

Tournament Had Its Bright Moments . . .

The Smoky Mountain eastern division tournament at Cherokee last week did have its bright moments despite Franklin's losses . . .

Everyone seemed to be impressed with the beautifully built and — equipped Cherokee High Gymnasium.

Without a doubt, Franklin had the most, the cutest, and the loudest cheerleaders to appear.

Franklin High principal Harry C. Corbin became a familiar sight as he efficiently kept scoring records of each game . . . until the closing moments of the Franklin-Swain boys game Friday night when the excitement brought Mr. Corbin to his feet.

Refereeing, announcing, and ticket sales went off smoothly and efficiently each night . . . usually crowded conditions at refreshment stands and powder rooms prevailed, however.

A bit of bad sportsmanship cropped up when a group of fans from we-don't-know-where emitted an "oh-ah" chant reminiscent of the backround in the recent record hit, "Running Bear," each time a Franklin



TWO MORE . . . but not quite enough. Ronnie "Stomp" Higdon hits for two against Swain High last Friday night (February 19) in the semi-finals of Smoky Mountain Conference eastern division playoffs. Swain edged Franklin 35-33 to gain the finals. (Staff Photo)

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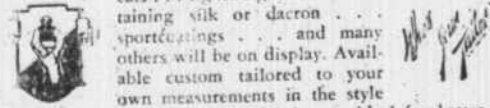
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except the bespectacled Indian who remained stone-faced with characteristic aloofness.

Two large banners were in evidence Friday and Saturday night; Swain cheerleaders waved a box-car letter question in front of their fans asking, "Cap You Yell?" and a big, "Cullowhee Rebels" pennant fluttered from the balcony.

Everyone in the standing-room only crowd Saturday night agreed that the Swain-Cullowhee boys championship game rated with the most exciting; Swain won it by two points in a sudden-death double overtime.

swain tried a foul shot. Someone came up with an idea to provide music over the public address system between games Saturday night; But why that scratchy recording of "La Paloma" over and over?

Swain lads who lined up at mid-court after warm-ups got a bit "shook" Friday night when Franklin's cheering cuties encircled them for a yell . . . all

ment.

IT'S AMAZING the number of local motorists who don't have chains for their cars. Twenty years ago, when the winters were more severe, chains were almost as important as the motor.

REP. JAMES M. Raby and members of THE PRESS staff will be in Asheville Saturday night for a meeting of the W.N.C. Press Association. Guest speaker will be W. F. Babcock, director of highways for the state, and they have a number of highway questions to clear up with him.

THERE IS a lot of talk among adults and children about the coming of the North Carolina symphony next month. It's good to know the people are interested in fine music.

LOOK FOR a lot of building to start in and around Franklin just as soon as the weather begins behaving.

SOMEONE remarked the other day that if things keep going like they have the school children won't have any summer vacation. They'll just take time off to change clothes.

DON'T FORGET about fixing that drainage problem at the foot of Town Hill. One fellow we know is really upset — he was walking on the sidewalk when a passing car gave him a bath of mud and water from head to toe.

TIME'S A'WASTIN' and work on the Indian Mound is long overdue. Just talking will never get the job done; a job worthy of a landmark famous for being the "Largest Remaining Indian Mound in North Carolina."

LOOK FOR a lot more flying by commercial vehicles in and out of the local airport as the weather gets warmer. Winter this year certainly has kept cobwebs on local planes.

IF YOU wonder where the yellow went, some of it could be trying to find a "home" on some of the faded parking lines on the Main Stem.

HAVE YOU seen the police car hauling the little parking meter collector to the town office? They use a trailer hitch on the back to keep from lugging the thing around. It's plenty heavy filled with meter change.

Fair Meeting

A meeting of the Macon County Fair Association has been called by the president, Cecil Parker, for Monday night, February 29, at 7:30 at the Agricultural Building.

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Boys Game Wednesday night

Franklin (59): Pearson, 15, Duzell, 12, Higdon, 11, Baird, 17, Williams, 3, Simpson, 1, Justice, Caba, Corbin, and Bryson. Halftime: 29-22 Franklin.

Girls Game Friday night

Franklin (49): Forwards, Caba, 37, Carpenter, 15, Lenoir, 18, Stockton, 10, Myers, 1, Leatherman, 6, Guards: Cole, Sheffield, Houston, and Fox.

Glennville (41): Forwards, McCull, 24, Passmore, 10, Bryson, 7, Hodden, and Stewart. Guards, Moss, Bryson, Moody, Bentley, St. Winter.

Halftime: 38-17, Franklin.

Boys Game.

Franklin (33): Pearson, 10, Duzell, 7, Higdon, 10, Baird, 4, and Williams, 2.

Swain (27): Clark, 11, Armistead, 1, Brintrial, 2, Sossaron, 7, Minnie, 5, Wike, 2.

Halftime: 19-14, Swain.

Girls Game Saturday night

Swain (75): Forwards, McKen, 48, Dunlap, 11, Sossaron, 13, Guards: Robinson, Sutt, Welch, and Fisher.

Franklin (57): Forwards, Caba, 37, Carpenter, 2, Lenoir, 26, Stockton, 14, Guards, Cole, Sheffield, Leatherman.

Scout Caba Goes To Raleigh For Special Ceremony

Eagle Scout Paul Caba, of Franklin, as a selected representative of the Daniel Boone Boy Scout Council, was in Raleigh over the week end for a special ceremony.

Paul's father, Russell Caba, attended with him and represented the district as an adult Scout.

In 1959 Paul was named the Number 1 Boy Scout of Western North Carolina, having been picked for the honor by the Daniel Boone Council. He is a member of Explorer Post 202.

District Boy Scout Executive Resigns

Philip D. Thompson, of Sylva, resigned Monday as field executive for the Smoky Mountain and Nantahala districts of the Daniel Boone Council, Boy Scouts of America.

A native of Avery County, he resigned his job to fulfill his military obligation and as a member of the Boone unit of the N. C. National Guard will take six months training at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Mr. Thompson has been field executive since December.

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"JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH"



FRANKLIN'S DOT Stockton sinks a two pointer over the head of a Swain High guard in the finals of the Smoky Mountain Conference eastern division tournament at Cherokee last Saturday night. The local lasses faltered in the fourth quarter and Swain surged ahead for a 75-57 victory and the championship. (Staff Photo)

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