

Madison Varsity Teams Defeated

By TERRY GUNTER

Madison's varsity boys bowed out of the Mountain Four Basketball Tournament with a 65-50 loss to Mitchell last Wednesday night. This new tournament was held at Mountain Heritage High near Burnsville.

Foul trouble plagued the Patriots in the first quarter. Although no individual got in foul trouble, the team picked up many fouls and Mitchell was in the bonus situation by midquarter. The Mountaineers used their free throws to pull out a 14-10 first period lead.

Madison played better in the second quarter. The Patriots were more careful on offense and reduced the number of turnovers they had been making. Madison finally got the bonus freethrow with just over four minutes in the period, but they were unable to hit any of them. If the Patriots had hit half their foul shots they would have had a good lead at halftime, but they trailed 27-26 instead.

Mitchell simply ran Madison off the floor in the third period. The Patriot's shooting was ice

cold all quarter. The typical play of the quarter was Madison shooting, Mitchell grabbing the rebound and fast breaking down court for a layup. The Mountaineers increased their lead to 11 points with a 49-38 lead at the end of the quarter.

It was the same story in the fourth quarter. Madison couldn't get back on defense in time to prevent a Mitchell fast break. The Mountaineers went on to build a 15-point winning margin.

Todd McCormick paced Madison with 22 points and Jimmy Davis finished second with 8 points in his last performance for the Patriots. Keith Woody scored 16 points for Mitchell.

Madison's JV boys lost five players to fouls in the fourth quarter allowing Mitchell to beat them 53-46 in the first round of the tournament. The Patriots trailed for most of the game but almost pulled out a victory in the final minutes.

GIRLS

Mountain Heritage 45-32

Many people felt that Madison's girls could win the

Mountain Four Tourney, but Mountain Heritage had other ideas as they defeated Madison 45-32. Inexperience was a chief factor because the young Patriot team simply "choked" under the pressure.

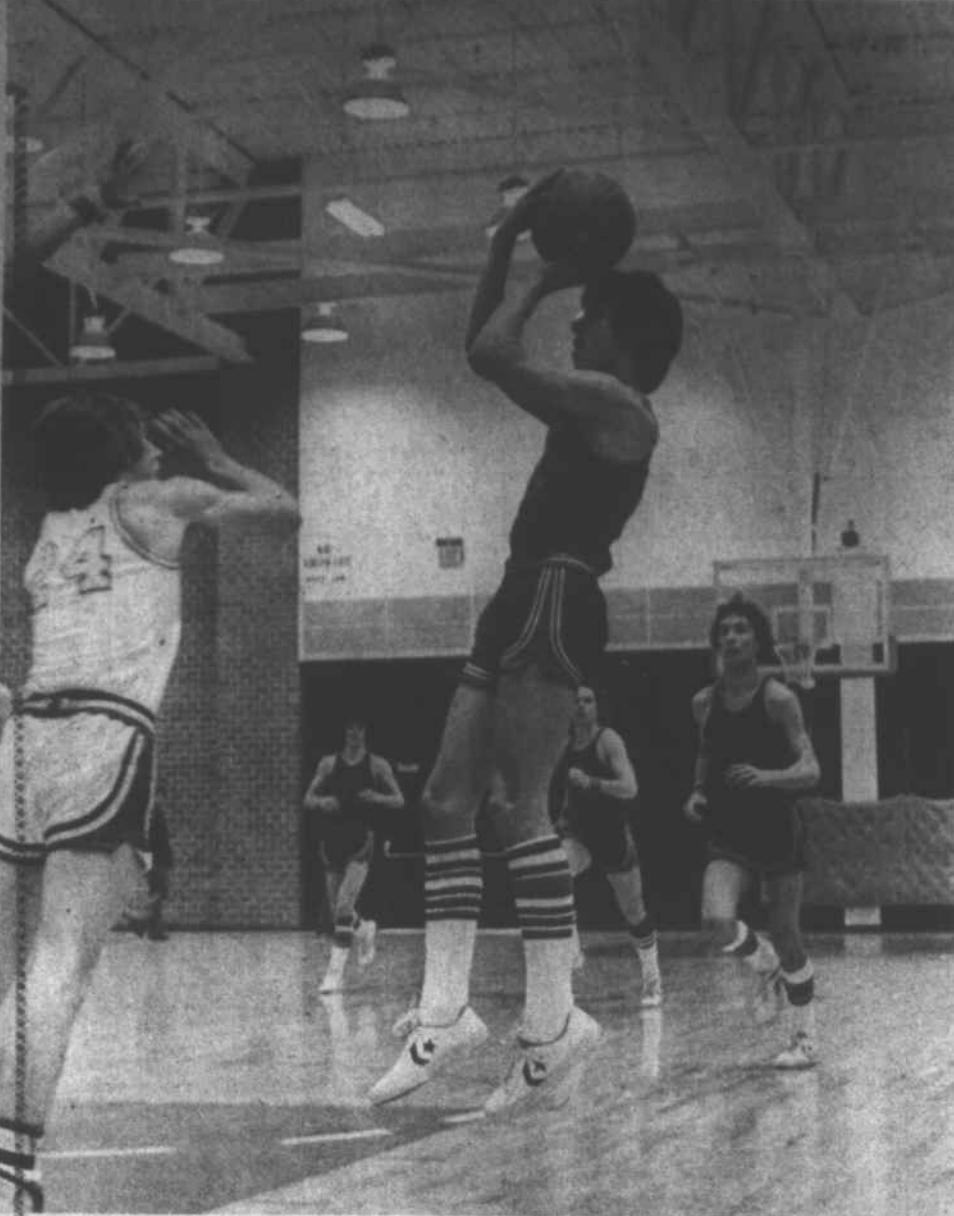
The Patriots were very tense as the game opened. The nervousness showed in their shooting because their shots were not only off the mark they were completely missing the rim. Madison managed to score only four points during the quarter, but their defense allowed Heritage only seven points. The Cougars connected on some long shots to help them grab that first period advantage.

Madison was dealt a crushing blow in the second quarter when Peggy Rice picked up her third foul with 4:23 to go. The Patriots rebounding was so-so up to then, but it was worse after that. Heritage's defense held Madison to a mere seven points in the quarter and claimed a 20-11 lead at the half.

The Patriots opened the floodgates in the third quarter. The Cougars' defense had effectively stopped Madison's inside game in the first half so the girls let go from outside. Madison shot the ball like it was a hot potato, but instead of getting closer they got farther behind. Heritage led 32-22 after three periods of play.

The Patriots knew it was the end of the line in the fourth quarter. All hustle was gone from their game. It seemed as though the odds of chance would be in Madison's favor since they were shooting so much, but the Patriots never

did start hitting consistently. All they could do was say, "Maybe next year." Janice Piemmons came through with a good game and led the Patriots with 11 points. Carlene Gunter contributed 7 points for Madison.



JOEY CRAINE draws a bead on the basket in an opening round

tournament matchup with Mitchell. The Patriots lost 65-50.

Lack Of Fuel Cuts Cage Season Short

The Madison County adult basketball league schedule was cut short by the energy crisis. Therefore, co-champions were declared in the Women's League even though the North Carolina Farm Bureau Team was undefeated and had beaten the second place team, Blue Ridge Shoe, and in the East Division of the Men's League where the Hasbeens were 9-1 and had beaten Chandler's Gulf (7-1) in their only meeting. Burger Doodle (8-1) was clearly the champion of the Men's West Division.

The leagues had excellent years with good officiating by Mars Hill College students, directed by Charlie Phillips, a faculty member at Mars Hill College. Appreciation is expressed to the officials, the Madison County School Board, the Madison County Commissioner, the sponsors, the players, and the fans for their contribution to the success of the program. Particular thanks go to Ricky McDevitt, director of the Madison County Recreation League, for the fine way in which he directed the league this year.

Regular Season Records

Women	
N. C. Farm Bureau	7-0
Blue Ridge Shoe	6-1
Bob Frisby's Gulf	3-4

Plaza Burger Parlor Sodom 2-6
Men 0-7

East Division
The Hasbeens 8-1
Chandler's Gulf 7-1
Deringer Mfg. 7-3
French Broad Ins. 4-5
Microswitch 0-7

West Division
Burger Doodle 8-1
Blue Ridge Shoe 3-5
Smokey's 3-6
Gunter's Grocery 2-7
Pioneer Ford 2-8

Regular Season Awards
Women
Co-champions — North Carolina Farm Bureau, Blue Ridge Shoe.
Sportsmanship — Bob Frisby's Gulf.

Men
East Division co-champions — Hasbeens, Chandler's Gulf.
West Division Champion — Burger Doodle.
Co-runner-ups — Blue Ridge Shoe, Smokey's.
Sportsmanship — FBI (East Division), Pioneer Ford (West Division)

Tournament Awards
Women:
Champion — North Carolina Farm Bureau
Runner-up — Blue Ridge Shoe
Consolation — Bob Frisby's Gulf.

Men
Champion — Hasbeens.
Runner-up — Burger Doodle
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Bluff News

By RUTH WOODY

Due to snowy weather the attendance at Zion church was low and night services were cancelled.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Davis of Balfour spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Woody.

Mrs. Edna Waldroup fell last Saturday and broke her arm. Sam Kirkpatrick was ill and in the hospital last week but is able to go back to work now.

Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Woody visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Waldroup Friday night.

Miss Ethel Waldroup spent Friday night with Mrs. Edna Waldroup.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Waldroup and boys of Fletcher visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Waldroup Sunday.

Mrs. Alberta Stroud is in South Carolina due to the illness of her mother-in-law.

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Wrestler In State Tourney

Gene Clark, a junior at Madison High School, recently won the 156-pound weight division at the Western Sectional Wrestling meet held at Tuscola High School Feb. 18-19.

Gene finished first out of the 24 young men competing in his weight class. By winning this tournament, Gene is now eligible to compete in the state wrestling tournament to be held in Winston-Salem, Feb. 25 and 26. Gene will carry an overall record of 16-4 into the state tournament.

As a team, Madison High's wrestlers finished 13th overall out of a field of 24 teams. Other young men who wrestled well for Madison and reached the quarter finals were Mike Chapman, a sophomore, who competed in the 106-pound weight class; Randy Hodge, a junior, who competed in the 170-pound weight class; Rickey Ingle, a junior, who competed in the 185-pound weight class; and Dean Rice, a senior, who competed in the 198-pound weight class.

The Madison High team consists of Gary Hensley, Mike Chapman, Gary Griffin, Roger Taylor, Mark Allison, David Nix, Johnny Chandler, Gene Clark, Randy Hodge, Rickey Ingle, Keith Rice and Dean Rice.

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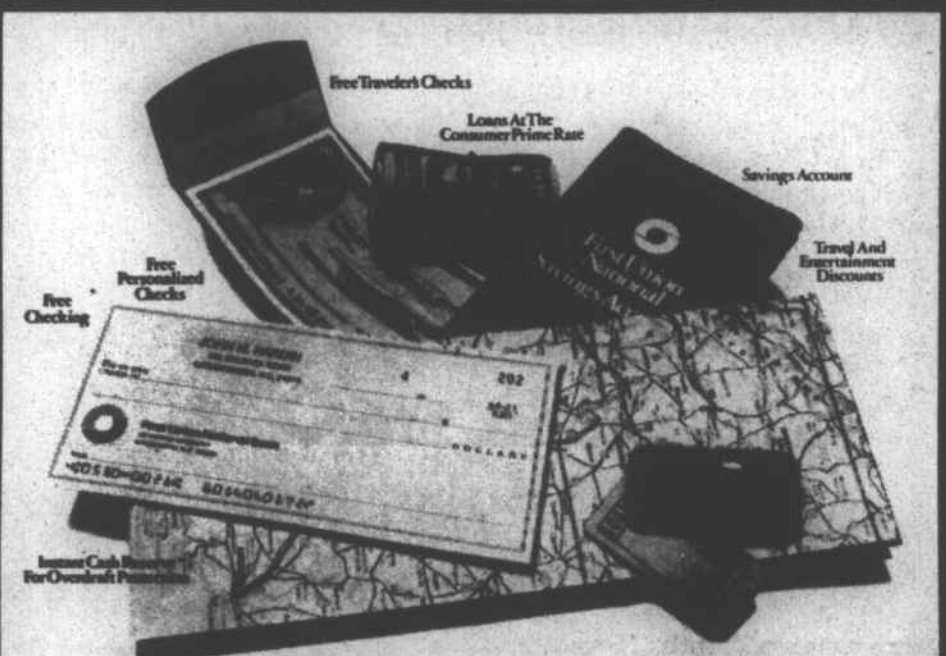
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PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	\$	during the period from July 1, 1976 thru December 31, 1976	
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$	\$ 25,000.00	ACCOUNT NO. 34 1 058 058	
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$	\$		
OTHER (Specify)	\$	\$		
TOTALS	\$	\$ 80,000.00		
TOTALS			(D) TRUST FUND REPORT (refer to instruction D)	\$ 3,057.90
			1. Balance as of June 30, 1976	\$
			2. Revenue Sharing Funds received from July 1, 1976 thru December 31, 1976	\$ 114,147
			3. Interest Received or Credited (July 1, 1976 thru December 31, 1976)	\$ 291.79
			4. Funds Released from Obligations (IF ANY)	\$
			5. Sum of lines 1, 2, 3, 4	\$ 117,496.69
			6. Funds Returned to ORS (IF ANY)	\$
			7. Total Funds Available	\$ 117,496.69
			8. Total Amount Expended (Sum of the 15, column B and column C)	\$ 80,000.00
			9. Balance as of December 31, 1976	\$ 37,496.69

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