

MERCER CLUSTER

FRATS COME OUT OF PAN-HELLENIC

PASS IN REVIEW

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POLITICIANS TAKE HEED

At Washington and Lee University the candidates for the campus offices are required to file an account of the campaign expenses incurred by them. Now that's an idea worth adopting here at Mercer.

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CRAZY STRAINS FROM OLD REFRAINS PUT BISON STUDES IN AWFUL MOODS—Headline in the Bison of Oklahoma Baptist University.

Somewhat poetical to say the least.

—MC—

POEME

See the happy Mormon,
He doesn't have nine lives,
Isn't that a pity,
When he has so many wives?

—Red and Black

—MC—

George Subjected to Annual Bath.—Headline in the University Hatchet of Washington University. What for? Nobody could get dirty enough to take a bath in just one year's time.

—MC—

The honor system seems to work very satisfactorily at Washington and Lee. For according to the Maryland Diamond, one alumnus of ten years' standing claims to have returned for a visit recently and found a cigar butt he had thrown under his bed still there. Guess we'll have to page Mr. Diogenes after all.

—MC—

The students at Los Angeles Junior College were asked to briefly state the Monroe Doctrine, on a history exam. One student wrote the following answer: "Scram, Foreigners."

—MC—

Springtime is the time of poets, and as only a few more days re-

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Minority Group Makes Protests At Tuesday Meet

Four Fraternities Organize Own Greek Council in Opposition Move

CONCILIATION SOUGHT

Differences of Long Standing Come to Head as Demands Are Ignored

Differences which had their beginnings years ago between fraternity chapters in the Mercer Pan Hellenic council came to an abrupt showdown Tuesday when a minority group tendered a joint resignation from the association to Daly Smith, Macon, its president.

Though rumors about the split had been drifting around the campus for some time, it was not believed that the break would take place. At a business meeting of the association, however, held Tuesday morning in the law school building, W. T. Ashmore, Macon student, announced the withdrawal of Alpha Tau Omega, Pi Kappa Phi, Kappa Sigma and Alpha Lambda Tau social fraternities from the association.

Reasons for the withdrawal given by Al Davino, New York, were lack of representation on the governing board of Pan Hellenic council, and what he termed the high salaries paid to the dance committee officials. With no representation on the governing board, Davino declared the fraternity dance assessments to be "taxation without representation." The United States fought a war about that question a little while ago," he concluded.

Seek Conciliation
Chapters left in the organization moved swiftly to heal the breach and preserve the organization intact. Jullus Gholson, treasurer of

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Auxiliary Donates Sum For Curtains On Chapel Stage

The maroon velour front curtain, recently installed in the Mercer auditorium, has been paid for by the Mercer Auxiliary and presented to the university, according to an announcement from Dr. Wilbur Stout director of the Mercer Players.

This gift came from the accumulated savings of the women's club, not from any revenue on the recent Auxiliary program to which no admission was charged. Except for a contribution from the student activity fee, it represents the largest single donation given to an enterprise which the administration has not yet been called upon to aid, financially.

During the few weeks that Mercer has had a stage at home, the auditorium has been used for two dramatic programs, with a third scheduled for May 21st when the Mercer Players present *The Torchbearers*, a satire on amateur dramatics.

Chemistry Club Hears Address

Dr. Herbert F. Wright Speaks to Alembics on Subject of Barriers

Dr. Herbert Wright, professor of psychology, made a talk before the second meeting for the year of the newly organized Alembic Club which was held before a capacity crowd in the Physics classroom last Tuesday night. The subject of Dr. Wright's address was the proposition that "A Barrier Enhances a Positive Valence."

Dr. Wright while at Duke University made a special study of this subject and carried out a number of experiments to prove the proposition. In his talk he told of some of the experiments performed, and how the results tended to prove his theorem, which stated in simple language means why we want something that is hard to get or why we think the grass on the other side of the fence is greener.

At a called meeting of the society Thursday morning the following officers were elected for next fall: president, Jack Adams; vice-president, Alton Ethridge; and secretary, Miss Emma Norris.

Gautier Reports On Frat Conclave

Macon Man Attends Session Phi Eta Sigma

Jack Gautier gave his report on the national convention of Phi Eta Sigma, which met at Oklahoma University in Norman, Oklahoma. Gautier was the representative of Mercer at this gathering. While there, he found out that Mercer is the smallest college to have a chapter in the honorary fraternity. He also discovered that we will have to raise our grades for entrance too, to half A's and half B's, or two A's and a B. Members may also remain active for their entire collegiate career, instead of the former time of two years.

Mississippi State College was voted in as a new member of the organization. Gautier stated that the remainder of the business was merely routine. The local chapter will elect their officers for the coming year at a future meeting. They will keep a scrap book of their activities.

THETAS COP BIKE RACE FROM S. A. E.

STUDENT HEAD



Photo by Metro.

Woolvin Patten

For the first time in several years Mercer students picked a Macon man to be president of the student body, in the spring elections held at the university last Friday, as a slight majority of 23 votes gave Woolvin Patten, Student Party candidate, victory over Joe Pickard, Buena Vista, Independent coalition nominee for the highest position that students can confer on one of their members.

Honors have come to him while a student at Mercer, he having been named to Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman scholastic honor society; a member of Blue Key, upperclass honorary fraternity; president of the Law club, and member of the Kappa Sigma social fraternity. He will be a senior next year.

Will Johnson of Cuthbert, arts college sophomore, was elected editor of the 1936 *Couldron*, university yearbook and Howard Overby of Gainesville, arts college senior, was chosen business manager.

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Winners Have 20 Mile Lead As Grind Ends

Barfield and Owen Take Final Spins for Their Fraternities Wednesday Afternoon

PARTY IS RACE PRIZE

Hazelhurst, Barfield and Flournoy Help Pile Up Winning Lead for Theta Riders

As nonchalant as a man-about-town lighting a Murad, Phi Delta Theta cyclists held a 20 mile lead over the challenging Sigma Alpha Epsilon riders until 3 p. m. Wednesday to bring their club victory in a three day bicycle endurance race between the rival Mercer fraternities.

And as a result of the contest those same Theta's will dine off beer and pretzels in the near future, as guests of the losing S. A. E.'s, according to the terms read out last Sunday afternoon at the beginning of the three day grind.

Minor mishaps, one collision with a parked car, one encounter with an obstreperous pedestrian, official objections, pouring rain and scorching sun all combined to add their share of interest to the hard work of pedalling a circuit of 4.1 miles, noted for its ups and downs.

The honor of riding the final laps yesterday afternoon went to the speed champs of their respective fraternities, Felder Barfield for the Theta's and Al Owen for the S. A. E.'s. With a few minutes on their hands, they loafed around the course and came in almost on the minute in a neck and neck dash.

David Hazelhurst, Tom Flournoy and Felder Barfield combined to do some fast riding for the winning Theta's, their good work piling up most of the winning mileage. Hazelhurst was in the saddle 13 times for a total of more than

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COMMENCEMENT DANCES SET BY NEW GREEK ASSOCIATION

Two Orchestras to Feature Affairs at Hotel Dempsey Ballrooms

Complete plans for the presentation of the Commencement series of dances were announced today by the Greek Council of Mercer, the newly organized Intra fraternity group.

It was announced that the Greek Council of Macon, composed of the alumni of the Alpha Lambda Tau, Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Sigma, and Pi Kappa Phi fraternities, is to sponsor the dances to be given in the different ball rooms of the Hotel Dempsey. The first dance is to be given on the night of May 30 in the Tavern Ball Room with Law Davies and his Orchestra furnishing the music. The second and third dances are to be given in the main ball room of the Hotel, with another orchestra playing.

The Tavern was chosen because of its cooling facilities, it was said. It was also added that a special cooling and refrigerating plan is to be used during the dances in the main ball room. Announcement of the second orchestra will be made later. Negotiations are now underway with several band leaders for the Friday and Saturday evening dances, it was said.

CICERONIANS

To Wind Up Year With Feed at New Yorker

The Ciceronian literary society is planning a banquet, which will be held on Monday night, May 13. During their meeting Monday night, the members of the society decided to hold the social at the New Yorker. Arrangements were made with the proprietors of this restaurant by the reservations committee, composed of Hugh Mabry and Jack Gautier. Each member of the organization will pay a banquet fee.

This will be the last meeting of the Ciceronian society for the current year. New officers will be elected, and a formal closing of the activities will be observed. A guest speaker and others are being invited to participate. Wylly Johnston, Gladys Holder, and Hunter Hurst are in charge of the program. Other committeemen are: Finance; Emma Norris and Howard Overby; Publicity, Carroll Tinsley; and Decorations, George Nutting and Tom Flournoy.

DR. W. J. MATHERLY GIVES AIMS OF EDUCATION HERE

SONGSTERS

Wind Up Winter Tour In-Commerce Tonight

As chipper as ever and as merry as can be, Mercer's Glee and instrumental club will wind up its winter tour with a one-night stand at Commerce tonight. Other towns which were played were Eatonton, Wednesday night, and Elberton Thursday night.

The show of the club on this tour will remain practically unchanged from that of the winter trip. The orchestras on this trip will be under the direction of Don Hunter, Atlanta, and he will be aided in his work as master of ceremonies by Jack Mosely, Vidalia. The novelty acts consist of a modernistic piano solo by Charles Thompson McDonough, a crayon cartoon act by Will Johnson, Cuthbert, and a comedy skit by Don Hunter and Jack Mosely.

The club will return to Macon after the Saturday night show in Commerce.

University of Florida Dean States Threefold Objective of Training

Dr. Walter J. Matherly, dean of the college of business administration of the University of Florida, was the guest speaker at the annual Mercer honors day exercises yesterday morning.

Students who had excelled in scholarship at the university during the year were honored by the exercises of the morning. The subject of Dean Matherly's address was the primary functions of higher education.

"The three primary functions of education are: The arousing of intellectual curiosity in the student; the promotion of physical strength; and the aiding of the moral and spiritual growth of the student, the speaker said.

"Man is different from the birds of the air and the beasts of the field in that he is an intellectual being," he declared. "He possesses a mind and is endowed with brains. Since we are endowed with intellectual powers, we must learn to use them. We must give a reason for the beliefs that we hold. The dif-

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