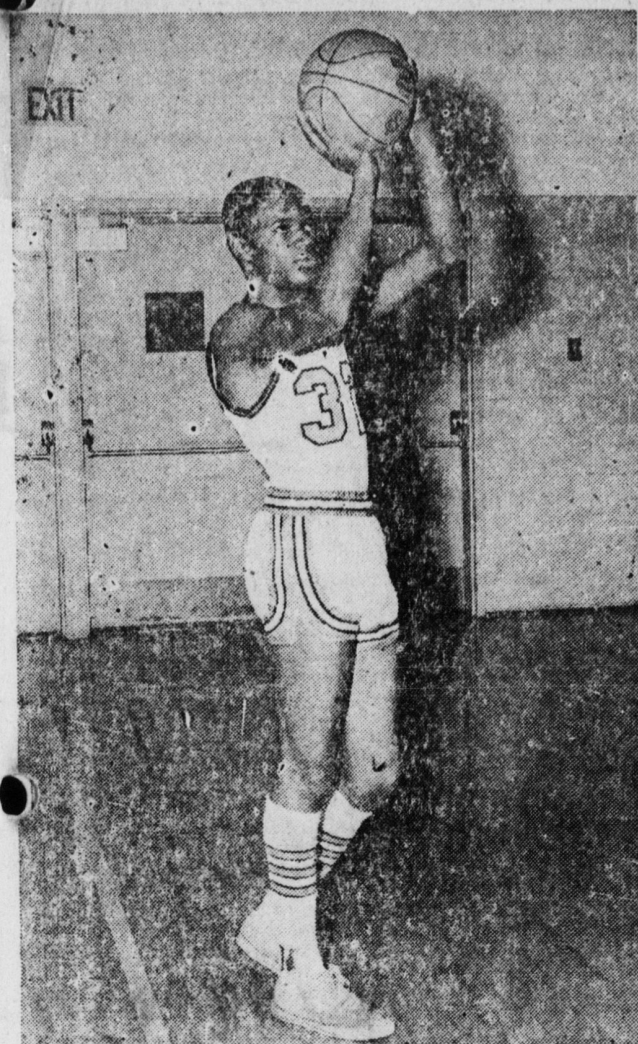


# Mounties Sweep Chase, Lose Two At Crest



**SEMINOLE'S TOP SCORER** — Former Kings Mountain High cage standout, Otis Cole, above, is the leading scorer on the Florida State University freshman squad. Seminole coaches expect big things from the 6-1 guard in the future.

## Five Hit Double Figures To Lead Mountaineer Win

Kings Mountain High School's cage outfit won their first doubleheader of the 1970-71 season Friday at home sweeping winless Chase in a Southwestern 3-A Conference twinbill.

The girls, still running with the best of the SWC clubs, captured a 35-27 victory in the opener and the Mountaineers won an easy 79-49 decision in the nightcap.

It was the first victory of the season for Coach Allen Dixon's Mountaineers, who placed five players in double figures. Kings Mountain's "Big Three," Diane Cornwell, Deborah Crockett and Carolyn Mitchem combined for 23 points to lead the Mountaineers to their fifth victory in the opener.

Cornwell paced the attack with 11 points, Crockett added nine and Mitchem eight as the trio of two juniors and a sophomore outscored the entire Chase squad.

Chase kept the game close for a while, as the Mountaineers held only a two-point edge, 18-16, at intermission. But the defense came through, limiting the Lady Trojans to only 11 points, in the second half and the Mountaineers gradually pulled away.

The Mountaineers pulled away from a 35-27 halftime lead to win easily in their game. Geep Howard, Al White and Ben Brown scored 14 points each to lead the way. Jimmy Jolly added 11 markers and Paul Manning had 10.

Coach Dixon cleared his bench and 10 of the Mountaineers shared in the scoring act.

For Chase, Kathy Harris gained game-winning honors in the opener with 16 points and Steve Elliott took game honors in the nightcap with 19 points.

**GIRLS GAME**  
Chase (27)—Harris 16, Jolley 3, Bush 4, Upton 3, Robinson 1, White.  
Kings Mountain (35)—Cornwell 11, Crockett 9, Mitchem 8, Lovelace 1, Neisler 2, Cash 2, Goins 1, Henderson 2.

**BOYS GAME**  
Chase (49)—Elliott 19, Hinson 5, Crenshaw 1, Hines 2, Lipscomb 2, McKinney 14, Dewberry 4, Owens 2.  
Kings Mountain (79)—Grier 5, Howard 14, Brown 14, Thombs 6, Jolly 11, Hunter 1, Manning 10, Carpenter 2, White 14, Withers 2.

## Duplex, Plonk Oil In Play-Offs

Duplex Shannon and Plonk Oil sponsored basketball teams will play off a championship game Thursday (tonight) at 8:15 p.m. at the Community Center.

Both teams are tied for first place in the Men's Basketball League.

Duplex beat Craftspun 61-53 Monday night with Ray Morgan, the high scorer with 15 points. Charles Jones, with 22 points, was the high scorer for Craftspun.

In January 7th action Duplex won over Home Savings & Loan team by 66-58. High scorers for Duplex were Jewel Watson, William Hager, Miles Boyd and Donald Leach.

The Seminoles got a late recruiting start on Cole and they feel fortunate to have signed him.

"I was home for vacation last year," recalls MacChone, "and the coach at Marion High School, Ken Crockett, told me that there was a guy from Kings Mountain that had been the most valuable player in the Marion All-Star Game, and that he wanted to go to Carolina but didn't make 800 on his college board. That's when we first got on his trail."

Cole is averaging 21.7 points per game and scored 24 points Wednesday night to lead the FSU Frosh to a 85-71 victory over Lake City Junior College.

"Lake City had won 59 games in a row at home and we went over there and beat them by 14," said MacChone, whose team sports a 5-3 record.

"We've definitely got a lot of improving to do, but we feel like we're coming around. We're real big and most teams have been spreading it out on us to take advantage of their speed."

Cole is one of four players averaging double figures. Artie Fryer, a 6-5 forward from Tampa, is hitting 16 per game, 6-11 Morris McRae is averaging 14 points and 23 rebounds and 6-7 John Smick is hitting 13 points per contest.

MacChone's fifth starter is 5-7 guard Gary Corbin of Jasper, Ind.

"The point man on the varsity team is a sophomore," said MacChone, "but he's only averaging 8.1 points per game, so I definitely think Otis will have a good chance to break the starting lineup next year. And, even if he doesn't, he'll be playing quite a bit as a sophomore."

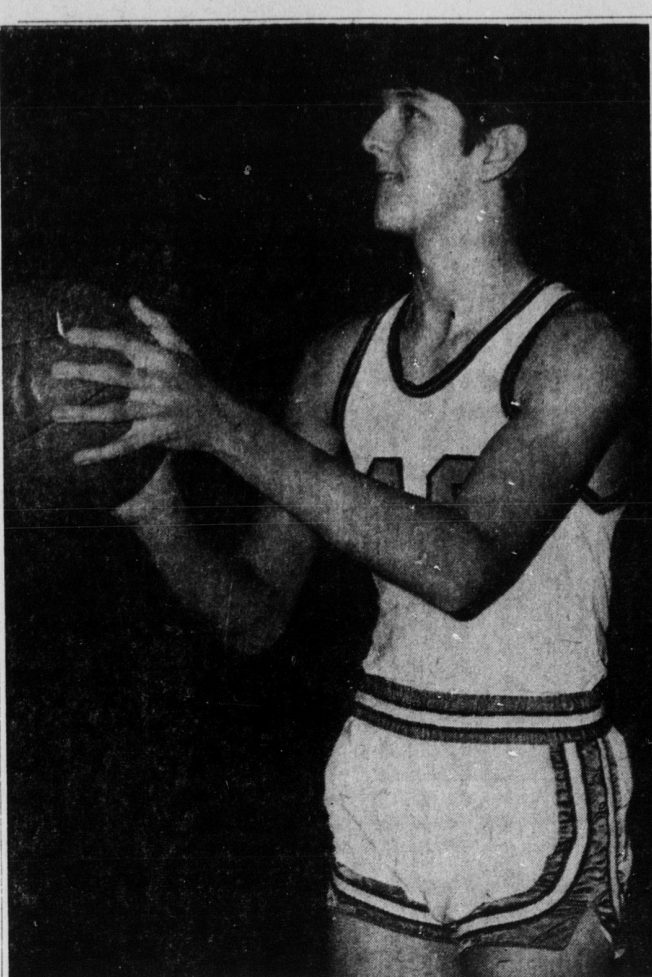
North Carolina boys have fared well in Florida State and MacChone is quick to tell you that the Seminoles are after another prep star from this area.

"We think David Thompson of Crest is one of the top prospects anywhere," said MacChone. "We haven't seen him play, but we've seen him on film and several people have told us that he's as good or better than Cole. If that's true, he's got to be a great one. We wouldn't be too bad if we could start three North Carolina guys," added MacChone, referring to Cole, Thompson and Royals.

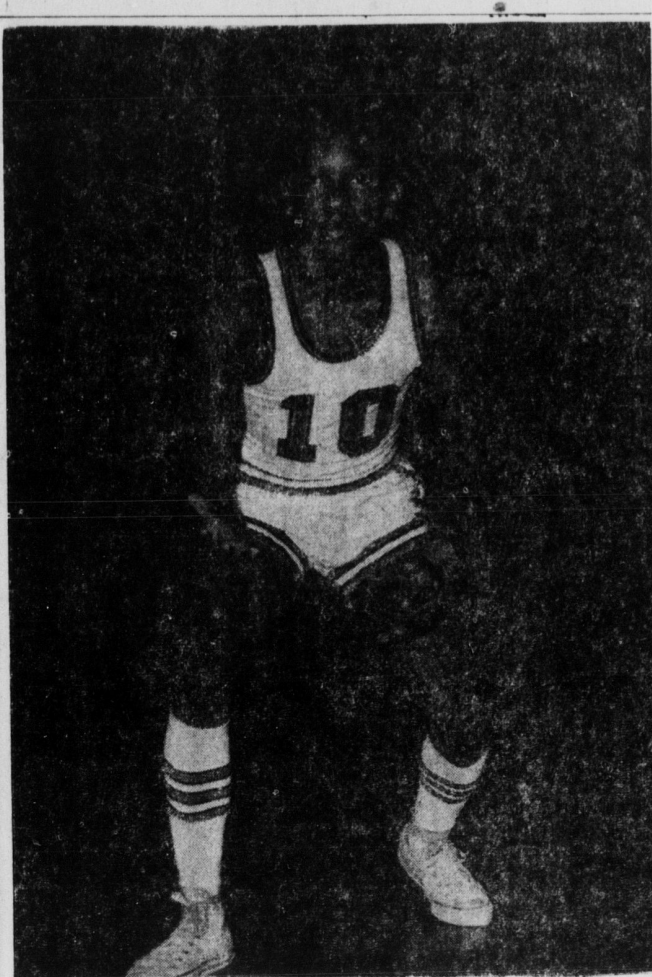
MacChone says Cole's biggest asset is that he's a winner.

"That's what we love about him the most," he says. "Winning is his whole life. He's very unselfish and he won't take a bad shot. And, not only is he a good offensive

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**STANDOUTS IN WIN OVER CHASE** — Sophomore Jim Jolly, left, and junior Al White stood out for Kings Mountain's Mountaineers in their 79-49 victory over Chase here Friday night. Both



played their best games of the season. Jolly scored 11 points and White hit 14 as the Mountaineers captured their first victory of the season.

## Barnes Scores 19 But Baby Apps Beaten

Former Kings Mountain High cage standout Charles Barnes, scored 19 points Saturday night but Appalachian's freshman team dropped a 58-55 decision to Lees-McRae Junior College.

The Little Mountaineers cut an 11-point Lees-McRae lead to 45-43 with seven minutes remaining in the game but Coach Bob Husssey's team never could take the lead.

Barnes, who helped lead KMHS to two Southwestern Conference championships in the past three years, is the leading scorer for the ASU frosh.

Ed Stewart paced the Lees-McRae team in scoring with a game high 22 points. Former Wilkes Central standout Larry Christenberry followed Barnes in scoring for the Apps with 15.

Lees-McRae (58)—Jessen 9, Hill 8, Thompson 8, Walrond 9, Stewart 22, Denny 2.  
Appalachian (55)—Barnes 19, Christenberry 15, McNeil 9, Dudas 8, Stanfield 4.

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## Cagers At Central Friday, Host East Squads Tuesday

Kings Mountain's high school cage squads take on a pair of Rutherford County clubs in their next two contests.

Friday night, Coaches Allen Dixon and Blaine Froneberger take their clubs to Rutherford to battle R-S Central and Tuesday night they return home to host East Rutherford.

Both clubs are in need of victories. The Mountaineers are faced with the possibility of suffering one of their worst seasons

since joining the Southwestern Conference and the girls need two wins to stay in the running for first place.

The Mountaineers missed a golden opportunity to tie the East Rutherford for the league lead Tuesday night when they dropped a 39-34 decision to Crest. At the same time, East was suffering its first loss, 49-39 to improved Burns.

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## Thompson Scores 43 To Spark Charger Waltz

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers got their first look at David Thompson and the Crest Chargers Tuesday night in Bowling Springs, and Coach Allen Dixon's charges had just as soon forget what they went through.

The Chargers, with the 6-5 Thompson scoring a season-high 43 points completely outclassed the younger and less-talented Mountaineers, 103-53.

It was one of the most one-sided defeats in history for a Kings Mountain cage squad and it was also the first time in history a KMHS basketball team has been defeated by the Crest team.

Thompson, firing them in from all angles, paced the Chargers to a 57-22 halftime lead and Coach Ed Peeler cleared his bench in the second half as the Chargers came within two points of tying the Southwestern Conference scoring record of 105 points.

Ben Brown, Jimmy Jolly and Paul Manning scored 10 points each to pace the Mountaineers, who saw their record dip to 1-5 in the conference and 1-7 overall.

The Chargers held Kings Mountain's leading scorer, Geep Howard, to only eight points. It was the first time this season that Howard has been held to under double figures.

Kings Mountain's girls, attempting to give a run for the conference title, had an opportunity to move into a tie for first place last night but were upset by the Lady Chargers, 39-34.

Pam Washburn led the Crest lassies with a game-high 13 points. Diane Cornwell scored 10 and Deborah Crockett added eight for the Mountaineers.

Kings Mountain's girls are now 4-2 in SWC play and 5-3 overall.

**GIRLS GAME**  
Kings Mountain (34)—Mitchem 7, Cornwell 10, Crockett 8, Neisler 2, Lee 6, Henderson 1.  
Crest (39)—Ledbetter 4, Washburn 13, Poston 5, Nesbitt 6, Petty 6, Alexander 1, Pierby 2, Moore 2.

**BOYS GAME**  
Kings Mountain (53)—Grier 6, Howard 8, Brown 10, Crocker 4, Thombs 2, Jolly 10, Manning 10, White 3.

Crest (103)—Thompson 43, J. Hunt 4, Surratt 8, L. Hunt 6, Archie 9, Cribb 10.

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## Second Half Bowling Action Is Tight Too

Duckpin bowling action at Mountain Lanes Bowling Center during the first week of the second half is a repeat performance of the entire first half.

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## Central Wins Fifth But Frosh Lose Again

Central Junior High's Patriots captured their fifth straight victory Monday at home, defeating Gastonia Ashley, 43-24. But the Kings Mountain freshman team dropped its fifth straight, 50-34.

Big Carl Roseboro scored 20 points and Tony Falls added eight to lead Coach John Blalock's Patriots, who were scheduled to play again Wednesday against Gaston Day.

The Patriots had a fight on their hands until the fourth period when they began to pull away. Central led by 10-4 at the end of the first period, 16-11 at halftime and 24-16 heading into the fourth quarter.

In the varsity game, Butch Blalock scored 17 points but they weren't enough as Ashley got 20 points from John Sadler and 12 from Thomas Wilson.

Ashley jumped off to a 13-4 lead in the first period and cruised to its third straight victory.

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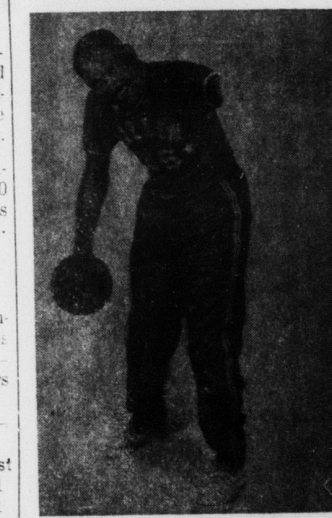
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## Boyd Buie Stars For Harlem Team

Add to athletes who have made good in spite of major physical handicaps: Boyd Buie, star of the Harlem Stars Basketball Team.

Buie lost his left arm as the result of an automobile accident. It was amputated near the shoulder.

Determined to become a star athlete, the fellow has won his battle. He led his team in scoring last year with a very good average.

Buie receives no help whatsoever from the remnant of his left arm. He catches the ball, dribbles, passes, fakes and shoots with his right hand. The fact that he plays guard attests to his defensive ability.

The only one-arm professional basketball star in the country, Buie excels not only at short trips shots, but is accurate from near the middle of the court.

Buie and the Harlem Stars will play a member of the Kings Mountain Industrial men's league on Friday night, Jan. 22, at the KM Community Center.

Appearing along with the Stars will be the San Francisco Golden Gators, who will also meet a team from the KM Industrial loop.