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BULLDOGS START BASKETBALL WITH FIVE LETTERMEN BACK FROM LAST YEAR'S SQUAD

Twenty-five Men Report for First Practices—Coach Binford Later Cuts Squad to Sixteen and Plans Another in Near Future

HEIGHT LACKING IN TEAM

First Game Is Set After Holidays with St. Benedict's

Coach Binford has now reduced the basketball squad to sixteen, with another cut to follow soon. Although no games are scheduled until after the holidays, the squad is working out daily in the college gym. The present workouts consist mostly of drills in fundamentals, with some practice on defensive play. A number of the squad appear to be rounding into form.

The squad as a whole lacks height and experienced guards, but it appears quite certain that Coach Binford can put five men on the court that will play a fast floor game, combined with a good eye for the basket.

The most promising candidates are as follows: centers—Pauls, 6'; Walstrom, 6'; forwards—Rock, 5'8"; Replogle, 5'11"; Johnston, 5'8"; Stoner, 5'9 1/2"; and Evans 5'10 1/2"; guards—Reinecker, 5'11"; Wiggins, 6'; Yoder, 5'9 1/2"; and Austin, 5'10".

Pauls may be shifted to forward with Walstrom playing the pivot position. Walstrom gives promise of developing into an excellent center with the exception of not being tall enough to get the tip against strong teams. This gives Pauls the opportunity to work out at his natural position at forward and thus increase his scoring power.

The forward positions are strongly contested by Rock, veteran and captain; Replogle, a ransy freshman from Indiana with a good basket eye; Johnston, local high school star forward of last season; Stoner, a substitute forward of last season; and Evans, a freshman from Canton. Wiggins, regular forward last season, may be shifted to guard, thereby adding height to the defense for rebounds. The other guard position is wide open at present. Reinecker, last year letter guard, Yoder, a small but clever ball handler and accurate

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COLLEGE PASTOR SPEAKS

Richards Tells Y. M. C. A. about Spirit of Christmas

Reverend H. F. Richards, pastor of the college church, spoke in the Y. M. C. A. meeting yesterday morning on the spirit of Christmas. Rev. Richards said that Christmas afforded an opportunity for expression of those Christian qualities of brotherhood, goodwill, and kindness to all. He also pointed out the tremendous difference there would be if the spirit of Christmas continued for the full year. He said in closing that the great need of the world for Christian values, should challenge all to live their best.

Willard Brammell opened the meeting with Scripture. Lillburn Gottmann introduced the speaker and made several announcements. Rev. J. M. Evans dismissed the meeting with prayer.

BETHEL PRESIDENT SPEAKS IN CHAPEL

Advocates Merging of Colleges and Churches

Edward G. Kaufman, president of Bethel College at Newton spoke to the students and faculty of McPherson College, Wednesday, in chapel. Kaufman said that Christian lives appear to people today as a beautiful ideal, but one that is not to be achieved. He advocated the building of a great pacifist church, composed of members of Quakers, Methodists, and Brethren churches. Such a merging would bring together Friends, Bethel, and McPherson Colleges. There is the same background of religion back of these three colleges. "In unity there is strength," Kaufman asserted.

MARJORIE BARBER GIVES CHALK TALK IN Y. W. C. A.

Marjorie Barber gave an impressive chalk talk this morning in the Y. W. C. A. meeting. She was accompanied by Clarice Evans, violin, Bernice Drescher, piano, and Bernice Fowler who read "Going Home for Christmas" by James Whitcomb Riley.

Next week's meeting will be given over to a Christmas program.

LATEST ON COSMETICS IS ADDED TO LIBRARY

Even Goes So Far as to Tell How to Manage Love Affairs

The latest on cosmetics has arrived! All the girls will be flocking to the library to find out the latest way to concoct perfumes, powders, face creams, and rouge. It really tells how to do it. All girls who have had chemistry, or if they haven't perhaps the boy friend has, can start experimenting. There's a chart to help in matching the colors of the cosmetics.

All this is found in a book by William A. Foucher called "Perfumes, Cosmetics, and Soaps", volume 2, which has been added to the college library recently.

Face lifting and hair dyeing are discussed. This should be read very carefully as it will be of value fifteen or twenty years hence.

Those who intend to be actresses or actors should read all about the theatrical requisites. It tells how to use make-up to make people look the different ages.

Perhaps some would even be interested in the chapter on smelling salts; so they will be sure to grab the right bottle in case of emergency.

Here's a hint to the girls: a man has very often been led to the altar by pink cheeks, not caused by the weather, either. He doesn't care where it comes from as long as it pleases him.

Since the subject of men is brought up they are asked to read this book also. There is something in it for them, too.

MRS. QUANTUS SPEAKS

Tells Girls Cleanliness Is Main Quality of Health

"Cleanliness externally, internally, and eternally," was the burden of Mrs. L. F. Quantus' talk to the girls of the school Thursday morning in the chapel. Dr. Quantus gave many useful ideas for maintaining health and attractive appearance in school. After the lecture she answered any questions the girls had troubling them.

COMING EVENTS

Thurs., Dec. 15—World Service Group meeting.

Fri., Dec. 16—Chemistry Club Social.

Mon., Dec. 19—All School Leap Year Party.

Tues., Dec. 20—Regular Y. M. & Y. W. meetings.

F. D. FARRELL IS TO BE COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Committee Secures President of Kansas State College at Manhattan

WILL BE HELD JUNE 2

Well-Known Educational Leader Writes Papers

After considering a number of educational men the Senior class has secured President F. D. Farrell of Kansas State College at Manhattan for Commencement speaker. The Commencement will be held June 2, at 10:30 A. M. in the College Church. President Farrell is one of the outstanding educational leaders of Kansas. He has served in the United States Department of Agriculture and has had numerous other outstanding positions. At present, besides acting as president at the State College, he is a member of the Kansas State Board of Education, the Kansas State School Book Commission, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and other commissions and societies. President Farrell has also written numerous bulletins and papers on Agricultural and Educational subjects.

The Senior Committee that has been working on this consists of Greta Wittma-Griffis, chairman, Ward Williams and Grace Heckman.

FORMER INSTRUCTOR HONORED IN BELGIUM

Miss Margaret Shelley, who was a violin instructor at McPherson College the past several years, has successfully passed a competitive examination which placed her in the master class of violinists in the Royal Conservatory of Brussels, Belgium, under Matthias Crikboom. The membership of this class consists of only ten students, which are then given special attention.

Miss Shelley studied under Arthur E. Uhe at Bethany, where she obtained her A. B. and B. M. degrees. She obtained her master's degree in music at Columbia university.

FORMER STUDENT INJURED

Miss Dorothy Brooks, a student in McPherson College last year, was critically injured last Wednesday, December 7, when a car in which she was riding, was struck by a Rock Island train, switching on the track across East Marlin. Miss Brooks was thrown out of the car, and concussion of the brain rendered her condition quite critical and uncertain. She is employed as a teacher by the McPherson city schools.

THESPIAN CLUB VOTES IN ELEVEN NEW MEMBERS AS A RESULT OF TRYOUTS HELD LAST FRIDAY

Miss Della Lehman, Mrs. George Bryan, and Mrs. Roland Jones Are Judges—Twenty-five Contestants Turn Out

SAYS COLLEGE STUDENT IS AMONG PRIVILEGED

A college student is considered in the privileged class of young people. He is envied by many and is continually pointed out as a college student. It is his duty to walk worthily of his friends and to choose the highway in order to help those who need guidance.

This is the substance of Dr. V. F. Schwalm's talk in chapel, Monday, December 12.

CHAPEL PROGRAM GIVEN BY A CAPELLA CHOIR

History of Each Song Given by Unseen Voice—Voran Is Director

One of the most beautiful chapel services of the year was given by the A Capella Choir under the direction of Prof. Alvin Voran on Friday morning, December 9. Much credit is due the director for the splendid performance.

After the reading of the scripture by Rev. Brounger the A Capella Choir opened its part of the program by the impressive humming of "The First Noel", a traditional English folk song. Another Christmas carol which the choir rendered was "The Legend" by Tchaikowsky, who is an interesting Russian composer. "Oh Holy Father Infinites in Mercy" from the pen of Palestrina who lived during the sixteenth century was also well done. The last number of the program was entitled "Listen to the Lark" which was written by a Negro, Nathaniel Dett. During the program the ladies trio composed of Mildred Dahlinger, Gulah Hoover, and Lois Edwards also sang a short Christmas carol.

One point in the program which was especially conducive to the greater appreciation of choral music was the short history of each song which was given before each number by an off-stage voice to the accompaniment of the humming of the choir.

The program closed with first the humming and then the singing of "The First Noel".

THE ANNUAL CHEMISTRY PARTY IS TO BE GIVEN

Next Friday evening the annual party given by Dr. and Mrs. J. Willard Hershey to all chemistry students will be held in the Y. W. C. A. room. In years previous to 1931, the entertainment was usually in the form of a rook party. This year the program is in the charge of the social committee of the Chemistry Club composed of Lester Lewis, chairman, Elaine Beard, Gladys Riddell, and John Austin. The party will take the place of a Chemistry Club meeting. All students who are enrolled in this department are invited.

MRS. BRYAN TO COACH PLAY

Donald Evans and Fred Nace Win Leads in "Importance of Being Earnest"

The results of the tryouts for Thespians Club which were held last Friday have been announced. Also the cast for the forthcoming production, "The Importance of Being Earnest", was picked at the same time.

The Thespians Club is the college dramatic organization. Each year tryouts are held before judges, who recommend certain ones for membership. It is then necessary for them to be voted in by the present members. The judges this year were Miss Della Lehman, Mrs. George Bryan, and Mrs. Roland Jones. Mrs. Bryan is going to coach the Thespians play. Twenty-five students tried out, but only eleven were voted in, since the membership of the club is limited to twenty. The following were taken in as new members: Edith Bechtelmer, Una Ring, Maxine Ring, Florence Drescher, Marjorie Brown, Mary Miller, Ruth Hobart, Donald Evans, Fred Nace, Delvis Bradshaw, and Milton Early.

Tryouts for "The Importance of Being Earnest", a three-act farce by Oscar Wilde were held at the same time. The cast which was chosen consisted of John Worthing, J. P., Donald Evans; Algernon Moncrieff, Fred Nace; Rev. Canon Chausble, Robert Hughey; Merriman (butler), Delvis Bradshaw; Lane (man servant), Milton Early; Lady Bracknell, Marjorie Brown; Hon. Gwendolen Fairfax, Una Ring; Cecily Cardew, Edith Bechtelmer.

The judges have not yet been able to decide who shall take the part of Miss Prism, governess.

DIETETICS CLASS HAS SIX-COURSE DINNER

Three members of the dietetics class, Esther Brown, Ada Brunk, and Pearl Walker, were hostesses at a six-course dinner Monday evening. The guests included Miss Della Lehman, Hobart Hughey, Delbert Kelly, and Leland Lindell.

The dinner was served at six o'clock in Miss McIlrath's office. The guests were seated at a long table which was decorated in the Christmas motif. Long red tapers, which were placed at each end of the table, lent a pleasant glow, and a bowl of red carnations centered the table.

Florence Drescher and Odessa Crist planned, cooked, and served the dinner under the supervision of Miss Helen McIlrath.

NEW BOOKS PURCHASED FOR COLLEGE LIBRARY

One on Middle Ages and Other on Medieval Art.

A book which should be of interest to everyone is "The Wandering Scholars" by Helen Waddell. It discloses the rich and exciting lives and methods of the Medieval Ages in the study of the wandering scholars who were the precursors of the normal universities. It consisted of Latin scholarship. "Mont-Saint-Michel", a book by Henry Adams discusses medieval art, its sources, its direction, its flowering, and its meaning. It deals especially with art as expressed in architecture.

These books have been purchased by the library recently.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT IS FATALLY INJURED

Mr. George A. Allen, Kansas State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was fatally injured in an auto accident near Carthage, Missouri, Wednesday, December 7. Mr. Allen was returning to his home in Topeka, from an education convention in the South.

LEARN STARTLING FACTS IN DIETETICS CLASS

If you have noticed several girls measuring every footstep they take, or observing their watches every time they climb a flight of stairs, if you see them refuse candy and pie, and eat spinach and carrots; if they use codliver oil for salad dressing (they have hardly been brave enough to try it yet), and walk down town when they have a chance to ride, it isn't that they are starting a reform movement or even "riding a hobby." They are taking DIETETICS.

"How do modern people ever manage to live?" is the question these girls are asking. They say, "Count the calories" and "count the vitamins" as well as "count the cost." And right here is a chance for someone to become rich and famous—invent a vitamin-microscope. But the Dietetics girls don't need it; they have

developed the instinct of seeing calories of vitamins crawling in every spoonful of spinach, and stacks of calories in each piece of pie, and they don't need a megaphone to hear the phosphorus and calcium and iron atoms calling out for recognition all the while.

Girls, choose who you would be—a neat, slender Greta Garbo or a "fant natural phenomenon with a whole flight of double chins." Dietetics knows how it's done.

AND DID YOU KNOW:

That it takes no more energy, in actual calories, to study than to rest or eat.

That it takes the same amount of calories to sing as to iron with a five pound iron.

That most people eat too little food rather than too much.

That 100 calories of carrots contains enough vitamin A to keep 7330 rats living for a period of eight weeks, while 7330 calories of polished rice does not contain enough vitamins to keep one rat alive for one day.

That "oleo" almost entirely lacks vitamin A, which is plentiful in butter.

That one chocolate candy bar containing nuts yields 500 calories. (Papa will be glad for his girls to learn this—especially since the "depression".)

That a potato and an orange are chemically almost the same thing.

That your beans and peas should be sprouted before eating them.

That many people who complain of

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ALL SCHOOL LEAP YEAR PARTY IS TO BE GIVEN

To Be Held in Church Parlors Monday Evening at 8 o'clock

GIRLS MUST ASK FOR DATES

Last Chance for Women to Get Klusive Man Before the Year Ends

An all school leap year party is to be held Monday evening, December 19 at 8 o'clock at the Brethren Church Parlors. This affair is being held to give the college girls a last chance to ask for dates during the remaining part of the leap year.

Girls must ask for dates, call for the boy friends at their homes, escort them to the party, see them home safely, supply means of conveyance, pay the refreshment dues of five cents apiece, and all other trimmings. A tax of ten cents is to be charged to a girl who brings her steady. A couple who has had five dates in that same time are called steady—no observe this rule, if this applies to your case.

Boys and girls who have no dates are urged to stag the party if necessary, but girls should take this last opportunity and give the boys a break—for which so many have been longing. Boys are asked to be generous and accept dates, making it easy for the girls. Boys should nab the first chances so they won't be left out. Faculty members need not stag it. All in all, the success of the party depends on the girls' asking for dates and the boys' responses.

Come and find out the rest—and also what the refreshments will be. Both the refreshment and entertainment committees are working hard. Don't be afraid to stag it—you'll be in line with others. Don't be scared to ask for dates, girls, boys will jump at the chances. Don't turn her down, boys, you might miss a good time. Come leap, laugh, look,—and love.

GIVES UNIQUE IDEAS ON BUYING XMAS GIFTS

Little Embarrassment Caused in Spite of Depression

To give or not to give—that is the question. I tried to persuade "ye nice time Editor" that the only issue about that was settled at the time of the stock-market crash by the vanishing of Sir Pocketbook. But she only grinned maliciously.

Suppose that you or I were wished to the land of Dreams Come True (or anything) where everyone could purchase the girl- or boy-friend a—or an—Xmas present.

Simple, wasn't it? No congregations of the righteous needed to decide that "to give" is the answer now. No weary and oft-racked brains need lie on sleepless pillows over a little thing like that. Everybody, from the far-sung senior to the self-advertised frog goes downtown tomorrow without consulting Rears and Sawbuck first and purchases to his heart's content the three or one most expensive gift he can uncover and prosperity returns with a bang that makes one deaf to pleas for term papers and good old et cetera.

Of course, there either was or wasn't any depression on where we were visiting, but if there was that's what would or would not happen.

A skeptical "little" sophomore seems to be having great difficulty. What is it, dear? Oh, she doesn't think my scheme is practicable—well, if I were you I shouldn't want to be heard calling it names either—and anyway she doesn't know yet what to buy a Guy.

Perhaps this may help you all. Give an inconspicuous or ostentatious glance, (whichever brand of glasses you carry), to the price-tag of an invitingly lined box. (The lining is the only part of the present likely to be noticed, so its contents are relegated to secondary importance.) If the aforementioned tag bears a number over ten close your peepers instantaneously and back to the next. Never mind onlookers; they're probably in the same condition you are and just haven't found the cure. You'll be able to tell them a flat when on Christmas Eve you meet again to play "eny-meny-miny-mo" with what's left.

Just one precaution, no, two. It might be well to decide, as has one intelligent Prof. to make a gift meet

two purposes. But if you don't, and the boy-friend discovers you've sent him the rattle intended for sister's baby, and gets it into his head you don't like his mode of conveyance—better be prepared to find yourself singing, (as the Ramos Mexicans did), "Lofer Comb Back too Ma".

DIETETICS CLASS

rheumatism actually have scurvy. That one half ounce of nuts yields 100 calories.

That if you went down stairs all your life, you would only need one third as much to eat as if you went upstairs all your life.

That one year of a rat's life is equal to thirty years of a human life.

That a tall slender person needs more to eat than a short fat one of the same weight.

That spinach is one of the best all around foods.

That everyone should become thoroughly acquainted with the "protective family", which consists of Milk, Spinach, Carrot, Orange, Tomato, Egg, and Potato.

That you shouldn't be frightened when you hear girls uttering such mysterious words as "Hors d'oeuvre" and "Entree", and speaking of such foods as caviar, broccoli, anchovy and avocado. That all pertains to fancy cookery, and is connected with formal eight-course dinners, uniformed maids, finger bowls and all such things that make freshmen tremble with awe.

GIRLS TAKE RIDE WITH AMATEUR FEMALE DRIVER

College Novice is a Bit Mixed by Too Much Backseat Drivers' Advice

Yeah, it was the most fun. Bet I gained 10 pounds just going to town. We found old Dynamite in the ditch over by the tennis courts and we all piled in. She stepped on the commecer, but silence answered her effort. I offered to twist 'er tail but she said nix, it had always started before; so it would now—sooner or later. Well, I was in no hurry, but I decided that it would probably be later; so I started swinging on the crank. Every time I got it wound up tight she'd step on the starter and then we did it over again.

About then some of the men came strolling down the walk and one of the other girls suggested we ask one of them to help us, but the driver refused. She insisted that it would start; so we cranked some more. We got tired of this soon enough. We halted the next he-he—he—that came in sight and asked him if he didn't want to help the maidens in distress. Of course that played upon his vanity and he could hardly refuse.

After quite some labor, he got Dynamite to cough but the driver didn't let the choker go; so he did it again. We thanked him sweetly and piled in. Due to a lack of gas, the engine died before we got out of the ditch but it started again and we were off.

We were going past Mary's house for something; so we headed down for Kansas avenue. About a rod from the driveway we halted abruptly right in a puddle of that soft oil. Mary hopped out and dashed in after the stuff.

While she was gone our chauffeur decided to drive on up to the driveway. Instead of stopping on the street she headed in so when Mary returned she had to back out. She said she'd never backed before but

we, knowing so more about it than she did, started telling her how to do it; but, pull on that back seat as we might, we couldn't get it backed. Finally we hit on the idea of stepping on both the reverse paddle and the clutch. It worked and we started on our way again at a merry gallop.

Oh, yes, while we were stopped we had found one rear tire was low—but only on the bottom. Well, we turned the first corner without letting up on the gas and I was sure that tire would come off or blow out, but I guess we were on two other tires. The next three corners weren't so bad and we got stopped pretty well at the filling station.

The attendant said the air hose wouldn't stretch; so we had to move up a little more. She asked the man if he thought she needed some gas and of course he thought she did, but since we were all broke we decided to trust to luck and went on, parking in neither of the usual manners.

My sides hurt so much that I could hardly walk but it was the most fun I've had in a car since I came up here. But really, with all the back-seat drivers that are running loose, it's a wonder an amateur driver ever gains confidence enough to steer a car. I noticed today that old Dynamite was parked with the other conveyances this morning; so I guess we helped a little bit.

GIVE SECOND PROGRAM ABOUT LIFE OF CHRIST

Different Students Speak in College Christian Endeavor

"The Divinity of Jesus" was the second of the series of Sunday evening programs presented by the College Christian Endeavor on the life of Christ. Alex Richards again led an interesting discussion.

Elsie Rump spoke on "Jesus as a Revealer of God." She said Jesus presented God as a loving Father; Jesus taught that God is near, and gave proper ideas of prayer. "Jesus as a Teacher of Truth," was discussed by Herbert Reptorle. Christ avoided all formalism, and based his teachings on the life unified in himself. Christ used a positive rather than a negative method, and instructed followers with a trust in God.

Grace Lerew told of the "Great Figures and Metaphors of Speech by which Jesus Revealed Himself as God." She told of some of the methods which Christ employed in making his presentations, and some of the well-known phrases attributed to Christ. "The Greatness of Jesus" was capably discussed by Galen Oden in the last talk of the program. He told of the magnanimity of Christ

in his ministering to men's needs, the sympathy of Christ, and of his forgiveness.

Alex Richards, closed the service with several present-day situations in which there is opportunity to show human interest similar to that displayed by Christ.

ENGINEER FROM RUSSIA IS SPEAKER AT I. R. C.

Tells of Extreme Discontent of People Under Soviet Regime

Students were given the opportunity last evening to obtain first hand information on the Russian system. The speaker, Mr. Hal Bradley, explained the Russian situation as he saw it from eleven months' experience as an engineer in the Russian oil industry.

Mr. Bradley, now an employee of an oil company near McPherson, first explained his work in Russia. He stated that the Soviet government in an attempt to obtain efficient engineers to carry out the Five Year Plan found it necessary to hire foreign engineers and operators of her industries.

The Russian government has subordinated the morals, education, family life, and institutions of the people to the lowest possible plane in an effort to complete her Five Year Plan. Love, marriage, and all personal ambitions of the Russian people have been destroyed, according to Mr. Bradley.

The speaker further explained that the masses of Russia, poorly fed and poorly clad were seething with discontent under the iron military dictatorship of the Soviet government. Under such conditions the government cannot succeed. After completing a half hour talk, the speaker answered the questions of the students in a vivid and striking manner. About twenty students were present.

The Compliment "You remember Arnes Catlich at college, don't you?"

"Why, no; I don't recall such a person."

"Well, she was the plainest girl in our class—but, I forgot—that was after you left."—Pathfinder.

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ON THE MANY PARTIES HELD THIS YEAR

In the past several years students have often been heard to complain of the lack of social activities and that the school was exceedingly uninteresting, with nothing ever happening.

There seems to have been a change this year. At least complaints are few and parties numerous. To date there have been approximately twenty-seven social events, and Friday the chemistry party will be held and an all-school leap year party given Monday. The cry this year has been "not enough time to attend so many gatherings."

The social committee, with the aid of the faculty has done unusually well in seeing that none of the students have time to get homesick so far. They have done exceptional work and seem to be keeping it up.

Y. M. C. A. INVITES USE OF PING PONG TABLE

The Y. M. C. A. has installed a ping pong table in the basement of the Administration Building. This is a consequence of a suggestion made recently by one of the fellows in the Y. M. C. A. Since several students favored the idea, plans were inaugurated and carried through to completion. The project was turned over to Donald Dreher, chairman of the Social Committee, who with the help of Edwin Carlson contracted the strong, well built table that we now have.

All McPherson College students, both men and women, and the faculty, are invited to use and enjoy our ping pong table. We are fortunate in having a large, well lighted room for our use. The table was used almost constantly over the week-end. Both singles and doubles were played, impromptu tournaments were run off and a general spirit of good fellowship and fun prevailed. We appreciate the attitude of the students, and the spirit in which the room has been used. The hours for its use are posted on the bulletin board in the ping pong room. The Y. M. C. A. invites one and all to share our room and table with us.—President of the Y. M. C. A.

DEPENDABILITY

Dependability is one of the chief virtues of life and one of the most important factors in a good personality. An individual without a spark of dependability in his make-up is sure to be a failure as an assistant or officer of any kind, in school or out. A member of the faculty recently said that one of the chief things he required of his assistants was that they keep their appointments. The person who can be depended upon to do his work and do it well, even if he is not under supervision, is the one who will make progress in any line of work. The most intelligent person who ever lived or ever will live will neither succeed nor hold his own if people know he is not likely to fulfill his promises.

College is one of the best times to develop dependability along with other worth while habits. Therefore the college student should be careful to keep all his promises. Everyone will like him better if he can depend on him. One knows that if he promises to do something for them, he will do it. One thing to be realized is that "Promise is most given when least is said," as George Chapman has said. A student who does the most is the one who usually says least about it. The one who keeps his promises in small things never lacks for important tasks. He avoids, however, promising to do anything he knows he has not time to do. If an unforeseen occurrence takes place, making it impossible to carry out his intentions, he arranges at once for someone else to carry them out for him. For instance, on an advertising committee, he does his part at once without waiting until the last minute to tell the chairman that he "doesn't have time."

It is up to the individual himself to see that others do not think of him as one of those who are described by Massinger in his "Great Duke":

"Giants in their promises, but those obtained, weak pigmies in their performance."—H. W.

LEARNING TO LEARN

If the student were told that he could not expect to learn much from his teacher, he would not believe it. If he were told that a college education would not pay if he learned only what his teacher taught, he would be more dismayed. But that is the very subject that educational circles have thrashed out and concluded that our business in education is to learn, not to be taught.

No student should feel that it is his business to be taught. Rather it is his business to learn. All the treatises of Montaigne or all the orations of Demosthenes are worthless if they fall on dumb ears and passive minds. The part of the student is to take an active interest in his work.

The business of the teacher is to teach. There is no question about that. But the primary duty of the teacher is to guide and direct the student's work; to arouse his interest and enthusiasm, and to weigh his judgments. Education lies almost wholly with the student. There is no royal road to learning, but the student who gets his whole training from the classroom cannot be said to have an education.—E. S.

The man who buys his friends usually pays more than they are worth.

Happiness is that delightful sensation a woman feels when her new dress is the admiration of men and the envy of women.

"One should take care," said Addison, "not to grow too wise for so great a pleasure as laughter."

It is very difficult to persuade yourself that a confirmed liar is wholly untrustworthy when he says nice things about you.

Combining business with pleasure is comparatively easy, but a much harder thing these days is to combine business with profit.

The world of failure is divided north and south by lines of latitude; east and west by lines of longitude.

Most of us are condemnors, and we condemn others, because our faults are not their faults.

QUIPS AND QUIBBLES

If anyone wants to know how it feels to have a needle jabbed into oneself, just ask Ernest Sweetland. He cut his hand and had three stitches taken and couldn't stand to have a fourth one. He said if ever he wanted to faint it was at that time, but he had no such luck.

Gay Hayes said that last Christmas Santa thought he was a bad boy—*we wonder what he'll think this year.*

Dorothy Matson must think English kings are long-lived. The other day she said that Henry VII ruled from 1485 to 1699.

Absent-minded professor? Prof. Moran started to go to the church and then forgetfully went on home.

One timid girl who was considering getting a date for the leap year party asked if it were the girl's place to use any encircling arm. Well, we ask you!

At last the girls have found out how a boy feels when he asks for a date, and some of the boys know what it is like when everyone neglects to call.

If any of the boys have any fears about not getting asked to the leap year party, they had better start concentrating on one particular girl in the intervening time. Then she will probably get up her nerve and ask the concentrator for a date.

Isn't it odd that some of the McPherson College students continue their education on Saturday by attending country school? A car full of students was seen last Saturday at one of the nearby rural schools.

Pity the poor reporter, for he can never be the life of the party. Whenever he knows a spicy bit of gossip or news he must gulp it down and save it to print in the Spectator.

Do you know there seems to be a "Blue Disease" at M. C.? At least it seems to be catching fast. We heard two members of the weaker sex discussing troubles about "sure getting the tough breaks this year" and "deciding to be men-haters." Then a fair hero showed his discouragement after attempting to receive a date over phone, gets a "tough break" when two girls hang up in his face! And not so long ago we saw a regular couple sit beside each other in class with a vacant chair between them—we're sure each must have been sad at heart. Then last week a "Lonesome M. C. Man" shouted out to some girl his wanting a date. All we can say is—look! like the Blue Pontiac isn't receiving as much attention as our last week's ad should call for.

Maybe the Bethel president was talking Oke when he said we were only worth 98 cents. But let us ask the question—Would Hope and Rita Nichol each be worth \$1.93 at that rate?

Dr. Bright suggests that the business office use high-powered salesmanship as Edward IV did. Then the students will not object to going in there and will come out smiling.

Professor Hess maintains that the young people of today are just as silly when it comes to matters of love, especially the first week of school, as they were way back in the Roman period. Well, we guess he knows.

The girls who "whiteaway" the time in the Y. W. room find many topics for discussion, all the way from priests to their favorite kind of pie, the last being the result of the chicken dinner at the Brethren church.

If any of you fair females are thinking of marrying any of these college chumps, now is the time to make a good wife out of your future husband!

The person who has a car which will run these icy days is somewhat out of luck, for he is usually requested to transport several extra passengers whose limousines refuse to respond.

How many know what "lap suppers" are? Part of the Spectator staff did not when the phrase was

printed last week and then discussed at a staff meeting. They finally decided that the girls must have sat on the boys' laps and fed them.

We desire that all students of Prof. Mohler's classes bear kindly with him in his great misfortune. He has been very rudely awakened, by some inconsiderate person, to the fact that he uses the term "all right" to a slightly immoderate extent. He confessed his fault in Biology class the other day only to find that he could not resume discussion of the lesson without the use of the term. He told of this experience to another class but within the next minute he had used the term three times to his own vexation. However, he blissfully and unconsciously used his "all right" at least sixteen times in the next twenty minutes.

Rome fell—so did Elaine Beard. She had just commented how terrible it would be if someone should fall—and down went Elaine on the sidewalk between the ad building and science hall! Self-pity—eh pity, eh what?

Imagine a gathering of such important personages as Gandhi, Mussolini, Jane Addams, Colonel Lindbergh, Mme. Schuman-Heink, Mrs.

Franklin Roosevelt, Helen Wills Moody, and Bill Murray! Yes, they all and many others assembled at a foodless banquet in the principles of interpretation class, Friday, December 9.

Only ten more days until Christmas! If you haven't already done so, you had better be doing your Yuletide hinting!

On girl expressed the A Cappella choir program, Friday, as being a gorgeous one—and wasn't it all that and some more?

The other day Onetta Boyer came home from the dentist with a big task which she said was her wisdom tooth. "And it didn't hurt a bit," as she exhibited the talon-like thing.

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SPORTS

SPEC WRITER PICKS INTRA-MURAL TEAM

Yoder, Custer, Austin, Gottmann and Meyers on First Five

One of the sports writers for McPherson College's greatest newspaper, The Spectator, picks his all-star intra-mural basketball team. If you don't like the selection make one of your own and it will be your official team. This is ours.

First team selection: Forwards, Yoder and Custer; Center, Austin (captain); Guards, Gottmann and Meyers.

Second team selection: Forwards, Stoner and Kraus; center, Taylor; Guards, Tice and Larsen (captain). Honorable mention: Brubaker, Replogle, Williams, Whitchee, Landes, Sink, Edwards, Johansen, Nettleton, Salice, Hughey, and Pollmer.

The two teams which tied for first place in the league had the largest number on the first team; two each, and Meyers captain of his own team was the other selection on the first team. Yoder and Custer could never be denied their places on the first team with their ability to dribble in and sink baskets. Yoder was sure fire on his passes as well as in putting the ball through the hoop. Custer though very small in stature more than made up for this lack in speed and his setups were always made good. Austin was made captain of the all-stars mostly because of his excellent team management even when he had only four men on the court. He was also very accurate on his shots. Gottmann and Meyers could above all else play their positions at guard through accurate passes and were able to sink baskets when ever the opportunity arose. Meyers usually played forward on the floor but he would have made a good guard if put in that position.

Stoner and Kraus could hardly be denied places on the second team and were very close, in ability, to the first team men. Their passes and shots were generally true however they could not break quite as fast as the first team men when they were supposed to get down the court in a hurry. They were high scorers. At the center post was put Taylor, on Replogle's team, who liked to shoot and often made the ball go through the hoop by some magic trick or otherwise. The choices for the guards were Tice and Larsen from the two winning teams and their ability to hold down opponents who fail would shoot baskets cannot be underestimated. However they seemed to lack slightly in their ability to roll up points that the guards on the first team could make. Larsen was made captain of this aggregation.

Every one of the men who received honorable mention were scrappers always in there with skill ready to work against the best wishes of opponents. However every member in the league gave his best for his team and all should get generous helpings of the praise which might be distributed.

COACH ENTERTAINS BOYS WITH A WAFFLE SUPPER

Coach Melvin J. Binford entertained the football boys at a waffle supper on Friday evening, December 9, at his home.

The members of the team that were present were George Zinn, Leonard Wiggins, Wayne Blume, Harold Reinecker, Robert Bowman, Donald Walstrom, Eugene Anderson, Glen Lichty, Russell Carpenter, Loren Rock, Fred Nace, Paul Nelson, Nowell Wine, Walter Weddie, Orville Eddy, David Duncanson, and Chester Johnston, and the coach.

At 8 o'clock the boys went to the evangelistic meeting at the church, afterwards returning to the Binford home. An enjoyable social hour was had by all.

THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES PLAY NEW GAME

Deck Tennis or Tenna Quoits Innovated

Deck tennis, or tenna quoits, is being played by the freshman girls in their physical education classes.

The game is called tenna quoits when only two or four people play. The quoit, or rubber ring, is thrown back and forth over the net, the score being counted the same way as in tennis. The quoit may not touch the body of the player except the hand and wrist, and it must be caught in only one hand. It must leave the hand of the server before it is as high as his shoulder, going upward at least six inches. No overhead throws are allowed. The quoit may not be held at all; it must be returned immediately, by the hand that caught it. No player may run with the quoit.

In deck tennis the rules are the same, except that as many as desire may play, each side rotating and counting its score as in volley ball.

Y. M. C. A. GIVES PING PONG TABLE TO SCHOOL

Another amusement has been offered for the use of the McPherson College faculty and students. The Y. M. C. A. has installed a ping pong table in room C, west of Professor Hess' classroom in Sharp Hall.

The table and the paddles were built by Donald Breshner and Edwin Carlson in Woodwork class. The net was made by the clothing class, the canvas being contributed by Vernon Rhoades.

Each student who plays is asked to bring his own balls. These may be purchased from the Y. M. C. A. president, Lilburn Gottmann. The room is open from 12:30 to 5:30 each day except Saturday when the hours are from 7:30 a. m. to 10:30 p. m., and on Sunday, when it is open outside of church hours.

MANY THINGS HAPPEN AT OTHER COLLEGES

Interesting and varied things are happening at other schools as anyone can easily see if he looks over the exchange papers in the library:

The University Daily Kansan is of the opinion that college students should be given more "ten minute quizzes" so that their gleanings from the course can be more accurately determined. Is this a reflection on K. U. professors?

At Hays State College last week Clark Hallam, lecturer and journalist, spoke on Chinese problems, art, and poetry.

This whole week is Leap Year Week at Bethany. No boy is allowed to ask a girl for any date, while a girl may request male company on any night. Moreover, one sorority requires all its pledges to have a date every night.

And over a week ago Washburn held a Leap-Year Varsity at the Woman's Club.

While at Baker the students are seriously considering the policy of "going Dutch" on all dates.

The Arden Players at the Kansas State Teachers College at Pittsburg recently produced the play "The Passing of the Third Floor Back."

Wichita University has withdrawn from the Kansas Debate Conference and instead has organized an interfraternity and inter-sorority debate league to be conducted on a tournament basis.

Dr. Hugo Wall of the Political Science Department of Wichita U. addressed the Social Science Club at Bethel last week on the timely question of Trade and Debts.

The Farthest-North Collegian, the publication put out monthly by the Alaska Agriculture College and School of Mines at College, Alaska, says that thirty-three per cent of their students are from the United States and foreign countries.

The Southwestern Collegian, the weekly newspaper at Winfield, is now limited to one page.

A Wichita University professor is giving a candy bar to any student

who can prove that the professor called him down unjustly in any of his classes. It is supposed that the depression is one reason why that is not tried at M. C.

At Wichita University all but 155 of the 1285 students enrolled have a church preference.

PERSONALS

Edna Bengtson spent Thursday night in the dormitory with Leona Benhardt.

At a recent district tournament at Hutchinson, the Ellinwood high school debate team took first place of class B schools. This team, which has won first place the last two years, was coached by Floy Brown, a graduate of McPherson College.

Lola Hawkins and Ruth Idle went to Hutchinson Saturday to shop and returned Sunday afternoon.

Lois Shelly spent the week-end with Margaret Hauser at the latter's home in Marion.

Alice Egbert was a week-end guest at LeNora Johnson's home in Galva.

Oneita Boyer was a luncheon guest Sunday at Elsie Lindholm's.

Edith Beechtelhelmer, Lois Lackey, Guy Hayes, Kermit Hayes, and Lloyd Larsen motored to Hutchinson Saturday afternoon.

A party consisting of Esther Brown, Esther Stegeman, Leona Benhardt, Leone Shirk, Vernon Rhoades, Leland Lindell, and Prof. Alvin Vorn resurrected a sled from a cave and were among those to go sleigh riding last week. Agnes Bean, Maude Amelia Barber, Harry Frantz, and Glenn Lichty, took advantage of the show on Monday night.

Loren Rock and Lloyd Larsen were in Hutchinson Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lora Trostle, who was matron at the girls' dormitory here for many years, is critically ill at her home on College Hill. She has suffered several severe heart attacks.

BULLDOGS START BASKETBALL

(Continued from Page One) shot, and Austin, a scouter with a good basket eye, are all working for the position.

Other members of the squad include Hart, forward, and Wine, Weddie, and Meyers, guards. Harold Johnston is also working out with

the squad but will not be in school until the second semester.

Merely as an experiment the college will attempt to meet the present demand by lowering the admission price for the opening game of the season. Twenty-five cents will be the admission charge for the opener, which is with the St. Benedicts Ravens here January 11. If the proposed plan is successful it is understood the college will not change the price.

Following is the tentative schedule of the Bulldogs:

- Jan. 11—St. Benedicts, here.
- Jan. 13—Friends, there.
- Jan. 20—Wesleyan, there.
- Jan. 27—Friends, here.
- Feb. 1—Bethany, there.
- Feb. 3—Baker, here.
- Feb. 9—Ottawa, here.
- Feb. 10—Bethel, there.
- Feb. 20—Bethel, here.
- Feb. 23—Baker, there.
- Feb. 24—Ottawa, there.
- Feb. 25—St. Benedicts, there.
- Feb. 28—Wesleyan, here.
- March 3—Bethany, here.

PADDLE ROLL

- Merland Edwards Dec. 14
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- Ann Heckman Dec. 16
- Chester Johnston Dec. 17
- Alfred Hart Dec. 20

Y. W. C. A. BAZAAR CLOSSES

The Y. W. C. A. Bazaar closed Friday afternoon, December 9, at 4:30. The unsold articles were packed and sent back to the company.

The girls are still selling the Christmas cards with the college seal. These cards are on sale at the college bookstore.

The Y. W. C. A. cleared about seven dollars from their bazaar. The

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