



TOP BLOCKER RETURNS — Guard Dale Russell, winner of the Fred Plonk Elocking Trophy last year as a junior, returns to bolsters the KMHS line this fall. Russell and his Mountaineer teammates began pre season workouts Monday for the 1971 grid campaign, which begins here Sept. 4.

Gridders Begin Two-A-Day Drills

75 Prospects Drilling Daily At KMHS Field

Kings Mountain High's football team began heavy workouts Wednesday and today will begin twice-a-day drills.

Head Coach Bob Jones and his assistants are drilling 75 prospects daily at the KMHS practice field. Eighty boys came out for the team on Monday.

Jones said that the team has good morale and is working hard. "The offense and defense is now to them and I know we're probably a little ragged right now," said Jones, "but they're eager to learn and there's no reason why we shouldn't be ready for our opening game."

The Mountaineers open their 10-game schedule here on Sept. 3 against non-conference foe Bessemer City. They play at Chase the next week in the first of nine straight Southwestern Conference contests.

Jones said the Mountaineers won't have any heavy hitting for a week or so but will probably have an intra-squad scrimmage on Friday.

Jones has his team running the Power-I offense. The Mountaineers used the triple-option last season under Bill Gates. Jones has made two major changes. David Bolin, a two-year starter at fullback, has moved to quarterback and John Grier, a two-year performer at guard, has moved to fullback.

"Bolin seems to be catching on easily," said Jones. "He's a smart boy and I don't think he'll have any trouble playing quarterback."

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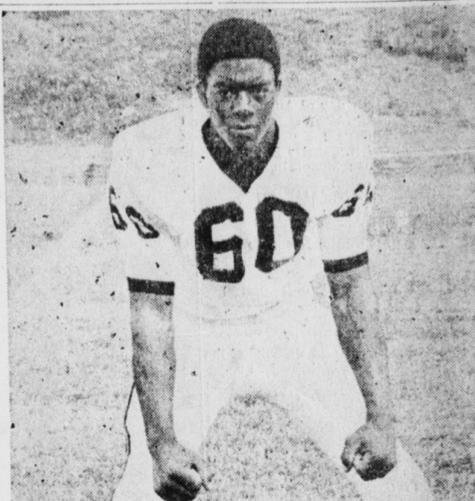
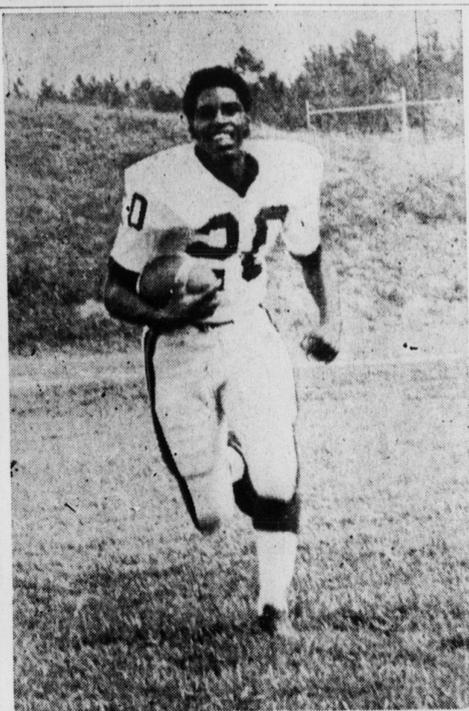
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RETURNING STARTERS — Halfback Frankie Stokes, left, and guardlinebacker John Grier, above, return as starters for KMHS this fall. Stokes was one of the leading ground gainers and scorers on last year's 7-3 team and Grier was an All-Conference line-backer. Grier will probably be moved to fullback this year.

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Hearing Slated On Deer Hunting

RALEIGH. — A total of 21 either-sex deer hunts will be proposed at public hearings to be held across the state August 16 through August 13, 1971. "These hearings have been scheduled in response to landowner complaints about deer predation and we would like all those concerned—both landowners and sportsmen—to let us have the benefit of their knowledge of the situation at each location," said Frank Barick, chief of the Division of Game for the N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission.

Following the hearings, the opinions of hunters across the state will be studied prior to final adoption of any either-sex hunts.

A schedule of the proposed either-sex hunts and the dates and places where the public hearings will be held follows. All of the hearings will begin at 8 o'clock.

For Camden and Currituck counties, generally in the area known as the Hale's Lake section, an either-sex deer season has been proposed for November 22-27. The public hearing will be held on August 16 in the Currituck courthouse.

For Bertie county, in the lowlands generally north of the Roanoke river, an either-sex season has been proposed for November 22 through December 4. The public hearing will be held on August 17 at the Lewiston Community House.

For Gates county, the entire county has been proposed for an either-sex season, but the proposal calls for a November 22 through January 1 season east of N. C. 32 and an October 11 through January 1 season west of N. C. 32. The public hearing for these proposed hunts will be held August 18 at the Gatesville Courthouse.

Either-sex deer hunts in parts of Hertford and all of Perquimans counties will also be proposed on August 18 at the Gatesville Courthouse. An either-sex season will be proposed from October 11 through January 1 in Hertford county north of the Meherrin river, while immediately south of the river, the proposed season would be November 22 through December 4. In Perquimans county, the entire county will be proposed for an either-sex deer hunt from November 22 through December 4.

In Craven, Jones, Onslow and Pamlico counties, hearings on either-sex deer hunts will be held August 18 at the New Bern Courthouse. In Craven county, the proposed hunt would be on the Cherry Point Marine Air Station on days designated by military authorities from November 22 through January 1. In Onslow county, the proposed hunt would also be on days designated by military personnel at Camp Lejeune between November 22 and January 1. In Pamlico county, in the Olympia community area, and in Jones county in the Trenton community area, the proposed either-sex deer hunts would be from November 22-27.

For Northampton county, the entire county would be proposed for either-sex deer hunting from October 11 through January 1. The public hearing for this area will be held August 18 in the Jackson Courthouse.

In Cumberland and Hoke counties, on the Fort Bragg Military Reservation, the proposed either-sex deer hunt would be on certain designated dates between November 22 through January 1 that would not interfere with military training operations. The public hearing will be August 17 in the Fayetteville Courthouse for this area.

In Sampson county, generally

in the southern tip near Harrells community, the proposed season would be on November 22-27, and the public hearing will be on August 16 at the Harrells Community Building.

In Granville county, generally in the Eutaw section, the proposed hunt would be on November 22. The public hearing for this proposal will be held August 17 in the Butner Hospital auditorium.

For Montgomery county, in and adjoining the Uwharrie game lands, the proposed either-sex deer hunt would be a one-day hunt on November 22. The public hearing will be August 17 in the Troy Courthouse.

In Moore county, on a small area adjacent to Drowning Creek in the southern part of the county, the proposed hunt would be another one-day hunt on November 22. The public hearing will be August 16 at the Aberdeen Municipal building.

In Wilkes county, generally in the eastern part of the county, including Roundabout Farms, the proposed either-sex deer hunt would be November 22-23. The public hearing will be held August 16 in the Ronda Community Center.

In Buncombe county, on the Biltmore Estate properties, the proposed either-sex deer hunt would be from November 22 through December 4, and the public hearing will be on August 16 in the Asheville Courthouse.

Details on the exact locations and boundaries for the proposed hunts will be presented by N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission staff members at the public hearings.

Steve Poston In New Post

BOILING SPRINGS. — Steve Poston, a graduate of Crest high school and Gardner-Webb college, has been named head basketball coach at Elkin high school. Poston is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Poston of Shelby. Dr. Poston is president of Gardner-Webb.

Poston, 25, coached the junior varsity at Elkin last year to the conference championship and was elevated to the top coaching position when the former coach, James Holliman, resigned to take a position at Wingate College.

After graduating from Gardner-Webb with an A. A. degree, Poston went to Wake Forest where he earned a B. A. His first teaching assignment was at Cliffside Junior High school in Rutherford county. He went to Elkin for the 1969-70 school term.

Sportsman Shows Set

SHELELY, N. C. — The HRA-sanctioned Late Model Sportsman and Limited Sportsman drivers, breaking records each weekend, are set for another busy slate Friday night at the Rutherford County Speedway and Saturday night at the Shelby Speedway. Both events begin at 8 o'clock.

Raymond Payne, Buford, Ga., and Billy Bishop, Spartanburg, Late Model winners last week; Bill Koone, Bill Monteith, Wilson Peace, Joe Huntsinger, Harold Painter and Johnny Halford are the biggest crowd favorites.

Jimmy Martin, Cotton Ryan, George Brackett and Larry Poole are waging fender-to-fender battles in the Limited Sportsman class.

A Rookie main event is also slated on each program.

Holman-Moody Bridesmaid At Darlington

DARLINGTON, S. C. — Ford products either directly from the Holman-Moody shop in Charlotte, N. C., or indirectly, have won the Southern 500 stock car classic four times since they came on the scene in 1956. The victories could have been eight just as easily.

None of the fourth Southern 500 winners from the H-M stable are active today. Curtis Turner and Fireball Roberts are dead. Ned Jarrett and Nelson Stacy have retired.

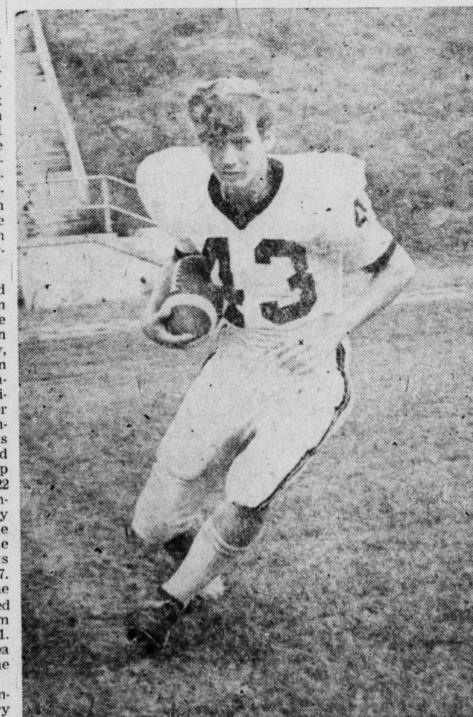
Since Jarrett's victory in 1965, Holman-Moody has become a bridesmaid at the famed Darlington oval, where the 22nd edition of the Southern 500 will be reeled off Labor Day, Sept. 6 at 12 noon.

Three consecutive Labor Days, 1967-68-69 David Pearson trailed the winner home in his H-M entry. Last year Pearson finished fourth. Pearson is no longer with H-M, having moved to the Pontiac of Ray Nichols. Bobby Allison, who replaced Pearson, has the odds on his side going into the 1971 Labor Day race. The past six winners of the classic in stock car racing did so for the first time.

In seven super speedway outings, since taking over the H-M Mercury, Allison has four first and finished second twice. "As many near misses as we've had in recent years at Darlington, I figure we're about due," remarked Moody. "Allison is doing a job for us beyond our wildest dream."

"Really, it's hard to believe the turn about season Allison has had. Going into the Rebel 400 at Darlington everything he did turned sour. He couldn't get a break," stressed Moody, "after he signed with us he did a complete turn around the other way. I can't tell you what happened. I wish I knew. One thing is sure, I don't want it to change."

Following the Rebel 400 in May, Allison announced to the press that he was leaving the Grand National circuit because



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Plonk's Recapping Is Second At Grover

Plonk's Recapping of Kings Mountain finished second in the District 23 softball tournament at Grover last week and is now participating in the area tournament at Bruce Harry Memorial Park.

The area event began last night and will continue through Saturday. The top two teams will then go to the state tournament later this month.

Plonk's lost out in the finals of the District 23 event to Clyde's Quik Stop of Shelby. Clyde's won the title game, 8-4.

Plonk's, which played the tournament with only 10 players, whipped Clyde's 5-4 to force a second championship game. Clyde's had earlier knocked the KM team into the loser's bracket.

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