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Lookout Gridders, Friday's The 13th!

What does one think about when he hears the date, Friday, the 13th? Unlucky?

Well, it just might be that way this Friday, because Friday, August 13, 1965, means opening day of football drills for 82 Kings Mountain high school boys who have

signed up to play this year. Drills will begin at 9:00 Friday morning and KMHS coaches Bill Bates, Don Parker, Bob Hussey, and Bill Cashion will practice their boys twice-a-day until Tues-day, August 24, when practice sessions will be only in the afternoon.

The coaches will have only one month to choose the boys who will be starters as the 1965 grid season begins Friday, September 10, when Kings Mountain plays host to Salem, N. C., at City Stadium at 7:30.

There will be an entirely new offensive and defensive team this season as all members of the starting teams with dinner being served at 6:30.

a 19-1-1 record over the past two seasons and won the con-ference for the past two years. Actually, Kings Mountain and Shelby were co-champions in 1963 as both teams had North and South Carolina, Geor- manship Award. 6-0-1 conference records. But Shelby won a "sudden death" playoff from KMHS to earn the right to participate in the WNCHSAA playoffs.

And, too, there is the fact that Kings Mountain had went 21 games undefeated until the semi-finals of the association playoffs against Hickory last season when Hickory won 6-0.

So from the records from the last two seasons, you can tell that the coaches are going to have there work cut out if they come up with a team that can compare with the last two.

ball teams for the past two years, look at the number of boys chosen all-conference. Eleven boys were chosen in the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons, five in '63, and six last year. Two the past two seasons is the main past two seasons is the two seasons the past two seasons is the two seasons boys were named all-state last year and many boys, from per Cleveland 2-1 in Monday's Eight teams were entered in

quarterbacks Richard Gold and Pat Murphy were named along with end Jimmy Cloninger, guard George Plonk, tackle Lyn Cheshire, and center Hubert McGinnis.

McGinnis and Cloninger were named all-state and were also named to all-star teams, McGinnis to play with the West in the East-West clash, and Cloninger to play the West in the East-West clash clash clash clash clash clash clash cla with the South in the North-South Boys' Home Bowl Game.

The East-West all-star game was played last Thursday in Greensboro and the Boys' Home Bowl Game will be held Friday night in Greenville, N. C.

Murphy, Cheshire, and Gold gained all-state honorable mention last year, however, none accepted a bid to play in any all-star games. Murphy and Cheshire, however, for KM, went to third on a pass-have both received football scholarships and Gold has had ed ball, and scored on a fielder's nette Mills team. many offers, but turned them down as he plans to play

baseball in college. Four Lettermen To Head Group Of 82

Four 1964 lettermen will head a group of 82 boys into Friday Night opening day drills. Three of the boys played in the back-field last season and the other lettered as a sophomore but had to sit out because of a knee injury last season.

Jay Powell, Steve Goforth, and Danny Kiser were the backfield lettermen and should prove to be the top back-field candidates come Friday. Powell gained a total of 110 yards last season for an average of 3.7 yards per carry. He carried the ball 30 times and was the team's fifth highest scorer. Kiser carried 16 times for 50 yards, and Goforth carried seven times for a total of 33 yards.

Powell was the only one of the three to score a touch-down. He scored against Belmont the night KM won 35-13. The week before, a writer for the Belmont Banner had stated in a story that Kings Mountain hadn't played any tough clubs and predicted a Belmont win by one or more touchdowns. Remember? The fourth letterman, Chip Bridges, lettered his sop-



A baseball banquet honoring gia, Florida, Tennessee, and Ala-the Kings Mountain Tee Leagu-ers, Little Leaguers, Teener trict Two North Carolina com-trict Two North Carolina com-Leaguers, and their coaches, will missioner. Mayor John Moss will be held Saturday night at the also deliver a speech.

Otis D. Green Post 155 American Legion building. Trophies will be given to the

Most Valuable Player on each Parents are invited to attend Little League and Teener League but they must leave their names and one dollar with Elmer Ross phy, given by Ellis King, will go phy, given by Ellis King, will go to the boy who was believed to be at the City Swimming Pool all have best conduct. Trophies will day Thursday and Friday, except also be awarded the Lions Little during the 12 noon lunch hour. League club and the Margrace People who try to wait and pay Teener League team upon winning the league championship at the door will not be admitted to the banquet. in their leagues.

graduated last year. Twenty-five boys left the squad and six boys who were chosen all-conference will not be back. Plus, there is the fact that Kings Mountain has posted Plus, there is the fact that Kings Mountain has posted be Russ Bergmann and Ralph will present the term trophics time. Coach Bates said ten minutes of extra practice will be the pen-be Russ Bergmann and Ralph will present the term trophics time. The term trophics time. The term trophic time. be Russ Bergmann and Ralph will present the team trophies, time. That penalty will be in ef-Johnson. Bergmann is the Tar and Herald Sports Editor Gary fect until all boys are able to run Heel baseball commissioner for Stewart will present the Sports-

> **Gene Stone Wins Midwest Tourney** "Most Valuable Player" Award

The Kings Mountain Recrea- | choice

tion fast pitch softball team Shelby then tied the game in the top of the fifth and scored Shelby then tied the game in west Regional Tournament be-fore losing out to the Shelby th. Both of Shelby's runs were Comets 2-1 in 13 innings Monday via wild pitches. Jack Patterson, night. The tournament was held who relieved Comet starter Jake

boys were named all-state last year and many boys, from both the '63 and '64 teams, were chosen to play in different all-star games. Boys chosen all-conference in '63 were quarterback Pat Murphy, halfbacks Mike Huffstickler and Warren Go-Pat Murphy, halfbacks Mike Huffstickler and Warren Go-forth, and guards Fred Dixon and Jimmy Medlin. In 1964 hurled the win, allowing the opcrest of Forest City.

ponents only five hits. Kings Mountain Recreation Di-Gene Stone, Kings Mountain rector Elmer Ross was the man-

ment play and at one time had six straight hits. His batting average was well over the .500 mark.

Stone scored Kings Mountain's only run in the final game, in the fourth inning. Stone doubled to leftcenter to start off things

will be pushing the seniors for starting roles and there is a pos-**Opens Monday**

The Kings Mountain Men's two units in order to be carried. Bowl Game will be played Fri-day night, August 13, under the Duckpin Bowling League will Coach Bates reports. open its 1965-66 schedule Mon- Paul Gaffney, wi open its 1965-56 schedule Mon-day night at Mountain Lanes Bowling Center. Six teams are entered in this year's league, which should prove to be well-probably at the guard position. schools across the southern half of North Carolina against the

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ing bowlers in the following sit out last year because of categories: First and Second Half knee injury.

High Line, First and Second Half High Set, First and Second Half Tommy Dover, and Scott Clonin-

High Average, and Most Improv-ed Bowler. Trophies will also be

awarded each member of the ed up for those positions. Top winning teams and league candidates in the backfield will

Captains for this year's teams are Albert Brackett, Randy Blan-are Albert Brackett, Randy Blan-tare Albert Brackett, Randy Blan-

ton, Clyde Culbertson, Richard they will be heavily pushed by Culbertson, Bob Herndon, and Clarence Plonk. The Clyde Cul-Smith, and many others.

Physicals 1:00; Squad Meeting, **Mile Run Follow** The 1965 Kings Mountain high

school football team begins summer practice Friday afternoon. Head Coach Bill Bates reported Tuesday afternoon that the boys will run the mile Friday before practice goes into full swing Monday morning at nine o'clock.

Practice was originally scheduled to begin at nine but physical examinations will not be given until one o'clock Friday. Coach Bates asks that all players be at the high school gymnasium at one o'clock. Following the physicals there will be a squad meeting and the issuing of equipment. Then the boys will go to City

Stadium to run the mile and Coach Bates said ten minutes the distance within the time limit.

Coaches Bates, Don Parker, Bill Cashion, and Bobby Hussey will work with the boys twice-a-day until Tuesday, August 24, at time drills will be held only in the afternoon, Two-a-day sessions will be held at 9:00 in the morning and 4:30 in the aft-

Only four lettermen will be on the field, tackle Chip Bridges and backs Steve Goforth, Jay Powell,

and Danny Kiser. Powell and

tion to be filled this year as Pat

Six boys have signed up to

play quarterback. Tommy Go-forth and Tommy Finger, both

who saw action for the junior varsity team last season, have

of directing the

as do Doug Mercier, Johnny Thombs, Henry Manning, and

Thombs, Henry Manning, and Philip Wright. Mercier quarter-backed Kings Mountain's ninth

grade team last season, Wright

saw starting action as a half-

back on the tenth grade team, and both Manning and Thombs

were starters at Compact. Many sophomores and juniors

sibility that a few freshmen will be carried on the varsity team,

but ninth graders will have to

be able to make one of the first

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The season gets underway Fri-Continued On Page 3

team

KMHS Mountaineers.

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KMHS COACHES - Pictured above are the Kings Mountain high school football co open summer drills Friday afternoon at City Stadium. Left to right are Bill Bates, head, Bill Cashion, Bobby Hussey, and Don Parker.

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Boy's Bowl Game Bowling League The third annual Boy's Home

schools across the southern half of North Carolina against the northern stars, and will get un-derway at 8 p.m. Jimmy Cloninger, all - confer-ence and all - state end at Kings Mountain high school last year, will see much action at one end post and will probably re-ceive the call for punting duties. Cloninger in the biggard of the ence and all - state end at Kings Mountain high school last year, will see much action at one end post and will probably re-ceive the call for punting duties.

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homore year but was injured during pre-season practices last year and had to sit out the entire year. Bridges was a tackle his sophomore year and, if his knee heals in time,

will probably be at that same post this year. Rising juniors Tommy Burns, Tommy Goforth, and Philip Wright showed some progress in the backfield last year and will probably see much action this year. Both Burns and Wright got their names in the rushing category last year, as Wright gained 71 yards and Burns gained 29. Wright carried 10 times for a 7.1 average and Burns car-ried seven times for a 4.1 average. Both boys scored one touchdown.

Goforth saw some action at the quarterback slot but sustained a shoulder injury about mid-season and had to sit out the second half. All three boys were standouts on the tenth grade team.

Other rising juniors, Chucky Gladden, Paul Gaffney Roy Medlin, and Kenny Plonk, should see much duty on the line and rising seniors John Van Dyke and Fred Wright will be back to take over the end positions.

Some rising sophomores, who played on last year's junior varsity team, which finished second in the confer-ence standings, are going to push many juniors and seniors gram that includes two 40-lap for starting berths. Fifteen sophomores are signed up and all of those boys saw starting duty on offense or defense

for Bob Hussey's ninth grade team last year. Many of the boys were impressive as freshmen and cannot be counted out when drills begin. Chip Crisp, Den. not be counted out when drills begin. Chip Crisp, Den-Smith, and Doug Mercier were top standouts in the kfield and Pat Cheshire and Charles Green were stand-linemen. So it looks like KMHS will have a young ball club this r, but you have to look at it this way. Those boys are gh and if the breaks go their way, Kings Mountain may in be a conference title contender. with dou-ble championship points at stake. A 40-lap main event is on tap for late model sportsman cars, along with two 10-lap heats. The first event is scheduled for 8:30 p.m. Saturday. Qualifying trials for the hobby drivers will be held Friday night, from 7 to 9 pm with the multic nis Smith, and Doug Mercier were top standouts in the backfield and Pat Cheshire and Charles Green were standout linemen.

year, but you have to look at it this way. Those boys are tough and if the breaks go their way, Kings Mountain may again be a conference title contender.

Bur-Mil Leading Softball League

After another week of action in the Kings Mountain Slow-Pitch Softball League the stand-ings show Bur-Mil atop the standings with a 3-1 mark, the KM All Stars and Bessemer City day KM All-Stars and Bessemer City day. both have 1-2 records, and the Jaycees are in fifth place with STANDINGS an 0.2 mark. Team w

In games this past week, Bur-Mil through Tuesday night, Lithium won two games, over the Jaycees Bessemen Bessemer City KM All-Stars and KM All-Stars, and Bessemer KM All City won one contest over the Jaycees

Cloninger is the biggest of the four ends on the South team, 6'4". Other ends will be Stan Berkshire of Salisbury Boyden, Louis Newton of Rockingham, and Donald Thomas of Pikeville

Aycock Coaches for the South squad are Buddy Luper of Fayetteville, head, and Ed Emory of Wadesboro and Dave McClenny of Aycock High in Wayne County. The game is sponsored by the North Carolina Junior Chamber

Racing At Hickory Saturday Night

HICKORY - Allen Rankin of Troutman and Don Tilley of Statesville will resume their hat. tle for the Hickory Speedway championship Saturday night in a NASCAR late model sportsman features and a "Demolition Der-by" wrecking contest. The hobby (amateur) division will compete in a 40-lap feature,

Program Honors twice as long as usual, with dou-

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First Union National Bank will tain players taking part. sponsor "Barry Teague Night" at the Kings Mountain high school from 7 to 9 p.m., with the public admitted free.

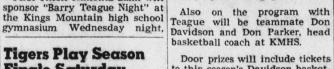
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Ralph Earnhardt of Kannapo-s won a 250-lap national Continued On Page 3 It will be the final game of the season for the local Tigers.

a will over Tilley in the late model sportsman point standings. Tilley has won three races. Both drive 1962 Fords. Bobby Waddell of I on Tues b rest. Harry Gant of Taylorsville leads the amateur standings, by 0 1.000 a 68-point margin over Gary 1. 750 Miller of Claremont.
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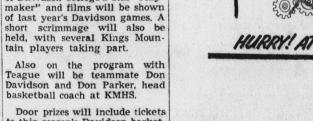
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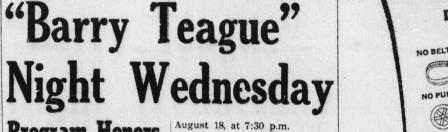


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