

Crisis alters January plans

by Velma Bunch

Changes have occurred in two interterm classes due to the energy crisis. "Intercultural Educational Seminar," under Dr. Hughbanks, had planned to go to the Southwest area, New Mexico and Arizona, to work in the Bureau of Indian Affairs schools. The government recently revealed plans for closing those schools from Christmas vacation until late in January. "Right now we are trying to work the fourteen students signed up for this class into the public schools of the Southwest area," said Dr. Hughbanks.

"Study of the City," under Professor Keim, is scheduled to go to New Orleans, La., for ten days. According to Prof. Keim — "We had planned on leaving at noon on Sunday, Jan. 13, now we are going to leave early

Monday morning, because of gas stations closing on Sundays. If gas is rationed, we won't go at all. Some of the alternatives, if this happens, would be shorter trips to either Kansas City, again, or Wichita, to take in some cultural events."

One interterm class has been canceled, but not because of the energy crisis. "Seminar in Religion," under Dr. Goldsmith, was scheduled to spend the four weeks in Costa Rica, but too few people were interested. The price would have had to have been raised considerably for the people that signed up. For this reason, Dr. Goldsmith decided to cancel the class.

Interterm classes will start at 1 p.m. Jan. 2, instead of 8:30 a.m., in order to give students more time for travel back to the campus.

'Face-lift' planned for S.U.

by Barb Moore

Terms such as "dull" and "unexciting" have been used to describe the Student Union, but beginning next semester the Union will take on a new look as it receives a face-lift, sponsored by Student Council.

Although plans are still in process, Stuco vice-president Patty Wood, jr., Shelocka, Pa., said, "The Student Council is the committee to plan the renovation. We are open to any suggestions and would like to involve as many students as possible."

Student Council decided at last week's meeting to use funds left over from this semester to re-do the downstairs snack bar area, make partitions, and paint. Plans for the upstairs lobby involves buying new furniture and painting. The extent of renovation will depend upon the success of future drives and service projects. Several ideas to raise funds are work projects and fund-raising battle-of-the-bands, in conjunction with the social committee during spring semester.

Hunt, Callaway promote spirit

by Velma Bunch

"If some people dislike our opening stunt — they can stick it in their left ear," said Bill Callaway, jr., Ft. Lupton, Colo.

"It's a morale booster for the team and starts everything rolling," agreed Russ Hunt, soph., Brush, Colo.

Russ Hunt and Bill Callaway are McPherson's yell leaders. The stunt they are referring to is when Russ runs out at the beginning of basketball games, carrying Bill on his shoulders, with Bill waving a sword.

"The crowd last year was usually guys who got cut down by everyone for yelling. I thought that I would try to be a yell leader to rally enthusiasm

and school spirit to help our team win," stated Russ.

Both feel the crowd reaction towards them is better than it has been in the past. "It's great, I really enjoy it," said Bill.

Russ and Bill urge everyone to attend the basketball games. "The bigger the crowd, the better our chances of winning are," said Bill. One of the team's players stated that "The crowd at the Sterling game was worth the points."

Traditionally, there are three yell leaders, but this year the third member changed his mind about being on the team. Any man at McPherson interested in the position should contact Beth Wilhide and get the full details.

Examines religious life

At the McPherson College Community Council's last meeting, David Bowman, campus minister, proposed that MCCC study the commitment of McPherson College "to help the student develop a set of values and a philosophy of life." Mr. Bowman pointed out that "McPherson College is vitally interested in the religious life and development of its students and faculty." MCCC voted for a committee to investigate the possibilities of some type of

campus worship.

Some points the committee will discuss are:

1. The validity of employing a campus minister.
2. The promotion of a religious emphasis week during the spring semester.
3. The instituting of a place to be used as an open chapel on the campus or in the Church of the Brethren.
4. The possibility of some regular all campus worship, chapel, or religious forums to be held

in conjunction with convocations with the purpose of presenting and confronting the college community with themes of the Christian faith and for sharing concerns.

5. Support for other social or political activities that relate to the Christian faith.

Faculty appointed to the committee are John Cameron, Dr. Jesse Krehbiel, and Janelle Morgan. Six students will be appointed to the committee.

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BAM forms

'Puts faith into action'

by Pam Knotts

"To put the doctrines of the Brethren Church into action rather than just talking about them — to actually live in that way," explained John Snell, fr., La Verne, Calif., about the purpose of the newly organized Brethren Action Movement.

"I feel it's a responsibility of the BAM group to let people know just what the Brethren Church really stands for if we can."

The Brethren Action Movement originated in '68 at Manchester College. "Many Brethren students on campus got together and formed a group," explained Dan Lichty, soph., Phoenix, Ariz., a member of BAM. "They felt the church should become more socially oriented and should be more involved with the beliefs of the Brethren Church."

"We really have not come to a decision yet as to what our

goals are going to be. We're more or less a community group. We just want to get together to worship and for fellowship. It's not closed to just Brethren. It's open for everyone who would like to come," added John.

When asked if they were going to follow the traditional beliefs of the Brethren Church, John said, "We're certainly not going to wear black suits and bonnets. I think the majority of us would like to see the church and college move towards what they actually stand for. We would like them to stand for the Brethren Christian beliefs."

"To call it a pacifist group, I don't think would be right," explained Rod Nehr, soph., Anna, Ill., "because we're not organized around this although many of us are pacifists. It's not a peace club."

Because BAM is still in the process of being organized, no

projects have been definitely decided on. "We're going to take a look at ourselves first and the problems in our own backyard instead of going to world affairs first," commented John.

The group is holding a morning worship service on Sundays in the S.U. Quiet Room in which everyone is welcome to attend. "We're kind of heading towards having them in Bittlinger in the Youth Center," added John.

Myra Ingmanson, soph., Mancos, Colo., feels her role in BAM "is a way to put my faith into action and it already has. The people are really trying to get a feeling of community and for me that's what they've done. It gives me something to identify with and not only is it a group to identify with but it's a group that shares my feelings."

Is BAM a clique? "I suppose it could become a clique because of the emphasis on a feeling of community," commented Myra, "but by no means is anyone excluded."

"I don't think it's quite a clique. It seems the ones that are really interested are in it," said Rod.

Ministry Club relates cares

"I see it as a very active group and we're able to get people out and interested," says Dave Bowman, a member of the Ministers' Club.

The club began this year for students interested in exploring the various aspects of the ministry, and the church.

"I think the students are there because of their interest in relating to people and the world in a sensitive caring way," adds Dave, "although they don't want to do this in the traditional way, the "ministry" way."

The club meets twice a month for discussions and programs presented by various speakers. "We have brought people in from BVS and we have had

race experts and other speakers to talk to us. We have also become involved through many churches who have invited us to come out on deputation weekends to conduct services on Sunday mornings."

"It's pretty much a support group for themselves. They're not interested in converting the world but they would be very open to people who would want to come to the meetings. Of course, there are some people in the group that do want to be ministers," adds Dave.

A trip is planned in February for the club where several of the members are to visit the Bethany Seminary in Chicago for a conference to explore possible seminarism for study.

Music jury tests ability

Jury is one word whose connotative meaning is not usually associated with music. When asked what is a "music jury exam," Larry Kitzel, music professor said, "It is a process in which music faculty listen to each applied music student as he sings, plays the piano, or plays other musical instruments. The reasons for doing this are first, to give each student a chance to perform in his or her specialty before music faculty members and receive their advice, and second, to help each music faculty member get to know students taking other courses in music." Students will be taking this "exam," Saturday, December 15.

Exam Schedule:

MONDAY, DEC. 17

8 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. - 10:00 M. T. Th. F. classes

10 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. — 1:00 M. T. Th. F., and M. Th. classes

1 p.m. - 2:50 p.m. — 9:00 T. F. classes

3 p.m. - 4:50 p.m. — 1:00 T. F. classes

TUESDAY, DEC. 18

8 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. — 2:00 M. T. Th. F., and M. Th. classes

10 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. — 9:00 M. T. Th. F., and M. Th. classes

1 p.m. - 2:50 p.m. — 11:00 M. T. Th. F., and M. Th. classes

3 p.m. - 4:50 p.m. — 2:00 T. F. classes

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19

8 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. — 8:00 M. T. Th. F., and M. Th. classes

10 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. — 8:00 T. F. classes

1 p.m. - 2:50 p.m. — 10:00 T. F. classes

Exams for evening classes will be held at their regular meeting time. Also Ace Wednesday exams will be on Wednesday, Dec. 12 during the final class session.

Non-existent issues draw undue attention

Just recently a new group has been formed on our campus. The Brethren Action Movement, otherwise known as BAM is a student organization working to "put their faith into action," and to "inform people of what the Brethren Church stands for."

The ideas behind this group are good. I commend them on their attempt to witness their faith before the student body. However, in the hopes of getting the group involved immediately, BAM has created issues where none exist. To them, it may seem that waving a sword at a basketball game is unchristian, but to others it is a vehicle through which they promote student body spirit and unity, an area in which McPherson College is weak.

One must keep in mind that not all members of McPherson College have the same beliefs as do the members of BAM. Although enthusiasm is a necessary element in the formation of any new movement, over-reaction to non-issues should be avoided.

Dianne Grone

Mines, Clary take positions on newspaper, annual staffs

As the semester draws to a close, the editorship once again changes hands and new personnel move up to fill new positions.

Moving into the position of assistant editor of the Quadrangle is Cindy Mines, fr., McPherson. Cindy is majoring in English

and was formerly editor of her high school paper.

Bruce Clary, also a freshman will fill the position of campus editor for the Spectator. Bruce is a journalism major and is from Cabool, Mo.

Each will take full editorship over his publication next fall.

We get letters

Applies principles

Dear Editor,

At a recent basketball game I, along with Dave Bowman and Dave Hendricks, did not stand for the National Anthem because we felt it was in opposition to our religious convictions. We had not planned this action previously but it had come out of a deep look at how we put our faith and principles to work. We had asked ourselves the question, "If we can't be faithful in what is of little importance, then how can we be faithful in what is of great importance to God?" To explain any further my reasons for not standing is beside the point of this letter.

As for myself, a student, I don't have to answer to the administration of this college for

this action. However, faculty and staff members such as Dave and Dave must have their actions carefully chaperoned because of their "institutional responsibilities." It has become clear to me that the reason for this is so that the institution does not offend the people of the community of McPherson who contribute funds to the college.

It seems that money has taken precedence over principles at McPherson College. To me, this type of thing leads to spiritual death. It brings to mind a teaching of Jesus "He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it."

John Snell

We get letters

Convocation termed 'comedy of errors'

Dear Ms. Editor,

For some years, one convocation at McPherson College annually or biennially has featured some self-styled militant spokesman for a minority group. The most recent to favor us with his presence was John Davis, the Director of the Hutchinson Human Relations (!) Commission, who spoke a week ago. His was by all odds the ultimate disaster of the series.

Those of us in the white majority cannot afford to let Mr. Davis' misuse of facts distract us from recognizing the basic truth of one part of his central argument. To be sure, white Christians have no choice but to face the reality of two thousand years of their hypocritical racism, exploitation, murder

Take Five

Take One

Did you ever wonder why Santa says "HO, HO, HO"? Well, I think he's into the Christmas "spirit"!

Take Two

I've heard some kids getting very upset about the Brethren Action Movement. If they don't take it easy, BAM may go "boom."

Take Three

What do you want to bet that our convocations speaker's favorite song is not "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas"?

Take Four

Dear Santa: Please send me a new column to write. There were too many "hee haws" over the last one. I'm braying to see you soon!

Take Five

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and rapine. So what else is new? What Mr. Davis failed to say was that, for all those two thousand years, the Christianity he condemned has taught as a central tenet the reality of sin in the life of man, most of all in the lives of us hypocritical Christians. It is precisely the lack of Christian charity in the hearts and actions of those of us who style ourselves Christians that forces us to throw our own monstrous and hypocritical sinfulness on Him who we abjectly hope will be a merciful God.

But most of Mr. Davis' presentation was a gratuitous insult. He insulted the black students on campus by impugning their reasons for attending McPherson College. He insulted the entire student body by learning so little of his audience beforehand that his "instant analysis" was a comedy of errors. He insulted the faculty by a fouth-mouthed condescension and a total disregard for veracity or fact. Most of all, he purposely insulted the whole audience by

admitting at least twice in the course of his presentation that he had prepared it for all of ten minutes in the drive up from Hutchinson. The admission was not only insulting; it was so obvious he need not have reminded us.

The Black community in America has a long tradition of fine rhetoric presented through the tongues and pens of outstanding speakers and writers. From Douglass, Revels, Cruce, Washington, DuBois and King in the past this tradition stretches to such contemporaries as Rowan, Wilkins, and others. There must be dozens of representatives of this historic tradition in Kansas alone. But in a required convocation we got instead a dismaying combination of poor Nat Turner and the precision and care in preparation of a Sambo or a Step'n'Fetchit. McPherson College should do better or quit trying to present the views of ethnic minorities.

Sincerely,
Leland Lengel
Racist in Residence

Macalendar

Friday, Dec. 14 — Convocation, 10 a.m., Christmas Celebration.

Friday, Dec. 14 — Basketball, Midland Lutheran, at the roundhouse.

Saturday, Dec. 15 — Music Jury Exams, 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 15 — Film, "Scrooge," 8 p.m. Brown Auditorium, 50c

Monday, Dec. 17 — Final Exams

Tuesday, Dec. 18 — Final Exams

Wednesday, Dec. 19 — Final Exams

Thursday, Dec. 20 — Christmas Vacation begins.

Wednesday, Jan. 2 — Interterm Classes begin, 1 p.m.

We get letters

Criticizes hypocritical stance

Dear Editor,

The calling in of members of BAM by the administration for not standing during the National Anthem played at the start of the basketball game has prompted this letter. I personally am not condemning or condoning the actions of the people who didn't stand. However, I am questioning the hypocrisy of the people who were "standing at attention" during the National Anthem and yet

were so unattentive that they noticed and thought about someone else's behavior.

When praying do you also notice the number of people who are not? The people to reprimand are not those who stand firmly behind their beliefs, but those who have beliefs and hypocritically stand behind them.

Respectfully,
Cindi Agenbroad

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Santa snowed with yuletide requests

Dear Santa,

We would like more women on this campus who are good-looking.

Bill Callaway, Russ Hunt, Rick Doll, Kent Trimmel, Steve Burkholder, "Bobby" Murcer, Ed Meyer, and Jack Rader

Dear Santa,

We would like more guys on this campus who are good-looking and less chauvenistic.

Women from Dotzour and Kline

Dear Santa,

I want a box of cherries and a pound of marijuana. I was extra good, and I would also like a case of beer.

Warren Robbins

Dear Santa,

Would you be so kind this year as to bring love, fellowship, joy and total peace to my home. I know that's asking a lot, but Santa, I've tried real hard to be good I even got someone to help me. That person is Jesus Christ and he really steers my life. So Santa, if you could afford all that, it would make the best Christmas ever.

Sincerely yours,
Dewayne Jackson

Dear Santa,

As you know we have been very good kids this year and thus we hope to be deserving of the following list of items

for this Christmas: "A's" from Dr. Goldsmith, some heat in Dotzour's lounge, just enough gas to make it home (one way). Also do you think it would be so Slater's can serve a meal with some substance (excluding starch). Hope to see you at Christmas,

Debbie Cranston &
Dick Robinson

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy all year. I would like to have a new car. If not that, then a lifetime supply of oil would be okay. Also for all my friends a year's supply of Uncle Adolf. He is found in Golden, Colorado.

Bill Callaway

Dear Santa,

Please send us a set of deluxe open minds. I think we are going to need them, next semester. Also please send us a typewriter that doesn't make so many dum mistakes so late at nite.

Cathy and Dianne

Dear Santa,

Please send us two "Three Muskateer" outfits and a recording of "Onward Christian Soldiers" by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. We need them for the next basketball game.

Charge!
Russ Hunt and Bill Callaway

Dear Santa,

Please send me a reservation

for the Metzler Hall Motel and Cocktail Lounge.

Mike Halley

Dear Santa,

Please send me a plane ticket to Disney World. I understand there's a sharp guy who's "Mickey Mousing" around down there.

Yours in fantasyland,
Susan Burkholder

Dear Santa,

I would like just four small things: a new whirlpool, another roll of tape, a pair of scissors and another box of band-aids. Give me a call if you ever fall off your sleigh.

Thank you,
Al Sammis

Editor reflects; looks to future

by Cindy Mines

What can you say about a versatile 21 year old speech and drama major?

That she is going to direct "Black Comedy", and was Spec editor, too? Such is Lois Pierson, sr., Middleton, Mich., will begin her student teaching next semester and after graduation plans to teach secondary speech and drama "in a fairly big city about the size of Wichita."

At McPherson College Lois has been in numerous productions including "Cactus Flower," "Fieffers People," "Out the Window," and "Visitor from Forrest Hill." She has also been involved in the technical and lighting aspects of several plays including "The Tempest."

Lois is a member of the McPherson College Players and was secretary of Alpha Psi Omega last year. She commented on the drama department at McPherson College, "I've had a lot more opportunities to be-

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come involved in drama here than I would have had in a large school, especially in directing."

Her favorite play is Arthur Miller's "All My Sons," and she prefers "serious drama, but I like comedies, too." After a pause she added, "I like Shakespeare, too. Guess I forgot about him."

One of the highlights of her college years was the Interterm of her junior year. "We went to New York on a Broadway tour and went to see different plays every night."

Lois also worked for three semesters on the Spectator staff and just finished her term as editor-in-chief. She admitted, "It's really a lot more work than most people realize."

"There were a lot of hassles, but now that it's over, I'm really going to miss it. I think the worst part was having to write an editorial every week."

Lois graduated from Sabetha High school in Sabetha, Ks. She'll be following the family tradition with her choice of careers as her mother and both

sisters are teachers.

A great part of Lois's high school years were devoted to music. "I used to sing a lot but I don't have time any more." She still plays the piano and organ, though.

She has also lived in a variety of places including Ohio, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Michigan. She is currently assistant to Prof. Una Yoder, speech, and Prof. Bob Green, English.

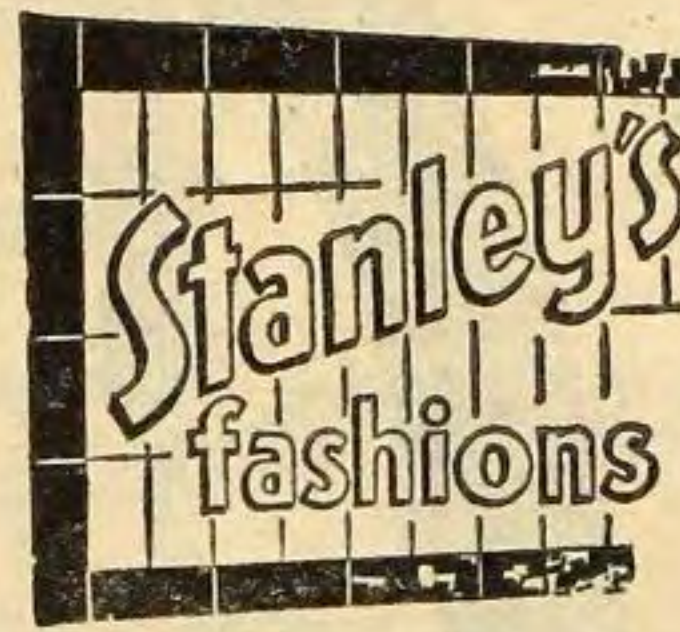
Lois is looking forward to graduation and teaching though she doesn't have any idea about where she will be next year. She explained, "I've met a lot of interesting people here and I've had a lot of fun, but I guess I'm ready for a change."

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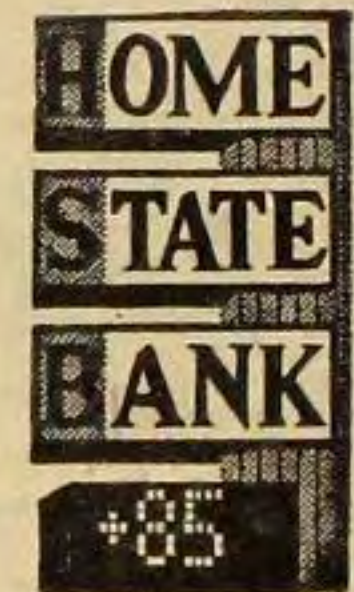
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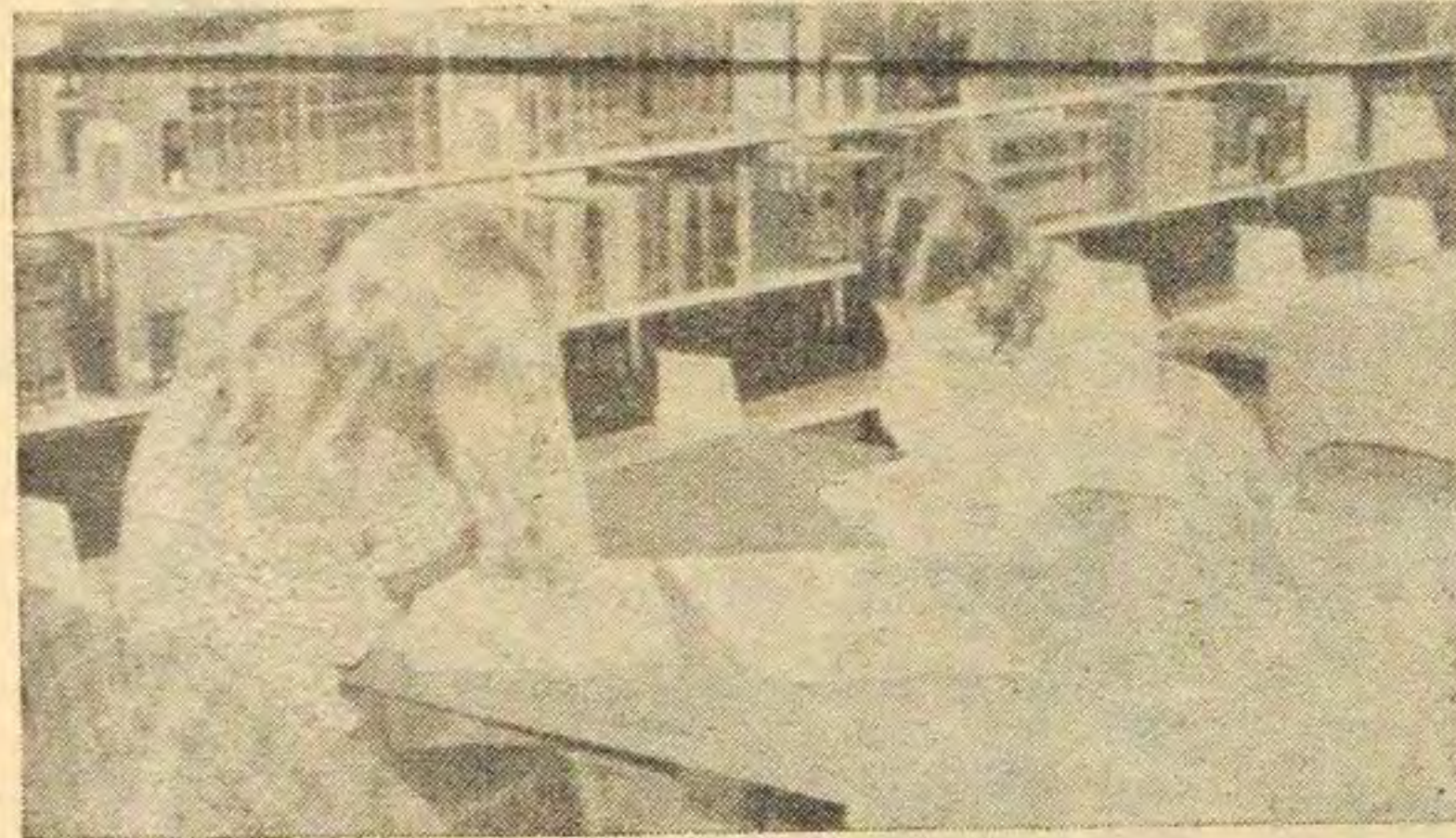
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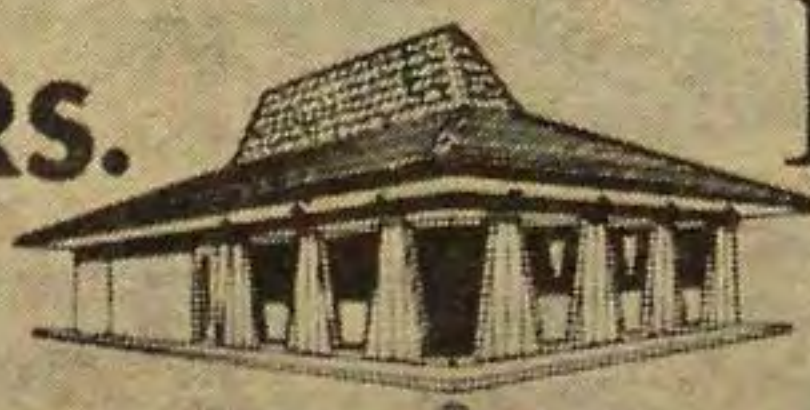
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Bulldogs bounce back with two wins

by Steve Burkholder

The Battling Bulldogs evened their season record last week with impressive back-to-back victories over conference - foes Sterling and Kansas Newman.

Fans witnessed two different ballgames Tuesday night as Sterling completely dominated the first half and took a 48-33 halftime lead. The Warriors increased the lead to 17 points early in the second half, but it was all McPherson after that. Russell Clifton and Larry Doll led the Bulldog rally with a

combination of 30 points in the second half. Clifton finished the game with 26 and Doll netted 14.

Mac played its first complete ballgame of the year with a 86-76 victory over previously unbeaten Kansas Newman College of Wichita. Mac led through most of the ballgame and held a 39-34 halftime edge.

Russell Clifton erupted with 11 field goals and nine free throws for a total of 31 points.

Tom "Louie" Schulte and Larry Doll scored 19 and 18 points, respectively.

Kansas Newman came into the contest with wins over Ft. Hays State, Tabor and Bethel College, but the Bulldogs rebounding power and tough zone defense proved too much for the Wichitans.

Rounding out the scoring for MC was Gregg Stockstill with 13, Ed Rogers with three and Stan Adams with two.



Hunt and Callaway charm the crowd with some of their antics at Saturday's basketball game. Story on pg. 1.

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