

# Deweese Makes Only West in Optimist Bowl

West and for J. C. Deweese of the Waynesville Mountaineers. It was a case of Deweese being almost the Optimist Bowl Friday. Deweese won the game 12-0. The advantage of fumbles, interceptions, and twice Deweese racing down the field. One man between him and the goal line, only to have that man bring him down.

Inman, the other Mountaineer, played two-thirds of the game on defense, and was steady self in a line composed of the best available. Inman's spectacular guards seldom did make several plays that clearly stopped an

reached the shoulder of the Paper Bowl. After the game he was reported in pain, but the doctors there would be no serious injury to the West. In the game the West was first down on the four. The play after the kickoff was to Riggs from his 38 yard line, after which Smith

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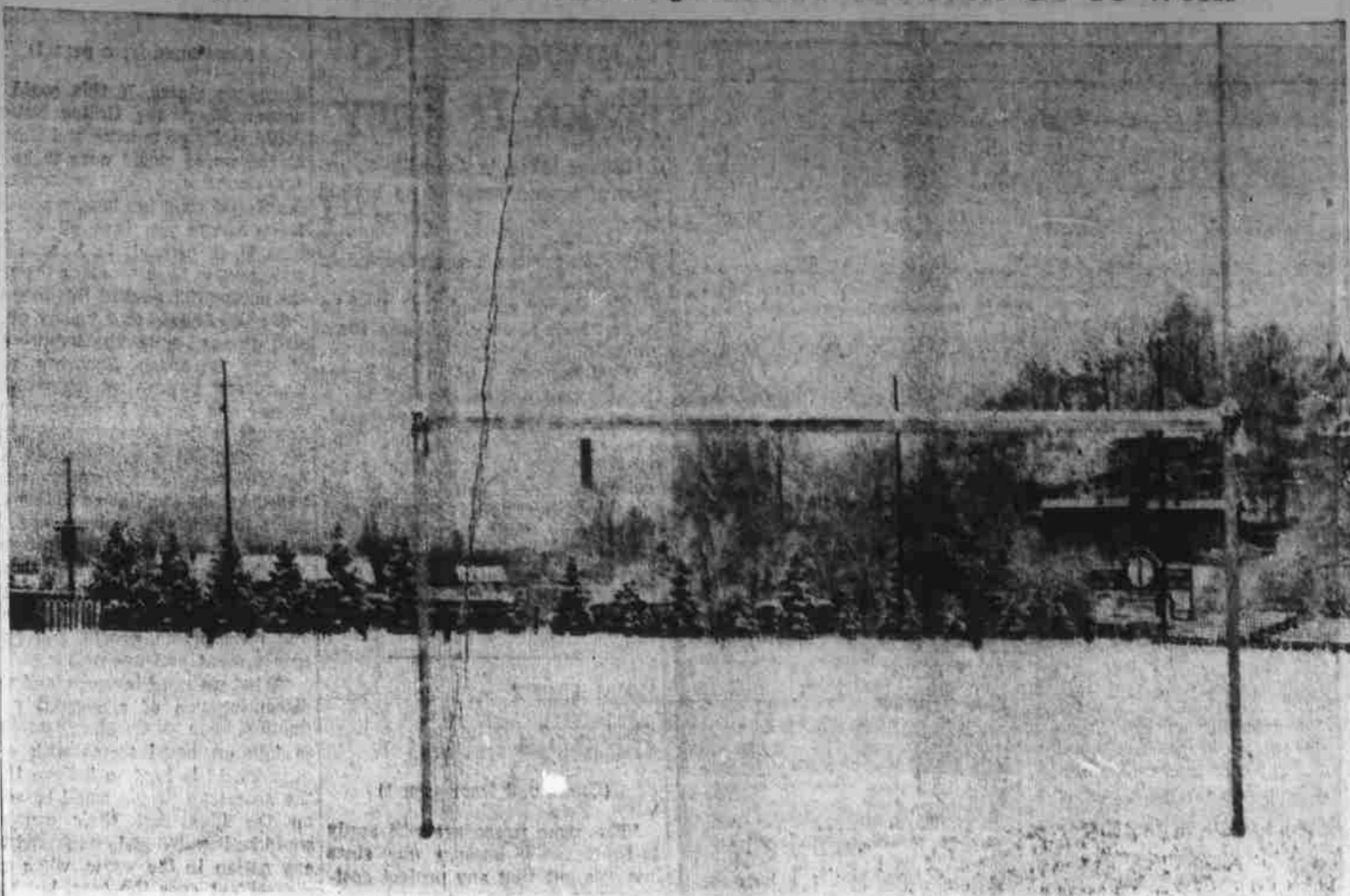
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# Daylight Breaks Above The Paper Bowl and Men Go To Work



This picture was taken at 8 a.m. Nov. 26th. Exactly 12 hours later when the ball was kicked off not a speck of snow remained on the field or on the stands. Many more men were brought in and the snow was rolled off in huge balls. Some mud remained but the Mountaineers had played under far worse conditions this season at Greeneville, Tenn. (Photo by Jimmy Deaton)

# SPORTS in BRIEF

By HANK MESSICK

"THE old order changes, giving place to new," and football to all extents and purposes is over for this year. The Mountaineers have achieved far more than the pessimistic coach was willing to predict last September, but much hard work and effort has been required. Elsewhere on these pages over the past months we have attempted to cover the facts of the Mountaineers. It was not always easy and the fear remains that perhaps injustice was done to some deserving player. If so, the only thing that can now be done is to say that if sometime in the future you remark: "I was a member of the '51 Mountaineers," people will know you as a good football player."

APPARENTLY the Bountaineers managed to impress the Asheville papers in the Paper Bowl, and there is no doubt that it was well overdue. Of course, the writer for the Citizen managed to imply that had the field been dry, the game might well have had another outcome. The Times reporter, however, was loud in his praise as his remarks about Wayne Kelley—look elsewhere—illustrate.

Charlie Justice is roaming his home hills again, but we expect that he's looking for talent and looking hard. The Breward Blue Devils, one of the best teams in the Conference, had him over for a banquet Thursday night. He also attended the Paper Bowl game Wednesday afternoon, and the Optimist Bowl Friday night. If Carolina doesn't get some good players out of this neck of the woods it won't be the fault of Choo Choo. Two bad seasons and it'll really be curtains.

SOMETIMES I agree, in spite of my enjoyment, the high school football is being taken too seriously for its own good. On the other hand when I hear about players out to "get" Dick Kazmaier of Princeton, and breaking his nose in the process, I wonder about the college sport. However, all that I suppose is the result largely of reporters. To arouse interest they play up a certain player. The other team believes what it reads, and figures their only chance to win is to "git" the guy early in the game before he can do much damage. And it isn't confined to college either. Ask J. C. Deweese.

WILL Waynesville someday speak of Bill Sutton with the same awe, admiration, and ardor employed by citizens of Asheville in discussing a chap named Justice? That question is impossible to answer, but the chances of an affirmative reply seem to be increasing every day. Just obtained a clipping in the mail from W. T. Eller out at the Country Club. The clipping is from the Ft. Lauderdale Daily News and it is headed, "Miami B Team Punter Expected To Shatter Hurricane Records."

The item goes on to discuss plans of Miami coaches for converting Sutton from an end into a T formation quarterback. Sutton is given credit for being a good passer already, but, says the Daily News, "his ball handling lacks deception."

TENNESSEE is great and her players know it. Having that knowledge they can afford gestures that would be unthinkable on a team where a coach was deliberately attempting to stir up competition for every post. Recently, we read, that a player asked the coach to let his understudy play as much as possible in an effort to win the Southern Conference scoring race. The coach agreed and Herky Payne now leads the league in scoring. You've heard of the guy who intervened, who was willing to give up a few headlines in favor of his backstop: his name will be on every All-American: Hank Lauricella.

JUST in passing and in winding up this column for the day and the football season for the year, I would like to note that Hot Springs defeated Lake Lure the other day, 39-18. If you recall, Hot Springs was the first team the Cardinals of Clyde were able to beat this year, and they beat them badly. Wonder what kind of a team Lake Lure has?

# At Strand Wed., Thurs., & Fri.



Ben Hogan, (right), King of Golf, is shown here with three of his pals (L. to R.) Jimmy Demaret, Dr. Cary Middlecoff and Glenn Ford, just before making an important golf scene for "Follow The Sun," which will be shown at the Strand Theatre for 3 days, beginning Wednesday.

# Pet Dairy Tops Men Bowlers

Pet Dairy is now tops in the Men's Bowling League of Waynesville with an average of 750. Taylor Motor is close behind with 667, and in third place is Billmore Dairy with 583. Welco Shoe is in fourth with 444, and Mt. Valley Esso is in fifth with 417. Last is Dayton Rubber with 139.

Rock Chambers took individual high game honors and high series honors as well. Johnny Caldwell was second with high game, and tied with Earl Gribble for second

# Park Theatre Program

MON. & TUES. DEC. 3 - 4

"DESERT FOX"  
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WED., DEC. 5  
"TRIPLE CROSS"



THURS. & FRI. DEC. 6 - 7

"SMOKY"  
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# Wayne Kelley Recognized As 'Outstanding Lineman'

## Fines Creek Cagers Get Double Win

Fines Creek, under its capable coach, Joe Turner, has revealed its 1951-'52 basketball schedule. The season got under way with a game at Spring Creek Friday night and continues next Friday at Rosman. Waynesville is due on Dec. 11th, and Clyde comes to Fines Creek on Dec. 14th.

Dec. 18th is an open date, but on the 21st the Cherokee Indians play host. After Christmas vacations, cage activity resumes with Canton playing at Fines Creek on Jan. 4th. Following that on the 8th of January, Spring Creek is host. Rosman visits on the 11th and the Redskins of Cherokee on the 12th. Making it three home games in a row is Crabtree-Iron Duff, after which there is an open date. Then Bethel comes to Fines Creek on the 22nd.

On Jan. 25th Clyde is host; on the 29th nothing is scheduled; and on Feb. 1st it will be Canton's turn to entertain. The 5th is open and on the 8th Crabtree-Iron Duff repays the hospitality of Fines Creek. Bethel has her turn on the 15th, and then Waynesville will come over. The date was set for the 22nd, but that conflicts with the Gold Medal Tournament, Feb. 18-23, and will be changed.

## Fines Creek Reveals Cage Schedule

Fines Creek got the basketball season underway in fine style Friday night as both the boys and girls teams took victories from Spring Creek. The boys, however, required extra time in which to amass a two point margin.

Ferguson was the big gun in the girl attack. She scored 28 out of the 49 total for her team. E. Rathbone also had a good night as she obtained 13 points. Others in the starting lineup were J. Clark, Ledford, Messer, and Rogers. Subs consisted of B. Rathbone, D. Rathbone, (the latter getting eight points), P. Russell, V. Rathbone, J. Ferguson, J. Trantham, M. Trantham, Reeter, K. Russell, Davis, and W. Ferguson.

Willett shot more than half of the Spring Creek total of 33. While she was hooping 17, Brown was getting eight and Caldwell was getting six. Silvers, Moore, and Keener made up the rest of the team. The boys were confronted with a stiffer test that, at the end of the

Wayne Kelley has had little difficulty in convincing Mountaineer fans that he is 245 pounds of the best guard in the conference, but he hasn't had so much success in getting the fact across to visiting newsmen. Fans who followed the team from game to game learned to watch the little fellow as if he were the football, for they knew that where Kelley was so usually was the ball. Newsmen, watching the Mountaineers in action only once or twice, allowed themselves to be diverted by the bigger, more sensational Deweese, or the burly, reliable form of Hooper or Inman. All are good players, and all deserve the highest praise, but seldom did they deserve it at the expense of Kelley.

In the Paper Bowl, however, things were different. At least some of the newsmen, in shop talk before the game, were told to watch Kelley, and their comments were good to hear as the battle progressed. Of course Deweese still stole the show, and the performance of Ross was nothing less than sensational, but the steady consistent play of Wayne Kelley got its reward at last.

Thursday afternoon the Asheville Times called Kelley the best and "Most outstanding lineman on the field." That wasn't all the Times said either in an article written by Al Geremonte, sports editor. In discussing Kelley the words and music went: "The slim, vicious tackling youngster climaxed a brilliant performance in that hectic third period. Kelley made three-fourths of the tackles in that chunk. His face a bloody mask, he neither gave quarter nor asked for it as time and again his low charge carried him into the Newberry backfield."

In summing up, the Times, who had put Kelley on the All-Scholastic third string, admitted that Kelley was the outstanding guard on the "Top Western Carolina school-boy team."

Wayne is only a junior. Next year with the Mountaineers he should achieve his greatest glory and vitally aid his team in defending the championships they so completely deserved this year.

regular game found the teams tied at 41 all. Billy Rathbone led the attack for Fines Creek, getting 20 points in all. J. Green had 10, J. Rathbone had 2, Bobby Rogers got 4, and D. Rathbone fired 2. Of the subs, McCracken got 3, Fisher got 2, Payne 2, and Clark and Kirkpatrick neglected to score.

Lindsay did most of the shooting for Spring Creek, getting 14 points. Price shot 12 points, West six, Justice five, Trantham three. Meadows of the subs got one, while Keener, Messer, Caldwell, and Kent came out scoreless. The final tally was 45-42 in favor of Fines Creek.

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