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## 1938-'39 SEEN AS BIG YEAR

### Committee Issues Freshmen Rules

#### SPECIAL GROUP WILL IMPOSE ALL PENALTIES

#### Joint Board Decides On Regulations For First Year Students

Rules for the conduct of freshmen were issued this week by a joint committee of faculty members and upperclassmen. The Freshman Supervisory Council, consisting of T. R. Smith, president of the student body; Johnny Maddox, president of the senior class; Billy Winburn, freshman adviser; Harold Edwards, president of the junior class; and Horace Richter, president of the sophomore class, will try all violations of the rules, and will impose suitable penalties on guilty offenders.

- The rules are:
1. To have and wear rat caps at all times.
  2. Enter rear door of the Administration building, the Co-op and tip caps when entering Sherwood Hall.
  3. When meeting upperclassmen speak first; tip caps to seniors and faculty members.
  4. Be present at all freshmen assemblies, parades, and participate in all pep meetings.
  5. Know all Mercer yell songs, and the Alma Mater.
  6. Be present, sit together, and cooperate with cheer leaders in yelling at all games.

#### ONE-ACT PLAYS WILL BE GIVEN

#### Try-Outs To Be Given Those Interested In Writing Original Productions

The Mercer Players have chosen one full-length serious play and a group of original one-act plays for production during the fall quarter. The first to go into rehearsal will be "The Silver Cord" by Sidney Howard, a recent Theatre Guild success.

This play shows a young and attractive widow whose life has been devoted to her two sons. She plans their lives, demands their affections, and keeps them securely tied to her apron strings.

When the elder son marries without his mother's knowledge, and the younger becomes engaged, the mother does everything in her power to keep her boys for herself.

**Playbooks Ordered**

The five parts are difficult, Dr. Stout said, but no more difficult than some of the parts in Ibsen's "Ghosts" given last year. Playbooks have been ordered, and experienced members of the Mercer Players will be invited to attend try-outs.

Later in the quarter work will

#### CLUSTER CAMERA CLICKS



THE CLUSTER CAMERAMAN was kept busy as Mercer opened its 106th session last Monday week. The campus was literally bubbling over with Joe Colleges and Betty Co-eds. Predominant among the gatherings were the freshmen who timidly arrived to register.

In the center picture is shown T. R. Smith, president of the student body, as he "struts his stuff" in front of a group of frosh. Seen in the picture are Clayton Veats, Fayette; Harris Jones, Cordele; Clyde Spear, Lanett, Ala.; William Suttles, Atlanta; Carroll Hendricks, Lawrenceville, Va.; Eustis Prescott, Macon; Jordan Delham, Bonduel, Wis.; Thomas Whitt, Jr., Round Oak; and Gordon Eldridge, James.

Veo Yon, Knoxville, Tenn., attempts to strike up a

bargain with a couple of "rats" in the top center photo. Victims of Yon's sales talk are Lib Henry and Ernest Genone, both of Macon.

The football team tries out the traditional orange and black headgear of the freshmen in the lower left shot. Sitting left to right are Tom Heaton, Neal Allen, Marcus Cox, Ellis Paulk, Quenton Plunkett, Charles James, and Raymond O'Quinn. The comely co-eds posing in the lower right include, from left to right, Tallulah Blair, Sara Jane Reese, Inranelle Rhodes, and Jane Orme.

At the upper left the camera caught Mother Montague and several of her "chillun." Bob Rivers, Glennwood, smilingly totes his luggage up the Sherwood steps in the other picture.

#### SCIENCE HALL WILL BE OPEN BY OCTOBER 15

#### \$50,000 Dormitory Annex Is Last Project Of 5-Year Building Program

With a sizeable increase in enrollment assured and the five-year building program in its final stages, Mercer officials look to the 1938-39 session as a memorable one in the history of the university. "Completion of the Joseph E. Willett Science Hall is expected about October 15," Dr. Spright Dowell, president, stated, "and that will leave the Sherwood Hall dormitory annex as the last project of the 5-year cycle."

Dr. Dowell announced plans this week for the dormitory addition which will cost \$50,000. Contracts will be awarded about the middle of October and construction is scheduled to begin shortly afterwards, the president said. Blue prints for the annex call for accommodations which will double the facilities of the dormitory.

#### \$50,000 Spent on Science Hall

Almost finished is the new science structure, constructed at a cost of \$50,000, which will house the biology department. The building will contain a museum, aquarium, and chemistry, as well as new laboratories. Several thousand dollars worth of new equipment has been ordered, officials reported.

The old building which housed the Y.M.C.A. will be the group's new home.

#### BAILEY NAMED PAPER EDITOR

#### Board Elects Former Associate Editor To Fill Cluster Vacancy

The Board of Trustees of Mercer University has elected James H. Bailey, former associate editor of The Cluster, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ernest Genone.

Mr. Bailey, who has been a member of the staff of The Cluster since 1935, is a native of Macon, Georgia.

Mr. Bailey will be succeeded by Ernest Genone, who has been elected to the position of associate editor.

Other staff members named are: James H. Bailey, managing editor; Clyde G. Galloway, news editor; Joe Rickenbacker, features editor; and James H. Bailey, business manager.

Mr. Bailey also plans to install two new departments this year, of which the heads are: Caroline Adams, radio editor, and Cloud Morgan, international news editor.

#### Law Club Names Ferrell As Head At First Meeting

#### Barfield, Bozeman And Barrett Also Named Officers In Election Tuesday

Milton Ferrell was elected president of the Law Club of Mercer Law School, Tuesday, at the first meeting of the year.

Ferrell has already received his degree of Bachelor of Arts from Mercer and will graduate from the law school in 1939. He said the

#### MERCER SORORITY TO BECOME NATIONAL GROUP IN NOVEMBER Henry Lawrence Is Elected Head Of Frat Council

#### Local Sigma Phis To Be Installed As Phi Mu National Sorority In Initiation

The second national sorority at Mercer will be established here early in November when Phi Mu national organization initiates members of the local Sigma Phi.

When the new group is initiated they will form the Alpha Iota chapter and will be the third chapter of Phi Mu in the state. Other

chapters are located at Brenau College and at the University of Georgia.

Phi Mu was established at Wesleyan College, January 4, 1852 and was first known as the Philomathean society. The present name was adopted in June 1904. With a total membership of over 10,000, Phi Mu has fifty-nine chapters scattered over the United States. Alpha Delta Pi, the other sorority on the Mercer campus was also founded at Wesleyan College.

#### Raney, Rickenbacker, Gillon Also Named In Pan-Hellenic Vote

The Pan-Hellenic council of fraternities elected new officers at their first regular meeting which was held last Sunday at the Alpha Lambda Tau house. The officers for the 1938-39 school year are:

president, "Bubber" Lawrence; Kappa Sigma, vice-president;

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