

RS Central Twinbill Postponed

Cagers At East Gaston Tonight

Kings Mountain High's basketballers return to Southwestern Conference action tonight at East Gaston against a pair of improved Warrior teams.

The KMHS at R-S Central doubleheader scheduled for last Friday night was postponed due to the bad weather in Rutherford County.

Both KMHS clubs are coming off tough losses to Crest. The Mountaineers,

now 6-4, were upset 57-53 by the Lady Chargers last Tuesday night and the Mountaineers played the undefeated and league-leading Chargers a tough game before falling 63-53.

Kings Mountain's girls defeated the Lady Warriors their first time around but since the Gaston County club has gotten red hot. They had won four straight conference games and six of their last seven

overall until last Friday night when they fell to second place Burns 47-41.

The Lady Warriors' defense has greatly improved since they lost to Kings Mountain in a pre-Christmas game and that

defense no doubt will be geared tonight toward stopping KM's super senior, Susan Mitchem. Mitchem's averaging 20.5 points per game with 205 points in 10 games and that average is good enough for

third place in the SWC point parade. North Gaston's senior sensation, Nancy Scoggins, is the league's top scorer with a 26 point per game average and she's already topped the 1,000 point mark in career scoring.

That magic 1,000 figure is getting closer to Mitchem's reach. She currently has 984 points for her four-year career and if she continues at her present rate of scoring she could become the school's all-time scoring leader.

Mitchem is getting a lot of scoring help from a pair of talented juniors. Gayla Robert is scoring 10.1 points per game and Judy Henderson is hitting 9.8 and is leading the club in rebounding.

Kings Mountain's boys are hoping the improvement they showed in the Crest game last Tuesday night will carry over into the remainder of the season. The Mountaineers are currently 3-7 in conference play and 8-9 overall and need to turn their season around.

To date, they've been a low-scoring team and have only two players hitting in double figures. Senior William Thompson is the point leader with 163 points and a 13.5 average. Sophomore Vernon Bell has scored 101 points for a 10.1 average. He has played in only 10 games, missing the Cleveland County Tipoff Tournament because of a knee injury.

The biggest thing the Mountaineers have going for them at present is youth. Coach John Blalock loses only two players off his current team, Thompson and Bobby Odums.

The KMHS clubs return home on Friday night to host Burns in a twinbill beginning at 6:30 and both local teams will be looking for revenge. In an earlier SWC doubleheader, the Burns clubs literally ran the Mountaineers out of Fallston, but the Mountaineers came back to give the Bulldogs all they could handle in the Tipoff Tournament before falling by a point.

In the SWC race, the North Gaston girls and Crest boys continue to sail along with unbeaten records and aren't showing any signs of letting up. Most clubs, including Kings Mountain, will be trying to peak in the Southwestern Conference tournament as the SWC sends both its regular season and tournament winners to the Western N. C. High Schools Activities Association tournament.

SPORTS



Photo By Gary Stewart

DRIVING BY — Kings Mountain's point guard, Darryl Friday, attempts to drive past a Crest defender in Wednesday's Southwestern Conference jayvee game at the KMHS gym. The Little Mountaineers won, 55-51,

maintaining their share of the lead in the SWC race. Crest had been tied with KM, Burns and Shelby, but the loss dropped the Chargers to fourth place.

Defeat Crest 55-51

Jayvees Hold Top Spot

Kings Mountain High's jayvee boys basketballers maintained their share of the Southwestern Conference lead Wednesday night at home when they edged a tough Crest team 55-51.

Kings Mountain's girls got back on the winning track, defeating Crest 36-24 to run their SWC record to 3-2.

GIRLS GAME

KM (36) — Littlejohn 12, McClain 4, McSwain 7, McGill 5, Bristol 1, Leach 4.

Crest (24) — Greene 4, Crosby 2, Woods 4, Carroll 2, Hunt 4, Petty 5, Patterson 2.

BOYS GAME

KM (55) — Friday 17, Te. McClain 14, Adams 10, Miller 6, Wofford 4, Caldwell 4, Th. McClain 2.

Crest (51) — Banner 11, Hoey 8, Rippy 7, Clark 7, Rice 7, Petty 6, Quinn 4, Williams 1.

The win by the Little Mountaineers ran their SWC record to 4-1 and their overall mark to 6-1. Crest, which had been tied for first with KMHS, Burns and Shelby, fell into fourth place.

Kings Mountain's pint-sized point guard, Darryl Friday, was the game's top scorer with 17 points but he got plenty of help from Terry McClain with 14 points and Mike Adams with 10.

"The big key for us," noted Coach Dennis Dukes, "was our play off the boards." Thomas McClain grabbed a game-high 14 rebounds and Terry McClain added eight.

"We had well executed offensive patterns against a tough Crest man to man defense," added Dukes. "We got great team hustle, plus a super game from our substitutes."

The game was close all the way, Crest leading by 9-6 after the first period and 24-22 at intermission

and the Little Mountaineers going out front 40-36 heading into the fourth period.

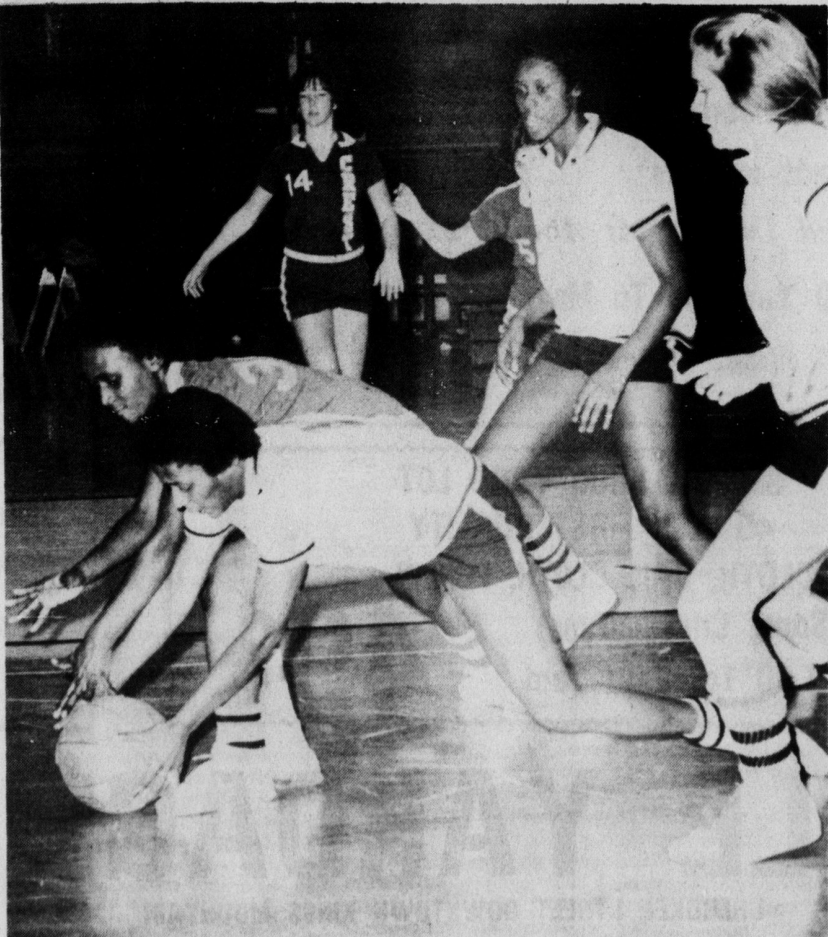
The Little Chargers grabbed a two-point edge early in the fourth quarter but KMHS came right back to take the lead. KM held on behind some key free throws late in the game by Friday and Terry McClain.

Kings Mountain's girls led most of the game in

getting back in the win column after a heartbreaking loss to Burns last week.

Annette Littlejohn of the Little Mountaineers was the game's top scorer with 12 points. Elizabeth McGill added eight and Robin McSwain seven.

The two KMHS clubs were scheduled to host East Rutherford in a conference doubleheader last night.



SCRAP FOR LOOSE BALL — Kings Mountain's Annette Littlejohn and an unidentified Crest player scrap for a loose ball in Wednesday's jayvee game

at the KMHS gym. Littlejohn scored 13 points to lead the Little Mountaineers to a 55-51 victory.

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Jayvees Nip Bessemer, Now Tied With Shelby

Kings Mountain High's jayvee boys basketballers won their sixth in a row Friday afternoon at Bessemer City, defeating

the Yellow Jackets 55-49 in a non-conference game. The victory gave the Little Mountaineers a 4-1 Southwestern Conference record and 7-1 overall mark heading into a home game last night against East Rutherford.

The Little Mountaineers begin second round play Thursday at R-S Central, where they'll seek revenge for their only loss of the year. The Hilltoppers whipped them 57-52 in

THE BOXSCORE

KM (55) — Th. McClain 17, Friday 11, Hamrick 6, Curry 4, Johnson 4, Wofford 4, Adams 3, Te. McClain 3, Miller 3, Wingo, Caldwell, Scruggs.

EC (49) — Reid 22, Brown 10, Feemster 7, McNeal 6, Partlow 2.

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