

ALAN HOLCOMBE VISITS  
Alan Holcombe is visiting in Asheville with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Swain Holcombe.

## SPORTS Chatter

By Gene Byrd

Everyone is showing a great interest in the fan's All-Star selection for the Men's Softball league. If you have been attending the games, you have probably made up your mind in regard to the best players. Why not fill in a ballot and send it in to the Black Mountain NEWS?

I would like to explain to my readers that the team I published last week is not my idea of the All-Star team of the league but just a gag to show what a good team could be picked from the players whose names begin with the letter "M."

Bouquets to Reid Tull and Charley Logan for beginning to break the batting slump that held them under its control during the first half. We have every admiration for the fellow who keeps supporting his team and trying whether he is building up an impressive batting average or not.

Congratulations to "Doc" Burnett for taking over the lead in the Big Ten. Bill Gilbert still has the most impressive batting average in the league but has not been at bat a sufficient number of times to be the official league batting champion at this time.

Also congratulations to Packett of the Mountain Orphanage who is leading the Women's League with a very healthy batting average.

Fans, why not stare making up your mind about the Women's All-Star team. We shall probably want to select such a team later to play an exhibition game or two.

Some of the fielding in the league this year has been little less than sensational. Two triple plays have been pulled, one by Friendship Chapel and one by the Methodists. Each was started by an unassisted double play. Rudisill and Kerlee were the "starters" of the unusual play.

They say champions must have the ability to win the close ones. Friendship Chapel has been in eight contests this year that have been decided by one run. Three of them they have lost, once to the Methodists, once to Ridgecrest and once to the All-Stars.

Carroll Stevens is probably one of the most vicious line drive hitters in the league. He is hard on rival first basemen. When a line drive spins "Red" Gardner around it has power.

Young Reese of the Orphanage looks as if he is going to make a nice softball pitcher.

Scott Burgess, the Ridgecrest chatterbox, had the last word on the "behind the screen" crowd when he lashed out his first Church League home run.

Overheard at one of the Church League games as T. Greene trotted in from first base, "Boys, there comes a top rack fellow, a real sport and gentleman." If I were a player, I believe I would put that compliment above a high batting average.

Sympathy is extended to my friend Gil Hoschar. Maybe bifocals would help, Gil.

Wouldn't you like to see Nordhielm, H. Gray and Turner play in the same outfield? They all cover a large slice of territory out there, "in the dark."

Welcome home, "Poongy" Mashburn. Football fans remember those nice runs you used to get off for Black Mountain high school some ten years ago.

And now for the sport's story of the week.

"The oafish fighter thrust his jaw into the face of the reporter and snarled: 'You called me a fool and for that I'm gonna beat the daylight out of you.'"

The reporter looked at him calmly, "Yeah, I called you a fool and I reiterate it."

"Well," muttered the boxer, with an air of satisfaction, "that's different, I accept your apology."

**GUESTS OF KEITHS**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Adams and children Bernadette and Alice of Sarasota, Fla., are spending three weeks at Briarbrook, with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Keith.

Miss Sarah Currell and Miss N. Purdue of Knoxville spent the week end with Miss Susan Currell.

### AT MONTE VISTA

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cross of Tampa, Fla., with their daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Edward Ventress and Nona Ann of Clayton, Alabama, are spending the month of July at the Mont Vista.

### AT CHIPMUNK LODGE

Miss Evelyn Somerville of Aliceville, Ala., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bergthold at Chipmunk Lodge at High Top colony. Miss Somerville is librarian at Fayette, Ala.

### AT HOUSE PARTY

Misses Pat and Sara McDougle and Celvis Osteen were guests of Miss Ann McDougle at a house party at Eagle Lake, Charlotte, from Saturday until Tuesday.

### HEADING FOR MEXICO

Miss Lou Lindsey has resumed her vacation trip to Texas and along the gulf. She was in New Mexico after spending some time in New Orleans Saturday.

### HERE FROM WASHINGTON

Mrs. D. E. Shytle and daughter Barbara of Washington, D. C., are visiting her mother, Mrs. C. B. Mashburn.

### BEGLEY GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Begley and children of Cinicinati, Ohio, spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Begley. Marcus and Elmer are brothers.

### VISIT PARENTS

Mrs. Norma Bowling and daughter Patsy, of Toledo, Ohio, arrived Friday for a month's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. June Glenn, Sr.

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## With The Sick

Sirley Jean Kuykendall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Kuykendall, nas recovered from a recent attack of tonsillitis.

### HERE FROM KANNAPOLIS

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Horne of Kannapolis visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Willet over the week end. Mr. Willet is Mrs. Horne's father.

### SEE TOURISTS WIN

Milton Dickens, Bobby Dickens, and Clifton Crawley went to Knoxville, Tenn, July 4, to see the Tourists play the Smokies.

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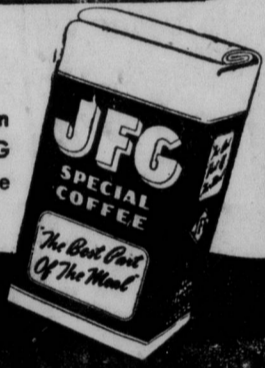
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