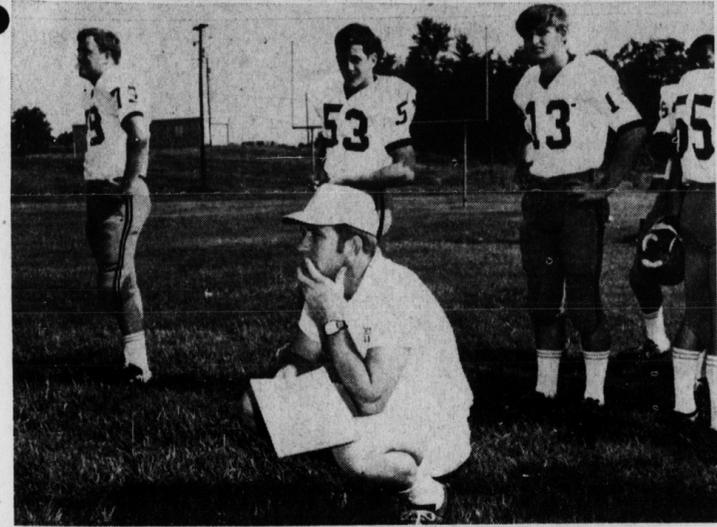
"We've looked real good at times," he said, "but we've looked wfully sloppy at times. About 30 or 40 percent of the time we're making mistakes that will make us lose football games."



RETURNING STARTERS FOR MOUNTAINEERS — Halfback Marshall Logan, left, and end Gerald Owensby, returning starters on the KMHS football squad, appear ready for a banner senior season as the Mountaineers prepare for the 1971 opener against



Bessemer City. Owensby was the leading receiver and Logan was one of the top ground gainers and scorers on last year's team, which finished 7-3.



EYES PROSPECTS — Coach Bob Jones (kneeling above) eyes prospects for the season football opener with Bessemer City. From left to right, Jacob Bridges, Mark George and Chris Johnson. (Photo by Isaac Alexander)

## It's All In How You Tell Story

By JIM DEAN  
Wildlife Afield

Last year was the first year that I ever bragged about killing a limit of doves with a box of shells.

"Hmmm," you might say. "It certainly took you a long time to become a good shot."

Well, not exactly. You see, I didn't say that last year was the first year I ever killed a limit of doves with a box of shells. I only said that I bragged about it. There is a world of difference.

Actually, I confess that I have never killed a limit of doves with a box of shells—and there is absolutely no chance that I ever will.

On the other hand, you might say that I learned the art of pre-variation as practiced by most experienced dove hunters.

The fact is that only novice dove hunters tell the truth about how bad they shoot. The experts have learned countless little tricks which help them convey the image that they are peerless dove shots.

An example of what I'm talking about is shown by the following story.

It seems that a friend of mine from Alamance County once told me that he had killed a limit of doves with a box of shells. Being an impressionable chap, I believed him.

"He was telling you the truth," admitted one of his friends later. "He really did kill a limit of doves with a box of shells, but I think you should know that he buys his shells by the case and he didn't say what size that box of shells was did he?"

See what I mean? That's the kind of thing we're up against.

Anyway, to get back to my education in these matters, when the dove season opened last year, I decided that I would elevate my reputation as a dove shot. It turned out to be remarkably

## Bob Herndon Early Leader In Men's Loop

Bob Herndon's team has jumped out to an early lead in the men's tournament bowling league.

Herndon's boys won four games last night at Mountain Lanes Bowling Center to grab a one-game lead over Albert Brackett and Cui's team.

Richard Culbertson and Bob Herndon were the ringleaders in the four-game sweep. Culbertson scored a 128 line and 370 set but team captain Herndon wasn't far behind with a 127 line and 356 series.

Only two bowlers topped the 300 set mark for the losers, Blanton leading the way with a 116 line and 333 set.

Red Houser scored a 138 line and Cui's Vincent added a 359 set to lead Brackett's team to three wins over Dilling Heating. Gerald Hips had a 130 line and 364 set for Dilling Heating but it wasn't enough to offset the more-balanced scoring of Blanton's bowlers.

Balanced scoring was also the key to Cui's Paint Co.'s three wins over Mull Ramsey's outfit. Cui's Wells was high scorer for the winners with a 122 line and shot most of the loose shells in my pocket. I still had seven or eight shells in the box.

By pacing myself carefully, I managed to run out of shells—both the loose ones and the ones in the box—shortly after collecting my limit.

I carried my doves and the empty box of shells back to the car and reminded everyone of my pledge. They were understandably impressed, and my reputation as a dove shot was assured.

This year, on September 4 at noon when the first half of the split season on doves open, the daily bag limit will be 12 doves per hunter.

And if you don't kill a limit with a "box" of shells, don't say no one told you how.

Teams	W	L	Pct.
Bob Herndon	4	0	1.000
Albert Brackett	3	1	.750
Cui's Paint	3	1	.750
Mull Ramsey	3	2	.600
Dilling Heating	1	3	.250
Ranny Blanton	0	4	.000

## NASCAR Stars Race Saturday In Hickory

HICKORY.—Officials at Hickory Speedway said Monday a special 24 lap consolation race will be added to the 15th annual Buddy Shuman Memorial races Saturday night. It will make for 300 laps of racing instead of the 276 laps originally planned. No extra charge will be made to the fans.

A total of 57 drivers have filed entries, 36 by Grand Nationals, and 21 from Grand American drivers. Three weeks ago NASCAR announced the smaller Grand American cars could compete with the Grand Nationals on all tracks less than one mile.

Qualifying at 7 o'clock Saturday will trim the field to the fastest 22. All drivers who do not make the Shuman race will be eligible to run the consolation event.

Among the 36 Grand National drivers favored to take home the \$1,500 first place money is Dave Marcis, who has entered a Dodge. In the spring Grand National on the paved Hickory oval, Marcis started on the outside pole and appeared to be on his way to victory when his car started overheating. He had to slow considerably which allowed Richard Petty to move around and go on to take first place money. Marcis wound up in sixth place.

Later on at Talladega Marcis was picked to drive the K & K Insurance Dodge when Bobby Isaac was hospitalized with a kidney problem, and the native of West Salem, Wisconsin, showed the world that he could run with the best of them if he had theright equipment. With seven laps remaining in the 500 mile event Marcis was in the lead, but the engine blew and wiped out his chances to win a big one.

The likeable Marcis says he likes the Hickory track better than any short one, and has purposely saved his Dodge for the Shuman race. He passed up races in Michigan and Talladega.

In case of rain Saturday, the race will be run Sunday afternoon.

## Soap Box Derby Set

A local soap box derby race will be held this week to declare a county winner. The entrants will be the four boys who participated in the derby in Charlotte on August 31.

The boys who are all members of the Junior Police-Junior Deputy program, are Terry Ward (sponsored by the Shelby Police Dept.), Eddie Smith (Cleveland County Sheriff's Dept.), Terry Beason (Boiling Springs Police Dept.), and Johnny McDevitt (Kings Mountain Police Dept.).

The races are scheduled at 6 p. m. as follows: Thursday, August 26, in Boiling Springs on

## Hot Competition At Speedway

SHELEY.—HRA President Clyde Dedmon anticipates some of the hottest competition ever for the remainder of the 1971 racing season at the Rutherford County Speedway and Shelby County Speedway at the Cleveland County Fairgrounds each Friday and Saturday nights. Events be in at 8 o'clock and are being completed by 11 o'clock.

Sportsman specifications for the rest of 1971 have been cut back to allow running of 283 Chevy and 289 Ford engines, which means car owners will be able to slice their operating expenses.

Overall speeds haven't been cut as much as a second, but last week's main events saw four or five lap changes before Leslie McKinney and Jimmy Martin came up with victories.

Cotton Ryan, Wint Horton, Randy Morrison, Larry Poole, J. E. Evans, return to challenge McKinney and Martin for first place money Friday night at

## Branch Street beside the elementary school; Friday, August 27, in Shelby on Forest Hill Drive; and Saturday, August 28, in Kings Mountain on Candler Street.

Streets will be blocked off for the races.

Each race will consist of two elimination heats, the winner of each heat running against the other. In case of a tie there will be a run-off.

Cartier Chevrolet of Shelby has donated three trophies and Willie's Jewelry Store in Kings Mountain has donated one trophy.

The general public is invited.

The U. S. Court of Appeals in Philadelphia has upheld the Labor Department's right to obtain more than \$900,000 in back pay, including interest, for some 2,000 women employees of the Wheaton Glass Company of New Jersey. The money represents underpayment of wages to the women in violation of the Federal Equal Pay Act. The Act says that men and women doing substantially equal work under similar conditions in the same establishment must receive equal pay.

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In addition, Dedmon plans a Powder Puff Derby for the women drivers if enough show interest Saturday night at the Shelby Speedway. They'll be given rides in the rookie division cars.

An increased purse is also being offered down the line in the Sportsman and Rookie division. Qualifying heats are slated in each division plus 35-lap and 20-lap main events at Rutherford and Shelby tracks this week-end.

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The Emergency Employment Act of 1971 permits states and localities to create new jobs in the public sector in such fields as environmental quality, health care, public safety, transportation, pollution and conservation with funding by the Labor Department. More than 157,000 jobless persons are expected to be put to work by this means during the next two years.

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