

'Prodigals' Return Against Gordon

First Home Game Today

Mars Hill's Lions will meet Gordon Military College today at 2:30 p.m. Their return will be something akin to that of the "Prodigal Son." They've already logged some 1400 miles on the road trips and the remaining schedule promises to double that figure.

Like the "Prodigal" Mars Hill has had its ups and downs over these last three weeks. The record now stands at one win, one tie and one loss. The Lions lost their opener to Maryville 14-0. They bounced right back to whip Ferrum's Panthers 27-7 the following Saturday. Last week the Lions journeyed some 1,000 miles only to have certain victory slip away in the closing minutes of the fourth quarter in a game with Newport Apprentice School. They had to settle for an 8-8 tie.

Next Thursday the Lions play tough Marion Institute at Marion, Alabama, in the central part of the state, west of Montgomery. Marion beat the Lions last year in what was described as the best game of the season.

In the Ferrum game two weeks ago the Lions had a field-day picking up loose footballs. Terry Postell intercepted two Panther passes and Scott Conner, the other safety, intercepted a third. Conner returned his interception for 25 yards, the longest run of the day. Alert play on the part of Larry Bruce, Don Martin and Dave Livengood netted three Ferrum fumbles. Livengood picked his up on the Ferrum 18-yard line and scampered into the end zone untouched.

Jack Reese managed to squeeze two touchdowns into just 18 yards rushing for the afternoon. Buddy Windle scored the Lions other TD on a seven-yard plunge. Henry Zion split the uprights three times to account for the rest of the Lions' scoring for the afternoon.

At Newport Apprentice School last week the Lions played tremendous control football for four quarters only to have the Shipbuilders set sail and score the tying touchdown and two-point conversion in the closing minutes of the game. After a scoreless first quarter the Lions' quarterback Bill Smarr sneaked over from two yards out to put the Lions ahead 8-0. The extra point attempt failed.

A tremendous rush by Buddy Windle caught Newport's Henry Thomas in his own end zone for a safety earlier in the quarter. At the half Mars Hill led 8-0. During the first half the Shipbuilders had the football for only seven plays and a total of 6 yards rushing.



All smiles and ready for their first opportunity to lead Mars Hill Lion fans in cheering at the first home game today are this year's crop of vivacious cheerleaders. With hands up as the "Go, Go, Go" signal are (L to R): Sharon Shook, Billie Marie Young, Ann Royal, Brenda Grass (capt.), Nancy Browning, Charlotte Cleveland and Anne Sellers. They're all set with new uniforms, several new yells and a new degree of enthusiasm.

Pretty New Cheerleaders To Lead Homecoming Yells

by Barkley Hendrix

The homecoming football game, high water mark of the season, with all its excitement and color, will be played on the Mars Hill High School field at 2:30 p.m. today.

Because it will be the first home game of the year, the majority of the student body will get its first look at this year's team in a setting of high enthusiasm and school spirit. Many old grads will be on hand to catch a brief glimpse of the glorious past, and many prospective grads will be enjoying their first taste of one of the most pleasant experiences of college life.

No football game would be complete without the cheering of the spectators, led by pert and pretty cheerleaders. Mars Hill has seven capable coeds whose art is making each person viewing the game cheer for all he's worth. They performed at the Maryville game and at two pep

The Lions continued to frustrate the Shipbuilders throughout the third quarter. With less than four minutes to go in the fourth quarter Newport was on its own 30-yard line. A 15-yard penalty against the Lions moved the ball to the 45. From here Quarterback Henry Thomas dropped back to pass, finding no one open, he started up field. The Lion secondary finally caught up with him on the Mars Hill 4-yard line. Thomas then scored and Bobby Boyce plunged over with a two-point conversion that tied the ball game. The Lions were unable to score in the closing minutes and the game ended in a tie.

meetings, but because they haven't yet had an opportunity to perform at a local game, they may not be well-known to Lion fans. We'll partially remedy that in the next few paragraphs and they will complete the job on the field today.

This year's cheerleader team consists of five sophomores, one junior and one freshman. The freshman was selected at the beginning of the semester by Miss Virginia Hart, director of physical education for women and advisor to the cheerleaders. She is Ann Royal of Brooksville, Fla.

The sophomores are Anne Sellers, physical therapy major from Rowland; Billie Marie Young of Arden, near Asheville; Sharon Shook of Clyde; Brenda Grass of Colonial Heights, Va.; and Nancy Browning, education major from Asheville. The junior is Charlotte Cleveland, math major from Asheville.

These girls have spent many hours perfecting their routines and yells. Appreciation can be expressed best in terms they enjoy most, cheering. Remember, "two bits, four bits, six bits, a dollar; all for Mars Hill. . ."

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The intramural football championship could be settled Monday afternoon when Myers and Melrose, the two top teams, clash at 4:15.

In games through last Monday (Oct. 7), Myers and Melrose were tied for first place, each having won three games and lost none. In these games Myers had scored 116 points while Melrose had scored 46 points. Neither team had been scored upon.

The scores of the games played through Oct. 7 are: Myers 19, Treat 0; Melrose 6, Spilman 0; Cottages 19, Brown 0; Myers 19, Spilman 0; Treat 19, Cottages 0; Melrose 7, Brown 0; Myers 19, Cottages 0; Spilman 8, Brown 0; and Melrose 33, Treat 0.

The Lion's Den

by BILL DEANS

SPIRITS GOOD . . . A week of special emphasis on school spirit is drawing to a climax today with the homecoming game against Gordon Military College. The freshmen and the entire student body have been most enthusiastic and their spirit commendable. The competitive pep-rally was a rousing success and the dorm decorations were really great, but there is something missing.

BOOSTER CLUB . . . Last year there was an attempt to organize a student booster club. Unfortunately the effort was made in the spring and received only passing attention. Now, I believe, is the time for such an effort to be put on again. The possibilities are unlimited for such an organization.

PROJECTS . . . Under the direction of a student-elected slate of officers plans could be laid for such things as a parade to precede the Homecoming football game. The sale of season tickets could be handled by such a group, along with the advertising for programs and the sale of the programs at home games. Receipts from such projects could go to purchase buses for out-of-town games or to the purchase of such items as a scoreboard for the new stadium or a trophy case for many trophies which are in the offices of the coaches.

ALUMNI . . . There is also the possibility that such a BOOSTER CLUB might foster the beginning of an affiliated ALUMNI CLUB of the same nature, something like the Clermont IPTAY CLUB. An alumni organization could include a membership fee special prices on season's tickets, a printed brochure on the seasonal sports and some type of information sheet which would keep them abreast of the progress of Lions' athletic contests.

STUDENTS . . . If such a booster club is to come into being it must first have the support and following of the student body. If you are interested talk with your class Senators, since an organization would have to have the support and approval of the Student Government. This is YOUR opportunity to press some real school spirit. Such a movement would be for the school, the student body and the alumni.

TODAY . . . For the present, forget "the best laid plans of mice and men," and go out and support the Lions as they battle with the Bulldogs. When the excitement of the week is a thing of the past, stop and reconsider the possibility of a STUDENT BOOSTER CLUB, then get one started. Now.

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