

# Blue Devils Drub Dover 83-39; Braxton Piner Scores 28 Points

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The Smyrna Blue Devils got back on the winning track in a big way Tuesday night as they steamrolled past Dover high school 83-39 in a contest played on the Smyrna hardwoods.

The Blue Devils, hitting a torrid 61.2 per cent of their shots from the floor, jumped out to an early lead and led throughout the contest by large margins. Southpaw Braxton Piner led the assault by canning 13 field goals and two free throws for 28 points. As a team the Blue Devils hit 36 of their 62 field goal attempts.

Hitting from every angle on the floor, they built up a 23-9 lead at the end of the first quarter and by halftime had run the margin to 20 points at 21.

In the third quarter Dover did their coldest shooting of the night as they could manage only four points. The Blue Devils, meanwhile, were scoring 20 to open their lead to 36 points at 61-25.

Smyrna coach Jim Parkin cleared his bench in the final period and the Blue Devil second unit more than held their own, outscoring Dover 22-14.

Behind Piner in the scoring parade came Dale Lewis who connected for 20 points and Curt Nelson who had 10. Lewis, with 19 rebounds, was the game's top board man. Edward White and Gary Huggins led the Dover scoring with 14 and 10 points respectively.

In the opener, the Smyrna girls had it almost as easy as the boys as they waltzed to an 84-42 win over the Dover sextet.

Smyrna's two-girl scoring attack of Carolyn Phelps and Brenda Golden accounted for 79 of the Blue Devil points with Carolyn burning the nets for 44 and Brenda canning 25. Rose Marie Arthur chipped in with three and Melinda Gillikin added two.

The starting back court trio for Smyrna included Diane and Linda Willis and Elizabeth Styron.

Dover had five girls break into the scoring column, paced by Gaye White with 16 points and Julene Hawkins with 13. Brenda Griffin tallied six points, Flora Ritchey five and Ann Howell one.

### BOX SCORE

Smyrna	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Piner	13	2	3	28
Jones	2	1	4	5
Lewis	9	2	5	20
Alcares	1	1	3	3
Nelson, C.	5	0	4	10
Yeomans	5	1	2	11
Nelson, N.	1	0	1	2
Davis, G.	1	0	4	2
Willis, B.	0	0	0	0
Davis, A. C.	1	0	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>83</b>

Dover	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Jones	0	1	3	1
Howell, N.	1	2	0	4
Whitley	2	2	2	6
Huggins	3	4	2	10
White, R.	1	2	0	4
White, E.	4	6	4	14
Howell, S.	0	0	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>39</b>

## Jacksonville Coach Writes Note of Thanks

THE NEWS-TIMES received the following letter yesterday from the coach of the Jacksonville Midget All-Stars, Tom Hewitt. Jacksonville was the team that defeated Morehead City 21-6 last week in the first round of the state Midget playoffs.

Dear Sir:  
The citizens of Jacksonville have more than a few good memories of their All-Star Midget football game with Morehead City on Nov. 12. It was not only an exciting sports victory for us, but it was also an enjoyable visit with very hospitable people. On behalf of my coaching staff and the many sports fans of our city, I would like to thank the persons responsible for the kindness and good sportsmanship shown to our midget team and its supporters.

I realize that a good deal of hard work goes into the planning of such an event as this All-Star game, and for this reason it would be impossible for me to thank everyone responsible. However, I would like to mention Dr. Barnum and his coaching staff, Nick Galantis, commissioner of the Morehead City Football Boosters club, George Jackson and his committee who furnished the halftime program, and Bud Dixon who was responsible for securing the dressing facilities for our team.

The behavior and good will shown by the little boys on the Morehead City team reflect the kind of training they have received by their parents and coaches. Everyone in Jacksonville, especially the All-Star team, wish the Morehead team the best of luck in their game to be played tomorrow in Georgia. We congratulate them on their good sportsmanship.

Again I want to say thank you to the people of Morehead City who were responsible for the success of the All-Star game. We all look forward to playing on your field again.

Yours truly,  
Thomas Hewitt, coach  
Jacksonville Midget All-Stars

## Harold Whealton, Leslie Nelson Land All-Conference Positions

Two Morehead City high school gridders, Harold Whealton and Leslie Nelson, received All-Conference selections at a recent meeting of conference coaches.

An All-Conference first and second team was selected with eleven players being named to each squad. Receiving second-team honors were Eagles Chuck Sledge, Bill Wade and James Nolan.

Conference champion Wallace-Rose H' almost completely dominated the All-Conference first team by placing seven players on the select eleven. Next came Morehead City with two and Pamlico and Jones Central with one each.

Whealton and Nelson were both Eagle captains this year along with halfback Ernest Lewis. Nelson, a 205-pound senior finished out his third year as a starter and again was one of the stalwarts of the stout Eagle line.

Whealton, a junior, started the year as the Eagles' lonesome end and turned in one of the finest campaigns of any member of the team. The rugged 165-pounder was the receiving end of most of the Eagle passing attack. Whealton was also a defensive standout for the team.

The only other Eagle senior receiving All-Conference honors besides Nelson was guard Bill Wade. The other two All-Conference players were sophomore halfback James Nolan and junior tackle Chuck Sledge.

## Honeycutt Picked For Shrine Game

Jerry Honeycutt, a senior at Gray high school in Winston-Salem, has been chosen to play on the North Carolina all-star football team in the Shrine bowl game Dec. 3 in Charlotte.

Jerry is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Jerome Honeycutt of Winston-Salem, formerly of Morehead City. He is the grandson of Mrs. M. L. Piner of Morehead City.

In the Shrine bowl game the North Carolina team will play the South Carolina all-stars.

### FIRST TEAM

Name	Class	Position	School
Durwood Truitt, Jr.	End		Pamlico
Harold Whealton, Jr.	End		Morehead City
Bruce Longest, Sr.	Tackle		Wallace
Tommy Herring, Jr.	Tackle		Wallace
Dick Cottle, Sr.	Guard		Wallace
Don Carr, Sr.	Guard		Wallace
Leslie Nelson, Sr.	Center		Morehead City
Sonny Shelton, Sr.	Back		Wallace
A. J. Carr, Sr.	Back		Wallace
Jimmy King, Sr.	Back		Wallace
James Spence, Sr.	Back		Jones Central