

# SOCIETY

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## Air Cadets Fete at Fay's

Last Monday night, Fay's was the scene of great festivities. Ten of the Mercer V-5 boys, who were leaving for unknown parts, pitched their last farewell fling at Mercer. Among those present as dates for the boys were Beverly Lee, Doris Burkhalter, Mary Parker, Mary Patterson, Clyde Chivers, Dot Farlow, Claire Short and June Whatley.

Dinner was served to the guests and afterwards dancing was enjoyed. The fete ended at eleven o'clock.

## James Is Prexy Of ALT Pledges

Hugh James of Chattanooga was elected president of the pledge class of the Alpha Lambda Tau fraternity at the pledge meeting held last Monday night. He will direct the activities of the pledge class for the coming year.

Named to assist James in his work were the following officers: Vice president, Talmadge Smith of Thomaston; secretary, Ed Hartley of Tennille; and Pledge Rush Chairman, Alton Gladin of Macon.

## Barret To Lead AXE Neophytes

At a meeting of the Alpha Chi Epsilon pledges last Wednesday night the following officers were elected: President, Miss Margaret Barrett, of Mount Vernon; Vice president, Martha Jewell Pasley, of Thomaston; Secretary-treasurer, Jean Duncan, of Macon.

A speech was made at the conclusion of the election on the value of Greek life on the Mercer campus. This speech was made by Jean Burnette, who is pledge director of the sorority.

## PERSONALS

Bill Shirley visited the Mercer campus as an Ensign. Bill graduated from Mercer last spring and was affiliated with the local chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Among those members of the V-12 program who visited Mercer last week was Buddy Nolan of Emory. Buddy was a Kappa Alpha and was president of the freshman class here last year.

Holdon "Ebo" West, Stewart "Joker" Holt, Willis Burch, John M. Heard, Howard McCullough, Preston Collins, Mac Hardeman, Fletcher Hanson, Blake Jones, Dan Beaty, and Sidney Raley were here last week from the Emory and Tech Marine Units.

Billy Krenson, last year's "Cluster" editor, visited Mercer this week.

Ensign Thomas Parker, a recent graduate of Annapolis Midshipman's School, was a visitor on the Mercer campus this week. He was a Kappa Alpha and campus photographer.

## Frats Begin Pledging Gobs

Mercer's fraternities are in the midst of another session of rushing and pledging. This time it's the Navy boys who, after having completed their first semester here, may join the Greeks. More complete information concerning the new pledges will be in next week's CLUSTER.

## Phi Mu Girls Plan Big Dance

Mercer students and Navy V-12 and V-5 men are to be entertained at a dance Saturday night, Nov. 13, from 8:30 to 11:30 at the Y. W. C. A. The Macon alumni of Phi Mu are sponsors for the dance.

Admission prices are 50 cents stag and 75 cents drag, for both civilian and Navy students.

## K. S. Pledge Officers Named

At a recent meeting of the Kappa Sigma pledges, the chief business involved the election of pledge officers.

The following were chosen: Bill Toole of Augusta, President; Billy Mathews of Sylvester, Vice-President; Hullitt Hammond of Newnan, Secretary-Treasurer; and Larry Schwartz of Macon, Athletic Chairman.

## Rhyme On Our Hands

### MEDITATIVE

I smelled the tender new green pine,  
I felt the heat of blood red leaves.  
I saw the yellowed spectre line  
Of freshly gathered, burnished sheaves.

The cold white moon had chilled the night.  
The frost lay heavy on the sod.  
The icy brook laughed its delight,  
And everywhere I looked was God.

—Pat Bledsoe.

### THINGS I LOVE

A soft chair, a burning log,  
Curling smoke when lamps are low,  
A friendly pipe, a loving dog,  
Music soft and sweet, but not too slow,  
A brisk day, falling leaves,  
Coats, scarfs, and long sleeves,  
Dancing raindrops and raincoats too,  
But best of all, I'll love just you.

—Echols Mayo.

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## Mercer Men Fly For Army

Three former Mercer University students have reported to the Army Air Forces Pre-Flight School for Pilots at Maxwell Field, Alabama, to begin the third phase of their training as pilots in the U. S. Army Air Forces' expanding program, reports the Public Relations Office at Maxwell Field.

The new Aviation Cadets are L. Tommy McLane, an Alpha Tau Omega in 1941-43; T. Willie Parker, a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity in 1940-42; and H. Turner Paschal, a Phi Delta Theta in 1940-43.

These aviation cadets are receiving nine weeks of intensive physical, military and academic instruction at Maxwell Field, preparatory to beginning their actual flight training at one of many primary flying schools located in the Army Air Forces Eastern Flying Training Command.

## Alumni Train At Ga. Tech.

Three Mercer men are now in training at the Georgia School of Technology as U. S. Marine Corps officers, according to a release by the Public Relations Section of the Marine Corps.

Private Mac Hardeman was a member of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity; Private Howard McCullough was a member of Gamma Sigma Epsilon, chemical fraternity, and Alpha Tau Omega; and Private Holden (Ebo) West played on the football, basketball, and baseball teams, and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Phi Kappa, and Blue Key, honorary fraternity.

These men take regular college courses, with emphasis on sciences which will help in military life. Classwork, with a minimum of military drill, occupies the college Marines in training under Navy V-12 program, but they wear Marine uniforms, live in barracks, eat at mess halls, and are under the command of Marine officers.

After training they will be assigned to other Marine units.

## They Say....

Every week certain little Gremlins perch on the shoulder of yours truly and whisper the latest jive around the campus. This week they overheard and over-saw scads of scandal, and here it is, verbatim.

Texas' number one gift to the tennis courts, alias Tom Mitchell, has found a new inspiration. They say it's Lib Vaught. What do you think?

Mepites have gone for the Navy in a big way, as any fool can plainly see, but there's one civilian who can't get by the Gremlins. Who's the Casanova? Muscles MacMillan and his mighty harem. Ask any gal with a yen for a convertible . . .

Biggest confusion of the week—the charm "Pretty Boy" Phil has over women. First it was Slate, then Velma, then Dot Dean. If this keeps on even Charlie Mixon will start using Vitalis. That's it, isn't it, Phil?

Speaking of the Navy again—who isn't? Claire Short and June Whatley have it bad for two sky babies. Ask Lukens, who listens to their chatter night and day.

Congrats, Benny Griffith, for keeping your crown as the great lover of the campus all these long years. You'll probably get fan mail even when you're in Africa.

Biggest joke of the week—the huge number of Mercerites who invaded the hoochey-cooch shows at the Fair. The Gremlins thought Mercer life was enough, but after said shows, no comment.

Snooper-duper of the week—the priority SAE's have over the women. Bob Reynolds was seen with the Phi Delt sponsor Helen Walker. They said you Phi Delt should shelter that chick from certain uncouth wolves.

Live and learn section—Ed Highsmith and his cute smile; he'll be a killer when he grows up . . . Emily Calhoun and her green feather . . . Zuzu and her lieutenants—where's Willie? . . . Shipp and Dump, campus fixtures . . .

### Short Flashes

"Scootie" and Wilson are clicking along on six cylinders . . . Coonette is pining his heart out for lovable Janie . . . "Legs" Lee and her male consorts, Carl York, Homer Crandell and Joe Crudup . . . Goolsby and Nolan . . . Shipp and her rush to finish her dish towels . . . "Little" Almond and her twenty men (including Gordon Hubbard) . . . Charis and her collection of silver . . . Jane Lou and the Rainbow Room . . . Hank's sudden shock when Juanita's room mate told him she had gotten married (It was all a joke).

### Overheard on the week-end:

He: Smoke?  
She: No, thank you.  
He: Drink?  
She: Nope.  
He: Neck?  
She: Oh, no.  
He: What the heck do you do?  
She: (Coyly) I tell lies.

After man came woman, and she has been after him ever since!

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