

SOCIETY

Ann Chapman, Editor

ALPHA DELTA PI'S INITIATE

Twenty neophytes of Beta Sigma of Alpha Delta Pi were initiated into the sorority Thursday, February 3. Those pledges initiated were:

Dorothy Dean, Sara Brannon, Jackie Griffis, Frances Broach, Billie Houston, Edith Robertson, Mary Frances Ennis, Mary Frances Aultman, Betty Sue Holder, Betty Moore, Mary Frances Harrison, Louise Allmon, Louise Avera, Harriett Early, Mary Cobb, Mary Woodson, Eddings Atkinson, Sara Turner, Elizabeth Vought and Oleta Watley.

A banquet was held in honor of these initiates Thursday night at 7:30 in Fay's banquet room. A dinner of cocktails, fried chicken, french fried potatoes, english peas, salad, rolls, coffee and ice cream was served.

After dinner a short speech was made by Mary Louise Shipp, president of the local chapter. This was followed by goat songs, composed and sung by the new initiates.

HOOKS ENTERTAINS

Nat Hooks, a KA from Dublin,

entertained at a dinner Tuesday night, January 25. The occasion for the dinner was Nat's birthday.

The dinner was held in the private dining room of the Lanier Hotel. The centerpiece of the table consisted of a large white cake, elevated and surrounded by four candles.

A feast of steaks, french fried potatoes, english peas, salad, cocktail, coffee, rolls and pie a la mode was served. Cigarettes of all popular brands were placed at the guests' disposal.

Those present at the dinner were Nat Hooks, Sara Brannon, Hendley Napier, Dot Davis, Bill Sheppard, Ann Chapman, Tom Corn, Jeanne Hendrix, George Skene, Louise Almon, Jack Schirf, Louise Avera, Charles Tennille, Dorothy Dean, Thomas Ray, Edith Robertson, Homer Crandall, Beverly Lee and Billy Bidez.

Letters to The Editor

Dear Sanford:

As a student, I should like to use your new space reserved for open letters to inform "to whom it may concern."

Having read from a bystander's view the third of those little epistles, "The Goose and the Gander," which no one speaks of in official circles, it appears to me that its publishers would know when to quit by now. Their bizarre view on how to get things done is not only thwarting legitimate efforts for dances and other campus liberties, but is jeopardizing the reputation of the school.

Their methods are definitely low grade.

Regardless of their motives (which are apparently based on petty, personal bias and prejudices), it is not fair that we, all the students, should get the brunt of the deal. It seems that perhaps a method of higher grade which wouldn't drag in the entire school body might be employed to accomplish their purpose—whatever it may be.

Also, Mr. Goose and Gander, about what percentage of the students do you think will proudly say, now that the mud has been slung, "The Goose and Gander is on my side." You're right, not many.

It is in view of these already muddy facts and for common decency, if nothing more, that I hope the "Goose and Gander" will please take heed and leave bad enough alone.

Sincerely,

TOM PARKER.

Dear Sanford:

Let us all hope that the recent scandal which struck Mercer's campus will be soon forgotten, and never again return to this college. All high minded students will realize that papers of indecent origin are a definite handicap to our student morale. We also believe that those responsible for this "series of events" have learned their lesson, and that by this failure to think wisely they will profit by their mistakes, and become better Mercerians.

Mercer folk need to abandon their group clannishness, and do all they can to make Mercer survive. If this is done their local groups can and will become a lasting tribute to a sound thinking student body. We all need to think more of Mercer's welfare for the future, and abandon the selfish ideas of furthering our own interests. We should fortify ourselves for the several months ahead to unify Mercer from the student point of view. I would like to offer for discussion a few suggestions:

A Mercer Pan Hellenic composed of two representatives from all frats and sororities; a sensible system of social functions for all Mercer students; a desire among students for things of cultural value such as campus musicals, movies, and literary feasts; a feeling on our campus of brotherhood, justice and equality for all; toleration by the ministers and frat men for each group's belief (a campus is poor indeed which depends solely upon one group of students for spiritual resource and enrichment. A deep spiritual growth is an essential part of a real university experience); a closer unity between faculty and student body; lastly, the establishment of a firm and respected student council composed of fair minded students.

Hard work will establish these goals forever on our campus. Mercer needs to entrench herself among Southern schools as a university which promotes campus spirit, freedom of thought and a genuine expression of student leadership founded upon wise faculty counsel.

Sincerely,

SAM CROSSLEY.

PERSONALS

A recent visitor to the campus was Lundy Jackson, a former Kappa Sigma at Mercer and now in the Army.

Howard McCullough was a visitor to the campus Saturday evening, having come to be one of Miss Taylor's escorts in the coronation of the queen in the Winter Carnival.

Hank Hollingsworth returned to his home in Sylvania Wednesday after spending several days as the guest of Roy Dunn.

Dr. Parmer Mayo, cousin of Echols Mayo, visited him Sunday.

Miss Annie Boyette, Dean of Women, visited in Lyons last week-end as the guest of Miss Hope Chavous.

Mary Frances Harrison's mother is visiting her at Mercer while she is ill in the infirmary.

Miss Edna Earle Richardson of Shreveport, La., national representative of Chi Omega fraternity, is visiting the local Chi Omega chapter.

Mr. F. N. Love of Savannah visited his daughters, Carlyn and Frances Lowe recently.

Gertrude Harwell has moved to Wesleyan Conservatory where she will major in music.

Lt. John Carter of the Air Corps visited Burma Cox recently.

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They Say....

Well, here I am again folks to tell you what THEY SAY....

It certainly was a week-end. All Mercer turned out for the Winter Carnival and a lot of things happened, THEY SAY. I can't possibly try to tell you everything that has happened lately so I'll just hit the high spots.

At first a sky baby held the focus of Clair Short's charms, then Bugs Robertson took over and I can't possibly blame him after seeing her dance Saturday night.

Stan Walker says, "I hate women, so I leave them alone and never get into trouble!" Now that's a shame. I ask you, girls, have you ever seen so much masculinity, so much personality and so much appeal in any one man? And you can have a grand time with him too, that is, if you don't take him too seriously.

And speaking of appeal with a capital "A," that is exactly what Lou Pugliese does to June Whatley. Opportunity knocking at your door, Lou. Ann McCleod had better watch her step. That strip tease has attracted Reynolds and you know Reynolds!! If I were her, I'd get a body guard.

Mary Parker says that she's going to be a June bride if she can make up that home town boy's mind by then. And too, Mary Patterson from the same town has just received a most beautiful diamond.

John Heard sent word back a few days ago that he had heated up that iceberg in Forsyth enough to put a frat pin on her.

There's one girl on this campus who has only one line but that seems to be pretty good. She actually gets away with it and the number of boys that swallow it, hook, line and sinker are too numerous to count. I'd like to have a few pointers on your technique, Lukens.

Mary Frances Aultman isn't doing so bad herself. You might ask her what she and that sailor that she has been dating so much lately were doing in the upstairs lobby of the Grand Theater a few Sundays ago.

Well, my sources of information seem to be running out just like everything else at Mercer, so I'll stop this patter....

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