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HERALD SPORTS

Thursday, December 14, 1995

Crest sweeps Mounties

Kings Mountain High's varsity basketball teams dropped another non-conference twinbill Monday night at Crest.

The Lady Mountaineers fell to 1-2 with a 63-52 loss to a powerful Crest team which is regarded as the team to beat in the Northwestern 4-A Conference.

Kings Mountain's boys dropped their third game in a row in the nightcap, 79-66, as the Chargers ran their early season record to 3-1.

Crest, getting 23 points from sophomore Shamar Finney, led most of the way but the Mountaineers did put on a rally in the second half as Alex Burris came off the bench to give the team a spark. KM trailed by 16 points at the half, but trimmed the Crest lead to 57-48 going into the fourth quarter.

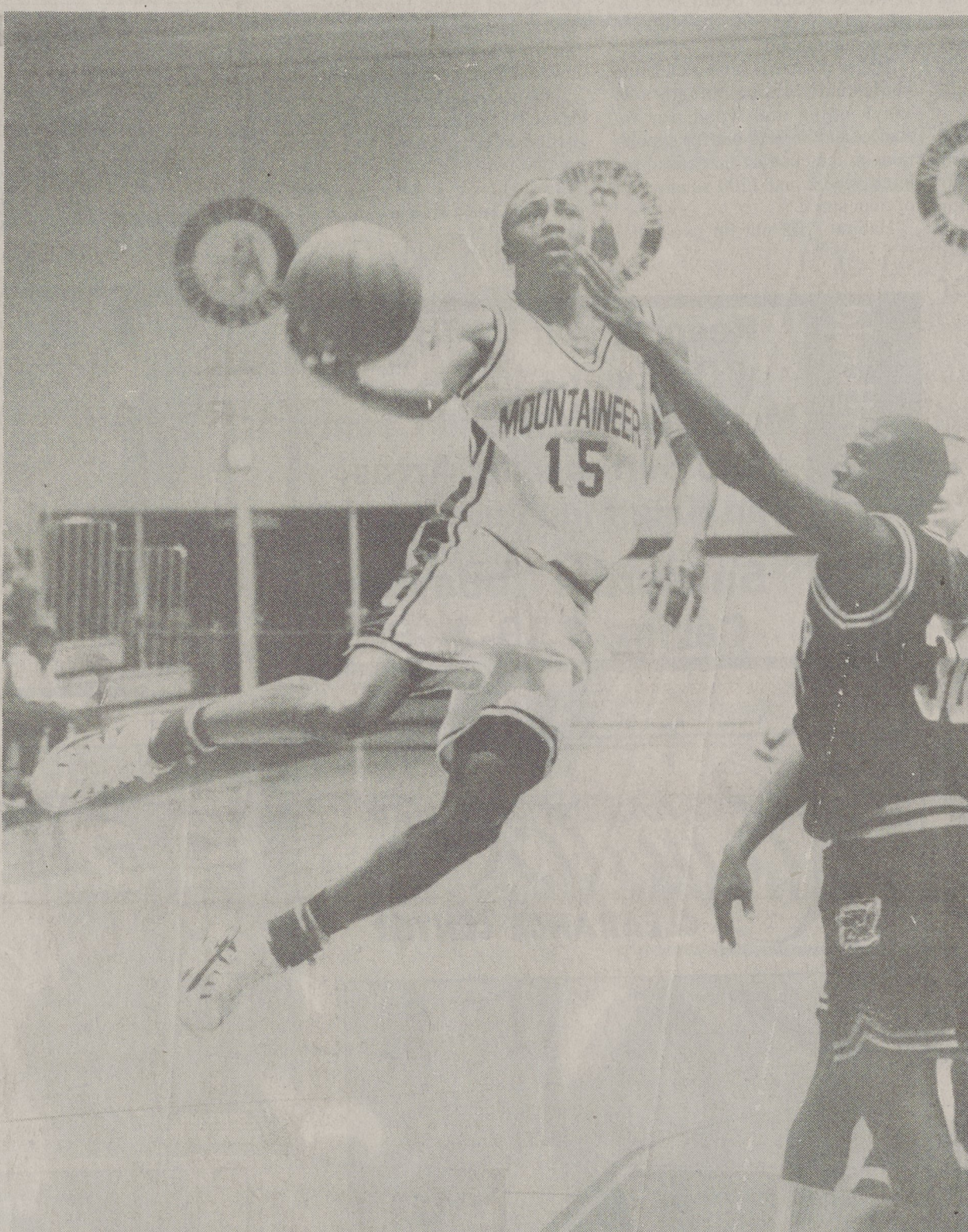
In the end, though, the Mountaineers failed to convert some key free throw opportunities and the Chargers were able to put the game on ice.

Eric Tate again led the KM scoring with 25 points and Burris added 13.

The Crest girls jumped to a 14-10 first quarter lead and stayed out front the rest of the way, but the Lady Mountaineers gave a good effort.

The big difference in the game was the dominating inside play of the Lady Chargers, especially Temeshia Dawkins who fired in 27 points and grabbed eight rebounds. Karma Edwards added 19.

Kisha Hamrick scored 15 points and Tina Welch and Tammie Welch added 12 each for Kings Mountain. See Crest, 7-A



Kings Mountain's Eric Tate (15) drives the lane for a twisting lay-up in Friday's non-conference basketball with Clover at the KMHS gym. The Blue Eagles won 83-77 despite Tate's 29-point effort. The Mountaineers travel to Clover Friday for a rematch, then return home next Tuesday to host Mooresville.

Mounties lose two to Clover

Rematch Friday in Clover, Mooresville here Tuesday

Kings Mountain High's varsity basketball teams suffered a double loss to good Clover, SC teams Friday night at the KMHS gym.

The Clover girls built a big first half lead but had to fight off a KM comeback bid to win the opener 43-36. Clover's boys grabbed the lead late in the first half and held on the rest of the way to post a 83-77 win.

The two KM teams travel to Clover Friday for a rematch, then end their pre-holiday schedule at home on Tuesday, December 19 against Mooresville's Blue Devils.

The Mountaineers never regained the lead but stayed within striking distance all the way.

Kings Mountain got in early foul trouble and eventually lost their leading scorer, Eric Tate, who had 29 points. Champion added 17 and John Sizemore had 10.

Four players hit double digits for the Blue Eagles, including Brett Gaines with 21, Rashad Conwell with 20, Travis Robbins with 18, and Quincey Hemphill with 12.

Clover improved to 3-1 while the Mounties fell to 0-2.

BOYS GAME

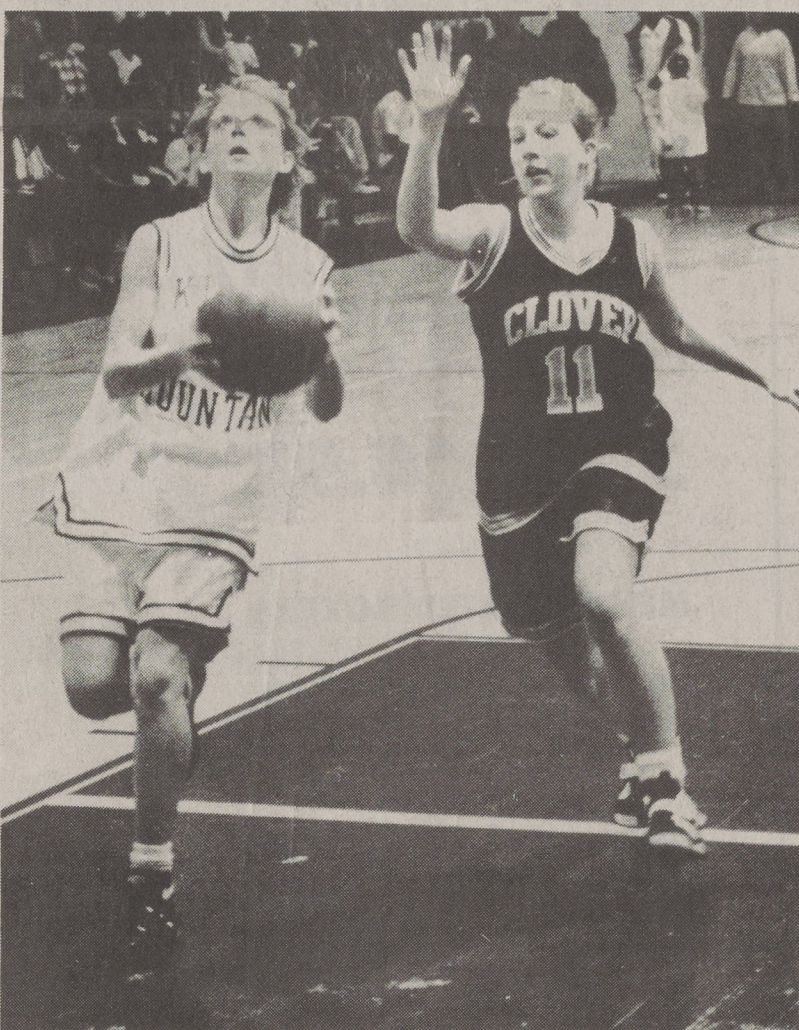
Clover (83) - Myles 4, Hemphill 12, Conwell 20, Gaines 21, Stratford 1, Robbins 18, Jackson 5, Asel 2.

KM (77) - Marcus Smith 9, Sizemore 10, Turner 3, Tate 29, Burris 3, Odoms 2, Cedric Smith 4, Champion 17.

GIRLS GAME

Clover (43) - Cauble 4, Boyd 8, Rogers 2, Phillips 14, Reid 8, Kendrick 7.

KM (36) - Hamrick 9, Adams 2, Tami Welch 6, Ingram 11, Tina Welch 5, Byers 1, Hunter 2.



Kings Mountain's Tina Welch drives in for a lay-up after making a big steal in fourth quarter comeback bid against Clover Friday night at the KMHS gym. Clover hit some key free throws down the stretch to hold on for a 43-36 win.

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Niki Ingram scored 11 points and Hamrick nine for the Mountaineers, who fell to 1-1.

Clover had two big scoring runs at the end of the first and second periods to take command against the Mountaineers.

Kings Mountain led 12-7 when the Blue Eagles went on a 15-2 run over the final three minutes of the first period to take a 22-14 lead. The Mountaineers battled back to gain the lead again at 32-31 on a three-pointer by Justin Champion, but Clover went on a 15-6 run at the end of the second period to take

Football banquet Monday at KM HS

Kings Mountain High's football banquet will be held Monday, December 18 at 6 p.m. at the school cafeteria.

KMHS cheerleaders will also be honored.

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