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CAROLINE WOOD TELLS OF MEXICAN SITUATION

Says President Calles Is Fine Man; Upholds His Policy

Gives Historical Background Of Present Situation; Was Member of Herring Excursion

One of the most instructive lectures given in McPherson College recently, according to the words of Dr. Kurtz, was given by Miss Caroline Wood on the subject "Mexico" last Tuesday evening.

She first gave a historical background of the present Mexican situation and followed by the causes of the present strife between the Mexican government and the government of the United States.

When President Wilson announced "self-determination policy" it penetrated to every corner of Mexico. This idea of self-determination, along with the confidence gained in their own ability, as a result of seeing the ruins of the villages of their highly civilized ancestors which are now being excavated, has given the Indians to Mexico a new hope. The inferiority complex which has held them down since the coming of Columbus is being removed and they are wanting a chance to live.

The cry for liberty and land was started in 1910. The interests in Mexico opposing the Indians in this policy are: The Spanish landholding group, the Catholic Church which one hundred years ago held nearly one half of the land in Mexico and the American oil interests.

She gave, as a basis for the strife between the American oil interests and the Mexican government, the different conception of property rights. By the United States law, which is based upon the Anglo-Saxon law, the owner of a piece of land possesses everything above and everything below the surface of the land. By the Mexican law, based on the old Roman law, the owner has right to only the surface of the land. The Mexican government, to be fair, has given the oil companies the privilege of securing permits from the government which will allow them to pump the oil from their holdings for fifty years with the opportunity of getting the time extended for thirty years more if all the oil is not pumped out in the fifty years. No oil wells have

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MRS. HEASTON TALKS IN Y. W.

The subject of the Y. W. C. A. meeting Tuesday morning was "Friendship." Gladys Williams led the devotions with an appropriate scripture from the 15th chapter of St. John in which Christ said, "Ye are my friends if ye do the things which I command you."

Following the devotions a piano solo was given by Vivian Harnly, after which Mrs. W. C. Heaston explained the meaning of a true friend, quoting the saying, "A true enemy is better than a friend without discretion." She declared that, "Sympathy and friendship with all girls whether poorer or richer than one's self is material and social accomplishments is the aim of a true friend." She spoke further of the duties and obligations in the chief friendship of the college girl's life, that friendship with her roommate.

The last and most important friendship spoken of was of the girl's friendship with her mother. "Let your best friend be your mother and show your friendships by loving words and deeds. Do not permit it to be said of you, as of college boys, that you write home only for money," said Mrs. Heaston concluding with an original poem on friendship.

Love is master of all arts.

THE WHOLE OF MORALITY

There is but one virtue; to help human beings to free and beautiful life; but one sin; to do them indifferent or cruel hurt; the love of humanity is the whole of morality. This is Goodness, this is Humanism, this is the Social Conscience.—J. William Lloyd.

THIRTY-THREE NAMES ARE ON HONOR ROLL

Seniors Place Fourteen of Thirty Names On Honor Roll for First Semester

The Honor Roll for the first semester of the school year 1926-1927 has been determined and is ready for publication. Of the thirty-three students attaining this distinction, fourteen are seniors, six are juniors, seven are sophomores and six are first year folks. Twenty-five women and eight men make up the roll for this past semester. Herewith are given the names of those who achieved this distinction:

Floyd Kurtz	63
L. Avery Fleming	51
Ruth Kurtz	51
Nellie McGaffey	51
Dorothy Swain	51
Mary Harnly	48
Julia Hoflem	48
Daniel Johnson	48
Echel Meyer	48
Mabel Beyer	45
Ester Geiser	45
Myrtle Moyer	44
Mildred Swenson	44
Mrs. Nettie Waggoner	44
Golda Ebbert	43
Orion High	43
Ruth Hoover	43
Fred Perry	43
Raymond Trostle	43
Margaret Dresher	42
Beattie Lipscomb	42
Hazel Scott	42
Lora Shatto	42
Winston Cassler	42
Vera Cade	41
Mrs. L. Avery Fleming	41
Ruth Hiebert	41
Murlin Hoover	41
Myrtle Sangren	41
Thelma Budge	40
Autumn Lindbloom	40
Adeline Taylor	40

"But noble souls, through dust or heat,
Rise from disaster and defeat.
The stronger,
And, conscious still of the divine,
Within them, lie on earth supine
No longer."
—Longfellow.

HUSTON WINS LOCAL ANTI-TOBACCO CONTEST

"Fruit Of The Plant" Takes First With Hall A Close Second

Holderread, Phillippi, and Loshbaugh, Are Losing Competitors; Contest Is Close

The local Anti-Tobacco Contest of the State Anti-Tobacco Association was held in the college chapel last Wednesday evening.

Mr. Ora Huston won the prize of seven dollars which was offered the winner of first place, and the right to represent McPherson College in the state contest, while Mr. Henry Hall finished a close second, winning a prize of three dollars.

Dr. J. W. Hershey acted as the chairman. The orations were delivered as follows: "The Increasing Peril," by Henry Hall; "The Destructive Plant," by Albert Phillippi; "An Approaching Precipice," by Oma Holderread; "The Destroyer," by Ralph Loshbaugh; and the "Fruit of the Plant," by Ora Huston.

Professor Montgomery, debate coach of the McPherson High School, Miss Armstrong, teacher of English in the local High School, and Dr. Fields, dentist of McPherson, acted as judges.

The competition between the two winners was keen. They received equal merit in percentages, Huston winning by receiving two firsts and a second in placement to Hall's single first and two seconds.

Mr. Huston, as winner of the local contest, will represent the college at the state contest at Miltonvale.

Bulletin Board

The Bulldogs cagers meet Bethel here Wednesday night, Wednesday evening at 6:30, there will be a Student Forum in the Y. W. room. The subject for discussion is the Mexican Situation.

Dr. Cady will lecture in the chapel Thursday night.

The first debate of the season comes Friday night, when the Bulldog affirmative meets the Wesleyan negative team, in the chapel at 8:00.

The N. Y. Festival Players appear Saturday night on the gymnasium.

A student recital will be held Monday, February 21, at 8:00.

On Building Air Castles

Building air castles seems to be out of date. No doubt this is partially due to the fact that the practical, modern youth never builds anything upon such unsubstantial foundation as vapor. If bedrock cannot be reached, as massive a structure as a castle, whether imaginative or stone, will never be attempted. Besides, if one should wish to build an air castle, where would he find an dream architect? If one is seriously considering building anything, it is wise to think of most all of the details.

Building air castles is an unsafe pastime in the hurried environment of 1927. Automobiles have killed off the last twelve million dream masons who shuffled in front of their paths. Building air castles is rapidly becoming a lost art mostly because it is unpopular to be a dreamer, that is, unless you are a beautiful girl with a baby stare or a man with deep romantic eyes, and even then there are hazards when even the best are liable to accident. If you stay home and dream all evening,

your girl goes out with other guys. If you dream while you are with her, she thinks you inattentive. Most any gentleman will tell you his ideas concerning girl dreamers. The modern employer isn't broad minded enough to appreciate a castly contractor when he finds one. College professors look on the student who is good at building vapory edifices with little or no grace, in fact, I can not recall a single incident when a student was passed because of his imagination.

Taking it as a whole, everything seems against the dreamer. The poor fellow does not dare to dream, or the rest of the world will whiz by and leave him behind splattered with mud. We spend millions to make the world safe for fatalists but not one cent for the dreamer. This article is, so far as the writer knows, the first stride towards the dreamer's Utopia.

Building air castles like anything else has its unpleasant side but of course that doesn't explain everything. Sir Isaac Newton was dreaming when the apple hit him on the

THE POWER OF THOUGHT

The only way in which one human being can properly attempt to influence another is the encouraging him to think for himself, instead of endeavoring to instill ready-made opinions into his head.—Sir Leslie Stephen.

GARDNER PRESENTS FOOTBALL LETTERS

Crumpacker Is Elected Captain of '28 Team By Almost A Unanimous Vote

Coach George Gardner presented a silver loving cup to Ray Nonken, who received it in behalf of the Freshman Basket-ball team, of which he was captain, and which won the inter-class basketball championship.

Following this ceremony, Coach Gardner presented the football letters. The football letter is a blocked Roman capital "M" of red felt on a white felt background and has a small leather replica of a football placed in the upper groove of the "M."

Twenty-one men received football letters. The following players received their first letter in football: Ernest Kaufman, junior, Henry Barre, sophomore, Clarence Hawkins, junior, Chester Murray, freshman, Kenneth Rock, senior, Everett Clemens, senior, Archie Dixon, freshman, Ray Nonken, freshman, Clark Miller, sophomore, Jack Rasor, freshman, Elmer McGonigle, sophomore, Wilbur McGonigle, freshman, Reuben Bowman, sophomore, Ray Whitebeck, freshman, and Orval Countryman, freshman. Due to certain technical difficulties William Hanna, freshman, did not receive his letter at this time, but may receive it later.

George Merkey, senior, Charles Lengel, senior and Marlin Carlson, senior, received their second letters. Captain Moffat Eakes, senior, received his third letter in football. Virden Kolsow, senior, received a sweater as a result of having won his third letter, Leo Crumpacker, junior, will receive his letter and sweater later, the sweater having been late in arriving. Because of having been awarded a sweater in basketball last year Captain Eakes did not receive a sweater.

Before the letters were presented, each man was given a slip on which he wrote the name of his choice for football captain next year. Leo Crumpacker was elected almost unanimously. His entire inaugural address was: "We are looking forward to next year."

EMPORIA TEAMS WIN FROM BULLDOG CAGERS

Teachers' Game Is Close As Bulldog's Keep Lead Till End

Bulldogs Throw Scare Into Teachers But Are Easy Prey For Presbyterians

The Conference-leading Emporia Normal basketball five came close to losing a court contest to the Bulldogs last Tuesday night, but they overcame a big lead to win by only two points.

The McPherson team had an early lead of 18-6, but the Yellow Jackets battled steadily until at the half, the score was 20-15. At the start of the second half the Normals closed the gap at once, but the Canines spurred and with ten minutes to play, the score stood 23-25. At this juncture, Kinzie went in for Holloway, who had made eight goals and hurt a weak ankle, and Clow and Hoover, Teacher forwards, also were taken out. The game was fast and furious at this point, with the crowd in an uproar.

In a few minutes, Clow and Hoover, now rested, were put back in the game, and the Normals began to gain, aided by a couple of baskets by Duke, lanky center. The score was then tied, but with forty-five seconds to play, Clow sank a sideshot to put the Pedagogues two points in the lead. With three seconds to play, Gardner inserted Holloway, but the first play resulted in a held ball, and Hoover fouled Kinzie as the pistol shot. The crowd swarmed out on the floor but Referee Edmonds stood them back so Kinzie could have his attempt a free throw, which he missed.

Monday night, the Bulldogs were walloped by the College of Emporia quintet, 48-29.

Ed Grant, former Emporia High School star and all-state center, who achieved ten field goals; Captain Juengling, also an Emporia man, with seven goals; and the cheering section of the college may be credited largely with the winning of the game.

Four of the Presbyterian team were football players of last fall, three of them weighing close to two hundred pounds each.

Dwight Ream of Topeka did an excellent job of refereeing.

HOFF TALKS IN Y. M.

In Y. M. Tuesday, Professor Hoff talked on the subject, "Latching, Weathering and Etcetera." His words of caution were, "Don't be a weathervane." The largest class of people in the world today are compromisers. They change from north to south as the wind changes. Jesus had no use for neutrals, for those who were neither hot nor cold. He condemned the man less who stood for the wrong thing than the man who did not stand at all.

Education is an introduction to gripping fellowships of experience. Students should have their latching string out to new ideas. Perhaps the greatest sin is that of a closed mind. This does not mean that the mind should be indiscriminatingly hospitable to all ideas. The mind should choose the good from the coarse and the gross. The purpose of an education is to give the student a standard of judgment by which he may determine the higher and best.

Candor will lose you some friends, but not as many as deceit.

"Life is made up of little things. Life itself is but a little thing. One breath less—there comes the funeral."—Josh Billings.

The only work that hurts a man is hopeless work.

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COURTESY

Less than a week ago, I observed a young lady, at dinner, shaké salt and pepper into a young man's glass of milk. Right now, I better stop and apologize to my readers for saying "lady" for no lady would be guilty of such a misdemeanor. But this act probably had its benefits, for it stimulated some thought. My own line of reasoning was this—"This was a typical college girl. Can we say that college people lack courtesy?" And the longer I thought, the more thoroughly I became convinced that McPherson students are not obtaining the phase of culture, pertaining of fine manners.

Did you ever watch the boys, filling, no, not filling but storming, into the dining hall? If you did, did you ever draw a comparison between that sight, and that of a herd of hogs crowding to the trough? There's plenty of similarity. Overstated? No, not a bit, just give 'em a briety hide and a curly tail, and there won't be any difference.

Did you ever watch the halls of Sharp when the Spec comes out. Bargain counters in the city "don't get nothin'" on MC when it comes to the girls shoving each other about. They're all so anxious to see whether their names are in the paper, that a traffic jam is created in the rush to the box.

Just stop and think for a moment. Are fine manners going to count when college days are over, and a position is offered us? Can we hold down a job, and act like dumb animals? Will the job be open to us for a second year? Not likely. Isn't the moral then: Go to college to fit yourself for life, intellectually, mentally, physically, and SOCIALLY.

The Student Forum

ARE WE SCIENTIFIC WITH OUR FOOD AND EXERCISE?

Why is it that a number of our students go to the hospital each year for appendicitis operations? Isn't it true that a great percent of those students board at our dining hall? Is it possible that the foods we eat have a considerable influence upon the health of our digestive systems? Would a different method of preparation of the foods now used enhance their value as to preserving our digestive system intact? Could the head of our domestic science department render valued service to our head chef?

But does the problem of improper nourishment end with our student body? Which is the more inspiring in the class room and in chapel, an erect, ruddy-cheeked professor, or one who clings to the desk in order to support himself? Which professor is the more admired? Is it a feeling of pity and dislike or gladness and attention which is aroused by the thundercloud on the professor's face, and the question mark formed by drooping shoulders? Are these physical conditions not partly, at least, due to lack of the use of scientific principles in the choice and consumption of food, and in the matter of exercise?

Would it not be beneficial to each member of our college family to begin each day with a prayer, preceded by that daily dozen which helped to rebuild our under-developed youth in the war? Finally, do we attempt to eat, exercise, and live according to scientific principles; is our boast of being scientific confined to mere belief without any real evidence of application?

OH! FOR A POLISHER

"Even in His day, when to be religious was to be long faced, Christ dared to enjoy himself." I quote from the Student Form article of February 1.

Pharisaism was long faced, assuming almost the proportions of the visage of our hybrid friend of the army. But Jesus was infinitely more religious than the owners of those elongated countenances of his day. His religion was of joy and happiness. He simply had to wear a smile, save those times of prayer and meditation when his heart, burdened with the sin of the world, was in agony.

Jesus made a unique distinction between happiness and pleasure. Jesus sought happiness and found it in serving. He needed no pleasures. The pursuit of pleasures is a necessary adjunct to lift where mentality is lacking to the degree of inability to pursue happiness. Pleasure frequently takes the form of barbaric cruelty to lower animals and even to savage cruelty or at least unbrotherly treatment of one's fellow beings. Hence, the arena, the mad bull, the hungry lion, the martyr and gladiator; and coming closer home,—you will smile if I mention it—the freshman.

Yes, the upperclassmen get a surfeit of pleasure out of paddling freshmen. Their pugnacious instincts are called into play, and to hear them talk—though they'd never admit it outright—the instinct of fear is prominent. They have an uncanny fear of the egotism of the freshmen, which, it seems, they believe must be lost before these individuals can acquire the "culture" and "polish" of a college education. The "polish" however,—is applied on the frosh trousers by means of paddles.

Alas,—that we did not have an "ego-removing polisher" a couple of years sooner.

GOSPEL TEAMS ARE OUT

Several churches enjoyed programs given by Gospel Teams from the college last Sunday. Among the favored churches were: Pleasant View Church at Darlow; The Community Church at Partridge; The Burr Oak and Lovewell Churches.

The teams are sent out under the auspices of the Volunteer Group, Minister's Association, the Y. M. and Y. W. The programs are appeals for greater vision in opportunities of evangelizing the world and bringing about the brotherhood of man.

One of the teams is spending the week in Northern Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa. Tonight they will give a program at Summerfield, Kansas. From there they go to Holmesville, Alvo, Lincoln and Octavia. Next Sunday they will be in Omaha and Council Bluffs.

This is the beginning of the work of the Gospel Teams and they expect to continue throughout the remainder of the school year. With six strong teams in the field the churches will have real privileges ahead of them.

"Yes, every sin is a mistake, and the epitaph for the sinner is: 'Thou fool.'"—Alexander MacLaren.

By The Way

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Evans of Kearney, Neb., are spending several days with their son Franklin who has had an operation for appendicitis. They were accompanied by a nephew, Thomas Forney.

Sylvia Duncan spent the week end at her home in Wichita.

Lola Myers returned to school Friday. She and her sister, Mrs. Warner were called to their home in Lovewell two weeks ago by the serious illness of their father.

Mrs. Budge of St. John spent the week end with her daughter Thelma.

Mrs. Anna of Hutchinson is spending a few days with her daughter Dorothy.

Isabelle Eskeldson and Anna Mae Strickler spent the week end at their home in Ramona.

Miss Edith McGaffey took dinner in the dining hall Sunday.

Mildred Swenson and Dorothy Girman spent a few days at their homes in Windom.

Earl Reed spent a few days in St. Joseph, Mo., last week.

Arthur Shively was a campus caller Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Si Sargeant were dinner guests in Arnold Hall Sunday.

Nina Sberly spent Saturday with friends in Kille Home.

Gertrude Swander spent Sunday with friends in Arnold Hall. Kenneth Rock and Gerald Eddy spent a few days at their homes near Navarre.

Miss Laura Kleiber of Ramona spent the week end with Emma and Leah Schriener.

CADY WILL LECTURE

Dr. H. P. Cady, head of the Chemistry Department in the University of Kansas, will give a lecture-demonstration of Liquid Air in the McPherson College Chapel Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Prof. Cady's lecture-demonstration on liquid air has proved to be very popular in Kansas communities. The experiments performed by him show some of the wonders of modern chemistry. Mercury and alcohol are frozen; rubber, after a liquid air bath, becomes as brittle as glass; any many other interesting and instructive demonstrations are performed.

Dr. Cady lectured in McPherson College several years ago. Those who were privileged to hear him then are looking forward to the lecture, Thursday evening. He will lecture to the Chemistry Club, Thursday afternoon, at four-thirty.

MERKEY ENTERTAINED THURSDAY EVENING

Mr. George Merkey, delightfully entertained about twenty-five fellows at the James Elrod home last Thursday evening. Since most of the guests were on the football squad, some new and hilarious games of a semi-athletic type were introduced by the assistant hosts, Lloyd Jamison, and Milo Metaker. After several games the "horde" was ushered into the dining room where a contest was staged to determine who had the greatest capacity for oyster soup. (Other aspirants for the title gave up in despair when the football Captain-elect had his bowl passed for the fourth helping.)

During this ordeal it was learned that George was looking forward to June 8th as the day when he would leave single life behind, with the cooperation of Miss Jessie Ball of Belleville, Kansas. Coming as a distinct surprise to those present, this information caused some real excitement for a time, after which congratulations and a speech from Merkey were in order.

Then doughnuts and candy were served, which, it was learned, were made in Belleville by the Mrs. Merkey-elect. Various comments as to George's taste for good cooks were made. (The platters were cleaned.)

Everyone had a chance to offer a bit of select advice to George which will no doubt aid him in his venture. Then stationery was procured and each one wrote a note expressing wishes of thanks, happiness and sympathy to Miss Ball. After a few yells were given for the host, good-nights were said and the crowd departed for a troubled night's sleep.

I'VE BEEN READING

A Panic in Crookdom: How the Business Laws are Decreasing Crime in New York, by Howard McLellan.

New York State proposes to have a substantial reduction in its crime record. In fact, due to the efforts of Senator Baumes, and the Senate Committee on Crime, there has been a reduction in crime, and a notable exodus of criminals from New York State to more congenial quarters.

Senator Baumes, in getting the laws passed by the legislature, pleaded for the general public to have its constitutional right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. He stated that the criminals right to those things had, in the past, been greatly over emphasized.

The laws are the most stringent ever passed in the United States, proving for life sentences for felonies in cases of the fourth offense, making bail harder to arrange for, and leaving the court less room for leniency. A new law is under consideration; which will make a 10-2 vote of a jury, sufficient to convict a prisoner.

Mr. McLellan discusses the crime situation in an interesting and lively manner, in the February Review of Reviews.

This Man Saw Lincoln Shot: A Hero-Worshipper Gazing in Admiration of His Hero, Little Joseph Hazelton Witnessed the Tragedy at Ford's Theatre, by Campbell MacCulloch.

Joseph Hazelton, noted actor of the stage and screen, is the only living member of the theater staff of the Ford Theater which was the scene of the murder of the Great Emancipator. A boy of twelve, whose duty it was to give programs to the theater-goers as they entered, he recalls vividly handing the presidential party a program on that fatal evening, and seeing the shot fired.

Hazelton, in an interview, told MacCulloch that both Lincoln and Booth advised him to become actor, and, following the advice of both a martyr and an assassin, he won fame in the field.

The article is short, gripping, and is told in the light of a twelve-year-old boy's feeling about the incident, and of the grief that gripped him when he heard Secretary of War Stanton say, at twenty-two minutes past seven on the morning of April 15, 1865, "Now he belongs to the ages." Read it in the February issue of Good Housekeeping.

Each week, I'VE BEEN READING will contain a review of two of the Ten Leading Magazine Articles of the month, as chosen by a council of librarians. These articles are chosen from the leading magazines and are by eminent writers. The whole field of current literature is carefully considered in choosing what are considered as the ten leading articles.

Nellie: "What?—When was Evans operated on?—Why don't you tell me when things happen? I never hear anything."

Bowers: "Nellie,—the war is over."

"Selfishness is suicide."

Bulldogmas

When you're choosing between the evil, remember Heaven for eliminate, and Hell for company.

If the day is clear and one looks closely, the little piece of hunting at the top of the flag pole will be identified as the flag of the United States.

Fortunately few men say what they really mean. Otherwise, black eyes would be common.

McPherson College may need a new Administration Building, a boy's dormitory, and a gymnasium, but after all, a school can be judged only by its students.

"I took you a long time to pull that fellow's tooth out," said the dentist's assistant.

"Yes, he married the girl I loved."

John H.—My father says we are descendants of the ape."

Professor Blair—"Your private family matters have no interest for the class."

Sales Manager—"H-m! So you want a job, eh? Do you tell me? Prospective salesman—"No, but I'd be willing to learn."

Leland Baldwin, or better known as "Battling Baldwin," once said to his father—"Papa, let's move out of this place."

Mr. Baldwin—"Why do you want to move away and leave your nice friends?" Mr. Baldwin's son—"Oh gee, I've licked all the kids in this neighborhood."

Independence is often little more than contrariness.

The man who tells you the truth is given the credit for being the meanest man in the world.

This country needs more universities and colleges. This would no doubt relieve the crowded conditions in other penal institutions.

Free love in the end costs the most.

"The Bulldogs chew a mean cud of gum. Just try to pry some of it off the study tables in the library."

McPherson men students don't realize how much trouble they get out of by not wearing fraternity pins.

This—How do they make hot dogs?

That—Oh, they come by the pound.

Our idea of brains is the college student who will keep his fountain pen dry so as to have an excuse for not taking notes in class.

The senior student who is elected to the K. U. scholarship should be made to promise he will not be a school teacher.—Bob.

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LIBRARY NOTES

For the remainder of the semester the Spectator will endeavor to publish a list of the most outstanding Magazine Articles of the month, selected by a national council of librarians. Those selected for February are as follows:

- "A Doctor Looks at Doctors," in Harpers's Magazine.—J. Collins, M. D.
- "A Panic in Crookdom."—Review of Reviews.—H. McLeellan.
- "An Industrial Divorce." Century.—M. H. Hatchinson.
- "The Missing Rooms." Atlantic Monthly.—J. Carter.
- "This Man Saw Lincoln Shot." Good Housekeeping.—J. Hazelton & C. Mac Culloch.
- "Putting Wings on Commerce." System.—W. Stout.
- "The Spirit of Society." Scribner.—W. C. Brownell.

An interesting article on "College Athletics, its Problems and Possible Solutions" may be found in "School and Sociology" for Feb. 5, '27.

Among the thirty-seven books of 1925, selected by the American Library Association, the library has the following:

- C. A. Bowers, "Jefferson and Hamilton."
 - J. R. Smith, "North America."
 - C. P. Oliver, "Meteors."
 - A. N. Whitehead, "Science and the Modern World."
- The new books on the reference shelves are:
- Newton, "My Idea of God."
 - Brightman, "Religious Values."
 - "The Nature of the World and of Man," by sixteen members of the faculty of the University of Chicago.

REVEREND FREEMAN SPEAKS TO STUDENT BODY IN CHAPEL

Both inspirational and practical was the talk given by Reverend Freeman of the Methodist Church, in chapel Monday. The subject was "Work" and the scripture was taken from the words of Paul to Timothy, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Reverend Freeman also quoted from the three chapters of the Bible which, he declared every young man should know—1st chapter of Joshua, 1st and 8th Psalms.

Several of the key sentences of his speech were: "The boy who works by the hour-hand of the clock will amount to nothing." "To be a true workman, one should fill six days of the week with honest toil so that he might better enjoy the Sabbath." The final impression left with the students was that each student is changing all the time and, therefore, should work to build something that will be secure in the midst of change.

WILLIAMS LEADS CHAPEL

Professor Williams read the first chapter of the Book of Ecclesiastes as the scripture lesson, in leading Chapel last Wednesday. He commented on the poetic quality, pleasing diction, and colorful language of this, one of the wisdom books of the Bible.

In the comments which followed the devotions, Professor Williams pointed out the necessity of patience and perseverance in the execution of our most hum-drum tasks. The multiplication tables necessarily preceded the theory of relativity in the mind of Einstein, and the alphabet was a prerequisite to the wonderful

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poems of Browning. The nine thousand experiments which preceded success in the invention of the storage battery showed Edison what not to do. Years spent in college may seem fruitless, wasted, but they represent earning capital which will bring returns in later life.

McPHERSON ARTISTS APPEAR AT NICKERSON

A group of artists from McPherson College presented a number on the lyceum course of the Salem community church near Nickerson last Friday night. The program consisted of readings given by Ruth Helbert, contralto solos by Miss Katherine Penner, violin solos by Autumn Lindbloom, and piano solos by Winston Cassler. The program was well attended, and apparently much enjoyed. The following McPherson students accompanied the artists, to enjoy the program: Marguerite Wagner, Margaret Devilbiss, Irene Thacker, Bernice McClellan, Alvin Voran, Paul Dick, Earl Kinzie, Clarence Hawkins and Marvin Steffin.

DEBATE SEASON OPENS

Forensic enthusiasts are going to have a chance to hear the Bulldog debaters in action next Friday night. Coach Hess has been priming the Canine argumentative experts for this fray with the Coyote squads from Kansas Wesleyan University at Salina.

Rock and Lehman will defend the negative side of the question, which concerns the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill; while Huston and Lengel will uphold the affirmative bellers on the home ground.

With state championship men in the line-up, it seems plausible for debate fans to expect that Wesleyan will receive a decisive defeat both at Salina and at McPherson.

FRESH-SOPH S. S. PARTY IS A SUCCESS

From the first word on the poster invitation to the last spoonful of chili, the party at Dr. Kurtz's home last Thursday evening was voted an immense success.

The Freshman and Sophomore of girls of Mrs. Kurtz's Sunday school class were the guests. The boys of Prof. Bright's class were the entertainers—and quite royally did they entertain. Unique games, led by D. L. Miller, made the time pass hilariously and all too quickly.

In the latter part of the evening the following short program was presented:

Vocal solo Earl Kinzie
Reading "A Confidence".... Bernice McClellan.

Violin solo Orion High.
Following the program, delicious refreshments of chili and crackers were served and the guests departed "dormward" in highest spirits.

NEW YORK FESTIVAL PLAYERS SATURDAY NIGHT

The Redpath-Horner Lyceum Bureau presents "The New York Festival Players," who will appear at the Methodist church of McPherson on Saturday, the 19th day of Feb-

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ruary. The New York Festival Players are actresses who will present in their entertainment a number of short act dramas, of historical and comic nature. The Lyceum bureau in placing these actresses on the stage, are endeavoring to give their patrons clean, wholesome drama, amusing and edifying, never doubtful or degrading. The three ladies constituting the company are experienced artists in their field, having appeared on lyceum platforms in previous years, as well as in other dramatic productions.

Their program will be interspersed with musical numbers on various stringed instruments, and vocal solos. The program is varied in nature and will be well worth hearing.

EDMONDS PRAISES BULLDOG CAGEYS

There is one considerable disadvantage among others when a team plays away from its own court; the home folks never know exactly what kind of a game the team played. Scores so often don't tell all the tale. Had McPherson's followers been permitted to see the Bulldog battle Emporia Teachers only to lose in the final seconds there would have been a team carried to the locker room shoulder high. It was a team better in passing, in shooting, in fighting, that lost to Emporia, the conference leader. But for the return to life of Clow, Teachers Freshman, the McPherson team might have had the larger score as well as the honor that went with a well-played game. McPherson, with Hollaway hitting handily, led all the way, once by as much as 12 points. Even with eight minutes to play George Gardner's gang was in front by four field goals. In those 480 seconds, however, with the crowd edging on to the boundary lines in their excitement, amid the booming bases of the men, the shrieking sopranos of the co-ed's and the taunting trebles of the kids, Emporia came thru even when Clow sank the counter that won. There was time for a tipoff and a Teacher foul but the pistol ended the game in which a supposed set-up had menaced a possible championship.—Topeka Capital.

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CAROLINE WOOD TELLS OF MEXICAN SITUATION

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lasted this long so it can be readily seen that the Calles government is not forcing a hardship upon American interests.

In order to carry on operations the oil companies were required by the Mexican Government to secure permits from the government before Jan. 1st. When the Mexican officials go to close the wells of the operators who have refused to secure permits, according to Miss Wood, it is likely that oil men will resist and it may be possible that a few United States citizens will be killed. This will give the oil companies the desired excuse for asking the United States government to come in and protect their interests.

President Calles of Mexico is attempting to secure, for the Indians, their land which has been practically stolen from them by outsiders by the aid of corrupt Mexican officials. Calles' government is not confiscating the land of foreigners as many people believe but is paying for it in government bonds since the government does not have the money in hand to pay for the land outright. As a basis for the amount of money to be paid for the land the government takes the value that the owner placed upon his land when he gave to the government the value of his holdings as a basis for governmental taxes.

The strife of Catholic priests in Mexico was caused by the laws which prohibited them from voting, from appearing on the streets in their special garb, and which required them to register as do all professional men in Mexico. They have appealed to the Catholics in the United States for money and aid in putting down the Calles government.

Miss Wood considers Calles a true man, who has a vision and is giving his life to make it come to pass. He said in his inaugural address that he planned on opening one thousand schools every year during his administration. In the two years he has open two thousand schools and has plans made for opening the remaining two thousand in the next two years. She says that his movement is not linked in any way with the Soviet movement in Russia. His is simply a movement for justice for an oppressed people.

SENIORS, SOPHOMORES CELEBRATE VALENTINE DAY

Two classes celebrated the Valentine season with parties this weekend. The Seniors held forth in gaudy on Saturday night, and the Sophomores celebrated Cupid's birthday on Monday night.

The Seniors had their first party of this, their final year in College, on Lincoln's birthday. In keeping with the season, the Society Room of Harby Hall was profusely decked with red hearts and festoons of crepe.

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A group of solos by Miss Penner transported the merry-makers into realms of beauty, flavored with subtle humor. The ingenuity and skill of the girls was put to the test in producing costumes for the "Fashion Show."

"My Dear," a one-act comedy was given by a number of the seniors. It was, by turns, exasperating and amusing. Miss Hazel Scott and Mr. Winston Cassler gave a piano duet, and responded to the burst of applause, with a delightful encore.

Refreshments were served in Miss Welker's class room. Mr. Moffat Eakes, president, and Miss Edith McGaffey, sponsor, gave toasts. Places were set for fifty guests.

The Sophomores had a gala time last night at a formal affair held in the Society Room on fourth floor of Science Hall. The party began with a short program. Arlene Saylor, sang a solo. Ruth Hiebert gave a musical reading, and Clara Davis played a piano solo.

Rook was the entertainment of the evening. After playing at quartet tables, underneath the heavy festoons of hearts and red crepe, a two course luncheon was served.

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A swish of garments. A stamp of thin french heels. Vanity rescued from a corner. In a stage whisper, "Oh-h-h, d-dam!!!"

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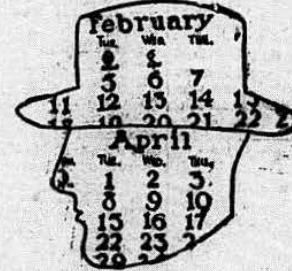
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