

# Toby's Topics

By Duane Akin

The Bear's last road trip was apparently jinxed, Lady Fate smiling on the Wofford cagers and handing them a victory to make up for the whipping they took from the Bears here in Porter Gym. Then Monday night, they met with hard luck again as the Blue Hose from Presbyterian were the victorious hosts.

Coach Nyimicz had nothing but praise for the Bears after they rolled past his Rollins quintet. He said defeat wasn't so bitter when the reason for it was evident as it was that night.

The mentor who was so successful here in the past two years absence of Coach Cowan's able leadership, passed along his hopes for the Bruins in their remaining games, and wished to pass along his most sincere regards to his many friends around the campus.

In case some of you have missed the brilliant accounts of Mercer's games found in the Atlanta papers, I would like to pass on to you the wording of a headline appearing in one of the said papers, following a heartbreaker at Statesboro recently. "Teachers Coast—Swamp Mercer." That is a matter of opinion . . . and hardly the one I share with several other Bears fans. It seems we receive no recognition until there is occasion for such a review as that. The policy of newspapers is to cater to the area of largest circulation, but it seems that it would be worthwhile to recognize the Mercer team as the great team it has been for many years.

Also, I was reading a summary of the leading individual scorers in the nation in a release from one of the major press services. Selvy was the star in the story, a position which he has undoubtedly earned, but yet, the point emphasized was that he has broken the mid-century mark three times, one of which was related as the time of last season when he racked 63 points on his home court. The fact I'd like to add to the account is that on his most recent visit to Macon, he scored four points during the first half of a ball game in which he totaled 20 points, fifteen points less than Mixon for the Bears.

Of course, there may have been a switch in positions due to the absence of one Furman man, but yet, the relative inability to run up a tremendous score cannot be overlooked.

## Occupational Information Available in Guidance Center

Youth's inevitable question—"What Shall I Be?"—can be answered more intelligently when the student's personal traits are matched and evaluated with occupational demands. In order that students will have a better insight as to the activities called for in the various college level objectives, this column will present a series of occupational briefs with the hope that serious consideration and thought will be given prior to making any vocational choice. The first article will deal with the teaching profession and following are job descriptions for Teacher and Humanities Professor:

### TEACHER:

**Duties:** Instruct pupils in elementary and secondary schools. Prepares lesson plans, makes assignments, hears recitations, conducts discussions, develops learning projects, constructs, administers and grades tests. Keeps attendance and progress records and makes regular reports to students, parents, and school authorities. May be required to perform extra-curricular duties such as: advisement of student organizations, participation in civic groups, and coaching athletic teams and other student activities.

**Required Training:** Usually a college degree with required education courses (depending on state in which he wishes to teach) and period of practice teaching, or degree from normal school or Teachers College State Certification usually required.

**Job Entry:** Teacher.

**Job Classifications:** Teacher  
Elementary school  
Kindergarten  
Secondary School  
Special Classes.

**Critical Aptitudes:** Ability to read with understanding, to reason logically and to use good judgment in practical situations as well as knowledge of correct English and ability to get ideas across in writing and talking.

### HUMANITIES PROFESSOR

**Duties:** Conducts college or university classes in literature, languages, philosophy, appreciation of the arts and related subjects. Prepares and delivers lectures to students. Stimulates and leads class discussions. Constructs, administers, and grades examinations. makes final reports on student's achievement to student, student's sponsor and college authorities.

**Required Training:** College degrees. Most colleges or universities require graduate work.

**Job Entry:** Instructor

**Job Classifications:** Professor of  
Fine Arts  
Languages  
Literature  
Philosophy

**Critical Aptitudes:** Above average ability to remember activities of the past; ability to memorize; ability to read with understanding, to reason logically and to use good judgment in practical situations, as well as knowledge of correct English and ability to get ideas across in writing and talking.

For more information on the teaching profession visit your Occupational Information Library in the Co-Op Building.

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# Fighting Bears Roll Past Stunned Teachers; Cowan's Charges Avenge Road Trip Loss

## KappaSigma, ATO Phi Delts Win

Intramural basketball competition got underway in Porter Gym Tuesday night, January 12 as Kappa Sig downed Lambda Chi, ATO defeated Kappa Alpha and Phi Kappa Phi trimmed MIMA.

The ten teams are divided into two leagues this year. In League One are: Kappa Sigma, Lambda Chi, ATO, Kappa Alpha and Sigma Nu. In League Two are: MIMA, Phi Kappa Phi, SAE, the Ministers, and Phi Delta Theta. After the regular season, in which each team meets every other team in their league, the two teams compiling the best records in each league will meet in single elimination tournament. The winner of league one will play the second place team in league two, and the second place team in league one will meet the first place team from league two.

The team records at present are as follows: League One, Kappa Sigma, three wins, no losses, ATO three wins no losses, Lambda Chi and Sigma Nu, one win against two setbacks, and Kappa Alpha with four defeats.

ATO and Kappa Sigma will battle it out for first and second place, next Wednesday night at 8:40.

League two winners have already decided, as they finished league play last Wednesday night. Phi Delta Theta won first place with four wins as SAE took second place with a 3-1 record.

The play-offs between the two leagues will take place on February the fourth and ninth.

A new trophy will go into circulation this year for the first time in seven years due to the fact that the old trophy was retired last year by Sigma Nu Fraternity.

## Hammonds Pres. Biology Frat.

The Biology Department takes pleasure in announcing the formation of the Beta Omega chapter of Beta Beta Beta, a national honor society for students of the biological sciences.

The Beta Omega chapter will be officially installed on the Mercer University campus by Dr. E. C. Cocke of Wake Forest College, Regional ice President, on Monday the first of February. At that time the newly elected officers will be installed; they are President, Robert E. Hammonds of Eatonton, Georgia; Vice President, Homer L. Lassiter of Moultrie, Georgia; Secretary, Homer S. Nelson of Adel, Georgia; Historian, Ernestine Moody of Albany, Georgia; and Counselor, Professor G. L. Carver.

In addition to the officers, the charter members include: Bill Bridges, J. G. Etheridge, Raphael Graves, Mary Joyce Henderson, Norma Jean Huey, Louis J. Jacobs, Betty McGahee, Jo Ann McMullen, Gene Pollock, James H. Smith, Harvey Teal, and John Wade.

## Intramural Regulations

Any man cut from Varsity athletics by Coach of said sport, and for causes due to the man's inability to make said Varsity squad, this man being otherwise eligible, under the Intramural Constitution may participate in Intramural Sports immediately. Look on the CLUSTER Sports Page each week for Intramural regulations which each of us should know.

## Brewton-Parker Beats Mercer JV

Mercer's fast-moving Junior varsity five suffered its first defeat last night to the gigantic Brewton Parker Junior College team by the score of 67-62. Brewton Parker was led by center Charles Gleaton and guard Lowell Mulkey who scored 17 points each. They were also followed closely by Bill Whittle and Groover who scored 13 and 11 respectively.

Not to be outshone, Mercer's freshman Royce Hobbs ran off with the scoring honors with 22 points. Hobbs, who hails from Lumpkin, Ga., played a brilliant game, faked and rebounded very well against Parker's tremendous height. Also playing a great game and closely following Hobbs, Joe Lowe scored 18 with bursting drives and one hand push shots. Graham also scored 12 for Mercer.

The Mercer five rallied the entire second half changing a 16 point half-time deficit into a five point loss but the Junior College quintet would not fold under the pressure applied by the cubs.

Brewton Parker is coached by Glynn Wilkes, former great Mercer center. His record now stands at 14 wins against 2 defeats.

## Bruins Lose Two on Road Wofford—Presbyterian Win

The Mercer Bears will be out to avenge their losses to Georgia Teachers College and Florida State University Thursday and Saturday nights respectively and improve on their current 8-5 record. On the Bears first road trip the FSU Seminoles handed the Bruins their first defeat of the season by a 72-70 count. Last week in Statesboro the Profs topped the Bears to the tune of 81-67. Mercer is in dire need of these two victories in order to remain in the standings for the NAIA playoff.

### MERCER-WOFFORD

Harry Wallace, Wofford guard, hit three straight set shots to bring his teammates from a four point deficit in the last three minutes to a 81-79 victory over the Mercer cagers in Spartanburg, South Carolina last Saturday night.

The Bears trailed almost all the way and left the court at the half time intermission tied up at 36 all.

Mercer did not take the lead in the ballgame until the last five minutes. The Bears had a six point lead in the last two and a half minutes and Coach Jim Cowan ordered the ball club into a deep freeze. However, two bad passes gave Wofford their opportunity and set the stage for Wallace's heroics.

Paul Reinertz, Wofford center, collected 10 field goals and 14 free throws for a total of 34 points and high scoring honors for the

## Mixon, Schwartz Reid Pace Attack

The Mercer Bears overpowered one of the better teams to hit the hardwoods of Porter Gym this season last night as they swamped Georgia Teachers College of Statesboro by a 63-48 margin.

Georgia Teachers were seeking revenge of last years loss on the Mercer court after winning on their home court, same as this season.

Teachers Chester Webb and Mercers Tommy Mixon tied for scoring honors for the night with fourteen points each.

The Bruins looked especially well under the boards last night, with long tall John Jewett virsive and defensive boards. Jewett, though he looked a little ragged on shots, played by far the best game of the season under the boards.

Also a standout on both offense and defense was the Bruins Bert Schwartz. Schwartz showed form he has displayed in seasons past, and also his better game of the year on the local court.

Teachers Bobby Phillips with shots from outside came in behind the leading scorer with twelve points.

Schwartz and Reid took second honors on the Bruin club with twelve points each also.

Mercer began a freeze with five minutes left on the game. Fans believing freeze was on, was surprised when speedster Reid drove in for lay-up.

The Bears notched five markers after they began the freeze.

Effectiveness of the freeze showed up as Hitnevy made three fouls during the last few minutes of the game.

The Teachers opened the game with a fast five point lead, but the Bruins caught them early in the quarter and had a comfortable five point edge at the sounding of the horn for the first quarter.

The Bruins led throughout the game with half-time score of 34-26, and third quarter score of 43-51.

Tommy Mixon, Mercer forward, hit 12 field goals and six free throws for a total of 30 points to garner high scoring honors for Mercer.

Mercer's efforts were greatly hampered by the inability of Captain Richard Reid to go at top speed due to a sprained ankle suffered in the Ga. Teachers game. Mercer was further hampered by the loss of centers Bill Harris and John Jewett and forward Tommy Mixon.

### MERCER-PRESBYTERIAN

Red-hot Presbyterian Blue Stockings hit on 51% on their field goal attempts to hand the Mercer Bears their third consecutive defeat Monday night by a score of 94 to 80.

Presbyterian got off to an early lead and were never headed holding a 25-13 first period lead and a 52-41 halftime lead.

Mercer's only serious threat came at the beginning of the third period when they pulled to within five points of the Blue Stockings.

Dave Thompson and Bob Burgess were the big guns in the Presbyterian attack, collecting 25 and 24 points respectively.

Tommy Mixon poured in 29 points to take high scoring honors and pull his season's average to a 24.1 points per game. John Hughes with 19 points was the only other Bear to hit double figures.

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