

Crip's Sports

Spotlight

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When the Lions take the court next year, they floor one of the basketball teams they have composed in quite a number of ways.

One of the main reasons it is so good is that "Little" Garth, 23, from Muncie, Indiana, marking the Lions. This 150 lb., 5 foot nine inch "spark" is something to watch as he is a spectacular ball for the length of the ball game. Just as a defensive player, here are a few facts in the "Little" life.

In the four games in which he played with the Lions, he has averaged 15, 25, 22, and 14 points respectively. This is an average of 19 points per game.

Before coming to Mars Hill, he played in several places over the world. The Navy used three of his services back in '44, and '46. While in the South Atlantic, he played with the U.S.S. Ed Arrow, which was the ship which he was stationed. In '46 his ship won the fleet tournament.

ennis Suspended Until Early March

Mars Hill tennis team, under the direction of Mr. W. D. Cotton, has suspended tennis practice for the winter. Practice will start in the spring as soon as the weather gets started not later than January 1. The schedule for the winter has not been worked out as yet but will be worked out during the winter months.

There are several boys from last year's squad. Those returning are Shaver, Troxler, Newman, and Sutton, and Wells. Other C-II's returning this year for the first time are Sidner and Guley. C-I's who have an interest in the sport are Haguet Stallings, William Ritchie, Sam Threatt, William Mills, Robertson, Sam Youngblood, Metcalf, and James Garrison's hopes.

Cotton stated that from this year he hopes to produce a team which will be comparable to the teams which Mars Hill has put out in the past three years.

Methodists Meeting Attends Part Of U. S. Conference

Methodist Student Movement held its annual National Methodist Conference at the University of North Carolina, December 27 to January 1. The theme of the conference was "Christian Use of Power in the Modern World." Two thousand students, 124 from North Carolina, and 300 adults attended. The outstanding speaker was Dr. Muelder of Boston Theological Seminary.

at Bremerton, Washington. He averaged 25 points per game in the tournament.

After getting out of the service, Doyel played with the Lakeland, Florida All-Stars where he averaged 23 points in 12 games. From Lakeland, he went to Muncie, Ind., where he managed the Mandarin Inn Fag Five. The team played a total of 551 games, and Doyel averaged 21 points per game.

In 1948-49 Doyel played with the Mount Olive, North Carolina All-Stars and averaged 25 points per game. It was while he was playing for Mount Olive All-Stars that he was discovered by a Mars Hill student. Since that time, Doyel has registered at Mars Hill College as a student and is a big asset to the college team.

One thing out of all the good is bad. Doyel is sitting it out until February with a broken right arm. He broke it while playing in the last game for the Lions before the holidays. It will be a happy day when Doyel is seen running with the starting five for Mars Hill College again.

Christmas Spells Pains For Girls; Clubs In Action

After nearly three weeks of practically no physical exercise (to say nothing of the insufficient mental exertion) the first hour of calisthenics was almost too strenuous for the weaker sex. For two or three days groans and complaints were the answers to the favorite campus question, "How ye'doing?" But dear Coach Hart had a solution to this unnecessary suffering. The second class hour calisthenics required ever more bending and jumping.

The basketball club is in full swing. Forty-five names are on the roll, and even more are expected to be added next semester. Because of their schedule, several girls have been unable to join the club. Captains for the dormitory teams will be elected soon.

Carolyn Barrett, chairman of the Folk Dancing club, reports that only ten girls joined the club at the first meeting on Wednesday, January 4. Coach and Carolyn want the roll to be tripled.

The Hiking club held its first session yesterday, January 13. For the girls that dislike starving themselves to keep those hour-glass figures, this club is the answer to their prayers. Besides, hikes are fun. The only requirement for joining the club is a desire to share its pleasures and benefits.

JOIN A TEAM!

Game Attendance Is Poor, Shows Disinterest

During the past football season, the Lions did not do so well. In fact they only won one game out of a nine game schedule. However, that is not the point which I want to get across to the students on Mars Hill Campus. The attendance at the football games was just not there. What is the reason that the students do not want to attend the ball games?

The first football game of the season was played on the Mars Hill high school gridiron, and the attendance was very good. The next game, however, played at home, saw very few students at the football game. Could it be that you don't like to support a team when it is not a winning team, or is there some other reason? Is there some player on the starting eleven you do not like or do you not like the coaching and the coaches? Admit the facts.

Mars Hill College has hired two coaches to coach the football team and the basketball team. It seems that some of the students think that the coaching is not of the best grade, but I say that it is not up to the minority to rule the campus in trying to get students not to go to the football and basketball games because of the few who do not like the coaching. It is not the coaching that is wrong, but there are a few who are "hard" on the coaches and do their best to make the student body not appreciate them by talking.

Attend The Games

When the boys take the court during the present basketball season from now on out, let's be there with our colors flying and cheering for the team. It's true that the team hasn't won a game, but we have one of the best basketball teams in junior college ranks in North Carolina. Regardless of how we might feel toward any one person, let's back that person and encourage him and the team as a whole to go on to victory.

One other word. When you entered Mars Hill College you paid for the basketball and football games which you are privileged to see on the campus; so, why don't you utilize that fund by attending the sporting activities on the campus. There is no use in letting that money go to waste, and if you do not go to the ball games, it is just like throwing a handful of paper money into a roaring fire. Money is worth a little something even if we do not value it very much.

What do you say. Let's back the Lions and let's get things going for Mars Hill College.

East Tenn. Team Edges Lions 57-55

The hard luck Mountain Lions dropped another close one to East Tennessee State "B" team 57-55. Roaring off into an 8-1 lead, the Lions appeared for their first victory, but at the end of the quarter East Tennessee led 19-16. The team from across the mountains proceeded to pull slowly away, and at the end of the third quarter led by eleven points. At this point, however, Mars Hill rallied to pull within two points of the Tennesseans while holding them to six points. In an exciting finish the Tennessee five eked out a two-point triumph.

Club Comments

Mars Hill's honor clubs held their regular monthly meetings last Tuesday night with the exception of IRC, which met Monday night.

Spanish club studied Latin America this month. Such topics as the social life, the people, and the types of revolutions were discussed.

The Science Club met in Wall 23. Clyde Polk led the devotional, and a program, "The Study of Astronomy," was presented by the following: Gay Smith, "Introduction to Astronomy;" Thom Sumner, "Relativity of Astronomy;" Howard Shields, "Progress Made in Astronomy in the Past Two Years."

International Relations Club held its regular monthly meeting Monday night, January 9 in Stroup parlor. George Knight gave the devotional. The program was a discussion on "Why the Commun-

ists have won in China, and what should the United States' policy be toward Communist China," Those on program were Jo Pittard, Anne Puryear, Erma Jean Danner, Betty Chambless, and Donald Hensley.

Prize Short Stories was the subject of the Scriblerus Club program, Tuesday night. Gordon Middleton presented the devotion, after which Paul Davis gave the introduction to the program. Those taking part were Wilma Berry, who told "The Watchman" by Mark Van Doren; Charles Glanville, "The White Hound" by Ward Dorrance; Bill Lloyd, "A Girl I Knew" by J. D. Salinger; Margaret Stewart, "The Boy Next Door" by Alice C. Cramer; Mike McGee, "High Diver" by John Ashworth; and Carole Webb, who told her own short story, "The Wind." Roll call was answered with the title of a book recommended to be read in 1950.

EUTHALIANS, C-I'S, TOWN TEAMS LEAD IN INTRAMURAL CAGE WARS

Intramural cage wars are well under way; and, at the time of this writing, each team has played at least four games, while four teams have played their fifth game. Leading the pack are the C-I's, Euthalians and Town.

The C-I's field a tall team with four of the starting five averaging at least 6'2". Bob Plemmons, the league's high scorer, and Jack Holland are pacing this club. The only mar on their otherwise perfect record is a defeat by the rapidly improving Town quintet.

Town is noted for its aggressive style of play and is using this style to good advantage, its only defeat having been an upset loss to the Preachers. Town has a rough, scrapping club and are a tough outfit to hold down. Dozier and Prince lead Town in scoring.

Because the Eus have a squad of "name" players, they are definitely the team to watch. The colorful combine mixes speed and deception to work an effective fast break. Almost the entire squad is made up of varsity castoffs. Strictly exhibitionists, win or lose

they never fail to put on a good show. Woods is the high scorer.

Rounding out the first division teams is a surprising Phi aggregation. These boys from the Hall of Blue and White, under the expert coaching of Melvin McClelland, continue to hold their own in the league. Good teamwork and the steady shooting of Duyck holds this team together.

Leading the second division clubs is a potentially powerful Preacher quintet, which, due to bad breaks and poor teamwork, cannot seem to come into its own. The Preachers are perhaps the best long shots in the league, but rely on those long shots entirely too much. Wesley and Blue supply the scoring punch.

A disappointing Melrose team should begin to make its drive toward the top before long. The boys from Mother Lane's abode can't seem to get going, although some of them are nearly good enough to play varsity. Melrose is no pushover, and with game experience should continue to improve. Hemphill leads Melrose in scoring.

A lackadaisical C-II five continues to baffle the spectators as to just what they will do when they take the floor. They either win by a large score or lose by a large score. Their main fault seems to be lack of stamina. They have some good boys, however, and should pull some upsets. Whitehead leads the scoring.

At present, it seems that Brown is cemented in the cellar with a record of five straight losses. Unless something is done soon the team will continue to lose. The material is fair, but a scoring punch is needed badly. Smithers leads the scoring.

The five highest scorers in the league play as of January 7, are: Plemmons of C-I, 88; Whitehead of C-II, 59; Holland of C-I, 55; Wesley of Preachers, 50; Duyck of Philomathia, 44.

The games for the most part have proved interesting as well as entertaining. The athletic department is well pleased at the large turnout of students to witness the games. Come on down and pick out a team to root for; you'll enjoy it.

Honor Clubs Choose Second Term Officers

New officers elected by the International Relations Club are: Dewey Wells, president; Dan Stallings and Carolyn Carlton, vice-presidents; and Betty Chambless, secretary.

Spanish Club close Clarke Davis, president; Judy Lawler, vice-president; and Rose Reid, secretary.

Thom Sumner is the Science Club's new president, with John Dixon, vice-president; Anne Hildebrand, secretary; and Howard Shields, treasurer.

French Club elected Vernelle Abernathy, president; Julia Almeida, vice-president; and Frances Frizzell, secretary.

Doris Ann Link is Scriblerus Club's president. Lacy Thornburg is its new vice-president; and Eva McConnell, its secretary.