

Crip's Sports

# Spotlight

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# Lions Defeat Milligan

## Babycats Win 13-6 Over MHC Mountain Lions

As a heavy rain started falling soon after the Mars Hill - W. C. T. C. "B" team football game got underway on Saturday afternoon, October 8, on the Mars Hill College gridiron, W. C. T. C. went to work and pushed their first touch-down over the goal line in their 13-6 victory.

The Kittymounts pushed down to the Lions' 15 yard line, but the Lions held and took over. On the first play from scrimmage, Collins fumbled and an opponent bounced on the pigskin for W. C. T. C. With the ball resting on the 20 of Mars Hill, the visitors started a drive which carried to the Mars Hill five yard line with a first down and goal to go. After hitting the line for three successive times, Hooper, tail back, took the ball from center and scampered around right end and into the end zone. Whitaker added the extra point from placement.

When the first half ended, the score was 7-0 in favor of the visitors from Cullowhee. Although the rain continued to fall, the crowd remained on the field to witness the second half of the "Swimming contest."

Early in the third quarter, the W. C. T. C. "B's" started a drive towards the Mars Hill goal. With the ball resting on the M. H. C. 45, Hooper took the pass from center and dashed around his right end, behind good interference, to pay-dirt. A clipping penalty was called and that put the ball on the visitors 40. After picking up a first-down to mid-field, Bozo Burleson went around his right end to pay-dirt. The extra point attempt was wide and the Kittymounts led 13-0.

Early in the final quarter Mars Hill, who put on several sustained drives which did not pay off, started a drive from their own 20 yard line. Myer, Collins, Threat, Whitehead, Curling, and Saunders com-

## M-Blem Club Plans Tennis Tournament

This year's first official meeting of the M-Blem Club was held on Monday evening, October 3, at 7:30 in Spilman Sunparlor.

Seventeen members were present, including three new members: Louise George, Ruth Ellen Monroe, and Ila Graham. President Jean Stevens called the meeting to order after which Bonny Pierce conducted a short devotion. Monday night, October 10, the gymnasium was the scene of a party sponsored by the M-Blem Club to which all girls were invited.

Big plans have been made for this year's Tennis Club. The club will meet each Tuesday and Thursday afternoon at 4:30.

All girls desiring to participate in the tennis tournament, which will be held in the near future, are requested to attend these meetings.

The two teams battled back and forth in the middle of the gridiron until the game ended with the score standing at 13-6. Late in the final period, however, the visitors pushed to the Lions 30, but Mars Hill held and W. C. T. C. kicked the ball out of the end zone. Mars Hill took over on their 20. The chargers from Cullowhee held and Mars Hill was forced to kick. Garvin Martin, Mars Hill's punter, came in and booted the ball 75 yards to the five yard line of W. C. T. C. This was Martin's best punt of the year, but he has got off several punts for 50 and 60 yards. Martin's average punting for the season to date is forty-five and one half yards. This is an average which not many punters in the nation can claim.

All of the Lions played hard, clean football and all of the players were good, but Overton, guard, was the outstanding player of the Mars Hill squad. Overton was hard to move and got in a large percentage of the tackles. Other players who stood out were Myer, Whitehead, England, and Saunders. Burleson, a former Mars Hill student, and Whitaker stood out for the winners.

Mars Hill College's fighting Mountain Lions won their first game of the season 12 to 0 on Friday night, September 30, from the Milligan "B" team on the Mars Hill High School gridiron. The Lions had lost their season opener to Hiwassee on week previously by the score of 14 to 6.

Late in the second quarter, after the Lions and Milligan chargers had battled back and forth at mid-field, the Lions started clicking. Myer, tailback, hit Curling on a pass for a first down to the Milligan 30. On a line plunge, Myer fumbled, and Sayers bounced on the ball for Milligan. The Lions held, and Milligan was forced to kick. After Myer had picked up two yards through the line, he faded back and hit Whitehead on the Milligan 35 for a first down. On the next play Curling raced down field to the 10-yard line of Milligan and gathered in one of Myer's heaves and scrambled over the goal line for Mars Hill's first score. The attempt for the extra point from placement was not good and the Lions led 6 to 0.

In the final minutes of the first half, Milligan put on a sustained drive which carried them to the Mars Hill 19 yard line with first down and ten to go. On three plays the visitors carried the ball to the Mars Hill 19, but the Lions dug in and held and took over on the 10-yard line. Mars Hill was held, and Garvin Martin came in and booted the Lions out of danger. The half ended as the Milligan chargers racked up a first down to the Mars Hill 45.

Soon after the second half got underway, England, Mars Hill line-backer and fullback, intercepted one of Ratliff's passes and ran it back to the Mars Hill 45. From this point Whitehead took the ball on a reverse and carried to the 20 of Milligan before being brought down. After hitting the line once, Myer went out on the wing and took a reverse from Threat, faded back, and hit Curling in the end zone for Mars Hill's second touchdown. At this point the game was called by officials because of misunderstanding between players on the opposing teams.

The Lions had several players who stood out during the game. Bill Myer, John Whitehead, and John Curling stood out on offense, while Don England, John Saunders, and Sonny Hodges stood out on defense for the Lions. Ratliff was by far the outstanding player for the Milligan eleven. He ran, passed, and played defense well throughout the contest.

Garvin Martin, punter for the Lions, did some of the finest punting ever seen at Mars Hill. Late in the second quarter, Martin kicked the Lions out of danger when he booted the ball 61 yards. Martin's average for the game was 43 yards.

Football is a great sport and a great examination in sportsmanship. Some people classify football as a "war" without guns, a battle of fist and profanity, or even a legalized "free-for-all." However, football is not this type of game at all. When the boys are "fighting" it out on the field, they are earning something which will be valuable to them in life.

If a person should walk up to you and inflict a terrific blow upon you, you would probably give the blow back with more force than you received it. Those who participate in a football game receive blows much harder than you would receive from the fist of another, but it is seldom that a fist fight is engineered on the gridiron. There are rules against such conduct on the gridiron, and penalties are inflicted upon the team which has a player who is playing foul football.

It might seem to the spectator that a football player is a coward who will not return the blow after he has been fouled by his opponent. However, it takes a greater sportsman to run from a fist, not to throw the foul blow back, or to

## Sports Calendar

All boys who are interested in playing tennis and in preparing for the college tennis team are asked to contact Winston Francis-Lau immediately. Winston is in charge of all tennis activity on the camps.

In the next two weeks the Lions will be playing two games which the student body will have the opportunity to attend. On October 22, the Lions meet Lees-McRae at Spruce Pine, and the student body will be allowed to attend the game. October 29 is an open date, but a game will be scheduled on that date. The game will be played on the Mars Hill College gridiron.

Coach Ramsey has announced that varsity basketball practice will start October 10. All those interested are urged to be on hand. Ramsey also says that all positions are open because there are few varsity men from last year who are back.

this year than there were last year. Basketball drew a large number of spectators last year, but softball drew very few spectators. It is hoped that more interest will be shown by the entire student body this year in intramural athletics.

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## Tumbling Team Meets Tonight

Approximately 20 boys have signed up for the tumbling team this year. Tumbling practice will get under way on October 15, in the gymnasium.

Last year the Mars Hill tumbling team performed between the halves of basketball games and for several other events throughout this area. They were featured in the basketball tournament which was played in the Mars Hill High School gymnasium.

John Dixon is in charge of the tumblers this year. He has announced that the team will participate in several events during the year. Dixon urges all interested C-I's to come out for tumbling. There are only three of last year's tumblers back this year. They are John Dixon, Keith Huntling, and Max Freck.

## Teams Battle For 40 Intramural Cup

Intramural football is arousing a great deal of competition in athletics on the campus. The teams are battling it out for the league standing which will determine the winner of the Intramural Cup.

Melrose Dormitory is now leading the league with two victories, although they have not yet played a game. The Preachers and C-II's forfeited to them because they have both been unable to field football teams. The correct standings cannot be given yet because the organization of teams and playing schedules in the league are not complete.

One thing which is noticeable at the intramural football games is that there are more spectators