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## 225 ENROLLED—PLUS 36 SPECIALS

### Prof. J. J. Yoder Interviewed

A recent interview with Mr. J. J. Yoder, found him shrouded in a most hearty full fledged optimism. If he the manager of the finances of McPherson College is satisfied with the out look from the present conditions at old M. C., surely no one else can complain. By the way a few days previous might not have found him in such good spirits. The dormitory was deserted of cooks; Mrs. Lotzenhieser, who had held this position for eleven years, has retired, and a new one must be installed. Finally Mrs. Showalter of Moundridge, Kansas took the place left vacant, and again the students who board at the dormitory are enjoying "fine, good, tasty food" (quoted verbatim). He also has another engaged and from what little can be gathered of his intentions along this line, it is to be suspected that he is maintaining a Cook Reserve Force. He believes in preparedness! Some of the students have remarked upon the Professor's curious habit of collecting cooks, but he is a genius in this line and as a consequence eccentricities are to be expected.

On Wednesday, September eleventh, at the usual chapel hour, Dr. D. W. Kurtz, the beloved President of McPherson College, gave the opening address. He told of the ideals of the institution in that fine sincerity so much a part of what he says. New students were surprised that as a man of affairs and unusual mentality he rivaled these two qualities in his ability as a public speaker. He has surrendered all other ambitions to that of becoming a religious educator. He has made many a brave sacrifice for McPherson College, and is a man deeply appreciated among the students of this institution, as soon as they come in touch with his magnificent personality.

There are four new members on the faculty this year: Prof. Hershey of the Department of Chemistry; Miss Topman, teacher of Romance Languages; Prof. Blair Principal of Academy whose major is education and Miss Miller from Elizabethtown, Pa., who is at the head of the type-writing and short-hand department.

## Dr. Kurtz gives the Ideals of McPherson College

McPherson College was founded for the purpose of providing Christian Education for the young people of America. It was the belief of the founders, as it is of the present trustees and faculty, that our civilization, our institutions, and our democracy rest upon trained and honest leadership. It was always the policy of McPherson College to open her doors to all who want an education, no matter how poor they are or how humble their station in life. Many young men without money and without encouragement from friends, secured an education at McPherson College. It is one of our most highly prized achievements, that so large a per cent of our students work their way through college, and that the true spirit of democracy reigns supreme. Every one has an equal chance and gets a square deal at McPherson.

The college department stands for true culture. A liberal education is to liberalize the individual—to make him a free moral being—to develop a personality that knows, that can think, and that has a will to live a noble and useful life. The college-bred man becomes a leader of men. Out of every five hundred and thirteen leaders in America, five hundred and twelve are college-bred. The college course is a living unit, intended to broaden the vision and sympathies, and to deepen and purify the springs of action. It acquaints the student with science, history, literature, philosophy and religion, so that he feels at home in the world of nature and man, and he walks humbly with his God. The college disciplines the mind, trains the moral habits, and most of all gives the student a true perspective of values. One cannot live effectively unless one emphasizes the right things. Professor James said "a college course is to enable a person to know a good man when he sees him." In other words—to know and to love the true, the good and the beautiful, wherever they are, is the result of a good college course.

McPherson College is absolutely democratic in spirit and in purpose. The ideals of self-government are not only taught but practiced. Above all, the college exists to promote true Democracy throughout America and the World. It is the profoundest conviction of the management and faculty, that democracy which means self-government, rests upon the Christian virtues of wisdom, honesty, unselfishness, equality and efficiency. We want all the students of all the departments—whether they study music, agriculture, book-keeping, stenography, normal, college or Bible, to catch the vision of McPherson college, that all training and education should be for service, for leadership, for citizenship, and for a better and nobler democracy. Ruskin once said "That nation is strongest that has the greatest number of good people per square mile that the nation can maintain." It is the purpose of McPherson college to make people the best possible citizens of our democracy.

We believe in the religion of Jesus Christ. And we believe that a true interpretation of the Bible is one of the greatest needs of our world. We want all our students to know, to emulate, and to follow the matchless ethics and ideals of Jesus which will make life worth living. Man must get in right relationship with the infinite for his own sake, as well as to give him the power to live the best social life with his fellows. Man needs a dynamic to overcome the lower nature, and he needs a cause, to which he can be loyal. There is no cause in the world like the cause of Christ, in building up the Reign of God—the domination of righteousness and love in the hearts of men.

McPherson College is a Christian institution with a platform as broad as truth, as high as holiness, as deep as divine love; and it is her joy and pride that her alumni are everywhere making good. Long live McPherson College!

*D. W. Kurtz*

## INTERESTING—ARE THESE CHAPEL SPEAKERS

The chapel services for the first month of school have been more than usually profitable and interesting because of the presence of special speakers. The traditional chapel speech, it is well known, was always in conformity to Kansas laws in respect that it was above all things dry. But our visitors this year were full of pep and pugnancy.

Dr. A. H. Harnly of Auburn, Ill., a brother of our own Dr. Harnly, is an old favorite with McPherson college audiences since the days of yore. A few weeks ago he dropped in and gave a ringing address on patriotism, the kind that is evidenced by staying in school. His close touch with the government made his appeal unusually strong.

Mr. C. S. Goertz, a former graduate of M. C., and later a graduate of Yale Divinity School, visited the college and talked to the student body. As a man of sincere and lofty ideals, what he said was of so deep inspiration. He soon sails for China where he is to take up the work of an educational missionary under the direction of the Congregational Missionary Board.

Mr. Gephart of the local Y. M. C. A. spoke "pointedly," when he came out to tag the men preparatory to the big annual watermelon feed down at the Y. M. building. And it was either the point or the melon that attracted, for all the men became "melancholy" that night.

Central Academy and College opened up its S. A. T. C. October first, and a few days prior to the event Pres. Lewis and Lieut. Rupert, the commandant, called at chapel time. Lieut. Rupert in a soldierly way set forth the purpose of the S. A. T. C. and dwelt upon what it has done in the 500 colleges in the United States, where it has been installed.

The Fourth Liberty Loan brought to our city one of Wichita's most distinguished citizens, Mr. C. Q. Chandler, a pioneer banker of that city. In a very simple way Mr. Chandler explained the soundness of an investment in Liberty Bonds. He prefaced his remarks by paying a tribute to the Christian colleges of this country, one of



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which (Ottawa University) he happens to be a trustee.

McPherson college life is being placed into a crucible of "Spectator" reporters, among the flaming fires of their thought and feeling.

We intend that this paper, so far as lies within our power, shall be interesting. Arthur Brisbane, a prominent journalist, believes everyone is primarily and constantly most interested in himself; so "The Spectator" must have a personal touch. Every representative of McPherson College will be urged to contribute to it. "The Spectator" shall not take on the personality of any one member of its staff, but as a kind of a chameleon, take its hue from the personnel of this most worthy institution, of which it is an exponent.

A college paper is an opinion-giver. The most common accusation made against American writers by those who know, is that they are lacking in the faculty of criticism. They praise over much, they present charming expositions, but of the critical faculty they are conspicuously in need. We believe in constructive criticism, and through the kind co-operation of our faculty and fellow students we hope to discourage the evils of McPherson College life and encourage its finer, nobler aspects. We do not believe in entering upon an invective diatribe against the so thought wrongs of the college here, nor singling of its good words or elaborate effusive flattery, but instead, through a sincerely mirrored likeness of what is going on at M. C., we hope "The Spectator" may in some way help her college to a more lifted purposeful existence.

We are inclined to write a catechism; some suggestions such as these are on

the tip end of our pen—superfluous maybe; maybe not.

I. Are you interested in what kind of a paper represents McPherson College?

II. Will you help inaugurate high-minded seriousness and clean fun?

III. Will you do your part whenever called upon, and do it to the best of your ability?

IV. Will you of self-initiation give all your brilliant ideas concerning journalism to "The Spectator"?

V. Please,—if there is any "knocking" to be done, do it to our faces.

VI. Faculty, if ever we fall short of truly representing the highest ideals of McPherson College, tell us for we are working in the best interests of our dear old M. C.

## Y. M. C. A.

At no previous time in the history of the school has a deeper and more universal interest in the Y. M. C. A. work been manifest. Mr. Austin, the president, is a man of high ideals and unusual ability. The men of the cabinet are capable and serious minded. Their weekly meetings have been very informal and the trend of thought and discussion points to a great interest in the welfare of their brothers here in school. The regular Wednesday morning meetings have been inspirational, and the attendance good. If the work of this year be judged from the splendid start that has been made, it will surpass the work of any previous year. The McPherson Y. M. C. A. in town entertained the college members to a watermelon feed and co-operation and good fellowship was thus early established. On the Friday evening following the days of matriculation the Y. M. C. A. gave a reception to all the college boys. Within the walls of the gymnasium all were received into a fellowship of games and contests. The melon sale proved great sport. Mr. Austin, the captain of the evening, then announced that every one should retire to the exterior of the building, where the melons were devoured with great fun. They then sung the association hymn and were dismissed.

The Y. M. C. A. is entirely in harmony with the spirit of service and loyalty to "the flag" and God, as is being so magnificently displayed by the lives of the great "Y" men of the hour.

## Y. W. C. A.

The Young Women's Christian Association has become a vital part of McPherson college life again this year, and this splendid beginning may be traced directly to several causes: The usual custom of meeting the trains was carried out, and each new girl, as soon as she arrived on the campus was introduced to the membership committee. From last year's girls was chosen a

suitable "big sister", who took her to her room, where she found flowers, which had been left there by the social service committee. The "big sister" then introduced her to other girls and helped her enroll. Later she played the part of especial escort, brought "little sister" to the Y. W. social and saw that she had a "good time." The social this year was a la Indian, eight tribes being represented. Each gave a scene, a song or a dance by the light of a glowing camp fire; then "heap good Injun eat heap big watermelon."

On September the twenty-sixth, fifty-eight new members took the light of the association in a beautiful and impressive candle service; this light is symbolic of the love of The Christ, and it is the hope of the Y. W. C. A. that it may burn brightly and steadily in the lives of M. C. girls.

The dollar membership fee has been cancelled and at the meeting of October the second a fruitful plea was made for volunteer systematic giving, and a big drive is being put on in this view. Also this week Dr. Racheal Quantius talks to the girls of war work; she is County Chairman of the Surgical Dressings Department of the Red Cross, and knows the need for help in folding bandages. The M. C. girl is soon to learn that there is a war-angel whose wings are more glorious than heart-breaking—She is called Service!

Miss Edna Neher is the association president for this year. Her healthful minded ideals and well poised spirit are being appreciated. She says there are already one hundred and twenty-six members, fifty-six more than last year. Since the girls greatly outnumber the boys, the Y. M. C. A. gave the Y. W. C. A. the privilege of using the chapel for her Wednesday morning religious meetings. "We thank you boys."

## ATHLETICS!

At the present tennis is a favorite with the students; five good courts are constantly in use outside school and study hours. There is an inter-class tournament on now. Each class selects two from its membership, a boy and a girl, to represent its talent and pennants are to be awarded both the winners. This treat of rivalry among the classes promises to be interesting, so come on classes, get some "pep"—boost your players; for it is soon to be found out "whose who and why" in tennis at McPherson College.

How about inter-collegiate games this year? The afore-asked question will be answered at the Kansas Inter-collegiate Athletic Conference, which is to be called some time in the near future. There are sixteen colleges in this state members of this association, McPherson included. The college feels it cannot afford to drop athletics, because it has proven an excellent impetus to that important thing, which is termed college spirit. Of course M.

C., as all other colleges, has lost many of her best athletes to the service of Uncle Sam, but still there is good material for basket ball this winter and as this has always played a leading role in student activity, many of the McPhersonians look forth with real gusto to the opening of the season.

## DR. CULLER'S SERMON OF SEPTEMBER NINTH.

(Reported by Mr. Prather)

"The Unpardonable Sin"—Text Mat. 12-32, 33

In this passage of scripture Christ has veiled his words in majesty. A great mass of people consider the unpardonable sin a specific sin, but God is not arbitrary: He does not choose a certain sin, and say if you do this you cannot be forgiven. God is always willing to forgive, but man cannot always repent, for when he has reached the climax of resistance to the Spirit, the power of conscience is destroyed.

The sin against growth in human life is the greatest sin, against the Spirit of God. The effect of this disobedience to the natural laws of life can never be wiped out. First there is the sin against physical growth. Thousands of English subjects, and American as well, have stunted the development of their bodies in factories, and it will take generations to repair their terrible crime. God forgave, but their physical life remained unchanged. Thus it is that cigarette smoking incurs a most lasting result, a deformity which God, Himself cannot erase. Second, there is the sin against mental and moral growth, which is also illustrated again in the cigarette fiend; for his mind is benumbed, his conscience is not impressionable and his soul refuses to respond to the finer, nobler impulses of life. Thirdly, there is the sin against spiritual growth. God is all powerful in transforming the life of a man, but a constant refusal to obey His pleadings will finally result in a spiritual death, and the time comes when the nobler voices will not call, for the soul is dead to hearing.

The period of life when the promptings of the Spirit are the strongest is during adolescence; it is the period of greatest development: the emotions strengthen, instincts mature, vocational tendencies are awakened and a longing for allegiance with God begins. The aspiration of youth should never be crushed but directed aright and lead to God. It is at this time that The Christ should become the ideal.

Finally a failure to give expression to, the Christian impulse, the avenue through which all real growth is made, kills the conscience; and when the conscience is dead, the chance for repentance is gone—Man has committed the unpardonable sin! Elements retarding growth are very dangerous at this time, when the world demands a strong physical, moral and mental man. Life is a reality; it must be preserved!



## A CLOSER RELATION BETWEEN FACULTY AND STUDENT ENCOURAGED

In accordance with the usual custom of McPherson College to find and apply the best plans and methods for getting things done, a system of faculty advisers has been instituted this year. The plan provides that all students except College Juniors and Seniors shall be assigned a faculty adviser. The Juniors and Seniors have already chosen their major work and are therefore located. Briefly stated the purpose of the plan is two-fold to provide a particular member of the faculty to whom each student may go for help and advice on whatever questions and problems may arise, whether pertaining to the curriculum or not, in which the faculty advisers may be a help; and to bring the students and faculty into closer relations each with the other. There are probably no students in school who do not occasionally have difficulties they would like to talk over with some member of the faculty or upon which they would be glad to get a little advice. On the other hand we believe there are no members of the faculty, who are not willing and anxious to give any assistance of which they are capable in a personal way to any student who may ask. It is hoped that the new system will provide a point of contact between students and faculty and result in a freer and more intimate association and cooperation which it seems from all standpoints can bring about only good results for all concerned. As a secondary part of the plan, the teachers have arranged for as many periods a week as is convenient in each case to be set aside as "Conference Periods." These conference hours with the complete schedule of each teacher are posted in the hall. This will make it still easier for the students to get in touch with any particular faculty member they wish to see and receive the help of which they may be in need.

It is the sincere desire of the faculty that this school year may be especially remarkable for the close co-operation of students and faculty in the highest ideals for which the school stands—development of christian character and training for service.

A FACULTY MEMBER.

## STUDENT MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED

During the first few days of school this year a meeting was called of all the ministers and those studying for the ministry. About eighteen men met in the bible room of the college and chose Mr. Oliver Austin as their chairman for the evening. His introductory talk was impressive and carried with it inspiration and encouragement. A brief statement of tentative

plans was made and suggestions were received as to the future work of this organization. Tuesday evening at six thirty each week was made the permanent hour of meeting and the newly elected officials are President, Oliver Austin, Vice President, J. C. Forney and Secretary-Treasurer Vernon Blickenstaff. A committee of three were appointed as reporters: Ernest Ickenberry, Paul Yoder and Bruce Williams.

The topics for discussion up to the present time have been problems confronting the ministers, especially with reference to their preparation, but so far their study has not been extensive enough to bring them to any definite conclusion. Oliver Austin, J. C. Forney and Ernest Ickenberry have lead the meetings. The book on "The Minister and His Life Work" has been suggested for reading; such topics as "Helps and Hinderances," "The Financial Problem" and "What constitutes A Call to The Ministry" are to be studied by this organization this winter.

The Student Ministers Organization feels that it has as big part to play as any other association of McPherson College. Its aim and purpose is to keep young ministers true to their calling; to ever keep the spiritual needs before their minds; and especially to help mould and disseminate the spiritual life of the school. This organization expects to make itself known by means of weekly meetings, special public meetings, and above all, by a personal touch. A very new and fruitful plan has been introduced into the curriculum of its study. Big men of the school and town will lecture at various meetings on such subjects as Evangelism, Pastoral Work, Rural Community Survey, Homiletics and other subjects of vital interest to the ministers.

## OUR PRESIDENT STARS!

On Thursday evening of October the third, Dr. D. W. Kurtz gave his lecture on "German Kultur" at the meeting of the eighth district of the Kansas Federation of Women's Clubs. Here are a few of the comments from his audience:

"McPherson could not have provided anything finer for us."

"Every audience in the country should hear that lecture, for he knows what he talks, and delivers it in such a finished and forceful manner that no one could have heard it without being stormed with the greatness of this war."

"Dr. Kurtz? I have never heard him before, for if I had I should never have forgotten him. His mind is loaded of the keenest that and his heart is poignant with deepest noblest feelings. I never hope to hear a more masterful analysis of existing conditions; he is one of few who has a 'world view.' He does not consider this crisis in terms of refined horror or picturesque pity; to him it is a problem, deep, vital, almost overwhelming."

## Society

### Faculty Entertains College Students.

On the first Monday evening of the first week of the first quarter of the first semester of the year 1918, the students were initiated into the new social order at a reception given by the faculty. The usual eulogistic ejaculations upon the life, character and abilities of the various professors informed the new students and reminded the old ones that every teacher is an expert and that every department is efficient. The faculty grew very reminiscent, and once more reminded her students of the struggle through which M. C. has come. Ice cream and wafers were served as refreshments. The evening was entertaining and very instructive; everyone reported a good time, and the students will not soon forget the fine social spirit of the faculty.

### College Freshman "Get Acquainted" Hike

The Freshman class, fifty-six members, had great fun on a "feed" last Friday evening at seven-thirty in a grove one-half mile east of the college campus. The social committee had planned a lively programme and needless to say every one had a jolly good time. There was a new feature in the eats. Individual lunches were given out in paper folders, and the contents thereof enjoyed immensely. Then after "getting acquainted" the class adjourned, reaching "home" in time to conform with dormitory regulations.

### Senior-Freshman Reception

The Senior-Freshman reception was held in the gymnasium amid a confusion of the elements. The rain descended the winds blew, and the storm beat upon that building until the freshmen were almost distracted. Prof. Mohler, the faculty adviser, attempted to make a speech in behalf of the infant-ry, but was driven off the heights of oratory, and was compelled to retreat and make a counter attack in which he was successful in putting over a good message. The program was interesting and appreciated by all. The spirit of the Senior-Freshman reception is expressive of the spirit of M. C.

### "BI-WEAKLY POMES"

Said the bald-headed man to the waitress bold,  
"Look here, woman, my cocoa's cold"  
Replied she scornfully, "I cant help that,  
If the blamed thing's chilly, put on your hat.  
The college men are very slow.

They surely take their ease;  
For even when they graduate,  
They do it by degrees.  
I love the little freshies.  
They try so hard to learn;  
They never will get roasted,  
For they are too green to burn.  
Rain is wet,  
Dust is dry;  
Life is short,  
And so am I.—Prather.

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**LOCALS**

Monday everyone was busy preparing for the Fourth Liberty Loan parade. The college was well represented both in number and in spirit.

Miss Carrie Mugler is back in school again.

Miss Fayanna Suyader, who is teaching at Arlington, Kansas, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends on College Hill.

Mr. Austin was called home last Saturday because of the serious illness of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Franz of Conway Springs visited their daughter Ruth over the week-end. They had with them, Miss Witmore of Wichita.

A new barrel of syrup arrived at the dormitory Saturday, and this one small item caused unbelievable rejoicing among the student boarders there.

Miss Etta Ringer spent "over Saturday and Sunday" with her parents at Nickerson, Kansas.

Miss Leah Miller was the week-end guest of Miss Alice Hoerner, formerly a graduate of McPherson College, who is teaching in the Windom High School this winter.

Miss Agnes Baker is in the McPherson Hospital, recovering from an operation, which was performed Monday afternoon.

Ua McAvoy, Ruth Kilmér and Fay Elliot attended the wheat fair at Wichita, Monday.

Dr. A. J. Culler gave an address at Lindsborg Sunday afternoon in the interest of the Fourth Liberty Loan.

Miss Eva Boone spent Sunday at her home in Lyons, Kansas.

Miss Ruth Fergus from St John and Mr. Edward VanPelt from Navarre, Kansas enrolled Tuesday.

Miss Eva Rock spent the week-end at her home in Navarre, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Deeter arrived at McPherson College Monday. They came from New Haven Connecticut, where Mr. Deeter has formerly been taking work at Yale. They will occupy the old Muir property.

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

Oh tradesman, in thy hour of eee,  
If on this paper you should eec,  
Take our advise and be yyy,  
Go straight ahead and advert iii.  
You'll find the project of some uuu;  
Neglect can offer no ex-qqq.  
Be wise at once, at once prolong your  
Jdaaa,  
A silent business soon de-kkk.

**ANSWERS TO ASKERS**

Dear Answer-man: Will you please tell me where I may find something of the life of Rosetta Stone. Is she still living?

A puzzled Freshman.

This asker is referred to Prof. C. L. Craik for desired information.

Dear Answer-man: Is Tom Thumb only a fairy-story man? I have to unlearn so much I learned as a child.

An Academy Freshman.

Tom Thumb is possibly the most famous dwarf in the world. His real name is Charles S. Stratton; he was two feet in height and weighed 16 pounds.

Dear Answer-man: Would you please give the derivation of the term "other-worldliness?" I. R. U.

The term "other-worldliness" was coined by George Elliot.

Dear Answer-man: What was the reason for the defeat of Napoleon at Waterloo? History Student.

According to Professor Craik, it is attributed to the fact that Napoleon ate some boiled onions before the battle, along with being passionately fond of onions he had cancer of the stomach, the result was inevitable!

Dear Answer-man: Can you give me the origin of the custom of "Hazing?" Troubled Freshman.

It must be a very ancient one. In "The Second Shepherd's Play," a very early miracle play, Mac was tossed up in a blanket as punishment for his sheep stealing.

Dear Answer-man: What makes people do what they do? People are always hurting my feelings.

I remain,  
Quite Unhappy.

This asker is referred to Dr. Kurtz. The only solution that the answer-man has is the one given by Penrod, who, when asked what made boys do what they do," replied, "Different things."

Dear Answer-man: Please give the correct spelling for Wycliffe.

Uncertain.

The answer-man hesitates to say since John Wyclif spelled his name twenty three different ways.

Dear Answer-man: Who was the "nine day queen"?

Ignorant.

You refer to Jane Grey who reigned on the throne of England only nine days.

**Words of Wisdom**

Many are called—but few get up for breakfast.  
People who live in glass houses should pull down their shades.  
Matrons rush in where angels fear to tread.

**"TELL-A-TALE TAVERN"**

Note: Come all ye McPhersonites and sit around our cheerful hearth and talk.

Prof. Rowland: "Roll your R's."

Mrs. Austin: And if you can't roll your R's, roll your eyes.

Mr. Blickenstaff: "I have an English history."

Prof. Craik: "Is it Greene's?"

Mr. B: "No, its mine."

To M. I. R.: "You have an engagement ring in your voice."

Freshman Academy: "I wonder if they have enough altos in the Men's Glee Club."

"The man who gives in when he is wrong," shouted the debater, "is a wise man, but the man who gives in when he is right—"

"Is married," muttered Mr. Austin.

She: "And would you really put yourself out for my sake?"

He: "Indeed I would."

She: "Then please do; I am so sleepy."

Class in philosophy discussing "cause and effect."

Dr. Kurtz: Did any of you ever see the effect before the cause?"

Clyde Forney: Yes sir, a man wheeling a wheel-barrow."

Prof. Morris: "How many sides to a circle?"

Acad. Soph.: "Two—A outside and a inside."

McPherson college boy discovers a new name for his hair:

G. B. to his sister Eva: How's my skull-grass?"

Miss Trostle in Rhetoric: "You must leave a line between the title and the beginning of your theme."

Clara Cramsey: "I didn't have time."

Photographer: "Did you say you wanted a large picture?"

Ray Gish: "No, a small one."

Photographer: "Then close your mouth."

Prof. Yoder: "Economics is 'sometimes crudely defined as the 'bread and butter' problem."

Sherfy: "Yes, but there are too many butters."

The other night Paul Pair and Joy Smith were bothered with mosquitoes. Finally to escape they crawled under their bed. Just at this time a lightning bug came in at the window.

"It's no use," whispered Paul to Joy, "Here comes one looking for us with a lantern."

Ruth: "How do you spell received?"

Ua: "R-e-c-a-p-o-s-o-p-h-e-d."

Prof. Craik: "What makes the tower of Pisa lean?"

Dorothy Miller: "I don't know or I'd take some myself."

Student (looking for a job in S. A. T. C.): "I can write about anything."

Lieut. Rupert: "Then right about face."

Freshman: "Why is Professor Blair almost bald-headed?"  
Brilliant Junior: "Why because he

hasn't hardly any hair on his head.  
Jay Tracy (in chemistry): Do you know Al?"

Paul Yoder: "Al who?"  
Jay: "Aluminum."

"What is the meaning of the element argon?" Asked Prof. Hershey in chemistry.

"It means an attribute just opposite to the one this class possesses."

"I know," flashed J. Howard Ingler, "Brilliant."

**THE CLASSES ELECT OFFICERS**

**OF COLLEGE CLASSES:**

Seniors.  
President.....Amos Boone  
V. Pres.....Ione Ebaugh  
Sec. and Treas.....Edna Nehr

Juniors.  
Pres.....Sam Ebert  
V. Pres.....O. B. Ruprolids  
Secy.....Gladys Heaston  
Treas.....Ray Frantz

Sophomores.  
V. Pres.....Martha Ury  
Pres.....George Boone  
Secy.....Callie Riddlebarger  
Treas.....Paul Yoder

Freshman.  
Pres.....Joy Smith  
V. Pres.....Earl Frantz  
Secy. & Treas.....Marguerite Mohler

**OF ACADEMY CLASSES:**

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Pres.....Agnes Baker  
V. Pres.....Ray Gish  
Secy. and Treas.....Margaret Bish

Juniors.  
Pres.....Fannie McGaffy  
V. Pres.....Mary Baker  
Secy. and Treas.....Martha Mugler

Sophomores.  
Pres.....Esther Moors  
V. Pres.....Garmon Daron  
Secy. & Treas.....Haven Hutchinson

Freshman  
Pres.....Pearl Leavell  
V. Pres.....Neva Yoder  
Secy. and Treas.....Laura McClellan

**DR. RACHEAL QUANTIUS SPOKE TO Y. W. C. A.**

Dr. Racheal Quantius spoke to the Y. W. C. A. Wednesday morning about the importance of the surgical dressing work, and the need for every girl to lend her support. Arrangements were made for the girls each to pledge a certain number of hours work during a week. It was decided that the Red Cross Room should be open on Tuesday morning and on Thursday and Friday afternoons. The girls appreciate the direction of Mrs. Heaston and Mrs. Mohler, who give so much of their time that the girls may help win this war.

Life—the theme is furnished us, the variations are our own, a Higher Power writes the finale.—E. L.



## THE RED CROSS SURGICAL DRESSINGS.

(Dr. Culler, who is chairman of the County Red Cross Chapter and is thoroughly informed on every part of the work has contributed this appeal to the girls of the college.)

Ever since the war began and until long after its close the Red Cross has assumed the burden of the wounded soldier and the civilian refugees along every battle line and every afflicted land where suffering reigns. The work the Red Cross has done and the manner in which it has relieved suffering are simply beyond the mind to grasp.

A few incidents will show how great the work is: In the German rush into Italy last fall they destroyed 86 hospitals with all their equipment. In six days the Red Cross had all the materials for more than that number on the battle line in Italy taking all the material from France. The Red Cross receives a thousand homeless children every day at Evian and takes care of them. We have six great warehouses in France and several thousand tons of new clothing for the refugees this winter. The demands upon the Red Cross are simply stupendous.

As every one can realize, as long as the war goes on surgical dressings will be needed. With plenty of clean gauze the wounded soldier can be cared for; without it gangrene and poison will set in. All our work for the boys "over there" will be useless unless we have the surgical dressings for their wounds. These dressings must be made here. American women and girls must every one do their bit. I do not believe there is a single true American girl who once realizes what it means that would not give several hours a week or more to the making of surgical dressings.

We are expected in McPherson County to use materials to the extent of thirty thousand dollars before Christmas. The one great call is for surgical dressings. Classes are organized in all the schools, colleges, churches and clubs, which have their regular meetings for work. The faculty has recommended that each girl give two hours per week for the making of surgical dressings, the same as any other class. In some schools this is required with penalties for disobedience; but we hope that an appeal to the girls of our college here will bring a unanimous response. Our boys are called to go "over there" to make the world safe for us; it certainly is a small task for the girls to provide for their needs. We wish to appeal to every girl in the school to take her regular place as a worker for two hours every week.

## REWARD

A large "Thank you" awarded to anyone who discovers a cartoonist (alive).  
Editor.

## A "Winner Lecture Course

One of the advantages of college life is the opportunity to hear the best lecturers and entertainers. The Stars of the Lyceum prefer to come to college towns and these communities enjoy such cultural advantages far beyond that of other communities of the same size. The fact that McPherson has two colleges and an exceptional high cultural grade of citizenship makes our city noted for its good lyceum lecture courses.

Last year the experiment was tried of having one lecture course for the colleges and city. Talent of the first grade was secured. It was an unbounded success. Many people applied for tickets who could not be accommodated. The success of the venture has induced all concerned to conduct our lecture course on the same basis this year.

The committee has provided for a course of six numbers, to be given at the Opera House at prices specified below. This year there will be no recurrent drawing of seats but patrons will be given their seats at the beginning of the year and retain them throughout the entire course.

The talent is all of "headline" type. There is not a cheap number on the course. Every one is a leader and are so used in other courses, which are filled in with cheap talent.

First as lecturer comes the incomparable Dr. Cadman. Dr. Cadman was here last winter but it is the unanimous opinion that no one could come who would give better satisfaction this year. Not only is he an intellectual giant of the American pulpit today but a lecturer of exceptional power, facility of expression, and richness of thought. His lecture will be popular with all who care to think.

Known throughout two continents as the "Little Mother of the Prisons" Maud Ballington Booth will be a rare treat to our student body. Perhaps no woman could be secured who by character and work could bring a greater message to our people. She has started out over 85,000 prisoners into new paths of life. She has a winning personality and an inspiring message.

Greatest perhaps that could be secured in his line is Ng Poon Chew, Chinese statesman and Publicist, a factor in the Chinese revolution, and consequently an interpreter of the far East and its problems. He uses English with unparalleled facility and beauty and has been called the "Mark Twain of the Chinese race." Sparkling with wit and wisdom his lecture will prove most helpful.

Gay Zenola MacLaren performs in a manner unique to herself. Without studying a drama from the book she attends its performance by the original company for five nights in succession, taking the same seat and without notes of any kind she memorizes the play and reproduces it to a perfect

imitation of every actor. "Living more lives than one" she masterfully produces the best modern dramas as they have been interpreted by the best companies. She is unanimously hailed as a master in the art of dramatic recital.

For the heavy musical number, giving us the best in this art, we have secured Antonio Sala, the Cellist of the Court of Spain, perhaps the greatest living Cellist. He will be accompanied with an orchestra of stringed instruments. Honored by the courts of Europe and proclaimed with the greatest enthusiasm by the musical critics, we feel that no one who loves good music should miss this number.

Last, but not least, enterprising and instructive will be the recital of Indian music by Princess Watawaso, a member of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, celebrated in Longfellow's "Minnehaha." She gives almost every variety of Indian music and dance, showing a wonderful versatility and taking one back into the weird enchantment of the red men of the forest. Accompanied by several artists she will give an entertainment that for sheer interest and romance can be exceeded by none.

These six numbers will be given for the following prices plus war tax:  
Red seats of Parquet circle \$2.25  
Green seats Parquet (first 4 rows) 2.00  
White parquet seats back of posts 1.75  
Balcony (first 4 rows) \$2.25  
Balcony (Fifth row back) \$1.50

These prices are a little higher than last year but we are compelled to hold the ticket sale to the number of seats so that none need be crowded. The plan will also avoid the waiting for seats and we believe will be much more satisfactory.

Single admissions will be high run-

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ning from 75c to \$1.00 per number. It is therefore to the interest of the students to secure season tickets. There is always a great demand for tickets from which a part may be realized if the owner does not or cannot attend a certain number. We believe it is to the best interests of the students to take in all the numbers of this course.

The Committee.

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Sophomore—Diamond,  
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## LITERARY SOCIETY COME TO LIFE

Perhaps the question most frequently asked of the new student upon his arrival at McPherson College, is the one calculated to ascertain whether he will ally himself with the Irving, Iconoclast, Emerson or Ciceronian Literary Society. He will find himself constantly haunted until he has become a member of one of these organizations, as the spirit of rivalry runs high among the four societies.

### ICONOCLAST

When the Iconoclast Roll Call was made it was found that the society had fully its share of members; these, with the old members, swelled the enrollment to approximately seventy-five members. The society gave its first program of five splendid numbers on Saturday evening of September twenty-first. The Monday evening following the Iconoclasts entertained the Irvings at an egg supper in Price's pasture, where another delightful program was rendered. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing various games and in finally partaking of the supper, consisting of boiled eggs, buns, pickles and sweet cider.

The ranks of the Iconoclast Society contain much varied and remarkable talent, which is eager to display itself. There are readers, musicians, actors, soloists, orators and a male quartet of considerable note. The members of this society do not look upon the literary requirements of the college as a duty but rather as a rare privilege, and they hope with the co-operation of their sister societies to make the literary work of this college what it should be. "We are all boosting the talent and we have been having programs that merit the attendance of all. If you want to get in touch with a bunch of live wires, join and co-operate with us. If you wish to spend a pleasant and profitable evening attend our programs.

#### Officers:

Pres.—Howard Ingle.  
V. Pres.—Mamie King.  
Sec.—Eva Boone.  
Treas.—Mabel Brubaker.

### IRVINGS

Dame Rumor had hinted at the beginning of the school year that the Irving Literary Society was dead, but the following week decidedly proved the contrary. Under the able leadership of Mr. Austin the Society has gone "over the top." Old and new members have rallied to the colors, officers have been installed and plans made for the coming year. The society has started off with the right spirit, the spirit of loyalty, pep, good fellowship and co-operation with its sister societies.

Following the joint society program three splendid Irving programs have been given, and many more varied and inspiring ones are being planned by the program committee, to which every

one is cordially invited.

At the beginning of the school year the Irvings were royally entertained by the Iconoclasts. The co-operation and kindly regard of this society is certainly appreciated by the Irvings, and there is a hope that the two societies may "team-work" together thus the remainder of the year.

Saturday evening, October the fifth, a patriotic programme was given in the Chapel. The most important feature of this program was the dedication of the Irving service flag, which contained sixty-three stars, sixty-two blue ones representing the boys and one red one for Miss Lily Hawkinson, who is an entertainer in a Y. W. C. A. hostess house. Mr. Harry Gilbert presented the flag in a very appropriate manner, voicing the sentiment of the society and friends in his tribute to those in the service for their country. The society is not only proud of them, but feels it a great honor to have them as members.

#### Officers:

Pres.—Mr. Oliver Austin.  
V. Pres.—Marguerite Muse.  
Sec.—Lucile Gnagey.

### EMERSONIANS

The Emersonian Literary, the somewhat embarrassed at the beginning of the school year by the absence of some of her old officers, got upon her feet again in time to make a good showing in the campaign for new members. A new President and Vice President were elected the first week, and they together with the last year's secretary, arranged things for the first two weeks till a slate could be made out.

At present the new officers have been installed and things are going fine. This good spirit results in good programs, and good programs are drawing good crowds. There may be a few, who at first thought the Emersonians weren't up to par, but if they stop to consider, they are convinced that is is a bove par. That the Emersonians are going to come to the very front this winter, is the promise of some of her leading boosting members.

#### Officers:

Pres.—Earnest Wine.  
V. Pres.—Bertha McClelland.  
Sec.—Marie Cullen.  
Treas.—Earl Harvie.

### CICERONIANS

The Ciceronians as usual are on the map this year, and very much in evidence. They have elected their new officers and the program committee has discovered some unique talent and furnished the society some splendid programs; there has been one open program which had an unusually good attendance. The finest thing about the Ciceronians is that they promise to do better work as the winter progresses.

#### Officers:

Pres.—Agnes Baker.  
V. Pres.—Hazel Vogt.  
Sec.—Fay Elliot.  
Treas.—Clyde Kline.

## JOHN McCORMICK TO BE AT HUTCHINSON

Friday Evening, October 18

John McCormick world renowned Irish Tenor has always been noted for drawing larger crowds than any other voice artist in America. He has popularized many songs with the American public, making famous such as these: "I Hear You Calling Me", "Mother Machree," and "Keep The Home Fires Burning." One of the rarest blossoms of his achievement along this line is his latest song "Dear Old Pal of Mine," so full of the most exquisite tenderness, in voicing the longing which every soldier must feel for the woman, whose enfolding arms mean not only pure noble love, but clean lifted comradeship. As an interpretative artist McCormick is ideal. He abandons himself passionately to such songs till they become a masterful message from the heart. Audiences can not resist genius, the kind in which the fineness of voice combines with sincerity of feeling; and tho the song be ever so simple and "light", McCormick's refined heart-felt interpretation raises it above the common. The unique flexibility of his voice enables him to color what he sings with whatever emotions the heart impels, and having experienced the whole gamut of joy and bitterness, which life offers, he has become intensely, beautifully human. His voice is supreme. It's superb diction, the flawless smoothness with which the tones are linked, and the perfect purity of the tone itself makes him a master singer. He is loved not only for his song, but because he uses it more and more to the service of humanity. He is overly interested in the war and has given to the government for the war relief work; in fact he has been lavish in his gifts to the government.

It is hoped that many McPherson-College students may be able to hear his concert at Hutchinson, October the Eighteenth, for Mr. McCormick reaches the height of his glory in concert rather than in Opera, for as he explains it, it brings him nearer his audience.

NOTE:—Any one interested in this wonderful treat, consult with Prof. Rowland as he is selling reserved seats for the concert. The price of the seats range from one dollar to two dollars.

## VOLUNTEER BAND

The Volunteer Band, which meets on Thursday evenings has had two regular meetings. These meetings are always made interesting and instructive by programs of various types. The Band is planning practical work to be done on College Hill and in the neighboring communities. The attendance so far has been very good. All will be welcomed. Come, you will be interested as well as benefitted.

## THE ART EXHIBIT

The McPherson High School Annual Art Exhibition was opened on Monday October the seventh, and remains open till Saturday. McPherson is constantly becoming more widely known in the art world on account of the exceptionally high quality of the exhibitions which are held here and sent out from here.

Again one gallery is given to the masterful work of Birger Sandzen. He before all others, must be counted the foremost painter of the landscape of the Southwest. The paintings that he exhibits this year are new canvasses; nearly all of them have been painted this fall since his return from his summer sketching tours in Western Kansas and Colorado. Mr. Sandzen's work is unique in that both his subjects and the manner in which he interprets them are "new." After a lapse of many years, he has taken up portrait work: "The Soldier Grandfather" shown in this exhibit is an interesting example.

Raymond Johnson, among other things, has a very unusual and beautiful canvas called "The Rhythm of Wind." Herbert Krehbiel, Oscar Jacobson, Mary Marsh, Sheldon Parsons and Anne Bromer are all represented by fine new paintings. One room will be devoted to exquisite and valuable prints; here the lovers of etchings and other graphic arts have a treat.

Programs are being given on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. On Wednesday evening Mr. Sandzen gave a lecture on art, dealing principally with French art. Some interesting French etchings were secured for the exhibition, which in a degree illustrated this lecture. This Friday evening a very fine program is promised by professor Thorsen, pianist from Lindsborg Conservatory of Music, and Miss Esslinger, soloist, the director of music in the McPherson Schools. The other programs were interesting productions of "home-talent."

Art, in all of the Allied nations, is being fostered during this time of stress for it is recognized by thinking men as the universal language of beauty. It is hoped the students of this college were able to see this exhibition, to enjoy it, and to profit by its lessons of beauty. The exhibition is noteworthy for the fact that it is typically Southwestern in character, the paintings all being by men who have the spirit of the West at heart. J. C. S.

## STUDENTS ATTENTION!

In keeping with the system endorsed by the government, the "COLLEGE BOOK STORE" has inaugurated a monthly payment of bills.

Dean Harnly did not meet his classes on Monday as he was called to Kansas City on business for the college.