

No Game This Week, But—

# Mountaineers Practice As Usual

Waynesville's gridirons will be idle this week-end, as far as a regular game is concerned.

But you couldn't tell it from the practice this week as the undefeated Mountaineers went back to work to try to stay that way in their battle against the tough Marion Rippers a week from Friday.

Coach Carleton Weatherby said "they all played a good ball game and played consistently" in their 20-0 victory over Asheville School last week.

The win, which was the seventh straight since the opening game tie with Sylva, virtually clinched the Blue Ridge Conference title for the second straight year for the Mountaineers.

It also clinched a return invitation to the Paper Bowl game at Canton November 30 for them. Waynesville defeated a favored Marion team 19-14 in the first Paper Bowl game which has preceded last season.

In spite of the open date for this week-end, the Mountaineers will go through their normal practice schedule.

"We'll work outdoors every day as long as the sun is shining," the coach said, "and when it rains, we'll work in the gym."

The workouts this week and next week are aimed at polishing the offense and defense. Coach Weatherby, Carl Babbitt and Marshall Teague also are sending the boys through work on the dumbbells.

Weatherby, along with a substantial contingent of Mountaineer supporters, are planning to see Marion and Canton tangle Friday night at Marion.

The Mountaineers came through the Asheville School game with nothing worse than some bruises. Quarterback Charlie Womack, who played his usual smart game, was limping early this week from an injured leg muscle, but the condition was described as not serious.

## Canton Midgets Rally To Edge Asheville Y

The Champion YMCA's Gray Junior Bears proved their undefeated record is a third-quarter rally that gave them a 7-6 victory over the Asheville Central YMCA midgets at Canton last night.

The win was the Canton midgets' eighth straight tie with Hendersonville as the only blotch on their record this season.

Carl Gillman put the Asheville gridirons in front at the second period when he crossed the Canton goal from the line and line on a quarterback sneak.

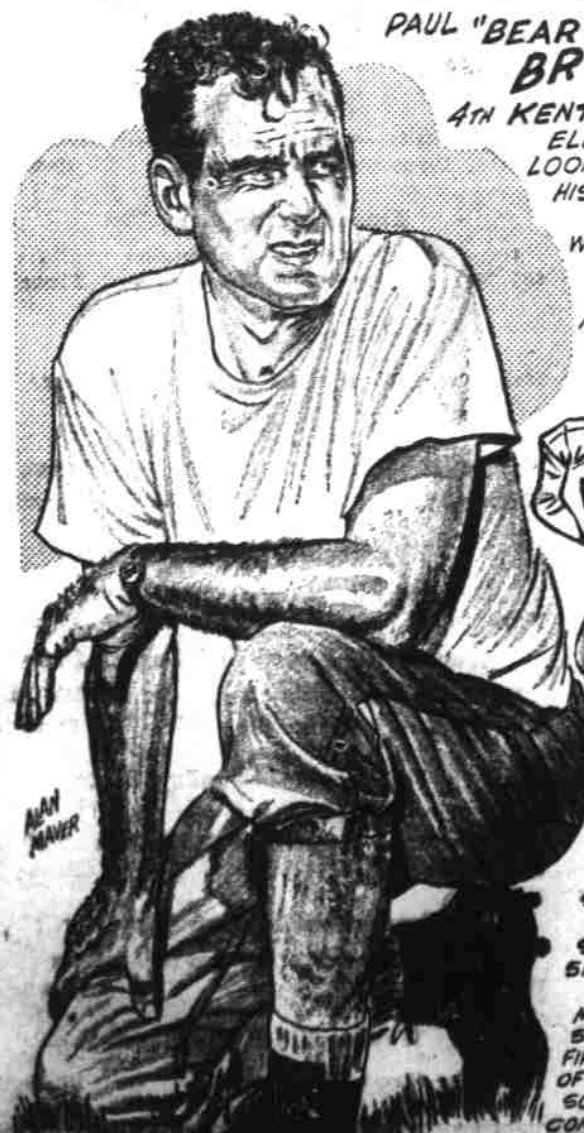
His thrust capped a 70-yard drive. But the vital try for the point failed, and Canton set up the matching touchdown in the third period when Charlie Carpenter intercepted an Asheville pass on the Asheville 25 and returned it eight yards.

Charlie Burnett then whipped a pass to Butch Morgan in the end zone to tie the score.

Then Burnett ran back through the line to make the winning point.

The highest body of water in the United States is believed to be Colorado Lake, at a 15,963-foot elevation in the Rocky Mountains. A tarn is a mountain pool with less than one-tenth of a mile of water surface.

## FOUR TIMES AND UP . . . By Alan Maver



**PAUL "BEAR" BRYANT,** WHOSE 4TH KENTUCKY ELEVEN LOOKS LIKE HIS BEST AS WELL AS ONE OF THE NATION'S BEST!

PAUL'S FIRST KENTUCKY ELEVEN MADE THE SCHOOL'S BEST SHOWING SINCE 1912—NOW HE MAY HAVE THE SCHOOL'S FIRST WINNER OF THE PRESENT SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE CROWN!

## Gridiron Brothers



AP News-features. MARYVILLE, Tenn. — The brother act is being emphasized at Maryville college boys with four sets of brothers on the 1949 Scottie football squad.

The brothers as pictured are left to right, front row, Henry, blocking back and John Callaway, center and Kirt Berron, Jr., blocking back and Lynn Berron, tailback. Donald tackle, and Paul McInnis, end and Clarence, fullback, and Kenneth Shepard, wingback, are standing.

The Callaways, Shepards and Berrons are local boys. The Merwin brothers, sons of Presbyterian missionaries in Peking, China, are playing their first tackle football. The boys learned touch football in American school in China. The parents sent the boys back to the U. S. for college. Head Coach Lombo S. Hamaker and Line Coach J. D. Davis say the boys are picking up the tackle variety of football in a hurry.

## Ex-Mountaineers Star For Gardner-Webb College

Special to The Mountaineer. SHELBY — The Gardner-Webb College Bulldogs have two young men of whom Waynesville citizens can be justly proud.

They are Ervin Shook and Charles Howell.

Shook is one of the leading punters in the Western North Carolina Junior College Conference. Howell is one of the defensive stars for the 1949 Gardner-Webb College Eleven.

Shook, who has played both at tailback and quarterback this season was a Waynesville High School star for three seasons.

He also attended Central High of Atlanta, Ga., for one campaign. That year, 1945, he was an All-State selection.

While at Waynesville, he twice was second team All-State quarterback.

Shook was also a baseball star three years at Waynesville and one year at Central, and a basketball standout at Central.

The 165 lb., 19-year-old gridder played in the East-West Optimist Bowl game in Asheville in 1947.

Shook graduated from Waynesville High in '48, and went to the Gardner-Webb campus in the latter part of the same year.

He was a three-sport star at the Boiling Springs school in '48, hitting 320 as a leftfielder on the baseball squad and teaming with Jim Hufferd to give the Bulldogs of the court two of the finest guard in the conference.

So far this season Shook has punted 19 times, averaging 33 yards per kick. He has also completed 7 of 15 passes.

Howell was a three-sport star while at Waynesville High, having played three years of football, and one year each of baseball and basketball.

In 1948 he won a berth on the All-Blue Ridge Conference League from where Waynesville won the conference championship.

Howell graduated from the Waynesville school last spring, Majoring in Physical Education at G.W., he tips the scales at 170 lbs. and is 18 years old. This being his initial season on the Cleveland County campus, he is being counted upon for heavy duty the next three seasons.

## Franklin High Re-Admitted To Smoky Conference

Franklin High School was ejected, then readmitted to the Smoky Mountain Conference, all in a week's time.

On November 1, Conference officials ousted Franklin for allegedly failing to submit eligibility reports on its players to its opponents.

But last Tuesday night, exactly a week later, the Conference officials voted to readmit the school after a delegation of Franklin citizens, Franklin Coach Milburn Atkins, and Principal Guy Sutton appealed from the previous verdict.

"We have a clean house, no ineligible players, nothing to hide. Anyone is welcome to do any checking on us they want to do," Coach Atkins said.

The U. S. Bureau of Mines estimates zinc-lead deposits in the tri-state district of Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma at 86,100,000 tons.

# Marion Rippers Hard-Luck Team Of The Year; But Rate As Toughest Test For Undefeated Mountaineers

Tight-lipped Art Ditt, the ex-North Carolina back of the late '30's, stood in the chill wind last Saturday on the sidelines at Asheville School, taking notes and nodding.

Then he murmured: "Waynesville and Lenoir—that'd be a good game."

Ditt was watching the Mountaineers overpower a game but undermanned Asheville School eleven, 30-0, which he expressed the opinion.

The night before, he'd seen his own Marion Rippers take a 12-0 licking from Lenoir, the Western Class A powerhouse that has dropped only one game so far this season. That loss was by a couple of touchdowns to the Class AA Gray High eleven of Winston-Salem.

The Mountaineers have only two hurdles to leap to finish their 1949 season undefeated, though tied.

One of them is Ditt's Marion eleven.

To hear the ex-Carolina backfield workhorse tell it, though, the Rippers constitute no obstacle.

"We'll try to make it close," he smiled wryly, referring to the November 18 engagement at Waynesville.

Marion this season turned into the hard-luck team of the Western Conference, going into the games weekend to weekend with the sick list loaded with regulars.

Still, Waynesville's supporters find little comfort in Ditt's observation when they start of the comparative treatment Waynesville and Marion each gave to the Hendersonville Bearcats.

Though comparative scores mean practically nothing they can carry some significance.

The Mountaineers worked out a 28-20 victory over the Bearcats the memorable night of October 14.

The next weekend, the Rippers mauled the same Hendersonville team 30-0.

"Marion," reported a Waynesville scout respectfully after the game, "could do no wrong."

The Rippers' performance Friday night against Lenoir gave no reason for comfort to Waynesville supporters either.

Observers reported that Marion outplayed the Lenoir eleven most of the way, and some said they should have won.

Hard luck struck the Rippers even before the opening kickoff. A regular tackle slipped on the concrete as he was running out of the stadium to the field, for the opening kickoff.

He rode the bench with a sprained ankle—the entire game.

Then Marion scored twice in the first half.

But both touchdowns were called back on penalties.

What hurt, Ditt winced, was that one of the penalties was called against Lenoir.

"I've never seen that happen before," he said, "but we weren't given the opportunity of either accepting or refusing the penalty."

Ditt said a Marion boy caught a pass and ran all the way to the Lenoir end zone.

But Lenoir had been charged with interference with the receiver.

The play was called back and, according to Ditt, the official proceeded to step off 15 yards against Lenoir without giving Marion a chance to decline the penalty and accept the touch down instead.

Marion which ended the 1948 season with a 19-14 loss to Waynesville in the Paper Bowl, was loaded with talent as the current campaign opened.

Observers reported that the Rippers did "very well" against Lee Edwards in two regulation-length scrimmages before the season opened.

One of the key men in the Marion offense was Wingback Gilbert Packett, a big, shifty runner equipped with sticky fingers that gave him an early reputation of being one of the finest pass catchers in North Carolina scholastic football.

The Rippers opened up the season by blasting a good Olympia High School team from Columbia, S. C.

what they go?

However, Ditt's reflection regarding a possible Waynesville-Lenoir tieup is an echo of much of the speculation over the identity of the two Paper Bowl teams.

The official announcement expected about November 12 would prove a shocking surprise if it did not include Waynesville.

As for the other team, the talk has centered most heavily around Monroe and Lenoir as the Western Class A representative, though Lenoir is certain of a bid to the post-season Bowl game at Hickory.

At the time, the idea was considered somewhat horrifying, but one observer after seeing Waynesville's powerful rallies against Hendersonville said the Mountaineers would be ready for Lenoir by season's end—unless, of course, key players suffered serious injuries.

That game followed by only a week Waynesville's narrow 7-0 squeak over a fighting Canton team that had fallen 37-0 the previous Friday under the Lenoir steamroller.

Since the Canton game, however, the Mountaineers have looked like an entirely different team. Some weaknesses are still evident, but not obvious.

But the Mountaineers are an entirely different bunch of players than those who stumbled to a 6-6 tie in the mud at Sylva on the night of September 16.

Furthermore, "injuries to key players" have developed into more of a blessing than a curse to the Mountaineers.

While triple-threat Halfback Bob Davis was nursing an ankle injured in the Canton game, Jimmy Moss, a smart, alert junior, developed into a cool veteran especially deadly when he's passing.

James (Perk) Fugate, another reserve, taking over Davis' punting duties, developed into a coffin-corner kicker. Though he hasn't been able to match Davis' long, spiraling punts that sent the safeties racing for their own goal posts, his boots have gone out of bounds or rolled dead within the 10-yard line more than mere coincidence can possibly explain.

Though Coach Carleton Weatherby would be the last man to admit it, if he would admit it at all, the Mountaineers appear to be knee-deep in backfield talent operating behind a fast, bruising line.

George Garrett, the other starting halfback, has developed into a shifty, dangerous runner.

The Mountaineers have as smart a quarterback as the fans have seen in this neck of the woods, Charlie Womack, the star of the 1948 Paper Bowl game, is an accurate passer and a dangerous runner.

He demonstrates this, whenever he gets around to calling his own number.

As for the fullbacks, they have been entirely too numerous for the opposition to handle. Don Whisenhunt, showing 100 per cent improvement over his 1948 performance, was one of the main reasons for the Mountaineers' 20-0 victory over Asheville School and is currently the Mountaineers' scoring leader.

J. C. Dewese, his alternate, started slowly but by mid-season turned into a powerhouse that doesn't know when it was stopped.

He and Whisenhunt did most of the ball-carrying last weekend.

Each gained two to 12 yards every time he carried the ball.

Whisenhunt never failed to gain, and Dewese was stopped only once.

That was on a play late in the fourth quarter when he ran into a pileup at the line of scrimmage.

As the season goes into the home stretch, the Mountaineers find themselves with the depth of seasoned material that is characteristic of the best of the Class A schools.

However, the two games ahead are expected to prove the toughest of the season.

Weatherby and his staff aren't figuring out the total season record yet or planning their strategy for the Paper Bowl.

They're still taking the season from weekend to weekend.

The Mountaineers have an open date next weekend, and the layoff has its advantages and disadvantages.

They'll have time to recuperate on some bad bruises that cost them the 20-0 victory last weekend and to work on defenses and offenses for the Marion game.

At the same time there will be the danger of a relapse that faces every team with an idle weekend on its hands.

# Waynesville Host Tea In Canton's Paper Bowl

## Opponents For Classic Announced

Waynesville's Mountaineers and the Monroe Pythons will meet in the second annual Paper Bowl football game at Canton November 30.

Ralph Goforth, chairman of the Paper Bowl committee of the sponsoring Y's Men's Club of Champion YMCA, announced this week that the two Class A scholastic football powers had accepted invitations.

It will be the second consecutive appearance in the colorful grid show for the Mountaineers, who upset Marion's Rippers, 19-14, in the thriller that gave the Bowl a highly successful christening last season.

A former pupil will be facing his old coach along the sidelines at kickoff time.

Harry Jaynes learned his football and starred on Coach Carleton Weatherby's pre-war Mountaineers, then went on to play four great seasons at Western Carolina.

He went back to Waynesville as an assistant coach last December, but left for Monroe to take the same job with the Pythons and play the line for the professional Charlotte Clippers on Sundays.

Jim Guder, Monroe's head coach, is no stranger to this section either.

A native of nearby Candler, he starred at Lee Edwards in Asheville, then at Western Carolina before taking charge of Monroe's football fortunes.

The versatile Monroe coach also plays pro baseball. He pitched for Hendersonville of the Western Carolina League in 1948, then shifted to the Coastal Plains League the next season.

The Mountaineers, tied but undefeated, clinched a return invitation and their second straight Blue Ridge Conference championship last Saturday afternoon when they overpowered Asheville School, 20-0, for their seventh straight victory.

They will be meeting a powerhouse that is heading for an undefeated and untied season.

The Pythons have rung up ten straight victories to date and are tied with powerful Children's Home for the lead in the South Piedmont Conference.

They rolled over Canton's Black Bears, 20-0, on September 28, while the Mountaineers edged the same team, 6-0, two weeks later.

The Mountaineers face an improved Canton eleven on Thanksgiving Day at Waynesville in their final game of the season.

Monroe will go into the Paper Bowl game filling the favorite's role.

Coach Weatherby, when informed of the invitation, expressed pride and satisfaction both over his boys having been selected for the second straight year and over the choice of their opponents.

Meanwhile, the members of the Bowl committee were working this week on the details of a colorful program which will form the backdrop of the game.

At least two crack high school bands—and possibly three—will march and play at the game, and a celebrity will be chosen to present the Bowl trophies.

After the game, the players on the Waynesville and Monroe squads will be entertained at a banquet.

The announcement of the teams ended weeks of speculation. The Mountaineers appeared almost certain of a return trip to the Bowl, with the choice of their opponents posing the biggest question.

Lenoir, Morganton, and Monroe figured as most likely choices, with Sylva and Bryson City up until two weeks ago given an outside chance.

However, Bryson City dropped out of the picture when the Mountaineers spoiled its unbeaten string, 20-6, and Sylva was eliminated from the picture when it lost, 27-26 to Bryson City the following weekend.

Sylva's 6-6 tie is the only blotch on the Mountaineers' record to date.

The Mountaineers, however, still have to get by Marion and Canton to go through the regular season undefeated.

WEEKEND FOOTBALL SCHEDULE
FRIDAY — Canton at Marion, Blue Ridge at Asheville, Murphy at Sylva
SATURDAY — Wake Forest at N. C. State, North Carolina vs Notre Dame at New York, Duke at George Washington, Mississippi at Tennessee
Now you can get a combination comb and insecticide powder applicator for dogs. The American Magazine describes the device as having long teeth that get close to the skin, and a bulb which, when squeezed, forces powder through the teeth to reach fleas and ticks.

# ALL-AMERICAN FUTURE BOO

By FRANK ECK AP News-features Sport Editor

Frank Clayton Tommemaker is a well-sized fellow who thrives on throwing monkey wrenches into opposing football machines. The Minnesota center could be the last pivot man from the Big Ten to make All-America since 1933.

It is not uncommon for Tommemaker to take a bead on an opposing back running wide and match him stride for stride until he meets him at or behind the line of scrimmage. It is quite a sight to see Tony and his 246 pounds give chase after someone 50 pounds less in avoidpducs.

Following Minnesota's 21-7 conquest of Northwestern, Coach Bob Voight of the Wildcats lamented: "It's that Tommemaker who wrecked us. We just couldn't get him out of there, and every time we dented Minnesota's line he was there waiting for the ball carrier."

Against Ohio State, Tony was particularly brilliant in the 27-0 triumph. He frequently nailed Buckeye backs before they hit the line of scrimmage.

"We can't do a thing," said some of the Ohio State players to their coach, Wes Fesler. "We hit that big Tommemaker and bounce right off him. We can't even knock him off balance."

Tommemaker, an Associated Press "lineman of the week" this fall, is co-captain of the Gophers and is working on his fourth football M. He is 21, stands six-three and comes from Minneapolis. He is a senior in physical education, which usually means a coaching career after graduation.

Last summer Tommemaker worked in the keg department of a brewing company, tossing kegs around to get his arms and shoulders in the best possible physical shape.

George Svendsen, assistant

## FATHER AND SON . . . By Alan Maver



EARL BLAIK, ARMY COACH, AND HIS SON ROBERT BLAIK, CADETS' SECOND STRING QUARTERBACK. YOUNG BOB HIDES THE BALL LIKE A MEMBER OF THE DIVISION. HEADED FOR STARDOM IN HIS OWN RIGHT IS BOB SPEARS, SON OF YALE'S "DOC" SPEARS, EQUALLY FAMED AS PLAYER AND COACH!

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TEAMWORK THE G... HAVE you ever asked a football fan what he enjoys most in watching an exciting game? It's the teamwork, the good blocking, and the long runs that make the game interesting for me," he will answer. Well, the football fan knows what he's talking about. He knows that each member of the team must handle the part he has been assigned or the play gains nothing. It is teamwork that wins the game. On the football field or off the field it is this same teamwork that wins the game. That is why the beer industry