

ORGANIZATION OF STUDENTS BEGINS

SPIRIT SHOWN IN FORMATION COLLEGE LIFE

LITERARY SOCIETIES, BANDS, ORCHESTRAS, CLUBS AND ATHLETIC TEAMS DEVELOPING.

Getting down to hard work and seemingly with a determination for the good they may derive from much effort the colleges and schools of the Mercer system report they are well into their 1920 fall work.

Aside from the routine of study, reorganizations of literary societies, bands, orchestras, clubs and athletic teams have all been in process during the first weeks of school until now they are developing into perfect factors of the student body.

Happy Over Message. Students of Mercer University are fast organizing their literary societies as efficient bodies while Bessie Tift girls are featuring their happiness over messages from foreign fields detailing the wonderful spirit as pictured by former Bessie Tift girls now missionaries in China and Japan.

Nomination by the voters of Georgia of a United States Senator, governor, supreme court judge, state house officers and many other county office holders, all of whom were at one time members of either the Phi Delta or Ciceroan literary societies while at Mercer has put more spirit into their fall beginnings and increased their membership considerably.

In Foreign Lands. The meeting of the four Bessie Tift girls, who sailed on the "Empress of Japan" as missionaries to the orient with other Bessie Tift girls, is given in letters from Japan and pictured in such a spirit of student devotion as to bind all the graduates of the college into a devoted fellowship.

Locust Grove Institute is awaiting the completion of the annex to the Boy's Dormitory so that the crowded condition will be somewhat relieved while Norman Park advocates advocates believe the prospects for a big year with them was never so bright.

COLLEGE MASONS SEEK CLUB ROOM

Holding one of the most unique places of any club on the campus, the Masonic Club will begin its new year's work next Thursday night when they meet in the library building at 7 o'clock for a short business meeting.

It is likely that arrangements will be made in the near future to fit up a room for the benefit of the club. Plans are on foot to get some furniture and by the end of the year they are expecting to be in a well equipped club room where all the members on the campus will be glad to bring friends.

RED HEAD GIRLS IN COLLEGE CLUB

Bessie Tift—The Red Heads of this school, according to those in close touch with the campus happenings, have formed a club, the exact meaning and purpose of which the organizers have not given out for publication.

MERCER FOOTBALL TEAM WINS 59 TO 0

CAMP GORDON'S RECRUITS DO ATLANTA TEAM LITTLE GOOD

Lanier University's "shock troops" from Camp Gordon, which numbered eight strong, one full squad, were not able to strengthen the Atlanta University eleven sufficiently to hold the aggressive Mercer team and the Baptists snatched them under with a 59 to 0 victory.

The Mercer team started off with a rush. Lanier, with her eight soldier assistants, won the toss and elected to defend the north goal.

Weekley kicked off forty yards and Lanier returned it fifteen. The Baptists held the Atlanta team for down. On Mercer's first down, Captain Rentz took the ball over right tackle for twenty-five yards. Weekley went over left tackle for five yards. Rentz went around left end for fifteen yards and had to leave the game with a dislocated shoulder.

Merced Touchdown. Weekley went over right guard five yards and a touchdown. Cowart kicked goal. Mercer's next two touchdowns in the first quarter came via the aerial route. Weekley to Whitehead.

Score end of first quarter: Mercer 20; Lanier 0. In the second quarter, Mercer's offensive riddled the Lanier line by line plunges until White went 25 yards around left end for a touchdown. Ellison scored the next touchdown in this period by a forward pass from Weekley, and the third came when Garrison, who took Rentz's place at right half, got the ball on the kickoff and raced ninety yards through the entire Lanier team for a touchdown.

Merced Scored two touchdowns in the third quarter. White scored the first one when he broke through the Lanier defense for a pretty 75 yard run. Weekley took the ball over for the second tally.

The last touchdown was scored in the final quarter when Weekley took the pigskin over Lanier's goal line after the Mercer backs had worked the ball to within striking distance by pretty line plunges. Garrison uncocked another pretty exhibition, but the work of Garrison, Johnson, Whitehead and Weekley furnished the thrills.

The Baptist team completely outclassed the Atlantans by playing inside football throughout the game. Coach Cody gave every man on his squad a chance in the game and they all showed up well.

The heavy soldier line for Lanier could not make their weight count as they were able to make only two first downs against the Baptists. Only once was the Mercer goal in danger and that in the last few minutes of play.

Mercer plays Howard College in Macon next Saturday.

The following are the lineups: Mercer (59) Position Lanier (0) Whitehead L. E. Kingdon Gaines L. T. Chappell Lord L. G. Billard Johnson C. Holland Herndon R. G. Walton Cowart R. T. Lee Ellison R. E. Stone Stokes Q. B. Chamberlain White L. H. B. King Rentz (Capt) R. H. B. Wilkes Weekley F. B. Peppers

Substitutes—Mercer: Lancaster for Lord; Jarvis for Stokes; Garrison for Rentz; Sears for Weekley; Weekley for Sears; Lanier: Childs for Wilkes. Score by quarters: Lanier 0 0 0 0 0 Mercer 20 20 12 7 50

MERCER'S AUDIT SHOWS COLLEGE IN FINEST SHAPE

TOTAL ASSETS FOR LAST 12 MONTHS INCREASES \$416,000

Mercer University, according to the audit report of J. H. Drewery, certified public accountant, shows that for the year ending June 30, 1920 has no debt, no deficit. Reports from other sources are that the University has no division within the faculty, the Board of Trustees, or in the denomination at large, the first report of its kind in twenty-eight years.

The total assets during the last twelve months have increased \$416,000, not including a legacy of \$50,000 from which the institution receives income, or the remaining unpaid accounts in the office of the Georgia Baptist Convention. With this added the total increase for the year would be nearly half a million dollars.

\$500,000 Macon Realty.

Mercer University has property in the city of Macon with the buildings standing on it valued at \$500,000 worth of additional property, thus uniting all of the property holdings of the institution so as to form a solid block. Owing to certain legal complications, certain pieces of property are still in process of transfer. This gives the institution seventy acres of land fronting on Tatnall Square, which contains sixteen acres more. The institution has ample grounds for its future development.

Ten years ago there was added to the assets of the institution a certain sum based upon the increased valuation of the property. The past decade has been marked by the rapid rise of property values in the city of Macon. A committee of unprejudiced and impartial real estate experts, not connected with the institution, reported upon existing values, and their report was reduced by the Board of Trustees in order that the most conservative figures might be used. It is believed that the Mercer property is worth \$216,000 more than it was ten years ago. Therefore this amount has been added. The holdings in Macon include thirty-five buildings and seventy acres of land. The unearned increment on so extensive a property during the past ten years is large and the figures agreed to by the trustees are doubtless too small, according to the friends of the college.

Endowment Restored.

The endowment has been restored in entirety. Every fund is now properly allocated and the income of each separate fund is known to a penny.

The general endowment fund, exclusive of campus and buildings, is \$424,105. The student aid and loan funds, not including the Hardman bequest, are \$195,338. Special funds the income of which is available for definite purposes, add \$110,300 more. The present productive funds of Mercer University amount to \$785,000, while the total resources are over \$1,275,000.

It is estimated that the income available for current support during the next year will exceed \$25,000.

FOOTBALL RESULTS.

- At Atlanta—Mercer University, 59; Lanier University, 0. At Atlanta—Georgia Tech, 66; Davidson 0. At Columbia, S. C.—University of Georgia 37; University of S. C., 0. At Knoxville, Tenn.—Vanderbilt, 20; University of Tennessee, 0. At Charlottesville, Va.—Virginia Military Institute, 22; University of Virginia, 6. At Auburn, Ala.—Auburn, 14; Camp Benning 2. At Clemson College, S. C.; Clemson, 13; Wofford College, 7. At Houston, Texas; Rice Institute 28; Baylor University 0. At Dallas, Texas—A. & M., 3; Southern Methodist University, 0. At Austin—Texas University, 41; Howard Payne 7. At Dahlonega, Ga.—Presbyterian College of South Carolina, 34; North Georgia Agricultural College, 7. At Birmingham, Ala.—Centre College 120; Howard College, 0. At Tusculossa, Ala.—University of Alabama, 45; Birmingham-Southern, 0. At Gainesville, Fla.—University of Florida, 21; Newberry College, 3. At Charleston, S. C.—Citadel, 6;

WESLEYAN AND BESSIE TIFT ALSO FEW BOYS

MERCER OVERSEAS CLUB ENTERTAINS GIRLS FROM MACON AT FORSYTH COLLEGE.

That mixing the beauties of Wesleyan and Bessie Tift makes a most enjoyable entertainment was proved by the Overseas Club Saturday night when they staged the first reception of the season in the society halls of the library.

The energy of Oscar Brewer, who planned and engineered the entire affair, was the entertainment due. When it comes to putting things over in good shape, according to his college friends, he is right there.

It seems to be a profound secret how he managed to pick such pretty girls but they were there galore and every man was supplied. The entertainment consisted of games, proms, speeches, etc. The trip to find all the towns of any prominence on either side of the "pond" was enjoyed. After they had been found each member of the club was called on to tell something of his experience in his travels. A poem read by J. W. Jones on how things have changed since coming back was listened to with deep interest. McRay gave a reading on the lighter side of how the income tax law works.

Miss Lillian Whitman greatly impressed the Club when she gave a short talk on some of the things the boys experienced and how the people at home appreciated their work. She is one of the Wesleyan teachers and came to know a number of the Mercer boys while teaching during the summer.

Those from Wesleyan: Misses Guineave Broome, Sarah Roberts, Agnes Richter, Edith Bayne, Emma Kate Mansfield, and Katharine Davidson. Those from Bessie Tift: Grace Ligon, and Ruth Scarborough. The town girls were Elizabeth Barnes, Ruby Hilly, and Thelma Ray with Miss Lillian Whitman and Miss Harris for chaperones.

The members of the club present, Oscar Brewer, McRay, J. B. Odum, P. E. Murray, H. H. Shirley, W. W. Sinclair, O. B. Newsome, J. W. Jones, H. C. Haynes, Wayland Hardy, Bryson and Matthews.

- Furman University, 21. At Lexington, Va.—Washington 27; Wake Forest, 0. At Washington, D. C.—Georgetown, 27; North Carolina State U., 21; Lexington, Ky.—Kentucky State 31; Maryville, 0. At Bloomington, Ind.—Indiana 24; Mississippi A. and M., 0. At Ohio State, 37; Etherling, 0. At New Haven, Conn.—Yale, 21; University of North Carolina, 0. At Cambridge, Mass.—Harvard, 21; Valparaiso, 0. At Philadelphia, Pa.—Pennsylvania, 31; Swarthmore, 0. At Princeton, 36; Maryland State, 0. At Pittsburg, Pa.—University of Pittsburg, 34; West Virginia, 13. At Penn State, 14; Dartmouth, 7. At New York—Columbia, 14; New York University, 7. Wisconsin, 27; Michigan Aggies, 0. Brown, 34; University of Maine 7. Lafayette 37; Navy 12. Chicago, 30; Purdue, 0. Army, 27; Middlebury (O.), 0. At Bethlehem, Pa.—Lehigh, 9; Rutgers, 0. At Gettysburg, Pa.—Gettysburg, 68; West Maryland, 0. At Carlisle, Pa.—Dickinson, 19; St. Johns, 0. At Hamilton, N. Y.—Colgate, 7; Allegheny, 7. At Pittsburg, Pa.—Carnegie Tech, 21; Westminster, 6. At Allentown, Pa.—Muhlenberg, 14; Albright, 13. At Washington, Pa.—Washington and Jeff, 67; Kalamazoo, 0. At Baltimore—Washington College, 0; St. Marys, 19. At Chester, Pa.—Pennsylvania Military College 13; Villa Nova, 6. At Harrisburg, Pa.—Lebanon, 14; Susquehanna, 0. At Haverford, Pa.—Haverford, 3; Stevens, 10. At Washington, D. C.—Delaware, 14; George Washington, 7. At Washington, D. C.—Richmond, 10; Catholic University 7. Notre Dame, 4; Western Normal 0. University of Ohio, 0; University of Cincinnati, 6.

BESSIE TIFT GIRLS GREET EACH OTHER IN FOREIGN LANDS

HOWDY FRESHMAN!

(By C. J. BROOME)

You've come from the land of the laurelled hills, From the deep, sweet vales, and the mountain rills That dance to the music of the grinding mills— Howdy Freshman!

You've come from the Piedmont's mart and field, Whose fertile slopes with their beauteous yield Are alike to our land a lance and a shield— Howdy Freshman!

You hail from the hip of the South's Empire Where the buxom peach with its blush of fire Allures to the lips of sweet Desire— Howdy Freshman!

You've trekked from the wiregrass plain and pine, From the corn, the cotton and the "goober" vine, The "tater," the melon and the muscadine— Howdy Freshman!

From the winding trail of the Tennesse To the laving-swirl of the breathing sea You've come, and lo!—Opportunity— Howdy Freshman!

60 NEW MEMBERS FOR CICEROEANS

Bubbling with enthusiasm and overflowing with new men the Ciceroan literary society of Mercer held its first meeting in the society hall last Friday evening at 8:45.

The new men came with a rush, anxious to join and get into the things the Ciceroeans are going to do this year. After listening with rapt attention to the speeches of welcome by some of the old members the visitors pledged themselves almost to a man to become loyal Ciceroeans. The final count of the secretary showed a list of more than 60 new members.

The meeting was called to order by President Newsome and after some preliminary remarks "Uncle John" Faulkner was called on to make the address of welcome. "Let no man" said Faulkner, "go through Mercer without knowing how to think and express himself on his feet. And to know parliamentary law is to possess the key which will control many public meetings." He continued by showing some of the things the literary societies had accomplished in the past and some of the men whom they had turned out to become the greatest orators of our state.

Following "Uncle John" came R. L. Carter who added to some of the great things which had been done of things accomplished in the past and to show that it was not all flowery beds of ease he told of some of her defeats. He predicted the greatest year in the history of the society. Some of the things which he mentioned will be held between the two societies and at least one and very likely four or five inner-collegiate debates for Mercer will furnish men.

It was left for Jimmie Treasi to take the house off its feet with his flights of oratory. He opened by explaining how necessary it was to be able to speak in public. The recent campaign had carried the state by storm he said simply, simply by the force of one or two great speakers. His conclusion was an illusion to the great orator whom the society imitates and he admonished the new men to set their stakes high and walk in the illustrious footsteps of Cicero.

During the course of the program the work for the coming year was mapped out to the new men. The four regular inner-society debates will be held and there will very likely be several debaters with other colleges. At the next regular meeting speakers will be elected for the fall term debate with the Phi Deltas. It was explained that all the public program would be published before the debates are to take place. The speakers will select a subject in the near future and the debating council will prepare a program and a date for the debate as soon as possible.

There are about 12,000 lepers in the Philippines.

The hair of the head grows much faster in summer than in winter. The majority of workers in copper mines are immune from typhoid.

NORMAN SENIORS ALL IN GEORGIA

The 1920 Senior class of Norman Institute is scattered about all over Georgia but, according to faculty and students, are still keeping up with Norman Park affairs.

Tom Murphy is making good at the University of Georgia.

Leon Scruggs is at Barney, Ga., but is to later take a course in the Atlanta School of Pharmacy.

Arian Giddens is in the United States Navy.

Albert Barwick is at his home in Thomasville, Ga.

Earnest Gaskins is continuing his studies at Georgia School of Technology.

Marcus Evans is at his home in Ty Ty, Ga., but is to attend school soon.

Frank Willis holds a position in the Second Bank at Ocilla, Ga.

Lavelle Barwick is doing stenographic work in Atlanta, Ga.

Clarence Smith is at his home in Nashville, Ga.

Fred Martinez, the classmate from far away Spain, entered the Sophomore class at Oglethorpe University.

Grace Ligon, Mildred and Gladys Jordan and Lucile Norman are at Bessie Tift college.

Mamie Lanier is at her home in Cathbert, Ga.

Ruby Vandiver is to teach school at Fitzgerald, Ga.

Deborah Joyce is at her home in Barney, Ga.

Ludelle Registers friends will be glad to know that she is recovering from a recent operation.

Youse Whitaker is at home, Bernhill, Ga.

Irma Story is at home, Doerun, Ga.

Norris Overstreet and Clifford Belle are studying at Mercer University.

NEW SCHOLARSHIP! Commendation is due to Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, for being the pioneer in establishing a new kind of "scholarship." This institution has given Percy MacKaye a studio on the edge of the campus. He will have a professor's salary and a rent-free house for his family, but will do no teaching. His time will be devoted to work on his plays and pageants, and in his leisure there will be informal gatherings with special students in the English courses.

GOOD NIGHT, PETE! WOMEN WILL COACH FOOTBALL ELEVEN Philadelphia—High schools in this city are facing the alternative of women football coaches or no professional coach at all, according to William A. Stecher, director of public school physical education. Unless professors volunteer to coach the football teams, Mr. Stecher said Wednesday, two schools will have to take a woman coach.

ALVADA GUNN'S MISSION LETTER INSPIRES GIRLS

HUG EACH OTHER IN OLD TIME CAMPUS FASHION.

Bessie Tift Girls, writing back from the orient to their comrades at the Forsyth college describe the great work done by former Bessie Tift girls, now missionaries, in a way that has inspired every student as well as all others who have read their interesting messages. In her own enthusiastic way Miss Alvada Gunn has described the meeting of these Bessie Tift girls on the foreign fields.

Miss Gunn's letter and other letters follows: "Yokohama, Japan, "Just out, Aug. 31, 1920

"Girls, dear girls I love: "So unique and beautiful a thing occurred this morning that I feel I must write you of it. I shall write you much—later, but I felt you must feel the thrill of this incident with me or I would be so heartily grateful for its occurrence.

"Miss Evie Campbell, our own Miss Evie, once spoke to Bessie Tift girls of their unparalleled heritage. It was never more forcefully brought home to my own heart than on this remarkable afternoon. "Yokohama Harbor. "The Empress of Japan, bearing our Bessie Tift girls to Tokyo, of labor in the Orient, and through her in the Yokohama Harbor, one of the passengers were Bessie Tift girls of us to visit Tokyo, where Bessie Tift girl, Mrs. N. V. Williams, lives and some of us were so curious interest through the quaint shops of the Oriental city.

"Upon our return to the boat we found Miss Sarah Frances Fulgham and Bessie Tift's 'big sister in Japan,' Mrs. Lucile Daniels Clarke, waiting on deck to greet us.

"White uniformed officers staved politely, brown-faced Chinese coolies (members of the crew) gathered around in open-mouthed astonishment, while curious passengers stood at a respectful distance and envied the six Bessie Tift girls who greeted each other with a warmth and eager joy seldom seen among staid old married women and dignified old maids. Oh, it was great! To think that so far out in the world we had come to find the fulfillment of the Junior's song:

"Where, oh where, are the grand old Seniors? "Where, oh where, are the grand old Seniors? "Where, oh where, are the grand old Seniors? "Safe now in the wide, wide world. "By and by we'll go out to meet them; "By and by we'll go out to meet them; "By and by we'll go out to meet them; "All safe in the wide, wide world." "Remarks came spontaneously and all at once, it seemed! "Why, there are six of us here! "Yes, and two others very near! "Why Bessie Tift ought to have a service flag! "Let's pray for more Bessie Tift girls! "These and similar remarks came quickly and heartily, but for sweet, sweet minutes at intervals we simply stood and looked at each other. I don't know who's arm was around who, but all arms were busy and all eyes and tongues spoke eloquently of the dear girls back in the dear college. The eyes of the mother of a Bessie Tift girl, Mrs. Clarke, allied at the thought of her girls apart from her, but her lips smiled as she said she was glad Josephine could be there. Miss Perkins, Mrs. Westbrook, Miss Knight, Mrs. Fulgham and I joined in a general chorus of praise of the dear Alma Mater.

"Could anything, dear girls, make you love the Master's work in far-away lands so much as having those of your own family there? We are parts of your family representing you until you can get here. Four of us in China, four in Japan that

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