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EVERYONE ENJOYED ANNUAL B. B. BANQUET

DINING ROOM FILLED TO ITS
CAPACITY

M. C. Squad and McPherson High
School Team, Guests of Honor.
Insignia Awarded

One of the most enjoyable festivities of the season was staged last Saturday night in the form of the Annual Banquet in honor of the Basket Ball Team of the College. This year the McPherson High School Team, winners of the County Tournament were also guests of honor. The dining room of Arnold Hall was tastefully decorated with pennants and athletic paraphernalia. A miniature Basket Ball court was the clever decoration for the table occupied by the members of the M. C. squad.

After the students had been seated in a manner satisfactory to Dr. Culler the basket ball boys came down to the room in a body and occupied tables especially arranged for them in the center of the hall. The speakers of the evening sat in a row along the west side of the middle table.

The banquet consisted of two courses, oyster soup and coffee. Dr. Culler was master of ceremonies and lived up to his past reputation in this line. In fact his humor was unexcelled and his keen wit stirred the banqueters to continuous laughter. Prof. E. M. Studebaker gave a toast to "M. C. Spirit." His troupe of four boys succeeded in spelling his theme every time. Dr. Heaston, who always has a word to say for M. C. spoke on "Loyalty." He said that loyalty to a basket ball team fosters loyalty in the individual. A man must be loyal to any business he may enter and the college is the place to develop this trait. Coach Verink toasted on "Our Boys in Service." He gave two things for which M. C. could be proud. First, the men who have entered military service can be looked upon as the cleanest men that ever made up an army and the giving of men is not the fullest measure of patriotism. He said that in a recent war work conference M. C. was held up as most patriotic in her liberal giving to Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. appeals for money. Patriotism of this kind goes hand in hand with Christianity. Prof. Patterson, coach of the High School spoke on "Pep." He gave several snappy jokes and some good definitions for pep. He said this should be carried into life. Any one to acquire it must keep moving. It was fitting that a coed should have a few minutes and the unusual subject of "Mere Man" was given to Miss Edith McGaffey. Galen Jones responded to her satire on men's foibles by telling some of the inconsistencies of womankind in his talk on "Women." G. N. Boone, one of the cheerleaders gave a toast to the teams. Miss Delilah Stutzman presented the



GALEN JONES C'18

Captain 1917-18

Jones has played four years on the Basket Ball team. He was awarded the first blanket ever given away by the Athletic Association. The big forward has been McPherson's most consistent goal shooter for the past two years.



MELVIN MOORS C'21

Captain (Elect) 1918-19

"Mel" first made the team last season. He is a big husky guard and he has held down his position in an excellent manner. Always looking out for the best interests of the team. He will make a fine pilot for next year's squad.

M. C. Students Gave Play At Monitor

"THE HOUR GLASS" AND "A
CHRISTMAS TALE"

May be Given At McPherson

The fates seemed to have leagued together last Tuesday to prevent the giving of the two plays at Monitor. The Expression department was scheduled to present two plays that night and after experiencing many varieties of fortune and luck seven M. C. students under direction of Miss McVey filled the engagement. Two one act dramas were given as one of the numbers of the Monitor lecture course. The plays were creditably preformed and the fair sized audience seemed to catch the spirit of the production and responded in a most encouraging manner.

The first play given was "A Christmas Tale" a drama of deep religious tone by Douchor. It portrays the power of love in reforming a drunken artist. Galen Jones and Pauline Vaniman, as the statues whose coming to life were the direct instruments of the saving of the artist, carried their parts very excellently. Jessica Carter presented very well the strong character of Jacqueline, the ill treated wife of the artist. Paul Hoffman as the artist did creditable work in the emotional role of Pierre Couer.

The "Hour Glass" by Yeats is one of the finest of the Irish Plays.

In this play the truth that spiritual reality is not discernible by pure logic, but has an intuitive basis is presented with undeniable force. Galen Jones thrilled his hearers with the force and depth of feeling with which he interpreted the character of the Wise Man. His acting was superb and was well supported by the rest of the cast. Roy Philippi succeeded admirably in outlining that supernatural character which the Fool has and which finally is the means of saving the Wise Man. Gladys Heaston as the Angel and Jessica Carter, as the wife of the Wise Man, carried their parts with strength and artistic skill. Ray Cullen took the role of one of the students after only one day's preparation and succeeded admirably.

It is very possible that one and perhaps both of the plays are to be given at McPherson.

A Misinterpreted Caress

It crawled about that afternoon,
It couldnt find the ground,
It seemed to know not where it was,
So it went around and round.
A soft hand touched it now and then,
In a kind caressing way,
So it said, "By Gum, I'll build a nest,
And here you bet I'll stay."
But suddenly an awful slap,
And a fall to a lower deck,
'Twas a fuzzy wuzzy little worm,
On the back of a lady's neck.
Ray Cullen.

Montraville Wood Tomorrow Night

FINAL NUMBER ON LECTURE
COURSE

No number of the city lecture course has been looked forward to with greater interest than that which is to be given tomorrow night. The lecturer, Prof. Montraville M. Wood is an inventor of international fame. Few people have seen the subjects upon which the Prof. is to lecture and with which he is to give an actual demonstration of their use. The gyroscope, the monorail car and the ultra-violet ray, are recent inventions and discoveries and the practical use to which they have been put adds interest to interest.

Insignia with a very appropriate speech. Galen Jones received the first blanket ever awarded to an M. C. athlete. He has played four years on the team. M. Moors received a monogram as this was his second year on the team. D. Eichelberger, D. Yoder, Chas. Moors and W. Brubaker each got a letter and fob. N. Neher, L. Bowman, C. Bowman, E. Schermerhorn, Rinehart, E. VanPelt, and Rump each received a fob.

After giving a few cheers and singing the college song the 1918 Banquet was over.

Fairmount Awarded Judges' Decision.

M. C. LOST DEBATE BY 3-0 VOTE

M. C. Wins and Loses in First Series
of Pentangular Debate

The debate team composed of Galen Jones and Clyde Forney M. C. negative team in the pentangular debate was defeated by the Fairmount men last Friday evening at Wichita. Prof. Studebaker accompanied the boys. He reports that the boys put up a strong argument but were unable to win the decisions. Since Friends failed to debate here Friday M. C. has won one and lost one in the first series of the pentangular debate between Bethel, Cooper, Fairmount, Friends and McPherson.

The final debate will be given on March 22. M. C. negative team will debate here with Bethel and the affirmative team with Cooper at Sterling.

Miss Esslinger, the music director from the High School and her double trio gave two, much appreciated selections in chapel Friday morning. The numbers were introduced by Mr. John Allison, who alluded to the pleasure he had in bringing "this bunch" out here.

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DELVING INTO THE RECORDS

SOME FACTS COMPILED FROM THIS SEMESTER'S ENROLLMENT CARDS

Increase of 13 Over Last Year

If you have no interest in figures and facts the following compilations will not be of much interest to you. However there's one reporter on the staff who is of an intensely inquisitive turn of mind and with the suspicion that there may be others like him this article is inserted to satisfy their natures. After much diligent research and delving into records the reporter has submitted his results.

He found that there was a total of 270 souls enrolled in either the academic or collegiate department or taking some work in them. It is important to note that this is an increase of 13 over last year, rather encouraging eh, at least nothing to be ashamed over. These figures do not take into account those students who are only taking music or expression. Counting those taking piano from Miss Brown and voice from Prof. Rowland together with those in Expression there is a total enrollment of 32.

The college students number 120. They come from eight states and Canada. They are distributed as follows: Kansas 96, Missouri 6, Nebraska and Colorado 5 each, Oklahoma 4, Pennsylvania, California, Idaho and Canada 1 each. The college students were classified into 57 Freshmen, 29 Sophomores, 14 Juniors, 16 Seniors, and 4 Post Graduates. These figures include three seniors who are in military service but will receive their degrees in

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In the Academy there are 159 enrolled. 46 of this number are special students who are taking commercial work, music or domestic science. They are classified as follows: 27 Freshmen, 20 Sophomores, 25 Juniors, and 41 Seniors. They hail from 13 states and Canada. Kansas leads with 96, Oklahoma follows with 17, Missouri next with 15, Nebraska 12, Colorado and Idaho 4 each, Michigan 3, Texas 2, Iowa, Ohio, California, Montana, Maryland and Canada one each. Quite a territory.

The Academy go the College one better in churches represented. There are members from 10 denominations and are divided into, 118 Brethren, Congregational, Baptist and Swedish Mission 4 each, Methodist, Menonite, Lutheran, 3 each; Christian, Presbyterian, and Evangelical 2 each. 14 are not members of any church organization.

The youngest student in the school is 13 and is a Freshman in the Academy. However there are three girls who are relatively as far advanced according to age, as they are only 17 and are Freshman College. The oldest student in the school is a minister and he is 44 years old.

There are 18 married men in school and most of their wives are here taking some work. Some wives are taking Pastral Problem, with their husbands some take voice, so they can lead the singing and some (so says the reporter) stay at home and take care of the children.

Just a few more and we will quit. 27 students have scholarships. They have secured these thru churches, high schools, friends or by some special grant of the board of trustees. Their scholarships vary greatly in value. About 30 ministers are enrolled and 15 who are studying for the ministry. The Volunteer Mission Band has 54 members.

A conservative estimate shows about 40 students working their way thru school. They do a variety of work, from sweeping the halls in all the buildings to grinding lenses for optometrist. Many girls are employed in the dining room and kitchen. Some students work down town on Saturdays and Mondays.

Prof. Evelyn Trostle became a victim of the measles Friday.

Prof. Hiebert of Tabor College and an alumnus of M. C. spoke in chapel last Thursday morning.

Several students declare that they saw several aeroplanes away off to the north east early Wednesday morning. Bruce Williams, brother of Ruth, spent several days in visiting the institution last week. He was a classmate of Prof. Swope in Mount Morris College. Mr. Williams said that next year he would be in school here. He started to Camp Funston, where he intends to visit a day or so before returning to his home in Missouri.

Speaker, before audience of men: "My friends, I am full of uncertainty." Voice from the gallery; He's been eating hash!"—Ex

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THE COLLEGE MAN AND THE WAR

By T. W. Gregory

Attorney General of the United States
The relationship of the College man to this war is almost SUI GENERIS. It has a great point of vantage and a great responsibility.

Fresh from the study of the course and the instances of history, the college man should be able to look thro the words and acts with which men and nations sometimes seek to disguise their real motives and purposes and to see in all their nakedness the true and real objects at which ambitious dynasties and nations aim. After all, the elemental passion of greed and avarice which drove the Persian to his ruin at Thermopylae are identical with those which have influenced dynasties since that time. Taught to detect all inexorable rules of cause and effect which have always heretofore and will always hereafter operate while man is man, he should have no illusions as to the great forces which have plunged and are holding the world in their terrible grip.

But this is not all. The college man is fresh from his studies of the great principles of ethics and philosophy which thus far have guided the world in its march toward a perfect civilization.

He knows the main-springs of human greed and avarice, so is he familiar with the source of human right, justice and liberty which have preserved and protected mankind. He should understand and recognize the forces which make the destruction of these principles, however they may be disguised. To him the alleged beneficent elements of Prussianism are the thinnest veneer over hideous principles destructive of all good that man has during the centuries wrung from the hands of cruelty and oppression.

Possessed of this knowledge and of the intuition and inspiration of youth which gives to him the right and power to see the truth as it is, the college man has a large part of the responsibility of seeing that truth prevails. He will do but half his duty, will meet but half his responsibility, if he merely offers his own life for his country. He must, in addition to and beyond this, see to it that those of us whose vision has been dimmed by contact with the rough realities of life, share with him his wisdom, his intuition and his inspiration, that we, also, where necessary shall be likewise, willing to give our lives for truth, liberty and justice, to the end, that the world shall be saved for a free humanity.

A Letter From W. O. Beckner

Dear Folks:

Work in East going fine. Money getting splendid. Visited our former teacher, Prof F. E. Long and wife. They are getting ready to farm this spring (send best wishes to all M. C.). I am finding a few old pieces for M. C. museum, old coins etc. Had good fortune to find an old Sower Bible printed in 1776. Rare and valuable. It's mine now. Weather is fine, some rain and mud but good roads, mostly. Awfully old buildings in some parts. Old churches of stone standing and in use for more than 100 years. Best of treatment everywhere. Have seen but little of Blue Ridge College or the Campus as I have been in the field so far. Work is pleasant.

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**Prof. Russell's Successor
Chosen**

Prof. J. Willard Hershey to be New Chemistry Teacher

The Board of Trustees of the College have recently made it known that a successor to Professor J. C. Russell, present head of the Chemistry department, has been chosen, and that he will take a place in our faculty next fall. It is a rare bit of good fortune that has made it possible to get a man of such caliber.

Prof. J. Willard Hershey, now dean of men at Defiance College, Ohio becomes the new head of the department. He is a chemist of note, having taken his work under some of the very best chemists of America. In 1907 he took the A. B. degree at Pennsylvania College. In 1910 he received the A. M. from the same institution. Since that time along with his teaching experience he has found time to spend three years in graduate study. Professor Hershey has been a graduate student at Harvard, Johns Hopkins, and Chicago, having completed all the requirements for the doctorate except the dissertation.

For some time Professor Hershey has been professor of Chemistry and Dean of men in Defiance College, one of the Christian institutions of Ohio. Largely through his efforts a new science building has been erected at that place. It seems a real sacrifice for him to leave such a position, but his devotion to his church is leading him to identify himself with one of her institutions of learning.

Professor Hershey has intimated that he will make few if any changes in the schedule of courses in Chemistry as they are now listed in the catalogue and as they have been taught by Prof. Russell. He is interesting himself in McPherson College and we hope next fall to extend a hearty welcome from a large and enthusiastic student body to Professor and Mrs. Hershey.

Joint Installation Y. W. and Y. M. Officers.

The Christian Associations departed from the customary method of procedure in installing the newly elected officers, last Wednesday. Dr. Culler addressed a joint meeting and conducted the installing services.

He spoke in general of the work of both associations and the opportunity they give for service. The red triangle and the blue triangle are helping to meet the needs of the present crisis. They are doing much to alleviate the suffering of the world and are helping to make life more endurable for those who are called upon to undergo the greater hardships.

And in our own College there are certainly no other organizations which form so large a part in the general school life and which offer as great an opportunity for service to one's fellows.

Those who are selected as leaders are to be congratulated upon the receipt of such honor from their fellow students. The task which they undertake is no little one but they may be assured that back of them stands the students and faculty of the institution.

Pete Neilson, who was formerly a student of the Academic department and who is now at Camp Funston in the Medical department was visiting at the College Saturday morning.

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AN OPEN LETTER FROM Y. M. C. A. (Continued From Last Week)

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With regard to gift giving this should not be practiced too freely. A boy should limit his gifts to a girl to flowers, candy, books and music.

One thing that causes the girls considerable embarrassment is that when a car is crowded the girls in the company are expected to sit on the boys laps. We would appreciate it much if you would take pains to arrange it otherwise.

After all, true courtesy is largely a matter of the heart and he who desires to be really kind will so adjust himself that these little rules will not be a burden but will be a great aid to him in showing his good self in a true light.

The little couplet:

"Politeness is to do and say
The kindest thing in the kindest way"
is a pretty good philosophy. We like boys who cultivate an appreciation for the beautiful things in life. Life is more than a struggle for material things. If, at times things seem discouraging and dull, if they are a bit prosaic, we are glad if some one can see a little humor in the situation.

Finally, boys, we like to see reverence for things sacred. Man is far more than physical and intellectual and his spiritual life needs development. We insist on the sincerest respect for other peoples beliefs, but we like to see in you a sane and wholesome view of the spiritual things of life. Do not crush the highest aspirations—those that come in your best moments—but rather be true, we beg of you to the heavenly vision.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report: if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think of these things."

Faithfully yours,
The Y. W. C. A.

Intercollegiate

Southwestern won first honors in the Kansas Intercollegiate Oratorical Association Contest. This makes Southwestern's fourth time as winner of the contest.

The Junior Class of Friends University have decided to publish an annual "The Tallman," this year.—University Life.

The Golden Belt Educational Association met at Hays, March 7-9. There are ten counties included in this association. This is the biggest educational meeting of the year for Northwestern Kansas.—Hays Leader.

By action of the trustees of the University of Pennsylvania, Kaiser Wilhelm and Count von Bernstorff have been removed from the role of honor of the University. The Emperor received the degree of L. L. D. in 1905 and Von Bernstorff in 1911.—Ex.

A group of lithographic productions of Berger Sandzen, Professor of Aesthetics and Dean of the School of Fine Arts in Bethany College, Lindsborg, will be put on exhibition in the Administration Building at the University of Kansas.—Kansas.

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