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Mercer Collegians Ready to Swing---Sweet or Hot

MERCER'S TRAVELING SWINGSTERS, the Collegians, are practicing regularly in anticipation of the coming South Georgia tour Monday week. The 12-piece orchestra is under the direction of Bill Benton, instrumental music director and graduate student. They will have a featured role on the Glee club's program.

Double-cross

Maestro Ozzie Nelson Interviews Reporter

By FIELDS VARNER

After a few minutes of answering underwear-clad Ozzie Nelson's cross questioning, it was hard to tell if the nationally-known orchestra leader was a graduate of Mercer or of New Jersey State, his true Alma Mater.

Speaking through a foam of lather and interrupted only by the scraping sound of his razor, he began interviewing this Cluster reporter about the state of things on this campus.

Know Al Owen

He asked about Al Owen, former Mercer half-back now playing pro-football with the New York Giants.

"I saw him recently at a football banquet in Ridgewood, N. J.," he said. "You know that's only three miles from his home town, Leonia."

Ozzie, a former football coach for Lincoln high school in Jersey City, N. J., had read that Mercer played tough schedules and wanted to hear all about the new system that the new grid mentors had recently installed here.

The conversation was taking place in the Dempsey hotel, with Mr. Nelson's voice still fuzzy from the day-long sleep from which he had been aroused.

He was in Macon Tuesday on his way to New Orleans where he opened last night for a month's engagement in the Hawaiian Blue room of the Roosevelt hotel. "After that," he says, "the boys and I will go to Hollywood where my wife, Harriet Hilliard, will meet me. Then, April 1, we all will begin a picture for Columbia, entitled Betty Co-ed."

Would Like to Play Mercer

He couldn't see why the Macon Greek Letter association can't get named bands here for Mercer dances. "I have played at Sewanee, Mississippi State, Alabama and even some of the smaller schools. If the association would make arrangements with Tech, Emory and the University of Georgia (where he played his first college dance) and all four colleges sign a name band for a week, they could get one much cheaper. That's the way other schools get them.

"My present band was organized while I was a law student

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Glee Club Plans Tour

Glee clubbers are working hard and fast, brushing up on old numbers and learning new ones, so that they can present a top-notch performance on the South Georgia tour which begins Monday week.

Director Lee Wood says, "I am not worried about our program. I know it will be good, but we still have plenty of hard and long practicing to do."

Two of the latest songs the singers are learning are Ferryboat Serenade and That's Why Darkies Were Born.

A quartet has recently been organized. It is composed of Alan Northington, Charles Rich, John Hinton and William Latta.

Bill Benton, director of the orchestra, the Mercer Collegians, is rounding out his program. A variety of popular tunes, lively and sweet, will be executed under Benton's baton.

Corbett Thigpen, pre-med student, will perform "Bits of Magic," baffling the South Georgia audiences when he pulls guinea pigs instead of rabbits out of hats.

Business Manager Bill Latta says the following towns are definitely scheduled for the tour: Tifton, Pelham, Cairo, Bainbridge and Sylvester.

BSU Members to Go To Negro Institute

About 20 BSU members will present a program at the Youth conference, State Negro college, Fort Valley, tomorrow night.

Edgar Davis, Bob Willets and Betty Caldwell will make short talks on The Baptist Student Union at Mercer. Special musical numbers will be presented as a part of the program.

Two Educators Will Attend National Meet

Alpha Mu chapter of Kappa Phi Kappa is preparing to send two representatives, Horace Richter and Frank Alexander, to the honorary education fraternity's annual convention to be held in Atlantic City, Feb. 17-21.

Installing a meeting plan similar to that of Blue Key, members of Kappa Phi Kappa will hereafter have one supper meeting a month in a downtown restaurant. Guest speakers will lecture on current educational work.

Members of the education fraternity include Frank Alexander, president; Nathan Nolan, vice president; Joe Cook, secretary; Jack Beck, treasurer; Albert Walker, Frank Graham, Alex Tannas, Bill Latta, Earl Lewis, Orbin Howell, Bob Sparks, Horace Richter, Malcolm Thomas, Herbert Norman, Candler Martin, Hendley Napier, Leo Burgess, Harry Dean and Ellis Pauk.

Flying Circus

Dupree Is Latest Addition to Campus Birdmen's Crash Club

Another campus aviation enthusiast "bit the dust" this week and automatically became eligible for membership in the thus far fictitious Mercer Crash club.

The Crash club as now proposed would consist of all Mercerians, present and past, who have wrecked an airplane. There are several students now eligible for membership, records show.

Newest candidate for initiation is, Earl Dupree, advanced CAA student. He was landing a Waco army trainer on the short Douglas field last Sunday when the updraft caused the plane to overturn. The ship turned over slowly with little damage to itself and none to Dupree and his instructor.

Odom Is Prexy

Idea for a club originated last fall when Edwin "Crash" Odom, ex-Mercer registrant, wrecked his second plane while flying under the advanced CAA program. His last victim was a sleek, all-metal Ryan trainer. The first was a 55 horse-powered Taylorcraft. CAA trainees hold that his record entitles him to presidency of the organization.

Other eligibles include Candler

Dr. Tribble Returns For Religion Week

Campus Clubs Sponsor Programs in Afternoons and Forums in Evenings

The thirteenth annual observance of Religious Emphasis week at Mercer will begin Monday morning and continue throughout the week, Feb. 17-20.

Activities for the week will be conducted by Dr. Harold

W. Tribble, professor of theology at the Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Tribble's presence at Mercer is unique in that he is the only speaker who has ever been invited to return to the university for Religious Emphasis week since the inauguration of the ceremonies 13 years ago. He came to Macon last year for the first time for the annual weekly religious program.

Holds Five Degrees

Dr. Tribble, who has studied in four different countries, holds five degrees including the doctor of philosophy and doctor of theology degrees.

Programs will open Monday morning when the speaker will be introduced to the student body.

ENTIRE WEEK'S PROGRAM

Afternoon Group Conference

Monday—

3:15-3:45 Kappa Sigma (house)
4:00-4:30 Phi Delta Theta (house)

Tuesday—

3:15-3:45 ALT and PiKA (ALT chapter room)
4:00-4:30 KA and ATO (KA chapter room)

Wednesday—

3:15-3:45 Two sororities (Porter hall)
4:00-4:30 SAE (Lodge)

Thursday—

3:15-3:45 Ministerial-BSU council (Roberts chapel)
4:00-4:30 Law club (Law club room)

Night Meetings: 7:30-8:30

Monday night: All literary and law organizations: Mercer Players, International Relations club, Ciceronian, Newspaper club, Debaters, Alembic and Law club.

Tuesday night: Athletics and Sports: M club, Football squad, Boys' and Girls' basketball teams, Co-ed M club, Chess team, Boys' and Girls' tennis teams.

Wednesday night: Fraternal and sororal organizations: Blue Key, Cardinal Key, Alpha Psi Omega, Phi Eta Sigma, Kappa Phi Kappa, Phi Alpha Delta, Sigma Epsilon, Sigma Upsilon, Sigma Mu, the social sororities and the fraternities.

Thursday night: Religious and musical organizations: Ministerial association, Life Service band, YWA, BSU council, Glee club, Mixed chorus, Chapel choir, band and orchestra.

at chapel period. He will speak every day throughout the week at this time. Student Body President Horace Richter, who will select persons to introduce the speaker, will preside over the chapel programs.

Subjects for the chapel program talks will be chosen from the list which the students voted to hear.

Various organizations on the campus will sponsor the afternoon programs. Every member of the sponsoring organizations will be asked to attend the conference of his group.

Evening activities will be of the

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Phi Alpha's Will Induct New Members

Atlanta Attorneys to Handle Ceremony

Fish chapter of Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity will add several new members to its roll tonight when a group of Mercer's students will be initiated.

James C. Howard Jr. of Atlanta; Robert Carpenter, judge of the Civil court of Fulton county, and E. J. Clower, assistant attorney general, will be among those present to conduct the initiation.

Although a complete list of initiates was not available at Act-Dean D. M. Feild's office, the following list was released: David Mincey, Sam Lowe, Louis Smith, Remer Denmark, Pierce Anderson, Frank Lawson, Robert Callison and Charles Thompson.

Chapter to Be Revived

The original Fish chapter of Phi Alpha Delta was discontinued approximately a decade ago. This year negotiations were completed to re-install the fraternity on the campus. The name Fish chapter, which had been transferred to the Temple university chapter, was brought back to the Mercer chapter.

At present there are no undergraduates of the fraternity. Professor H. S. Barnes of the Law school is the only faculty member.