

# CLUSTER SPORTS

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**GAME TODAY**  
**LOOKIN' THRU THE KNOT HOLE with LEE CONEY**

### ANOTHER SET-BACK

This column was deeply grieved by the recent announcement that the contract of Coach Bill Peters would not be renewed. Money, or rather the lack of it, was blamed for this latest blow to Bear athletics. It seemed a pity that our friend could not have been informed in January, when he had another job offered him, of the dire financial status of the athletic association. Mercer certainly lost a fine coach, leader and gentleman when this fact was made known yesterday.

### NO TENNIS?

The intra-mural tennis tournament was held back the first week by rainy weather. However, now that the rains have ceased, the teams seem to have lost interest in the annual affair. With a cup offered to the winner, we cannot understand this lack of enthusiasm. Last year's teams fought to the very end for only the honor of winning the event. Perhaps as soon as the hot softball race is finished the boys will continue the tourney and decide who the school champs are.

### AROUND AND ABOUT

Last week's attempt to praise the co-eds on the tennis classes has brought some criticism. Sorry, girls. Honestly, we think the plans are swell . . . A pickup team from the Mercer campus recently encountered Lanier High school in a couple of baseball games. Each team emerged with one victory . . . Last fall's reports that "Wimpy" Jones and "Spec" Landrum might enter pro football were renewed this past week-end when Landrum revealed that they both would probably go to New York this summer and talk things over . . . They just showed us the ads for the sports page. Ain't it terrible.

### GOLF TOURNEY

As yet no arrangements have been made for a course on which to hold the annual golf tournament.

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## INTRA-MURAL TENNIS LAGS

The double elimination tournament, scheduled to start April 29, has been lying dormant and only a few of the first round matches have been completed.

The Non-frats won their match from the PIKA's by forfeit. "Bub" McAfee of the Phi Delta defeated Malcolm Thomas of the ALT fraternity 2-6, 6-0, 6-2. To date these are the only men who have played their part of this match.

The KA's defeated the ATO's after Orbin Howell forfeited to Wendy Jordan, David Mann downed Kenneth Adams, and Wiley Davis won a marathon match from Bob Sparks 12-10, 10-8.

"Spec" Landrum won from Kenneth Adams in the only other match played so far.

### TRACK PLANS

Next week The Cluster will carry all the dope about the track meet. Coach Joe Dougherty plans to arrange the event so as to have it with as little outside interference as possible.

It is hoped that all the records will be available for the contestants to shoot at. The cinder track at Centennial stadium will be used for the meet.

## Finances Cause Peters' Release

Mercer's coaching staff was dealt a severe setback last week when it was revealed that the contract of fire coach Bill Peters would not be renewed. This left only two coaches; head coach Lake Russell and backfield coach Joe Dougherty.

"I've enjoyed my two-year stay in Macon and appreciate all my friends have done for me while I was here," Coach Peters stated yesterday afternoon.

Business Manager Charlie Hubbard said "Only the bad financial conditions existing have made us take this compulsory step."

### OUSTED COACH



**BILL PETERS**, above, said Thursday that the athletic office had notified him that his contract, which expires in June, would not be renewed.

## Co-eds Defeat South Georgia By Score Of 6-0

Without loss of a set, the co-ed tennis team won its last match of the season played against the Douglas lassies Wednesday afternoon on the Mercer courts.

Socky Grimmert took her match from Milford Lawrence by 6-0, 6-0. Rebecca Wadley won out against Mary Perry by the score of 6-4, 6-0. Marjorie Hughes overcame Dorothy Sumner by the count of 6-2, 6-1. Mada Brown, playing her first match of the season, won by the score of 6-1, 8-6. Her opponent was Mable Corbett.

Grimmett and Wadley teamed against Lawrence and Perry, won 6-2, 6-3. Hughes and Brown, playing Sumner and Hawkins, won 6-0 and 6-4.

## SOFTBALL LEAD SHARED BY SAE AND PIKA FRATS

The SAE and PIKA fraternities jointly held the softball leadership at the completion of this week's play. Each had completed its schedule with a record of seven victories and one defeat.

Close on the heels of the league leaders was the ALT team with five wins and two losses. The Kappa Sig record of four and three earned them fourth place in the standings.

All the teams have not completed their games as yet and will follow the original plans to the end.

A playoff game for the championship will be arranged for next week at a convenient time for both fraternities.

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