

Bear Feats

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Ragged Play Means Work

After watching the Bears in their first full fledged scrimmage, one could tell that they have come a long way, but they still have a long hard, road to travel.

The shooting eyes were sharp, but in general the play was ragged. Poor ball handling, wild passes, and lack of rebounding were the results of bad timing.

Plenty perspiration will pour in Porter Gym before the Bears are a polished club.

Rough Play, High Scores

Signs of high scoring games were shown by the regular popping of nets and the consistent fouling. If the rough type of play shown is kept up, there will be plenty of points given away and few players to finish the games.

A new rule, established this year, gives the fouled man two chances for the price of one. If the first free-throw is missed he gets another try at the orange colored hoop.

Rebounding Is Weak Spot

Coach Nymicz seemed to be well pleased with the efforts of several boys. However, his main interest was about rebounds. His quintet is small, and not getting position on the board will put them at a great disadvantage.

Play-maker Needed

The principal strength of the Bears lies in depth. Some good reserve strength was shown in the grueling, hour long game. The missing factor of the squad was the presence of a play-maker.

Not one of the boys on the court showed the ability of holding the team together under tight game conditions. Bobby Wilder will be missed more than is expected, because of his coach-on-the-court ability.

Action to Watch

There was no particular outstanding player in the scrimmage. Quite a few of the boys did well, but no one was outstanding.

Some of the cagers to watch in action this season are: John Jewett, smooth pivot play and tip in shots; Inman Veal, a variety of shots and outstanding floor play; Richard Reid, ball handling and driving, lay-up shots; Tommy Mixon, long push shots; and Bert Schwartz, defensive aggression.

Bears, Colorful and Smart

The Bears are a smart, colorful outfit, and potentially a high scoring, winning ball club. They are further along this year than last, and have until December fourth to iron out their simple mistakes.

The squad knows the job cut out for it, and needs only to settle down to serious work to become a polished outfit.

Mercer Trustee Dies in Macon

Mr. George McCommon, trustee of Mercer University, was buried yesterday from Hart's Mortuary in Macon.

Mr. McCommon was owner and president of Atlantic Cotton Mills.

He was a loyal supporter of Mercer, contributing \$100,000 in last year's education endowment drive among other gifts.

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Vespers Promise Varied Programs

Vesper programs have been announced for next week.

The Phi Mu's are in charge tonight with Sara Hall, Dot Coffin, and Sara Holmes planning the program.

A singspiration, complete with a bonfire is in store at vespers Friday night.

Phi Delta Theta will be in charge Monday and Dr. Monroe Swilley will speak Tuesday night.

Council To Meet

The first meeting of the Baptist Student Union Greater Council will be held Tuesday night, Nov. 11, upstairs in the Theology building.

Any person who is an officer in any religious organization or is on any B.S.U. committee is invited.

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Intramural Play Resumed After Mid-Term Break

Mid-term exams preceded the thoughts of intramural football for the past two weeks, therefore only a few games have been played.

The only game played of the six scheduled games was the Kappa Sigma-A.T.O. game.

This was a very fast, exciting ball game. Defense of both teams played a strong part in the score.

The contest ended an 8-6 difference in favor of A.T.O. This narrow margin resulted from a safety, gained as the Kappa Sigma passer moved behind his own goal line to wait for receivers to get into the clear.

All other games were either postponed or forfeited.

The Intramural Tournament ends Nov. 11. There are four playing days left in the contest.

Phi Delta Theta still holds an undefeated record for the top-notch spot in the league.

Military Group Initiates Nine

Mercer's Scabbard and Blade Company held a dinner at Pinebrook Inn, following their initiation last Tuesday night, in honor of their new pledges. Students initiated were as follows: Richard Alford, Abe Crosby, Jr., and James H. Smith, all of Macon; Edward E. Davis, Dothan, Alabama; Robert Sparks, Atlanta, Ga.; David Rozier, Jeffersonville, Ga.; and James W. Buckingham, Edward T. Trent, and Jim Thompson, all of Vero Beach, Fla.

The officers of Mercer's Scabbard and Blade are: Thomas L. Crews, captain; John G. Ethridge, 1st lt.; Bert Schwartz, 2nd lt.; and Gene Carroll, 1st sgt.; all of Macon; and Brown Nicholson, Jr., pledgemaster, Columbus, Ga.

Colonel Wiley B. Tonnar, professor of Military Science and Tactics at Mercer University, was the main speaker at the dinner. He gave a talk on "The Armed Forces Officer as a Citizen". Colonel Tonnar stated that "an officer of the Armed Forces is at all times loyal to the President, the Congress, and the people of the United States in all of his duties and actions. He is therefore a servant of the people and loyal to their elected representatives."

Freshmen Select Class Officers

In the recent election held by the freshman class, Dudley Horton of Eatonton, Ga., was elected president; Bob McCue from Atlanta, vice president; and Jeannine Stringer also of Atlanta, secretary and treasurer.

Candidates for president were Jimmy Sloan, Bob Pickett, and Clark Standard. For vice-president were Ferrell White, Dot Poole, and Vernon Tanner. Running for secretary-treasurer were Bo Atkinson, Nancy Attaway, and Teeny Moody.

Around 170 freshmen turned out to vote.

Kappa Sigma and Sigma Nu Battle for Tennis Crown

Mercer's intramural tennis championship enters the finals this week, with Kappa Sigma and Sigma Nu being pitted against each other.

Kappa Sigma, defending champions will enter Thursday's match with nary a blemish on their record, while Sigma Nu will enter the fray with one defeat. The matches are played under double-elimination rules. Should Sigma Nu win, finals will be played Friday, weather permitting.

The "Big Red" of Kappa Sigma will be odds on favorite to repeat their performance of 1951. That year they entered the finals with one defeat, only to sweep to victory in straight sets. Their team is not as strong as it was earlier in the season, however, because of the loss of two players to the

varsity basketball team.

Lynn Fowler will play in the number one position and Homer Lassiter is expected to hold down the second slot. They will team together in doubles. Red Waters will play in the third position, and will team with David Rozier in the number two doubles.

The "dark horse" Sigma Nu team will be headed by Wallace Harrell in the first position with Ebb Kilpatrick and Sonny Thurmond in second and third respectively. Harrell will team with Dick Mitchell in the first singles while Kilpatrick and Thurmond will play in the second.



New members of Blue Key are shown with president Wallace Harrell. They are Bob Baggott, Jack Cowart, Major Finney, Jack Phippen, Fred Barnes, Lee Grogan, Hayden Bryant, Jamie Buckingham, Jim Thompson, Bert Schwartz, and Roy Moultrie.

Blue Key Leadership Fraternity Taps Eleven in Chapel Ceremony

In chapel last Friday, eleven men were tapped into Blue Key, national collegiate leadership fraternity.

Wallace Harrell, president. Blue Key, presided over the ceremonies. Students are chosen for leadership qualities, membership in campus organizations, and scholarship.

Those tapped were: Bob Baggott of Augusta, president of Kappa Alpha, Pershing Rifles, Ministerial Association. Fred Barnes of Shorterville, Ala., president of the senior class, president of B.S.U., Ministerial Association.

Hayden Bryant, Jr., of Macon, president of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, editor of the Bearskin, president of the Chapel Choir.

Jamie Buckingham of Vero Beach, Fla., president of Alpha Tau Omega, junior college representative to the Student Council, Scabbard and Blade, choir.

Jack Cowart of Macon, president of Press Club, member of the debating team, Tau Kappa Alpha debating society.

Lee Grogan of Ball Ground, president of Kappa Sigma, justice of the court of honor, staff of the Law Review.

Ray Moultrie of Hamilton, president of Lambda Chi Alpha, senior

justice court of correction, Cauldron staff.

Jack Phippen of Macon, editor-in-chief of Law Review, chief justice of Law School, judge on court of honor.

Jim Thompson of Vero Beach, Fla., Pershing Rifles, M. club treasurer, Future Teachers of America, treasurer of Alpha Tau Omega. Bert Schwartz of Macon, captain of basketball team, captain of tennis team, president of junior class, distinguished military student.

Major Harry S. Finney, instructor in the ROTC unit, who holds the Army Commendation Medal, Purple Heart, Bronze Star, among other decorations.

Baskets Planned

Again this year the B.S.U. will sponsor baskets for underprivileged families. This year the baskets will be given at Thanksgiving instead of Christmas.

All organizations will be approached to contribute these gifts. The baskets should contain canned goods and fruit. They will be delivered Nov. 25.

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