



**SAFE AT HOME** - Tryon's Johnny North slides home on a wild pitch in Wednesday's district major league tourney game with Grover at Deal Street Park. Making the tag just a tad late is Grover catcher Charlie Dowda.

## 13 Year Olds Lose In Area BR Tourney

Kings Mountain's 13-year-old Babe Ruth all-stars finished third in the area tournament over the weekend at Charlotte's Myers Park High School.

The local entry defeated Newton 10-4 Friday for its only win in the double-elimination event. KM lost to host Starclaire in

the opening round Thursday 6-2, then was eliminated by the same club Friday night, 7-1.

Brent Bell went the distance Friday to hurl the only KM win. KM broke a 4-4 tie with six runs in the top of the seventh with doubles by Leard Keeter and Tony Boyce highlighting the rally.

Thursday, KM managed just two hits off Starclaire's Kenny Roberts. Carvin Petty was the losing pitcher. Keeter and Frank Parker had the two KM hits.

In Friday's final loss, Randy Moss went the route on the mound and took the defeat. Boyce led the hitting with a pair of singles.

## KM Youngsters

### State Champs

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had two.

Deaton secured three hits and Goins and Leach two each in the win over Yadkinville. Deaton and Dixon had two each in the third game win over Advance and Cloninger. Goins and Deaton had two each in the title game against East Gaston.

All of the players but one, Puffy Hayes, played on the 13-15 year old Babe Ruth all-star team, which lost in the area finals last week in Charlotte.

"We went up there just for fun," said Van Dyke. "We had been playing serious ball all summer and just went up there to play ball and have fun. We didn't get excited. In fact, I think the parents were more excited than the boys."

The victory at Hendersonville gives KM its third state ASA title in three years. Some of the same players on this year won the title two years ago and played in the national tourney in Florida.

## Babe Ruthers

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Charlotte, meanwhile, picked up a run in the second to tie it, then scored the winning run in the third on an error.

Robinson went the route on the mound for KM and took the loss.

KM got all the runs Wilson needed in the first inning of Saturday night's championship game.

Wilson started things with a double and scored the winning run moments later on an error. Danny Bolin, who reached on the error, scored on a single by Cobb.

Hall walked, stole second and scored on a balk in the second inning to close out the KM scoring. Charlotte got its only run in the final inning on a walk and two singles.

Cobb and Wilson had two hits each to lead KM's five-hit plate attack.

## A's Defeat

### Charlotte Club

Darrell Whetstone hurled a five-hitter and fanned 11 to give the Kings Mountain A's a 10-1 victory over the Charlotte Raiders in a Triple County League game Sunday.

Marcus Jamerson, Charles Rhodes, Charlie Jones, Danny McDowell, Bruce Hopper and Larry Lane led the A's at the plate with 2-for-4 apiece.

The A's travel to Rock Hill Saturday and return home Sunday to host the Biscoe Chargers.

## Junior Golf

### Tourney Set

The first annual Cleveland County Junior Golf Tournament is set for August 9-10 at River Bend Golf Club near Shelby.

Entry fee is only \$5 and must be filed at the River Bend pro shop no later than 6 p. m. on August 7.

Play will be held in four divisions, pee wee (age eight), ages 9-11, ages 12-14 and ages 15-17.

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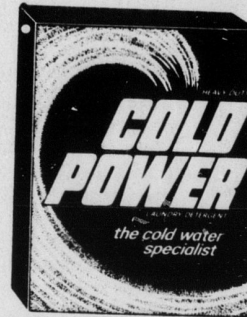
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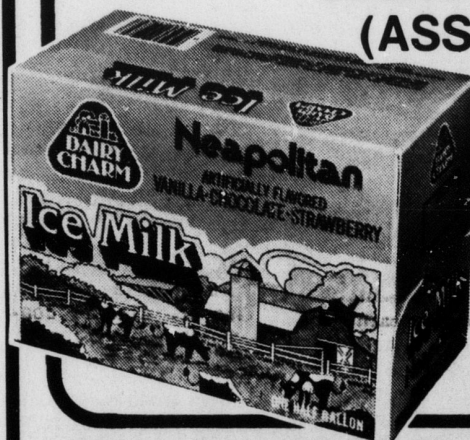


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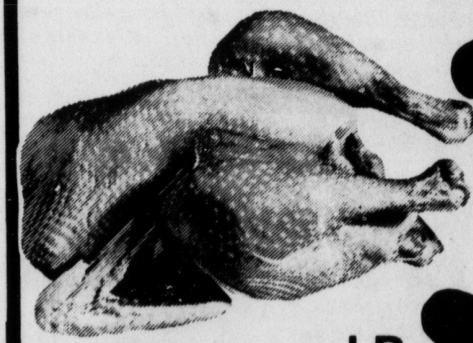
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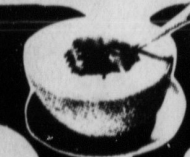
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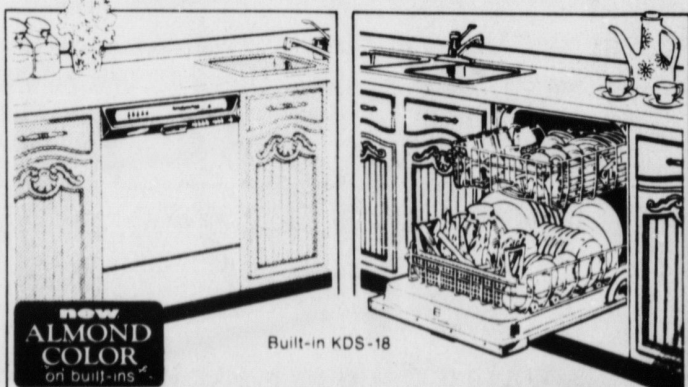
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