

A Cappella Choir Completes Tour Through Four States

By a Member of the Choir

'Twas the last day of choir trip and all through the bus every creature was stirring in games or discuss.

The luggage was hoisted and stored with care. Many evening visions of McPherson, and soon being there.

Myron, with his pillow, and his little red cap. Has finally settled down to a short cat-nap.

And, thus, are conditions at present. Tonight we will sing in the Homesville, Nebraska church. This will be our 16th concert in a church; we have also presented programs in three high schools, appeared over radio station KXEL in Waterloo, Iowa, and KFJB in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Just before our April 9th concert in Prairie City, Iowa, we were informed of the earthquake which occurred in McPherson. Some refused to believe it, chiefly because of the wild tales that accompanied the story. For instance, it was rather difficult to fathom crevices swallowing the safes in Peoples State Bank and those involved losing their entire fortunes. We wondered why we didn't feel the tremors of the earthquake since we spent the afternoon on K. C. to Des Moines at the time, but decided it was impossible because of the many tremors of the bus.

Thursday morning we spent some time in Des Moines; then on to Fernald, in which we spent the afternoon at their school. Several with an eye toward their own future teaching experiences, visited classrooms. Others played softball with grade school youngsters, or exerted themselves in basketball and round-robin ping pong. Al Zander conscientiously donned his track warm-ups and dashed over the countryside. Prof.'s stole proved to be a major item in an amusing incident.

After using his guitar in one of our numbers, he attempted to take it off, but found it tangled with his stole. He spent a hectic three minutes, much to the enjoyment and amusement of the audience and the choir.

We journeyed to Minnesota, Saturday morning, and discovered there was another state that could have undesirable weather besides Iowa. We spent three hours in Rochester, visiting the Mayo Clinic there.

Monday, April 14, we were in Fredericksburg, Iowa. In the afternoon we sang at the Fredericksburg school. After school was dismissed, the gym was turned over to the choir who used the opportunity for much-needed physical exercise. Four choir members were especially thrilled with the home in

which they stayed in Fredericksburg. It happened to be, originally, the abode of Dr. Pitts, composer of the song, "Little Brown Church in the Vale."

Thursday we were in Joe Kennedy's home church near Marshalltown. It proved to be a tragic day, as far as physical injuries were concerned. In the morning, an exciting ballgame took place; the tenors and sopranos were victorious over the altos and basses. Several enjoyed hiking along the picturesque streams. Thursday afternoon we presented a one-half hour program over a Marshalltown station.

Florene Hale visited a throat specialist, and discovered that she must treat her vocal cords with more care, even to the extent of stopping her singing this summer. Prof. Fryck felt faint, and after X-Rays were taken, we found that he had cracked a bone in his wrist during the morning's exciting game. The hand was bandaged, and thereafter, Prof. directed with only one hand, and impressed our audiences that he was not only an inspired musician, but an enthusiastic ballplayer, as well.

Friday we were in Cedar Rapids. The church there is a beautiful, unusual structure built in Romanesque style. Most of the choir spent the afternoon downtown visiting the Quaker Oats Company. As in most cities we visited, our red jackets were an attraction, and advertisement for the college, and an aid in quickly discovering other choir members in a crowd.

Enroute to the English River Church near South English, the group stopped at the Amana Colonies, famed for their community living, and visited the woolen mills.

The concert Saturday evening was one of the highpoints in a series of important events of the weekends dedicatory service for the newly built church. Here, too, we had our largest crowd. Marilee Grove, a choir member, and several other Macollege students, are members of this congregation.

After our last concert in Holmesville, Nebraska, this evening we will begin our long trek home. Although we are tired, we have enjoyed the trip because we have been able to meet many new people as well as become better acquainted with one another. Many can say they have gained weight; it is very understandable because of the 4-5 meals we were served in a day. Bus activities included games, singing (Bob's ukelele always came in handy) telling stories and jokes, reading, "just gabbing", sleeping, and a little studying. Mail-time was always a daily event of major importance. We were impressed with the number of McPherson graduates we met—many of them pastors

of the churches. We almost always found connections or mutual acquaintances with the people whom we met.

Our tour is not officially over; this Sunday evening, April 21, we will present a concert in Wichita, Kansas, home of Max McAuley.

Lawrence Lowrey Married In Japan

Pvt. Lawrence Lowrey, '51, was married March 17 in Kobe, Japan, to a Japanese girl named Punnee. Lawrence, who entered the armed services after graduation from Macollege at the semester last year, met Punnee in the hospital at Osaka, Japan.

He works at a medical library there, and she is a private secretary to the colonel who is chief surgeon of the hospital. Punnee, who is a graduate of a university in Japan, can speak three languages. Her mother is a doctor and a graduate of a university in California.

Bells, Mohlers Attend Rotary Convention

Prof. and Mrs. S. M. Dell and Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Mohler attended a Rotary Convention held in Great Bend, Kans., April 20 and 21. This was a convention of the 178th District.

Christian College To Be Commemorated Sunday

Sunday, April 27, is National Christian College Sunday. All over the nation Christian colleges will be commemorated. At the Church of the Brethren, J. J. Yoder will speak of the college of the past. Ann and Dale Carpenter will speak of the college of the present. Professor Flory will tell about the college of the future.

J. M. Blough of Humington, Penn. will bring the evening message. He is an ex-ministry to India. At the present time he is touring this district.

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Seniors Plan Life After Graduation

In the process of graduating, Macollege seniors are also busy planning for next year's activities. Secondary school teaching ranks high in number on the list. Other activities or occupations in which the grads will be engaged are graduate school and the armed services.

Hazel and Bob Augsburg plan to live in McPherson this summer. In the fall they will both be teaching at Lucas. Bob is a Rural Life major; Hazel is majoring in Home Economics.

Joseph Bukey intends to continue farming near Imman, Kans. Harold Pulkerson, History major, expects to teach in high school, but is, as yet, undecided upon the location of his job.

Phil Kline will continue his education at Oklahoma A. & M. in Stillwater, and Eugene Hicks is slated for a three-year stint in the service, likely the Navy. Claudia Joe Stump is planning to work in Chicago this summer. Next fall she will be employed as a music teacher at Minneha Jr. High School in Wichita.

Next fall will find Esther Mohler teaching high school English at South Haven. Margaret Daggett will spend her summer at home but next fall she will teach English at Minneha Jr. High School in Wichita.

Lorene Clark plans to work in Elgin Mental Hospital in Wichita. She and she will teach in elementary grades next fall in Wellington, Kas. Delma Gline will spend her summer at home and she will be teaching clothing at Augusta next fall.

Rowan Keim will be getting married June 5; and will live on a farm near Adel, Iowa. She plans to teach English near her home in the fall. Miriam Albright has signed a contract to teach in the McPherson School System next year. She

It's A Girl For Websters

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. David Webster at 3 a. m. Monday, April 14. The little girl weighed 7 lb. 11 oz. She has been named Vicki Sue.

Mr. Webster is enrolled as a junior. The Websters live in the Vets Apartments.

is not sure, yet what classes she will be teaching. Duane Jamison plans to teach and coach in a high school, but is not sure where, yet. Bob Kerr's plans after graduation are to join the Navy.

Nelda and Gilford Ikenberry will live in McLouth, Kansas, where Gilford will find summer employment and teach in the school there in the fall. They are expecting a blessed event this summer.

Fred and Naomi Goerner will be at home in Zenda, Kans. Fred will be working on the farm and at his father's hatchery. Naomi will be busy taking care of Beverly Elaine.

Bob Fryman will be living at Kline Hall and will be working at the College Inn. This summer Frances Miller will be working at the local Safeway, and in the fall she will be teaching in the lower grades of the McPherson Schools.

Wilma and Don Ford will be living in Kline Hall this summer. Wil-

Chapel Choir Gives Easter Program

The Easter theme of Christ dying on the cross was presented in scripture and music by the Chapel Choir April 9. The choir sang "Listen to the Lambs" and "All in the April Evening." Solos were by John Nettleton and Don Thralls.

Karl Baldner and Shirley Alexander were the readers. Miss Doris Coppel is director of the Chapel Choir.

ma will be working downtown part-time, and Don will be working at the local Co-Op. They will be pastors of the Pleasant View Church. Bob Boyer plans to live in Chicago, Illinois where he will be working at a grocery store near Bethany.

Plans of other seniors are not available as yet.

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