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JOHN M. LORD — HILL HAPPENINGS

University of Maryland baseball players received a warm surprise last Saturday afternoon on Kibler Field when the Sho'men out-hit and outfielded them to win the opening game of the season by a score of 8-6. The boys from College Park were expecting to have an easy afternoon of it; they had already won games from Cornell. Harvard, and Michigan and were confident that we would furnish merely an easy workout, the first inning of the game seryed only to strengthen their belief for they had no trouble in scoring one run.

After the first inning the Kiblermen improved their fielding and hitting and the going was a little more tough for the Terrapins. The Sho'men gained 12 hits from the University pitchers while Fountain gave only 7. In spite of the fact that the day was a poor one for baseball and that the Sho'men have had but very few outside practices they played very well; considering the fact that Maryland was playing her fifth game and we were playing our first the "home boys" made a remarkable showing.

Fountains' pitching was a source of joy to all of the Washington followers who have been hoping that the sad fate of last year's ball team will not be suffered this year. Fountains' splendid pitching in Saturday's game assures that last year's tragedy will not re-occur this season. Fountain was backed up by good fielding a small number of errors was marked against the Sho'men, there were only a very few balls that were "muffed" or allowed to roll through the infield; several bad throws were costly but were certainly to be expected in an opening game.

At the bat the performance of the Sho'men was quite encouraging, our batters had no trouble in catching on to the curves of the Maryland flingers, after driving the visitor's ace tosser Physiok, from the mound they went right to work on Merriman and gave him a very busy time for several innings. Billy Nick pleased the onlookers by clouting two tribles, while Charlie Berry had a perfect afternoon with three hits in three trips to the plate.

Because it takes so long a time for this column to be proof read it is necessary that it be handed to the editor tomorrow (Tuesday), thus it is that I cannot tell you anything about the game with Long Island University. I will tell you that my prediction is that the Sho'men will score their second victory in as many starts it probably will be a tougher game than the Maryland fray.

Coach Ekaitis' track squad is training diligently for their first meet which will come off this Saturday with the Blue Hens of the University of Delaware. The track and field men will have to put out their best to win from the Delaware boys.

At the risk of stealing from the Baltimore Sun I'll tell you that Delaware defeated Hopkins last Saturday by a margin of some 25 points. The Blue Hens won all but four events, and in several events copped all three places. Lambert, the Delaware sprint star, ran the hundred in ten flat—tha't moving rather swiftly, and Lambert's run will probably cause Gibby Young some little concern. Lambert's dash was the high spot of the meet and outside of that Delaware's records are not beyond the point of being equalled and broken. The Ekaitismen, however will have their hands full, and will really have to step to vanquish the Hens.

After the Y. M. C. A. conference on peace held on this campus several months ago we might have expected to hear some of its echoes last Friday when college organizations all over the nation joined in a mass demonstration against war. Our neighbors over at Johns Hopkins, undaunted by the rain, were joined by some of the students from Goucher College in a demonstration. Dr. Broaddus Mitchell, Socialist candidate for Governor in the last state election, and several others prominent in the movement for peace spoke against the ravages of war and the evils of arming. Wonder why the Anti War group on our campus let the day pass unnoticed?

The Silver Pentagon Society sponsored another one of it's informal dances Saturday night in the gym, a large number of the "studes" enjoyed wriggling the torso to the music of Vinny and his Hotcha boys.

Wes Sadler, Student Government leader, has recently been elected to membership in the Society, this adds another deserved feather to Wes' already overflowing cap. Congratulations! Wes.

The horse-shoe pitching grounds out back of Rat Hall are in pretty good shape now so it won't be very long till that popular after dinner diversion gets under way again. Last spring much interest was manifested in this gentle art, even to the point of an amateur open tournament. Many of last year's "barn yard golf" enthusiasts are still in school so it is highly probable that horse-shoe pitching will be a major sport again this spring. Should interest again mount to a tournament pitch this column is picking Lou Goldstein to cop the honors, Louie has been twice the champion of St. Mary's county, and should win the fling by at least a "leaner."

The new Varsity Club sweaters are making quite a hit; in case you haven't seen them they're white with maroon W's and maroon stripes on the sleeve, the number of stripes representing the number of sports in which the wearer has won his varsity letter. As nice looking as the sweaters may be they are a great disappointment to the coeds, particularly those coeds that drag with a "sweater winner"; the fair ones are chagrined because the club has ruled that only the man who has won the sweater is allowed to wear it. I'll bet some of the football men are wishing that the Athletic Council had made the same regulation in regard to the gold footballs that were awarded the members of the undefeated grid squad.

The Tildens and Ellsworths of the campus will soon be getting the old cat guts out of the press in anticipation of the tennis season. Washington College is considering the possibility of sponsoring a net squad this spring. Should plans be put into operation we have a nucleus for the team in such players as: Barnhart, Shaull, and Chambers. These men are able players of the lawn sport and around them could be built a "middling" good squad.

The baseball team of Penn State opens it's season this Saturday when it meets the Sho'men on the local diamond. State has not been able to do much practicing because of inclement weather conditions; consequently not much is known of their relative strength or weakness. Should be a good game. Needless to say, I pick the Sho'men to win.

Editor please note:
I promise not to read this week's Elm until after this column appears in press on Wednesday. My time is coming, beware my June Week effort. Catch on?

Hot spot of the week: Ain't none.

SPORTS

Al Dobkins Making Good

Al Dobkins, former Washington College athlete, is making a great record as athletic director at the Washington Park community house in Waterbury, Conn. Under the federal emergency and recreation program Dobkins is directing an extensive program in sports, social contacts, recreation and better health.

In addition to his duties at the Washington Park community house Dobkins coached the Waterbury Clock Shop five to the championship of the Waterbury Industrial league.

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GAME IS CANCELLED

Cold weather, and it was cold. yesterday caused the cancellation of the Washington College-Long Island University baseball game scheduled for the local diamond. A drop in temperature Monday night that made ice in small bodies of water continued throughout the day making baseball pretty near impossible. At noon, Tom Kibler, Washington College athletic director, announced that the game had been called off.

The cancellation marked the third time in four scheduled games this season that the Shoremen have been idle. Last week contests with George Washington and Georgetown were called off because of rain.

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Cold Holds Team Back

Scheduled to open its season here on Sunday with the strong Five-Points Club, of Wilmington, the Chestertown Baseball Club has been able to get in but one workout and with continued cold weather the prospects for any practice of worth during the rest of the week is remote.

The locals, some sixteen strong. but some of this number hardly of a calibre to make the grade, worked out on their diamond at Hopewell Corner last Sunday.

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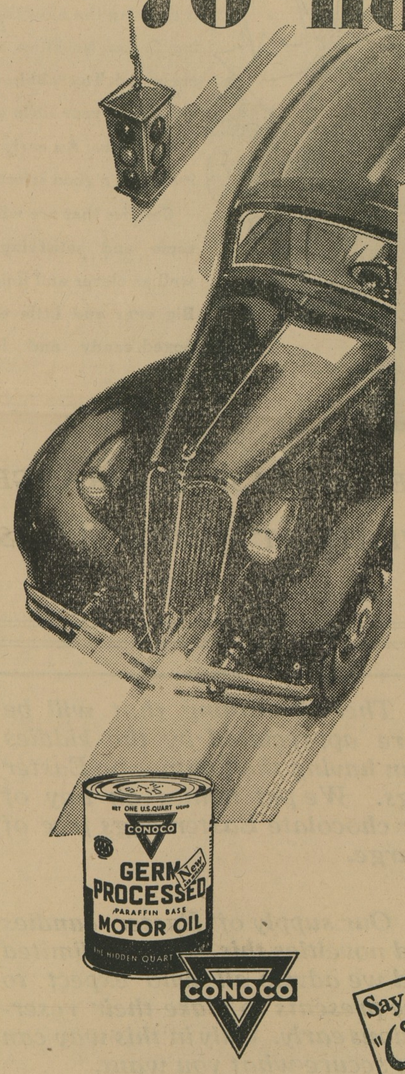

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