



SAFE, BUT OUT—Kings Mountain's Steve Plonk was safe at third base when this photo was snapped in Dixie Youth state tournament game with Cumberland County

Monday at Bessemer City. But Plonk overrode the bag and CC third baseman Billy Jackson tagged him out. Kings Mountain won 4-3 in eight innings.

Photo by Gary Stewart

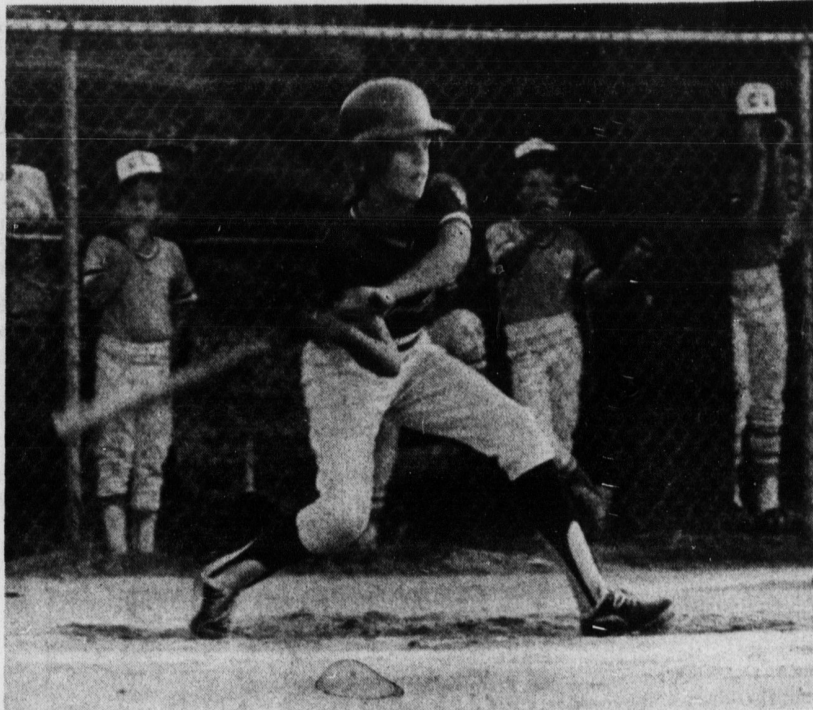


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BIG HIT—Kings Mountain's Rodney Ballew is pictured at bat in the sixth inning when he slammed a two-run single which tied Cumberland County 3-3 in Dixie Youth state tournament game Monday in Bessemer City. KM went on to win 4-3 in eight innings and eliminate the Cumberland nine from the double elimination event.

Junior Golf Tourney To Be Aug. 8-9

The annual Cleveland County Junior Golf Tournament will be played Wednesday and Thursday, August 8-9, at Riverbend Golf Club near Shelby.

Entry fee is five dollars. Any golfers ages 7-17 interested in playing may see your local pro for an application form. Entries must be filed at the Riverbend pro shop no later than 6 p.m. August 5.

The winner's name will be inscribed on the championship trophy which is on permanent display in the Riverbend pro shop. Trophies will be presented to the first three finishers in each age division.

Ages 11-under and 12-13 will play nine holes each day and ages 14-15 and 16-17 will play 18 holes each day.

American League All-Stars Finish 3rd In Dixie Youth Tourney

Kings Mountain's American League all-stars finished third in the state Dixie Youth League baseball tournament which was scheduled to end last night at the Bessemer City Dixie Youth park.

The local nine lost out in

the semi-finals to a strong Columbus County team 11-1 Tuesday night. The victory put the once-beaten Columbus County outfit in the championship game against unbeaten Cape Fear.

The winner of the tournament will advance

to the Dixie Youth World Series beginning August 13 in Leland, N.C., near Wilmington. The North Carolina winner will face Tennessee in the opening round at 4 p.m. on the 18th.

Kings Mountain managed only one hit in Tuesday's contest with Columbus County. Steve Plonk started on the mound for KM and was relieved in the third inning by Jerry McDaniel.

The American Leaguers had battled back through the loser's bracket after

losing their opening round game last Saturday to Cape Fear 4-0 in eight innings. KM edged West Stanly County 4-3 Sunday and Cumberland County 4-3 in eight innings Monday to reach the semi-finals.

Kings Mountain's Jerry McDaniel was hit by a pitched ball with the bases loaded in the top of the eighth inning Monday night, forcing home the winning run in a 4-3 victory over Cumberland County. Tommy Batchler and

Steve Plonk walked and Cumberland County relief pitcher Billy Jackson hit Rodney Ballew to load the bases and set the stage for the winning run.

Lavar Curry came on in the bottom of the fifth inning in relief of Batchler and picked up the win. Batchler allowed only two

hits and Curry one.

Kings Mountain grabbed a 1-0 lead in the third inning when Walter Cooper singled, was wild pitched to second, moved to third on Curry's groundout and scored on a wild pitch.

Cumberland County tied it with a run in the fourth, then moved ahead 3-1 in

the fifth with a pair of unearned runs.

Kings Mountain tied it with a pair in the top of the sixth. Batchler singled sharply to center to lead things off, then Eric Marable followed with a single to right and Plonk reached on a hard-hit single off the third

baseman's glove to load the bases. Ballew's single plated Batchler and Marable to knot the score at 3-all.

Kings Mountain finished with seven hits, including two each by Batchler and Marable and one each by Cooper, Plonk and Ballew.

Annual American Legion Golf Tournament Scheduled For Saturday

The annual Otis D. Green Post 155 American Legion golf tournament is scheduled for Saturday at Kings Mountain Country Club.

Sixty golfers are entered in the 18-hole event, which will get underway at 8 a.m. Trophies will be awarded at an awards dinner-dance Saturday night at the legion building.

Starting times include:

8:00 - B. Sellers, S. Jackson, C. Hampton, D. Shockley.
8:10 - G. Timms, B. McGinnis, D. Austin Jr., J. Rhea.
8:20 - H. Wolfe, C. Ledford, K. Cloninger, C. Wilson.
8:40 - D. Austin Sr., P. Russ, R. Ross, R. Wright.
8:50 - A. Grigg, J. Howze,

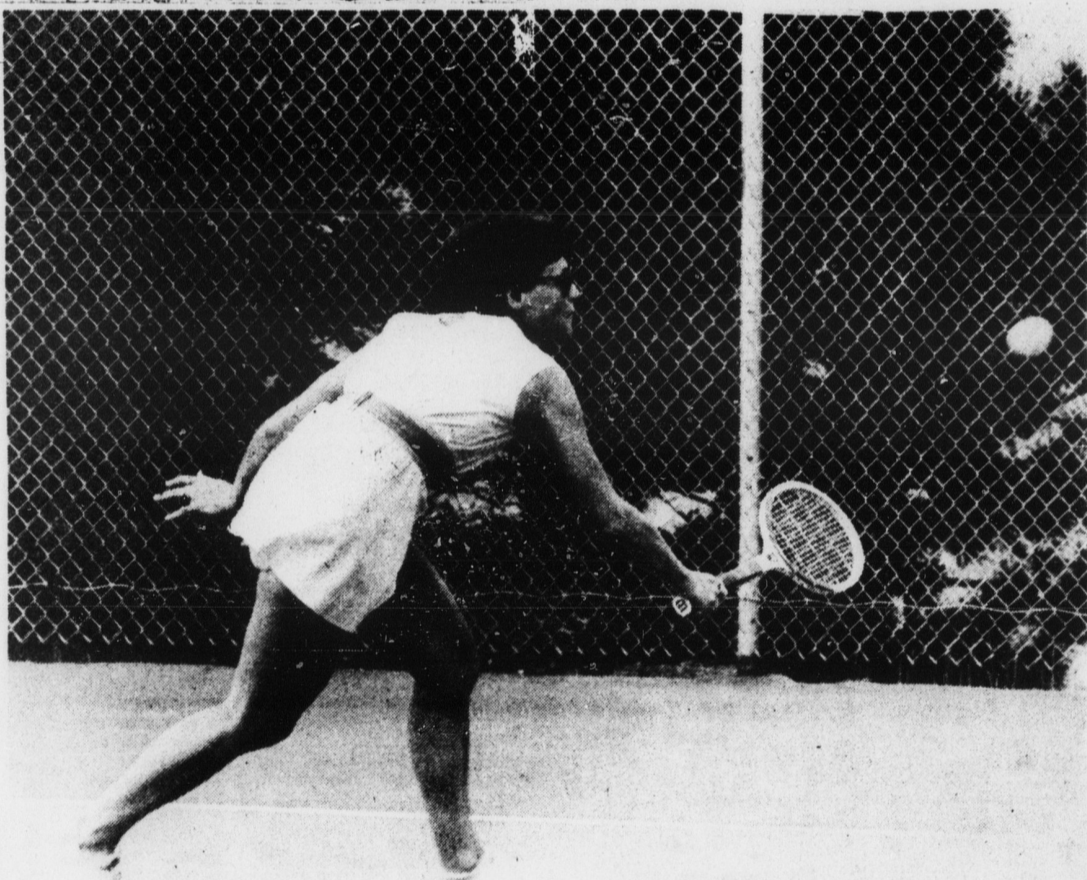
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9:00 - G. Bowen, G. Smart, P. Carson, W. Russell.
9:10 - J. McDaniel, B. McDaniel, G. Thomasson, C. Whetstone.
9:20 - K. Corn, J. Bradley, D. Hope, L. Bryant.
9:30 - S. Jennings, D. McAbee, C. Gaffney, L. Dixon.

9:40 - W. Wallace, M. Tignor, L. Morrow, L. Sabetti.

9:50 - L. Adams, B. Wells, M. Lowe, R. Moore.
10:00 - A. Tignor, R. Putnam, J. Lybrand, J. Rayfield.
10:10 - C. Bowen, T. Barnett, B. Jenkins, P. Morrow.
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SPORTS



ON WAY TO WIN—Mary Mauney, formerly of Kings Mountain, is pictured in action in the finals of the Bernardsville, N.J., city tennis tournament Sunday.

Mary and her husband, Sandy, won the mixed doubles crown.

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Mauneys Win Mixed Doubles Championship

Sandy and Mary Mauney, former residents of Kings Mountain, won the mixed doubles championship in the Bernardsville, N.J., Tennis Tournament Sunday at the Bernards High courts.

The Mauneys copped the title in three sets over Rick and Bobbie Herold 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

Mauney lost to Ken Senior 6-4, 3-6, 6-3 in the finals of the men's singles division.

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