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Courts to decide future of tuition grant

Suit filed against grant

Forty-four McPherson College students received Kansas State tuition grants this semester and 47 students have applied for grants next year. The possible \$147,000 that MC students would receive if all these grants were awarded will depend on a court decision this month.

Robert Gibson, president of the Topeka chapter of American United for Separation of Church and State is filing suit against the Kansas State Education Commission in behalf of all taxpayers who contribute to the General Fund of the State of Kansas. Gibson contends that tuition grants foster an excessive governmental entanglement with religion and that this activity involves the state of Kan-

sas in the financial support of religious activity. His petition for an injunction to prevent the Kansas State Education Commission from processing further applications for tuition grants would eliminate the 2.5 million dollars that would have been distributed in the next several months.

Gibson hopes to prove that the Tuition Grant Laws are in violation of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights of the State of Kansas and the United States Constitution. A similar suit was filed by the same organization in Tennessee recently.

The Kansas State Education Commission was empowered by the 1972 Legislature to initiate a program of tuition grants for students at private institutions. There are 18 independ-

ent colleges in Kansas that benefit from this program including McPherson College. All of these colleges were founded by churches and are supported by establishments of the Christian faith.

Jess Cooper, Director of Financial Aids, expressed optimism concerning the outcome of the suit based on the fact that the courts have upheld tuition grant programs in other states when similar suits have been filed against them.

The Kansas case will be defended by the Office of the Attorney General of the state and the executive council of the Association of Independent Colleges of Kansas. AICK has hired Jack Quinlan, a former state senator to take an active role in the defense.

Summer jobs available overseas

Want to spend the summer of '73 in Europe?

SOS (The Student Overseas Services), Luxembourg student organization which has been helping students for the past fifteen years, will obtain a job, work permit, visa and all other necessary work information for

any student who applies early for summer employment in European countries.

For any student planning a trip to Europe a temporary job in Austria, Switzerland, France or some other country could be the answer to lower purchasing power of the U.S. dollar.

Recently raised wages in Europe will not only offset any loss in dollar value, but a few weeks work at a resort, hotel or restaurant job providing wages plus free room and board will actually pay for the youth fare air ticket and provide leftover cash for traveling around Europe.

Temporary paying student jobs are available to any student willing to work in order to see Europe.

Most jobs are in Austria, Switzerland, France and Germany in such categories as resort, hotel, restaurant, hospital and farm work. Jobs are also available in factories, offices and shops. Standard wages are always paid, and room and board are arranged in advance and provided free of charge with most jobs.

affairs while gaining valuable journalistic know how through practical experience. One hour of course credit is given to editors.

Students are required to make an application to the Board of Publication and be approved by the Student Council. Interested persons may contact the publications editors or advisers, Mrs. Norma Tucker, or Mrs. Emma Hofer for further information.

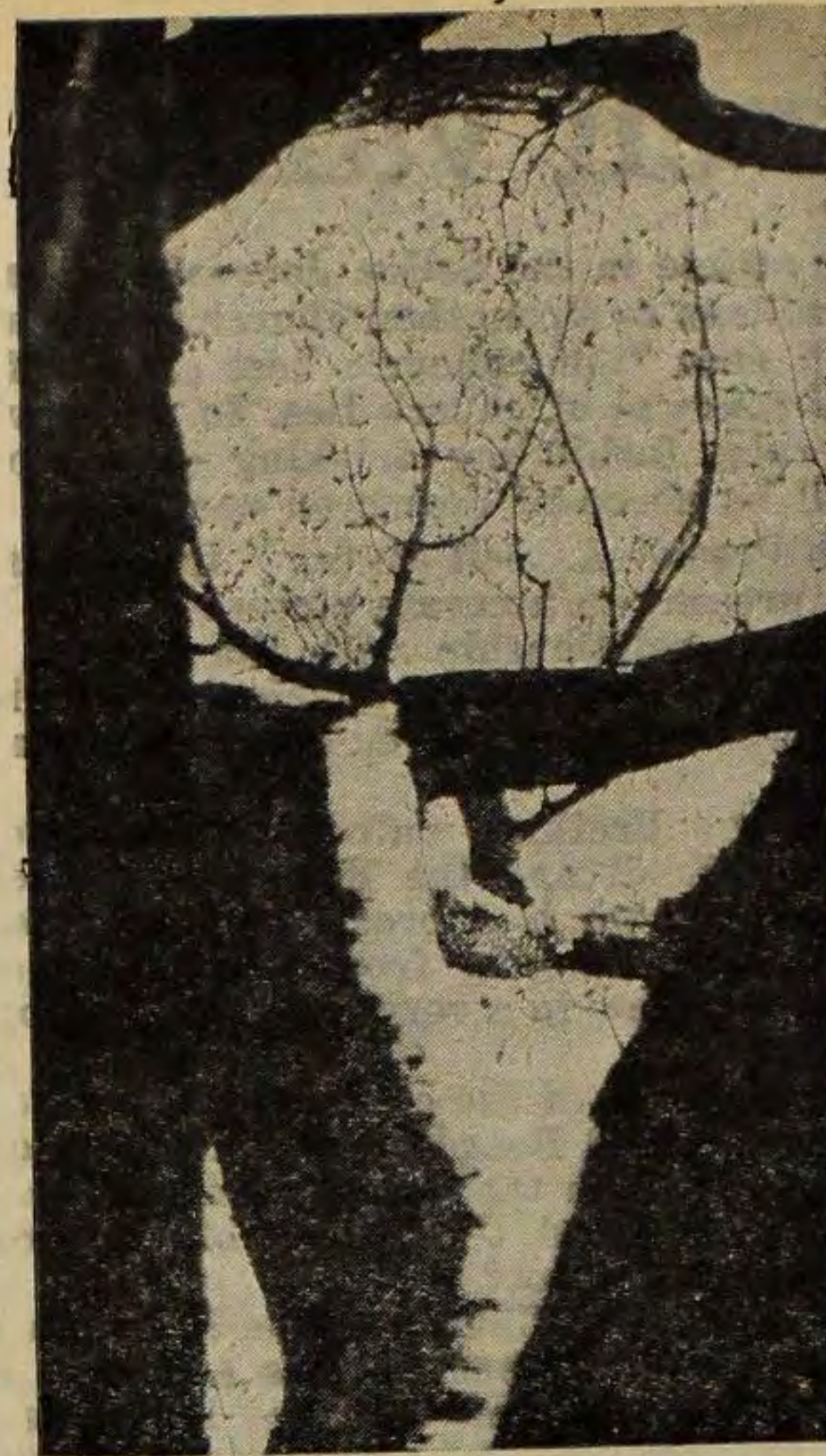
As the semester starts down the home stretch, the publication staffs begin seeking top quality students to serve as staff leaders for next year. The positions of assistant editor of the Quadrangle and campus editor of the Spectator will need to be filled as well as the positions of business managers for both publications.

These salaried jobs provide opportunities to become involved in campus



The four man accrediting team which was on the McPherson College campus April 2-3 found interpersonal communication with students and faculty to be an important source of information. Dr. Thomas S. Smith, president of Lawrence College in Appleton, Wisconsin, joined Verlin Ingram,

Richard Dilling and Bob Alexander for lunch in the college cafeteria to chat about college life. Administrators will receive a preliminary report from the accrediting team in six weeks. A full report will be issued next fall.



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Convo features office seekers

The required convocation scheduled for next Monday has been postponed until Tuesday, April 17. Candidates for Student Council offices will present their platforms at this time, dealing with issues and plans facing the college student body next year.

Cheerleader tryouts will also be held during convocation, and awards will be presented for academic excellence, student council and publications.

The election of Student Council officers will be held on Thursday, April 19 and Monday, April 23. The four executive offices (President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer) will be chosen on the 19th, and Stuco representatives will be elected the following Monday.

The two-day election system is being initiated this year to allow those not elected to an executive office to place their names in contention for another office.

John Hurley, retiring Stuco president, urges students to consider running for Student Council offices. Petitions may be obtained from Sue Cook, Diane Tharington, Carol White, Kelly Cowan or John Hurley. Petitions are due April 16 along

with a statement to be published in the Spectator.

Thursday, April 19, at 11:00 a.m. another convocation will be held in honor of the Easter season. The Ladies Trio will perform and a film entitled "Gift of Life" will be shown. Jim Tomlinson is host for the convocation.

Club to clean kitchens Sat.

The McPherson Home Ec Club is having a Kitchen Clean-up in the Home Economics kitchen this Saturday starting at 9:00 a.m. The club members encourage Mac co-eds to come whenever they can and stay as long as they can.

Home Ec enthusiasts who may be interested in an office for next year may contact Susan Mason, Sandy Olson or Barb Moore to find out more about the positions. New members are being sought and may join anytime.

The last meeting of the year for the club will be a picnic in the park at 5 p.m. April 25.

Macalendar

Thursday, April 12 — ACCK Cultural Series.

Friday, April 13 — Track meet, Bethany, 2 p.m., there.

Saturday, April 14 — ACCK Tennis Tournament, Tabor, all day.

Sunday, April 15 — Easter Film

Tuesday, April 17 — Convocation, "Student Council Elections" required, 9 a.m. Br. Aud.

Tuesday, April 17 — Track meet, Tabor, 2 p.m., Hillsboro.

Wednesday, April 18 — Jr. Sr. Banquet and Prom, S.U. Banquet 6:30, Prom 10 p.m.

Wednesday, April 18 — Tennis, Fort Hays, here, 2 p.m.

Thursday, April 19 — Convocation, 11 a.m., "Easter Celebration," with the Ladies Trio.

Thursday, April 19 — Student Council Elections.

Church values need definition

A recent article in the *Salina Journal* entitled, "McPherson college to strengthen church ties," says that Dr. Snell sees "the college's best chance for growth in the renewal of church ties. So there will be stress on rules forbidding drinking on campus and there will be no co-ed dorms on campus."

Although President Snell contends that the article does not present an accurate picture of how he sees the college's relationship with the church, it does appear that conservative policies do receive much backing among the Brethren churches in Kansas.

What are the Brethren values behind school policies that Dr. Snell and the Board of Trustees are striving for? There is a broad range of ideas in the denomination ranging from a rural almost Dunkard Brethren view to a very progressive urban form of belief.

The ruling powers of the college have not conferred with the General Board of the church to determine policy. How can they then insist that their values are Brethren and the values of Brethren students on campus are not?

As a member of the Church of the Brethren in California I find the present policies espoused as being Brethren very unfamiliar. I see it not as a move toward Brethrenism but a move toward mid-western, conservative fundamentalism.

Milton Goering, Dean of Students, the only executive administrator who is not a member of the Church of the Brethren, agrees that the direction in which Dr. Snell is leading the school is not particularly Brethren. According to Dean Goering many of the A.C.C.K. schools have faced the prob-

lems of co-ed dorms, smoking and drinking in the past five years.

The other five colleges associated with the Church of the Brethren have not deemed it necessary to be as restrictive in their dorm visitation policies as McPherson has. Bridgewater College allows for parlor hours from 12 to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to midnight on weekdays, and extends these hours on week-ends. Elizabethtown College allows visitation in the dorms from noon to midnight.

Manchester College allows 38 hours of visitation and also has a co-ed dorm. LaVerne College plans to have a co-ed dorm next year. At present their dorms are open from noon to 11 p.m. on weekdays and from noon to 2 a.m. on weekends.

At Juniata College in Pennsylvania a student may choose from three life styles: 1) open visitation at all times, 2) open dorms from noon to midnight, open visitation all weekends, and 3) Dorms with no visitation except Friday and Saturday.

Why is it that a regimented policy of dorm visitation is being equated with the Church of the Brethren at McPherson College? Up until now I have never regarded the church as an imposing force but rather a guiding light. I suspect that with the present policies the students now on campus are losing respect for the church rather than gaining respect for it.

There are many positive things we could do on this campus to emphasize the Brethren root. By trying to strictly regulate behaviour, especially in the living quarters, we get side-tracked from what the real values of the church are.

Mary J. Hoover

Take One

About half the audience got up and walked out of last Friday night's movie. Now it seems we have the answer to "Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolfe?"

Take Two

Isn't it a coincidence that the "Underwear Man" who has been ripping off undergarments from Dotzour's clothesline always appears after the dorm's sex education sessions. (By the way, if you happen to see some black lacies...)

Take Three

The weather sure has been strange lately. Don't be surprised if you happen to see the Easter Bunny hopping around in a red suit yelling, "Ho, ho, ho! On dasher on Dancer, on Prancer and Vixon..."

Take Four

Some wierd rumors have been circulating about what went on down in the Grand Canyon. I heard that when the zippers on the hikers' sleeping bags were open they were living rooms, but when the zippers were closed, they were bedrooms!

Take Five

We get letters

Sue views life in New Zealand

EDITOR'S NOTE: Sue Stover is currently spending a year in New Zealand with her family. Sue was a sophomore at McPherson College last semester and editor of the "Spectator."

Dear Friends at Mac,

Last week I told a friend that if Johnny Cash ever came to New Zealand, I was leaving. Johnny arrived here yesterday, but I'm afraid I'm not ready to leave yet. After two months here, I feel like I've only scratched the surface of an engrossing country. Already I've sampled wide divergencies within this tiny nation's culture. Quite frankly, I'm too excited to leave just yet!

I've been working at a rest home for chipper old ladies, about half of whom were born in England who are fairly set in their tea sipping, porridge-nibbling ways. They are a staunch part of the traditional side of New Zealand — the way of life in which Britain continues to play the dominant role. When the university started a couple weeks ago, I encountered another extreme in the New Zealand culture — the students. They have earned their reputation as long haired beer guzzlers. One of my sweet little old ladies calls them the "creeps."

I go through mild culture shock everyday. Mornings I spend among the ladies; afternoons I'm down at the University of Auckland — one of the 10,000 students.

Although the students are reluctant to admit it, the influence from the States is an underly-

ing factor in many aspects of their lives — not only in their world outlook, but also in the way they look outwardly. Blue jeans and general grubbies seem to be the universal university garb.

I've found no great animosity toward America here. The war in Vietnam — or wherever it is now — is of minimal importance to the politically minded activists. They're more concerned with French nuclear testing in the Pacific and in trying to stop the racist South African rugby team from touring New Zealand.

Most people I've met are at least mildly curious about the States but few say they would like to live there. I'm afraid peoples' views here are shaped a lot by television.

One government - controlled network serves all of New Zealand and about half of its programming is old American shows (a great way to catch up on old Hopalong Cassidies). It is amazing what a distorted picture of America comes through.

The only way to describe New Zealanders is that they are really down to earth people. They are much more dependent on nature than we in the States are. For one thing, virtually all of the country's exports are pastoral (beef, wool and butter), and a drought affects the whole country's economy. Most people have a garden of some sort. Our rented house has flowers and fruit trees and I'm beginning to get used to the sensation of being able to walk out the back door and pick an apple or a lemon.

New Zealanders seem more "down-to-earth" figuratively, too. There seem to be fewer "up-tight young people" here. Fewer feel the need for a college degree. They have already made their minds up as to what they want out of life. Persons my age seem already establish-

ed either in some sort of job or are on the road to one.

New Zealanders are also very "down-to-sea" people, if that is possible. There's no place in New Zealand that is more than 100 miles from the ocean. You can see from that how small the country is. The sea is everywhere and it affects their lives both economically and recreationally.

I am learning a lot. As well as my fledgling knowledge of the sea, I can also make a hot cup of tea last half an hour and even drive on the left-hand side of the road without too much trauma, (although I can't speak for my passengers).

I'm amazed at how many of you I miss and I'm overjoyed whenever I get a letter. Want to make someone happy? Try writing me — you'll like it (and I'll like it even better). My address is 83 St. Vincent Ave., Auckland 5, New Zealand.

Cheerio, mates (pronounced Chair-i-o might).

Sue

We get letters

Protest sexual discrimination

Dear Editor,

Before spring break we read in the *Spectator* a speculation that behavioral science majors would likely be given the preference to live in Bittering Hall. This speculation arose from a brainstorming session about how the Youth Center in Bittering might become a laboratory for behavioral science majors and enhance campus educational opportunities.

Knowing that co-ed dorms are considered non-Brethren by our College president I immediately realized that women behavioral science majors were

We get letters

Suggests abolishing athletics

Editor-in-chief:

I would like to express my gratitude to the administration and the Board of Trustees for their wise decision of not dropping the psychology and agriculture departments. In the future, if any department or major is to be dropped, I propose that the college seriously consider the possibility of wiping out the entire Physical Education department.

I propose the abolition of extracurricular athletics and the abolition of the P. E. curriculum and major per se on the following four counts: 1) various universities and colleges throughout the United States have dropped their athletic program because of the excessive cost involved and, therefore, because this college is having financial difficulty a large sum could be saved by following their lead.

2) Athletic scholarships are grossly out of proportion to academic scholarships (i.e. per

amount of time involved to fulfill scholarship requirements)

3) Many, if not most of the best athletes at McPherson are non-P.E. majors whose participation in extracurricular sports is only secondary to getting a liberal arts education.

4) Law schools, medical schools, graduate schools, and other institutions of higher learning will not recognize and refuse to recognize P.E. grades on undergraduate transcripts.

Though I doubt that the college will drop extracurricular athletics or the P.E. major, I strongly urge that in the future it seriously considers and critically evaluates the possibility of doing so before dropping any other department or major.

I feel first priorities should go to the academic disciplines and that if any major or department is to be cut that there are far more legitimate reasons to drop or cut back the present non-academic areas with their corresponding "waste."

Peace,
Verlin A. Ingram

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Karen Hoover



Under the direction of Prof Tom Walker, the McPherson College Choir practices diligently in preparation for their choir tour this weekend.

Choir to tour schools, churches

by Barb Moore

If you miss the cheerful crowd of voices chorusing in Beeghly Music Hall this weekend, rest assured that the people in churches and schools around western and southwestern Kansas and eastern Colorado will be hearing them perform on the choir's annual tour. The choir, consisting of 30 voices and an accompanist is directed by Professor Tom Walker. On tour the choir will perform a variety of musical numbers representing diverse periods, such as baroque, romantic, contemporary, renaissance, and avant garde (experimental) music and give about nine performances. The college is sponsoring the tour. Students will travel by bus and stay in church members' homes along the way.

The troop will leave for Rocky Ford, Colorado, today for some singing together with the Rocky Ford High School Choir, and give an evening concert at the Rocky Ford Church of the

Brethren. The group will travel to St. John, Kansas, April 13 for a high school concert, and an evening performance at the Eden Valley Church of the Brethren near St. John. A two hour stopover at Wichita will refresh the troop before an evening concert at the Osage Church of the Brethren. The next day, Sunday, April 15, the Independence Church of the Brethren will hear a morning concert, with the Wichita Church of the Brethren listening to an evening performance. They will have a short overnight stay at McPherson, before going on to Friends, Kansas, April 16. On the way, a morning concert is scheduled for the Ness City, Kansas, High School, with the final performance at the Prairie View Church of the Brethren near Friend, Ks.

"I'm really looking forward to this tour because we're singing some really cool songs" commented Maria Kimmel, so., Bean Station, Tenn. Ruth Ann Roland, another sophomore from Hagerstown, Maryland says,

"I'm really anticipating a good choir tour with lots of melodious and harmonious overtones."

Another vocal music group, The Madrigals, was on tour last weekend. They travelled with President Galen Snell to points where he was speaking. The eight Madrigal singers include Floy Ditmars, so., Grundy Center, Iowa; Karlene Morphew, so., Clarence, Iowa; Kathy Oshel, jr., Topeka; Sherry Livingston, so., Carbondale; Karen Quakenbush, so., Wichita; Dwayne Gaines, so., Oxon Hill, Md.; Garry Hoch, fr., Gardner; Ralph Dickerson, sr., Denver; Mike Irwin, so., Elliott City, Md.; and director Larry Carey, sr., Shippensburg, Pa.

The college supported this tour which had stops at Topeka, Plattsburg, Mo., and Morrill and Sabetha, Kansas. Garry Hoch, fr., Gardner, felt that "the tour was very worthwhile. We had a lot of fun and met some very nice people. On the whole, everybody had a good time getting away from school."

Mountain witch tale features new talent

"Dark of the Moon" opens in Brown Auditorium on April 27 and 28. This semester's third production is based on a mountain ballad brought to this country by Scotch-English immigrants who settled in the Smoky Mountains. The play is taken from the "Ballad of Barbara Allen."

The action of the play centers around a witch boy who wants to become a human so that he can marry Barbara Allen. He goes to the Conjur people and asks them to change him by magic. The plot thickens as the Conjur Woman gives him the conditions for becoming a human.

Written by Howard Richardson and William Berney, "Dark of the Moon" is being directed by junior Rick Tyler, Waterloo, Ia.

Over half of the cast are inexperienced and most of them are new to McPherson audiences. "Working with an inex-

perienced cast such as this will provide a good background for directing other shows after graduation," stated Rick. "Most of the drama majors will have graduated by next year. I hope the new people will carry on after we have graduated and keep the theatre department going strong."

Cast

John Boy	John Philipp
Conjur Man	Rod Neher
Dark Witch	Debbie Grady
Fair Witch	Karlene Morphew
Conjur Woman	Janet Wiggins
Mrs. Jenkins	Lois Pierson
Miss Atkins	Lynn Marcuson
Uncle Smelcuc	Bruce Bocard
Hank Gudger	Roger Helstern
Miss Metcalf	Faith Roop
Mrs. Summey	Karen Quakenbush
Ella Bergen	Judy Sherlock
Floyd Allen	Rande Short
Mrs. Bergen	Lynda Switzer
Edna Summey	Gayle Appel
Mr. Bergen	Chuck Baker
Greeny Gorman	Teresa Knoll
Mr. Summey	Tom Schulte
Marvin Hudgens	Brad Wille
Barbara Allen	Susan Rusk
Miss Perkins	Ann Thomas
Burt Dinwitty	Jeff Elling
Hattie Heffner	Lisa Beckingham
Miss Leafy	Pam Dziekonski
Maggie Bower	Judy Bowman
Emma Riggs	Ellen Gill
Mrs. Allen	Denise Lewallen
Mr. Allen	Russ Hunt
Preacher Hagglar	Keith Starry

R.A. positions to be filled

Today is the deadline for handing in applications to the Office of Student Affairs for a position as a Resident Assistant. The 15 students selected will be announced next Monday. These students will attend an ACCK Resident Assistant training Workshop at Tabor College, April 18.

Selections are based on evaluations of the student by himself, his present Resident Assistant, and two faculty members. Applying students need a GPA of at least 2.0. Milton Goering, Dean of Students, explained that a student seeking R.A. jobs should be a leader because oftentimes a decision must be made which may not

be liked by all. The student must care about others, and be alert to their problems. Also considered are past experiences.

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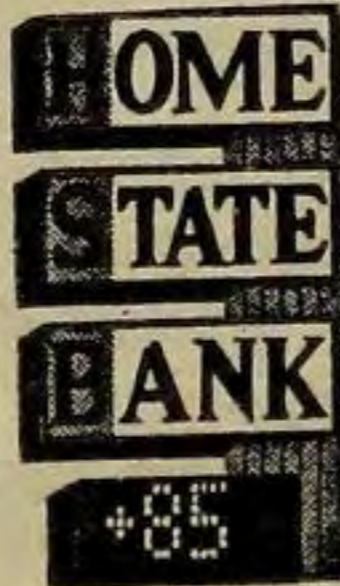
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Ray to head athletics

Arthur L. Ray, former track coach at McPherson College, has been re-hired as director of athletics and head track coach and Donald W. Rominger, Jr., track coach and admissions counselor at the College, has been named head football coach. They will join Donald Widrig, head basketball coach,

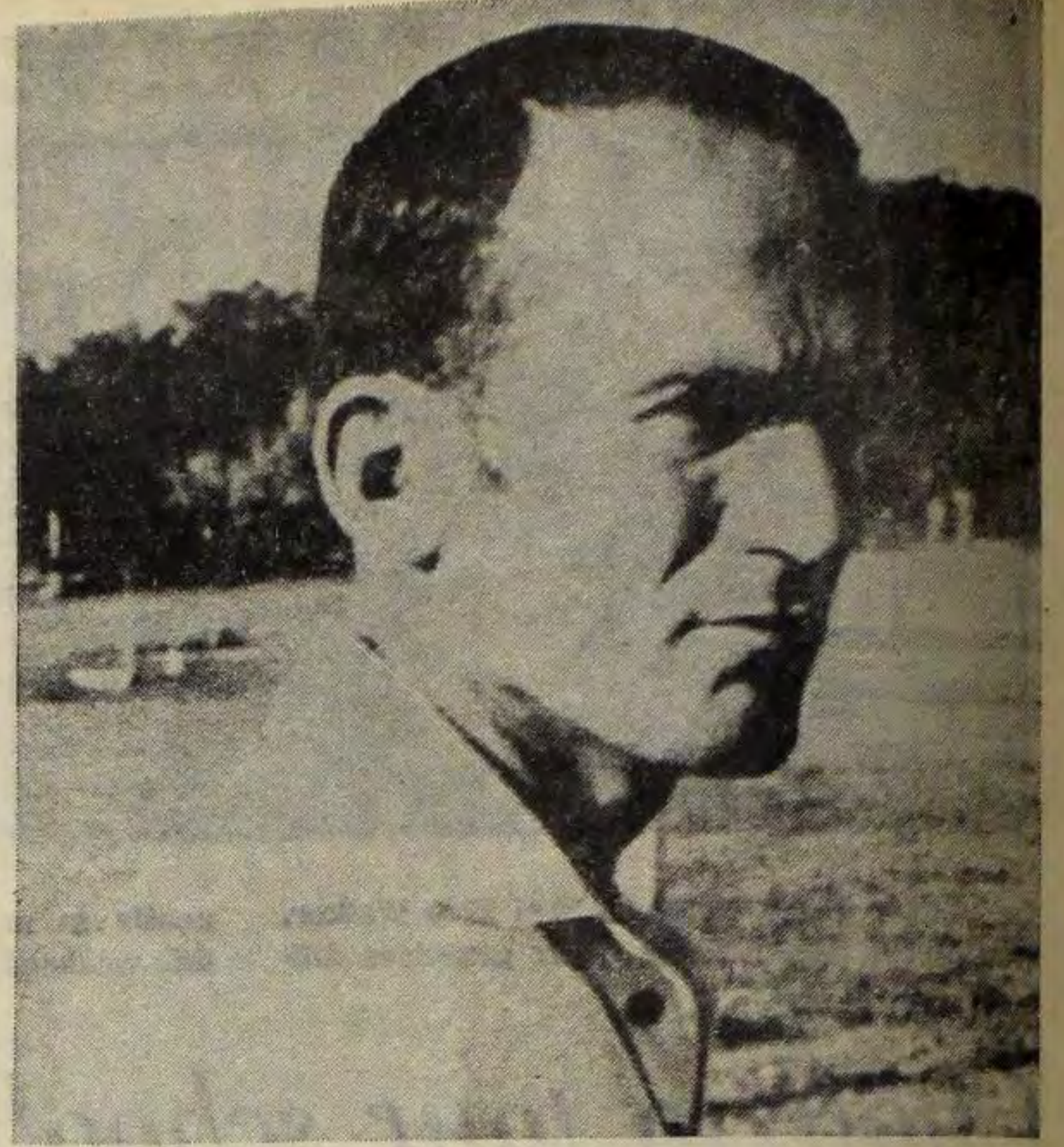
in the Athletic Department of the College.

"We believe this will create a strong Athletic Department," said Dr. Galen Snell, who made the new staff announcements. "Mr. Ray returns to join Don Widrig and Mr. Rominger in order to create a strong men's athletic program at McPherson College."

Ray, who left McPherson College a year ago to take another position, compiled an impressive track record while at the College. Under his leadership be-

tween 1967 and 1972, track men broke 21 college records including every relay record. During his last two years at McPherson College, Ray coached a team which was runner-up in the K.C.A.C.

Ray received his B.S. and M. S. degrees at Fort Hays State College and taught five years at the high school at Oakley, Kansas. Rominger, who is now a Ph.D. candidate, received a B.S. from Oklahoma Baptist University and an M.A. at the University of Oklahoma.



Art Ray returns to the faculty of McPherson College after a year's absence. Coach Ray will be the new director of athletics and head track coach. Welcome back, coach!

Golfers seize twin victory

by Stan Adams

The McPherson golf team began their season by rolling to a twin victory April 3 at the Lindsborg golf course. Mac beat Bethany College 6½ to 5½ and topped Sacred Heart of Wichita 8-4.

Low scorer for Mac was Bruce Krehbiel with a 76 which was good for six of the 14½ points. Less Dell scored an 86 with 5 points; Ed Rogers had a 92 for 2 points; and Ted Emerson carded a 96 for 1½ points.

The next golf match for the Bulldogs is today in Hillsboro at 1:00 p.m. against Tabor College and Sterling College.

Soccer team blanks Bethel

McPherson's soccer club remained undefeated this school year in its first game of the semester against Bethel at Hesston last Saturday.

Jerry Serrador scored the only goal of the game early in the second half giving McPherson a 1-0 ball game. The game was the first one in which the McPherson defense was unscathed upon. On the whole, the team felt it had not played up to its potential and hopes to do better in upcoming games.

A soccer game schedule with

Bethany Sunday afternoon was rained out. In other games this month, the soccer club will play Fort Hays at Fort Hays on Saturday and KSU at Manhattan on the 21st. Another game with Bethany is scheduled for April 28th.

New red and white uniforms were recently purchased with money obtained from Stuco and give the team a flashy appearance. Team members hope to have more McPherson College spectators at future games.

Thursday's track winners



Tom Cope at the high-jump



Gary Best in the steeplechase.



Zack Myers in the 440-yard dash.

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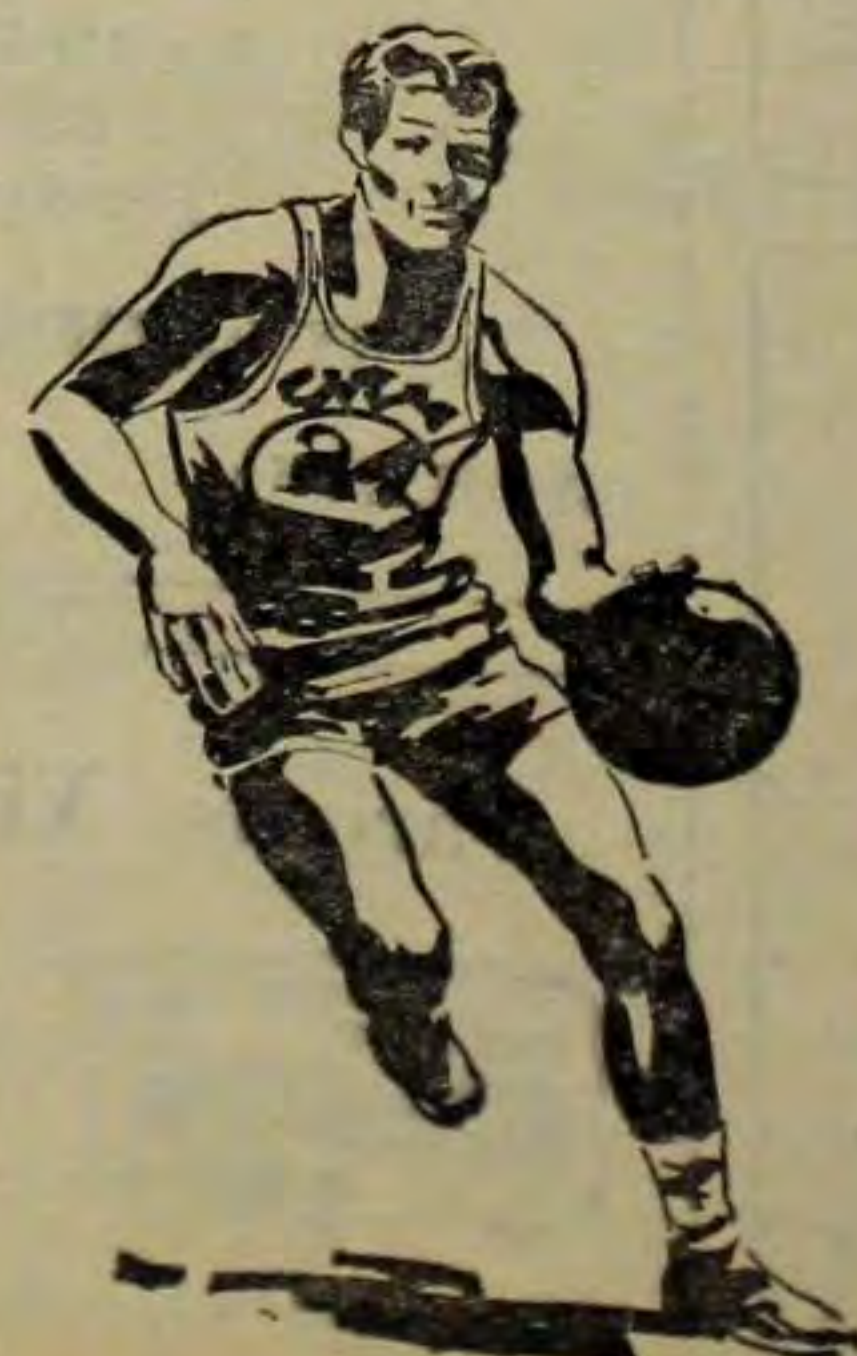
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