

EVOLUTION ALLEY

By Ann Alys

Over-hearing Edgar E. and Ye Ed discussing the plans for a new column they were thinking about putting in the Cluster put me in the mind to try for it—er, that is to submit this creation to 'em and see if it got printed. They told me if it didn't, it'd mean they didn't want anymore. If it was printed, it mean they didn't have nothing to fill up the paper with!

After thinking it over, it looked like I lost both ways.

I was cleaning out the Cluster drawers the other day and I run across a lot of little limbericks—pardon, I mean limbericks, what were submitted in the senior contest last year. Some of them were powerful potent (ain't that a good word—that's the way I heard gents this Christmas describing their cognog)—anyway, I'm going to present some for your approval.

Exhibit A—
"Most Handsome" young Buchanan Loser.

Graced the camera an eager (im) poser;

But when his photo was greeted,
He was elected "Most Conceited;"
Ain't "fame" a marvelous transposer?

And speaking of transposing, two of Mercer's lodges transposed their members to other towns this Christmas for what they described as "CORNventions." No matter what they had, though. The K. A. S. had one in Atlanta and the Pi Kappa Phi's parted the smoke and soot in Birmingham long enough to get lost. No reports received yet from the Tappa Nu Kegs. It's reported they're still in session in Cuba.

Basketball is coming along now—or maybe we're just catching up with it (Vienna plays the year round) and here's a little versetlet quite appropriate for the season:

There once was a coach named Moore,
His boys loved basketball galore.
They strutted their stuff
When they got ruff,
And swept everything off of the floor.

Here's one that might be dedicated to Louis Pescock, Robert Martin and others and sung in honor of the Wesley-Annes to the tune of "Farewell To Thee" (Wesleyan moves soon!)

A freshman said with alarm,
"What about this course at the Pharm?
Do they require that stuff?
Gosh, that's tough!
I'm doggoned tired of the farm."

This one could be dedicated to Dean Jacobs or Dr. Ragsdale—during drivers of the "Dodge Brothers" and "Chief of the Sticks":

There was once a driver named Hay,
Who was willful night and day.
One day he met a pole,
And he lost his soul—
Being hit in his "right of way"!

Time will be taken out (and given the air!) while the subject of the following stops and ties her shoe string after breezing hoops.

There is a Wesley-Anne bright,
She knows when she is right.
She went riding in a car,
But she didn't walk far—
For she carried her skates that night.

The young lady below was awarded the hand-painted, fur-lined capspider which will be gloriously placed on her grave by Joe Egan and "Butch" Ham-mack, sharp-shooters to him when it comes to hitting women holes at ten feet with Brogan's gun.

There once was a girl named Ritter,
Who was a consistent driver.
While spitting one day,
She spat herself away
Because she was not a "mitter."

Pop, who ya reckon this is meanin' for?

A man once had a cow named Spall.
She lived seventy years in all.
She died one day,
And he sent her away—
We met her again in the dining hall.

The negro ladies that clean up the dormitories are reluctant in their chase for dust because they are afraid they'll get tangled up in their mops, fall in the water buckets and drown. See what Lena did!

There once was a girl named Lena,
Who had a vacuum cleaner.
While using it one day
She got in the way,
And since then no one has seena.

CLASS CLUSTERS BEGIN FROSH EDITION FIRST

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the jeweler's and will be placed on display at the library in a few days.

According to the judges and newspapermen of Macon, the class issues have improved each year. In 1925 the class of '28, then freshmen, produced an edition printed in green, but this was not done in competition with other classes. The first class contest was in 1926. In the class contests, though hampered by lack of journalism experience, the freshmen have produced issues which ranked high.

Frosh Use Red

Last year the frosh stole the sophomores' "stuff" by abandoning the expected green ink and produced their issue printed in a vivid red. The Sophomores "broke" the news to the world in purple, the Juniors in blue and the Seniors published a sensational edition in orange and black colors. What this year will produce is a matter of conjecture.

The regular editor of the Cluster would like to confer with each of the class editors as soon as an election takes place, he stated. The task of producing an issue of the Cluster is a heavy burden upon the regular, experienced staff of the paper, it was pointed out, and the class staffs will need much time and preparation.

Scribes to Banquet

A banquet downtown for the regular staff of the Cluster will take place at the formalization of the class issues, it was announced by those in charge of the paper. Prospects for the remainder of the year indicate that the paper will have its best year financially and plans have been made to award a number of gold keys to the most proficient workers.

After this edition, the regular Cluster staff will produce one more issue. Then the frosh, sophs, juniors and seniors will "do their stuff"! When the chapel is crowded to capacity, when the class issues are over, when the judges' decisions are being read, who will be declared the winner?

Will it be your class?

Get your thinking caps, boys, hold your elections, grab your typewriters—and do yo' stuff!

VANDERBILT FIVE FIRST FOR BEARS

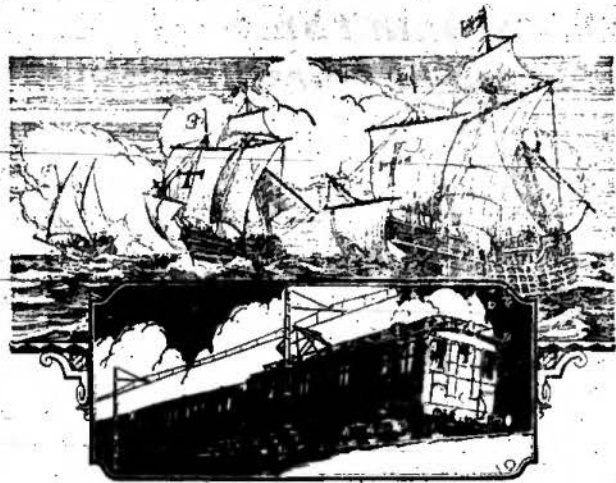
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On a six day tour before Christmas, the Bears playing under the name of "Mercer Ramblers" won six games, all by convincing scores. They defeated Chula High School, 29 to 18; Sylvester High School, 40 to 2; Moultrie Y. M. C. A. Blues, 68 to 46; Adel High, 31 to 26; Waycross Y. M. C. A., 48 to 28; Nashville Athletic Club, 76 to 21. The Mercer team, led by Captain "Phoney" Smith on this tour scored a total of 292 points to 140 for the opposition.

Win From Dawson

Returning to Macon for the Christmas holidays, the "Ramblers" immediately after Christmas went to Dawson where they played two games, defeating Dawson High School, 37 to 20, and smothering the representatives of the Dawson post of the American Legion under a 70 to 9 score.

Coach Bernice Moore returned Tuesday from his home in Tennessee, where he had spent the holidays with his family, and Tuesday afternoon the



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Bears practiced for the first time under his supervision.

However, he found the team in good condition due to the workouts before Christmas and the practice tours during the holidays.

The coach makes no predictions as to the strength of this year's team. Only one letterman, Captain "Phoney" Smith, has returned from the team which last year came within two points of winning the S. I. A. A. championship.

Have Good Material

From the freshman basketball squad of last season, the Bruin coach has some likely prospects in Lynwood Mallard, Art Wright, and Clarence Stovall. These three men will see a deal of service on the first team.

Among the reserves of last year who are out for the team are: Clyde Carpenter, Howard Bridges, "Six" Salter, W. A. Wonnack and Lige Lockerman.

The complete schedule will be made public next week. Due to an association ruling, a team that wishes to participate in the S. I. A. A. Tournament, has to play at least eight S. I. A. A. opponents, and the Mercer athletic officials are busy just now adding new games to their schedule. There will be only eight teams entered in the tournament this year.

Among the games which are in the process of being arranged, is a trip to Birmingham, Ala., where the Bears will play both the Howard Bulldogs and the Panthers of Birmingham-Southern.

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