

## ANNUAL RECEPTION OF PAN-HELLENIC SET FOR SATURDAY

Eight Fraternities Combine in Gala Event.

### MANY GUESTS EXPECTED

The Pan-Hellenic reception, which will be held in the Fraternity Halls on December 8, at 8:30 o'clock, will be one of the most beautiful and elaborate ever held according to officers of the Pan-Hellenic.

Instead of the individual fraternities serving refreshments as they have done before, this year they will be served as a whole from one of the halls.

Each fraternity will decorate its own hall in the fraternity colors. The sponsors will be in their fraternity's hall to receive their guests.

Committees have been appointed to complete arrangements. The invitation committee is composed of Manly McWilliams, Henry Schell, and Gene Massey; decoration committee, Daniel Merritt, H. J. O'Barr, and Gene Massey; refreshment committee, Pat Gillen, Harvey Clark, and Rabun Brantley; music committee, Joe McClain, T. G. Janes, and Manly McWilliams.

The Pan-Hellenic is composed of two representatives from each fraternity. The members are: Harvey Clark and Henry Shed, S. A. E.; Rabun Brantley and Manly McWilliams, K. A.; Fred Caylor and Dan Merritt, Phi Delta Theta; H. J. O'Barr and Frank Stone, Kappa Sigma; Pat Gillen and Neuvette Poore, Sigma Nu; Glidden Wilkes and Gene Wilkes, A. T. O.; Joe McClain and Baxter Goke, Pi Kappa Phi; Jared Simmons and T. F. Janes, Alpha Lambda Tau. Among those invited are all fraternity men on the campus, the football team, the Mercer faculty, and about two hundred Wesleyan and town girls.

Mercer's only connection with Macon proper was once a wagon road and a horse car line which came as far out as the present tennis court on the campus adjoining University Place.

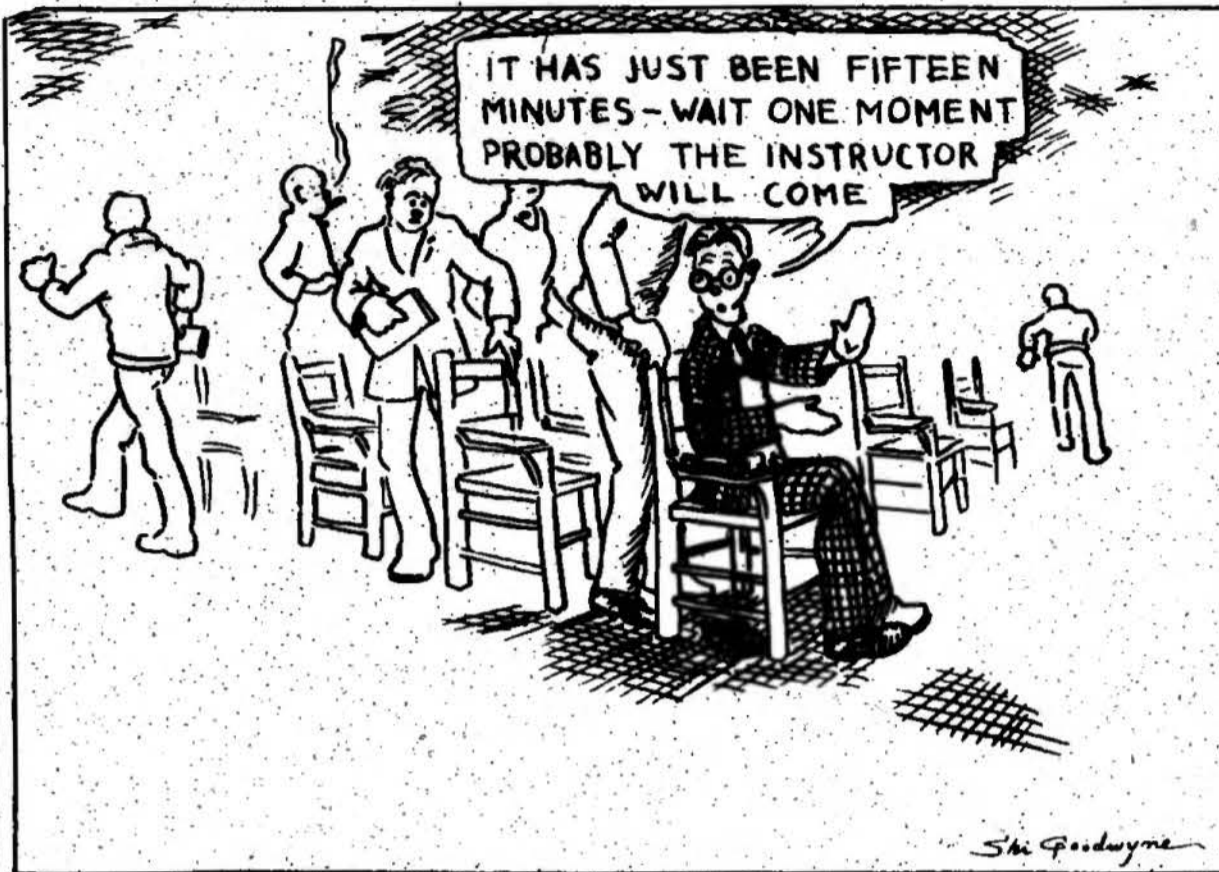
### VARSITY GUARD



Manly McWilliams, member of the Mercer cage squad for the last two years, will hold down his old berth this season.

### THERE'S ONE IN EVERY CLASSROOM

By Goodwyne



### BAPTIST CONVENTION OF MERCER INTEREST

#### Many Topics Relating to College To Be Discussed.

Matters of vital interest to Mercer University will be discussed at the 102nd annual session of the Georgia Baptist Convention, to be held in Macon, December 11-13. Students have been asked to attend the various meetings to be held during the three days of the convention.

Discussion of the status of secondary schools of the "Mercer University system," reports of the Holding Commission, a committee entrusted with the titles to all properties of the convention, the distribution of funds with regard to all interests of the denomination in the state, and other matters of importance will be featured in the business sessions to be held during the coming week.

Election of all officers of the convention for the new year will also be effected. Dr. B. D. Ragdale, treasurer of Mercer, and for twenty-seven years general secretary of the convention, will be re-elected to that office, it is thought. Dr. John D. Mell, for twelve years president of the organization, is also a likely candidate for re-election.

Various committees composed of Macon Baptists are to work out local plans. An entertainment committee has been named to supervise the assignment of quarters for the delegates and to investigate hotel rates. Five hundred delegates are expected by local officials.

### BASKETBALL RECORD FOR 1917

The Cluster will publish each week from this time on, the season's record of some Mercer athletic team of years past. Only six basketball games were played in 1917, due to war time conditions, and athletics were in a state of disorganization all over the South.

Of the games played the Baptists split even for the season. The record follows:

- Mercer 46, Oglethorpe 3.
- Mercer 64, Columbia College 13.
- Mercer 40, Grant Park 9.
- Mercer 19, Georgia 51.
- Mercer 14, Georgia 66.
- Mercer 26, Augusta "Y" 30.

Co-Ed: What a pity it is that handsome men are always concited.  
He: Not always, little girl. I am not.—Ex.

### CAGE SCHEDULE '23-'24

(To be completed)

- Dec. 14—Albany Y in Albany.
- Dec. 21—Albany Y in Macon.
- Dec. 26—Baylor in Macon.
- Dec. 31—Greenville Country Club in Greenville, S. C.
- Jan. 1—Spartanburg Y in Spartanburg, S. C.
- Jan. 2—Charlotte Y in Charlotte, N. C.
- Jan. 3—Statesville A. C. in Statesville, N. C.
- Jan. 4—Richmond Blues in Richmond, Va.
- Jan. 5—N. C. State in Raleigh, N. C.
- Jan. 7—Trinity in Durham, N. C.
- Jan. 8—North Carolina in Chapel Hill, N. C.
- Jan. 12—Chattanooga in Macon.
- Jan. 18—Tech in Atlanta.
- Jan. 19—Tech in Macon.
- Jan. 24—Vanderbilt in Nashville, Tenn.
- Jan. 25—Chattanooga in Chattanooga, Tenn.
- Jan. 26—Tennessee in Knoxville, Tenn.
- Feb. 2—N. C. State in Macon.
- Feb. 4—Mississippi Aggies in Macon.
- Feb. 11—Florida in Macon.
- Feb. 13—Sewanee in Macon.
- Feb. 15—Georgia in Macon.
- Feb. 16—Georgia in Macon.

### MACON IS SELECTED FOR CAGE TOURNNEY

Mercer's basketball team will be able to contend for championship honors of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association in its own backyard next February, for the annual tournament is to be held in Macon, Thursday, February 21, to last through Saturday, February 23, according to a statement issued after a meeting of college representatives in Atlanta this week.

Teams of the Southern Intercollegiate Conference will not participate in the S. I. A. A. tournament this year as heretofore, the annual tourney for that body being scheduled to be held in Atlanta beginning Friday, February 29, and continuing through the following Tuesday.

It is not yet known how many colleges of the S. I. A. A. will send teams to compete in the annual tourney, but of the sixteen members of that body, a large representation will probably come to Macon.

### ANNOUNCE RULES AND SCHEDULE FOR EXAMS

Xmas Holidays Begin Dec. 21; New Term Starts Jan. 2.

#### EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

- 9 to 12 (mornings)
- Monday, Dec. 17
- All 5 and 3 hour courses meeting at 8:30.
- Tuesday, Dec. 18
- All 5 and 3 hour courses meeting at 9:25.
- Wednesday, Dec. 19
- All 5 and 3 hour courses meeting at 10:50.
- Thursday, Dec. 20
- All 5 and 3 hour courses meeting at 11:45.
- Friday, Dec. 21
- All 5 and 3 hour courses meeting at 12:40.
- 2 to 5 (afternoons)
- Friday, Dec. 14
- All sections of English I.
- Monday, Dec. 17
- All 2 hour courses meeting at 8:30.
- Tuesday, Dec. 18
- All 2 hour courses meeting at 8:25.
- Wednesday, Dec. 19
- All 2 hour courses meeting at 10:50.
- Thursday, Dec. 20
- All 2 hour courses meeting at 11:45.
- Friday, Dec. 21
- All 2 hour courses meeting at 12:40.

The first official examinations of the fall term will begin on Monday morning, December 17, continuing throughout the week until the following Friday when the schedule is completed, according to recent announcements by Prof. J. L. Railey, chairman of the schedule committee. The regular Christmas holidays will begin December 21, though students who have already finished their examinations before that date will be at liberty to leave the campus before the scheduled time of closing.

Registration and matriculation for the winter term will begin on January 2. Students are expected by the college authorities to be on the campus by that date for this work, which, according to members of the classification committee, will require about two days.

#### Registration for Exams

Prof. Railey has announced the following rules to be observed by all

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## BASKETEERS NOW HOLD CENTER OF SPORTING PAGE

But Few Letter Men Missing From Varsity Lineup.

### FROSH HAVE GREAT QUINT

By C. D. Tounslay

Football season is past and basketball is slowly appearing on the horizon. For several years Mercer has been able to boast one of the strongest basketball teams in the South and this season is to be no exception to the rule.

Monday was the first official cage drill day and over thirty candidates reported to Coach Gilliam. They were quickly put to work by the Mercer mentor who believes strongly in the efficacy of hard work. Short passing and shooting at the goal occupied most of the time and some of the men are already handling the ball in mid-season form.

The schedule has been completed and a look will convince anyone that the Mercer basketballers will have to put in some hard work between now and the beginning of the season if they are to emerge at the close of the year with a good record. However, there are enough letter men back in school to insure the team which represents Mercer this year will not be below the standard.

#### Letter Men Return

First there is Captain "Crook" Smith, forward for the past two years. Last year Smith was unanimously chosen by sport writers for forward on the mythical All-Southern team. "Crook" is now playing his third year at Mercer and has been chosen captain for the coming season. Another player whose career at Mercer has been bright is George Harmon, diminutive guard. George was All-Southern year before last and only an injured hand kept him from being picked for the team last year. Atlanta sport writers have called him a wonder man, and certain it is that

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### FROSH STAR



Buncie Skinner, last year unanimous choice on All-G. I. A. A. quint as forward. He will perform for Mercer this season.