

# Lions Earn Sixth Victory, 39-20

The Mars Hill football team has won games through its strong defense, then through its kicking game, then on the ground. Now it has unveiled a surprisingly potent passing attack, bombarding the Georgetown Tigers last weekend 39-20 in Georgetown, Ky.

## Roger Ball Completes Training

Marine Pfc. Roger E. Ball, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger E. Ball of Route 3, Mars Hill, has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

During the 10 and one-half week training cycle, he learned the basics of battlefield survival. He has introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

He participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills, including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline were emphasized throughout the training cycle.

A 1979 graduate of Madison High School, he joined the Marine Corps in November 1978.

than real. But on Saturday, sophomore quarterback Mark Clark passed for 227 yards, three touchdowns, and seven days of glory as the District 26 offensive player of the week. The Lions are now 6-1-1 overall.

"Mark started at the game slowly," said the Lions' Head Coach Claude Gibson, "but the receivers began making some of the best catches I've ever seen. Mark Garren made an unbelievable catch in the end zone, where he just took it away from a defender for a touchdown. Another TD pass went to Steve Maennie, and another pass to Barry King set up a field goal."

Mars Hill was jolted in the first period when 210-pound tailback Jim Cottle sprinted 78 yards for a touchdown on the very first play of the game — a dive play. But that one run nearly equalled the rushing yardage for the Tigers of 79 yards for the entire game.

On their first possession, the Lions managed a 46-yard pass to Barry King, followed by a John Coble field goal. They then forced a fumble by split end Don Leet and tried a play that was to surprise Georgetown twice: a reverse to flanker Chris Watts, who ran 16 yards for a touchdown. Watts later managed a 14-yard touchdown with 6:48 left in the game on the same play.

The Lions went for their victory without their leading runner, Kenny Phillips, who was injured the week before. Following an interception by a Catawba linebacker, Phillips threw such a hard tackle that he broke the

linebacker's leg in two places and strained some muscles in his own back.

Against Georgetown, the leading rusher was William Mitchell, who ran 78 yards on 14 carries. "We didn't have our outside speed," said Gibson, "and that was evident as the game went along." James Miller scored a touchdown from two yards out.

Georgetown had an excellent passing game themselves, racking up 237 yards through the air. Quarterback Dennis Ashworth threw two touchdown passes to speedy slotback Scoot Smith, of 32 and 48 yards. "No defense likes to have those big plays run against them," said Coach Gibson. "No coach likes to have them happen, either. But we benefited from their fumbles. We recovered five out of their six. We also set up two touchdowns by runbacks — Steve Campbell ran back a quick kick 30 yards and Mark Jones ran back a punt 44 yards."

The victory keeps Mars Hill squarely in the race for the NAIA national playoffs, although two tough games remain. "A win this week over Newberry," said Gibson, would insure us of no worse than a second-place finish in the conference."

Two teams from each of the four conferences are chosen for the playoffs. If the Lions make it, they will probably have to play the one team that has beaten them this year: Presbyterian College.

This weekend, during the halftime intermission of the Newberry game, there will be an Old-timers Reunion. The

championship 1967 team, which had a 9-1 record, will be introduced by their coach, Don Henderson.

## Hawkins Completes Marine Course

Marine Pvt. Terry L. Hawkins, son of Herbert E. Hawkins of Route 3, Mars Hill, has completed recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

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A 1978 graduate of Clyde A. Erwin High School in Asheville, he joined the Marine Corps in April.



SEALTEST FOODS SOFTBALL team for girls 9 through 12, representing Mars Hill, came out tied for second place over the season in their league. They lost a playoff game to finish third in the regular season, but in both pre-season and end-of-season tournaments, they earned second place. This picture was taken when the group gathered for a picnic and trophy day. Players include Rebecca Edmonds, Teloda Ammons, Leashell Ammons, Jennie Beth Wood, Shelly

Hill, Karen Johnson, Beth Kiser, Vicki Willis, Carolyn Tweed, Deana Griffin, Lou Ann Littrell, Tracy Metcalf, Kim Willis, Jodi Carter, Kelley Carter, Annette Thomas, Cindy Deitz, Stacy Sears, Kathleen Burda, Cindy Robinson, Tonya Carter, Bethany Deputch, Deanna Hamlin and Sharon Groom. Coaches were the Rev. Arthur Ammons, Hele Griffin and Kathryn Tweed. Charles Tweed represented Sealtest Foods.

## 4 Madison Seniors Win Medals At Golden Age 'Olympic Games'

Four Madison County senior citizens entered the Golden Age Olympics at Haywood County last Friday and Saturday and came back home with seven medals.

They were Mrs. Grace S. English of Marshall, who won a gold medal in bridge competition; Rochelle E. Parker of Meadow Fork, who won a gold medal in hor-

shoe pitching; Mrs. Pearl Brigman Hutton of Walnut with a silver medal in checkers; and Mrs. Dorothy B. Shupe of Walnut, who won a gold medal in checkers, two silver medals in basketball and a silver medal in bridge.

The Olympic games were sponsored by the Greater Haywood County Chamber of Commerce and competition was held at Tuscola High School, Canton YMCA, Clyde bowling lanes, Maggie Valley Country Club and Waynesville Recreation Park.

Bill Parker, executive secretary of the chamber of commerce, and Mrs. Linda Reck were in charge of arrangements. Nathan Yelton, secretary of the North Carolina Division of Aging, spoke at the torch lighting ceremony Friday morning. He was introduced by Rep. Ernest B. Messer of the state assembly who served as honorary chairman for the event. Rep. Messer also presented the medals to the many winners Saturday afternoon.

The offense of both teams was as cold as the weather as the Falcons and Patriots sputtered between the 30-yard lines for the major part of the game. At halftime each team had been able to make but one first down.

The Patriots held a 141-48 edge in total yardage but were unable to score. In the second quarter Mike Hensley, the Patriots' leading ground gainer, brought the local fans to their feet when he ran 25 yards into the end zone for a touchdown but the run was nullified by a clipping penalty.

Most of the game was played in Falcon territory with the Patriot defense constantly choking down a weak offense by the visitors. Leading the defense were Greg Meadows, Lorne Maxwell, Lee Hoffman, Steve Adams and Jim Huffman. Kevin Barnette and Mike Hensley were the leading offensive players for the Patriots.

In the fourth period Barnette picked up a Falcon punt and ran 52 yards into the end zone but again, the Patriots were guilty of clipping and with 6:05 left in the game, neither team threatened.

## Falcons Defeat Patriots In Overtime

West Henderson's Falcons eked out a 7-0 victory over the Madison Patriots last Friday night in overtime in a Little MAC conference game played at the local stadium before a shivering and sparse crowd.

The final buzzer sounded with the team teams scoreless, necessitating overtime.

After a coin toss, won by the Falcons, the ball was placed on the 10-yard line with the Falcons having four downs to score. The first attempt was stopped when the Patriot defensive line stopped Jeff Lemmons cold for a yard loss. The second attempt, Lemmons gained three yards to the Patriot 3 yard line. Third attempt the Falcons were driven back to the 8-yard line but on the final attempt, Ryan Allison, Falcon quarterback, rambled through the center of

the Patriot line on what appeared to be a broken play to score the game's only touchdown. Mike Holden's placement for the extra point was good, and the Falcons took a 7-0 lead.

The Patriots, however, had an opportunity to do something from the 10-yard line on four downs.

The Falcons stopped the first two plays for no gain. On the third play, Barnette rambled through the Falcon line to the half yard stripe. With one play remaining, the Patriots were penalized five yards for delay of game; on the second attempt, the Patriots were again penalized five yards for illegal procedure. In the last play with the ball on the Falcon 10-yard line, the Falcons intercepted a Patriot pass in the end zone to end the game, giving the Falcons the 7-0

victory. Jeff Lemmons and Ryan Allison were the leading offensive players for the Falcons, who won their first conference game of the season.

The Patriot defense held the visitors to only 35 yards rushing and 13 yards passing while the Patriots had 12 yards rushing and 16 yards passing.

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