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Lenten Services Begin February 27

King Presents Sermon Series

Special Lenten services are being held at the Church of the Brethren, beginning February 27, and ending Easter Sunday. Reverend Bernard King is presenting a series of sermons dealing with the seven last words of Christ on the cross. The sermon topics are: March 5, "The Hope of Heaven"; March 12, "Remembering Mother"; March 19, "The Cry of Loneliness"; March 26, "Suffering for a Cause With a Future"; April 2, "Finished Living"; and April 9, "The Triumph of the Spirit."

Several special Sunday evening services are to be given. Next Sunday, March 5, a sound picture concerning alcoholic education will be shown. On March 12, the peace oratorical contest will be held in the church. The following week, March 19, the evening worship will be in charge of the student ministers. Dr. Peters will speak to the congregation on March 26. This year no special services are being held during the week.

Nicholson Elected To Committee Post

The Sunday School Committee has initiated a new member. Lois Nicholson was elected from the Church School Class to take the place of Nelle Stinnette whose term expired last week.

The Sunday School classes elected their assistant teachers for the next three weeks and the assistants of the last three weeks are now teachers. Ila Verne Lobbin is teaching class A with Kent Naylor assistant.

Class B's teacher is Dale Brown, assistant, Leslie Rogers.

The teacher of Class C is Lucile Harris, and her assistant is Eunice Swank.

Ernest Wampler Tells Of China

The Friday morning chapel service closed Regional Conference with a highly inspiring address by Mr. Ernest Wampler. He spoke to the faculty, students, and guests on relief and reconstruction in China, pointing out how we can serve and help.

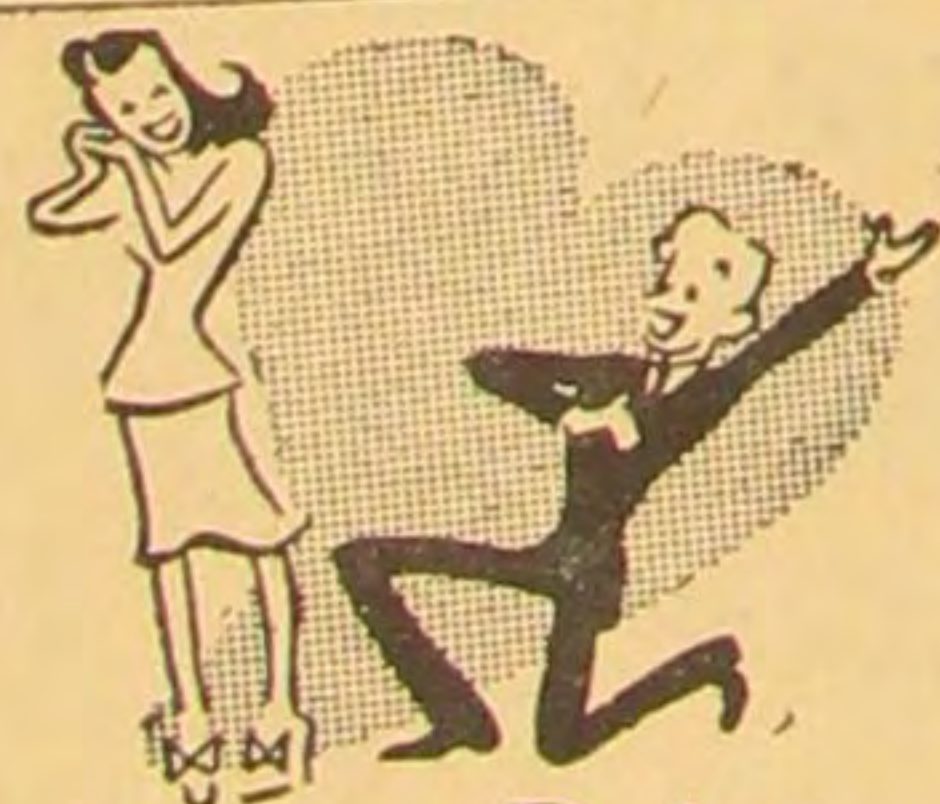
To give a clearer understanding of the problem, he outlined Japan's conquest of China in terms of America, starting with our East coast and coming westward. Thus he painted a vivid picture of the moving masses and the resulting problems. He asked what would happen if five schools had to share our campus, equipment, and living facilities. Such problems are facing students in Free China all the time, and they have been able to rise above them to new heights of cooperative living.

Free China today, is paving a way to a new future, but she needs our help and she needs it now. It is up to us to accept the challenge.

Quartette To Conway With President Peters

The girls' quartette will go to Conway tonight, accompanied by President W. W. Peters, to present a musical program.

Several numbers will be presented in the Conway Brethren Church.



Future Dates

Friday, March 3—One-act plays in College Chapel.

Next Year's Enrollment Boasts Five Applications

The President's Office announces that five new students for next year have already filed applications for admission. The five are as follows: Leona Dell, McPherson; Hazel Frantz, Holmesville, Nebraska; Roberta Mohler, McPherson; Audrey Lee Stump, Waka, Texas; and Chester Van Dyke, Conway, Kansas.

Music Students Aid Cosmos Club Program

At the Cosmos Club meeting which was held Tuesday evening with Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Dell, Miss Brown explained the different types and forms of music and also compared music to the other fine arts.

Interpretations of these musical forms were presented by students of the college piano and voice departments. Those who participated were: Gertrude Conner, Ruth Reeves, Lucile Harris, and Lois Kaufman, who substituted for Leora Dobrinski. Mr. Fisher accompanied Lucile Harris.

Macollege Represented In Local PTA Meetings

Two Parent-Teacher Associations in McPherson were entertained at last Wednesday night meetings by McPherson College people.

Keith Burton appeared at the Roosevelt meeting where he drew a chalk picture. Professor Nevin W. Fisher gave a short voice recital to the PTA at Lincoln Grade School. Gertrude Conner accompanied Professor Fisher at the piano.

Phys. Ed. Dept. Heads Attend Health Meeting

Coach Tom Hayden, Earl M. Frantz, Doris Voshell, Ruby Peterson, Marilynn Sandy, Alta Gross and Kathryn McRae will leave the campus this afternoon to attend the state and District Health and Physical Education Conference held in Topeka this weekend.

Earl Frantz will preach the morning sermon at the Lone Star Church Sunday.

Difficult Straits Befall Proud Poet

New York — (ACP) — An \$800 award for "eminence in literature" promises to relieve the difficult straits that have befallen the once fabulously successful poet, Edgar Lee Masters, author of "Spoon River Anthology."

The award, presented jointly by the University of California, Harvard University and the Poetry Society of America, came just in the nick of time, his wife said.

The 74-year-old author is recovering from pneumonia and malnutrition. His bills were paid by the Authors League of America. He was discovered ill in a charity ward last December.

Bitter, brusque and proud, Masters had been dependent upon royalties from poems published more than 25 years ago. His recent books have earned little, his friends said, and "Spoon River Anthology" royalties, still coming in, have been just enough to pay the rent since around 1937.

After watching some of the sophomores wonder how long a human being can live without a brain.

All men speak the same language when they fall over a chair in the dark.

About the only way some fellows can get a date is to sprinkle a little gasoline on their handkerchiefs.

Historical Significance In Meeting Of Descendants

In the Church of the Brethren it was of historical significance that four descendants of Antony Dirdorff, who came to America on the first boatload of Brethren in company with Peter Becker in 1719, were at the Regional Conference last week. The four descendants were Earl F. Deardorff of Panora, Iowa; C. H. Deardorff of Elgin, Illinois; J. F. Baldwin of Lincoln, Nebraska; and Mrs. W. W. Peters of McPherson, Kansas.

Rabbi Bernfeld Led Discussion

Rabbi Benjamin Bernfeld of Topeka appeared in the McPherson College chapel Wednesday morning, March 1, under the auspices of the Jewish Chautauqua Society to speak to the student body on "What is The American Way of Life?"

"In earlier years there were frontiers to push back, 'Go west young man, go west.' The horizontal worlds are mapped, but there is a vertical world yet to conquer, this is our mission for tomorrow.

It is the opinion of the Rabbi that this day can teach us the lesson of the pioneer, the spirit of progress at any cost, of taming the wilderness, the spirit of building and discovery and creation.

"Why should we speak of the American way of life? Because we have forgotten it. Ignorance of the American dream may be America's danger. The American dream is couched in the belief in the sacredness of human personality

"The smirks of the cynics have blinded us. Too often we accept false standards, false prophets, even false messiahs."

At the close of his address Rabbi Bernfeld made a beautiful series of statements worthy of note. We take red bricks and hold them together with cement and call the structure a school. And in this school we enshrine the classics of the ages. We take lumber and construct a spire to place atop a building and we call this building a church. In this church we worship the Eternal God. We take crude boards, fasten them together into four walls, and call it "my house." "Any thing beautiful may be desecrated and something false and ugly may be endowed with beauty."

"Ours is a duty to build, not on a new faith, but continuing the old. There is nothing wrong with the American dream, that dream with the ice cream and pigskin football connotation. But there is more to the dream than that. Underneath it is a dream of creation, of kindness, of building for a better world."

Are Your Files Complete?

If you have been keeping a file of the Spectator and are short a few copies, please drop in at the Spec office and pick up your missing number. There are a few extra copies waiting for your pleasure.

Future-Facing Is Peters' Chapel Topic

"Facing the Future" was the topic of Raymond Peters' stirring and forceful message in Monday's chapel during Regional Conference week. He pointed out that the present strife creates many problems, one great problem being the "what's the use" attitude of those to whom the future looks dark and forbidding. He stated that progress was made by those souls who dare to face opposition and establish new values, struggling to find ideas to meet human needs, both those needs which are ever with us and those needs which will arise in the future.

Mr. Peters believes that in order for the world to become a better one, people as individuals, companions, communities, states, and nations must plan for a better future with new values, with a lack of desire for personal glory and gain plus courage, resistance, and will to go on and never give up.

Thespians Present Three One-Act Plays On Tonight's Program

Group Goes To Newton As Minister Project

A group of student ministers will go to Newton, Kansas, Sunday, March 5 to conduct a worship program there. The devotional program of this meeting will be conducted by Dale Brown. A quartette, composed of Glenn Swinger, Kenneth Wampler, Donald Scofield, and Charles Dumond, will sing. Scofield will deliver the message of the morning.

This group is visiting Newton as part of the Speech Program that is being carried on by the Student Ministers.

Jones' Oration Wins In Local Contest

Norma Lea Jones is this year's winner of the local anti-tobacco oratorical contest held in Professor Hess's classroom last Tuesday afternoon, February 29, at 4:00 p. m. Miss Jones' oration was entitled "Bedouin's Reasons."

The contestants delivered their original orations before three disinterested judges, John Boitnott, Burton Metzler, and James Berkebile.

Miss Jones will represent McPherson College in the state contest to be held March 10, at Friends University in Wichita. Other orators included Elva Jean Harbaugh and Howard Stucky.

Debate Squad Is Successful In Recent Clash

Tourney Drafts Resolution Concerning Foreign Policy

Competition against the highest-ranking debate teams in the country did not daunt the McPherson College Debate squad at the tournament held by the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, last Friday and Saturday, February 25 and 26. Charles Lunkley, Bob Yoder, Elvin Frantz, Betty Dean Burger, Blanche Geisert, Maxine Ruehlen, Anna Mae Tinkler, and Annette Glasier represented McPherson in the rounds of debate. Professor Maurice A. Hess and debate coach James Berkebile traveled with the squad.

All four teams sent won four of the six debate rounds. The Women's second team, Anna Mae Tinkler and Annette Glasier, received a certificate of excellence. Certificates of excellence in individual speaking were awarded Charles Lunkley, Maxine Ruehlen, Anna Mae Tinkler, and Annette Glasier.

The only defeat suffered by Northwestern was administered by Blanche Geisert and Maxine Ruehlen, first Women's team.

Aside from debate activities were four rounds of panel discussion, also a news broadcasting contest. Maxine Ruehlen received a certificate of excellence in the discussion groups.

One of the highlights of the tournament was the drafting of a resolution concerning the foreign policy of the United States. The resolution was drafted by a legislative body composed of participants in the tournament and a copy of the complete document will be sent to the congressman of each state represented.

Saturday noon tournament participants were guests of the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon, with the Mayor of Lincoln and the Governor of Nebraska as guest speakers.

Seven states were represented at the tournament, Illinois, Nebraska, Colorado, Kansas, South Dakota, Ohio, and Iowa. Twenty-six men's teams and 26 women's teams were present.

McPherson students stayed in homes of Lincoln church people. Sunday morning the group riding in Professor Berkebile's car gave a program for the church there. Professor Hess drove the college car back to McPherson Saturday night.

A Spec-O-News

The Japanese seem to just now begin to understand that they are not as unconquerable as they had first thought themselves to be with the United Forces forcing their armies ever closer to the Japanese Homeland in the Pacific as well as in Burma and the Aleutians most anyone would begin to feel that everything was not so good. They are backing to the wall where they will finally make their last stand.

England is doing her best to help Finland come to a separate peace with Russia, and Russia still moves forward in the direction of Germany.

The most contested battle ground at present is probably the beachhead in Italy just below Rome, where a new radio-controlled weapon is being used without too much effect.

Another great convoy has arrived in England ready for the invasion of Europe so it is said, I suppose we will just wait and see how it all turns out.—Edwin Rodabaugh.

Brubaker-Wampler Guests On Campus

Leland Brubaker and Ernest Wampler were guests on the campus Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of this week. They spoke to various groups.

Thursday morning at the activity period, Ernest Wampler, who has been doing relief work in China, spoke to the Student Volunteer group in the Student Union Room. In specific ways he helped to give suggestions for preparation to do volunteer and relief work after the war.

Quartette Gives Program For Methodist WSCS

The ladies' quartette will participate in a program for the Women's Society of Christian Service at the Methodist Church this afternoon. The work of the Methodist Youth Fellowship will be explained by Maxine Ruehlen.

Brubaker Leads SCM In Question Period

Leland Brubaker, Secretary of the General Mission Board of the Church of the Brethren, met with the Student Christian Movement last night in their usual Thursday evening general meeting.

Because of the importance of the subject of the evening's forum, the devotions were cut short and the meeting proper began immediately. Reverend Brubaker spoke for a few minutes on possibilities for mission work open to college students now and in the future, continuing the thoughts of the Student Volunteer meeting Thursday morning.

After his introductory remarks the group asked questions and an informal, group conference period resulted. Valuable information was shared with interested McPherson College students.

"Teachers should start immediately to teach children there will be no peace in the world if they retain hate for Japs, Germans or anybody. It is equally important that they learn not to hate minority groups in their own country," Robert J. Havighurst, professor of education at University of Chicago, urges caution in wartime use of the doctrine of hate. ACP.

Rattling in an individual is just evidence of lack of power as a knock in a motor.

Thespians and students of McPherson college will collaborate tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the presentation of three one-act plays under the direction of Thespians members, Blanche Geisert, Maxine Ruehlen, and Betty Dean Burger.

"Lavendar and Red Pepper," a comedy directed by Blanche Geisert, presents Alta Gross as sophisticated Aggie Watson who has Gran's room redecorated in an extremely modern fashion. Gran, portrayed by Mary Beth Loshbaugh, is distinctly the "lavender and old lace" type. Pretty lovable Cynthia, played by Elva Jean Harbaugh, is surprised by the radical changes her mother has inaugurated. Gran is flabbergasted at first, but her sense of humor comes to the rescue. Gran's four friends are played by Evelyn Royer, Eunice Swank, Lois Nicholson, and Alvina Dirks.

A semi-comedy, "The Exchange," endeavors to encourage people to be satisfied with their situation in life rather than be desirous of another. There are five characters in this play; Freda Aurell, The Imp; Dale Brown, The Rich Citizen; Lillian Fulkerson, The Vain Woman; Ray Birkes, The Poor Man; Charles Dumond, The Judge.

Betty Dean Burger directs the third play, "Cinderella Married." This one-act play is a sequel to the old fairy tale and reveals Cinderella in a somewhat unfamiliar situation. Annette Glasier plays Cinderella, Don Keltner plays Prince Charming, Norma Lea Jones and Leora Dobrinski are costumed as Cinderella's ladies in waiting; the maid's part is taken by Susan Ikenberry. Lois Rogers plays Robin, the Milkman.

Three different play types will be presented tonight. Everyone will find a play to suit his fancy.

Admission will be 25 cents plus three cents tax. Tickets will be sold tonight at the door.

Three-minute Digest Solves Girls' Problems

Girls at Western college, Oxford, Ohio, have found an answer to the problem of how to keep up-to-the-minute with the news while leading a life crowded with lectures and labs and studies. For their benefit WCOO, intra-mural public address system, broadcasts a three-minute digest of the day's headlines every evening during the dinner hour. Scripts are prepared by members of the class in newswriting and details of the broadcast are taken care of by the class in radio speech. Each week a new team takes charge of the program.

When you are down at the mouth, think of Jonah. He came out all right.

A mark of maturity is the manner in which college students assume responsibilities. I am very appreciative of the splendid way in which students carried out their responsibilities during Regional Conference.

S. M. Dell
Director Student Employment

Hymn Sing Breaks Chapel Routine

Last Monday morning the chapel audience got together for a "sing-spiration" of old hymns. It was an informal song fest of hymns not usually sung. The BYPD sponsored the program.

The group sang request numbers led by Eloise McKnight. Keith Burton accompanied on the piano. Keith also taught several choruses.

The program closed with the BY benediction.

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Poet Romanticizes Fire-Building

Browsing through the Browning Corner of the college library in search of certain contemporary literature, I discovered the blue and white-bound "Gaid Anthology of Verse" and leafed through its pages. About three-fourths the way down the index of authors' names, two words, "Margaret Heckethorn", popped out of the list into my consciousness. And strange as it may seem, this former librarian of MacCollege had written the poem on page 15.

WINTER MUSIC

I have listened to the playing
Of Sousa's famous band;
And Wanamaker's organ,
The greatest in the land.
I have stood appalled to silence
At the beauty of the sound
From the bells of all the nation
On that famous camping ground.
But more welcome than the music
Of organ, band, or choir,
Is the music of the furnace
When Forney builds a fire.

Oh, I revelled in the beauty
Of the chimes of Trinity,
And I reverence the softness
Of a moonlight symphony.
But the grating of the shovel
As the coal is outward flung,
And the click of metal snapping,
When the door is inward swung,
How it warms me just to hear it,
And my spirits mount up higher
To the music of the furnace
When Forney builds a fire.

Sunflowers and Sandburrs --

Kline Hall—we do not hear from it often since it is inhabited by a group of quiet folks—has produced three nice-looking musketeers, feminine gender, and may we add very smart to look at. At first glance the affect is red, but as your eyes become accustomed to the light, you see that on the whole the ensemble is red, white, and blue. Three girls, three dresses; the affect is becoming. We first noted the group together at the recent wedding. We like it. Have a sunflower.

the play casts that work for our entertainment, to the (do we dare) Spectator staff who give us our paper, to the SCM which provides us with interesting and thought-provoking programs and to the commissions that work diligently Tuesday after Tuesday for our benefit, we send sunflowers. They deserve them.

Are you ever late to chapel and are you ever late to class? Of course you are and so are we for that matter, but do you make it a habit to be late. We are hereby sending sandburrs to all late comers, to meals, to class, to chapel, and would we be too bold to add, to bed?

Flys in my soup bother me not
Salt in my wounds I can bear
But "Ike" in the Spec room, sad to relate
Turns out to be "Ike" in my hair.
This ditty expresses the good-natured sentiments of the Spectator staff.

Sunflowers to these few kind and thoughtful souls who are willing to give up a few minutes of their time and energy for a worthy cause. To

We can not pass up this fine example of putting ones whole heart and soul in ones preparation for future work. On the eye of a momentous decision, "Would the girls be given a late leave?" two faithful student ministers were found on their knees in the girls' sitting room. As a happy conclusion to the occasion, the wish was granted, it is reported.

If The Shoe Fits—

Sitting in the parlor the other day I happened to notice the hemlines of girls' skirts. Some sagged in the back, others dipped to the front, and a few were shorter on the sides. It all adds up to very uneven hemlines. If you girls have noticed the manikins in Mademoiselle, Vogue, and other fashion magazines, you know those skirts are perfectly even. "I'm no model," you say. Granted, but still no reason for carelessness. Dig out a yardstick sometimes and get to work with a couple of pins.

Oh, it's hard to realize that we have faults, but please, for my sake, try to be susceptible just once.

I realize that some students have no other way to attract attention except by talking loudly. As college students you should have reached a stage in your life when you can exercise a little control over those difficult vocal organs. Loud talk can be expected from grade school children, tolerated in high school students, but with college people it just isn't the vogue.

Some of the advertisements which one reads in magazines do run true to life. One reason why that new girl friend keeps her distance may be that little something Lifeboy soap is credited to cure. This fault is not limited to fellows, but sometimes rears its ugly head among the inhabitants of the girls' dorm. Frequent baths and the use of deodorant will probably remove the disagreeable fault.

The one complaint that I have as writer of this column is that those to whom I preach never get the point. Any considerate motorist will give a co-ed half of the road if he knows which half she wants.

Church of the Brethren Welcomes Students
Sunday School for College
Students 9:45 a. m.
Church Service 10:45 a. m.
Sermon—
Reverend Bernard King.
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Our President Comments:

Two Things:
1. I am frequently reminded of the very great importance of the extreme care that should be exercised in stating our attitudes and convictions on matters that can be so easily misinterpreted. Before passing judgment upon what another says or does we should be certain we have all the facts and circumstances upon which to base our reactions. If we would suspend judgment many times what we say in haste would never have been said and many times instead of condemning we would find ourselves feeling sorry and trying to be helpful.

2. An observation that bothers me is the fact that so many people seem to get so much satisfaction out of hearing and repeating to others not the beautiful and pleasant things about people but the ugly and unpleasant things.
"There is so much good in the worst of us and so much bad in the best of us that it ill behooves any of us to talk about the rest of us."

The Brethren Serve . . .

The following notes come from South America.
Kurtis Naylor, graduate of McPherson College and a brother to Kent Naylor, has been directing a Boys' Club in Quito, Ecuador. He reports that the membership has grown until it now numbers over 1,200. This club which was established to help solve Quito's difficult juvenile delinquency problem is carried on in a modern clubhouse and offers many types of recreational facilities for the boys. It is jointly financed and operated by a committee of about twenty outstanding men in the city of Quito and by the Brethren Service Committee.

The Brethren Service Committee through a co-operative arrangement with the American School has sent several teachers to South America. Wilma Schrag of Pioneer, Ohio, has been sent to teach in the American School of Quito. Paul Bowman, Jr., is a teacher at the American Institute of La Paz. Frances Landis writes from Callao, Peru, that in the coming year she will be teaching home economics, English and arithmetic in the Callao High school.
Nowdays, just as soon as you find a way to make ends meet, somebody comes along and moves the end.
The girl of today isn't as bad as she is painted.

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Long Live The Reporter Who Meets The Deadline

Congratulations to the bold editor of the Midland, Midland Colleges student publication, Fremont, Nebraska! He has performed that shocking and dangerous feat that all editors dream about at one time or another during their career.

The Midland for February 24 sported ten three-and-four inch open places sprinkled over its four pages of newsprint. And in parentheses below the headline that introduced the subject of the blank space to the reader was the quip, "This story, assigned to missed the deadline." Or "This column, assigned to missed the deadline. Above material is holdover copy."

It was a brave and exciting bit of action to take, but as long as the Spectator is run on a purely voluntary basis and since we've found the kid-glove technique more effective than the sharp tongue, the staff hopes to retain some patience and to refrain from this drastic, though at times extremely tempting, measure. These difficult days have crippled the Spectator staff and quality reporting. The sledging is rough.

Our hearts go out to all those dear reporters whose copy never fails to hit the wire basket in the Spec office on time, already typed, and with a minimum of errors. Your cooperation is certainly appreciated.

FM Old Fashioned

The recent simple chapel program of old hymns and request numbers set my mind off on a strange tack—rather, it furthered my mind's progress along that strange tack. I have had these ideas before.

Perhaps Professor Fisher best expressed campus sentiment when he was heard to remark after the service that such a program was a departure from traditional chapel procedure. And may I add, a welcome one.

College is the place in which we learn to know and appreciate the "best that has been done and said (and sung) in the world." Therefore we discard the swing-rhythm of "I was Sinking Deep in Sin" for the perfect meter of the perfect hymn, "Immortal Love, Forever Full."

Our supposed sophistication recoils at the singing of the old "heaven songs" and hymns with a sinner's refrain. But I wonder if I receive more spiritual inspiration in singing our regular-tempered hymn, than my father and grandfather received from answering the ladies' voices in the refrain of "When the Roll is Called up Yonder?"

Whether I admit to others or not, I must be honest and admit to myself that I enjoy singing these old songs. And I believe that there is more than rhythm involved in my pleasure. Through the years these hymns have gathered certain associations; each one creates a certain atmosphere. I remember old-fashioned funerals when a quartet sang "When They Ring those Golden Bells." I can hear a country congregation in a little white church house singing, "Bring them In, Bring them In. . ."

These songs have been filling the needs of people, their elemental directness cannot be lightly discarded.

After Shakespeare had written "Hamlet" and "Romeo and Juliet" and "Macbeth," the early English epic "Beowulf" was not erased from the records. High school students still study its simple down-to-earth style and story. It has its place in English literature.

Is it foolish to ask that these old-fashioned hymns may be recognized as one phase of religious music, that they will not be forgotten, frowned upon and ignored?

Wilson-Klotz Wed

Miss Evelyn Wilson of Willey, Colorado, junior in McPherson college, was united in marriage to Alvin Klotz of Fredericksburg, Iowa, McPherson college senior, February 25, at 4:00 p. m. in the Brethren Church. Reverend Lyle M. Klotz, brother of the groom, officiated at the single ring ceremony. The altar was decorated with ferns, gladioli and three candelabra, which were lighted by Miss Lucille Harris and Miss Muriel Lamle.

Forney's Cart Takes Newly-Weds Joyriding

With clanging of cans, buckets and tubs the Klotz charivari was undertaken by a large group of Maccollegians.

Alvin Klotz met the unexpected guests at the door and ushered them up to the two-room apartment which soon became overcrowded. As the students marched out, each received a treat of a roll.

The party was not ended until the newly-weds were taken for a joyride in Mr. Frank Forney's cart.

Kittell Marries In Denver

Cadet Mary Kittell of Denver, Colorado, was married to Cpl. C. William Motsinger of Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado, February 7. The wedding took place in the Chapel at Lowry Field at 8:30 p. m. The bride was attended by her sister, Helen Kittell, also of Denver.

The bride, formerly of McPherson, attended McPherson College one year. She is now a Cadet Nurse in the St. Lukes School of Nursing in Denver.

The groom graduated from high school in Moro, Arkansas. The couple is making their home in Denver.

Smith Recommends Books For March

One of Shakespeare's soothsayers warned, "Beware the ides of March." Ruth Garver Gagliardo, the editor of "Children's Book Shelf" in the Kansas Teacher declared, "... a book in the hand is worth two in a column!"

The librarian agrees with Ruth Gagliardo, and recommends that during March you brace yourself for the blows by delving into Lin Yutang's *The Wisdom of China and India*. "In Spring" the Chinese say: "Your grasses up north are as blue as jade.

Our mulberries here curve green-threaded branches; And at last you thing of returning home. Now when my heart is almost broken ... O breeze of the spring, since I dare not know you. Why part the silk curtains by my bed?"

Take time to be refreshed by a few hours with Saroyan's *Human Comedy* or Gallico's *The Snow Goose*. These are not mere "refresher courses"—these are life.

SCM Notebook

Continuing A Discussion

The Current Events Commission met Tuesday morning with Guy Hayes as speaker. Members of the commission found his discussion to be very interesting at the last meeting and asked him to continue this week.

We don't dare stop and wait for the huge obstruction, war, to be removed from our path before we make economic, religious, and social adjustments. The extremes, inflation and

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sudden drops in prices, are the jolts which hurt people. Extremes should be avoided that in a post war world nations may be treated as near normal as possible and with equality. These are the thoughts which were left with us.

Facing The Future With Anticipation

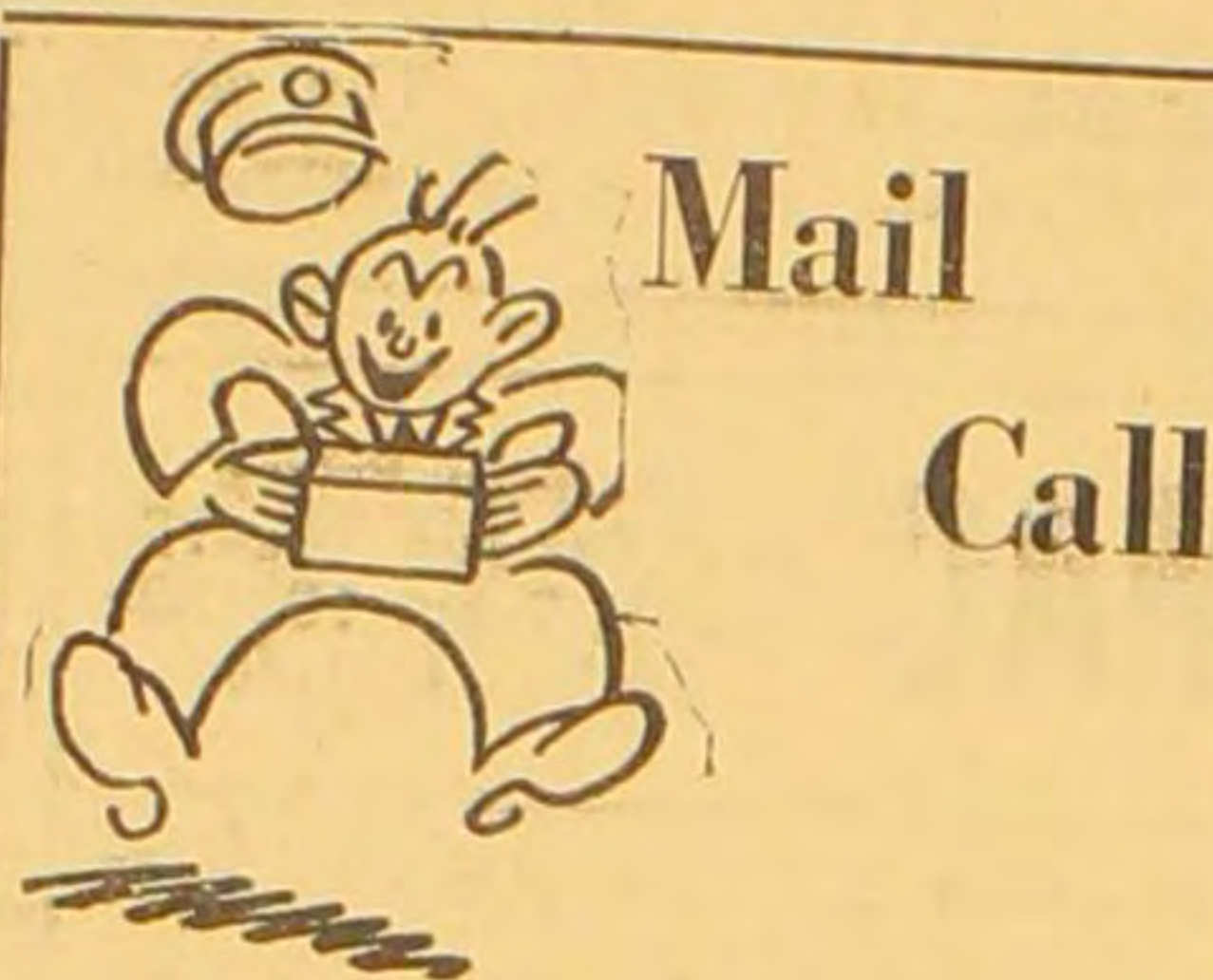
A discussion led by Elvin Frantz Tuesday morning brought out many interesting details and helpful suggestions as to the solution of problems of the different race minorities represented in our country.

The Negro, Japanese-American, and Mexican are the three we have studied so far and there are many more interesting subjects coming up in the future. We look with faith and eager anticipation toward our programs and toward the solving of the problems by Christian people.

Next week, Glen Swinger will have charge of this commission.

Volunteers Met Thursday

Student Volunteers scattered to other commission meetings last Tuesday morning. We postponed our meeting time until yesterday morning during the activity period when we met with Ernest Wampler, returned missionary from China.



Mail Call

The following is an excerpt from a letter written by Avn./C. Harold E. Dobrinski who is studying advanced navigation at the army air base in San Marcos, Texas.

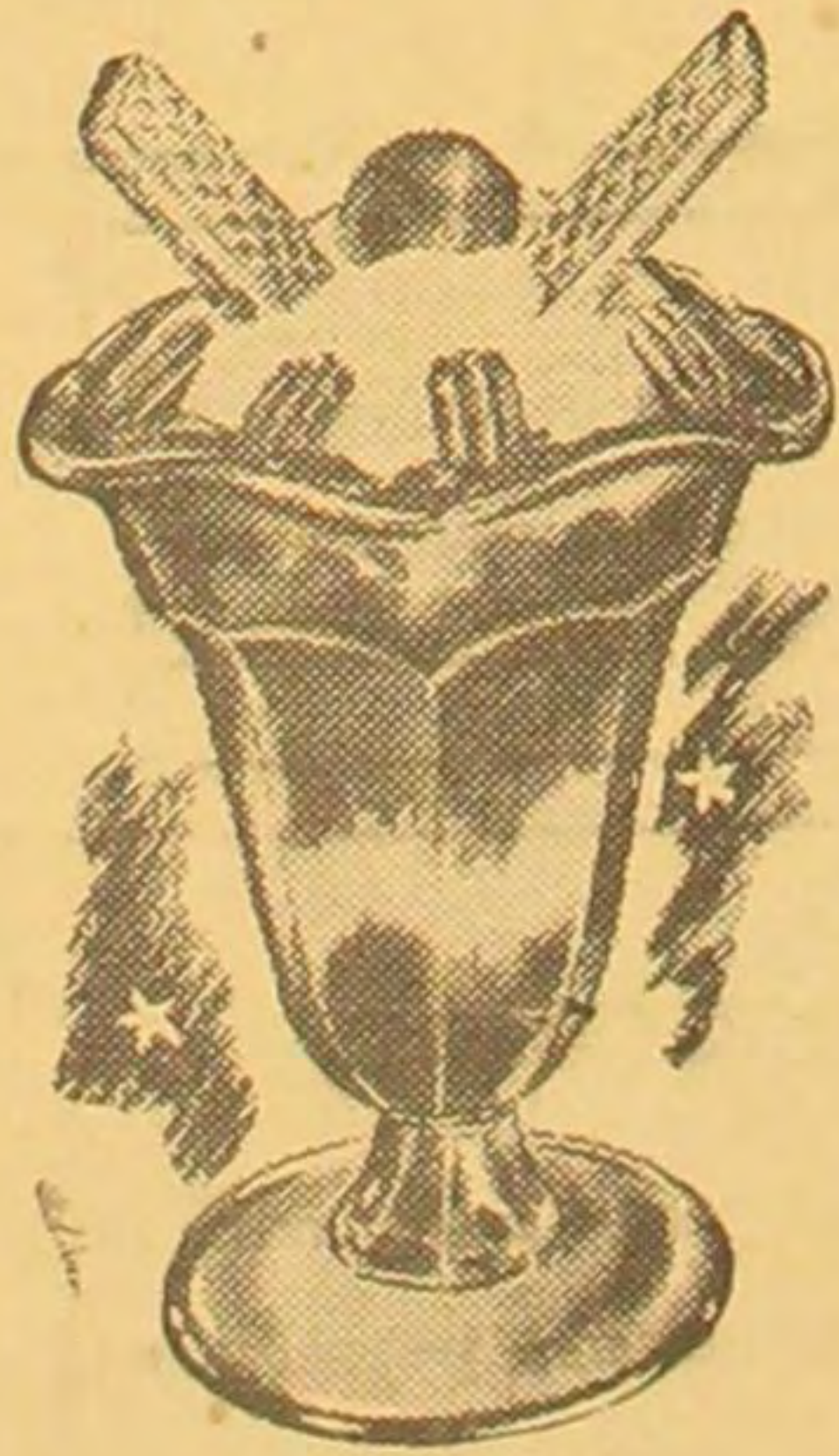
"We've certainly been getting our share of rain here. I suppose you got it in the form of snow. I still do appreciate the fact that I can spend the winter here in a warm climate. Reports say that there is more wet weather here this season than in the history of the state.

"We were scheduled to fly Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. I flew Thursday but no one has flown since. Looks as if we'll fly



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tomorrow since the sun finally came out today. It is around 60 or 65 degrees here so it is very nice even if it rains.

"Looks as if the tempo of the war is picking up for us. It seems as if it won't be long till a large scale battle in Europe will take place.

"They won't let up on these classes and since we're so far behind with our flying it looks as if we'll go on detached service to other parts of the country. Probably we'll get to Kansas some time within a couple weeks.

"This is Tuesday morning and as usual it is raining. I thought I'd fly today, but no go. Three-fourths of our echelon went out in detached service. They went to San Angelo and on to Shepherd Field, near Wichita Falls, Texas; and from there they don't know where they'll go.

"Say that was swell to hear that the Bulldogs won both basketball games. It's really good to hear that Mac is on the right end."

His address is: Avn./C Harold E. Dobrinski, 17098832, Class 44-7-7, 1153 N. T. S. S. M. A. A. B. San Marcos, Texas.

This letter comes from Pvt. Dick McRoberts, student of last year, now attending the Drexel Institute of Technology in Pennsylvania.

"The school here is located out in West Philly about fifteen blocks from the center of the town. It is a one-building affair, four stories high. It is a pretty good size though, and in normal times the enrollment is about two thousand students. It is rated in the East as a very good Engineering School, but most of its good teachers have left since Pearl Harbor. It does not look like a school at all when you go by it; it looks more like a warehouse, and that is what we call it. Naturally most of the students that are civilians are girls, and are they honeys. They would make McPherson's coeds sit up and take notice. The school is about eight blocks from the hotel, and we have to march that dis-

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tance in formation, four times a day. The hotel we stay at is a very large and pretty long. The army fellows stay on the third and second floors, and there are about four to six fellows to every room."

Pvt. McRoberts address is: Pvt. J. R. McRoberts, 37672349 Co. B-6 Platoon 3318 A. S. T. U. S. U. Drexel Institute of Technology Philadelphia, Penn.

Carl Kasey spent some time on campus during his recent visit home. He is now an ensign having just graduated from the training school at Columbia U. in New York.

"The only thing that was really hard to get used to was the amount of study we had to put in." Casey says. "All the spare time except Saturday night was spent getting lessons."

He took Navigation, Ordnance, Seamanship, Types of Communication, Damage Control, Plane and Ship recognition and Executive courses.

Carl left Wednesday for Coronado, California, where he will take training in blinker and communication and small craft. This training will last from four to twelve weeks.

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Prof. Blair says that he hopes to live to see the day when schools will have six-hour days and six-day weeks. The thoughtful Sophomore says he certainly considers himself

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To help readers to understand statistically the accomplishments of the team and its members, a few statistics on the 1943-44 basketball season are presented.

The McPherson Bulldogs have played a total of sixteen games this season, fourteen wins and two losses. Three members of the team have reported for duty with the army. They are Vance Carlson, Dale Ferguson, and Bob Barr.

Total points: McPherson 834, Opponents 576.

Average points per game: McPherson 52.13, Opponents 36.

	FG	FT	Total	Games	Av.
F. Markham	91	37	219	14	15.6
V. Carlson	78	15	171	10	17.1
J. Swinger	68	25	161	16	10.6
B. Barr	16	11	43	10	4.3
E. Lichty	17	30	64	14	4.6
D. Ferguson	23	16	62	12	5.1
P. Markham	10	6	26	12	2.2
J. Brown	7	10	24	13	1.8
D. Keltner	11	0	22	12	1.8
B. Lowe	17	5	39	16	2.4
L. Rogers	3	1	7	12	.6
N. Gibbs	0	0	0	5	0

Fouls: McPherson 237, Opponents 251.

Foul shots made by McPherson: 156 for a total of 156 points or 9.7 points per game.

Home games: 9, away: 7.

Coach Entertains Bulldogs Saturday

Eight couples were guests in the home of Coach Tom Hayden for a chili supper last Saturday night. The dinner was held as a celebration for a successful basketball season. The guests were the remaining members of the basketball squad and their dates.

The menu consisted of steaming bowls of hot chili, doughnuts, hot chocolate and apples.

After the dinner the coach and members of the squad sat around reminiscing about the past season and expressing their hopes for a good season next year. Then the group engaged in playing several games. Glenn Swinger and Lucille Harris were the winners of one game with a perfect score. A good time was had by all.

Burkholder, Ruth Reeves, Maye Oye, Fern Allen, Jane Bell, and Ila Verne Lobban.

"Most college students lead secluded lives, and a good many years usually elapse before the graduate takes his place as an active citizen in his community. This lag must be overcome." Dr. William F. Zimmerman, president of Thiel college, Greenville, Pa., advocates apprenticeships in community service and leadership for college men and women. ACP.

Army-Navy College Tests Administered March 15

The Army-Navy College Qualifying Tests will be given here March 15 for the Army training and Navy V-12 programs. At this time the test will be given in high schools and colleges all over the United States. It is only through these tests that the men can get into the college training programs.

Men Lack Motor Fitness

Chicago—ACP — "Motor unfitness" among American young men is at an appalling proportion. Dr. Thomas K. Cureton, of Urbana, Ill., declares in an article in the Journal of the American Medical association. "Motor unfitness," Dr. Cureton explained, means the capacity to run, jump, dodge, fall, climb, swim, ride, lift and carry loads and to endure long hours continuous work.

"Large numbers of young men are entering adult life unconditioned and unmotivated to maintain physical fitness," Dr. Cureton concluded from a study of 2,628 young men who entered the University of Illinois last September.

"This trend may contribute greatly to high accident rates, rapid loss of health after the age of 30 and widespread chronic disease because of the lack of preventive hygiene and conditioning work for the body."

He reported 79 per cent of Illinois freshmen could not lift their legs from the floor 20 times while lying on the back and then do 20 situps in succession.

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One really misses basketball practice, doesn't one? I thought that I would be happy at not tiring myself out every afternoon but it seems that I miss the old basketball grind. Don't tell anybody, but the rest of the fellows miss it, too. Isn't that something? Or is it?

Last week, some of the fellows couldn't wait for spring to "knock some out." It seemed as if the fellows in the college were out chasing fly balls in the "McPherson ball park." You don't know where it is? Wait until the weather is warm and the ground is dry; then look at that large space just west of Harnly, south of the gym, and north of Sharp. Empty, isn't it?

What we need is more and better super-sleuths. The question is, "Who broke the chemistry lab window?" Some more logical questions are, "Why, what with, and when?" Anyone knowing the answers to these questions kindly report to your local draft board.

Golly, that was some feed. Chili, doughnuts, and apples. The coach decided to throw a little party, and

lo and behold, if he didn't invite all the fellows on the basketball squad. Evidently coach was well aware of the hunger of basketball players for the hunger of plenty of food on hand. Thanks, coach, parties of this nature are easy on the morale.

Look youse people. Does anyone want to play basketball or baseball? All you have to do is get a team together and report to coach. That's all it takes.

Gee, it sure was swell to have so many fellows back on the campus during Regional Conference. I hope that is the way it will be after the war. Then we will really have some good basketball and football squads. Golly, won't that be fine?

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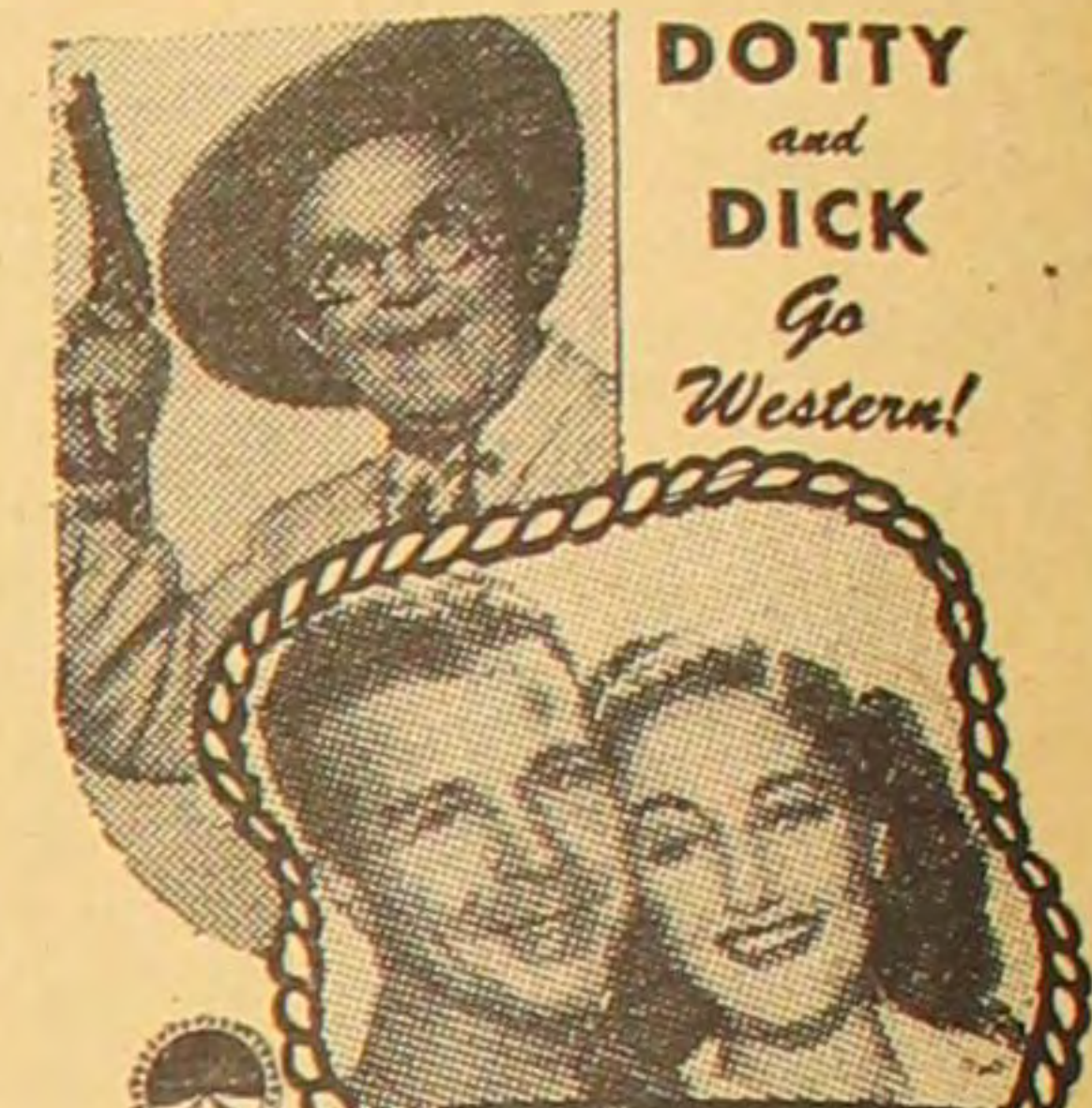
March in all her blustering fury has ushered in some amazingly likeable individuals who eventually found their way to Macampus. It must have been some gentle zephyr that deposited little Evelyn Virginia on the Wilson's doorstep one March first, little dreaming the changes 20 years would make. Nor does Evelyn celebrate alone, for the Keitner's also commemorate that day.

Other duplicates during the month are Evelyn Swank and Edwin Roda, baugh who selected the eighth as their birth dates. Leora Dobrinski and Dorothy Kurtz could well afford to celebrate after 29 days of intense "Marching." John Brown, poor fellow, almost got left as he didn't arrive until the very last day of the month.

Other windy birthdays included are Norman Gibbs, March 3, and Ruth Houston, March 9.

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For years, venereal disease has been a "hush-hush" subject, one not discussed in polite society or mixed company. Twenty years ago, Tuberculosis was equally taboo in the best circles.

Doctors know you can't locate diseased cases—whether of T.B. or V.D.—if the public wrings its hands in horror and refuses to consider an ailment a disease rather than a disgrace. In March and succeeding months, the subject of venereal disease and its control will be paraded before the American public through radio, newspapers, and magazines as a topic for intelligent consideration. Venereal disease will be out in the open at last.

Behind VD publicity is the control program now being carried out by U. S. Public Health Service, the Social Protection Division of the Federal Security Agency, both concerned with civilian VD, and the army and navy, equally concerned with VD in our armed forces. In Washington, the four agencies meet together regularly to map out strategy in the great battle now being waged against syphilis and gonorrhea in this country.

With war came draft examinations of registrants. For the first time, we had an idea of the extent of the shadow on our land. Of the first two million draftees, 122,000 men were rejected because they had venereal disease. If that many men had VD, U. S. Public Health figured, then the same percentage probably held true for the total population. The government was alarmed. VD was weakening America's fighting strength.

Then came the new government program, a program so fantastic to some people it had to be kept under cover for a while. It could not be publicized. The government set up the Social Protection Division in the Federal Security Agency to work with communities and local officials toward the repression of prostitution.

The Social Protection Division had to sell local officials on the idea of closing the red light districts. After three years of work, it has obtained the closing of districts in 660 communities. ACP.

We Are Active



Supper Is A Cue For A Round Of Do-Si-Do

We were all sitting around the tables in the dining hall last Tuesday evening when it was unanimously decided that "for all those who don't like beans, supper's over." And when supper is over on Tuesday evening it is a cue for all the girls of Macollege to assemble at the gym for another round of Do-Si-Do.

A week ago Do-Si-Do was postponed because of the Conference, but this week the club was back in the groove again and may we have many more meetings of the same.

Now this Klotz affair is over and not so many girls will be going to showers, (and I don't mean showers in the girls' dressing room) we can have a full team. Those girls who were seen at WAA basketball last Friday were Joan Blough, Helen

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