

FROM THE

BRUIN SPORTLOG

BY HAMPTON DUNN

Quite naturally, the fans and followers of both Mercer and University of Georgia are eagerly looking with both eyes toward the football classic in Sanford Field, Athens, Saturday afternoon, both with the idea that their team will be victorious.

Then, of course our side is 100 per cent Mercer. Approximately 500 students on the Mercer campus have continually repeated "Beat Georgia" until they sincerely believe that statement and nothing in the world will cause them to change their minds as long as there is a minute of play left in the game. The sidewalks and buildings are plastered with slogans such as "Beat Georgia, Mercer," "Give 'Em H..." "Show School Spirit," and many other appropriate mottoes. School spirit has been aroused as never before, and Athens will be filled with Mercer students and alumni tomorrow. The freshmen have joined the upperclassmen, and all are one in the belief that Mercer will beat Georgia.

TEAM IS EXPERIENCED

But if one will take a look at Coach Russell's 1935 edition of the Bears, they will see why the students have more reason to believe Mercer will beat Georgia than just for student spirit. Although the squad is smaller than 1934 and lacks reserves, it has a more experienced and hustler first string, with capable substitutes for each man. With the exception of Morris, who is suffered from a broken ankle, all the members of the team are in the best of condition and ready to do their part in crushing the Bulldogs. Coach Russell is very optimistic, and believes his group this year are far superior to last year's on account of their experience.

Allen Bloodworth, who starred throughout the season last year, is back again ready and eager to go. He is expected to lead the attacks this season also. And then, Russell has a sophomore this year who will brighten the prospects of the backfield. Big Alton Owen, from New Jersey, is the man, and according to sports scribes and fans he will be the outstanding player this year. But these are only two from the Bear's sack of valuable players. A strong line ably led by NeSmith and Gilbert should prove a stone wall this season. Space does not permit us to give the qualities of each individual player, but you may learn this by glancing at the advance dope which is filling the Georgia newspapers this week. Unless some terrible jinx or several injuries turn up, the Bears may expect a rosy record for this year's game, is the opinion of our writer.

MAKS BRILLIANTLY CLAD

Keeping pace with other improvements on the campus, the athletic department has also come to be proud of. When the Bruins trot out on the field at Athens tomorrow afternoon, they will be completely clad with bright new uniforms. Very bright orange is the prevalent color, topped somewhat with streaks of black. These uniforms will add to the spirit of helping Mercer go forward.

STADIUM NOW LIGHTED

Adding a new era to football history in Macon are the floodlights installed at Centennial Stadium this summer. This project was made possible by the city, through the cooperation of the Mercer and Lanier High School athletic departments. A portion of the gate receipts of their games will be turned over to the city. Lanier will have six night games, and Mercer will play two under the newly installed lights. The city officials and athletic directors are to be congratulated on making such a move, and thus showing their faith in football

ROGERS DIRECTS TRYOUTS FOR CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Freshman Irked

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embraced each other, and sealed their devotion with a kiss. Although Dr. Richardson was unable to be present, tryouts for the glee club were made just the same, and male rats who had never thought of singing became accomplished soloists over night. The debating team was not forgotten either, and several impromptu speeches on highly interesting subjects were heard.

Imitations of various rare actions were frequent during the entertainment. Among them were "scrambling like an egg," "wrestling with temptations" and other crude stunts. Many other amusements furnished a highly entertaining evening — for the sophs.

Parade Monday Night

Cheerleaders Pete Peters and Jimmie Holmes rounded up the freshmen Monday night and held their annual publicity stunt in the shirttail parade. A string of freshmen, nearly a half block long, learned the school yells and songs and stirred up enthusiasm downtown for the football game Saturday. On their journey to town, they paid a visit to the fair dames at the Wesleyan conservatory and gave a performance for their entertainment. Freshman Freddie Shearer and several others even took a chance of their lifetime and took unto themselves wives. At least, they went through the worst of the job — that of the proposal. After parading in every street in downtown Macon, through the courtesy of the manager of the Rialto theatre, the group saw "Oil for the Lamps of China." And less than twenty-four hours later the freshmen needed some of that oil to cool the seats of their trousers, because the intelligent sophomores thoroughly believe in the axiom, "spare the rod and spoil the child." But they, like all other freshmen in the past, have the consolation that next year they too will be sophomores.

attendance for Macon.

LICHTER WANTS FRESHMEN

Coach Harry Lichter, who played center for the Bears last year and several years before, and who is now on the Mercer coaching staff has issued a call for candidates for his freshmen squad. Quite a few have reported since classes started, but only five were here for the early practice before school opened. They were Grady Rainey, Tiff Fair, Thomasville; DeVernon Robinson, Rome; and John Strenzier, LaGrange. Not having a full freshmen squad has handicapped the varsity team this year, for usually they are the ones the varsity plays are practiced on, and are opponents for their scrimmages. It is hoped that more freshmen will come out so there can be several games scheduled for them.

At a recent meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science it was generally agreed that capitalism just now is taking a "bad beating."

Physics Head to Coach First Team in Mercer History

Cross-country running, "man's oldest game," will make its first appearance in the sport annals of Mercer University this fall under direction of the new physics professor, Dr. H. H. Rogers, former freshman track coach at Penn State and present aspirant to the 1936 olympic team.

At a meeting held last Friday afternoon for all students interested in trying out for the Mercer cross-country team, Dr. Rogers said schedules for a race between Mercer and Presbyterian and another between Mercer and Clemson will likely be billed at an early date. Dr. Rogers also anticipates entering his team in the Southern Conference meet. The race with Presbyterian will probably take place between halves at the Mercer-Presbyterian football game, to be played here in Macon, and the one with Clemson between halves at the Mercer-Clemson game, to be played in Augusta.

Team Explained

A cross-country team, Dr. Rogers explained, consists of seven men who, in intercollegiate races, run a given distance of from five to six miles, two of the seven being extras, who run alongside the regulars to substitute in case of injured ankles. Five of the seven composing any squad must cross the given line before victory may be claimed. Scores are counted by numbering consecutively each man who finished and adding his number to the score of his team, the team with the lowest score winning.

Credit for Physical Ed

Every student who goes out for cross-country running will get credit for his work on physical education. Dr. Rogers will start his boys off the first week, by giving them setting-up exercises and posturing them about a half mile a day. Cross-country running, the instructor declares, is not a sport of rigid rules and regulations, but a sport requiring "abdominal fortitude."

Dr. Rogers says in case he is unable to schedule races with Clemson and Presbyterian, he will run a freshman team against a varsity one between halves of Mercer football games. Also, he states, sometime during the year he will sponsor a cake race in which a cake will be given to each of the first seven men to cross the victory line, the cakes to be solicited from sororities. This will be a contest between members of the home team.

Train Time

(Continued from page 1) to go by automobile. "We only want to be sure that every student has a way to get to the game," Patten stated.

A chartered bus, for which round trip tickets will be \$2.00, will also go to Athens. Tickets may be bought at the Herbert Smart Clothing Company.

MERCER GRIDDERS AT LAST BLESSED WITH ALL-AMERICAN

One of the "Big Boys" Finally Here — As Line Coach

Mercer has at last succeeded in getting her name associated with a former football player of All-American fame — Freddie Sington — who played with Alabama University during the years 1929-31. Several men from Mercer have had mention for honorary team but none have ever made the first or second teams, except the newcomer who comes to Mercer in the capacity of line coach.

Coach Lake Russell succeeded in getting the All-American tackle to come here and help get his team in shape for the game at Athens tomorrow with Georgia. Sington had just finished a good season of baseball in the Southern League, where he was playing with the Chattanooga Lookouts, when Mercer's head coach learned that he could be obtained for this season. The big line coach refused to answer any questions when interviewed on the prospects that the Bears will have tomorrow against the Bulldogs.

Players in Shape

Already the boys on the practice field have felt the touch of All-American atmosphere as the big fellow puts his line men through a tough afternoon. The players feel that if he continues his tough routine each afternoon during the remainder of the season like those he put them through the first two weeks he has been here, the teams they meet beginning tomorrow will be comparatively easy.

Sington Won't Talk

Looking up from the detective story which he was reading, Sington stated that Coach Russell was the man to see about prospects of the game, as he was head man on the coaching staff, and that there would be no opinion as to the outcome of the Saturday game at Athens coming from him, the line coach. Smiling as he spoke, Sington had a peculiar twinkle in his eyes that seemed to indicate that he had a good idea as to the outcome of the game, and that he felt that his boys would be in good shape to take it from the Georgia team.

Sington will return to baseball next year as he is still under contract and can be drafted by Chattanooga or some major league team.

Campus Frats

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For Men Only

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stummick... An orchid to Charlie and Marie... such constancy... tak... tak... The new campus beauty queen is lovely... but so-o-o aloof... the result of being a beauty queen, no doubt... There should be at least five ping-pong tables in the new co-op... Our nomination for the most consistently brilliant mind on the campus: Oliver Mixon... of the law school... What a let-down the frosh will get when rushing is finally over, and they're treated like normal humans again... I hope Mercer will be in Athens 100 per cent Sady... yelling for a swell, courageous football team, win, lose, or draw... Chapel is almost as dull as a dean's lectures... Maxie Beer is flies in our soup... having dropped a fiver Tuesday... Hope it's cool in Athens... that game is on our mind something awful... WE PREDICT A VICTORY...

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