

Mounties Travel To East Gaston Friday

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers will be facing a "hungry" tribe of Warriors Friday night when they travel to Arrowhead Stadium to meet East Gaston.

East Gaston, coached by former KMHS players Jerry Adams and Darrell Van Dyke, is 0-2 and eager to get in the win column in Southwestern 3-A

Conference play.

The Warriors have dropped a pair of close road games, 6-0 in the rain to East Lincoln and 17-14 to defending state champion South Point.

Kings Mountain, which edged the Warriors 6-0 in the rain last year, is 1-1, having lost to Burns 27-8 and beaten Ashbrook 19-0.

It's the first game for the War-

riors in their improved stadium and a huge home following is expected to attend the first home game.

Coach Dan Brooks of the Mountaineers feels his club will have to give a similar performance to last week's if it is to be successful against the Warriors.

"They look real good," says the third-year Mountie mentor.

"They're quick and strong and could very easily be 2-0 instead of 0-2. They were deep in East Lincoln territory and close to scoring a couple of weeks ago, and lost a fumble, and last week against South Point they were leading 14-10 with time running out and fumbled, and South Point took it all the way for a touchdown and the win."

East Gaston has a veteran ballclub. The Warriors have 35 lettermen back from last year's

1-9 outfit.

"They've got a real good fullback in Rod Belcher," said Brooks. "He's a big boy, and

against South Point he carried the ball 25 times for 156 yards. He's real strong on the dive plays. They just give the ball to him and let him run."

The Warriors have a good quarterback in junior Tom Adams. Derek Spears, the quarterback on their championship team two years ago, is running tailback and is one of the quickest backs in the SWC.

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KM-EAST GASTON

YEAR	KM	EG
1973	27	7
1974	29	0
1975	18	14
1976	21	14
1977	14	38
1978	0	19
1979	7	0



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LOOSE BALL - Ashbrook's Jimmy Price (74) (54) in Friday's football game at Gamble Stadium. The Green Wave recovered but the Mountaineers won the game 19-0.

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Cross Country Runners Win First Meet

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers won their first cross country meet of the season last Thursday at Point, defeating the Raiders, Burns and East Lincoln.

The Mountaineers had four runners to finish in the top 10. Bernard Womic ran second, Carl Smith third, Jimmy Brown fourth and Todd Wray tenth.



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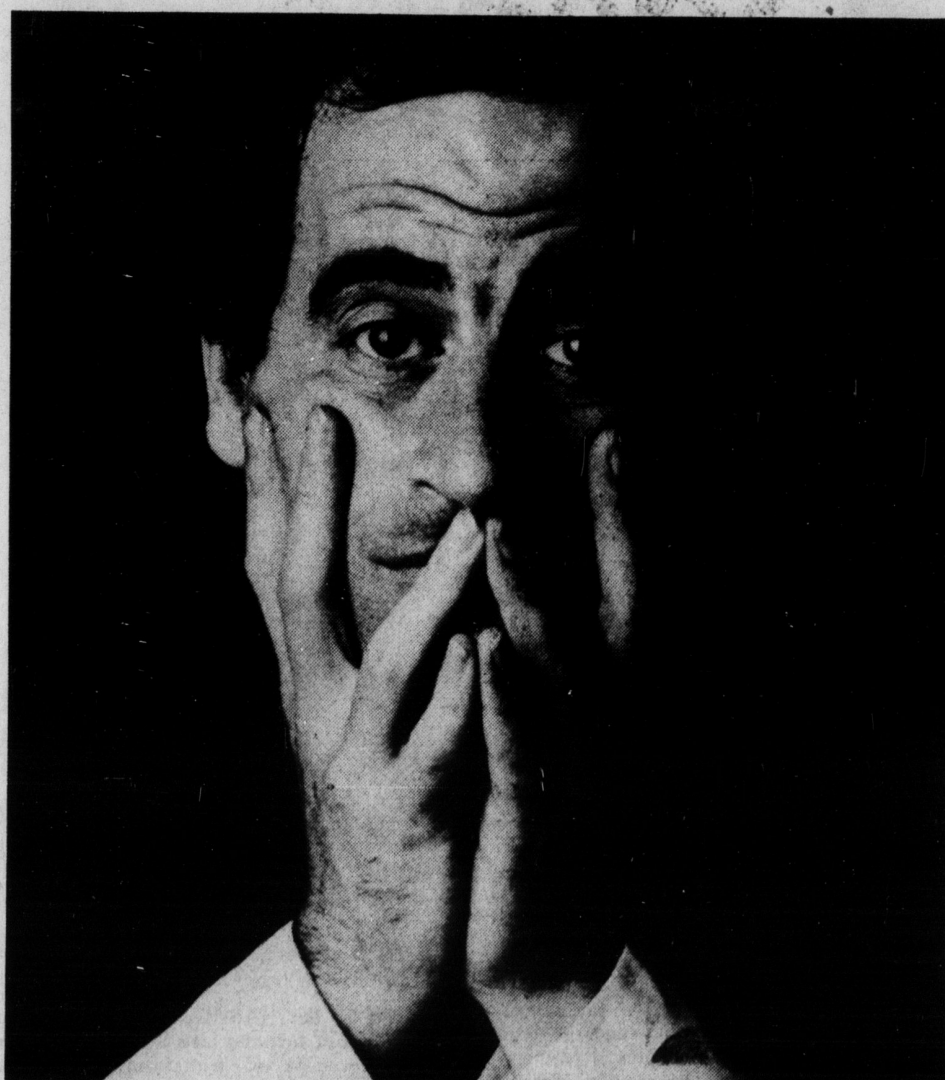
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