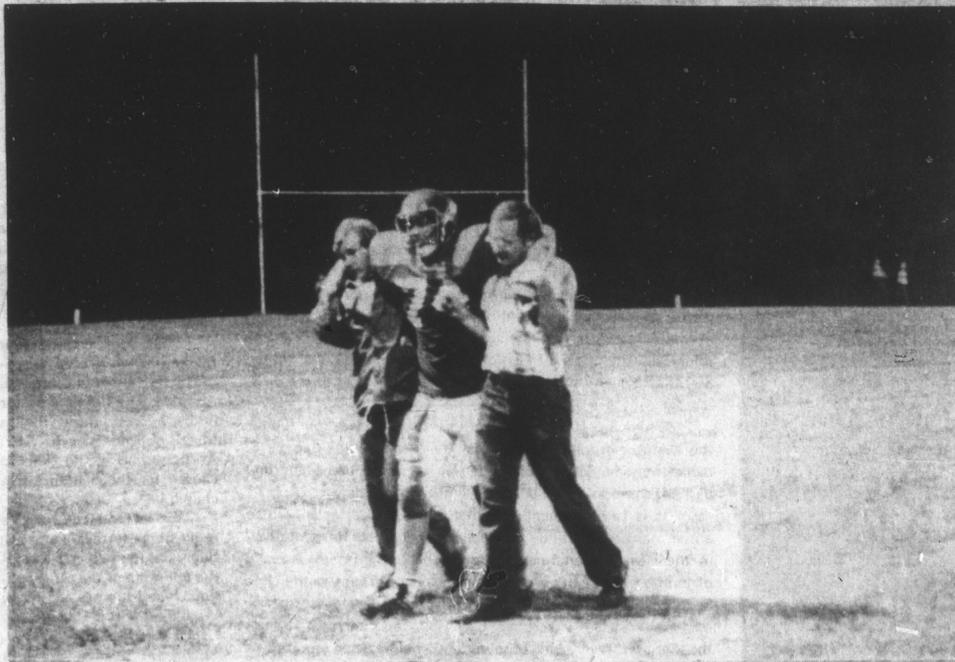


Bluedevils Pounce On Ball-Carrying Cougar



Frustrated Coach Chereshkoff Watches Team Go Down



Chip Zullinger, Larry Howell Help Injured Player Off Field

Cougars Face Defeat

Dewayne Norman and Randall Crowley of Brevard turned in two brilliant performances in downing Mountain Heritage last Friday night. Both the speedsters rushed for well over 100 yards and each accounted for three

touchdowns against a frustrated Heritage defense. There were a few bright spots in the game for the Cougars as they were simply outmanned and outclassed at almost every position. It is difficult for a school so new to consolidation and big time football to compete with schools such as Brevard who have been one of the football powers in North Carolina for years.

A never-say-die attitude was projected by a number of Mountain Heritage players even though things looked rather bad for the Cougars.

Danny Gurley and Rocky Styles played relentless defense and continued to stick to Brevard's running backs long after any hope for victory was possible. Melvin Henson returned kickoff after kickoff giving his best efforts each time. It is this kind of effort and attitude that is going to

turn this team around in the weeks to come. The Cougars started off with the toughest schedule of anyone in the conference, yet our boys have weathered the worst part of the season and have emerged with no injuries.

Next week they will be facing another tough Big Mac

team, Tuscola. Tuscola is ranked third in Western North Carolina so Friday night's game will be no party—but we have the boys and the attitude to turn things around Friday night!

Score for the Heritage-Brevard game: 53-0 in Brevard's favor.

Appreciation Day At Mayland Tech Today

As another academic year at Mayland Technical Institute draws to a close, the faculty and staff of MTI begin to realize the importance of our students to the community and the school as a valuable resource. However, this is second to the opportunity of meeting and knowing our students as friends and often as co-workers.

In this spirit, the staff at

Mayland Technical Institute would like to invite all the students and their families to participate in a Student Appreciation Day on Thursday, September 15. In order to have as many of the students as possible we are going to have two time periods for the cookout. We will begin at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and 6:00 p.m. for dinner.

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EMC's Win Decision

A ruling by a Federal Power Commission judge, ordering a \$13.5 million rollback in a \$33.5 million rate increase proposed by Carolina Power and Light Co. for its electric cooperative and municipal customers, was described by co-op officials today as a "major victory" for those customers.

The decision not only ruled that the rate increase was too high by about 40 percent, but also threw out a provision requiring the customers to pay for 95 percent of their summertime peak-demand all year long, whe-

ther or not they actually use that much power, said Alton P. Wall, acting general manager of North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation.

N.C. EMC, the state association of electric cooperatives, represented the 18 EMCs which are served by CP&L in the FPC case.

Wall said the 95 percent "ratchet" provision "has

substantially increased the cost of wholesale power for the cooperatives and, as a result, has been a real burden to the EMCs and their consumer-members."

Under the ratchet, an EMC is billed monthly for 95 percent of the peak power demand recorded during the period from June through September, even if they use less.

Wall said Wednesday's decision by FPC Judge George Lewnes dismissing the "ratchet" provision could have far-reaching consequences if it is upheld by the entire commission. The full body will review the ruling on an appeal from CP&L.

Meanwhile, the power company will continue to collect the higher rates [Cont'd on page 3]

Yancey Man Killed In Fatal Three-Car Accident

A fatal three-car accident on Friday, September 9 at 8:10 p.m. occurred on U.S. 19E at Riverside.

Johnny Cooper, Jr., 30, of Route 2, Burnsville was driving a 1973 Volkswagen South on US 19E at the Riverside bridge, crossed the center of the road approximately 4 feet and side-swiped a 1969 GMC Pickup driven by Zeb Fox, 20, of Route 2, Burnsville.

The VW continued on off the left side of the road and struck a 1976 GMC truck head-on. Randy Buckner, 18, of Route 3, Burnsville was driver of the 1976 GMC.

Johnny Cooper, Jr. was killed instantly at the scene. Randy Buckner and a passen-

ger, Sharon Ponder, 16, of Route 2, Mars Hill were taken to Yancey Hospital and treated and released.

Damage was estimated at \$2,000 to the Volkswagen, \$400 to the 1969 GMC, and \$3,000 to the 1976 GMC. Trooper A.T. Morrison investigated. Trooper Morrison was assisted by the Radio Patrol and Yancey County Rescue Squad in directing traffic.

Another accident last Friday, September 9, involved two cars and occurred 10 miles east of Burnsville on Arbuckle Road.

Charles Gurley, 41, of Route 2, Burnsville was driving a 1972 Dodge. Brenda Bartlett, 23, of Route 2,

Burnsville was driving a 1977 Oldsmobile north on Arbuckle Road, observed vehicle 1 traveling south around a curve on the left hand side of the road. She drove to the right edge of the road with wheels 6 inches off pavement and stopped. Vehicle 1 continued south on the wrong side of the road and struck the left rear of vehicle 2. Then it continued 34 ft. striking a 6 ft. high embankment. Vehicle 1 then backed up and left the scene.

Damage was estimated at \$350 to the Dodge and \$800 to the Oldsmobile. Gurley was charged with hit and run, left of center, and giving false report. Trooper A.T. Morrison investigated.

Three Ring Circus Slated Next Monday

The spectacular, star-studded, 1977 edition of Roberts Bros. Three-Ring Circus, a ninety-minute live tented circus, will erect its canvas at the carnival grounds at 19E ByPass, Burnsville, on Monday, September 19, for one day only. The two dazzling performances are scheduled for 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. with the midway opening one hour before the first performance. The circus is being presented here as a fund raising and community service project for the Burnsville Volunteer Fire Department.

The traditional three ring, under canvas circus features a number of daring and dazzling, entertaining and exciting, unique and unusual attractions. One of the most unique among these surely must be Max El Toreador and his bullfight boxers. In this unusual display seventy six year old Italian circus veteran Max Bertei presents a mock bullfight that is more bull than fight and more dog than bull. In a more traditional vein the circus presents Pasha the Performing Elephant, Earl's Military Ponies, and a parade of other educated animal attractions.

Of course there's much more to the circus than animals. The show will also feature the aerial artistry of the daring and dynamic Gabriel Flores. From Mexico City, Flores is the later day version of the daring young man on the flying trapeze. Unaided by any net or safety device Flores exhibits his finely honed skills high above

the center ring, at the apex of the canvas arena. Other aerial acts include England's Bob Top and Edna on the elevated Roller Skating Platform, Miss Sabrina on the Spinning

Spanish Web, Tanya on the Swinging Ladder, and Sirocco on the Cloud Swing.

Also appearing in the upcoming performance will be [Cont'd on page 5]



Bullfighter Max El Toreador

Notice

Mayland Technical Institute still has some openings for low-skilled or unemployed people who want to learn MASONRY or CARPENTRY skills. Those who qualify will receive a training allowance while they are in school through the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act. Call 765-7351 for further information.



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