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BEARS AND PETRELS RENEW RIVALRY TONIGHT



In The Wash

With Jack Tarver

IN RE: THE LINE

You've heard of the great Blonde Blizzard
And Wright and Johnny too,
It's generally known and conceded
They put those Bulldogs through.
And scribes have praised their virtues
And used columns their stories to tell;
And it's generally known and conceded
They gave those Bulldogs Hell.

Let another hack his pen apply
In tales of those brilliant backs.
But, listen Bud, while I supply
A feature his story lacks.
It's not the backfield whose praise I sing,
Though they deserve it all.
I write instead of our "little" line,
That fighting forward wall.

They made Mr. Lumpkin look pretty bad,
He of the All-American Fame,
And all the rest of great Georgia's line
Was very much the same.
And many, many years from now,
You can bet they'll remember still
Our Bubber and Martin and Neal and Al
And Rainey and Fitzzy and Phil.

They started the game in Athens town,
And they fought their fight to the end,
They didn't seem to know how to quit,
Those sixty minute men.
That "little" line is plenty tough,
They've got the heart and the will,
Of Bubber and Martin and Neal and Al,
And Rainey and Fitzzy and Phil.

HOMECOMING

It's Homecoming tonight in Centennial Stadium, and our Bears will be entertaining those Petrels, who from all reports are quite a tricky bunch of lads. Anyway, the Bruins have seemingly weathered the storm, and so, despite the fact that they seem to show a disappointing disinclination to score any points, we're going on record as picking them to take this one as well as the next three.

In the fight they put up against Georgia last Saturday, the Bruins with one full sweep cleaned the slate of all the shortcomings that have been chalked up against them so far this year. They met what is generally conceded to be the best Bulldog aggregation of recent years in their own backyard, and placed Mehre's highly touted specimens very much in the position of the proverbial man who caught the Bear.

Yes, sir, on Saturday last, old Al Owen was the Blonde Blizzard the papers delight in writing about, and Bazemore proved for once and all that he's definitely a little Napoleon of the type Mercer has long needed. Johnny Mattox made his best performance so far as both a defensive and offensive powerhouse.

As for the line, there were seven individual stars in the forward wall. They gave what is possibly the biggest line in the south from twenty to thirty pounds a man as a weight advantage, and then made up for lack of size in bigness of heart, driving the vaunted Bulldogs off their feet. They showed Georgia's Homecoming throngs what a real line can do. Sixty minutes they gave their all, emerging at the end of the game battered, blood-spattered and bruised, but covered nevertheless with all the glory they could stand up under.

For four games now these Bruins have been held scoreless. For two hundred and forty long minutes they have striven in vain towards that lost white line. Time and again they have been converted, driven deep into touchdown territory, only to have a cruel fate snatch numerous scoring opportunities from their hands. And so tonight our victory starved Bears meet Oglethorpe's Stormy Petrels in their annual tilt.

And we're taking the Bears and giving thirty points.

COACH RUSSELL GIVES PLANS FOR NEW ATHLETIC PROGRAM



COACH LAKE RUSSELL

FLAG RUSH SET FOR NEXT WEEK

Annual Freshman-Sophomore Battle To Take Place Nov. Fourth

November fourth is the tentative date set for the battle of the century between the Freshmen and Sophomores for the little green ribbon.

If the freshmen win, it means that they will no longer have to abide by the rules governing their conduct on the campus. If, however, they lose, they will be subject to the upper-classmen's will.

Kenyon Sellers, Sophomore leader, says, "The Sophs' can't lose. We'll beat the bowl off of them."

It seems that the Freshmen don't feel exactly the same way about it. They consider themselves a sure thing to cop the flag this year.

The last time a Freshmen team won the rush was in 1935 when Harry Stewart was the hero of the Freshmen squad.

Both teams are making offensive and defensive plans for the oncoming fray. Candidates for both teams are being scouted and chosen. All in all it looks like the biggest and best battle royal to take place on the Mercer campus in several years.

HOMECOMING

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Scharff, Macon; Jimmy Fitzpatrick, captain of Mercer's football team; Miss Mary Lamar McKenzie; and Hubert Hurst, president of Blue Key, with Miss Dorothy Newhard, Perry, and a student at Shorter College. The band will march just behind these and will be followed by the floats.

The alumni are planning to attend a barbecue to be given tonight at 6 o'clock on the campus. A special homecoming program is to be held in Penfield Hall student activity building. Five hundred visiting alumni are expected to attend the program which will include short talks, musical selections, and student skits.

Coach Russell States Program Of Intra-Mural Events, Gym Classes

By Cloud Morgan

"An intra-mural sports program for those students not required to take physical education will be offered this year, in addition to the regular course in physical education on a plan similar to that of last year's softball league, but on a much greater scale," Coach Lake Russell announced this week.

The new physical education program, under the supervision of Coach Russell, got under way Monday. This course is required of all freshmen and sophomores, including co-eds. These students have been grouped into five classes, each class meeting twice a week.

The keynote of this year's program, according to Coach Russell, will be individual play as well as team technique. The purpose is twofold: to teach students how to play, and, upon the completion of the two-year course, to enable them to coach other boys and girls in one of two sports. Students will receive one hour credit a quarter for the course, of three hours an academic year. Six hours credit in physical education is required for graduation from the university.

Contestants for either the tennis team or the cross-country team will be excused from the regular classes and given full credit for the work, upon the recommendation of their coach.

In addition to sports, the program will include corrective exercises for such defects as bad posture and other similar physical handicaps, for those students who need them.

Classes for girls will meet at 2:10 on Mondays and Wednesdays, and at 2:10 on Tuesdays and Fridays. Boys' classes will meet at 12:10 on Mondays and Wednesdays, and at 8:30, 9:30, and 11:10 on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

More definite plans for the intra-mural sports will be announced at a later date, but they will include a touch-ball league, a basketball league, a volleyball league, and a softball league again in the spring. This program has been advanced with the hope of reaching all those students not required to take part in the regular course.

HOMECOMING GAME TO CLIMAX ALUMNI DAY

Softball Award Given To Alpha Lambda Tau

Coach Russell To Present Trophy To Winning Group Each Year

A softball trophy was awarded to the Alpha Lambda Tau fraternity. This trophy was given by Coach Lake Russell to the champion team of the softball league.

Coach Russell offers a trophy annually to the champion softball team to encourage participation in this sport. He says, "Softball should do for the mass of students playing it what football does for those who play this game."

Freshman Team Play G.M.C. Here Nov. 19

The Cubs are beginning preparations for a tough battle with Georgia Military College on November 19. The Freshmen have shown a great deal of pep since their 7-6 victory over Douglas last week.

The Cubs thus far have won one game and lost one for an average of .500.

The game will be played there in Centennial Stadium, and this will probably be the only time the freshmen will play at home this year.

AT THEATRES

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"Hotel Haywire" with Leo Carrillo runs today at the Ritz, and tomorrow Smith Ballew will star in the Zane Grey story, "Roll Along, Cowboy." Ann Dvorak and John Trent open Monday at the Ritz in "She's No Lady." The beautiful musical, "Maytime" with Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy runs Wednesday and Thursday, and the week's program is concluded with Dorothy Lamour and Lew Ayres in "Last Train from Madrid" running Friday and Charles Starrett in "Two Fisted Sheriff" playing Saturday.

Martha Burelson, cheerleader at Alabama, had her picture taken by an A.P. photographer, who ran it in many newspapers over the country. As a result, she has received much fan mail including several love letters.

At the University of Boston actual statistics show that the co-eds there are smarter than the boys. The lowest ranking sorority had the same average as the second ranking fraternity.

Series Between Two Schools Begun In 1919 With Petrels

By Robert Dillard

The kickoff at 8 o'clock tonight will renew the rivalry between Mercer and Oglethorpe which has extended since 1919. For the first few years the Petrels held the upper hand winning 5 of the first 6 games. Then for the next five years the rivalry became much keener and they won only three of the five. Since 1930, however, fortune has favored the Bears throughout and they have taken the games in succession.

Probably no series of games afford the fans as much enjoyment as the Bear-Petrel series. It is recalled that for the last four years a touchdown has been scored on the opening kickoff or the first play after. Former heroes whose names are still remembered and whose deeds are outstanding are Phoney Smith, Red Simmons, Kid Cecil, and Jody Matt for Mercer; and Nutty Campbell, John Varnados, and John Patrick (present coach).

The scores through the years:

	Mercer	Petrels
1921	6	7
1922	18	16
1923	6	7
1924	0	25
1925	21	7
1926	L	W
1927	20	7
1928	0	15
1929	0	26
1930	2	0
1931	20	0
1932	L	W
1933	L	W
1934	7	0
1935	19	0
1936	20	0

Jane Withers, young child actress of the movies, accepted an offer as sponsor of the Wofford College Glee Club recently.

Students at Loyola U. have requested the grounds superintendent to please have the lawns of the campus cut sometimes while classes are not in session. The noise is too annoying during a lecture a boy remarked.

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