



ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, NOT SO BAD

Mercer's defeat, at the hands of the powerful Tennessee Vols, is not so hard to understand when several factors are considered. The Vols came out with a rush this fall in order to revenge their Rose bowl defeat. Then too it was their first game of the year and each man was trying to gain a first string job. A good big team beat a good little team and proved that numbers have a lot to do with any football game played today.

THE NEXT MAY NOT BE SO BAD

The Red Elephants of Alabam will be next on Mercer's schedule and may not be quite so strong as the Knoxville boys. In their opening game they weren't too impressive with a 26-0 victory over Spring Hill. However, folks around Tuscaloosa claim that this is Alabama's year. Mercer still will have to be reckoned with as none of the boys are in very bad shape and have a game's experience under their belt. Don't sell this group of Bears short for they are determined to improve throughout the year.

HERE AND THERE

As this goes to press we feel sure that all students are pulling for Bob Alley to "pull through" after his airplane crash Sunday. Ole Oop was one of the finest boys around last year and everyone hated to see him leave to join the air corp. "Spec" Landrum, who was the Mercer star in last year's Tennessee game, is being counted on to lead his Canton High team to new football heights this fall. "Pepper" Martin, who played a lot of basketball for Mercer in years gone by, came through town the other day on his way to med school in Augusta. His brother Allen will enter dental college in Atlanta this fall. Billy Peddy has gone down to MGC to play football this fall and immediately jumped into the limelight. Reports show that he is being groomed as a scoring threat for the Cochran eleven.

GREEKS END

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Turner Paschall.
New pledges of Alpha Tau Omega are Walter Ernest, J. A. Becton, George Thompson, L. R. Miner, Johnny Draughton, David Thornton, Howard McCullough, Benny Griffith, James Rawls and Jack Ramsey.
Those wearing the ALT pledge button are E. Stephen Barron, Charles A. Cates, John Murr, John Brooks, Louis Lyda, Carling Schatzman, Aubrey Floyd, Thom-

as White and Johnny Aikens.
Kappa Sigma pledged W. O. Brown, Lucius Greene, Bobby Matson, James Garrett, John Blount, Hugh Cheek, Melvin Shi and Dick Wade.
Kappa Alpha now includes J. P. Holmes, L. A. Cumbie, Bobby Lester, Earl Zimmerman and Richard Hainberry.
Pi Kappa Alpha pledges are Eldridge Duncan, Lynwood Paul, Eugene Morgan and William Lawrence.
New pledges of ADP are W. W. McLaughlin, Nell Tucker, Nell McGehee, Sarah Harnesburger and Rosa Lee Jones.
Phi Mu pledged Louise Kirkland, Jane Odom, Pattie Lou Swallum, Jean Smith, Doris Dent, Zeph Blain, Shirley Bakewell, Gwen Nottingham, Janie McLeod, Lois Prosser, Eleanor Powell, Marion Lowe and Rosa Wadley.

Volleyball Schedule Arranged by Board

The first meeting of the Intramural board was held yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in the co-op. Plans were made for the fall volleyball tournament between the fraternities. The schedule is to be posted soon and play will get under way.

Marriage of Coach Noted Belatedly

It looks as if every paper should carry some announcement about marriages of interest to its readers. However, The Cluster has failed to mention, until this article, the fact that Coach Joe Dougherty joined the ranks of married men just before school opened.

This social item is only one bit of human interest concerning this amiable backfield tutor who has been at Mercer since 1937. At Tennessee, his alma mater, he played on the football teams with such well-known stars as Phil Dickens and Beattie Feathers. In prep school Coach Joe accomplished the amazing feat of earning six (6, count 'em) varsity letters in one year.

Since coming to the Bruin camp Dougherty has coached the varsity backfield in football sessions, has been in charge of the basketball teams during the winter and has run the intra-murals all year. Quite a busy fellow and, best of all, is the fact that he has made improvements in each of his fields.

Last winter he went home for the Christmas holidays and caught pneumonia. This gave him a very late start on his basketball team; but constant work improved them so much that in the Dixie tournament they went to the semi-finals, despite the fact that no man was over six feet tall.

Tennessee Rolls Over Hapless Bears

A powerful Tennessee football team rolled over the Mercer Bears, last Saturday with all the snap and precision of a great Rose Bowl team.

The final score was 49-0, but that didn't tell of the great stand of Mercer's line on the one-yard line. Nor did that reveal that the half-time score was 14-0 and reserves marked the difference between the two teams.

Tennessee came into the game set to revenge last year's Rose Bowl loss. Three fine backfield combinations, led by Johnny Butler, Bob Foxx and Van Thompson, combined efforts to whittle Mercer down.

For Mercer, Tony Page, Elton Wall and Frank Mazza emerged as heroes, although every man played well during his stay in the game.

Ping Pong Tourney At Co-Op Under Way

The co-ed ping pong tournament began Tuesday afternoon in the co-op, with the first round scheduled to be completed by Friday.

Sixteen girls have entered the tourney to compete for the prize offered by the sponsors, the co-ed M club.

These girls are Alice Wright, Hazel Cheves, Lois Prosser, Lois Hudson, Helen Klimefelter, Pauline Parham, Mary Frances Lang, Louise Grinnett, Meri Christian, Marjorie Hughes, Dot Kilgore, Miss Brown, Elizabeth Epps, Gwendolyn Michael, Julia Harris and Carolyn Seadin.

Strengthened Bruins Play Tide Saturday

Team Expected to Bounce Back From Vol Game and Prove Power

A strengthened Mercer football team left this morning for Tuscaloosa, Ala., to encounter Alabama's Crimson Tide in the second game of the year.

All injured men have recovered to give the Bears full strength for the first time this season. Each of the 34 men who made the trip by now has reached top physical condition.

Stars of '40 Chosen Early

Last week The Cluster made several predictions as to the strength of football teams the country over. Already several of the chosen few have given indications that they will not be so strong. So run predictions. However, we would like to give the readers a little idea of who to expect in the headlines.

There are a number of players who last year established themselves as candidates for All-American honors this fall. A complete list would take a full page. Below are a few that we consider the most promising.

Ends: Hal Newman, Alabama; Bob Isom, Tech; George Goodreault, Boston college; Paul Severin, North Carolina.

Tackles: Fred Davis, Alabama; Mike Drahos, Cornell; Nick Enich, Iowa; Abe Shires, Tennessee.

Guards: Bob Suffridge and Ed Molinski, Tennessee; Walt Alfson, Nebraska; Ben Sohn, Southern California.

Centers: Ray Mucha, Washington, and Ray Apolskis, Marquette.

Backs: Tom Harmon and George Evashevski, Michigan; Bob Foxx, Tennessee; Don Scott, Ohio State; Leo Stasica, Colorado; John Kimbrough, Texas A. and M.; Milt Piepul, Notre Dame, and Jack Crain, Texas.

Indications from the early week scrimmages were that the team was out to bounce back from the Tennessee game and prove its power. Tuesday's work in particular caused favorable comment from all sides.

No definite idea could be obtained as to the lineup for Mercer, but it was believed that every man on the squad would get into the fray.

Improved play on the part of several squad members has been noteworthy. Guards Elton Wall and Frank Mazza have already received praise, and Scooter Yancy and Tony Page have been outstanding in the backfield.

Alabama's opening game with Spring Hill revealed little real team strength. The Tide rolled to an easy 26-0 win and played reserves most of the game. Bama's Jimmy Nelson is known throughout the land as a tailback of prowess, while the Red Elephants' giant Fred Davis is one of the best of tackles. Capt. Hal Newman, end, and Fullback Spencer have been offensive stars for two years.

gram, signs advertising Mercer have been erected along the Perry highway. Bagkin added, "We plan to erect more signs if the administration will give us a little more money."

FROSH TO GET

(Continued from page one) tively set for Jan. 14, and the annual Pilgrimage day, in which high school seniors are the guests of the Mercer student body.

Blue Key members will act as guides to the high school students on Pilgrimage day and serve as ushers, traffic managers and program committees for the Homecoming festivities.

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