

Patrick And The Pirates and Other Life Experiences

When fairies were more than colored plates in children's story books and when the word, "saint," meant something more realistic than the picture of a red-garbed, bay-windowed, long-bearded individual sitting in every other store window along about the 25th of December, there dwelt in Ireland that beloved of all true Irish patriots—good St. Patrick.

Contrary to the belief of some, the St. Patrick day tradition was not founded as the proper time to plant potatoes in Kansas, nor was it merely to provide a convenient time for the "wearing of the green". When people with inquiring minds begins digging into the mold of historical data and ancient folklore which veils Ireland, they soon arrive at the conclusion that the old gent was an important personage in his time . . . and that he remains so to many throughout the world today, partially through his genuine contributions and partially through legendary beneficences.

Fifteen centuries ago, when the term "not worth a tinker's dam" was a literal one to inhabitants of the emerald isle, this godly man roamed the British Isles. Although the Irish claim him as their benefactor, the Scotch might well question their right to that privilege. For I find that the good fellow was probably born among "ye banks and braes of bonny doon" not too far distant from Glasgow. His natal day has long been a subject of controversy. There is an old legend that because of a "mistake between midnight and morn" it was never known whether he was born on the eighth or the ninth of March. Therefore, to settle the argument the good Father Mulcahy, who was in attendance, suggested a combination of the two which resulted in the celebration of his birthday on March 17.

Tho' the common people rever him, "Pat" himself was no ordinary saint. His Roman name, Patricius, denotes noble birth; thus the validity of the old song which begins "St. Patrick was a gentleman; he came of decent people" is borne out.

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Quad Revision Is Accepted By Student Council

1943-44 Annual Will Be
Off Press In May

At the last regular Board of Publications meeting Jean McNicol and Marilyn Sandy, editor and business manager, respectively, of the Quadrangle, proposed a revision in the Quadrangle set-up, whereby there would be four editors on the editorial staff and at least four members on the business staff.

As was stated the editorial staff would be made up of editor-in-chief, associate editor, copy editor, and photography editor. At the close of the year the associate editor would automatically move up to the position of editor-in-chief, and the new associate editor would be at least a sophomore and will have been chosen by the Board of Publications and the Student Council, and will have preferably been either copy editor or photography editor previously.

The business staff will be composed of business manager, assistant business manager, sales manager, and collector. Like the editorial staff, the assistant business manager will automatically become the business manager and will also preferably have been sales manager or collector, and, also, a sophomore.

The Student Council passed the recommendation last Wednesday, and the new set-up for the Quadrangle staff will go into effect next year.

Assisting Jean McNicol on the editorial staff this year are Annette Glasier and Ernest Ikenberry, as copy rewrite assistants, and Don Scofield and Rex Wilson as photography editors. Marilyn Sandy has had Kent Naylor as assistant in the collecting of advertising and book sales. Other book sellers this year were Helen Burkholder, Shirley Finrock, Rex Wilson, and Jerry Mease.

As is the plan now, the 1944 Quadrangle will be out for the students the middle of May.

Frantz And Reeves To Participate In Oratory

Elvin Frantz and Harry Reeves are the two men who have been chosen for entrance in the oratory contest of Pi Kappa Delta tournament. Freda Aurell and one other girl, not determined as yet, will be the two women participants. The orators will speak on Friday evening, March 31, in McPherson. Men will be in one section, and the women in another.

S.L.R.M. Sponsors Tea

Carrying out the St. Patrick Day theme, the School Lunch Room Management class entertained the American Association of University Women with a tea Wednesday afternoon. The tea table was set in Miss Siek's office.

Approximately twenty-five university and college women were present.

On The Record

Friday, March 17—Recreational Council Party, 8:00 o'clock.

Saturday, March 18—All-School Skate at Rink, 9:30 o'clock.

Sunday, March 19—Fisher Recital in Convention Hall, 4:00 o'clock.

Sunday, March 19—Student Minister Program at Church of the Brethren, 7:30 o'clock.

Sunday, March 19—BYPD Party, 8:30 o'clock.

Friday, March 24—Student-faculty Formal Dinner.

Aurell Is First In Peace Oratory

Annual State Contest Held
In McPherson March 29

Freda Aurell, freshman, won the \$7.50 first prize in last Sunday evening's Peace Oratorical Contest with her excellent presentation of an original oration "Peace, A Plausible Proposition." The contest of nine candidates for the three prizes was held in the auditorium of the Church of the Brethren at 7:30 o'clock March 12.

Fern Allen, sophomore, was voted second by the judges for her oration, "A Creative Challenge." Third prize was given to Elvin Frantz, senior, with the oration "Peace or Revenge."

Miss Aurell will represent McPherson in the state contest March 29.

Other orators were Ida Mae Byer, Charles Dumond, Ruth Huston, Mary Beth Loshbaugh, Eloise McKnight, and Harry Reeves.

Choral Club Presents Cantata On April 16

The cantata, "The Rose Maiden," by Fredric H. Cowen, will be presented by the College Choral Club Sunday afternoon, April 16. Professor Nevin W. Fisher will direct this cantata. Soloists are Eloise McKnight, soprano, and Lucile Harris, alto, from McPherson College; Henry J. Block, tenor, from Moundridge, and Clarence Burkholder, bass, from McPherson. Gertrude Conner will be accompanist.

Resolution Accepted

Maxine Ruehlen, Vice-President of the Student Council, appeared before the Student Body in last Friday morning's assembly with a matter of student business.

Betty Burger, secretary of the Council, read the following resolution of the Student Council on the question of President Wayne Geisert's resignation on leaving the campus for service in the United States Navy:

Inasmuch as:

Mr. Geisert has served efficiently in the capacity of President for 3/4 of the School Year 1943-1944, and that

He was called away from school by circumstances beyond his control; and that,

Only 1/4 of the academic year remains;

The Student Council recommends to the Student Body that Wayne Geisert be considered as Honorary President of the Student Body for the remainder of the school year 1943-1944.

Article III, Section 4 of the Council Constitution states: in the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform his duties.

This resolution was accepted wholeheartedly by the Student Body.

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Tenor Presents Voice Recital

High School Play Is Postponed To March 28

"Every Family Has One," the High School Senior Play, originally slated for March 15, has been postponed to March 28. The play made up of a cast of eleven students will be staged in the High School Auditorium.

Three Voted Into Council Membership

"Wearing Of The Green" To
Characterize Irish Party

Recreational Council members are having a St. Patrick's party in the Industrial Arts Building tonight beginning at 8:00 o'clock. The council has been putting into practice some trial games, and now an entire party is in order, to put into practice all these phases at once. Then, too, three new members were voted into the group last week to replace some who have discontinued school, and the party is in their honor. The new members are Nelle Stinnette, Kent Naylor, and Jerry Mease.

The food committee has Ruth Shoemaker, chairman, and Nelle Stinnette and Wayne Parris. The committee for games is Glenn Swinger, chairman, with Elva Jean Harbough, and Jerry Mease as helpers. The stunts are in charge of Eunice Swank, Maurine Gish, and Leslie Rogers. The singing will be planned by Anne Metzler, Kent Naylor and Elvin Frantz.

This party is going to be in true St. Patrick style with each person's being loyal to the "wearing of the green" or suffering the results. The games, refreshments, and all will add to the Irish zest.

Dell Presents Paper On Hobby Horses

With the interesting and far-reaching topic of "hobbies", Professor S. M. Dell spoke to the Monday chapel audience. Hobbies are playing an important part in the recreational lives of many people.

Dividing the types of hobbies into four main groups Professor Dell began with those of doing things, including the playing of musical instruments, physical exercise, etcetera, in this classification.

Next he considered creative hobbies in which things are actually made, such as modeling, painting, crocheting, gardening, weaving.

The third group is that of collecting things. Foremost of those patronizing this group come the ten million stamp collectors, autograph hunters, postmark gatherers, and those who collect groups of various objects of very description including matchbook covers, pitchers, salt and pepper shakers, and antiques.

Learning as a hobby was considered last but not least. Those hobbyists with the definite purpose of collecting data or becoming proficient along certain lines are living an enriched life.

Hobbies may be able to point the way to the reduction of juvenile and parent delinquency if their true merit will be recognized.

To Sit Or To Stand

Do you know the proper time to stand, the proper time to sit? For the more fortunate of us, Saturday evening, March 18, will be a standing session only.

An all-school roller-skating party is being sponsored at the Peterson's Roller Rink this coming tomorrow night. The rink has been reserved exclusively for college students who are invited to come for two hours of fun, thrills, and maybe—let's hope not—spills. Everyone is invited! Bring your friends; perhaps you can help one another maintain the "proper dignity." The customary admission will be charged.

Remember the event: an all-school skating party; the time: 9:30 until 11:30 p. m.; the place: Peterson's Roller Rink.

Faculty-Students To Dine In Arnold

A Student-Faculty Formal Banquet in the Arnold Hall Dining Room at 6:30 will be the highlight of next Friday evening's entertainment.

All faculty members and students, both those who eat regularly in the college dining hall and those who do not are urged to attend the banquet in order to make it a true success. Those who do not board at Arnold may buy tickets (40 cents) from Miss Neher or purchase them at the Business Office. All reservations must be made by Wednesday evening, March 22.

The Dining Hall Improvement Committee and the Social Committee are collaborating to bring to the students and faculty a banquet and a program afterwards. Food classes, under the direction of Miss Siek, are in charge of the menu.

Burton Entertains With Chalk Picture

Keith Burton entertained the students and faculty with a chalk talk in chapel Friday morning.

To the strains of piano music played by Elva Jean Harbaugh, Keith drew a beautiful mountain-like scene which was appreciated by both students and faculty.

Cavert-Mingenback, c'43 Are Married In Denver

Miss Arlene Cavert and Pvt. John Mingenback, both graduates of McPherson college, with the class of 1943, were married in Denver, Colorado, Saturday, March 4, in the parsonage of the Trinity Methodist church.

Mrs. Mingenback will continue her work as Home Economics instructor in Ramona, Kansas. Pvt. Mingenback is serving in the U. S. Army Air Corps, and is stationed at Tonopah, Nevada.

After the wedding the couple spent several days in Denver, then they visited friends and relatives in McPherson.

Janssen Shows Movies At Week-end Social

Students and faculty were represented in the S. U. R. Friday evening at one of the regular "campus socials."

Mr. W. H. Janssen of McPherson showed some interesting moving pictures which he had taken in the Black Hills, South Dakota, Yellowstone Park, and Mexico. He also showed a short film on a local Boy Scout outing. Other entertainment consisted of a variety of games placed about the room.

Pic, rolls, doughnuts, and cocoa were on the menu for the evening.

Lois Kauffman and Ruth Davis were co-chairmen of the social committee; Eva Mae Klotz, Lois Gauby, Nelle Stinnette, and Mildred Helmer served on the refreshment committee.

Vena Stucky Accompanies Fisher Sunday Afternoon

A Spec-O-News

Russia has again out-manuevered the Nazis on the Eastern front, some thing that the Nazis will try to evacuate by the way of the Black Sea of which they expect to see a second to the finish of the North African campaign.

The Allies seem to think that they have at last softened Cassino to the extent that it can be taken, people are asking why they waited so long to do this.

Due to a certain personal grudge, the campaign in Burma has been held up for quite a while, but Stilwell is again on the job and ready to go places since he has received a few men to help him.

They say the Atlantic Charter has been ditched; it probably never did include the enemy nations anyhow. The great trouble seems to be that no country wants to trust another fully.

So Ireland has finally been cut off from England. She has been practically cut off for some time as far as she has been concerned. One doesn't like to have enemy spies lurking in his own back yard.

England doesn't seem to want a second front in Europe and Russia and the United States do; we will wait and see what happens.

—Edwin Rodabaugh

Colleges Are Active In Student War Relief

American colleges are giving with increasing generosity to the cause of world student relief, according to the World Student Service Fund, the student war relief agency which is a part of the National War Fund. By February 1st \$235,811.62 had been contributed from 261 institutions, including colleges, preparatory schools and theological seminaries. Of this amount, \$45,633.92 was sent directly to the WSSF office and \$190,177.70 was sent to the National War Fund through community war funds.

The World Student Service issues certificates to educational institutions whose giving has been especially meritorious. As of February 1st, these honors are held by the following schools:

CERTIFICATE OF HONOR (for a contribution of \$500-\$1000): Dickinson College, Middlebury College;

CERTIFICATE OF HIGH HONOR (for a contribution of \$100 or more): Univ. of Vermont;

CERTIFICATE OF HIGHEST HONOR (for a contribution of \$1.00 or more per capita): Albright College, Bethel College, Bluffton College, Bowdoin College, Butler University, Cameron State Agricultural College, Central Mo. State Teachers College, Coe College, College of Emporia, College of Idaho, Evangelical School of Theology, Georgia State College for Women, Gettysburg College, Grove City College, Hastings College, Heidelberg College, University of Illinois, Kansas State College, Kansas Wesleyan College, Macalester College, McPherson College, Mt. Holyoke College, University of Pittsburgh, Princeton University, Randolph-Macon Women's College, Kennesaw Polytechnic Institute, Smith College, Southwestern College, Southern Union College, Springfield College, Sweetbriar College, Syracuse University, Theo. Seminary of Evang. & Ref. Church (Lancaster), Union Theological Seminary, Virginia Polytech. School, Western College, Yale Divinity School, University of Colorado.

Nevin W. Fisher, tenor, will appear in public recital Sunday, March 19, at 4:00 o'clock in the auditorium of Convention Hall, McPherson. Mr. Fisher is professor of voice at McPherson College.

Mrs. Vena Stucky, the former Vena Flory, will accompany Professor Fisher. Mrs. Stucky, graduate of McPherson College with the class of '41, majored in piano as a student of Professor Jessie Brown. After graduation she continued her piano study at the University of Kansas. In addition to her appearance as accompanist, Mrs. Flory will play the third movement of MacDowell's Sonata Eroica as a piano solo Sunday afternoon.

Among other numbers Professor Fisher will sing "The Last Chord", "Open The Gates of the Temple", Schubert's "Ave Maria", "The Wandering Jew", and the Negro spiritual, "De Ol Ark's A-Moverin'" arranged by David Gulon.

Professor Fisher has studied voice in the Peabody Conservatory of Baltimore and in the Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester, New York.

Before accepting the position of voice professor in McPherson College, Professor Fisher taught in Bridgewater College, Virginia, and Blue Ridge College, Maryland.

He has been engaged in church and concert singing and radio interpretation along the Atlantic Seaboard and in the Middle West.

Speech Laboratory Plan Takes Students To Darlow

As part of their speech laboratory plan, the student ministers of McPherson College will be in charge of the complete program for an all-day meeting at Darlow, Kansas, Sunday, March 19. The service will begin at 11:30 with a song session led by Alvin Klotz, directing the student minister's choir. Mrs. Harry Reeves will be the accompanist and Kent Naylor will assist on the trumpet. Charles Dumond will be in charge of the devotional period and Harry Reeves will give the sermonette.

Following a basket dinner, Leslie Rogers will have charge of a period of planned recreation.

Elvin Frantz will give his peace oration, "Peace or Revenge," in the evening service following "hymn- inspiration" led by Alvin Klotz. Ethmer Erisman will lead a period of Bible worship after which Donald Scofield will read the text for the climaxing sermonette, to be presented by Mr. James Berkebile.

Arnold Elects Proctors

Proctors for the last nine-weeks period were elected at a house meeting in Arnold Hall Monday night. The new "watchmen of the quiet" are: first floor, Virginia Elmore, proctor, Beulah Sites, assistant; second floor, Betty Kimmel, proctor, with Alice Mae Boyce as assistant; the third floor novices are Annette Glasier, proctor, and Zola Rogers, assistant.

At the beach, the first tan days are the hardest.

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
Subject—
"A Cry Of Loneliness."
BYPD 6:45 p. m.
Evening Service 7:30 p. m.
Student Minister's Program.

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Sunflowers and Sandburrs --

With the sound of rain on the tin roof of the Spec office, again we turn to thoughts of Sunflowers and Sandburrs. The weather, a dry subject when discussed in connection with Kansas—it is said—seems all wet to us at the present. Or is it liquid sunshine of the California variety? The tapping on the roof sounds quiet and peaceful. We wish our feet felt as dry.

We take a sandburr for our very own. We have made a terrible mistake. In our gas raid warning of the preceding week we gave the wrong gas as the product of Nitric Acid and a soluble metal. We said it was Nitrous Oxide or Laughing gas, but it is not. It is Nitric Oxide or Nitrogen Dioxide both of which are poisonous if inhaled to any great extent. Nitrous Oxide on the other hand would put the class to sleep. (May be not a bad idea. Or do they need to be awakened?) We take our sandburr and ask your pardon.

Sunflowers to you. Yes, you, dear reader. Since you have read what we have scribbled, we think it only fair to give you a Sunflower.

Have you noted the green in the lawns? It seems as if our campus is trying to change to its new coat. Though it is quite early for such radical action, we must commend the grass for its courage. We would give it a Sunflower if we thought we could do it without hurting its feelings.

Do you know what is going on in the world today? Do you read the newspapers or magazines for topics of current events? Do you live in this world? We may wish we did not, but we do. Therefore, let us keep up with our neighbors, off-campus neighbors.

A Sunflower to Professor Dell for his fine article about the Industrial-Arts Building, "The Frantz Industrial-Arts Building," in the recent March issue of "Industrial Arts and Vocational Education Magazine." We like it, and we like the spirit it presents.

Methodists he may have been confused . . . nevertheless, we were a bit surprised to find our good Dean giving a touch of the Biblical to his examples—and getting his characters mixed! In referring to the parable of the "good Samaritan" during a recent lecture, Dr. Boitnott began talking about the "publicans and the

Pharisees" who coldly passed by the man who had been besieged by robbers on the road to Jericho. (If you do not understand my feeble attempt at humor, refer to Luke 10.)

By the way, after hearing Dr. Boitnott expound upon the necessity of keeping records of practically everything a student ever does or says, I've decided to require that all my pupils keep diaries and turn them in to me at regular intervals.

We can not forebear mentioning the fact that the new nine-weeks period will start soon, and thus another proctor election was found necessary this week.

As usual, second floor girls found themselves in a dither trying to decide whom to vote for—what with all the campaigning that was going on. It really made the rest of us poor gals feel slighted when our names weren't even mentioned. President Roosevelt has nothing on Mary Beth. Or maybe she is more like Eugene Debs or Williams Jennings Bryan. (No page reference furnished here. You can find their names in any American History book.)

course, we recognize the fact that there is a shortage of teachers, not, however, losing sight of the intolerance and narrow-mindedness that is part of the reason for discontinuing these studies.

Is the removal of German courses evidence of sane, uncluttered thinking, or is this evidence of inane boycott making impossible the comprehension of thoughts of people in reality little different from ourselves?

If "our enemy military" succeeded in prohibiting the learning of the American language the citizens of "our enemy nations" would have no means of understanding our real meanings, and the interpretations would necessarily be left in the hands of a group, who, if they were unscrupulous, could propagandize and misconstrue our meanings all out of proportion to the original meaning. The total population of those nations now on "the other side of the fence" would not understand the real meaning, the progressive ideas, the sound plans, the true thought behind the words we say, write, and sing.

Are our American educators afraid of the German language, or any language? Are the American people afraid of different thoughts, new ideas, plans?

Communication in the form of spoken words, written words, printed characters, codes, and gestures, is one of the links that will bridge the gap between the people, families, and nations of the world.

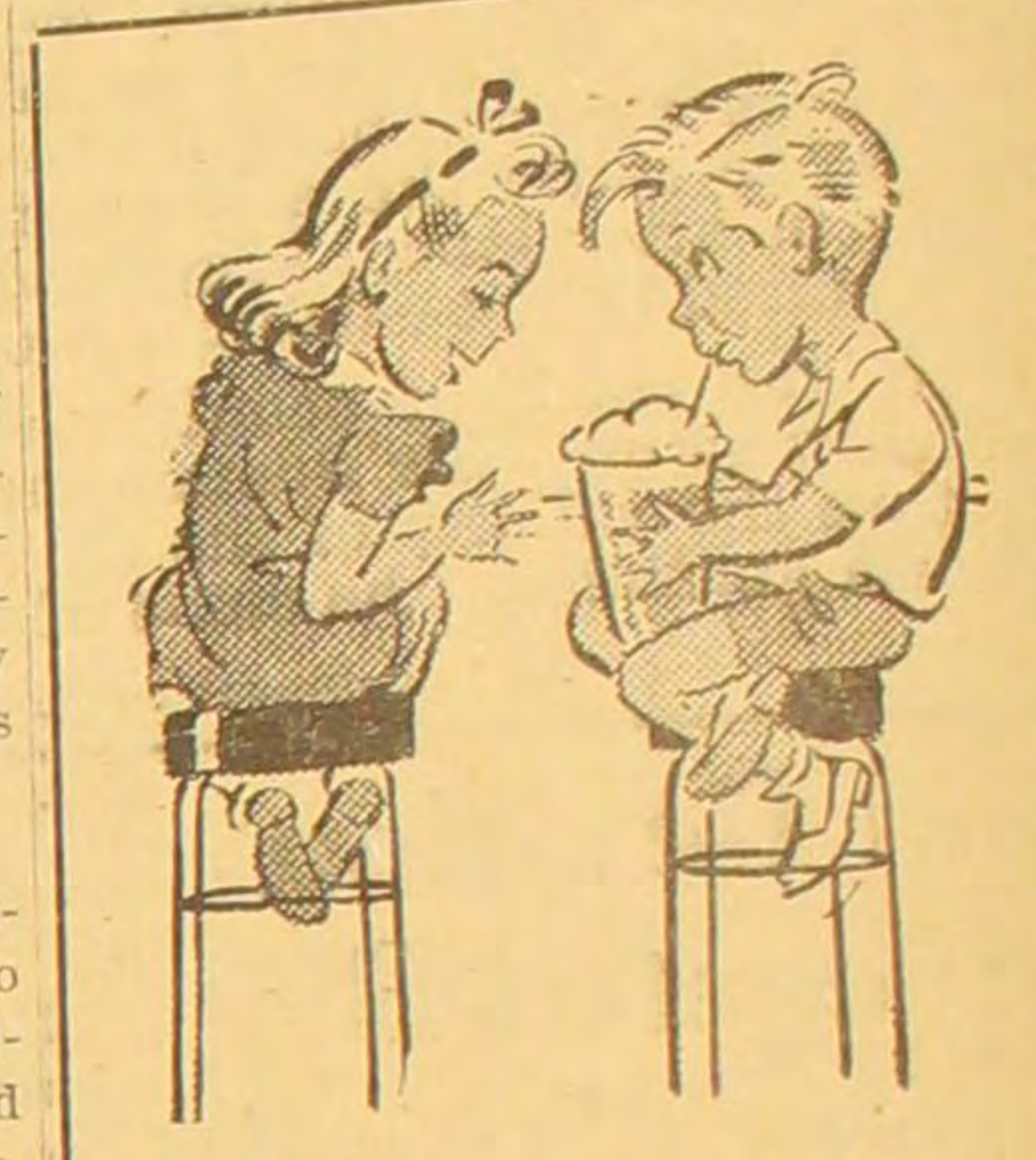
Our President Comments:

- Remember:
1. Differences among people are of degree rather than kind. The hope to get rid of race class, religious and national prejudice is in one's own mind and spirit.
 2. "He that knoweth to do good and doeth it not to him it is sin."
 3. It takes no strength of character to be proud, but it takes intellectual, spiritual, and moral discipline to be humble.
 4. "Righteousness exalteth a nation, sin is a reproach to any people."
 5. One of the greatest dangers facing us as individuals and as a nation is a fatalistic complacency growing out of a false belief that human nature cannot be improved and hence war is inevitable.
 6. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself."
 7. An enduring peace after this war must be based upon and administered by love and forgiveness.

The Brethren Serve . . .

On March 1 the Brethren Service Committee opened a new relief center at New Windsor, Maryland. The center is to receive shipments of food, clothing, soap, shoes, etc., for relief uses. The relief warehouse at Nappanee, Indiana, will continue to operate. Recently the McPherson College collection center shipped nearly 1,000 pounds of clothing to this center.

The American people, by the Gallup poll, have voted nearly two to one in favor of sending food to children of France, Belgium, Holland, and other occupied countries of Europe. Also, the Taft-Gillette Resolution which states the same thing was adopted by the Senate on Feb. 15. It requests the U. S. State Department to obtain the permission of British officials to send the food through the blockade. Since the Brethren Service Committee is an authorized relief agency, these notes are of much interest to us.



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KEN'S DRIVE IN

Time To Be Afraid . . .

I read in a morning paper the other day that American troops fighting on the Italian peninsula are tough and unexcitable, "not afraid of the devil himself," the story read.

It seems to me that even figuratively speaking, when the young men of a nation forget to be afraid of the devil himself, the populace of those boys' homeland should begin to be frightened.

Matrimonial Crisis . . .

A fellow with a farm deferment said "I haven't had a date in six months." Another said, "All the girls my age are in college or working in a city somewhere. Other fellows add their bit, "We're not interested in any of the girls around here—they're too young and don't care about the things we care about."

A girl in college says, "This is a girls' school now." "It's no fun to have fun with girls all the time, but you get used to it." Or "Half the fellows in college are married, one fourth are engaged and the other fourth are already taken by a handful of lucky girls."

These statements are not dressed up for the sake of publication. They are quite true to life and represent one of the greatest problems facing young people today. These sundry bits of conversation can not be laughed off as boy and girl unimportant chatter.

Today we do not feel the complete import of the situation; we look forward to a bright day when all the boys and girls that could not get together during the war will find each other at the close of the conflict to establish fine young homes and families.

But the matter is not that simple and the difficulties will not smooth out at the first broadcast of the armistice. Many of today's youth will have passed the marrying age. Not all the fellows will return to school.

In normal times we have no comparable problem. In the nicest sense of the word, the college is a matrimonial agency, a legitimate function of which there is nothing to be ashamed. Girls and boys with the same background and the same interests, the same dreams for the future, plot their life courses together.

What can be the hope for the future of church young people in days like these when the opportunity to meet life companions through church acquaintance and college attendance is blocked to them? What can be the hopes for the future of the church at large when its young men and women are being separated by an unnatural condition, when homes that would normally be established are left in dreamy unfulfillment?

But the condition is not hopeless. The church college can continue to play its part in the love and friendship cycle.

Am I impractical to believe that perhaps once a month at some regularly scheduled time it would be possible for McPherson College to invite former men students and friends who are located on surrounding farms with farm deferments to meet with the student body for several hours of good fun and wholesome entertainment?

(I would like to have an expression of student opinion on this matter and will welcome and be glad to publish any signed letters to the Editor of the Spectator.)

So That The Anchor Will Hold

Are our moorings holding? One time I was fishing on the lake and in relatively deep water. After some time I looked up and my eye caught the shore line. I discovered I had drifted considerably from my original position, or from where I thought I was. I had been unconscious of the change of position. What was not reaching bottom; and I was drifting with the slight breeze.

Are our anchor chains long enough? Many have not been. We have drifted in our positions and haven't realized it. How easy it is to drift a little with the tide. Look up and catch the shore line and get back in position.

—Brethren Service Postcard

On Enemy Tongues . . .

By Vurlie Howard

Charles A. Wells, noted news analyst, cartoonist, and lecturer tells us the teaching of the English language in Japanese schools will continue. The Japanese Vice Minister says English language courses will be given in order to understand the foreign concepts correctly, thereby enhancing the national culture. Here is evidence of tolerance and intelligence necessary toward maintaining a degree of normal outlook.

In our own country, however, it is common knowledge that in many of our high schools and some of our colleges, the German language has been cut from the curriculum. Of

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Debate, Oratory Contest Scheduled Mar. 29, 30, 31

McPherson College campus will be the scene of frenzied forensic activity March 29, 30 and 31. Activities will begin Wednesday evening, March 29, when the annual State Peace Oratorical contest will be held here. Approximately six orators have been entered in this contest.

Thursday, March 30 is scheduled for the annual debate tournament of the Kansas Intercollegiate Debating League. This will include both men's and women's teams, although the exact number of entries has not been determined.

The final tournament of the year will begin on Thursday evening when debaters from approximately twelve colleges located in three states assemble for the Pi Kappa Delta Provincial tournament. This tournament involves Pi Kappa Delta members from the Province of the Plains which consists of Colorado, Kansas, and Nebraska.

The tournament will officially open with the business meeting at 7:00 p. m. Teams will participate in seven rounds of debate, continuing from Friday morning to Saturday noon. There will also be contests in oratory, discussion and extemporaneous speaking.

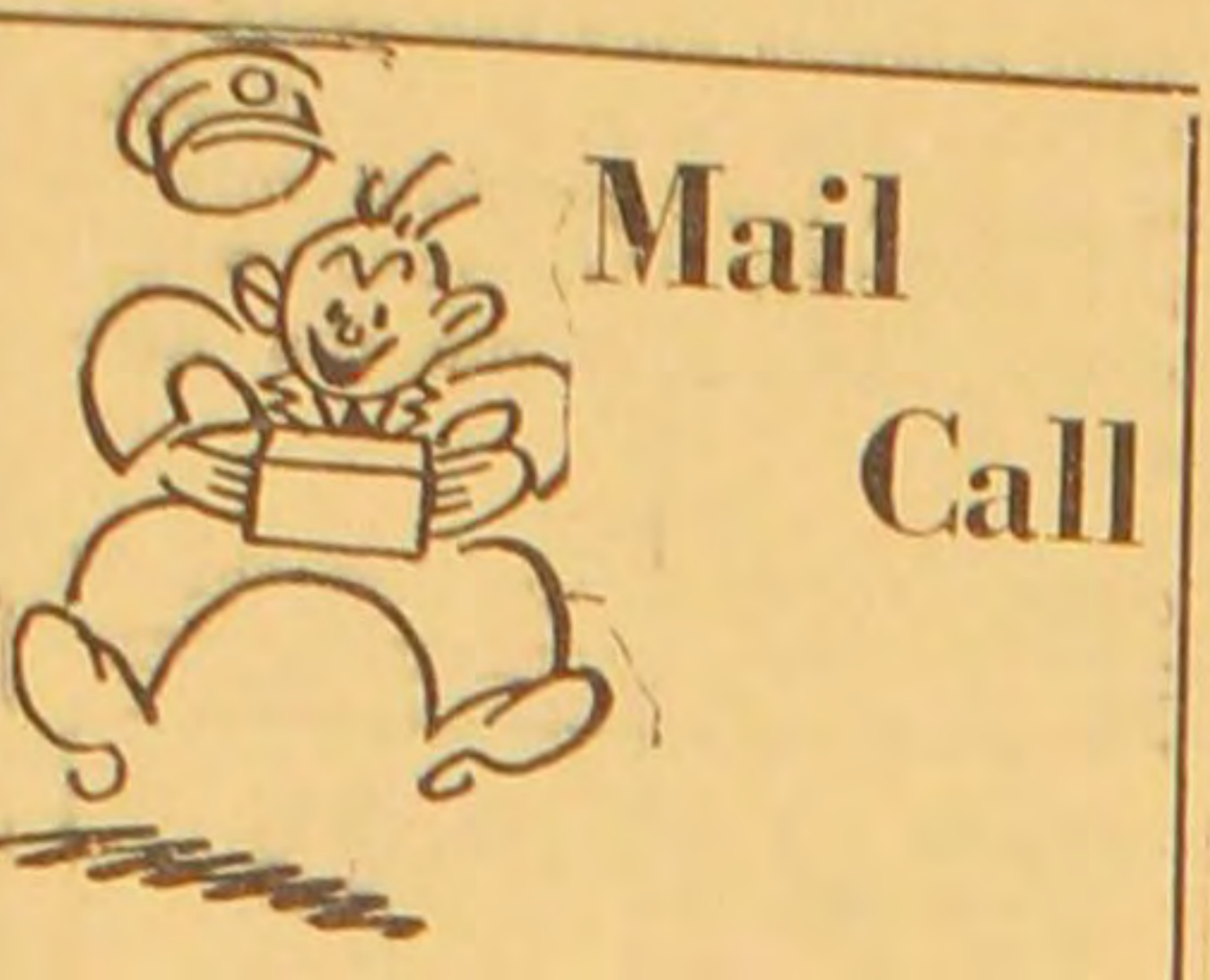
These tournaments are being directed by Professor M. A. Hess, governor of the Province of the Plains. McPherson College debaters will climax a brilliant season by taking an active part in all of these events. Two men's teams and two women's teams are entered in the division of debate. Two contestants have been entered in each of the individual events. These teams, comprised of Maxine Ruehlen, Blanche Geisert, Annette Glasier, Anna Mae Tinkler, Wayne Parris, Charles Lunkley, Elvin Frantz and Dale Brown, have been coached by Professor Berkebile.

SCM Notebook

Hot-Hearted Is The Word

Dr. Greene was the speaker for the regular meeting of the Student Volunteers last Tuesday morning. Dr. Greene, a doctor in McPherson, was a medical missionary to China. He talked to the Student Volunteers about some of the work he carried on while in China. He told a story of one of his Chinese helpers. This Chinese was a "hot-hearted" Christian in contrast with the cold tasteless type of Christian.

The other commissions did not meet in order to attend this meeting.



Mail Call

The Spectator office received the following letter from the Public Relations Officer, AAF pilot school, Pecos Army Air Field, Pecos, Texas. "Pecos, Texas, March 12, 1944. Olan Madison Ninchelsner, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Ninchelsner, Mayetta, Kansas, received his silver wings today when he graduated as a Second Lieutenant from the Pecos, Texas, AAF Advanced Two-Engine Pilot School. It was announced by Col. Orin J. Bushey, commanding officer.

"The new pilot, a former resident of Topeka, Kansas, completed a course in training in twin-engine aircraft. He was assigned to Pecos from Thunderbird Field, Arizona.

"He is a former student of McPherson College, McPherson, Kansas. Pecos Army Air Field, a station of the AAF Training Command, is the world's largest advanced flying school."

Karl Kasey addressed a postcard to the Spectator staff March 10, after arriving at his new address.

"I will try to send you a letter soon and explain my trip and some of my work. Yesterday the officers cut down our course from a 28 day to a 15 day course, thus I will be rather busy. We do get liberty five nights a week which makes it pretty nice, but San Diego is not a very good liberty town."

Ensign Carl L. Kasey
Amphibious Training Base
Coronado, San Diego (55)
California.

From Lt. Galen Stern, "somewhere in England" comes the following:

"As you can see by my address, I have moved again. That was over a month ago (seems like a long time now.) The base we moved on was just one big mud hole and we have worked hard, at least hard enough so that we are rather proud of it now. Upon our arrival we had nothing but Nessin huts to live in and no equipment. Being wedged in between Pvt's and PFC's was the ordinary thing in those days. Things are a bit different now. We have an Officer's Mess and Club and are really making the best of it. About a week ago we rigged up a field telephone set. Now I can sit here at my desk and gloat like some big business executive. We finally had some roads and sidewalks built and from someplace we received a shipment of jeeps and bicycles. We still put up with "cowbarn lanterns" for lights and "bird baths" take the place of showers.

"Now I must tell you about a 48-hour pass I was able to wiggle out last week. An officer friend, a Lt. Newman from Tennessee, and myself visited London and had ourselves quite a fling. It was my first day off since being in the United Kingdom. A couple hours after our arrival we witnessed the worst air raid London has had since the big ones in '41. It was quite a sight. About all we could hear was the clattering of ack-ack guns and all we could see was the sparkling of flak considered very successful from the British point of view. And after watching for about a half hour, I nonchalantly took a bath and went to bed. Too ignorant to be frightened, I guess.

"London is quite a town. Something like New York only really blacked out. The girls, they call them the "Pitcaidilly Commandos," are much more "forward." Sunday we found ourselves a guide who gave us a very good sampling of the town for a pound and three shillings. He showed us the Embassy buildings, Buckingham Palace, Cleopatra's Needle, Big Ben, The Parliament Buildings, The Barracks, The Tower, Saint Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, London Bridge, Scotland Yards, and Nelson's old boat. Saw the King's guard and I even failed to recognize his queer salute until it was too late for which the guide gave me a royal chewing. Almost all of the above buildings have been bombed and most of them just have the empty shells remaining. It gave me a fairly good idea as to what London must have looked like in peace time though.

We wound up our tour by visiting Madame Tussoult's "Wax Works." This place is filled with replicas of every notable and notorious person, both living and dead. One gallery had likenesses of all the President; another, the Royal Family; another, heroes of the sports world; and still another, the fabulous creatures of fairy land. One part of the works featured the Tower of London. Here they showed all of the devices of torture we read about in English history and even images of persons that met their end by them.

Today I had one grand surprise that may interest you. As I tore into my hut to pick up a forgotten gas mask (you know we officers must set a good example) I noticed that my 1st Sgt. had put a new orderly on the job—then I stopped and looked once, twice, and maybe three times for there building my fire was Lawrence Hill. He played football for McPherson for several years. We had quite a chat then and there. He said he thought he recognized me a couple of nights before when he first arrived. I was most assuredly more tickled than I have been for months. "Guess I better be tucking in soon. I've been taking men on rather extended hikes lately. They enjoy this bucolic country side as much as little kids. It really is very lovely and quite green, too."

Galen's address is:
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Hymnals Introduced To SCM

Lucile Harris lead the S. C. M. program Thursday evening. In this program the new song books were introduced. The worship service was taken from the worship section of the book. The remainder of the program consisted in singing songs from the musical section of the book.

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This little squib is addressed to the girls at Arnold Hall, therefore you fellows needn't read it (I bet they'll just eat this up). Every time the dorm has a dress-up dinner a few dames struggle in without hose and dresses in sweaters and skirts. It seems that when the boys go to all the trouble of putting on their suits and ties, the girls could at least put on hose and an afternoon dress. If we must have dress-up dinners, let's don some Sunday clothes and make the dinner different from the usual meal.

We're always commenting on the boys' poor table manners, but after noticing the table manners of a certain young lady, we wonder if some of the girls shouldn't read "Emily." She finishes eating before every one else, props her elbows on the table, rests her chin in the cup of her palms, and gets a bored look on her face, and just dares people to pass her something!

I don't see why the blessing is asked when we have hash. Everything that goes into it has already been blessed.

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1. Respect the rights of others using this room.
2. Conduct your social relations on a plane that is not embarrassing or distasteful to others in the room or who might wish to enter the room.
3. Exercise good judgment in using the furniture and facilities of the room. Rowdiness and destruction of property are forbidden. Do not sit on the arms of the chairs. Use caution with the gas heater.
4. Leave the magazines, games, and books in the room for the use of all students.
5. No dancing is to be allowed in this room.
6. Turn off the heater and turn out the lights when you are the last person to leave the room.
7. Any organization wishing to use the room should see the person in charge for permission. Feel free to come at the times that the room is open. Use this room in a sensible manner. If you want in the room while it is locked, get a key from Orlo Allen. This room will remain open as long as you cooperate. Please do so.

National Youth Cabinet Meets In Elgin

By Eugene Lichty

In an office on the third floor of the Brethren Publishing House at Elgin, Illinois, on the first Saturday evening of March, there began a meeting of a small group of young people who had come from the shores of California, Kansas plains, Hoosier state, Pennsylvania, and the hills of West Virginia. These were youth representing the Brethren young people on the National Youth Cabinet. Also in the group were Don Snider, the new Youth Director, Grace Hollinger, Assistant Director, Raymond Peters, and Ken Morse, editor of Our Young People.

One of our biggest jobs was the planning of the Brethren Youth Council Meeting which is to be held at the Bethany Biblical Seminary in Chicago this coming June 22 to 27. Because of the fact that Annual Conferences during the war are attended only by delegates, the young people of the church have not had the privilege of meeting recently. It is hoped that this Council Meeting, besides providing fellowship and inspiration, will stimulate a working enthusiasm that may be carried back to the District youth organizations.

The theme of the conference is, "To Serve the Present Age." Benton Rhoades, cabinet chairman, will act as the director. One feature of the meeting will be a visit to Elgin during which a tour of the Brethren Publishing House will be conducted. Besides discussion groups, and special interest sessions, there will be addresses by some of the leaders in the Brethren church and other church leaders. The meeting will be closed on Monday night by a brotherhood love feast.

Those who may come to this meeting are an adult adviser, and one young person from each district. Thirty additional delegates were appointed to the larger districts, and each of the six Brethren colleges may also send a representative.

While this was the biggest job on the agenda, we had other items of business that held us in session until Tuesday morning. A new chairman of the cabinet was elected who will be installed at the summer council meeting. Time was consumed discussing the promotion of the grow-

ing field program in the regions. Sunday night an open forum was held on volunteer service before the B. Y. P. D. at the Elgin church.

A Peacemaker's Kit which is now available for high school youth was examined. An evaluation of our young people's paper and program material was made. In addition we had the usual "unfinished business" that was carried over from our last meeting.

Although much of our time was taken in serious work, we were always willing to take time-out for a little humor. The leading pastime in this meeting was our willingness to assist in the wedding plans of Betty Brandt and Mervin Baker, two of our members who plan to take the fatal vows in May.

No doubt but few people knew of this meeting, but we feel that the outcome of it will be of vital concern to every Brethren youth.

We Are Active



Squints And Squibbles From The WAA Sidelines

ALICE MAE BOYCE
W. A. A. Reporter

On Friday afternoons at 4:30, the feminine basketball squad may be seen in action at the gym. The outstanding event of the season thus far was the game with the high school girls. Incidentally, did you notice the score in last week's Spec? Three cheers and four roses (in a vase) to those winning women of Maccollege Basketball.

Personal To Eula

Even though you didn't let out a Wolf howl, that fingernail incision must have hurt, and humble apologies are offered to you.

Pat And The Pirates

(Continued From Page 1, Column 1)

When young, Pat was, no doubt, the type of little boy who brings trouble of all kinds and quantities to his mother. He never would have consented to sitting on a piano bench for hours at a time while others of

his age played cops and robbers. No, sir! Young Patrick would even have considered that game as "tame stuff" and insisted on being the hangman in a gory execution. (Of course we realize that the latter was not the case). When 16, he was captured by pirates and carried off to sea. There he was subjected to slavery on the high seas.

Now you are undoubtedly expecting me to tell you that when he was released, Patrick had converted all the pirates into abolitionists and that he wrote the original counterpart to Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation. You're wrong again. . . . On the contrary, history tells us that the venerable old man (He was still young then, but never mind.) went to Rome and shut himself up in a monastery (and on second thought I can see that he might want a little peace and quiet after all that servitude, if his master or mistress . . . are there ever "lady pirates"? . . . were anything like teachers around the end of the nine weeks).

After he became a priest, Pat went to the Pontiff Celestine (whoever that is!) and expressed hopes and aspirations for an apostleship to Ireland. Now I do not know how many terms he filled in this capacity, whether he had to campaign against "changing horses in the middle of the stream," or whether he just automatically continued to carry out his duties as one hears predicted in regard to further elections.

Be that as it may . . . he remained in office throughout his lifetime. Ireland was then under the control of the Druids. (And here I learn something new. I always thought that Druids were a type of goblin, and maybe Patrick himself might have been inclined to agree with that thought before he was through with them.) One by one Patrick (I do hope no one is taking offense at my speaking so familiarly of the learned gentleman) converted the chiefs of the Druids and established churches, monasteries, and nunneries.

Anecdotes concerning the life of this good man are forever veiled in obscurity. His death, his home life . . . all are gone. There remain only

Squints from the Sidelines



done by don

Have all of you readers heard about the scrimmage between the high school team and the college basketball team. If not, I will be more than glad to tell you something about it; here goes.

The eight remaining members of the basketball squad left the gym about a week ago to venture over to the high school and play the Bulldogs. It was to be just a mild sort of scrimmage with the victory of the game not important. Most of the fellows did not have much equipment, and when they were suited up, they looked like a volunteer army from the land of Scandahoovia. ("Swede Country") The Bulldogs were attired in everything from swimming suits to boxing trunks. The shoes were either too large or too small, depending on the size of the player's foot.

Anyhoo, the game began, and it

two volumes inscribed in Latin which were evidently his, a battered statue, and a not-too-certain knowledge of his burial ground. That is all . . . all, I say, except his memory and the reverence which remains forever green and is renewed annually in the hearts of the good people, Irish either in nationality or descent, living now on either side of the Atlantic . . . And maybe that's sufficient, after all!

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