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Finis et Appreciation

This edition of the Spectator concludes the efforts of the staff to bring to McPherson College students the news of the week in an informative and interesting style. It marks the end of an effort which has required cooperation from a large number of students. Yet in all it has been an interesting venture and one of the great aids to those desiring elementary training in journalism and experience in writing.

In bringing the year to a close the staff wishes to express its appreciation to all who have aided in its publication. Its publication would not have been possible without it—your help has made the paper better. When the staff had to be reorganized after it had once been started, reorganization was difficult and it would not have been possible without the help of all.

In addition to the staff we wish to thank any others who have had a part in the publication of the paper. Every contribution has been appreciated.

And so in our last issue we say "finis et appreciation."

Emotionalism Scored

"What we've got to do in this nation is to get a more rational and scientific approach to life and its problems. The most ominous sign at present is the success of the appeal to the emotions. There never has been a time when there has been such a muddle state of thinking on public problems, or when demagogues have been so active in misleading the public." Such was the opinion expressed by America's famed scientist Dr. Robert A. Millikin in a recent speech. What America needs is more education, particularly in the field of science, he stated.

One thing which should be immediately noted is the weakness of any stress on science as a way out from the destructiveness of emotionalism. As far as science can go—among the intelligent and educated citizenry—science may provide a solution. But among the masses of people where the power of the demagogue is strongest there must be training, not only in the thinking of the people but in the general concepts of economic questions as they affect the social order.

Final Tests Again!

Rumors have been heard, stirrings have been felt, threats are in the air, and—students are actually studying. The day of reckoning has come again. Final tests are near. All kinds of arguments have been advanced expanding their demerits and their merits.

To a student born thirty years ago and reared in the conservative academic circles of that time they would not have been questioned in the least. Perhaps they would not have been considered so difficult because their method of study was geared to the type of studying required.

But today the air was full as the method of education has changed. Many schools have abandoned this type of study altogether. On the other hand the system has been modified in many schools. In our own college research tests which fill the requirement of a final in that it necessitates an extensive review while at the same time eliminating the cramming and the strain connected with a final exam. Another modification on our campus has been made with the monthly or bi-monthly test which fulfills the re-

quirements of the final exam. Another change which has been made recently on a campus nearby to our own is the comprehensive examination for seniors at Bethel college. After an oral exam of one hour the senior is through with his finals for the year.

At the same time one realizes that the test will continue in the future and that he will have to place himself to the grind.

FORMER STUDENT HONORED

Ruth Anderson, who debated for McPherson College for three years, has recently been initiated to the Phi Delta Delta at Washburn, an honorary law fraternity for women.

This is an international organization requiring a high standard of scholarship and character for membership.

Miss Anderson is an honor roll student in the Washburn Law School, and is secretary to Dean Allen of that school. She will graduate from the law course next June. Her first three years of college work were done at McPherson College.

Spec-Yu-La-Shuns

Well, folks, this column wouldn't be complete without some cracks about the pictures in the Quad. First and foremost is the first photograph in the book—the picture of the bridge down in the draw. All we have to say is that it certainly camouflaged neatly. Actually looks like some hustle scene. Then there is that ultra-typical pose of Prof. Blair, lost in deep meditation. And on the next page the forbidden picture, censored, and purloined. (The one of Prof. Hess, you know.) Following this is a hard-boiled crack at Gill's physiognomy and a characteristic action picture of Petry.

On page 21 we find a quizzical Dunc, a cynical Eddy, and a hard-boiled Giotfelli. Leland Abel displays an amused countenance and Modena Kauffman expresses vague disbelief. Mathes smiles at you complacently while Messamer across the way almost sneers at you. And between them, Mason grins a wee bit crookedly. Joe Zuck eyes us as though we were about to ask us for class dues, and Vic Moorman snooches up his eyes as if the sun hurt them. Helen Anderson by him almost says "Indeed!"

Bob Booz just below would be a perfect Adonis if it weren't for the fact that he looks cross-eyed; and Otho Clark would pass easily enough for a Stokowski II. Amos Miller displays his usual amused grin; Frankie Hiebert is downright good-looking for a change; Vi Harris is gay as usual, and Keedy is slightly surprised. Sweetland is the perfect picture of boredom, and Mike is faintly amused.

Pauline Abuhl seems interested in something (maybe she was looking at Zuhara) and Beasie Hawkins is the picture of youthful innocence (?). Lois Hoffer has on her Sunday-go-to-meeting grin and we would almost swear we can see the devil in Janet Manning's eye.

Lloyd Moehlman is slightly disgusted, Tella Reed is very wistful. If we didn't know Theresa Strom better we'd say she is saying "Peek-a-boo!"

On page 44 we see Van Hunt in the bottom row with an air of hopeful expectancy. Near him is Dave Metzger, seemingly a bit angry about something; Webb has a pained ex-

Literaria

Hamilton Basso Writes About Huey Long in Current Issue of Atlantic Monthly

It was after midnight, and the last extras were being cried through the streets; but the lobby of New Orleans' largest hotel was still crowded and full of noise. In one of the many recesses of the colonnade hall, its area of carpet littered with cigarette stubs and cigar bands and torn scraps of paper, a radio sent out the last of the parish returns. Surrounded all evening, an instrument of jubilation or despair, it was now forgotten. Felician's final tabulation was lost in a tumult of coughs and a singing and blaring tin horns. What happened in Feliciana, or in St. James or Lafourche no longer mattered. The 1928 election for governor was over. Huey was in Louisiana, for better or for worse, had taken unto herself a new head man.

The writer of this article was a reporter on a New Orleans newspaper then and had been sent to get a story about him, the successful candidate on the night of his victory. His newspaper had not supported him—had fought him bitterly, in fact; but Mr. Long had not yet taken to the habit of having reporters from opposition newspapers thrown from his rooms. That was to come later, when the struggle for power in Louisiana began to gain its present bitterness; when Long surrounding himself with body guards, set out to become monarch of all he could possibly subvert. He was younger then, just thirty-five, and less experienced in dictatorial tactics. Besides, on this occasion he could afford to talk to his enemies—even if only to crow.

Mr. Basso had heard Long speak to the country people many times. He remembers one meeting in a little town in the Teche country. It was late fall, but the long bayou summer had lingered and the evening was hot and still. There were patches of perspiration on the blue shirts of the fishermen and the women stirred the air with slow palmetto fans. Huey, his shirt plastered to his back with perspiration, was speaking from the rear of a Ford pouring, as they say in that part of the world, acid in his eyes. He attacked the utilities and corporations and the New Orleans ring. He promised the people paved roads, free ferries and bridges, lower gas and electric rates, free schoolbooks—and most important of all—a government divorced from crookedness and graft. It was possible to believe what he said, to think that he was earnest and sincere, because as Public Service Commissioner, an office to which he was elected at the age of twenty-five, he had actually opposed the forces he now was battling—winning, in several cases, important victories for the people. He was young, too, and spoke American instead of bombast, and one liked his smiles and metaphors derived from the barnyard and the cornfield. One liked the stories he told and joined the others in laughing. So the reporter was glad, as he made his way through the celebrants which crowded Huey's campaign headquarters, that this wild young mustang from the hills of Winn Parish had been elected.

He was born in a four-room log

New Books in College Library

The following new books have been added to our library collection the last week:

- "Manual of the Grasses of the United States"—A. S. Hitchcock.
- "The Great Depression"—Lionel Robbins.
- "March of the Dragoons of the Mississippi Valley"—Louis Pelzer.
- "Aldrich"—M. W. Stephenson.
- "The Day of Cattlemen"—E. S. Osgood.
- "Discovery of the Elements"—Mary Weeks.
- "Techniques of Teacher Self-placement"—MacDougall.
- "Kansas Unit Program in Social Studies."

Lillian Peterson was at her home in Hutchinson over the weekend.

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BIRTHDAYS

- Virgil Brallier May 25
- Charles Simmons May 28
- Lee Hahn May 29

pression. We wonder why Leola (in the top row) has her hand in front of her face.

And on page 45—"No, Dunc, the birdie isn't up on the ceiling. Page 46—Johnnie is mad about something and looks like he's gonna clean up on someone. On page 48 we find Watkins with a "come-hither" look in her eyes.

And so we come to the end of another year. We hope we haven't hurt anyone's feelings (not too badly, at least). Wishing you all a rip-roaring Fourth of July, A Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year not to mention best wishes and all the other line of bunk that you find in "quads" this time of year. With this Dame Rumor signs off.

Senior Personalities

E. F. Weaver has preached for several years and did not become a part of the present senior class until last year. He took his earlier college work at Bethany Bible School in Chicago. He is majoring in philosophy and religion.

Elizabeth Wagoner is best characterized by one word—jolly. It is this characteristic which has made her well-liked by her classmates. "Beth" has been a member of the International Relations Club and of the World Service Group for three years. The A Cappella Choir has had her on its roster since its formation. She has served capably on the Y. W. cabinet for two years in the positions of social service chairman and treasurer, respectively. Her major field is history.

Iva Walker has often been admired for her pretty curly hair and her soft voice. She recently appeared in a new light as the harsh, catty older sister in the senior play, "The Youngest." Her first two years of college work were taken at the University of Omaha. English is her major field.

Dorothy Dell and Pauline Abuhl went to Salina Friday to attend the State Track meet.

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SPORTS

BAKER TAKES CONFERENCE MEET - BULLDOGS THIRD

Ottawa University Captures Second with Total of 50 Points - Bulldogs Accumulate 19 1/2 Marks.

Baker easily won the Kansas Conference Track and Field meet held at Salina last Friday, scoring a total of 68 points, while their nearest competitor who was Ottawa had 59 points. McPherson third with 19 1/2 points, C. of E. fourth with 14 points, Wesleyan fifth with 11 1/2 points and Bethany with 2 points.

Ed Dissinger, Baker winner of the mile and two-mile runs, was the individual star with 13 points. No conference records were near because of the weather.

The track and field results: Mile run—Won by Dissinger, Baker; Ghrist, Baker; second; Horrell, Baker, third; Ganfield, Wesleyan, fourth. Time, 4:46.2.

440-yard run—Won by Smith, Baker; Seaman, Baker, second; McNickel, C. of E., third; Hoover, Ottawa, fourth. Time, 53.8 seconds.

100-yard dash—Won by Farrow, Baker; Miles, McPherson, second; Coppoc, Ottawa, third; Paradise, Baker, fourth. Time, 10.5 seconds.

Shot put—Won by Geine, Baker; Watson, Wesleyan, second; Wasson, C. of E., third; V. Meyer, McPherson, fourth. Distance, 40 feet 3 1/2 inches.

High hurdles—Won by Koehler, Ottawa; Dingus, Ottawa, second; Casida, Ottawa, third; Mitchell, Baker, fourth. Time, 16.2 seconds.

Half-mile run—Won by Ghrist, Baker; Dissinger, Baker, second; Carey, C. of E., third; Porter, Baker, fourth. Time, 2:07.9.

Pole vault—Won by Haun, McPherson; Dingus, Ottawa, second; Dicker, Bethany, third; Wiggins, McPherson, fourth. Height, 11 feet.

Two-mile run—Won by Dissinger, Baker; Horrell, Baker, second; Ganfield, Wesleyan, third; Dowell, Ottawa, fourth. Time, 11:07.1.

Discus—Won by Meyer, McPherson; Miller, Wesleyan, second; Barker, Ottawa, third; Wasson, C. of E., fourth. Distance, 118 feet 2 inches.

High jump—Won by Dingus, Ottawa; Wiggins, McPherson, and Johnson, Wesleyan, tied for second and third; Smith, C. of E., and Robinson, Johnson, C. of E., tied for fourth. Height, 5 feet 7 inches.

Low hurdles—Won by Petty, Ottawa; Casida, Ottawa, second; Mitchell, Baker, third; Koehler, Ottawa, fourth. Time, 27.1 seconds.

Broad jump—Won by Starr, Ottawa; Casida, Ottawa, second; Rock, C. of E., third; Seaman, Baker, fourth. Distance, 21 feet 6 inches.

Javelin throw—Won by Eagles, Ottawa; Davison, Baker, second; Holman, Baker, third; Hartmann, C. of E., fourth. Distance, 156 feet 7 inches.

Mile relay—Won by Baker (Paradise, Porter, Seaman, Smith); C. of E., second; Ottawa, third; McPherson, fourth. Time 3:43.4.

SPORT LIGHTS

The tennis matches could not be played. They will be played at a later date if weather conditions permit.

The McPherson mile relay team won fourth place in the relay event. The personnel of the team was Stutzman, Graber, Heckman and Haun.

The records in all of the events were very low. This was due to the weather conditions. The representation in this year's meet was of better than average talent.

The state meet marks the close of every track season. This is the last of the intercollegiate sports for this school year. We sincerely hope that the teams of next year will carry the Bulldog banner as high as it has been carried this year. Several good men will graduate from the football squad this year, but there are many promising underclassmen that can fill their places. The basketball team only loses two by graduation, and the track squad

loses only one man that has been a consistent point-getter. Next year should be the banner year for the Bulldogs on the athletic field.

Senior Personalities

Maxine Ring is one of the most capable and active members of this year's senior class. She has taken part in various dramatic productions, including "The Importance of Being Earnest" and "Death Takes a Holiday." This year she acted as coach of the dramatics class play, "The Silver Cord." Maxine has been a member of the W. A. A. all four years of her college life. This year she has been on the Y. W. cabinet, holding the position of chairman of the social committee. Her major is English.

Corrine Bowers, as secretary to the Dean, is often to be found in the central office. She has always been a cheerful giver of information to students who have found her in a convenient location to be asked various questions. Corrine is a talented violin soloist, and has also been heard in duets and trios. She has played in the orchestra four years. She was a member of the Y. W. cabinet, having held the positions of vice president and conference chairman. She has chosen commerce for her major.

Bernard Suttle is noted for the involuntary baths he takes, such as the one he had on the senior sneak. He is interested in dramatics and took the role of the pompous bachelor in "A Tune of a Tune," one of the one-act plays given the first semester. He has played in the orchestra during the past year. Last year he attended Bethany Bible School in Chicago. His major is education.

Ralph Sweetland may often be seen trudging to and from town. He has played in the orchestra two years and in the pep band. The Chemistry Club has claimed him as one of its members for three years. He spent his freshman year at Fort Hays college. His major interest is chemistry.

The Y. W. room is the favorite hangout of Alice Urub; she may be found there at almost any time. During her freshman year Alice attended Northwestern State Teachers College at Alva, Oklahoma. She has chosen English and education for her major subjects.

The music which comes from Ronald Vetter's nimble fingers has delighted his classmates for three years. Ronald is not afraid of work, and by taking as many as twenty hours at a time, plus correspondence work, he has completed his college course in one year less than that usually required. He will receive his B. M. degree this spring at commencement, and his A. B. at the end of the summer session. His majors are music and chemistry.

Margaret Oliver's genial personality has been a decided asset to the senior class. It has also aided her greatly in collecting funds as treasurer of the class. Her leadership abilities have been demonstrated in her capable editorship of the Spectator and in her service on the Y. W. cabinet for two years. She was chosen to preside as queen at the recent McPherson Relays. Her major is English.

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JUNIOR SNEAK

(Continued from last week)

An outstanding feature of the game was the stellar performance of Dr. Petry at first base. He was very consistent at standing squarely on the bag even though a runner was endeavoring to touch it. Boob played a very good game in right field, making many spectacular catches.

The dinner bell was finally sounded and we trooped to the "mess hall" to see what the cooks, under the capable leadership of Leone Shirk, had prepared. To say the least, the meal was delicious, and everyone enjoyed it immensely.

If the navy has any openings for a good pilot, Gerald Custer should be recommended as a willing candidate. He "pushed" one of the motor boats around the river most of the afternoon. Of course there were those who desired seclusion. The fore-mentioned couples disappeared again, and Shery and Glessner, not to be outdone, gathered a boat load of the fair sex and went for a ride down the river. Then, too, we must not forget Lowe and Rothrock who preferred a silent running canoe and Boob, Evans, Shirk, and Kaufman who took an extended tour down the river. Even Dr. and Mrs. Petry ventured out upon the shaly waters for a ride.

There are outstanding people in every group. This one was not uncommon. Shery, who had been leading a rather quiet life, suddenly became inspired with a desire to become a hero—or what have you. Benefitting by the experience of one of the preceding seniors whom he had heard received a "merciless ducking" he donned an undersized bathing suit and stepped into a harmless looking craft with a reputation of wanting to float with the topside on the water. After a few icy baths

he mastered the boat and retired in seemed quite happy. After supper we all his glory to the boathouse, his loaded our scattered belongings and only regret being that a picture of the achievement was not secured for the 1936 Quad.

The group finally congregated for supper. There was evidence of sunburn, sprained ankles, and a sleepless night, otherwise the group scribe 4,572 situations.

It is alleged that the word "swell" is used by college freshmen to deless night, otherwise the group scribe 4,572 situations.

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