

Bear Tales

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I received a bit of timely advice from an anonymous character the other day, which I believe was well said, and I wish could be followed.

This person informed me that there was yet hope because one guy had benefitted greatly by a condition of which I seemed to be a victim. That is, not knowing just "what it was" when it comes to sports. Well, maybe I should follow "Deacon" Andy Griffith's example.

Better yet, I should get me a big orange and journey with the crowds over to the tennis courts these pretty days, to watch the Bear Netters at work, or over to the baseball field to follow the Diamond Bruins. With all the many students who are speculators, I feel sure that either these or the track will be crowded with well wishers. Whether we learn anything about what is going on doesn't matter too much, so long as we give the boys the support they need.

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The tennis idea brings to mind an incident the other day when I was passing the courts and stopped to yell at one of the boys who was at the time engaged in an important game. Fortunately, he didn't hear, and before I could try again, Coach Mayfield called me over to where he was watching the play.

Was my face red, when he pointed out to me how inconsiderate it is to disturb or try to talk to a player on a tennis court. I realized how stupid it was, even though I didn't think before I spoke to the player, but absolute quiet is needed for a player to give his best to the game. Spectators are more than welcome, but those smarter than I will know that it is extremely important to remain quiet and not converse with the person sitting next you on the sidelines. It isn't even necessary to inquire about the scores during matches, now that a scoreboard has been set up for convenience.

Career Information Given by Student Guidance Center

The requirements for the profession of minister are exacting. Of foremost importance is a love and interest in people, as well as a sincere desire to help them. An attractive personality helps tremendously. HE SHOULD FEEL CALLED, that is, he should be convinced that it is his duty and purpose in life to serve other people by acting as their leader in religious thinking and activities. It need not be a mysterious revelation, but often is a quiet but steady inner urge and compulsion toward the ministry.

The minister should have a sincere belief that there is truth, beauty and goodness in life; he should have a positive faith in the possibility of helping to fashion a better world through religion and education; he should be unselfish and willing to cooperate with all kinds of people in improving their religious and civic beliefs and conduct; he should have an interest in the world of men and ideas; he should have the ability to make and hold friendships with children and adults; he should have patience in explaining religious ideas to people with all types of mental abilities; finally, he should be interested in a profession where the rewards are not financial but rest in the satisfaction derived from serving the religious needs of his fellow men.

In order that students can better evaluate their interests or desires for ministerial work the following occupational brief is presented.

MINISTER:

Description of Duties: Attends to the spiritual and religious needs of his congregation by conducting services; performs church ordinances such as baptism, communion, matrimony; prepares and delivers sermons on religious, cultural or ethical subjects; officiates at business meetings; supervises the religious education program; participates officially in church departments; visits the sick and gives counsel and comfort in times of stress; makes public addresses; serves on committees of public agencies; accepts leadership in social reform.

May specialize as director of religious music; church social worker; foreign missionary; prison or hospital chaplain; Army, Navy or Air Force chaplain; executive pastor; youth director or in many other lines.

Employment Outlook: Very favorable current and future. Every major denomination suffers from a lack of qualified ministers and church workers. Jobs are mainly found in city and rural churches; also in theological seminaries; missions; church organizations and welfare work.

How to Qualify: To be properly qualified an utmost breadth of academic background is desirable with graduation from an academic course followed by studies at a theological seminary. Although not essential, previous experience in working with people is valuable background for the theological student. This might include teaching, camp leadership, adult education, social work, scout work.

Entrance Requirements: Physical factors—general health, stamina, talking, hearing, seeing, emotional stability.

Environmental factors—generally pleasant surroundings in rural or city parish, varying conditions in missions; hours are often long and irregular; mornings devoted to study, afternoons to parish visits and meetings, evenings to meetings and special events; use of a car essential.

Personal characteristics—above-average intelligence, a deep religious faith, belief in the urgency of Christian teaching, and conviction of a call to service. Also important are appearance and manner, voice and speech, education and scholarship, ability in oral and written expression, judgment, friendliness and tact, leadership, executive ability, and sympathetic understanding of human nature.

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

Mercer Track Team Opens Season Here Tomorrow; First Opponents To Be Strong Florida State Group

The Mercer Cindermen try again to open the fifty-four season Saturday when they play host to the strong track team from Florida State.

The local tracksters journeyed to Wofford last week end, but rain prevented the meet. The encounter was postponed for a later date, when the Furman team will be here for the meet in Porter Stadium.

The Tallahasseeans will be sporting only two returning lettermen, but a dangerous pair they are. Fraundorfer proved his worth against the Bears along with the distance man Jarrett, when the Bears met them last season on their home ground.

Several lettermen are also back for the Bears.

Reid will enter pole vault, broad jump, high jump, 10 yd. dash, and will run one leg for the relay. He is the sole contender for the pole vault, since the loss of Bill Bryant.

In the broad jump, Bonner and Malone will assist; high jump, Malone; weight events, Bothman, assisted by newcomers Hugh Hodges, Morton Boyett and Jimmy Ellis.

Malone is the only entry in both high and low hurdles as definite now, though there may be some changes.

Freshman Dean Denmark is slated to help Sumner in the distance events. Lynton Baggs, Ronnie Smith, Royce Hobbs, and Jim O'Neal are newcomers and entries in the dash events.

The tentative relay team is composed of Reid, Malone, Bonner, and Ronnie Smith.

Halfmiler Bonner is to be joined by Lamar Cason and Sonny Vaughn. Cason will also enter the mile run.

This meet will be the first in a series of several home meets for the Bruins. The Cindermen meet Davidson and Presbyterian in later contests.

Starting time for the meet this Saturday is 2:00 p.m. at Porter Stadium.

Badminton Play Begins This Week

The women's badminton tournament began this week. Chi Omega and MICA remain undefeated, while Phi Mu and AD Pi have lost only one game.

The playoff games will be held next week.

The softball tournament will get underway Monday afternoon with MICA playing Phi Mu. Chi Omega will play AD Pi Tuesday afternoon.

This tournament is a double Round Robin and the games will be played every Monday and Tuesday.

Peggy Carlisle Wins Foul Shooting

The 1954 Foul Shooting contest was recently won by Peggy Carlisle. With a score of 19 out of 25, she retired the trophy for Chi Omega.

Placing second was Barbara Alford with 15 out of 25. Barbara played for Phi Mu sorority.

Pat McKinnon, last year's champion, placed third with a score of 14 out of 25. Pat also plays for Chi Omega.

Auburn Takes Two From Bears

Mercer Bears lost the opening game of the season 18-1 to the Plainsmen from Auburn Monday afternoon.

The Bruins were seeking revenge over the Plainsmen, since they have not registered a win over the boys from Alabama since the 1951 campaign.

Righthander Bud Culbreth of Edison started the game for the Bears on the mound. Culbreth entered Mercer this year as a junior after being discharged from the Navy.

Battery mate for Culbreth was Mack Thompson, a returning letterman of two years' experience with the Bears.

Infield starters were Vasil Hoflich of Bethlehem, Pa., on first, Billy Smith of Macon at second, Maurice Burt of Gainesville at short and Tommy Mixon of Macon, on third.

In the outfield were a trio of veteran lettermen will open for the Bruins. Clifford Powers of Macon was in left field, Dan Hammack of Edison in center, and Bill Hall of Macon in right field.

The Bruins dropped the return game 13-5 in Auburn Wednesday. Auburn ran its string to eight wins in this game that was called in the seventh inning.

Wynon Overstreet and Herbie Pearce combined pitching talents to allow the Bears only three hits. Pearce came on in the fourth when Overstreet lost his control and was the winning pitcher.

Only hit off Overstreet was a triple by veteran first baseman-hurler for the Bruins Vasil Hoflich, in the fourth inning with two men on base.

Howell Tubbs knocked in five runs with a triple and a single for Auburn.

The Bruin diamonders move to Atlanta over the weekend where they meet the Yellow Jackets of Georgia Tech on Rose Bowl Field.

Reports given by Atlanta Journal state that Jacket shortstop Charlie Brannon is out of line-up due to injuries.

Coach Joe Pittard plans to start either Junior Dave Redford, or freshman Bob Patton on the mound for the Jackets.

Reports stated also that behind the plate for the Jackets will be Tippy A'Vin, rounding out the infield with Bill Cohen at first, Lane Akers at second and Johnny Menger at third.

The outfield will be Henry Hair, Bob Doyer and Buddy Jones or Larry Morris.

Tech's season record is 2-4-1 as compared to the Bruins 0-2 record.

Davidson Gives New Schedule

For the first time in the history of the institution, Davidson College will present a "new look" this coming summer in its June 3-July 21 summer session.

The new look will be two-fold. First of all, the session has been cut from two six weeks terms to one nine weeks session, with science majors reporting in June 3 and other students coming in June 9.

And secondly, for the first time in the history archives of old Davidson, women students will be housed on the campus.

All qualified high school graduates and public school teachers may make residence on the campus. The girls' dormitory will be the college guest house, which will

Int. Softball Starts Next Wk.

Men's Intramural softball gets underway Monday afternoon, April 5, with ATO and SAE, Ministers vs. Lambda Chi and Kappa Alpha vs. Kappa Sigma.

Defending Intramural Champions is Phi Delta Theta, and are expected to be one of the top contenders as they seek to retain the crown.

Schedule for next week's games are as follows:

Monday, April 5
ATO vs. SAE—Field 1
Min. vs. L. Chi—Field 3
KA vs. KS—Field 4

Tuesday, April 6
Phi Delt vs. P. K. Phi—Field 1
ATO vs. MIMA—Field 4
SNU vs. Wildeats—Field 3

Wednesday, April 7
SAE vs. Wildeats—Field 1
KA vs. L. Chi. A.—Field 3
P.K. Phi. vs. KS—Field 4

Auburn Netters Top Bruins 6-3

Mercer netmen lost their second game of the season in as many starts yesterday in a match with the plainsmen of Auburn, Alabama.

The Bruin netters dropped the match by a score of 6-3. The Bears took only one of the six singles, and two of the doubles for their tally.

Mercer number four netman Bill Causey took the Plainsmen's John Langley for the singles win, and the combination of Tommy Knotts and Causey credited one of the doubles wins.

Fresman number one man, Buddy Moore, and veteran Bert Schwartz overpowered Hunter Bel land John Langley for the second win in the doubles.

The Bruin netters take the courts again Thursday when they meet the Petrel netmen from Oglethorpe University of Atlanta.

Chi Omega Wins Girls' Basketball

The basketball playoffs in the women's intramurals this year ended with Chi Omega on top. Defeating MICA, Chi Omega reclaimed the trophy, which they lost to MICA last year.

In the tournament Chi Omega won six games, MICA won four, and Phi Mu won two.

Chi Omega's Maxine Hunt and MICA's Shirley Tolbert, tied for high scorer for the tournament. Both girls had 71 points for the six games.

Placing second, third, and fourth respectively were Pat McKinnon with 68 points, Sylvia Smith with 51 points, and Peggy Carlisle with 41 points.

be under the supervision of the guest house hostess. Should there be a larger enrollment of women students than can be accommodated at the guest house, then one of the regular dormitories will be made available.

Regularly planned activities of sports and recreation will be on the menu for both men and women students throughout the entire summer session.

Davidson athletic director, Paul K. Scott, and Mr. Sam Magill, secretary of the "Y", will be in charge of planning the recreational program for the summer session, and both men are expected to make an announcement concerning the summer session activities.

Braswell's Barber Shop