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## Seniors Cast Play Contest On Campus

### "Magnificent Obsession"; Rev. W. H. Upton Will Coach

McPherson college senior class has chosen "Magnificent Obsession" for presentation this spring as the traditional senior play. The cast for this three-act drama was selected last Tuesday afternoon in senior try-outs held in the Student Assembly Room announced class president, Maxine Ruehlen.

Practices have already begun on this major class production scheduled for presentation Friday night, April 21. This drama is taken from the novel by Lloyd C. Douglas on which the motion picture was based.

Maxine Ruehlen, president of the senior class, has been selected to direct the production with the assistance of Reverend W. H. Upton. Reverend Upton, pastor of the First Congregational Church, has had dramatic experience and is appreciated by the college students for his dramatic criticism and understanding, having served on numerous try-out committees for Thespian Club productions. Miss Ruehlen has had previous experience in coaching dramatic performances.

Alvin Klotz was chosen by the judges to portray Bobby Merrick, young surgeon and leading male role in the play. Other important male parts are taken by Elvin Frantz, playing Monty, Charles Lunkley, who plays Dr. Hudson, Wayne Parris, who plays Dr. Pyle, Edward Murray will appear as Jack Dawson; Harry Reeves will play Perry.

Betty Dean Burger, veteran Thespian actress, was granted the feminine lead of "Magnificent Obsession." She takes the part of Helen Hudson, wife of Dr. Hudson. Marilyn Sandy plays the other important feminine role as Joyce Hudson, daughter of the doctor.

Maurine Gish will appear as Mrs. Ashford, Lillian Fulkerson as Marian Dawson, Anna Mae Tinkler as Martha, and Alice Mae Boyce as Mrs. Wickes.

### Forum Presents News Periodicals

A definite problem and need of the campus, more interest in contemporary happenings, was brought to light in chapel Monday by the Current Events commission of the SCM directed by Blanche Geisert and Edward Murray.

Miss Geisert began the discussion by bringing forth proof that McPherson college students do not do enough reading on current affairs. She cited statistics from a fairly representative group of students whom she had personally accosted in regard to the amount or reading of news done per day. The average time was nine minutes per day. This includes a number of students who do no amount of reading worth mentioning.

After this alarming introduction, various types of interesting news reading materials were presented. Professor Hess brought forth the value of newspapers with emphasis on the geographical interest, with major events happening in all parts of the world.

Value of the "U. S. News" magazine was presented by Miss Della Lehman. Edwin Rodabaugh reported on "Time" with special emphasis on its articles of foreign relations. A Review of News from various nations as appearing in "Newsweek" was given by Bob Mays.

Maxine Ruehlen commented on a magazine of a different sort "Christian Century" which is highly editorialized. Chapel ended on the note that students should read the news now and not wait to find it in histories.

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### On The Record

March 24—Faculty-Student Formal Dinner.

March 26—Women's Tea in S.U.R.

March 29—State Peace Oratorical Contest.

March 30-31 — Debate Tournament.

April 1—S. C. M. All-School Book Party.

April 2—Pre-College student recital.

April 3—Conner-Ikenberry Recital.

April 4—Joint Recital—Lichty-McKnight.

April 5—Written Comprehensives.

April 7—Easter vacation begins at noon.

### Educator Group Sponsors Tests For Sophomore

#### McPherson Participates In Testing Program

This week the sophomores of McPherson College participated in the Thirteenth Annual National College Sophomore Testing Program which is sponsored each year by the Committee on Measurement and Guidance of the American Council on Education.

Last year, over 20,000 college sophomores in 137 American colleges and universities took these examinations. The tests included in the program are designed primarily to aid students in making a better adjustment of college work and in gaining a better knowledge of their abilities and interests. The examinations cut across subject-matter boundaries and measure students' general learning in basic fields. No specific preparations for taking the tests need be made.

In the future each student will be furnished his test results and a leaflet which will tell him the significance of his test scores and the use he may make of them. A chart will be included in the leaflet so that the student may plot his test scores and thereby see graphically in which fields his achievements and interests are greatest.

### Fisher-Stucky Recital Is A Musical Success

The voice recital last Sunday afternoon, March 19, of Professor Nevin W. Fisher, tenor, is credited as being a success, as witnessed by the audience that attended the afternoon concert in the auditorium of the Convention Hall.

Professor Fisher sang four groups of songs, including Negro spirituals, religious and secular numbers.

Vena Flory Stucky, former piano student of Miss Jessie Brown, accompanied Professor Fisher and as a solo interpretation played the Sonata Eroica by Edward MacDowell, Movement III.

### Announce New Rulings

Dean W. W. Boitnott has released for publication the following alterations made by the McPherson College faculty in regard to incompletes. These rulings become effective immediately.

I indicates that work is incomplete. This mark will be given only when the cause for the incomplete has been unavoidable as determined by

### Student-Faculty Formal Dinner In Dining Hall

#### Music-Lecture Recitals After-Dinner Entertainment

Students and faculty will dine tonight at the All-School Formal Banquet which is being staged this evening at Arnold Hall Dining Room, the hour set for 6:30. Students and faculty will be formally attired for the occasion.

The All School Formal Banquet has become a traditional event on McPherson College campus, and is heralded with anticipation by students and faculty alike. This year the Dining Hall Improvement Committee and the Social Committee are collaborating to bring to the students and faculty a dinner and a program afterwards. The food classes under the direction of Miss Siek are in charge of the banquet.

After the banquet a program has been planned in the college chapel. Annette Glasier of the literary interpretation class will present a reading. Miss Brown's piano pupils will present several numbers, and Professor Fisher will present the following students as soloists for the evening: Lucile Harris, Eloise McKnight, Jean McNicol, Eugene Lichty, and Alvin Klotz.

### Lads, Lassies Frolic At College BY Party

Sunday evening after the church service, the college group convened in the Recreation room of the church basement for an evening of pleasant game participation.

The group was not large, but they were cooperative, and made a fine-sized group for team games, as well as individual wit. While some were still coming down, the group made up of three sections collaborated for a community sneeze. To get well mixed up and at ease, the fellows were supplied with equipment to list groceries of the alphabet that they could in a given time, before they had to move on. But the tables turned, and statistics proved that the girls could not name farm tools as rapidly as the fellows did their eats (but we know a fellow's chief interest is his stomach).

The group matched wits in guessing games, as did they compare the speed of two groups in spelling words by digging the letters from a maze of letters. Dramatics with proper sound effects were not omitted in "The King with the Terrible Temper."

And last but not least, the girls in the kitchen amply supplied everyone present with all the coffee and sweet rolls they could consume.

### Frantz Contacts Students On Trip Through Colorado

Reverend Earl M. Frantz, Director of Public Relations at McPherson College, left Saturday for Colorado, where he plans to contact future students.

While in Colorado, Frantz will visit the following churches: Wiley, McClave, Arriba, Haxtun, Denver, and Colorado Springs.

Betty Dean Burger, Lois Kauffman, and Ruth Davis accompanied Rev. Earl Frantz to Colorado.

### Council Schedules Girls' Easter Tea

With a gay spring note predominating, an Easter tea for Sunday, March 26, from 3 to 5 o'clock is being planned by Women's Council members. All the college girls are invited. Faculty women, wives of faculty members and honorary faculty members will be special guests.

Music will form an integral part of the program. General arrangements are under the guidance of a committee headed by Mildred Cartner, chairman, Evelyn Swank, and Helen Callon, assisting.

### Pre-Easter Service Is Planned For BYPD

The Lenten motif will be carried out in the form of an organ meditation period in BY next Sunday evening. Solo work will be carried out by Lucile Harris. Various narrators will read portions of scripture at intervals during the service.

### Ruehlen Presents Negro Poetry In Recital

About twenty-five interested friends gathered in the Student Union Room Thursday afternoon for an invitation lecture recital on Negro Poetry presented by Maxine Ruehlen. Miss Ruehlen set the tone for her recital by an interpretation of a dialect selection by Lawrence Dunbar. Another phase of Negro art was exemplified in a Negro Spiritual sung by Jean McNicol.

The greater portion of the program was devoted to a lecture recital consisting of works of Langston Hughes, contemporary Negro poet.

The closing number was verse choir reading of James Weldon Johnson's "The Creation" by the Literary Interpretation Class.

### Metzler Gives Key To Beautiful Life

Dr. Burton Metzler delivered the message in last Wednesday's regular chapel period. Dr. Metzler stressed the fact that "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he," and added "so will he act and so will he look in his face."

"In this world there are ugly beautiful people," stated Dr. Metzler, and then reversed the thought to "beautiful ugly people."

The morning speaker warned students of the pictures they hang upon the walls of their minds, the thoughts they think day after day.

"When there is so much good in the world, why become a chaffy individual by giving your attention to seeing, hearing and reading the chaffiness of the world," stated Dr. Metzler.

### Seniors Present Play Next Tuesday Night

The High School seniors will present the play "Every Family Has One" in the High School Auditorium at 8 p. m. Tuesday night, March 28. Tickets may be secured at the door for forty cents.

A matinee will be presented Monday afternoon, March 27 at 4 p. m., with an admission of twenty-five cents for those who will be unable to attend the evening presentation.

### Brown's Piano Students Rate Highly Superior

Lois Gering and Arlene Zenger, piano students enrolled in the pre-college division of the college music department, played in the piano section of McPherson County Grade School Music Festival held in McPherson March 17 and 18. Both students receive the rating of Highly Superior.

The girls are piano students of Miss Jessie Brown.

### Four Days Of Forensic Activity Are Scheduled

#### A Spec-O-News

Edwin Rodabaugh

Germany has taken over the state of Hungary in her effort to build a fortress in the Balkans. The Russians are still pouring through the gap in the Nazi line. Cassino is just about to fall to the Allies after a very bitter struggle in which a great many men on both sides lost their lives.

The French invasion coast is being severely bombed. The Kuriles have been bombed four times in the last few days. A Japanese troop convoy was sunk.

This war is costing money; \$312,000,000 per day. \$3.37 per citizen over 19 years of age.

1,230 per year. \$168,600,000,000 total.

#### Tractor Trouble

Man bids \$1,050 for a much needed tractor, OPA says it is too much money. Ceiling is \$723.56 so a fight is on, farmer uses tractor while the OPA and seller fight. Who Wins?

### S.S. Classes Elect Officer Changes

The Sunday School classes have once again changed officers. Class A, which meets on the north balcony, elected Lewis Thomas as chairman, Jane Ball as secretary-treasurer and Lois Nicholson as assistant teacher. The present teacher of the class is Kent Naylor.

Class B meeting on the west balcony elected Lois Gauby as its chairman. The secretary-treasurer is Maye Oye, and the assistant teacher is Mildred Cartner. Their present teacher is Leslie Rogers.

Class C, has elected Nelle Stinnette, chairman; Ida Mae Byer, secretary-treasurer; Glen Swinger, assistant teacher; the present teacher is Eunice Swank.

### Geisert Interprets "Victoria Regina"

Blanche Geisert presented "Victoria Regina," a play interpretation by Laurence Housman, Tuesday evening, March 21, at 6:45 in the Student Union Room. This program was given in connection with her work for literary interpretation. Invitations were sent to sixty of Miss Geisert's fellow classmates, faculty, and friends.

Following a quiet piano prelude played by Leora Dobrinski, Blanche Geisert read selected sections from the work by Housman. Miss Geisert wore a black gown, a black velvet cape, and a black coronet.

### Formal Dinner Etiquette Presented In Assembly

With Miss Mildred Siek in charge, two short skits were presented in chapel Friday showing the incorrect way in contrast with the correct way of participating in a formal dinner. Those taking part were Alvina Dirks, Maurine Gish, Betty Kimmel, Marilyn Sandy, Keith Burton, Charles Diamond, and Bob Mays.

To close the program Professor Fisher with Mrs. Vena Flory Stucky at the piano sang "De Ol' Arks A Movin'."

### C. C. Price Died Monday

C. C. Price died March 20 at his home in Mount Morris, Illinois. His wife was formerly matron of Arnold Hall, known to many of the students as Mother Emmert. Price was a great uncle of Joan Blough.

Various college forensic groups will meet on McPherson college campus beginning Wednesday night, March 28, with the Kansas Intercollegiate Peace Oratorical Contest. Freda Aurell will represent McPherson with her oration "Peace, A Plausible Proposition," which won first place in the local contest.

Kansas Intercollegiate Debate League will meet Thursday morning with rounds for both men and women. There will probably be four rounds of debate. In the evening of the Tournament of the Province of the Plains will be held with a dozen or more chapters represented from the states of Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado.

Five rounds of debate following in succession will be held Friday morning, March 31. First round of extemporaneous speaking will meet on the same afternoon.

Saturday, March 31, the oratory session will be held.

Colleges with definite entries are Baker, Hayes, Manhattan, Kearney, Nebraska Wesleyan, Hastings, Emporia Teacher's College, Ottawa, Bethany, Sterling, Bethel, Southwestern, and possible entries from Doane, Omaha and Ft. Collins.

All sessions will be held on the college campus and the public is cordially invited.

### Pres. Attends Association Conference In Chicago

President W. W. Peters returns today from Chicago where he attended a meeting of the North Central Association of College and Secondary Schools.

On his way to Chicago he visited with his son, Dale, who is stationed at Kansas City. Stopping at St. Louis, Missouri, he interviewed John Price, the British consul, who will speak at the Booster program in April.

### Moon Speaks At SCM

Carroll Moon, Executive Secretary of the Student YMCA and YWCA of the Rocky Mountain Region, spoke to the regular SCM group this evening.

Mr. Moon has been on our campus before; he visited us last year. He held conferences with interested students this morning and afternoon discussing the prospects for work and to attending SCM Planning Conferences at Estes Park this summer. He also discussed other problems with the students. Mr. Moon spoke in chapel this morning as a part of his work here.

Term-end school failures were found in research conducted by Dr. C. W. Hunnicutt, director of "How to Study" classes in the school of education, Syracuse university, to have their underlying cause in the tiredness of students. ACP

A powerful anti-bacterial substance which researchers believe will rival penicillin has been developed in the laboratories of Vanderbilt university school of medicine and is now the subject of extensive study there. ACP

### Church of the Brethren Welcomes Students

Sunday School for College Students ..... 9:45 a. m.  
Church Service ..... 10:45 a. m.  
Sermon—  
Rev. Bernard Klug  
Subject—  
"Suffering For Cause With A Future"  
BYPD ..... 6:45 p. m.  
Evening Service ..... 7:30 p. m.  
Sermon—  
Dr. W. W. Peters

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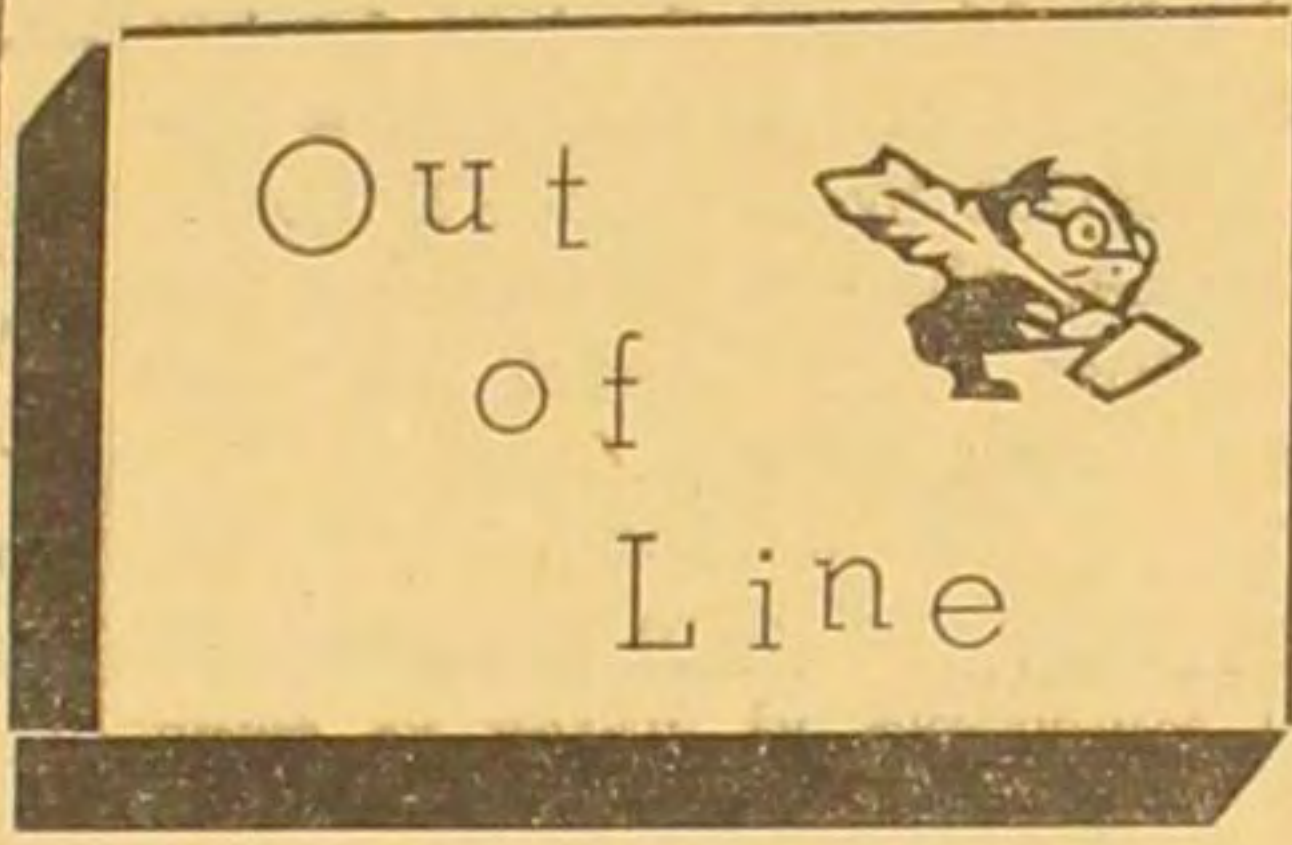
With the exhortations of the editor pounding around by ears I sit me down to write myself a column. This, says ye ed, is to be strictly comment with maybe little bits of gossip thrown in. Methinks, tho' that by the time Thursday night come with its empty galleys and the copy-demanding Republican, she'll be glad to accept anything I have to offer. So come forth with all the latest, and unburden yourselves to my receptive ear!

To continue with the discussion of our editor, (I realize it's against her ethics to print her own name in this worthy periodical, but I assure you that this is wholly unsolicited.) . . . In relating her experience of completing the long walk from town in no more and no less than eighteen minutes, said young lady exclaimed excitedly, "Think of it, eighteen minutes! And my dad says that's less than an hour." We are glad that her father is teaching her some mathematics.

Miss Lehman is really quite a broadminded individual. In speaking of egotism she said recently, "Really I do not object to a little conceit in a person who has something to be conceited about, especially in a man."

### M. C. WEATHER REPORT

Calm—Kent N.-Elva Jean H. All clear—John B.-Betty G. Fair—Evelyn S.-Richard S. Steady—Eugene L.-Eloise M., Bob M.-Joyce P. Settled—Alvin K.-Evelyn K. Uncharted—Lloyd D.-Roberta S. Due for a squall—Pop 'n Mom. Unsettled—Norman G. - Bernice G. Cold Wave—Bob L.-Helen B. Stormy—Ernie I.-Gertie C. Promising—Eunice S.-Herbert M.



I do not mind being "out of line" as long as I am not out of mind. I will also strive not to drive you out of your minds. Here in this new column you will find a little bit of everything except gossip. If you like poetry, you will find some. There may even be a story now and then. Generally speaking anything out of line can be found beneath our head. I hope you like the addition to the Spectator.

### On A Rainy Day

By Vurlie Howard  
I like rain—  
And the things I like about rain are several:  
I like to watch the raindrops beat upon the windshield of a car;  
I like to watch the raindrops beat upon the windows of a house, and drip from the eaves;  
I like the lullaby rain sings to make me sleep;

Temperature rising—Mino K. -  
Maye O.  
Terrific Heat Wave—Keith B. -  
Joan B.  
Ceiling unlimited—Rex W.-Dorothy T.

There's nothing like keeping up with the literary world . . . The contemporary literature class was reciting last week concerning various figures in this section of American life. Miss Lehman asked a question in connection with John Barrymore. Maxine Mae, our little literary genius, came forth with the prompt answer: "He's quit writing now, he says, definitely!" Imagine her confusion when she learned that it is true . . . he did quit and definitely . . . He died about two years ago!

Tonight is one of those nights again! Now we'll have opportunity to observe our worthy colleagues and fellow students to see just how much they took Miss Siek's chapel program to heart. Here's hoping we find something for our entertainment like the "choo-choo train waitresses"—1, 2, 3—stoop!

Watta sight! Where were the second floor girls when the lights went out? Out in the hallway putting up their hair. There they were in utter blackness, except for the glimmer from the hallway bulb . . . and Miss Neher away, too. What they needed then was the loving care of a . . . housemother.

I like the charm rain gives to books that tell about adventure and romance;  
But old man time, the proverbial wet blanket—wetter than a cloud-burst, and not half as much inspiring—  
Time will not allow me to drive in the rain, (nor will the OPA);  
I cannot sit by my window and watch the rivers made there by the pounding rain;  
I have not the time to watch the rainwater run down the chapel roof.

Rain sings, but I must listen not—  
rains' opiate charm will dull my senses to the point at which Morpheus would hold me in his power;  
Books of adventure and romance lie moulding whilst I delve into the mystery and practicalities of Chemistry;  
Time makes of rain a dismal hindrance, a depressing thing, to be endured.

### Gratitude

By Ernest Kenberry  
"I will miss you very much," she said. "How can I ever repay you for all you have done for me?" His face seemed to express the same thoughts, but he could say nothing. "I can never forget the good times we have had together, you know that," she added as if hurt by his reticence.  
They just walked along in silence, both enveloped in their own thoughts. Finally she asked with a catch in her throat, "Will you miss me?" He nodded but said nothing. Thus the morning passed, and the

## Our President Comments:

When Dean of Drury College, I learned that the students in 1920 adopted from the Athenian Oath the following and called it OUR COLLEGE PLEDGE. It is at least suggestive.  
We will revere and obey the College laws, and we by an act of dishonesty or cowardice.  
We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the College, both alone and with many.  
We will revere and obey the College laws, and we will do our best to incite a like reverence and respect in those about us who are prone to annul them or set them at naught. We will strive increasingly to quicken the student sense of College duty.  
Thus in all these ways we will transfer our College not only not less, but greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us.

time of her departure drew nearer. The car was waiting; the time had come. She stood beside him, looking into his eyes. She could stand it no longer. She threw her arms around his neck and unashamed tears ran down her cheeks. Tears seemed to fill his eyes as she brushed a stray hair from his eye. The driver pushed the horn once lightly and she got slowly in. As the car topped the hill, he neighed as if to say, "Farewell!"

### POOR US

If we print jokes, people say we are silly; if we don't we're too serious. If we clip from other papers we're lazy; if not we're conceited. If we stick close to the job, we should be out hunting news. If we go out and try to hustle some items, we should be at work. If we don't print contributions, we don't appreciate their genius. If we do print them, the paper is filled with junk. If we make changes in other fellows' write-ups, we're too critical. If we don't, we're asleep at the switch and poor newspaper-men. Probably some one will say we took this from another paper! We did!

—Central College Cavalcade.

## The Brethren Serve . . .

DALE BROWN  
The heifer project of the Brethren Service Committee is making encouraging progress. They report that over 700 heifers have been tagged with the Brethren Service Committee ear tag and that there are a large number which have been contributed but not tagged. The idea has also spread to other organizations. The Rural Life Association recently approved the heifer project as a part of their program of rural activities. Also, the Falls City Co-operative Milk Producers' Association of Louis-

ville, Kentucky, has sponsored a similar project during the last year.  
The St. Thomas Brethren Service project of the Brumbaugh Unit has been officially established in Charlotte Amalie on St. Thomas Island. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gustafson have moved into "Blackbeard's Castle," the house in which the unit will live. Dean Egge of Wichita, Kansas, William Satterthwaite, and Edwin Todd reported their arrival on February 22.

## Spring Fever—At Its Worst

Oh Muses, come hither. My weary mind fails me. 'Tis drenched with "dewy" droplets of moisture descending from a dismal sky. My heart is heavy, my sorrow o'er powers my soul.  
Oh, curses on that Spec editor who expects one's mind to be a virtual hot-bed for inspirational spring meditations. This rain is hardly conducive to a bright, cheerful feature and since few read them why should I worry?  
Spring—how one revels in its loveliness! Then it is a dreamy light gleams in the young girl's eye and there's a "twitter" in the young man's heart. The very air is filled with a note of expectancy and daring plans evolve.  
Hum-mum—a languid feeling is creeping o'er me as a lay or anguish over this.  
I wonder—perhaps I've been stricken by that annual epidemic—Spring.

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## Continue Humanities Instruction As Long As Is Possible

"Many thousands of young people will be denied the opportunity to complete their schooling, and additional thousands will have to substitute technical training in place of the type of education they would normally acquire. This is as it is, and to the new situation. The schools, however, have an additional responsibility. They must preserve their ancient objectives as well as they can without interfering with the war effort. Admittedly, the time may come when our educational institutions may have to be entirely devoted to technical training or in the humanities and pure science should be continued for the benefit of those students who can find time to extend their studies beyond those required as direct preparation for war service. It is to be hoped that those who are guiding the destiny of our schools will use all of their abilities and judgment to avoid mistakes which will cause irreparable damage to the institutions for which they are responsible." President Alexander F. Ruthven of the University of Michigan calls for caution in handling of the wartime education crisis. ACP

# Students Sponsor Prison Book Party

Any extra books? Get your trunks out of the store room or ransack the bookcase to see if there are any old books you won't be needing. Haven't you heard about the All-School Book Party April 1? Please don't turn up your nose just because it sounds bookish.

Each year the World Student Service Fund collects from the American colleges, books and money to send abroad to Europe, Canada, to internees in this country and to American prisoners in the Far East. A U. S. Army officer in charge of prisoners of war held in this country made this remark: "I can feed them, I can clothe them, I can house them, but I can't keep them from going insane." There is an urgent need for books to keep the minds of prisoners, refugees, and internees of war in a healthy state.

These internees have only about an hour each day to read, but they need something to keep their minds occupied. The following are types of books needed. College text books in any subject and which are still in current use. The exceptions to this need are books on geography and map making, lithography, explosives, weapons and armaments, wireless and radio, espionage, politics, chemistry, military subjects, or books containing navigational charts, meteorological charts, charts of currents, lists of light, lists of wireless signals, tide tables, nautical and air almanacs, or enemy propaganda.

Standard works in English literature, Shakespeare, Milton, Sterne, Dickens, Meredith, Hardy, Galsworthy, Maugham, et cetera.

Language study books for the following languages: English, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Serbian, Polish, and Russian can be used.

All books in the Modern Library, Everyman Library, Home University Library, Hazen Series on Religion, and similar standard collections will be acceptable.

The books will not be accepted by the censors if copyrighted after September, 1939. The books must be free of marks and of erasures. If the owner's name is in the front it may be left, to be removed by the packers in the presence of the censor. The books must be in good condition and not in need of repair.

In your spare time look for discarded books which will give you a ticket of admission to the All-School Book Party Saturday, April 1.

## Morrison-Sebree

The marriage of Miss Mildred Morrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Morrison of Roxbury, and Lt. Gerald M. Sebree, United States Army, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Sebree, Caldwell, Idaho, took place at the Roxbury Presbyterian church, Wednesday, March 8, at 8:00 o'clock p. m. Rev. Ira-W. Torrance of Gypsum performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Roxbury High School and McPherson college. During the years 1942 and 1943, Mrs. Sebree was a technical secretary and librarian in the Chemical department of Phillips 66 in Kansas City. The bridegroom is a graduate of Nampa High School and attended McPherson college, College of Idaho, and Polaris School of Aeronautics at Glendale, California. Later he received his commission at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. At present he is a lieutenant in Chemical Warfare and is stationed at Camp Swift, Austin, Texas.

The couple left immediately after the reception for a short honeymoon.

Cornell co-eds are helping to solve the pin-boy shortage. For a current bowling tournament a squad consists of eight young women. Any four may participate as a team. Of the four, two bowl, another sets up the pins, and a fourth keeps score.

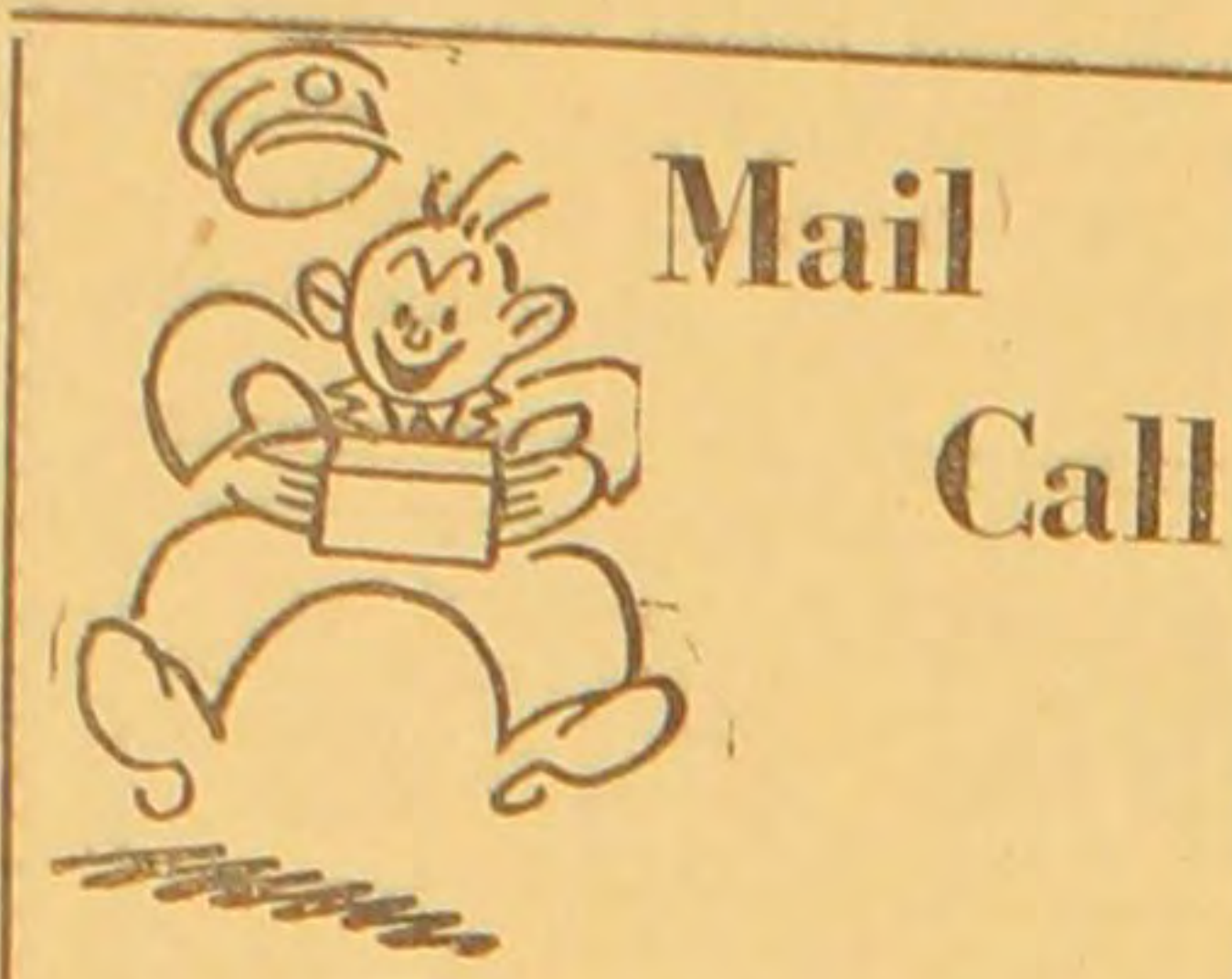


**FLOWERS**  
FELLAS!  
She'll like a corsage for that social.  
**MAUD'S FLOWER SHOP**

## Reiff-Johnson Wed; To Chaplain School

Miss Gayle Reiff, teacher in the Mitchell schools, becomes the bride of Claude Johnson, McPherson college sophomore last semester today at the wedding ceremony held in the Methodist church, Mitchell, Kansas.

Mr. Johnson has completed numerous tests and has been accepted for training in Army Chaplain's School.



Lt. Linville addresses a letter to the Spectator recently:

"It has been so long since I have written that I feel a little ashamed, but better late than never, I keep telling myself.

"At long last I have graduated from those wonderful Army schools, and am now out where I can do some good. We graduated Feb. 28. They gave each one of us ten days delay enroute, so Kathy and I went to Idaho. It's a fine country and everyone was very nice. I think all of them knew more about Macampus activities this year than I did. I met several former McPherson students, De Coursey, Blickenstaff, Al Miller, June Brockus, Dorothy Gross and Elizabeth Peterson. I also met Gordon Yoder and wife who graduated from McPherson not too long ago.

"I tried to catch a bomber back to Topeka from Boise, but didn't have any luck. They all seemed to be going the wrong way at the right time. I came on by train and Kathy waited about a week so I could find a place to stay before she got here. It turned out to be a good thing, too, because apartments are scarce things in this city. I was lucky, however, and got one the second day. A lot of the officers have been waiting over a month. I am staying in the B. O. Q. (Base Officers' Quarters) now and eating at the officers' Mess. They have good food at reasonable prices.

"I am laboring in the weather station forecasting weather for the pilots and anyone else who is curious. We keep B-24's here and send them to three coasts, so we make longer forecasts than a lot of stations. One thing I like about it here is that once a month each of us takes a flight to either California, Maine, or Florida. The only trouble is we have to make a complete report and send it to the Regional Control Officer. Worse than the Student Volunteer trips of old.

"I got to take my first plane ride when I had been here only two days. We flew to St. Joseph, Missouri, in a BC-1. It was kinda rough riding, especially when the pilot went whizzing down to look for gophers. When he decided to go back up a 5-foot ruler would have look like a flag pole beside me.

"I hear by the grapevine that Maurine and Geisert were engaged and later married, but the rat wouldn't whisper a word of it to me. I guess he thought it would be too much of a shock. He was such a woman-hater!

"Give Coach and the team my con-

gratulations on their swell showing during the basketball season this year. I was really proud to tell the boys from K. State and the fellows from the Kansas Conference where I went to school. I even let them peek at our school newspaper once in a while.

"Dick, Ray, Oscar and the rest of the Bethany gang are being kept in hand by their wives. They all seemed as happy as two Mac freshies with a late pass in the springtime. We didn't get to Elgin very often but from what we could hear McPherson personnel has a large vote."

"My address is:  
2nd Lt. W. Linville A. C.  
Base Weather Station  
Topeka Army Air Base  
Topeka, Kansas."

Another letter from Magnolia comes from Junior Eberly.

"For the past month I have been acting as Dietitian for the camp, putting into practice some of the things that I learned in the Cooking School. Boy, I believe I would just as soon leave the menu making and the buying to someone else. I baked 26 loaves of bread and on Saturday I had two batches to make. I managed to burn the bread almost every time. The baking was the best part of my job, but besides that I had to do all the menu making. All in all, I think I learned more in that one month than I had learned in the year that I have been in the kitchen.

"If everything goes right about the first of May I hope to be heading out towards the great Northwest. I signed up for the firefighters as a cook."

Letters should be addressed:  
Junior Eberly  
Box 31  
Magnolia, Arkansas.

Dean Hoelle who left Macampus about a month ago writes:

"I'm in the lounge right now writing on the table which just witnessed two or three chess games and several games of checkers with variations. I generally won at checkers, but chess was just nip and tuck between the two of us (or the six rather, kibitzers). One of the fellows is busily engaged in playing records which put me in a very good mood. He's playing Negro spirituals, Victor Herbert, Stephen Foster—and he just finished "Oh, Holy Night." Incidentally, we have an excellent collection of records here contributed by the boys, and also some are bought with money given to a record fund. We have everything from classical, semi-classical, to symphonic jazz, popular pieces, folk song—and even some cowboy songs. We just bought a new album of hymns this last week.

Three of us fellows who are rather close pals by now, went for a hike back in the woods this afternoon. We stopped by a creek on a sunny, sandy spot and stripped off our shirts to get a suntan.

The camp this week has been the scene of much unusual activity. Our present camp director, Ora Huston, (Ruth Huston's brother) is leaving to take over another job in C. P. S., and Harold Rowe has been here, representing the B. S. C. along with Mr. Elrod from McPherson, and they, together with some campers, have been selecting a new director."

His address:  
Dean Hoelle  
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# Speaking of People--

By Joan Blough

Around 6:00 p. m., March 21, most of the girls of Arnold Hall could be found leaning over the banisters or standing two-deep in Miss Neher's office eagerly awaiting the announcement as **Ruth Shoemaker conversed over the telephone with Roberta Mohler**. After moments of suspense the message, "It's a girl!" was relayed rapidly from mouth to mouth. If you haven't guessed by now, Dr. and Mrs. Mohler are the proud parents of a 7½ pound baby girl named Sarah Janelle.

**The Government Issued Specimen** that has been seen in the company of Mertie the past week is of the Genus, Wiley and Species, Johnnie.—borrowed from WAA column.

Little Dick and Anne enjoyed **Auntie Betty Kimmel and roommate Blanche Geisert** as week-end playmates. The girls had a pleasant visit at the home of Betty's sister, Mrs. Vernon Kruse.

**Can you visualize Lois Kauffman and Ruth Davis at Wiley, Colorado** spending a very peaceful, lassitude, languid, tranquil, and homely weekend in the Davis home? Well, if it hadn't been for Rev. Frantz journeying that way we could not . . .

That Lamle-Gross pair kept the road hot between Maccollege and Salina the past week-end. Yes, fair Lamle's Lt. McKibbin had a neat Lt. friend there. Huh, Gross?

**That handsome soldier brother of Helen Burkholder's** has been seen on Macampus quite frequently this week. Oh, what a break for the lonely hearts.

Last Monday **Ione Akers and Evelyn Weaver drove to Lindborg** to pay a friendly call on Helen Marie Taylor Swisher. Helen Marie, a former student, is in the hospital recovering from an appendectomy.

Friday afternoon **Alvina Dirks**

boarded the Buhler bound bus to spend the weekend with her parents.

**Fortunate were Student Ministers** to have madams Klotz and Reeves along to keep them on the straight and snowy highway to Darlow. There the ministers gave the morning service.

**Zola Rogers traversed to Wichita** with the Ek's last Sunday.

slides, and this will be done provided the money to procure them can be had. Some recently taken slides on Ecuador and South America will be gotten if at all possible.

## Slumming In The Big City

Edwin Rodabaugh talked to the members of the Current Events Commission last Tuesday concerning the slums in Chicago. Mr. Rodabaugh, who was in Chicago for five years, made a survey of conditions in the slums of South Side Chicago. In his work with his Sunday School class of small boys Mr. Rodabaugh was able to become personally acquainted with many of the people dwelling there. He mentioned the Hull House project as an example of a plan which has worked successfully in the bettering of conditions in the poorer sections of the great city.

Glen Swinger is to be featured in the meeting of the Race Relations next Tuesday. Be sure to come and hear his talk concerning share-croppers of the South. Glen has made a study of this problem and it will be worth your time to attend this meeting.

## SCM Notebook

Color Slides On Missions

The Student Volunteers met in the Biology lecture room to see some slides on Africa. The slides were centered around the Garkida mission and the medical staff.

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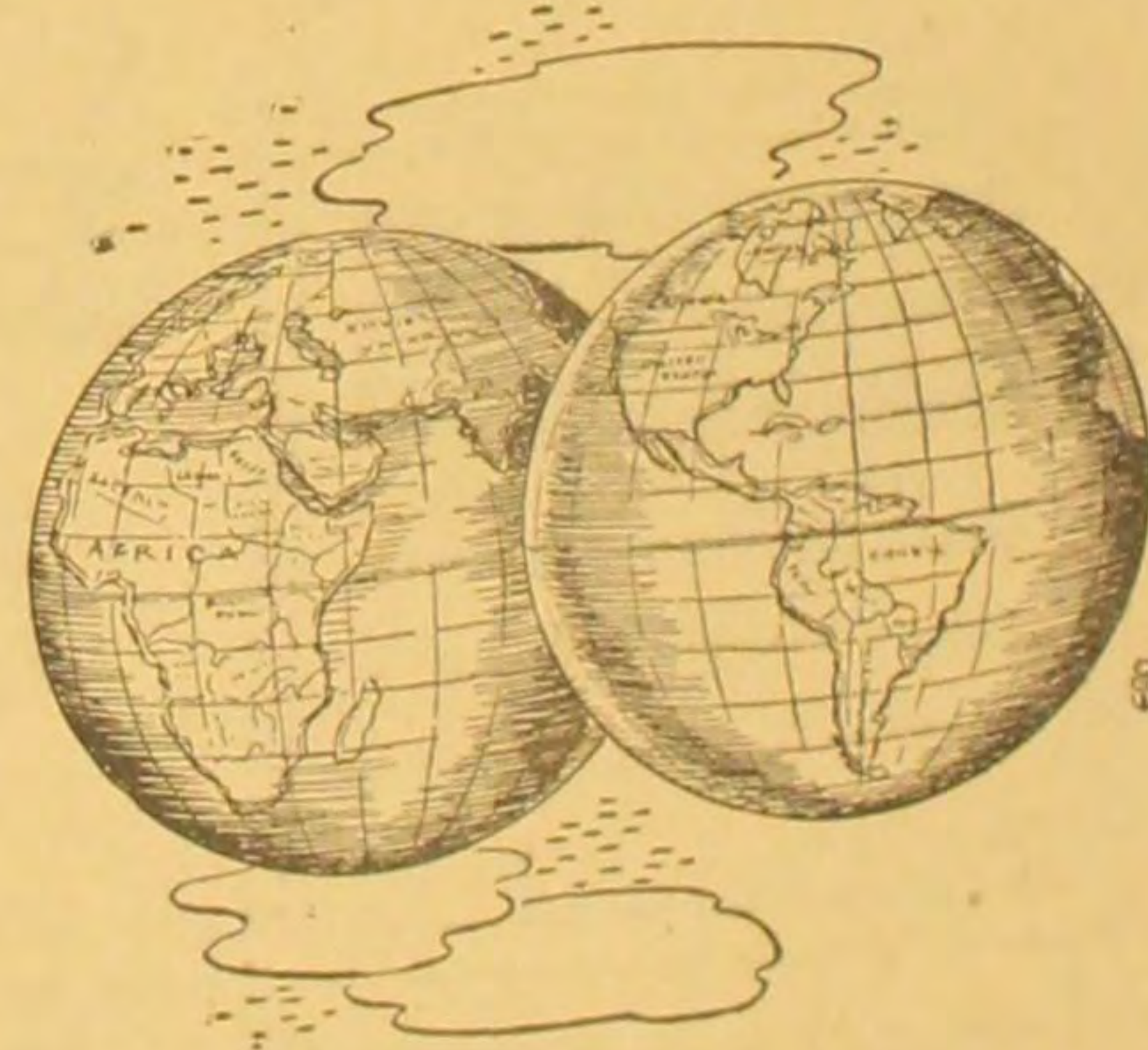
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## Department Created For War Veterans

Champaign, Ill.—(ACP) — The University of Illinois is preparing now for training returning war veterans for peacetime jobs.

The university has created a department, the division of special services for war veterans, which may set a pattern for similar programs in other colleges. It provides "unusual flexibility" in admission requirements, courses of study and degree requirements.

The veteran who wants to prepare for a specific job in South America, for instance, might have had difficulty arranging it in the standard curricula. Under the new division, however, he would be allowed to combine agricultural courses with courses in business management and language.

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## College BB Team Is Victorious Over H. S. Girls

### Girls' Team Play Game On High School Court

The girls' basketball team triumphed again over the high school girls' team by a score of 17 to 15. The game was played last Monday afternoon in the high school gym. This is the second clash between the college girls and the high school girls. The score of the first game was 22 to 14, with the college girls victorious.

The game was fast, with long passes by both teams. The beginning of the game found the college girls far in the lead with eight and ten-point margins. As the game progressed, the high school girls began to rally until the score was tied thirteen all with only three minutes left to play. The college girls made a field goal to make the score stand fifteen to thirteen, in favor of the college. The high school quintet retaliated by throwing a court length pass to their forwards who broke in to tie the score fifteen and fifteen. With thirty seconds to play, a personal foul was called on a high school girl, affording the college a chance to lead again. The free throw was made and the college led by a score of sixteen to fifteen. The high school tried desperately to force a basket causing another foul to be called. This foul shot was made and the college girls led by a score of seventeen to fifteen. The winning point was made in the last thirty seconds of play.

## Eight Players Receive Letters

### Remaining Basketball Team Wins Athletic Letters

Coach Hayden passed out athletic letters to the remaining members of the basketball squad last Monday afternoon. Because of the war and the possibilities that some of the men may be drafted, the letters were passed out earlier this year than usual.

The men that received letters were: John Brown, Glenn Swinger, Francis Markham, Paul Markham, Louis Rogers, Don Keltner, Gene Lichty, and Bob Lowe.

In order to qualify for a letter, the individual must have as many halves as there are games. He must be passing in twelve hours of school-work per semester. If the above qualifications are met, the coach may submit his name to the athletic committee for approval. If the player is approved the letter is awarded.

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### Inside Dope Released On Spring Activities . . .

The W. A. A. Cabinet met last week to plan the spring season of sports. Swimming, under the direction of Helen Burkholder; Outing, under Marilynna Sandy, and Softball, under Phyllis Reeves, are the new sports to be ushered in. The spring season officially opened March 20.

### Mystery Of "Sweater Gals"

In case you have noticed those distinguished "White Sweater Gals" with W. A. A. letters on their left pockets, this is their secret: Any girl who has earned 1200 points in W. A. A. is presented with a letter and any girl who has earned 2000 points is proud recipient of a pin.

### Allergies Take Toll Of Volleyball Fans

Some people seem to be allergic to that thing called a volleyball. Last Tuesday whenever the ball got too chummy, little Nelle Stinnette's vocal cords did time and a half. Then, too, that sly old ball believes in sneaking up behind people when they aren't looking. Just ask Greig.

### Lost: A Valuable Contribution . . .

Which of you geography sharks can tell me where the "Isle-of-you" is located?

Would you be willing for the WAA to fold up in the middle of the year? Do you realize your last absence was a direct contribution to that end? If so, may we see you at your next meeting. "Ye that have ears, let him hear."

### Big News! Plans Afoot For Association Banquet

At a short cabinet meeting plans were discussed. Two bits to anyone who can guess the theme, Ruth Reeves is general chairman of the WAA spring jubilee and in case she decides you would be a good addition to a committee, please remember your school spirit and help put this banquet over the top on this year's social calendar.

### This Un Thata . . .

The Volleyball Club held makeup practices for those girls who needed one or more meetings to be active. A total of six meetings is required. The Softball Club held their initial meeting for the Spring season. Watch this column and the bulletin board for the definite time each club will meet.

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## Squints from the Sidelines



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Congratulations girls, that victory last Monday night is something to be really proud of. You played a fast and a clean game. I don't believe that very many of the fouls called were intentional, if any. Those people that missed this game really missed an exciting one. The girls made quite a few of those court-length passes, the kind that keep the referees hopping. The game was one of the fastest girl's games I have seen for quite some time. I only wish that we could have a few more such games before the girls quit for the season. Don't you?

Have you had your lungs tested? Coach Hayden is in the midst of a series of tests, to ascertain the strength of the average person's lungs. If you would like to aid in this experiment, this is all you have to do. 1. Walk to the gymnasium's front entrance. 2. Open the door. (Sorta tough isn't it). 3. Walk in to the coach's office and ask for Coach Hayden. 4. Tell Coach Hayden that you too would like to have your lungs tested. There is no charge, no pain, and an estimate of the power of your lungs is given. Office hours are from the time Coach walks into the office in the morning until the time he leaves.

Oh happy day, we got our letters. Coach gave them to us earlier than usual due to the fact that some of us are not quite sure of the future actions of our draft boards. There is only one catch to the giving of our letters. We have to pass in twelve hours. If we don't, we will be wearing our letters "in misery". Oh, woe!

Facts and figures. Here are two questions that many college Freshmen are not able to interpret. If you do not understand the following sentences, your sports vocabulary is sadly lacking. Here are the two sen-

tences, read them and weep.  
1. "The Yanks trimmed the Indians."  
2. "The Pirates shelled the pitcher off the mound with thirteen hits."

### On Moving On Wheels By "Mino"

Bang! I wondered what that loud noise was. Well, what do you know! someone was sprawled on the floor! (I guess it was the fault of the skates.) From my observation, that is what was happening quite often throughout the entire evening at the skating party last Saturday night.

It was a sight to watch those unfortunate ones struggling to stand on their feet. Just when people put confidence in their skates, some one whizzed in his path, knocking him clear out of balance. You start swaying to and fro and then down you go! First thing you know you are entertaining the floor with your posterior anatomy. Rising painfully, with an embarrassed expression on your face, you cautiously take the nearest path to the rail to gain confidence for another attempt. The ones that fell probably did not know it, but they were indirectly helping the janitor by polishing the floor.

In spite of the difficulties going to and from the skating party in the blizzard, I think we all had a swell time.

### If The Shoe Fits—

This column has had for its purpose the pointing out people's faults, but perhaps your columnist has given the wrong connotation to the clause "If the shoe fits." I see no reason that one could not commend the virtues of individuals on this campus.

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It's such a lovely spring morning that I hate to start commenting on people's faults, but I must tell you some of the changes that would improve your personalities.

Listen my children and you shall hear of the boy who continually came to the table with dirty hands and fingernails. His friends began to diminish one by one. One day his fairy godmother told him that five minutes spent before each meal in the washroom employing the articles of soap and fingernail file would improve the appearance of his hands

considerably, and now he has oodles and oodles of friends. That's the end of the fairy story. In case you haven't guessed, the moral is wash your hands and clean your fingernails.

In high school I had a teacher who used to say "A gum-chewing girl is like a cud-chewing cow." That's rather crude comparison, but every time I see a girl chewing her gum furiously in public, I think of this statement.

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