

Boys Win 77-65

## KMHS Cagers Split

Kings Mountain High's varsity boys won their second game in their last three outings Tuesday night at home, 77-65 over Chase, but the girls dropped their third game in the last four, 65-45.

The Mountaineers, now 2-3 in the Southwestern 3-A Conference and 2-5 overall, had their hottest shooting night of the season, hitting 55 percent. All five of the KMHS starters topped the 50 percent mark.

The girls played their best first half of the year, trailing the

unbeaten Lady Trojans by only 23-21 at intermission. But they turned cold midway of the third period and saw their SWC record dip to 1-4 and their overall mark to 2-5.

All five starters hit double figures for the Mountaineers, who led most of the way. Carl Smith led the way with 16, followed by Demetrius Goode 15, Terrence Blalock 14 and Eric Dixon and Gerald Byers 10 each.

Kings Mountain streaked to an early 11-6 lead but saw the Trojans come back to take a 13-

11 edge after the first quarter. But the Mounties came back with a 27-point second quarter and led 38-25 at halftime and 49-41 going into the final eight minutes.

"We executed real well," noted Coach John Blalock. "The wing people (Dixon and Blalock) shot real well from the floor and our post men (Goode and Byers) hit the boards real well. Smith had five key steals and five assists."

The Mountaineers had their best rebounding night of the year, getting 27 off the defensive boards. Byers led the way with 13.

"I was real encouraged by the board play of Byers and Goode," Blalock said. "They not only got the rebounds but they got the ball out real good to start our fast break."

Kings Mountain used a tough, man-to-man defense and switched occasionally to a full-court press which forced several Chase turnovers.

The Trojans had three players in double figures. Kenny McDowell led the way with 14 and Joe Dewberry and Calvin Moore added 10 apiece.

Chase's all-senior girls team put 23 points on the board in the third quarter to break open a close game with the determined young Mountainettes. After leading by only two at intermission, the Lady Trojans streaked to a 47-34 advantage going into the fourth period.

"We played as good a first half as we've played all year," said Coach David Brinkley, "but it

(Turn to page 8A)

### GIRLS GAME

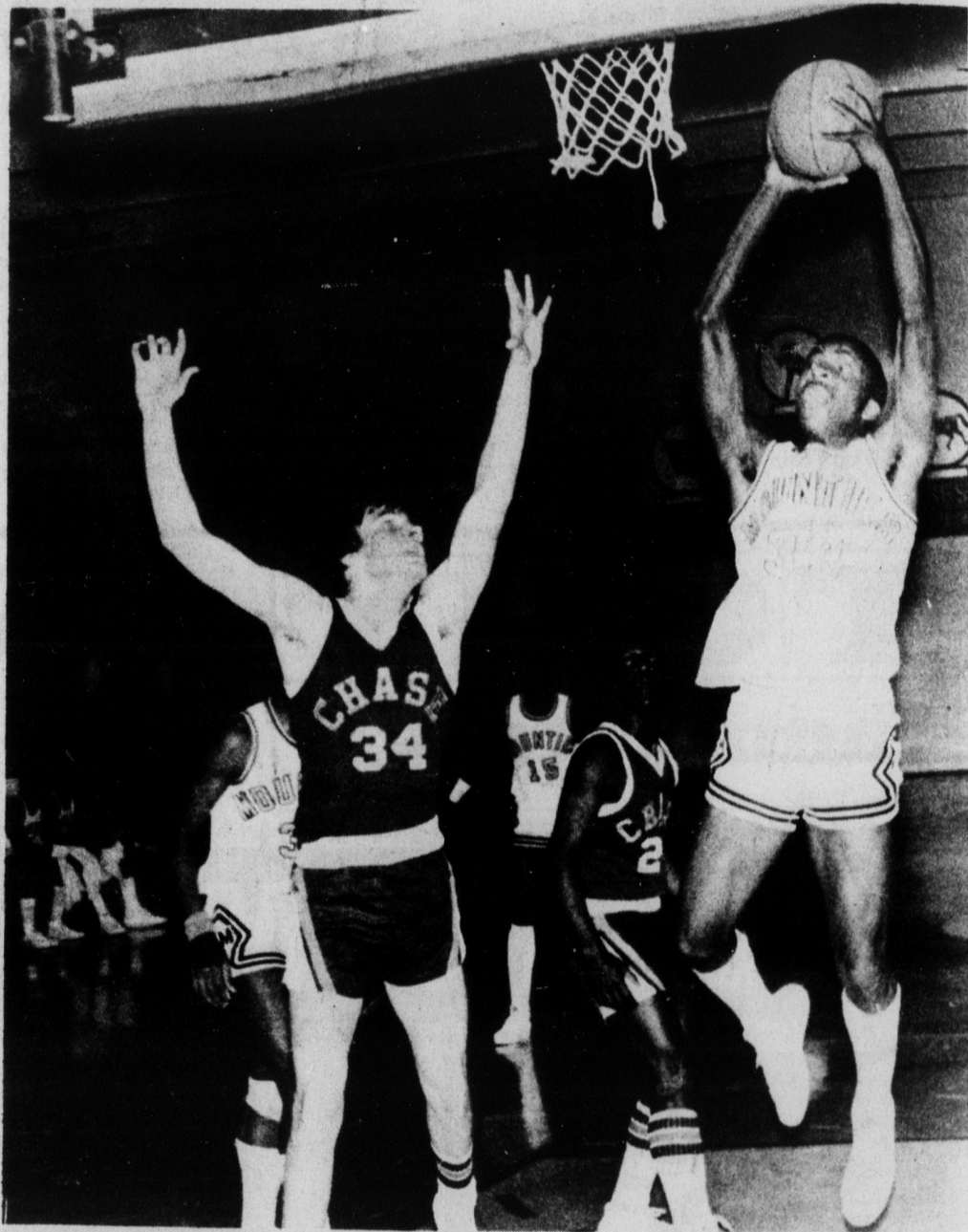
KM (45) - Williams 9, Gladden 8, Appling 7, Goode 6, Glass 4, Bell 6, Mauney 2, Hovis 2, Bolton 1.

C (65) - Dewberry 22, McDowell 12, Vickers 13, McSwain 10, Padgett 6, Abernathy 2.

### BOYS GAME

KM (77) - Dixon 10, Byers 10, Goode 15, Smith 16, Blalock 14, Moore 6, Brown 2, Perkins 4.

C (65) - Williams 2, Owens 3, Green 2, Moore 10, Phillips 2, Crawford 6, Dover 6, McDowell 14, Dewberry 10, Bailey 10.



Demetrius Goode (33) goes in for layup...



Kim Gladden breaks past Chase defender...

**GIFTS  
FOR THE  
ENTIRE  
FAMILY**

- ★ Free Gift Wrap
- ★ Master Charge
- ★ Visa

**Open Week Nights  
Til 8:30**

*Mc Ginnis*  
DEPARTMENT STORE  
KINGS MOUNTAIN, N.C.

BUY A MAN'S GIFT  
FROM A MAN'S STORE

His  
**CHRISTMAS  
SHIRT**  
is Here

In handsome stripes, spirited patterns and simple solids. Perfect business shirts in wrinkle-free polyester and cotton. Styled for great good looks with long-point collar, trimmed-to-the-body fit and button cuffs. He'll appreciate more than one to wear now through Spring. From 11.00

*Warren Gardner's*  
EASTRIDGE MALL  
GASTONIA, N.C.

**CLOSED ON SUNDAYS  
OPEN MONDAY-FRIDAY NIGHTS TILL 9:30**

**Junior High  
Boys Remain  
Undefeated**

Kings Mountain Junior High's varsity cagers split a Western Association twinbill Monday at Hickory, the boys winning 59-54 and the girls losing 43-40 to College Park.

The Patriots carry a 3-0 record into their final pre-Christmas game today at West McDowell. Coach Ken Napier's charges are seeking their fifth conference title in six years. The girls are 2-1.

Frank Parker's hot-shooting and the ballhandling of point guard David Peeler helped hold off a late fourth quarter rally by the College Park boys. Parker scored 11 of KM's 17 fourth quarter points and won five of five from the foul line. He finished with 23 points to lead all scorers.

Avery Grier contributed 20

**A. B. Snow  
Originals**

3600 Margrace Road  
Phone 739-5917

**Call For Appointment**

**Last Minute  
Christmas  
Gifts**

- ★ Art Work
- ★ Framing ★ Silk Screen
- ★ Stop By And Browse Awhile

