M. H. S. SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Merigold opened the 1940 football season with many inexperienced players. This was not for long, for under the skillful guidance of Coach McDaniel the boys were developed into a good, hard-hitting team. In spite of hardships and bad luck, Merigold turned in one of its most successful seasons by winning six games and losing one.

The team entered its first game of the season with Tchula rather nervously, but came out with a score of 20 to 0.

By the time of the third game, the home team was in tip-top shape. Cunnison was battered and beaten at the end of the game, losing 32 to 0. The team, as a whole, played its best game against Gunnison.

Next to oppose our team was Rosedale. In this game, because of several bad breaks, Merigold lost 18 to 6. The M. H. S. team outplayed the opposing team all the way through, but fumbles and intercepted passes allowed Rosedale three touchdowns.

The fifth game was played at Minter City, the only game being played away from home. After a hard fought battle, the local team won out 12 to 0.

The sixth game was against Ruleville. This was the closest game Merigold has played in recent years, the score being 7 to 6 in our favor. M. H. S. scored early in the first quarter for its only touchdown and made the extra point. Ruleville scored in the fourth, but failed to go across for the tying point.

The seventh game was played against Shaw. This was the last game of the season and the boys wanted to do their best. The score was Merigold 7, Shaw 0.

BASKETBALL

Although only one or two boys on the cage team had ever played basketball regularly, Coach McDaniel and the team had a very successful season. The squad beat Duncan in the county tournament, but fell to Skene by only one point. In the Delta tournament M. H. S. beat Itta Bena, but lost to Sunflower A. H. S.

Hoyt Dayes won a place on the all-county second team.

TRACK

There were three entrants in the Delta Track Meet this year with two winning places. Garnet Horton won second in the baseball throw, and Harra Mullins tied for fourth in the shot put. Doyle Bailey failed to score in the mile run.

BASEBALL

At the present time M. H. S. has played only three regular scheduled games, having lost two games thus far. Although the team got off to a bad start, it is improving rapidly and should turn in a creditable record at the end of the season.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

The girls' basketball team welcomed a new coach this year, when Miss Annie Lea Coleman replaced Miss Attie Lea Brashears, who had directed the girls for several years. Having never coached here before, Miss Coleman guided her team to a fairly successful season, winning six of fourteen games played.

Although the team produced no outstanding star, two girls stood out in the point-making division. Carnet Horton was high-point scorer, and Edna Earle Thomas was runner-up. Other forwards who played in many of the games include Mary Eula McNeer and Martha Pate.

Guards who have good accounts of themselves are Beatrice McCarty, Winnie Bennett, Beulah Hudson, Waurine Turner, and Sarah Jane Smith. Every girl on the squad appeared in at least one contest.

The girls entered two tournaments. Against Cleveland in the Bolivar County Tournament the locals probably played their best game of the entire season. Cleveland, however, emerged winner of the game and of the tournament. Minter City eliminated the M. H. S. squad from the Delta Tournament at Drew.

Since none of the members of the entire squad will be lost by graduation this year, it is reasonable to expect a much better team next year.

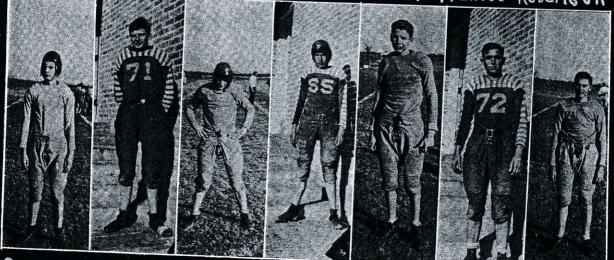
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Bailey-Springer-Thomas-Gordon-Mullins-Strawbridge-Lee

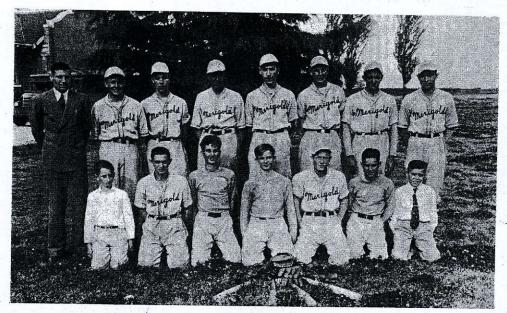


Burrus-Browning-Hallman-Wood-Smith-Prewitt-Robertson



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BASEBALL TEAM



FRONT ROW—Clay Rayner, manager; William Peacock, outfield; B. L. Kiker, outfield; George D. Thomas, second base; J. W. Livingston, outfield; Claude Hooper, second base; Quenton Miller, Jr. manager. SECOND ROW—Roy McDaniel, coach; Vernon Springer, third base; Van Hallman, outfield; Fred Turner, outfield and pitcher; Harold Gordon first base; Hubert Mullins, outfield; Ross Browning, catcher; Hoyt Daves, shortstop.

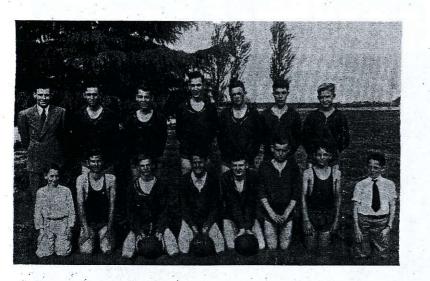
GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM



FRONT ROW—Waurine Turner, Beulah Hudson, Mary Eula McNeer, Edna Earle Thomas, Mary Evelyn Thomas, Garnet Horton, Ardis Cochran, Sarah Jane Smith, Mary Smith.

SECOND ROW—Violet Wachter, Vernell Prewitt, Nita Junkin, Annie Mae Peeples, Carolyn Rayner, Mable Ruth Proctor, Aleen Pease, Geneva Hutchinson, Alice Prewitt.

THIRD ROW—Beatrice McCarty, Coach Annie Lea Coleman, Lillian Alice Young, Mable Livingston, Betty Harrington, Jewel Hollis, Christine Pollard, Clara Mae Whatley, Martha Pate.



BOYS' BASKETBALL

FRONT ROW—Clay Rayner, manager; B. L. Kiker, George D. Thomas, Vernon Springer, John Kealhofer, Bud Daves, Bobby Hallman, Joe Sturdivant, manager.

SECOND ROW—Coach Roy Mc-Daniel, Hoyt Daves, Charlie Lee, Harold Gordon, F. W. Wood, Van Hallman, John Rogers Robertson.

SPORT LEADERS

MILE RUN—Doyle Bailey.
BASEBALL THROW—Garnet Horton.

CHEER LEADERS—Dot Abernethy, Carolyn Rayner, Odis Vera Barger, Beatrice McCarty, Martha Pate.





HAYES COOPER Head Janitor



OUR BUILDINGS

