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The Mercer Cluster is the official weekly publication of the fourteen schools and colleges of the Mercer System, and is published by the students of Mercer University and Bessie Tift College. During the last two or three years it has been recognized by other college publications as a most creditable college publication.

The Cluster last year ran a colored section of two pages in every issue, and was the only college publication, so far as known, to run such a weekly feature. With but one exception the Mercer Cluster has the largest college circulation of any weekly in Georgia.

Sample copies of the Mercer Cluster will be sent by notifying the Circulation Department, Administration Building, Mercer University.

CIVIC CLUBS

During Macon's existence of more than a century she has encouraged those institutions and their activities which promote a unified grasping of conditions that make community life better. Within these 100 years there have been established by the business and professional men of the city a number of thriving civic organizations. In step with the progressive spirit of the city of Macon, Mercer University was moved in 1886 from its first home in Fenfield, Ga. to Macon, where it has taken a vital hold in the life of the city.

Mercer University has sent out men who now worthily act as heads of the civic organizations of this city. Vice President F. E. Williams, of the Luther Williams Banking Company is president of the Kiwanis Club; E. Clem Powers, who was accorded the honor of presenting ex-President Wilson to the Mercer student body some years ago, is president of the Lions Club; E. W. Burke is president of the Rotary Club; R. L. Anderson, attorney at law, is president of the Exchange Club; E. Y. Malloy is president of the Business Men's Evangelistic Club; F. Roger Miller, business manager of the Macon Chamber of Commerce, also faculty member of the Mercer Training School for Boy Scouts, is president of the Inter-Civic Club Council; and J. B. Harris, brother of ex-Gov. Nat. E. Harris, is president of the Citizens.

All are Mercer products.

WHY IS WHAT?

"Why do we have a system of Education in our colleges when the whole institution is to give education?" This is the question which has so often been asked by those who are otherwise well informed. Our school system is based on a science or a group of sciences. Those who are teaching wish to become more efficient and their prospective teachers wish to study on one or more of these sciences, that they may better understand the methods of teaching. Every teacher who is in a school of Education. Those who devote their lives to investigating and teaching these sciences are called "Educationists" and those who use this research as teachers or school administrators are "Educators."

"The business of the school of Education" is to train the educational leaders and the teachers who will handle the subjects in the other rooms. The demand today in every walk of life is for trained leaders and trained workmen. This is as true of the educational world as of any other. There is no phase of school work of organization, administration, of methods, not subjected to the most painstaking study by our educationists. The whole work is for a wiser, happier and better citizenship.

The schools of education in America have already done much to help the development of our school system. The School of Education of Mercer University is seeking and doing this work in the state of Georgia.

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GOVERNOR WALKER—

MERCER UNIVERSITY

Governor Clifford Walker will deliver the principal address at the opening of Mercer University, in Macon, on Monday, September 24.

Governor Walker is a trustee of Mercer, which is an interesting fact within itself alone; and particularly so, when it is recalled that he also is—by reason of his occupancy of the Governor's office—a member of the board of trustees of the University of Georgia.

Not often does it happen that the chief executive of the State occupies at one and the same time two such important semi-official positions, in addition to the governorship.

Mercer University has made great strides of late years. It has been "pulled very much out of the kinks," so to speak. The enrollment this year likely will exceed 1,000, high is considerably more than the enrollment last year. Mercer is a great Georgia institution of learning, with a fine, constructive history of usefulness and noble traditions.—Atlanta Georgian.

MERCER SYSTEM OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES GROW

Dr. P. D. Pollock Definitely Outlined Extensive Programs

MERCER IS THE PARENT

Every Section of Georgia Represented by Some School

More than a quarter of a century ago when P. D. Pollock, president of Mercer, definitely outlined for the university a policy of attaching existing schools to the university and rounding others in needed places he saw the growing need of such a system of schools with the final goal realized in Mercer University and Bessie Tift College.

Today these colleges are as the presidents of other days had seen them but they have not seen the final end of the seed that they had sown. Men have come into the presidential chair of the Mercer System of Schools that have seen the greater possibilities of the growth of this system and have realized Georgia's need of such a system.

All Over State

The Mercer System of Schools and Colleges are within the reach of all prospective students who are ready to take up the high school and secondary school work. Every section of the state is represented by some school of the great Mercer System. Men who are preparing for public life together with the younger generations that are to be the men and women of tomorrow are accommodated in these schools. Prospective students come to these schools bearing the name of Mercer University and leave the institutions as lawyers, ministers, doctors, engineers, teachers and business men who often locate in Macon after they have finished the final course of study at Mercer.

Bessie Tift is the women's college where the girls who have finished the regular high school work come to complete their higher education and finally put the finishing touch by taking the post graduate work in the parent school of the great system. Bessie Tift is a standard college for young women and is not listed in the list of secondary schools.

The Presidents

Mercer University and Bessie Tift College are the only higher institutions of the great Mercer System. Following is a complete list of the schools under the Mercer System of schools and colleges, together with the names of the presidents of each institution:

- Mercer University, Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, president; Bessie Tift College, Forsyth, Ga., Aquila Chamlee, president; Locust Grove Institute, Locust Grove, Ga., Claude Gray, president; Brewton-Parker Institute, Mt. Vernon, Ga., A. M. Gates, president; Norman Institute, Norman Park, Ga., L. H. Browning, president; Piedmont Institute, Waycross, Ga., W. C. Carlton, president; Gibson-Mercer Academy, Bowman, Ga., C. W. Henderson, president; Chatahoochee High School, Clermont, Ga., J. W. Adams, president; Hearn Academy, Cave Springs, Ga., I. D. Harris, president; Blairville Institute, Blairville, Ga., W. P. Lunsford, president; Bleckley-Memorial Institute, Clayton, Ga., E. W. Snow, president; Hiwassee High School, Hiwassee, Ga., H. E. Nelson, president; Morganton Institute, Morganton, Ga., J. L. Bryan, president; Mary P. Wil-

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Girls of Bessie Tift
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