

Formal Dinner Spotlights Weekend Entertainments

"Valentines" is the theme of the Formal Dinner to be served tomorrow evening at 6:00 o'clock in the college cafeteria. The faculty, which is sponsoring the banquet for the student body, will provide the program on entertainment, and serve the meal.

Decorations will be in red and white, according to Professor Roland Plasterer, who is chairman of the decorating committee. The tables, which will be arranged at angle from the speaker's table, will be decorated with white table cloth and napkins; red tapers, appropriate centerpieces, and placecards. The lights will be covered with red streamers.

Rev. Harry K. Zeller, Jr. will act as toastmaster for the dinner. Professor Joseph Shelley, who is chairman of the program committee, has arranged the following numbers for the program: a piano solo by Miss Krehbiel, "Sheep and Goat," which is a modern adaptation of an old folksong; two numbers by Paul Wagner, "When I Have Sung My Songs,"—Ernest Charles, and "Malden Remember," by Nicolas Dalayrac; a reading, "A Chip Off The Old Block," to be given by Miss Lehman; and a piano solo by Miss Howe.

Serving as waiters and waitresses are: Miss Lamine, Miss Kintzie, Miss Vancil, Miss Harris, Miss Siek, Dr. Heisey, Gordon Yoder, Mr. Brammel, Robert Keim, and Prof. Flory. Professors Shelley, Bechtel, and Hershberger, will wash the dishes. Miss Mildred Siek is in charge of these groups.

Provisions have been made to serve 150 people at the dinner at \$1.00 a place. Ticket sales closed last evening at 7:00.

Seating arrangements for the dinner are to be posted in Arnold Hall early tomorrow afternoon. Those who are planning to attend should consult the bulletin board there for table placings.

CBS, 'Mademoiselle' Offer Cash Prizes For Scripts, Stories

Here is an opportunity to earn money for college. Various national contests are open for aspiring writers in the fields of short story and script writing. This collegiate writing competition was launched Jan 31 to encourage the emergence of new television writers. The contest, known as CBS Awards, is open to students in American colleges and universities. It will offer four prizes, the first to be awarded March 7 and the others at monthly intervals during the rest of the spring semester. The amount of the award will be \$500 if the prize-winning script is of one-hour performance length, or \$250 if it is a half-hour script. More information can be obtained from Director, CBS Awards, Headquarters: 15 East 47th Street, New York, 17, New York.

'Mademoiselle' Magazine has opened its annual College Fiction Contest for women undergraduates in accredited colleges throughout the country. The two winning stories will be published in the August 1950 issue of Mademoiselle, and the winners will each receive \$500 for all rights.

Entries must be postmarked no later than midnight, April 15, 1950, and addressed to the College Fiction Contest, Mademoiselle, 122 East 42 Street, New York 17, New York.

Scouts Celebrate Birthday

As Scouting celebrated its 40th anniversary, McPherson held a court of honor to award badges and prizes. The troop here at the Brethren Church with Harry Heckenroth as scoutmaster, attended the father and son banquet at the Community Building Monday night.

Three McPherson boys, Eddie Ball, Bruce Burkholder, and Gene Smith, received the Eagle Badge, the highest award in scouting. All three boys are seniors in Mac High School.

Scouting is a non-military, non-sectarian, non-political organization. It is an educational agency of boyhood in the United States with its goals as character building and citizen training. Over 2,000,000 American boys belong to the Boy Scout organization today.

Harvard Offers Awards

Harvard Law School's National Scholarships are to be offered in May, 1950, to outstanding students of colleges and universities all over the United States. The scholarships are for the coming year of 1950-51 and are sufficiently large, in case of necessity, to meet not only the expenses of tuition, but also a part of the traveling and other expenses.

It is the aim of the Harvard Law School to bring talented young men from all regions of the United States to their New England school.

A former alumnus of McPherson College, Ted Geisert, '49, is now attending Harvard.

Women Reveal Heart Sisters Monday Evening

Heart Sisters will reveal their identity next Monday night at a party given by the Women's Council. Officers of the Women Council are Marie Miller, president; Helen Stover, vice-president; Lois Yoder, treasurer; Betty Hanagan, secretary; Joyce Harden and Jeanne Baldwin, publicity chairmen.

The time for the party is nine o'clock and the place is the S. U. R. Miss Neher will give two readings and the Ladies Quartette will sing. Decorations will follow the valentine theme.

During the past week Mac College co-workers have been giving small gifts and favors to their secret Heart Sisters.

Leaders Inspire Group In Interest Of Peace Action

Following a two-day Peace Conference at Bethel Feb. 4, 5, students went back to their respective colleges determined to work for peace "anywhere before in the interest of peace."

Bayard Rustin, an outstanding pacifist, pointed out that one can not harm another without harming himself. If, for instance, a town refuses to allow Marian Anderson to stay in a hotel, the town is only hurting itself.

Bayard Rustin is a man who lives his convictions. After the Supreme Court declared that negroes could ride in the front of buses in the South, Mr. Rustin and friends went into the South to conduct an experiment. They rode at the front of buses. At one place a policeman came at them with a gun. One man stood and said, "Sir, it is for you to decide whether we should get off the bus. You are the policeman and you are not unplussed and hid his gun."

Mr. Rustin also spent thirty days working with a chain gang in order to report conditions to the governor of a certain state. The conditions under which these men live are so degrading that it is almost impossible to imagine in a "democratic" country.

Paul Harris, the other leader of the Peace Conference, gave the group many ideas for discipline in everyday life. He said, "Do at least one thing every day for no other reason than that you don't want to." Reacting thus to little things will help people to face larger problems of life.

He pointed out that in dealing with people on race relations we must not make them lose face but rather the embarrassment upon ourselves. Both men agreed that social progress could not be accomplished without someone being hurt. A pacifist must take the attitude that he will be the one to suffer.

The conference group decided that any course of action to help solve problems of conflict must be organized. Most of the other colleges at the meeting have peace organizations on their campuses. It seems that McPherson College should also have a definite organization to study and work on problems of peace.

Next year McPherson College should be the host for the Peace Conference. Such a conference will take both planning and cooperation on the part of the student body.

Classes Are Dismissed For Occupations Day

Occupations day for McPherson College has been set for Friday, February 24. Students will be interested to know that classes will be excused in favor of attendance of the various meetings which are planned.

Many important officials and able speakers have been secured for this day. Among those of prominence are Mr. Raymond Charles, who is the State Director of Guidance and Vocational Information and will give the closing address on "How to Find and Get a Job," Hazel Thompson, State Director of Home Economics, and John Tilma, from the State Bureau of Apprenticeship. Local talent which will appear includes Rev. Zeller, Paul (S) Sargent, and Mr. Garretts, who is from the Farmer's Alliance Insurance Society. Others of both local and statewide fame are expected to be present.

High school seniors from an approximate fifty-mile radius have been invited and it is hoped that a large number of them will be able to attend and make this first Occupations Day at McPherson College an affair which will be a great help to everyone attending. The purpose of the day is to encourage the thoughtful planning by the student which is essential to the choice of an occupation consistent with individual abilities.

Early Manages DP Placement

Ruth Early, who was Brethren Service Secretary in the Western Region Office at McPherson College last year, is now in charge of the management of displaced persons at the New Windsor, Maryland, Relief Center.

Miss Early stated to New Windsor in September to handle Brethren Service promotion, special projects, materials, general relief, and displaced persons. Before Christmas she was put in charge of the placement of D. P.'s with sponsors.

One week recently Miss Early went to New York City to meet 28 incoming families, to help them get their baggage through customs, and to send part of these families on trains to their sponsors all over the United States.

Since the Church of the Brethren as an agency has promised assurance for D. P.'s, an individual or group sponsor has to be located for each family. Part of Miss Early's work is to locate suitable sponsors and to place the families with these sponsors.

Miss Early stated that her work is growing since more D. P.'s are arriving from Europe at the present time.

Student Critics React Favorably To One-Act Plays

Monday evening, Feb. 6, ended with a bang as the curtain closed on the first performance of one act plays. For an evening of variety in entertainment, the Players' Club presented everything from the ridiculous to the sublime.

The first curtain opened at 8:00 p. m. to disclose a dramatic reproduction of 'The Monkey's Paw.' The staging was especially effective and weird lighting and sound effects brought the play to a very dramatic climax.

Harold McNamee, in his usual capable manner, presented the disturbed Mr. White who could hardly believe the mysterious gale of the monkey's paw which his friend the sergeant major tried to burn. Don Shultz, the sergeant major, was outstanding in presenting the accent and character of the old soldier. Marie Miller, student director, played the superstitious Mrs. White.

In general, the acting in "Through A Glass Darkly" was good. The emotional, and persecution complex Aaron Shaeffer, as portrayed by Dean Cotton, expressed the feeling of many minority groups. Clara Shaeffer was the calming force in the play, and the part was handled well by Doris Roesch. Sandy Shaeffer, the only son, interpreted by Wayne Zeigler, put across the idea of the new generation in America quite well.

The other supporting characters, Bill Daretto, Rosalie (Marlie Bowman), Phil Mandelbaum (Dale Oltman), and

WSSF Drive Here Begins Feb. 20

"They Still Need You" is the theme for the Annual World Student Service Fund drive at McPherson College February 20-23.

Colleges and universities are the only source of income by which the WSSF may work in educational relief and reconstruction over the world. McPherson College is sponsoring an auction in order that all students may have the opportunity to contribute to the fund.

The students of Europe and Asia still need us to furnish them books and medicines. They need food and vitamins to help them fight tuberculosis.

In 1948-1949 about \$540,000 were contributed for medical aid, rest centers, aid to displaced students, educational supplies, emergency food and clothing, and aid to tubercular students.

WSSF's goal for 1949-1950 is \$600,000. The needs of students in Europe and Asia remain urgent.

Anyone who wishes to contribute articles for the auction may do so by contacting the co-chairmen of the drive, Albert Rogers and Esther Mohler.

McPherson College's goal for the drive this year is \$200. It is interesting to note that students at Manchester College in Indiana set their goal at \$1000, 40 percent of which it to remain on the campus to help foreign students already in school there.

Swedish Art Displayed At Bethany, Feb. 7-20

The Swedish Club of Chicago will exhibit paintings and sculpture of Swedish American artists at Presser Hall at Bethany College February 7-20.

Ninety-two pieces of art, the work of 23 artists from 16 states, will be exhibited. Included will be paintings in oil, water color and pastel and sculpture and wood carving.

The exhibit will be shown in the third floor foyer and first floor lobby of Presser Hall, where it may be viewed between the hours of 2:00 to 5:00 p. m. on Sundays and 9:00 and 5:00 p. m. other days.

Professor Hershberger recommends that every art student and every person interested in art see this exhibit.

Rockyabe senior, on the tree top as long as you study you never will drop. But if you stop digging your average will fall. Then, down will come senior, diploma and all.

Bethany Messenger

Valentines Entertainment During Class Periods

Schools Report Decrease In Spring Enrollment

Many of the colleges and universities of Kansas report a decrease in enrollment for the spring term of 1950. At Kansas University a decrease of 825 students left the total registration at 7768. Kansas State College reports an enrollment of about 6400 which is lower than last fall's enrollment of 7033.

Albrights Take Second In Jucio Debate Tourney

The Mac debate squad entered the Hutchinson Jucio Debate Tournament and brought home a trophy. Avis and Ardy Albright won five out of seven of their debates to receive second place in the senior division.

Leroy Doty celebrated his 21st birthday by receiving a medal for winning third place in the Senior division of extemporaneous speaking.

McPherson had three teams eligible for the semi-finals but only two debated. The Albrights won while Wayne Zeigler and Dor Speaker were losing. An Emporia team received the first place trophy. The only loss of the championship team during the tourney was to the other Mac team of Doty and Kidwell.

Winston Bowman and Dean Cotton were also entered in the senior division. Due to the fact that only 10 teams were entered in this division Mac teams had to debate each other or draw byes.

Gerald Neher and Albert Blazer were the only Mac team entered in the junior division in which 25 teams competed.

The Mac squad won 14 and lost 16 matches while receiving two byes. The unfortunate situation is that some of these wins and losses were to each other.

Schools represented in the tourney were McPherson, Kansas State, Kansas Wesleyan, Denver University, Phillips University of Enid, Emporia State, Friends Sterling, Southwestern, Washburn-Tonkawa, Okla., Jucio, El Dorado Jucio, Coffeerville Jucio, Iola Jucio, Arkansas City Jucio, and the host school, Hutchinson Jucio.

Commies Defame America Abroad

The American delegation to the World Youth and Student Festival in Hungary pictured the United States to the other delegates as a place where most young people "have no jobs at all, and walk the streets in search of employment," according to an article in the current issue of The Saturday Evening Post.

In an article entitled "How Our Commies Defame America Abroad," Vic Reineimer, a Montana University graduate, gives a detailed factual report on the distorted picture of the United States presented by the American delegation to the 10,000 other delegates from all over the world.

Reineimer was a member of a small minority group in the delegation which attempted unsuccessfully to have the truth told about conditions in the United States.

At the Festival Exhibition Hall, Reineimer writes, the American display featured a picture of the Statue of Liberty behind bars.

"Another," he continues, "showed a hooded figure hanging a Negro. Photographs of slums represented American Housing Well, like most Americans, I'm not very proud of slums or of the Klu Klux Klan, and I'm not surprised when communists play them up. But I was surprised to see these things presented by our country. A number of us felt that our display should show something more positive about the United States as well as these blemishes. But we didn't get to first base with that idea.

The "obvious distortion" in the picture of the United States committed was "almost funny," Reineimer comments, until he realized that to many people "This was simply confirmation of what they had been told."

To "send a song to your Secret Love" is the chance given by the S. C. A. to faculty and students. Valentine's will truly be set aside as a "hearts and flowers" day next Tuesday at Mac College. Anyone can send a song, a poem, a valentine, a story, or a courage to any person, in any class at any time.

Tuesday classes should be entertaining rather than intellectual because as the S. C. A. points out, the more times a student makes a dedication or receives a dedication the less times he will have to recite, and the teachers may cut their lectures short.

A booth in Sharp Hall from which students and faculty members may send their signed or secret tokens of love will be open from eight o'clock Tuesday morning until three in the afternoon.

A quartette with a signed dedication will cost fifteen cents, sent secretly will cost twenty cents. A soloist with signature charges five cents, without ten cents.

The College Male Quartette, the Freshmen Male Quartette, the Ladies Quartette, and the Ladies Trio, and also several soloists will be available for dedicated music.

Hazel Rogers is chairman of the Valentine Party committee. John Firestone has had charge of the posters. Jim Hoover will make the booth, and girls on third floor Arnold will make the flowers.

World Council Acclaims Brethren Service Groups

The Church of the Brethren is developing an interesting scheme, according to Jan Mirejovsky of the Youth Department of the World Council of Churches.

In an article "Glimpses of America," Mr. Mirejovsky remarks: "Here again this scheme was suggested by the young people and seems to promise good results. They call it Brethren Volunteer Service Program. The Church gives a special two months' training to a group of about 100 young volunteers in a year.

"Thereafter they are sent for 10 months to serve in hospitals (very often mental hospitals), in the camps of migrant workers, in the inner mission work in relief work in Europe or Asia, in the remote areas where they help the pastors and teachers, in the slums, etc.

The Church cares for the travel, board and lodging of the workers and pays them only \$7.50 per month to meet their personal expenses.

"The numbers of volunteers is growing and it is regarded as possible in the years to come each of the 100 parishes of the Brethren Church will provide one volunteer who will serve for one year in the field.

"This such congregation will be directly linked to, and personally interested in, the evangelistic, missionary, social, and relief work done by the Church in America, Europe, Asia, and Africa, which of course, is not only fine, but important, as might have very favorable effects on the vitality of individual congregations."

College Owns Grapefruit

Six grapefruit totalling nine and one half pounds and including a three pounder are now on display in the Business Office. The fruit, a product of the McPherson college-owned farm in the Rio Grande Valley near Brownsville, Texas, were recently brought by the MC public relations director, Earl M. Grant.

The seven and one half acre fruit farm was given to the college by William Cordis and his wife of Panora, Iowa.

Faculty Discusses Plans For Professional Growth

Professional Growth and Improvement has been the topic of discussion at recent faculty meetings. Dr. Lowell Heisey has been the chairman of a committee presenting the study.

Three reports were given Friday, February 3. Dr. Luther Warren reported on what the administration would do for faculty improvement. Prof. Joseph L. Bowman reported on what the faculty could do collectively. Dr. Heisey gave suggestion on what faculty members could do individually.

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Where Is Fairy Godmother?

Once upon a time—as all fairy tales go—there was a Spectator editor. Now this editor lived in a little office all cluttered up with papers, boxes of cuts, and typewriters. It was Monday and the editor had to hand in thirty-five pages of copy to the Republican if he wanted to put out a paper that week. The editor was worried. He didn't have enough reporters. He had no copywriters and only the managing editor to help him write headlines. And—since Monday is a struggle to get back into the grind after a weekend—he was afraid that the copy wouldn't come in. So he sat down and found some news from other colleges that would be printable in a pinch.

Wednesday arrived and surprisingly enough the copy came in. Enough to fill the twenty-four columns of the Spec. But were the reporters going to have time to get all the news on the campus? Without roller skates or wings they were not speedy enough to see everyone for possible stories. The deadline was drawing so near that the editor had to go without his dinner in order to make up all the headlines and to construct a dummy of the paper.

Where was his fairy godmother all this time? Do you know what happened the next week as the editor was sitting in his office? Why there came his fairy godmother in the shape of some enthusiastic reporters. The editor was so happy that he could have shouted for joy. (Any way we hope that the fairy godmother will show up one of these days.)

The Days Of Democracy Is Equal Rights

It has been called a long attention that a twenty-year old student may expect to live 46.5 years. However, the assurance that you will live that long cannot be guaranteed. Your span of life may come to an inch in 48 hours.

Over the head of a prisoner named Paul hung the axe of death, which might fall at any instant. But his greater concern was that the whole civilization in which Christian people lived was about to be "time-bombed." So Paul wrote: "Make the most of your time."

But the world was not blown apart the next day... or the next... or the next. The time bomb of destiny hanging, as he thought, over the world did not explode. The Lord did not appear in a cloud and smite the day of eternity dead into the heart of the world. The years rolled on... and on... and on... till now.

This old world, variously estimated to have been in business between a few thousand and a few hundred billion years, may go on seemingly without end—or it may go out like a candle in '50! The twenty-year olds may live 46.5 years—or they may not survive this first year in the second half of the twentieth century.

"Time," said Emerson, "is poison." If we knew that the A-bombs would begin dropping everywhere tomorrow, and civilization go up when they come down what feverish changes we would attempt to make overnight! If you knew that you should die tomorrow, how differently you would spend these next 24 hours. But because we think we have yet time enough.

Everyone goes in the old way; his worn, accustomed path. And students are not yet students, nor friends yet friends, and the kingdom of heaven is still a paper thing. O Those who inhabit eternity and by whose hand our days are measured, may we awake instantly to the claims of Thy holy will, in order that no day may be frittered away, but each hour purposefully used, in the semester which we have now begun. Amen

—*Max Harry K. Zeller, Jr.*



Yet we Americans still pay homage to one of the greatest of all American men. His definition of democracy explains his principles. "As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of a democracy. Whatever differs from this, to the extent of the difference, is no democracy."

All of Lincoln's administration was concerned with this principle. In one of his private letters Lincoln states how he feels. "Our political problem now is, can we as a nation continue together permanently—forever—half slave and half free? The problem is to mighty for me—may God in his mercy superintend the solution."

Another time he remarked "As a nation, we began by declaring that 'all men are created equal.' We now practically read it, 'all men are created equal except negroes.' When the Know-Nothings get control, it will read, 'all men are created equal except negroes and foreigners and Catholics.' When it comes to this I shall prefer emigrating to some country where they make no pretence of loving liberty—to Russia, for instance, where despotism can be taken pure, and without the base alloy of hypocrisy."

Psychologists Analyze Common Superstitions

From the Bethel Collegian comes this excerpt on superstitions: Most superstitions are jokes which have been taken too seriously. Accidents follow carelessness rather than mere superstitions circumstances. The psychologists have analyzed some of the most common superstitions. Based on their findings:

- The only bad thing connected with breaking a mirror is that you must buy a new mirror.
- The most important thing to remember about the number 13 is that it always comes between 12 and 14.
- Men don't really prefer blondes. They prefer any woman they can attract.
- If your foot itches, it means that you should take off your shoe and scratch it, perhaps even wash it.
- If someone sweeps under your chair or bed, the floor will be nice and clean.
- Singing at the table may cause others to leave, thus leaving you more food.
- Postponing a wedding may not be as unlucky as going through with it.

Dear Spec,

You were good, the last issue. The editorial was good. But why did I not know about the Junior Party so that I could have gone? Was sufficient publicity given to it? I am very sorry I missed it. The review of the new books is a splendid feature. May I congratulate you heartily for it?

Sincerely,
Dean Warren

If you sleep on your right side you are not suffering from insomnia.

A black cat crossing the street in front of you means that the cat wants to get to the other side and may be more unfortunate for the cat than for you.

If you have a receding chin, the rest of your face will probably protrude in front of it.

If you have a pointed head you may not be able to wear a hat. Also you won't be able to stand on your head without marking up the floor. In addition you may be narrow-minded.

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Society

Lorene Clark, Helen Hood, Delma Cline, Sara Mae Williams, Vera Eberole, Gina Manda, Marline Bowman, Winston Bowman, and Dr. Heisey, attended the Bethel Peace Conference at Newton Kansas, this weekend.

A weekend guest of Joyce Hardin, was Dick Brown, from Salina, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stetzman and Mrs. Dowers were dinner guests of Miss Neher last Sunday. Miss Neher ate lunch with Mrs. Bowers Sunday evening.

Donna Johnson spent the weekend at her home in Kansas City.

Martha Frantz and Galen Webb spent the weekend at Martha's home in Conway Springs, Kansas.

Helen Kesler, Helen Stover, Margaret and Bill Daggett, and Prof. Roy McAuley attended the youth rally at Kansas City, Kansas, this weekend.

Among others attending the Ground Hog Feed at Inman the 2nd were Ivan Little, Stan Sargent, John Ward, Loren Blickenstaff and Albert Balzer.

Rev and Mrs. Jay G. Myers, from Denver, Colorado, are visiting their son, Art, this week.

Friday evening Elaine Wine Doris Correll, Lorene Clark, Max Shank, and Maurice Moore attended the play "Uncle George Goes In." which was put on by the P. T. A. members of Victory School.

Elinor Stine was hostess to a birthday party for JoAnn Royer on Sunday evening. All of the second floor girls of Arnold Hall were present to wish JoAnn a "Happy Birthday". Refreshments of cake, candy and pop were served. Mary Snyder took several pictures of the group.

Prof S. M. Dell went to Wichita last Saturday to make preparations for Occupations Day which will be held on Mac Campus February 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Arnold, Patricia, and Darrell, from Topeka, Kansas, visited Bob and Donna Sooby last week. The Arnolds were enroute to California, where they plan to make their home.

Elaine Wine was a Sunday overnight guest of Mildred Snowberger, who lives at Vaniman's.

Professor and Mrs. Raymond Flory entertained Miss Vancil Miss Harris, Mrs. Earl Frantz and Lyllis Frantz, and Mary Spear, with a luncheon last Sunday evening.

Miss Doris Roesch visited Dale Snyder at his home in Morrill, Kansas Feb. 4, 5.

Lois Colberg spent the weekend at her home in Lyon, Kansas.

Jerry McConkey spent the weekend at her home in Topeka, Kansas.

Irven Stern from Carbondale, Kansas, visited Pattie Bittinger this weekend.

Clara Domann visited her parents in Hope, Kansas, over the weekend.

Leon Hoff, from Grundy Center, Iowa, visited Eula Ruth Broyles on Sunday.

Betty Jo Baker was a weekend guest of Mildred Beck at her home in Nickerson, Kas.

Nelda Baldner, Miriam Keim, Ellis Albright, Gordon Reist, and Byron Frantz, attended the wedding of Jean Evans and Ernest Hoffa, at Overton, Nebraska, this weekend. Nelda played the organ for the wedding. Ellis sang. Gordon was candle-lighter, and Byron was in charge of a recorder.

New freshmen students were invited to Professor Dell's home last Sunday evening after church.

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Dedicate a song to your favorite girl on Saint Valentine's Day.

The SMU Campus says: You can't kiss a girl unexpectedly. The nearest you can come to it is to kiss her sooner than expected.

On Three Little Worries
Men are suckers for fear. Until modern times there were many things that man did not understand so he feared them. He was afraid of the lightning, fire and all the destructive things in nature. Now man has reached the age of knowledge. We have scientific explanations for nearly everything. But our new knowledge brings us new fears.

It seems to us the best solution is not to worry before we think. Make a list of the things that scare us and then ask why they scare us. Reason and truth are the greatest enemies of fear. Another antidote to fear, worry, is a sense of humor. A joke book will do more than a medical library in preventing ulcers from nervous tension.—South Dakota Collegian.

Read all the advertisements in the Spectator every week.

Accidents Occur Opening Night

Many years and unforeseen things happen onstage and offstage on an opening night. In the McPherson College Player's Monday night performance of the three one-act plays these factors forced their way into the S. A. R. to make life miserable for one Prof. Roy McAuley.

For instance: It was not a matter of how the actors said their lines; rather it was whether they remembered them or not. A certain speech teacher in this institution is forever harping about vocalized pauses, but to some it seemed that some of those pauses could well have been vocalized. Backstage is always the place where many of these unforeseen happenings occur.

One of the cast had to half-way strangle a poor chicken to keep it from squawking a second time. A little thing like a chicken squawk is all right—in its place and at the right time, but when it squawks backstage and then ignores its cue onstage, that's bad. The dressing rooms backstage were so crowded that they had to take turns breathing. One young lady was hurrying through the crowded offices carrying a tray laden with drinks and cake to be used on stage when the props that were destined never to make a Monday night appearance met the floor with a violent crash. However, the persons onstage arose to the situation and managed to pull it out of the fire. A revolver belonging to a Jim Spjut was to go off on stage—once. The second time it went off wasn't so bad but backstage after the curtain was closed the weapon was discharged again causing mingled surprise, confusion and exasperation.

When the smoke had finally cleared after this opening night, McAuley's voice could be heard saying, reassuringly, "Everything that could possibly happen, happened tonight". To this I would like to add, "I think".

Sympathy Is Extended

Students and faculty of McPherson College extend sympathy to Prof. and Mrs. Don Frederick and family in the death of Mrs. Frederick's mother, Mrs. Roy B. Teach. Mrs. Teach died Friday, Feb. 5 at her home in Cerro Gordo Illinois. She was buried Tuesday, Feb. 7 near her birthplace in Ohio.

Wood Class Visits Innes

The class in Advanced Woodwork and Design visited the Innes Furniture Store in Wichita last Wednesday afternoon. The purpose of the trip was to study design, construction, and new trends in furniture.

Nine students and their professor, S. M. Dell, made the trip.



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Economics Plays Important Role In Society Today

Because of the increasing emphasis being placed upon economic factors in society today, the library has recently purchased some new economics books.

Economics, an Introductory Analysis by Paul Samuelson was written primarily for those who will never take much economics but are interested in the subject as a part of general education. Problems of economics are presented in non-technical language.

Money in a Maculstrom by J. W. Beyen has as its object to retell the story of international cooperation in the financial field during the last three decades. The author states that out of the attempts of the past have grown forms of international cooperation that promise to produce tangible results.

How To Organize and Operate a Small Business by Pearce C. Kelley is aimed at prospective owner-managers of small businesses. One of the objectives of the book is to provide a well-rounded guide to the fundamental needs, and opportunities of the field of small businesses as a whole.

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Development by Harold G. Moulton is a publication of the Brookings Institution. The author states that "this volume is in the nature of a synthesis of the economic studies (of the author) during the last thirty years." Part II of the book looks forward to the century ahead, indicates its potentialities, and outlines the policies essential to their realization.

The American Social Security System by Eveline M. Burns depicts the main characteristics of the various social security programs currently in operation in the United States.

Since 1925, when the Social Security Act was passed, the group of public programs loosely grouped under the term social security has greatly expanded. Today the American social security system is highly diversified and complex.

M. C. OUT OF BASEMENT TONITE?

Clash With C of E For Cellar Spot

Tonight as the finale to a gigantic tripleheader program in Emporia's impressive Municipal Auditorium, the McPherson College Bulldogs and the College of Emporia Presbyterians will clash in a battle that will probably decide who will occupy the basement in the Kansas Conference for 1950.

The Bulldogs, who have been in the cellar for so long that all the jugs are empty, can climb out of the Kansas conference bottom perch by dropping the Presbies tonight.

In the two team's first encounter Jan. 10, C. of E. eked out a 39-36 victory over the Bulldog's home court. Since then McPherson coach Frosty Hardacre has done considerable lineup reshuffling and emerged with the bunch that dealt the stunning 54-49 upset to Baker Saturday.

College of Emporia still has escaped the conference tail-end because they have played one less game than the Bulldogs. For the season the Presbies have won two of 14 games compared to McPherson's 2-14 won and lost record.

Holding a previous win over the Bulldogs and having the advantage of home court, College of Emporia probably will rate the favorite's role tonight. With the Bulldogs it is a simple question: Is it going to be like Baker or like Friends?

If the 'dogs play as they did in losing to the strictly minor league Friends outfit, they will remain in the Kansas conference basement. A return to the form displayed in the Baker surprise will undoubtedly mean getting out of the conference Siberia.

The savvy and heart with which the Bulldogs played against Baker was something which has not been seen around here through a long succession of losses.

Probably the outstanding thing of the whole affair was not the manner in which the Bulldogs obtained and built up a 15 point lead on the Wildcats, a team which had not lost a conference game two nights before, but the way they kept the lead after Baker Blickenstaff was ejected from the game with five personals with 12 minutes remaining.

Although the score was 38-24 when Blick left the game, the Bulldogs did not figure to hold that lead. The cat-in-the-hat had dunked 17 points in his 28 minutes of play besides getting enough rebounds and loose balls to start a factory.

With the Bulldog scoring punch gone through the middle, the Wildcats started an all-over-the-court rash that seemed to overcome the Bulldog in view of their previous record.

Earl Grindle's great ball hawking and Glenn Pyle's magnificent rebounding before he also fouled out more than made up for Blickenstaff's lost attention in these fields. Dale Carpenter's 12 points and Bob Bechtel's fine pinch-playing were also indispensable.

But if any one man can or should take credit for saving the game, it should be the Bulldog's thin, driving knee captain, Lyle Goering. Goering's good-son play had been shoddy since the first Baker encounter, rebounded with a tremendous bang.

He was a tremendous stalwart on defense, and, as the Baker rush grew more furious, the rest of the Bulldogs nearly seemed to throw him the ball and say, "Here—you take it. Dribble through 'em."

He did, and it meant the game. Blickenstaff set a new season's high for individual Bulldog scoring with a 22 point spree against Friends. Seventeen other markers were chalked up in the last half. His 17 points against Bethel and Baker and Gene Arnold's similar total versus Sterling early in the season were previous high marks. Incidentally, Blick's total against Friends was also the first 20 point night by a Bulldog basketballer since 1948 when Verlyn Fisher twice



Loren Blickenstaff ... He Got The Lead



Lyle Goering ... He Kept It



Glenn Pyle ... He Rebounded



Earl Grindle ... Defensive Star



Dale Carpenter ... 12 Points

Lose To Friends 59-58 After Upsetting Baker

A great last ditch rally by McPherson College Bulldogs lost mileage in the last two seconds of play as Friends University's Bob Hudgins hit a foul shot to give the Quakers a gnar' tooth 59-58 victory Tuesday.

Trailing 40-26 with 12 minutes remaining a terrific onslaught led by Loren Blickenstaff and Lyle Goering pulled the Bulldogs up to a 50-50 tie in just six minutes, but from there it was give-and-take.

The Quakers gave us a lead with one minute to go, but a missed shot by Goering gave the ball to the Wichitans and Hudgins knotted the game with a fielder.

The Bulldogs made a desperate attempt to get a last second bucket, but in the rebounding scuffle after a missed shot Blickenstaff shoved the thick-chested Quaker star, Hudgins, who converted the shot and took the ball game.

Hudgins, one of the nation's top scorers, hit 22 points for the game and generally proved himself Friends whole team. He did the bulk of the rebounding and was an able feeder. Friends did not substitute in the entire game.

MC (58)	FG	FTA	FT	PF	TP
Carpenter	3	0	0	6	
Bechtel	1	0	0	2	
Heldebrecht	2	2	0	1	4
Pyle	1	1	1	2	3
Blickenstaff	8	9	6	5	22
Goering	4	2	2	3	10
Odle	2	0	0	2	6
Grindle	1	1	1	3	3
Delay	1	0	0	2	

Totals 24 15 10 18 58
Shots Blickenstaff 17, Odle 7, Goering 17, Grindle 8, Carpenter 11, Delay 2, Bechtel 4, Pyle 5, Heldebrecht 4.

Field goal percentage—32.0
Free throw percentage—66.7
Friends (59)
Jones 7 1 1 0 15
Hudgins 8 9 6 4 22

hit the double decade mark. Last season's high was Don Peter's 19 counters against Bethel at Newton.

The college record, after cursory glance at old data, is apparently the 26 points thrown in by Junior French against Kansas Wesleyan Jan. 7, 1942.



Junior French ... 26 POINTS

Displaying some fine teamwork and a much improved floor game, the McPherson College Bulldogs defeated the Baker Wildcats here last Saturday night 54-49. Baker took an early lead, but the Bulldogs fought back with revenge to gain a 25-21 advantage at intermission.

Upon taking the floor for the second half, the Bulldogs had reason to be a bit jittery, as their ace Loren Blickenstaff was working with four fouls on him. The Bulldogs were not to be denied though, as they promptly ran their lead to 15 points and held it there until Blick had to leave the game with his fifth personal with a quarter yet to be played.

The Wildcats narrowed the count to 10 points, where the Bulldogs held till late in the game. Baker started picking up the Bulldogs all over the floor, but some fine dribbling by captain Lyle Goering kept the Bulldogs in the game. With a flurry of last minute desperation shots Baker narrowed the score to the final 54-49.

Had Blickenstaff played the entire game he might have crowded the school record of 26 points, set by Junior French in 1942 against Kansas Wesleyan. As it was he scored 17 to lead both teams, connecting on six of ten tries from the field. Carpenter followed with 12 for McPherson, while Singleton and Sterns were high for Baker with 10 points each.

MC (54)	FG	FTA	FT	Pts
Pyle	3	0	0	5
Arnold	0	0	3	0
Carpenter	4	5	4	2
Blickenstaff	6	7	5	17

Fairbanks	4	3	2	3	10
Means	3	5	4	4	10
Jolley	1	0	0	3	2
Totals	23	17	13	14	59

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Intramurals

Deforpch Still Top Ministers Get Win

The intramural league finds Deforpch still at the top with a 7-0 record. Preying Eight (7-1) and Bowery Boys (6-1) still have a very slim chance of coming out on top.

Imps of Satan have taken over sole possession of fourth place by virtue of their win over the Wildcats. Little Jewels, Wildcats and Characters are tied for fifth place with 4-3 records. Gunners are in eighth place with three wins and three losses.

The Ministers won their first game last Thursday night to gain a tie for ninth with Leftovers.

The Vets and Sad Sacks with no wins round out the standings. This past week saw Harold Smith of the Ministers jump into the ten top scorers for the first time as he counted for 31 points in two games.

Wareham's 25 point spree

Goering	3	3	2	4	8
Grindle	2	6	3	2	7
Bechtel	1	3	2	2	4
Odle	0	0	0	0	0

Totals	19	24	16	23	54
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Shots—Pyle 14, Arnold 6, Carpenter 8, Blickenstaff 10, Goering 7, Grindle 4, Bechtel 2, Odle 2.

Field goal percentage 35.8.
Free throw percentage 87.

Baker (49)	FG	FTA	FT	Pts
Singleton	2	6	4	10
Shafer	0	1	2	1
Sterns	3	4	5	10
Nevlin	1	1	0	5
Nevlin	1	1	0	3
Merrill	1	0	0	2
Turner	0	0	1	1
Lewis	0	1	0	1
Pontius	1	1	0	3
Steel	2	0	3	4
Enos	2	3	5	7
Rebsaman	3	1	0	7

Totals	15	19	20	49
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Free throw percentage 76.

against the Bowery Boys gave him an even 20 point average and a great lead over the rest of the field. Senger, who was in first place two weeks ago has a good hold on second place.

Results—Thurs, Feb. 2
Wildcats 40 Gunners 24
Bowery Boys 41 Little Jewels 28

Vets 21 Ministers 32
Sad Sacks 25 Preying Eight 57
Results—Mon, Feb. 6
Deforpch 60 Leftovers 24
Imps of Satan 31 Wildcats 23
Bowery Boys 42 Characters 39
Little Jewels 36 Ministers 24

Top Scorers	Points
Wareham, Characters	140
Senger, Wildcats	113
Toile, Imps of Satan	89
Heckethorn, Little Jewels	82
Fritchett, Preying Eight	76
Ward, Deforpch	74
Smith, Ministers	73
Seldel, Preying Eight	72
Peterfish, Deforpch	70
Frantz, Sad Sacks	67

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Women's Athletics

The Fourth Floor Arnold Girls defeated the High School Girls in an "undertime" game last Wednesday night by a score of 14 to 0. Those playing for the 4th Floor Arnold team were: Betty Baker, Anita Rogers, Marilee Grove, Ann Carpenter, Rowan Keim, Phyllis Bowman, Arlene Mohler, and Donna Sooby.

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