

Gridgraph

	KM	C
First downs	11	7
Yards Rushing	181	105
Passes	3-16	2-4
Yds. Passing	29	65
Passes Int. By	2	1
Fumbles Lost	1	3
Punts	3-34	4-28
Score by quarters:		T
KM	0 0 0 0	0
C	7 0 7 7	21

Scoring
 C - Poston, 7 run (Roseboro kick)
 C - Spikes, recovered fumble in endzone (Roseboro kick)
 C - Petty, 25-pass from Poston (Roseboro kick)

MOUNTAINEER RUSHING

Player	Carries	Yards
Curt Pressley	24	142
Tracy Johnson	13	96
Timmy Elder	1	1
Roderick Boyce	4	-20
Todd Cloninger	2	-36

MOUNTAINEER PASSING

Player	Att.	Com.	Int.	Yds.
Cloninger	10	3	0	29
Boyce	6	0	2	0

MOUNTAINEER RECEIVING

Player	Catches	Yards
Pressley	2	19
Elder	1	10

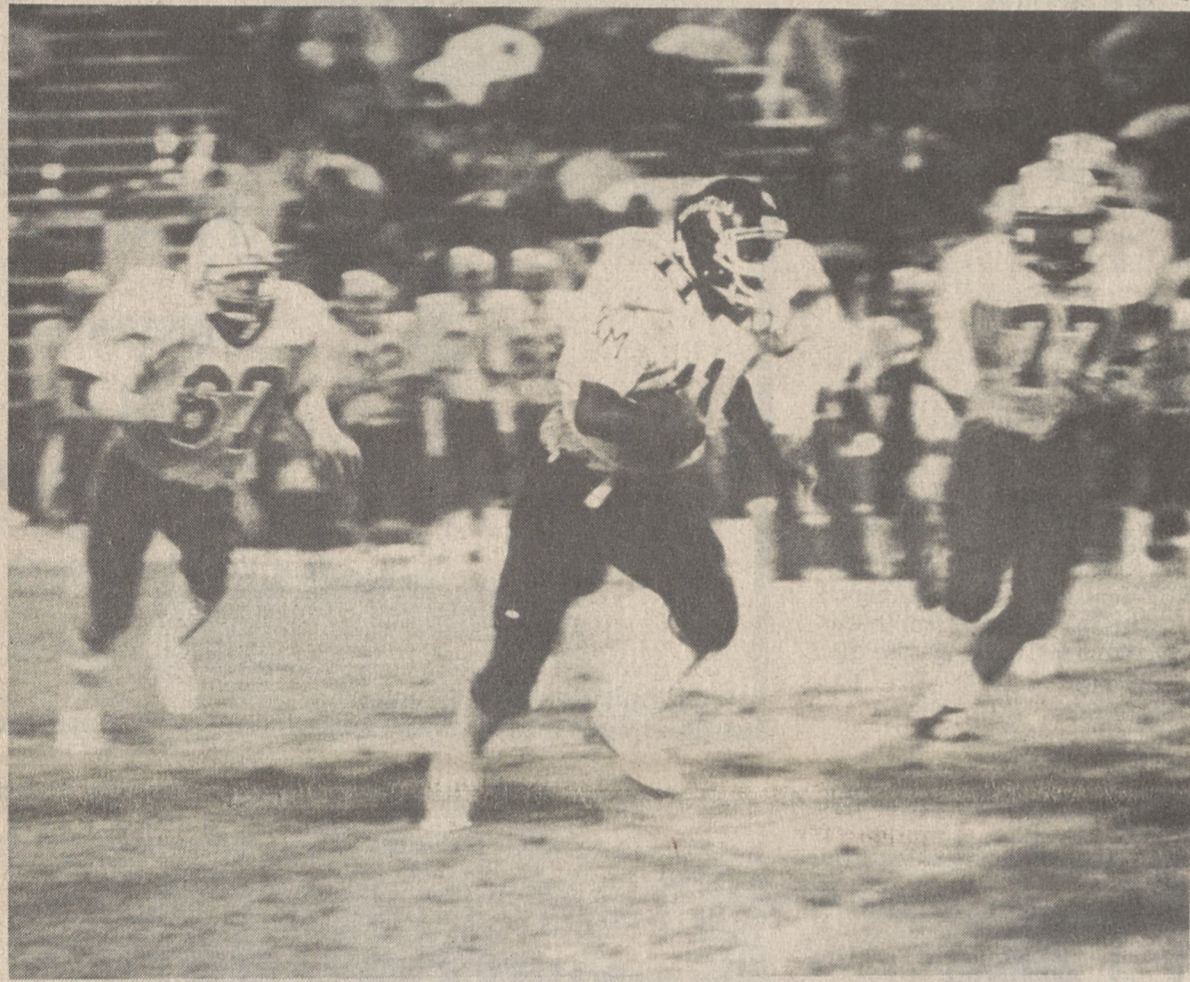


Photo by Gary Stewart

TOP RUSHER - Kings Mountain's Curt Pressley (11) breaks into the clear for a good run in Friday's Southwestern 3-A Conference football headliner at Crest. Pressley gained 146 yards but the Mountaineers dropped a 21-0 decision.

Netters Now 9-0

Kings Mountain High's girls tennis team won two more matches last week to run their record to 3-0 in the Southwestern 3-A

Conference and 9-0 overall. Coach Ed Guy's ladies defeated R-S Central 8-1 Tuesday and Burns 9-0 Thursday.

They travel to Crest today and come back home next week to host East Gaston on Tuesday and Shelby on Thursday.

R-S MATCH (Singles)

Leigh Anne Odell def. Jean Stroud 6-0, 6-0; Robin Warlick def. Carrie Morgan 6-2, 2-6, 6-1; Pat David def. Amy Devenney 6-0, 6-2; Caroline Harper lost to Sherry Morgan 6-3, 6-0; Becky Bolt def. Lisa Lovelace 6-2, 6-3; Chris Huffstetler def. Laurie Lovelace 6-3, 6-2.

(Doubles)

Odell-Warlick def. Stroud-Devenney 8-0; David-Bolt def. Morgan-Morgan 9-81; Huffstetler-McGinnis def. Lovelace-Lovelace 8-0.

BURNS MATCH (Singles)

Leigh Anne Odell def. Kathy Miller 7-6, 6-2; Robin Warlick def. Jennifer Whisnatt 6-1, 6-2; Pat Davis def. Kim Walker 6-0, 6-1; Becky Bolt def. Deborah Blanton 7-5, 6-1; Carolina Harper def. Elizabeth Edwards 6-1, 7-5; Chris Huffstetler def. Kay Walker 6-1, 6-0.

(Doubles)

Odell-Warlick def. Miller-Walker 8-0; Davis-Bolt def. Whisnatt-Blanton 8-4; Huffstetler-McGinnis def. Edwards-Walker 8-1.



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BATS AWAY PASS - Kings Mountain safety Curt Pressley (11) and Ouandray Petty (80) of Crest go up for a pass intended for Petty in Friday's football game on the Charger field. Pressley batted the pass away to prevent a Charger touchdown, but Crest won anyway, 21-0.



The great Gothic cathedral of Milan was started in 1386. It wasn't completed until 1805.

Lose To Crest 21-0

Mounties Can Still Make State Playoffs

SPORTS

Kings Mountain's hopes of a Southwestern Conference football championship were dimmed in Friday night's 21-0 loss to Crest in Boiling Springs, but Coach Denny Hicks feels his club has the ability to bounce back and perhaps hand the school its best record since 1964.

The Chargers turned three Mountaineer mistakes into touchdowns Friday night to record their fourth straight SWC victory and fifth straight overall. The Mountaineers fell to 3-1 in the SWC and 3-2 overall.

With a capacity crowd of over 5,000 braving the wed, chilly weather, the defending SWC champs drove a grand total of 45 yards for their 21 points. They moved 25 yards for a seven-yard touchdown run by Chris Poston following a bad snap on a KM punt in the first period; fell on a loose ball in the endzone for a 14-0 lead late in the third quarter; and scored on a 25-yard pass play late in the fourth period after stopping the Mounties on downs on the KM 20.

"It was a strange situation," Coach Hicks said afterward. "We did just about what we wanted to do between the 30 yard lines. We averaged over five yards a play between the 30's but when we got down close to the goal line, they bowed their necks and we didn't."

Crest stopped the Mountaineers twice inside the 10 yard line, and several other times inside the 30. The Mounties led the Chargers in yards rushing and first downs, but couldn't crack the tough Crest defense in close. The Chargers recorded their third straight shutout and

have allowed only nine points in five ballgames.

Hicks cited two keys which he feels led to the Crest victory.

"Number one, the game was billed by the media as their number one defense against our number one offense," he said. "They accepted that as a challenge to attack our offense, but our offense didn't accept it as a challenge to go after their defense."

"Number two, the game could have determined the conference championship and they were used to that type of situation and we weren't," he added. "They had the mental edge on us."

Crest did the best job any team has done on Kings Mountain's talented running duo of Curt Pressley and Tracy Johnson, but the Chargers still couldn't stop them from shining. Pressley maintained his status as the league's top rusher with 142

yards in 24 carries, and Johnson added 96 yards in 13 attempts.

Things looked good for the Mountaineers early, when the hard-hitting KM defense forced Poston to fumble at midfield on the first play of the game.

But the KM fans got an inkling of things to come when the KM offense went out on the field and Johnson had to return to the sidelines because he lost his mouth piece.

With Johnson out, the Crest defense had only to look for Pressley, and they stopped him dead on three running attempts. The Mounties went into punt formation, but the center's snap sailed over punter Todd Cloninger's head and the Chargers threw him for a 30-yard loss back to the 25 yard line.

The play fired up the Crest offense, and with Johnson, one of KM's top defensive players, still on the sideline, the Chargers moved in for the score in eight plays.

Kings Mountain took the ensuing kickoff and promptly marched downfield, with Pressley and Johnson taking big chunks out of the Crest defensive line. The Mountaineers moved to a first-and-10 at the 12, but the Crest defense held tough and took over on downs at the seven.

Kings Mountain marched the second half kickoff to the Crest

SWC Standings

Teams	Cnf. All	
	W-L-T	W-L-T
Crest	4-0-0	5-0-0
Chase	3-1-0	3-1-1
Shelby	3-1-0	4-1-0
K. Mtn.	3-1-0	3-2-0
N. Gaston	2-2-0	3-2-0
E. Gaston	2-2-0	3-2-0
East Ruth.	1-3-0	1-3-1
S. Point	1-3-0	2-3-0
R-S Cent.	1-3-0	1-4-0
Burns	0-4-0	0-5-0

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THE WINNERS CORNER



Kings Mountain High football players grading out with a winning effort in Friday's 21-0 loss to Crest are pictured above. Front row, left to right, Thomas Putnam, Steve Falls, Rocky Lutz, Kale Bagwell, Danny Moore, Curt

Pressley and Eric Odem. Back row, Brad Reynolds, Doug Ramsey, Shawn Rainey, Dale Moore, Quinton Rikard, Therndon Brown, David Parker and Jeff Stokes.