

Regional Conference to emphasize faith

Take approximately 200 Church of the Brethren youth, add liberal doses of seminars, worship, fun and fellowship and blend for three days. What do you get? The annual Regional Youth Conference.

Youth from Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Oklahoma, Iowa, Texas, New Mexico and Missouri will be on campus March 12-14 for the conference, which will emphasize the theme "Faith for Today."

Vernard Eller, Professor of Theology at LaVerne College, LaVerne, Ca., will be the featured speaker for the weekend. Seminars to be offered include "The Holy Spirit—What Is It?", "Brethren — Where Are We Going?", "BVS", "Gardening", "Faith and How to Use It" and a "Sackbut symposium" and concert.

Free time will be available on Saturday afternoon for Conference participants to meet with

professors. The Mac Ambassadors will also conduct a tour of the campus. Other activities include a sunrise service and special music provided by Rick Hendly and Cliff Walker, gospel singers from Joplin, Mo. A three-act comedy entitled "See How They Run" will also be presented during the weekend of the conference.

Campus minister Paul Miller and Lynn Sifrit, jr, Waka, Texas, are co-organizers of this year's conference.

"As I see it, the main purpose of the Regional Youth Conference serves is allowing youth from similar religious backgrounds to fellowship together," Lynn commented.

"Some students come just to see the campus, but I think this is of secondary importance. The main emphasis of the weekend is religious," he concluded.

BEOG lacking funds

According to Peter K. Voigt, head of the Basic Educational Opportunity Grants program, demands for grants this year have exceeded existing funds by about \$180 million, and unless Congress takes action, many students receiving funds may be affected.

The grants, which range from \$200-\$1400, are used as a basis for awarding other state or privately funded scholarships. Some \$820 million was appropriated for the BEOG program this year, but the expected demand may reach as high as one billion dollars.

Because of the so-called shortfall, Congress will have to appropriate supplemental funds or allow the program to draw an advance on next year's funds. If Congress fails to act, the consequences will be far reaching and may affect all students who are receiving funds. Every institution may be asked to reduce expected increased demands.

Jess Cooper, director of

financial aids, is fairly confident, though, that few McPherson College students will be affected this year.

Although Mac has already exceeded its allotment for this year by \$2823, few students should feel the effects.

"There should be plenty of money for this year," Cooper said. Although 89 Mac students are receiving funds, there are three or four eligible students who have not yet applied.

"The only ones who may be affected are the ones that are sending in BEOG applications after today," he said.

Cooper remains confident that money situation will not reach crisis proportions.

"Even though I can't really predict what will happen, I hope that Congress will appropriate more funds," Cooper said.

If Congress does not act, the expected \$5000-6000 increase in McPherson College demands may

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Trustees to consider presidential nominees

Students urged to share views

by Lynn Willoughby

"It's a good opportunity to better communications between students and trustees," said Student Council president Steve Burkholder, sr, Buhler, referring to the March 4-6 visit of the Board of Trustees.

Classes will again be tele-scoped March 4 in convocations fashion so that students can discuss their concerns with Board members. Various committees

will meet between the 9:30-10:20 a.m. time slot. (See below).

"It will be the only opportunity for the students to get to talk to the trustees. The trustees have a full schedule and will be on campus only a few days," said Burkholder.

Burkholder added that the trustees appreciated talking with students last fall and were impressed by their mature manner of discussing issues.

In addition to the usual committee reports and academic matters, the Board will hear a report from the Presidential Selection Committee.

The Board will consider nominations made by the Selection Committee and may decide upon a replacement for Dr. Galen Snell, president, who submitted

his resignation last fall, effective Sept. 1, 1976.

Dr. Snell will present the annual budget to the trustees. The budget will probably be higher than last year due to inflation.

Recommendations for Alumni Citation of Merit Awards will be announced at the Board meeting. Up to five alumni are awarded citations for achievements and success in a given profession, service to mankind or the church or alumni loyalty to the College.

The nominee must agree to attend the Annual Alumni Banquet and will receive a framed certificate from the president of the College or a plaque or memento bearing an appropriate inscription.

Board of Trustee Committee Meetings
9:30-10:20 a.m., March 4

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| Miller 101 | Campus Life Committee |
| Mohler 218 | Development and Public Relations Committee |
| Mohler 227 | Education Committee |
| Mohler 204 | Finance and Investment Committee |

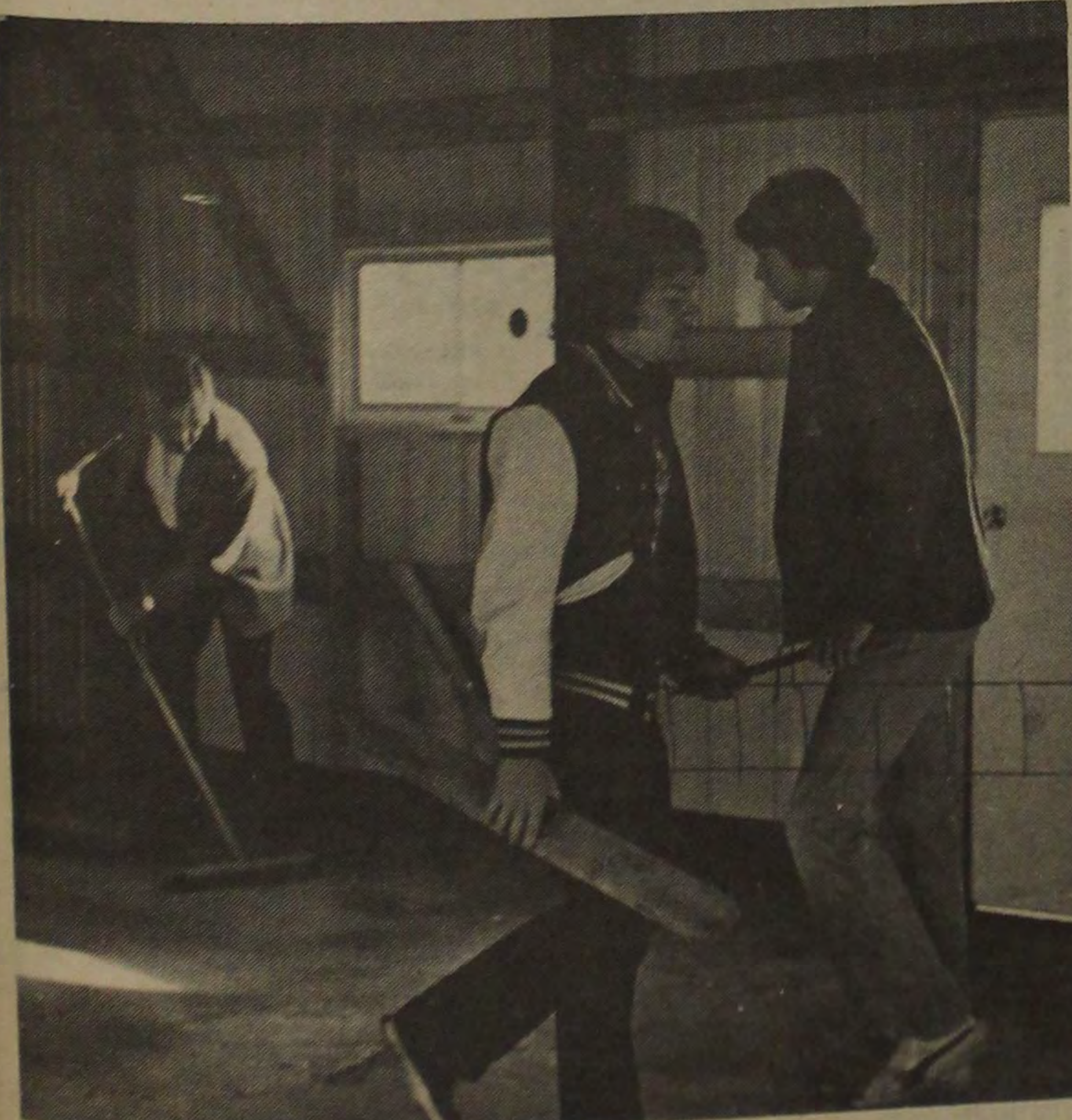
SPECTATOR SIDELINES

One acts postponed/
Publicity Assistant/
Application deadlines . . .

The one act plays, originally scheduled for Feb. 25-27, have been postponed. "Hangs Over Thy Head," "For Distinguished Service" and "Where Have All the Lightning Bugs Gone?" will be presented Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in the Little Theatre.

Stan Adams, a recent graduate of McPherson College, has been hired as Publicity Assistant. He replaces Mrs. Norma Tucker, who will continue as a part-time professor.

Students wishing to apply for financial aid for the 1976-77 school year should contact Jess Cooper, director of financial aids. Applications for various grants, loans and scholarships are available in Mohler 117.



Tracy Ikenberry, jr, Quinter, and Delton Coddington, soph, Hill City, assist Dean Milton Goering in the Mac Shack. If spring-like weather holds out and student support continues, Goering predicts the Shack could be

Shack may be finished by April

"I hope that the Mac Shack will be open soon to serve students," said Bruce Clary, jr, Cabool, Mo., co-manager of the Shack.

An unusually mild winter has given rise to hopes that the Shack may indeed open in the first week of April. The concrete floor was recently poured, and all the necessary materials for completion have been ordered.

There is, however, still work to be done. The construction of a dividing wall, insulation of rest rooms and electrical wiring are necessary before the Shack can become operable.

"I think we can realistically hope to get these things done in six weeks," commented Milt Goering, dean of students. "But it depends on how important student need for this building is."

"Several work nights with a good student turnout are a must," he continued. "If student involvement lags because of spring weather or spring sports, this project could drag on into next

fall."

Many construction details have yet to be resolved and will depend largely on the amount of money available. Dean Goering estimated that \$1400 has been earmarked for the Mac Shack from private donations, Stucco allocations and funds remaining from the previous Mac Shack.

Kitchen equipment from the S.U. Snack Bar may be moved to the Mac Shack but these plans have not been finalized. A hot water heater and a furnace are also needed but will not be installed at the present time.

"I hope students realize that when the Shack opens we will be limited on services and concessions. I hope they are patient. Right now, we're struggling just to get this thing going," Clary said.

"Many students, too, have the wrong idea of what the Shack is. It's not a recreation center; it's a quiet, coffeehouse style atmosphere—an alternative to the Student Union."

Youth Center needs Big Brothers, Sisters

According to Tuesday's convocations speaker, Marc R. Minnis, one of the nine major components of love is kindness—giving of oneself. Minnis urged all people to "offer your love to people you meet."

Great, you say. All very idealistic and nice to contemplate but what about the "real world?" Yet Minnis' ideas are applicable to the often-times harsh realities of life.

Currently, there exists a need for Big Brothers and Big Sisters at the McPherson County Youth Center. Only one Big Sister is now active and three Big Brothers.

Mac students, though, are hesitant to become involved in the Center, due largely to misconceptions surrounding the program. Majors from all areas are welcome—not just behavioral science students.

Perhaps the biggest requirement, however, is one that is not a rule. The Big Brother or Sister must be willing to give of his or her time, must be sensitive and willing to listen.

Not as evident is the knowledge that one may be helping tomorrow's adults when they need it most.

The human commitment—the giving and sharing of oneself—is indeed be a very real part of life. And what is love if it is not shared with someone else?

READERS RESPOND...

Support for carnival requested

Dear Editor,

Don't you think that it would be a good idea if someone would organize a CARNIVAL on campus? I don't know of too many people who don't enjoy caramels, apples, games and fun, even without the chance of making a little money. We could set it up so that anyone could participate, plan it on a weekend in spring and invite everyone to come.

Charlotte McCann

Dear Charlotte,

Yes, I do think it is a good idea.

So on behalf of all of us, why don't you set it up?

The Editor

Dear Editor,

Would you settle for Sat., April 3, from 1-6 in the afternoon under the flag pole? The Mac Ambassadors have invited high school seniors here that day. Is it okay if I invite the town and not the whole county? How about if we open up exhibits (academic?), displays (artistic?) and games? The only rules would be:

1. You make your own booth.
2. Oscar Morgan, MCCC and the

Thirty-five recruiters from various businesses, industries, graduate schools and federal and state agencies will be interviewing seniors March 4 during ACCK's ninth annual Careers Day.

The day's activities will begin at 9 a.m. with a welcome to recruiters from ACCK Executive Director Howard Johnston, and student interviews will begin in the gymnasium at 9:30 a.m. and run until 4 p.m.

According to Steve Gatton, McPherson's career counselor, employers will be looking for students who have specific qualifications. In a recent survey, personnel recruiters from several companies listed six factors which weigh heavily in selecting the right person for the job.

Among these qualities Gatton cited personal characteristics, including maturity, initiative, enthusiasm, appearance and an ability to work well with people.

Students who will be most highly considered should also have taken specialized courses relating to a specific field. They also should have held a related part-time or summer job.

Those students who have exhibited leadership on campus

student body get the credit.

3. You contact me as soon as possible.

Do you think anyone will go for it?

Charlotte McCann

Dear Charlotte,

Thanks for all the information. If students don't jump at the chance to have some fun, raise some money and help McPherson College with its recruiting program, we're worse off than I thought.

Good luck.

The Editor

which had been published the day before Christmas, 1975. Printed by the Bookmark Press, the \$2.50 book also contained the work of Gordon Ossing and Norman Russell.

Idly he scanned the last lines of the title poem:

"I am locks double-checked.
Say hello to me, partner,
it's time we were friends.
With every sound in the night
I am your held breath.
I am anybody's guess."

A few pages on he glimpsed "Family Sundays" (Evening kitchen - just listening to the rice - busy in the pot. - My job—push back my sleeves - and when needed, add a pinch - of oregano from the tin"...) which had won him the Conrad Aiken Prize of the Poetry Society of Georgia for capturing the essence of American life—or something like that.

Still waiting, he reread some lines he'd penned earlier for the book he was now working on:

"At the office he shakes hands rough,
gets up the weekly pot.
Doodles O's and X's on the back
of WHILE YOU WERE OUT
notes;

ACCK to sponsor Careers Day

and have participated in extra-curricular activities will also have an advantage, as do those whose academic record is good.

Finally, students should have completed enough general or liberal arts courses to provide them with a broad cultural background.

While employment for the average American worker is still hard to find, women and black graduates will have a greater chance for employment this year than in 1975. Gatton added, "The companies polled indicated they planned to hire 45 per cent more blacks and women than they did in 1975."

Advanced degrees will not necessarily increase a candidate's prospects. "According to the

employers surveyed, 75 per cent said that a master's degree would not improve a graduate's chances for employment," said Gatton.

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Quad pictures rescheduled

DEAR EDITOR,

We are rescheduling pictures for organizations beginning Monday, March 2. The schedule below indicates times and places organizations should meet for these pictures.

Although we had taken some pictures, a few did not turn out. Some organizations failed to show up for their pictures at all.

We will appreciate your help in organizing the 1976 Quadangle.

Sincerely,
Deby Dodds
Quad Editor

Mon., March 1

| TIME | ORGANIZATION | PLACE |
|-----------|---------------------|----------------|
| 2:00 p.m. | Cooks | S.U. |
| 2:30 | Maintenance | Maintenance |
| 5:30 | Black Student Union | S.U. Basement |
| 5:45 | Spectator Staff | S.U. Basement |
| 6:00 | Kline Dorm Council | Kline Hall |
| 6:15 | Alpha Psi Omega | Little Theatre |

Tues., March 2

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| 5:30 p.m. | WAA | Gym |
| 5:45 | M-Club | Gym |
| 6:00 | SEA | Mohler |
| 6:15 | Board of Publications | Mohler |
| 6:30 | Metzler Dorm Council | Metzler Lobby |

Wed., March 3

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| 2:00 p.m. | Freshman Officers | Quiet Room |
| 2:30 | Sophomore Officers | Quiet Room |
| 3:00 | Junior Officers | Quiet Room |
| 3:30 | Senior Officers | Quiet Room |

balls up paper,
hits the trashbasket
9 times in 10;
takes lunch with visiting execs,
shakes hands rough."

People call this kind of poetry free verse, but he claims it is not really free. Free makes it sound like it can do anything it wants.

His eyes fell on some unread manuscripts that had been submitted to "Raindust," a press which published small books of poetry of which he was editor.

He considered reading them but knew inspiration could only come from very high quality writing. Feeling unproselike, he rejected his favorite novelists, Mark Twain, John Steinbeck and Sherwood Anderson, and turned to poetry. Caught between e. e. cummings and Herbert Scott, he chose Dave Etter.

Rereading the volume, he remembered a poem he wanted to use in one of his "Kansas Poets-in-Residence" workshops. After graduating from the University of Missouri at Kansas City last spring, he was now the youngest poet-in-schools in Kansas.

The poem reminded him of

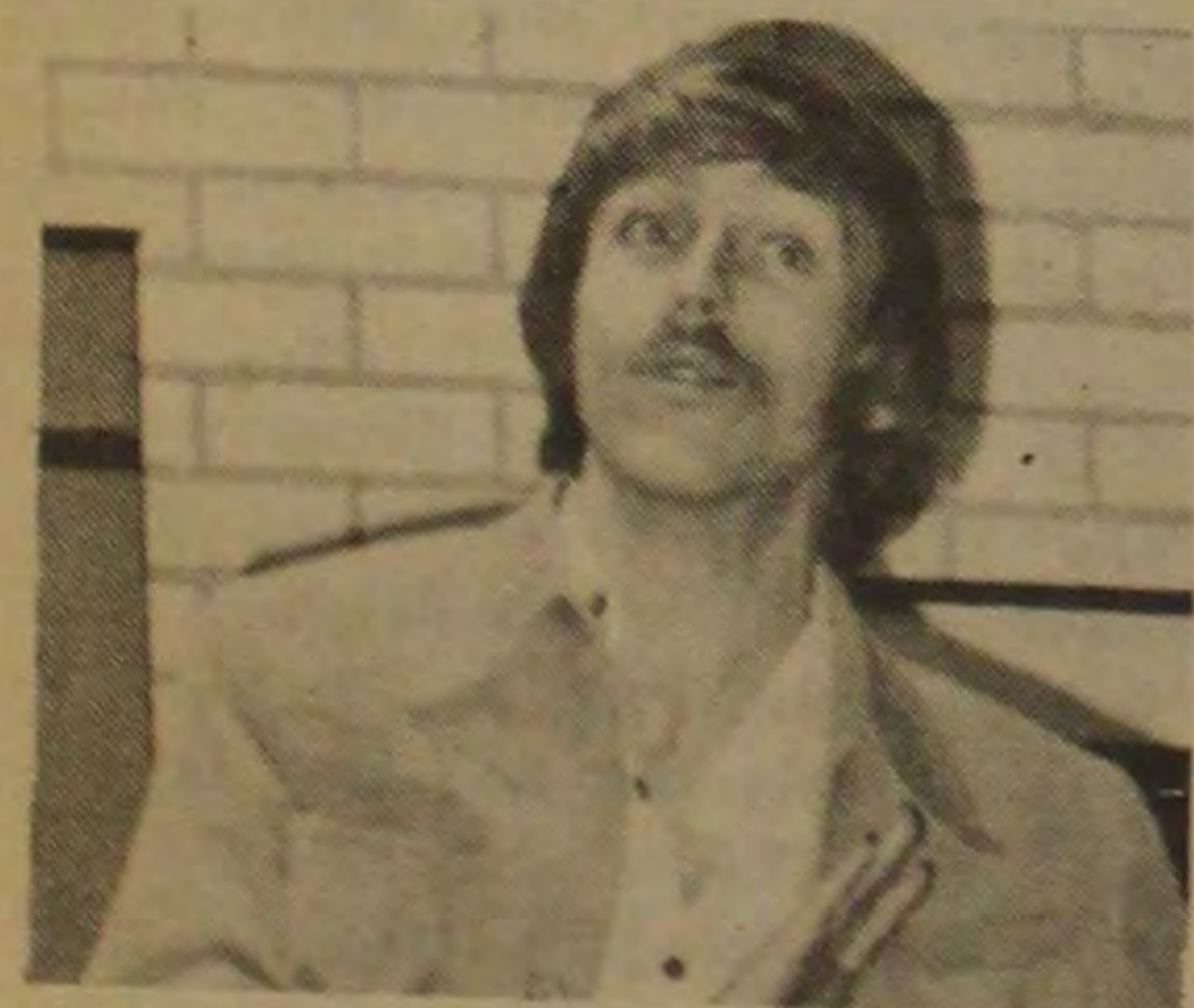
upcoming plans, and he glanced at his calendar now marked with a menagerie of Kansas towns: Dodge City, McPherson, Norton and Winfield. A red circle, indicating his birthday on March 6 stopped him. He figured the last of his two weeks in McPherson would be March 5, and he could drive home to Independence, Mo., on his birthday.

He traveled a lot, and since it reversed his day-night working schedule, he couldn't very well work on his poems. But he knew that four or five months of this work would allow him to concentrate exclusively on his book during the summer.

He was excited about the new half-completed book, but he knew poetry was the last profession one would choose if he were interested in making money. He knew all about the get-rich-quick forms of writing—but for now he was content with conquering the world of poetry.

Someday, though, he wanted to write the Great American Novel, but he was planning on living 40 or 50 years and he knew that doing too many things usually meant you did none of them too well.

Sleeps by day; poet by night



Frank Higgins, poet-in-residence, will be working at McPherson High School, McPherson College and with a workshop at the McPherson Public Library through next Friday. His residency is the joint project of the Kansas Arts Commission, the National Endowment for the Arts and the McPherson Arts Council.

by Cindy Mines

With his black and silver pen (though it had cost only about ninety cents, it was his favorite and they'd been a team for three years) rhythmically tapping, and his brain nearly napping, Frank Higgins glanced toward the clock that was incessantly ticking towards dawn.

Realizing an ache in his back, he rearranged his position and resettled on his lap the curved desk top, that had come unscrewed when no one was looking and which he found made an excellent writing surface.

However, tonight hadn't been too productive and while waiting for that momentary inspiration that would allow him to write until day break (his usual bed time), he remembered the first poem he'd sold. His debut into the poetic world had come at 19 when the Kansas City Star paid him five dollars for his efforts.

Since then his work has appeared in "The Kansas Quarterly," "Southern Poetry Review," and "Focus Midwest." Still waiting, he picked up his first book of poems, "Hello, Hello,"

Faculty, students trek to annual KMEA clinic

Kansas high school musicians, college music education students and public school music educators travelled to Wichita last Friday and Saturday for the Kansas Music Educators Association's In-Service Workshop.

This annual workshop featured informative lectures on various aspects of vocal and instrumental music and several musical groups performed concerts.

Five McPherson College students attended the workshop. They are Gene Barnett, soph, Madison; Dave Frantz, jr, Windsor, Colo.; Helen Haynes, sr, McPherson; Tim Schofield, fr, Kansas City, Mo. and Les Sperling, sr, McPherson.

Professor Paul Sollenberger, music, Professor Larry Kitzel, band, and Professor Ron Aden, choir, also attended.

High school students attended the workshop primarily as performers. In addition to concerts given by all-state KMEA honor groups, ensembles from several junior and senior high schools performed.

Students are selected for performance in the KMEA honor band, orchestra or chorus on the basis of outstanding musical ability.

Prof. Kitzel said that most of the college students present were music education majors. They attended the workshop on a clinical basis to supplement their college courses. Several college musical groups were also featured in concert.

Kitzel praised the instructional

sessions and clinics, saying "just about every aspect of music education is covered in one way or another."

"For example, the Kansas State High School Activities Association held a big discussion over the effects of Title IX on school musical groups," Kitzel stated. "It seems that high school pep bands might have to perform for ball games three or four nights a week just to be fair to both boys' and girls' teams."



Other topics included jazz improvisation, composition and several clinics emphasizing the fundamental skills needed to play different musical instruments.

"Another valuable function the workshop serves is allowing one to talk with people from different parts of the state and keep up with what's going on in the world of music," concluded Kitzel.

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Collegiate Republicans begin

1976 organization

draws near, the

by Roger Carswell

Although the presidential election is still eight months away, the campus Collegiate Republicans, under the direction of Perry Donner, soph, McPherson, are organizing and preparing for the political onslaught.

Donner became interested in Collegiate Republicans about a year ago. "I got tired of sitting around and griping about things. I was disillusioned. I decided then that if I didn't try to get involved and change things I had no right to gripe," he said.

"I did some studying on various political groups and candidates, and Collegiate Republicans just happened to express more nearly my points of view than any other organization. So I got involved."

Since that time, Donner has been actively involved. He has attended several Republican meetings, including a dinner in Wichita of the Kansas Federation of Republican Women and in January a breakfast in Salina for Kansas Governor Robert Bennett.

In January he was appointed - Collegiate Republican Regional Coordinator for McPherson, Saline, Harvey, Kingman and Reno Counties.

He is now working to organize groups at Central and Bethany Colleges and plans to organize one at Bethel in the near future.

In addition to future meetings, the Republicans plan to take a poll on the political attitudes of McPherson College students as well as listening to talks by state and local leaders.

As the presidential election



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Mac win nets cagers sixth place tie

An 85-71 victory over the Tabor College Bluejays last Saturday night lifted the Bulldogs from a possible tie for last to an undisputed sixth place in the KCAC. McPherson College closed out the season holding an 8-13 overall record and stand 6-10 in league play.

In action earlier in the week, the Bulldogs lost to Bethel, 70-57 at the Roundhouse. In both games, 6'5" junior Bob Durham was a key factor in the outcome. Durham put on a 38-point performance to blast Tabor, while in the Bethel game it was during his six-minute absence

from the floor that the Bulldogs lost a 13-point lead they never regained.

In addition to Durham's barrage of baskets, good team effort handed the Bulldogs an avenging win over Tabor. Falling behind midway through the first period by as much as seven points, McPherson's Wallace Youngblood scored 10 unanswered points late in the half giving the Bulldogs 43-37 advantage at intermission.

Durham took over in the second half. He hit 11 field goals and was two-for-five from the free throw

line, amounting 24 points in the final 20 minutes. His second half efforts boosted the Bulldogs to leads of up to 17 points.

Matt Duerksen scored 16; Youngblood, 14; Delton Coddington, 6; Dan Saulsberry, 5; Ed Parker, 4; and Andrew Beavers, 2 to add to Durham's 38 points, for a total of 85.

The Bulldogs battled the Bethel Threshers in the Roundhouse Wed., Feb. 18. It was a see-saw game in a first half, as the score was tied five times. Mac led 37-33 at intermission.

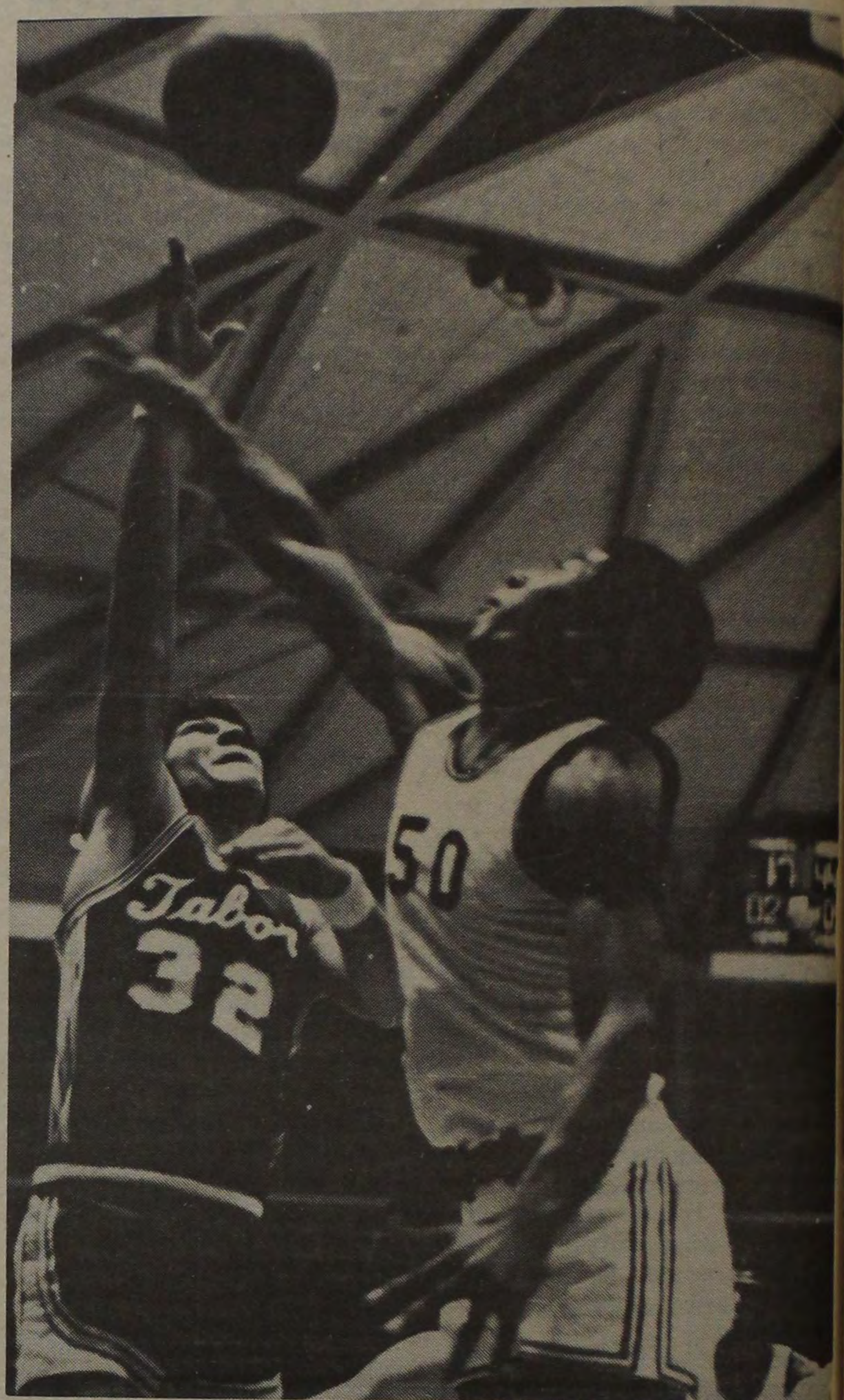
The Bulldogs had the momentum rolling their way in the second half until Durham twisted his ankle. Mac had built up a 13-point advantage, but Durham's six-minute absence and a Bethel full-court press turned the fortunes of the game in favor of the Threshers.

When Durham returned, nine minutes remained; but the Bulldogs had lost both their lead and their momentum. Mac continued to struggle, despite Durham's return, and dropped the Kansas Conference contest, 70-57.

Youngblood keyed the Bulldog scoring attack with 19. Durham scored 14 and Parker had 13. Duerksen and Coddington rounded out the scoring with eight and three points, respectively.

Hampered by the loss of several key players during the course of the year, the Bulldog's 8-13 record was not as good as anticipated, but still quite an improvement over last year's 1-22 season mark.

Looking forward to next year, head coach Jim Bauersfeld is doing some select recruiting. The McPherson Sentinel quoted Bauersfeld as saying, "We're not looking for a lot of players, just a few in the right spots."



Freshman forward Andrew Beavers makes a leap for the tip early in the first half. The Bulldogs beat Tabor in a conference game, 85-71.

Women nab second after Tabor loss

A tough Tabor defense proved to be more than the McPherson women could handle, as the Bluejays downed the women 57-53 Saturday night at the Roundhouse.

This loss, coupled with Bethel's victory over St. Mary's of the Plains, put McPherson in a second place tie with St. Mary's in conference ranks. The women closed their season with a 10-4 KCAC mark including losses to Bethany, Tabor and St. Mary's, and an 11-6 overall record.

Conference competition proved to be rougher this year than in years past. Tabor opened with two losses but improved vastly and proved to be the most surprising team in the KCAC.

Although both McPherson and Tabor played well in the first half, Mac couldn't seem to consistently crack Tabor's woman-to-woman press—a problem which cost them the first game.

The lead changed hands several times in the first half. Mac was on

top by four with 12:37 left, but the stubborn Bluejays fought their way back into the lead on four consecutive unanswered buckets. Tabor led with 2:15 remaining, and McPherson poured in three baskets to secure a 33-29 halftime advantage.

The Bluejays ripped off eight quick points to start the second half, which gave them a two point advantage with 15:37 to play.

At this point, the game reverted back to a see-saw battle from which Tabor finally emerged the victor, 57-53.

Jeanne Suellentrop took game high point honors with 16 points. Three other McPherson players broke into double figures. Denise Creevan scored 11 points and Sam Cordell and Lisa Gaskill each added 10. Cindy Andsager rounded out the women's point total with six points.

Jaworsky had 15 points for the Bluejays, and Jansen and Heinrich each contributed 11.

Wilson places fourth

by Celia Stover

Returning from Greensboro, N. C., with a handsome plaque in his bag and a smile on his face, Freddie Wilson, soph, Princeton Junction, N. J., placed fourth in the 600 meter run in NAIA competition in Greensboro, N.C., last weekend.

In the semi-finals, Freddie crossed the finish line with a time of 1:13.1, second best over all.

During the finals, Freddie was "boxed in" by two other runners and was unable to go as fast as he wanted.

"I should have had second place, because I had the second best time going into the finals. I got boxed in, though, and there wasn't much I could do about it," Freddie said.

Freddie qualified for the Nationals at Doane University in Crete, Neb., crossing the finish line there in 1:12.4, 1.6 seconds under the necessary qualifying time.

The nation's first place winner was a young man from Delaware State University, who finished with an impressive 1:11.9.

Coach Art Ray, who went with Wilson, said Freddie needed the experience of running against top notch athletes. Freddie believes

the experience was definitely helpful. He now knows how to avoid getting boxed in.

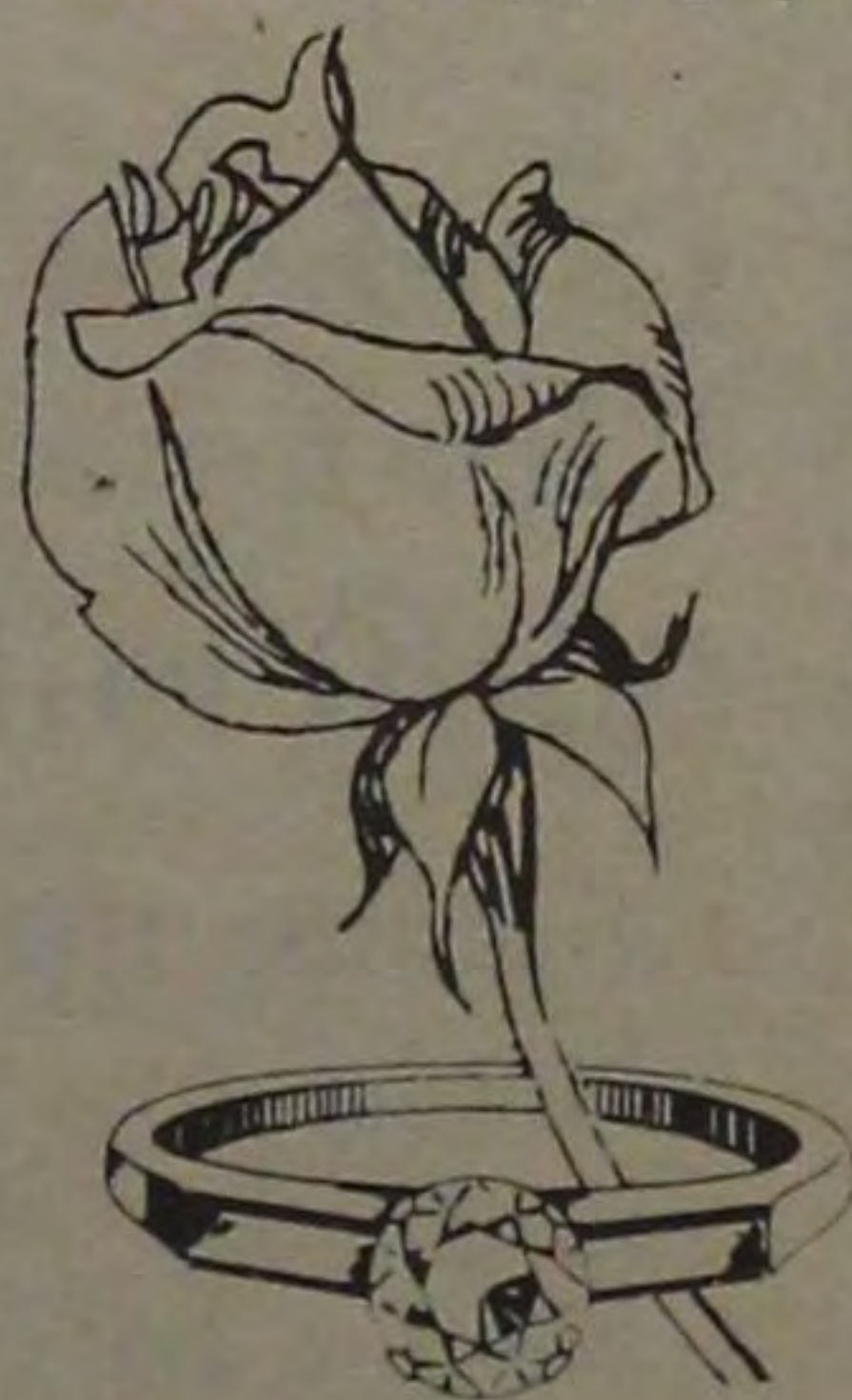
Freddie accomplished his objectives for the meet. "I wanted to place and that's what I did," he said. The first six, out of eight places, received plaques for their efforts.

Freddie didn't do anything out of the ordinary to prepare for this meet. He quit running three miles in the morning because he needed the rest. But he still runs three miles at night and anywhere from five to seven miles in the afternoon, usually in his army boots, to strengthen his leg muscles. "After about five miles or so you can really start to feel those boots."

Wilson also did some speed work, running six 220's in under 25 seconds each. "The fifth and sixth ones are mighty painful," he said.

The upcoming outdoor season looks promising for Freddie as he competes in his favorite event, the 440, as well as the 830. He will be a part of two relay teams, the 440 and mile and will compete in an event he's never tried before — the 220.

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