

# Basketball Bounces KM's Way

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## Jayvees Upset Burns, Move Into Tie For Top

Kings Mountain High's jayvee basketballers moved into a tie for first place in the Southwestern Conference Thursday night at Burns when they handed the Little Bulldogs their first loss of the season, 66-60.

The victory gave the Little Mountaineers a 3-1 SWC record and 4-1 overall mark heading into a Friday afternoon game at home against Cherryville.

The KMHS victory left the four Cleveland County high schools — Kings Mountain, Burns, Shelby and Crest — tied for the league lead with one loss apiece.

Coach Dennis Dukes was highly pleased with his Little Mountaineers' performance Thursday. "Burns was 6-0 going into the game," noted Dukes, "and we just went up there and set our minds on upsetting them. Everybody played a real good ballgame and we had excellent rebounding."

Kings Mountain placed four players in double figures, Thomas McClain and Jerome Miller leading the way with 14 points apiece. Mike Adams added 11 and Darryl Friday 10.

McClain also topped the rebounding department with 12 and Terry McClain and Miller also did a good job on the boards.

Howard Sims of Burns was the game's top scorer with 19 points.

The Little Mountaineers fell behind early, trailing by seven points in the first half. But they built up a 16-point second half lead before the Bulldogs managed to cut the margin in the final minutes.

The KMHS girls fell to 2-2 in the opener, losing to the unbeaten Burns lassies 49-48 after leading most of the game.

Coach Joe Rountree's Little Mountaineettes were dealt a severe blow in the fourth quarter when one of

### GIRLS GAME

KM (48) — Littlejohn 11, McClain 6, McSwain 2, Leach 9, McGill 15, Blalock, Bristol.

Burns (49) — Bridges 14, Hunt 2, Lackey 3, Howell 4, Gamble 6, Hamilton 12, Campbell 8, Coleman 4.

### BOYS GAME

KM (66) — Th. McClain 14, Miller 14, Adams 11, Friday 10, Te. McClain 8, Wofford 7, Wingo 2.

Burns (60) — Sims 19, Borders 16, Stanford 10, Howell 6, Vincent 4, Gardner 2, Cross 1.

### Southwest Standings

BOYS	
Teams	W L
Crest	8 0
R-S Central	7 1
Shelby	7 1
N. Gaston	7 2
Burns	5 3
E. Rutherford	3 4
S. Point	3 5
Kings Mtn.	3 6
E. Gaston	3 6
S. Point	3 8
B. City	1 8
Cherryville	0 9

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Kings Mtn.	6 3
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Crest	4 4
E. Ruth.	2 3
Shelby	2 6
B. City	2 7
Chase	1 7
Cherryville	1 8

their most consistent players, Cheryl Leach, suffered from leg cramps and had to be taken to a hospital.

"After that," noted Rountree, "we lost our momentum and Burns decided to hit everything

they threw up there. I feel certain that when we play them again we'll win if we give the same kind of effort we did Thursday."

Elizabeth McGill led the KM scoring with 15 and Annette Littlejohn added 11.

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## Girls, Boys, Jayvees Sweep

## Ironmen In SWC Action Friday

Kings Mountain High's basketballers won a triple-header over Cherryville Friday in the KMHS gym.

The Southwestern Conference league-leading boys jayvees won a 62-48 victory in the 4:30 p. m. opener, the varsity girls ran their mark to 6-3 with a 67-50 win and the Mountaineers broke a five-game losing streak in the nightcap, 73-59.

The Mountaineettes led all the way and Coach Brooks used her reserves most of the fourth quarter. KMHS held a 19-8 first quarter lead, a 38-20 halftime advantage and a 54-40 lead going into the final eight minutes.

The Mountaineers pulled away in the second half to post their third victory. Cherryville held an 18-16

first quarter lead, but the Mountaineers came back to lead 37-33 at the half and 54-46 going into the fourth period.

The Mountaineers had their best-balanced scoring attack of the year, with five players scoring in double figures. Eddie Ingram and Bobby Odums led the way with 16 apiece, Vernon Bell scored 13, and

William Lockhart and William Thompson 10 each. The jayvees led most of the way in running their SWC mark to 4-1 and their overall record to 5-1.

Darryl Friday led the Little Mountaineers with 12 points.

KM led 16-10 after one period, 30-21 at halftime and 45-27 going into the fourth quarter.

## Huskies Pin KM Matters

Kings Mountain High's wrestlers dropped their fourth straight non-conference match last Thursday night to 4-A Hunter Huss, 47-28.

Coach Bo Goforth's Mountaineers were scheduled to host North Gaston in their first Southwestern Conference match last night. They travel to Chase Thursday.

Kings Mountain's unbeaten heavyweight, David Gordon, had his toughest match of the year but won on a second period pin. It was the first time in seven outings that his opponent had taken him past the first round.

Other KM victories were by Craig Bell on a forfeit, Tim Mitchem on a pin and Ponder Sherrill on a pin. Robert Ingram picked up three points on a draw.

### THE RESULTS

100 Pd. — Chuck Bolton (HH) won by forfeit.

107 — Craig Bell (KM) won by forfeit.

114 — Tim Mitchem (KM) pinned Kevin Cherry.

121 — Mike Henry (HH) pinned Sam Bell.

128 — Todd Fields (H) pinned Lawyer Lewis.

134 — Tony Partlow (HH) won by forfeit.

140 — Robert Ingram (KM) and Barry Bostic (HH) drew.

147 — Ponder Sherrill (KM) pinned Peter Faysoux.

157 — Kent Upton (HH) pinned Norman Phillips.

169 — Wes Bradley (HH) won by forfeit.

187 — Mike Helms (HH) dec. Tim Spicer.

197 — Pat Kelly (HH) pinned Kelly Land.

Unl. — David Gordon (KM) pinned Raynard Moore.

The varsity teams return to action tonight with a road doubleheader with Crest and the jayvees return to action Wednesday afternoon with a doubleheader with Crest.

The Mountaineettes got a super performance from senior Susan Mitchem, who had her season's high of 29 points. Gayla Roberts added 14 points and Priscilla Rickenbacker 11 to give Coach Kathy Brooks' team three double digit scorers.

## A Triple Dose!

### JAYVEE GAME

KM (62) — Friday 12, Th. McClain 1, Te. McClain 7, Adams 7, Wofford 4, Curry 8, Scruggs 2, Miller 8, Johnson 2, Wingo 1.

Cherry. (48) — Bungardner 13, Dellinger 8, Alexander 6, Bost 6, Rollins, 4, Cline 4, Anthony 2.

### GIRLS GAME

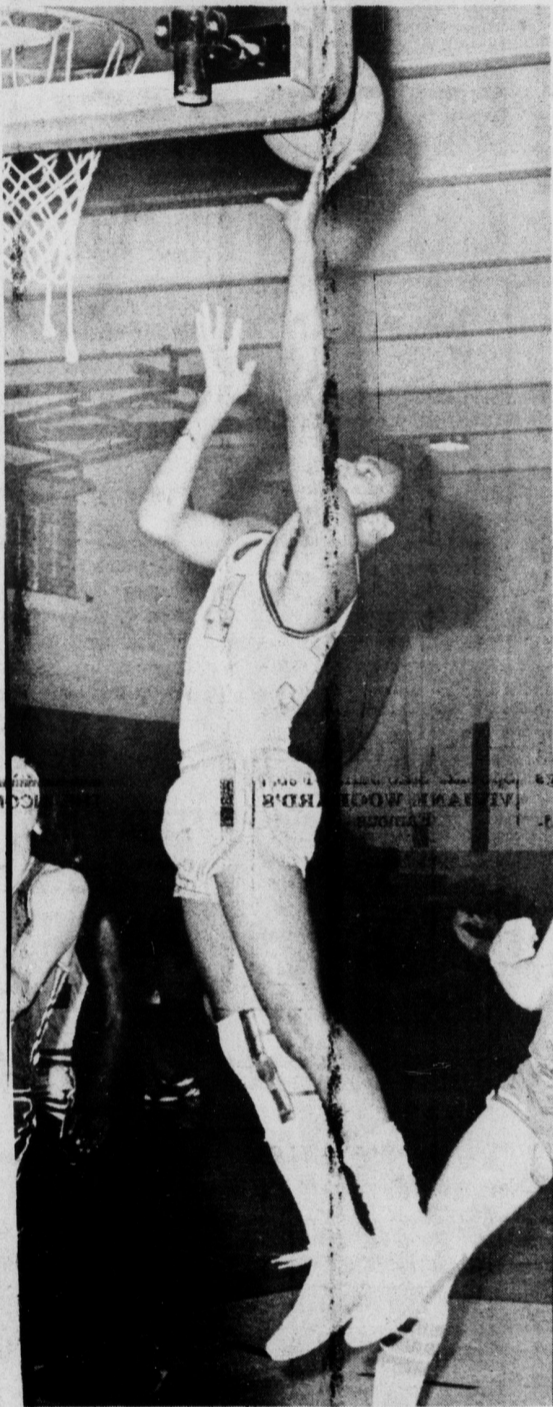
KM (67) — Mitchem 29, Roberts 14, Bristol 3, Rickenbacker 11, Henderson 6, Mack 2, Wilson 2.

Cherry. (50) — Roberts 17, Sellers 6, Hager 8, Stroup 4, Sigmon 2, Thornburg 13.

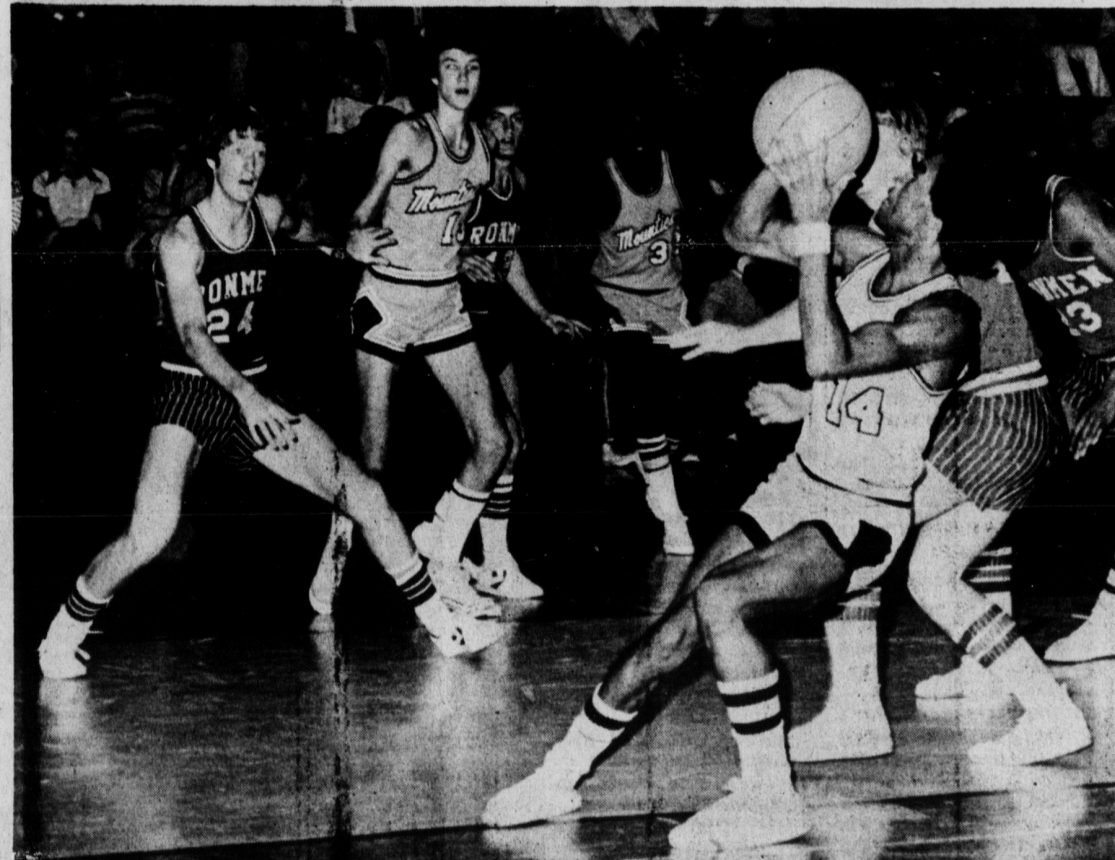
### BOYS GAME

KM (73) — Ingram 16, Hamrick 2, Lockhart 10, Odums 16, Thompson 10, Burris, 4, Ellis 2, Bell 13.

Cherry. (59) — Mauney 5, Faires 23, Devine 3, McClain 2, Moss 11, Rollins 12, Hogue 3.

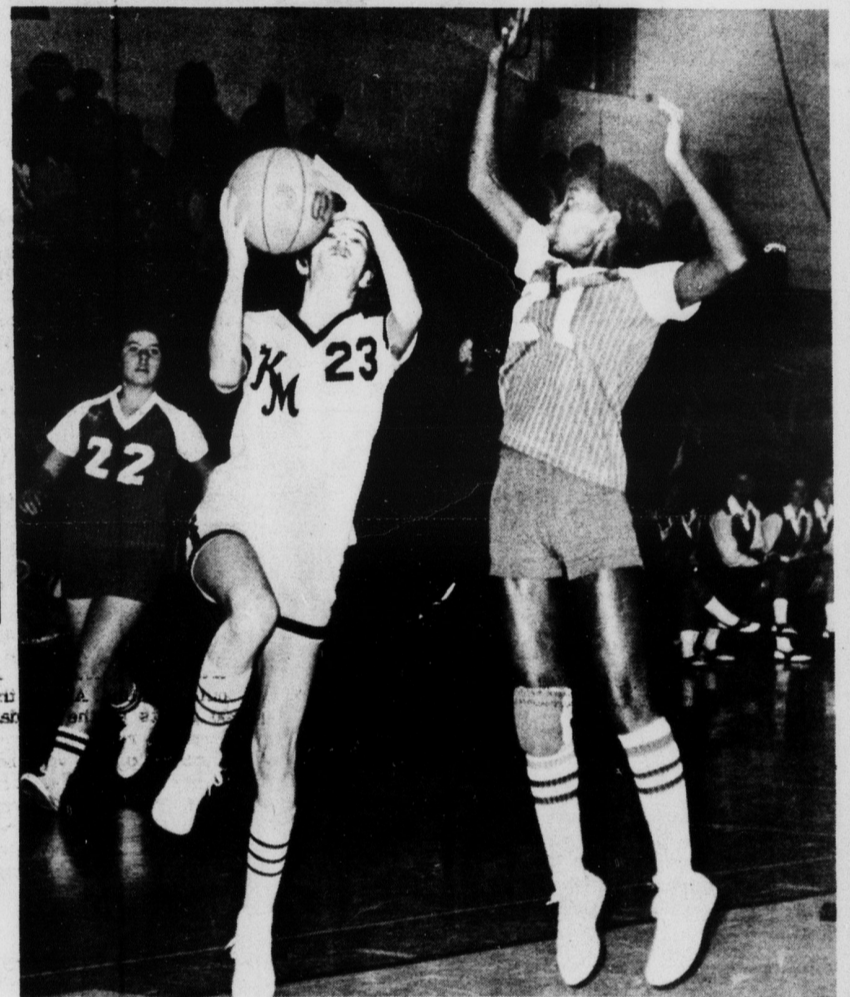


**HITS LAYUP** — Kings Mountain's Thomas McClain scores on a layup in Friday's jayvee game with Cherryville at the KMHS gym. The Little Mountaineers won, running their record to 5-1. They're tied with three other clubs for the SWC lead.



**PUTS ON BRAKES** — Kings Mountain's Eddie Ingram puts on the brakes and tries to find an opponent to throw the basketball in Friday's game with

Cherryville at the KMHS gym. KM won, 73-59, for its third win of the year. The Mounties travel to Crest tonight.



**COMING BY** — Kings Mountain's Lisa Bridges breaks past a Cherryville defender and heads for the basket in Friday's Southwestern Conference basketball game at the KMHS gym. Kings Mountain won 67-50, running its SWC record to 6-3. The Mountaineettes and Mountaineers travel to Crest tonight for a key SWC doubleheader.

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