



**OUT OF THE LIONS DEN**  
JOHN FOSTER WEST

A tentative lineup of the 1941 basketball team:

Haithcock ..... forward  
Edwards ..... forward  
McMurray ..... center  
Farrar ..... guard  
Hambright ..... guard

Basketball schedule:

Dec. 12—Canton "Y", here.  
Jan. 9—Beckley, here.  
Jan. 11—Brevard, here.  
Jan. 18—Textile, here.  
Jan. 25—Textile, Spartanburg, S. C.  
Jan. 28—Beacon, here.  
Jan. 31—Appalachian "B", here.  
Feb. 1—Lees-McRae, there.  
Feb. 4—Beacon, there.  
Feb. 5—Brevard, there.  
Feb. 8—Biltmore, there.  
Feb. 11—Lees-McRae, here.  
Feb. 15—Biltmore, here.  
Feb. 20—Canton "Y", there.  
Feb. 22—Appalachian "B", here.

**Football Schedule For 1941**

Sept. 24—Arkansas A. & M., Asheville.  
Oct. 4—Appalachian "B", here.  
Oct. 11—Erskine (fresh.), here.  
Oct. 18—Davidson (fresh.), here.  
Oct. 25—Open.  
Nov. 1—Newberry (fresh.), here.  
Nov. 8—Hiwassee, Madisonville, Tenn.  
Nov. 18—Wofford (fresh.), Spartanburg, S. C.  
Nov. 27—Brevard, there.

The Mars Hill Lions have been scheduled to play the Arkansas A. and M. Aggies, "Marx Brothers of football", on the Asheville gridiron September 24, 1941.

It is as rare for the Aggies to win a game as it is for the Lions to lose one. Coach Ferguson's squad never practice except when the boys wish to practice, and never plan an attack in advance. All running plays are thought out in the game on the spur of the moment. The man that can yell the loudest calls the play.

The Aggies were the subject of a feature story in Collier's Magazine November 23, 1940.

At one time Arkansas A. and M. college went out for football in earnest. They won only about half their games then, so President Bankston solved the problem by hiring Stewart Ferguson coach. Coach Ferguson took the job under three conditions: (1.) that he would not be paid; (2.) he wouldn't be required to win a game in three years; (3.) he wouldn't have a free hand.

Coach Ferguson bought a bus and went looking for games. The farther away the opposing college is from Monticello, Arkansas, the better the Aggies like it. This past season they played in California, New York City, South Dakota, Texas, Louisiana, Missouri, and Philadelphia.

Their plays are as screwy as they are original. On one play, they use a 10-man line and a one-man backfield, and in an-

**W.A.A. News**

A new physical education program has been organized. This program will include both active and individual sports, such as basketball, volley ball, baseball, archery, and ping pong.

A coaching class will be provided next semester for those particularly interested in physical education and who plan to further their work in this field. A detailed study of active and individual sports will be made. There will be one hour a week of theory, one hour of practice, and one of practice teaching. The classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday from 3 to 4 o'clock.

The W. A. A. is unable to continue on the same basis as that of last semester. There was too great a number of participants for efficient activity. A leadership training class will be offered as a substitute. Twenty-eight C-I girls have been chosen by the physical director because of their enthusiasm and grades. They will learn to organize people for mass participation in games and will help direct social school functions. They will learn gymnastics and military drills in preparation for marching at football games next year.

**Orchestra Plans Concert Here**

The college orchestra is making plans for its annual spring concert, to be presented near the middle of March. This concert will mark the climax of the spring season and the culmination of months of intense practice. The program will include the presentation of numbers of nationality, representing approximately five countries.

Plans are also being made for the annual party which will immediately follow the concert. There are eighteen members of the orchestra at the present time, and others are being admitted. Application for membership for the second semester is now open to students who may be qualified.

Other the ball carrier precedes his interference. They like to pass. Against Louisiana college last year they completed 42 passes without scoring. Their favorite play is one in which the ball is lateraled to every man on the team.

Back in the old days, an irate president dubbed them Boll Weevils. Boll Weevils they are, and like it.



**Down The Sports Trail**

By Jerry Rogers

January 6, '41.

Hi-ya lads and lassies! How's everything? Here's hoping everyone had a Merry Christmas and enjoyed the holidays. I saw a few people starting off the New Year with a grouch, but I suppose that was just due to the coming exams. Why worry over a little thing like that? You know I've found out that the easiest way to pass an exam is just to put down the correct answer to the questions asked by the teacher. Try it!

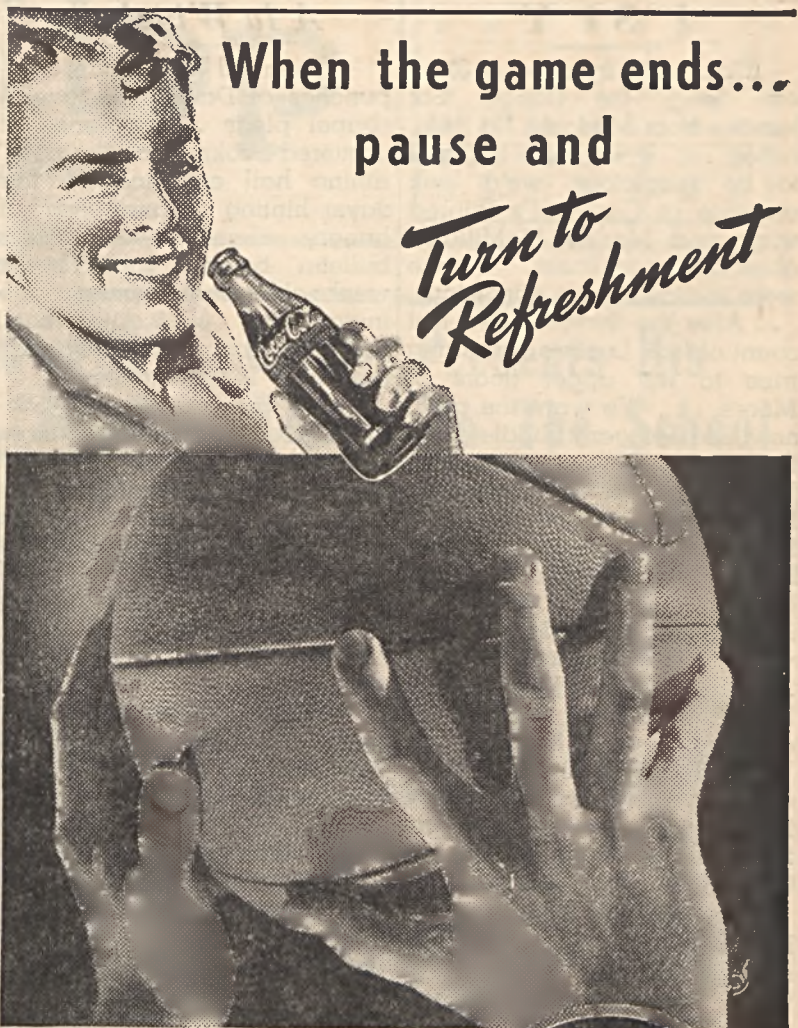
Well, so much for that. Let's talk about basketball awhile. On Dec. 12th our boys played the first scheduled basketball game of the season and (as usual) beat the Canton Y. M. C. A. by the score of 39-22. Since then we've played several practice games. One was just a scrimmage with Covington Sport shop of Asheville, which served as a workout for the boys, while the other was a regular game, with the same team, which we won. Since the holidays the Lions have had a practice game with the Marshall All-stars in which our team again won.

Although the game with Canton was the first on the schedule the opening game of the college series will not be played till Thursday the 9th against Beckly. This is a small prep. college from the central part of W. Va. Since this is the Lion's first encounter with this team there is no predicting what kind of game it will be. The next game in the series will be played here Saturday night Jan. 11th with Brevard. There's not a doubt in my mind that there will be plenty of thrills and excitement at that game. As you know, Brevard is a traditional rival and their coming always brings plenty of spirit and fun. It is more than likely that they will also have part of their student body along. Make it a point to come down to the gym that night and pull for our team. They need encouragement and support and we're the only ones who can give it to them. We have another game following the one with Brevard. It is with the Textile Institute from S. C. and is to be played the 18th.

Well, that's all for this issue but we'll get together again next time the Hilltop comes out. Don't try to learn anything now, for remember that you shouldn't let your studies interfere with pleasure. So long!

**EXAM SCHEDULE**

7:30 T.T.S.	Wednesday, January 15 (2:30-4:30)
7:30 M.W.F.	Thursday, January 16 (8:30-10:30)
3:00 T.T.S.	Thursday, January 16 (10:30-12:30)
8:30 T.T.S.	Thursday, January 16 (2:30-4:30)
9:30 M.W.F.	Friday, January 17 (8:30-10:30)
2:00 T.T.S.	Friday, January 17 (10:30-12:30)
10:30 M.W.F.	Friday, January 17 (2:30-4:30)
10:30 T.T.S.	Saturday, January 18 (8:30-10:30)
12:00 T.T.S.	Saturday, January 18 (10:30-12:30)
12:00 M.W.F.	Saturday, January 18 (2:30-4:30)
1:00 M.W.F.	Monday, January 20 (8:30-10:30)
1:00 T.T.S. & 4:00 M.W.F.	Saturday, Jan. 20 (10:30-12:30)
2:00 M.W.F.	Monday, January 20 (2:30-4:30)
9:30 T.T.S.	Tuesday, January 21 (8:30-10:30)
3:00 M.W.F.	Tuesday, January 21 (10:30-12:30)
8:30 M.W.F.	Tuesday, January 21 (2:30-4:30)



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**A la Winchell**

The New Year Scene at Mars Hill: the "newest" thing was the privilege of blissfully dating in Edna Moore 'till 12:30 A. M., January 1st. Wouldst but couldst the privilege continue! New dresses by the dozens proudly paraded—and new sweaters and trousers, to add freshness to the scene. Yes, they are noticed—gladly, even enviably (old ones too). The faces in them—not so new, and some not so fresh, obviously dimmed by all-night bus rides, or . . . further evidence of night-rides displayed in New Year's Day classes by coeds resigned to the cramped and harried sleep in a hard desk while a dutiful prof weakly tries to carry on to bleary-eyed, Sugar-Bowl-minded try-hards.

The Mars Hill pulse beat: At Melrose: "I had a swell time, but I'm paying for it now." At Brown: "Boy, did I hate to come back!" At Edna Moore: "Think of dating here in the parlor 'till 12:30 A.M." At Spilman: "Ooooh—my head!" At Treat: "This vacation passed just like a dream." "Damn that dream!" At Rivermont: "Katherine brought back two fruit-cakes, a bag of oranges, and a box of candy; are we gonna evade the dining room!" At Sprinkle: "And so I said to that brazen little flirt on the train. . . ."

You can't take them with you, you can't avoid them while you are here: Mars Hill side-walks on a rainy day. . . . Thought-electrifying shocks from the simple, direct, sincerely earnest, solar-plexus  
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**I SPY**

Greetings to our public—both of you! We're neck-high in good resolves for the purity and accuracy of this colyum, but regret we're still befuddled from the holidays. But we know you'll understand and won't hold anything against us (we hope!). We heard that scads of funny business happened when Mars Hillians left, rested, and returned—to wit:

We won't say exactly **who**, but two A-students had no difficulty a-tall hitching home. They just flashed we-know-who's picture! . . . Tsk! tsk! Jack Seay nearly missed **two** busses out of Bristol. What's Bristol got that Mars Hill hasn't got? . . . **Scoop:** Gin "Bus-driver's Pet" Agee throws tangerine hulls in the aisle. And that isn't all she has in the aisles! . . . Carolyn Williams reports that at that Citadel party the men wore tails. David was her escort (and he's been here already since Xmas!) . . . Betty Lee and Willie Ruth really tried to study during the holidays. It was that meanie Winston-Salem librarian's fault that they didn't. She put them out when they only opened their lunch! . . . Those who stayed behind were violently thrown from their beds—well, almost!—at two o'clock in the morning by an earthquake. 'Struel! . . . **Most unusual present:** Madge got an appendectomy—and was poor John wearing out the hospital carpet! . . . And we are so happy that Santa brought Henry Capps a haircut . . . Two-twenty-five Moore got a pick-up so Alweda  
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