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## Dedicate New Fahnstock In Impressive Chapel Service

By AUSTIN WILLIAMS

Tuesday at 2:30 P. M. in the McPherson College Chapel, the dedication was held. The service opened with a procession of all of the men now rooming in the Old Fahnstock Hall.

The service presided over by W. W. Peters, was opened with a congregational hymn, followed by the invocation by Rev. Bernard N. King, pastor of the McPherson Brethren Church. Following the invocation, Lyle Albright, baritone, favored the assembly with a solo, "The House by the Side of the Road."

Then followed a preliminary address by W. Earl Breen, field secretary of McPherson College. In his speech, Mr. Breen made note of the fact that the present building campaign was launched in 1936 under the administration of President V. F. Schwalm, to whom he made a fine tribute. Mr. Breen announced the official name of the new building as "New Fahnstock Hall," and in announcing it, expressed his thanks and the thanks of all of us to the constituency of the college, the trustees, pastors, local secretaries, alumni and friends, for their generous contributions of amounts varying from \$1.00 to \$15,000 toward the construction of the new form. Mr. Breen noted the fact that \$10,000 had come from McPherson alone.

Following a selection "We Would be Building" by the double quartette, the dedicatory address was delivered by the noted lecturer and former President of McPherson College, Dr. D. W. Kurtz.

Dr. Kurtz said that a dedication of this sort is directly connected with the Kingdom of God; that Christian Education is the all important education and that any addition to an institution that promotes this type of education is a dedication to the Kingdom of God. Kurtz made the "dedication to this and to unborn generations" for it may well be that even millions of people could be influenced by the comparative few that will pass through the portals of this new dormitory. "Humanity will be blessed," said Dr. Kurtz, "by this influence upon young men who will live together in a Christian atmosphere." He referred to "education in the broad sense." Concluding his address, Dr. Kurtz remarked that beautiful surroundings are conducive to harmonious living, and that the new men's dormitory of McPherson College possesses this quality. Dr. Kurtz' address was delivered in his inimitable style, full of serious portent and sparkled with subtle wit.

The dedicatory exercises terminated with the act of dedication by Dr. Peters and the assembly reading responsively, and the prayer and benediction by Rev. Earl M. Frantz, chairman of the board of trustees.

### Maccollegians See "Twelfth Night"

Twelve Maccollegians braved the icy blasts of winter to behold the stage presentation of William Shakespeare's immortal "Twelfth Night" as presented by the Chekhov Players at Friends University Auditorium last Monday night.

The Chekhov Players are an internationally known troupe composed largely of foreign born players who specialize in Shakespearean drama and devote their lives to its interpretation.

"Twelfth Night," a mistaken identity comedy, is one of Shakespeare's best known plays. Although not in leading roles, the comic Maria, servant girl of the Countess Olivia and Olivia's hard thinking uncle Sir Toby Belch, stole the show with their pranks and antics. After the play, Miss Baker, professor of play production at Friends University, invited the McPherson group to attend a reception, where it was their privilege to meet the actors in person.

### Peters' Reception Held In S.U.R.

Refreshments Served String Trio Plays

The Student Union Room was the scene of a lovely reception held in honor of President and Mrs. Peters on Saturday afternoon February 21. The reception was held from 3 to 5 o'clock.

The representatives from several colleges and many friends as well as students were on hand to greet President and Mrs. Peters. Those receiving were Wayne Geisbert, Dr. Yoder, and Pres. and Mrs. Peters. Tea was served with Mrs. Mohler and Mrs. Boltnot pouring.

Several large baskets of cut flowers adorned the room. A background of soft music was furnished by a string trio composed of Professor Ralph Stutzman, cellist; Ann Whitmore, violinist, and Anne Janet Allison, pianist.

### Thanks For New Dorm

To those who gave money, time, and effort to the construction of the new men's dormitory, New Fahnstock Hall, we the men of McPherson College who will occupy the new building give a unanimous vote of thanks and sincerely pledge that we shall endeavor to the utmost of our ability to show our gratitude and appreciation in a concrete way.

Signed: Richard R. Burger.

## 250 Delegates Assemble In Regional Conference

By Clancy Bunyan

"Enjoying probably the largest general attendance and greatest cooperation among the student body of any of the more than twenty five regional conferences to be held at McPherson College the conference of 1942 centered its theme around the present war situation and its relation to the churches and schools," says W. Earl Breen, general director of the conference.

By Wednesday afternoon, more than 250 attendants of the week-long program had registered and it was thought that quite a number had not yet signed the chart provided for this end. Ten states spread over a wide area of the United States were represented among the visitors.

Dr. Kurtz, former president of McPherson College and one of the principal speakers of the conference had this to say about it, "It is wonderful to be back to McPherson and meet old friends and students. The conference has been well planned and quite satisfactory, covered many fields, and the attendance and response has been excellent."

Among the leading speakers of the conference were Dr. Frank H. Crumacker, who pioneered in the mission fields of China in 1908 and served many years in that vicinity. He was in China during the Japanese occupation and is well posted on the far eastern situation.

Dr. Zigler, General Secretary of the Elgin Staff and Chairman of the American Service Committee, Miss Ruth Shriver, National Director of Children's Work at Elgin and well known on inter-denominational boards, Dr. Leland S. Brubaker, General Secretary of the General Mission Board and an ex-missionary to China, and Rev. Raymond Peters, National Director of Young People's

### Sheldon Unable To Attend Conference Because Of Illness

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Dr. Charles M. Sheldon, noted author and lecturer, who was to have been here for regional conference this week, was unable to attend because of illness.

Sheldon is the author of the book, "In His Steps", which is said to be second only to the Bible as a best seller. Since it was first published, over 22,000,000 copies of Dr. Sheldon's book have been sold.

Sheldon was scheduled to appear on the Wednesday evening program at the college church. In his absence Dr. D. W. Kurtz spoke on the "Philosophy of Work and Play."

## Peter's Inaugural Has Wickey As Speaker

By Clancy Bunyan

Dr. Woodford W. Peters, inaugurated on February 21, 1942, as the seventh president of McPherson College in its fifty-four years of existence, has now officially assumed the presidency of McPherson College.



President W. W. Peters

"Change" was the motif of the occasion as stressed by Dr. Gould Wickey, the general secretary of the National Conference of Church Related Colleges, who was the guest speaker of the event. As Dr. Wickey put it, "A changing world is a seeking world," and he went on to point out that the people of today are seeking the heart, the mind, the will of reality.

Dr. Wickey spoke more specifically of the church-related colleges and stressed greater cooperation among them, also stating the fault that there is a need for a more equal distribution of this type of school. There are many places, as in central Kansas, where there are so many church related colleges that they actually are in competition with each other; whereas there are other areas where it is necessary for students desiring to attend such an institution to travel many miles to satisfy that want. To that effect he prescribed the emphasis of Christianity over denominationalism.

## A Cappella Choir Gives Concert March 27

Presented At McPherson High School Auditorium Variety Of Numbers

Secular, religious, and humorous music will be featured in the McPherson College A Cappella Choir concert which is to be given March 27 at the McPherson Senior High School. This year celebrating the tenth anniversary of its formation, the Choir will present a full hour and a half of entertainment as in former years.

Included in the repertoire of the A Cappella Choir are several novelty numbers and special arrangements in which various members of the choir take solo parts. Also of special interest in the concert will be the numbers given by the men's and women's varsity male quartettes.

## College Newshounds To Have Banquet

Plan To Fraternize At Hotel Warren, March 7

To reward newshawks, reporters, business staff, and circulation handlers, the "Spec" staff has planned a banquet to be held at the Warren Hotel on Saturday, March 7.

Attendance to the banquet is open to all students who have written for the "Spec" this year, sold ads aided in making collections, or wrapped papers for mailing. Each student eligible to attend the banquet may or may not bring a guest, as he chooses. Also invited are Maurice A. and Mrs. Hess and Dr. and Mrs. Oscar A. Olson. Professor Hess and Dr. Olson are faculty advisors for the editorial and business staffs of the paper, respectively.

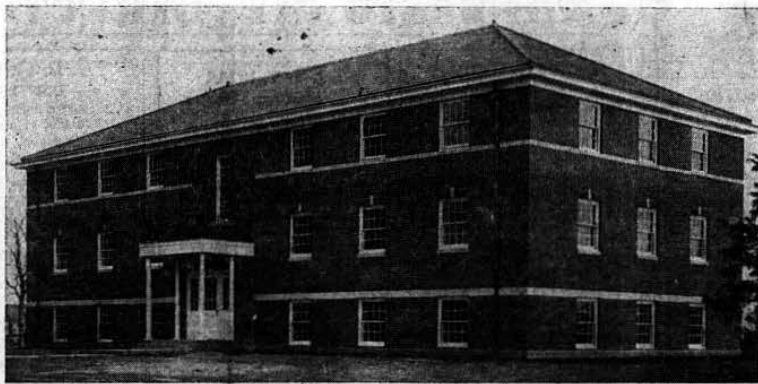
Plans for the menu and sending of invitations are in charge of Maxine Ruehlen and Marilyn Sandy, co-managing editors of the "Spec." Clancy Bunyan, column editor, and Bob Burkholder, sports editor, will have charge of the decorations. Program chairman for the banquet is Jean McNeil, Spectator reporter.

### Tune In

OR OUR Social Calendar

Friday February 27—Bethel, there.  
Saturday February 28—College Sports Day, Skating Party.  
Monday March 2—Hospital by Gertrude Conner.

## New Fahnstock Hall



New Fahnstock Hall, as it appeared last Tuesday, the date of its dedication. The building was completed at a cost of approximately \$50,000. It has thirty rooms in which sixty men can be housed, along with a three room apartment for the maintenance staff.

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## McPherson College Tomorrow

By President W. W. Peters

I may be rushing in where angels fear to tread, for in assuming the role of a prophet, one often may be characterized as having more courage than judgment. I feel certain, however, that all of us believe there will be a tomorrow and if so we likewise believe that McPherson College will be an organic part of that tomorrow. A college that:

- has more than 2000 living alumni engaged in at least 75 different occupations in the majority of the states of our union and many in various countries over the world;
- has 16 church districts in 15 states with 203 churches and a membership of 20,281;
- has 350 ministers;
- has a record of approximately \$24,500.00 given to the Conference Budget in 1941;
- has at least 50 men and women who are members of the Fifty Dollar Club who give annually \$50.00 each to the general college fund;
- has at least 157 men and women who are members of the Greater McPherson College Club giving from five to twenty-five dollars each to the general fund of the college;
- has Men's Work and Women's Work organizations in each church district who give generously to the college;
- has 18,725 members pledged by their districts to give an average of fifty cents per member to the college each year;
- has an annual Booster Banquet sponsored by the college and the city of McPherson which supplies the college with several thousand dollars;
- has hundreds of interested and contributing friends other than members of the Church of the Brethren or graduates of the college;
- has a territory with thousands of potential students;
- has membership in the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary schools;
- has highest standing with the University of Kansas, the Kansas State Department of Education and many of the leading graduate schools of America;
- has material assets to the amount of \$941,769.00, certainly has a future.

However good and encouraging the above may sound, we must not lose sight of the fact that unless the present students are highly satisfied with their educational experiences because they are being directed by a faculty of men and women who are competent intellectually, socially, and spiritually, there is no guarantee of growth and permanence. The best advertising a college has is its student body; no college can be any better and stronger than its faculty, its educational program, and its administrative policy. The members of the teaching staff and the administrative officers must show evidences of intellectual and cultural growth and of increasing interest in persons. The great college is definitely student centered with interest in the individual not only for what he is but also for what he may become.

I have heard no greater compliment passed upon McPherson College which argues for its future security than the unanimous judgment expressed at the Western Region Planning Conference at Kansas City, Missouri, November 5 and 6, 1941, when fifteen of the sixteen districts comprising the area supporting McPherson were represented by district leaders and all agreed that the college was fundamental and basic to the future life and growth of the churches in the college area. If the college maintains and, if possible, strengthens their confidence, her future is assured.

The standing of McPherson College among the educators of Kansas and the colleges and universities in general is excellent. The college has the loyal support of the majority of business and professional men and women in the city of McPherson.

But unless a college has the loyal devotion and active support of its alumni and former students its future strength is not assured. McPherson College should have a large paid up annual membership with a national organization and an active executive secretary in charge of the promotional program of the alumni association.

The church-related college of tomorrow needs to be definitely Christian both in intellectual and verbal pronouncement and in practice. Quality must be held high both in scholarship and in character. The problems of contemporary life and future needs should be intelligently considered and the learning experiences should be so organized and directed that the students will develop or acquire abilities to deal masterfully

with the problems of mental and physical health, family life, occupations, citizenship activities, social relations, personal growth, ethical character, leisure activities, and religion.

This means among other things that shallow-mindedness must not become synonymous with broadmindedness; loose thinking must not be accepted as liberal thinking; stubbornness must not be accepted as moral courage; and tolerance must not be allowed to exterminate fundamental principles and moral and ethical convictions.

To provide the proper educational environment in a college, the services of great and noble teachers are a major asset. Accordingly everything honorable and humanly possible should be done to maintain an atmosphere to which such teachers will be attracted and in which they will want to continue their services. This means that adequate salaries should be paid; opportunities for growth in service provided and a retirement system kept alive. McPherson has within the present year installed a retirement policy for the faculty.

If "our college" keeps herself spiritually and intellectually alive in promoting freedom of thought, freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of press, freedom of occupation, freedom of marriage, and freedom of worship, and does what it does in a superior way in producing Christian world citizens, she has a future and will command adequate support in good will, students and finances.

The years ahead will be hard ones but not impossible ones. I conclude with the words of Colonel Armstrong at the close of the Civil War when he advocated the education of the negroes and when he was told by a skeptical friend that it was impossible, replied by saying, "We Christians are here to do the impossible."

## Campus Comment

I appreciate this privilege to express a few of my views concerning certain activities which, perhaps, are prevalent in every boys' dormitory, but which have repeatedly been practiced here in our own dormitory beyond the limit which could properly be expected of intelligent fellows of college caliber. I am one of the fellows in the dorm and feel in somewhat of a position to give an evaluation.

This is a Christian College and it can logically be assumed that the fellows here all came from homes which in various degrees valued Christian principles as guides in living. I do not judge anyone's actions here as un-Christian in any way, but there is a line to be drawn somewhere in the scale of questionable activity.

I am sure every resident of the boys' dorm will admit that at various times fellows have not taken consideration of other fellows or the school's rights and property. Let each fellow be his own judge in this matter.

It might be found debatable whether Christian or any other principles should be followed, but since certain cardinal rules of conduct have brought the highest known harmony to society for thousands of years, I feel they still have value to such a social group as exists here in the boys' dormitory at McPherson College.

The material value of this old dorm may not be great but still unnecessary nail holes, scarring and

splitting of its doors, and loosening of plaster is destruction in the true sense of the word. With so much destruction going on in our world today, I should think we as college men should in every way possible try to train ourselves in preservation and reconstruction. We'll need to learn after this is over; perhaps much sooner!

Another little thought of mine. I am not a conscientious objector and do not mean this as a "dig," for I sincerely respect the conscientious objector's cause and have deep admiration for anyone who lives that cause. In these times I think the conscientious objector should especially train himself in practicing the cause he holds as the guide for his actions concerning war. Practice in even the smallest everyday matters will benefit him for what he may eventually have to face.

I am sorry to have to say that room stacking etc., inevitably carry their degree of malice and revenge. I don't want to appear an idealist or a moralist, but I do think we, fel-

lows are facing some desperate future problems the solutions of which will demand all of the self-discipline we can possibly equip ourselves with. Signed—

(Editors note—Contrary to what will be common belief, this article, as all other such letters appearing in this column, was written by a student not on the Spectator staff. It is granted that what he says is true, however, and something must be done about it.)

Dear Editor,  
The other day I chanced to visit the office of the Spectator, that is if you can truthfully call such a mess an office. What is the matter? Why don't you let a janitor clean out the place once a month at least? Why do the school authorities allow such a condition to exist? Or maybe they don't know about it? Your office will make a striking contrast to the new immaculate dormitory to the conference visitors this week, to say the least. Am I mistaken in the belief that such a condition of papers and trash strewn upon the floor creates a fire hazard? Perhaps the local fire chief should be notified of the situation. For the sake of the safety as well as the self respect of our institution let's have some action and a genuine clean-up campaign. Signed—

- ### Stork Stories For March
- Evelyn Wilson
  - Ruby Peterson, Lem Elrod.
  - Max Brunton.
  - John Trostle.
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## Faculty Members Give Dinner For Trustees

### Speakers Of Regional Conference Guests; Harily Honored

In keeping with a custom of many years standing, the members of the faculty and their wives entertained the trustees and their wives with a dinner in the Brethren Church parlors Monday evening at 6:00 P. M.

As guests, also present were Dr. D. W. Kurtz, Dr. Frank H. Crumacker, M. R. Ziegler, Raymond R. Peters, Miss Ruth Shriver and Omar B. Maphis, speakers at the Regional Conference.

It was intended that the reception also should honor Dr. H. Harily, professor emeritus of biology at McPherson College on the occasion of his eightieth birthday. Because of illness, however, Dr. Harily was unable to attend the function.

Dr. W. W. Peters, newly inaugurated president of the college, introduced the trustees and faculty members.

Dr. Kartz gave a brief talk to the group. Music for the evening was furnished by the college women's quartette, composed of Lois Stambaugh, Virginia Kerlin, Jean McNicol and Lucy Blough. Miss Ida Shockley, chairman of the social committee, was in charge of the program.

## Regional Conference Has Many Attenders

Group Represents Members Of Central Region

Regional Conference Week at McPherson College has brought to the campus Brethren leaders and conference attenders from all over the central part of the United States.

From the state of Oklahoma came Wilbur Holderdread, Cushing; Mrs. Luther Ford, Olive; Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Prentice, Olive; Mrs. John Miller, Oklahoma City; Chester N. Van Dyke and family, Bartlesville; C. C. Clark, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Ora Huston, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Noel Hedges, Drummond; Robert A. Ryerly, Ripley; Mrs. Haven Hutchison; Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Myers, Enid; Mrs. Van Dyke and Wande Lee, Bartlesville.

Iowa sends Glen M. Baird, Elkhardt; Mrs. Leo Power, Ollie; Mrs. Edwin Klotz, Fredericksburg; D. D. Harner, Fredericksburg; Reverend and Mrs. L. A. Walker, Adel; Reverend Earl E. Jarboe, Fernald; Reverend Earl Deardorff and wife, Pantora; Virgil Marshall, Adel; Mrs. Oscar R. Sifer, Conrad; Mrs. Glenn Sheller, Eldora; Miss Mae Albright, Eldora; Mrs. W. H. Yoder, Waterloo; Lee Dadsma, Nevada; D. S. Blough, Waterloo; Earl M. Frantz, Grundy Center; Mrs. Anna Mae Royer, Adel; W. H. Yoder, Waterloo; J. E. Rolston, Sheldon; Mrs. W. C. Ickes, Dallas Center; Mrs. C. M. Frantz, Grundy Center.

Glenn Harris represents Jennings, Louisiana. And Ernest Shively comes from Rocky Ford, Colorado. Mrs. Pierce Wilson attends the convention from Wiley, Colorado, and Naomi Fasnacht comes from Wiley, Colorado. From Missouri come Lloyd and Mrs. E. Slater, St. Joseph; X. L. Coppock, Plattburg; Mrs. Merle Witmore, Rich Hill; Walter Mason, Norborne; Mrs. Mary A. Voigt, Independence; Elder Ira Witmore, Adrian; from Elgin, Illinois comes Omer B. Maphis and M. R. Ziegler, while Magnolia, Arkansas sends Mrs. J. H. Matius. Mrs. Martha H. Keller comes from Worthington, Minnesota. Nebraska delegates Mr. and Mrs. Milton Early, Omaha, Milton Frantz, Holmesville.

Kansas leads in the number of delegates sent to the conference. Kansas sends Mrs. V. E. Whitmer, Zenda; Mrs. Elsie McChesney, Zenda; Mrs. Martha A. Frantz, Conway Springs; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. DeVilbiss, Ottawa; Mrs. E. E. Wade, Wichita; Mrs. Roy Frantz, Conway Springs; James H. Eldrod, Wichita; Elmer Johnson, Norton; Mrs. W. A. Kinzie, Morrill; Mrs. May Nicholson, McCune; Rev. G. A. Zook and wife, McCune; Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Lehman, Madison; Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Hodgden, Topeka; Rev. and Mrs. Clinton I. Weber, Hutchinson; D. W. Keeler, Quinter; Mrs. J. M. Stutzman, Conway; Mrs. Art Lichty, Sabetha; Mrs. Roy Kistner, Sabetha; Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Wampler, McPherson; J. B. Stutz-



Dr. Gould Wickey, guest speaker at the inauguration of President W. W. Peters last Saturday. Wickey is widely known as a lecturer, writer and scholar, his works having appeared in various educational magazines. He has been honored by admission to Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Kappa and Pi Gamma Mu.

man, Conway; J. M. Stutzman, Conway; Mrs. J. B. Stutzman, Conway; S. J. Heckman, Conway; R. F. Yoder, Conway; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Schrock, Newton; Mrs. Royal Yoder, Conway; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Flory, Ottawa; Mrs. J. L. French, McPherson; Ernest Westling, McPherson; Mrs. S. L. Reynolds, Kansas City, Kansas; Mr. Lloyd Ditmars, Washington Desmond Bittinger, McPherson; Roy Frantz, Conway Springs; Mrs. Jettalea Sigle, Waldo; Leonard and Isabel Broken, Independence; W. S. Royer, Newton; Mrs. H. D. Michael, St. John; Mrs. Steve Moyer, Hutchinson; Mr. and Mrs. B. Reynolds, Navarre; Mrs. F. A. Wagner, Waldo; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest E. Watkins, Ottawa; Miss Mary Vancill, Ottawa.

## Central A Cappella Choir Sings

A Cappella of Central College under the direction of Rev. Clark Brandt presented an inspirational musical program to students and faculty members assembled in chapel Friday morning.

Their first selection was "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," a German number. "Praise to the Lord" and "Dear Land of Home" concluded their first group.

Rev. Brandt sang a solo, "Invitations," during the intermission.

"At Dawning" introduced the second group of selections, followed by "Bless the Lord O My Soul," a Negro spiritual, "The Spirit of the Lord Done Fell on Me" by Nobel Cain was beautifully sung by the choir. "Going Home" from the Largo movement of the Nove World Symphony concluded an outstanding program of sacred and classical music.

## Gleaned From The Teeming Brain

Of Ye Scribble

This strenuous week is almost over and soon we can relax and be our natural selves again. We now have a president who has been formally "dedicated" (as Prof. Hess would say) and a beautiful super-duper new dormitory which has been "inaugurated" by an impressive ceremony and also by the trustees and a few fellows who couldn't wait any longer to sleep in it. I don't blame the boys for wanting to sleep over there but perhaps if they had been more quiet and secretive about it they would not have been apprehended by Prof. Dell and Dick Burger.

I recently overheard a conversation about engagements in which Warren Sles learned to his great amazement that the engagement instead of the boy. He became very excited and slightly pale from the shock and asked, "Can she announce it just any time she wants to?"

Speaking of engagements recalls to my mind a recent rumor that I heard from a fairly authentic source. The main point—of it was that Business Manager Trostle seems to be investing his shekels in a sparkler!! I haven't noticed or learned whether the lucky girl has actually received it yet but it won't be any surprise to us now when she does. Could it be that this little investment of Johnny's has something to do with the thrifty or Scotchman-like policy that he practices in his official capacity as Business Manager—or is he just saving to buy a defense bond?? If any of you noticed how down-hearted Orvell Long was last Tuesday and wondered what the reason

## Ex-Maccollegian Keeps Bird Refuge As Hobby

As ministers, students, laymen, and faculty members were streaming out of the chapel after hearing another of Dr. Kurtz's roaring lectures, your reporter was eagerly scanning the face of each gentleman who made his exit from the chapel. In searching for the individual who had been described to me, it was not difficult to recognize instantly the large athletic figure and pleasant, good-natured countenance that comprised Mr. Richard "Dick" Keim, whose athletic prowess of years gone by and whose unusual hobby has made him a personality known and respected by many Maccollegians.

Not at all abashed by his powerful frame and also encouraged by his personable smile, your reporter dashed up to the object of the attention with, "Mr. Keim, I'm a reporter for the Spectator; I would like to interview you regarding your unusual hobby of which I've been hearing so much."

Thus, although interrupted occasionally by conference members who all stopped for a "hello" and a hand-shake with "Dick", above the noisy hub-bub created by the conference attendees comings and goings I succeeded in disseminating the following information concerning the bird refuge which Keim has established on his farm near Nampa, Idaho. Since a natural stream runs through his farm, this graduate of Maccollege decided to start a haven for wild birds on a tract of land two miles long and one-half mile wide, after he became interested in a nationwide contest for private bird refuges in 1930. After gathering the eggs of wild geese, ducks, and peafowl (peacock to you) and introducing this type of wild fowl to the protection of his farm, Mr. Keim photographed and reported the results of his collection of wild life in his new habitat. Competing with contestants who spent thousands of dollars on their refuges, "Dick" finally ranked in the twentieth position from the top out of four hundred entrants from all parts of the nation.

In cooperation with the governmental project of migratory water fowl protection this Idahoan has received federal and state permits to operate his bird refuge. Keim speaks of his hobby as "a very interesting work" in which, because of the protection offered them, the birds-migrants often become as tame as domestic fowl. In winter time several thousands of birds use Mr. Keim's farm as a stopping-over place. Three hundred ducks and geese, and fourteen peafowl use the refuge as a permanent home. Among the transient wild fowl are Canadian, Snow and Wild Egyptian Geese, and the Mallard duck, the blue, green, and teal wing ducks, and the bald-pate duck, which derives its name from its white head.

These ducks and geese do become somewhat destructive to his shocked corn at times, my subject admitted, but only continued by saying that when severe weather threatened the birds food supply that he often provided corn and wheat for them. He has also done some private banding of migratory fowl, from which he has received replies from all parts of Idaho.

When queried concerning the imminence of the extinction of wild fowl, Richard Keim had this to say, "Since there has been an extended effort to protect our wild life, such birds are on the increase. There is no great danger of extinction of wild fowl life if the program continues."

While attending college at McPherson from 1921 to 1925, Richard Keim rated the all-star state football team as he played on the Bulldog line. Since that time he has lived on a farm near Nampa, Idaho, and now operates a meat-packing plant.

After divulging these interesting facts about his hobby of protecting wild birds, Dick again became a part of the regional conference and your reporter again returned to the "Spectator," from whence cometh these words.

## Zigler Speaks On Living In War Time

Has Four Alternatives, Each Must Choose One

In a talk entitled, "Living In War Time," Dr. M. R. Zigler, general secretary of the Elgin Staff and Chairman of the American Service Committee, outlined in the college chapel Thursday, the role of youth in the present war crisis, in the statement, "Every man has to make a choice," Dr. Zigler set forth these four alternatives: he may not register at all, and may serve a jail sentence as a result of this action, he may register as a C. O. and enter a Civilian Public Service Camp, he may register as a noncombatant and serve under military supervision, but not carry a gun, or he may take the IA position and go directly into the Army, Navy or whatever branch of the service he chooses or is assigned to.

Enumerating further on these points, the speaker stated that no matter which road we choose to follow, we should conscientiously devote our every effort to it. Stressing this point he said, "Where your conscience leads you, go there, and thank God that you live in a nation that will allow it!" And he went on to point out that the flag of the United States is as sacred to the conscientious objector as it is to the militant.

One of the highlights of his speech was his statement that no matter which of the four choices we felt he hooved to take, we should remember that we are all working toward the same end and that is peace and justice.

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## King Speaks To SCM

Organ music by Leora Dohrins opened the S. C. M. Thursday evening. Following that, Jean McNicol read a poem, "The Intimate Stranger," and a quartette composed of Anne Whitmore, Dave Albright, Lyl Albright, and Jean McNicol sang hymn, Rev. Bernard N. King stated that the topic for the mid-week Lenten services is to be "The Intimate Stranger." He asked those present to think of the infinite love Christ had for all mankind and of the love for more love in the world today. After the singing of "Immortal Love Forever Faith" by the quartette, the meeting was adjourned.

The Ethnic Minority Commission and the Student Volunteers met to gather Thursday morning in the S. U. R. Dr. Bittinger gave a talk about the Mexican situation and told of some of his experiences on his recent trip to Mexico.

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## Senior Class Presents "A Family Portrait"

Well-Known Religious Play at Community Building March 17

Philosophical drama in a biblical setting will be brought to the McPherson stage on March 17 when the senior class presents "A Family Portrait" at the Community Building.

This sensational religious hit has brought its authors more publicity and fame than any of their former works. Produced on Broadway for the first time three years ago, this play has since enjoyed a wave of popularity which has swept it into theaters and libraries all over the country. Not only has "A Family Portrait" been produced by colleges and universities, by little theatre groups and amateur theatrical societies, but it has been studied and reviewed in educational and social clubs throughout the country until it has become one of the best known of the modern plays.

A twenty-four member cast, biblical costuming, down-to-earth human interest, and genuine humor make "A Family Portrait" a "must-see" play. Although the character of Christ does not actually appear on the stage, all the action centers around Him and His work. Treating the reactions of the family of Christ during His ministry and through His crucifixion, Coffee and Cowen's biblical masterpiece accurately depicts the characteristic reactions of the Hebrew populace of Jesus' time.

## Men Furnish Own Dormitory Lounge

Furnishings for the lounge in New Fahnestock Hall is being done by the young men of McPherson College. The Dormitory Committee, consisting of Dick Burger, chairman, Ethel Ikenberry, Ronald Orr, and Joseph Hoffert, have selected the furniture, arranged for its shipment, and are working toward complete payment.

Total cost of the furnishings is approximately \$350, with about half yet to be raised. Effort is being made to complete payment for the furniture.

## Conner Gives Piano Recital Monday

Miss Gertrude Conner will be presented in a piano recital by the music department Monday evening, March second, starting at eight o'clock in the college chapel.

Her program will consist of selections from Beethoven, Wagner and modern composers. Miss Conner is a student of Miss Jessie Brown. Miss Lucile Harris, a voice student of Professor Nevln W. Flaheer, will assist in the program.

The public is cordially invited to attend this recital.

## First-Year Organists Present Recital

The first organ recital of its kind to be given in the college church was presented in a vesper service Sunday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock.

Judy Angevine, Leora Dobrinski, Joy Smith, Alvin Klotz, and Eleanor Meyer, five first year students of Ralph Stutzman, instructor in organ, participated in the program.

The appreciative audience was composed largely of conference visitors and students of McPherson College.

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## Curricular Extracurricular

McPherson College's seventh inaugural ceremonies occurred last Saturday with the inauguration of President Woodford W. Peters. The service was impressive and well carried out, although a trifle long. The church auditorium was filled to capacity and the addresses by Gould Wickey and President Peters were well received.

Crowds assembled to attend the dedicatory services for the dormitory for men filled the college chapel auditorium to overflowing. Chairs were placed in the aisles and at the back of the room but many people were still obliged to stand. Dr. D. W. Kurtz, former president of McPherson College, gave the dedicatory address, after which students, conference attendees, and visiting townspeople were at liberty to inspect the new dormitory.

During the past week many new faces have been in evidence on the campus. Delegates from all over the United States are attending the Regional Conference held at McPherson this year. Outstanding speakers and group leaders have lectured to audiences consisting of delegates to the convention and students interested in conference topics.

Outstanding on the list of conference speakers are Dr. Frank H. Crumpecker, Dr. D. W. Kurtz, Dr. M. R. Ziegler, Dr. Leland S. Brubaker, Miss Ruth Shriver, and Reverend Raymond R. Peters. Probably one of the most disappointing things which happened during the conference was the failure of one of the featured speakers to materialize. Dr. Charles M. Sheldon, scheduled speaker for last Wednesday evening, was prevented by ill health from attending the conference as was planned. Dr. Sheldon is the author of "In His Steps," a religious book which has enjoyed a wider sale than any book except the Bible.

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## Modern Aesop Fables

Once upon a time, long long ago, there lived a crow, and this crow, like all other beasts of God's kingdom, suffered from time to time, the need for fluid rehabilitation, the need of liquid relief for its parched throat, a drink of water. Now it so happens that this very

physical weakness, this characteristic so common among animals and the failure of this particular bird to have the will power to resist its natural desire for H<sub>2</sub>O makes our story for today.

One day when the crow was very, very thirsty and he had searched far and wide for a pool, puddle, river, or soda fountain and had found nothing but scorched earth when suddenly he came upon a deep pitcher in the bottom of which was the cool refreshing beverage which he so urgently craved.

Frantic with rage and thirst, the raven at last hit the intellectual

edge of the pitcher and paused to enjoy the anticipation of the refreshing draught, when out of the woods trotted a fox which frightened the crow away and rudely lapped up the hard-earned water. This goes to show you that he who hesitates is lost.

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## Kurtz Speaks Of Purpose Of Education

**"A Good Life Should Be Obtained From Our Education."**

A sizeable crowd of visitors and students assembled Monday morning during the regular chapel period to hear Dr. D. W. Kurtz speak on the subject, "The Goals of Education."

Kurtz stated that the main purpose of education is "a good life." "Anybody with ordinary common sense can understand Christianity," Dr. Kurtz said there are many great needs and problems existing today. There is a need for an organized effort for good health. We kill too many people in accidents, so we ought to have a unified desire to keep alive. Another great evil is the fact that one sixth of the worst of our population (that is, morons, imbeciles, idiots) are at the present time producing one-half of the future generation of America. "The best blood in America is not maintaining itself," said Dr. Kurtz, "while the worst blood in America is populating the earth." There is a need for all of us to learn to think. Jesus gave the highest concept of everything and that is what we should keep in mind.

Dr. D. W. Kurtz said the "good life" could be summed up in the need to be:

1. physically fit,
2. intelligently rational,
3. socially moral, and
4. spiritually in tune with God.

## New Industrial Arts Building Being Planned

**Trustees Authorize Immediate Action Of Obtaining Materials**

A new industrial arts building, made mostly from material in the old Fahnstock Hall which is now being abandoned in favor of a new men's dormitory, is to be built soon on the McPherson College campus. The building was authorized by the board of trustees at its annual meeting Tuesday, with the understanding that work will begin as soon as it is certain that funds can be obtained. Because material from old Fahnstock Hall will be used, all students and furniture must first be moved to the new building before tearing down work can begin.

Student labor will be used as much as possible in tearing down the old building and building the new. L. S. Nelson, who was superintendent of construction of the new dormitory and also the new physical education building, will also be in charge of the new building project.

The estimated cost of the new building has been set at \$6,200. Little additional material will be needed other than material from the old dormitory and it was hinted that if absolutely necessary because of priorities that the new building could be built with no additional material.

## Crumpacker Gives Closing Address

Dr. Frank H. Crumpacker, one of the outstanding figures of the Regional Conference, closed the week's program in chapel this morning. Using his text, "Unless a grain of wheat fall in the ground, it cannot live," Dr. Crumpacker presented his views on the topic, "The Cost of Christian Freedom."

"One must be willing to pay the price of giving up selfish ideas and put the other person in the foreground," said Crumpacker. "This is the first cost in attaining Christian freedom."

Crumpacker has traveled extensively during the past year, and has met many people. Through these many acquaintances he illustrated his second point of freedom of conscience and freedom in activities by practical life illustrations of these people, who gave up their lives or who endured tremendous hardships for this freedom.

Because he felt that there is a great deal of breaking up of ideals in these times, Dr. Crumpacker lastly appealed to the younger life "because," he said, "there must be a new life devoted in sacrifice to the quest of Christian freedom."



Dr. D. W. Kurtz

## R. R. Peters Talks On Emotional Development Some Never Reach Top Step Of "Helping Others"

"Most of us emotionally have not arrived at maturity," stated Rev. Raymond R. Peters in chapel Tuesday morning. Peters outlined three stages of emotional development, the "primitive we" age, the "ego" period, and the level at which we forget ourselves in working for the common good.

The "primitive we" level is the stage of emotional development of small children. It is the feeling of superiority because we are in some way associated with some person or group that is outstanding. The "ego" age is reached at adolescence, the time when what "I" did is uppermost in our minds. "Many people never rise above this second level" asserted Peters.

The third stage which we should strive to attain, is that level at which we lose ourselves in serving our fellow man. It was upon this plane that Jesus Christ lived.

## Kurtz Gives Views On Work and Play

**Says We Must Work With Spirit of Play.**

Filling the pulpit in the absence of Dr. Charles M. Sheldon, who could not be here because of illness, Wednesday evening, was Dr. D. W. Kurtz of La Verne, California. Dr. Kurtz spoke of his "Philosophy of Work and Play." Kurtz defined play as activity for the joy of the activity. What is drudgery to many people is work to other people. But to those who enjoy what they are doing, it is play.

Dr. Kurtz stated that one of the greatest discoveries ever made was that nothing really great has ever been accomplished except when it was done in the spirit of play. He concluded that the sooner we apply the play spirit to every realm of human activity, the sooner we would begin to accomplish more.

## Peters Re-Elected For Three Years

**Other Faculty Members Also Re-employed For Year**

The board of trustees at their final meeting yesterday made plans for the new building and completed arrangements for financing the project.

The trustees also re-employed Dr. W. W. Peters as president of McPherson college for a three-year term. When he was first employed last May it was for a one-year term.

The board also re-employed all the regular members of the college faculty. As far as is known at this time there are no resignations which might require the employment of new instructors.

Stevens Institute of Technology has started the "first emergency course in engineering at the college level" for women.

bed to Orvell about his age. For that he'll have to skip a couple of birthdays. Or worse.

Connie Alfaro added another step to her crime career last Monday night, when in the course of human events she chanced to be with Doc Williams, Lena Belle Otwin, and Jean Oberst. It seems that after the performance of "Twelfth Night" which these ladies and lad attended, they chose to wait in a Wichita doorway while their chauffeurs, Pascal and Margaret Davis, repaired to a confectionery. Having already, according to one reporter, braved the wintry blasts, the aesthetic quartette was chilled to the marrow. Or further, so Connie, who can remedy any situation with dispatch and efficiency stepped to the door of the shop in which they were standing, opened it preparatory to walking in, and then froze in her steps. For directly behind her, shining, a searchlight on

her person, was a big night-watchman, Connie melted, proving that all lawbreakers cannot stand up under pressure.

A stitch in time saves nine—and at that rate Squeak Meyer has saved forty-five stitches. For those who are not mathematically inclined, I will explain that five stitches taken, at nine saved per stitch, saves a total

of forty-five stitches. Think of it! The more stitches one has taken, the more stitches he saves. A million stitches, nine million saved. Perhaps Squeak will play basketball against the Swedes again, just to build up a reserve of stitches. Squeak evidently instead of being on the business end of the swing, tangled with Olson, or Johnson, and got the business.

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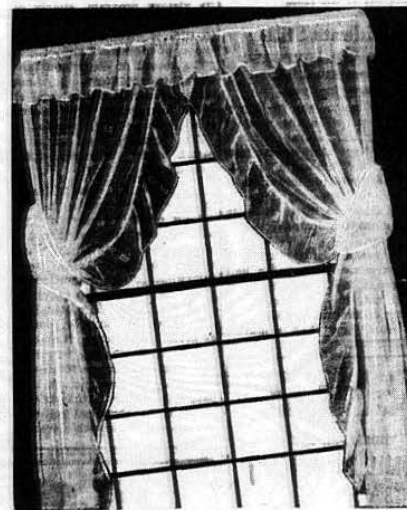
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Six of one and half a dozen of the other is the newly adopted social policy of Solly Meyer and Ruth Huxman, who recently exchanged class rings.

Variety is the spice of life. The inauguration last Saturday was very pretty, very pretty, although the speeches from 12:00 until the end of the program were uttered to the accompaniment of stomach growling in the audience. The inner man must be satisfied. And furthermore, the faculty looked very, very in their caps and gowns. I haven't yet figured out why the tassels on the caps are not the same color. Maybe when I graduate they'll tell me.

They'll probably call it the "Unwell-ing of 1939."

If this be gliding the lily, make the most of it. Vincent Allison, brother of the Trestle heart interest, has presented Doris Ikenberry with a bit of wrist adornment. Doris rates the column otherwise, since she and Violet Bollinger spent "part" of Friday night with Mary Kittell.

Tripping the light fantastic on floors as yet unscuffed by the tread of human feet is the last word, my dear, simply the last word. According to "Doc" Williams, it just can't be beat.

As Tiny Tim said, "God bless us every one." Regional Conference week brings out the best in all of us. And the beautiful thing about it is that there are so many different ways of serving. Some speak; some meditate; some usher—at their mother churches. But it remains for Clarence Bunyan to show us the way. He was the one who showed true brotherhood. He ushers at the Methodist Church. Let us all go afield and serve.

America is the melting pot of civilization. And so, incidentally, is the church. There very interesting friendships are observed to flower. Only last week Herbie Ronk, who recently illegally traded his FFA pin for a photograph, was seen to enter the Brethren Church in the company of Orvell Long. Ronk doubtless fib-

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