

# on the bench

with Bob Hoffman

## Boys Edged 43-40 In Late Surge; Girls Lose 83-53 To Big Squad

Central High School's basketball teams lost their second Southwestern AA Conference game of the year as they bowed 43-40 and 83-53 to strong Forest City squads Friday night.

The boys' contest was a wild, rough, poorly officiated affair, which saw the Tornados come from behind to win in the last two minutes.

Kings Mountain had a five-point lead with two minutes to go, and through oversights by the officials fell three points behind at the final gun.

The Forest City gym, a small "crackerbox" with an overhanging balcony, made it hard for the Mountaineers to get the ball in play. The officials chose to ignore the rule that specifies a defensive player must be at least three feet away from a player putting a ball in play from out-of-bounds.

Play under the baskets was especially rough, and Forest City, using a full-court press throughout the game, had only nine fouls called against them.

Curt George led the local scoring with 13 points, he was followed closely by Charles Bridges, who dropped in 11 markers. Callison paced the Forest City attack with 22 points.

Officials for the contest were Kanupp and Whitt.

The contest was close from the opening gun. Kings Mountain trailed 11-10 at the end of the first period, but led 25-24 at halftime. The score at the end of the third period was 35-31 in favor of the Mountaineers.

Kings Mountain's girls found the going rough against the heights of the Forest City players. Alexander, the Tornado scoring ace, hit 55 points to pace the home-town girls to their 83-53 victory. Barbara Smith hit 23 points to lead the Kings Mountain scoring, and Pratt Falls dropped in 20 for second place honors.

This was the last game until after the Christmas holidays.

BOYS				
PLAYER	FG	FT	PF	TP
Layton	1	2-5	4	4
Baity	3	1-3	3	11
Bridges	5	1-3	2	6
McGinnis	3	1-2	1	13
George	5	3-4	1	13
Totals	17	6-15	13	40
FOREST CITY				
Callison	1	6-10	1	22
Hall	3	1-3	2	7
Haynes	1	1-2	0	2
Graham	0	0-0	0	0
Namney	0	1-2	0	11
Champion	0	0-0	0	0
Butler	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	17	9-20	9	43

SCORE BY QUARTERS:				
KM	10	15	10	5-40
FC	11	13	7	12-43

GIRLS				
PLAYER	FG	FT	PF	TP
Falls	9	2-3	2	20
Smith	11	1-7	1	23
Caniser	1	1-2	0	3
Lawrence	0	0-0	1	0
Beam	0	0-0	0	0
Dean	0	0-0	0	0
FOREST CITY				
Alexander	26	3-6	2	55
Koyie	3	1-4	0	6
Rhymer	3	1-3	0	7
Sook	0	0-0	1	0
McAfee	0	0-0	0	0
Godfrey	0	0-0	0	0
Totals	32	5-13	3	68
SCORE BY QUARTERS:				
KM	15	15	12	11-53
FC	24	25	25	9-43

SUBS: Kings Mountain — Gilbert, 7; Medlin, Edwards, Scruggs, Pearson; Forest City — Harrill, 6; Morrison, 4; Johnston, 4; Matheny, Hudlow, Fabery, Green.

## Seal Sales Total \$5,107 To Date

Bill Eldon, Kings Mountain TB Seal Sale chairman, reports that \$5,107.65 of a \$10,000 goal has been raised in Cleveland County to date.

"Please urge everyone who has not mailed in their contributions to do so at once in order that a final report can be compiled," Mr. Eldon said.

Proceeds from the sale of these Christmas Seals is used in a nation-wide fight against tuberculosis. Letters containing seals were mailed to many citizens and business firms of the county several weeks ago.

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AWARD WINNERS — Ken Baity and Coach Shu Carlton are shown holding the trophies they were awarded at the Fourth Annual Gastonia Gazette Football Banquet last week. Baity's honors came as area scoring leader and outstanding AA back, while Carlton was given a trophy for an outstanding coaching job. At last year's fete, George Harris won the outstanding AA back trophy and Coach Carlton received a similar coaching trophy.

## Kiwanians, Gridders, Coaches Heard "Big" Bill Ward Thursday

"Big" Bill Ward, popular WBTB sports commentator, was the principal speaker Thursday night at the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club meeting.

This meeting was in honor of the 1956 Kings Mountain football squad and its coaches.

Mr. Ward's speech hinged around the meaning of good sportsmanship, and was very timely and well put.

"It's hard to be a good sport,

summary of his personal and professional background.

Vice-president Harold Coggins presided over the business portion of the meeting in the absence of President B. S. Peeler, Jr.

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Mr. Ward was introduced by Bob Hoffman, who gave a short



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GAZETTE BANQUET — Kings Mountain and Mt. Holly high schools dominated the trophy receiving honors at the fourth annual Gastonia Gazette Football Banquet Wednesday night.

Coach Shu Carlton received a trophy for his outstanding coaching job during the past season, while Coach Vernon Morrison of Mt. Holly was picked as the area's most outstanding coach.

Ken Baity, Kings Mountain's star halfback this past season, received a handsome trophy as the outstanding back and high scorer in AA competition. Linemen honors for the AA group went to Belmont's Joe Lewis.

Tommy Wilson and Robert Jenkins, both of Mt. Holly, won awards as the best back and lineman in the Little Six loop.

Clyde Biggers, Catawba College football mentor, was the guest speaker, and he gave a very enlightening talk on football in general.

"This country's leaders of the future are being groomed on the gridirons of today," Coach Biggers said. He added, "Football is the best character building sport in the world today."

Coach Willie Clouse of Dallas and Dick Thompson of Stanley ate at the table that I did, and we enjoyed a general bull-session about football, basketball and baseball.

Coach Clouse was well impressed with the running of Ken Baity and John McGinnis against his Yellowjackets last season. He said the absence of End Calvin Beam hurt his team very much during the Mountaineer battle.

The banquet was a well-organized affair, and was enjoyed by the players, coaches and sports writers attending. Ralph Johnson, Firestone Textile recreation director, M. Ced the event.

BITS FROM HERE AND THERE — Coach Pat Preston said during the Lion's football banquet that George Harris is going to be one of the best quarterbacks ever to come out of North Carolina. He added that he expects Carolina to see a lot of George in the coming years.

Coach Shu Carlton and Preston got together after the banquet to compare notes on various high school gridders in the Western part of the state as Shu is preparing to choose a Western North Carolina squad for the annual East-West tilt in Greensboro next August.

The Kings Mountain coaches received gifts from the Lion's Club and a little check as a token of the fan's appreciation during the banquet. Shu Carlton received a handsome suit, while the other coaches got pajamas. Don Parker will be the best dressed floor-pacer in town during basketball season.

Mason Rodden, Belmont sports scribe, reported that Belmont will definitely field a Legion baseball team this coming season. He was also asking about Kings Mountain's plans in the Legion wars.

Several of the writers were asking various boys where they planned to attend school next season, but no positive answers were heard.

Doug Mauldin, ex-Belmont star, is said to be recovering from an injury he received during football at a Virginia prep school. Doug is slated to go to Wake Forest to continue his grid career.

Vic Bubas seemed to have pulled a bobboo in the Jackie Moreland case. At least he is the boy getting most of the blame for State being banned from NCAA competition for the next four years. The strange thing in this case is that Moreland's girl friend, who was supposed to have received a seven-year medical scholarship, is not speaking to the cage sensation. Seems she wanted him to attend school nearer home — and nearer her.

Doug Rathbone's quitting school has changed next year's football outlook a little. Rathbone would probably be used at halfback again with Don Fisher taking over the quarterbacking duties. Fisher, Don Gladden and Jimmy Blanton may be the new faces in the backfield for next year.

John McGinnis, three letter sports star, confesses that he likes baseball better than the other two sports. With a little better hitting eye, McGinnis could be one of the best second-basemen in the state.

The opinion of some of the coaches at the Gazette fete is that the Shrine Bowl is becoming more and more of a "political pull" affair. One coach was very bitter about treatment received by one of his boys in 1955.

Gastonia fans are buzzing in anticipation of the naming of a Legion coach for 1957. Most of them seem to hope that Russ Bergman will take the job. Since Gaither Cline has been named head baseball coach at Ashley High, he could be the man in line for this spot.

Franz Holsher's resignation brings the total to a pair of top-notch coaches that have left Ashley High in the past year. Crash Davis vacated the baseball spot, which is considered one of the better diamond jobs in the state.

CAGE COMMENTS — The Southwestern basketball race may be a hot one. Belmont, a pre-season favorite, was rocked in a pair of defeats Tuesday night, and Shelby, another favorite in the predictions, has dropped a couple of warm-up games.

Lincolnton's girls' team will win the loop bunting going away for the umpteenth year. These lasses know what the game is about.

Kings Mountain looked poor in shooting against Cherryville Tuesday night. Shooting percentages fell way below normal for the Mountaineers. Rebound work was good with Bridges and Layton doing a fine job under the boards.

The Mountaineers are handicapped in basketball when the football team has play-off games. No chance for warm-up games. Cherryville had played three previous tilts before engaging the locals.

Seems foolish to play two loop games before Christmas holidays. Why not play warm-up games until after the holidays and then swing into conference play?

through the second half.

GIRLS

Grover—60	Bethware—47
Carroll 50	N. Hamrick 7
Ponder 6	P. Hamrick 23
Smith 4	Gamble 8
Gold	Falls
Herndon	R. Hamrick
Allen	Crawford

SUBS: Grover — Robinson and West; Bethware — Yarbrow 9.

Halftime score: Grover 22—Bethware 18

BOYS

Grover 30	Bethware — 44
Appling 1	Canipe 15
Ross 6	Ross 15
Peterson 7	Putnam 8
Leigh 4	Barrett 11
Pinkelton 10	Blanton 8
Waterson 2	Scism 2
Huffstetler 0	Dover 0
Crocker 0	

Halftime score: Bethware 26 Grover 13.

Grover-Bethware Split Two Games

Grover and Bethware split a pair of County basketball games at Grover Tuesday night.

The Grover girls took a 60-47 win from the visitors, while the boys were dropped 44-30 by a strong Bethware club.

Carroll led the attack for the Grover lasses with 50 points, while Pat Hamrick paced the Bethware club with 23 markers.

Jesse Putnam, ace Bethware cager, was held to eight points, but Bob Canipe took up the slack with 15 to pace the win. Russell Pinkelton led the home team with 10 points. Bethware enjoyed a healthy 26-13 lead at halftime and made this margin hold up

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