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## MOHLER CONDUCTS MANY EXPERIMENTS

**Marriages, Hogs, Chickens,  
Fall Prey to His  
Laboratory**

**Says College People Marry Later,  
Hens Need Vitamins A and B,  
Tobacco Affects Rates**

The laboratories of Dean R. E. Mohler, professor of agriculture, are the scenes of a number of varied but intensely interesting and instructive researches and experiments.

Last year, Professor Mohler distributed a questionnaire among a number of the alumni of McPherson College. Covering a period of fifteen years of graduates, he received responses from one hundred and twenty alumni. These also answered for eighty-six chums of childhood days who never attended college. The average age of these graduates was about twenty-four years. Of these, 91.43 percent married. Of these, 97.11 percent married. Their average ages at marriage were respectively 26.53 years and 24.42 years. The ages at the birth of the first child were 29.33 years and 25.8 years. The average number of children were 2.11 and 3.11 respectively, with an infant mortality of .224 and .34 per individual and a child mortality of .286 and .49 per individual.

During the first semester, fifteen chickens were subjected to various diets, one group of three receiving no vitamin A, four receiving no vitamin B, and four no vitamin C, while a group of four received normal rations. The experiments lasted five weeks at the end of which time, the first and second groups were very unthrifty and inactive, feathers were ruffled, and they were below weight as compared with those of the fourth group. The chickens lacking vitamin C were almost as well off as those on normal rations. Vitamin C, it seems is not essential to the growth of chicken though they grow better with it. A and B are absolutely necessary.

Dieting of hogs with regard to vitamins, cross-breeding of fruit flies, the effect of tobacco smoke on heredity of rats, and the transience of Via glass to the ultra-violet rays and the resultant effect on chicken growing under these conditions as compared with light passing through pane glass or diffused light, are among other important researches which Professor Mohler and his students are carrying on.

## CHEMISTRY CLUB WILL AMUSE ALL COMERS

Fire works, magic tricks, chemical gardens, explosive soap bubbles, eggs cooked at one hundred degrees below zero, and explosives so sensitive that a fly's step will set them off are only a part of the big fun program to be given in Chemistry Club next Thursday afternoon at 4:30 in Dr. Hershey's lecture room. All class room dignity and decorum will be put aside for one hour while the chemists provide the fun.

This program is the annual treat the Chemistry Club offers to the student body. The chemistry assistants have full charge of the entertainment and it promises to be a snappy affair. Those who saw the explosive demonstration last year will remember with pleasure the thrills and surprises they witnessed as one trick after another was performed. If you like to see fire works shot off indoors, magic gardens grow before your eyes and the other demonstrations mentioned above, do not miss the Chemistry Club entertainment Thursday.

"Method will teach you to win time."—Goethe.

## DEBATE TEAMS HEAR K. U.—O. U. CLASH

The varsity debating team of McPherson College accompanied Professor Hess to Wichita last Thursday to hear a debate between the representative forensic teams of the Universities of Kansas and Oklahoma.

The debate was a special feature secured for the program of the assembly of the Kansas State Live Stock Association which convened in the Hotel Lassen, Wichita, Kansas, February 22 to 25. A large tractor and implement show was staged in that city last week also, and these several attractions attracted a great number of stockmen and others interested in agricultural pursuits.

The debating teams argued the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill, the identical question used in the Kansas State Debating League. The local platform men were benefited somewhat by the privilege of being witnesses and auditors to this university forensic clash.

## FLEMING IS FELLOW TO KANSAS UNIVERSITY

**Hoover and Coffman Take Scholarships Offered By Bethany Bible School**

Each year, Kansas University gives the McPherson College faculty the privilege of electing a member of the graduating class to a scholarship which the University offers. The scholarship carries with it a stipend of four hundred dollars and enables the scholar so elected, to pursue work in line with his major subject with the degree of Master of Arts or Master of Science as the goal. A thesis, fifteen hours per semester of class work and considerable research are necessary for earning the Master's degree.

Bethany Bible School also offered two scholarships for students from McPherson College, carrying stipends of two hundred and one hundred dollars respectively. Work done at Bethany Bible School goes toward the earning of the degree of Bachelor of Divinity.

Mr. L. Avery Fleming was successful in winning the Kansas University scholarship. Mr. Ralph Hoover was awarded the larger scholarship at Bethany Bible School, while Mr. Virgil Coffman received the scholarship of one hundred dollars.

## BULLDOGS FALL PREY BEFORE TWO ENEMIES

**Bulldogs Fail To Show True Form In This Week's Games**

**Presbyterians, Without Grant, Win by Only One Point Margin; Bethel by Four**

Last Friday night the old Emporia jinx was working enough to let the College from that educational town nose out the Bulldogs by a single point, 27-26.

It was certainly a weird game. Bad passes were frequent, missed shots were many, and several times two or three players were sprawled flat on the floor due mainly to awkwardness and a little too dominant fighting spirit.

The Presbyterians made a surprising number of their shots good in the first half. Juengling, captain and star forward, seldom missed a shot when he got set. Kopfek, giant guard, came through with some timely shots which made him high point man. The first half ended 22-14, Emporia leading.

In the last half, College of Emporia gathered only five points, the Canines at one time leading by a margin of one point. The McPherson quiet, however, could not muster enough punch to hold the might lead, nor could strategic substituting aid sufficiently to win the game.

The Bulldogs would have won had they been as proficient in free throwing as were the visitors, who seldom missed a charity shot. As a result

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## Bulletin Board

Wesleyan at Salina—Thursday.  
Swede Debate—McPherson negative here at 10:00 o'clock Friday.

Basketball—Swedes—here Friday night.

Swede debate—McPherson affirmative there—Friday night.

County Championship Tournament in College gym.—Friday and Saturday: Finals, Saturday night.

Party—First Year Teachers Training Class Saturday night.

## REV. FRAZIER SPEAKS TO STUDENT BODY

"By works a man is justified and not by faith only, for faith without works is dead" was the scripture message of Rev. Frazier of the Congregational Church, in Chapel Monday morning. The "works" which Rev. Frazier emphasized was the task before each one of us of being human. According to his statement there are three things we may become—human, unhuman, and inhuman, but in becoming human we may also become divine.

"To be human," declared Rev. Frazier, we must develop a vital interest in many things; athletics, society, history, art, science, philosophy, business, politics, wealth, love, morals, and religion. He continued by explaining the place of each of these in our lives, the amount of interest which we should have in each, and the right way of controlling our interests for the benefit of society.

## DEBATERS WILL MEET SWEDS NEXT FRIDAY

**Negative Here Friday Morning, and Affirmative Travel At Night**

At the chapel hour next Friday morning, March 4, Harvey Lehman and Kenneth Rock, Bulldog debaters on the negative of the question, resolved: That Congress should adopt legislation embodying the principles of the McNary-Haugen bill, will defend the honors McPherson College against the Swedes' affirmative team, Merle Yowell and Arthur Rydell.

This debate will be unique in the fact that these two teams who are contesting for the honors on the home floor, were pitted against each other last year in debate, the decision going to the Swedes 2-1; three judge system being in vogue then. However, dope is against the Swedes this year judging from the results of the league this season.

The McPherson teams have undergone a severe period of drilling and coaching under Professor Hess since the debate with Wesleyan and our friendly foes from the north can expect a hard battle.

The Bulldog affirmative of the question will be defended by Charles Lengel and Ora Huston at Lindsborg in the evening of the same day.

## ORATORY CONTESTS TO COME IN FEW WEEKS

**Old Line and Peace Locals, State Anti-Tobacco, In March**

**Orators Sharpen Wits—Huston Goes To State Contest On March 18**

The atmosphere which envelops this particular campus will be heavy with oratorical phrases in the months of March and April. In order that the general public may be informed of the causes for such a continuous event, we will list the numerous contests, local and state, which will occur in rapid succession in these months.

The college try-out for the Old Line oratorical contest will be held the evening of March 8 in the college chapel.

The local Peace oratorical contest is scheduled for March 13.

On March 18, McPherson's representative, Mr. Huston, will be present at the State Anti-Tobacco contest at Miltonvale, Kansas.

The orator achieving first rank in the local try-out of March 8, will carry McPherson's colors into the State Old Line contest which is to be held at Ottawa, Kansas, on the evening of April 1.

The survivor of the college contest of March 13 will represent this institution at the State Peace contest which is scheduled for April 22, at Winfield, Kansas.

Then on May 1, local oratorical aspirants will clash again to determine just who will bear the Crimson and White standards in a national contest including the representatives of the eight educational institutions of the Church of the Brethren. This contest is to provide an evening's program for the 1927 Annual Conference of the churches, to be held at Hershey, Pennsylvania, about the third week in June.

## BANKERS ARE CHAMPS OF INDEPENDENT LEAGUE

A most brilliant array of basketball stars met in Convention Hall at Hutchinson last Wednesday evening when the McPherson Bankers clinched the Independent League championship by defeating the Hutchinson Star Clovers in a sparkling exhibition of basketball.

Close to 2500 fans were in the Hall long before the game started. Hutchinson jumped into the lead at first, then the Bankers got a four point lead before the half, and held it till the end of the third quarter when the score was 26 to 22.

Hutchinson cracked in the fourth quarter and the Bankers started a dazzling offense making twenty-six more points and the final score was 52-32. Hill was high point man with 18 points and George Gardner next with 15.

Jimmy Gardner was brought to the game from Coffeyville, by Glenn Shaw, the Puritan Cafe proprietor. He arrived at Hutchinson with the player just thirty minutes before the game started, and after the contest, other McPherson fans took him seventy miles to Benton, where Jimmy caught a flyer to Coffeyville. Jimmy's playing amply repaid the fans for their trouble.

Leslie Edmonds, sports editor of the Topeka Capital, handled the game. He introduced the McPherson players to the crowd at the start of the game.

## TOO BAD!

"No men—  
No fun,  
Your son."  
"Too bad,  
So bad,  
Your dad."

## "Virtue"—Most Unusual Story of Year

For the benefit of the literary critics, the intelligentsia and the absurd public, the featurist has written the most unusual story of the year. From such alluring titles as "What a Traveling Salesman Didn't Tell," "The Private Life of Henry of Detroit," "Henry Preferred Blondes," the featurist chose "Virtue" as the title with the greatest possibilities, the others being disgustingly common. Virtue, you know, is rather a rare quality in human make-up.

Keeping in mind that the story must be unusual; the hero was named Henry; his wife, Molly; and the third party, Hilda, although her name is never actually mentioned. The setting is rather far fetched, being in the hero's own home. The unusual story—

Henry dozed comfortably in the grandfather rocker, his feet resting easily on a foot stool and not on a dining room chair. He had not been smoking and there were no ashes in the cigar tray because Henry had never bought one. Molly, his homely wife, was neither playing the Victrola nor listening over the radio; in fact she was not even talking. Busily her needles clicked as she knit upon a tiny garment, a pair of socks for her husband. The Coo-Coo clock

struck nine but did not break it. Molly tip-toed up-stairs to reassure herself that the children were in bed. Both of the angles were fast asleep having come in early from their dates.

Molly had no sooner resumed her knitting than a ringing of the phone awakened her husband. "Let me answer it sweetheart," lovingly pleaded Henry. "I am so sorry it disturbed you Sugar, I'll run and answer it," replied freckled faced Molly and she did exactly as she said. Molly was peculiar that way.

A passionately sweet voice, much in this fashion, requested that she might speak to Henry. "Please mama may mama speak to her darling?" "Henry, a lady wishes to speak to you," and there was a sudden change in her voice which Henry noticed although he said nothing.

Molly flung herself upon the davenport and sobbed bitterly into her gingham apron. Only those who have endured similar experiences can appreciate her emotions.

"Yes, my love," softly spoke Henry over the telephone. "I will meet you tomorrow at nine."

Molly was not sure but thought the other voice said, "Now don't fail

me darling for mama is depending upon her big boy." But perhaps Molly was mistaken, she often admitted that she erred when truly she was correct. Molly was a peculiar woman.

Henry stood trembling. He must tell her. Courage slowly swepted into his heroic soul and he took Molly into his arms. "Dear one," how cruel of him to use endearing terms, "I must leave you." "Yes, I know all, sobbed Molly, you must drive your mother to the train. I do hate to see her leave," and strangely enough Molly was sincere. She thought the world of her mother-in-law. Molly was a peculiar woman.

"Let us read a chapter and go to bed," suggested Henry and he read but not from Cabel, Anderson or Drisler.

The strange life of Henry and Molly ended when their four score and seven years was up. Each had grown to love the other a little more each day. In fact Henry often did the unconventional thing of kissing his wife. There was no other woman, Henry and Molly were peculiar people. They died of course but not in an automobile accident or a police raid.

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#### ON SLEEPING

Strange,—yet maybe not so very strange either,—that in many particulars, we seem to be unable to live sane lives.

For instance—sleeping. Some weeks many of us are scarcely introduced to the white sheets on that iron frame in the corner of our room; others murder the best and most glorious portion of life's mornings by staying there.

Carousal is inviting,—tremendously so,—but we are damned for the same later on, and interest charges are high. Wild oats we may sow, but wild oats we will reap. Due entirely to this law of action and reaction, not a single specimen of the homo genus in McPherson College, I venture to assert, is at any time able to marshal or utilize his powers of greatest efficiency. Why? There is only one reason and that one is sufficient. We are not masters of ourselves!

On this matter of collecting the proper number of hours of sleep, let us be more strict with our desires. Let us choke back those Satanic whims of dissipation which start decay and bring in its train ultimate and inevitable destruction.

Being urged on by the awareness that the stairs of this short spasm called life are ascended only by those who are work-wary at seven o'clock in the late afternoon, and not at seven o'clock A. M., let us eliminate that element of our lower, baser selves which makes impossible the best in our lives.

#### MC IS NO MATCH FACTORY

Considering statistics compiled by Dean Mohler and printed elsewhere in this issue, only 31.43 percent of the graduates of this college marry, while 97.1 percent of those not attending this institution commit to memory the marriage vow. The above figures being accurate, we may quite reasonably conclude that McPherson College is not such a scintillating match-making University after all.

#### WICHITA READS UPON MANNERS

Upon stumbling inside the door of the library of the University of Wichita, we were at once confronted with the shelves of books on the librarian's desk. And the two most conspicuous volumes occupying the most prominent part of the shelf were Emily Post's, "Etiquette," and

Margaret Story's, "How To Dress Well."

Next time you meet a student of the University of Wichita, observe manners closely.

"Thicker than arguments, temptations throng."—Pope.

"Contentment is natural wealth; luxury is artificial poverty."—Socrates.

#### McPHERSON A PYROMINENT BASKETBALL CENTER

The city of McPherson has four championship basketball teams, and each team clinched its championship during the past week.

The first one came under the wire last Tuesday evening when Coach Leonard Crumpacker's High School second team won over Canton High School at Canton, thereby winning the championship of the County League.

The second one came Wednesday afternoon when Coach Sanger Crumpacker's Junior High School team defeated the Junior High quintet of Hutchinson on their own court to earn the Meridian Junior High School championship.

The third championship, that of the Independent League of Kansas, was annexed Wednesday evening at Hutchinson when the Bankers carried off a win over the Star Clothiers aggregation of that city, by a score of 52-32.

The fourth championship was snatched at Salina last Friday night when the High School team defeated the Salina High School 35-30, thereby clinching first position in the standings of the Central Kansas League for 1927.

And, McPherson College has a fighting group of standard bearers that holds a higher standing in the Kansas Conference than it has in several years, certainly it is a far better team than has defended McPherson's court laurels for many a year, for three games have been lost by a margin of two points to the best teams of the Conference. If the wearers of the Crimson and White win the remainder of their games this season, and they should, they will finish with a standing of fifth or sixth. With one exception, the members of the team are freshmen and sophomores. Surely, those interested in the athletic progress of this institution should look forward to years of prominence in basketball.

Now, the Republican of Thursday of last week published an article almost one column in length, crying for a building that will meet the needs of the winter activities of the city of McPherson. With this particular city being the only one in the state that can be proud of a string of championships similar to the one mentioned above, it stands to reason that they should have a gymnasium—auditorium to fit the teams produced. The Junior and Senior High Schools, McPherson College, and the entire city of McPherson requires a basketball court—an auditorium to provide for plays, lecture courses, and the like. Let's boost for a new gymnasium-auditorium.

#### JUNIOR GIRLS HAVE CHARGE OF Y. W. PROGRAM

The Y. W. C. A. meeting, Tuesday morning, was conducted by the Junior girls in a well presented program. Habel Roskam led the devotions and gave a short inspiring talk on "Student Problems." Wise choice in friendships and efficient habits of living in college were the main points discussed.

Ruth Hoover sang a delightful solo, "Ah Let Me Dream," by Taylor. The concluding number of the program was a piano solo, Polonaise in E b Minor, by Chopin charmingly rendered by Myrtle Moyers.

#### DOLL IN CHICAGO TO MAKE RECORDS

Professor G. Lewis Doll violin instructor here, and Professor Ure of Bethany College, left on Saturday for Chicago, where Professor Doll will play the violin for reproduction on phonograph records. Professor Doll is drawing attention as a violinist and composer, and McPherson College is honored to be able to share this fame with him.

### By The Way

Elsie Crissman's and Lena Beaver's sisters of St. Johns spent Sunday at the dormitory.

Dorothy Wilfong visited her sister, Mrs. Pearl Wilfong Hummer, at Canton.

Mrs. Cade and daughter Vera motored to Salina Sunday.

Adeline Taylor visited her parents in Arlington over the week end.

Anna Lengel and Bertha Ikenberry visited the George Himes home near Navarre over the week end.

Francis Berkebile went to St. Johns over the week end.

Emmert and Harry Stover were called home on account of the death of their grandfather.

Ruth Kurtz went to St. Johns with Dr. and Mrs. Kurtz Friday evening to attend the play, "The Fool" in which Samuel Kurtz played a leading role.

Mildred Swenson spent the week end with her parents in Windom.

Mr. and Mrs. Voran and son were campus callers Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Evans and Mr. May of Kearney, Nebraska are guests at the dormitory this week end on account of the illness of Mr. Franklin Evans.

Paul Lentz, the editor of last year's "Spectator," visited friends on the hill Saturday and Sunday.

Glenn Strickler was a visitor on the campus Saturday.

Elsie Crissman and Thelma Budge spent Saturday in Wichita.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Sondergard spent Saturday and Sunday in McPherson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ihde and two daughters and Ruth Hofman's brother were guests at the dormitory Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell of Beatrice, Neb., Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dell of Manhattan, and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Dell of Marion were guests of Lois and Theodore Dell.

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#### KURTZ TALKS ON "FREE WILL" TO Y. M. C. A. GROUP

"Free Will" was the subject of the discourse given by Dr. Kurtz in Y. M. C. A. Tuesday morning. Earlier schools of philosophy believed that man had very little freedom to choose, that circumstances beyond his control made him what he was. The one school championed the idea that heredity what the individual would heredity determined what the individual would accomplish while the other group maintained that man was entirely a creature of his environment, that his life was fixed by the conditions about him.

Dr. Kurtz said that neither view is correct, that man's life is not entirely fixed by circumstance but that free will plays a larger part in determining the success or failure of an individual. Most people have good enough environment and heredity to make a success if they choose correctly. He said that if he would have chosen different, which he could have easily done on many occasions, his whole life would have been different.

It demands more than heredity and environment to succeed; it demands personality, it demands choice, it demands will, to fight the uphill battles of life. The real battles of life are fought when you are alone, when you are blue, when the crowd is not cheering you. "You should make your choices on the mountain tops and then not allow yourself to change them when you are down in the valley," was the advice given by "Dr. Kurtz. We can see far, we can see clearly, we know the relative heights when we are on the mountain, when we are down we cannot get a right perspective of the comparative value of different choices. "It is these depressing moments that get us unless we remember our vows to ourselves, to our God and to our visions." Success is determined not entirely by heredity or by environment but by our free will, by our choice.

#### I'VE BEEN READING

A Doctor Looks at Doctors, by Joseph Collins, M. D.

An interesting discussion, from a humanitarian standpoint, is this one in the February issue of Harper's. Dr. Collins tells of his experiences with doctors as a young man.

Said to have tuberculosis, appendicitis, and almost every other conceivable disease; told that he could not live unless he went to Arizona, he stuck it out in old New York, and became a doctor.

Now he says that what the profession lacks is a personal interest in each patient. The whole article is summed up in his closing sentence: "Science will always fall short; but compassion covereth all!"

#### Putting Wings On Commerce, By William B. Stout.

Mr. Stout is head of the Airplane Division of the Ford Motor Company, and his article is an argument for the use of the airplane in commercial transportation.

His arguments are that it will make business larger, will, in the long run, lower transportation costs, and is safer in every respect.

He depletes the possibility of a \$500 machine, with sixty horsepower, a capacity of three passengers, and a goodly amount of speed, so vividly that it is easy for a college student to picture the colleges five years hence using the athletic park for a landing field.

His article closes with a brief summary of things to be remembered in connection with airplane transportation.

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#### FEACE CONTEST OF CHURCH TO BE HELD AT CONFERENCE

The scope of forensic endeavors of the College are enlarging gradually. Last year McPherson was represented by a ladies' debating team for the first time. The schedule provides for an additional contest for this year.

Arrangements have been made for a peace oratorical contest between the ten different colleges of the Church of Brethren. This contest is to be held at the annual conference of the Church in the early part of June at Hershey, Pennsylvania. The different colleges are allowed to select one orator to represent them in this contest. A fund of two hundred dollars has been set aside to encourage representation at this contest. Each school receives a certain percentage of this amount to pay the expenses of their orator. Each participant in the contest will receive a medal representing the place that is awarded to them in the competition.

Students with talent and ability in forensic endeavors are urged to prepare orations for the college elimination contest to be held about the first of May. The orations are to be limited to the number of words that can be given in twelve minutes. Other details of local contest can be learned from Professor Hess.

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## Bulldogmas

The college age is indeed the age of doubt. Floyd Kurtz says, "I didn't take quantitative analysis or I wouldn't never have been so patient."

Adelaide G.—"Oh, I've had this diamond ring since I was a baby."

Howard S.—"I heard a young fellow the other day say he was buying one for his baby."

Dorothy M's idea of a gentleman is a fellow who can change a flat tire without swearing.

Statistics show that women spend 85% of the family purse. The stronger sex might just as well weaken and let them take the rest.

If the wind keeps blowing as it has been, the fellows who are wearing Gob trousers will either have to put weights in the bottoms or wear garters.

The Boulder Dam bill kept our senators on the job for 30 consecutive hours. Before they were through discussing it most of them were referring to it as the damn Boulder Bill.

Ira L.—"Why is Eakes' neck like a typewriter?"

Henry B.—"Because it is black!"

Ira L.—"No, it is Under-Wood."

The great question among fiction fans today is: "Will Jack Dempsey come back?" If he does, should he be given any favors because of his former championship? Some of the more orthodox fans think he should be placed in the Senate with the rest of our pugilists and be made to be gin at the bottom.

No one has been able to swim the English Channel for two months. Perhaps the passenger boats between France and England will not suffer competition after all.

Stable Boy—"Lady, you will have to be cautious with this horse, he is still a bit wild."

College Girl—"Oh, that's all right. I've had plenty of experience with that type."

Rudolph kissed his beautiful wife goodby. Soon he would be far away hunting the lynx. His shooting irons were ready for the big hunt.

The boy gathered an armful of weapons and placed them in the car. Salty tears streaked the rouged complexion of Rudolph's pretty wife. She realized she would no doubt become a widow if her provider did find a lynx. Her fears were not for naught as Rudolph did find a lynx and he shot them daily. His fair companion became a golf widow and they lived unhappily ever after.

Lost—A sense of humor. Will finder kindly return it to the columnist and receive reward.

—Bob.

"Labor rides us of three great evils: Irksomeness, vice and poverty."—Voltaire.

"The only way to have a friend is to be one."—Emerson.

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### COUNTY TOURNAMENT COMES THIS WEEK END

The McPherson Basketball Tournament will be played in the college gymnasium the two days of March 4 and 5, beginning Friday morning of this week.

This tournament will decide only the County championship in tournament play, for in season play, the McPherson high school seconds have already clinched the championship.

At the present time, the three strongest teams of the county are the local high school seconds, Marquette and Moundridge high schools. The quintet from Moundridge has won the county tournament the two previous years, and a win this year will give that high school the permanent possession of the County Championship cup. Eight or nine county teams will appear in this two day tournament.

### DEBATE CHAMPIONSHIP OF LEAGUE STILL FAR OFF

Those following the progress of the state forensic contests will be interested in knowing that McPherson College and Sterling College are equal in the number of decisions won in the northern half of the state with two decisions each while Kansas Wesleyan and the Bethany Swedes suffered at the unanimous victories of the Bulldogs and the Barrelmakers.

After the first round, each school of the southern division possesses one decision. Thus, Southwestern and Bethel colleges and Wichita and Friends universities are tied for argumentative honors in the southern half.

### STUDENTS RECITALS ARE PLEASING TO AUDIENCES

Two student recitals were held this week, one on Tuesday night in the chapel, and the other on Wednesday night in Miss Brown's piano studio.

The public was invited to the Tuesday night recital, but apparently the Swede game was a greater attraction for the audience was quite small.

Wednesday night's recital was not open to the public. Only those who took part, and Miss Brown and Miss Penner were present. The recital was given to afford practice for those who are not accustomed to making public appearances.

Both recitals were quite well given, although perhaps not attaining the standard shown in the usual Fine Arts recital.

### BULLDOGS FALL PREY BEFORE TWO ENEMIES

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Of this defeat, the Bulldogs dropped back to a 500 percent standing in the Conference. This was McPherson's last chance to beat an Emporia school this year, and their best chance also, since the visitors left Ed Grant, star center, sick at home. He was a big factor in the game at Emporia when the Bulldogs met their most severe defeat of the season.

The Bulldogs, having an off-night, fell prey to the Bethel College Buccaneers at Newton last night, 25-29. The game was alternately speedily and very ragged. The Canines missed several pretty set ups at the outset, but Miller soon began to hit, and at the end of the first half, the Bulldogs were leading 15-13.

The Bethel aces, Buller and Enns, were held down the second half, but the timely goals by Miller and Wedel proved to be the decisive counters.

This makes two defeats in a row for the Bulldogs again, fans, how-

ever, are inclined to believe that they are experiencing a temporary slump and that they will rally this week and, to take into camp, the Coyotes at Salina, and to give the Swedes a warm reception that they will not enjoy, when they arrive at the kennel Friday night.

### LOTS OF TIME YET

If you are no different from the average McPherson College student, you may feel safe with your life of freedom and liberty until nine and one half months after your twenty-sixth birthday, for the average graduate of this institute of learning does not fall prey to the entangling meshes of the contrary sex until 26.83 years of age, according to the results of Professor Mohler's recent experiments.

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## SWEDEN MEET DEFEAT

"Revenge is sweet," and the 27-16 trouncing the Canine sagers gave the Bethany Swedes at Lindsborg last Tuesday evening made up for a string of defeats at their hands the last year and a half.

Time and again a desperate Swede lost control of his equilibrium and skidded half the width of the court on his knees or his chin and shoulder, and nearly every such event was caused by their own misdirected efforts.

The Bulldogs did not play in tip-top style however, the passing being very ragged at times, but in the last half they pulled away after being held to a 9-7 lead the first half. Holloway, who failed to score the first half, underwent a "spirit renaissance" of some kind between halves and scored six pretty goals the last period, several being of the freak variety.

At any rate, the fighting spirit was there in abundance, and the result was satisfactory to the big crowd of McPherson rooters who again braved the dangers of a trip abroad to see the flaxen-haired Scandinavians defeated. Ah, last Thanksgiving does not remain so vividly in our minds now since this victory.

"GOOD STEWARD" IN CHAPEL  
SUBJECT OF HECKLETHORN

The responsibilities of the good steward in the workaday world was stressed by Miss Hecklethorn in a short chapel address Friday morning.

She based her remarks on several quotations and a single gem of poetry alluding to the requirements which are demanded of the individual who is attempting to maintain a worthy, upright, and four-square manner of living.

The keynote of her comments was reached in an enumeration of those virtues which mark one as a true Christian servant.

FORENSIC CLUB PROGRAM  
IS GIVEN BY MEN ONLY

In response to the announcement of President Ihde that the Forensic Club program, Wednesday evening, would consist of music, readings and "funny speeches for funny men," the largest group of the year attended the program given entirely by men.

Confidence in the men's ability to entertain was established immediately when Willis Neff gave a Wild West reading in his characteristic manner. Ralph Bowers followed with a negro reading, using the negro dialect as no northerner could use it. Dean Van Diericum displayed outstanding musical ability in rendering a vocal solo. This was followed by the "funny talk," a clever discourse on "Friendship"—by Menno Kaufman. A reading entitled "The Order for a

Picture" was given by Marden Stifler. The closing number, a violin solo, was given by Orion High.

In the business session which followed a committee was selected to draw up a slate of candidates for the various officers of the Club for the coming year, these officers to be elected at the next meeting of the Club.

KURTZ HAS "GROWTH OF  
RELIGION" FOR SUBJECT

"Growth in Religion" was the theme of Dr. Kurtz's speech to the Chapel group, Wednesday.

"Growth is the first law of life. As soon as a thing stops growing it begins to die. The test of our religion is whether it is growing or not," were the opening sentences. Dr. Kurtz commenced on the fact that young people seemed to have small place in their lives for the church and that true enjoyment of religion seemed to be a question of age. He then declared that the noblest people were the most religious and that there should be a noticeable difference between the pagan of today and the Christian of today as there was in the early days of Christianity.

"We must grow," was Dr. Kurtz's continual reiteration. The three things that must grow in religion are knowledge, devotion, and self-expression. Not heredity nor environment, but the will is the factor of command in life. In conclusion, Dr. Kurtz exhorted the group, as young people, "To begin immediately to form those habits which would increase the knowledge and grace of Christ in your lives."

## HESS JUDGES TWO DEBATES

Professor M. A. Hess, debate coach here, was called to judge an intercollegiate debate of the southern division at Winfield, Kansas, last Thursday night, between the Southwestern College affirmative and the Friends University negative.

Friday night, Professor Hess acted as critic judge at Emporia, Kansas, to a ladies' debate between the teams of the College of Emporia and Ottawa University.

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## TRUCKS GO TO SWEDEN

Two huge trucks were hired to transport student rooters for the Crimson and White to Scandinavian territory just fourteen miles north last Tuesday evening. The reasonable fare of twenty-seven cents per capita per round trip was secured.

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