

# Mountaineers Break Losing Streak With 3-1 Win

## HERALD SPORTS

### McKinney Is Speaker For Bulldog Banquet

BOILING SPRINGS — Horace "Bones" McKinney, head coach of the American Basketball entry Carolina Cougars will be the principal speaker at the annual All Sports Banquet of Gardner-Webb College.

The banquet is set for Saturday night, May 9th, at 7 o'clock in the Charles I. Dover Campus Center.

McKinney has led the young Cougars to great heights in the American Basketball Association. They not only played some out standing basketball, but are considered one of the most colorful teams in professional basketball. This has been due to the unique coaching ability of McKinney.

One of the highlights of the night will be announcement of the Bulldog of the Year Award. This honor is given annually to

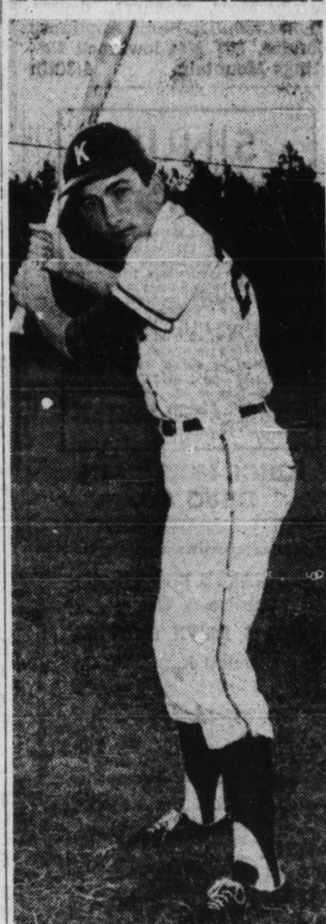
the person who has done the most to perpetuate the athletic program at Gardner-Webb.

Outstanding athletes in each sport at the college will be honored and there will be other awards given.

Since this is Gardner-Webb's first year as a senior college there will be no seniors to receive awards. Despite this fact the school's athletic year has been highly successful. Outstanding seasons have resulted in the play of the basketball, baseball, and golf. These three teams have more than held their own among other senior colleges in the area.

The basketball team under Coach Eddie Holbrook, finished with a 19-6 record and the baseball team is currently 14-1 and the golf team is undefeated in match play.

### Mounties Beaten By Shelby, 3-1



**SOPH STANDOUT** — Tim Echols, above, has performed well in a sophomore role for KM's baseball team this spring. Echols is one of the team's top hitters.

### Two-Run Fifth Gives Visitors Eleventh Win

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers gave undefeated Shelby one of its closest calls of the season here Friday afternoon but the Golden Lions came up with two runs in the fifth inning for a 3-1 Southwestern Conference victory.

The win left Shelby at 11-0 in conference play and dropped the defending champion Mountaineers to 3-8.

Kings Mountain spotted the Lions an unearned run in the first inning but came back to tie it at 1-1 in the third on David Bolin's long double and a single by Tim Echols.

Shelby won it in the fifth with two outs on back-to-back doubles by Robbie Reynolds and Tim Peeler.

Sophomore David Cooke went the distance for Shelby, scattering seven hits. Bolin, Echols and Gerald Herndon had two hits each for the Mountaineers and Philip Francis had one hit.

Shelby got 10 hits off Bobby Ethridge and Chuck Carpenter. Ethridge, who started, was the losing pitcher.

Reynolds, Peeler and Trip Lane had two hits apiece for the Lions.

Score by innings: R H E  
Shelby 100 20 0 3 10 1  
K. Mtn. 001 00 0 1 7 5  
Cook and Hefner; Ethridge, Carpenter (5) and Bolin.



**MOUNTAINEER TROPHY WINNERS** — Here are the KMHS cagers who won trophies at the annual Kiwanis Club basketball banquet Thursday night. Left to right are Otis Cole, most valuable player; Steve Gladden, best free throw shooter; Coach Bob Hussey, UNC Coach Dean Smith, Andrea Huffstetler, girls MVP and best free throw shooter, and Philip Francis, winner of the leadership award.

### Cole, Francis, Gladden Huffstetler Win Trophies

Otis Cole topped off a brilliant senior season Thursday night by laying claim to the most valuable player trophy at the fifth annual Kiwanis Club basketball banquet held at the KMHS cafeteria.

It was an All-Senior Night as far as presentation of trophies was concerned. Andrea Huffstetler won the girls MVP Award and Best Free Throw Shooter award. Philip Francis won the Leadership Award and Steve Gladden was the Best Free Throw Shooter on the boys team.

All seniors received plaques: Five girls and nine boys were included in that group: Andrea Huffstetler, Ginger Finer, Pam Lee, Debbie Timms, Sheila Oliver, Otis Cole, Steve Gladden, Charles Barnes, Phil Francis, Bobby Eth-

ridge, Roger Smith, Jewel Watson, Andy Neisler and Chuck Easley.

In addition, Cole, Barnes and Francis received All-Southwestern Conference awards and Cole received a certificate for being named Honorable Mention All-America by Coach and Athlete Magazine.

Dean Smith, head basketball coach at the University of North Carolina, was guest speaker for the event and he had high praise for Coach Bob Hussey and his Mountaineers for their 23-1 record of this past season and a 65-7 mark over the past three years.

Others participating in the program included KM Schools Superintendent Don Jones, KMHS Principal Jake Atkinson, former KMHS Coach Don Parker, who presented plaques to the seniors, Coaches Hussey and Blaine Fromberger, who presented the trophies, Chuck Easley, who gave the invocation and Cathy Wilson, who provided special music.

Cole, who set school scoring records of 39 points for a single game and 1,292 points for his career, received a standing ovation when he stepped forth to receive his MVP trophy and All-America certificate.

"I've always been hesitant about giving most valuable player trophies because that's getting a bit from stressing team play," said Coach Hussey. "But there is not a player on our team that doesn't envy him (Cole) and wouldn't like to have his ability."

### Carpenter Goes Distance, Whips Central Crew

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers broke out of their losing ways at home Tuesday afternoon, whipping R-S Central 3-1 in a Southwestern Conference contest.

Junior righthander Chuck Carpenter went the distance for the Mountaineers, hurling his second straight victory. He had defeated Burns in his last outing, 3-2 in nine innings.

Carpenter got nine-hit support from his teammates, who came back to win after spotting the Hilltoppers a 1-0 lead in the second inning. The Mounties tied it at 1-1 in the third on David Bolin's run-scoring single then two unearned tallies later in the same frame provided the margin of victory.

Bolin, Philip Francis and Gary Kiser had two hits apiece to lead the KM battline. One of Francis' hits was a double which started the rally. Grafton Withers had a double and Gerald Herndon and Danny Hartsoe got the other two hits — both singles.

R-S Central got only three hits off Carpenter. The Hilltoppers' only run was unearned.

The victory was the second for the Mountaineers over their Rutherford County foe. The Mounties won earlier in Spindale, 3-2, in a contest in which Bobby Ethridge hurled a one-hitter.

Coach Bob Hussey takes his Mountaineers to Crest Friday for a rematch. The Mounties will be seeking revenge as Crest won an earlier battle 5-4, when the Chargers' Bill Cameron cracked a pair of home runs and drove in four tallies.

Francis, the Leadership Award winner, averaged 10 points per game this year and was second only to Cole in field goal accuracy, hitting almost 50 percent of his shots.

In reference to the team, Hussey commented, "The seniors on this team were the most dedicated bunch of boys that I've ever coached. And I was closer to them than any other group. I've had because we've been together since they were sophomores."

"If you'd see this group walking down the street, you'd swear there's not an athlete in the bunch," added Hussey. "They don't have the physical qualities it takes, but what they lack in talent they make up for in heart. They're winners."

### After Long Layoff, Cooper Racing Again

CONCORD — A long period of inactivity is never good for any athlete, whether it be a race driver, a football player or a basketball player. A long layoff because of injuries usually complicates matters.

Something went wrong with that theory, though, where Doug Cooper is concerned. That much was obvious at Speedworld at Charlotte's Metrolina Fairgrounds on Friday and again on Saturday at Concord.

And as a result, the Gastonia native will be among the favored few this weekend as the Super-sports stock cars of the American Racing Association resume battle at Speedworld in Charlotte on Friday night and at Concord Speedway here Saturday night.

Cooper competed at both half-mile clay tracks last weekend, getting his warmup in brother Bob Cooper's Chevelle in the season-opening program at Speedworld. Then, on Saturday, he began disproving that old theory about layoffs finishing fifth in a highly-competitive field and winning a new fireproof driver's uniform in addition to his cash prize.

"I felt just like it used to," said Cooper, who fought in side-by-side fashion with Billy Scott for most of the 40-lap feature. "I feel like I am ready to go again."

Cooper, a veteran of the area short tracks at a young age, fell

victim to a crash after a fender-to-fender confrontation at a Gastonia speedway two years ago. He suffered serious injuries which hospitalized him for a lengthy stay and threatened to end his driving career forever.

The accident came at an unfortunate time, for Cooper had already established a name for himself in Southeastern stock car circles. He showed a lot of promise on NASCAR's prestigious Grand National circuit and received several awards, among them the Rookies of the Year trophy. He was classed as a favorite immediately upon his return to his hometown short tracks.

"But then, after the accident, we didn't feel Doug would ever drive again," explained Bob, who drives the No. 02 Chevelle himself on occasions. "We simply didn't know how things would turn out but at the time we felt that Doug would be okay physically again."

Now Cooper is "okay" on the track again also and while it may be a bonus for the brothers, the successful return promises nothing but trouble for the other Super-sports drivers.

They will go at it again Friday night with a six-event program at Speedworld, beginning at 8 o'clock after practice and warm-ups starting at 6. A similar card is on tap at Concord Saturday evening.

Among Cooper's most serious challengers will be Vic George of High Point, who won Saturday night's feature here in a 1970 Mustang; consistent veteran Ralph Earnhardt of Kannapolis in a 1970 Camaro; Haywood Plyler of Kannapolis in a 1967 Ford; Curtis Edwards of Charlotte in a Chevelle; and Billy Scott of Union, S. C. in a Chevelle.

The ARA program at each track will include events for the novice Charger drivers also.

### Setzer Winner At Hickory, Allison Second

Hickory — Ned Setzer fended off Grand National star Bobby Allison Saturday night to win the wreck-marred feature race at Hickory Speedway.

Allison moved alongside the Claremont driver late in the race but was never able to wrest away the lead. In four races, in the young season, no driver has managed to repeat as a winner.

State champion Harry Gant suffered teeth damage and a broken toe in a splintering head-on collision with three laps to go in the race. Jimmy Lineberger had crashed into the wall and was motionless on the track when he was hit head on by Gant.

Bob Pressley of Asheville, leader in the dual track Western North Carolina Championship between Hickory and New Asheville speedways, was third.

The race card was official although rain prevented the running of the Limited Sportsman and Rookie feature events. Both will be double-features on the speedway's next racing program.

Jeanne Lail, a fashion college graduate from Newton, won the "Miss Hickory Speedway" title. First runnerup was Sheila Beard, a former "Miss Maiden".

### Georgia Star Signs With G-W

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C. — A six foot, three inch, 220 pound tackle, Ronnie Friedell, of College Park, Georgia, has indicated that he will accept an invitation to play football for Gardner-Webb College next fall.

Bulldog Coach George Litton said Friedell should be a fine addition to the Bulldog grid team. Friedell was a defensive star on the Lakeshore High School team in College Park for the past two years when the team won 19 times and tied one.

Friedell was highly praised by Litton. The Bulldog coach said the grid prospect has both the speed and the size to make a top notch college football player.

**HOLY LAND SLIDES**  
Hugh Falls of Kings Mountain will be the speaker and will show slides of his trip to the Holy Land Sunday evening, May 3, at 7:30 at Allen Memorial Baptist Church in Grover. The pastor, Rev. George Thornburg, invites the public to attend.

### Hit-O-Rama Set Saturday

The American Legion has another Hit-O-Rama scheduled for Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at City Stadium.

Charlie Carpenter, athletic officer for Post 455, said that any youngster 13 or over is welcome to attend. Former high school and legion stars will be on hand to throw batting practice and give tips.

### Kings Mountain Track Team In Two Victories

Kings Mountain High's track team won two more events during the past week. Last Wednesday, the Mounties whipped Lincolnton on the Wolves' track, 85 to 55, and the following day, the Mountaineers won a triangular meet at Crest.

In the Crest meet the Mounties scored 73 points to 58 for Crest and nine for R-S Central. Kings Mountain and Lincolnton both had five first places in their meet, but the Mountaineers piled up the second and third place points to win the match easily.

Finishing first for the Mounties were Gerald Putnam in the high hurdles, Randolph Ross in the 100-yard dash, and Philbert Smith in the 220-yard dash, and the Mountaineers' 440 and 880 relay teams were also first.

Ross and Smith tied in the 100 yard dash with a time of 10.3 seconds and Carl Fulton wasn't far behind with a 10.6 finishing.

Kings Mountain also finished first in five of 10 events in the Crest meet. Putnam was again first in the high hurdles. Ross won the 100 with a time of 10.05 seconds. Putnam was also first in the low hurdles, and Smith won the 220. The KM 440 relay team was also first.

Complete results of the Lincolnton meet:  
High Hurdles: First, Putnam, KM; second, Ward, Linc; third, Blanton, KM. Time 2:13.9.  
Low Hurdles: First, Ramsey, Linc; second, Putnam, KM; third, Blanton, KM. Time 20.9.  
440-relay: First, KM; second, Linc. Time, 45.3.  
100-yd. dash: First, Ross and Smith, KM; third, Fulton, KM. Time 10.3.  
880-yd. run: First, Cochran, Linc; second, Dunlap, KM; third, Benfield, Linc. Time 2:13.9.  
880-relay: First, KM; second, Linc. Time 1:34.4.  
1 Mile Run: First, Eurey, Linc; second, Seagle, Linc; third, Terry, Putnam, KM. Time 4:46.5.  
220-dash: First, Smith, KM; second, Ross, KM; third, Ramsey, Linc. Time 23.2.  
1 Mile relay: First, Linc; second, KM; Time 3:47.1.  
440-run: First, Cochran, Linc;

second, Cansler, Linc. third, Hughes, KM 52.9.

Results of the Crest meet:  
High Hurdles: First, Putnam, KM; second, Blanton, KM; third, Hunt, Crest. Time 16.1.  
Low Hurdles: First, Putnam, KM; second, Blanton, KM, third, Lewis, Crest. Time 22.3.  
440-relay: First, KM, second, Crest; third, RSC. Time 45.7.  
100-yd. dash: First, Ross, KM. Smith, KM; Fulton, KM; Time 10.05.  
880-run: First, Rash, Crest; second, Dunlap, KM; third, Hunt, Crest. Time 2:14.0.  
880-relay: First, Crest; second, RSC. Time 1:39.0.  
1 Mile Run: First, Adams, Crest; second, Putnam, KM; third, Penner, RSC. Time 5:05.4.  
220-dash: First, Smith, KM; second, Fulton; third, Archie, Crest. Time 23.5.  
1 Mile Relay: First, Crest; second, RSC; third, KM. Time 3:53.0.  
440-run: First, Bell, Crest; second, Hughes, KM; third, Wellman, Crest. Time 54.4.

**UNC's Smith Top Lecturer At Wesleyan**

ROCKY MOUNT — The campus of North Carolina Wesleyan College will again be the scene of the annual All-Star Sports Camps which will feature professional instructors in football, June 21-25, an outstanding college coaches in basketball, July 26-31.

Professional athletes from the National Football League will supplement the collegiate and high school coaches staff. Sam Wyche, Quarterback, Cincinnati Bengals, Carroll Dale, Flanker, Green Bay Packers; Willis Crenshaw, Running Back, St. Louis Cardinals; Bill Andrews, Linebacker, Cleveland Browns and Tom Barrington, Running Back, New Orleans Saints will be among the 14 pro stars featured at the All-Star Football session.

The "Dean of Basketball", Dean Smith, University of North Carolina, will be the featured instructor at the All-Star Basketball session which will feature outstanding collegiate coaches from Washington & Lee, William & Mary, East Carolina, and George Washington University.

The Sports Camps will be open to all boys between the ages of 8-18 below their senior year in high school. All participants will be housed in new modern college residence halls on the campus of North Carolina Wesleyan. Additional information may be obtained by writing North Carolina Wesleyan College, Rocky Mount, North Carolina or All-Star Sports Camp, Box 582, South Hill, Va. 23870.

**Cage Standout Signs With G-W**

Boiling Springs — A Florida junior college basketball star has been signed to a grant-in-aid to play for Gardner-Webb College. The player, David Burke, is a native of Freeport, Florida and played this past season for Gulf Coast Junior College, Panama City.

Burke is six foot four inches tall and weighs 190 pounds. He plays both forward and guard. Last season he averaged 16 points per game. He also set a school record when he sank 199 free throws out of 232 attempts.

Gardner-Webb Coach Eddie Holbrook said Burke is an excellent prospect.

"David is a fierce competitor, especially on defense," said Holbrook. "He has a years experience in one of the best junior college leagues in the country. He played some outstanding ball for his school this past year."

### WBTV To Televis Finals In Putt-Putt Golf Tourney May 3

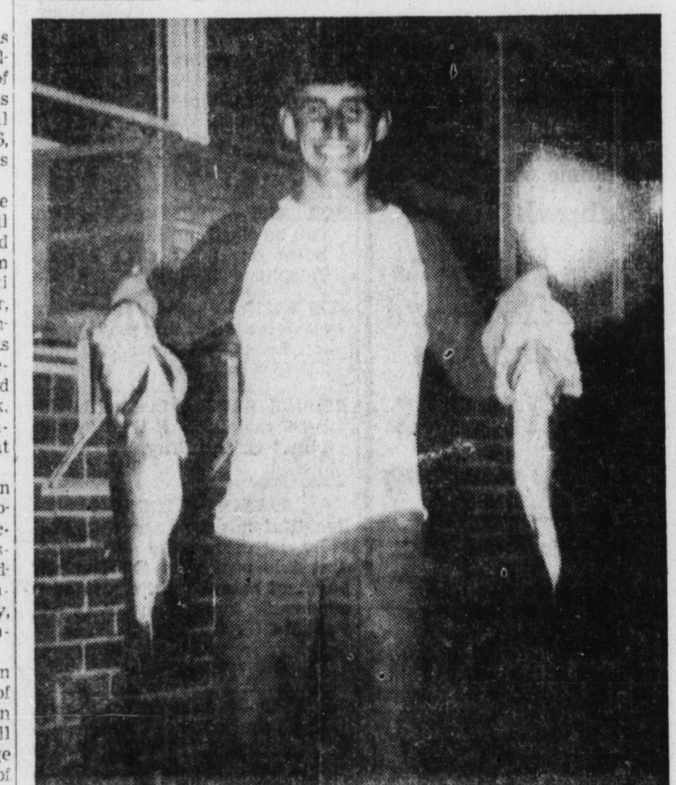
CHARLOTTE — What was once considered a pastime for the kids has now become a big time competitive sport with big money. The sport is the fast paced game of Putt-Putt Golf and the money to putt for is the fifteen thousand dollar first prize in the \$110,000 World Putting Championship.

Beginning Sunday, May 3 at 1:30 p.m., WBTV will carry the seven final games in the Parade of Champions series of last year's World Putting Championship held in Fayetteville, North Carolina. The eight men playing in the final seven matches are the remainder of 128 players promoted as "The World's Greatest Putters."

The 1970 World Putting Championship will be held in the Bahamas this coming September with the lovely town of Freeport on Grand Bahama Island as the host.

Champions is Don Clayton, an ex-insurance salesman from Fayetteville who built one of the country's first Putt-Putt courses in 1954.

Ricky Smith, a 20-year-old Purdue University sophomore, is among the eight semifinalists bidding for the top money in the Championship tournament. Ricky has been referred to as The Ace Machine by his compatriots, and rightly so, for he made 13 consecutive holes in one to set a record in his first-round match of the competition.



**PITCHER TURNED CATCHER** — Former KMHS pitching star Rocky Goforth, now ace of the Gaston College mound staff, is pictured here with two large bass he caught out of the city water lake. One weighed in at six pounds, four ounces, and the other weighed four pounds, six ounces.

**FIX-IT TIP**

Are there bubbles in your varnish? This common headache for handy men about the house can be avoided with a bit of extra care. Do not stir clear varnishes, and in loading the brush, do not drag the bristles across the rim of the can to remove excess varnish (this causes air bubbles to form under the bristles). Instead, up the bristles lightly against the inside of the container just above the surface of the varnish. Then apply to surface. Result: a smooth finish.