

Baseball Opener Set Wednesday

A single baseball game with Western Maryland College was added to the Lion schedule earlier this week, giving the Mars Hill diamond crew of Coach Don Henderson the honor of opening the 1966 spring sports schedule.

The Western Maryland team will arrive Wednesday and the season will open at 3 p.m. Single games with the same team are also slated Thursday and Friday, Henderson said. After that the Lions will take a break for spring holidays and will not return to competition until Apr. 9.

Nine lettermen head the list of talent battling for a starting position, but seven newcomers — most of them freshmen — have looked good in practice thus far and could break into the lineup.

Behind the plate last year's regular catcher, Roger Banks, will have help from Bob Gillespie.

When righthander Andy Good is pitching, Eddie Gainey probably will fill in at first base.

Letterman Cecil Bartles has been moved to second and is competing with Jim Jackson for that position.

Shortstop seems capably filled by letterman Ken Maynor.

At third, letterman Duffy Wood is backed by Everette Shelton.

Dickie Ward, who was a regular on the squad several years ago, has returned from the navy and is making a strong bid for the right field position.

Transfer student David Webster is in center and letterman Tommy Nix in left. They will be backed up by Jeff Cavanaugh and several other prospects.

In addition to Good, the pitching staff includes lettermen Ron Ward and Jim Cooke, both righthanders. Two others look like starting material at this stage, lefty Jim Warford and righthander Bob Franklin.

One change in the schedule as announced in a previous edition of the Hilltop has been announced by Henderson. The game with Carson-Newman is now booked here on May 12.

The full schedule is as follows:
Mar. 23-25 Western Maryland
Apr. 9 at Milligan (2)
12 at Western Carolina
16 at Maryville
20 at Emory & Henry
23 Maryville here
29 Concord here (2)
30 Concord here (2)
May 2 Emory & Henry here
4 Western Carolina here
10 Tusculum here
12 Carson-Newman here
13 at Tusculum.

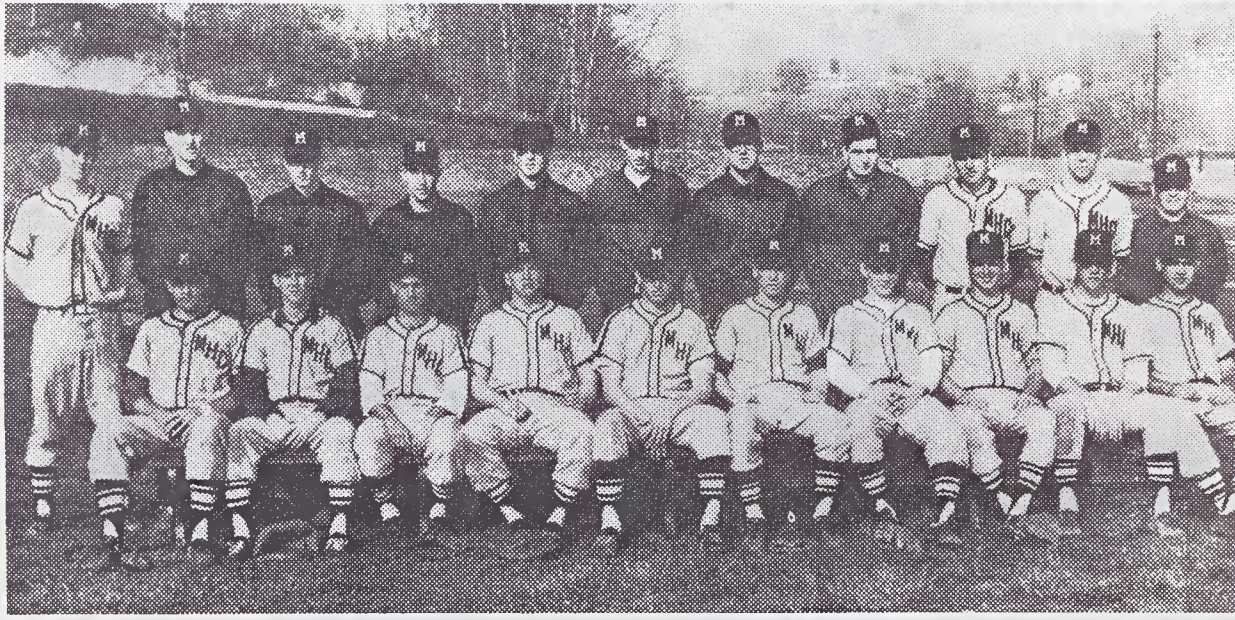
Cage Coeds Lose

A team of 11 physical education majors coached by Miss Virginia Hart, competed in a women's basketball tournament at Carson-Newman College last weekend.

The Mars Hillians fared poorly in the competition, losing games to Memphis State and Western Carolina on Friday, but enjoyed the play.

Other entries in the tournament included the hostess team and Middle Tennessee State.

Mars Hill coeds participating were Mavis Dowdle, Beverly Keller, Sue McCall, Sandra Carter, Pat Shoemaker, Joy Hawkins, Morty Roe, Carolyn Kelly, Ruth Smith, Jean Cochran and Joan Farrell.



The Lion baseball squad which will open its season Wednesday includes (l. to r.), seated: Tommy Nix, Bob Gillespie, Duffy Wood, Roger Banks, David Webster, Eddie Gainey, Cecil Bartles, Dick Ward, Larry Miller and Everette Shelton; standing: Ken Maynor, Andy Good, Bruce Robinson, Harry Caddell, Stan Godfrey, Bob Franklin, Ron Ward, Whit James, Bob Light, Jim Jackson and Jim Warford.

Tracksters Run Next Saturday

The Lion track team, striving to re-establish the sport on an intercollegiate basis under the guidance of Coach Dal Shealey, will get its first taste of competition next Saturday at the Florida Relays in Gainesville.

After that the boys will take a break for abbreviated spring holidays, cutting them a bit short to participate in the South Carolina Record Relays at Columbia Apr. 2. Then follow nine other meets before the season closes in early May.

An enthusiastic squad, which has been working out daily on the new quarter-mile track around the football field, is looking for an exciting season. Shealey says he has some good prospects.

The list includes 440-yard dash and middle distance runners John Abbott, Michael Argersinger and Lewis Baley and sprinters Bill Dyar, Mackie McFee and Henry Zion, all football players.

Kees Auer and John Sweatlock have been improving steadily in tossing the shot and the discus. They have intra-team competition from Ernest Spitzer and Bo Dish-

man. Jerry Blevins, Gary Parker, Bob Flournoy and Andy Biro have been developing their timing and speed in the hurdles. Biro, along with Tim Ellmore, is also a pole vaulter.

Joe Bingham, Steve Boone, Glenn Davenport, John Dyrda, Bob Massingill and Malcolm Privette appear to be the best prospects as distance runners.

Alfred Wright and Ken Yates have also shown up well in the middle distance runs.

Others out for the team include Bill Brann, Bob Collins, Pat Halyburton, Gary Ledford, Jim McBride, Jim Purvis, Troy Parham and James Richardson.

Butch Young is manager for the squad.

Shealey has set 16 points as the minimum requirement for a man to letter in track. He has instituted a competitive program within the squad, giving a man a chance to move up to a starting position in any event if he can successfully challenge the men ahead of him.

The burnt clay and cinder track

is currently undergoing a treatment of additional bonding material and packing with a heavy roller. It should be in top condition for the first meet here Apr. 12.

The five meets scheduled here will be held in the new stadium. This means there will be plenty of room for spectators who will have comfortable seats and a good view. It will also make for greater safety, especially during such events as the javelin throw.

Baxter Is Honored During PE Majors' Club Banquet

Delores Baxter, retiring president of the Woman's Recreation Association, was honored Monday night at the annual banquet of the Physical Education Majors Club.

She was cited as an outstanding senior physical education major and was presented a sterling silver referee's whistle by Don Henderson, head of the athletic department.

Certificates were presented to 26 members of the club for perfect attendance, and 11 others were recognized for attendance at all meetings but one.

The dinner, held on the mezzanine of the cafeteria, also served as the occasion for the installation of the club's officers for 1966-67.

Speaker for the evening was Floyd Woody of the State Department of Public Instruction in Raleigh, who discussed "The Role of Physical Education in the Present-Day Curriculum."

Sue McCall was mistress of ceremonies. Ruby Byrd gave the invocation, and Kees Auer extended the welcome. Chip Sloan gave a toast of good luck and farewell to the graduating members of the club, and Ruth Smith responded.

Incoming president Stan Godfrey expressed appreciation to the college administration for the new stadium, the gymnasium now under construction and for other evidences of support for the physical education program. Dr. Blackwell spoke in response.

Pam Culler and Perry White provided musical entertainment for the occasion, and incoming chaplain Mavis Dowdle pronounced the benediction.



Links, New Teams Set

Good weather lately has spurred interest in intercollegiate golf and tennis, for which spring schedules are complete.

The links squad, coached by Ron Bromley, will meet its first opponent Thursday at a three-way match against Asheville-Biltmore and Montreat-Anderson of the latter's course.

Next action, then, will be Apr. 5, when the Lions will meet Asheville School at Beaver Lake.

The remainder of the schedule is as follows: Apr. 7, A-B at Malone College (home); 12, University of Tennessee (home); Presbyterian and King (home); 22, with King at Milligan; 28, King; May 6, at Wofford; Asheville School (home).

Coach Harrell Wood's tennis team will not see action until Apr. 7, but some top-notch prospects are practicing and should be ready by then.

Best of the newcomers seems to be Scott Samuels, James Carroll, Louie Cox, John Foster and Randall.

The full schedule is as follows: Apr. 7, at Maryville; 12, at Milligan; 15, at Western Carolina; Milligan here; 22, East Tennessee here; 27, at Asheville-Biltmore; May 2, Emory & Henry here; Western Carolina here; 6, Maryville here; 9, at Emory & Henry; 11, A-B here; 14, at East Tennessee.

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