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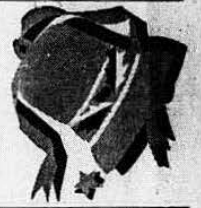
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Merry Christmas



Hawkes Jars Conventional Thinkers

Says Most Thinking Is Rationalizing; Deplores We Act Like We Feel

Following the devotions, which consisted of a number by the Varsity Ladies Quartette and a prayer led by Dr. V. F. Schwalm, Mr. Charles Hawkes, Superintendent of Salina Schools, gave a talk which was interesting to all the students. At the outset he stated it would be interesting because it would be about "us."

"Our interests are determined by our feelings," declared Mr. Hawkes. "Biglovers and jitterbugs have intense interests, but neither can see anything in the interests of the other. Our feelings decide whether we're interested in paintings or big-league baseball games.

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"Sometimes we attempt to justify our feelings by rationalizing. We do a lot of thinking trying to justify situations in which we didn't think."

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Chilean Speaks To S.C.M. Group

Lyons Mission Worker Tells Of World Brotherhood

On Sunday evening, December 18, BYPD was held in the college chapel where approximately 130 persons were privileged to hear an excellent talk on "Christian Brotherhood" by H. S. Valenzuela of the Latin-American Mission in Lyons, Kansas. Mr. Valenzuela who is a native of Chile has been working with the Mexicans near Lyons and brought with him a group of young Mexican singers.

Mr. Valenzuela in an interesting, informal talk made especially engaging by his Spanish dialect, stated, "The life of Christ was an expression of love. Love dominated His life and His gospel is called the gospel of love." The first duty of the Christian church is to learn to love one another. One cannot love God and hate his brother.

The problem of the church, according to Mr. Valenzuela, is how to make religion attractive to people. Christian brotherhood is the fellowship of souls based on a fellowship with Christ. Fellowship is the fine art of living together. People need understanding, sympathy, love and compassion, and it is only when those needs are met that the church is really successful. There have been and are again attempts to rule the world by force but according to the Lyons mission worker "the world is still that of Jesus Christ, a world of love."

Kimmel In Recital After Vacation

Miss Miriam Kimmel, piano student of Miss Jessie Brown, will be presented in a recital in the college chapel, Tuesday evening, January 10, 1939 at eight o'clock.

Miss Kimmel will be assisted by Gordon Yoder, baritone.

The program will be as follows:

- Sonata in E Minor Greg
- Miss Kimmel
- Sylvia Oley Speaks
- There is No Death Geoffrey O'Hara
- Mr. Yoder
- The Girl with the Golden Hair Debussy
- Dance Debussy
- Fantasia in C Mozart
- Miss Kimmel
- The Trumpeter J. Airle Dix
- Mr. Yoder
- Passing Clouds Davies
- Intermezzo in A Major Dohnanyi
- Concert Etude Mac Dowell
- Miss Kimmel

Koerber's Vocalists Scare Hershey Into Quick Action

Miss Ruth Koerber's second year German class breaks into type again. This time it is for alarming all other departments in the building by setting up such a melodious, unintelligible howl that Dr. Hershey found it necessary to investigate.

The facts were that those Deutschers have as text-books now two German song books. Many of the songs that were being unloosed in Harnly Hall were Christmas carols (Weihnachtslieder). Gladys Shank makes a good director, but she finds it very difficult to sight-read in German than in English simply because she can never know which way to twist the German syllables.



The star is still there. Yesterday's oriental desert sand has become the brown grass of today's Macampus. Modern sages imitate the wise men's quest.

Woodworkers Make Appropriate Gifts

Prof. Dell's Students Become Fine Craftsmen

The Industrial Art students have been busy these past few weeks making articles which may be given away as Christmas presents. Many mothers, fathers, and sweethearts will receive some of the gifts made in the shop.

The biggest article that has been made here this year is a walnut veneer ender chest. Paul Prather spent many hours of hard labor in making this chest, and now that it is finished it is beautiful. Joseph Bukey had made a typewriting desk almost entirely of wood.

Many other articles such as door knockers with initials have been made. These door knockers are of pure maple with decorated designs and the initials of the owner are filed out on top of the knocker.

Raymond Flory's small fire place is very nearly worked out. The first place stands about eight inches high. It is made out of ken cement with curving on it to make it look like red bricks. It is equipped with a red light bulb and this gives it the appearance of a burning flame.

Many numerous articles such as tack hammers, nut bowls, fruit bowls, games, lamps, flower dishes have been made here. In making an article out of ken cement one has to make the mold also. Therefore one may say that everything in or on an article of this kind is made right here in our own shop.

Another Recital

Music students were presented in a recital last Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock in the music assembly room.

Harnsbarger's basso helped tremendously in supplying the absent accompaniment and should be of definite assistance in laying a strong foundation for "Deutschland über Alles."

Seathoff had the queer idea he could sing better out of the grammar book than the song book. But he soon learned better, or else it didn't make much difference.

Crill could never decide whether he wanted to sing bass or tenor. It just depended on which was carrying the prettier melody.

All in all, one would think that maybe Miss Koerber "has something there."

Fisher To Present Students

Wednesday evening, December 28, at eight o'clock Professor Nevin W. Fisher will present some of his local students in a public recital. The program will probably be given at the Baptist Church.

Those who will sing a group of numbers are Vonda Elliott, soprano; Millicent Nordling, soprano; Estelita Bacon, soprano; Donna Neel, a fifteen year old soprano of Windom; Joe Johnson, baritone; and Keth Pierce, bass.

Prof. Fisher will accompany all of his students.

S. C. M. Panel Discusses Ideals of Greatness

On Sunday evening, December 11, the BYPD program with the theme "Christian Ideals of Greatness" was presented through a panel discussion after which the meeting was opened for public expression.

The panel under the chairmanship of Harold Flory, was composed of Phil Meyers, Rowena Mampler, Edith Spengler, Carl Yoder and Marjanne Krueger. The very general scope of the subject brought in a number of angles from which greatness might be judged. Contributions in the fields of music, art, medicine, and business were almost overshadowed by the greatness of people whose fewer talents make them great through faithfulness to duty, thoughtfulness and dependability.

While service was determined to be the final test for the truly great person, it was not limited to any one field. The discussion balanced the greatness of the small-town school teacher with the greatness of the inventor or millionaire.

W. C. T. U. Worker Says Alcohol Is Bad

"Alcohol Education" was the subject used in a chapel talk by Mrs. Fowler, a W. C. T. U. worker from Holton, Kansas.

"If homes are kept wholesome, we need not fear of our future," remarked Mrs. Fowler.

Mrs. Fowler said that alcohol is never made in quantities without the aid of man and that two hundred million gallons of alcohol are used annually in the United States.

"There are four charges of science against alcohol. They are that alcohol is a narcotic, a deterrent, a poison, and is habit forming."

Mrs. Fowler's concluding remarks were, "The decision of right and wrong is up to each individual and I hope we will consider what is right for us to do."

Return Next Year

Christmas vacation for Maccollegians will begin this afternoon at 4 o'clock with many students preparing to leave for home, where they will spend the holiday season.

The 13-day holiday period will close on Wednesday morning, January 4, when few vacations and many examinations confront students as the first semester ends.

BYPD Goes Carolling

"Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright"

Who could resist the invitation of the BYPD to go carolling Sunday evening after church when the stars were ever-so-twinkly and the air was the perfect crispness of December? About fifty young people made up the spirited group which set McPherson's quiet street ringing with gay Christmas carols. It must have been a veritable Scrooge who could have been unmoved by the Christmas spirit after the unforgettable picture of a young mother and father with a baby on the porch of their little home; or the radiation of joy on the faces of elderly people to whom the sound of familiar carols bring feelings of mingled hopes and memories. The joy of the season was really in the air after experiences like that.

Hot chocolate and cookies served in the church parlors made up the "slight" refreshments that climaxed the melodious jaunt. To all those who found it impossible to be with the holiday-spirited group Sunday night, the BYPD wishes a Merry Christmas and a new year that will find many more pleasant associations in BYPD work.

Central College Group In Chapel

Dr. C. A. Stoll, president of Central Academy and College, McPherson, was the guest speaker last Wednesday morning at the chapel period.

A boys' octette from the Academy and College sang a number, "Rise, Ye Children of Salvation," after which Dr. Stoll led in devotions by reading the story of a veteran of Christian warfare who was eager to propagate his faith in God.

The president continued, "Paul the Apostle had his friend Timothy always in mind, praying for him night and day. A prayer interest in someone can be of great value. Faith is a fine thing and it is the element in the human soul which enables it to overcome anything in the universe."

Dr. Stoll closed by saying, "After one has the faith, he must continue to hold on to it. He who reads the Word of God will live and die a better man."

The octette closed the program with another selection.

Commission Entertains Little People

Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock thirty little people from College Hill were guests of the World Service Commission. These boys and girls, ages 4 to 7 years, played games and joined merrily into the spirit of play for an hour.

Then seated in a friendly circle they enjoyed cracker-jack and chocolate milk. Commission members say it was fun to have the companionship of these little folk, and they hope that the guests liked them as well as they liked their little friends.

Big Word-Fest Held Here After Vacation

Fifty Teams To Meet In Tournament; Eight McPherson Teams Enter.

Debate-coach Maurice A. Hess announced recently that more than fifty teams are planning to enter the McPherson Invitational Debate Tournament to be held Saturday, Jan. 7. This tournament will probably be the largest ever to be held at McPherson College.

Last year the tournament had fifty-four teams entered from fourteen schools. This year already fifteen schools have signified their intention of entering, but this number is as yet tentative. Among those schools are two from Nebraska, Chadron Teachers and Kearney Teachers, and one from Oklahoma, Tonkawa Junior College.

There will be five rounds of decision debate, starting at 9:10 a. m., 10:20 a. m., 1:20 p. m., 2:40 p. m., and 4:00 p. m. Those allowed to enter the tournament are all junior college students and underclassmen at four-year colleges, also colleges juniors or seniors without any intercollegiate experience.

Those representing McPherson will be Winton Sheffer and Donald Davidson, Raymond Cuppedge and Ernest Red, Wilburn Lowallen and Wilbur Bullinger, Leonard Vaughn and Vance Sanger, Robert Rice and Harold Downman, Joy Smith and Gerisline Spohn, Autumn Fields and Esther Shorfy, and Afdys Motz and Mary Horing.

The first year this tournament was held was just last year. But it was so successful that Prof. Maurice A. Hess decided to make it an annual affair. Students are invited to listen to any of the debates.

Monday Chapel Varied; Students Read Quotations

The Monday chapel program was unique. First Miriam Kimmel played a piano solo. After a few announcements including an important one concerning safety on the highways during the holidays, the congregation sang the Christmas hymn "Noel". Then different students read quotations of famous people giving their views of Jesus and the Gospel. Plato, Napoleon, Goethe, Isairi, and many other famous people were quoted.

Then in a short talk Dr. Schwalm placed before the students two pictures, one of man's inhumanity to man and the other of Christmas gaiety.

Young Debaters Make Good In Tournament

Two debate teams represented McPherson College in a triangular tournament held at Newton last Thursday. The tournament included Bethel College, El Dorado Junior College, and McPherson College. It was a non-decision affair, four rounds in length. McPherson sent at their debaters Leonard Vaughn and Vance Sanger, Robert Rice and Harold Downman.

McPherson debaters, although inexperienced, compared favorably with those of the other two schools in the contests and gained much valuable experience. Prof. M. A. Hess considered the trip successful.

Reveal How to Get A's

Polishers Tell Working Points

Spec Conducts Survey of Apple-Polishing Artists

Egged on and encouraged by the words of Oregon State College's dean...

Based on the opinions of upper-classesmen of successful scholastic standing, this survey will help understandings to gain the cherished A's.

Dr. Daback says, "Apple polishing is an important part in a college man's education and it must be followed by diligence in class work if it is to be useful and effective.

"Anyone who isn't wise enough to do intelligent apple polishing, isn't wise enough to be in college. Apple polishing, properly defined, is making oneself known to his professors in a favorable light.

Boitnott—always nod your head in agreement to anything he says. Flory—always laugh at his jokes, no matter what they be; but that it's a good policy.

Flisher—just say "Yes, Mr. Flisher, that's right." Lehman—pay close attention and profess an interest in her trip to Europe.

Mohler—ask a lot of questions. Ashley—Disagree with everything he says; he loves to argue.

Lingenfelter—be interested in all kinds and types of music.

"The moral of the whole study is, 'Don't bite the hand that is grading you.'"

Scorpio, Sagitarius On The War Path

A good time was had by all—wait a minute—we mean by all those who attended the birthday party given by Dr. and Mrs. Schwalm...

"Stripes, come quick! Grab these peanuts!" Well, do we have a new unknown student's personality?

Mamie Wolfe was a good girl; she didn't enter into any of that swing stuff. Why? Simply because she was our plant and was so good, too!

True character traits, complimentary or otherwise, of these party-goers, were revealed much to the amusement of some and embarrassment of others.

In answer to Dr. Schwalm's inequitable question, "Have you flirted?" Nina Lea gravely answered, "Study the past to divine the future."

"Have you a secret, Luther?" Mr. Harshbarger calmly and solemnly replied with the proverb, "Honest men marry soon, wise men never."

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Old Man Jinx Chased

Quadrangle Editor Gordon Bowers is not superstitious in the least, but he is not taking any chances.

Latest trick of old man jinx has been the death of the staff photographer.

Industrial Arts Department Gets New Midget Smelter

To the industrial arts department, there has been a new midget smelter added. Made of bricks, which are plastered together, the small furnace stands three feet high and it is about two feet in diameter.

Last week Martin Seidel and other men of the department melted iron. Many articles are being made of bronze, brass, aluminum, etc., by means of this apparatus.

Junior Party Must Have Been Hilarious

"Once upon a time there was a little boy who took a bath every Saturday night—"

Here we go looby-loo—all on Saturday night; you put your right foot in; you put your right foot out;

Mr. Paden said it was the first bath he'd ever had with all his clothes on.

Then we played a Follow-the-leader game. Jack Oliver was accused of being it more than anyone else.

Someone called, "Here's an odd man!" We don't know what they meant but at any rate when Kathryn Ems peaked in with a couple Freshie girls and a senior, too, the boys insisted they all come in—so from that time on we had enough girls to go around.

Of course no party would be complete unless that Arthur Baldwin be present. Did you see that confounded-surprised-flattered-look on Kathryn's face when she suddenly realized she had been shot?

The cats were napkins and ice-cream with "chocolate goo" on, as Carrie Alice called it. Then it was homeward-bound for all but the cleaner-uppers and the disher-washers over in Avis' kitchen.

Anyway it was a lot of fun. You who aren't juniors don't know what you miss by not being a junior!

Iowa Alumni Hold Reunion

All alumni, former students, Brethren pastors, or friends of McPherson or Mount Morris colleges will meet in Des Moines, Iowa at noon December 28, for a dinner, program, and informal fellowship.

The joint session of the Iowa alumni for the two colleges will receive many old friendships.

Within These Walls—

If some one should ask you, "How is the enemy?" don't think him crazy. That is just a very very English way of asking "What time is it?"

LaVerne York looked awfully embarrassed the other day in chapel when he gallantly volunteered to open a window and pulled down the shade.

Here's another of Eldon Clark's many philosophies: If you enter a picture show, and can't see the screen someone must be sitting in front of you. And speaking of picture shows, Doc Charbonneau sat down in a seat in the show recently—but there's a hitch—the seat wasn't there so—Doc simply sat on the floor for a while.

The basket ball coach from Roxbury was on the campus last week. Upon hearing the word "badminton" he asked if badminton was a new way of cooking cabbage.

Nina Lea Rush was playing ping pong the other day with Dr. Flory. I wonder if he entered the girl's ping pong tournament.

This school seems to be filled with energetic people. There was once a boy who rose early and hurried to school in an attempt to beat Prof. Hess to his customary parking place.

The Chemistry party the other night was a huge success. Even Jonathan Hamersley blossomed out with a date. But poor Edna Mae Russell never was able to master that barrel-sitting-needle-threading trick.

In Arnold Hall—

Agree to what? Arnoldites were called together the other night to call a truce on all warfare.

And by the way, first floor seems to be getting exclusive. They don't bother the other floors, so why should girls from above come down and disturb them, and at 11:30—such a late hour. Come down off your high horse, Lois, the girls dislike a poor sport.

Another Emmert is having difficulties. First her alarm clock mysteriously disappears, and then her bell from the dining hall.

We're truly sorry that Alice Vanderkolk was called home so suddenly. We miss her, and hope she'll come back again.

Kitty and Wangie—or is it? Your guess is as good as mine. But I understand that Kitty has reconsidered, and is again corresponding with her old flame back home.

Niskey has some swell looking new pieces of furniture—lamps, desk, towel-rack. "Ice-box" must have some purpose for making all those things. When?

How dare you, Flossie, call my "Floozie" a mechanical toy, when it's every inch a thoroughbred tartle. It's an insult!

This is what education does for you. Entrees are something you find when you take your coat off.

So uplifting and inspiring was the Wiggins-Johnson conversation the other night. I caught only snatches, but evidently "Goldlocks and the bears were having trouble, Miss Shockley found the seven dwarfs in the trash pile, and better get the lawnmower and fix my hair."

Lost—one pair pajamas. About thirty girls were looking for their pajamas after the game Tuesday night. They were found next morning strung up on the porch. What a find!

Flora Mae Duncan has moved off the campus. Needless to say there are those who will remember her for her bubble dance, her sayings (such as calling a toy toid a mechanical tartle), and, oh, any number of other things.

Did you notice how Orville Beecher and Wesley DeCoursey stood up quite by accident during the Cantata the other night?

Great powers of self expression that Naylor boy has. Kirk described some one this way: he was deaf in one ear and could hardly see out of the other one.

Merle Hodgden opened the door to his room the other day. Have you heard? The door simply fell in, hitting a chair, and knocking a hole in it (the door, of course). Now if Merle puts the door back on its hinges, he won't even have to open the door to enter his room.

But in all seriousness, don't you think Luther Harshbarger makes a good chapel speaker?

Have you started to make any New Year's resolutions? After this week's brilliant recitations you might resolve to study more.

Tony Voshell says that there are two reasons why he doesn't like to go to school in his home town. The first is that it doesn't seem as though he is going to school and the second is that he can't sleep late in the mornings.

Don't get a long distance call from Michigan every night. Don't we have fun? How jolly to be awakened at ungodly hours by the ringing of alarm clocks.

Am I proud? I have a namesake, Wiggins calls her alligator "Scoop". Proud, did I say?

Elizabeth Mohler went into a fit the other day when she opened a candy box to find a mouse, Keeek!

You'd better watch your step, Elsie, or a girl from town will come out and snatch every hair from your head.

I guess I've rambled long enough, so I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Merry New Year. I'll be seeing you next year, and don't eat too much lunch.

Orchestra Cheered By Large Audience

Give Outstanding Program; Show Unusual Ability In Program.

A large well pleased audience heard the McPherson College Orchestra under the direction of Loren Crawford in its first concert of the year Sunday afternoon at the college chapel.

Especially outstanding on the program was the piano solo, Concerto in G. minor by Felix Mendelssohn, played by Miss Ann Krehbiel accompanied by the orchestra.

The program was as follows: Symphony No. VI in G. Major

Adagio Allegro vivace Haydn Andante Allegro Menetto Concerto in G minor for Piano and Orchestra Mendelssohn Presto Molto Allegro vivace Overture, Stradella Felton

The concert was masterfully given.

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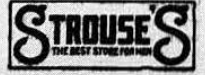


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