

## Tid-bits On Sentimentalism

"Valentine's Day is now almost everywhere a much demerely of the sending of jocular anonymous letters to parties whom one wishes to 'quiz', and this confined very much to the humbler classes." So states Volume I of the "Book of Days, A Miscellany of Popular Antiquities," when consulted about February 14.

Turning the pages of the venerable volume "... Maid-servants and young fellows interchange such epistles with each other on the 14th of February, no doubt conceiving that the joke is amazingly good."

The story is told that on February 14 the birds select their feathered mates. And many years ago that superstition inspired the human family to do likewise. How St. Valentine got mixed up in the process has stumped the experts.

Earliest love-epistles—portraits of beauties swathed in lace-paper foam—were made in England and imported to the colonies.

By 1860 vulgar comic notes were in vogue, cheap paper and red fringed. And then the Gay Nineties brought loveliness back and the pastry-cook style of valentine design—wedding cakes and sofa cushions and cuckoo clocks.

Says the Saturday Evening Post for February 17, 1940, "It was nothing for a calf-eyed swain of 1904, after being gashed by celluloid scrolls and smothered under real lace furber-lows, to pay 25 dollars for a single such confection before he regained his senses. . ."

## Debaters Plan For Future Trip To U. Of Neb.

McPherson College debaters will make their before-dawn departure for the longest debate trip of the school year Friday, February 25. With the debate coach, Professor James Berkebile, and Professor J. H. Fries in attendance, they will journey to the invitational tourney at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska.

The tournament begins Friday afternoon and ends sometime Saturday afternoon. The eight men and women who are taking the trip will participate in six rounds of debate and three rounds of extempore-discussion. The debates will center about the regular inter-collegiate question, and the discussion will deal with various phases of the post-war problem.

Tentative plans for the meet include Maxine Ruehlen, Betty Dean Burger, Annette Glasier, Maurine Gish, Blanche Geisert, Wayne Geisert, Charles Lunkley and Elvin Frantz as the student participants.

Head of the Speech Department at the University of Nebraska is LeRoy T. Lasse, who was a former debate coach at Sterling College.

## A Cappella Group Is Rehearsing For Spring Concert

Music lovers have a treat in store in the A Cappella Choir annual public concert this spring. The A Cappella Choir is composed of a group of sixteen students with outstanding vocal ability. A well-balanced program that will please the taste of the patrons of the music world has been planned. The program is divided into three parts.

The first part of the program will consist of musical compositions which will be unaccompanied and religious in nature. A miscellaneous group of numbers consisting of solos, quartets, and octets will furnish the humorous part of the program.

A special patriotic production, "I Hear America Singing," is being prepared for the concert. Walt Whitman is the author of the poem and Harvey B. Gaul has composed the music for "I Hear American Singing."

The place of the performance and the date for the A Cappella Concert has not been chosen.

## Hoefle Quits Campus For Camp Routine

Dean Hoefle left Tuesday morning for his home in Vinton, Iowa. He has received his induction papers and will report to a Civilian Service Camp on February 19. He plans to spend a few days at McPherson College before leaving for camp.

Dean, junior this year at McPherson, was enrolled for three hours of schoolwork this semester. He completed his three-hour course in Comparative Anatomy in three weeks.

## Peters Speaks To Kiwanis

President W. W. Peters will make an off-campus trip next Wednesday. He has been invited to speak to the Kiwanis Club at Lyons, Kansas, that evening.

## Church of the Brethren Welcomes Students

Sunday School for College Students ..... 9:45 a. m.  
Church Service ..... 10:45 a. m.  
Sermon—  
Rev. Bernard King  
Subject—  
"When A Christian Organizes His Ideal".  
B. Y. P. D. .... 6:45 p. m.  
Union Service at City Auditorium ..... 8:00 p. m.  
Sermon—  
Charles A. Wells.

## Bible Presented As A Memorial

A special service was held in chapel Wednesday morning by the presentation of a Bible to the College in memory of Lt. Clifford Schapansky, former student of McPherson College.

Dr. W. W. Peters accepted the gift on behalf of the College, saying a few words concerning the background and literary value of the Bible. He led devotionals, selecting the scriptures given at the Schapansky Memorial Service.

The Bible was inscribed: "In memory of Lt. Clifford Schapansky, killed in action somewhere in China, October 9, 1943, presented to McPherson College Chapel by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Schapansky and Sons."

Music for the service was provided by the second quartets directed by Professor N. W. Fisher and accompanied by Mrs. Harry Reeves. They sang "Rock of Ages," "Be Thou My Vision," and responses.

## Local Yokels-Swooners At Heart But Don't Have Well-Oiled Tonsils

By "Doc" Williams  
Since old Frank Sinatra has been having such a vicious panning in the newspapers lately, and since freely admit that Al Capp is the source of ideas for nearly half of any features that may come from this slightly added brain I herewith submit a little treatise on Frankie and his cohorts, including some suggestions for would-be swoon crooners such as Norman Gibbs, the Tony Galento of the McPherson College basketball team, who (if you gals don't already know it) is quite a crooner. You ought to hear him yodel out a chorus of "Sweet Rosie O'Grady" while the dimly visible in the steam of the third floor shower, or hear that faintly moaning croon that seems to emanate from the caverns of Sinatra's trachea as he sobs in an unmistakable bedroom tone the strains of "New San Antonio Rose." That's

what gets 'em, guys, that hoarse grunt that sounds like a katydid with the group.

There was a time in the life of this atrocious typer when he thought that he possessed a certain something in the way of lady-killing tenor with which a little polish here and there, a little filing on some of the rougher corners of his vocal cords, a little sleight of hand manipulation of the best of books, he could become a worthy rival of Richard Crooks. Such a state of affairs was not the real case, and sad to relate, there came a day of rude awakening. That day was when fifty dollars had been paid through the nose instead of the resonance that was supposed to be latent there. "The Barefoot Boy" didn't have any shoes on, and his croaker sounded like it had a bad cold. After hearing Al Baxter and

his definitely raucous rendition of Pistol Packin' Mama and Bob Willis and his "Born To Lose," I decided that that was all that these two pieces of slingshot inner tube stretched tight in a Kansas sou'wester were good for.

Take heart though, guys. All is not in vain. Some of the local yokels can yodel right along with the checkerboard sisters and still get plenty of sob into the lyrics. If it is that lean, hungry, half-starved look that you are worried about, you need fear no longer. Where do you eat? Need I say more? Act weak, but be a prize fighter at heart, and above all don't forget the voice. Witness the career of crooner Klotz and take the career of crooner Klotz and take your cue. He gets that certain hoarse quality from a diet of corn fritters, sauerkraut juice and home-brewed salomey sandwiches garnished with retreat rubber.

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## Capers On Campus Tonight

### Girls' Council Sponsors Dorm Slumber Party

#### Heart Week Climaxed With Evening Of Fun

Identities of secret heart sisters who have played good fairies all this week will be revealed tomorrow night in Arnold Hall at the Slumber Party given for all college girls. Heart Sister Week is sponsored by the Women's Council.

The fun is scheduled to begin at 10:30 o'clock p. m. and after the revelations, games, and food, there is a faint hope that the Girls' Dormitory will be quiet at 12:30.

Committees chosen to direct the fun of the evening are: Invitation—Lodging, Joyce Peter, chairman, Geraldine Corbett, Virginia Elmore; Entertainment: Mildred Helmer, chairman, Ida Mae Byer, Lucile Harris; Refreshments: Muriel Lamle, chairman, Leora Dobrinski, Lois Kauffman.

### Region Youth Meet February 19-20

The Brethren Church will play host to a youth conference Saturday and Sunday, February 19-20. The conference is a get-together of the youth officers and leaders from the region. The program Saturday will consist of discussion groups during the day, ending with a banquet in the evening.

The theme of the banquet is "Colorblindness," and the program is to be centered around different nationalities. The dinner will consist of Chinese dishes. Raymond Peters will be the guest speaker.

The Sunday program will be more flexible, in order that the delegates may attend church in the morning and discuss problems in the afternoon. The conference ends after B. Y. Sunday evening.

### Interpretation Class Uses Lincoln Theme

The Literary Interpretation Class, taught by Miss Della Lehman, presented the chapel program Monday morning. The theme was Lincoln; Keith Burton drew a chalk picture of this president; background music was supplied by Mrs. Dorothy Kurtz.

Eunice Swank gave an introductory poem and presented the remainder of the program. Anne Metzler read "Lincoln, Man of the People," by Edwin Markham; Betty Dean Burger gave "John Brown's Body," by Stephen Vincent Benet; and "Abraham Lincoln Walks At Midnight," by Vachel Lindsay, was presented by Annette Glasier.

### Announce Open House

College students and citizens of McPherson and surrounding community are invited to attend the Open House which will be held in the McPherson College Museum next Thursday evening, February 17, from 7:30 until 10:00 o'clock.

The Open House will be sponsored by Dr. R. E. Mohler and his Zoology class. Light refreshments will be served.

### Cartoonist In Lecture Series

Charles A. Wells, cartoonist and religious lecturer, begins one week of public lectures in McPherson next Sunday morning and evening, February 13. These lectures, sponsored by the McPherson Ministerial Alliance, occur each evening February 13 to 18 inclusive. They will be held in the City Auditorium.

The Wells lectures are centered upon modern day themes and are illustrated by cartoons drawn by the speaker as he lectures. A forum follows the evening address.

The subject of the opening lecture Sunday morning is "Christ and World Need." The Sunday evening topic will be "Who Do We Fight In Asia?" Weekly topics in their order of presentation are "The Inside Story of Nazi Persecutions," "Labor and the Coming Revolution in America," "Love, Laughter, Death and Religion in Russia," "Hitler and Gandhi," and "The Secrets of a Thrilling Life."

### Prof. Fisher Presents Concert At Central

Professor Nevin W. Fisher presented a piano recital at Central College, Friday evening, February 4.

One of the high lights of the evening was Professor Fisher's interpretation of his own composition, "Moonlight On Coronado Heights." Other pieces on the concert were Rachmaninoff's "Prelude in C Sharp Minor," Liszt's "Invocation" from "Poetic and Religious Harmonies," "Adagio," from "Moonlight Sonata," by Beethoven.

He played several compositions of Frederic Chopin and E. A. MacDowell. From the modern composers he chose a composition by the late George Gershwin entitled "Prelude III."

### SCM Becomes Aviary

Song birds of McPherson College were at the "height of their glory" last night. The S. C. M. program was a song fest led by Eugene Lichty. Old favorite songs were sung by the group.

### Organizations Compete For Five Dollar Prize

#### A Spec-O-News

By Edwin Rodabaugh  
The draw strings are tightening on the enemy in the Pacific. One can easily see the strategy that is being used.

Russia is rushing toward Germany from the North to the South.

There is a scrap in Italy. The Allies do not rush headlong into a mess they cannot get out of. Their seeming slowness is a sign of wisdom. Caution is necessary to assure victory.

### Nineteen Girls Serve At Father-Son Banquet

Nineteen college girls gained experience in the intricacies of serving banquets Friday evening, February 7, when they acted as waitresses at the Boy Scouts Father-and-Son Banquet. These girls, supervised by Ruth Shoemaker, served 285 men and boys in the basement of the McPherson Church of the Brethren.

### Quad Sales Close Feb. 18, Says Sandy

Sales for the 1944 Quadrangle, which will be available to students and faculty the early part of May, will close the 18th of this month. Anyone wishing to purchase the official annual publication should turn their money in to Marilyn Sandy, business manager of the Quad.

Concealing most of the new ideas and features of this year's book, Editor Jean McNicol does say that it will be quite different from previous books. Although prevailing conditions make for various changes, the yearbook is selling for the regular price of \$4.00, and will continue to have approximately as many pages, revealing classroom activities, campus shots, class and faculty pictures as in previous years.

### BYPD Meeting Features Vocal Music And Poetry

Because of the church choir concert at 7:30, the regular last Sunday night meeting of the BYPD was shortened to allow choir members sufficient time to change into choir robes.

The program consisted of music and poetry. Lucile Harris led the group in several songs; Elvin Frantz sang a special number. Lois Nickleson was the evening pianist.

Ida Mae Byer read two poems, "My Daily Wish," and "Today." Leona Holderread read the poems "First Things First" and "The Bridge You'll Never Cross." The program closed with the song "Are Ye Able."

Margaret Williams was in charge of the service.

### Miss Neher Manages Refreshment Booth

The long-desired opportunity to buy food on the campus became a reality last Friday evening. Miss Edna Neher had pop corn, rolls and ice cream for sale in the office of the girls' dorm. The fact that this food was sold at cost and the long walk it saved the hungry student made the innovation welcome.

### Six Students Admitted To Music Organization

After taking vocal placement tests, six students were admitted to the Choral Club this semester. Katie McRae, Zola Roger, Ruth Uchida, and Freda Aurell have joined the new member in the person of Irene Schramel. Norman Gibbs and Ichita Tonokawa are new members of the bass section.

The Choral Club is preparing an oratorio "The Rose Maiden" for a concert this spring.

Tonight various campus organizations will display their wit and talent at the annual stunt show beginning at 8:00 p. m. in the S. A. R.

Typical night life in the Girls' Dorm will be demonstrated by Arnold Hall girls under the chairmanship of Annette Glasier. Fashions of the Gay Nineties will be displayed by the Women's Council stunt, which is being planned by Marilyn Sandy, Chairman of the committee.

The M. Club members, Reeves, Rogers, and Mayes, are planning a stunt entitled "Masked Marvels". The nature of the stunt is a deep dark secret. The theme for the boys' dorm stunt arouses interest. "If cats weren't mean and dogs didn't bite and men were like women, what would this world be like?" Bob Mayes says it's sure to win.

Other organizations that have reported their wish to try for the prize are the Recreational Council, W. A. A., Men's Council, and the Student Christian Movement.

### Maeder Speaks Of Objectivity Of Right, Truth

#### Catholic Priest Captures Attention Of Listeners

Father Moeder of the local Catholic Church spoke to an unusually appreciative group of students and faculty in the chapel last Friday morning.

Father Moeder's short and to-the-point talk concerned moral education. The physical and intellectual education of America is up to par, but the moral education of our youth is crippled.

"Truth is objective; it is outside ourselves. Thinking a thing is right does not make it to be right." The speaker made the startling statement that in a recent survey of New York City children, three-fourth of the youth had never heard of the Ten Commandments.

"We don't judge objective truth, it judges us and by it we shall be judged."

Father Moeder spoke powerful words in a powerful manner. He championed upright, clean, righteous living.

### Fisher Illustrates Lecture With Music

This coming Sunday evening, February 13, students will be privileged to hear a unique program during the regular BYPD period at 6:45 o'clock. The program is entitled "The Correlation of Fine Arts in Worship" by Professor Nevin W. Fisher, professor of music and director of musical organizations.

The program will be a concert by Professor Fisher, piano and voice. He will present religious art and poetry and hymn interpretations.



### Future Dates

Friday, Feb. 11—Stunt Night.  
Saturday, Feb. 12—Girl's Slumber Party at Arnold Hall.  
Monday, Feb. 14—Basketball Game at Baker.  
Tuesday, Feb. 15—Basketball game at Ottawa.  
Monday, Feb. 21—Basketball game with Bethany, here.  
Sunday-Friday, Feb. 20-25—Regional Conference.

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## Faeries Are Puckish



"What did you get from your heart sister today?" That is the password around the dorm this week for it is heart sister week and each day good faeries, in the form of girls, do some kindness for or give some gift to the "gal o' her heart."  
Some show great adeptness at the latter in being able to suit the needs of their "sweethearts for the week." Twila Neely, who suffers with hay fever and sneezes around with the sniffles, was the delighted recipient of a box of Kleenex.  
Anne Metzler got a box of stationery, suitably inscribed with such pertinent phrases as "What's Buzzin', Cuzzin?" and "What's Cookin', Good Lookin'?" We leave it to you to decide just why this particular gift is so appropriate for her.  
Most outstanding that we have yet heard of is, however, one received by Blanche Geisert... a magazine with the identity "Cure for Lovesickness," marked.  
The girls are eagerly awaiting Saturday night when the identity of the Heart sisters is revealed. We predict that there will be some revenge mixed with expressions of appreciation when the unveiling takes place.

## Sunflowers and Sandburrs ---

To whom it may concern: Please note that all of the campus yard lights have been repaired. To some this announcement is unnecessary, but orchids to the people responsible for the good act—onions to the persons who enjoy putting them out.  
Have you noticed the improvement in the appearance of the S. U. R.? The credit goes to the new janitor or janitress, who is now in charge of the room. The new little "house-keeper" is Miss Annette Glasier. Good practice; keep it up.  
Say, is this Kansas or California? Is this summer or winter, or is it just spring in February? We are very definitely puzzled. Tomorrow we may find ourselves in the Artic.

Is the S. U. R. Double or Nothing? Come on, you free men and women. Remember, our land is a country of the free and the home of the brave, emphasis on the brave. Couples really do not bite even if they don't make a lot of noise.  
Service de luxe. Letty Rogers got his shirt back from the laundry, plus the address book he had left in his pocket—plus 12 new girls' names, addresses and phone numbers.  
The other day in "Contemptible Lit," after discussing the Alfred Noyes Lecture and methods of transportation to Newton, Miss Lehman said, "I expect to take a bus, unless

His Name Is Mino...  
I saw him sitting at the library table. "How do you pronounce M-i-n-o?" I wanted to see, I crossed over and huddled over the other side of the table. "How do you pronounce M-i-n-o?" I asked, and he told me.  
In answer to the dumb question as to whether he knew all the fellows, (he's only been here a few days) the new freshman said, "Gee, it's pretty hard—I've been introduced to most of them, probably."  
Then we rambled on into class work. Since Mino had an English rhetoric book spread out before him and since I'm an ardent Spectator fan, he soon had occasion to inform me sturdily that he is "worried now about getting through English, and am in no position to write for a school paper."  
Which brought up hobbies. "Interested in dramatics?"  
He grinned, "No."  
"Singing?"  
He grinned, "No."  
"Basketball?"  
He thought awhile and drawled and smiled, "Well... I guess not."  
Minore Koide grew restless as information was drawn out and a crowd began to gather. And so I'm

His Name Is Yo...  
Two new boys swell the ranks of the Freshman Class. They hail from San Diego, California and one answers to the name of "Yo." They are not brothers as some might have guessed, but are just good friends. They have known each other since they were "so high" according to Yo.  
Yo's hobby is sports. He came here from Poston Relocation Center in Arizona.  
When asked how he liked McPherson College, Yo's answer was "Plenty good! College is a lot better than I expected."  
To the answer of the question, "How do you like the ratio of boys to girls?" we received the statement,

## Our President Comments:

Alcoholism is one of the most serious and alarming diseases in contemporary life. Permit me to give the Twelve Steps Toward Solution by Joy Elmer Morgan, Editor of The Journal of the National Education Association, Washington, D. C. (From the January, 1944, The International Student.)

- (1) Keep smiling. (2) Spread facts about the harmful effects of liquor. (3) See the facts about beverage alcohol kept out of high school and college life. (4) See that liquor is not supported by newspapers and magazines which carry liquor advertisements. (5) Do not support members of Congress and radio stations insisting that all liquor advertising be kept off the radio. (6) Write members of Congress and radio stations insisting that all liquor advertising be kept off the radio. (7) Make war on gambling and vice. Liquor, gambling and vice go together. (8) Prefer hotels without bars and cocktail hours. (9) Prefer acceptable substitutes. (10) Beat the corrupt city bosses. (11) Refuse to elect drinking men or friends of the liquor traffic to public office. (12) Organize, work, give, and teach.

taking his advice about not telling everything and will leave you to your own devices in getting acquainted with this likeable new fellow on our campus.



Roses are red,  
Violets are blue,  
Sugar is sweet,  
And so are you!  
If you like this verse of mine,  
Won't you be my Valentine?

## If The Shoe Fits—

Since you have come to the place in life where you are classed as college students, it seems that you might be old enough to pick up personal articles. I'm speaking to the individual who is continually leaving soap, toothpaste, wash cloths, and towel in the bathroom. It's convenient to use that soap and tooth paste you leave behind (perhaps we should thank you for furnishing toilet articles for the dorm), but it does get tiresome to see towels and wash cloths draped about.  
Then there's the girl who is continually talking about that Romeo of hers. No doubt he is a wonderful man, but people certainly get tired hearing about your romance with him. Some of us have come to the

conclusion that men are the only subjects about which you have any information. And since there are so few anyhow, it sounds like you're rubbing into us the fact that we have none.

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## Valentines Are Compliments

In a very short time lanky lads will bashfully hand huge heart-shaped boxes of chocolates to shy little misses trying hard to be nonchalant. And in a few more days boys will blushing scrawl their names on lacy red and gold valentines sprinkled with smiling cherubs and brilliant bluebirds. Sending valentines out on the morning post is one way of saying, "I think you are very nice."  
Everyone enjoys receiving a valentine and this also applies to genuine compliments. Sincere words of praise are a boon to a dull, uninteresting day. Like a rainbow in the rain, they instill a tiny secret glitter way down inside a fellow.

## Down To Earth Education

Washington—(ACP)—Not all the good education ideas come from the hallowed precincts of America's oldest and most famous colleges. Frequently those ideas spring from the "high grass" colleges of the West and Middlewest. And Washington has its new education ideas too.

One of today's most interesting and significant educational developments is underway far up in the Northern Great Plains, in Trail County, North Dakota. This idea was born on the campus of the State Teachers' College at Mayville, North Dakota.

The idea—to integrate in nearly all college courses a knowledge of soil conservation and an understanding of the need for man's protection of the soil.

The Mayville program, which is being carried out with the aid of the Soil Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture in Washington, D. C., centers around the fundamental truth that everything man needs comes from the soil. It is based on the belief that we owe the soil our food, clothing, shelter and many fabricated products of daily use, as well as a large share of our economic stability.

The Mayville teaching of soil needs and conservation is intended not only for Mayville graduates, but also for their future students in grade and high schools throughout the Middlewest.

Soil conservation is taught at this college by integration of the subject into existing courses, not by the addition of special courses. (Although some states have laws requiring or authorizing conservation education in individual courses, many educators today believe that present, already crowded curricula need added courses like Kate Smith needs pounds.)

Only a handful of other educators throughout the United States are carrying on a program similar to Mayville's. But wherever this program is in use, it largely follows the same pattern—showing in history courses how lack of soil conservation has affected American history; in geography, how lack of conservation has caused a drop in land ownership and an increase in tenancy, which too frequently results in poverty and serious social problems.

In carrying out this program, the State Teachers' College at Mayville is associated with six cooperating rural schools within a radius of 20 miles of the college. These rural schools are providing a laboratory for study of the effectiveness of the theory of teaching soil conservation in the Mayville manner.

At the rural schools, the children plant trees in school yards to prevent erosion of the soil. They test soils for acidity, observe plants grown in the schoolrooms, prepare models of contoured and terraced fields (both representing conservation practices), test the water-holding capacity of various types of soils, prepare programs on soil conservation for meetings of Parent-Teacher Associations and other community groups.

The Mayville students learn, through watching the activities of these children, how they can best stimulate an interest in conservation when they become the teachers of other youngsters.

Widespread understanding and salesmanship of soil conservation methods is of great importance to America's post-war food and production problems and to plans this country may have for feeding starving and war-impooverished nations. The benefits to be reaped from soil conservation practices are indicated by some of the 1943 food production increases which were due to these practices. Among the increases were 55 million bushels of wheat; 45 million bushels of corn; 720 million pounds of cotton seed; and 252 1/2 million pounds of beef.

But immediate food increases are still only one reason for conservation. The biggest reason in the long run is simple salvation and preservation of the soil for use by future generations.

The soil conservation education at Mayville is important and new, but it affects only a small geographical area and a small handful of America's people. The Mayville program's implications and possibilities are tremendous however. This was indicated by the American Council on Education's selection of Mayville for a special study, a study which became a glowing report of the college's work in teaching soil conservation.

It is possible that a new pattern of education for America is being cut out and tried and fitted at Mayville, North Dakota.

# Churchmen Gather For Religious Meet

Church of the Brethren people over the Western Region are looking forward to the annual event which the month of February brings, Regional Conference. It begins February 20 and closes February 25.

The Regional Conference program promises to be an interesting and helpful and beneficial to all in many different areas of church work and in daily living.

Many efficient and able speakers have been secured for this conference. Some of them are: Cyrus E. Albertson, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Colorado Springs, Colorado; Dumont Clark, Director of Religious Department of Farmers Federation at Asheville, North Carolina; H. L. Hartsough, Executive Secretary of the General Ministerial Board of the Church of the Brethren; H. Spencer Minnich, Financial Secretary of the General Mission Board; Raymond R. Peters, Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education; Benton Rhodes, leader of the United Christian Youth Movement of the United States; Ruth Shriver, Director of Children's Work; W. W. Slabaugh, Professor of New Testament at Bethany Biblical Seminary; Ernest M. Wampler, returned missionary from China.

Besides the great value to be received from attending the meetings which have been planned, there is great opportunity for fellowship, an opportunity to learn to know leaders of our church and to meet those again whom we have learned to know.

Students will find it worth while to attend as many of these meetings as they can. Arrangements can be made with some classes to attend especially interesting talks.

## College Group Invited To Frantz Open House

Reverend and Mrs. Earl M. Frantz are holding open house in their newly-acquired home on Carrie Street, next Friday night, February 18. Welcome is extended to students and faculty and wives of the college.

The host and hostess have decided upon a division of the group to facilitate entertainment. Junior and freshman students are assigned the hours between 7:30 and 9:00 o'clock; seniors and sophomores are scheduled for 9:00 till 10:30. Faculty and wives are welcome anytime between 7:30 and 10:30 o'clock.

## The Brethren Serve . . .

The newest project in Brethren C. P. S. is the "Guinea Pig" project at the University of Indiana, Bloomington, Indiana. Opening about the last of November, the project is using four men from Camp Magnolia in experiments which will attempt to discover what clothing is most healthful for people working in tropical climates.

The Brethren Service Committee in its winter meeting on January 21 and 22 made the following important decisions. To enlarge the present food and clothing relief program as soon as possible, to encourage the manufacture and storage of home-made soap to be used for shipment to relief areas, and to establish Year-of-Service units in mental hospitals for young Brethren women who are interested in giving a year of service in this type of institution.

Brethren C. P. S. will soon place a unit of dairy herd improvement testers in Illinois and one such man in Minnesota. Since a large percentage of Brethren men are now on special projects, most of the new assignments will be given to the Friends and the Mennonites.

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## SCM Notebook

### Race Conscience Is Solution

"The Negro yesterday, today and tomorrow" was the subject of Race Relations Commission last Tuesday. Lewis Thomas, who has made a study of the negro, told of the beginnings of slave trade and of the similar present inferior state of that race. He says that the future holds dark aspects for the Negro unless we instill in people a race conscience.

The talk scheduled for this week to be given by Santos Juarez was postponed until next week.  
Nelle Stinnette

### Readjustment Is A Problem

Guy Hayes, alumnus of McPherson College, spoke to the Current Events Commission on "Post-War Reconstruction At Home," last Tuesday morning. He stated that while international post-war construction will be important, the people of the United States will have a great problem in the social, economic and physical readjustments which will take place after the war is over.

Preceding Hayes' speech, Edwin Rodabaugh gave a brief survey of the progress made in the European and Pacific theaters of war.  
Berniece Guthals

### Our Plans Are Disturbed

The Student Volunteers are lucky to meet in the SUR. Its restful interior lends an atmosphere to the Tuesday morning programs.

At the last commission meeting Mrs. A. M. Lohrenz gave an inspiring talk on "losing ones life." She set us to thinking with her sincere statements of world need and disrupted our plans for the future with her vivid stories of Christian China. And her talk was practical. "Accepting Christ is like swallowing sunshine, it shines right through."

Joan Blough sang a solo, "O, Dry Those Tears." Lois Nickleson accompanied her on the piano. Mary Beth Loshbaugh gave the devotions.  
—Anne Metzler

### College 'Four Hundred'

Eloise McKnight and Eugene Lichty were guests in the Wichita Church, last Sunday. Eloise sang a solo and Eugene preached two sermons. They were guests at the home of Dale Brown.

Twila Neely visited in Quinter, Kansas, with Eula Wolf and friends. Wayne Geisert was the week-end guest of Reverend and Mrs. Gish and Maurine of Conway, Kansas.

Pvt. Ernie Dale was visiting his brother, Lloyd, and college friends a few days last week. Lloyd Dale and John Brown spent the week-end at their parental homes in Geneseo, Kansas.

Betty Grieg visited her aunt in Salina, Kansas, last week-end. Mildred Cartner spent Friday and Saturday at her home in Abilene, Kansas.

Freda Aurell was the house guest of Betty Grieg and Annette Glasier last Thursday evening.

Last Monday / afternoon, Anna Mae Tinkler left the campus for Salina, Kansas, where she met her husband, Cpl. Bernard "Bud" Tinkler. From there the couple traveled to Memphis, Tennessee, where Cpl. Tinkler is stationed. He was transferred just recently from Reno, Nevada, to Memphis. Mrs. Tinkler plans to be away several weeks.

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## Students Take Part In Worship Service

The youth of McPherson College aided Reverend Bernard N. King in the morning church worship service Sunday, February 6. Dean Hoefle presided over the "Youth Week" service.

Sara Mae Vancil lead the morning prayer. The call to worship was given by Leona Dell. The Youth Choir under the direction of Professor N. W. Fisher, Minister of Music, sang the stirring anthem, "O Son of Man." Rev. King spoke on the topic, "When Being Young Once is Enough."

I followed her ten blocks or more  
A figure trim and neat  
And then at last I saw her face  
As she turned off the street,  
And now I'm searching far and wide  
And blood is in my eye  
I'm looking for the man who said  
That figures never lie.

## Love Lyrics In Mid-Winter

Between Christmas and Easter, that long winter time, God knew his children needed some invigorating tonic for their flagging spirits, and so he sent St. Valentine. With him came laughter and song, smiles and love lyrics. To write about books for such a time as this is dull and inexpressive—to read a book is satisfying and exhilarating.

The librarian presents, **The Guild Anthology of Verse**—a book for this time of year, and for every other season. In it there is "Mortality," in it there are "Prayer" and "Angel's Laughter." If it is a "Mood for Love" that is needed there are love's "Beloved" and "Love's Excuse," "Weary of Love?" Then there is "Winter" and "Farewell."

But all of this is merely "Words," and why do people pause to read words when there are "Paths Away"? "O little roads to Nowhere, And little paths Away,  
Your meadows look so very sweet,  
Your flowers so very gay,  
I never get to Anywhere,  
I cannot seem to keep  
The purposeful to Somewhere' roads  
Of other people's feet.  
Sunshiny paths call me away,  
And I, in weakness, go;  
Just delightful invitation  
Seems to call me so.  
And you are going Somewhere,  
With destiny-lit faces,  
But O dear worthy people,  
I've seen some lovely places!"

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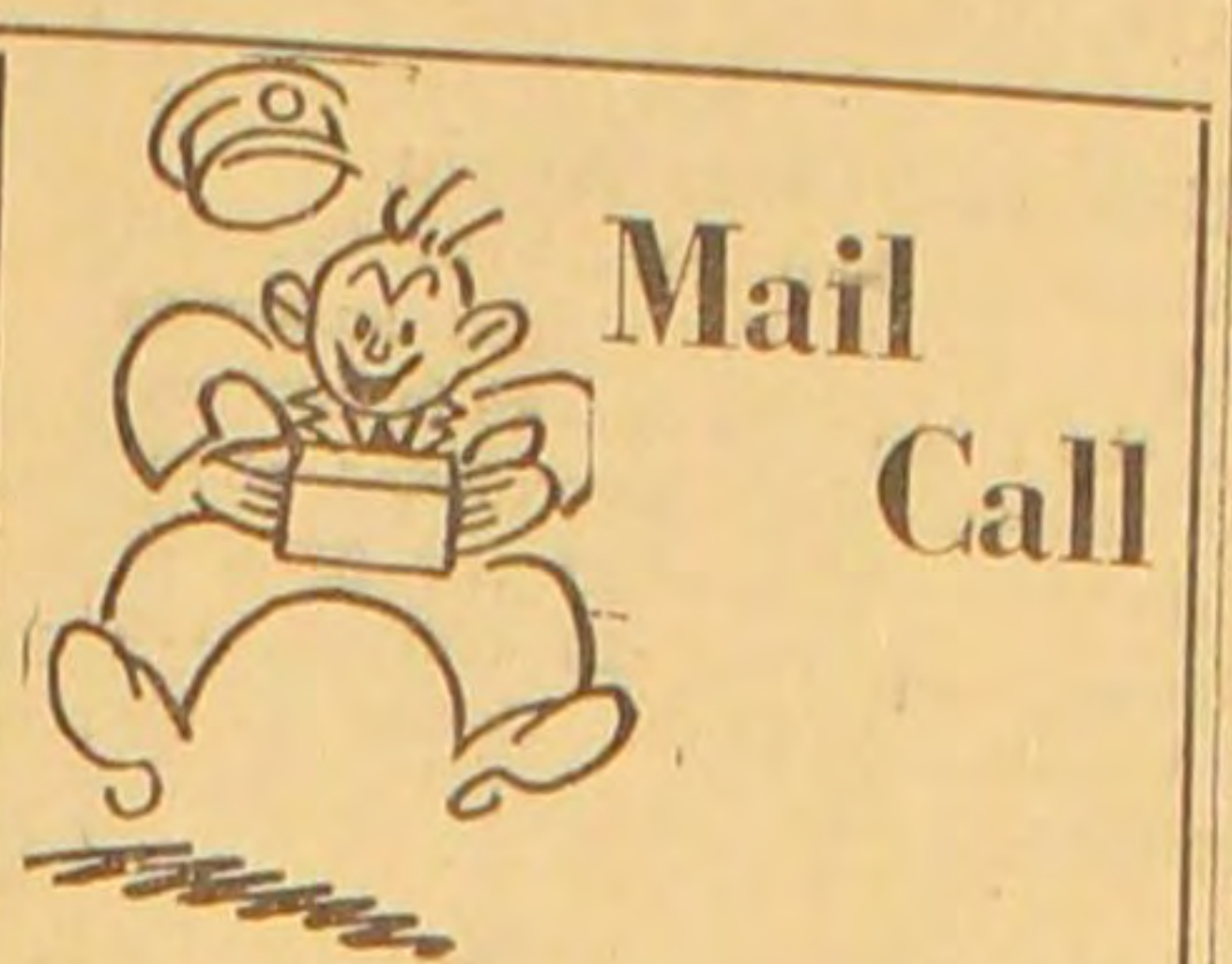
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McKnight), it would seem that Valentine's Day will be a day of rest for Cupid.

Also worthy of note is the beautiful crop of diamonds ever increasing on campus, and the light in the eyes of various couples, as yet unattached officially, would indicate that they have already been "shot."



## Mail Call

This letter comes from Duane Ramsey, who is stationed in Camp Magnolia, Arkansas.

"I am working in the S. C. S. office. My title is Chief Clerk. Sounds big, doesn't it? Summarizing my work in one sentence would be something like this—I take care of all the business of the technical agency which is Soil Conservation Service. Until a couple of weeks ago I had an assistant, but he is now the infirmity attendant. I take care of 90% of the correspondence and go to town whenever there is an occasion to. Also, it is my duty to pick up new assignees at the bus or train depots."

Letters should be addressed to: Duane Ramsey, Box 31, Magnolia, Arkansas.

This interesting letter comes from Joe Dell, who is in the guinea pig project at Northwestern University.

"We are on a new experiment now, one in which our diet consists of about 4,000 calories and we have to maintain our weight so you can see that that means quite a bit of exercising. In the morning we work out on a stationary bicycle hooked up to an odometer, which calculates the amount of work we are putting out. We are supposed to work at a set speed on this bicycle until we are exhausted, rest 10 minutes and repeat. Boy, I don't believe I'll ever think bicycling is fun anymore. In the afternoon we work out in the "Y" gym, calisthenics, wrestling, swimming, handball, basketball or what have you. Then if we are still inclined to gain weight we have to work out after supper. As you can guess,

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all play and no work can get pretty tiresome.

Letters should be addressed to: Joe Dell, Lawson Y. M. C. A., Chicago, Illinois.

A/S Bryce Breneman, known to many on McPherson campus, writes from Alabama University:

"I often wonder what college is like there this year. I receive the Spectator and keep up on the news that way. I'm having a wonderful time at the University of Alabama. There are 1,000 Air Cadets here, 1,500 fellows in Army Specialized Training, 500 naval pre-med students, and 500 French Air Cadets. Also, I have had a good chance to look the Army over and it is my honest opinion that the best-looking and the most intelligent fellows are here.

"In school, I am taking English, Reading, English Writing, First Aid, Geography, Mathematics, and Physical Education. I will probably be here five months.

"I received a letter from Kough the other day, and also one from Dick Prentiss, who is in the Navy at San Diego."

Bryce's address is: A/S Bryce Breneman, 57th C. T. D. (Air Crew) Squadron E, University, Alabama.

A letter has also been received from Don Ferguson, who writes:

"I've been transferred from Ellington Field to Coral Gables, Florida, and I'm a navigator now instead of a bombardier. We got to change over if we desired to do so, and I got sent down here for our advanced schooling for eighteen weeks. After graduating and getting our wings, we become either commissioned flight officers or 2nd lieutenants. Then for a wonderful ten or fifteen day leave for home.

"It seems like a long time since I've been home, and I won't hesitate at all in tearing for Mac when I get a furlough. How's the old school getting along by now? I got the

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Spec awhile back at Ellington.

"My new location is just as ritzy as it sounds. Coral Gables is a suburb of Miami. I am staying at a hotel, like a dormitory. Our courses are plenty rough and are taught exclusively by Pan American Airway's instructors who have contracts with the Army. We'll start flying in about a month or so.

"Sure is wonderful being down here for the winter. The temperature stays around 75 degrees most of the time. I was out to the beach on Christmas Day, but didn't do any swimming. We swim in PT once a week in a beautiful pool out here in Coral Gables. It's nice to just hook grapefruit from nearby trees and chew them up. They're twice as delicious as those that have been sitting in a crate for several weeks.

"I must stop and get some studying done. So long, Ferg."

His new address is: A/C Don E. Ferguson, 17166822 Room 315, 335 University Drive, Coral Gables 34, Florida.

The more than usual lack of intelligence among the students had gotten under the professor's skin. "Class is dismissed," he said exasperated. "Please don't flap your ears as you pass out."

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# Cagers off on Two-Day Trip Monday

## Bulldogs Meet Baker; Will Play Ottawa Tuesday

The McPherson Bulldogs will leave Monday morning, February 14, for a 300 mile round trip to play Baker and Ottawa universities. The team will leave the campus after chapel and proceed to Emporia, Kansas, where they will stop for dinner at about 1:00 p. m. From there they will continue on to Ottawa, arriving sometime in the late afternoon.

That evening the team will leave for Baldwin to play Baker on their court. After the game the team will go back to Ottawa and spend the night.

Lodging for the team will be either in the boys' dorm at Ottawa or in the homes of some Brethren Church people. The hotels in Ottawa are too crowded to afford accommodations for the team.

Tuesday night McPherson will play the Ottawa Warriors at Ottawa. After this last game of the trip the team will return to the campus after stopping at Emporia for an after-game meal.

The Bulldogs expect to be on the campus about one or two o'clock Wednesday morning. This trip will be the longest trip of the season and is expected to be very interesting as well as a great deal of fun for both the coach and the players. The team is expecting to return victorious, which is all that can be wanted from any group of players.

## Ferguson Answers Call To Service

The Bulldogs lose another starter as Dale Ferguson answers Uncle Sam's beckoning call. "Rip" will report for service Sunday, February 13.

"Rip" is a resident of McPherson, Kansas, and went to McPherson High School. While there he participated in intra-mural athletics. At the first of the season, "Rip" played substitute forward. He took the place of Vance Carlson as starting forward when Vance reported for duty in the Army Air Corps. "Rip" finished his present college basketball career in the game against Baker last Tuesday night.

## Scarlet Fever Claims Dormitory Victim

Bob Yoder was to have reported to Leavenworth, Monday, but went down with scarlet fever Sunday night. Needless to say, the Leavenworth trip has been postponed.

He was placed under quarantine and taken home as soon as possible and the possibilities of the disease spreading are rather slight according to Dr. Heaston, college physician. Moreover, the other boys in the dorm are taking precautions such as airing their rooms and clothing carefully and keeping up their resistance by proper sleep and food.

## Thru' Yellowed Specs

A little blond coed at the University of Utah germinated the "kissing strike" that paved the way for similar movements on many of the college campuses throughout the country.

During a laboratory class she pressed a glass to her lips, placed it under a microscope and screamed when she saw millions of bacteria dividing before her eyes.

Coeds all over the campus took action and declared a "kissing strike" that included most of the girls—Angered at being deprived of romance, the men organized an occultation league to combat the resolute women. The league's first step was to call a strike on all dates.

This trend brought matters to a head. Science versus romance. There were no two ways about it. Since the men were unyielding, the girls had to "kiss and 'make up'."

Heredity is what a man believes in until his son begins acting like a fool.

## Bulldog Quintet Defeats Wildcats By Large Margin

### McPherson Crushes Baker With A 16-Point Margin

The McPherson Bulldogs trampled over the Baker university Wildcats with a 52 to 36 score last Tuesday night in the Community Building. The game was fast and rough with Baker losing four men on personal fouls. Gene Lichty, McPherson guard, went out of the game in the last half with his share of four personals. The total number of fouls was 34. McPherson had a total of 13 personals.

The Bulldogs took an early lead and continued to "pour it on". The Wildcats only threatened McPherson once in the first half, the rest of the time the Bulldogs kept the lead. The score at the half found McPherson leading 23 to 17.

Hoerman, Ward, Randel and Bonebrake went out of the game for Baker on fouls. The Wildcats kept sending in substitutes but could not stop the Red and White as the Bulldogs surged on to a 16-point victory.

The box score:

| McPherson (52) | FG | FT | F  |
|----------------|----|----|----|
| F. Markham     | 9  | 3  | 2  |
| Ferguson       | 1  | 4  | 2  |
| Swinger        | 5  | 5  | 1  |
| Lichty         | 3  | 2  | 4  |
| Brown          | 1  | 0  | 3  |
| Rogers         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Keltner        | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Gibbs          | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Lowe           | 0  | 0  | 1  |
| P. Markham     | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Total          | 19 | 14 | 13 |

Officials: Joe Rich, McPherson; Gladwin Dyck, Lindsborg.

## We Are Active



### Right Hand To Your Partner And Promenade Round

... sang Looch to the Do-Si-Do Club last Tuesday night. Lucile was in a particularly happy mood and who wouldn't be? It's Leap Year and the big, handsome Swinger lad is hanging around.

Gather close, gals, and I'll let you in on a secret. The other day Harris found a picture just suited to her needs. In the picture one glamorous girl sighs to another, "I hope he proposes before spring, because I look perfectly horrid in a swimming suit."

### Hobby Or Hubby?

There comes a time in every girl's life when that is the question. Since Shimmel has decided in favor of the latter, Wilma Fae has been carrying on in Tumbling Club. Power to you and may the club continue to multiply rabbitly!

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### Letter To A Soldier

"I'm still Miss A. Gross and shall be until you come home and alter the situation." (WAA Editor's Note: Subtle, isn't she?)

### Volley Ball Once Again

When the ball goes over the net there is much breathless suspense until the fate of that serve is determined. In case you've wondered about all the hilarity over at the gym on Tuesday 4:00 to 5:30 o'clock, it's the Volley Ball Club. Come on, all ye gals, and join the fun!

## Bulldogs Play Lindsborg Last

The Canine squad leaves for Lindsborg, Kansas, to play the Bethany Swedes February 21. The last encounter between these two teams found McPherson the victor by the overwhelming score of 71 to 27. The game promises to be a good one for three important reasons. First, Bethany has improved considerably since their last tangle with the Bulldogs; second, the Swedes will be out for revenge to even up the last score; and third, the Bulldogs will want to make a good showing by defeating the Bethany team in McPherson's last game of the season.

## Dollars And Piano Are Appreciated Gifts

McPherson College recently received news of a gift of 5000 dollars from the late J. K. Miller of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. This sum of money will be added to the endowment.

In addition, a Chickering grand piano, in excellent condition, is ready for shipment and will appear on the campus in the near future. This is also a gift from the estate of the late J. K. Miller.

## Wanted: Backers For Team During Future Swede Clash

Let's all go to Bethany and watch those "terrible Swedes" get trampled on by an "unstoppable" McPherson aggregation. This game will be the last game of a victorious season for the McPherson Bulldogs. Come on, student body, let's go and support our team. Jump in your cars or trucks or buggies, put on your roller skates, or walk up on your hands if there is no other method of transportation. In other words, let's all go and show Bethany and all the other colleges what real school spirit is. The game begins at 8:00 P. M., guaranteeing plenty of time for everyone to go.

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## Squints from the Sidelines

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Oh happy day! We really trimmed those boys from Baldwin. The coach wasn't the only happy man after last Tuesday night's game. Baker had some players from Kansas City, and beating them really makes this editor one happy fellow. Coach says that the defeat of Baker was the first since he has been here. Adding all these things up; last Tuesday night was a big night for McPherson. Good!

I've heard many people both on and off the campus remark that the game with Baker showed the Bulldogs working better than ever. All the fellows on the team deserve special mention and credit. Fanny Markham made a wonderful showing. The Baker men were on the lookout for him but they failed to stop "Fanny" as he swished through 21 points. That defensive work of his was good too. Even though John Brown would rather play football, he turned in a good basketball game. This was John's second game as starting guard and a good job of ball handling and defensive work it was, too. Glenn Swinger held down Baker's high-scoring center to 4 points. In addition, he found the basket for 15 points. Gene Lichty played, perhaps, his best game of the season. He handled the ball nicely as well as scoring three field goals and two free throws—a total of eleven points. Not bad for any guard! Rip Ferguson was right in there all the time as he handed in a beautiful performance in his last game before going to the army. To all of you fellows I say nice going! That was a game of which to be proud. What do you say student body?

Poor, poor Gene Lichty. This love bug is spreading its germs. (If you want to call it that.) Everyone was in the dressing room almost suited

up before the Baker game, but no Gene. Coach was becoming a little worried because Gene had been acting mighty strangely lately. Some of the fellows said they didn't think he was feeling so well at dinner time. Finally, when the coach had pulled practically all the hair out of his head, Gene staggered in. Coach asked why he was so late. Gene said he just had to see Eloise before coming downtown. Sickening, isn't it; or is it? No comment.

What does the Men's Quartet have that the basketball team doesn't have? You should have heard us on the way back from Lindsborg after witnessing the Bethany-Baker game. There was Glenn Swinger singing tenor, Fanny singing baritone, Louie singing 1st bass (most of the time, that is) and John Brown just singing anywhere that was vacant. Bob Lowe added the background with low sighs and groans. The songs it sounded like they were singing were "I've Been Working On The Railroad," "Carry Me Back," "Look, Mother, There's Father At The Bar," and other unmentionable renditions. (Render meaning to tear apart; I think).

From now on you can call Paul Markham flash! In that game with Baker he flashed in and then flash-

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ed out. What a life! Well, well, I see that Rip Ferguson is leaving for the army. Some of the fellows asked him how the pre-home life was now that he was preparing to leave. He said that he felt like a fatted calf being led to the slaughter. After looking at that hair cut of his, some of the fellows agreed that there was some resemblance between the fatted calf and Rip. That's all, Rip. This is the last time I'll be able to kid you through this column. Good going, fellow, and all the luck in the world to you. Don't forget to come back and see us some time.

With Rip leaving there will be another vacancy in the squad. The question is, who will we get to fill his place? Right now it's all a deep, dark secret. Oh, how sinister!

So long, see you next week. Same time, same place, with some more fact and fiction. Mostly fiction!

I'm wondering if anyone around here has enough sense to discriminate between a joke and a slam. Remember what looks funny to you may be otherwise to another.

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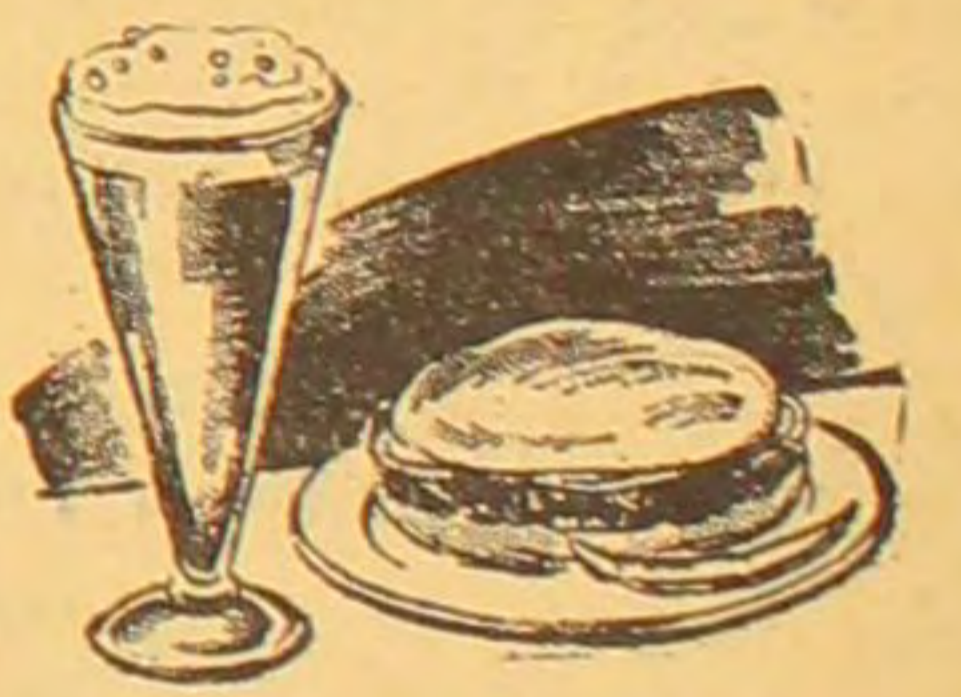
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