

Back Mountain All-Stars Win Regional Title, 10-1

Back Mountain Defeats Kingston To Take District Championship

Ed Dubil's gargantuan home run, Kern's one-hit ball and the base running of Ken Jones were big factors in the All Stars copping their first District Championship.

Kern was the master once again. He had very little trouble with the Kingston hitters rolling along for his third All Star win. The only hit seemed to be the result of a ruse pulled by Winters, the catcher. With a count of one ball and no strikes Winters crouched as if to bunt while Kern was winding up. Kern seemed to think that was a fake and eased up on his throw figuring Winters was going to take the pitch. Instead Winters reset himself and hit a lofty fly that barely made it over the right field fence for a home run.

Kingston team threatened in the top of the fifth when Stinson reached first on an error and Stanley walked. Paul Sanders tried a bunt on the first pitch but fouled down the first base line. Kern then struck him out on a 2-2 pitch.

The first hitter for Kingston seemed to give fans the strategy of the Kingston coaching staff. Kingston's hitters attempted one bunt after another with Kern handling all of them without any difficulty.

Score Tied

After Winters' homer in the second, Back Mountain tied it up in the bottom of the third. Ken Jones led off with a single to left. Cook sacrificed him to second with a beautiful bunt down the first base line. Jenkins then walked placing runners on first and second. Harris then threw a wild pitch while Martin was batting and Choo-Choo Jones streaked for third, got the full throttle ahead signal from his brakeman, Sponseller, coaching at third, and streaked for home while Winters the catcher, finally spotted the wild pitch. Harris, the pitcher, ran in to home to take the throw from Winters but Choo-Choo slid under the throw to tie the ball game at one run each.

Nip And Tuck For Awhile
Goose eggs then became the pattern inning after inning as Kern and Harris matched pitch for pitch. Kern's fast ball was too much for the boys from down Valley way, while Harris, with a strange motion on the mound and a peculiar side arm delivery, had the local lads hitting most of his pitches on the handle.

Kiefer led off the top of the sixth for Kingston and was thrown out on an attempted bunt. Kern to Townsend. Michaels then attempted a bunt but fouled off the first pitch. Kern bore down and fanned him. Harris then rifled a hard shot to the right of Parry. Parry went to his right, slipped to one knee while stopping the grounder, and threw to first from a kneeling position. Townsend stretched half way to second and gloved the ball one-handed to beat Harris by a split second.

The top of the order came to bat for the Back Mountain in the last half of the sixth. Jenkins went out via the strikeout route while Martin flied to the third baseman.

A Sweet Home Run

Ed Dubil then strode to the plate and old-time fans remembered a game four years ago against this same Kingston group. In that game Tom Kerpovich came to the plate with the bags jammed with Back Mountain runners and hit a grand slammer. The fans were hoping for the same. Harris ran the count to three and two on Dubil. Dubil in his previous trips to the plate had broken two bats with grounders to short. The next pitch from Harris was a pitch right down the middle. Dubil hit it far over the left field fence for a home run.

The ball was hit straight at a huge window in the home of Mr. Masteller, who leaped from his chair and got the ball before it crashed into his property. Mr. Masteller is the gentleman who donated a huge sum of money to help build the fence around the Kingston field. After the game Dubil was surprised to receive a three dollar donation from Mr. Masteller. According to reports from Kingston fans, this sum is given to any Little Leaguer who hits a homerun in that ball park. In all due respect to Mr. Masteller, Dubil should have been given interest on his three dollars for that mighty blast.

Mr. Price, district head of Little League baseball, presented trophies to the teams after the game. Young Chris Harris received the runner-up trophy as his team's representative while the big two, Kern and Dubil, received the winner's trophy. One of the key plays, easily forgotten when the fans remember Dubil's big hit, was the base running of Jones. His heads-up base running on a wild pitch in the third made the home run the deciding factor in the game.

Fans will do well to keep their eye on the coaching of young Sponseller and Fox. These boys know how to coach base runners. They

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COOLBAUGH BREAKS LEG DURING EARLY SEASON PRACTICE

Bob Coolbaugh, veteran end for the Oakland Raiders Professional Football Team, broke his leg Thursday during early season practice with the team in California.

He was taken to Santa Cruz Hospital where a pin was put in the injured leg on Saturday.

His wife, Billie, and nine-months old son, Robert had planned to join him in September, but now will remain with her family in Old Forge since he probably will not be able to play this season for he will be in a cast for the next seven weeks.

Bob was discharged from the hospital on Monday and can be reached in care of the Oakland Raiders at 143 Franklin Street, Oakland Cal.

Vandals Break Store Windows

Hurl Beer Bottles At Junior High School

Windows in Forty Fort Dairy Bar, Orchard Farm Restaurant and Dallas Junior High School were broken out in a new wave of vandalism sweeping the Back Mountain Region on Monday and Tuesday nights of this week.

On Monday night a rock the size of a base ball was hurled through a \$150 plate glass window at Forty Fort Dairy shortly after closing hours.

The same night a rock was hurled through the side window of a car parked on Shonk Motors Used Car Lot.

Sometime after one Tuesday morning a fist-sized rock was hurled through one of the plate glass windows at Orchard Farm Restaurant.

While Dallas Borough and Township Police were investigating, they received a call from John Rosser, principal of the Junior High School, informing them that beer bottles had been hurled through four windows in second story classrooms, probably early Tuesday morning. Principal Rosser said other windows have previously been broken by vandals.

While police believe the damage was done by local vandals, they are not unaware that 68 windows valued at more than \$400 were broken at Larksville State Street School over the weekend.

Chief Shaffer Stung By Bees

Attempt To Burn Nest Causes Fire

Dallas Fire Company responded to a call from the home of Harry Nolf, East Dallas, Monday around 1 p.m. after an attempt by a handyman to burn out a hornet's nest ignited the main feed of the electrical system.

Dallas Fire Chief Alvin Shaffer attempted to kick in the cellar door underneath the nest in order to gain access to the house. Seven or eight hornets, angered by this series of events, stung the chief on the arm and neck.

Firemen extinguished the flames in the wiring, and held off the hornets with water. After some five minutes the chief became dizzy from the poison of the stings, so Fireman Cliff Foss took him to Dr. A. A. Mascali for treatment.

Natona Outing This Saturday

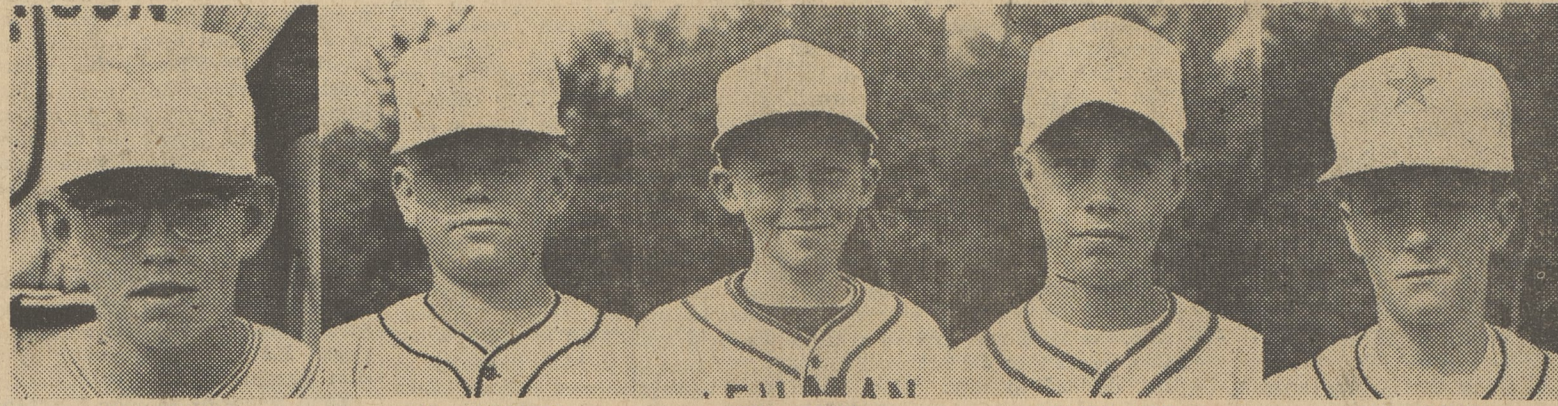
Fifteenth annual Outing of Branch A-23, Amalgamated Lace Operatives of America Union of Natona Mills will be held Saturday from noon until 9 at Wat-A-Hunee Park, Harveys Lake.

Arthur Roberts, President of Branch A-23, is heading the committee making the arrangements. Other members of the committee are Eleanor Turos, Fay Smith, Charles Glasser and John Hardiman.

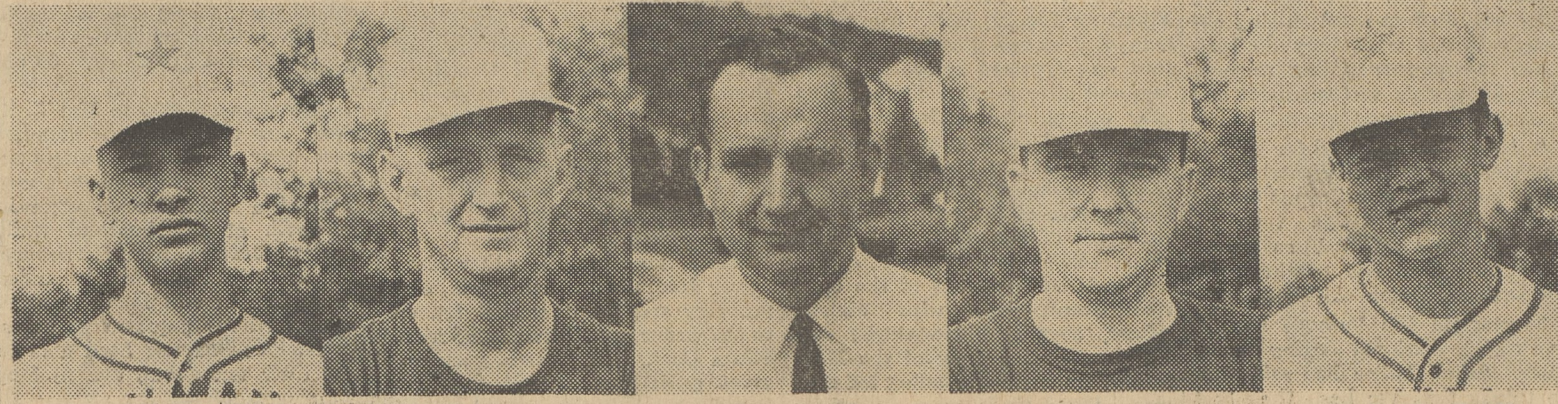
Catering will be by Columbia Catering Service and an orchestra will be available for dancing from 5 to 9. Special guests from the New York office will be: Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Noe, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Freedman, Mr. and Mrs. John Simon, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Targoff and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Keller.

There will be entertainment and athletic events during the day. Door prizes will be awarded.

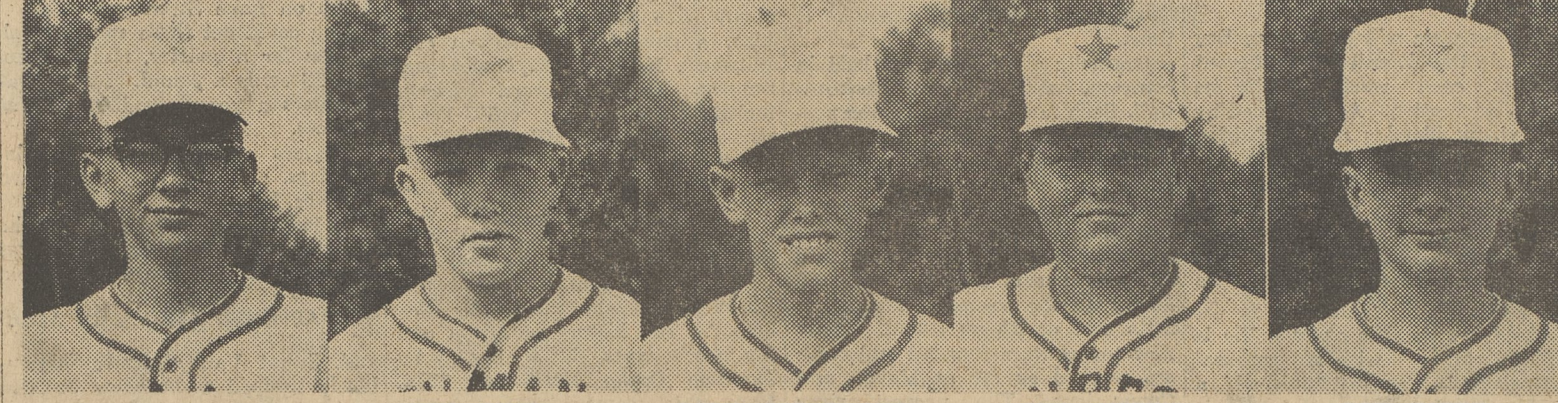
Little League All Stars Have Eyes On State Championship



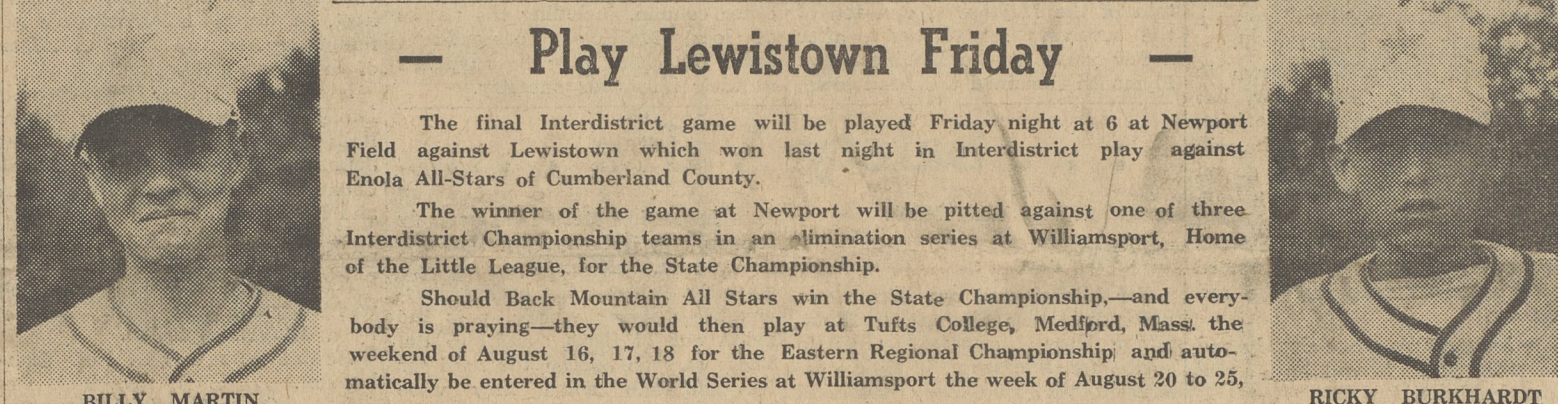
BUZZ SZELE TOM JENKINS KEN COOK ALLEN FOX BOB LONG



ED DUBIL BILL SPONSELLER BOB PARRY JOHN BESTWICK CHARLES KERN



STEVE TOWNSEND KEN JONES GARY SPONSELLER MEL MORRIS BOB PARRY



BILLY MARTIN RICKY BURKHARDT

Play Lewistown Friday

The final Interdistrict game will be played Friday night at 6 at Newport Field against Lewistown which won last night in Interdistrict play against Enola All-Stars of Cumberland County.

The winner of the game at Newport will be pitted against one of three Interdistrict Championship teams in an elimination series at Williamsport, Home of the Little League, for the State Championship.

Should Back Mountain All Stars win the State Championship,—and everybody is praying—they would then play at Tufts College, Medford, Mass. the weekend of August 16, 17, 18 for the Eastern Regional Championship and automatically be entered in the World Series at Williamsport the week of August 20 to 25.

Back Mountain Men Make Best Times In Weekend Speed Trial Competition

Mike Wood Sets Unofficial Mark

Top drivers in Giants' Despair Hillclimb set new marks Saturday, a 55.858 for the three-year record breaker John Van Meyer, Locust Valley, N. Y., and a 56.320 for Bud Faust, Wilkes-Barre.

But their brows must be furled in the thought that their mighty Pontiac Special and Lotus-Buick V-8 cars have to chase a little phantom up the hill next year to crack the Friday time of Harvey's Lake's Mike Wood. His car is a 500 c.c. (about 30 c.i.) Petty-Norton-engined Cooper. His time: 55.1 seconds, the fastest any car has ever made Giants' Despair.

In 1957, just before Mike entered the army, he tried the little Cooper on the hill, turned in a negligible time of 70-plus. The Cooper is basically a track and road car, lacking big-car torque. It gets its speed from lightness and high revolutions, often embarrassing Ferraris and Corvettes with its agility.

Friday afternoon, Mike was determined to stay loose. The Cooper has a low center of gravity and superb stability, and its driver knows that if he could maintain a uniform rate of speed between the straightaway and the recovery on turns, he could substantially reduce his time.

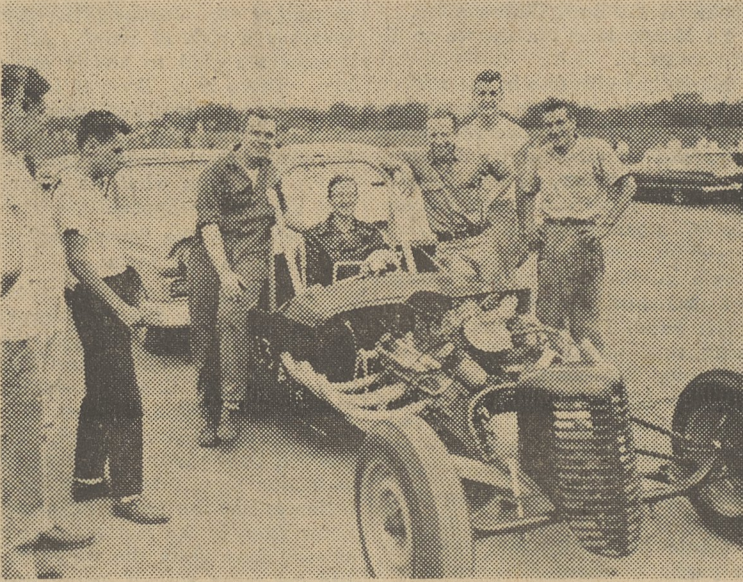
Everyone was convinced that he had missed a shift when Mike sent the revs screaming toward peak at the starting line. Actually the Petty-Norton motorcycle engine has to be revved that high in order to get some torque for the standing start.

He was off, leaving people at the line picking pieces of noise out their ears for the next five minutes. At the infamous Devil's Elbow, whose sudden rise after the hairpin leaves experienced drivers stabbing blindly at some elusive lower gear, Mike breezed through without hesitation. He was ready for all the remaining turns too, and therein, he figured afterward, lay the real answer to the Giants' Despair.

When the announcer's voice cracked the air with the report that Mike Wood had broken all records with his time, the favorites waiting

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Bad Track Spoils White's Record Attempt



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He also drives a 1935 Ford hot rod, which was started as a school project at Dallas Township High School, where he graduated in 1956.

Mike Wood, Harvey's Lake, warms up his Cooper at Giants' Despair, where he set an all-time unofficial record of 55.1 seconds at the Friday trials, and captured his class on Saturday.

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Band Concert At Irem

The 55-member Irem Temple Band under the direction of Peter J. Kleinkauf, will present a program Sunday night at 8:30 at the pavilion at Irem Temple Country Club.

Proceeding the concert there will be a short vesper service at 8 conducted by Rev. Herbert J. Nahas of St. Mary's Syrian Orthodox Church.

Kern, And Morris Blast Homers In Lopsided Win Over Old Forge

Back Mountain All-Stars captured their first regional championship in All-Star play last night by blasting a highly touted Old Forge team 10-1. The game was played before a crowd estimated at around 2000 on the Taylor Little League field.

Led by the blistering bats of shortstop Charlie Kern and third-sacker Melvy Morris Back Mountain gave pitcher Ed Dubil a comfortable 5-0 lead after two innings and then proceeded to put the game on ice with five more markers in the final inning with Kern's three-run homer the pay-off blow.

Kern with two gigantic homers and a single and Morris with a homer and a double provided the big offensive punch for manager Bill Sponseller's boys.

Dubil turned in another great pitching chore allowing one run, two hits and fanning twelve to go along with his no-hitter against Dupont and a three-hitter against Forty-Fort.

Demolition Of School Building Almost Complete

Many Alterations At Lake And Lehman As Pupil Load Eases

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When the new gymnasium and modern high school addition were built in 1951, schoolrooms were created in the former gymnasium, both on the ground floor, and above.

Demolition is being done by the Roccograde Wrecking Co. of Wilkes-Barre, subcontractors for the Sordoni Construction Co., which is disposing of the materials on the spot. Much good structural material has already been purchased and hauled away.

The school yard, at present a mass of rubble, will be cleared before school sessions start, and the ground leveled. Work is going according to schedule, fair weather contributing to the effort.

The joint school board, according to Anthony Marchakitus, high school principal, expects to purchase one sixty-six passenger school bus, and Lehman expects to purchase another. The school already owns one school bus.

Most pupils require transportation. Mr. Marchakitus foresees a pupil load of around 1625, for which twenty-four buses are required.

All senior and junior high school students will be accommodated in the new building, with other buildings reverting to elementary school status. Extensive remodeling of existing buildings is being done, to bring them into accordance with State requirements.

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Administrative offices will occupy space formerly used by the kitchen. Much of the kitchen equipment was salvaged, and is being used in the new kitchen constructed in a part of the gymnasium, serving the cafeteria. Children will no longer carry trays to their classrooms, but be accommodated at tables. These are of the folding type which can be stored against the wall when space is required for auditorium purposes.

Elementary school furniture, largely replaced last year, has been installed in former high school classrooms, and high school furniture is being refinished and reconditioned by Adelman for use in the new Junior-Senior High School building.

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Registration at Lake will be about 190 elementary students, with six regular classrooms in use, and the two buildings across the highway reverting to residential purposes.

Kindergarten classes, two at Lehman, one at Lake, already have 75 registrants. No kindergarten classes will be located at Ross or at Noxen elementary schools.

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Jackson Car Burns

Jackson Township Fire Department extinguished a fire which destroyed Herbert Southwell's car behind Lincoln's Service Station, Chase, Monday morning around 11. Cause of the fire was unknown.