



Staff photographer Ward Lowrance snapped these shots of the Mercer players (left) and Mercer Coach Bobby Wilder during the recent Georgia—Mercer game.

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Bulldogs Beat Bears In Game

By Charlie Etheridge

It usually happens once a year. There have been times when it didn't happen at all, but this year it did. The Georgia Bulldogs brought their basketball team to Porter Gym.

It was a good ball game for 30 minutes. The band played, the students yelled (a once a year occasion, but thank goodness for that) and the Bears clicked. Both teams were hot as fire, and then something went wrong. Mercer's defense gelled out. But Georgia's didn't. From a 26-26 tie, the Bulldogs borrowed Mercer's racehorse and ran the Bears to 51-37 halftime deficit.

Georgia, straight from Jacksonville's Gator Bowl tourney, was in tremendous condition to the man, with the exception of Gordon Darnell, who didn't thank goodness, say. The Bears, straight from their holiday frolicking, were in terrible shape. Of course, it was one's fault in particular and the fact that Georgia was two to three inches taller and 10 to 20 pounds heavier per man can hardly be overlooked.

The long arms of John Johnson, Phil Simpson and Don Keiser were too much for the fumble jumping of Frankie Edwards, Joe Dulick and Jimmy Milton. Without Milton's occasional thefts after a Georgia rebound and Edward's alertness close under the goals, Mercer could have been even lower than they were.

Among the few bright spots was the offensive play of Richard Hatch, sophomore forward. It was so much his number of points and his ability to maneuver and get his shot—on which he is accurate.

Mercer didn't play a terrible game. When a team gets tired, it can slide and no one will notice. Mistakes were made, but Georgia made some. Anyone could tell that from the way the "Redhead," Harbin Lawson, carried on. The reason Mercer lost is a simple fact: Georgia is taller and heavier and better.

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Dean Gives Course Pick

Mercer students will be given an opportunity to select courses to be taught in the coming summer school, announced Dean Robert H. Spiro, Jr., dean of the liberal arts college.

Dean Spiro stated that the student body would be polled for their needs and wishes on Tuesday, January 24.

In making their selections Dean Spiro urged the students to "think through their needs" and to "consult with their faculty advisors."

It did happen this year, Mercer lost.

Harris Studies Court Decision On \$16 Fee

An honor council ruling on an assessment levied by the Cauldron staff on social organizations is being contested in a hearing before Judge Mallory C. Atkinson January 17, at 4 p.m.

Steve Smith, of Kappa Alpha fraternity appealed the honor council's decision of December 5 to the president of the university. Dr. Rufus Harris directed Judge Atkinson of the law faculty to "conduct such hearing from the parties as may be appropriate and make a report to him on this appeal."

Judge Atkinson in a letter sent to Smith, Dean Richard C. Burts, chairman of the student-faculty board of appropriations; Hunt Sanders, chief justice of the honor council; John Black, editor of the Cauldron.

Jim Willingham, business manager of the annual and Olin Thompson, president of the Student Government Association stated that the hearing would give the parties the opportunity to show "the propriety or impropriety of the ruling and assessment by the student activities committee as approved by the honor council."

In order to bring in funds to cover the cost of publishing the Cauldron, the staff, after the move had been approved by the student activities committee, sought \$10 from each fraternity, sorority and independent group on campus.

Steve Smith, president of the KA, questioned the legality of the move; he carried the issue to the honor council which ruled in favor of the Cauldron staff.

According to the SGA constitution, any honor council ruling may be appealed to the president within two days. Smith filed an appeal with the president who in turn requested Judge Atkinson to hold another hearing.

ATO Observes Annual "Help Week"

During the week of January 9-16, ATO is observing its annual "Help Week." This year as a project they are carrying out a clean up campaign at the First Baptist Church.

ATO was the first national fraternity to change from the traditional "hell week" to "help week."

Harris Moves Over State

President Harris is scheduled to address the Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church, January 16. That Brotherhood has planned their "ladies night" for that day.

Harris is to speak to the Augusta Kiwanis Club on January 18 and the following day he will meet with the education committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention in Atlanta.

College Queen Contest

The National College Queen Contest, to select and honor an outstanding American college girl, is again underway. This year the national finals will be held in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, with more than \$5,000 in prizes to the new winner.

The competition will include a colorful pageant in April of 1961, a highlight of the Easter holiday celebration which annually attracts thousands of college students to Fort Lauderdale.

The contest is open to all undergraduate college girls between the ages of 17 and 22. Free entry blanks and complete details can be obtained by writing to: National College Queen Contest Committee, Paramount Building, Suite 1606, 1501 Broadway, New York 36, New York.

Toby Weekend

(Continued from page 1) used in last year's program will be burned.

Present members of the committee planning the weekend hope that they will set a precedent for a "campus wide student government social weekend." If the February weekend is successful, another such weekend for the spring quarter has been promised by members of SGA.

Newton . . .

(Continued from page 1) of the Southern Baptist Convention.

He has received an honorary doctor of divinity degree from his alma mater and from Oglethorpe University, a doctor of laws from William Jewell College and a doctor of literature degree from Cumberland University.

Newton also authored *Why I Am a Baptist*.

The alumni association is expected to make alternations in its constitution to change the date of Alumni Day. Previously the date was set for the end of the spring quarter. Their meeting was called by H. H. (Trot) Ware of Waycross, president of the association.

Founders' Day was originated during the administration of Dr. Spright Dowell, president of Mercer from 1928 until 1953. The university has been observing the annual occasion since the early '30's.

Circle "K" Promotes Basketball Attendance

The local chapter of Circle "K" International, an international college service club, has announced a new plan for the promotion of school spirit and support of the basketball team among the Mercer student body.

John Black, President of Mercer Circle "K", announced Tuesday that the local club will award a trophy to the social group on campus with the highest average attendance at Mercer's home basketball games this season.

Jere Key, chairman of the trophy committee, said that a Circle "K" member would be at the student entrance to the gym checking the attendance to each home game. The records for each game will be totaled at the end of the season and the winner of the trophy determined.

According to Key, the following rules will govern the contest:

1. All social organizations on campus are eligible to win the trophy;
2. The count of students will be made from 7:15 p.m. until game time at every Mercer home basketball game;
3. All students must enter through the student pass gate in order to be counted;
4. Only students who display a membership pin, pledge pin, or membership card will be counted;
5. The social organization with the highest average percentage of its members and pledges present at home games shall be declared the winner.

Jim Willingham, member of the trophy committee, said, "Mercer has a good basketball team this year. The only thing noticeably lacking is student support. By offering this trophy, we are attempting to generate more interest in attending the games. We feel that

once the students attend a few games they will continue to go and cheer for their team. Their cheers will do much to help Mercer to have a good season."

Deadline Set For Pictures

Students expecting to receive a degree from Mercer this year should have their Cauldron pictures made soon, according to Jim Willingham, business manager of the Cauldron.

Pictures are now being made at the Bill Meriwether studios, 369 cotton Avenue. No appointment is necessary.

Pictures are made daily from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. If a student is unable to go during these hours, an appointment may be made. The deadline is January 20.

This announcement applies both to students in the law school and liberal arts college who expect to graduate this year.

Drama Set For Vespers

A drama, "Spirit of the Cross," will be one of the highlights of vespers for the week of January 16-19, according to a report released by Faye Rowland, vesper chairman.

"Spirit of the Cross" is scheduled for Wednesday night, January 18.

Other programs on the schedule include a meditation on Monday night by Faye Rowland, a program of instrumental and vocal solos on Tuesday night.

The Thursday night program is under the direction of Marsha Brake of the Wesley Foundation.

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