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Method of procedure. The writer began work on the problem by listing in outline form a number of points on which to base the research work. It was necessary to have several interviews with Wilburn C. Clary, the present Secretary of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association, in order to obtain basic information for further investigation into the problem. A careful examination was made of all the past Conference records located at the Winston-Salem Children's Home. Personal visits were made to ten cities for an investigation into newspaper coverage of the Conference athletic activities.

THE RESULTS

The results of this investigation are as follows:

- (1) A general history of the South Piedmont High School

Conference covering the areas of Conference formation, membership, Conference championships, game schedules, game reports, postponed games, player eligibility, football officials and gurantees, spring and winter practise, coaching and scouting, and publicity of the Conference.

(2) Football violations and the action taken against the violators.

(3) A table showing the won, lost, and tied records of each team that has appeared in the Conference.

(4) A series of thirty tables showing the final Conference standings for each year of Conference football play.

(5) A table showing the game distributions of the 1075 Conference games played.

(6) A series of twenty-two tables showing the official All-Conference teams from 1938 through 1956.

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## CHAPTER I

### INTRODUCTION

Athletic competition in our nation's high schools has become very much a part of our American life. Its value in human satisfaction is immeasurable. However, there must be a system of control in which the individual participants will be protected and a degree of fairness can be maintained. Associations, leagues, or conferences have been organized to set up standards, policies, and regulations under which their competition can be governed. Charles E. Forsythe indicated in his book, Administration of High School Athletics<sup>1</sup> that there are athletic or activity associations in all the states at the present time. This gives an indication of the value of such organizations. This thesis is an investigation into a conference with special emphasis placed on its football history.

#### I. THE PROBLEM

Statement of the problem. It was the purpose of this investigation (1) to secure data concerning the organization,

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<sup>1</sup> Charles E. Forsythe, Administration of High School Athletics (New York: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1954), p.35.

development, and administration of the South Piedmont High School Conference relative to football, (2) to compile the football statistics of the Conference, (3) to compile a list of All-Conference teams as selected by coaches of the Conference and (4) to organize the data collected into a history of football in the Conference.

Importance of such an investigation. This investigation will bring together scattered facts and pieces of information that will be written into an accurate history so that it may be used as a reference in the future. This writer has witnessed disputes and questions that have arisen over certain phases of football statistics in the Conference. There was no reliable accessible information available to clear up misunderstandings. The results of this investigation could have provided answers to those questions. A thesis written from the results of such an investigation will serve to preserve information that might be lost in future years.

## II. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED

Association. When the term "association" is used in this report it shall be interpreted as meaning the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association. This association is not connected in any way with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association which regulates the

majority of high school athletics in North Carolina. The Association controls membership schools which are divided into two conferences, the Western Conference and the South Piedmont Conference.

Conference. Throughout this report of investigation the term "Conference" appears many times and shall be interpreted as meaning the South Piedmont High School Conference. The majority of schools that have appeared in the Conference are geographically located on the Piedmont plain in the South Central part of North Carolina.

Percentage method. The term "percentage method" in this report shall be interpreted as the means by which the Association Secretary computes the school standings and selects a Conference winner at the end of regular season play. The percentage is derived by dividing, to the nearest whole number, the total number of Conference games won and lost into the number of Conference games won. Tie games were not counted in the percentages until the 1946 season. Each tie game counted one-half for and one-half against the teams concerned.

Season. Throughout this report of investigation the term "season" shall be interpreted as meaning the football

season. This report deals only with Conference football activity. However, various rulings mentioned in this report may apply to other sports in the Conference program.

### III. PROCEDURE AND SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Method of procedure. Historical research was the method used in this investigation. The purpose was to study the beginnings and development of the Conference football history. The writer began work on the problem by listing in outline form a number of points on which to base the research work. It was necessary for the writer to have several interviews with Wilburn C. Clary, the present Secretary of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association, in order to obtain basic information for further investigation into the problem. A careful examination was made of all the past conference records located at the Winston-Salem Children's Home. Personal visits were made to ten cities for an investigation into newspaper coverage of the Conference athletic activities.

Sources of data. A great deal of the information contained in this history was obtained from past records of the Western North Carolina High School Association. Data

was secured in interviews with Wilburn C. Clary, who has been connected with the Conference as a coach and an official since its formation. Other sources of data were secured from back files of the following newspapers: Concord Tribune, Concord; Daily Independent, Kannapolis; Greensboro Daily News, Greensboro; Lexington Dispatch, Lexington; Monroe Enquirer, Monroe; Mooresville Tribune, Mooresville; Salisbury Evening Post, Salisbury; Stanly News and Press, Albemarle; Statesville Daily Record, Statesville; and the Winston-Salem Journal, Winston-Salem.



## CHAPTER II

### REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE

This chapter gives a review of the literature found by the writer in his investigation of the football history of the South Piedmont High School Conference. The literature available consisted, for the most part, of past records of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association and of files of the various state and local newspapers.

#### I. UNPUBLISHED MATERIALS

There has been no previous study made of the history of the South Piedmont High School Conference; however Weaver, in his thesis, "A History and Development of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association", mentions the Conference as being a definite part of the Association.<sup>1</sup> He gave a report of study of the Association's Constitution which regulates control of the South Piedmont High School Conference athletic activities.

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<sup>1</sup>Robert Franklin Weaver, "A History and Development of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association" (Unpublished Master's Thesis, The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1949), p. 18.

Records of the Conference were kept by the secretary of the Association. The first Association secretary was J. Eris Cassell, principal of Concord High School. He was followed as secretary by Joseph B. Johnston of Barium Springs, and Wilburn C. Clary of Children's Home. Their records showed player eligibility lists, minutes of Conference meetings, final school standings, All-Conference teams, game scores, and correspondence from various members of the Conference.

## II. NEWSPAPERS

A review of newspaper items dating back to 1930 was necessary in order to fill in and supplement the Conference records. During the first five years of Conference football play, newspaper coverage was scarce and sometimes incomplete. However, around the mid-1930's, The Concord Tribune, The Stanly News and Press of Albemarle, and the Statesville Daily Record began to give wider and better football coverage. Newspaper files were particularly helpful in securing game scores and final conference standings. Scores and standings were compared in several newspapers to prove their accuracy.

## CHAPTER III

### GENERAL HISTORY

This chapter will show the organization and development of the South Piedmont High School Conference. The Writer used extensively a copy of the Constitution and revisions of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association to supply, in part, the necessary information. A great deal of the information found in this chapter was taken from minutes of the Association's annual meetings. The following points will be covered in this chapter: (1) formation of the conference; (2) conference membership; (3) determining conference championships; (4) scheduling games; (5) reporting games; (6) postponed games; (7) player eligibility; (8) football officials and guarantees; (9) spring football practice; (10) coaching and scouting; and (11) publicity of the conference.

#### I. THE CONFERENCE AND MEMBERSHIP

Formation of the Conference. The South Piedmont High School Conference was formed in the late fall of 1929 as part of the Western North Carolina High School Activities

Association. It was organized to sponsor and develop athletics on the basis of physical education. A constitution was drawn up by the Association with general control vested in an executive committee. The South Piedmont High School Conference was allowed to represent itself with three members on this committee.<sup>1</sup> Each committee member was elected by representatives from each school in the Conference to serve for a term of two years. This election of committee-men was held at annual spring meetings of the Association as the need arose. The first committee members elected by the Conference were as follows: C. L. Hood, Principal of Mooresville High School; Charles D. Smith, Coach at Lincolnton High School; and T. D. Stokes, Principal of the Lexington High School.

Conference membership. The Conference football play began in September, 1930, with charter members, consisting of Belmont, Concord, Kings Mountain, Lexington, Lincolnton, Monroe, Mooresville, and Newton participating. On November 18, 1930, Kings Mountain withdrew from the Conference and Hickory High School transferred into the Conference from the Western Conference. On February 15, 1932, there was another change in Conference membership. Newton transferred to the

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Constitution of the Western North Carolina Activities Association, 1929 Article IV, Section 3, p.2.

Western Conference, and two new members, China Grove and Kan-  
napolis, were admitted to the Conference. During 1933 the  
Conference extended membership to three new schools consist-  
ing of Barium Springs, Mt. Holly, and Statesville. This  
made a twelve-member Conference for the 1933 season. In  
1934 Conference membership remained the same, but during the  
following year, China Grove, Monroe, and Mt. Holly cancelled  
their memberships. In 1936 Belmont withdrew from Conference  
membership and Albemarle and Children's Home of Winston-Salem  
were admitted. During the years 1937, 1938, and 1939 Spencer  
joined the Conference and Monroe re-entered to make a twelve  
member Conference again. Hickory and Lincolnton withdrew  
from the Conference at the end of the 1939 football season  
and were replaced with Mills Home of Thomasville and Thomas-  
ville High School. There were no Conference membership changes  
during the years 1940 and 1941. In 1942 Lexington and Spencer  
withdrew from Conference membership and were replaced with  
Asheboro and Troy. Lexington was required to give up its  
membership because of a rule violation and Spencer dropped  
football altogether. The next year Troy withdrew from the  
Conference after only one year of participation and Lexington  
was reinstated as a member. During the years 1943, 1944, and  
1945, the only change in Conference membership was the with-  
drawal of Mills Home in 1944. In 1946 Spencer revived its

football team and re-entered Conference football play. North Wilkesboro was admitted in 1946 and Mills Home was readmitted in the early 1950's to make a fourteen member conference.

On November 23, 1953, at an Association meeting held in Mooresville, the South Piedmont High School Conference was divided into Northern and Southern Divisions.<sup>2</sup> The reasons for such action were to cut down traveling distances and at the same time create new neighborly rivalries. Along with this action China Grove, Landis, and Winecoff were admitted to Conference membership. The Northern division consisted of Asheboro, Barium Springs, Children's Home, Lexington, Mills Home, Spencer, Statesville, and Thomasville. The Southern Division consisted of Albemarle, Concord, China Grove, Kannapolis, Landis, Monroe, Mooresville, and Winecoff. Before the 1954 football season was started, the Mills Home School integrated with the Thomasville School system, thus leaving the Northern division with seven schools instead of eight. The South Piedmont Conference had maintained its conference membership in this manner through 1956.

Twenty-five schools have appeared in the Conference over its twenty-seven year history. Only two schools, Concord and

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<sup>2</sup>News item in the Stanly News and Press, November 27, 1953.

Mooreville, have held membership during the full twenty-seven years.

The writer, in his investigation, found no changes in the Association Constitution concerning membership since it was first drawn up in 1929. However, at an Association meeting held April 15, 1946, there was a recommendation that if a school dropped out of the Conference, it would not be re-admitted for a period of five years.<sup>3</sup> This recommendation was not accepted by the Association.

## II. CONSTITUTIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

Conference championship. The winner of the Conference was determined by the percentage method based upon the Conference games played. If two teams were tied for first place with the same percentage in the final Conference standings, a game was played between the two teams concerned to decide the championship. For many years tie games were not counted either way in the team percentages. At an Associational meeting held April 15, 1946, there was a recommendation that tie games count one-half for and one-half against the standing in percentage of the teams involved.<sup>4</sup> This recommendation

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<sup>3</sup>Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of the Western North Carolina Activities Association, April 15, 1946, p. 2.

<sup>4</sup>Ibid., p. 1.

was accepted by the Association and put into effect during the 1946 season. When the Conference was divided in 1953 constitutional amendments provided for each division to declare a division winner after regular season play. The two division winners were to play a game for the Conference championship. The place, terms, and time of the game was to be arranged by the teams involved. The Association Constitution declared that no post season game to determine championships other than the game between the two Conference leaders was to be permitted except upon the approval of the Executive Committee.

Scheduling games. The scheduling of football games was worked out among Conference members at annual spring meetings for each succeeding season. The number of Conference games played during a season by each school was determined by the Executive Committee of the Association prior to the meeting for adopting the football schedule. Each school was required to file with the Association secretary a signed copy of its schedule after it had been completed. On April 3, 1939, an Association meeting was held at Albemarle High School. During this meeting a provision was made to the By-laws of the Association Constitution dealing with the scheduling of games. The provision was as follows:



In drafting the schedules the first five schools in the standings during the last season shall play each other in the coming season. This ruling is to apply when the minimum number of games to be played is five, and if the minimum number is less than five, the number of teams required to play each other shall be reduced proportionately.<sup>5</sup>

Reporting of games. It was stated in the by-laws of the original constitution of the Association that the head football official was to make a written certified score of the game and the home principal or coach was to mail the score report to the Secretary of the Association within two days after that game was played. If a report was not made the game was to be forfeited to the visiting team. An amendment concerning the reporting of games was made to the by-laws of the Constitution in 1937.<sup>6</sup> It stated that the cards used to report the results of games were to be signed by the home coach instead of the head official.

Postponed games. The original Constitution of the Association did not mention postponed games. However, in 1938 a by-law was added which stated that if a game were postponed after the visiting team arrives, the visiting team would be paid, upon returning for the game, the sum of five dollars if

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<sup>5</sup>Minutes of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association, April 3, 1939, p. 1.

<sup>6</sup>Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of the Western North Carolina Activities Association, November 30, 1937, p. 1.

the distance travelled is less than twenty-five miles, and the sum of ten dollars if more than twenty-five miles. The official North Carolina road map was used to compute the distance travelled.

Player eligibility. Each school of the Conference was held responsible for keeping check on player eligibility. The writer discovered only one case in Conference football history where action was taken against a school for playing an ineligible player. The violation was made by Monroe High School during the 1951 football season. As a result, Monroe was required to forfeit three games that it had already won. The Association required each school to submit a player eligibility list to the Association Secretary prior to the first conference game. This list was re-certified at the end of every six weeks. The Association's eligibility rules for Conference participation was as follows:

a. A student was eligible to participate in school athletic contests during a school year if he was not twenty years of age on or before April 1 of said school year.

b. A student who had received or was eligible to receive a diploma from an accredited high school or preparatory school was ineligible.

c. A student was eligible if he had passed at least three full credit courses the last semester or term that he was in school and had been in school at least 60 per cent of that semester or term.

d. A student was eligible if he had passed at least three full credit courses at the time of participation and had been in school at least 60 per cent of the semester or term.

e. A student was ineligible for one year if he had transferred from one school to another without a corresponding change in parental residence.

f. A student was not allowed to participate in games as a member of an all-star team except upon the approval of the Association's Executive Committee. If this rule were violated the student was ineligible for future participation in the Conference.

g. A student was ineligible to participate in Conference games if he had signed a professional contract to play any sport.

h. Special cases concerning the eligibility of students was to be presented to the Association's Executive Committee for consideration.

Football officials and guarantees. It was the practice of the Association and Conference to let the two schools playing a game arrange for officials and guarantees. Football officials were supplied over the years by various officials associations. These officials were required to meet the requirements of the North State Officials Association or a similar association of equivalent standing. Local officials were not allowed by the Association unless it was impossible to secure others. The Association did not regulate the payment of guarantees to visiting teams. An arrangement of this sort was decided upon by the two teams concerned.

Spring football practice. In the thesis written by Weaver<sup>7</sup> it was stated that no member of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association may hold winter or spring football practice. This ruling was first made in 1934. The writer discovered only one case in which the rule was violated. This violation concerned Lexington High School and the following statement was made by the Association:

Lexington's deliberate violation of the Association ruling against spring football practice was thoroughly gone into. The final decision of the committee was that the secretary should write the Lexington High School authorities stating that since they knew the Association expected all its members to abide by its regulations to

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<sup>7</sup>Robert Franklin Weaver, "A History and Development of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association" (unpublished Master's Thesis, the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1949), p. 27.

the best of their ability, and since they had definitely broken the regulation about spring football practice, no doubt they preferred to be in an organization where they would have more lee-way to do as they pleased; therefore the Association was taking for granted that they were withdrawing from the Association and the South Piedmont Conference. In case Lexington did not voluntarily withdraw, the secretary was then to notify them that the Association requested Lexington to give up its membership in the organization.<sup>8</sup>

Lexington voluntarily withdrew from the Association and played an independent schedule during the 1942 football season.

Coaching and Scouting. There has never been a ruling in the Association which insisted that all coaches be regular certified teachers. At various times over the years some Conference schools have been assisted in their coaching by non-faculty members. The scouting of another team was not officially approved of by the members of the Association if such a procedure required that a school official or student be absent from school. However, it was a recognized practice for scouting to be done on game nights throughout the Conference.

Publicity of the Conference. When the Conference was first formed, publicity was secured through various state

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<sup>8</sup> Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association, April 1942, p. 2.

newspapers. It was not until 1938 that Smith Barrier, Sports Editor of the Concord Tribune, was presented to an Association meeting as a person who was willing to give the Association extensive newspaper publicity. Mr. Barrier explained the type of work that he would do at a cost of five dollars per year per member of the Association. Only the South Piedmont Conference members voted to accept this offer. This was the starting point for an organized conference publicity program and since then more local and state newspapers have taken up the Conference football coverage.

## CHAPTER IV

### STATISTICAL HISTORY

This chapter will show the football statistics as they have developed in the Conference. Records by J. Eris Cassell and Joseph B. Johnson, past secretaries of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association, and back newspaper files were used in compiling the data. Much of the information is presented in tables to facilitate the quickness of reviewing conclusions. The following points will be covered in the chapter: (1) the won, lost, and tied records of each school that has appeared in the Conference; (2) final Conference standings from 1930 through 1956; (3) the won, lost, and tied game distributions between Conference schools.

#### I. WON, LOST, AND TIED RECORDS

The data with regard to won, lost, and tied records of schools that have appeared in the Conference is presented in Table I, page 22. This table is made up in the following manner. The first column consists of schools that have participated in Conference football play. The second column represents the number of years the schools listed have been members of the Conference. The third, fourth, and fifth

columns indicate the number of games each school has won, lost, and tied.

A study of this table will show that there were various differences in the length of school membership with tenure ranging from twenty-seven years to one year. This means that the total number of games played by Conference members has varied greatly. Concord, with a membership of twenty-seven years, has played 209 conference games and Kings Mountain and Troy, with only one year of participation, played six conference games. A further study of the table indicates that only three schools--Albemarle, Concord, and Lexington--have won one hundred games or more. Lexington is the highest in this department with one-hundred and twenty wins. Two schools, Kings Mountain and Troy, have not won a game in Conference play. Only two schools, Mooresville and Statesville, have lost one-hundred games or more. Mooresville is highest in this department with one-hundred and twenty-one losses. The table shows that Concord has the highest number of tied games with twenty, while Lexington follows closely with eighteen.



TABLE I

SCHOOLS THAT HAVE APPEARED IN THE  
CONFERENCE, YEARS IN THE CONFERENCE,  
AND THEIR GAMES WON, LOST AND TIED

Schools	Years in Conference	Games Won	Games Lost	Games Tied
Albemarle.....	21	107	39	6
Asheboro.....	15	42	48	6
Barium Springs..	24	90	58	15
Belmont.....	6	7	23	5
Children's Home.	21	90	32	10
China Grove.....	6	16	20	2
Concord.....	27	108	81	20
Hickory.....	9	33	24	3
Kannapolis.....	26	92	77	10
Kings Mountain..	1	0	6	0
Landis.....	3	7	12	2
Lexington.....	25	120	29	18
Lincolnton.....	10	22	36	5
Mills Home.....	6	14	19	1
Monroe.....	24	51	78	10
Mooreville.....	27	33	121	14
Mt. Holly.....	2	1	11	1
Newton.....	2	5	5	1
North Wilkesboro	4	9	14	1
Spencer.....	16	28	67	7
Statesville.....	24	63	101	10
Thomasville.....	17	49	62	9
Troy.....	1	0	6	0
Wilkes Central..	3	8	8	1
Winecuff.....	3	1	19	1

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## II. FINAL CONFERENCE STANDINGS

The data with regard to the final Conference standings is presented in Tables II through XXXI. Each year of Conference competition is represented by a separate table. All the tables are made up in the following manner. The first column indicates the name of the school and its rank in the standings. Columns two, three, and four indicate the number of games won, lost, and tied. The fifth column indicates the percentage on which the standings are based.

Table II, page 28, gives the Conference standings for the year 1930. Monroe won the Conference championship with a record of five wins and no losses or ties.

Table III, page 28, gives the Conference standings for the year 1931. Hickory won the Conference championship with a record of six wins and no losses or ties.

Table IV, page 28, gives the Conference standings for the year 1932. Hickory and Kannapolis tied for the lead at the end of regular season play. In a play-off game Hickory defeated Kannapolis for the Conference championship 13-6.<sup>1</sup>

Table V, page 29, gives the Conference standings for the year 1933. Lexington lost one game but managed to win the Conference championship with the highest percentage.

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<sup>1</sup>News item in the Kannapolis Daily Independent, November 27, 1932.

Table VI, page 29, gives the Conference Standings for the year 1934. Lexington again won the Conference championship with six wins, no losses, and one tie.

Table VII, page 30, gives the Conference standings for the year 1935. Concord won its first Conference championship with four wins, no losses, and one tie.

Table VIII, page 30, gives the Conference standings for the year 1936. Children's Home as a first year member won the Conference championship with six wins, no losses or ties.

Table IX, page 30, gives the Conference standings for the year 1937. Children's Home and Barium Springs were tied for the Conference lead at the end of regular season play. Barium Springs did not wish to play the tie off and Children's Home was declared Conference champions.

Table X, page 31, gives the Conference standings for the year 1938. Children's Home and Lexington tied for the Conference lead at the end of regular season play. A play-off game ended in a tie and Children's Home and Lexington were declared co-champions of the Conference.<sup>2</sup>

Table XI, page 31, gives the Conference standings for the year 1939. Lexington won the Conference championship with five wins, no losses or ties.

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<sup>2</sup>News item in the Lexington Dispatch, December 3, 1938.

Table XII, page 32 gives the Conference standings for the year 1940. Lexington and Statesville tied for the Conference lead at the end of regular season play and were declared co-champions as there was no play-off game.

Table XIII, page 32 gives the Conference standings for the year 1941. Barium Springs won its first Conference championship with a record of five wins, no losses or ties.

Table XIV, page 33, gives the Conference standings for the year 1942. Mills Home won the Conference championship with a record of seven wins, no losses or ties.

Table XV, page 33, gives the Conference standings for the year 1943. Children's Home won the Conference championship with a record of eight wins, no losses or ties.

Table XVI, page 34, gives the Conference standings for the year 1944. Albemarle won its first Conference championship with a record of seven wins, one loss, and no ties.

Table XVII, page 34, gives the Conference standings for the year 1945. Children's Home won another Conference championship with seven wins, no losses or ties.

Table XVIII, page 35, gives the Conference standings for the year 1946. Albemarle won the Conference championship this year with a record of seven wins, no losses, and one tie.

Table XIX, page 35, gives the Conference standings for the year 1947. Children's Home won the Conference championship with a record of six wins, no losses or ties.

Table XX, page 36, gives the Conference standings for the year 1948. Statesville won the Conference championship with a record of seven wins, no losses or ties.

Table XXI, page 36 gives the Conference standings for the year 1949. Monroe won the Conference championship with a record of six wins, no losses or ties.

Table XXII, page 37, gives the Conference standings for the year 1950. Asheboro won its first Conference championship with a record of six wins, no losses or ties.

Table XXIII, page 37, gives the Conference standings for the year 1951. Lexington and Wilkes Central tied for the Conference lead and were declared co-champions with records of five wins, no losses, and one tie.

Table XXIV, page 38, gives the Conference standings for the year 1952. Kannapolis won its first Conference championship with a record of eight wins, no losses or ties.

Table XXV, page 38, gives the Conference standings for the year 1953. Albemarle won the Conference championship with a record of eight wins, no losses, or ties.

Tables XXVI, page 39, and XXVII, page 39, give the Conference standings for the year 1954. Lexington, the Northern Division champion, defeated Albemarle, the Southern Division champion, for the Conference championship.

Tables XXVIII and XXIX, page 40, give the Conference Standings for the year 1955. Albemarle, the Southern Division champion,

defeated Asheboro, the Northern Division champion, for the Conference championship.

Tables XXX and XXXI, page 41, give the Conference standings for the year 1956. Lexington, the Northern Division champion, defeated Albemarle, the Southern Division champion, for the Conference championship.

TABLE II  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1930

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Monroe.....	5	0	0	1.000
Concord.....	4	1	2	.800
Newton.....	4	1	1	.800
Lexington.....	4	1	1	.800
Lincolnton.....	3	3	0	.500
Belmont.....	2	4	0	.333
Kings Mountain..	0	6	0	.000
Mooreville.....	0	6	0	.000

TABLE III  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1931

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Hickory.....	6	0	0	1.000
Monroe.....	5	1	0	.833
Lexington.....	3	2	0	.600
Lincolnton.....	3	3	0	.500
Concord.....	3	4	0	.429
Belmont.....	2	3	0	.400
Newton.....	1	4	0	.200
Mooreville.....	0	6	0	.000

TABLE IV  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1932

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Hickory.....	6	0	0	1.000
Kannapolis.....	5	1*	1	.833
Lexington.....	5	1	0	.833
Lincolnton.....	3	2	1	.600
China Grove.....	2	3	0	.400
Concord.....	2	5	0	.286
Belmont.....	1	4	0	.200
Monroe.....	1	5	0	.167
Mooreville.....	1	5	0	.167

\*Kannapolis was defeated by Hickory in a playoff game for the Conference Championship.

TABLE V  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1933

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Lexington.....	7	1	0	.875
Hickory.....	6	1	0	.856
Concord.....	6	2	0	.750
Barium Springs..	4	2	0	.667
Kannapolis.....	4	2	0	.667
Mooreville.....	3	2	2	.600
Monroe.....	2	3	1	.400
China Grove.....	1	3	1	.250
Mt. Holly.....	1	4	1	.200
Lincolnton.....	1	5	1	.167
Belmont.....	0	5	2	.000
Statesville.....	0	5	2	.000

TABLE VI  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1934

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Lexington.....	6	0	1	1.000
Statesville.....	6	1	0	.856
Barium Springs..	5	1	2	.833
Concord.....	5	1	2	.833
Hickory.....	4	3	0	.572
China Grove.....	3	3	1	.500
Belmont.....	2	3	2	.400
Kannapolis.....	2	3	1	.400
Monroe.....	2	3	0	.400
Lincolnton.....	1	5	1	.167
Mooreville.....	1	7	0	.125
Mt. Holly.....	0	7	0	.000



TABLE VII  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1935

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Concord.....	4	0	1	1.000
Barium Springs..	6	1	0	.856
Statesville.....	4	1	0	.800
Lexington.....	3	1	1	.750
Hickory.....	3	4	0	.429
Kannapolis.....	2	4	0	.333
Lincolnton.....	2	4	0	.333
Belmont.....	0	4	1	.000
Mooreville.....	0	5	1	.000

TABLE VIII  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1936

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Children's Home.	6	0	0	1.000
Barium Springs..	5	1	1	.833
Lexington.....	4	1	1	.800
Albemarle.....	4	1	0	.800
Lincolnton.....	3	2	1	.600
Kannapolis.....	3	3	2	.500
Hickory.....	1	3	2	.250
Concord.....	1	5	1	.143
Mooreville.....	0	5	1	.000
Statesville.....	0	6	1	.000

TABLE IX  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1937

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Children's Home.	4	0	1	1.000*
Barium Springs..	7	0	1	1.000
Kannapolis.....	5	1	1	.833
Concord.....	4	2	1	.667
Lexington.....	3	2	0	.600
Spencer.....	2	2	1	.500
Albemarle.....	2	3	0	.400
Statesville.....	2	4	0	.333
Mooreville.....	1	4	2	.200
Lincolnton.....	1	5	1	.167
Hickory.....	0	8	0	.000

\*Barium Springs did not wish to play the tie off; therefore Children's Home was declared Conference Champions.

TABLE X  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1938

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Children's Home.	5	0	1	1.000
Lexington.....	5	0	1	1.000
Kannapolis.....	4	2	0	.667
Hickory.....	4	2	0	.667
Barium Springs..	3	3	0	.500
Concord.....	5	4	1	.556
Spencer.....	2	3	1	.417
Statesville.....	2	3	0	.400
Lincolnton.....	2	4	0	.333
Albemarle.....	1	4	1	.200
Monroe.....	0	2	1	.167
Mooreville.....	0	6	0	.000

TABLE XI  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1939

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Lexington.....	5	0	0	1.000
Children's Home.	5	1	0	.833
Albemarle.....	4	2	0	.667
Barium Springs..	3	2	1	.600
Concord.....	5	5	0	.500
Hickory.....	3	3	1	.500
Lincolnton.....	3	3	0	.500
Monroe.....	2	2	1	.500
Statesville.....	2	3	1	.400
Spencer.....	2	4	0	.333
Kannapolis.....	2	6	0	.250
Mooreville.....	0	5	0	.000

TABLE XII  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1940

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Lexington.....	6	0	0	1.000
Statesville.....	5	0	0	1.000
Barium Springs..	5	1	0	.833
Mills Home.....	3	1	1	.750
Spencer.....	4	2	0	.667
Concord.....	4	5	1	.444
Albemarle.....	3	4	0	.429
Children's Home.	2	3	1	.400
Kannapolis.....	2	5	0	.286
Thomasville.....	0	4	1	.000
Mooreville.....	0	4	0	.000
Monroe.....	0	5	0	.000

TABLE XIII  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1941

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Barium Springs..	5	0	0	1.000
Lexington.....	5	1	1	.833
Thomasville.....	4	1	1	.800
Albemarle.....	5	2	0	.714
Kannapolis.....	5	2	1	.714
Children's Home.	3	2	1	.600
Statesville.....	3	4	0	.429
Concord.....	3	6	0	.333
Mills Home.....	2	4	0	.333
Monroe.....	1	4	0	.200
Mooreville.....	1	4	0	.200
Spencer.....	1	8	0	.111

TABLE XIV  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1942

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Mills Home.....	7	0	0	1.000
Mooreville.....	3	0	1	1.000
Children's Home.	5	1	0	.833
Kannapolis.....	5	2	1	.714
Albemarle.....	4	4	0	.500
Concord.....	3	3	2	.500
Barium Springs..	3	4	0	.429
Asheboro.....	1	2	1	.333
Thomasville.....	2	4	1	.333
Monroe.....	1	3	0	.250
Statesville.....	1	6	0	.143
Troy.....	0	6	0	.000

TABLE XV  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1943

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Children's Home.	8	0	0	1.000
Concord.....	8	1	0	.889
Lexington.....	7	1	0	.875
Albemarle.....	6	3	0	.667
Kannapolis.....	3	4	1	.429
Statesville.....	2	4	2	.333
Mills Home.....	1	3	0	.250
Barium Springs..	1	3	2	.250
Asheboro.....	1	6	0	.143
Mooreville.....	0	1	0	.000
Monroe.....	0	3	1	.000
Thomasville.....	0	8	0	.000

TABLE XVI  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1944

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Albemarle.....	7	1	0	.875
Children's Home.	6	1	0	.857
Concord.....	7	2	0	.778
Barium Springs..	4	2	0	.667
Thomasville.....	4	3	1	.572
Lexington.....	2	3	2	.400
Statesville.....	2	4	2	.333
Kannapolis.....	2	5	0	.286
Monroe.....	1	5	0	.167
Asheboro.....	0	5	1	.000
Mooreville.....	0	4	0	.000

TABLE XVII  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1945

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Children's Home.	7	0	0	1.000
Concord.....	6	1	3	.857
Monroe.....	3	1	1	.750
Albemarle.....	5	3	0	.625
Lexington.....	3	2	1	.600
Thomasville.....	4	4	1	.500
Mooreville.....	3	5	0	.375
Barium Springs..	2	4	1	.333
Kannapolis.....	2	6	0	.250
Asheboro.....	1	4	1	.200
Statesville.....	1	7	0	.125

TABLE XVIII  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1946

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Albemarle.....	7	0	1	.937
Asheboro.....	5	1	0	.833
Lexington.....	5	1	1	.785
Concord.....	6	2	1	.733
Children's Home.	3	1	2	.667
Mooreville.....	4	2	1	.642
Barium Springs..	3	4	0	.429
Kannapolis.....	3	5	0	.375
Thomasville.....	3	7	0	.300
Spencer.....	1	4	0	.200
Monroe.....	1	5	0	.167
Statesville.....	0	9	0	.000

TABLE XIX  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1947

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Children's Home.	6	0	0	1.000
Lexington.....	6	1	1	.812
Mooreville.....	4	1	1	.750
Spencer.....	4	1	1	.750
Concord.....	4	2	2	.625
North Wilkesboro	3	2	1	.583
Albemarle.....	3	3	0	.500
Barium Springs..	3	4	0	.429
Monroe.....	3	4	0	.429
Thomasville.....	3	5	0	.375
Statesville.....	3	7	0	.300
Kannapolis.....	2	5	0	.286
Asheboro.....	0	9	0	.000

TABLE XX  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1948

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Statesville.....	7	0	0	1.000
Children's Home.	5	0	1	.916
Lexington.....	5	0	1	.916
Barium Springs..	5	2	1	.687
Albemarle.....	4	2	0	.666
Thomasville.....	3	3	0	.500
Concord.....	3	4	1	.437
Monroe.....	2	3	1	.416
Spencer.....	1	3	1	.300
Asheboro.....	1	4	0	.200
Kannapolis.....	1	5	0	.166
North Wilkesboro	1	6	0	.142
Mooreville.....	1	7	0	.125

TABLE XXI  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1949

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Monroe.....	6	0	0	1.000
Children's Home.	5	0	0	1.000
Barium Springs..	5	2	1	.687
Lexington.....	4	2	0	.666
Albemarle.....	4	3	0	.571
Kannapolis.....	4	3	0	.571
Statesville.....	4	3	1	.562
Thomasville.....	3	3	0	.500
North Wilkesboro	2	3	0	.400
Asheboro.....	1	3	0	.250
Concord.....	1	5	0	.166
Mooreville.....	1	6	0	.142
Spencer.....	0	7	0	.000

TABLE XXII  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1950

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Asheboro.....	6	0	0	1.000
Barium Springs..	6	1	1	.812
Albemarle.....	4	1	1	.750
Statesville.....	6	2	0	.750
Lexington.....	2	0	4	.666
Thomasville.....	3	3	1	.500
North Wilkesboro	3	3	0	.500
Monroe.....	3	4	2	.444
Mooreville.....	3	4	1	.437
Concord.....	2	3	1	.416
Children's Home.	1	5	0	.166
Kannapolis.....	0	5	1	.083
Spencer.....	0	8	0	.000

TABLE XXIII  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1951

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Lexington.....	5	0	1	.916
Wilkes Central..	5	0	1	.916
Albemarle.....	7	0	2	.888
Concord.....	4	2	0	.666
Children's Home.	3	2	1	.583
Kannapolis.....	4	3	0	.571
Asheboro.....	3	3	2	.500
Barium Springs..	3	3	2	.500
Thomasville.....	3	4	0	.428
Mooreville.....	2	4	2	.375
Monroe.....	1	5	1	.214
Statesville.....	1	9	0	.100
Spencer.....	0	6	0	.000



TABLE XXIV  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1952

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Kannapolis.....	8	0	0	1.000
Albemarle.....	7	1	0	.875
Children's Home.	7	1	0	.875
Spencer.....	5	2	0	.714
Asheboro.....	5	3	0	.625
Thomasville.....	4	3	0	.571
Barium Springs..	4	3	0	.571
Statesville.....	4	5	0	.444
Concord.....	2	6	0	.250
Lexington.....	2	6	0	.250
Mills Home.....	1	5	0	.166
Monroe.....	1	5	0	.166
Mooreville.....	1	6	0	.142
Wilkes Central..	1	6	0	.142

TABLE XXV  
CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1953

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Albemarle.....	8	0	0	1.000
Kannapolis.....	7	1	0	.875
Lexington.....	4	2	1	.642
Children's Home.	5	3	0	.625
Concord.....	3	2	1	.583
Barium Springs..	4	3	0	.571
Thomasville.....	4	4	0	.500
Asheboro.....	4	4	0	.500
Wilkes Central..	2	2	0	.500
Spencer.....	3	5	0	.375
Monroe.....	2	4	0	.333
Statesville.....	2	7	0	.222
Mooreville.....	1	6	0	.142
Mills Home.....	0	6	0	.000

TABLE XXVI  
 CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1954  
 NORTHERN DIVISION

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Lexington.....	7	0	0	1.000
Asheboro.....	4	1	1	.750
Thomasville.....	3	2	1	.583
Spencer.....	3	3	0	.500
Children's Home..	2	4	0	.333
Barium Springs..	1	5	0	.166
Statesville.....	1	5	0	.166

TABLE XXVII  
 CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1954  
 SOUTHERN DIVISION

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Albemarle.....	7	1*	0	.875
Concord.....	5	2	0	.714
Monroe.....	5	2	0	.714
Kannapolis.....	5	2	0	.714
Landis.....	3	4	0	.428
China Grove.....	1	6	0	.142
Mooreville.....	1	6	0	.142
Winecoff.....	1	6	0	.142

\*Albemarle was defeated by Lexington in the Conference championship game for its only loss.

TABLE XXVIII  
 CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1955  
 NORTHERN DIVISION

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Asheboro.....	6	1*	0	.857
Lexington.....	5	1	0	.833
Barium Springs..	2	2	2	.500
Thomasville.....	2	3	1	.416
Statesville.....	2	4	0	.333
Spencer.....	0	3	3	.250
Children's Home.	0	4	2	.166

\*Asheboro was defeated by Albemarle in the Conference Championship game for its only loss.

TABLE XXIX  
 CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1955  
 SOUTHERN DIVISION

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Albemarle.....	8	0	0	1.000
Kannapolis.....	6	1	0	.857
China Grove.....	5	2	0	.714
Concord.....	3	4	0	.428
Monroe.....	3	4	0	.428
Landis.....	1	4	2	.285
Mooreville.....	1	5	1	.214
Winecoff.....	0	6	1	.071

TABLE XXX

## CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1956

## NORTHERN DIVISION

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Lexington.....	7	0	0	1.000
Thomasville.....	4	1	1	.750
Asheboro.....	4	2	0	.666
Statesville.....	3	2	1	.583
Children's Home.	2	4	0	.333
Barium Springs..	1	5	0	.166
Spencer.....	0	6	0	.000

TABLE XXXI

## CONFERENCE STANDINGS 1956

## SOUTHERN DIVISION

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Percentage
Albemarle.....	7	1*	1	.844
Kannapolis.....	6	1	1	.813
Concord.....	5	2	0	.714
China Grove.....	4	3	0	.571
Landis.....	3	4	0	.428
Monroe.....	1	5	1	.214
Mooreville.....	1	5	1	.214
Winecoff.....	0	7	0	.000

\*Albemarle was defeated by Lexington in the Conference Championship game for its only loss.

### III. GAME DISTRIBUTIONS

There were 1075 football games played in the Conference during its twenty-seven year history. The writer presents on the following pages of this chapter data showing the won, lost, and tied distributions of these games. These distributions as shown in Table XXXII were computed in order to show a won-lost-tied relationship between the Conference schools. A list of the schools that have appeared in the Conference is placed alphabetically in a vertical file along the left hand margin of the table. The same list of schools is placed horizontally at the top of the table. The won, lost, and tied figures are placed parallel with the vertical file, directly underneath the various schools at the top of the table. In order to find a relationship of games played, the table should be read from left to right. A study of Table XXXII will indicate that some schools were consistent winners over other schools in the Conference.

TABLE XXXII  
 GAME DISTRIBUTIONS OF  
 CONFERENCE MEMBERS

School	Albemarle			Asheboro		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....				10	1	
Asheboro.....	1	10				
Barium Springs....	10	3	1		6	
Belmont.....						
Children's Home...	8	4	1	5	4	1
China Grove.....		3				
Concord.....	4	17		3		1
Hickory.....						
Kannapolis.....	3	14	1	6	4	
Kings Mountain....						
Landis.....		3				
Lexington.....	6	3	2	9	2	
Lincolnton.....						
Mills Home.....	1			1		
Monroe.....	2	17	1	1	1	1
Mooreville.....		6		2	1	
Mt. Holly.....						
Newton.....						
North Wilkesboro..				1	1	
Spencer.....	2	5		1	7	
Statesville.....	2	12		4	7	1
Thomasville.....	1	5		5	7	2
Troy.....		1			1	
Wilkes Central....		1				
Winecoff.....		3				

Note: This table should be read as follows:  
 Kannapolis has won three games, lost fourteen games, and tied one game in its total play with Albemarle. Lexington has won nine games and lost two games in its total play with Asheboro.

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Barium Springs			Belmont		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	3	10	1			
Asheboro.....	6					
Barium Springs....						
Belmont.....						
Children's Home...	13	4	2			
China Grove.....				1	1	1
Concord.....	4	6	1	1		
Hickory.....		5	1	4		
Kannapolis.....	2	7	2	4		
Kings Mountain....					1	
Landis.....						
Lexington.....	15	5	3	3		
Lincolnton.....		2		3		1
Mills Home.....		1				
Monroe.....		5		3	1	1
Mooreville.....	1	10	1	2	2	1
Mt. Holly.....		2			2	
Newton.....				1		
North Wilkesboro..	1	3				
Spencer.....	1	4	2			
Statesville.....	7	12	2	1		
Thomasville.....	4	11				
Troy.....		1				
Wilkes Central....	1	2				
Winecoff.....						

ERASABLE BOND

COTTON CONTENT

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Children's Home			China Grove		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	4	8	1	3		
Asheboro.....	4	5	1			
Barium Springs.....	4	13	2			
Belmont.....				1	1	1
Children's Home.....						
China Grove.....						
Concord.....	1	12	1	2	2	
Hickory.....		1		3		
Kannapolis.....	1	8	1	4		
Kings Mountain.....						
Landis.....				1	2	
Lexington.....	9	6	3	2		
Lincolnton.....		1		1	1	1
Mills Home.....	1	3				
Monroe.....		5		1	2	
Mooreville.....		2		1	5	
Mt. Holly.....					1	
Newton.....						
North Wilkesboro.....		1				
Spencer.....	1	4	1			
Statesville.....	3	12				
Thomasville.....	4	8				
Troy.....						
Wilkes Central.....		2				
Winecoff.....				1	2	

COTTON CONTENT

EVASARFE BOND





TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Concord			Hickory		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	17	4				
Asheboro.....		3	1			
Barium Springs..	6	4	1	5		1
Belmont.....		1			4	
Children's Home.	12	1	1	1		
China Grove.....	2	2			3	
Concord.....				5	3	
Hickory.....	3	5				
Kannapolis.....	7	12	4	2	4	1
Kings Mountain..		1				
Landis.....	1	2				
Lexington.....	11	4	5	4	3	
Lincolnton.....	3	7		1	6	1
Mills Home.....	2	3				
Monroe.....	6	15	2		1	
Mooreville.....	1	19	3		2	
Mt. Holly.....		2			1	
Newton.....		1	1		1	
North Wilkesboro						
Spencer.....	2	3	1	2	2	
Statesville.....	6	9		4	3	
Thomasville.....	1	4	1			
Troy.....						
Wilkes Central..	1	1				
Winecoff.....		3				

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Kannapolis			Kings Mountain		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	14	3	1			
Asheboro.....	4	6				
Barium Springs...	7	2	2			
Belmont.....		4		1		
Children's Home..	8	1	1			
China Grove.....		4				
Concord.....	12	7	4	1		
Hickory.....	4	2	1			
Kannapolis.....						
Kings Mountain..						
Landis.....		3				
Lexington.....	5			1		
Lincolnton.....		3	1	1		
Mills Home.....		1				
Monroe.....	8	13		1		
Mooreville.....	5	16				
Mt. Holly.....		1				
Newton.....				1		
North Wilkesboro.	1	1				
Spencer.....	1	10				
Statesville.....	4	6				
Thomasville.....	3	2				
Troy.....		1				
Wilkes Central...	1	1				
Winecoff.....		3				

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Landis			Lexington		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	3			3	6	2
Asheboro.....				2	9	
Barium Springs..				5	15	
Belmont.....					3	
Children's Home.				6	9	3
China Grove.....	2	1			2	
Concord.....	2	1		4	11	5
Hickory.....				3	4	
Kannapolis.....	3				5	
Kings Mountain..					1	
Landis.....						
Lexington.....						
Lincolnton.....					8	
Mills Home.....					4	
Monroe.....	2	1		1	2	1
Mooreville.....		2	1		11	1
Mt. Holly.....						
Newton.....				1		
North Wilkesboro						
Spencer.....					7	
Statesville.....				1	12	1
Thomasville.....				3	10	2
Troy.....						
Wilkes Central..					1	
Winecoff.....		2	1			

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Lincolnton			Mills Home		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....					1	
Asheboro.....					1	
Barium Springs..	2			1		
Belmont.....		3	1			
Children's Home.	1			3	1	
China Grove.....	1	1	1			
Concord.....	7	3		3	2	
Hickory.....	6	1	1			
Kannapolis.....	3		1	1	1	
Kings Mountain..		1				
Landis.....						
Lexington.....	8			4		
Lincolnton.....						
Mills Home.....						
Monroe.....	3	2		1	2	
Mooreville.....		5	1	1	2	
Mt. Holly.....		1				
Newton.....		1				
North Wilkesboro						
Spencer.....					1	
Statesville.....	1	1		2	2	
Thomasville.....				2	1	1
Troy.....						
Wilkes Central..				1		
Winecoff.....						

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Monroe			Mooreville		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	17	2	1	6		
Asheboro.....	1	1	1	1	2	
Barium Springs..	5			10	1	1
Belmont.....	1	3	1	2	2	1
Children's Home.	5			2		
China Grove.....	2	1		5	1	
Concord.....	15	6	2	19	1	3
Hickory.....	1			2		
Kannapolis.....	13	8		16	5	
Kings Mountain..		1				
Landis.....	1	2		2		1
Lexington.....	2	1	1	11		1
Lincolnton.....	2	3		5		1
Mills Home.....	2	1		2	1	
Monroe.....				7	1	1
Mooreville.....	1	7	1			
Mt. Holly.....					2	1
Newton.....		1		2		
North Wilkesboro	1	2		2		
Spencer.....	3	5		7	5	1
Statesville.....	3	3	2	15	7	2
Thomasville.....	3	1	1	5	1	
Troy.....					1	
Wilkes Central..						1
Winecoff.....		3			3	

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Mt. Holly			Newton		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....						
Asheboro.....						
Barium Springs..						
Belmont.....	2				1	
Children's Home.						
China Grove.....	1					
Concord.....	2			1		1
Hickory.....	1			1		
Kannapolis.....	1					
Kings Mountain..					1	
Landis.....						
Lexington.....				1		
Lineolnton.....	1			1		
Mills Home.....						
Monroe.....				1		
Mooreville.....	2		1		2	
Mt. Holly.....						
Newton.....						
North Wilkesboro						
Spencer.....						
Statesville.....	1					
Thomasville.....						
Troy.....						
Wilkes Central..						
Winecoff.....						

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	North Wilkesboro			Spencer		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....				5	2	
Asheboro.....	1	1		7	1	
Barium Springs..	3	1		4	1	2
Belmont.....						
Children's Home.	1			4	1	1
China Grove.....						
Concord.....				3	2	1
Hickory.....				2	2	
Kannapolis.....	1	1		10	1	
Kings Mountain..						
Landis.....						
Lexington.....				7		
Lincolnton.....						
Mills Home.....					1	
Monroe.....	2	1		5	3	
Mooreville.....		2		5	7	1
Mt. Holly.....						
Newton.....						
North Wilkesboro				2	1	1
Spencer.....	1	2	1			
Statesville.....	3	1		5	4	
Thomasville.....	2			7	3	1
Troy.....						
Wilkes Central..				1		
Winecoff.....						

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TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Statesville			Thomasville		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	12	2		5	1	
Asheboro.....	7	4	1	7	5	2
Barium Springs...	12	7	2	11	4	
Belmont.....		1				
Children's Home..	12	3		8	4	
China Grove.....						
Concord.....	9	6		4	1	1
Hickory.....	3	4				
Kannapolis.....	6	4		2	3	
Kings Mountain...						
Landis.....						
Lexington.....	12	1	1	10	3	2
Lincolnton.....	1	1				
Mills Home.....	2	2		1	2	1
Monroe.....	3	3	2	1	3	1
Moorestville.....	7	15	2	1	5	
Mt. Holly.....		1				
Newton.....						
North Wilkesboro.	1	3			2	
Spencer.....	4	5		3	7	1
Statesville.....				1	7	1
Thomasville.....	7	1	1			
Troy.....		1				
Wilkes Central...	3					
Winecoff.....						



TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Troy			Wilkes Central		
	Won	Lost	Tied	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	1					
Asheboro.....	1					
Barium Springs..	1			2	1	
Belmont.....				2		
Children's Home.						
China Grove.....						
Concord.....				1	1	
Hickory.....						
Kannapolis.....	1			1	1	
Kings Mountain..						
Landis.....						
Lexington.....				1		
Lincolnton.....						
Mills Home.....					1	
Monroe.....						
Mooresville.....	1					1
Mt. Holly.....						
Newton.....						
North Wilkesboro						
Spencer.....					1	
Statesville.....	1				3	
Thomasville.....						
Troy.....						
Wilkes Central..						
Winecoff.....						

TABLE XXXII (continued)

School	Winecoff		
	Won	Lost	Tied
Albemarle.....	3		
Asheboro.....			
Barium Springs..			
Belmont.....			
Children's Home.			
China Grove.....	2	1	
Concord.....	3		
Hickory.....			
Kannapolis.....	3		
Kings Mountain..			
Landis.....	2		1
Lexington.....			
Lincolnton.....			
Mills Home.....			
Monroe.....	3		
Mooreville.....	3		
Mt. Holly.....			
Newton.....			
North Wilkesboro			
Spencer.....			
Statesville.....			
Thomasville.....			
Troy.....			
Wilkes Central..			
Winecoff.....			

## CHAPTER V

### ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

The Constitution of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association indicated that an all-conference team was to be selected by Conference coaches at the end of each regular season play. This chapter is devoted to a list of such teams as they have appeared in the Conference football history.

#### I. Selection and Official Teams

Selection. Selection for the all-conference teams was based on outstanding performances of various players in the Conference. The player at each position receiving the highest number of votes by coaches was placed on the All-Conference team. If two players received the same number of votes for a position, each was placed on the team. Only a first team was selected each year, however, beginning with the 1954 season an all-conference team was selected from each division.

Official teams. On the following pages of this chapter the official South Piedmont High School All-Conference teams for the years 1938 through 1956 are listed in Tables XXXIII through LIV. Each table gives the position, name, and school of each all-conference member selected. The writer was not able to locate the All-Conference teams for the years 1930 through 1937.

TABLE XXXIII

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1938

Position	Name	School
End.....	Richard Huffman	Lexington
End.....	Jerry Sigmon	Kannapolis
Tackle.....	William Frye	Hickory
Tackle.....	Worth Bolton	Barium Springs
Guard.....	Leslie Leazer	Kannapolis
Guard.....	Buddy Osborn	Lexington
Center.....	Gene Fortner	Children's Home
Back.....	Billy Myers	Lexington
Back.....	Bobby Lawrence	Children's Home
Back.....	Charles Rudisell	Lincolnton
Back.....	Lacy Beshears	Barium Springs

TABLE XXXIV

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1939

Position	Name	School
End.....	Robert Edwards	Lincolnton
End.....	William Jones	Children's Home
End.....	Gene Miller	Hickory
Tackle.....	Taffy Williams	Concord
Tackle.....	Thomas McCrimmon	Barium Springs
Guard.....	Frank Gasteverson	Albemarle
Guard.....	Veron Price	Lexington
Center.....	Carl Von Link	Lexington
Back.....	Donald Allen	Concord
Back.....	Joseph Dobbins	Hickory
Back.....	Billy Myers	Lexington
Back.....	Robert Templeton	Children's Home
Back.....	Roy Carlton	Lexington

TABLE XXXV

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1940

Position	Name	School
End.....	James Clark	Lexington
End.....	William Jones	Children's Home
Tackle.....	Sonny James	Mills Home
Tackle.....	Vince Owens	Lexington
Guard.....	Vernon Price	Lexington
Guard.....	Gene Howie	Monroe
Center.....	Dick Foreman	Albemarle
Back.....	Arthur Roack	Barium Springs
Back.....	Billy Myers	Lexington
Back.....	James Cress	Spencer
Back.....	Lewis Morgan	Albemarle

TABLE XXXVI

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1941

Position	Name	School
End.....	William Poole	Children's Home
End.....	John Cackey	Mooreville
Tackle.....	Donald Bolton	Barium Springs
Tackle.....	Earnest Knotts	Albemarle
Guard.....	William Barts	Kannapolis
Guard.....	Richard Lambeth	Lexington
Center.....	Richard Parish	Barium Springs
Back.....	Gwyn Fletcher	Barium Springs
Back.....	Francis Craver	Lexington
Back.....	Lewis Morgan	Albemarle
Back.....	Charles Lambeth	Thomasville

TABLE XXXVII

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1942

Position	Name	School
End.....	James Cagle	Children's Home
End.....	Jason Honeycutt	Kannapolis
Tackle.....	Don Bolton	Barium Springs
Tackle.....	Jimmy Sisk	Mills Home
Guard.....	Earnest Knotts	Albemarle
Guard.....	Earnest Strickland	Barium Springs
Center.....	J. C. Honeycutt	Kannapolis
Center.....	Cotton Saudners	Statesville
Back.....	Robert Jones	Mills Home
Back.....	Herman Bryson	Children's Home
Back.....	Charles Lambeth	Thomasville
Back.....	Paul Bolus	Concord

TABLE XXXVIII

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1943

Position	Name	School
End.....	William Poole	Children's Home
End.....	J. C. McClain	Thomasville
Tackle.....	John Smith	Lexington
Tackle.....	Curtis Honeycutt	Concord
Tackle.....	Robert Goode	Statesville
Guard.....	Max Morgan	Asheboro
Guard.....	Tom Boyette	Children's Home
Center.....	Roger Jones	Children's Home
Back.....	Harry Greene	Kannapolis
Back.....	Lee Spears	Lexington
Back.....	Vincent Seckrist	Statesville
Back.....	Herman Bryson	Children's Home

TABLE XXXIX

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1944

Position	Name	School
End.....	J. C. McClain	Thomasville
End.....	Frank Little	Albemarle
Tackle.....	Curtis Honeycutt	Concord
Tackle.....	Johnny Durham	Monroe
Guard.....	Jimmy Knotts	Albemarle
Guard.....	Oscar Love	Children's Home
Center.....	Roger Jones	Children's Home
Back.....	Jimmy Sifford	Albemarle
Back.....	James Dorton	Concord
Back.....	Dave Poole	Children's Home
Back.....	Bill Yarborough	Thomasville

TABLE XL

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1945

Position	Name	Schools
End.....	Robert Henry	Children's Home
End.....	Leo Talbert	Concord
Tackle.....	Henry Turner	Albemarle
Tackle.....	Julian King	Children's Home
Guard.....	Earl Allen	Barium Springs
Guard.....	Jack McCachren	Concord
Center.....	Sherman Julian	Kannapolis
Back.....	Tom Boyette	Children's Home
Back.....	Charles Rimmer	Concord
Back.....	Jack Grayson	Thomasville
Back.....	Grady Carpenter	Concord

TABLE XLI

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1946

Position	Name	School
End.....	Ernie Kluttz	Concord
End.....	Frank Cagle	Children's Home
Tackle....	Julian King	Children's Home
Tackle....	Benny Walser	Lexington
Guard.....	Phil Alexander	Mooreville
Guard.....	Earl Allen	Barium Springs
Center....	James Bowles	Mooreville
Back.....	Max Thompson	Albemarle
Back.....	Ralph Singleton	Mooreville
Back.....	Dave Poole	Children's Home
Back.....	Beaul Lefler	Albemarle

TABLE XLII

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1947

Position	Name	School
End.....	Wesley Withers	Spencer
End.....	James Pittman	Thomasville
End.....	Pete Clark	Lexington
Tackle....	Julian King	Children's Home
Tackle....	Benny Walser	Lexington
Guard.....	Phil Alexander	Mooreville
Guard.....	Dave Cooke	Concord
Center....	John Chambers	Kennapolis
Back.....	Robert Gantt	Albemarle
Back.....	Ernie Kluttz	Concord
Back.....	Dayton Crews	Children's Home
Back.....	Jule Rousseau	North Wilkesboro
Back.....	William Eanes	Lexington
Back.....	Jack Clark	Barium Springs



TABLE XLIII

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1948

Position	Name	School
End.....	Jerry Young	Barium Springs
End.....	Wesley Withers	Spencer
Tackle.....	Donald Kimel	Statesville
Tackle.....	Kenneth Deberry	Concord
Guard.....	Fred Dobey	Lexington
Guard.....	Claude Sebastian	Spencer
Guard.....	O. T. Williams	Children's Home
Center.....	Gene Morris	Concord
Back.....	William Eanes	Lexington
Back.....	Bill Kluttz	Albemarle
Back.....	Hunter Hadley	Monroe
Back.....	Charles Smith	Children's Home

TABLE XLIV

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1949

Position	Name	School
End.....	Terrell Hall	Barium Springs
End.....	James York	Asheboro
End.....	Marvin Crow	Lexington
Tackle.....	Foyle Wagner	Lexington
Tackle.....	Loy Witherspoon	Children's Home
Guard.....	Harold Funderburk	Monroe
Guard.....	Jerry Wallace	Thomasville
Center.....	James Redwine	Lexington
Center.....	Junior Seawell	Asheboro
Back.....	Harold Carter	Lexington
Back.....	Charles Smith	Children's Home
Back.....	Hunter Hadley	Monroe
Back.....	Bill Kluttz	Albemarle
Back.....	Bill Proctor	Children's Home

TABLE XLV

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1950

Position	Name	School
End.....	Terrell Hall	Barium Springs
End.....	James York	Asheboro
Tackle.....	Foyle Wagner	Lexington
Tackle.....	Kenneth Whitley	Albemarle
Guard.....	Roy Thomas	Concord
Guard.....	Sidney Helms	Albemarle
Center.....	Charles Hill	Lexington
Back.....	Richard James	Statesville
Back.....	Edward Patterson	Albemarle
Back.....	Paul Barnes	Barium Springs
Back.....	Bill Smith	Mooreville

TABLE XLVI

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1951

Position	Name	School
End.....	Buddy Mathis	Wilkes Central
End.....	Junior Morgan	Asheboro
Tackle.....	Foyle Wagner	Lexington
Tackle.....	Silvester Hall	Children's Home
Guard.....	Mack Pigg	Monroe
Guard.....	Hoyle Wagner	Lexington
Center.....	Douglas Knotts	Albemarle
Back.....	Norvin Hillard	Barium Springs
Back.....	Leslie Swanner	Albemarle
Back.....	Kenneth Argo	Kennapolis
Back.....	Bill Adkins	Children's Home

TABLE XLVII

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1952

Position	Name	School
End.....	Pete Athanelos	Kannapolis
End.....	Donald Haynes	Lexington
Tackle.....	Roy Thomas	Concord
Tackle.....	Gary Sherrill	Kannapolis
Guard.....	Lydon Wall	Children's Home
Guard.....	Allen Hillard	Statesville
Center.....	Richard McKellar	Asheboro
Back.....	Gene Snuggs	Albemarle
Back.....	Arliss Brigman	Children's Home
Back.....	Kenneth Conger	Statesville
Back.....	Donald Ritche	Kannapolis

TABLE XLVIII

## ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1953

Position	Name	School
End.....	Pete Athanelos	Kannapolis
End.....	Calvin Burleson	Barium Springs
End.....	Otty Lynn	Albemarle
End.....	Harold Younts	Thomasville
Tackle.....	Jimmy Page	Albemarle
Tackle.....	Donald Argo	Kannapolis
Tackle.....	Edward Covington	Lexington
Guard.....	Steve McClendon	Albemarle
Guard.....	Buddy Argo	Kannapolis
Center.....	Charles James	Albemarle
Back.....	Bill Pegram	Children's Home
Back.....	Ralph Setzler	Albemarle
Back.....	Haward Hall	Kannapolis
Back.....	Donnie Smith	Albemarle

TABLE XLIX  
ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1954  
NORTHERN DIVISION

Position	Name	School
End.....	Scott Craven	Lexington
End.....	Benny Vick	Asheboro
Tackle.....	Larry Wagner	Spencer
Tackle.....	Jack Coppley	Lexington
Guard.....	Donald Cranford	Thomasville
Guard.....	Marvin Galloway	Asheboro
Center.....	Joe Sink	Lexington
Back.....	Paul Barbee	Asheboro
Back.....	Donald Redding	Asheboro
Back.....	Robert Stafford	Lexington
Back.....	Fred Peacock	Lexington
Back.....	Bobby Lomax	Thomasville

TABLE L  
ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1954  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

Position	Name	School
End.....	Larry Cook	Landis
End.....	Arnold Mills	Monroe
End.....	Gothard Overcash	Mooreville
Tackle.....	Larry Howell	Monroe
Tackle.....	William Helms	Monroe
Guard.....	Bobby Peck	Albemarle
Guard.....	Rodney Honeycutt	Concord
Center.....	Charles James	Albemarle
Back.....	Tommy Nash	Monroe
Back.....	Leroy Serecy	Kannapolis
Back.....	Donnie Smith	Albemarle
Back.....	John Mooxe	Albemarle
Back.....	Wade Smith	Albemarle

TABLE LI  
ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1955  
NORTHERN DIVISION

Position	Name	School
End.....	Dwight Bungarner	Lexington
End.....	Charles Creech	Barium Springs
Tackle.....	Guy York	Asheboro
Tackle.....	Larry Wagner	Spencer
Tackle.....	James Campbell	Barium Springs
Guard.....	Donald Cranford	Thomasville
Guard.....	Jack White	Lexington
Center.....	John Tillman	Asheboro
Back.....	Deams Allie	Statesville
Back.....	Edward Gregson	Asheboro
Back.....	James Moore	Lexington
Back.....	Bobby Dunningan	Children's Home

TABLE LII  
ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1955  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

Position	Name	School
End.....	Larry Cook	Landis
End.....	Gothard Overcash	Mooreville
Tackle.....	Carl Dry	China Grove
Tackle.....	Larry Howell	Monroe
Guard.....	Luther Kimery	Albemarle
Guard.....	Wayne Anderson	Kannapolis
Center.....	Steve Gantt	Albemarle
Center.....	James Lentz	Concord
Back.....	Wade Smith	Albemarle
Back.....	Leroy Serecy	Kannapolis
Back.....	Edsay Brunson	Albemarle
Back.....	Buddy McClure	China Grove

TABLE LIII  
ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1956  
NORTHERN DIVISION

Position	Name	School
End.....	Tommy Woncannon	Asheboro
End.....	James Almond	Thomasville
End.....	William Lopp	Lexington
Tackle.....	Robbie Smith	Lexington
Tackle.....	Harold Sherill	Statesville
Guard.....	Roy Tysinger	Thomasville
Guard.....	Roger Everhart	Thomasville
Center.....	John Tillman	Asheboro
Back.....	Moyer Smith	Lexington
Back.....	James Moore	Lexington
Back.....	Jack Mitchell	Children's Home
Back.....	Hazel Taylor	Statesville

TABLE LIV  
ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM 1956  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

Position	Name	School
End.....	Larry Lisk	Albemarle
End.....	Douglas Harwood	Concord
Tackle.....	Jerry Lowder	Albemarle
Tackle.....	Eugene Massey	Kannapolis
Guard.....	Lane Lowder	Albemarle
Guard.....	Donald Berry	Mooreville
Guard.....	David Grigg	Albemarle
Center.....	James Garner	Winecoff
Back.....	Conrad Sloop	Kannapolis
Back.....	Sonny Basinger	Concord
Back.....	Steve Gantt	Albemarle
Back.....	Johnny Shinn	China Grove

## CHAPTER VI

### SUMMARY, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This investigation has traced the growth and development of the South Piedmont High School Conference Football history from its beginning in 1929 to the present date. The Conference was formed as part of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association with general control vested in an executive committee. Conference membership varied through the years with a number of withdrawals and additions. The biggest change in membership came in 1953 when the Conference was split into a Northern and a Southern Division. A total number of twenty-five schools have appeared in the Conference during its twenty-seven year history. The winner of the Conference was determined by the percentage method. Tie games were not counted in the percentages until 1946. Football schedules were worked out by individual schools with the Executive Committee determining the number of games to be played each year. A constitutional provision was made in 1939 stating that the first five schools in the standings during the last season were to play each other in the coming season. Game scores were reported to the Association Secretary by the home team coach or principal within two days after a game was played. Failure to do so resulted in a forfeiture by the home team. The visiting team was paid the sum of five or ten dollars, depending on mileage, for

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a return trip in the event that a first game was postponed. Each school in the Conference was responsible for player eligibility. A player eligibility list was submitted to the Association Secretary prior to the first Conference game. Football officials were supplied by various officials associations. Arrangements for guarantees were decided upon by the two schools concerned. Spring and winter football practice was prohibited. All coaches were not required to be regular certified teachers. Scouting of another team did not receive the approval of the Association if it required a school official or student to be absent from school. Publicity of the Conference was secured through various state and local newspapers and through the efforts of Smith Barrier, Sports Editor of the Concord Tribune.

The data with regard to won, lost, and tied records of schools that have appeared in the Conference is presented in Table I. A study of this table will show that there were various differences in membership with tenure ranging from twenty-seven to one year. Also, the table will show that only three schools have won one-hundred Conference games or more and that two schools did not win a game in Conference play. The data with regard to the final Conference standings is presented in Tables II through XXXI. These tables will show the rank and percentage of Conference members in each year of Conference play. Game distributions of 1075 football games played in the Conference are

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presented in Table XXXII. This table will show the relationship of games won, lost, and tied between Conference members.

All-Conference teams, based on outstanding performances of various players of the Conference, were selected by Conference coaches at the end of each regular season of play. All-Conference teams from 1938 through 1956 are presented.

### CONCLUSIONS

The results of this investigation reveal that:

(1) Football participation in the South Piedmont High School Conference was governed by rules and regulations set up by the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association.

(2) Rules and regulations dealing with football have been violated by some Conference members and action was taken against these violators.

(3) Only seven, out of the twenty-five schools that have appeared in the Conference, have won more games than they have lost in football play.

(4) The Conference has been unbalanced through the years by consistently strong members and by consistently weak members.

(5) The majority of All-Conference members have been selected from the first five schools in the Conference standings each year.

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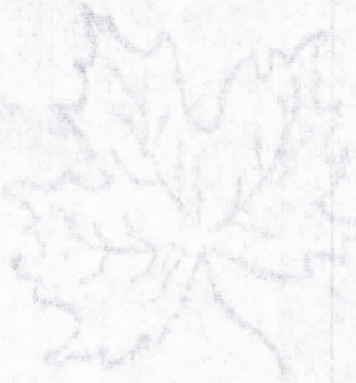
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## RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended by this writer that:

(1) An investigation be made dealing with a history of basketball and baseball in the Conference.

(2) The consistently strong members withdraw from the South Piedmont High School Conference and form a new conference with other equally strong schools.



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