

Plus, Minus, and The Unknown

Last Friday night thirteen McPherson College students had the great privilege of hearing a lecture by the greatest living British poet, Dr. Alfred Noyes. Much to the amazement of some of the students, Dr. Noyes, instead of presenting a dreamy discussion of poetry and verses, delved into a philosophical discourse on "The Foundations of Belief."

In a Princeton classroom several years ago, one student completed a sentence with the words "... before it was generally accepted that there is no God." Twenty-five years ago, the world entertained a belief in a higher power, in a supreme being. "Now a great wave of neo-paganism is sweeping the world for reasons that may be definitely defined."

And upon this premise, Dr. Noyes based his hour-and-a-half lecture.

One cannot explain the greater things by lesser things. One cannot explain man by the monkey. One cannot get plus out of minus—unless there is a great mysterious X at work.

Without that powerful X at work, Shakespeare's poetry and Beethoven's symphonies do not naturally evolve from a cloud of hydrogen gas, primal nebula. Nor is it scientific to say that the stars in the heavens are results of blind chance.

"If one holds to the contention that man establishes value, that man is supreme, that man decides what is right and what is wrong, what is beauty and what is ugliness, then Hitler can make his laws and who can say that he is wrong?"

"The moment you begin to explain away the great things, you throw open the gates to the state of world we have today. Unless we recover those beliefs of our forefathers—even though they must be restated—unless we again believe in the supreme worth of man and his personality, we have no argument for those people who want to use the human body anyway they like."

Regional Youth Meet On Campus For Discussions

Retreat Airs Problems; Banquet Saturday Night

Registration for the Regional Youth Retreat begins tomorrow morning, February 19 at 9:00 o'clock in the Student Union Room. The three-day retreat for regional youth includes worship services and suggestions to the local BYPD's, business meeting, brotherhood banquet Saturday night, interest groups, inspiration and recreation. The retreat is held on McPherson College campus.

"Color Blind" is the theme of the brotherhood banquet to be held Saturday night, February 19 at 6:30 in the parlors of the College Church. The meal is to be entirely Chinese and is in charge of Susan Ikenberry who returned to the United States from China two years ago. The price of admission will be included in the fifty-cent registration fee. This banquet is one of the main features of the Regional Youth Retreat and promises to be of great interest to young and old alike. The chief speaker of the evening is Raymond Peters. The College Male Quartet is scheduled to sing and Maye Oye will also speak.

The theme of the youth retreat is "Youth Builds Today." The opening worship service will be at 10:00 A. M. on Saturday, followed by the Regional Business meeting.

Saturday afternoon is divided into several sessions as desirable. Possible areas for discussion are:

1. Summer camps and district rallies.
2. Duties of the District Cabinet.
3. Problems of local organizations.
4. The need of missionary emphasis.
5. The places of young people in the church organization.

This meeting will last as long as is desired by the respective groups.

Sunday morning from 7:00 o'clock to 7:30 o'clock Mary Spessard, former student of McPherson College, will conduct a period of inspiration.

A very important discussion is scheduled for Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, the possibility of a Wichita Work Camp and discussion of Volunteer service. This subject is of vital interest to all college students.

The closing service, in charge of Miss Barbara Holderread, will be at 6:45 o'clock during the regular BYPD period.

Frantz Open House Tonight At 6:45

Hours for open house in the Reverend Earl Frantz home tonight have been changed slightly. Reverend and Mrs. Frantz will entertain their college guests from 6:45 o'clock till 10:30 o'clock tonight in their newly-acquired home on Carrie Street, so that those who wish to attend the lecture by Dr. Charles A. Wells in the City Auditorium may do so and still visit in the Frantz home.

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Region Meets On Campus

H. L. Hartsough Delivers Opening Address Sunday

A Spec-O-News

The Allied armies have again gained the offensive in Italy on the beachhead below Rome, and a general withdrawal of the German army is expected most anytime now—to a shorter line of defense farther north. Rome has received some hard blows the past week, and the armed monastery near Cassino has been put out of the war.

Russia is trying to help Finland to decide on peace terms of some sort, they will probably be of the bad sort, though. The German armies are still retiring from the Russian front as slowly and safely as possible. It appears that Russia will soon have all of her old territory back with some extra.

In the Pacific Japan seems to be slowly losing ground to the Allies as one island after another is made uninhabitable because of the bombing they have undergone. Even though the progress seems slow, at least it is progress.

—Edwin Rodabaugh

Central College Presents Program

A delegation of six men from Central college presented Friday's chapel program. After an introduction by the speaker the men's quartet sang a number.

Albert Sheriff spoke on the subject "The church in the Post-War World". He began by stating that in this changing world the church must cling steadily to the non-changing factors on which the church is founded; that God is the same and that the gospel has the same power to transform life and to destroy sin to the salvation of the world.

How is the church to approach problems facing it? It should conserve its fundamentals, go forth to conquer in the name of Jesus, and it should make religion incarnate so that it is practical, living, seen, and personal.

Another hymn by the quartet concluded the service.

Chapter Accepts Eight Applications

Members of the McPherson College Omicron Chapter of the Pi Kappa Delta, honorary debate fraternity, met Monday, February 14, to vote upon six applications for membership into the local chapter and two applications for advanced standing.

All applications were accepted. Initiation will be held in the spring.

Applications were read in the following order: Professor James Berkebile, active debate, order of Instruction, Degree of Special Distinction; Charles Lunkley, debate, Special Distinction; Patricia Kennedy, debate, Fraternity; Charles Dumond, debate, Fraternity; Freda Aurell, debate, Fraternity; Blanche Geisert, oratory and debate, applied for advanced standing, Special Distinction; Anna Mae Tinkler, debate, applied for advanced standing, degree of Special Distinction.



Future Dates

Friday, February 18—Open House at Earl Frantz.
Friday and Saturday, February 18-19—Regional Youth Conference.
Saturday-Friday, February 20-25—Regional Conference.
Monday, February 21—Bethany-McPherson Game, there.

Girls' Dorm Win Five Dollars; Three To W.A.A.

Stunt Night Is Success With Ten Contributions

Typical night life in the Girls' Dormitory depicting everything from "the Conga's rhythmic beat" to "Dummond's profundo" and including illegal after-hour deeds, dramatic fire escape entrances and general proublings of Miss Neher, netted for the girls of Arnold Hall the first prize of five dollars at the annual Stunt Night on the college campus last Friday night, February 11. The episodes were presented in an original, narrative poem written especially for the occasion by Blanche Geisert, Betty Dean Burger and Virginia Bales.

The three dollar second prize went to the Women's Athletic Association for their original skit concerning the trials and troubles of St. Peter.

Residents of Fahnestock Hall captured the third prize of one dollar with their new slant on the age-old stunt of men with women's characteristics. This skit brought a great many masculine laughs.

Judges of the evening's entertainment were Mrs. Nevin W. Fisher, Miss Mildred Seik and Professor James Berkebile.

Other contributions given this year in the annual Stunt Night program sponsored by Men's and Women's Councils included a surprising operation performed by the Sophomore Class, a scene in a railroad station by the Student Ministers, and a wrestling match by the "M" club. The S. C. M. presented a playlet, "The Gathering of the Nuts," in which members of the audience participated, the Women's Council presented a style show. The second style show of the evening was under the direction of the Men's Council, a combination of style and tight rope walking. A skit revolving around the antics of William Tell, Do Tell and Pray Tell was given by the Recreational Council.

SCM Sponsors Selling Drive

The Student Christian Movement on Macampus is doing a good turn for both the students and the SCM budget in the selling of quality stationery articles.

The SCM is taking orders for stick-on labels appropriate for use on envelopes as return addresses, on books, papers, clothing. Two hundred of such labels in a convenient folder sell for 45 cents. Both names and addresses come on the labels.

Besides the labels, the SCM sells addressed correspondence cards, 50 cards for 45 cents, or 100 sheets of bond paper stamped with name and address for 45 cents. There is a choice of two colors, plain white or pale pink. The stationery comes in tablets with insignia if desired.

Eula Wolf and Twila Neeley are SCM representatives and are taking student orders for these stationery articles. Place orders soon since time is limited.

For Your Information . . .

Campus organizations which are planning social activities should obtain application blanks from either Doris Drescher or Professor Dell. The purpose of this plan is to prevent a congestion of social activities on the same day and to give the social committee an opportunity to iron out any conflicts which may occur.

Last Sunday Initiated Church Choir Personnel

The personnel of the College Church Choir has been changed for this semester.

The members of the new choir are: Sopranos, Leona Dell, Anne Metzler, Roberta Mohler, Naomi Witmore, Maye Oye, Dorothy Grove, Leona Holderread, Betty Kimmel, Lois Kauffman, Lois Nicholson, Evalyn Bentley, and Berniece Guthals; Altos, Eva Mae Klotz, Bonnie Bowers, Doris Crumpacker, Blanche Geisert, Patricia Kennedy, Mildred Cartner, Ruth Davis, Elva Jean Harbaugh, and Dorothy Kurtz; Tenors, Elvin Frantz, Kent Naylor, Louis Rogers, Charles Lunkley, and Glenn Swinger; Basses, Charles Dumond, Ernest Ikenberry, Rex Wilson, Donald Keltner, and Ichita Tonokawa.

Wells Interprets World Situation

Dr. Charles A. Wells, journalist, lecturer, cartoonist and world traveler, spoke to the student body last Monday, February 14, during the regular chapel period. This man brought to the campus the truth of today's happenings with their Christian interpretation. He illustrates his lectures with color cartoons as he speaks.

Dr. Wells was in Poland at the outbreak of the second world war, but soon came back to America. America thought that the war in Europe would stay in Europe. But America became the arsenal of democracy and built blast furnaces and factories. President Roosevelt promised that American boys would never go across the Atlantic, and American believed him. Since then American youth has marched into the midst of the conflagration. Dr Wells illustrated these three changes of thinking in the United States by drawing first a great fire over the horizon and a black war cloud; then American factories against the cloud; and in the foreground, marching men.

Dr. Charles Wells likened this war to the last great war. In World War I, with France and England weakened, the United States entered the conflict at the suggestion of Wilson's great democratic principles, bound together by the league of nations. The League was formed only to be strangled by British and Dutch imperialism and the selfishness of the American people when the crisis was past. In the present conflict, with France broken and England on her knees, the Atlantic Charter served as a noble stimulus for the entry of America. The four freedoms proposed by this document have been published widely by means of modern radio and news syndicates; yet, already, Allied leaders look upon it as empty and not necessarily applicable in all situations. Unless a spiritual miracle occurs in the next few months, idealism will be replaced by an empty dream.

"Men are fighting futile wars with empty victories. These are great days. God grant we will be big enough for these days," concluded the morning speaker.

Fisher Discusses Worship With Interested BY Group

Nevin W. Fisher spoke to the college BYPD group last Sunday night on the correlation between fine arts and the worship service. This program was of interest to young people who have need of worship materials.

Professor Fisher displayed mimeographed outlines of worship suggestions and commented upon them. He illustrated his worship outline by the reading of several poems, by playing a piano solo, Liszt's "Ave Maria," and by singing another "Ave Maria," by Schubert. Elva the "Ave Maria" by Schubert. Elva Jean Harbaugh accompanied Professor Fisher on the piano as he sang this last number.

Church of the Brethren Welcomes Students

Sunday School for College Students 9:45 a. m.
Church Service 10:45 a. m.
Sermon—Rev. H. L. Hartsough
Subject—"Life To The Full"
Vesper Concert 4:00 p. m.
Miss Maude Arnett, Organist, and her organ students.
B. Y. P. D. 6:45 p. m.
Speaker—Benton Rhodes.
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.
Sermon—Raymond Peters.
Subject—"Living Deliberately"

Famous Personages Is Chapel Theme

An interesting chapel was presented Wednesday morning, February 16, by the Women's Council. The program was given over the public address system from behind the curtains. It was in commemoration of famous personalities born in February.

Betty Dean Burger read the introductory passages, which mentioned such men as Horace Greeley, Lindberg, Moody, Dickens, and William Allen White. "Old Refrain," popularized by Fritz Kreisler, who was born in February, was sung by Lucile Harris. A poem by Longfellow was read by Maxine Ruehlen. Leora Dobrinski played "Consolation" and the "Wedding March," composed by Mendelssohn, also born in February. The editorial written by William Allen White when his daughter died, and various sayings of Washington and Lincoln were read.

Museum Open House Attracts McPhersonites

The McPherson College Museum held its annual open house Thursday, February 17, from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m. Light refreshments were served. The coffee came out of the "Famous Bone Stew" bowl and wafers supplemented the "stew." The zoology class acted as guides explaining the various exhibit to visitors.

The Museum represents over fifty years of work. Dr. Harnley was in charge of it for forty-three years. H. H. Ninger helped for ten years. Professor Robert E. Mohler has supervised the Museum for the past eight years.

Citizens of McPherson, as well as college students, attended the Open House.

Evelyn Wilson Honored With Pound Shower

Evelyn Wilson, whose marriage to Al Klotz will take place February 25 in the Brethren church, was honored with a pound shower Friday afternoon. Wilma Fae Kuns and Buelah Seitz were hostesses at the home shower which was held at the home of the Reverend and Mrs. James Elrod.

Writing a story of the bride's life and composing Valentine poetry were activities of the afternoon. After activities of the afternoon. After the bride-to-be had opened her many useful gifts, a delicious lunch of cake and tea was served to the guests by the hostess.

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Sunflowers and Sandburrs --

Praises we give to the victorious team. They certainly brought home the bacon this time. Our sympathy goes out to the injured member, to be more exact, Eugene. Storms, migrations, nor wars can stop our team. Keep it up men!

Gripping we do a plenty, but do we ever bestow our praises on the deserving heads of our faithful masters of the lower regions of Arnold Hall? Yes, it is the cooks whom we would like to commend on the excellent meals of which we have been partaking recently. They have been swell. We do not mean to be ungrateful; as usual, we are careless.

Concerning the Hopeful-Ikenberry situation, the facts are few and very mixed. As far as your reporter can gather, there are three fairly definite facts. First: a certain party from Texas is out in the cold, for good it seems. Second: A new "Hopeful" has been added and as far as we can see everything is well under control. Third and lastly: an indefinite "X" is present to complicate matters. Some say it is a little white coffin. Others affirm that it is a set of rings. As far as we can gather from the present facts, it is a set of rings, but they do not belong to Mr. Hopeful. (Some say they belong to his illustrative roommate, a certain Keith-mer.)

A pigeon to Miss Neher and Orlo Allen. Gone forever are the clothes pins and stacks of dirty napkins on the corner of the table. Of course, our mealtime playthings are gone

Thru' Yellowed Specs Here are a few "DONT'S". Don't throw paper in the waste baskets. Park it on the floor in the halls or book store or better still, hide it behind the radiators. Don't study in the library. That is the place for joking and flirting. Don't worry about sleep or study. You have plenty of time for these in Chapel. Don't use recreation hall. Loaf in the front hall. The stair railing is a comfortable seat.

The Brethren Service The President's War Relief Control Board approved the Brethren Service Committee as a qualified relief agency on January 18. Application for this approval had been made on January 6 as a step in getting the committee recognized by the government in order that it might be permitted to carry on a foreign relief program as soon as private agencies are permitted to operate in the present war areas.

Distinguished People Have February Birth History has nothing on McPherson College when it comes to the birthdays of distinguished people during the month of February. Miss Neher, guardian of all the dormitory girls, celebrated her birthday the sixteenth as did Professor Brown. Professor Hess often reminds his speech class of the important events that occurred in 1888 such as the foundation of McPherson College and the establishing of the International Phonetic Alphabet. A very notable birthday is that of Professor Hess on February 7, fifty-six years ago in 1888. Students celebrating birthdays during the month include:

- Ruth Uchida and Annetta Glasier, Feb. 3; Bob Mays, Feb. 1; Lois Gauby, Feb. 9; Betty Burger, Feb. 11; Isabel Champ, Feb. 17; Betty Grieg, Feb. 20; Kent Naylor, Feb. 21; Maye Oye, Feb. 23; and Susan Ikenberry, Feb. 14.

Our President Comments:

"For the life is more than food, and the body is more than raiment."—Jesus.
"Too many people don't care what happens so long as it doesn't happen to them."—Wm. Howard Taft.
"Nothing can bring you peace but yourself."—Emerson.
"Everybody is ignorant, only on different subjects."—Will Rogers.
"It is hard for an empty bag to stand upright."—Franklin.
"All one's life is music, if he but touches the notes rightly and in tune."—Ruskin.
"Public office is a public trust."—Wm. C. Hudson.
"Nothing is more cowardly than to be the author of an anonymous note or letter of fault finding or criticism."—W. W. Peters.

Bread Is Not Enough

It seems strange that the need for God is felt strongest in time of crisis. Men learn to pray when the skies are dark; men turn to God when the future is somber. The history of Christianity shows greatest growth during periods of persecution; the early church scattered to catacombs for worship; those early followers of Christ met their death on the blood-thirsty sands of Roman arenas. Yet the numbers of devout men increased.

Germany is our enemy. Adolph Hitler is the acme of ruthlessness and intolerance. Persecution is rampant among German Christian groups. Today the German churches that have stemmed the tide are filled with large congregations. Christianity is not dead in Germany.

"God is not through with Russia, now is Russia through with God," stated Dr. Charles A. Wells in one of his week-night lectures. The godless program has been dissolved because that program became an acknowledged failure. Russian people are starved for religion; the Protestant population in Russia has increased ten-fold since the Revolution.

America is in a war with Japan. Contrary to popular belief, Japan is not without Christian men and women who are steadily working against all odds, including the Japanese Military, to advance the Kingdom of God. Last fall Kagawa, a man so well-known that he no longer needs any explanatory phrases, converted ten thousand people to Christianity. And this was during war.

England is suffering the greatest religious depression ever. And England is our ally.

But America cannot be critical. Too many American churches are crumpling, losing power, and sacrificing the principles that have made her contribution potent.

It is true that there is an emphasis upon religion during these days. But too often it is a temporary superficial, fox-hole emphasis. Men and women who have never prayed before and who do not know God to whom they pray, petition for victory over their enemies.

America is a Christian nation. Yet not in America, but in her enemy countries, are Christian groups meeting in the dark of night in graveyards, are great conversions taking place, are men purchasing tickets for church services weeks before.

In America religion is the popular thing, a popular thing and too often a superficial thing. In the countries of our enemies, those who are Christians deserve the right to be called Christians. They have paid the price, they have passed the test, they have proved their mettle.

Religion and the great teaching and laws of Christ, the Son of God, will not pass away. Political philosophies cannot satisfy man's questioning instinct for a Higher Power. "Man does not live by bread alone."

Delightful McPherson

When the predecessor of Carol Moon, present YMCA secretary for this region, was giving last instructions, he said this thing among others, "McPherson College is the most delightful school in the territory."

This is no common remark and when it came to my attention, I wondered at it. What makes McPherson delightful? What did the man mean?

When the Maccollege Student Christian Movement attends a conference, the McPherson group has its own identity, it is not confused with other schools, it has a spirit of its own. McPherson students seem younger than those from other schools, much gayer, fast to see the laughter in a situation.

But sometimes McPherson students delegations may enjoy themselves too much. We are proud of our school, proud of our fun, proud of the good time we are having. And we look at the less dashing groups with a show-off don't-you-wish-you-were-from-our-school gleam in our eyes.

Too often we take liberties because we are college students and expect onlookers to think us clever and "cute" when in reality we are behaving like children taking advantage of a situation. Too often, instead of being "cute," we are being crude. Too often outsiders fail to see the cleverness and are struck only by the ridiculousness of our actions.

Yes, McPherson is a delightful campus. But let us hope that McPherson students are gay without being rowdy, clean and wholesome without being goody-goody, naive without being ignorant.

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thousand Japanese-Americans and established working committees in twenty-one important cities. The Brethren hostel in Chicago is one of the most active units in this work. This work is sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches and the Foreign and Home Missions organizations.

SCM Notebook

Student Volunteers Study

The program for last Tuesday was taken from the book, "Answering Distant Calls," which portrays the lives of some of the great missionaries. Parts of these stories were read showing the many needs on the mission field for various professions, women doctors, musicians, agriculturists, nurses, etc. There is a place on the mission field for all types of service.

There will be no meeting next Tuesday because of Regional Conference. The following Tuesday, Dr. Green, returned missionary, will speak to the group.

Out Of A Rut By Thinking

"Maladjustment problems of the Spanish people in the United States," was the topic discussed by Santos Juarez in Race Relations Commission last Tuesday. Today there is a need of more cooperation of racial groups, Juarez said. Americans get into a rut in their thinking and exclude all but their specific cliques. Possibly, he indicated, that is the reason for so much social upheaval. Because of Regional Conference, the Commission will not meet next week. There will be a Conference Speaker in chapel during the S. C. M. period.

The Current Event Commission under the leadership of Blanche Geisert and Ed Murray did not meet



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Debaters Schedule Trip

Debate-Extempore Tourney Next Friday in Nebraska

Debaters of McPherson College will leave on a long itinerary before dawn next Friday, February 25, for Lincoln, Nebraska, where they will participate in the Nebraska University invitational debate tournament. Accompanying the debaters are debate coach James Berkebile and Professor J. H. Fries.

The tournament begins Friday morning and terminates sometime Saturday afternoon. The debaters will argue the regular inter-collegiate question, the discussion centering around post-war planning. Eight McPherson College men and women debaters will participate in six rounds of debate and three rounds of extempore-discussion.

Maxine Ruehlen, Betty Burger, Annette Glasier, Maurine Gish, Blanche Geisert, Wayne Geisert, Charles Lunkley, and Elvin Frantz are the students who will leave the campus next Friday.

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

Enjoyable Program Aids Digestion

Clad in Sunday clothes, dining hall patrons enjoyed a pleasant meal and enjoyable program last Thursday night.

To the tune of his "uke" "Itch" sang an American version of a Hawaiian song. To the delight of his listeners he returned for an encore. Eloise McKnight, Elsie Mast and Joan Blough blended their voices in an Italian love song, "Ciribiribin."

Dale Brown surprised the group with his juggling exhibition. Red white and blue balls twirled in the air. "I learned in my father's grocery store," he grinned as he shifted to a lemon, orange and grapefruit. He tackled something dangerously difficult when he juggled eggs but to everyone's intense relief the eggs were empty.

her home in Conway, Kansas. Maurine Gish and Wayne Geisert spent the week-end in Conway where they attended a surprise party on Maurine's parents.

Dale Brown toured to his home in Wichita to spend Saturday and Sunday with his parents.

John Brown and Lloyd Dale spent the week-end at their home in Geneo, Kansas.

Anne Metzler was in Newton, Kansas, last week-end attending a Student Christian Movement conference planning committee meeting at Bethel College.

Carol Barringer visited on the campus last Wednesday afternoon renewing friendships with former classmates. Carol is attending the School of Nursing of Kansas University Kansas City, Kansas.

Dean Hoefle returned to school Monday evening for a short visit before leaving for Civilian Public Service camp. His mother accompanied him to McPherson.

We have been overseas 11 months now, and have touched, quite literally, about ten foreign countries. If you have read your magazines faithfully, you will understand what I mean by literally.

"I didn't like Africa at all, and hope I never have to go back there, although the climate is wonderful in the Northern countries. The filth and destruction are indescribable. Had the privilege to visit the ruins of Carthage, but needed a history book to refresh my memory. Had a seat on the fifty-yard line for the show in Sicily and again at Salerno, Italy. In fact many people thought we were on the team and began tossing bombs, torpedoes, 88's, and 105's at us and one enterprising soldier even used his rifle and machine gun. Most disconcerting, but we were fortunate and came through with few casualties. We didn't enjoy our first visits to either place, especially Salerno. No one can accurately describe such an encounter with the enemy, so why should I try? Sherman was right back in the Civil War, and with suitable adjectives, his ascription still applies.

"At present we are enjoying the hospitality of the British Isles, and a most pleasant change it is. We have already acquired the English custom of tea and crumpets at four in the afternoon. England also can't be understood until one sees it. I fear I shall have to re-read all my English literature over which I slaved so hard under Miss Lehman, because now I can understand it so much better. Took a trip, by jeep, to London and saw the historic spots with an M. P. as a guide. Now don't be confused. M. P. here doesn't mean military police. He was a Member of Parliament. Or isn't Mac that militaristic yet?

"Was the gunnery officer until a few months ago, but now my duties consist of being the navigator, ship's service officer, watch officer, and other sundry routine jobs. The work is most interesting and completely different from any I ever dreamed of having back in college days. For instance the Captain appointed me to prosecute at a court martial. Have also had to mete out punishment in lower courts. Back in Mac I was always on the other side of the fence; and any punishment, via paddle lines we gave was always followed by an interview on the carpet.

"So far haven't met anybody from Mac over here. I did get in contact by letter with "Doc" Hoover, here in England, but so far haven't managed to see him. Also read that Naylor and Fries were in Africa, but we kept moving about so much, that I never was able to see either.

"I long to be present at the next Mac Homecoming, and see a good

Rare Specimens Preserved; Sloth Especially Valuable

If you have an hour or two to spend but are puzzled as to where to go or what to do, just climb the stairs to the third floor in Harnly and step to the right. You will find yourself in one of the most interesting spots on Macampus where you can spend your two hours without having taxed your mind trying to decide which movie you will see or whether you should go skating or bowling. Of course, we refer to the famous college museum.

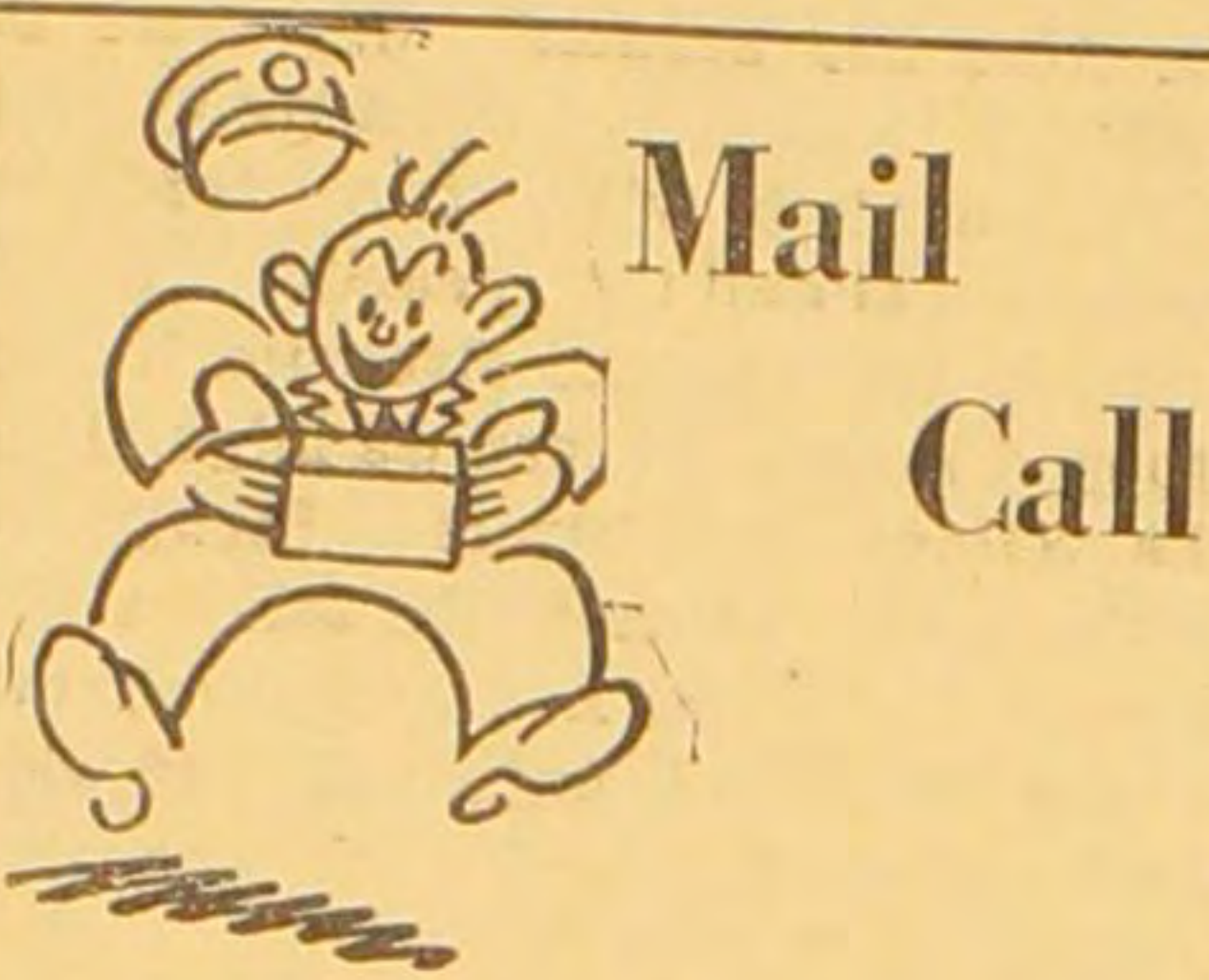
Fifty-three years ago Dr. H. J. Harnly came to McPherson College and started a small collection. Out of this collection grew the museum of today. Various men who came later contributed to the cause. Among those who took interest in the work were S. Z. Sharp, the first president who was also a geologist, and Dr. H. H. Nininger, who taught here ten years ago and is now working with the Denver City Museum. Our own Dr. Mohler took over the work eight years ago.

The college museum was built up

primarily as teaching function rather than a spectacular display. As one steps into the door of the museum perhaps the first thing that catches a person's eye is the giant sloth which looms about twelve feet above the ground. It is one of the most valuable specimens because it is one of about six in the world. There are many more paleontological collections including the saber tooth tiger, dire wolf, numerous bones and teeth.

There is a section in the museum devoted to collections made from Africa, India and China. The medical display contains many interesting samples. Meteorites and several hundred old books can be found in another corner. Among the rocks and meteorites is the largest synthetic diamond in the world contributed by the late Dr. Willard Hershey.

It is interesting to note that this museum has been built up almost entirely through gifts.



Mail Call

From the Navy, Lt. Letkeman writes:

"Just received the Dec. 3 and Dec. 17 issues of the much welcomed Spectator, and the letter printed in Mail Call of the Dec. 3rd issue written by Wayne Albright, S/Sgt., prompts me to write another, especially when he talks of coming home, at night to "Fanny" and getting into bull sessions or an honest chat with the "wife." I was his wife in 1938 I believe it was, up on the second deck of Fahnestock Hall, and we had numerous honest chats in the evening. I truly believe that "Mail Call" is the best feature in the Spec for men in the services. Especially for those who haven't been in school for a number of years, and have no other means of knowing where the other class mates are serving.

"I have often wondered whether Prof. Hess still makes those famous announcements in Chapel, beginning like the main after-dinner speaker, continuing like the probate judge, and finally ending up by saying that there will be a tea in the S. U. R. for all English Majors at three minutes past four, tomorrow afternoon. His announcements were often more interesting than the guest speaker, or even the faculty member whose time it was to contribute. Am also wondering whether Dr. Nauman has any more "walking" classes? Am only sorry that I didn't take any French and Spanish while in Mac. It would have been most profitable.

"We have done some extensive traveling the last two years, even though most of it has been at 10 knots. Even so we do get around.

Calling All Students

Calling all students with oratorical inclination! This is the last week that students interested in writing orations for the Anti-Tobacco and Peace Oration Contest can declare their intentions. If you plan to write an oration and have not seen Professor Hess, arrange for a conference hour in the very near future.

The local Anti-Tobacco Contest will be held Tuesday, February 29, at 4:00 o'clock. The local Peace Contest has been scheduled for Sunday evening, March 12, at 7:30 o'clock.

College 'Four Hundred'

Ruth Davis and Lois Kauffman spent last week-end in Larned at the home of Ruth's sister, Helen Davis. Betty Kimmel enjoyed a few days visit at her home in McLouth, Kansas.

Thirteen students and one faculty member Miss Della Lehman, attended the lecture by Dr. Alfred Noyes, great British poet, last Friday night in Newton, Kansas. Students who attended were Fern Allen, Nelle Stinnette, Dorothy Groves, Eunice Swank, Maxine Ruehlen, Isabel Champ, Lillian Fulkerson, Vurille Howard, Alma Maddox, Alice Mae Boyce, Leora Dobrinski, Phyllis Reeves, and Anne Metzler.

June Perkins spent last week-end at her home in Canton, Kansas.

Evelyn Bentley was a guest of Mrs. Roger Ewing of Zenith, Kansas, Sunday.

Leona Holderread spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Knackstedt, in Inman, Kansas.

Ione Akers spent the week-end at

Fun Strictly "Stag" Reigns In Dorm

Girls, clad in pajamas and housecoats gathered in the parlor of Arnold Hall Saturday night, February 12, for a slumber party that culminated the Heart Sister Week. Coming in at 10:30 instead of the usual Saturday night 11:00, the girls prepared for an evening of fun, strictly "stag."

The first part of the evening was spent singing songs. "Looch" Harris led the group in new and old favorites. Games of hearts and valetines followed under the direction of Eunice Swank. Hilarity was provided by the reading, "The Jukes Family," by Norma Lea Jones.

The high point of the evening was revealing of the "Heart Sisters." Final presents were exchanged and included with each a description of the giver from which the receiver attempted to guess who her "good faerie" had been.

Refreshments, cookies and hot cocoa were served. Each girl drew a slip of paper revealing the number of the room which was to be her "abode" for the night. An optimistic quiet bell rang at 12:30, and the noise of whispering gradually gave way to sounds of snores as the slumber party came to an end.

Bride's Shower At Monitor

Showers and more showers! No, I'm not talking about rain, but showers for brides-to-be. Thursday afternoon the ladies of the Monitor community honored Miss Maurine Gish with a miscellaneous shower at her home. The afternoon was spent playing games and giving advice to the bride to be after which Maurine unwrapped her many lovely gifts.

Betty Dean Burger, Blanche Geisert, Lucile Harris, Ruth Shoemaker, Berniece Guthals and Beulah Seitz attended the shower.

Swank Quits Sickroom

Evelyn Swank, freshman, is attending classes again after being out of school almost one month with an appendectomy. Evelyn got along especially well, but is staying on the safe side by taking things slowly.

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Bulldogs vs. Swedes

Canines To Play Swedes Monday Night in Lindsborg

The McPherson Bulldogs will play their last game of the season against the Bethany Swedes, Monday night. This game, played at Lindsborg, will be the second encounter between the Swedes and the Bulldogs. The first engagement was played last December 10 during homecoming week. The Bulldogs won this first game by an overwhelming score of 71 to 27. Since the last encounter with Bethany, the McPherson team has lost three regular players, Bobby Barr, G. Vance Carlson, F. and Rip Ferguson, F. to the Army Air Corps. The probable starting lineup for the game is not known yet because of the shifting of players to fill the vacancies left by the departing players. This game will be the final game of the sixteen game season. So far the McPherson Bulldogs have won thirteen and lost two.

Canines Swamp Ottawa Braves Score Is 63-30

The McPherson Bulldogs successfully completed a victorious trip by trampling the Ottawa Braves by a score of 63 to 30 last Tuesday night. The game, played at Ottawa was a walk-away for the Bulldogs as the McPherson team lived up to popular predictions.

The first ten minutes found the Bulldogs off to a bad start. The Braves managed to keep up with the McPherson team in scoring for this amount of time. The Bulldogs then began to show their superiority by taking the lead and finishing the first half with a score of 24 to 16.

A refreshed McPherson team took the floor the second half and the Ottawa Braves soon began to crack as the Bulldogs began fast-breaking their way to victory. The Ottawa team tried to stem the tide with five substitutions, but the McPherson quintet scored 41 points in the second half to make the final score read: McPherson 63, Ottawa 30.

Swinger was the high-point man for McPherson with 25 points, followed by Fanny Markham with seventeen. Losh was high-point man for Ottawa with 10 points.

The box score:

McPherson (63)	FG	FT	F
P. Markham, f	1	1	1
F. Markham, f	7	3	4
Swinger, c	12	1	3
Brown, g	2	1	4
Lichty, g	1	1	1
Lowe, g	1	0	0
Keltner, f	4	0	0
Rogers, g	0	0	0
Gibbs, g	0	0	0

Referee: Cox, Ottawa.

Pep Assembly Features All-Girl Organization

With a fine display of widely varying talents, the Fil Fitalny All-Girl Orchestra (?) presented an interesting program of music, et cetera, in the pep assembly yesterday morning. The Barkerettes were featured performers.

An extremely sensitive group, they displayed emotion during one number, "The Old-uh Gray-uh Mare-uh." The featured soloist, McNicol, showed her ability in an appealing rendition of "Put chur arms aroun' me, honey."

War did not stop resourceful citizenry. Tennis racquets and golf clubs served as violins; skillets from the kitchen appeared in the role of banjos; a ladder made its debut as a xylophone; a clothes-drying rack was disguised as a harp; the drum was a dishpan hooked from Arnold! Alta Gross beat out her own time on the piano.

The orchestra favored the Bulldogs with several numbers, "She'll be comin' round the mountain," "Pistol Packin' Mama," (with Al Klotz guest conductor) and, as the closing ditty, "MC Will Shine Tonight."

With a send-off like that how can the Bulldogs help winning over the Swedes next Monday night?

A football fan is a person who never played football but knows more about the game than the quarterback.

Wildcats Lose Second Game To Bulldog Team

The Bulldogs again emerged the victors over the Baker quintet by a score of 37 to 18. The game was played at Baldwin last Monday night and was the second game between Baker and McPherson this season. The score of the first game was 52 to 35 with McPherson out in front.

The game last Monday night was fast and rough. There was a total of thirty-six fouls called, almost one per minute. Baker committed twenty personals while McPherson suffered the other sixteen.

The first half found McPherson taking the initiative and remaining out in front all the way. The second half gave Baker only one field goal as the Baker team began to crack under the relentless pushing of the tireless Bulldogs. The Baker team kept sending in substitutions, but the McPherson Bulldogs could not be stopped. Glenn Swinger, McPherson center, fouled out in the second half. Baker lost three men on personals.

The box score:

McPherson (37)	FG	FT	F
P. Markham, f	2	0	3
F. Markham, f	6	1	3
Swinger, c	5	2	4
Lichty, g	0	3	3
Brown, g	0	1	3
Keltner, f	1	0	0
Lowe, c	0	2	0

Referee—Bonebrake, Baker.

Swinger Elected New Team Capt.

Glenn Swinger, popular junior and McPherson center, was elected by popular vote of the team as captain for the 1943-44 basketball team. He was also elected captain for the 1944-45 season giving him a double honor.

Glenn has started all the games this season and has been noted for his point-making as well as his aggressiveness on the floor. Glenn is 6' 2 1/2" tall and weighs 192 lbs. He has worked hard and long to help the McPherson Bulldogs complete a successful season.

Glenn will be back next year along with Paul Markham. The new captain expresses his hope for another successful season next year.

We Are Active



Flashes From The Tumblers

And now to give you some dope from the Mae West Auxiliary of the McPherson College Past. "Nothing like first-hand information," thinks I, so I creak up the stairs to get a personal interview only to disturb the midafternoon slumber of those Dashing Dames of the Denver Duet (meaning Glasier and Greig).

"We did hand-stands, head stands, forward rolls and—"

"Broke our backs," chimes in Greig.

To break your back or not to break your back; that is the question. Gym is the place, and 4:30 Wednesday's and Thursday's is the time.

Nevertheless if you want your daily dozen, come out to Volley Ball. The Club meets on Tuesday from 4:30 to 6:00 and if you can come for one hour during that period, we welcome you.

A Dash To The Shower . . .

"Grab your gym-suits and tennis shoes and let's play ball." That was the cry last Friday afternoon when six "basketeers" began their workout. With Neely constantly on Burkholder's heels, the sport became more a game of tag than of basketball, but nevertheless the girls were up and going.

By the end of the game everyone was ready to stop and take a breath and dash for the shower room.

Let's see more of you gals out next time to help make up our fighting teams.

Follow Team To Bethany

The game with Bethany will be your last chance to see the 1943-44 basketball team in action. We've had a good season so far and the Bulldogs are determined to keep it that way. That is one of the reasons why this game promises to be exciting as well as fun for all loyal Maccollegians.

The team will do their best to make a grand showing and a champion finish. Why don't you do the same by coming to Lindsborg and cheering for your team. You've done a fine job in supporting the team so far, don't stop now.

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What a trip! Two more victories and three steak dinners! The coach and all the fellows on the squad are plenty satisfied with this latest jaunt. The Bulldog team is really breaking some records. Coach says that Tuesday night was the first time that McPherson has beaten Ottawa on Ottawa's court. It is also the first time that we have taken all the games while on a trip. It seems to me that maybe we broke a record for the amount of steak we ate. Good, too!

Gene Lichty must be tired of walking. He said that while he was at Ottawa he got a brand new "charley horse." I wonder if that is anything like the "Old gray mare." Funny thing though, the "horse" must save him quite a bit of time and trouble because Gene just lies around all day. What a life!

Just call us "Coach Hayden and his nine boy scouts." We were on our way to Emporia when we spied a car in a ditch with two confused owners standing nearby. Coach stopped the car and Brownie finally stopped his car so that we might help the fellows in distress. Struggling in the mud and snow the fellows finally succeeded in lifting the car out of the ditch and onto the highway. Another good deed for the day. Some fun!

Gez whiz! was that bed soft after

the Baker game. Believe you me I was really happy to "hit the sheets." Paul Markham soon tried to change my ideas of sleeping as happiness. In the first place he insisted that we should divide the bed 60-40. 60 for him and 40 for me. It ended up that I was hanging on to the side of the bed for the first four hours, and sleeping under the bed for the next fifteen minutes. Paul inquired about the time five times during the night. At 1:30, 2:10, 4:25, 6:30, and 7:15. Oh how I hated to get up in the morning (From the song of the same name).

I have some nominations for membership to the Junior Wolves of America. The fellows are Glenn Swinger, Louis Rogers, Paul Markham, and last but not least, Bob Lowe. Cute girls, weren't they, fellows?

Only one more game and the season is officially over. I sure would like to see a large group of McPherson enthusiasts at the Bethany game. This will be the last time to see the team play. We might as well make

the season a good one by finishing it up right.

I see that this just about finishes my "sports larder." So long, folks; see you next week. Here's a little something to remember; "It never hurts to be a good sport. It always helps."

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