



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

HERE'S AN IDEA of how the new SAE lodge will look upon completion in November. The lodge is the first in the administration's proposed fraternity row. Idea for the row is patterned after Davidson College, where students live in dormitories and eat where they please. (Staff photo by Dan Reed.)

SAE's Prepare to Move Into New Lodge Nov. 15

The new SAE lodge, now nearing completion, will be ready for occupancy on or about Nov. 15, according to Sanders Lane, president of the local chapter.

The structure, planned by Mrs. Ellamae League, Macon architect, is located on the corner of Adams street and Edgewood avenue. When finished it will be brick with Greek Gothic design.

Approximate cost of the house will be \$4,500, \$1,000 of which was put up by the fraternity and alumni. Under the proposed lodge set-up each fraternity will pay rent each month in addition to the lump sum put up in advance.

Maximum cost of the fraternity row, should every chapter decide to cooperate in the administration plan, will be \$45,000. Lodges will function for the purpose of recreation, entertainment and chapter meetings. However, there will be no sleeping quarters available. The SAE's will continue to occupy their suite in Roberts Hall.

Schatzman Elected Freshman Prexy

Carling Schatzman was elected president of the freshman class at a called meeting in chapel yesterday. Benny Griffith was named vice president and Jean Smith secretary-treasurer.

The meeting yesterday was held at the call of freshman adviser Malcolm Thomas.

Frosh to Get Blood Tests

Physical examinations, including blood tests, of the freshman class began this week under the auspices of Blue Key honor fraternity. Ernest Baskin, president, announced today.

As a recent meeting of the fraternity, plans were made for the program for the year. First on the Blue Key list is the proposal for an honor system in the arts college such as is now practiced in the law school. The honor system was voted by Blue Key last spring, but presentation to the student body for its approval was deferred until the present school year.

Plans for the annual Mercer Homecoming Nov. 9 were discussed and arrangements were made for Blue Key members to act as ushers at the Georgia Baptist convention which convenes in Macon Nov. 11, 12, 13.

Other school projects in which Blue Key will figure are the dedication of the Mary Erin Porter dormitory for girls, which is tentatively scheduled for next year.

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Air Trainees Start Work Next Week

By LEE WOOD, JR.

Major J. D. Blair disclosed this week that both the primary and advanced flight courses sponsored by the CAA will begin here next week.

The fall quarter quota of forty in the primary course has not yet been filled, and all who are interested and have not made application are urged to do so immediately, according to Major Blair. This course, which is to be completed by February 1, 1941, includes 72 hours of ground school study and 35 to 45 hours of actual flight instruction and leads to a private license upon completion. Only college students between the ages of 19 and 26 having successfully completed 45 hours of college work are eligible. Each applicant is required to pass a physical examination equivalent to that for a commercial pilot's license before being admitted. Three co-eds will be permitted to take the course. Total cost to a student is \$26.

The advanced pilot training also has a few vacancies in its quota of ten, Major Blair stated. Only college students possessing a valid private pilot's license are permitted to make application, and they must also be recommended by both their flight and ground school instructors. The age limit is the same as in the CPTP, but all advanced students must have successfully completed 90 quarter hours, or two college years. Physical examinations given in this program are equivalent to those required of army and naval air corps applicants. Members of the advanced group will be given from 40 to 50 hours of dual and

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Dictum Club Honors Four

The Dictum club, beginning its fifth year of existence in the Law school, issued bids to four law students this week.

Chip Peabody, Pierce Anderson, Ed Dorsey and R. C. Souder Jr. were selected to fill vacancies left by the graduation of Roy Lilly, Trammel Shi, T. Hoyt Davis and Bayne Barfield.

The charter of the legal organization limits the active yearly membership to seven.

The club has no officers. Meetings are conducted in a democratic fashion with some prominent person invited to speak on a subject of his own choosing. The speech must be one of extreme interest else the guest is required to pay some sort of fine. If the group votes in favor of the address, the speaker is awarded a suitable trophy.

Other members of the Dictum club are Russell C. Davison, Jack Nubitt and Sanders Lane. Dr. Wilbur Stout is the only honorary member.

Greeks End Rushing Monday; 63 Pledge

Sororities Get 19 Thru Preferential Bidding; Phi Mu's Get 13, ADPi's Five

Seven Mercer fraternities ended their fall rushing season Monday night with the formal pledging of 63 freshman and transfer students.

Holding open house in their respective headquarters, fraternity members welcomed new pledges, who signified their acceptance by reporting to the fraternity of their choice between 7 and 9 o'clock.

Spring List Gives ADPi Best Grades

Alpha Delta Pi sorority led all social groups on the campus in scholastic rating for the spring term of 1939-40 with an average of 1.963, and Phi Delta Theta led all social groups on the campus for the yearly average.

Two fraternities, Alpha Tau Omega and Kappa Alpha, followed with ratings of 1.591 and 1.512 respectively for the spring quarter.

Graduate students, averaging 2.400 points, were first of any group of the student body, such as law students, non-fraternity men, fraternity men, all women and all men. Upper division students were second with 1.585, and non-sorority women third with 1.508.

Of honorary organizations, Cardinal Key, national woman's honor sorority, came first with 2.514 points. Sigma Epsilon, national woman's educational sorority, and Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman scholastic group, were next, having 2.285 and 2.158 points respectively.

Phi Delta Theta fraternity pledges averaged 1.533 points to take the lead of pledges of all social groups. Second and third were

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Plane Crash Injures Alley

Bob Alley, former Mercer athlete, was seriously injured and his companion, Richard Mather, killed when the plane Alley was piloting crashed into a Knoxville, Tenn., house in an attempted emergency landing last Sunday.

Alley and Mather had rented the two-seated monoplane from Knoxville's Island airport and were circling the Shields-Watkins football stadium when the engine stalled and Alley attempted to bring the plane down on the football practice field. Eye witnesses said that apparently the youthful pilot was trying desperately to land on the field and overshot his mark.

Alley quit Mercer to take an advanced military course in flying. He was an end on the football team last season and a member of the M club. While at Mercer he was initiated into the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

Showing the way in the fraternity rushing was SAE with 15 pledges, closely followed by Phi Delta Theta with 12 and ATO with 10. Alpha Lambda Tau was next with nine, Kappa Sig eight, KA five, and PiKA four.

New pledges of SAE include John DeWitt, William Shirley, Donald McManus, W. T. Davis Jr., Galen W. Seiler, John Finch, Malcolm Russell Lane, Leon Parker Jr., Holden West, William C. Gantt, William R. Fisher, James O. Hodges, William O. Krenson, T. Willie Parker and William K. Stanley Jr.

Phi Delta Theta was the choice of Clarence Kirkland, Leighton Hood, Donald Ferguson, Bill Freel, Goodloe Grier, Hinton Merritt, Julian Rodenberry, Ken Askew, Beverly Mobley, Henry Valentine, L. H. Johnson and

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BOB ALLEY