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THE SECOND ALL-SCHOOL PICNIC TOMORROW AT TWIN MOUNDS PROMISES TO BE A SUCCESS IN EVERY WAY

Sports In The Form Of Baseball And Horseshoe Will Be In Charge Of Coach Gardner And Alberta Hovis—Transportation Will Be Fifty Cents A Student

TO LEAVE COLLEGE AT 8:30

Students Will Not Be Required To Get In The Dormitory Until Ten O'clock

The second all-school holiday and picnic tomorrow at Twin Mounds promises to be a success for all students and faculty.

Departing from here at 8:30 in the morning the students and faculty will drive the twenty-five miles north east to Twin Mounds, a favorite rendezvous for the lover of the great out-of-doors. The route to be taken is optional although the transportation committee is planning to leave signs on the corners of the Santa Fe trail going from Galva north nine miles, then east one mile, north one more mile, and east one mile and then follow a winding road in a northeast direction.

Transportation is being cared for by Prof. Maurice A. Hess and Rush Holloway. A list of persons taking cars will be posted and those desiring a way will make arrangements with these people and a charge of 50c will be asked by the drivers. Anyone failing to secure a way is asked to see the transportation committee at once.

The forenoon at Twin Mounds will be filled with entertainment in the form of sports followed by a lunch at 1 o'clock. Horse-shoe, baseball and other sports under the direction of Coach George Gardner and Alberta Hovis, will be played. Stunts from each college organization is being arranged by Miss Evita Lehman and Mildred Swenson. Assisted by the dormitory cooks, Miss Mildred Thurrow and Eugenia Dawson will take charge of the picnic lunch. A sack supper will be served at the dormitory at the regular hours in the evening.

Tomorrow afternoon is to be left free for kodaking and hiking. Students are not required to be in before 10:00 p. m., but as most of them will want some supper, they will be returning about four o'clock from the picnic grounds.

PETRY LEADS Y. M. PROHIBITION DISCUSSION

Tues., April 1—Professor Petry led the discussion in Y. M. this morning on the prohibition question. Several phases were mentioned and the question of enforcement or repeal of the amendment was considered at greater length. It is his belief that it can and should be enforced.

The straw vote of various papers and their reliability was discussed. Quotations from several great thinkers were given in support of this opinion.

DEPUTATION TEAM ON NINE DAY TOUR

Sat., April 5—A deputation team left this morning for Oklahoma and southeast Kansas where they will visit twelve churches in a nine days tour. Prof. Roy B. Teach is accompanying the team. Those making up the team are Guy Hayes, Otto Whitbeck, Blanch Harris, Pauline Dell and Helen Hudson. A missionary play "Ordered South", will be given at most churches. A peace program is also being prepared.

STAGE SETTING FOR SENIOR PLAY IS NOW BEING MADE

Sat., April 5—A number of senior men spent today at Convention Hall working on the stage setting for the senior play, "John Ferguson", which is to be given Tuesday, May 27.

A large quantity of material, including approximately 2500 linear feet of lumber and over 200 yards of cloth, is being used in the set, which will represent the interior of a richly furnished farm house. Elaborate light effects are also being worked out.

COMING EVENTS

Wed., April 9—Picnic day.
Fri., April 11—Track meet at Sterling.
Evening—Ramona program given by Miss Lehman.

SCHWALM SPEAKS AT BANQUET AT LINDSBORG

Fri., April 4—Dr. V. F. Schwalm spoke on "Leadership Training" before a banquet of the Sunday School Workers association at Lindsay, Kansas, this evening. Dr. J. J. Yoder also attended the banquet.

FLAMING DEFEATS BRADLEY FOR HORSESHOE HONORS

Thurs., April 3—Vernon Flaming won over Edward Bradley today to be crowned the champion horseshoe player on the campus. Mr. Flaming's portrait will appear in the 1930 Quadrangle under the above distinction. The scores for the final games were (5-21), (7-21) and (16-21).

Thirty-two men were entered in the tournament, sponsored by the Quadrangle, and it is hoped that other tournaments may be staged. In the semi-finals Flaming defeated Bitkofer and Bradley defeated Larson to qualify for the finals.

STATE INSPECTORS TO BE HERE FRI., APRIL 11

The state college and university inspectors, Miss Louie Leslie and Dr. Eugene Mitchell, will visit the McPherson campus Friday, April 11. Their inspection is an annual state requirement of the state department of education. Miss Leslie was a member of the inspection group last spring.

NORRIS NELSON WINS CHEM. SPELLING MATCH

Wed., April 2—"Desiccator" was the word which tripped the majority of the members of the general chemistry class in the annual spelling match held this morning in Harnly Hall.

Norris Nelson won the contest by spelling down the rest of a class of nearly one hundred members, while Dwight Newbery received second place. All of the words spelled were terms used frequently in chemistry.

A ONE ACT PLAY IS GIVEN IN THE CHAPEL

Fri., April 4—A play "Fame and the Poet" was presented in chapel this morning by three members of the dramatic art class under the supervision of Mrs. Lawrence Gates, instructor. The cast included: Harry Deraves, Poet—Charles Mattox; Dick, his friend—Guy Hayes, and Fame—Clarice Evans.

The play represented the reality of Fame as quite disappointing to the sensitive and worshipful poet because of the lack of refinement and interest in crass detail which she exhibited.

'TIS SPRING AND A YOUNG MAN, ETC.

Of course spring is the time of year when men are men and women wish they were more attractive. . . not the men more attractive but themselves. All the poets of the ages unleash their suppressed desires of sentimentality and run amuck in the fields of rhetorical and other expressions of high flown language to express the simple idea that in the spring then love is the head emotion so to speak. Even novelists lay their plots in the spring time as an atmosphere all to fool the public into thinking about love instead of how nice the weather would be for planting radishes and onions.

Time in college which is the most interesting is spring. Then all the damsels at least have a fair chance of not having to leave school without being an old maid because when a man gets under the influence of the moon on one of these balmy, permeating, and otherwise beautiful nights, he is liable to say lots of things he doesn't mean. Now college lads are usually quite careful about proposing in the spring because they know that girls always look more charming under the stars than they will in the cold light of day and that thirty dollars per week will do fine when living in the gay summer time but in the silent cold of winter their money shrinks. So girls if you would have a cavalier express himself in the winter you are pretty sure o-

making a trip to the altar but beware of the balmy spring and its balmy effects. Just put all the nice things you hear in the category of memory and think when you are out of college how nice that blonde haired boy could talk in the moonlight as you ambled home from the library?????

Young men's fancy turns in other directions sometimes however, such as collection of bugs. There the naturalist is in his heaven and the poor bugs are doomed to extinction. Such is life, just one bug after another. . . if it isn't in your ear it is in the bed. You should worry a lot and build a house on it.

I still maintain that Tennyson didn't know the nature of men very well or he would not have made such a statement. . . or perhaps the pastimes of horse shoe and tennis had not been invented as yet. Young men seem to think that the delightful sport of horse shoe is more enticing any time than the alluring eyes of the fair maidens. If a girl can lure a boy away from the tennis court or the horse shoe location then there is no doubt of her attractiveness. But never worry about that for soon the weather will be too warm to play such games and again love can have the ascendancy in the minds of the handsome and strong sex.

Yours 'til you can be vaccinated against spring fever.—SEA-SEE.

A. N. "BO" McMILLIN, HEAD COACH AT K. S. A. C. TO BE HERE FOR "M" CLUB BANQUET SATURDAY

Among The Speakers For The Banquet Will Be "Bo" McMillin, Melvin J. Binford, And Coach George Gardner

STUDENTS APPEARED IN A RECITAL LAST NIGHT

Mon., April 7—Appearing in a Fine Arts department student recital in the chapel this evening were the following musicians: piano, Myretta Hamman; vocal solo, Orville Moran; vocal solo, Ronald Vetter; vocal solo Vera Flora; reading, "The Revolt piano solo, Una Morine; piano solo, Marcella Severson; vocal solo, Ruth Turner; piano solo, Evelyn Saylor; piano solo, Una Morine; piano solo, Martha Krebbel; reading, Hope Nichol; vocal solo, Irene Steinberg; piano solo, Una Morine; vocal solo, Esther Dahlinger; vocal solo, Ruth Turner, and a vocal solo, Eugenia Dawson.

SON OF DR. KURTZ TO BE HERE NEXT YEAR

It has recently been known that Wheeler Kurtz, son of Dr. D. Webster Kurtz, former president of McPherson college, will attend college here next year. This summer he will accompany his father to Europe. His present home is Long Beach, California.

MRS. SCHWALM SPEAKS IN Y. W. C. A. MEETING

Tues., April 1—"The way a student performs his daily tasks in the way he is judged on the campus", stated Mrs. V. F. Schwalm in her talk this morning to the Y. W. C. A.

The manner in which we as individuals perform the small and un-seen duties assigned to us distinguishes a person from the average. The effect of doing a task well has the most influence upon the individual himself.

If one does less than his best it lessens the capacity to excel. A task performed less than one's best makes one always remain an apprentice and never a master. "If a task is worth doing it is worth doing well", stated the speaker in closing.

Preceding Mrs. Schwalm's talk Eugenia Dawson and Helen Eberly sang a duet and Ethel Meyer conducted the devotional period.

TWENTY HIGH SCHOOLS ARE VISITED BY ADVERTISERS

Tues., April 8—About twenty high schools have been visited by representatives of the college advertising the senior festival to be held April 25. In every case there seems to be enthusiastic co-operation and plans for attending.

Other high schools are to be visited in the near future. A letter will be sent to about seventy-five schools this week. Eligibility rules will be sent to them next week. Present plans and indications anticipate a larger attendance than last year.

LEHMAN TO BE TOASTMASTER

W. A. A. Girls To Serve The Dinner—To Use Bulldog Color Scheme

What is to be one of the outstanding social events of the year for the "M" Club, their annual banquet, will be given in the church parlors, Saturday night, April 12. Besides the twenty regular "M" Club members, several prospective lettermen and some members of the faculty will be invited. It has been arranged by the club to have Melvin J. Binford, new coach for next year, attend the banquet.

A. N. "Bo" McMillin, a well known athlete and head coach at Kansas State Agriculture college, has been invited to attend the banquet and to speak to the members Saturday night. Numerous alumni "M" Club members have been invited also.

The program will be varied. Speeches by the three coaches will be given and John Lehman will act as toastmaster.

Girls of the W. A. A. will prepare and serve the dinner. The decorations of the room and tables are to be the Bulldog colors, red and white. A small orchestra, provided by the music department of the college, will play during the dinner.

FOREIGN COUNTRY LUNCHEON GIVEN BY STUDENTS

Tues., April 1—This afternoon at two-thirty the members of the principles of interpretation class representing some of the foreign nations of the world had an international good-will luncheon which was served by the foods class under the direction of Miss Mildred Thurrow, head of the Home Economics department.

After the two course American luncheon each speaker was introduced to the fellowship group by Miss America in the person of Miss Della Lehman.

Each speaker representing his distinctive nationality told of the habits and customs of his homeland. Each representative was very appreciative and glad to learn of the conditions and the people of other countries.

The countries represented were Sweden, Madalyn Gray; Spain, Clara Fern Mast; Egypt, Viola De Vilhite; India, Hope Nickel; Holland, Edna Hoover; Japan, Dennis Andes; Canada, Lucille Crabb; Italy, Blanche Holgerson; Africa, Ada Brenk; Switzerland, Edna Chester; Ireland, Sae Stickie, and Korea, Alberta Yoder.

LEHMAN TO GIVE HER RAMONA PROGRAM FRIDAY

Friday evening, April 11, at 7:50 o'clock in the college chapel Miss Della Lehman will give an evening's program of cutting from the book "Ramona" by Helen Hunt Jackson. Miss Lehman divides this beautiful story into five episodes which give the outstanding events in the life of Ramona. The readings are given in costume and vocal and violin music in keeping with the spirit of the program will be used between the episodes of the program.

This program is being given under the auspices of the Thespian Club. Chester Carter is in charge of the stage decorations and Mildred Swenson has arranged the program. The charge for admission will be twenty-five cents.

ONLY 130 BOOKS NEEDED TO COMPLETE CAMPAIGN

Tues., April 8—The goal of 10,000 books by June first is about to be reached. At the present time there are 130 books needed to reach the goal.

Recent gifts are those of Mrs. W. Z. Haldeman and of Professor J. J. Yoder. A nine volume set of the works of Balzac-Lytton was contributed by Mrs. Haldeman. Dr. Yoder gave two books on Rural Sociology.

SCHWALM FAILS TO REALIZE BOYHOOD AMBITIONS AND SO BECOMES PRESIDENT OF A COLLEGE

His Greatest Ambition Was To Be A Street-Car Motorman And He Is Now President Of A College In A City Where There Are No Street-Cars

By MILDRED SWENSON

As he trudged about doing tasks familiar to every farm boy, a certain chubby, blue-eyed Hoosier lad dreamed of a day when he might be a street-car motorman. And today, as he approaches his forty-third birthday, he is as far from the realization of his childhood ambition as he was "back in the nineties". Instead, he is the president of a college located in a town where street-cars do not exist!



DR. V. F. SCHWALM

There isn't enough".

As time passed the lad grew more serious and earnest. After two years in high school, he applied for a position as a teacher and was hired. He later completed his high school and college training in the academy and college at North Manchester where he received his bachelor of arts degree as a history major in 1913.

Many activities, including debate, basket ball, music club, and the editorship during his senior year of the college annual, made Mr. Schwalm an outstanding and popular student leader. Furthermore, he was known as a "lady's man".

In the fall of 1914 he returned to Manchester as an instructor and in October he married Florence Brubaker.

As a shy little freshman girl, Miss Brubaker's first impression of her future husband six years before their marriage, was scarcely complimentary. The evening of her first day in college was a stormy, disagreeable evening. Florence and her room mate chanced to sit at the same table as a "wise" upper classman who, during the course of the meal, told a funny story about thunder. Even after they learned that his name was Schwalm, the girls spoke of the story teller as "Mr. Thunder".

To the busy college man who has not time to write prolific love epistles to his queen of hearts, the following note from Mr. Schwalm to his fiancee might be a suggestion:

"Have been too awfully busy last evening and this morning to write a letter so I shall send you this card only. You need not do likewise unless you are too busy also. I shall write some time this evening or in the morning. Have an oral quiz this morning. V. F."

In 1915 Prof. Schwalm received his master's degree from the University of Chicago and in 1918 he was made the dean of Manchester College. Nearly nine years later he was awarded a doctor's degree from Chicago University and the following spring, on his fortieth birthday, the McPherson College board of trustees requested him to succeed Dr. D. W. Kurtz who had resigned as president of that institution. After debating what course to pursue, although urged by the trustees, the faculty, the students, and other friends to remain at Manchester, Dr. Schwalm at last accepted the position and in the fall of 1927 assumed the responsibilities of his new office.

Deeply interested in students, Dr. Schwalm always has the welfare of the college at heart. But in spite of his serious and dignified mien a humorous twinkle lurks in his eyes and he invariably has a joke for every occasion.

During the three years of his administration at McPherson many improvements have been made, most outstanding of which is the remodeling of the chapel.

With the motto "McPherson . . . the school of quality" uppermost in his mind, Dr. Schwalm is striving for improvement in every line of activity the college pursues, and the results of his endeavors make up for his failure to achieve the position which was the dearest dream of his boyhood . . . that of a street-car motorman.

DR. SCHWALM VISITS HIGH SCHOOLS

During the past week Dr. V. F. Schwalm, accompanied by representatives of the Fine Arts department, visited nine high schools for the purpose of advertising the annual high school festival day and to encourage high school seniors to enter McPherson College next year.

On Tuesday Dr. Schwalm, Mrs. Anna C. Tate, Harriet Hopkins, and Mildred Swenson visited the high schools at Inman, Buhler, Burton, and Moundridge, and the Inman grade schools. At each place they presented a brief program consisting of vocal solos, piano numbers, readings, and a talk.

The male quartet accompanied the president on Thursday—to Marion, Lost Springs, Navarre, Hope, and Lincolnville.

At each place visited the representatives of McPherson College were

warmly welcomed by the high school faculty members and students. Indications for a large representation from the high schools on the annual festival day here April 26 are good.

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BARNGROVER HIGH POINTER

Miller And Nonken, Senior Stars, Score 23 And 13 Points Respectively

Bulldog Field, Apr. 4.—The Class of '30 finished at the top of the scale in the inter-class meet which was held here this afternoon. The fourth year men finished by a wide margin, doubling that score of the nearest runner-up. This annual meet was one of the best held here for many years. A larger interest was shown by all the classes and competition was much greater than ever before. No restrictions were placed against the letter men this year.

The Seniors finished in first place with a total score of 77 1/2 points. The Freshmen finished second with a score of 35 1/2. The Sophomores were third with a count of 26 1/2 points. And the Juniors fourth with 11 1/2 points. Barngrover, senior ace, counted the highest individual score in the meet, making a total of 28 points. Miller and Nonken, senior stars, scored 23 and 13 points respectively.

100 yard dash—Nonken, Sr., first; Lindell, Jr., second; King, Soph., third; Miller, Sr., fourth. Time, 10.6 seconds.

220 yard dash—Nonken, Sr., first; Early, Soph., second; Lindell, Jr., third; King, Soph., fourth. Time, 24.6 seconds.

440 yard dash—Eby, Fr., first; Campbell, Sr., second; Anderson, Fr., third; King, Soph., fourth. Time, 55.8 seconds.

120 yard high hurdles—Barngrover, Sr., first; Miller, Sr., second; Moran, Soph., third; Bernard, Fr., fourth.

220 yard low hurdles—Miller, Sr., first; Early, Soph., second; Swain, Soph., third; Barngrover, Sr., fourth. Time, 28.6 seconds.

1 Mile Run—Williams, Fr., first; Betts, Jr., second; Early, Soph., third; Campbell, Sr., fourth. Time 5 minutes, 11 seconds.

880 yard dash—Eby, Fr., first; Campbell, Sr., second; Betts, Jr., third; Brown, Fr., fourth. Time 2' 16".

High Jump—Barngrover, Sr., first; Bradley, King, Miller, Moran, tied for second. Height 5' 4".

Shot Put—Lengel, Fr., first; Nonken, Sr., second; Barngrover, Sr., third; King, Soph., fourth. Distance 34' 10 1/2".

Broad Jump—Barngrover, Sr., first; Moran, Soph., second; Miller, Sr., third; Anderson, Fr., fourth. Distance 20' 6 1/2".

Discus—Miller, Sr., first; Austin, Fr., second; King, Soph., third; Zinn, Sr., fourth. Distance 102' 3".

Javelin—Barngrover, Sr., first; Miller, Sr., second; Barngrover, Fr., third; Bradley, Soph., fourth. Distance, 158'.

Pole Vault—Barngrover, Sr., first; Miller, Sr., second; Bradley and Moran, Soph., tied for third. Height 11'.

THE DOPE BUCKET

By the Sport Editor

Vernon Fleming came into his own during the recent Horse Shoe Elimination tournament. This "pride of Houston" boy defeated his opponents with apparent ease. The runner-up in the finals was defeated by a vast margin: 21-5, 21-7, and 21-6.

Ward Williams may prove to be a real track man before the season is

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over. As a distance man he is not to be sneezed at. This young North Dakota chap has one of the most beautiful strides for a distance man and he knows how to use it. He won the mile and the two-mile races in the Inter-class meet. His winning in each case was by a margin of a few inches gained by his last-minute punch which made his sprint possible. Watch him grow!

Ray Nonken can not stay far from the center of the athletic machine. It was rumored that he would leave track alone. But even though he was not training he entered the sprints and won the 100 and 200 yard dashes in good time last Friday.

Melvin Miller is the most talkative Bulldog in the kennel. But in spite of that he is a fairly good field man who will get many points for his team this season.

Horse-shoe, tennis, track, and baseball are the things that the Bulldogs are spending their time at these days. For action, wait until the developmental days are over.

INTEREST LOCATER FINDS INTEREST OF STUDENTS

In there an evolutionary change taking place in the interests of a student during his college life, or do his interests remain static?

For the purpose of analyzing the student response to life in general, the Y. M. C. A. recently distributed among the various classes an interest locater containing items to be marked designating indifference, interest, and vital interest. The results, compared, are interesting.

A small number of seniors are vitally concerned about finding a better method of preventing disagreements with their parents, a small percent of each class are slightly interested in it, but the majority of the student body indicate satisfaction or indifference concerning family matters.


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and better dancing, only five freshmen and one sophomore consider it of vital import, whereas ninety percent of the juniors disregard the question entirely.

A large majority of each class are concerned with the problem of ridding the world of war; fifty percent of the seniors regard the matter as vitally important.

Half of the student body desires to find a true answer to some question about God. Each class indicated an interest in discussing modern affairs, with a gradual increase in the percent of those interested evident from the freshmen to the seniors.

Over sixty percent of all the students are impressed with the necessity of working out a method of getting rid of the cheating problem. Thirty percent of the two upper classes ranked it as of first rate importance.

Regarding the understanding of socialism and other methods of improving economic life, the two lower classes give little heed, but nearly seventy percent of the juniors and seniors indicate real concern for the problem.

A very small minority of the students show an interest in becoming the best dressed individuals in their respective groups, and only two freshmen girls out of the entire body gave this a major ranking.

The evolution of student attitude regarding the question of ridding the world of poverty evidences itself in a marked degree. Perhaps this is because the upperclassmen feel more poverty stricken. Forty percent of the freshmen are interested, but nonvital the problem vital importance; sixty-five percent of the second-year students show some interest and thirteen percent were vitally concerned; seventy percent of the juniors indicate a desire to rid the world of the problem and ten percent show a marked interest; and seventy-five percent of the fourth-year students show some concern while thirteen percent indicate a deep interest in the question. A similar development evidences itself in the responses to the question of becoming better acquainted with persons of other races. Most of the students are more in-

terested in people and social activities than anything, and nearly every one indicated things as least interesting.

About sixty percent of each class wishes to get a clearer idea of the life of Jesus. Fewer desire to understand death, immortality, heaven, and hell than those who do. To get an experience of prayer that is wholly reasonable in general with more than half of the students. Less than half of the freshmen and sophomores are at all interested in planning and enjoying better services of worship; whereas, three fourths of the juniors and seniors score this as a point of interest in their lives.

The problem in which the students on the whole are most concerned is that of choosing a satisfactory life work, and, strangely enough, the lower classmen in the interest survey gave it more importance than did the seniors.

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