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### bits of foolosophy

Tomorrow is the day that I got my column in last week. Oh well, you know how twisted I get up. Just like that popular song that says, "Praise the Lord and Pass Me My Commission," or something.

And God smiled again, And the rainbow appeared, And curled itself around his shoulder, And God said: I'm lonely still.

At the End of Euclid Did any of you perchance note any similarity between the Play Night Saturday night and a certain other party held at the end of Euclid not so many days ago?

Quite the opposite of a hilarious Saturday night was the thoughtful and quiet B. Y. P. D. program Sunday evening. I believe that such services have a definite place in college life.

Everyone is excited over the prospect of traveling to Chicago and the conference. Some students are fond of the idea because there is the chance of getting home and seeing the family.

Thanksgiving is just around the corner. It hardly seems possible that we have been going to school so long. But so it is.

Something has been puzzling me. How can we have a Leap Year party in February if all the fellows desert the campus in November?

life, And man became a living soul. Amen, Amen.

As Anne Janet Allison was hurrying to school she prayed, "Dear God, don't let me be late—please, don't let me be late!"

He'd have the best, and that was none too good No barrier could hold before his terms

By the way, my uncle runs a cleaning establishment, and will dye tomorrow, and how about a wiggle—Worm? Whew, I'm going in circles.

## The President Speaks:

### DEMOCRACY

With no attempt to be authoritarian but merely to express a few attributes of a democratic society I present the following:

- 1. Democracy is an attempt to organize and to maintain society on an ethical basis.
2. In a democracy there is respect for personality to the extent that the individual is considered an end rather than a means.
3. In a democracy each individual considers his life in the list of its effect on others; on the common good; and on the general welfare.
4. In a democracy how to live is primary to how to earn a living.

For the opportunities and blessings of democracy we ought to be profoundly thankful and we should pray and strive to be worthy.

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## Lest We Forget; Lest We Forget

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Few will be able to travel to Grandmother's cheery hearth; familiar faces will be missing from the family circle; the food will not be so bountiful—in fact thousands will be starving. But there will be a Day of Thanksgiving for Americans which will be especially significant as we give humble thanks to our Pilgrim fathers and to their God for the blessings which are ours when the world is dark. A ray of hope for the morrow is ours.



## Hats Off To The Bulldogs!

Another football season has passed and Coach Hayden has just enough time to take one deep breath before he begins training another bunch of spirited boys in basketball.

Coach and our football men, who only numbered 17 at the end of the season, are to be congratulated for their untiring work on the gridiron this year. Of course, there probably were times when many of the fellows could have become quite discouraged but with all their constant, unending work, while we didn't win all our games, we had a coach and assistant coach that won our admiration, we had a team that won our support, and we have had a school spirit which won our loyalty.

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# Washburn Leads Honor Roll With 45 Points

**Nagely and Parris Follow With 42 Point Total; Scholastic Average Drops**

Leading the honor roll for the first half of the first semester with a total of 45 honor points is Ted Washburn, prominent McPherson senior at McPherson College. James Nagely and Wayne Parris, each with 42 honor points, tied for second place on the list. Completing the roll are Anne Janet Allison, with 41 points, and Blanche Geisert, Ann Witmore, and Gayle Tammel, each with 40 honor points. Four less than the number on the honor roll of this same period of last year, the above list would tend to show a decline in the academic standards of McPherson College. Furthermore the decline is not in numbers alone. There were three with a greater number of points than 45, the highest being 54, at the end of the first nine-weeks' period of the first semester last year. Twelve students rated honorable mention: Betty Burger, Leora Dobinski, and Elsie Mast, each with 39 points; Wayne Geisert and Anne Metzler, with 38 honor points; Sally Fox, Geroldine Hedges, Joe Hoffert, and Glenda Sawyer with 36 points each; and Doris Ikenberry, Jack Kough, and Maxine Ruehlen, each with 35 points.

# Carlyle Reviewed By Mrs. DeCow

Monday morning Mrs. De Cow of Lindsborg, Kansas, a former student of Macollege, gave a scholarly lecture on the life of Thomas Carlyle. "Thomas Carlyle was one of the greatest geniuses of the 19th Century," stated Mrs. De Cow. He was of Scotch descent. He entered many different professions, but never did he do any one thing long. Carlyle's works portray that he saw everything with a searching imagination, was humorous, was a thinker, and was very lonely. Mrs. De Cow stated that his object of writing was that men should find out the truth and match their lives to it. The basis followed by Carlyle in his diligent pursuit of writing were work, wonder, worship, which themes are easily discerned throughout his penings.

# Out Of The Cobwebs

Directions: Read these only once lest they become dry and stilted like an epitaph.

**THE WAYFARER**  
The wayfarer.  
Perceiving the pathway to truth, Was struck with astonishment. It was thickly grown with weeds. "Ha," he said, "I see that no one has passed here in a long time." Later he saw that each weed Was a singular knife. "Well," he mumbled at last, "Doubtless there are other roads."

**THE BOOK OF WISDOM**  
I met a seer  
He held in his hands  
The book of wisdom.  
"Sir," I addressed him,  
"Let me read."  
"Child—" he began.  
"Sir," I said,  
"Think not that I am a child.  
For already I know much  
Of that which you hold;  
Aye, much."  
He smiled.  
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**By Velma Blickenstaff**  
What with struggling back and forth to classes, listening to the idle chatter about the Chicago conference, and approaching Thanksgiving vacation, I've really been busy. And to complicate matters, I've decided, against my better judgement, not to take double cuts over the holidays.

While trucking down the avenue, who should I meet but Mary Spessard, charming junior, returning from her work in the Central office. In connection with her Home Ec major, Mary particularly likes to cook meats. Having lived all her life on a Kansas farm, she loves driving a tractor or farm truck, and thinks it's fun to feed lambs on a bottle. Chief among her interests are her Sunday School class of first year juniors, a wide collection of religious poetry and scrapbooks, and tennis. After graduation, Mary is looking forward to a High School teaching career.

I pause here to remind all you happy people not to slap the first thing that stings you—it might be love instead of a mosquito.

This brings us to the all important subject of "Datin' with Dayton" as Ruth Saxton sees it. With big, brown eyes that fairly sparkle, "Billie" Saxton portrays her Missouri accent and has proved to be a very efficient waitress in the dining hall. As for favorite subjects, Ruth likes Sociology, and has a deep interest in art and music. Baseball is a favorite among the sports.

Alyce Mae Boyce is a firm believer that Thanksgiving vacation should extend over Friday. After completing a 30-hour teacher's course, Alyce Mae taught elementary schools for two years, and is now a junior. Her quiet, reserved manner is made more charming by a deep interest in hiking, photography and out-door sports.

In regard to the present world situation, "Boycie" believes that we will soon reach the turning point of the war, and that Germany will be defeated before long.

Must leave now, but look for me later. I'm the third from the left with my mouth full of turkey and garlic—and don't say that smells!

# Service Men's Pub

C. S. P. Newell Wine, former Macollege athlete who was better known as "Toughy", is an older brother to our Ronnie. Newell graduated from Mac in 1934 and has since joined the navy. His address is:

C. S. P. Newell Wine  
C. P. O. Club  
U. S. Naval Training Station  
San Diego, California.

Word has been received by the Spectator staff that J. Sylvan "Doc" Hoover has changed his address and is now located in Virginia. He says, "If the fire works doesn't get too hot I'll probably get another furlough soon. But since the long awaited 2nd Front has been launched, we expect a different schedule soon." Letters may reach him by this address:

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ind, who has been in the air corps for quite some time, is located in Montana.  
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Floyd Kurtz, an alumni of 1927, is now assistant chemical officer at Fort Belvoir. His mailing address:  
Floyd Kurtz  
C. W. S. Section, 1320 S. W.  
Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

Paul Dannelley, C'42, writes from his naval training school at Columbia University, New York. Paul, one-time editor of the Spectator, says that the new recruits are not allowed to leave the grounds for four weeks; consequently, he had his first two-day liberty recently. The men are kept busy and are supposed to spend one and one-half hours writing letters. He also mentioned the fact that he had had the privilege of hearing Paul Robson, the noted Negro baritone. Paul's address is:

Paul E. Dannelley, A. S. V. 7  
U. S. N. R. Midshipman School  
New York, New York  
John Jay Hall  
Room 706.

Clancy Bunyan, who was column editor for this publication while here in school, is now editor of the camp newspaper in the C. P. S. camp in which he is located in Oregon. At present Clancy is recuperating from an injury which he received when a piece of steel flew off the sledge with which he was working and entered his arm. Clancy writes that he is located about one-half mile from the Pacific Ocean in a region of frequent rainfall. The address is as follows:

Clancy R. Bunyan,  
Camp Angell,  
Waldport, Oregon.

Lieut. Samuel Stoner, nephew of Dr. V. F. Schwalm and also graduate of McPherson College, is now in the army at Mt. Clemens, Michigan. His address is:  
St. Samuel Stoner  
262 Euclid Avenue  
Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

Tech. Sgt. Arlos Tarn, who attended college here two years ago, visited friends on the campus last Monday. Tarn is now located at Ft. Riley. His address is:  
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As this deer column would say to another deer, "are you having any fawn?"—especially after the grade cards!

Kissing a girl because she lets you is like scratching a place that doesn't itch, isn't it, Bob? Incidentally, Decoursey also believes in variety. 'Tis nice to be at an equal distance from Arnold Hall and Fulkerson's. If the wind is in the south you can always go north.

Evidently our varsity debaters are still the masters of oratory, for in their speeches at Pittsburg they enunciated distinctly, accented perfectly, and said nothing. That controversial, verbose debater Geisert went around squeezing all the girls because he heard about freedom of the press.

"And I will love you, 3 days yet, if it proves fair weather" in the poem "Constancy". Which reminds me that Jack and Annette should have open house to show the rest of the kids the back parlor.

It takes about 1500 nuts to hold an automobile together, but it takes one nut to scatter it all over the landscape. Is that comfortable crate of Burton's scatter or shatter proof? Doesn't sound like scatter to me. And speaking of cars, our friend Matson should name his Ford "opportunity" because it knocks all the time.

Our nation has its Roosevelt with his "new deal"; Macampus has its Klotz with his "big deals"; First floor of Fannie has its Blicky with his "Miss-deals" and now Herbie gets a "dirty deal". I guess Miss Shockley will learn to refuse out-of-town permits, especially to Springfield, Mo. Look what happened to the lass from Quinter. Must be wonder-

ful to have one in every port, and now I ask you, what part is Herbie supposed to play, "the silent Partner"?????

Dr. Wayland has a reason for that new sparkle in his eye. He is the proud owner of a brand new baby boy!!! When do we get the cigars, Francis?

Many things have been missing in dear old Arnold, so they tell me. Some brilliant-minded, super-sleuths should search the co-eds. Use home-made detectives and end the search by lifting a few books in several girls rooms. (Aren't we underrating the girl's intelligence?) Of course, we have policemen paid by taxes to investigate. Maybe our men should send in to Post Toasties and get a badge. Don't suggest it to Farver. She is proctor on third floor nine whole weeks and 'tis rumored that she does her "duty"!!

"Every nite about this time" finds Ruth and Solly in their favorite chairs at the library. We're just green with envy cause we can't find any books on those shelves to hold our interest from 7 til 10 P.M.

We are at War! No foolin'. And everyone is talking about conserving paper as is the Spectator. When you grab in the box for yours, take it easy. The Republican can't put out as many "specs" and the dorm files!!

Mary Jane adds another candle to her cake and sister Elizabeth gets kicked in the shins by some awkward junior the same day.

In case you are wondering about the color of heaven, I've heard it was pastel.

# Pres. Represents College

Dr. Peters has just returned from a trip to Doane College at Crete, Nebraska where he represented McPherson College in the inauguration of the new president there. This new president is Rev. Drake formerly pastor of the McPherson Congregational Church.

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