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## Feb 166

## <u>NO. 1</u>

After many weeks of planning and work, the big Homecoming weekend has arrived and with it comes the anticipation of one of the greatest times in MC history. The whole affair will be kicked off this afternoon with a big pep rally urging the Marian basketeers on to victory this evening. Then at 8:00 PM the Knights open their home season as they take the floor against the always tough Hanover Panthers. Coach Cleon and his men look forward to their first victory and would like nothing better than to open the Homecoming Weekend on a winning note. We hope to see a full fieldhouse as support lends that extra element which spells VICTORY-VICTORY NO. 1. Lets be there to put the Knights on the road to their first winning season ever.

FRANKLIN 71 MARIAN 70

39:45 seconds of work and bumps and bounces went down the Franklin drain when Bob Billiue sunk two foul shots to upset our Knights at the Franklin gym, 71-70.

After an up and down first half, the Knights were down 38-32. A ten point deficit was cut to 2 with 14:02 left and MC went shead with 13:27 left. When Jim Chase and Joe Bittlemeyer fouled out late in the second half and with Bob Hericks riding the bench with a dizzy head, Marian was hurting for height. In spite of Franklin's torrid home court shooting and good breaks, the Knights kept it close until Larry Brodnik put MC ahead, 70-69, with 25 seconds left. After Billieu's foul shots, Marian had the ball but couldn't get it to the basket. A valient effort was thwarted and the

Grizzlies carted off a cheap victory.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS 80 MARIAN 71

Saturday evening the Knights traveled to Peru Ind. for a benefit game with the touring Southwestern University of Texas. A 45-39 half-time lead was washed out in the second half as the Knights turned colder than dry ice in the shooting dept. and saw the low side of an 80-71 score. Larry Brodnik's 16 points was Marian's highlight, other than the thrill of playing a team from further than 125 miles away.

Thus and so, going in to this evenings tangle at the Reynolds Fieldhouse, the Knights stand 0-2 and very hungry for win 1. JT

ADVICE TO BE DISREGARDED

The Panther is the same as the leopard All except he isn't peppered If you hear a Panther Don't anther.

## VICTORY IN THE HOUSE THAT REYNOLDS BUILT

Institutionalized athletic efficiency moves into the Reynolds Fieldhouse this evening when the Hanover Panthers become the object of Cleon's wrath. Yes, homecoming fever reigns throughout our hallowed halls. The dramatic conflict has been established as MC and the Panthers bring perfect records into the big contest. Las Vegas oddsmakers have installed the Knights as a solid 10 point favorite.

Hanover brings 5 returning lettermen on their bus. This quintet produced 35 points last season which breaks down to 7 points per man; however, their big man tossed in 11, so elementary mathematics allows us to say that the remaining 4 averaged 6 points a season. It sure is nice to return 5 lettermen.

Our Knights seek to gain revenge for last year's 88-76 disaster. The ballclub has displayed well balanced scoring in the first two contests. However, Cleon has turned to towel-chewing due to many cold spells, so a good ball game will allow the headman to turn from towels to a victory cigar if the beloved hargards will permit.

The turnstiles will start turning at 6 o'clock and the fire officials will lock the doors when 13,909 have passed through the doors. Victory is the goal of our ballclub and our noise will help. Jim Chase and company will give their best - they command our best.

Coach Cleon was subjected to much criticism last year after failing to bring Lew Alcindor to the MC campus. There are ill winds blowing in the alumni camp, so this becomes a must win ball game. We must win, we will win - it is homecoming - let's make a great weekend even greater.

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## PIG DAY

The rules for "Pig Day" will be placed on the stairs tomorrow. Make sure you get one!

