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World Series Getting Too One-Sided

The 1966 Baseball World Series got underway yesterday between the Los Angeles Dodgers of the National League, commonly known as the senior circuit, and the Baltimore Orioles of the American League.

For the past three years, the National League representative has won the World Series. In 1962, the then strong, New York Yankees won the World Series in seven games over the San Francisco Giants.

But since 1963, when the Dodgers knocked the Yankees off in only four games, it has been all-National League. In '64, it took the St. Louis Cardinals seven games to whip the Yanks and last year it took the Dodgers seven tries before whipping the Minnesota Twins.

So, it's easy to see that the World Series is going to the National League too often. And it won't be a surprise if the Dodgers win again this year.

Of course, the Orioles, after winning their first pennant since moving to Baltimore, will be fired up and will give the Dodgers a run for their money, which is about \$2,000 more per player for the team that cops the Series.

The Orioles have strong hitting and good fielding but the Dodgers are noted for the best pitching in baseball, and too, the best speed. It's going to be quite a World Series.

Los Angeles will be riding the strong left arm of Sandy Koufax, plus, the West Coast boys have added strength in Don Drysdale, Don Sutton, Claude Osteen, Phil Regan, Ron Peranoski, and still others.

The Dodgers, although not known for power hitting as much as some of the other clubs, also have several good hitters. Most of them are not home run kings, but you can't count Lou Johnson, Ron Fairly, Willie Davis, Maury Wills, John Roseboro and Jim Lefevre slouches, either. And, don't forget, the slugger himself, Don Drysdale.

Now, Baltimore, on the other hand, has some power hitters.

Probably the best thing that's ever happened to Baltimore is Frank Robinson. The Orioles got him in a trade with the Cincinnati Reds and he's been one of the main reasons that Baltimore is playing in the '66 World Series. This year, Robinson became the first A.L. player since Mickey Mantle to win the triple crown. Mantle won it in '56.

Then there's third baseman Brooks Robinson, Boog Powell, and several others, but it has been those three that have really belted the ball this year. Look for Frank Robinson to win the A.L. Most Valuable Player Award.

'66 Sent Yanks Tumbling Into Cellar

The 1966 baseball season brought about many strange upsets but the most surprising thing about this year was the last place finish by the New York Yankees. The Bronx Bombers ended up 26 1/2 games behind pennant winner Baltimore and was 1/2 game out of ninth place, which was occupied at the season's end by Boston. This was the first time since 1909 that the Yanks finished last.

In the National League, the Atlanta Braves, predicted to be right in the thick of things, stayed around eighth and ninth place all season long before the Braves' new manager Billy Hitchcock sent them into a last-of-the-season surge which took them into fifth place in the final standings.

San Francisco pushed the Dodgers until the last day of the campaign but Koufax hurled the Dodgers to a 6-3 win over Philadelphia to cinch the title for the second straight year for LA, on Sunday.

Koufax, the Dodger ace who posted a 27-9 record this year, did not leave the starting nod for yesterday's opener. Drysdale opened for the Dodgers and Koufax is slated to hurl the second game in LA today.

After a travel day tomorrow, the two teams move to Baltimore for games on Saturday and Sunday, and Monday, if needed. If needed, Tuesday will be another travel day and the two teams square off again in Los Angeles Wednesday and Thursday.

Mounties Get Back Into Win Column

Again, out with the prediction sheet — Looking over predictions of the last month, I find that I've picked 16 of 18 right. The two misses were on September 9 and September 23. On the 9th, I picked Chase over R-S Central and the Hilltoppers won, 25-7. On the 23rd, I chose Kings Mountain over Chase and the Mountaineers lost, 12-7.

Last week, I hit 4-of-4, guessing right on East over KM (26-14), Belmont over Cherryville (20-13), Shelby over R-S Central (27-21), and Newton-Conover over Lincolnton (20-19).

All five SWC schools are in action this Friday night with Chase at Belmont, East Rutherford at Lincolnton, and Kings Mountain at Bessemer City, Shelby at Lenoir and R-S Central at Enka in non-conference clashes.

Let's look first at the two conference games. Chase (3-1) will beat Belmont (1-3) and East Rutherford (5-0) will defeat Lincolnton (3-2) in a close one.

In the non-conference games, KM's Mountaineers will get back into the win column with an easy victory over Bessemer City, Shelby (4-0) will knock-off Lenoir (3-1), and R-S Central will take its fourth win with a victory over Enka.

Bessemer Has Three Of Top Ten Scorers

Bessemer City owns three of the top 10 scorers in Gaston County in fullback Chuckie Steele, quarterback Richard Kincaid and end Jody Long. The three seniors have been key performers for Coach Jackson "Ace" Parker for the last two seasons.

Steele, a 195-pounder, currently leads the Gaston County area in scoring with Kincaid third and Long down around sixth.

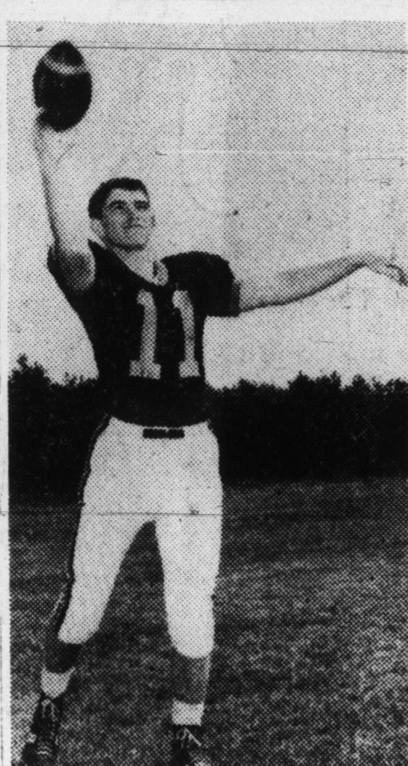
Tailback Steve Spencer currently leads the Mountaineers in scoring with 30 points with Wayne Mullinax second with 12 and Jerry Mitchem third with nine.

Spencer is also the leading ground gainer with 329 yards in 66 carries for a 4.9 average. Mullinax is second with 175 yards and a 6.3 average, Sonny Moore is third and Paul Gaffney is running a close fourth.

Spencer also leads the receiving department with 56 yards in nine passes caught. Tommy Finger is second in receiving with 47 yards in three catches and leads the passing department with 93 yards in nine completions of 19 attempts.

Gaffney has punted nine times for a 31.1 average and Dennis Smith, Mullinax and Finger lead in pass interceptions with one each. Carl Wiesener and David Leftwich have recovered one fumble each.

Mountaineers Play At Bessemer City Friday



PLAYER-OF-WEEK — Pictured above is KMHS senior quarterback Tommy Goforth who was named player-of-the-week Monday after his outstanding performance against East Rutherford last Friday. East won the game, 26-14, but Goforth kept the Mounties in the contest all the way. As a result of being named player-of-the-week, Tommy will receive a free gift from Fulton's Dept. Store.

Tommy Goforth Player Of Week

Senior quarterback Tommy Goforth was named Mountaineer "player of the week" this week as a result of his outstanding offensive performance against East Rutherford Friday night.

Tommy, in his first start as quarterback this year, directed the Mountaineers to 304 yards total offense while East Rutherford, which is rated as the second best 3-A team in the state, had only 277 yards.

It was the first time this year that a Cavalier opponent had outgained them.

Goforth completed 11 passes out of 24 attempts for 85 yards and one touchdown. He also did a remarkable job with his ball-handling.

As a result of being named "player of the week", Tommy will receive a free gift from Fulton's Department Store, which weekly honors an outstanding member of the KMHS grid squad.

KMHS Players Urge That Fans Be Loyal

Kings Mountain high school football players this week issued a call to Mountaineer fans "to be as loyal as we are, and LEAVE THE COACHING TO OUR VERY CAPABLE COACHES."

A letter was received by the Herald Wednesday morning, signed by 29 of the 44 varsity football players.

The 29 members of the KMHS squad expressed their loyalty and confidence in their coaches and added: "We are taught team work, sportsmanship, and fair play, in addition to the fundamentals of football. Our coaches are fine men of the field as well as at practice. We think our coaches are loyal and as capable as any in the conference."

The following persons' names appeared on the letter:

Carl Wiesener, Tommy Finger, Larry Patrick, Johnny Parker, Bert C. Smith, Jerry Mitchem, Henry Manning, Tony Leigh, Eddie Bridges, Sandy Mauney, Stanley Brown, Phillip Putnam, Chuckie Gladden, Kenny Plonk, Lonnie Brown, Ronnie Burton, Charles Greene, William McSwain, Dennis Smith, Wayne Mullinax, Bob Moss; Pat Cheshire, Wayne Wright, Thomas F. Goforth, Joe B. Cornwell, Richard A. Shank, Wendell Bunch, Clark Mauney and Steve Spencer.

Mixed League To Re-Organize

The local mixed bowling league disorganized last week because of a team dropping out of competition and is scheduled to re-organize, with different teams, next week and bowl on a 30-week basis instead of the regularly scheduled 35 weeks.

The Richard Culbertson team dropped out of league play last week after failing to win a game through the first three weeks of action. The Culbertson team had been having two and three bowlers absent per week.

Until the league disorganized, the Ronnie Culbertson and Bill Mullinax teams were tied for first place with 11-1 records. In a tie for third were Lib Gault and Ranny Blanton with 5-7 marks and in fifth place was Bob Herndon with a 3-9 record.

Mounties Lose To East Rutherford

By GARY STEWART

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers statistically beat East Rutherford Friday night but the locals couldn't get the most points on the scoreboard and went down in defeat for the third time in four attempts, 26-14.

East Rutherford piled 26 points into the first half before the Mounties came alive during the last two periods to score twice.

Kings Mountain racked up a total of 304 yards on offense while the hosting Cavaliers totaled 277. The Mountaineers held their penalties down for the first time, being charged with only 15 yards. East was penalized four times for 35 yards.

The Mountaineers missed four opportunities to score during the first half and opening minutes of the third period. The Mounties had the ball inside the

Mountaineer Gridgraph

	KM	EAST
Score	14	26
First Downs	22	11
Yards Rushing	209	164
Yards Passing	95	113
Total Yards	304	277
Passes Att.	24	8
Passes Comp.	11	4
Passes Int.	1	2
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Yards Penalized	15	35
Punts	1-46*	3-26.3

KINGS MOUNTAIN RUSHING

Player	T	G	L	N	Avg.
Spencer	17	94	—	94	5.5
Gaffney	18	68	7	61	3.4
Smith	4	21	—	21	5.3
Mullinax	5	19	—	19	3.9
Goforth	7	20	6	14	2.0

PASSING

Player	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yds.	TD
Goforth	24	11	2	95	1

RECEIVING

Player	Caught	Yds.	TD
Finger	3	47	0
Mullinax	3	18	0
Cheshire	2	18	0
Laughter	1	5	0
Spencer	1	4	0
Crisp	1	4	1

EAST RUTHERFORD RUSHING

Player	T	G	L	N	Avg.
Rodgers	4	79	—	79	19.8
Mapp	8	48	—	48	6.0
Dotson	6	30	7	23	3.9
Haulk	2	15	2	13	2.2
Wood	1	—	2	—	2.0
Walker	1	—	4	—	4.0

PASSING

Player	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yds.	TD
Dotson	8	4	2	113	1

RECEIVING

Player	Caught	Yards	TD
Rodgers	1	68	1
Wood	1	30	0
Henson	2	15	0

Dotson Out For A Week; East To Go With Harrill

East Rutherford high school football coach Steve Curtis will have to go with his fourth unit quarterback Friday night when his undefeated Cavaliers travel to Lincolnton for a conference battle.

Senior all-conference quarterback-halfback Gary Dotson injured his left ankle in last Friday's conference clash with Kings Mountain and Dotson will definitely miss this week's game. Dotson sustained his initial injury in a game against Cherryville two weeks ago.

Dotson was East's third-unit quarterback, playing behind senior Chipper Jones, who is out for the remainder of the season with a broken ankle, and junior Lewis Jolley, who has a kidney ailment and will miss at least three more weeks.

Dotson, a 6'2", 195-pounder, has been tabbed by most coaches as the best back in the South-west Conference and possibly former on last year's East basketball team.

Calling the signals this week for the Cavaliers will be junior Lee Harrill, a 5'11", 145-pounder who got in about four plays against the Mountaineers last week.

The Cavaliers are currently in first place with a 3-0 conference mark and lead Shelby (2-0) by one-half game. The Cavs are 5-0 overall and are ranked number two in the state 3-A prep ratings. Only Rockingham is currently rated better than the East team.

East 25 yard line on four different occasions, but three times lost the ball on downs and another time had a pass intercepted.

East Rutherford scored the first touchdown with 8:12 left in the first period with halfback Jimmy Rodgers going 23 yards after Alfred Mapp intercepted a Tommy Goforth pass on the KM 28. East quarterback Gary Dotson kicked the point after to give the hosts a 7-0 lead.

The Cavaliers came back just seconds after the second period got underway with Rodgers again scoring, this time from five yards out. That East drive was for 75 yards. It took the Cavs five plays to score with long runs by Dotson and Mapp highlighting the drive. Dotson again booted the extra point to make the score 14-0.

East then kicked off to the Mounties but got the ball back two plays later when Mountaineer fullback Paul Gaffney quick-kicked. East took over on its own 32 yard line and Dotson passed on first down to Rodgers who went all the way for the score. Rodgers attempted the point after.

The Mountaineers then began a march goalward but lost the ball on downs on the East 45. East had to punt after picking up nine yards in three carries and the Mountaineers again started toward paydirt.

Kings Mountain took over on the 22 yard line and used nine plays to get to the East 24, but again lost the ball on downs. East ran one play and Tommy Finger intercepted a Dotson pass on the KM 45 and returned it to the East 49, from which point the Mountaineers again got off a good scoring threat.

In four plays, the Mounties had the ball on the East 19 with a first-and-10. Goforth then passed incomplete three times and Deng Haulk intercepted his fourth pass on the five yard line and raced 95 yards for a touchdown as the buzzer sounded ending the first half.

On Goforth's third pass attempt from the 19, KM end Stanley Laughter dropped a perfect pass in the end zone that would have narrowed the count to 29-6 or 20-7.

The Mountaineers took the second half kickoff all the way to the East 21 but again the Cavalier defense halted the KM boys. East drove to the KM 31 before Wayne Mullinax intercepted a Dotson pass to give the Mounties possession on the 30.

Kings Mountain then launched its first scoring drive which covered 12 plays. Chip Crisp, recently switched from fullback to end, took a four-yard pass from Goforth to culminate the drive and Jerry Mitchem kicked the point after to make the score 26-7 with 7:40 left in the game.

The Mountaineers picked up five first downs en route to their initial score.

East Rutherford had to punt after gaining only five yards after KM's kick and again the Mounties marched goalward. The drive began on the Mountie 38. Steve Spencer tallied from four yards out with 1:36 left to play. Gaffney had an 11-yard jaunt and Spencer had a 14-yard carry in that Mountaineer drive which took 11 plays and five first downs.

East threatened after KM's kickoff when Rodgers broke away from the East 47 yard line to the KM 15 where he was hauled down from behind by Dennis Smith. East ran one more play before time ran out.

The victory was the fifth straight for the Cavaliers, who now rest on top of the South-west Conference standings with a 3-0 mark, 5-0 overall.

Outstanding on offense for the winners was quarterback Dotson, who was switched to the signal-calling slot this week after Chipper Jones and Lewis Jolley sustained injuries in last week's game against Cherryville.

Dotson called an impressive game, leading the East offense to 164 yards rushing. Dotson hit four-of-eight passes for 113 yards and one touchdown. Also outstanding on offense for the winners were Mapp and Rodgers.

KM's offense was led this week by senior Tommy Goforth. Goforth, in his first start at quarterback, led the Mounties to 208 yards rushing and hit 11-of-24 passes for 95 yards and one touchdown.

Tommy Finger, Gaffney, Spencer and junior end Pat Cheshire also played outstanding games on offense for the Mounties.

Belmont Midgets Defeat Jaycees 20-0 Tuesday

By BOBBY BOLIN

Fancy faking on the part of the Belmont Optimist midget football team led to Kings Mountain's Jaycees' second defeat of the season Tuesday night at Belmont with the host team sweeping to a 20-0 victory.

The local Jaycees got off but only one good drive during the game, in the third quarter, but it was halted on the Belmont seven yard line when KM halfback Dana Sarvis fumbled and Belmont recovered.

Belmont tallied all its points in the first half but could manage only one first down during the final two periods as the second half turned out to be a defensive battle.

The Belmont lads took the opening kickoff, and, on a reverse, carried to the KM one, from which point they scored on a second-and-goal situation. The extra point attempt failed.

Belmont's second TD came with about two minutes left in the first quarter when a Belmont defensive back picked off a pass by KM's David Bolin. The hosts later scored on a 30 yard run. The extra point attempt was good and the hosts led 13-0 following one quarter of play.

Belmont tallied its third touchdown during the opening minutes of the second period. Belmont kicked off to KM after they scored their second TD but KM had to punt after running three plays. Belmont then drove for its final score.

The win left the Belmont team in first place in the Gaston Midget League standings with a 5-0 record. Kings Mountain is now 1-2-1 on the season.

Outstanding on defense for Kings Mountain which is coached by Mearl Valentine and Bill Grissom, were Carl Fulton, Pete Hicks, David Bolin and Dana Sarvis.

Dick Christy Award To Be Given Saturday

RALEIGH — One of North Carolina State University's greatest football players will be honored when the Dick Christy Award is initiated here Saturday at the N. C. State-South Carolina football game.

The award, to be made by Mrs. Shirley Christy in memory of her husband, an all-America halfback for the Wolfpack in 1957, will be presented annually to the most outstanding North Carolina State player in the South Carolina game each year. Members of the press and radio corps covering the game will vote on the recipient.

Christy was killed in an automobile accident July 8, 1966, just outside of his hometown of Chester, Pa. He had the best day of his illustrious career against South Carolina in the final game of the 1957 season in which he scored all 29 points in State's vital 29-26 win over the Gamecocks. The win clinched the Wolfpack's first Atlantic Coast Conference title.

Christy scored four touchdowns and kicked two extra points. Then, with the score 26-26, a penalty on the final play of the game with time having run out, gave State one last chance. Christy, out-doing Frank Merriwell, then booted a 46-yard field goal to win the game. It was the first field goal he had ever attempted.

During his Wolfpack career, Christy scored 20 touchdowns. He gained 1,817 yards in 348 carries for a 5.2 average and was named Football Player of the Year and Athlete of the Year in the ACC in 1957-58.

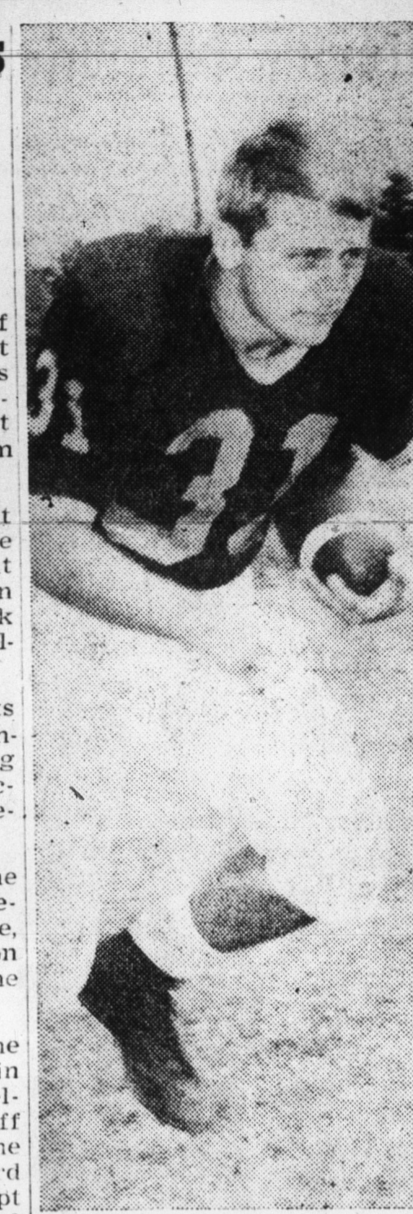
Mrs. Christy and their two children, along with Dick's parents, will attend the game to make the presentation this Saturday.

Murphy, Apps At L-R Saturday

Lenoir-Rhyne's undefeated (3-0) Bears are looking for trouble Saturday night when the Mountaineers of Appalachian State Teachers College pay a visit.

Leading the Appalachian offense will be former KMHS Pat Murphy who has thrown five touchdown passes in three games while leading ASTC to a 2-1 season so far.

Murphy has gained nearly 400 yards via passing and is currently rated as one of the top passers in the Carolinas Conference.



STANDOUTS — Pictured above is KMHS juniors Paul Gaffney (top) and Chip Crisp who were outstanding in last week's game with East Rutherford. Gaffney, the Mountaineers' fullback, picked up over 60 yards rushing and was impressive with his offensive blocking, and Crisp, recently switched from fullback to end, caught a touchdown pass in the Mounties' 26-14 loss to East.

Victory Chevrolet Tied For Second

Victory Chevrolet defeated Oates-Henderson Shell three games to one Tuesday night to move into a tie for second place in the ladies' duckpin bowling standings.

In other action, first place Plonk Brothers took a 4-0 decision from Kings Mountain Drug and Minute Grill and Griffin Drug split a four-game set.

The standings now show Plonk's atop the loop standings with an 18-2 record. Victory Chevrolet and O-H Shell tied for second with 12-8 marks, KM Drug fourth with a 9-11 record and Minute Grill and Griffin Drug bringing up the rear with 5-15 and 4-16 marks, respectively.

High scorer for Tuesday night's action was Lib Gault of Plonk Brothers with a 114 line and a 333 set. Leading scorers for KM Drug were Gerry Werner with a 192 line and Pat Panther with a 284 set.

Evelyn Early rolled a 110 line and a 296 set to lead Victory Chevrolet to a 3-1 win over O-H Shell. Louise Dover chipped in a 284 set for the winners and Ethel Tignor had a 99 line and a 290 set for the losers.

Pat Herndon's 132 line and 307 set were high marks in the Griffin Drug-Minute Grill match. Her 132 line, which was high for the night, led Griffin Drug to a 2-2 split with the Minute Grill team. High scorer for Minute Grill was Barbara Miller who had a 116 line and a 285 set.

KMCC Golf Tourney Postponed For Week

Kings Mountain Country Club golf tournament action was postponed this week and championship matches are to be played next week.

Matches were regularly scheduled to be completed by last Sunday.

Mike Ballard and Coman Falls will meet in the finals of the championship round. Carroll Ledford will meet Jake Cooper for the first flight championship and Woodrow Wilson will meet Bill McGinnis for the second flight honors. In the third flight, Bob Lowe will meet the winner of the Clyde Whetstone-Jack Arnette semi-finals match. Ballard reached the finals by defeating Scarr Morrison 2-1 in the semi-finals last week and Falls beat John McGinnis 1-up in 19 holes to reach the championship round.

Gametime 7:30 At Bessemer's New Stadium

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers travel to Bessemer City Friday night for a 7:30 game with the BCHS Yellow Jackets of the Little Six Conference.

Bessemer Coach Jackson "Ace" Parker has put together a Little Six powerhouse this year but he's respecting KMHS Coach Bill Bates and the Mountaineers.

"Kings Mountain looks like they're about ready to explode any time and this might be the week. They've been getting some bad breaks, gaining 300 yards or more a week and still losing. It looks like their offense is going good but they can't seem to score.

"They have been making too many mistakes, getting passes intercepted, and losing fumbles. If they can get their mistakes ironed out, they're going to be tough.

The Yellow Jackets are currently 3-2 on the season but are 2-0 in conference play. Parker's boys bombed Mt. Holly 26-7 last week for their second straight Little Six win. Bessemer is now one-half game behind Stanley, which is 3-0 in the conference and 5-0 overall.

Friday's game will be played in Bessemer's new stadium which is located directly behind their school.

The Mountaineers will be up against a quarterback who likes to pass in senior Richard Kincaid. Target for most of his passes is senior end Jody Long. That was the combination that beat KM 7-0 last year.

But the Jackets have a sound running attack, also. It is led by 195-pound fullback Chuckie Steele who currently leads Gaston County in scoring with over 60 points. Steele, also a senior, and Long and Kincaid have been the backbone of the BC attack all year.

Bessemer has eight seniors, two juniors and a sophomore in its starting offensive lineup. The smallest is Long, who tips the scales at 148 pounds.

Kings Mountain will probably go with the same offensive lineup. Coach Bates reports that end Phillip Putnam, tackle Stanley Brown and guard Larry Patrick have minor injuries but will probably be in shape by Friday.

The offensive end will be chosen from three juniors, Pat Cheshire, Stanley Laughter and Chip Crisp. Laughter will probably start on defense along with senior Sonny Moore.

KM's backfield will probably look exactly the same with Tommy Goforth at quarterback, Steve Spencer and Wayne Mullinax at the halves and Paul Gaffney at fullback. Charles Green and Kenny Plonk will be at the tackles, Chuckie Gladden and Patrick or J. C. Wright at the guards and Sandy Mauney at center.