

Junior Midgets Win Again

Kings Mountain's undefeated junior midget footballers ran their record to 4-0 Tuesday night with an impressive 13-6 victory over a strong Bessemer City team.

Kings Mountain's pee wees were idle.

Bessemer City jumped to a 6-0 lead in the first period when Eaves recovered a fumble and ran 20 yards for a score.

But Kings Mountain came back to tie it in the second quarter when Mike Edwards scored from 15 yards out, and the Little Mountaineers won it in the third period when Shawn Rainey scored on a two-yard run. Curt Pressley ran the point-after.

Coach Charlie Burns said he was pleased with his team's all-round effort, but was exceptionally pleased with the defense, which held BC to just one first down in the second half.

"It would be hard to single out just a few," Burns said. "Everybody played an outstanding game."

Both KM teams will face probably their toughest tests to date next Wednesday at John Gamble Stadium when they host Belmont. The Belmont junior midgets are unbeaten in Gaston League play and have lost only one game overall, that a 7-6

decision to nationally top-ranked Mason Wednesday's pee wee Athletics.

game will begin at 6 p. midgets will kick off at 7 m. and the junior p. m.

After 50 Years...A Big 'Un

Kings Mountain's Foley Cobb has been bass fishing for 45-50 years and has caught some mighty nice ones. But the topper came last week when he landed a nine-pound largemouth out of the old city water lake off York Road.

Cobb's fish was 25 inches long, eight inches wide and had a six-inch mouth spread.

He caught the bass at 7 a. m. Wednesday, just a day after a big one got away.

"I got a big one out of the water Tuesday, but it broke my line," he noted. "The biggest bass I've ever caught before was an eight-pounder in '78. That was in York County."

Cobb, who says he'll mount the fish, was using an artificial worm and a 10-pound test line. He's caught several in the four and five pound category this year, but has either frozen them or given them away.

An employee of the American Legion here, Cobb fishes for about two hours each morning before reporting to work at 8:30. He also tries to fish a couple hours in the afternoon.

"I've found fishing in the early morning and late afternoon to be the best," he said. "Early in the morning the water's still."

Cobb uses artificial worms and fishes on top of the water.

"Right now," he says, "is the best time of the year for fishing. The big fish are coming out of deep water."

"A lot of people have quit fishing down at the city lake. They say they don't have any luck down there. But I've had my best luck there and I plan



FOLEY AND JAWS — Foley Cobb of Kings Mountain is pictured here with the nine pound bass he caught last week in the old city water lake. The fish measured 25" in length and had a 6" mouth spread.



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to continue fishing it. I know there are several fish in there that weigh 12 to 14 pounds, but you just don't catch that kind of fish every day."

Cobb always fishes off the bank.

"Last week I went down there four days straight and never got a strike," he pointed out. "But fishing's just like golf or anything else. You have to keep at it."

Riddle Featured In Magazine

Short cuts from the world of sports:

Tim Riddle, Kings Mountain's 17-year-old tennis sensation, was the subject of a feature article in a recent U. S. Tennis Association magazine. Riddle was featured for winning the Wilson, N. C., Junior Tournament, recognized as one of the top junior events in the nation by the USTA . . .

Enos Slaughter, former St. Louis Cardinal and New York Yankee great, and now a tobacco farmer in his native Person County, will serve as the Grand Marshal for the October 2 Wilkes 400 stock car race at North Wilkesboro Speedway . . .

Luck doesn't follow Hudson's Monte Walker, defensive end for Gardner-Webb's Bulldogs. Last year, he broke his ankle in G-W's fourth game and was lost for the rest of the year. Two Saturday's ago in a 9-7 win over Newberry, he seriously injured his knee and will miss the remainder of his senior year . . .

Saturday's football game between unbeaten East Carolina and once-beaten South Carolina is scheduled for regional TV. Air time is 1:30, with kickoff set for around 1:50 . . . State Coach Bo Rein feels the big reason for his team's turnaround has been the lack of turnovers. The Pack turned it over just once in last week's big win over Wake Forest . . .

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association reports that 29,688 students are participating in six fall sports. Of that total, 21,400 are competing in football, 1,445 in cross country, 1,151 in soccer, 84 in girls golf, 2,158 in girls tennis and 3,450 in volleyball. . . .

--Pickin' The Winners

Our pickin' the winner sheet for the year suffered last week, as we went 5-5 for a season's mark of 29-9. Several games last week that could have gone either way went the other way.

There are some more tough ones this week, but here goes:

EAST GASTON AT NORTH GASTON — East beat Shelby in everything but the score last week and North surprised R-S Central. This could be a close game, but we'll stick with the favorite, East Gaston, 20-13.

KINGS MOUNTAIN AT CREST — Kings Mountain's best playing came from the band last week. The Mountaineers have the material to win the conference but they're not playing up to their capabilities. The fans should have had their money refunded last week but they should get their money's worth this week, because KM will live up to its billing with a 21-0 victory.

BURNS AT CHASE — Chase is coming off two tough losses to KM and South Point and Burns will suffer because of it. The Trojans should win this one easily, 35-7.

SHELBY AT EAST RUTHERFORD — East can't do it two weeks in a row, although I hope they do. It looks like an easy Shelby win, 28-7.

SOUTH POINT AT R-S CENTRAL — R-S has a better team than it has shown, but the Hilltoppers still aren't ready for the Raiders, who'll win 26-0.

LEHIGH AT DAVIDSON — Davidson dropped its first game last week in the mud, 44-12 to Bucknell. The Wildcats are a much better team than that. On the other hand, Lehigh sports a good passer in Mike Rieker and his arm could be the difference this week. Call it 28-24, Lehigh.

MARYLAND AT N. C. STATE — Maryland was supposed to be the cream of the crop in the ACC and the East this fall. But the Terps aren't showing it. Their long ACC winning streak will come to an end Saturday with State taking a 35-33 victory.

TEXAS TECH AT NORTH CAROLINA — Texas Tech is one of the top-ranked teams in the nation. Carolina has a knack of getting up for big games and the Tar Heels will knock off Tech, 34-21.

CLEMSON AT VIRGINIA TECH — Clemson should have no trouble. Call it 42-24.

EAST CAROLINA AT SOUTH CAROLINA — This should be a great game. ECU has already knocked off two ACC teams (State and Duke) and the Pirates would like nothing better than to spoil South Carolina's homecoming. But the Gamecocks won't allow that. Call it 35-21.

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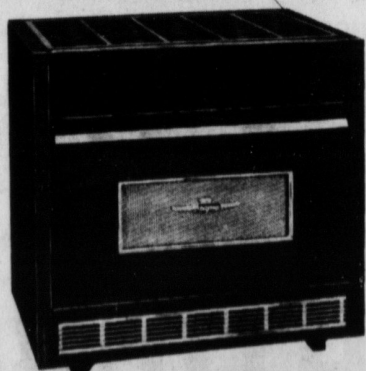
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