

Optimist PeeWees

eeling right to left: James Miller, Barry Ledford, Mark Huder, Robert Ingram, Jeff Hinson.

ond row-Manager David Robinson, Stan Scruggs, Charles Jenkins, David Alexander, Dennis Owens, John Gamble, Andy Loftin, Manager Robert Robinson.

Third row-Steve Laughter, Ronnie Wilson, Chris Holmes, Jeff

Prescott, Thomas McClain, Bobby Bridges, Jim Baity, Coach Jimmy Littlejohn.

Back row-Bunky Robinson, Dewayne Clark, Richard Vandyke, Dale Cavney, David Scruggs, Rodney Deaton, Larry Smith, Sam Melton, Coach Charles Burns.

**Optimist Mighty Mites** 

lst row, left to right, Jamie Ivey, Charles Bullock, Eugene Jackson, Alan Vandyke, Brad Drum, Toastic Hardin, Jeff Moss,

2nd row, left to right, Rusty Bumgardner, Chip Harmon, Wade Wiggins, Joe Self, Miron White, Jeff Lingberger, Mike Black,

3rd row, left to right, Jimme Miller, Irving Gregory, Tony Smith, Eugene Odoms, Herbbie Beam, Barry Lingberger, Jeff Campbell.

4th row, left to right, Vince Johnson, Jody Deaton, Robbie Biggerstaff, Paul Ingram, Andrew Burris, Tim Patterson, Bret James, Mark Scruggs. Head Coach, top, Joe Cornwell; assistant, Hugh Hallam, bottom

by Tony Tompkins

support.

Bobby Jones and his fine staff

will really appreciate your

John Blalock is the K-M coach and will be assisted by

Steve Baker. They reportedly have around thirty live boys

working out at the present time. The "Little Mountain-eers" finished second, with

a 6 and 1 record, in the Tri-County Conference last sea-

son and now hopes to finish in first place this year.

FRESHMAN SCHEDULE

September

28-Shelby

5-At Grier

26-Ashley

12-Mt. Holly

19-At Belmont

2-Southwest Gastonia

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The Atlantic Coast Confer-

ence's annual warfare got underway this past weekend

and we already have one big upset. The Virginia "Cava-

liers" traveled down to Columbia, S.C., and whipped up

on the South Carolina "Gam-ecocks" by the score of 24 to

16. The Duke "Blue Devils"

traveled down to Alabama

(my Alma Mater) to play the "Crimson Tide" of ole Bear

Bryant and got beat 35 to 12. Meanwhile, the defending champions, the North Caro-

champions, the North Caro-lina "Tar Heels" got by Ric-hmond 28 to 18; Wake Forest beat a stubborn Davidson team by 26 to 20; and N.C. State and Maryland played to

a 24 all tie. We will watching with interest some of the

scores in this league the rest

The Kings Mountain High

freshman football team will

open its 1972 season on Sept-

ember 28 to host the pre-

season favorite, Shelby. All of the "Little Mountaineer" games will start at 4:30 p.m.

in John Gamble Stadium.

Kings Mountain lost fumbles on their own 38 yard line and

also on Chase's 25 and 9 yard

Tony Falls led the "Moun

taineers" rushing attack with 88 yards in 14 carries and Ja-

von Smith had 66 yards in 9

In addition to Falls' defen-

sive play, the defensive line, led by Dennis Hogue, Harlee

Davis, Larry Hamrick and Al-

fred Ash, all played well. Hogue played an outstanding ga-me with 10 tackles while Davis

made an outstanding play on

downing the ball on the I yard

The defensive secondary,

which appeared to look a lit-

tle weak against B ssemer City, looked like the Balt-imore "Colts" secondary a-

gainst Chase. They held "Trojan" quarterback Tony Fowler to only 1 completion

Coach Bobby Jones seemed

real pleased over his team's performance and said he was

already thinking about his next opponent, East Rutherford, Knowing Coach Jones, the

"Mountaineers" will be rea-

in Il attempts.

of the season.

lines.

carries.

The second week of football has brought a few more surprises and we honestly expect to see a few more. The biggest upset happened when East Rutherford beat Lincolnton 27 to 0. As for my predictions, I picked 7 right and 4 wrong with 2 ties. This isn't too bad. I predicted Ashbrook over Asheville 19 to 7 and it came out 20 to 7; also Alabama ov-er Duke by 35 to 14 and 'Bama won 35 to 12. I predicted Kings Mountain over Chase by 30 to and they won 31 to 0. So, is time around, I will start this week's predictions.

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Shelby over Lincolnton 19 to 14 East Gaston over South Point 20 to 14

Cherryville over Burns 21 to 7 R.S. Central over Chase 14 Ashbrook over Hunter Huss 28

North Gaston over Bessemer City 14 to 12

Washington over Duke 21 to 14 davidson over V.M.I. 28 to 7 N.C. State over Syracuse 13 Virginia over Virginia Tech

S.M.U. over Wake Forest 21

North Carolina over Maryland 21 to 13 South Carolina over Ga. Tech 14 to 10

Tennessee over Penn. State 27 to 6 Kings Mountain over East Rutherford 21 to 13

The PeeWee team visited Stanley last weekend and came away with an 8 to 6 scrimmage win over the Stanley team. A pass from quarterback Ron-Vilson to end Steve Presfor the touchdown and son's run for the extra points gave the K-M boys the victory. The Pee Wees open their season this Tuesday at

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The John Moss Softball Tournament will open this Monday night and by the time you read this, the first round action will just about be over. BVD Textiles, Duplex, Clyde's Bullets and Gastonia Knit are some local entries.

Coach Porter Griggs' Central Junior High "Patriots" will open their season today against Battleground of Lin-

Central lost all but two players from last year's squad which posted a 5 and 2 wonloss record. Porter expects to have a real good team this year.

CENTRAL SCHEDULE

September 13-Battleground at Louder (Lincolnton) helby 4-Stanley

Il-Grandview 18-At Ashley 25-At Marion (All home games at 4:30 p.m.)

Well, let's all travel to East Rutherford and watch the "Mountaineers" battle this weekend. I know that Coach

Mountaineer Scoreboard

SCORE BY QUARTERS

0 0 0 0 0 7 12 6 6 31 Kings Mtn.

SCORING:

K-M- TD - Javon Smith (23 yd. run) K-M- PAT- John Bridges K-M- TD- Tony Falls (12 yd. pass from Johnson) K-M- TD- Tony Falls (35 yd. run-Interception)

K-M- TD- Chris Johnson (1 yd, run) K-M- TD- Chris Johnson (1 yd. run)

Chase K-Mtn. First Downs Net Yards Rushing 30 1-11 Passing Yardage Passes Intercepted 1 3-33 55 Punts 8-30 Yards Penalized 25

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