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HOMECOMING THROUGH EXPECTED

Mercer Players To Have Stage On Campus

PORTABLE SETTINGS TO BE USED IN MAIN CHAPEL AUDITORIUM

Scenery Under Construction For Domestic Interior; Dr. Stout Supervisor

ARCH EFFECTS USED

Proscenium Design Of Picture Frame Type To Be Used As Lighting Support

With stage scenery already beginning to take form, and with other construction work to follow immediately, the Mercer Players look forward to more and better activity in dramatics.

Plans Approved
The first need for a stage at home is to be supplied first. President Dowell has approved plans for equipping the chapel platform with portable scenery and a proscenium arch that can be set up to carry lights and a front curtain whenever a play is in rehearsal. At other times the whole equipment (Continued on Page 6)

ORCHESTRA BEGINS PREPARATIONS FOR GLEE CLUB TOURS

Elliott Lawton Replaces Bill Benton As Director Of Collegians

NEW TYPES ADDED

The Mercer Collegians under the direction of Elliot Lawton have been holding regular practices for the last week in preparation for their fall tour as a part of the Greater Mercer Glee Club.

The band this year will miss the trumpet solos of Bill Benton, former leader, and the vocal renditions of Jimmy Lawson, tenor. Otherwise, the organization will be composed chiefly of old members.

Following the present trend for more hands, the saxophone section will be especially smooth, backed by the muted instruments of the old Benton brass section.

Lawton has not made any definite choice as to the selections to be used, but he is rehearsing at present Stardust, Poor Butterfly, and Christmas Night In Harlem. All three possibly will be included in the program.

The glee club chorus, under Dr. Richardson, is holding daily practices in preparation for the fall tour which will possibly be in west and southwest Georgia during the first of December.

LOST AND FOUND

Some time ago a picture of a Mercer basketball team of about 1934 was taken from my office in the Mercer Law building. The loss of this picture is very concerning to me, since it was borrowed from Mr. H. E. Hargrove, an alumnus, whose likeness is in the lost photograph. I will pay fifty dollars for the return of the picture, or for information leading to its return.
—L. F. BURELL,
Mercer University.

Thanks Students



WILLIAM QUARLES

William Quarles, student body president, thanked the students yesterday for the cooperation they have shown so far to make Homecoming Day a success.

Serving as general chairman of the student body committee in charge of the affair, he spoke in praise of the enthusiasm which has been shown by the student body at large and the student committee in general.

"I believe that this will be the best Homecoming day event we have ever handled," he declared. "The spirit shown and the willingness to plunge in and take hold assures me that the entire Homecoming Day will be a huge success. From the bonfire and parade tonight to the final whistle at the game tomorrow the day has been so carefully planned that it will run off smoothly."

Committees which have been busy with the many tasks presented in the handling of the huge spectacle include: Advertising, T. J. Espy, Will Johnson, Sidney Weinstein; publicity, Jack Avery, W. T. Ashmore, Jr., Jack Adams; tickets, Franklin Dukes; gatemen, Solon Couch; ushers, Jim Brown; police, Thad Murphey; bonfire, Jimmie Holmes, Lynn Anthony, Warwick Norris; decoration of stadium, Lennie Davis; parade, Blue Key Fraternity, Sam Stearns; sale of tickets before game, Cardinal Key sorority.

CO-ED BASKET BALL GETS UNDER WAY HERE

Williamson Again Elected To Head Group; Many New Members

Co-ed basketball got under way during the past week with more than fourteen girls reporting for the first practice, held in the school gymnasium Monday afternoon.

Miss Virginia Williamson, who was captain of the team last year, was unanimously re-elected to head the group this season. She plays either jumping center or forward, and is one of the best and most dependable players on the team.

Helen Glenn and Catherine Thompson, freshmen, have been turning in good work at practices, and are expected to fill guard posts capably. They were on the Miller High School team until their graduation last June.

The team is greatly strengthened (Continued on Page 6)

LET'S ALL GO N. R. A.

Do Your Part And Make Homecoming Day A Huge Success

By ELEANOR WILSON

Clap Hands! Homecoming's here . . . or rather, it's just around the corner, four blocks down, park in the student section and yell, Yell, YELL! We want action and we want NOISE! It all begins with the BIG PARADE, with Willie "Stratosphere" Smith dusting off the Cherry Street cobblestones, and the mayor of our fair little city, mustache and all, leading the procession, and doing his part (NRA) to make it a Smart affair.

Frosh, here are a few tips: The sirens may sound Friday . . . but car-decorating must go on . . . so bring your rolls of tissue and snitch a few pennants from Chichester's and advertise A. Mater. Though professors usually look with scorn upon Homecoming . . . car-decorating must go on! After all, to a prof, the connotation of the word "homecoming" usually means only a cold supper and a nagging wife.

Rat caps should not be lost this year . . . just a small application of glue on the bald heads will turn the trick . . . and if that doesn't work, the natural vacuum pressure will suffice.

Remember that it's Mercer's big-hearted GENEROUS day . . . we know what to give them??? Spread the Orange and Black all over town . . . be sure and have the Orange though the Black will probably be more appropriate after the game (for Furman). When the Bears trot out on that field Saturday, everything will be sewed up but the temporary tuck that has been taken in the drum major's uniform.

Coach Russell, in his Homecoming talk, said that an alibi was the punkest thing in the world . . . are we punk? . . . WELL NO! One thing more, Freshies, be sure to yell! Open your mouth and throw yourself into it. Remember that we are for Mercer and not Furman.

STUDENTS FORM SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Mercer Class To Work In Conjunction With Tatnall Baptists Formed

By HAMPTON DUNN
A Mercer class composed of both the male and co-ed students has been organized at the Tatnall Square Sunday School. Classes are being held temporarily in the Administration building until a room is assigned.

The following officers have been elected to serve this coming year: Tom Snow, Valdosta, president; Miss Mary Bennett, Gray, Enlargement Vice-president; John Calloway, Atlanta, Publicity Vice-president; Miss Marie Edwards, Talbotton, Secretary; and the following Group Captains who will be responsible to see that their groups are present each Sunday: Miss Josie Brown, Macon; Warrick Norris, Louisville, Ky.; Carl Sanders, Sandersville; Howard Giddens, (Continued on Page 6)

RUSSELL FEATURED ON RADIO SHOW

Outline Of Complete Homecoming Program Given On Collegiate Program

A program with a typical college atmosphere, having as its background the Homecoming football game was brought out in this week's "Mercer University On the Air," over station WMAZ. Head Coach Lake Russell commented on his football squad and their chances with the Purple from Furman. The coach at Furman told of the "hard fight" that he expected in tomorrow's game. Harry Lichter, Bear center, spoke on behalf of the Mercer players.

These talks were interspersed by solos by John Herndon and piano numbers by Maines Rawles. In addition to this, an outline of the complete Homecoming program was given.

This program was announced by Solon Couch, director Radio Extension, Mercer University.

Homecoming Welcome



DR. SPRIGHT DOWELL

To the Sons and Guests of Mercer: All Mercer joins today in extending a hearty welcome to you who are honoring us with your presence on this our annual Homecoming Day.

Like the autumn leaves that are putting on clouds of lace, purple, gold and red, in preparation for the approach of Thanksgiving and Christmas, Mercer, too, has anticipated your coming by beginning certain improvements in Sherwood Hall, in the library and elsewhere about the campus that we believe you cannot fail to interpret as an evidence of a rising tide of college spirit and as an expression of the happiness and helpfulness we feel in having you with us again.

Featuring the annual Homecoming welcome will be the game between sister institutions in sister states, Furman and Mercer, both of whom have lived and served so well for more than a hundred years. The friendly rivalry between these two institutions may well become an annual classic and while we dare not spoil the prospect by predicting the score, we can promise a game in which skill and sportsmanship will be combined in wholesome fashion for your enjoyment and for the enrichment of Mercer and Mercerians.

Sincerely and cordially,
SPRIGT DOWELL,
President.

GUYTON CARR ELECTED PHI ETA SIGMA HEAD

Johnston, Gautier, Tinsley Also Chosen Leaders In Honor Group

Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary society, held its first meeting of the year last Tuesday for the purpose of organizing.

The officers elected for this year are: Guyton Carr, president; Wylly Johnson, vice-president; Jack Gautier, secretary-treasurer; and Carroll Tinsley, publicity chairman. The other members in the active chapter include Charles Fulghum, Frank Johnson, Edwin Hood, Edison Yates, Maines Rawles, and Charles Crow.

It was planned to meet with the freshmen in the near future, and explain to them the qualifications for entrance into Phi Eta Sigma. The next meeting of the society was called for next Tuesday.

PARADE TO BEGIN DAY'S FESTIVITIES; DANCES FEATURED

Parade To Begin At Eleven O'clock Promptly; Line To Form In Front Of University

FRATS TO ENTERTAIN

Nearly All Of Local Fraternities Will Hold Open House Saturday

Complete plans for Homecoming were announced last night, as the various committees and leaders finished a feverish week's work to make this event the largest and most successful in recent years.

The day is to start with the parade at 11 o'clock promptly. The parade is to assemble in front of the University along Coleman avenue at 10:30 a. m. The procession is to proceed down College street to Forsyth, then via Forsyth to Cotton avenue, on which street the City Auditorium the band will meet the procession. With the band in the lead the cavalcade will go down Cherry street to Broadway where it will turn to the right and proceed to Poplar. After reaching Poplar street the line will turn to the left, continuing on so as to pass in front of the Terminal station on Fifth street and on to Mulberry street. At Mulberry the parade will turn back into Broadway and then back into Cherry. On Cherry again, the procession will retrace back to the City Auditorium and thence to the University. Every Campus organization is expected to have a large decorated float in line at the starting time. Several hundred students will have cars, filled with other students, throughout the lengthy procession.

Dances To Be At Shrine Mosque
The annual Homecoming dances (Continued on Page 5)

BEAR BAND LEADS GAME PARADE

Willie Smith To Lead Musicians In Between-Halves Demonstration

The Mercer Band, 40 strong, is ready to go through its paces at the Homecoming festivities. Willie Smith will step once more.

Smith, proclaimed by many to be one of the best drum majors in the South, is back on the campus, and is all set to go through his strutting antics between the halves at the Mercer-Furman game Saturday at the Centennial Stadium. Watch him!

W. F. Walker, band director, is back from the "war" and will also be on duty.

The band will be augmented for the Homecoming game by a number of Macon musicians. Professor Carver, instructor, promises good harmony for the occasion.

PASS IN REVIEW

By ROY RHODENHISER, Jr.

WHAT'S WRONG, FLEAS? Men at Dormitory House Pick Heads—Headline in Boston University News.

Here's an opportunity for some enterprising Mercer student. The College Life magazine is offering a prize of \$500.00 for the best short stories submitted. The first prize is \$250.00. Stories may contain from 1,000 to 7,000 words.

WHY GIRLS GO TO CO-ED SCHOOLS

Dancing With Men to Be Permitted soon—Headline in the Florida Flambeau.

Elmer Layden, coach at Notre Dame, uses martial music in coach-

ing the football team. It teaches them synchronization in the execution of the Rockne shift and coordination in team play. Wonder what would happen if the opponents had their band to play "Retreat" during an important game?

AND WE THOUGHT THAT THE BOYS AT WASHINGTON AND LEE WERE GENTLEMEN!
Recently the Students at Washington and Lee crashed the county fair at Rockbridge, and two of the more ambitious ones challenged the wrestling champ and the boxing champ to a bout, and both of the students completely defeated the champs. In fact the boxing champ refused to return to the ring after (Continued on Page 6)

PROBABLE LINEUPS

Mercer	Pos.	Furman
NeSmith	LE	Roper
Williamson	LT	Powell
Ward	LG	Wakefield
Lichter	C	Williams
Tyson	RG	Brodie
Gurry	RT	Burrell
Warlick	RE	King
Lee	QB	Blair
Davino	HB	Stevens
Morris	HB	Hutt
Allen	FB	Fisher