

Tailback Jeff Davis sprints across the goal line for his first touchdown against the Gardner-Webb Bulldogs here last Saturday afternoon. (Photo courtesy of Mad Joe.)

MHC Posts Homecoming Win

by Thad Strom

Robinson Paces Lion Victory

The Mars Hill College Lions returned to Meares Stadium for their Homecoming contest with Gardner-Webb, and thrashed the Bulldogs, 27-13. A large crowd was on hand to watch the revenge match in the Lions' final home game of the season.

Gardner-Webb chose to receive to begin the contest, and after a couple of punts by both sides, the Bulldogs got their first big break on a MHC fumble. Gardner-Webb took over on the Mars Hill 49-yard line, moved to the Lion 33, and midway through the first quarter, quarterback Ray Hannon threw a pass to his split end, Jody Anthony, in the corner of the endzone.

The Bulldogs got another break when a roughing the kicker penalty put the ball on their own 46; however, noseman Ted Williams put a big rush on the opposing quarterback, forcing him into a quick release. The ball was intercepted by defensive tackle Ray Kinney, who ran 46 yards for a touchdown. With 3:22 to go in the first period, Doug Stevens knotted the score at 7-7.

Gardner-Webb bounced right back early in the second quarter with a scoring drive that ended with a 22-yard field goal by Bernie Sanders, 10:22 remaining.

The Lions took the kickoff on their own twenty, but couldn't get their offense going, and had to turn the pigskin over to the Bulldogs. G-W moved from their own 38-yard line to the MHC 45, but a Hannon aerial was picked off by linebacker John Fisher. The Lions regained possession at midfield, and at this point, freshman quarterback Danny Robinson came into the game and

began to move the offense. Robinson passed to Jeff Davis to the G-W 19, and another pass to end David Morgan, giving the Lions first and goal on the two yard line. Two plays later, Davis went over right tackle for the score, and with 4:02 remaining in the first half, Stevens made the score 14-10, in favor of Mars Hill.

The Lions held the Bulldogs and forced them to punt to their own 46, and again, Robinson went to work. MHC moved to the 36 of Gardner-Webb and two plays later, Robinson threw to Morgan on the G-W 9, but Morgan couldn't find the handle; however, a pass interference call gave the Lions first and goal from that point. With 1:04 to play in the second quarter, Robinson found Doug Smedberg in the corner of the endzone to give the Lions a 20-10 advantage.

The first half scoring was not over, as Bulldog quarterback Ray Hannon passed from his own 28 to the MHC 19, with fullback Dennis Dukes making the reception. A 35-yard field goal by Sanders moved the Bulldogs closer at half-time, 20-13.

Bulldogs Threaten

In the early moments of the second half, both teams exchanged punts, and Mars Hill began to move the ball from their own 18. Robinson again called the signals and a 60-yard pass play to David Morgan moved the ball inside the Bulldogs' 25-yard line. On the next play, tailback Jeff Davis made a fantastic leaping catch and fell just shy of the goal line. Davis took a hand-off and dashed through a big hole in the right side of the line, and with 10:34 remaining in the third period,

Stevens pushed the Mars Hill lead to 27-13.

The Bulldogs seriously threatened to score thrice more. In the middle of the third quarter, Hannon led his team from his own 35 to the MHC 10. The drive was thwarted when Danny Phillips intercepted a pass in his own endzone.

Early in the final period, Hannon again engineered a drive that began on his own 38. Dennis Dukes, their strong sophomore fullback, galloped to the twenty yard line of Mars Hill, and two plays later, the ball rested on the MHC 14. Danny Phillips again proved to be the thorn in the Bulldogs' side, as he intercepted another Hannon aerial to end their second threat.

Hard-running fullback Randall Phillips moved the ball from the shadow of his own goal post to his own 27-yard line; however, Davis was forced to punt the Lions out of their own territory. Gardner-Webb generated yet another drive that began on their 36-yard line. The Bulldogs marched down the field to the MHC 20. Ted Williams put pressure on Hannon, who threw the ball into the waiting arms of Joe Hill, and he returned it to the MHC 42.

The Lions had a scoring threat ended at the G-W 9-yard line with 12 seconds left in the game, but not before Mars Hill posted a 27-13 Homecoming win.

	MHC	G-W
First downs	11	18
Rushing yardage	71	139
Passing yardage	227	216
Passes	11-29	16-35
Had intercepted	2	5
Punts	7-42.3	6-43.5
Fumbles lost	2	1
Yards penalized	25	34



Lion Print

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Successful Homecoming

The Lions played their best game of the season last Saturday afternoon as they downed the slightly favored Bulldogs of Gardner-Webb, 27-13. Mars Hill bounced back after losing to a powerful Newberry squad the week before, and gave the fans something to cheer about besides the ground-breaking ceremonies.

All the players displayed tremendous desire, hustle, and enthusiasm but the name that stands out this week is quarterback Danny Robinson. 6'3", 175-lb. freshman from Lexington, Ky., bested the Gardner-Webb general in the passing department, 221 yards to 216 yards, as he maneuvered the Lion offense with poise and aplomb. Robinson is noted for strong arm, and I believe the fans can look forward to a potent MHC passing attack.

Tailback Jeff Davis had a poor day rushing (13 rushes for 22 yards), but stunned the crowd with great show of receptions, snaring 6 for 120 yards. Davis did score both his TD's by runs of 1 and 2 yards, but both of them were run over interior tackle Joey Hinson's position, who opened the game in the Bulldogs' defense.

Battle stars and scars also have to go to defensive stalwarts Ted Williams and Ray Kinney, who applied constant pressure on the G-W quarterback, forcing him into numerous mistakes, mainly five pass interceptions.

Defensive back Danny Phillips spoiled two Bulldog bids for a comeback when he nabbed two passes.

The Lions will be on the road for their last three games, but a game victory over Carolina Conference powerhouse Presbyterian College would boost football recognition for MHC in the Carolinas and give the Lions a successful season.

Cage Season Nears

Coach Jack Lytton's Cagers have spent the past seven weeks preparing for their first home opener with Tusculum, and will look forward to a tougher schedule.

The preseason outlook, Lytton said, looks very promising and that the team is a much improved ball club over last year's squad. The Lions have additional height under the boards, due mainly to the size of the new men members, and two other strong points will be experience and depth. Only one player is lost by graduation, so the Lions should be solid in every position, with the exception of center. Lytton was hopeful to have a problem solved before the start of the season.

Fans can look for a fast-breaking, run-and-shoot team, and the coach said that he plans to employ full-court zone presses as part of his strategy.

Players receiving recognition from the coach are guards Jim Edwards, Eddie Hillis, Rodney Johnson, Joe Kruk, Jeff Lytton, and Kenny Ward, forwards John Adeimy (also a guard), Jerry Hayes, Jim Medford, Mike (also a center), and Bert Stanford. Holding down the center position will be Mike Smith.

Coach Lytton is pleased with the fine attitude and tremendous energy of the squad, and he said the boys are in high spirits and are looking forward to giving fans a fine season of basketball.

Lytton's Kittens

Coach Jack Lytton expressed his pleasure with his freshman basketball team which is stronger and much taller than last year's squad.

The players have been practicing with the members of the varsity. Lytton stated that because of the height of the freshman club, some varsity see action in varsity games to add rebounding strength. Also, some varsity members will play with the Cubs.

The J.V. squad will play a small schedule which will include two games with East Tennessee State freshmen, two games with Montreat-Anandalee one game with North Greenville Junior College, and a contest with the University Freshmen (that should be interesting).

The freshmen team includes:

- Brandon Dean—6'4", 205 lbs.; a forward from Sparta, N. J. averaged 20 points in high school.
- Ben Williams—6'4" forward from Elkin, N. C.; leading scorer of team that went to the state tournament.
- Dean Clark—6'5", 210-pound center from North Buncombe; played the high school Blue-White All-Star game.
- Derek Thomas—5'6" guard from Canton; leading scorer on the team that finished fourth in the state; also played in the Blue-White All-Star game.
- Bruce Murrey—6'1" guard from Mars Hill.
- Bill Sinclair—6'3" guard from Serton, N. C.

Powerful Indians Down Lions, 10-0, At Newberry

The Lions travelled to Newberry only to lose a heart-breaking 10-0 loss to the heavily-favored Indians. A capacity homecoming crowd watched the powerful Indians convert two blocked punts into a touchdown and a field goal to account for the game's only scores.

In the initial minutes of the game, neither team couldn't get their offenses into gear, and the ball exchanged hands several times; however, midway through the first

quarter, Jeff Davis' punt was partially blocked and the Indians took over on the Lions' 36-yard line. Newberry drove 31 yards to the MHC five-yard line, where Don Garrick ran over from there. The extra point by the QB, Tom Williamson was good with 6:46 remaining in the first period.

Early in the second quarter, Davis' punt was again partially deflected, and Newberry had the ball inside the MHC 40 yard line. The

Lion defense dug in and with 11:46 to play in the first half, Williamson added a 26-yard field goal.

The Lions lost two golden opportunities to put points on the board. Mars Hill's offense put together a 54-yard drive, led by quarterback Kip Smith, that took them down to the Indian one-yard line. After being pushed back to the four, and on fourth and goal, Coach Taylor decided to go for the six points.

Smith's pass fell short of his intended receiver, and Newberry took over from there. They held the ball to run out the first half.

During the fourth quarter, Joe Lee Hill intercepted a Newberry pass on the Indian 30-yard line and returned it to Newberry's 12 yard line. Again, the Lions' offense stalled and the Indians gained possession.

The Carolina Conference's second runner was favored as much as 27

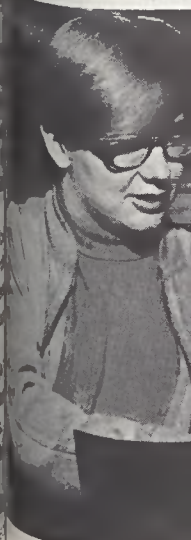
points, but tremendous desire and hard-nosed football playing by the defensive line was fantastic.

A hard loss to take by the players, but especially for Ray Kinney, Gene Radford, John Fisher, Williams, Bobby Wall, and Perryman. These guys played their hearts out and never gave up. South Carolina sports writer Steve was one of the best efforts he's seen all year—this one feels the same way.



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Media

The newly formed Broadcasting Association has been notified in order to readjust the rules, and talk "shop" with the faculty, student body, and the Radio Station. The Cadenza, is responsible for guidelines, and the Radio Station is responsible for handling and scheduling spots. On Tuesday the board discussed the recent "turn off". On November 16, the night by Dr. Gehringer. The radio disc jockeys was a Country Joe. "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country."

John F. Kennedy 1918-1963

In memorial to who served his country and died in that eighth years ago. "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country."

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Mars Hill College experienced a shiner moment on November 16. Moonlight was to take on the Atlantic City and MHC in their closets for a few dresses and tuxedos and as well as bowlers, in other words a hard thing to hit Mars Hill Glee Club in the Auditorium. Larry Foster, a number one prof, was the Mars Hill Glee Club president for the seventh year. The Glee Club was one of the best efforts he's seen all year—this one feels the same way.