

Golfers Top .500 Mark

The Mars Hill golfers do not have an overly impressive won-lost record, but Coach Ron Bromley is generally pleased with the team. Coach Bromley lists as major disappointments losses to the University of Kentucky and Detroit College.

The team has played a schedule as rough as any MHC sport facing such teams as University of Tennessee, University of Kentucky, New Haven, East Tennessee State University, Wofford, and Michigan State.

In addition to the rough schedule, the team has worked under an additional handicap. In order to practice on the "home" course, the golfers must make a 75-mile trip to Spruce Pine and back. "They have done extremely well in spite of this handicap," stated Bromley.

Number one linksman Marshall Fall has the best individual won-lost record, 12-6. Danny Hedgpath is close behind with an 11-6 record, followed by Skip Liles and Lionel Caldwell at 9-9 each. The team held a 13-9 match record through 3 May.

After losing their first seven matches, the linksmen caught fire

and began winning. In so doing, they have rolled up some impressive victories. On 20 April the Lions faced Montreat-Anderson and Mitchell Colleges, defeating both schools by scores of 16½-1½ and 15½-2½, respectively. Bromley's charges traveled to Greeneville, Tenn., 25 April and topped Tusculum 21½-5½.

Track Individuals Shine

Although the MHC track squad has lost its last two meets, several outstanding individual performances have been turned in.

On 24 April Carson-Newman overwhelmed the Lions by a score of 116-29. In the process, the Eagles set school records in the high jump, the shot put, and the triple jump. Bill Gibson eclipsed the Lion broad jump mark once more, jumping 22' 4¾".

The thinclads traveled to Maryville, Tenn., 29 April to do battle with the Scots. They were defeated 89-56, but several trackmen set school and personal records. Three more school records were set. Paul Early ran the 440-yard run in a record 52.5 seconds. Dan Balcome set a new 440-yard hurdles time of 60.8

seconds. Bill Dyar jumped 41' 1¼" for a new triple jump mark.

Mike Argersinger, Steve King, Eddie Hoffmeyer, Wayne Laughter, Casey Ward, John Sweatlock, Pete Wilkins, Henry Zion, and Mike Verts all set personal records in their respective events. Hoffmeyer, in the 440-yard hurdles, and Wilkins, in the triple jump, topped the standing school records but were bested by Balcome and Dyar.

Tonight at 6:30 the Lions have a meet here against Montreat-Anderson.

Netters To Face ETSU

The tennis team has had a rough go of things recently. Against Western Carolina 27 April, the Woodmen were defeated 7-2. This match marked the first defeat of John McIntosh, who had won all of his singles matches to this point.

The team had to come from behind 3 May to defeat Maryville 5-4. They were down 4-2 in the singles matches, but swept the doubles in the spectacular comeback.



Marshall Fall, No. 1 Lion linksman, takes a practice swing in preparation for the upcoming NAIA playoffs 15-16 May at Boone.

Gym Nearing Completion

The newest and most modern building on our campus will soon be open. On 1 July the new gymnasium, begun in July 1965, will be completed, possibly to be used in the second term of summer school. An item of particular interest to many students is the new swimming pool in the gym. The pool will be co-educational indeed, will be all physical education classes. The gymnasium will be completed at a cost of

\$1½ million. A second phase of development of athletic facilities will begin 15 May. New baseball and soccer fields and new tennis and handball courts will be ready in the fall. The area below the baseball and football fields will be cleared and landscaped. Dr. Bentley says that our new gymnasium and other improvements will give us physical education facilities equal to any college in the South.

Diamond Crew Wins Six Straight

After winning six baseball games in a row, the Mars Hill baseball team bit the dust as they lost both ends of a doubleheader against Milligan.

On 20 April the Lions hosted the Wasps of Emory & Henry. Ron Ward started, but Tommy Chapman came on in relief in the second and finished up, getting the win. A heavy attack in the fourth and fifth innings gave the Lions seven runs. Leading hitters for the Henderson crew were Jim Jackson, Tommy Nix, and Jerry Gault with two hits each. In the eighth, the Wasps pushed across a run making the score 7-1.

The Lions were seeking to revenge an 11-6 defeat to Maryville on 22 April, and were not to be denied. Bobby Franklin went all the way as Mars Hill overtook the Scots, 7-0. Jim Jackson, David Webster, and Jerry Gault had two hits apiece. Dickie Ward put one on the road for a two-run homer.

Tuesday, 25 April, the team traveled to Greeneville, Tenn., for a single game with Tusculum. It turned out to be a pitcher's duel as Ron Ward and Bobby Franklin teamed up for a 1-0 shutout with the victory going to Franklin. Mars Hill's lone run came in the sixth, when Franklin led off with a single, followed by Sammie Sloan's single and an error on Dickie Ward's grounder, scoring Franklin.

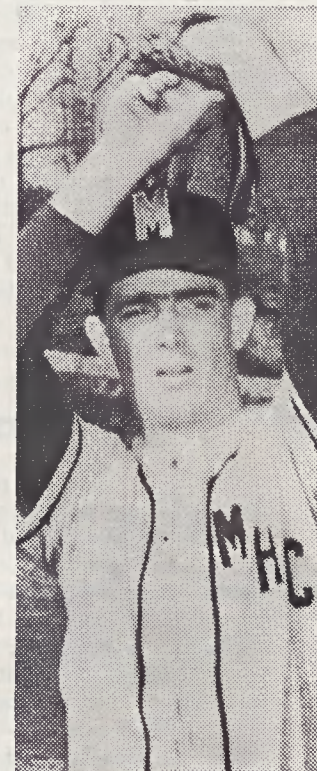
Wofford College was the victim of a 16-hit attack by the Lions, 29 April, as Mars Hill took a

win from their hosts, 11-3. Tommy Chapman started, but was relieved in the fifth by Franklin, who got credit for the win. Ken Maynor and Jerry Gault each hit home runs for the Lions. Other leading hitters were Bob Gillespie with four hits in five at bats, and Dickie Ward with three hits in five at bats. Maynor and Gault each drove in three runs.

On 1 May, the Lions met their Waterloo in the Milligan Buffs. For the first time this season the Lions were shut out on four hits, as Bobby Franklin absorbed the 3-0 loss. In the second game of the doubleheader Mars Hill took a 2-0 lead in the fifth inning, but Milligan came back in the seventh to tie the score. In the ninth inning, Milligan pushed across the winning run on a balk by Franklin, who absorbed the loss in relief.

The Lions are among national leaders in several departments. Through games of last week, Franklin stood nineteenth in earned run average with a 1.08 average. In team ERA Mars Hill stood sixth in the NAIA with a 1.80 mark. In team batting the diamond crew stood fourteenth

with a .283 average. Dickie Ward stood thirty-second in the nation in batting with a .394 average.



Tommy Chapman Ace Lion Hurler

the LION'S DEN

It never fails to happen! Every time we praise or build up a team, it promptly goes out and gets stomped. It all began last November when I made a not-too-accurate prediction of the Western Carolina football game. I think we all know how that turned out!

Then we predicted confidently that the basketball team would have a winning season. Well, they almost made it.

When spring sports arrived, we played it cautious. Well, for a little while. In the last issue of the HILLTOP we praised the track squad. It seems they got defeated by 87 points in their next meet.

Beware golf and baseball teams! It's your turn now.

The golf team deserves praise and recognition. They practice once, or twice a week at most. When they do practice, it is an all day matter to get to the course, practice some, then return to the school. It should be pointed out, furthermore, that we play schools having a golf course almost at their back door. As a result, our opponents are able to practice nearly every day.

The baseball team has really done a good job thus far this season. After losing two in a weekend road trip, they proceeded to take the next several games. Through 1 May the Lions had taken six in a row. They then lost two to Milligan.

sports roundup

BASEBALL		2 May	MHC 18½ Milligan 8½
20 April	MHC 7 E&H 1		MHC 20 King 7
22	MHC 7 Maryville 0		MHC 22½ A-B 4½
25	MHC 1 Tusculum 0	W 13 L 9	
29	MHC 11 Wofford 3		
TENNIS		27 April	MHC 2 WCC 7
1 May	MHC 0 Milligan 3	3 May	MHC 5 Maryville 4
1	MHC 2 Milligan 3	W 4 L 4	
W	8 L 5		
GOLF		TRACK	
20 April	MHC 16½ M-A 1½	24 April	MHC 29 C-N 116
	MHC 15½ Mitch'l 2½	29	MHC 56 Maryville 89
25	MHC 21½ Tusc'm 5½	3 May	MHC 49 Appal. 85
29	MHC 9 King 3		Milligan 87
	MHC 5 ETSU 13	W 1 L 7 T 1	

mars theatre: 7:30 movietime

- 8-10 . . . A Fistful of Dollars
- 11-13 . . . Night of the Generals
- 15-17 . . . The Quiller Memorandum
- 18-20 . . . Perils of Pauline
- 22-24 . . . Gambit
- 25-27 . . . Any Wednesday

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