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M. C. Host to History Profs

Elmer Staats, '35, Speaks on "Foreign Policy of the New Deal and Recovery"

About 70 Attend

The Late Professor Hodder of K. U. Is Given Tribute at Noon Meeting

McPherson College was honored by being host to the tenth annual meeting of the Kansas History Teachers association last Saturday, April 4. Approximately 70 members of the association attended the meeting.

The theme of the morning session was "Recovery." Elmer B. Staats, former McPherson College student and graduate student of Kansas University, gave the opening address on "Foreign Policy of the New Deal and Recovery." Mr. Staats has recently accepted an assistantship at the University of Minnesota, the largest scholarship offered in the field of political science.

Professor H. C. Jordan, Coffeyville Junior College, gave the following address, "Some Recovery Methods Being Used in Canada." The next paper was on the subject, "The British Road to Recovery" presented by Professor Ernest Mahan, K. S. T. C., Pittsburg. "High School Social Studies and Recovery" was the theme of the talk given by Miss Jessica Smith, Wichita High School, North. The concluding paper of the morning session was "Recent Historical Literature," delivered by Professor John Rydberg, Municipal University of Wichita.

Luncheon and a business meeting were held at the college church during the noon hour. At this time tribute was paid to the late Professor T. H. Hodder, of the University of Kansas faculty who served 43 years as professor of history. S. A. Johnson, K. S. T. C., Emporia, delivered the tribute.

The afternoon session was given over to three short-addresses. The opening lecture was given by Professor E. L. Harshberger, Bethel College, on the subject "A Mid-Nineteenth Century Crisis." "The Homestead Act and the Labor Surplus" was the theme of the address of Professor F. A. Shannon, Kansas State College, and the concluding paper of the afternoon was "Some Aspects of Contemporary Japanese Progress" given by Professor W. W. Davis, University of Kansas.

After the afternoon session, Dr. and Mrs. Bright entertained at their home with an informal tea. There were approximately thirty guests at the tea, which concluded an instructive and successful meeting.

New officers for the coming year were elected. They are as follows: president, H. A. Shumway, El Dorado Junior College; vice-president, T. L. Parrish, Kansas State; secretary-treasurer, S. A. Johnson, K. S. T. C., Emporia.

Other members elected to the executive committee: J. D. Bright, McPherson College; Robena Pringle, Topeka High School; and Ernest Mahan, K. S. T. C., Pittsburg.

Dr. Schwalm Is Holding Pre-Easter Service at Mound Ridge

Dr. V. F. Schwalm, president of McPherson College, is holding pre-Easter services at the Mennonite Church at Moundridge.

These services began last Monday night and will be concluded Saturday night. Dr. Schwalm will journey to the Buckeye Church, next Sunday.

A Cappella Gives Program in Wichita

The A Cappella Choir of McPherson College presented a concert before the Saturday Afternoon Musical Club of Wichita on Friday, April 3. The program was given at the Twentieth Century Club building.

Numbers on the program were given by the A Cappella Choir, Margaret Fry, soloist, and the McPherson College male quartet.

Chemistry Club Not to Meet Today—Convenes in Two Weeks

The regular Chemistry Club meeting which is scheduled to be held at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon will not be held because of the beginning of Easter vacation. Two weeks from today, however, there will be a meeting at which Doctor Hershey will give his talk on "Synthetic Gases in Relation to Animal Life" that he will give next week in Kansas City at the American Chemistry Society. He will also show the movie which he will use in connection with his talk.

Dramatics Students To Give Three Plays

April 17 Is Set for Date of Presentation

Three one-act plays, "The Traveling Man," "The Valiant," and "When Angry Count One-hundred," will be presented by the dramatic arts department on the evening of April 17.

"The Traveling Man" by Lady Gregory is a symbolical play representing the sorrow in the life of a woman who has failed to see her opportunities. Delbert Crabb will appear in the play in a new role, that of singing a solo during the play. The little Irish boy is impersonated by Wayne Zook of College Hill. "When Angry Count One-hundred" is a light comedy written by Cavazzi. The characters of this play are Alfred Ames, Blanch Harris; and Eva Rosewarne, Estelle Baile. This is a society play with a clever twist at the end. "The Valiant" by Holworthy Hall has been the winner in more one-act play contests than any other play of recent years. There is intense suspense throughout the entire performance. The audience will find itself in full sympathy with the man who has courage to conceal his identity.

These plays which will be given in the college chapel are free to all regular enrolled college students. The admission for others is 15 and 25 cents.

Creative Leisure Commission Leads Discussion on Hobbies

"Hobbies" was the theme of the joint Y. W. and Y. M. meeting last Monday. The Creative Leisure Commission, headed by Kenneth Weaver, had charge of the program.

Paul Miller opened the discussion with a talk about the value of hobbies in general. Velma Watkins told of the hobby of collecting things. The hobby of doing things was treated by Fred Nabe, and making things, by Orville Beecher. Members of the audience took part in the meeting by mentioning unusual and interesting hobbies. The Creative Leisure Commission has been sponsoring various measures which encourage the development of hobbies and expect to accomplish even more in this field.

Election of officers was also held at the regular meeting. Results were as follows: Willard Flaming, president; Wanda Hoover, vice-president; Inez Goughnour, secretary; and Harold Mohler, treasurer. Installation of officers will be held next week.

Art Windows at Church Are Basis of Service

The windows of the college church served as a basis for the Sunday evening church services.

As a spot light was turned on the windows from the outside and the lights were turned off on the inside of the church, various college students explained the meaning of these beautiful representations of events in the life of Jesus.

To portray more vividly the message of the window representations there was musical accompaniment. This accompaniment was provided in the form of solos, duets, by a chorus, or by organ prelude.

Margaret Fry concluded the program by singing "The Lord is My Shepherd."

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Thursday, April 9—Easter vacation starts at 4:30 p. m. and classes will convene on Tuesday, April 14 at 8 a. m.
Sunday, April 12—C. E. at 6:45 p. m. in College Church.
Tuesday, April 14—Worship Service in Y. W. room at 7 p. m.

How Would You Like to:

See Lillian Peterson, Leone Shirk, and Archie Van Nortwick involved in a triangular love affair?

Hear and see Archie propose to two girls in one evening?
See Lillian uphold the leap year tradition and propose to a young man and, incidentally, be refused?

See Merle, as a knight of the Middle Ages, apply McPherson's famed "fire department" tactics to the business of wooing and winning a princess?

See Leone prove to a romantically inclined young man that she is the one with whom he is in love rather than the girl to whom he has just proposed?

Hear Mrs. Lowe tell how her husband proposed to her seven times before he met with success?

These are just a few of the many humorous situations you will see if you attend the Senior class play, "The Romantic Age," to be presented May 1.

Spring is Featured at W. A. A. Banquet

Annual Affair Held in Student Union Room Friday Night

"In the Garden" was the theme of the annual W. A. A. banquet which was held last Friday night in the Student Union Room. The new recreation room presented an attractive appearance decorated in pastel shades of crepe paper with the deep windows lanked with plants and flowers. The pleasant atmosphere was enhanced by a number of floor lamps which were placed at vantage spots in the room. Quartet tables were used. The Y. W. C. A. under the leadership of Leta Wine served a four course dinner, which was pronounced delicious by everyone who attended the banquet.

The springtime theme was further carried out through the entire program. The place cards were decorated with pink roses and the programs themselves were made with a garden scene decorating the covers. The menu was listed as different kinds of flowers, herbs, and birds. Phyllis Barnhaver, president of the W. A. A. and designated on the program as the Bluebell was toastmistress.

Becky Ann Stauffer, Rosebud, talked on the "Hardships of Becoming a W. A. A. member." Lucille Cole, The Old Fashioned Garden, made a chalk drawing. She was accompanied at the piano by Lucille Hornbaker. Corwin Bare or Johnny Jump Up gave a toast. The Bee, better known as La Yena High, gave a reading. Viola Lowe represented the senior girls with a farewell speech to the organization. She was appropriately named Forget Me Not. The Nightingale, in the person of Opal Hoffman sang a solo.

The girls entertained their escorts in various ways after the banquet. Some of them went to the show, some played monopoly, some went to the candy kitchen, others went to the Trade Exposition, and even a few used the parlors.

"The Seven Last Words of Christ" To Be Presented at College Church

An Easter cantata, "The Seven Last Words of Christ," will be presented at the college church Sunday morning at 8:30.

This has become a very popular cantata. It was written by Dubois. In the presentation Sunday morning the soprano, tenor, and baritone solo parts will be taken respectively by Margaret Fry, Harold Beam, and Alvin "Chevy" Vorn. A chorus of approximately forty members will be led by Chris Johansen.

M. C. Students and Graduates Placed as Department Heads

The Placement Bureau wishes to announce the appointment of Blanch Harris as head of the music department of the Little River schools and of Miss Vern Shoemaker as head of the home economics department at Bridgewater, Va.

Posey Jamison, '33, has been elected as principle of the Canton high school. Miss Constance Rankin, '32, has been appointed teacher of home economics in McPherson junior high school.

Lillian Peterson Heads Honor Roll

Leads with 56 Points—Sophas Place Most on List

Lillian Peterson again leads the honor roll with 56 points for the mid-semester. Alvin Lindgren is next with 48 points. Lois Guagy and Clara Schurman follow with 46 points each. Others on the mid-semester honor roll are Erwin Bentz, Paul Booz and Isobel Kittell with 45 points; La Mar Bollinger with 44; Corwin Bare, Willis Bredfeldt, Lowell Heluy, and Opal Hoffman with 42 points; and Lowell Haldeman with 40 points.

Honorable mention is given to Eldred Mathes with 39 points; Yolanda Clark, Lucille Cole, Leonard Lowe, and Eldora Van Dermark with 36; and Dorothy Miller with 35 points.

Sophomores lead the honor roll, placing six of its members on it. Seniors had four; juniors one, and freshmen two. Two members each of the senior and sophomore classes were given honorable mention. Juniors and freshmen each had one on the honorable mention list.

Hershey Reads Papers at Emporia

Dr. J. W. Hershey read a couple of papers at the Kansas Academy of Science meeting at Emporia last week-end. The meeting was also attended by Doctor Harnly, Professors Mohler and Bowman, Kurtis Naylor, and Harold Mohler.

Rotary Club Holds Meeting in New Student Union Room

College students gave the program for the Rotary Club meeting which was held in the Student Union Room last Tuesday night. After the dinner a musical program was given following which the club members were taken on a tour of the buildings on the campus. Students acted as escorts and the faculty members showed the visitors through their own departments.

The Rotary members commented freely upon the Student Union room which was financed, entirely and built by the college students.

Officers were elected for the fiscal year starting July 1 at the meeting. Peter Aurell, real estate agent, was elected president of the club; Leo Miller was elected vice-president; Carl Miller, treasurer; Ralph Johnson, re-elected secretary; and the new directors are E. J. Mary and Kenneth Krebbel.

College students who served or worked at the meeting were invited to a show at the Helstrom after the dinner.

Elmer Staats, '35, Receives Highest Scholarship Award

Elmer B. Staats, a graduate of McPherson College last year, has just recently accepted the highest scholarship in the political science department, from the University of Minnesota.

Staats during the past year has been taking graduate study at the University of Kansas. The scholarship offered him is an assistantship with tuition paid and 600 dollars a year. He was also offered a scholarship of \$450, which did not require any assistantship, at Syracuse University, N. Y., which he declined in favor of the other scholarship.

Staats will continue his study for his Doctor's degree having received his Masters from the University of Kansas.

Students Are to Elect Soon

April 30 Is Date of Primary, May 7 Is Final Election of Student Officers

Ballyhoo Is in Order

Nominations Are Made by Petition of Voters—Campaign Managers Are Then Selected

Student interest will soon be centered on the campaigning for prospective candidates to fill student offices for the 1936-1937 school year. The primary election will be held Thursday, April 30 in the chapel, and the final election will be held one-week later, May 7.

Offices to be filled are president of the student council, treasurer of the student council, editor of The Spectator, business manager of The Spectator, editor of the Quadrangle, business manager of the Quadrangle, men's cheer leader, and women's cheer leader.

Nominations are made by student petition. Each proposed candidate must be supported by a petition signed by fifty voters. If more than two candidates for any one office receive nomination all but two will be eliminated in the primary election. The students' choice will be determined by ballot in the final election.

Student officers this year are Paul Booz, president of the student council, who was chosen last fall to fill the vacancy left by Mrs. Agnes (Bean) Frantz; Clayton Rock, treasurer of the student council; Vernon Michael, editor of The Spectator; Lawrence Strouse, business manager of The Spectator, who was selected to take the place of Joe Zuck; Ohio Clark, editor of the Quadrangle; Archie Van Nortwick, business manager of the Quadrangle; Homer Kimmel, men's cheer leader; and Jessie Miller, ladies' cheer leader.

Any regular student of McPherson College is eligible to hold one of these offices, the only restriction being that the offices of president and treasurer of the student council are limited to upper classmen.

Enthusiasm in support of the various candidates reaches a high pitch by the time of the "ballyhoo" meeting preceding the final election. According to tradition each candidate must select a campaign manager who assumes the responsibility of boosting his candidate in every way possible before the election. On the day of the election political speeches are given in the chapel for the purpose of making known to the voters the qualities of the various candidates.

College Driveway Receiving New Mat Surface and Curbing

Work on the college driveway was begun the first part of this week. Progress is being made by the workmen who are now running the cement curb which will surround the bituminous mat.

The final layout of the drive calls for a double curb around the entire circle. The curb in front of Sharp Hall will be raised so as to keep cars from running over onto the grass. Between the curbs will be the bituminous mat which has been used on many of the streets of McPherson.

It is expected to have the curb completed by the first of next week. It will probably be a few weeks before the bituminous mat will be laid because of the cool weather.

Lehman Attends English Teachers Convention, K. U.

Miss Della Lehman attended the State College English Teachers Convention which was held at the University of Kansas Friday and Saturday last week.

This convention afforded the opportunity to hear Dr. Spaeth, now head of the English department of Princeton University and the newly elected president of Kansas City University.

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An Observation on Mirror Images

WEAKNESSES which any one who has ever been a student knows exist from time to time in some teachers were ably uncovered by the leading editorial in the last issue of this paper. Now may the professor, at whom the student has looked so astutely through a window, paint with quicksilver his side of that window so that the student sees for a moment, not the professor, but himself?

The professor, surveying his class, sees an assembly of individuals with abilities ranging from meagerness to marked superiority. He knows that if he presents materials of a calibre to stimulate the superior members, the majority will be lost in an intellectual fog. Conversely, if he simplifies sufficiently for the less gifted student, he bores the majority of the class. The result, as so often in social life, is a compromise. The teacher directs his class presentation to the average, realizing that although he bores some and sounds unintelligible to a few he is meeting the needs of most. To assist the slower members of the class, he assigns outside reading which to a certain extent repeat class work. To pique the interest and curiosity of the gifted, he suggests titles which supplement the class work, and occasionally in class ventures a conception over the heads of nine-tenths of the students.

And what response does the professor receive from the class? On the part of a few, that whole-hearted cooperation, eagerness, and endeavor which lift teaching from the humdrum and make it a joy. But for every true student, there are ten pupils—young people mature physically who have retained infantile study habits and learning attitudes. The typical college student is one who attends class because he must do so in order to obtain credit; who reads a minimum of the selected bibliography presented; who shows no attempt at synthesis, or carry-over to related topics; and who cares more about the grade in the registrar's office than he does about the principles incorporated into his living.

If the style of last week's editorial writer may be copied, we should list as students who do not enjoy in our classes those who:

—Do not investigate assigned readings.

—Never acquire the vocabulary of the subject.

—Ask, "May I miss class today and make it up?"; doubtless naively thinking that the class lecture was memorized from one chapter of a library book, and unable to appreciate it as the condensation and selection of years of study.

—Attempt facetious remarks for the amusement of their classmates.

—Come to class when too sleepy to remain awake. These students seem to confuse corporeal with mental presence.

—Show visual or audible ennui when another student is struggling to articulate an idea.

—Reason that "I studied and made a low grade in that quiz, so if I don't study for the next I'll make a better grade."

—Will not accept a teacher's invitation to discuss their particular class difficulties with them.

—Try to compensate with verbiage what they lack in thought.

—Enter class late more than once in three weeks.

—Chew gum in class.

—Consider studying a regrettable distraction from the frivolous ardour of being a College Student.

We welcome students who:

—Read enough of related material to become interested in the field.

—Offer thoughtful opinions and criticisms of theories heard or read.

—Relate facts in their everyday lives to course material.

—Show courtesy to teacher and students by dignified behavior in class.

—Discuss after class with the teacher points in examinations which they consider improperly marked.

—Have confidence in the professor's intellectual integrity and judgment, appreciating that perspective results only from study, research, and experience.

We commend the intentions of those students who fairly evaluate their associates, whether student or professor. In addition, we call to their attention the fact that education is an active process, with the student the agent and the professor a necessary aid and guide. The extent of the assistance given by any group of professors is limited by the abilities, intent, and application of the students to whom they minister. In conclusion, if we would improve our college, let the professors come up to the expectations of the exceptional students, and let the students give their wholehearted interest and cooperation to the immense problem of education.—A Professor.

Social Improvement is Test of Criticism

TONGUE-LASHING and "open fencing" seem to be favorite pastimes of the more critically minded persons of the usual college campus. McPherson College is no exception. All sorts of faults, petty and serious, of customs, systems, individuals, and groups become the topics put before the "firing squad" of collegiate critics.

May we express briefly our convictions and observations concerning criticism?

Some people like to take their medicine in the pure form. Others prefer their sugar-coated. Criticism can be either bare facts, or a few facts enwrapped in a lot of flowery nonsense. This latter is sometimes mistakenly called the tactful method, and is apparently much preferred

by those who "can't take it." Criticism should not be given dogmatically. At best it is but personal opinion, and even the wisest ages are at times mistaken.

Criticism, if valid, is good regardless of the source. Some people like to hide behind the flimsy shield of this sort of defense: "Of all persons, he is the least qualified to make such criticism, for he himself is guilty." Can it not be true that one is likely to observe most readily those faults in others which he himself has?

Helpfulness and kindness should be the spirit in which criticism should be given, and likewise the spirit in which it should be received.

Don't strike a man when he's tied. Likewise, don't use your position to

take unfair advantage. It should be possible to reply to criticism by the same medium through which it is given.

In conclusion may we say that the purpose of all criticism should be to improve the status quo. If society is bettered by it, it is to be desired. Here is our attitude: We don't like adverse criticism, but if it's true, we welcome it.—Vernon D. Michael.

As It Seems To Me

What Kind of Student Government?

A month or so ago the men of the Dormitory were convened for the purpose of setting up, by constitutional means, a Student Government for Fahnstock Hall. This meeting was called by the Dormitory Council, which has ceased to function since that time. By a show of hands the men voted to set up such an institution. A tentative constitution was presented as a basis for action. Before we had gone far in discussing and amending this constitution, it became evident that we could not finish our work at that meeting. The presiding officer acted on somebody's ill-founded suggestion to submit to a committee the task of drawing up a more satisfactory constitution and to proceed at once to the election of President, Vice-President, and Secretary. So, presto! it was done. We had these officers, but no student government. The President enjoyed the power of reconvening the men of the dormitory for the purpose of proceeding with the adoption of a constitution. The Vice-President might assist the President and take his place during his absence or inability. The Secretary might record all parliamentary action at the meeting. This is where we stand at the present time.

Disturbances caused by some of the men of the dormitory are thought to have given rise to the above action. These disturbances have continued in various forms. I favor student government if it is on a democratic, constitutional basis. But surely we must not permit anything less than justice to be the rule that guides our attempt at government. I for one would like to try to effect a Christian solution of our social problem. For instance, about five minutes before the supper-bell rang Thursday evening, April 2, six men from second-floor entered a man's room on third-floor and forcibly attached the man to his bed with adhesive tape. They left him there, with door and window locked, and went to supper. Now it is my opinion that such action as I have mentioned was prompted by a mob spirit. It did not partake of justice in any way. Justice would have required that we find out who did what, and punish accordingly, after "due process of law." I am convinced that other men in the dormitory have caused more disturbance than the one who was punished. Those hours set aside for study should be kept free from disturbances, which would keep anyone from studying. If a person usurps

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The Gallery

Jane Kent

Jay Hertzler is growing exceedingly romantic these nights. He voices his passion in the music of "When I'm calling you . . . Ooo . . . Ooo . . ." through the blasts of a stubborn trumpet.

Oliver Andrews is a faithful pal; his temper is soon sparked into action when anyone abuses his roommate. We are wondering if that was one of the events which helped to cause the late rioting Monday night.

Thoughts for a brilliant vacation: Late hours . . . a steak fry at Mound Ridge . . . a bright Easter-morning sunrise . . . two eggs for breakfast Sunday . . . a slumber party on the porch or a big fire-escape feed without remarks from the matron. And for you who are going home, you will have everything.

What's the matter with Milton and Becky Ann? They are overheard in the library whispering.

these study hours or creates a public nuisance at any time, or destroys property, the facts should be brought to light and such a person should be asked to desist. However, even if he does not comply with the request, from the standpoint of Christianity it does not follow that he must be subject to corporal punishment.

Since this is a Christian college I think we should welcome an opportunity to use such means of solving our social disorder as we know to be ethically desirable and psychologically effective. Shouldn't the Student Government in Fahnstock Hall be organized at once on this basis?—A Fahnstock Resident.

Boosting

"The devil was an angel until he began to knock his home town." According to this there would be plenty of devils all around us. At least, we do have a large number of "knockers."

However, the men and women, who are lifting the world upward and onward are those who encourage more than they criticize or knock. The person who is really doing a great service to the world does not have time to whine and fret.

Any "poor fish" can be a "Knocker" but it takes a real "game fish" to swim up stream and be a booster. But if a person is going to launch out upon something constructive, he

"Kiss me again . . . etc. . . ." as though they prefer these sweet nothings to the solid principles-of-speech selections. And what is the matter with sedate Willard Fleming when he declares that he is not going to do such heavy studying this spring?

A note to chapel attenders who are sometimes embarrassed at not catching jokes. Dr. Schwalm registers a significant smile long before the real point is reached. The only conclusion that I can come to about this uncanny ability is that he either wants to give us a forgoing signal as to what is coming or that he doesn't know when to laugh at jokes either.

The acme of campus dignitaries: Dr. Flory in a bow tie . . . Phyllis Barngrover playing train in the library . . . Kenneth Weaver in these so-called fighting spells . . . Mother Emmert in search of her lost dinner bell.

must expect criticism. In other words if a person tries to boost, he must expect some knocking. Because as long as you remain a nobody, people are not going to knock against you. One can never do anything which will bring success if you are afraid of it. That is why the world stands aside for the man who knows where he is going and why he is going there.

The next time you hear anyone knock or criticize someone else, just remind him that while they are doing this they do not have time to do constructive work.

The person who is not creative and does not want to boost, can at least not hinder the other fellow. In other words when you are riding on the wagon of progress, do not drag your feet and shout "Whoa!"

Why not boost. It doesn't take any longer than it does to knock.—An Interested Observer.

Happy Birthday!

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College Maiden Receives Poetical Letter

One of the dormitory girls received the following in a letter recently, and we print it here as worthy of the attention of the rest.

I got a letter Tuesday, a glorious surprise—
It came so unexpectedly, with tears it filled my eyes.
My heart so filled with gratitude I thanked a kindly fate
That I'd received a message before it was too late.
This missive from a damsel, maid of my heart's desire
Gives joyous compensation, and doth these lines inspire.
This lady fair, dear reader, had heart that beat so true.
Quite regular her writing (when a reply was due)
There was a sure dependence, come weather fair or storm—
Although the theme most always ran very true to form.
Long weeks ago I'd written, and sent a worthy gift,
And hoped that her affection from me would never shift;
For days I'd sat and wondered that there came no reply—
The cause I could not fathom, nor know would dim with tears.
My grief was almost boundless, my eyes would almost dim,
For I had heard no message for what seemed almost years.
The suspense so distracted me that I had almost gone
To ask that the authorities would see what had become
Of her—if she'd been kidnaped, or maybe she had died.
The very thought affected me, I just sat down and cried.
Then suddenly the news came, and through my tears I smile:
(The same old pleasing story, we hear it all the while)
"I'm most out of spondulix, not broke, but badly bent—
I sure would like some money, at least a five or ten.
Immediately or sooner, please, will you send it thus?"
So now I've had my letter, I'll a resolution make;
For now I know the trouble: I made a great mistake.
I sent way too much money the last time that I wrote,
And while the nugget lasted I got not one small note.
And now that I may hear again before a great long time
I'm going to send my sweetie just one thin messy dime;
I'll bet then that this letter meets its answer comin' back,
And ere the year is over I'll have a great high stack.
So that's my resolution. Though made a little late,
Can be as good as any made on the year's first date.
But they say that resolutions are made to break, not keep;
I feel myself relenting: I know that I must give
In order to be happy. So here's your ten or five.

Oh my! I've read this over, and fear that some will get
Some misconceived ideas, think things that we'll regret.
This lady that I've told about above here on this page,
Is many years my junior—not twenty years of age.
She's just a kid in college, and when her purse is flush
It seems not so important to write in such a rush;
But when the purse is flattened, to maybe fifty cents,
There is a rush for paper, and a missive quite intense
Comes rushing home to papa, to mama, or to dad;
"Please hurry. Out of money." Being busted's just too bad!

They're Climbing on the Upward Way

Phyllis Barngrover is known to all the campus by her keen interest in athletics. Under her active leadership, the W. A. A. has had a profitable and enjoyable year. At almost any time she can be found on second floor of Harnly, the home of her major, Home Economics.

Bertha Berghold, that shy and pleasing personality who came to us in her junior year, received her early training in the English schools of India, which accounts for that brogue which everyone loves to hear. Her first two years of college were taken in Weatherford, Oklahoma. Bertha's major is English and her favorite hobby, tennis.

The genial personality, keen intellect, and leadership ability of Paul Booz has placed him in the top ranks of his class. He was president of the class during his freshman and sophomore year, business manager of the "Spec," debate champion for two years, oratorical champion, winning second in the state meet. In the cast of the "Silver Chord," president of Y. M. and president of the Student Council. His good natured, accommodating spirit has won him a host of friends. He is often seen whizzing about at the wheel of the "Terraplane." His major fields are Education and Religion.

Quietly and unobtrusively he goes his way. Yet by his work his trail is marked. Leland Abel has been a collector since he was a youngster. As a result of his efforts he has accumulated a collection of Indian relics containing many pieces of considerable value. Leland has systematically classified his collection which has won the admiration of many a scientist.

Mr. Abel has done considerable work in preparing specimens and displays for the college museum. His work in this field is of a superior type.

Leland is no novice at stamp collecting either. His collections of stamps and Indian relics represent many hours of spare time, and summer after summer spent in pursuit of these most interesting hobbies.

Station W2HJ, transmitting unit of the Radio Club of the College of the City of New York celebrated its 22nd anniversary last week by exchanging greetings with all of the college stations on its schedule.

Personal

Eldora Van Dermark began working Saturday for the Farmers Alliance Insurance Co.

Miss Pauline Dell, Misses Bertha and Amy Frantz, Mrs. Frantz, and Mrs. Paul Brandt visited in the McGaffey home this week.

Ruby Weimer's mother and sister of St. Cloud, Minn., are visiting her and will stay until Monday.

Toshira Taubokawa, Clarence Sisk, Willard Flaming, Dorothy Dell, and Oliver Andrews represented the Y with a return program at Hillsboro Tuesday.

Among those who have attended the Messiah at Lindsborg this week are Letta Wine, Dr. Smith, Miss Atkinson, Pauline Dell, Verda Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, Leonard Sisk, and Margaret Polster.

Joel Letkeman was at his home in Buhler over the week-end.

A deputation team consisting of Chester Colwell, Phyllis Powers, Dorothy Dell, Margaret Fry, Oliver Andrews, and Sam Stoner presented programs at Moundridge and Buhler Monday.

Jean Allen was ill with the flu Monday and Tuesday.

Bernice Keedy stayed in Wichita

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Modena Kauffman, Wanda Hoover, Helen Eaton, and Louise Kelm were guests at the home of Velma Watkins Saturday night.

Estelle Baile visited Lorene Schlatter Saturday night.

Paul Booz and Toshira Taubokawa were supper guests in the dining hall Monday evening.

Eugenia Dawson, '36, head of the Department of Home Economics at Coffeyville visited on the campus Saturday.

Professor Mohler spoke at a meeting of the Marion County Sunday School Association at Ramona a week ago last Sunday.

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Applied Psychology Students Try Hand at Crime Detection

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Of four persons under suspicion it was certain one had entered Dr. Schwalm's office, opened a catalog, had taken out a card, read it, and had placed it in his pocket on leaving.

But of course there's a catch to it. The crime was prepared and committed especially for the Applied Psychology class to pick the criminal.

John Bower worked out a list of words which were read to the four suspects one at a time. (Only the guilty one knew what the crime was.) Seventeen of the words were "critical words" and the suspect's reactions to these words were watched closely.

Also arranged by Bower was the idea that the "criminal" was to get caught by a faculty member and receive a mild lecture on breaking into the prexy's office. As this lot fell to Dr. Petry the temporary criminal was somewhat upset emotionally because this was not revealed to the guilty person as part of the plot. The emotional responses helped to determine the guilty person.

The four suspects were brought to the witness stand in front of the class. Their verbal response as well as other features brought out when the list of words was read to them received close attention.

But the class picked the wrong one! The votes stood for the guilty one: Waldo Newberg, seven; Marvin Riddell, four; La Vena High, four; and Asta Ostlund, four. A careful analysis of the response given proved however that Miss Ostlund had taken the card.

A plan is now being formulated in Paris to set up loan exchange between 1,000 students in the U. S. and France.

The average Columbia University senior, almost 21 years old and weighing 153 pounds, is slightly antipathetic to the New Deal, would rather win a Phi Beta Kappa key than an athletic award and would not fight in a war conducted outside the United States, a recent survey revealed.

Columbia Dean Says Outside Work Is Harmful to Grades

Definite affirmations that the student working his way through colleges and universities is likely to wreck his career "by the very plan through which he has hoped to achieve success," have been made here by Nicholas D. McKnight, associate dean of Columbia College.

The dean believes that self-help by students is thoroughly non-productive from the educational standpoint.

"It may be that part of the answer is to be found in the growing belief that a considerable number of boys and girls now going to college would be better off doing something else," he said in answering his own question concerning the fate of the problem.

Red Tree Mice Gradually Die Off in Captivity at Cal. U.

University of California biologists are trying to keep alive the last three of fourteen red tree mice, part of the collections of the museum for vertebrate zoology. They were brought here recently from the Hispanian River country, and have been dying off gradually. Restriction in captivity and incomplete diet probably are responsible for the high death rate, it was said.

The mice are probably the only species in the world living in trees and having red fur. They live on fir needles.—(C. N. S.)

The Rome Prize competition in classical studies conducted by the American academy in Rome was won by a Yale and a University of Pennsylvania student.

Columbia University students are petitioning the institution's Pres. Nicholas Murray Butler to withdraw his acceptance of the invitation to attend Heidelberg University's 550th anniversary celebration.

A new group of courses in applied physics designed to meet a demand for scientists, with special training for the application of physics in the solution of industrial problems has been formulated by Massachusetts Institute of Technology administrators.

The Yale University swimming team recently won its 151st successive victory in intercollegiate dual-meet competition by beating Harvard, 45 to 26.

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COLLEGE DAZE . . .
(From "Gourds" Green's Diary)

Thurs. April two. Sure is a trial to try to keep up a diary when there is nothing to write, wish I could do as good a job of saying nothing as the girl which writes the Gallery in the Speck. Boy, you don't dare say or do anything around this asylum any more, every other person is trying to write a column in the paper. Worked at the Prairie Garden today, they kind of made up for last Saturday by not working us so hard as they did then. From the way they talk, I think the guy wickered us into filling more holes than we should of done, but then somebodies always got to take the joy out of life.

Fri. 3. Sat. 4. Staid home and worked for Forney today, and did he lay it on. Guess he was making up for the Saturdays I have been elsewhere. I ought to have it easy all the rest of the year, cos I don't think he can find anything more for me to do. Suro warm today, makes me wish it was Easter and I was home.

Sun. 5. Snow today, wish something would happen.

Mon. 6. It happened tonight, and everybody had a good time, only one or two weren't quite big enough men to keep their tempers, which is one thing which comes back bigger every time you lose it. They held a big dorm counsel on second to see if somebody wouldn't start some noise, and so somebody throwed a fire cracker. Everybody tore out for third to find the culprit, but couldn't hang it onto nobody, so they come back down and another or two went off. While they was busy with the detective work again, being just ready to put Pee Wee in the showers and make him tell still another story of what he had done, another one went off, and all the third floor guys was accounted for, so the meeting ended in a stew, but all we wanted anyway was a lot of excitement, and we got it, especially Sherry, but I think our dormitory brave men ought to operate on someone else once in awhile. Somebody rang the dinner bell again, I wish I knew how to git in where the switch is, but I don't think I would waste my time ringing the bell. Jezebel got mad and had a long session bellowing, and a bunch of guys went up hurriedly when she shut herself off with a snort and a groan. Be more work for Forney tomorrow. Things was really on the hop, why even the Y pres. clumb the pole and pulled the main switch about twenty till one. Best part of the evening was speech by Hon. Larsen.

Tues. 7. No Jezybell for awhile today, imagine Petry felt good, even if Forney didn't, although I spect his first class lasted till noon.

Wed. 8. Everybody going around with a long face or a hopeful look as if they just could wait until they could go home Friday. Wish there was something to write about and I had time to write about it.

Two Phases of Religion are Discussed in C. E. Program

A discussion of personal and social religion was the topic of the C. E. program Sunday evening.

The discussion on personal religion was led by Eugenia Hogan, Kenneth Weaver discussed the matter of social religion, Ralph Sherry led the group singing, and Lucille Ullery had charge of devotions.

Election of officers was also held at the Sunday evening meeting. The results were as follows: Theresa Strom, president; David Metzger, vice-president; and Vera Heckman, secretary-treasurer.

Dr. Hershey Will Attend American Chemistry Society Meeting, B. C.

Next week Doctor Hershey will attend the national meeting of the American Chemistry Society in Kansas City. The meeting will extend from April 13 to April 17. Doctor Hershey will attend only the first four days of the meeting, however. There will be seventeen different divisions of the meeting which will convene. About two thousand outstanding chemists are expected to be present.

Doctor Hershey will speak on "Synthetic Gases in Relation to Animal Life" in the Medicinal Division Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. He will show a movie in connection with his talk.

IN OTHER SCHOOLS

All school parties are more nearly living up to their name this year than ever before. Previously, the fraternity and sorority group had dominated these affairs, but this year the independents are attending the Friday night functions and finding them most enjoyable.—The Bulletin, Emporia.

Inactivity is the best way to escape censure—the result of four years of college.—The Bulletin, Emporia.

The Student Council this week placed the traffic plan suggested by Clay Do Ford, which it accepted after making minor changes, in the hands of President Brandenburg and is awaiting his approval before offering the plan for the consideration of the city's committee on traffic safety.

The city responded quickly to the request made by student heads that that traffic situation at the college be corrected. The first step in the war on offenders was taken by Traffic Chief Armstrong, who sent officers to the college and made fifteen arrests.—The Collegio, Pittsburg.

A University of Rochester zoologist has devised a method by which he can make eggs destined to hatch rooster chicks hatch hen chicks.

You Who Fear Change

YOU WHO FEAR CHANGE are like these sheep that turn back from cold mountain creeks, and drink only in small, familiar pools, or suck Green milk of these marshy ponds that lie round and unmoving in a valley's palm.

O slow and complacent muzzles, does it mean Nothing to you that dust and drouth Shrivels the little pools, and dung Stains the warm stagnant water where the steers Follow your little pathways to this pond?

Time fouls still water and slime lies Mucous and soft above all ponds. The Jake by living springs unfed Shrink to a caking slough.

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Girls Say Tapping of Telephones O. K.

Professors Only Listen on Calls When Parents Ask It

Young women students of Highland Manor School and Junior College do not object to faculty members listening in on their personal telephone calls if their parents have requested it or when the school authorities consider it necessary for the students' welfare.

About two weeks ago one student complained that she believed her personal calls were being tapped. School officials admitted they had been tapping calls under certain conditions for the last few years and that most girls' boarding schools were believed to do likewise. Dr. Eugene H. Lehman, director of the institution, felt, however, the students had a right to discuss the matter and state any objections they might have. A forum was convoked.

Dr. Lehman explained then that the school officials listened in on telephone conversation only when the parents of the student involved had requested the school to do so, or where the school officials had a suspicion the student was planning to run away from the school, elope or commit something similarly irregular.

"If a girl is planning to run away, elope or do some other foolish thing," one student said, "a faculty member ought to listen in to prevent her from injuring herself."

"Possibly a girl is having roommate trouble and does not want to become a tattletale by complaining to the dean, but will pour out her heart to her mother over the telephone," another said. "Then if the dean were listening in, she could help adjust the trouble."

"Sometimes my father wants a teacher to listen in," a girl from Canada said, "when I am arranging a train schedule home."

A vote of the students showed general agreement with the school authorities' policies, and Dr. Lehman was more than ever satisfied his encouragement of student democracy was practical.

SPORT LIGHTS
By Conway Yount

A few tryouts were held last Tuesday afternoon. Up to the present time there are only about 15 men reporting for track, and Coach Binford reports that he wants about 30 men for the McPherson Relays.

The first meet of the season will be a dual with Bethel. This will be on the local track next Thursday afternoon.

The tennis tournament has been progressing very slow, up to the present time. Coach has asked that the men play their matches by Tuesday of next week.

Only a Small Percentage of Women Prisoners Are Educated

Educated women make up a very small percentage of the inmates of the California Women's Prison at Tehachapi, according to Mrs. Edward W. Gillis, chairman of industrial relations for the California Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Gillis' survey, appearing in the federation magazine, stated that only one-half of one per cent of the inmates have superior intelligence, 21 per cent have average intelligence, 31 per cent have "low average," 26 are morons, 4 per cent are feeble-minded and 2 per cent show mental deterioration.

Only 2 per cent are college graduates; 33 per cent have not finished grammar school, 10 per cent have graduated from high school, and 33 per cent have graduated from grammar school.—(College News Service)

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This note was received by the editor of the Spectator from a reader who is a former McPherson College student. Attached were 15 clippings from the Spectator, each telling of new books added to the library.

These clippings are not misleading. Approximately 800 books have been added to the library during the past school year. The \$2,000 gift fund made possible about 300 of these.

Miss Heckethorn, librarian, states that there will be more new books coming in later. She is hoping for about 200 more. These books are practically all non-fiction; only one or two books of fiction have been added. Some particularly fine sets of reference books have been added.

The student who observes carefully the new book lists each week and who makes use of the books in which he is interested gains much from his college life that otherwise would be lost to him.

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