



FORWARD MYRTLE FITZGERALD, a converted guard, goes in for a layup against Clyde in Waynesville's 71-49 victory here Friday night. The other Waynesville player at left is Tulan Carver, forward, who scored 27 points. (Mountaineer Photo).

Mountaineers Rally To Edge Clyde In Thriller, 51-50; WTHS Girls Win

By BOB CONWAY

The Mountaineers had to come from behind in the fourth quarter and freeze the ball for the last minute to edge a good Clyde team 51-50, in a thriller at the WTHS gym Friday night.

Waynesville's girls, however, put on a point-making exhibition to win, 71-49.

In the boys clash, the surprising

Cardinals graded the lead at 6-4 early in the first quarter and refused to relinquish it until the fourth quarter.

As it was, it took a hot streak of shooting in the second half by Carroll Hooper, who hit for 16 points in Waynesville's stretch drive, to pull the game out of the fire. Hooper got only nine in the first half, but finished with a total of 27.

Hooper also played the major role in the last minute and a half as the Mountaineers put the basketball in the deep freeze as the clock ran out. Behind only three points at 48-51, Clyde narrowed the margin to one when Danny Caldwell sank one of his long shots, but the Gold and Black got the ball again and ran out the few remaining seconds.

Waynesville trailed through the first three quarters because of difficulty in finding the range to the basket and having the Cardinals continually grab rebounds — both on offense and defense.

David McCracken, star football player at Clyde, was the big man under the boards despite the fact that he is of only average height.

Clyde was ahead at the end of the first quarter, 20-16, at the half, 29-21, and at the end of the third quarter, 38-37.

Behind Hooper in point-making for Waynesville was Bobby Balance, a slick ball handler, with eight points. Diminutive Danny Caldwell hit 18 for the Cardinals — mostly on long shots from way

out on the floor. David McCracken meshed 12.

In the girls' game, Waynesville ran up a first-quarter lead of 20-9, but the Cardinals cut the half-time margin to 31-24.

In the third quarter, Clyde drew to within five points of Waynesville at 33-28, but Agnes Roberson and Tulan Carver stepped up the pace and soon put the game on ice.

Roberson hit 29 points — mostly on her jumps shot specialty, while Carver was good for 27 from beneath the basket.

Judy Harris was high for Clyde, followed by Betty Owenby with 16. Waynesville will play host to Fines Creek Tuesday and then go to Crabtree-Iron Duff Friday.

Girls' lineup:
 (49) Clyde Waynesville (71)
 F—Owenby (16) (27) Carver
 F—Harris (20) (10) Fitzgerald
 F—Medford (13) (29) Roberson
 G—Russell
 G—Scott Ratcliff
 G—Brown Turner
 G—Brown
 Subs: Clyde — Muse, Duckert.
 Waynesville — Grant 3, Nichols, Bowen, Davis 1, Ketter 1, Styles, Browning.

Boys' lineup:
 (50) Clyde Waynesville (51)
 F—B. McCracken (9) (25) Hooper
 F—D. McCracken (12) (4) P. Davis
 C—Shook (9) (7) Sparks
 G—Caldwell (18) (8) Balance
 G—Green (2) (7) Gordon
 Subs: Clyde — Seay, Chambers.
 Waynesville — B. Davis, Ezell.

Enka High Jets Surprise Canton Black Bears, 72 - 67

The Canton Black Bears dropped their first basketball game of the 1955-56 season on Enka High's floor as the Jets emerged from the contest with a 72-67 victory.

The Lady Bears also encountered misfortune and lost, 47-37. In the boys' game Davis led Enka with 24 points, but Canton's DeWayne Milner took scoring honors with 29 tallies.

The Jets were ahead at the half, 36-33.

In the girls' game, Phillips of Canton was the high scorer in the contest with 27 points, Wilson was tops for the winning sextet with 24.

Enka had a 26-22 lead at the half. According to the schedule announced recently by Coach Buck Barkby, Canton is slated to be idle Tuesday night, but will journey to Bethel Friday night.

Girls' lineup:
 Canton (37) Enka (47)
 F—Phillips (27) Wilson (24)
 F—Carswell (3) M. Cordell (4)
 F—Willis (5) Massie (16)
 G—West Hawkins
 G—Kinsland Burnette
 G—Burnette Penley
 Subs: Canton—Taylor 1, Young, Surratt 1, Clark, Enka—Gosselin, Reagan 2, Merrill 1, Boyd, H. Hawkins, Roberson, Warren.
 Half time score: 26-22, Enka.

Boys' lineup:
 Canton (67) Enka (72)
 F—Milner (29) Conner (16)
 F—Raxter (6) Lance (8)
 C—King (4) Davis (24)
 G—Cannon (13) Morgan (4)
 G—West (12) Farmer (13)
 Subs: Canton—Pace 3, Van Hook, Green, Carpenter, Enka—Brinkley 2, Jackson 2, Walker 3, Swayngim.
 Half time score: 36-33, Enka.
 Officials: Eblen and Gaddy.

Bethel Basketeers Whip Reynolds In Doubleheader

Bethel won two Blue Ridge Conference basketball games over Reynolds High Friday night with the Blue Demons victorious, 43-38, and the Belles, 59-48.

The boys, however, had to come from behind a 23-18 deficit for their third victory in four starts.

Guard Dean Reece paced the Blue Devils with 29 points, while Smith was high for Reynolds with a dozen.

Lowe's 23 points topped the Belles' point production, while E. Henson got 16 and S. Smith 12. Sayles meshed 18 and Sullins 17 for the Reynolds girls.

Bethel was ahead, 34-20, at the intermission.

Games this week for the Blue and White basketeers are at home Tuesday against Crabtree-Iron Duff and Friday against Canton.

Girls' lineup:
 Reynolds (48) Bethel (59)
 F—E. Conner (13) Lowe (23)
 F—Sayles (18) E. Henson (16)
 F—Sullins (17) S. Smith (12)
 G—Trantham Pinkerton
 G—Williams Messer
 G—Shillinglaw Phillips
 Subs: Reynolds—J. Conner, Dotson, Ingle, Bethel—Jones 2, Layman 2, J. Smith, Blazer, Sheffield, Greene, Edwards, A. Grogan, J. Grogan 2, Smathers, Griffin, Johnson 2.
 Half time score: 34-20, Bethel.

Boys' lineup:
 Reynolds (38) Bethel (43)
 F—Laughter (3) Burress
 F—Smith (14) Hill (6)
 C—Renfeld (8) Russell
 G—McIntyre (2) Reese (29)
 G—Reed (7) Queen (4)
 Subs: Reynolds—Harper, Morrow, Harroll 4, Dotson, Bethel—Singleton, Meese, West 4, Henson.
 Half time score: 23-18, Reynolds.
 Officials: Riggins and Lovingood.

Katie Hepburn And Venice Star In 'Summertime'

"Summertime," opening Wednesday at the Strand Theatre through United Artists release, is the first full-length picture in Technicolor to be filmed in its entirety on location in Venice. The cast and crew of the picture spent some four and a half months shooting in the romantic and beautiful "Pearl of the Adriatic."

The bittersweet story of an American woman's passionate interlude with a handsome Italian, "Summertime" is an adaptation of Arthur Laurent's Broadway stage success, "The Time of the Cuckoo". Katharine Hepburn and Rossano Brazzi are co-starred as the lovers, and the supporting cast is headed by such international favorites as Isa Miranda, Darren McGavin, Mari Aldon, Jane Rose, Gaitano Audiero, MacDonald Parke and Jeremy Spenser.

Ninety percent of the total footage of "Summertime" was shot on exterior location in Venice; the remainder, interior scenes, were

Fines Creek Cagers At Waynesville Crabtree At Bethel Tuesday Night

Clyde High To Travel To Old Fort

Two basketball games are scheduled in the county Tuesday night with Fines Creek slated at Waynesville and Crabtree-Iron Duff at Bethel.

Canton will be idle tomorrow night and Clyde will invade Old Fort.

The Mountaineers had to turn on the steam against Clyde in the fourth quarter for a narrow 51-50 win after trailing from the early minutes of the first quarter. It was Hooper's jump shots that finally turned the tide for the Gold and Black Friday night and gave them their fourth victory without a loss.

The Waynesville girls got back on the victory trail with a 71-49 win over Clyde — paced by Agnes Roberson and Tulan Carver, whose combined point total was 56.

Coach Joe Turner has two good teams at Fines Creek and his split games with Crabtree-Iron Duff, Valley Springs, Leicester, Bethel, and Flat Rock.

After a double loss to Leicester last Tuesday, the Bethel Blue Demons and Belles rebounded Friday for a double victory over Reynolds High of Buncombe County.

The high-scoring, fast-breaking Blue Demons appear to have too much power for the Crabtree boys, but the girls' game may prove to be a real scrap. Last year, the C-ID lassies handed the Belles their only loss of the year and are fully capable of turning them back again. However, being on their own floor, may give the Bethel sextet the edge.

Denied an upset victory over Waynesville here Friday night, the smooth-playing Clyde Cardinals will be out to even their season's record at 2-2 at the expense of Old Fort tomorrow night.

Against the Mountaineers, the Cardinals showed a good eye for the basketball and frequently got the rebounds from the taller Waynesville players.

On Thursday and Friday nights, possibly for the only time this season, all six Haywood County cage teams will be playing within the county.

Waynesville will be at Crabtree-Iron Duff Thursday night, and Canton will be at Bethel and Fines Creek at Clyde Friday night.

Curious Cat Lived

BECKLEY, W. Va. (AP) — C. Harold Hanks, Andy Lilly and Herbert Willis said they felt like the hunted instead of the hunters on a recent trip to the woods near Meadow Creek.

While they were sleeping, a wildcat tried to enter their tent. Hanks knocked the animal outside. They built a fire to scare it away, but the wildcat made a second run on the tent before slinking off into the darkness.

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CARROLL HOOPER (right) scored 27 points for the Mountaineers against Clyde here Friday night and paced the rally that won for Waynesville after trailing the Cardinals throughout most of the game. Clyde cagers here are Raykins (36) and Danny Caldwell (26). (Mountaineer Photo)

WTHS Game At Crabtree Set Thursday

Coach Fred Safford of Crabtree-Iron Duff High School told The Mountaineer this morning that the Crabtree - Waynesville basketball game, originally scheduled for Friday night, has been moved up to Thursday night.

Coach Safford explained he has found it advisable not to schedule games after schools have closed for the Christmas holidays. Classes are slated to be dismissed this Friday afternoon.

The first game at Crabtree will start Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Dayton Rubber Drops A Pair To Beacon Mills

Beacon Mills' team in the WNC Industrial League, apparently as good as last year's championship quintet, downed the Dayton Rubber cagers here Thursday night, 91-66.

The Beacon girls made it a double win with a 20-12 decision in a low-scoring game.

Ard left the Beacon boys with 24 points, while Joe Aldridge, former Mountaineer star, tossed in 18 for Dayton Rubber.

Griffin was high for the Beacon girls with 12. The Dayton girls divided their scoring with no player getting more than one field goal.

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