

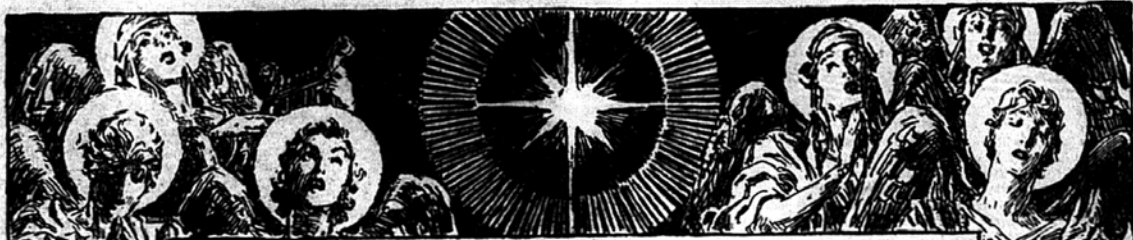
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## MERRY CHRISTMAS



Follow where the bright star leads,  
The angel said, and vanished.  
They left their sheep upon the plain  
And journeyed on. The camels,  
Heavy-laden showed their breath;  
The air was silent, still and sharp,  
For desert nights are cold  
Even in Galilee...

Midnight passed, the hours rolled,  
The east was glowing softly  
When they reached the place;  
Then the clear trilling of a bird  
Soared to greet the sun and  
Broke the stillness,  
They knelt down where a baby  
stirred...

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The way to build McPherson College is to indoctrinate college boosters.

## WHY GIVE A FINAL GRADE?

The student often asks himself the usefulness of the final grade that he receives. He is given a relative mark based possibly upon one or two tests and giving no accurate estimation of his accomplishments in the course and leaving much to be desired by those who wish to view his college record.

The present method has been carried over from our elementary education system where such a record was necessary to arouse greater competition and added interest. Perhaps this competition is desirable in college for some, but the majority of the students in college today "know why they are here."

Whatever the attitude the faculty may be in this matter the students can see little value in the "A," "B," or "C" that he will receive at the end of the semester.

## THE N. E. A. SPEAKS OUT

Oftentimes the student is accused of leaving the problem of leadership to the so-called practical man while he takes the part of the social trailer. The National Education Association in a recent meeting has set forth ten goals for the nation which all students should promote.

Those objectives which have been set forth are, for each individual: hereditly strength; physical, mental and economic security; participation in cultural evolution; an active, flexible personality; equality of opportunity; freedom; and fair play.

But the most pertinent question asked was, "What may we believe?" To aid individual personality and safeguard public welfare they urged that "Americans ought to fear the powerful commercial interests that are trying to exploit us through gaining control of our thoughts and opinions."

## RACKETEERING AND DEPRESSIONS

Collegiate racketeering has at last received official recognition—from no less an authority than President Ralph Cooper Hutchinson of Washington and Jefferson college.

Addressing the New Jersey State Teachers' Association, he charged that college students not only have developed their own undergraduate rackets, but that many graduates have chosen vocations which require them to engage in corrupt practices and to participate in graft.

As every student knows, President Hutchinson's statements are something more than an outburst of sensationalism—that the existence of campus rackets has been an open secret, particularly at the large universities, for years. Dr. Hutchinson cited the example of certain student committees which more often than not require orchestras chosen to play for college functions to "pay off."

All this was more true before 1929 than it is now. The depression has done wonders for our ethics—even, in some cases, against our will. Scarcity of ready cash is tending to correct a situation which might have become truly deplorable.

## ORIENTAL STUDENTS IN THE U. S.

Reports that Chinese students are being attracted more and more to European institutions of higher learning, rather than to the United States may be interpreted as the advance warning of an impending trade war of great magnitude in the Orient.

Whether it was generosity, altruism, far-sightedness or downright clever selfishness that brought the situation about, the fact remains that the United States—its government and people—has won considerable favor in China because of a little matter involving the Boxer indemnity.

Now European nations are waking up, with the result that a fairly effective propaganda campaign is being carried on to induce large numbers of Oriental students to complete their educations in European universities, England, Belgium, France, and Germany are particularly anxious to please the Chinese, but if we may be permitted just a little ultra-nationalistic exultation, we think they will find the United States still has the inside track!

What rein can hold licentious wickedness, when down the hill he holds his fierce career?—Shakespeare.

Some navies give the men honor before a battle, but we depend upon good American grit.—Secretary of the Navy Claude Swanson.

That most dangerous explosive—public opinion—is becoming more explosive and more dangerous.—Newton D. Baker.

## Our President Speaking - 2 -

As we enter the Christmas season, I hope that something of the unalloyed Christmas gladness may be yours. If we are permitted to go to our homes and visit our families and friends, let us take to them that which will make their burdens lighter, their happiness greater.

Seldom has the world been in need of the gladdening spirit of love and unselfishness so largely manifest at Christmas time. Seldom have so many people been in need of an encouraging word, a pleasant smile, a gentle human touch as they do now.

—V. F. SCHWALM.

## A STUDENT COMPLAINT (Not an Editorial)

Now, I don't want to complain, but there are some things that just can't be tolerated. The other night I went to shower and shave just before taking my girl out, and I discovered that the water in both the shower room and the wash room was nearly stone cold.

Now, seriously, this is more truth than fiction. The boys' dorm is notorious for its cold rooms and cold water. A boy can tolerate almost anything but cold shaving water.

## MOTHER'S JAM AND COOKIES

"Sonny, where's the jam and cookies that I placed upon the shelf For our Christmas turkey dinner? Guess you must've helped yourself."

Sonny says, "I know not Mother But they must have been so sweet Guess the kitty must've got 'em For she hasn't m'ot 'em."

But in Sonny's mind is pictured Just the "bestest" place to be Out behind the strawstack yonder Was the place that he could see.

All around the straw lays scattered Where upon the ground he lay Out of sight from home and Mother There he hid the jam good-day.

Then he 'membered in the corn-crib How he sat there after night Crunching at those crispy cookies As he crunched them out of sight. By Clarence Anderson.

## JITTERINGS OF THOUGHT

School is about over . . . That is, for a while of course. . . Fond adieux are being heard here and there. . . We'll give VI the prize for creating the greatest sensation at our basketball games. . . And here we thought she and a rosy-cheeked lad from Idaho were . . . well, you know, just no-so.

Splatters of blood on the sidewalk leading to Carnegie. . . A murder on the campus he don't doubt. . . Oh, no, it's only a reminder of "M" Club initiation day. . . Duncanson pushed a block with his nose and this precious body fluid came from his nose during his act. . . We extend our sympathy to the side walk, and to Dave's nose.

If we follow the Sweden's school program . . . but who wants to . . . we wouldn't be attending classes today because of our victory over the Swedes. . . It seems that our friends to the north get out of school whenever they store away a victory. . . Needless to say, vacations were few and far between during the past football season. . . Teuton's smile is evidenced again on the basketball court. . . On his face too, silly, but when he's playing the game, he smiles. . . Of course he

PADDLE ROLL table listing names and dates: Lucille Ballard Dec. 21, Elsie Carlson Dec. 21, Chris Johansen Dec. 22, Lawrence Fields Dec. 22, Gail Patterson Dec. 25, Gladys Riddell Dec. 25, Brice Peck Dec. 26, David Pearson Dec. 27, Paul Booz Dec. 28, Glenn Webb Jan. 3, Joe Zuck Jan. 3

## PERSONALS

Elsie Carlson was out of school Monday and Tuesday because of the death of an uncle, Edwin Carlson was absent Tuesday in order to attend the funeral.

Although the holiday season proper does not begin until Friday, a few of the students have gone home earlier. Ralph Cripe, who has three days and nights of constant riding before him to get to his home in Whitefish, Montana, left Saturday.

Mother Emmert says she has been quite busy the last few days dealing out soda water and cold pills to pupils who are inclined to be indisposed. Some of the students have suffered slight illnesses the last few days. Gail Patterson was slightly ill Monday and Betty Lou Cameron was sick Wednesday.

Dean F. A. Replogle was the speaker at the First Baptist church the last two Sundays. He spoke at both morning and evening services.

Dr. Ray C. Petry spoke at the Congregational church last Sunday morning.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Response to the request of the social committee early in the year have thus far proved ineffective. The committee is still open to any suggestion by the students. All students are urged to offer their suggestions in the near future and continue to do so throughout the year to make this organization more effective on our campus.

## TWELVE DAYS' VACATION

The Christmas vacation this year begins today at 4:30 p. m. and ends Wednesday morning, January 4, at 8:00 a. m. This year's holiday season is somewhat shorter than last year's, lasting only twelve days.

The final examinations begin three weeks after the recess, beginning on January 24.

Hutchinson high school students are honest about their reasons for being late. Many of them say they were "just slow."

## Exchange Notes

William Andrew Dyche began his thirty first year last week as business manager of Northwestern University.

One physician and nineteen police officials from all sections of the United States and one from Mexico are enrolled in the third course in scientific methods of crime detection and police training given at the Scientific Crime detection laboratory of Northwestern University.

Among other fines imposed upon undergraduates at Union College, Schenectady, is a fine of 6 cents if caught wearing hats within the walls of the college.

In a series of interviews by a member of the Daily Cardinal, University of Wisconsin, it was discovered that students at the university consider the Fourth and Fifth Commandments the most vital ones of the ten Commandments.

The University of Chicago and Northwestern will be officially combined into one large institution, it was learned the other day.

## GIRLS ASK FOR ADDED HALF HOUR ON SATURDAY NIGHT

The young women of McPherson college have disagreed with the NRA in regard to time. The NRA says "Let there be shorter hours." The young women—those of Arnold Hall in particular—said "Let there be longer hours, especially on Saturday nights," in a petition recently presented to the Dean of Women.

Although the other evenings were perfectly satisfactory, Saturday evenings were too short. Something had to be done about it. Consequently, the petition was circulated. When there were sufficient signers, it was given to Miss McGaffey, Dean of Women.

The request was not extreme. All that was desired was one half hour longer before closing time. The change was considered, and the request granted for the time being. The young women of Arnold Hall may stay out until 11 o'clock instead of 10:30 o'clock any or every Saturday evening until March, when the matter will be reconsidered. If the trial is successful, the change will then be made permanent.

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**FACULTY ARE HOSTS  
IN FRESHMAN PARTY**

Members of the faculty were hosts Saturday night to a number of the freshmen at a party given in five different homes. The freshmen were entertained by Dr. and Mrs. Ray C. Petry, Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Yoder, Prof. and Mrs. R. E. Mohler, Prof. and Mrs. M. A. Hess, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fries.

The guests were divided into five groups, each going to one of the five homes. At the expiration of half an hour, each group went to a different home, thus continuing until the round had been made. Group games were played in some of the homes, and an orchestra was provided at one place for entertainment. Refreshments were served at the last home visited.

**PROPOSED UNIVERSITY  
MERGER IS PROTESTED**

Evanston, Ill. (CNS)—Bitter opposition to the proposed consolidation of the University of Chicago and Northwestern University developed this week, following a student demonstration against merger at the latter institution.

During the anti-merger demonstration, such catch-phrases as these were heard: "If John D. (John D. Rockefeller) can't support Chicago, how can we?" "Northwestern merge means submergence."

Meanwhile, Melvin A. Traylor, Chicago banker and member of the Northwestern Board of Trustees, announced that special headquarters had been opened in the windy city for the various committees appointed to study various merger plans. He declared that the new headquarters would act as a "clearing house for all information pertaining to the merger" and indicated that much study will be required before any final decision is reached.

"Our principal hope in the preliminary examination of the proposed merger is that the public will maintain an open mind and will not prejudge the issues before we have an opportunity to study all implications," Traylor declared. By clearing all information through this office, we hope to avoid false rumors which might be alarming to friends and alumni of the two universities. Nine faculty members and nine members of the Alumni Association at Northwestern were named to serve on committees which will cooperate with a special trustees' committee in studying the proposed consolidation.

**CUBANS NOT HOSTILE TO  
U. S. SAYS ROTARY LEADER**

Letter Received By Dean Mohler from Rotary Leader is Favorable to Us

News of interest to all students of international relations was received a few days ago by Dean R. E. Mohler from M. A. Gutierrez, governor of the twenty-fifth Rotary District, at Guantanamo, Cuba.

The letter follows: "Our political situation here has been constantly in the press since Machado's downfall of August 12, but with a marked red tinge since Sept. 5th, when Dr. Carlos Manuel de Cespedes was displaced by Grau San Martin, seconded by the Army and Navy.

"Since Sept. 5th, newspapers have published the hostile attitude of the U. S. and expressed publicly all over the island. The people of the U. S. have undoubtedly viewed this as the general sentiment of the Cuban people, but I assure you that this expression is that of a very small minority, who have taken advantage of this abnormal situation to try to impose certain tendencies that are contrary to the feeling of the majority.

"That the Cuban people, excepting as I have said above, the very small minority, appreciate the friendly feeling of the people and government of the U. S. is evidenced by the declarations of Rotary Clubs, Chambers of Commerce, War Veterans and other civic institutions against these manifestations of small groups, who have no weight in the public opinion.

"At this writing the Grau Martin government is still in power, but— with few exceptions—everybody is desiring a change that will permit the re-establishment of mutual beneficial relations with the American government."

**ARE THERE TWINS IN YOUR  
COMMUNITY, OR TRIPLETS?**

If there are twins or triplets in your community, you should note their names, addresses, age, sex and occupation, and bring the information back with you from the holidays.

The request is being made by Dean F. A. Replogle who asks that any information concerning twins be given him by January 6. The material is for the benefit of Dr. Harry Benjamin of San Francisco who is making a research study on twins.

**VASSAR HEAR FAVORS  
STRICTER LIQUOR CONTROL**

Poughkeepsie, N. Y. (CNS)—Both the Eighteenth Amendment and its repeal can be regarded as major catastrophes, according to Dr. Henry N. McCracken of Vassar College.

In an address before the student body of Vassar, of which he is president, Dr. McCracken declared that he regretted stricter control over liquor sales had not been exerted by the government.

"Both the Eighteenth Amendment and its repeal may be regarded from different points of view as major catastrophes," he said. "The Eighteenth Amendment was called by President Hoover 'a noble experiment.' Its repeal subjects the American people to a still more critical experiment.

"I regret the lack of strict federal control of conditions of sale, as well as of manufacture of liquors. I regret the lack of the separation of the places of sale of liquors of high and low alcoholic content. I regret that higher taxes are not imposed on liquors of higher alcoholic content."

**HERSHEYS ENTERTAIN CHEMISTRY STUDENTS IN PARTY**

The members of the chemistry club were the guests last Friday evening of Dr. and Mrs. J. Willard Hershey in the annual chemistry social which was held in the Y. W. C. A. room.

Various contests and games were provided for the evening's entertainment. Glenn Lichty was awarded the prize in the game of cootie, while Glenn Turner won the booby prize. Refreshments of pumpkin pie and coffee were served to the guests. About sixty were present.

**FRESHMEN GIVE PROGRAM**

The last of a series of chapel programs given by the different classes of the college was presented Monday by the Freshman class.

Willard Fleming opened the program by leading devotionals. A mixed quartet consisting of Willard Fleming, Mary Eisenbise, Lillian Pauls, and Bruce Peck, gave a number. This was followed by two readings, "An Awful Threat" by Maxine DeMotte and "Christmas Presents for a Lady" by Bernice Dappen. Vern Traver sang two solos and the program was closed with a chalk drawing by Chester Caldwell.

Paul Booz of the social committee presented at this time the proposition that each student contribute for the purchase of a radio for the Y. W. room.

**MENDENHALL RESIGNS**

Dr. O. W. Mendenhall, president of Friends university, and prominent in Kansas Conference circles, resigned this week to become the head of Whittier college, near Los Angeles, California.

Dr. Mendenhall was on a committee headed by Dr. V. F. Schwalm to urge support for the church colleges of Kansas.

**LIBRARY HOURS CHANGED**

The evening library closing hour has been changed from 9:30 to 8:50 in order to avoid the break in study hours caused by the earlier closing.

There is no other change in library hours, although many students are not yet aware that the library opens at 7:45 a. m. every class day in order to facilitate the return of reserve books before 8 o'clock.

Saturday hours are from 10 a. m. to 3:30 p. m., with a lunch hour from 12:30 to 1:30.

The library is not open Friday evenings, or during basketball games on the home court.

**MUSICAL PROGRAM IN Y. M.**

The Y. M. C. A. program last Tuesday was of a musical nature with Warner Nettleton, music committee chairman, in charge.

Victor Myers and Daisy Bradshaw sang a duet entitled "God is Our Refuge." They were accompanied by Mildred Gordon at the piano. Warner Nettleton sang a solo and was accompanied by Hazel Welmer. Ruth Welmer and Warner Nettleton sang a duet entitled "Jesus Leads." Floyd Harris then played a cornet solo of his own arrangement entitled "Little Sea Nymph." He was accompanied by Viola Harris.

**CANTON TEAM WINS**

The Canton high school debate team under the supervision of Vernon "Dusty" Rhodes, McPherson 23, won a cup at the invitation debate tournament held at Hutchinson last Friday and Saturday. Canton was awarded first place among the class B debaters, winning decisions in 11 out of 14 debates. Spearville took second place in the same class.

Hutchinson Junior College sponsored the debate which included 18 Kansas high schools.

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The students who will be unable to go home for the Christmas vacation will be entertained by students of the city and the faculty members. The short vacation combined with a great distance have made it impossible for many to spend the holidays at home.

Each year an effort is made to brighten up the vacation in this manner.

At the end of a three week rushing period at Brown University, the freshmen assembled at Sayles Hall where after a formal meeting, they receive envelopes containing bids from the houses that wish to pledge them, and then sign under their choice and at once go to that house to receive their pledge pins.

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**McGAFFEY SPEAKS TO W. A. A.**

The W. A. A. held a short meeting Monday evening, December 18. Miss Edith McGaffey, sponsor of the association, gave a talk telling how the girls might make their organization more effective on our campus.

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# SPORTS

## BULLDOGS ROUT SWEDES IN PRE-SEASON GAME

### Bethany Swedes Unable To Stop Strong Offense of McPherson Squad

The local basketball squad routed the Bethany college Swedes for the second time this year last Tuesday evening by a score of 52 to 14. The Bulldogs took an early lead and were never threatened throughout the entire game. Being a pre-season game it will have no effect on the conference standings.

Throughout the entire game the McPherson squad had to fight hard against a determined team, the visitors showing a tight defense on every hand.

Pauls started the scoring for the Bulldogs by a free throw and a field goal from H. Binford gave the local team an early lead. After the first ten minutes of play the game took on a one sided effect, the Bethany scoring machine being unable to function against the Bulldog defense. The half ended with the Bethany team trailing, 21-7.

Substitutions were made freely in the game, Coach Binford wishing to try some new combinations in action.

Bethany college ran up a total of 17 fouls in the game. Anderson, a guard, went out of the game in the second half. He scored their only field goal in the first half of the game.

Pauls led the Bulldogs with 17 points, while three McPherson players ran up a total of forty points.

The second team won over their opponents, the Bethany seconds, with a score of 27-13. Schul was high scorer with 9 points.

The box score:

McPherson (52)	FG	FT	F
C. Johnston	5	0	2
Pauls	6	5	3
Meyers	1	0	2
Yoder	1	1	0
Binford	2	1	0
H. Johnston	4	5	1
Wiggins	0	0	1
Hau	0	0	0
Schul	1	0	0
Vasquez	0	0	0
Wingard	0	0	0
Totals	20	12	9

Bethany (14)	FG	FT	F
Bruce	0	1	4
Hartley	0	0	2
Oliver	0	0	2
Anderson	2	0	4
Johnson	0	1	2
Lemon	2	2	3
Hammer	1	0	0
Malgren	0	0	0
Meyer	0	0	0
Totals	5	4	17

Referee: Carl Kopelk.

## BULLDOGS WIN OVER HASTINGS COLLEGE TEAM

The McPherson college Bulldogs opened their basketball season with a win over the Hastings, Nebraska cagers. The final score was 31-17.

A tight determined defense was mainly responsible for the fine showing of the Bulldogs in this opening game. With only about eight practices before this game the Binford coached team played a pretty nice passing game and showed wonderful defensive strength.

After allowing Hastings to score the opening basket the Bulldogs held the Nebraskans in check and ran the score to 14 while Hastings got a free throw and the half ended with the Bulldogs leading, 14-3.

The McPherson five continued with their stellar defensive work at the start of the second half and Hastings scored their second field goal of the game after about eight minutes of the second half had been played.

The Nebraska cagers scored a few baskets during the latter part of the game but never threatened the Bulldog lead. Pauls, McPherson forward, led the scoring for the game, scoring baskets from all angles mostly on drive in plays after the defense had been drawn out of position.

Coach Binford kept the starting lineup composed of C. Johnston, Pauls, Meyer, Yoder and Binford, in the game until near the end when an entire new bunch was put in. The entire squad played good ball

although some early season raggedness was in evidence at times.

The box score:

McPherson (31)	FG	FT	F
C. Johnston	2	1	2
Pauls	6	4	0
Meyer	2	0	2
Yoder	2	0	0
Binford	1	0	2
H. Binford	0	0	0
Wiggins	0	0	0
Hau	0	0	0
Vasquez	0	0	0
Schul	0	0	0
Totals	13	5	6

Hastings (17)	FG	FT	F
Martin	0	1	2
Todd	1	0	0
Knudson	1	0	1
Cushing	3	3	2
Logan	0	0	1
McDannel	0	0	2
Rickel	0	0	1
Ewing	0	0	1
VanWye	0	0	0
Johnson	1	1	1
Totals	6	5	11

Referee: George Gardner.

A tradition as old as the university itself was abolished recently when President Conant of Harvard, according to the wishes of the students in the yard, agreed that the university's college bells should not ring at 7 a. m., but remain silent until 8:40.

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### NEW BOOKS RECEIVED

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