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## STUDIOUS STUDENTS

### SETTLING DOWN—MORE STUDYING LESS STUDENT ACTIVITIES.

#### THE WEEK

This has been rather a quiet week. Everyone seems to be settling down and taking a hold of their studies. For all of which we suppose the faculty are deeply grateful. It must be admitted that altho one should never let his studies interfere with his college life, nevertheless it is a good idea to do a little studying once in a while just to keep the profs. from getting the idea that they have a monopoly on learning. We are glad to see that the students are showing the faculty that they can study when they feel like it. But we have noticed recently that some courses are being offered that are not listed in the catalogue. On sunny afternoons we have noticed little groups of two scattered over the campus, each out of conversation distance from the next. Are some of the students starting to study "Campus-Ology" already? If the fever is hitting them in the fall of the year what won't it do to them in the spring? Perhaps the second semester an advanced course will be given in "Campus-Ology" and also a course in Astronomy-Walks. "Boliver" Austin perhaps you had better organize the ministerial union in preparation for the coming open season on hearts.

A few things of interest have happened while the students were busily engaged in study, among others was the appearance of the freshman in caps.

#### FRESHMEN WEAR CAPS.

The other morning the College Freshmen made their appearance in chapel wearing their little green caps. Of course green is the favorite color with freshmen, in fact it is the only one they can wear and keep the color scheme harmonious, but nevertheless in this case they did not need the green to inform us that they were green, very verdant indeed. Did you hear the seniors talk when the freshmen appeared? Senior dignity, reserve, and poise all passed in a storm of maledictions and protestations. The trouble being the numerals upon the freshmen caps. The dear innocent little children knew no better than to use the year of their entrance to college upon their caps. The caps were decorated with the numerals 1920 which as any well informed person knows are the numerals of this years col-

lege-senior class. We suggest to the freshmen that they acquire a little learning and change the numerals upon their caps to 1923 which are the correct numerals for this year's freshman class.

Speaking of the seniors and their indignation and wrath, it was beautifully appeased by Prof. Craik's reception.

#### CRAIK RECEIVES SENIORS

Professor and Mrs. Craik gave a reception to the college senior class that was truly delightful. Their home was tastefully decorated with the class colors, punch was served to the incoming guests and they were made to feel very much at home. The Craiks have that rare gift of making a guest feel at home. The evening was passed in interesting games. When it came time for the eats "That reminds me" was started. The class is well supplied with wits and humorists and has the ability to appreciate a good story.

#### FACULTY ON MARRIAGE

Now we know for a fact that the faculty are all happily married and yet,—and yet,—

The other morning in one of the classes of the institution in which seniors predominate Socrates and his life were being discussed. When the life of Socrates is discussed the question of woman and of marriage always comes up for discussion. Xantippi, the wife of Socrates was, well she is the shining example of what a wife should not be according to our ideas. The doctor entered into rather a lengthy discussion of marriage, woman, and her temperaments. Perhaps he thought it was good for the seniors to have some inside dope on the question. At any rate he dwelt at length upon the subject. Then the whistle blew and the seniors went in and seated themselves upon the front rows in the chapel.

Thereupon another worthy member of the faculty arose, read us the story of Samson and his Philistine wife, and discoursed at length upon choosing a wife. To say that the seniors sat up and took notice is putting it mildly to say the least. It is a question whether they are yet competent to choose a wife. Perhaps the remainder of the faculty will give us their ideas upon the subject.

#### RIOT DANGER IS AVERTED

As we go to press we are informed by the book store boys that all danger of serious rioting has been averted. The faculty taking the matter in hand at a great expenditure of effort and labor procured books to avert the danger of rioting. The

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## SUNDAY MORNING SERMON

The subject of Dr. Kurtz's sermon was "The Gospel of Suffering." He chose for his text Isaiah 53, Ezekial 18, Gal. 6-7, Psalm 116-67-71, I Peter 3-13:4-12.

There are three kinds of suffering: suffering as the direct result of sin, suffering for discipline, and vicarious suffering. "Be ye not deceived God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." The penalty for sin is death. If you sin you suffer. We are prone to blame others for our sins. We say, "Oh well, sin is hereditary and therefore I am not responsible." We are like Adam who said, "The woman tempted me and I fell." Be ye not deceived. God is not mocked. For whatsoever you soweth that shall you also reap. You are responsible for your sins and shall pay the penalty.

There is another kind of suffering—suffering for discipline. The Jews thought that if a man suffered it was because of some sin—so much sin, so much suffering. Job suffered tremendously and his friends gathered about and lamented much because Job was so great a sinner. Here is where Job had to change the whole of his theology. He knew that he had never committed a sin to warrant such a penalty. He also had faith that God was just and that his suffering was for the best. Just as Job was properly disciplined because of his great suffering, so do we need difficulties and hardships. For forty days and forty nights Christ suffered in the wilderness. Count it joy when you have difficulties so that you can overcome them. There is no great joy without it come from suffering.

Finally, we come to vicarious suffering. The innocent suffer for the sake of the guilty. Christ endured the cross so that others might be saved. He said, "Follow me." Follow Christ through the field of hungry souls; Yea, follow him even though you must conquer on the cross. Rome was made better by the suffering of the slaves of Greece. Babylon was enriched by the suffering of the Jews. Today Armenia will be wiped off the earth if Christian peoples refuse to suffer. Jesus says, "Follow me."

#### A PROGRAM OF REFORM

Tobacco has got to go. It is entirely unnecessary for the development and refinement of the race. Who says so? McPherson College. Tuesday morning in chapel the president of McPherson College Anti-

Tobacco Association made an announcement that there were to be passed out pledge cards, the signing of which, accompanied by twenty-five cents entitled said signer to become a full fledged member of the Inter-Collegiate Anti-Tobacco Association. Dr. Kurtz then gave some very timely remarks. He said it is no longer a question of sentiment but a scientific fact established by investigation that tobacco harms the body. He also urged that the faculty and student body get behind this great movement and put McPherson College on the map. As a result the number of pledge card signers totaled 266. Fifty nine percent of the student body of McPherson College says tobacco in all its pernicious forms has got to go.

Non-leaguers why not make it unanimous? The fact is you are either for or against the movement. There is no neutral ground. You either believe tobacco and its degenerating influence is right or wrong. Thought and action alone bring results. If you think that tobacco is alright you need enlightenment. If it is wrong say so by your actions. Deeds not theory make this old world move.

Who will win in the Primary contest to be held sometime before the holidays? Somebody will. Why not you? The psychology of success is this—"I can and I will." Let's put old M. C. over the top. Come on ye orators.

The organization of McPherson College Anti-Tobacco Association is: Pres.—Seth Osborne. V. Pres.—Herman Jones. Sec.-Treas.—Mayme King. Corresp.—J. Perry Prather.

The correspondent does not claim to have a monopoly on the brains of the universe. He would therefore prefer that you hand him your ideas and thoughts on paper. The right kind of "right" makes might. Propaganda is our aim. Let's see some of it.—J. P. P.

#### "DON'T STOP WITH COMMERCIAL WORK," IS ADVICE

Rev. and Mrs. John E. Throne of Ottawa, Kan., both graduates of the commercial department of McPherson College, have subscribed for the Spectator and written a letter of good will to the college. Mrs. Throne, nee Lois Needles, says: "It is hard to fill the place of a preacher without training, and it isn't pleasant to thing of the opportunities for service that were passed by because we didn't realize the importance of church work."



## THE ROYCROFT

BEULAH HELSTROM

The village of East Aurora, New York, the home of The Roycrofters, is eighteen miles southeast of the city of Buffalo. The place has a population of about two thousand. Lake Erie is ten miles distant and the Cazenovia Creek winds its lazy way by the village.

The Roycroft was founded by Elbert Hubbard who wished to establish an enterprise which would give employment to the young people of the village instead of permitting them to be swallowed up by the cities. He had a desire for that which is beautiful, so he took the name Roycroft, meaning King's Craft—King's craftsmen being a term used the Guilds of the olden times for men who had achieved a high degree of skill; men who made things for the King. So a Roycrofter is a person who makes beautiful things, and makes them as well as he can. The institution is a corporation, and the shares are distributed among the workers. This co-operative plan, it has been found, makes for a higher degree of personal diligence, a loyalty to the institution, a sentiment of fraternity, and a feeling of permanency among the workers.

The first Roycroft shop was built like an old English Chapel, and a printing press was soon set up, where the "Phyllistine", a magazine, was printed. Four girls and three boys were employed at the beginning. The shop was never locked, and the boys and girls used to spend their evenings there as it was more pleasant than their humble homes. The girls brought flowers, the boys put up curtains at the windows, and Mr. Hubbard purchased a piano and some good books, so the youngsters could entertain themselves.

This institution has grown until now there are three shops, a chapel, and an Inn with over three hundred employees. Everyone who seeks employment at the Roycrofters, is given a chance to do what he can do best, without any inquiries into his past.

The principal work of the Roycrofters is printing, and illuminating books, ornamental blacksmithing, cabinet work, painting pictures, clay modeling, and the publishing of the Roycroft magazine. This enterprise has attained such success in hand-illumination of books that specimens of this handicraft are on exhibition in the British museum and at the Hague.

Elbert Hubbard has proved that the sweat-shop methods can never succeed in producing beautiful things. So the management of the Roycrofter Shops surrounds the workers with beauty, allows many liberties, encourages cheerfulness, and tries to pro-

mote kind thoughts, simply because it has been found that these things are transmitted into good, and come out again at the finger-tips of the workers in beautiful results. Every week the employees are given concerts and lectures in a chapel especially built for this purpose. The chapel contains a priceless collection of pictures from some of the leading artists here and abroad.

Besides being a work shop the Roycroft is a school. A dozen distinct lines of study are pursued and every worker in the place is enrolled in some class. All the teachers are workers in the Shop, and are volunteers, teaching without pay. Music is made a specialty, the Director instructing over one hundred pupils of all ages. There is a brass band, an orchestra, and a choral society.

In one year over twenty-eight thousand persons visited the Roycroft Shops, representing every state and territory in the Union and nearly every civilized country in the world.

## Organizations

### GIVE US THE NEWS

In any big undertaking it is co-operation that wins. This is your paper and we want you to make it your paper. We do not know when a class has a meeting, a social, or a hike unless you tell us. We suggest that each class, each society, and each organization appoint a wide awake reporter whose business it shall be to give us the news each week. Then if your organization puts on a "stunt" and fails to get publicity through this column, don't lay the blame on the staff. We beg we implore, we beseech you, in the name of news give it to us.

—Organization Editor.

### "The Student Ministers Association."

Last year, with about thirty five ministers and half as many Divinity students enrolled, it was thought that it would be beneficial for the "preachers" to band themselves together, in an effort to be of more service to humanity. The organization was effected and weekly meetings were held through out the year, under the most excellent leadership of O. H. Austin. The experiment proved to be such a splendid success that this year, with an enrollment of about fifty student ministers, the plan is to be continued. So enthusiastic was our leader that he called a meeting the first Wednesday evening of the school year, in fact before the enrollment was scarcely finished, to which thirty seven enthusiastic young men responded.

The initial meeting of this year was very unique in its character. As nothing had been previously planned each man was asked to stand, tell

his name, his home address and something about the work that he had done during the summer. The following Wednesday evening a second meeting was called in which, after the transacting of a few items of business, the subject of Devotion was discussed.

These meetings are entirely informal, where we, as student ministers, meet together to discuss the problems that are facing us, and ways and means by which we can be of the most service to our fellow-students. Service is our aim and we cordially invite any of the fellows that are interested in definite Christian Service.

Every Wednesday evening at six-thirty.

E. M. F

### ALUMNI

Virgil Diller, Academy '18, now of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, orders the Spectator sent to his address. Mr. Diller is attending business college in Oklahoma City.

Joseph L. Bowman, A. B. '18, who has spent one year as a student in Overland College is enrolled in Yale University.

Miss Esther Berkebile, Academy '15, was recently married at her home in St. John, Kansas, to Ernest Westling. Mrs. Westling taught public school several years before her marriage.

Martin Beyer, A. B. '17, is continuing his medical work, second year, at K. U.

A marriage of some interest to the friends of M. C. occurred last summer when Miss Martha A. Daggett of Covert, Kansas, became the bride of Dr. D. L. Horning, A. B. '17. Dr. and Mrs. Horning have entered the mission field of China. Mrs. Horning is an experienced nurse.

Rev. J. W. Carrier, Commercial '10, has disposed of his business interests at Mitchell, Kansas, and has entered the divinity department at Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas. He will have charge of a near by church while attending college. Mrs. Carrier was formerly Miss Blanche Thompson, Normal '12.

Mary Durst, A. B. '19, is enjoying her work as teacher in the Marion, Kansas, High School.

Grover C. Dotzour, A. B. '12, is now employed as a teacher in the Wichita City schools. Last summer Mr. Dotzour was married to Miss Jennie Wiles of Canton, Kansas. Mrs. Dotzour is also teaching in Wichita.

### DIVINITY STUDENTS MEETING

This is a banner year for "Divinity Students." No doubt there is a larger enrollment of students in McPherson College this year than there has been any previous year. The Divinity Students meet every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p. m. Three successful meetings have been held

since the opening of the season, Rev. Austin has been elected president, and although it is not his office to conduct all meetings, he will direct all of the meetings. The students feel fortunate to have such a capable man as Rev. Austin for their leader. It is our aim to enlarge our devotional natures by discussing important topics from time to time. Our last meeting was held under the direction of Rev. Heckman. Topic of discussion was: "How Can We Improve Our Devotional Life."

Several interesting testimonies were rendered each imparting truthful facts whereby the devotional side of our life might be bettered.

Rev. Bruce Williams was elected to take charge of the next meeting. The topic to be discussed under his supervision will be: "Consolidation of Churches."

Everybody is welcome to these meetings, especially divinity students. If you have an important topic you would like to hear discussed come and let us know about it or tell it to Rev. Austin.

SAMUEL MAUST.

### MISSION BAND

A large group of students have been meeting each Thursday evening at 6:30 to discuss world problems and our relation to the world task. Every thinking student is urged to be present and co-operate with this Band of Workers.

Great plans are being made for practical work during the year. Gospel teams will be sent out to the surrounding churches to give programs. A team is to be sent to Rocky Ford, Colo., Oct. 19. If you can preach, talk, read, sing, or tell children's stories or anything else we want YOU.

On last Sunday a group of workers visited the Mexicans in McPherson. A few songs were sung for them which they seemed to appreciate. Arrangements were made for several classes among them and story hour for the children.

Watch the posters announcing the Thursday evening meetings. Then come and bring your friends.

Pres.—Miles Blickenstaff.

Vice-Pres.—Ada Beckner.

Secy.—Treas.—Mrs. E. B. Van Pelt.

Reporter—Lucy Mason.

### MUSIC

The Vocal Music Department of the College will be completely organized in a week, Prof. Rowland tells us. He expects a Choral Club of sixty voices, which will use the Cantata, "The Word of God," by Spross. There will also be Men's and Ladies' Glee Clubs, personnel of which will be announced later. New music has been ordered and these Clubs are going to give us something worth while along the line of music.



## DEBUSSY—HIS INFLUENCE IN MODERN MUSIC

With the ebbing out of this year there has passed away one of the greatest of modern French composers, Claude Debussy. Among his works are the opera "Pelleas and Melisande" inspired by the beautiful libretto of Maeterlinck, "L'Après-midi d'un Faune," made popular by the Russian Ballet, several symphonies and numerous shorter compositions. Mary Garden starred with brilliant success in "Pelleas and Melisande" several seasons back; those of us who heard Walter Damrosch's orchestra in Wichita remember that "The afternoon of a Faun" was one of the most delightful numbers on his program; and some of us recall that Alma Gluck sang a group of Debussy's songs at her recital in Hutchinson. His work seems to be holding an important place in the repertoire of our most beloved artists.

Withall Debussy's music is seldom understood and not altogether liked. Critics have not yet decided as to the definite value of his work; however their decision is unanimous in this one thing: His music is decidedly modernistic, for Debussy was among the first, if not the very first, to enter into the new realm of impressionism in music. They have identified his work along with that of Whistler in painting. It is above all atmospheric—full of color—yet noticeably lacking in lyric passages. His thought is indefinable, stimulating us, without leading our minds to form any definite percepts. It fascinates us, yet it's enchantment is not one of melody. His is the music of dreamland, and thru its subtle medium we hear that which may be translated into light, shade, and color. One listening to his music is steeped in a half-conscious reverie darkened with shadows yet flecked in places with the mellowest sunshine.

Many doubt whether Debussy will be the greatest of this new school, though it will never be forgotten that it was he who blazed the trail in this pioneer movement.

### "Mr. Speaker: the Gentleman From Arkansas."

Prof. W. J. Slifer, a well known alumnus and one of the best penmen ever turned out by McPherson College, writes enthusiastically of his experience as an Arkansas fruit grower. He is now located in a ten acre fruit ranch near Rogers, Ark. He says some of his neighbors are realizing as high as \$1000 an acre from their fruit. "On Sept. 11" says W. J., "Max Austin came to live with us—a new member of our family. We hope to enter him at McPherson College in 1940."



Miss Ruth Frantz

### THE WORLD'S GRATITUDE TO AUTHORS

The moral character of a man eminent in letters, or in the fine arts, is treated—often by contemporaries—almost always by posterity—with extraordinary tenderness. The world derives pleasure and advantage from the performances of such a man. The number of those who suffer by his personal vices is small, even in his own time, when compared with the number of those to whom his talents are a source of gratification. In a few years, all those whom he has injured disappear. But his works remain, and are a source of delight to millions. A great writer is a friend and benefactor to his readers; and they cannot but judge of him under the deluding influence of friendship and gratitude. We all know how unwilling we are to admit the truth of any disgraceful story about a person whose society we like, and from whom we have received favors. Just such is the feeling a man of liberal education naturally entertains towards the great minds of former ages. The debt which he owes to them is incalculable. They have guided him to truth. They have filled his mind with noble and graceful images. They have stood by him in all vicissitudes—comforters in sorrow, nurses in sickness, companions in solitude. These friendships are exposed to no danger from the occurrences by which other attachments are weakened or dissolved. Time glides by; fortune is inconsistent; tempers are soured; bonds which seemed indissoluble are daily sundered by interest, by emulation, or by caprice. But no such cause can effect the silent converse which we hold with the highest of human intellects. That placid intercourse is disturbed by no jealousies or resentments. These are the old friends who are never seen with new faces, who are the same in wealth and in poverty, in glory and in obscurity.—Lord Macaulay.

## Local Notes

The Misses Susie Betts and Erma Martin have moved from the Barracks and are staying at the Whitmore home until the new dormitory is finished.

Miss Alice Flatte spent the week-end in the country with relatives.

Mrs. Stella Wine of Wichita visited her sister Mrs. Brunk Tuesday.

Miss Mildred Westbrook visited friends in Peabody Sunday and Monday.

Miss Sylvia Brammell of Ozark, Kansas, arrived Tuesday. She is taking special work.

Mr. and Mrs. Enos of Adrian, Mo., stopped to see their son John, on their way to California to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Bear of Talmage, Kan., and Mr. and Mrs. Beck of Pa., friends of the Matron, came to visit our college Monday.

Mr. Floyd Mishler spent the week-end at M. C. We are always glad to have Floyd visit us. He is a graduate in the class of '19 and is now teaching at Windom.

John Mohler moved into the boys dormitory Friday.

Fred Howell returned the first of the week.

J. Wesley Maxey arrived Saturday evening and will be in school with us this year.

J. F. Slifer spent the week-end at his home in Nickerson.

Everyone welcomed Miss Marguerite Muse who visited friends at M. C. Sunday. It seemed good to see "Peggy" among the students again.

Miss Margaret Bish's parents and brothers of Rocky Ford, Colo., motored to M. C. and visited over the week-end. They were favorably impressed with our college.

Miss Ethel Whitmore's mother and brother spent Saturday and Sunday here. The Misses Whitmore and Hoffman and Mr. Trapp accompanied them Monday morning to Wichita where they attend the Wheat Show. They returned Tuesday noon.

Many mysterious packages have been received by girls in the Barracks during the past week. Although outsiders have heard little of this the contents have been duly appreciated and feeds of many toothsome varieties have been held there.

Between the hours of twilight and dawn there appeared an entrance sign over the Gym door. Tuesday morning when daylight broke upon it, it was revealed in all the glory of its green and glossy letters. All the girls in the Barracks wish to extend their sincere thanks to the boys who so kindly gave of their labors to the cause.

About twelve o'clock last Wednesday night the students of dormitories were awakened by the fire alarm. The fire was started in the coal room



Miss Edith McGaffey

of the heating plant by spontaneous combustion. The roof and west end were burned. We appreciate the way the boys worked in putting it out before it spread to other buildings.

The Y. W. cabinet need no economical calculators. Our president ordered forty bottles of grape juice and we used four of them. And when it comes to rapid calculation, listen to this. Our vice-president said, very carefully, at cabinet meeting the other night: "If five sanitary-drinking cups cost five cents, one cup will cost a penny. We got 60 cups, that would be 60c. But since we used only 5 packages and each package contains 5 cups it cost us 25c." Woman's logic!! Beat it!!

Mr. and Mrs. Myers of Aline, Okla., were here Monday, looking for a location. Their two daughters will be in school here next year.

Mr. Charles, Ph. D., D. D., a gov't appointee to the Philippine Islands, has been visiting Miss Edna Neher the last few days.

Dr. Kurtz and Prof. Yoder were in Sterling, Col., several days last week.

We are sorry to know that Ruby and Ray Frantz were called home Tuesday night by the illness of their parents. We hope they will soon be back with us again.

Next Tuesday night, Oct. 14th, there will be a recital by the Fine Arts Faculty at the McPherson High School Auditorium. This will be one of the features of the Art Exhibit at the High School from the 14th to 17th.

Friday night, Oct. 17, the famous violinist, Mesjha Elman, will be in Hutchinson, Kansas, at Convention Hall. Reservations for seats may be made from Prof. Rowland.

Wednesday Dr. Kurtz addressed the Y. M. C. A. He reminded the men of the importance of each one attending the conference at Emporia.



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And a great gong rang. Thereupon I went down unto my evening meal. With me there ate many beasts. The place wherein we did eat was long, somewhat wide, and partially subterranean. And many animals came there to eat, both great and small male and female, ate they there. And they ate in groups, not according to race, but simply as the great God chance had placed them.

Across from me there sat one like unto a giraffe in that he spread his forelegs on the table bent low in apparent humble similitude with his mouth near to his plate. A peculiar animal to be sure. Next to him sat one who had his arm wrapped around his plate as if afraid someone would try to take it from him. He ate in great haste gulping his food like a wolf and all the time making strange noises.

Beside me there sat a dainty little bird, almost a cardinal from the color of her sunny hair who always sings a happy joyous song but her food must be fairly good for she eats almost nothing. Little bewitching, bright sunny hair, sparkling eyes, cheeks that glow, and teeth that shine. But those teeth spoil it all. Would that someone would inform her that it is the worst of manners to use a toothpick in public. Three times has the moon waned since I first sat beside her and started turning the toothpicks down and I suppose she has never guessed why. But above all she is a saucy, cheery, bright, flapping cardinal.

Across from her sits a sphinx who feeds his face but who feeds no whit of humor or ought else to the open ears of his fellows. Beyond sits an ass who continually brates of himself. And besides him sits the beast forbidden to the Jew. Verily he doth remind me of that crew of Uliesses. Beside him sitteth that animal called a gentleman.

The greatest calamities often prove to be the greatest blessings. Liberty has been bought at the cost of suf-

fering and the disasters of lawlessness have been the cause of the growth of law. It took the recent world war with its chaos and suffering to make men think seriously of the ways and means of preserving peace upon the earth. Always the greatest forward movements of the world have had their birth in an hour of disaster and need.

We wonder if the fire which occurred last week may not have a similar result. Fortunately, the extent of the damage done was insignificant if one considers what might have happened. But it was sufficient to suggest very forcibly the need of a volunteer organization among the men of the school for meeting any such emergency in the future. With all respect to the city fire department it is safe to say that the danger and damage would have been far greater had it not been for the quick and intelligent work of the college boys who helped. Preparedness is one of the watchwords of the day. The trustees profited by the lesson for we understand that they are planning to rebuild with steel and concrete, with that which is not touched by flames or destroyed by decay. But other buildings can burn and the fire demon may visit McPherson again. Therefore, why not be prepared by having a College Volunteer Fire Department? In such times of emergency as existed last week it is definite, co-ordinated and intelligent effort that counts rather than individual strength. The college needs an organization for this purpose, a body of men, each trained for a definite task. How many men are there in school who will be willing to devote some of their time and effort to this service? It will return to them a hundred fold in the joy and pleasure of knowing that they are ready to serve, ready to respond when the need comes. We see this one difficulty: Some may feel that this training in the use of ladders may entitle them to the privilege of rescuing a fair maiden from her brick fortress at midnight or in some similar way to play the role of a Shakespearean love-lorn vallant.

### SUPPORT THE STUDENT COUNCIL

There is one organization in the college which appears but little in the eyes of the public. It does not entertain either in music, drama, oratory or debate yet all these have their support in it. It is the Student Council, the governing body of the student body, and in its authority and support do many of the student activities of the college have their foundation.

The Student Council is composed of two members from each of the college classes, one member each from the academy classes and one member each from the three special departments. Mr. Curtis Bow-

man is its president. Mr. Bowman is an intelligent, strong, capable leader and he is backed by a body of representatives who have the highest welfare of the school at heart and are willing to give their time and energy to the work of arranging for the general activities of the student body. An example of their interest in the welfare of the college is seen in their attitude toward the Spectator. As the representatives of the student body they are responsible for the publication of the college paper. It was found that an eight page weekly paper could not be published without some financial support from the Student Council. The Council discussed the matter after appointing a committee to investigate and, feeling that it was to the best interests of the school to have such a paper, they voted to aid the paper with substantial financial backing.

Now, what is the purpose of this statement? Simply this: No body of people representing any constituency can do anything worth while without the support of that constituency. The plans and purposes of the Student Councils this year will accomplish nothing unless they are backed by the support of the entire college. That means that when they make plans for raising money, we each must do our part; when they arrange a lecture, let us appreciate the opportunity which they give us. In other words, let us show them that we have confidence in them, that we appreciate their interest in the welfare of the school by responding to each and every call they may make upon us for support this year, this greatest year in the history of the college.

### PEPPY PARAGRAPHS.

The lines that we write,  
 Be they heavy or light,  
 For you are not meant personally,  
 But in laughter and fun,  
 At length shall we run,  
 On the ludicrous things that we see.  
 Where is the long-haired philosopher who said, "Death is a fake",  
 and straightway succumbed by eating dorm hash?

We call the fellow a poor sport who at night pulls all the cover off his roommate, then gets up with a grouch because he became too warm and caught a cold.  
 "Oh kill me if you must", she cried,  
 "But please, please spare my life."  
 So the villain shot and killed her,  
 But he did it with his knife.  
 Judging from noises made, mouse-traps could be used very effectively against dorm mosquitoes.

How many of you girls ever saw a young man walk calmly out of Arnold Hall without his hat only to rush frantically after it three days later when he learns his rival is busy in the parlor?  
 Zeb.

## Exchanges

The purpose of the Exchange Department is explained in a fine way in the September number of the Greenville Vista, Greenville, Illinois: "In any undertaking, co-operation is the secret of success. In the publication of a student paper is this particularly true, where team work is absolutely essential. The Exchange department is a further application of this principle. It represents an attempt to enlarge the scope of the work and to secure the co-operation of all student papers toward a common end,—the mutual betterment of all. It is our desire, in a spirit of friendly criticism, favorable or otherwise, to call attention to various merits and demerits of the periodicals which call from time to time at our office; and we hope that will reciprocate in like manner. Let us make co-operation our watch word, and go in for a year of bigger and better student publications than ever before."

For practical instruction concerning crop-raising and general farming, consult the Kansas Industrialist (K. S. A. C., Manhattan). It's full of it.

The Pepper Club is a novelty to which Cooper College (Sterling, Kansas) gives publicity in the Cooper Courier. Its function is to furnish the necessary pep to support the games by means of songs and yells.

"Know your editor: the better you come to know him the more you will come to see that he is not such a bad fellow after all," is the interesting advice given in an editorial of the Industrialist. "The person who things that the editor's job is a bed of roses has little realization of what it means to get out every week even a reasonably good paper."

The plans for the Greenville Vista are full of snap and interest. Their aim is to have every reader read every page, and the first number is very readable. "A summer in Western (Kansas) Wheat" is an Illinois professor's view of Kansas harvest; the editorials are original; the joke page is especially rich. These are some of the distinctive features of this journal which resembles a miniature annual: a page of campus snapshots; Alumni page, class notes—a page full of news; Faculty page; casualty list—wedding reports—(The Spectator might imitate,—eh?); and an alphabetical list of their advertisers. A promising monthly in this.

"At K. S. A. C. was devised the poisoned bait used in destroying grasshoppers and other insects. It is now used throughout the U. S. and also in Europe and South America."



**Society Notes**

Professor and Mrs. E. L. Craik had as guests at six o'clock lunch Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Enos of Ardian, Mo., Mr. John Enos and Miss Marie Hope.

Rev. D. W. Charles, Ph. D. recently of Chicago, but now on his way to the Phillipines, is a guest of Miss Edna Neher.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Blickenstaff informally and delightfully entertained the following guests: Misses Edna and Elberta Neher, Ruth Frantz, Fannie, Edith and Maxine McGaffey, Martha Blickenstaff, Pearl Dresher, and Messrs. D. W. Charles, Curtis Bowman, Henry Stover and Paul Brandt.

Prof. and Mrs. Craik entertained the College Seniors Wednesday evening of last week. Miss Gladys Heaston, accompanied by Mrs. Austin sang several Folk songs in her pleasing manner. Miss Ruth Frantz delighted her hearers with "Come Let Us Play" after which everyone joined in playing games. Punch, sherbet and cake refreshed the guests, who will always have pleasant memories of the evening.

Twenty-one married couples met Friday evening on Austin's meadow to get acquainted. The first step towards acquaintance was made when the couples lined up, according to the length of time they had been married. Needless to say there was no trouble in ending the line. The men enjoyed a lively game of baseball while their wives played lawn games. The last game was played at the picnic supper, during which they "had everything to eat." All unanimously decided that "the water is fine, come on in."

**LARGE ENROLLMENT IN PHILOSOPHY OF ART CLASS**

There are several large classes in the college this year but it is safe to say that there is no elective course offered which has attracted a larger number of students than has the course in The Philosophy of Art by Dr. Kurtz. Nearly sixty were present at the first meeting of the class and several have joined since. The personal popularity of Dr. Kurtz may account in measure for this unusual enrollment. But there is an indication also that the students of McPherson College are gaining in their appreciation of the beautiful or, at any rate, are aware of their need of training in art appreciation and are ready to avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to become more familiar with the aesthetic. This is a much neglected ele-

ment in the training of the American youth. Few colleges offer any such course and the public schools contribute but little. McPherson College students may be glad that they have the opportunity to study the philosophic basis of the subject under one who has been the richest treasure of the world and who believes in art as the necessary corollary of the mental and moral.

**The Firing Line**

(This column is open for contributions by any who wish to discuss some question of common interest or desire to express their opinion on any phase of student life. Articles for this column must be typewritten and must bear the name of the author although name need not appear in Spectator if writer does not wish it.—Editors.)

**BOYS! BOYS!**

Wake up! Are you so deeply immersed in your own affairs that you have forgotten that there ever was such a thing as girls athletics? Can you possibly imagine a place so dead that the girls would be perfectly satisfied in taking just the required physical training and no more? Perhaps some where there is such a place but surely not at McPherson College.

Since the day of enrolling many a girl has anxiously waited and watched and hoped for some one to bring up the subject of girls athletics. So far nothing in particular has happened along that line. Some of the girls have begged, borrowed, and taken tennis balls, racquets and nets and in the end finally derived the pleasure of a game on a court so poorly marked off that the lines were imaginary.

The girls are experiencing the same difficulties that the boys are in manufacturing in their basket ball enthusiasm, and more. Where is the Girl's Basket Ball Coach and where are the old members who could organize the new and raw material? Last, but certainly not least—is the support that should come from every member of the boys basket ball team. The girls willingness to support the boys was shown in the interest and pep they displayed at the practice football game Tuesday.

Give the girls a chance! There are enough girls in the Freshman College class alone, to make up two good teams. The material in the other classes is just as good. With the prospect like that wouldn't it pay, boys, to give your co-operation now and push?

This information is modestly offered in the Industrialist:—"When the War Department sought a man to conduct its educational work in one-sixth of the entire United States, it selected the Dean of Engineering in K. S. A. C.

At the Annual Free State Fair of Topeka in September, thousands of copies of the "Musical Herald" were distributed by the Kimball Piano Company. In it, McPherson College is given a flattering writeup with a large photograph of the campus. This will afford excellent publicity for M. C., for the people who attend the fair come from a large number of states.

The purpose of the American Red Cross in their November campaign is explained in the editorial "Service to America" of the Industrialist for September 24.

A doctor attended an old Scotch lady who had taken a severe cold.

"Did your teeth chatter when you felt the chill coming over you?" asked the doctor.

"I dinna ken, Doctor," she replied faintly. "They were lying on the table."—Greenville Vista.

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**ORGANIZATIONS**

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**Y. W. C. A. CHAPEL**

Last Wednesday morning the Y. W. C. A. girls were delightfully surprised to have Miss Ricketts, a field secretary for the Y. W. C. A. speak in chapel. Miss Ricketts gave a vitally interesting talk on "The Unshaken Christ," after which Miss Aliee Sorensen sang, "Teach Me to Pray."

In the evening Miss Ricketts met with the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet girls. She also held private conferences with girls who wished to talk with her during the day. Miss Ricketts was accompanied on her visit by Miss Duffield.

**COLLEGE SOPHS.**

A meeting of the College Sophomore Class was called Tuesday for the purpose of making a change in the organization of the class. At the first meeting Mr. Stover was elected President but it was found that he was also a representative of the class on the Student Council. It was voted, however, to retain Mr. Stover as President of the class and Mr. Crawford Brubaker was elected Mr. Stover's successor on the Student Council. After a hearty approval of a motion to have a class social the meeting adjourned.

**SENIOR ACADEMY**

The Senior Academy class met Saturday the 27th and elected the following officers:

President—David Brubaker.  
Vice Pres.—Ua McAvoy.  
Sec.-Treas.—Mr. Young.  
Athletic Coach—Sanger Crumacker.

Reporter—Agnes Baker.

**ACADEMY JUNIORS**

The Academy Juniors met Tuesday and elected their officers.

President—Thelma Turcotte.  
Vice Pres.—Maxime McGaffey.  
Secretary—Carl Wooten.  
Treasurer—Frank Boone.  
Booster—Mr. Fleming.  
Faculty Advisor—Miss Frantz.

**EMERSONIAN OFFICERS**

Pres.—Frank Howell.  
Vice Pres.—Edith Muse.  
Sec.—Ua McAvoy.  
Treas.—Neva Yoder.  
Expression Coach—Edith Hill.  
Music Coach—Minnie Mugler.  
Debate Coach—Avery Fleming.  
Reporter—Haven Hutchinson.

**ICONOCLAST**

A large number of folks enjoyed a good program given by the Iconoclasts in the Chapel Saturday evening. An interesting feature of the program was the debate. The question was: "Resolved that the Ford is of Greater Utility than the Hudson"

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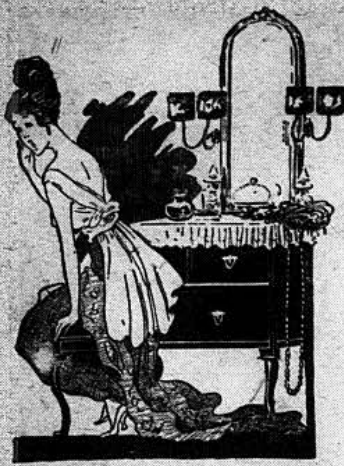


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### ICONOCLAST

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Super." The Hudson, supported by Brandt and Osborne of the Senior Class, won the race.

#### JUNIOR COLLEGE CLASS

So far not much has been said in college circles of the Junior Class. One of the under classmen was heard to wonder if this class was doing anything at all. Perhaps the giant has only been napping or quietly lying in wait until other organizations have their initial splash. Now the Juniors are doing things. We have an enrollment of thirty-five "all alive and on the inside."

The new officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

President—Ray Cullen.  
Vice Pres.—Alice Burkholder.  
Secretary—Grace Quinn.  
Treasurer—Chester Holsopple.  
Members of the Student Council—Dayton Yoder and Ada Beckner.  
Faculty Advisors—Prof. Roland and Prof. Frantz.

We do not wish to seem egotistical but we promise you that you shall hear much of the doings of our class as the year progresses.

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#### IRVING

Some very fine talent—of which Irving has not a little—was displayed at the last meeting.

You Irvings, who failed to come, shall only know what blessings you missed by faithful attendance in the future.

The Society was favored with two splendid piano solos by Harry Gilbert and Alice Burkholder.

A new constitution was presented by Paul Warren, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of Constitution, and was adopted without alteration by the unanimous vote of those present.

Every loyal Irving will secure and read a copy of the new constitution. Every Irving is loyal. That is why a copy is being printed for every one. Ask for one.

The following officers were elected:

President—Alice Burkholder.  
Vice-Pres.—Harvey McClelland.  
Secretary—Margaret Bish.  
Sergeant-at-arms—Claude Lowe.  
Editor—Mrs. Keim's Husband.  
Athletic Mgr.—E. W. Schimmerhorn.  
Treasurer—Harold Beam.  
Music Directress—Alice Sorensen.  
Expression Coach—Betty Harnly.  
Ch. Social Committee—Bulah Helstrom.  
Ch. Membership Committee—Rowena Vaniman.  
Ch. Program Committee—Rev. Oliver Austin.

Send your Spectator to prospective students.

An aged negro was crossing tender at a spot where an express train made quick work of a buggy and its occupants. Naturally, he was the chief witness, and the entire case depended upon the energy with which he displayed his warning signal. A gruelling cross-examination left Rastus unshaken in his story. The night was dark, and he had waved his lantern frantically, but the driver had paid no attention.

"You did wonderfully, Rastus," the division superintendent complimented him later. "I was afraid at first you might waver in your testimony."

"Nossir, Nossir," said Rastus, "but I done feared every minute dat 'ere lawyer was gwine ter ask me if mah lantern was lit."—Greenville Vista.

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**Athletics**

Signal! 17-34-55!!

As the quarter snapped out the last number eleven young huskies in "overalls" sprang forward rolled around in the dirt and seemed to try to muss each other up. Don't laugh; its our first football team. Too long M. C. has been afraid to start something different.

Because of lack of funds we will be unable to start anything definite this year but once the idea takes root in school life we are sure to have a hummer of a team.

If tennis keeps stepping along as it has been during the last week it seems that racquet wielders will stage some real tennis in the near future.

According to all the dope obtainable at the present writing the Senior Class is willing to take on anything in the way of competition and to guarantee said competitors a grand racquet-swinging fest. "Come on, come all; the bigger they come the greater is the precipitation thereof."

The basket-ball out look is good. Most of last years men are back. Stover and Rump seem to look good in the forward positions. There seemeth to be some doubt as to who shall be Lord High Chief Jumper this year. Last year Trapp and Bowman pulled the kangaroo stuff but this year there are so many young skyscrapers floating around the campus that the dopsters decline to commit themselves regarding the position of center.

The two wild men from Oklahoma are "rarin' to go" after the positions as guards. "Go to it. We're for you."

**ALUMNUS REPORTS SHORT-AGE OF TEACHERS**

Professor H. C. Crumpacker, '08, now superintendent of schools at Sedro-Woolley, Wash., says the schools on his section are running with a great shortage of good suitable teachers. The enormous increase of population is one of the factors entering into the situation. Mr. Crumpacker is a brother of Dr. F. H. Crumpacker of China.

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**STUDIOUS STUDENTS**

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knowledge hungry mob is being rapidly appeased and we are glad to state that the situation is well in hand. Yet we would like to make a suggestion. Unless drastic measures are taken the same crisis will appear at the beginning of the second semester. Would it not be well to prepare before hand and so remove any danger?

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