'Mighty Mite,' South Point defeat Kings Mountain, 28-19

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Gazette Sports Writer Fall came in on the wings of a big yellow moon and a cool breeze at 6:30 p.m. last night at Lineberger Stadium

Sophomore Doug Davis came in at 3 o'clock, untried and untested and helped spark South Point's Red Raiders to a crucial and exciting 28-19 victory over a

tough Kings Mountain team. All Davis, seeing his first action, did was to complete 17 of 23 passes for 228 yards and two touchdowns. He had 201 of those yards passing and the two

touchdowns in the first half. "The Mighty Mite." as Davis is called, really threaded the needle and Coach Jim Biggerstaff slept well last night knowing he has a young quarterback of Doug's ability.

"We really did it as a team. but I thought it was a tremendous effort on the part of Davis," said Biggerstaff. "For a sophomore, he showed a good bit of poise and was cool under

"I'm surprised that we had 141 yards in penalties and that will hurt us in close games and we've got to cut down on them. We had 109 yards in penalties

"But it was a superb effort on our part and a big victory for us. It puts us in a good position by winning and I feel like we beat a real good football team in Kings Mountain."

When Biggerstaff views the films of the game, it will mostly be a "Doug Davis and Tim Williams show." Tim-was Doug's favorite receiver, making 14 of

the 17 receptions for 202 yards. Williams also made two important pass interceptions from a defensive halfback spot.

Tim was open with fancy moves to get in that position allnight and Davis was right on target. It was Doug's first game as a starter and he had seen bare action only in the East Gaston game last week late in the fourth quarter.

MAYBE THE fine passing of Davis shouldn't have been so complete a surprise since he set the all-time Imont Junior High passing record last season in the Tri- County Conference. But the jump to the prep ranks

is a big one. It was strictly an offensive show in the first half and not the defensive struggle as most folks had figured. The halftime score was 22-19, favor of the

The second half had more of a defensive show and the Raiders had the best of it, holding the Mountaineers to just two first downs and 10 yards rushing in the second half. The Mountaineers managed only 41 vards both rushing and passing in the second half as the aroused defense rose up and held a couple of Mountaineer threats.

South Point moved to a quick 10-0 lead, the first three points coming on a 37-yard field goal by junior Jimmy Stowe, making his first appearance after a pre-season injury. The field goal drive started from the Raider 37, and the passing of Davis to

Tim Williams led the surge. And Tim's pass interception and return to the South Point 49 set up South Point's first touchdown. The TD came on a Dennis Grier run of two yards at the 4:47 mark and again Davis'

passing to Williams set it up. Kings Mountain then came back on the passing arm of quarterback Chris Johnson, a pretty good one too, to forge

Johnson on fourth and five at the Raider 20 passed to end Harlee Davis for 20 yards and the score in the end zone. Jake Bridges converted at the 11:43 mark of the second quarter cut-

ting the Raider lead to 10-7. The KM went ahead on a 48-yard touchdown pass from , Johnson to Davis on the screen with Davis making a great touchdown run. The point was not good leaving the Mounties

with a 13-10 lead:

South-Point was right back onthe board on a 35-yard touchdown pass from Davis to Williams at the .7:17 mark and Grier missed the PAT for a 16-13 Raider lead.

· * * * IN THE give-and-take struggle, the Mounties came back to go 45 yards after a pass interception and Marcus Floyd went over from the six giving KM the lead at 4.10 at 19-16. South Point bounced back to

grab the lead at 22-19 when Davis passed six yards to Williams for the touchdown at the 1:18 mark. The second half was mostly defense and South Point scored early in the third quarter when

Wayne Fewell broke up the

middle and dashed 88 yards.

attempting to pass. Next week. South Point goes to Lincolnton. The Raiders are

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fensive stands. Once came when MM had first and 10 at the Raider 24. The Raider held when Williams intercepted on the 12 and returned to the Rai-

Another time with fourth and one at the Raider 41, the Raiders rose up and held Johnson back attempting to sneak for the TD. The Raiders also had a couple of golden; scoring chances but missed, including a 30-yard field goal lattempt by

Fewell led the Big Red with 166 yards in 13 carries. But South Point had only 99 yards rushing as a team as Davis was twice thrown for minus 18 yards

tied with Shelby for first place in the Southwest, each team with 3-0 marks. It was the first setback for KM in four games and they entertain Cherryville next Friday.

	S. 1	Point	K. M.
First downs		13	. 0
Net yards rushing		99	55
Passes	17	-23	6-12
Passing yardage		228	104
Passes intercepted	by	2	. 2
		-37	4-42
Punts Yards penalized		141	65
SCORE BY C	QUAR	TER	S
South Point	.10	12 6	0-28
Kings Mountain	. 0	19 0	0-19

SCORING SUMMARY Field Goal Jimmy Stowe (37-Scoring touchdowns. South Point: Grier (2-yard run); T. Williams 2 (basses of 35 and 6 yards

PAT Grier ! (placement).

Scoring touchdowns. Kings Mountain Davis 2 (passes of 20 and 48 yards (rom Johnson); Floyd