

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1940

Waynesville-Canton Are Conference Co-Champions

50 Mountaineers Report For Cage Practice

2 Haywood Teams Share Honors Of Blue Ridge Group

Black Bears Paw Mountaineers 21-0

Thanksgiving Game Attended By 2,500 At Industrial For Good Game

The Waynesville Mountaineers... The Bears again put on a burst of speed in the last period with Hips carrying the brunt of the action to march 79 yards for their second tally, with Fowler taking the ball across. The point was made by Hyatt, a linesman after a placement was blocked.

ball game Thanksgiving Day: The Mountaineers were on the defensive the greater part of the afternoon and for some reason were unable to click.

STATISTICS table with columns C and W, listing game statistics like First downs, Yards gained rushing, etc.

Scoring touchdowns: Canton, D. Hips, Fowler, Rhea. Scoring extra points: D. Hips (2), Hyatt. Substitutions: Canton, Rickman, Matthews, Newman, Phillips, Miller, Holtzclaw, C. Smathers, Shope, Barion.

Richard Queen Coaching Boys Local High Team

Prospects Bright For Good Season In High School With Basketball Games

The Waynesville Mountaineers, both boys and girls, got down to hard practice the first of the week in the basketball section of the sports program of the local high school. It was reported that around 25 in both divisions reported for the first practice of the season on Monday, and the indications are that the locals will have a fair team in both the boys and girls division, with the girls having a slight edge over the laddies.

Following is a complete schedule for the Mountaineer cagers: December 10—Fines Creek at Canton, but the honors were divided between the two Haywood teams. The team had one of the most successful seasons in its history.

Named Blue Ridge Conference Co-Champions



Here are the 1940 edition of The Waynesville Mountaineers, who were awarded Co-Champions along with Canton. They read first row, left to right: Ledford, Headrick, West, Smith, Ash, Gibson, and Fisher.

Fines Creek. December 17—Fines Creek at Waynesville. January 10—Clyde at Waynesville. January 17—Sylva at Waynesville. January 28—Bethel at Waynesville. January 31—Canton at Waynesville. February 7—Sylva at Sylva. February 14 - 18—Gold Medal Tournament for girls at Canton. February 21—Canton at Canton. February 24—Clyde at Waynesville. February 28—Bethel at Bethel. March 4 and 5—Haywood County Tournament at Waynesville for both boys and girls teams. March 10—Blue Ridge Conference Tournament to be held at Canton.

New York Highway Mileage. If placed in one continuous line, the mileage of highways in New York state, exclusive of streets in cities and incorporated villages, would stretch more than three and one-third times around the earth at the equator. The total is more than 63,000 miles.

Athletic Group Give Banquet For Teams And Band

The Athletic Association of the Waynesville Township High School were hosts on Tuesday evening of a Turkey banquet at the Hotel Gordon honoring the first and second teams of the football squad, and members of the High School band, that have played for the games during the season just closed. Special guests of the evening included, L. M. Richeson, chairman of the sponsoring band committee and members, Bill Prevost, W. A. Bradley, Jack Messer, C. N. Allen, and T. L. Bramlett, M. T. Bridges, sports editor, Waynesville Mountaineer, officials, Carl Ratcliff and Charlie Barrett, the cheer leaders, and Mrs. C. E. Weatherby, gate cashier. M. H. Bowles, district supervisor of schools, was master of ceremonies. The long tables at which the guests were seated bore the colors of the school, black and gold, and were marked off as a football field.

and centered with a football. Coach C. E. Weatherby was the first speaker of the evening. He introduced his assistants, and each member of the football team, giving each a "superlative," and presented every member with a picture of the first and second teams. In his remarks he stated that the average age of the first and second teams was 17 and the weight of the starting eleven averaged one hundred forty-seven and a half pounds, while the weight of the second team averaged 151 pounds. The average age of the entire squad of forty-five boys was 16 and a fraction years. L. T. New, Jr., director of the band gave a brief history of the organization and paid a high tribute to L. M. Richeson, chairman of the sponsoring committee and the other members. Each member of the sponsoring committee present made a brief talk all complimenting the band and the teams on their excellent records. Jefferson's Democratic Concepts. Thomas Jefferson, one of America's great Democrats, learned some of his democratic concepts from his father, Peter Jefferson.

Decision Made To Consider First Game, Of Scoreless Tie, Rather Than Last Game

The Waynesville Mountaineers and the Canton Black Bears were declared as co-champions in the Blue Ridge Conference last Monday night by the conference leaders assembled at Langren Hotel in Asheville. The vote was taken and decided upon the matter despite the defeat of the locals by Canton 21 to 0 last week. The championship was split, but the honors are still in Haywood. The constitution of the conference was also amended to include the first game of any season as the one that counts in the conference if they play more than one. So far Canton and Waynesville are the only teams in the loop that play two games in one season, but the matter is settled once and for all as to which game counts in the league.

The locals have won the championship on several occasions having been awarded the trophy last season. Canton also has taken the honors several times. It also was decided to hold the conference basketball tournament at Canton March 10-15, with Marion, McDonald, of W. C. T. C. and Grayson Cope, of Sylva, officiating. Frank Hill was named as an alternate official. A committee composed of C. C. Poindexter, Carleton Weatherby and E. B. Bailey will complete plans for the cage event. The track meet was set for April 11 at Canton, and the tennis tournament for April 19 at Mars Hill.

Bryson City, Franklin and Andrews high schools were added to the conference, increasing the membership from nine to 12 schools. The other members are, Sylva, Waynesville, Canton, Brevard, Tryon, Saluda, Swannanoa, Mars Hill and Marshall. The group also ratified a revised constitution providing, among other things, that conference members cannot play games with any school dropping out of the conference and trimming from five to four the number of games with conference opponents which a school must play to be in line for the conference championship.

SLANTS ON SPORTS By MARION BRIDGES

The football season is over, it is history, the books are closed, as far as the local fans are concerned, but there are a number who are wondering what happened at Canton last Turkey Day, so are we. We mentioned it several times in this column that there is no way under the sun to predict ball games and get the correct answers every time, and in a Waynesville-Canton game it is more uncertain than usual, and the game last week was no exception. Local fans had high hopes that the game would

end in their favor, so did the Canton fans, and it turned out that the Canton fans were right. Of course there were a number of "I told you so's" coming out of our neighboring town, we can take it, and only hope that the tables will turn next year. There is one thing that can be said about the fans that attended the game, they let the rivalry be settled out on the turf, or should we say sand, and did not take it upon themselves to mix in the affair as has been the case on several previous occasions, for this they are to be complimented. There is one compliment that should go to the Mountaineer squad and that is the way they have played the game this season. In their conference games no opponent was able to score, including

The sports season now turns indoors to the cage sport. The locals are practicing hard for their first game which is the 10th. They have a very short time in which to prepare for the game, but are working hard to that end. The Haywood County tournament in basketball to decide the county champions, is slated for the local court late in the season. Canton will play host to the Blue Ridge Conference tournament, which will be held the latter part of the season also. This gives Haywood two major events in the cage field. It is rumored around that several all-star teams will be formed locally. This starts at the beginning of each season, and very little is heard about the matter when the season opens, and on the several occasions that there has been an all-star team, their records have been against them. If an all-star team is to be formed that will stack up with those in neighboring towns, there has to be more done than just talk. No team can play ball without practice, and the players must be in condition. This is a hard combination to work out, with the players having to work most of their time and very seldom get any practice. It is our suggestion if an all-star unit is to be formed, do it right or not at all. The bowling teams are getting organized and have encountered each other several times, but the game is still in its infancy, and the teams are not thoroughly organized. We hope to give more dope on this next week.

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