

FACULTY VOTES THAT SENIORS MUST TAKE FINAL EXAMINATIONS

New Decision Will Not Be Put Into Effect Until Next Year

JUNIOR WEEK IS ABOLISHED
College Standards Cannot Be Kept Up With Present System In Force

By unanimous decisions Friday morning the faculty decided that hereafter all seniors will be required to take the final examinations at the end of the last semester and that instead of the junior class having a whole week for their program only one day will be at their disposal. These two decisions were enacted in order to maintain the standards of the College.

Days of Exemption Are Past
The ruling that the seniors should be exempt from the final examinations the last semester was passed at a time when the classes were very small and each member had several important parts in the class exercises. Now since the graduating classes are so large and the main affairs conducted by so few persons the faculty feels that the school spirit is demoralized by exempting those persons who have no part whatsoever in the various programs. Hence, in order not to seem partial, final examinations will be made compulsory for all.

Will Lessen Absences
An annual Junior Day will be held hereafter instead of the customary Junior Week. It is felt that the juniors can present a much better program in one day than by taking a whole week for it. Moreover, by the new decision the more advanced classes will not have so many absences during the latter part of the school year.

INDUSTRIAL MOVEMENT TO BE PRESENTED SOON

During the summer of 1920 a group of college men assembled in Denver for the purpose of an intensive study of the human factor in industry. They came to a realization of the present seriousness of the turmoil and unrest which is now gripping the industrial world. Furthermore, they became thoroughly convinced that the present college men through lack of knowledge of an interest in these conditions are not only neglecting a vital part of their education, but are actually committing an injustice against humanity in failing to prepare themselves to meet the inevitable crisis. In view of these facts they undertook to expand the organization under the name The Collegiate Industrial Research Movement.

Today the organization is under the leadership of B. M. Cherrington and Miss Caroline Goforth, prominent Y. M. and Y. W. leaders. The groups of men and women under able Christian leadership find occupation in the various cities in industries. They support themselves on their own wages and fully share the life of the workmen. Each group meets twice a week for study and discussion and once on Sunday for Bible study.

Definite plans are being made at McPherson College to present the movement in detail to the students in the near future. Thus the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. are doing a work of inestimable value to the future leaders of the world. "The Goose Step" by Upton Sinclair, a new book recently placed in the library, throws a great deal of light on such education in its last few chapters. It is certainly well to consider the importance of this vital work.

Of all deals come and see A Deal in Ducks.

PROF. STUDEBAKER HAS OFFER TO HEAD COLLEGE

Prof. E. M. Studebaker, instructor in Greek and Bible at McPherson College since 1911, left Wednesday for La Verne, California, to consider an offer of the presidency of La Verne College. Prof. Studebaker is an alumnus of M. C. and holds an A. M. degree from Chicago University. If he accepts this new position La Verne College will have at its head a man who is well qualified to direct the affairs of a college president, but at the same time M. C. will lose one of its most esteemed instructors.

ACADEMY SENIORS TO PRESENT PLAY MAY 8

PRODUCTION IS ENTITLED "A DEAL IN DUCKS" BY CLEMENTS

A Deal in Ducks, a three-act play written by Guy L. Clements, will be presented by a sextet of Seniors in the gymnasium on Tuesday evening, May 8, at eight o'clock.

Story of Play
The play opens soon after the United States enters the World War. Jack Gillmore, a young newspaper editor, is in love with Ruth Hardnock, a capitalist, a retired rancher and capitalist, objects to their marriage because Jack is not rich. Jack enlists in the army and leaves his paper in care of a college chum, Robert White, who has had no experience but much confidence so "Just leave it to me and don't worry."

Jack's assistants, Betty Hart and Mike McConay, consent to help edit the paper. The new editorial staff plots to assist Jack in his love affair and by a clever deal in ducks with Mr. Hardnock they obtain for Jack sufficient capital to enable him to gain his prize but Mr. Hardnock's ire is aroused and he lives up to his name. How shall he be won over?

The Cast:
Jack Gillmore..... Harry Lehman
Robert White..... Elmer Krehbiel
John Hardnock..... Harvey Lehman
Mike McConay..... Ralph Martin
Ruth Hardnock..... Evelyn Lyons
Betty Hart..... Ethel Hill

STUDENT RECITAL IS GIVEN BY FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT

A recital that was characterized by exceptional musical ability was given in the chapel last Tuesday evening by the Department of Fine Arts. Every number was rendered in a manner which indicated well directed training.

Program
As the Gloaming Shadows Creep..... MacDowell, Op. 59, No. 4.
When the Land Was White With Moonlight..... Nevin, Op. 20, No. 5.
Fonda Harden
Song of the Warrior..... Heller
Pas des Amphores..... Chammade
Ruth Barnes
Etude No. 35..... Kreutzer-Sauret
Arthur Linnel
The Mill in the Valley
German Folk Song
Attempt from Lovesickness to Fly..... Purcell (1658-95)
Jess Garvey
The Midnight Run of the Overland Peakes
Mercedes Kling
Gavotte and Musette from Suite, Op. 1..... D'Albert
Prelude, Op. 28 No. 4..... Chopin
Polonaise..... MacDowell
Fern Lingenfolter
Friars of Order Gray..... Shield
The Wanderer..... Schubert, Op. 4.
Carl Freeburg

Wishing for success without being willing to strive for it diligently will not get you very far along the way.

Learn how to capture ducks, Tuesday May 8th.

See A Deal in Ducks May 8th.

PROFESSOR HESS HAS REMARKABLE RECORD IN JUDGING DEBATES

Has Served As Judge in a Total of Twenty Contests Within Last Three Years

ONLY ON LOSING SIDE ONCE
Eight Debates Were Inter-Collegiate and Eleven Between High Schools

McPherson College has in Prof. Hess a man of remarkable ability and wide fame in forensics. His record as judge of debates is remarkable, one to be envied as is also his commendable work in judging a number of contests in oratory and reading.

Ten Decisions Were Unanimous
During the last three years, Prof. Hess has judged a total of twenty debates and has voted for the winning team in each case with the exception of one. This excellent record cannot be mere chance, but shows his judgment to be dependable, especially as ten of these debates brought unanimous decisions.

Judged at Bethany Five Times
Each year the professor has judged more debates than during the previous year, in the past year having acted in this capacity at eleven debates. Of the twenty debates, eight have been inter-collegiate, one intra-collegiate, and eleven inter-high school. Bethany College has secured Prof. Hess for debate judge on five different occasions having supreme confidence in his ability and fairness. It should be mentioned that on these occasions Prof. Hess' vote has been "cast alternately for and against Bethany's team."

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. program Wednesday morning was devoted entirely to musical selections. Cecil Holloway led devotions after which the following numbers were rendered:
Juanita..... Norton
Beauty's Eyes..... Tostl
College Quartet..... Coenen
Come Unto Me..... Ralph Himes
Vocal Solo..... Myrnarski
Mazurka..... Emmert Pair
Violin Solo..... Arne
The Lass with the Delicate Air.....
I've Something Sweet to Tell You..... Fanning
Vocal Solos..... P. Roy Brammell
Pine Des Amphores..... Chammade
Piano Solo..... Marathon High
October Winds..... MacDowell
Vocal Solo..... Herkle Wampler

PHEBE HOFFERT MARRIED

Friends of Phoebe Hoffert, Academy 1917, will be pleased to learn of her marriage on April 18 to Mr. Samuel J. Cox, at Cleveland, Ohio.

Announcement is made that Mr. and Mrs. Cox will reside at 3944 Broadway in that city. Mrs. Cox is a sister of Andrew T. Hoffert, missionary in India, and a college graduate of M. C.

COLLEGE DEBATE CLUB HOLDS FINAL MEETING

The College Debate Club held its final meeting Wednesday evening. An interesting discussion was conducted on the subject: Should college debaters be allowed college credit for debating. There were several impromptu speeches on both sides together with impromptu rebuttals. After the discussion was over the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President..... W. E. Bishop
Vice-President..... Leonard Birkin
Sec'y-Treas..... Mrs. Alice Birkin
Reporter..... Geraldine Crill
Critic..... B. F. Waas

The members of the Club are looking forward to a successful year in debate next year.

PROFESSOR NININGER TO GIVE LECTURE TONIGHT

Professor H. H. Nininger, curator of the college museum, will give a lecture in the chapel at eight o'clock tonight on the famous Rancho La Brea fossil bed which is located near Los Angeles, California. It was from this world renowned deposit that the skeleton of the Giant Sloth which the Senior Class is presenting as a memorial was taken. Professor Nininger will also give a detailed discussion concerning the Giant Sloth. This lecture should be of special interest to everyone.

BULLDOGS TO ENTER PENTANGULAR MEET

FIVE TEAMS TO COMPETE FOR FIRST HONORS FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The McPherson College Bulldogs are preparing for the big event of the track season in the western section of the Kansas conference, the Pentangular Track and Field Meet, which will be held at Newton, Friday. The other schools competing in this meet are Bethany, Sterling, Kansas Wesleyan, and Bethel.

Dope Favors Bethany and M. C.
Last year Bethany took the honors with a team especially strong in the dashes. McPherson was runner up and winner of the relay and tennis singles cups. The personnel of both teams is practically unchanged except for the addition of last year high school men upon whose strength the deciding factor may depend for the other three schools will have to uncover new material in order to be serious contenders. The Bulldogs expect to repeat their performance in the relay as they are as speedy as ever in that department.

M. C. Has Ten Men

LeRoy Doty and Roy Brammell, dash men and high jumpers, will be entered in addition to Ira Brammell, Sanger Crumpacker, Ray Vaniman, and William Riddlebarger, the members of the medley relay team who made the trip to Lawrence a week ago Saturday. Raymond Clark, Olin Ellwood, and Rufus Daggett will round out the sprint department, while William Mudra will handle the weight department.

BOOK BY UPTON SINCLAIR IS PRESENTED TO LIBRARY

"The Goose Step," a book by Upton Sinclair was recently donated to the library by Edward Lawver and Ralph Martin. This recent publication is a study of American Education and attempts to show the shortcomings of the colleges and universities of America. This work, along with other books by the same author, may be classed as revolutionary literature and must be read with a critical and open mind.

Upton Sinclair has a reputation for rushing into fields where others fear to enter; he believes in the truth, and that truth will confute error. Many problems which confront the college students of today are discussed in this book, and while it concerns chiefly the larger universities and state schools the alarming situation which it depicts should be of interest to all.

ELECTION SLATE

Student Council.
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Faith is the force of life.—Tolstol.
See A Deal in Ducks May 8th.

SENIORS PRESENT THE CAPTAIN OF PLYMOUTH WITH MARKED SUCCESS

Scenes of Old Colonial Days Are Depicted in Effective Way

HARRY BOWERS IS DIRECTOR
Principal Parts Are Portrayed by Earl Fisher, Marie Cullen and Roy Brammell

The Captain of Plymouth, the three-act operetta by Tibbals and Eldridge, presented by the Senior Class Friday evening in the gymnasium under the direction of Harry Bowers was received with applause from the rising of the curtain for the first act to the finale. The spectators were taken to the days of Miles Standish with their Puritan lads and lasses and the Indians, coupled with unexpected modern innovations. Each member of the cast was a star in his particular part.

Harry Bowers Directs Cast
It is unique in the history of McPherson College that a member of a graduating class should coach any of its dramatic or musical performances and the masterful way in which Mr. Bowers directed the cast, never tiring until each had reached his best, is remarkable, as all who heard the operetta are aware. His coaching cannot be compared with that of an amateur; his work was finished. As pianist he gave that last touch which made the operetta a success.

Depicts Colonial Days

The story of The Captain of Plymouth is taken from Longfellow's The Courtship of Miles Standish. Miles Standish, "the roaring captain of Plymouth" who "envies none but Caesar's fame" arrives in Plymouth with his "invincible army" of less than a dozen fearfully and wonderfully equipped and trained soldiers. He sends John Alden who loves Priscilla, to woo her for himself, and leaves to fight the Indians. He is bound to a tree by the Indians, and only saved from a roasting by Katonka, an Indian princess whom he promises to marry. In the meantime Alden tries to win Priscilla for Miles, but only succeeds in winning her for himself. Miles returns, boasting of his victory over the Indians, and is asked by Elder Brewster, whose word is law in the colony, how he may be rewarded. Miles asks for Priscilla and the "invincible army" and the whole colony are ready to witness the marriage ceremony when Katonka rushes forward telling her story. Elder Brewster gives Priscilla to Alden and commands Miles to marry Katonka. He refuses, however, on the ground that "Mr. Longfellow didn't tell me so."

Regardless disregard for chronological truth was the main source of comedy; anachronisms abounded, and many were the ludicrous situations they caused. Modern slang, the Standard Oil Company, Ford, and so forth were freely intermingled with the spinning wheels of colonial days.

Solo Parts Well Taken

The principal roles were exceptionally well taken. Earl Fisher, baritone, as Miles Standish—Caesar a la mode, was that roaring, bungling captain to the very last. John Alden, impersonated by Roy Brammell, tenor, captured the audience from the first. It laughed at the others but sympathized with Alden, waiting, tense, to see the outcome of his struggle with love versus duty. Marie Cullen, soprano, as Priscilla was particularly strong in her solo parts, and made an interesting Puritan maid. Her rebuff of Miles and encouragement to Alden were well done.

Minor Parts Well Portrayed

Minor characters were ably portrayed. Paul Sargent as the sorrow-

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AN APPRECIATION
 There was a decided improvement in the chapel programs last week. The student body appreciates chapel periods like those and all feel that they cannot afford to miss a program when such worth while messages are given. This is the whole solution in securing chapel attendance for when a student once realizes that to miss chapel is his personal loss he will inevitably be there. Those who cut chapel last week failed to grasp an opportunity which will never return but those who were there heard much truth which will always be remembered.
 E. M. B.

ARE YOU THE LOSER?
 It is regrettable that so many students of M. C. do not attend regularly the chapel services. This neglect is a distinct loss to the student. It is impossible to develop spiritually without voluntary effort on the part of the individual, and the daily devotional services are expressly for this purpose. The half hour taken up by the chapel is not necessary for recreation; adequate time is allotted for that later in the day. It is not needed for study; the best students find time to come to chapel. Attendance at chapel keeps the student in touch with the activities of the school, and thus with the spirit of the institution, establishing school spirit and loyalty. Come early to chapel and avoid the rush.
 L. B. M.

RHETORIC EDITORIALS
 That the students of the College Rhetoric classes are wide awake in respect to the moral issues of the day was quite well portrayed recently when they were asked to write editorials on current campus problems. The admonition given is well worth consideration by every student of M. C. A few of the best editorials are printed below.

THE CHAPEL ABSENTEE
 Dennis Kesler
 These beautiful spring days are such a temptation for one to absent himself from chapel. Somehow the outdoor atmosphere has a call that is hard to deny. Some one asks, "Are you going to chapel today?" "No, I am not going, the program probably will not be interesting anyway." With this passing remark the student forgets the chapel hour—the most significant hour of the day.
 But can the student justify his absence by thinking that the chapel exercises are lacking in interest? Is the chapel hour supposed to be a daily period of entertainment? True the entertainments and plays have their rightful places on the

chapel programs, but the real and vital purpose of the chapel period is for worship. He who willingly or otherwise absents himself from the chapel services misses a blessing, an invigoration of his inner self and a quickening of his nobler impulses. Furthermore he is failing to avail himself of the means of becoming cultured, he is forming the habit of failure to appreciate and respond to the noblest and best things in life, and is laying the foundation of an untrustworthy and vacillating character.

INVESTMENTS
 Paul R. Kurtz

An investment usually yields returns or is expected to do so. These returns on investments need not be financial nor in any manner along material lines. An idle or non-producing investment is dead property. In this light, we might find several "dead properties" around our own dear Alma Mater. Only three times has the flagpole been used for its original function this year. These occasions were: Armistice Day, Lincoln's Birthday, and Washington's Birthday. Outside of these days the pole is simply an obstruction on the college walk.

Would it not be better to put this asset to use by continual use of the flag or a special pennant? The use of the flagpole would undoubtedly add beauty to our campus which is now lacking. It seems that any improvement as this would be useful inasmuch as we have the needed material to do so, and would get some value from a valuable investment.

WHAT IS YOUR TIME WORTH?
 Ruth Hawkins

What value do you place on your time and opportunities in college? Some students seem to have little sense of values if they are judged by choices. Social relations on the campus are valuable certainly, but is it profitable to spend hours of the school day thus and go to classes with lessons unprepared when one has the opportunity for higher development?

In winter months we spend more time in study than now. Do time and opportunities fall in value with prices on winter goods? Let's be shrewd business managers and get all we can for the time we spend in college. Our time will have just as much value as we give it. Some men have made theirs worth many dollars an hour. How much can you make yours worth by forming the habit of employing it in the most profitable way?

SPORTSMANSHIP
 Frank E. Correll

According to all the unwritten rules of the games of life, the loser in any contest is supposed to be a good sport and take his beating like a man. If he does not do this, society immediately brands him as a "sorehead," as a poor sport. And, rightfully so, for anyone who cannot be a good loser is not a real man. On the other hand, what does society demand of the winner? Must he also be a good sport? Must he accept his victory with true modesty or is he permitted to exult over his triumph and openly to rejoice at the defeat of his opponent?

The rules of society should be as stringent regarding the sportsmanship of the winner as those regarding the sportsmanship of the loser. A boasting attitude on the part of the man who has won does not prove that he is a superb being. It only shows his true metal—it only shows that all his interests are centered on self. Whether a person wins or whether he loses the attitude and manner in which he takes his defeat or victory is a true index to his character.

"Duke" Strickler (in History class): "Immigrants to America, after living here a certain number of years, became natives."

Let's go duck hunting Tuesday evening, May 8th in the gym.
 Send the Spectator home.

SPRING
 Marlin S. Kelly

With the coming of spring comes also a great deal of mental inactivity on the part of the students. Lessons are not prepared as well as they should be and during classes students either appear to be half asleep or to be wishing they were somewhere else. Some students make a business of coming to class late so the period of torture may be shortened.

It is time for us to realize that although spring is here we have no right to loaf on the job. School is going on just the same whether we work or not. If we do not work we must suffer the consequences. There is not much chance for us if we waste our time now even though we do expect to sprint on the last. It will be just that much harder at the last of the year to concentrate. Let us all work now and when we get our work done there will yet be time for play.

I WAS WONDERING
 About Going To Church

IT WAS SUNDAY MORNING

I ASKED someone IF he were GOING TO CHURCH

MY FRIEND THOUGHT that WAS FUNNY

HE COULDN'T SEE why that SHOULD Be a

MATTER for DEBATE

BECAUSE he was WELL

WE DON'T ask EACH OTHER if WE ARE

GOING TO SCHOOL

TOMORROW

WE know we ARE

IF WE aren't SICK OR can't

MAKE FOLKS THINK WE ARE

I WAS WONDERING WHY going to CHURCH

ISN'T taken FOR GRANTED BY

EVERY STUDENT

Wants Koo

Announcement.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lingle announce the engagement of their daughter, Anna Katherine, to Mr. Samuel A. Maust, of Waterloo, Iowa. The wedding will take place the latter part of May.

Learn how to capture ducks, Tuesday May 8th.

WILL TEACH IN FRIENDS UNIVERSITY THIS SUMMER

Grover C. Dotzour, A. B., 1912, at present principal of the Roosevelt School in Wichita, will be one of the teachers in the summer school of Friends University. Professor Dotzour took his A. M. degree in the University of Kansas and also attended the summer session of Columbia University. He has specialized in the field of Education.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

	W.	L.	Pct.
Seniors	3	0	1.000
Sophomores	3	0	1.000
Faculty	2	1	.667
Juniors	1	2	.333
Freshmen	0	3	.000
Academy	0	3	.000

To do nothing is in every man's power.—Johnson.

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The First Electrochemist

NITROUS oxide, according to the science of a century ago, was "the principle of contagion when respired by animals in the minutest quantities." Mere say-so. Imaginative yet skeptical Humphrey Davy, who believed in experiment rather than in opinion, "respired" it and lived. It was this restless desire to test beliefs that made him one of the founders of modern science. Electricity was a new force a century ago. Davy used it to decompose potash, soda, and lime into potassium, sodium, and calcium, thus laying the foundations of electrochemistry. With a battery of two thousand plates he produced the first electric arc—harbinger of modern electric illumination and of the electric furnace. Czar Alexander I and Napoleon met on a raft to sign the Treaty of Tilsit while Davy was revealing

the effects of electricity on matter. "What is Europe?" said Alexander. "We are Europe." The treaty was at that time an important political event, framed by two selfish monarchs for the sole purpose of furthering their personal interests. Contrast with it the unselfish efforts of Sir Humphrey Davy. His brilliant work has resulted in scores of practical applications of electrolysis; in industry and a wealth of chemical knowledge that benefit not himself but the entire world. In the Research Laboratories of the General Electric Company, for instance, much has been done to improve the electric furnace (a development of Davy's arc) and new compounds have been electrochemically produced, which make it easier to cast high-conductivity copper, to manufacture special tool steels; and to produce carbides for better arc lamps.

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SENIORS, SOPHOMORES, AND TEACHERS LAND VICTORIES

The Seniors kept up the pace set in the first two games, the Freshmen being the victims this time. Tipton, the Freshman southpaw, could not deceive the Seniors who pounded his offerings for six hits.

Batteries: Freshmen, Tipton and Yancey. Seniors, Garvey and Penland.

Score by Innings: R. H. E.
Seniors . . . 1 1 0 3 1—6 6 1
Freshmen . . . 0 0 0 1 0—1 2 5

The Sophomores by their decisive win of 9-0 over the Academy, kept a perfect percentage, and earned a right to a first place tie with the Seniors. It was the first shut-out game of the season, secured by good support given Barton when errors meant runs.

Batteries: Sophomores, Ellwood, Barton, and Kubin. Academy, Spohn and Hall.

Score by Innings: R. H. E.
Sophomores . . . 3 6 0 0 x—9 4 2
Academy . . . 0 0 0 0 0—0 1 7

The Teachers in their game Thursday, sprang a surprise by taking the Juniors into camp. The feature of the game was the pulling of several double plays, Lomborg to Blair. The Juniors felt the loss of Enns' services on the mound, though the loss of the game cannot be wholly at-

tributed to Rufus Daggett, the re-erated pitcher.

Batteries: Faculty, E. J. Unruh and Penland. Juniors, Daggett and Strickler.

Score by Innings: R. H. E.
Faculty . . . 1 3 3 2 0—9 5 3
Juniors . . . 3 0 0 0 2—5 3 7

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Freshmen vs. Faculty, Tuesday.
Sophomores vs. Seniors, Wednesday.
Juniors vs. Academy, Thursday.

Exchanges

Music Week at Hays Normal began Sunday afternoon.

Bethel College was recently donated over two hundred books for its library.

The annual Spring Music Festival of Pittsburg closed Friday night with "The Messiah."

The Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra gave a program at Manhattan Saturday.

The music students of Kansas State Agricultural College presented "The Mikado" last week.

The one thousand students of Emporia gave \$80,000 toward the erection of a stadium and union building.

The new Kansas University library which is under construction will be designed in collegiate Gothic architecture.

The seniors at Baker University have voted to present a score board and memorial to World War men as a memorial this year.

New buildings and additional equipment are putting the University of Kansas School of Engineering in a position of leadership among schools of its class.

Send the Spectator home.

SENIORS PRESENT THE CAPTAIN OF PLYMOUTH WITH MARKED SUCCESS

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ful Elder Brewster was the Puritan elder who is read about. Raymond Clark as Erasmus, Miles' right bower, and Rowena Vaniman as Mercy, the flirt who practiced her charms on Erasmus participated in several comic incidents, playing their parts faultlessly. Marietta Byerly who impersonated Katonka was a comedy in herself, her persistence in following Miles Standish, causing much laughter; Jess Garvey was the typical Indian chief, Watawamat.

Choruses Show Talent

Jacob Yoder, Carl Dell, and Jess Garvey, as lads of Plymouth, and Marye Andes, Estella Engle, Florence Mohler, Naomi Fasnacht, Ada Correll, and Ada Kurtz, Plymouth Daisies who introduced diversion played and sang well. Eight young sailors who sang the Song of the Sea and danced the Sailor's Hornpipe were well received. The chorus of Puritan men and women showed considerable talent.

Commendation is due Jacob Yoder as business manager and Ada Kurtz as stage manager as well as the cast and director for the success of the operetta. Prof. Gaw also deserves much credit for his work during the first few nights of practice in getting the music of the different choruses started correctly.

MISSION BAND

The religion of Buddha was discussed in the Mission Band meeting Sunday evening. Elvis Prather presented the evils and defects of this ancient cult stating that it is really a philosophy of life rather than a religion because there is no worship, no God, no prayer, and no supernatural power. The religion is merely commemorative to Buddha.

The good in Buddhism was shown by Melvin Teter who asserted that Buddhism is a religion which tends to uphold morality and to respect womanhood. It also tends to break down the caste system and allow equal rights.

Y. W. C. A.

Devotions in Y. W. Wednesday morning were led by Mabel Hoffman, after which Margaret Walters gave a very interesting talk on the political situation in Russia today. She presented the growth of political parties, and the unsteadiness of the government. It is said of the political situation that what is true today may not be true tomorrow. The causes of the Revolution have been interpreted in different ways. Tolstoi emphasized that the peasantry seized the land for their own personal gain. A Russian student who is now in the University of Nebraska says that the land was taken for the preservation of the children in Russia. Every report is so unstable that it is impossible to know what to believe. In closing Miss Walters gave some of the influences America has on Russia, and in what ways this nation is looking to America.

Josh Billings on "Flies"

The following squib, which is going the rounds of the Kansas press, is credited to Josh Billings' Farmers' Allminax, published in 1871: The fly is not only a domestic critter, but a friendly one. How they git born I don't know, but I have thought they didn't wait tew be born, but come just as they am. Many of them are cut off in the flower of their youth, and usefulness. Some lose their lives by lighting too near the rim of a toad's mouth, and fall in when the toad gabs. Thousands find a watery grave, by gitting drowned—in milk cans. Flies morally considered are like other human beings; they won't light on a good, helthy spot in a man, not if they can find a place that is a little raw. I believe they are ov temperate habits, and altho they hang around groceries a good deal, I never see a fly the wuss for liquor, but I have often seen liquor that wuz a good deal the wuss for flies.

Fairmount College is planning for a big celebration May 1.

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Personal Paragraphs

Lucy and Lucella Serviss spent the week-end with Irene Miller at her home in Galva.

Edgar J. Miller of Sabetha visited his sister Lola a few days last week. He is en route to California.

Galen Garber's sister from Burr Oak visited him a few days last week.

Everett and Ira Brammell, Samuel Maust, and Elmer Brunk left yesterday for northern Kansas to visit their schools which they have for next year. Galen Garber accompanied them.

Prof. Hershey took his Chemistry class to Hutchinson yesterday to visit various places there.

Mrs. Irene Rupp returned Thursday from Wichita where she has been the last nine weeks. She will stay at McPherson with her son Clyde until the close of school.

Sylvia Whiteneck spent a few days on the hill before going to Hutchinson to work. She has been teaching near Canton this past year.

N. F. Brubaker accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. J. J. Buttler of Conway Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Betts, drove to Conway Springs Thursday. Mrs. Buttler has been here for some time visiting her parents.

The dormitory girls serenaded the boys of Fahnestock Hall Thursday night.

Stanley Engle of Abilene came Friday night to visit his sister, Estella and also attend the Senior Operetta.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hostetler and son of Conway Springs visited friends at McPherson a few days last week. Mr. Hostetler, a graduate of Manchester College, is pastor of the Brethren Church at Conway Springs.

The College Sophomores were somewhat disappointed Saturday because of the rain. They had planned to spend the day at Halstead.

Rowena Vaniman, Margaret Mike-sell, Paul Sargent, and Dale Strickler spent the week-end at Ramona.

Bernice Morrison returned to her home at Canton Friday evening after the operetta.

Lorinda Leatherman, Reetha Studebaker, and Ruth King made a business trip to Hutchinson Thursday.

Prof. J. J. Yoder left Wednesday for Oakland, California, where he was secured to dedicate a church Sunday. During his stay in California he will visit La Verne College.

Last Monday afternoon Geraldine Crill, Alta Mohler, Edith and LeRoy Doty and Jay Eller picnicked at Twin Mounds. The event was in celebration of the birthdays of Geraldine and LeRoy.

Varied Verses

Reflections

Why do we slam our fellows so,
And seem to think it fun?
Each time we get the slightest chance
We put them in a pun.
We write a joke about them
Then put it in the Spec—
While the nicer things about them
Are sadly in neglect.
What a lovely place we'd find it
If we'd just reverse the game—
Forget the stinging little slams
And praise instead of blame.

A. F.

APPRECIATORY

It takes but little observation to arrive at the conclusion that the student body of McPherson College when they chose an editor for the Spectator two years ago made a most lucky find when they selected Orville D. Pote for that position. And they showed equally good sense a year ago when they reelected him to that post. To have occupied this position for two successive years is an honor unique in our college history.

At the foundation of the commendable success made by Mr. Pote as editor-in-chief of the Spectator is the fact that from the very first he took his position seriously. He was not profuse in pre-election pledges but followed up his securing of the honor by a conscientious effort to prepare himself definitely for the task. He did not dissipate his time or energy in too many activities but made the college paper his first interest, never finding satisfaction with this enterprise until it was the best possible paper. And he steadfastly maintained a high standard. The writer has taken special pains to read the numerous college papers which come to the library and unhesitatingly pronounces the Spectator among the very best that come on the campus. In arrangement and character of news there are few that equal it. The editor has kept his balance and not yielded to the temptation to fill the pages with cheap stuff. All representative activities of the school have found expression.

Proof reading is the nightmare of many editors, but this mechanical necessity has never daunted Mr. Pote. The past two years have witnessed a Spectator freer from typographical errors than any college paper ever put out at McPherson College. This means work—hard work—and a love for and mastery of details which few possess. Accuracy in this particular comes next only to accuracy of fact.

The editorial policy with regard to the use of humor has been commendable. Whatever humor has occurred in the pages of the Spectator—and it has abounded in sufficient quantity—has been above mere personal venom. Usually it has avoided localisms. It has added zest to the pages of the paper and has left no sting.

Mr. Pote has always had the interests of the school at heart and has kept his editorial policy consonant therewith. It is only the success of the college that makes the paper possible and any willful opposition to the well-known traditions of the institution will only court failure for the student publication. Whenever it was the part of wisdom to criticize, the editor has always done so constructively and has manifested no spleen.

In choosing his associates on the staff Mr. Pote has been actuated by rare good judgment and fairness. He has no friends to reward and no enemies to punish. His reward has been a maximum degree of cooperation and the continued goodwill of his co-laborers.

It is quite probable that the editorship of the Spectator has been a self-revelation to Orville, for it has had a tendency to turn him in the direction of his life-work and to acquaint him with the field of journalism—a field not sufficiently emphasized in past years here at McPherson College.

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