

## Former Mac Student Tells Of BVS Work In Austria

(Ed. Note: The following excerpts are from a letter written to the Maccollege Family from Kelly M. Day from Warrensburg, Mo., formerly a student here, Kelly is now doing BVS work in Linz, Austria.)

Dear Mac Family,

First, hello from Austria to everyone.

My work in Heifer Project Inc. has been a real rewarding experience. I collect data on how many refugees are settling on farms and if they qualify for a cow from HPI.

Then we must choose the most needy and go to bat getting the heifers here. After their arrival we have a distribution ceremony. Later I go on a follow up visitation to see that everything is in order.

In September, I was on the Eiffel Tower in Paris and had my trusty little red, Maccollege duffel bag with McPHERSON COLLEGE on it. Two men rushed up to me and much to my surprise, instead of being robbed, they said they were from McPherson County!

What I wanted to say to those who will be leaving McPherson College next spring with a diploma is that what society needs is not people with brains, half as bad as it needs people with wisdom.

We need men who are not afraid to die for a good cause, who are willing to step out and be the kind of a person which others can tie to in the stormy times.

In this place there are opportunities to serve for personal development and for experimentation in sociology.

Try it and see what it can do for you, and what you can do for humanity.

With Season's Greetings for a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year, I remain as ever Sincerely yours,  
(Signed) Kelly M. Day

## CBYF To Go Caroling Sunday

College C. B. Y. F. will go Christmas caroling Sunday evening after the church service — at approximately 8:30. They will meet just outside the church. No program has been planned to precede the evening church service.

The carolers will start walking to near-by places, then return for cars to go to Central College and the hospital. After the caroling, refreshments will be served in the social room of the church. The offering plate will be made available for those wishing to contribute.

## Rev. Zeller Will Speak On Christ Sunday

Rev. Harry K. Zeller's sermon topic for Sunday, Dec. 15 will be "Christ."

The evening program will feature the Christmas Musicale by the A Cappella, Chapel Choir and the choirs of the church. Some 150 voices will sing in this festival of song with Prof. Don Frederick directing.

## Today Is Deadline For Pre-enrollment

"Today is the deadline for pre-enrollment for second semester," announces Dean Wayne F. Geisert.

Students and faculty advisors are urged to hand in all pre-enrollments by 5 o'clock this afternoon.

## College Calendar

Tomorrow night, Basketball game with St. Benedict's at the high school gym. Starting time is 8 o'clock.

Today and tomorrow, Debate tournament at Winfield.  
Next Friday, Dec. 20, at 5 p.m., Christmas Vacation begins.  
Dec. 20, Basketball game, Southwestern at McPherson.

## Christmas Vacation Starts Next Friday

Dean Wayne F. Geisert announced that Christmas vacation will begin Dec. 20 at 5:00 p.m.

There are to be no classes cut in order to leave early unless arrangements have already been made.

## Industrial Arts Classes Use Willems' Furnace

Alvin Willems, assistant professor in industrial arts and mechanics, made a foundry furnace for the industrial arts classes.

## Rev. X. L. Coppock To Be Waterloo's Interim Minister

Rev. X. L. Coppock will be leaving McPherson to go to Iowa Jan. 1, 1958, to be interim minister of the Waterloo Church of the Brethren.

Rev. Coppock is the father of Miss Doris Coppock, Maccollege Director of Physical Education for Women.

Rev. Coppock has had poor eyesight most of his life, and he says that although he cannot see far past his nose, he can see through things very well.

Ohio was Rev. Coppock's home state, and he farmed there until he was 30 years old. At that time there were no volunteer ministers; therefore, the church selected some of the well-behaved young men of the community to become ministers.

This is why X. L. Coppock sold his farm and went to Bethany Seminary to become a minister of the Church of the Brethren. Rev. Coppock spent four years at the seminary where he received his B.S.L. degree.

X. L. Coppock has served as a minister in the following churches: Green Ville, Ohio; Dallas Center, Iowa; Rocky Ford, Colo.; Independence, Kas.; Clovis, N. M.

For seven years, Mr. Coppock served as Executive Secretary of Northern Mo. He has served on the standing committee of Annual Conference of the Church of the Brethren, a half dozen times.

## Next Week Is Deadline For Textbook Orders

Instructors must hand in book orders for next semester to the business office before Christmas vacation. The purpose of pre-enrollment is to determine how many books will be needed in the various classes.

## Church, Maccollege Choirs To Present Musicale Sunday

### MCA To Seek Mac Exchange

M. C. A. Cabinet has announced that application blanks for exchange students will be available on Tuesday in Mrs. S. M. Dell's office.

The deadline for the returning of the applications has been set for Jan. 10. A committee composed of representatives from the student body and the faculty will select the student.

Elsie Lucore, Maccollege senior, was sent to Germany in 1956 as an exchange student.

Representing Maccollege in Germany now is Juanita Fike. Juanita completed her sophomore year at Maccollege before going to Europe.

"Come and Worship," a festival of Christmas music, is to be presented at 7:30 at the Church of the Brethren Sunday evening, Dec. 15, by the choirs of the church and the college.

Choirs presenting the program are the College Chapel and A Cappella Choirs, and the Church's Adult Choir, Youth Choir, and Junior Choir. Numbers will also be presented by the College Brass Quartette, the Ladies Trio, and the Ladies Quartette.

The first number on the program will be Arthur Warrell's "Bethlehem-Night," presented by the Adult Choir. The Church Junior, Youth, and Adult Choirs will combine in presenting "O Holy Night," by Adam and Ringwald.

The Ladies Trio will present two numbers, "Hark, Now O

Shepherds," arranged by M. J. Luvass and "On This Good Christmas Morn," by Noble Cain. "Merry Christmas Bells," arranged by P. Tkach will be presented by the church youth choir with piano and organ accompaniment.

Hugo Jungst's arrangement of "While By My Sheep" will be presented by combined Adult Choir, Chapel, and A Cappella Choirs with organ accompaniment. The congregation will join the choirs in "The First Noel," accompanied by the organ, two pianos, and the string and brass quartettes.

### Mac To Host Kansas Tourney

The annual Kansas Conference Tournament will be held this year at the McPherson High School gym on Dec. 26, 27, and 28.

The pairings for the tournament will be made on Dec. 18 at the Warren Hotel by a committee composed of the Shrine and the coaches of the conference.

Sterling College will be the invitational team this year since Ottawa University will not participate.

Bethany College was crowned champions at last year's tournament by edging out the McPherson Bulldogs 61-52 in the final round. Bethany is favored to take the title again this year.

The officials for this year's tournament are Dean Corder of Great Bend, Jack Ward of Newton, Maynard Mitchell from Valley Center, and Dick Sanders from Wichita.

### Stumps To Have Guest

Miss Jodean Frick of Empire, Calif., will be the house guest of the Harley Stumps from Dec. 14 Jan. 1.

### Sociology Class Takes Field Trip To Wichita

The class in Social Development in the Community took a field trip to Wichita yesterday. Dr. Kenneth Bechtel is instructor of the class.

Those making the trip were Dr. Bechtel, George Casebeer, Lewis Dorris, Gerald Doughty, Bill Gripe, Wayne Grossnickle, Adrian Smith, James Snyder, and Roy Stern.

### Arts And Crafts Class Puts Up Decorations

Christmas decorations to inspire the Maccollege students with the spirit of Christmas were put up by Prof. S. M. Dell's Arts and Crafts Class.

Chairman of the committee responsible for putting up the decorations was Patsy Schechter, senior from Worthington, Minn.

### Bittinger Announces Second Quad Deadline

Richard Bittinger, editor of the Quad, announced that the year-book's second deadline is Dec. 16.

He also said the Quad staff is looking for pictures of campus and dorm life. If anyone has such pictures, the staff would appreciate using them.

### Dresher To Speak To MENC Next Week

The M. E. N. C. will meet next Tuesday, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. in room 27 Sharp Hall.

Mrs. C. H. Dresher will speak to the group. The M. E. N. C. invited everyone to come.

## Ten Mac Students Attend BSCM Confab At Juniata

Ten McPherson College students left the campus Nov. 26 to attend the BSCM Conference, which was held at Juniata College in Huntingdon, Pa.

The conference theme was "Modern Rivals to Christian Faith." Dr. Jesse Zeigler, professor of mental health at Bethany Biblical Seminary, was the main speaker.

Mrs. Miriam Frey, minister of music from the Palmyra, Pa., Church of the Brethren, directed the conference music.

Directors of religious life and selected students from each college served as resource leaders for various presentations and discussion groups. Other activities included a banquet, a love feast, and an organ recital.

Larry Sanders, Billy Joe Hildreth, Kenneth Holderrread, Dwight Oltman, Elsie Lucore, Carolyn Fillmore, Kathy Burkholder, Shirley Stafford, Bob Dell, and Diane Browning attended the conference.

Glen Faus and Stanley Ilin traveled with the group.



Student Council members decorate the evergreen tree at the entrance to Sharp Hall with the new lights purchased by the Student Council. Prof. S. M. Dell is on the left. Duane Fike, Student Council President, adjusts the light on top of the tree. Norris Harms, chairman of the council tree decoration committee, is on the right.

(Don's Studio Photo)



# Bulldogs To Clash With St. Benedict's

The McPherson College Bulldogs will open their home game season by playing host to St. Benedict's of Atchison on Saturday at 8:00 p.m. in the high school gym.

This will be the fifth game of the season for the Bulldogs and the third non-conference foe on the schedule.

In a game played between the two teams last year over Christmas vacation, the Bulldogs lost to St. Benedict's 58-54.

The Bulldogs were undefeated last year on their home court against non-conference foes, and they will be trying to increase their record of wins tomorrow night.

The "B" squad travels to Bethany for a game tonight and will not play tomorrow.

## Macollege Girls Bow To Sterling In Opener

Macollege girls' basketball team opened their season on Dec. 10 against Sterling College. Sterling won the game by a score of 39-33.

Shelton of Sterling was the high scorer of the game with 23 points. High for McPherson was Marlene Klotz who scored 14 points.

The first game for the girls showed that they lacked organization and condition. They will be working more on passing and ball control.

Other members playing in the forward court were Lorena Carter, Delores Kaufman, Shirley Williams, and Dixie White.

The guards, composing the back court, included Doris Davidson, Valerie Miller, Carolyn Bowers, and Patsy Bolen.

Three other games have been scheduled. On Jan. 10 Tabor College will play here. A return game will be played with Sterling here on Jan. 31. The team will travel to Hillsboro for a return game with Tabor on Feb. 21.

'Tis well to bear in mind That driving is a serious job. Leave childish pranks behind.

Read and heed the Spec ads.

## Macollege Whips Sterling 91-61

The McPherson College Bulldogs whipped the Sterling College Warriors 91-61 in a game played at Sterling on Dec. 10.

Ed Delk was high scorer for the Bulldogs and of the game with 21 points. Dean Marsh and Ron Stanton each had 20 for the defeated Warriors.

With a 34-22 lead and the clock showing seven minutes remaining in the half, Coach Sid Smith sent in an entire new team replacing Anderson, Delk, McPherson, Sink, and Whirley.

The same lineup finished up the half and retired with a 43-35 lead.

The second half showed the Bulldogs remaining in the lead and entering the last ten minutes of play with an 18 point margin. The reserves saw much action in this period also.

In a game which preceded the varsity game the B squad of the Bulldogs had little trouble in downing the Sterling team 65-43.

High scorer of that game was Rabe who scored 16 points for Sterling. Larry Schlehuber was high for the Bulldogs with 13.

This was the B squad's second win, and it kept their record clean with two wins and no losses.

## Swedes Top Bulldogs 77-56 To Win Moundridge Trophy

Before a capacity crowd the Bethany Swedes captured the first place Challenge Trophy of the Moundridge tournament by defeating the McPherson Bulldogs 77-56 in the championship round of the tourney last Saturday evening.

The Swedes controlled the game all the way from the beginning. With five and one-half minutes remaining in the first half the Bulldogs came as close as 23-20 to Bethany.

The half came to a close with the Swedes taking a 34-25 lead.

The second half showed the Swedes increasing their lead by the sharp shooting of Bud Saunders and Bill Thomas.

With five minutes remaining in the game the Swedes had taken a 20 point lead. They maintained this lead to the end.

High scorers of the game were Saunders and Thomas. They

each scored 18 points for Bethany. High scorer for the Bulldogs was Bernard Whirley with 15. Ed Delk scored 14 points and Jerry McPherson tallied 13.

The Bethany Swedes earned their berth by defeating the Graymaroons of Bethel 61-47 in a hard fought game in the opening round.

The Bulldogs defeated Tabor College in a 70-43 game in order to advance to the finals.

In the consolation game the Bethel team defeated the spirited Tabor outfit 51-42.

Read and heed the Spec ads.

## Mac Ag Club To Have Iowan As Speaker

Mr. Bill Horst of the City Equipment Company from Cedar Falls, Iowa, will be the guest speaker at the January meeting of the Macollege Agricultural Club.

At the Dec. 9 meeting, Mr. Gene Bohnenblust, chief technician of the McPherson County soil conservation service, spoke on "Soil and water Conservation." He also showed slides.

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# A Christmas Present

By Dr. D. W. Bittinger

Each year Christmas season reaches a little earlier into the year which is drawing to an end.

This year, for the first time, the Christmas decorations in McPherson city went up before Thanksgiving Day. I am told that this is the practice this year in most of the other cities.

This really throws two days in competition, Christmas and Thanksgiving.

It may be that we will either have to do what President Roosevelt tried a number of years ago, and move Thanksgiving earlier into the fall, or that we will have to eliminate it altogether because Christmas has absorbed the time when we usually celebrate Thanksgiving.

Why had Christmas pushed back this far?

I suppose the main reasons are economic. Merchants depend more and more on special occasions to make their sales.

If it were not for the Christmas shopping and the very generous spending which occurs at that time, many merchandising industries could not survive at all.

So, the thing in our mind right now, put there by radio, television, Christmas lights, the great display of possibilities on the store counters, and by the eager, expectant look on the faces of the members of our family or our friends, is "What shall I buy for my family, or for my friend for Christmas?"

That question is a hard one to answer. We usually start in by saying, "What could he use? What does he need?"

We then get around to "What would he really like to have?"

What would be a surprise to him?" or "What would make him know that I really picked this out just for him, and not just in order to fulfill an obligation?"

After we have gone through some of those steps, we finally get around to the question, "What can I really afford to buy? How many friends do I need to buy for? How many members in the family can I combine into one gift? What will my pocketbook stand?"

Leaving all of these questions unanswered for the moment, I would like to suggest the following as something which each of us can do for his family, or for his friend at Christmas time.

More valuable than anything we can purchase for them, I am sure, is the friendship we hold for them, the love we bear.

Above everything that they will feel concerning what we gave them is what they feel concerning us as their friends.

Therefore, as a starter, let me suggest that as a Christmas present this year, we give first of all, a more lovable, a more courteous, a kindlier, a more cheerful self.

One sour face around the table spoils the whole table. One sour note in an orchestra of happiness spoils the orchestra. One glum person in a household makes it harder for all of them to rise above gloom.

Therefore, why not, beginning right now and extending it at least through Christmas, resolve not to be the glum one in the household, or among the friends.

## SNEA Plans Meeting With Christmas Theme

The December meeting of SNEA will be held Wednesday, Dec. 18, in room 28 of Sharp Hall at 7 p.m.

A Christmas program is being planned. Refreshments will be served.

## Son Born To Ebberts

Charles Eugene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ebbert, was born Saturday, Dec. 7, at 1:09 p.m., weight 6 lb., 9 oz., length 18 1/4".

His father is a MacCollege senior rural life major. His mother was a sophomore at MacCollege last year.

Give, first of all, an exuberant, helpful, enthusiastic self.

This will be a hard gift to give for some. It will take a lot more thought and work than to buy something at the store.

If this gift can be given, however, then the other gifts will come easier. This should not replace the others, but the others without this one, are empty.

## Star Or Sputnik?

By Dr. D. W. Bittinger  
A Sputnik crossed the sky and scared us all.

A new star from the East had arisen.

It was encased in steel. It could carry tears and death. The world shuddered.

And then Christmas came. Once again we saw the stairway down from heaven

And God was on it, with His Little Son.

And the Angel choirs, banked up Row upon row, were singing "Peace."

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scholarly study of Christian ethics which considers both the moral teachings of Christ and the suggestions of philosophers.

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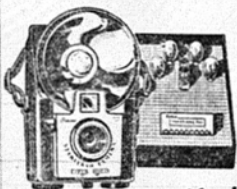
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By Norris and Carl

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You are one of these persons. Yes YOU are still reading this column despite the directions at the top of the page.

As with all directions, there is a real reason for our saying "Don't Read It." Take our word for it, and stop reading right now.

It is utterly stupid for such a bright (?) person as you to read this type of trash.

Think of the many valuable and worthwhile things you could be doing instead of wasting your time and eyes on this two-bit paper. In the time you have already wasted on this column today, you could have done all your outside reading for history.

In the time you have spent reading this column since we began writing, you could have studied the "Dialogues of Alfred E. Neuman," or memorized the "Memoirs of Harry S. Truman," or learned more U. S. History than Flory will ever know.

Please, we insist that you do not read another line of this junk! You could be working on that semester theme, cleaning your room, cleaning your roommate, sleeping, or playing Rook.

If American college students spent more time studying science, and less time on trash like this, we might have beat the Russians into outer space. At any rate our Flopnik would have gotten more than two feet off the ground.

There is absolutely no use going any farther in this mess, we aren't even going to tell you what TEOTS means this week.

You have absolutely no will power. Don't you know when to quit? Here you are still reading this tripe. Don't you feel utterly ashamed of yourself for wasting your time on this low class reading material? But think how we feel writing this low class reading material.

Even the other column on this page has told you what low class reading material this is. Reminds us of the pot calling the kettle black. Look to the log in thine own eye, Louise and Lowly.

Well, here you are on the last paragraph of the column. Not only are you a stubborn and obstinate person, but you have also probably missed part of your next class. But congratulations, because this entitles you to join The Exalted Order of Tardy Students. Send your \$4.99 dues to Norris and Carl.

## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



## Further Futile Philosophies

By Faus and Foley  
In order to advance the standard of wisdom, in order to further the cause of human intelligence, in order to contribute to the pitifully small fund of really relevant knowledge in the world, but mainly because we can't think of anything else to write, we bring you, dear reader, more "futile philosophies", a column well calculated to lower your grade average.

The early morning class doth see many a nodding head but its not the shock of arising so soon, but the strain of not going to bed.

What he learned was mystery  
But what he missed was history.

Breathes there a man with soul so tinny  
Who says two sexes are too many.

The stature doth grow by good daily bread,  
But excess will give thee the middle-age spread.

Hang back, my man, be moderate  
And wait until the second date.

O homeward road, so broad and good,  
Thee I've not traveled for some time,  
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