

# Homecoming: Those Were the Days

Getting to meet new people and developing talents towards getting a well-rounded education seem of uppermost importance in the minds of the nine candidates for Homecoming queen and attendants when they chose to come to McPherson College.

The candidates were questioned on their basic beliefs and long-range goals for themselves. Linda Keim, jr, McPherson, is the first candidate for Homecoming queen. Linda is majoring in history and has a strong interest in foreign language and international relations.

Spending one semester on the World Campus Afloat has given Linda the opportunity to learn about and try to understand different peoples around the world. This may be very influential when she considers a future in

some type of diplomatic service, either in Washington D. C., or overseas. Linda has also stated a desire to go overseas in Brotherly Voluntary Service.

Janet Mason, jr, Stet, Mo., an elementary education major, is the second candidate for queen. Janet plans to teach first or second grade. Janet stated that one of her reasons for coming to school was to get the education she needed in order to become a teacher. Perhaps the class she enjoys the most is teacher aiding at Washington school every week.

Janet feels that the biggest criticism of boys and girls is that so many rush into marriage immediately after graduating from high school giving up the chance to meet and know new people. She considers the

biggest waste of money to be the large amounts spent on defense weapons which could be channeled into education.

A biology major from Nickerson, Annette Runyan, jr, is the third candidate for Homecoming queen. Annette plans to be a medical technologist and considers the pollution of our environment to be the biggest problem affecting the world today.

Annette considers the trip on an ocean liner from Seattle, Wash., to Victoria, B.C., Canada, as one of the most exciting and memorable trips she has taken. Annette is opposed to the new mid length styles now being shown, and feels that they are a great waste of money. Annette is engaged to Dwight Ailsup, and they plan a sum-

mer 1971 wedding.

Sue Funk, soph, Arvada, Colo., is the first candidate for sophomore attendant. Sue is an elementary education major and plans to teach second grade. When she was a senior in high school, Sue's class traveled to Rome, Italy for their class trip during Easter of 1969. Besides this experience, Sue has had the opportunity to travel and visit in several different countries around the world.

Karen Guthals, soph, a home economics major from Hope is the second candidate for sophomore attendant. She plans to teach in secondary or junior high level programs, and has at times, considered home economics extension work.

Karen feels that the biggest problem today is people who sit back and wait for things to happen to them instead of making them happen for someone else. She considers her freshman year at McPherson College to be the greatest and most frustrating experience of her life. She says she learned a lot about people and relating to them. Karen also feels that her freshman year taught her a lot about the need for self-discipline.

Rhonda McKenzie, Eureka, soph, is the third candidate for sophomore attendant. Although her major is undecided, Rhonda would like to go to airline training school to become an airline stewardess. Rhonda feels that girls and guys should be more honest with each other in their relationships.

Rhonda has traveled in the eastern states and Canada and has enjoyed many other interesting places. She considers the biggest problem in the world today is the war between different countries and its people, such as the Vietnam war. Rhonda's favorite subject is German.

Beverly Byer, from Lake City, Ia., is the first candidate for freshman attendant. Bev is a home economics major, but her vocational plans are uncertain.

Bev feels that no world problem is at present, the greatest problem, although she says poverty and overpopulation go hand in hand in providing a major problem. She has traveled to Washington D.C., and New York City and met the astronauts while they were there. Bev feels like she is having one of the greatest experiences of her life coming to McPherson College.

The second candidate for freshman attendant is Cindy

Rasp, from Omaha, Neb. Cindy is an elementary education major and at present plans to teach first or second grade. She considers luxury items past the point of necessity to be the biggest waste of money. Cindy has recently been elected B-squad cheerleader and feels that living has been her greatest experience.

Carol Thiessen is the third candidate for freshman attendant. Carol lives at Inman, and is presently considering Sociology as a major. If she continues in this field, Carol plans to go into social work. Last summer, Carol traveled to Montana and parts of Canada.

Her favorite subject is German, and she wants to further her education and meet new people. Carol considers the biggest waste of money to be that which is spent on the space program.

Voting of these candidates will be next Wednesday, Oct. 14 in the S.U. The Powderpuff football game starts the activities for Homecoming 1970, on Tuesday, Oct. 13. During half-time of the game the candidates will be introduced.

Coronation will be held Thursday evening, Oct. 15, at 8 p.m. in Brown Auditorium. Following the coronation, there will be a formal reception for the queen and her court, the candidates, escorts, homecoming committee, and those closely involved in the festivities.

Dennis Yost and the Classics IV will provide the entertainment at Bethany College in Lindsborg. The dance will be held in Messiah Auditorium Friday evening, Oct. 16, at 8 p.m.

The annual parade which will start at 10 a.m. heads the activities for Homecoming Day. Following the parade, and just before the game, at 1:15 p.m., the members of the royal court will be introduced to the crowd.

The McPherson College Bulldogs meet Ottawa University at 2 p.m. in the fourth game of the season. During halftime of that game the cross country men will run and there will be a trike race.

Following the game, a buffet dinner will be served to students, parents, and guests at 6 p.m. in the S.U. At 9 p.m. the Jermis will provide music for the Homecoming dance. The theme is "Those Were the Days." Tickets will sell for \$1.50 per person.

The tug of war between the freshman and sophomore classes will wind up Homecoming 1970 on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 18.

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### Dust, Ashes give listeners musical "rumbles of freedom"

A "rumble of freedom" filled Brown Auditorium at last Thursday's convocation. "You can feel it if you try" sang Jim Moore and Tom Page — and if you didn't feel it you had to be dead.

These two young men, who call themselves Dust and Ashes, easily proved their musical ability. They also let us know that they had something to sing about

and began to share their message of social concern.

Jim and Tom have a living faith in God and were not afraid to share it. Surprisingly — or maybe not so surprisingly—they did not seem to alienate their young audience. Perhaps because Jim and Tom also exhibited a living faith in mankind.

They easily identified with

their audience. In their own words, they were not "reaching down," but communicating on an equal level. We, the audience, participated in their music — as equals in concern and feeling.

Jim, when asked his purpose in completing seminary, replied that he wants to spend his life working with people "reconciling one to another." He sees the state of the organized church as a real "perversion." People seem to go to church for social life or a clear conscience. Jim would like to see the church show more interest in Christ's message of love.

Although they plan to spend their lives "reconciling one to another," they are not idealistic enough to believe that love will overcome all or that the world will overcome war completely. They are anxious just to do as much as they can to come a little nearer to such an idealistic state.

Each of their songs conveyed these personal feelings. Perhaps this is best exemplified in a song they wrote "Doin' Nothin' for Hours." It captures the misery of the slum existence of need for man's reconciliation to man.

If audience reaction is a worthy judge, then Jim and Tom succeeded. It is not often that students at McPherson College convocations give a performer a standing ovation!

The performance came to an abrupt end much too quickly, as allotted convocation time ran out. We left with a "rumble of freedom" still vibrating deep inside, feeling strangely alive again...



These sophomore women vie for the honor of sophomore attendant. Standing: Karen Guthals, Rhonda McKenzie. Seated: Sue Funk.

### Macalendar

Friday, Oct. 9 & Saturday, Oct. 10 — Musical "Who Cares" Brown Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 9 — Education Conference (Featuring Speaker Rita Houser, may be used as Convo. credit)

Saturday, Oct. 10 — MCY car wash.

Football game with Sterling, There.

Thursday, Oct. 15 — Children's Theater, Brown, Queen's Coronation.

Saturday, Oct. 17 — Homecoming Game — Ottawa, 2:00 p.m.



One of these three juniors will reign as Homecoming queen 1970. They are from left to right; Annette Runyan, Janet Mason, and Linda Keim.

# Do You care about Mac?

The title of the upcoming dramatic production, "Who Cares", seems to be the question that many students and individuals connected with McPherson College are asking themselves.

From the participation at the school/community picnic, at the Colorado game, at the Friends game or in support of the track events, many people are showing their concern for the college.

However, the participation at various class meetings has been very poor. The College is a unit made up of the class units. Each class must do its part in carrying its load, just as each individual must do his share.

We, the students, are the College just as the faculty and administration are the College. The buildings and the campus would be nothing without us.

Several friendly town people are concerned about our school. Are we? Are we concerned enough to get out and work toward a better education and toward a better and higher goal in our life?

Debbly Strahm

We get letters —

## Leaders express opinion of "success"

In response to the article "Shine shoes, work for Police in Mac Encounter" of the Sept. 30, 1970 issue of the "Hutchinson News," several student leaders would like to express their opinions on the "success" of the Personal Encounter and Growth Seminar presently being conducted here at McPherson College.

Probably the only truly successful aspect of the program was that it brought the freshman together for two days of fun and games immediately after they arrived.

Where attempts have been made to meet the goals of self-evaluation and the formation of group cohesiveness, more harm than benefit has been done. The definition of such basic terms as trust and self-evaluation have added to the problem and caused student leaders much concern.

Because a person has been taken on a blindfold walk does not mean that he may or should trust that same person with many aspects of his personal life. This is one of the dangers that the group leaders see in the program's attempt to foster these types of relationships.

On the other hand a deeper overall look at the program will indicate the degree to which most of the students are involved. Granted, there is a very large percentage of freshmen enrolled in the seminar.

However, active and enthusiastic participation as the group leaders have discovered, is negligible. The majority of freshmen are enrolled only for the purpose of obtaining the easiest hour of credit possible.

In at least one group, none of the seven students would be

there if there was no credit involved.

Unlike the previous article, there is neither time nor space to list all the problems and failures of the Personal Encounter and Growth Seminar.

In conclusion, we suggest that this program has not accomplished the goals it was intended to and we propose that unless the seminar is drastically revised, it should be eliminated.

Lowell Monke  
Ward Nippert  
Jerry Schrock  
Jacqueline Troutman

## MCY car wash this Saturday

The McPherson College YM-CA-YWCA will sponsor a car wash Saturday, Oct. 10 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Bring your cars to the Skelly Service Center on the corner of Kansas and Maple.

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We get letters —

# Recruitment changes permit more students to know Mac

Editor's Note:

The following letter is addressed to all constituents of McPherson College.

This year many independent colleges experienced a drop in enrollment, and the loss at McPherson College was one hundred students. We have asked ourselves how this trend can be reversed.

The firm of Davis-MacConnell-Ralston, a division of the Westinghouse Learning Corporation, currently working on an educational master plan to help McPherson College design more quality and excitement in our educational program, is recommending that McPherson College for the year of 1980 plan to accommodate no more than 1,200 undergraduate students.

After careful study with fellow administrators and counsel with trustees, we are convinced that our best course of action is a concerted and responsible recruiting effort to find and interest qualified students in at-

tending McPherson College.

Therefore, I am directing the entire resources and personnel of the Advancement Office into student recruitment and admissions efforts. We need more qualified students to improve both our educational program and our financial position.

Prior to this decision the Advancement Office was responsible for fund raising, student recruitment, and a myriad of special events and services that include alumni activities, church affairs, and public relations. All of these activities except student recruitment will be tabled for one year.

This means that during the 1970-71 academic year personal contacts for gift income and the alumni telethon will be suspended. Also, services and representation by the Advancement Staff at alumni and church affairs will be discontinued for a period of time, although other persons will be called upon to help provide some of these ser-

We realize that this is a drastic change, but we believe that this will not result in reduced income — we are confident that business, alumni, friends, parents, and churches will continue and, hopefully, even increase their gift support during this period of tabled services and activities.

We believe in a strong system of public and private higher education. Thus, we are committed to the further educational development of McPherson College because it has a modern physical plant, an excellent faculty, a good student body, and an exciting innovative educational plan.

We are doubling our efforts to acquaint students everywhere with the educational opportunities available at McPherson College. We are counting on you to be a part of this exciting and challenging adventure.

J. Jack Melhorn,  
President

We get letters

## AIC favors tuition grant

Representing the state of Kansas' 21 non-tax supported colleges, the Associated Independent Colleges of Kansas, which provide higher education for 15 per cent of our college population, is recommending for public and legislative consideration a tuition grant program.

The program would be designed for Kansas residents whose combined personal and family income is not able to meet college costs. It would not be designed for the academically superior student who can attain scholarships, but for the "average students" who are capable of college work, but can not gain scholarships.

Meetings will be held in the near future on campus to explain the program and how to help support it legislatively. Jess Cooper, assistant in education and administration, will be in charge of coordinating the program.

# Kurtz probes group training

In recent years a new fad has swept the nation called generally sensitivity training or group dynamics. These programs are based on the development of such concepts as trust, openness, self-evaluation, and non-verbal communication.

It appears that this fad has reached McPherson in a mild form in the freshman orientation program, Personal Encounter and Growth Seminar. Although these programs have many advocates, there are several nagging questions which may severely limit and modify their use.

The biggest one is simply: What do the concepts these programs are based on mean?

Trust is not a simple thing. To suggest that being lead around the campus blindfolded develops any meaningful aspect of this is absurd.

Trust relationships are not an all-or-nothing affair. Time, judgment of the other's personality, and respect are more important prerequisites. Openness is even more vague. If it means to put everything "out front," to "let it all hang out," it is not only impossible but in my opinion not desirable.

To make one's life and feelings public, whether to the world or to ten people, denies the ideals of privacy, the trust relationship among friends and the intimacy one has with them simply because some feelings or thoughts are their exclusive domain. Self-evaluation in a group where the deeper meanings of trust are not involved is disastrous.

The new influx of non-verbal communication is also becoming quite popular. This type of communication is not new and exists in every culture as an intimate part of our lives. To remove it from its cultural setting and institute it as something new in a game seems not only crude but creates a dangerous uncertainty as to its meaning.

Therefore I feel that the seminar Personal Encounter and Growth groups drop this suggestive name and its emphasis of trust, openness, and personal evaluation and stick to its task of familiarizing new students with other people on a casual basis and orienting them to college life.

We get letters

## Coed foresees college's dramatics in frosh talent

As a break in the monotony found on campus, the Friday night production of Tillie the Teller (or the Great Bank Robber) was well appreciated. As a typical melodrama, it met the requirements.

It included as usual the handsome good guy, the pretty-but-dumb sweet-young-thing, the deep-voiced Mr. Bad, Had it not been for Frank and James Jesse, one would have left with the feeling of having just witnessed the ordinary "Help! Help! He caught me!" play.

Frank and James provided the idea that the "bad guys" weren't really "bad" just dumb,

thus, funny. In a play which needed no comic relief, they contributed the only unexpected action.

Away from the analytic viewpoint, I noticed one more interesting fact about the melodrama, which was directed by our own Art Foxall. Discounting one actor, the complete cast was made up of students who were not at Mac College before this fall.

This gives us somewhat of a picture of what we are to expect from this new group. I hope to see some of them in future productions of the McPherson drama department.

Pat Keller

Boyce Kurtz

## Mac blanks Tabor meet

Tabor College women were defeated by the McPherson College women's tennis team last Thursday, Oct. 1. This win brings the women's season to totals to 2-0.

Individual scores are as follows: Pam Burns, M, d Diane Klassen, T, 9-5; Sue Bozeman, M, d Ruth Klema, T, 9-0; Pat Stauffer, M, d Judy Johnson, T, 9-4; Pam Engel, M, d Billie Utting, T, 9-4; Karen Woody, M, d Teresa Enns, T, 9-1.

Team scores: Burns-Bozeman, M, d Klassen - Klema, T, 9-1; Stauffer-Engel, M, d Johnson-Utting, T, 9-4.

## Stuco Weekly Report

# Action spurs student plans

Business at the Sept. 30 meeting of Student Council included a Social Committee report from Jackie Troutman. She told that the Bethel - McPherson dance was a refreshing success with a loss of only \$12.

Student Union director Phil Stover presented a proposal concerning the structure of the Student Union Committee. This proposal was returned to the directors for revisions.

Mac Shack manager Ron Naylor reported that the Coffeehouse is cleaned up and ready to be opened. Council allocated a sum of \$30 for minor repairs and necessary supplies.

Ron reported he will be selling Cooperative Securities in the Mac Shack in an effort to raise money to support the Shack. Stewart Hoover and Gordon Griffith are co-managers.

Treasurer Quay Hayden presented the proposed first semester budget for Stuco approval. \$7.50 of each student's \$50 General Fee is budgeted in the Stuco account, amounting to \$4,432.50 for this semester.

This budget approved:

\$2423.00	Spectator-Quadrangle
413.75	1/2 of Mac Shack debt
574.75	printing of the Growl
500.00	Social Committee
100.00	Social Committee Reserve
420.90	General Expense

\$4432.50 Total

## Used Bikes

Honda Mini Trail	\$185
Honda Trail 70	\$295
Honda Trail 70	\$325
Honda Trail 70	\$345
Honda 50	\$155
Honda 305	\$245
Honda 450	\$545
Honda SL175	\$545
Kawasaki 350	\$550
Maico 250	\$95

## Kansas Cycle Center

# Burkholder studies relevance of positional gene changes

Some of our professors are involved in different projects besides teaching. Dr. John H. Burkholder started working on his project at the University of Iowa while on sabbatical leave during 1968-69.

The question under investigation in a broad way is the significance of the natural chromosome structure or natural arrangement of genes in a chromosome.

Each chromosome of an or-

ganism carries a large number of different kinds of genes along its length. However, there is evidence that the particular arrangement of genes on the chromosome is not simply a happenstance matter in which other arrangements would serve as well.

Chromosomes can be broken by X-rays and then the broken ends may heal in a way that has changed the order of genes on the chromosome. In certain instances, the genes that have been switched to a new position by the new chromosomal structure express themselves differently than before.

Therefore, a modification of the organism's visible characteristic results from this switch in the position of genes even though all the genes of the same kind are present—a phenomenon known as a "position effect."

Dr. Burkholder produced a number of position effects in *Drosophila melanogaster*, fruit flies, by using X-rays. For each one, he is studying the kind of change in the chromosome that

has occurred and relating it to the change that occurs in the expression of a gene that produces the eye color of the flies.

What he hopes to learn is a specific reason that changing the position of the gene causes a change in what that gene does. In the broader sense, this would add to our understanding of the importance of the normal structure or arrangement of genes in a chromosome.

Dr. Burkholder feels that the important aspects of continuing at least a little research while teaching is the professional growth that it represents for the professor.

Another aspect of it is that it offers an opportunity for some undergraduate research involvement in a major research problem. He does not have any student working with him on this research problem but he would hope that this might occur sometime.

"I am continuing the work at McPherson as I have time, but progress is slow. More work will need to be done before the problem is reasonably well completed. Then I would expect to write up the research for publication," concludes Dr. Burkholder.



Gary Best

## Best: return letterman

Gary Best, Dayton, Ohio is a returning letterman in cross country from the conference championship team of 1969.

This sophomore attended Belmont High School in Dayton where he was Freshman City Mile Champion. He went on to receive letters three years in cross country and track.

Presently, Gary is a biology major, lives on campus in Metzler Hall and works at the rotary greenhouse. He plans to go into research upon graduation.

Watch The Spectator for articles about the other three lettermen.

## We get letters

### Miller query still present

We wish to thank Dr. Lengel and the library committee for their prompt answer to our request for longer library hours.

Our purpose in requesting that the library be kept open was to provide a quiet place for students to study over the weekends. Needless to say, dorms do not usually qualify. Since, Miller Library cannot be opened, is there another building on campus that could be used?

As to Dr. Lengel's suggestion that a student survey be taken to determine how the eleven weekend hours should be used, Al Pitts has agreed to take this to Stuco.

Colleen Paige, Debbie Weightmann, Al Pitts, Jill Zook, Penny Baldwin

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Cindy Rasp, Beverly Byer, and Carol Thiessen eagerly await the Homecoming festivities.

# Educators meet here for conference

The twenty-first annual Kansas Teacher Education Conference will be held at McPherson College on October 9, 1970. The conference will be hosted by the McPherson student teachers and the Student Education Association cabinet members and several of the faculty will be participating in the program.

Attendance at the program is expected to reach 400 people. Many of these will be professors and teachers and student teachers from all over the state of Kansas. Also those students from McPherson who might want to attend the talk sessions or use the general session for their convocation.

The convocation or general session will begin at 9:30. Speaking at the conference will be Mrs. Rita E. Hauser, attorney at law, in the law firm of Mol-dover, Hauser and Strauss in New York City.

The theme for the program is "Teachers for the '70's." Mrs. Hauser is the U.S. Representa-

tive on the United Nations Human Rights Commission, will be speaking on "The United Nations in The Next Twenty Five Years."

After Mrs. Hauser's address, there will be a coffee for the conference guests only. There will be four group presentations — each presentation will be made twice that day.

On the program, Dayton Rothrock, McPherson College, chairman, Planning Committee, will be presiding. A welcome to all attending will be given by J. Jack Melhorn, president, McPherson College and president of the Kansas Association of Colleges and Universities.

The body of the program will include "Performance Criteria for Teacher Education." This includes a new approach to measuring the effectiveness of teachers and future teachers on performance. Can college students demonstrate their abilities as teachers? This criteria will also be a possible approach to the certification of teachers in the future.

The program will also include a talk about "Teachers for Individualized Instruction." This talk will be about preparing teachers for the approach to individual instruction.

"Teacher Supply and Demand in Kansas" will be a panel discussion. The panel will consider some of the problems facing the over supply of teachers.

In the afternoon, the program will include "Differentiated Staffing." In this talk, the main ideas presented will center around: the specialization of master teachers, student teachers, teachers' aides, etc.

"Stimulation Techniques for Teachers" will include learning the technique of setting up problems and having the teacher work through to arrive at the solution. Films will be used to demonstrate the methods.

The last portion of the program, "Teachers for the Inner City," will consider the problem of preparing teachers for work in this area. All day films will preview dealing with training of teachers.

## Writer tells why he wrote musical spoof

by Charles Fischer

As a child I remember reading the books of The Hardy Boys, Nancy Drew, and Tom Swift, Boy Scientist. As some form of maturity set in, I still carried super-inflated images of these heroes. For years I have wanted to bring them to life.

Full, colorful and courageous, my favorites could solve the problems of the world: From the clutter of my office to such giant turmoils as, the problem of longevity.

One day last year, I set about writing this "hit!" But then I was vexed as to how to appeal to the audience. Deciding to use a dramatic approach, I recalled the most popular theatrical form in America — the musical-comedy.

Millions of dollars yearly are literally "sunk" into this American enterprise. In fact America's greatest contribution to the world's theater is the musical. What Verdi is to Italy, Rogers and Hammerstein are to America.

The plots are weak, but the costumes are lavish; the words are ridiculous but the music is catchy. Seeing a musical takes the appetite of a world traveler, the imagination of a Picasso and the mind of a computer to fit things together.

The style of writing a musical has hardly changed from the early 1900's to today. Dolly Madison isn't that much different from the heroine in "The Black Crook" — the first musical-comedy to hit the American stage.

Then of course the style of writing best-selling mysteries hasn't changed that much either. Goldfinger isn't that much different from my favorite, Nancy Drew.

Thus I combined my love of

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musicals (along with several other of my loves) with my heroes, killed off the butler and robbed the house, and then quietly asked the question, "Who cares?"

## Cast members care, work doubly hard

Professor Fischer has announced that some members of the cast of "Who Cares" will be playing double roles. They are: **Stew Hoover-Butler**, **Hir-billy**; **John Peterson-Father**, **Boy** who plays Nancy; **Paul Scofield-Joe**, **Bert**; **Rod Horton-Chauver**, **Pa.**; **Iris Jackson - Maid**, **Sue**; **Joy Hutchins - Maid**, **Ma**; **Frank McKinney - Gardner**, **Jed**.

Two members will be working in three different capacities. **Steve Beaver** is serving as a member of the cast, stage manager, and assistant director. **Frank McKinney** is cast in two roles and is also assistant stage manager.

Behind the scenes, other crews are frantically working to make "Who Cares" a success. The lighting committee includes **Frank Crawford**, **Art Foxall**, **Terri Fox**, and **Linda Guthals**. The set crew is composed of **Gene Lightner**, **Mark Snider**, **Dan Hiebert**, **Ken Smith**, **Carol**

**Flory**, **Rick Tyler**, **Dawn Helman**, **Pam Smith**, **Rod Horton**, **Lois Pierson**.

**Dawn Helman**, **Carol Flory**, **Brenda Welch**, **Colleen Paige**, and **Rick Tyler** make up the publicity committee.

**Lois Pierson** has been working as rehearsal pianist.

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