



IT'S FOURTH DOWN, deep in our territory, and yards to go to make a first-down. A lanky six feet two inches of man dashes on the gridiron, wearing a big number 24 on his back, and the official picks up the ball and walks off five yards against Mars Hill for delay of the football game.

Just in case you are wondering not who this 160 pound football player of shorts, it is Garvin "Blind" Martin, 19, and another from Richmond, Virginia. Garvin? Is the lanky player who carries a son's powerful foot on the right side of teacher's body. Although it appears that (1) Garvin has been punting the football for several years, this is his second year in football. Back in Richmond he did not play the sport. However, when he came to Mars Hill, he went out for football under coaches Ramsey and Edwards. It was noticed that Martin had a talent in that he could kick the football far and high. The coaches started working with Martin, and now he is one of the best punters in the nation; but he and is not recognized because he is in ass the Junior College.

It is not merely saying that Martin is one of the best punters in the nation, but figures prove this fact, and "figures do not lie." Mars Hill was playing the W.C.T. C. "B" team on the Mars Hill gridiron on October 8, and Martin punted a wet and soggy football 75 yards. Martin has kicked several punts 55 and 60 yards for the Lions. He has been called on to

punt 19 times for the Lions in their first four games of the season. In the Milligan game Martin averaged 43 yards including one 61 yard punt.

It was not until the W.C.T.C. game that Martin really started kicking the ball. Forced to kick many times, Martin sent ball after ball over the opponents heads to keep the Lions out of trouble. His punting average for this game was 48 yards. Martin was forced to kick eight times in the Garner-Webb football game. He had a total distance of 360 yards and a punting average of 45 yards. In other words, Martin is kicking with the leading punters of the United States in that he has an average of 45 yards per kick.

Not only has Martin been active in football since coming to Mars Hill, but he has been the number one relief pitcher for Coach Ramsey. Coach Ramsey said that he was banking on Martin to lead his pitching staff during the coming baseball season. Martin was an outstanding player for the Euthalian intramural basketball team last year. He scored a total of 82 points in nine games.

football squad are Moore, Gammons, Butler, and Bowmen. Coach Ramsey said that the squad would be composed of 18 players this year.

Something new is going to be added to the basketball team this year. A "B" team is going to play high schools at all home games as preliminaries. This is the first time Mars Hill College has tried this system.

Lions Look Good In Initial Cage Practice

BASKETBALL PRACTICE has started at Mars Hill College. The coaches Ramsey and Edwards started basketball practice on Oct. 10, and about 50 boys showed up for initial practice. The squad has been cut to 20 players however, and the team is developing very well.

With three weeks of practice gone by, several of the boys are beginning to show a great deal of basketball ability. Only Shaver, guard, is out from last year's squad, but Bennett, forward, is expected to come out for basketball after football season. Doyle, Warren, Roberts, and Howell are showing up well in practice. Other outstanding players are Young, Taylor, Bobo, English, Wells, Westley, and Buckner. Other than Bennett to come out from the

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MOUNTAIN LIONS, BULLDOGS BATTLE TO 6-6 TIE

The Mountain Lions of Mars Hill and the Bulldogs of Gardner-Webb fought to a 6-6 deadlock in a sizzling Junior College Conference football duel that kept 3,000 fans in a constant dither. The game was played in Forest City's American Legion Stadium on Saturday night, October 15th.

Sponsored by the American Legion, the game was the first college contest ever performed in Forest City. Mars Hill and Gardner-Webb were chosen because of the many Rutherfordton County students who matriculate at these two Baptist schools.

The game itself was fought in a downpour of rain that continued on through the first two quarters of the battle. Gardner-Webb employed the straight T-formation while the Lions functioned from the winged T and the singlewing. The rain hampered the precision of both attacks.

A punting duel between Garvin Martin of the Lions and Ervin Shook of the Bulldogs highlighted the initial half. Martin had an amazing 46.6 average for the night. Neither team threatened seriously during the first two periods even though Gardner-Webb totaled six first downs to none for the Lions. At half time the scoreboard showed 0-0.

The Lions looked like a different team the second half as the bulls-eye passing of Bill Myers and the hard running of John Whitehead and Billy Threat marched steadily down the field. Early in the fourth quarter Threat returned a Bulldog punt 30 yards to the opponents 9 yard line. Four plays later, Threat tallied the only score for the Blue and Gold. An attempted pass for the extra point was no good.

Following the kick-off, Gardner-Webb marched 65 yards for a touchdown with Gantt carrying

PUTMAN PLACES FIRST IN MEET

Ping Pong Meet At MHC

IT SEEMS THAT Ping Pong is one of the greatest pastimes on Mars Hill Campus, and a large number of the students are participating in the sport as players or spectators.

Since so much interest has been shown in the sport, Paul Barwick and Winston Francis-Law are organizing a Ping Pong Tournament which is to be held in the Student Center. The Tournament will take place around the first of November, but all those who are going to enter the tournament must sign one of the lists which are posted on the campus. The dead-line for entering the tournament is October 31. Lists are posted in the gymnasium, on the bulletin board by Spilman, and in the Student Center.

Girls will also be allowed to enter the tournament if they would like to do so. As soon as possible, a schedule will be drawn up and pairings will be fixed. Come on out and enter the tournament either as a player or a spectator, but by all means enter in the entertainment which is designed to make your life on Mars Hill College Campus more complete.

over. The extra point was wide and the game ended in a 6-6 tie.

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ALLEN "Bud" PUTMAN breezed in first place with the time of 19.56 minutes for the three and one-fourth mile track. "Bud" made an average of 6.2 miles per minute. This is a very good mark for Junior College runners. M. Lowdermilk and B. Preswell of Pfeiffer placed second and third respectively. David Wells, Mars Hill runner, placed fourth. Although Mars Hill ran ten men, only the first four in were considered. Mars Hill tallied a total of 19 points and Pfeiffer tallied 17; therefore, according to scoring rules, Mars Hill lost.

The other Mars Hill boys running were Ferny Horton, Frank Barringer, Charles Cottingham, Charles Palmer, Mike Haynie, and Ray Rogers. Earl Baily and J. C. Mainer were the other placing boys on the Mars Hill team.

The next meet will be held at Lees McRae on October 28. Mars Hill will entertain Lees McRae on October 31. The Lions travel to Pfeiffer on November 11.

LEES MCRAE ELEVEN, 25-0 FINAL SCORE

MARS HILL'S FUMBLES, pass interceptions, and penalties combined their efforts and sent the Mars Hill College Lions down in defeat 25-0 at the hands of Lees McRae chargers on Saturday night, October 21, at Spruce Pine, N. C.

The Lions were never in the running for the game. Lee's McRae got off to a flying start. Soon after the kick-off, the boys in green and gold marched down the field to the Mars Hill five yard line. With first down and goal to go, the Lee's McRae eleven hit the Lion's line for three times, but they were held. However, with the football resting on the two yard line, Peters went over into paydirt. In the second quarter the green and gold pushed another touchdown over the Mars Hill goal line and the score ran to 12-0. The extra point attempt was not good, and the second half ended with the Lions on the short end of the score.

Soon after the second half got underway, Peters, Lee's McRae back, took the ball from the center and scampered 83 yards around the Lions right end to paydirt. The extra point attempt was good and the Lee's McRae chargers led 19-0. Late in the final quarter, the leaders pushed another tally across the goal to increase their lead to 20-0.

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