

Six new staff members hired

Arriving here from all over the country, six new faculty members are adding their knowledge and resources to the college community.

Dr. Stanley K. Beery, a former professor of mathematics at Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pa., has been hired as professor of mathematics.

Dr. Beery earned his Ph.D. in mathematics education at Florida State University. His wife, Christine, is also joining the McPherson College staff as assistant registrar. She earned her master's degree in German at Miami University of Ohio. Dr. and Mrs. Beery have two children.

James Chipman comes to McPherson from Manhattan where he was involved in the Center for Student Development and new student programs at Kansas State University. He holds bachelor's degrees in the fields of political science and business administration. He earned his M.S. in counseling at Kansas State University and will serve as assistant dean of students, director of student activities and resident director of Metzler Hall.

Prof. Paul Graber has been

named head basketball coach at McPherson this year. He will also serve as an assistant professor in the physical education department.

Prof. Gaber coached at Hiawatha High School and received his master's degree from Fort Hays Kansas State College. He is working on his doctorate at the University of Utah during summer sessions.

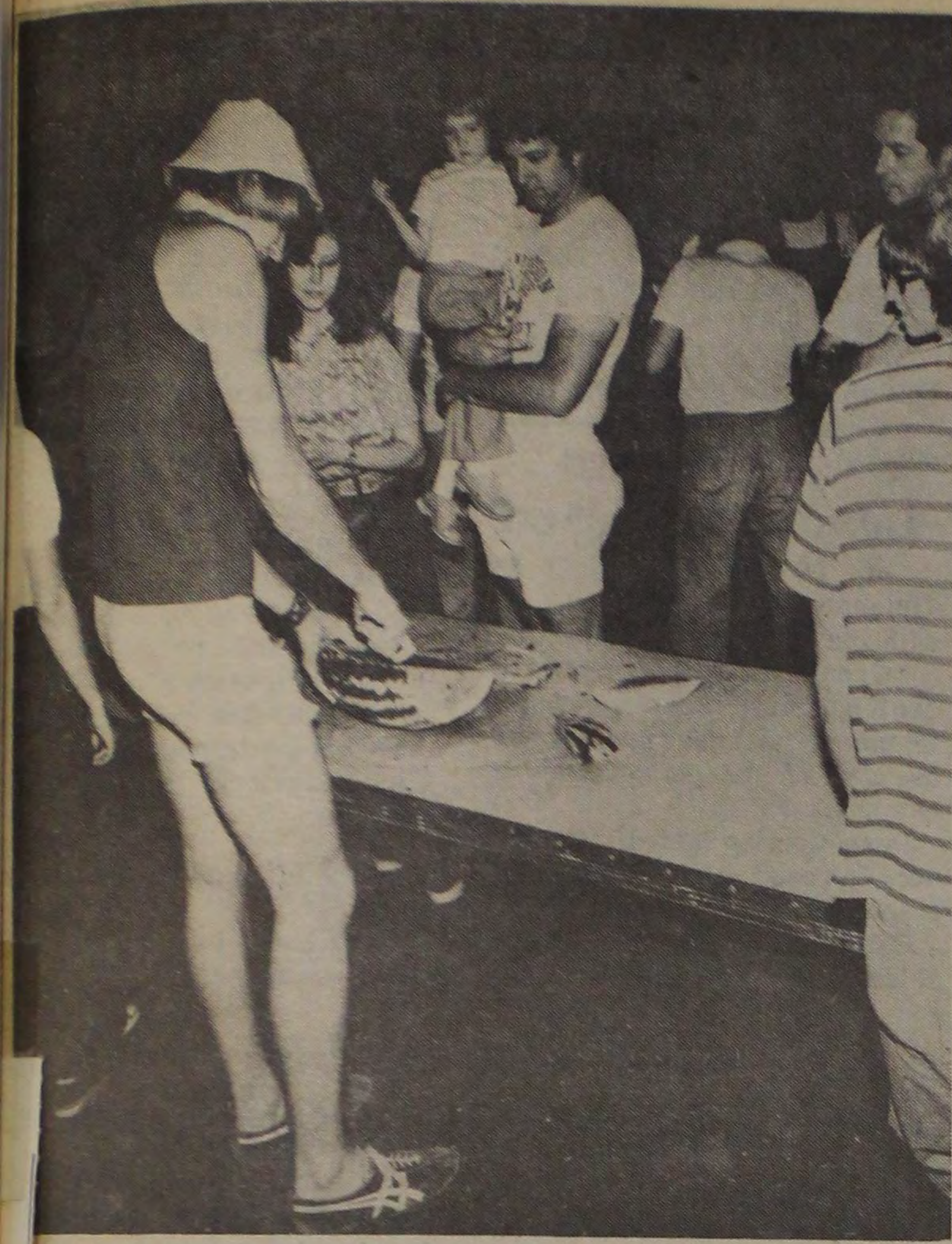
Joann Hamlin is a 1976 graduate of Edinboro State College, Edinboro, Pa. During the summer of 1975 she worked as big sister at the McPherson County Youth

Center which is located in Bittering Hall.

Here at McPherson she is serving as assistant dean of students and as an instructor in the learning skills laboratory.

Dr. Linda Seger will be involved this year in both the theatre and religion departments.

Dr. Seger earned her bachelor's degree from Colorado College in Colorado Springs. At Northwestern University in Illinois, she received her M.A. and then pursued graduate studies at the Theological Union, Berkeley, Ca., where she was awarded her Th.D.



Jan Saulsberry attempts to slice a piece of watermelon without slicing her fingers in the process. The watermelon feed and introduction of the football team took place Sept. 3.

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Green attends

summer seminar...

...Two deputized volunteers will be on campus Tuesday, Sept. 21 to allow students to register to vote. The volunteers will be in the Student Union lobby from 11 am - 4 p.m.

All students who are U.S. citizens and meet age and residency requirements may register to vote in McPherson for the Nov. 2 general election. Students must register by Oct. 12 and must have resided in McPherson for 20 days.

...Prof. Bob R. Green journeyed to Malone College, Canton, Ohio Aug. 10-19 to attend a Faith-Learning Institute. This institute explored many different concepts used in higher Christian education.

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Foreign service officer assigned to ACCK

Sherman joins consortium

Rick Sherman, Jr., a career Foreign Service Officer, has joined in McPherson to begin a

year of service with the Associated Colleges of Central Kansas (ACCK), a consortium of six private colleges: Bethany, Bethel, Kansas Wesleyan, McPherson, Sterling and Tabor. Mr. Sherman's appointment was authorized through legislation sponsored by U.S. Senator James B. Pearson of Kansas. This program, entitled "Assignment America", will give Foreign Service Officers an opportunity to work with state agencies or educational institutions across the nation.

Senator Pearson's program is intended to keep Foreign Service Officers in touch with American citizens' views of foreign policy, and to help the officers explain the government's policies and actions.

Mr. Sherman will visit each of the college campuses in the ACCK to speak about the work of the State Department. He will supplement the colleges' offerings by holding convocations, visiting classes, conversing with students individually and working with faculty and student committees.

Dr. Merlin Franz, dean of academic affairs, said there is some thought of Mr. Sherman giving a lecture course during the interterm and spring term, although no definite plans have been made. He will be on campus Sept. 13 to get acquainted and to meet with various groups. He is scheduled to be on campus again

later in the fall for a two week assignment.

He will also speak to civic and church groups in Kansas as his schedule allows.

Mr. Sherman, 34, has had ten years experience with the State Department before coming to ACCK. Beginning in 1966, his foreign service assignment under the Department of State U.S. Foreign Service have taken him to Libya, Italy and Kenya.

For two years he worked in Washington in the State Department and his duties required world travel with Secretary of State Henry Kissinger. He has also served as Country Officer for the two African countries of Mozambique and Namibia. He completed this assignment with the Bureau of African Affairs and then was hired by the ACCK.

Dr. Howard Johnston, ACCK's Executive Director, commented that "ACCK is quite fortunate to have Rick Sherman affiliated with our staff for the next twelve months. Our colleges have a traditional interest in world problems and how the United States should relate to them. We are confident that Rick will strengthen our attempts to understand the global scene from a number of perspectives."

Rick Sherman and his wife Joel will reside at 1101 N. Walnut Street in McPherson with two children, Sean, 12, and Amy, 10.

Hoffman speaks at convo

College president Dr. Paul Hoffman explained, "and if there Hoffman opened the school year is anything McPherson College can do for us... it ought to be to help us to know beauty."

succeeds Dr. Galen R. Snell, who resigned effective Sept. 1.

Dr. Hoffman served as Dean of Students at Manchester College, North Manchester, Ind. before being chosen as McPherson College's eleventh president.

Much of Dr. Hoffman's convocation address centered around the aspects of beauty one finds in life, and his first goal for McPherson College is that students learn to experience beauty.

"Beauty is all around us," Dr. Hoffman explained, "and if there Hoffman opened the school year is anything McPherson College can do for us... it ought to be to help us to know beauty."

"We are part of a very bored society," he continued. "We haven't really learned to appreciate beauty." Dr. Hoffman also expressed three other goals: to acquire skills through college experience, to "get involved in the world of the intellectual," and to interact with the community. He concluded, "I sincerely hope that each of you have a very fine year, and that you figure out your goals and get where you want to go."



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Fair display boosts college

An antique car, film slides of campus scenes and a display board of courses offered are some of the things included in the second annual McPherson College booth at the Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson.

The college booth, which will be located in the Commercial Building behind the Grandstand, will be open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sept. 18-26. Stan Adams, publicity assistant, described the booth as, "An opportunity to give tremendous exposure of the college to a large number of people in a small period of time."

Ten people will win free weekends on the McPherson College campus during the homecoming weekend, and 30 t-shirts will be given away in drawings taking place at the booth. The display is sponsored by the publicity and admissions departments.

The booth will be operated by volunteers, so anyone interested in working may contact either the admissions or the publicity departments.

Orientation activities feature 'the great outdoors'

by Janette Willems

"Everyone has the task of surviving the night."

That was the challenge Milton Goering, dean of student affairs, offered nearly 100 new McPherson College students and 30 orientation leaders as they congregated in a camping area near Kanopolis Reservoir Aug. 29.

Armed with only the bare essentials necessary for survival in the Kansas wilds, the group accepted Dean Goering's challenge.

McPherson College's 1976 orientation project had begun earlier that afternoon with a program for parents followed by a reception for students, parents and faculty.

After dinner in the cafeteria that evening, new students gathered in the basement of the student union and were soon absorbed into the noisy confusion of 15 groups. Once the groups had been established, students piled into buses and other

assorted vehicles for the 30 mile trek to Kanopolis.

The evening at Kanopolis included introductions, group activities, a vesper service conducted by Paul Miller and a campfire sing-along led by Jeff Quay.

Spiders invade

As groups turned in for the night, the rolling hills above the lake became a scene dotted with clusters of occupied sleeping bags.

Explaining the purpose of the overnight expedition, Dean Goering said, "We wanted to isolate the new students from campus so they wouldn't have so many distractions. Also, they could become completely involved in the business of getting to know one another."

August 30 brought more activities and a few surprises for some campers. Several awoke to find themselves sharing their sleeping bags — with spiders, of course.

After sleeping bags were duly shaken out and rolled up, the morning's activities included sales pitches from leaders of various campus activities, group presentations, a game of human bingo and an egg toss.

Activities were designed to bring students (and also eggs) out of their shells.

According to James Chipman, activities coordinator, "Some of the loneliest times there are occur when you're a new student."

Leaders praised

Both Dean Goering and Mr. Chipman credited group leaders with the success of orientation.

"Group leaders formed the center point," explained Mr. Chipman, "and gave new students an idea of the personalities on campus."

Dean Goering added, "I'm just very pleased with the leaders' responses this year."

Commenting on orientation, Eddie Simmons, fr, Salina, said,

"I got to meet a lot of new people. I also got to know a lot of upperclassmen that I probably wouldn't have otherwise."

Doug Burkholder, fr, McPherson, commented, "I thought it was a good idea to go out to Kanopolis, but it rushed some people who had just gotten here and then had to leave right away."

After returning to McPherson new students were launched into a full afternoon of divisional tours and advanced placement tests

Other activities of orientation week included a faculty social dessert, residence hall meetings and a freshman class meeting.

For students reflecting on the activities of orientation week, the evening at Kanopolis appears to have left the deepest impression — excluding Aug. 31 enrollment traumas.

Many offered the same comment:

"You know, I always wanted to sleep out under the stars."

Giving concerts in five states

Brass players tour Midwest

by Marie Petty

What can one say about six guys full of "bozo-ness" going on a three-week summer jaunt with their director?

Well, a lot can be said about Dave Frantz, sr, Windsor, Co., Tim Schofield, soph, Kansas City, Mo., Gene Barrett, sr, Madison, Ks., John Wagoner, McPherson, Ken Frantz, jr, Windsor, Co., Bill Bohnenblust, McPherson, and Prof. Larry Kitzel, instrumental music.

Besides "bozo-ness," talent is a word that comes to mind.

These members of the Touring Brass Choir loaded up in a van and

were together four weeks while touring a five-state area. They appeared in fifteen churches, three youth camps, two county fairs and the Youth, District and Annual Conferences of the Church of the Brethren.

From street corners to state capitals, these six musicians brought a new sound to many people. They performed in a retirement home, played for a meeting of the American Automobile Association, brought music to a state mental institution and appeared on television.

The group's career has not ended yet — they have been in-

ited to appear in several shopping centers.

From July 22-Aug. 23 the brass-blowing musicians made McPherson well-known by giving "consistently good performances," said Prof. Kitzel.

He was very satisfied with the group's showmanship. Most people who came in contact with the brass choir had never heard jazz or baroque brass music.

At a county antique steam engine show and threshing bee, the group was performing for 700-800 people when a power failure silenced all the musicians' electric instruments.

As well as entertaining the crowd with several musical numbers, the ensemble members also utilized their humorous inclinations.

An example of this is the facetious tale one band member related to their audiences:

An unusual incident occurred when the choir played in the Grundy Center, Ia., courthouse square.

Tim happened to be wearing his "Harold Neal Fan Club" tee-shirt during the performance. A man came up and asked Tim if he knew who Harold Neal was. The man then proceeded to tell the group about Mr. Neal, who lived in Snarfsburg, Germany. Mr. Neal happened to be married to Rotrundra Phenortone, one of the first women snarfers.

In the 15th and 16th centuries music wasn't used for entertainment. Music served as a warning for floods, fires or the arrival of a king. Music was also used to tell the time of day.

The snarfer was like the modern-day crop duster. A group of snarfers would get together and scare the bugs away by sounding their snarfs. In many respects a snarf is related to a trombone.

What's the meaning of this story?

Rotrundra Phenortone turned out to be a distant relative of Bill! It's a small world after all.

During the tour the music and personality of the McPherson College Touring Brass Choir touched the lives of many people. Group members agree that the experience gained will not soon be forgotten.

Two new majors offered

Two additions to the selection of majors will allow students to pursue interests in the expanding fields of food service management and interior design.

Food service management is "on the growing edge of home economics and is an exciting new, expanded field here at McPherson College," said Prof. Connie Nichols, home economics.

Classes in this area will be directed by Rita Chatham, Central College, and will be offered through Central, Hesston and McPherson colleges. Miss Chatham is a registered dietician.

Usually a two-year program, food service management has

been expanded to a four-year program with added emphasis in business management.

Students majoring in the four-year food service management program will graduate with a B.A. in home economics.

The interior design program will be a cooperative effort of the home economics and art departments on campus.

Students wishing to major in interior design may enroll through either department. The first student to complete the design program will be Mary Grove, sr, Keswick, Ia., who will graduate this spring.

EDITORIAL

Reader input stressed

In the course of my frenzied rush to organize the fall editions of "The Spectator," many students offered suggestions, criticisms and-or questions about this publication.

One student expressed concern that criticisms of the administration or faculty were censored from "Spectator" articles. Another student was amazed that last year's final editorial was written by a non-staff member.

Censorship of all published articles is left to the discretion and journalistic standards of the editor-in-chief.

As does any newspaper in the United States, "The Spectator" possesses the guaranteed right to freedom of the press. This priceless privilege has not and will not be stifled by administrative personnel.

Contrary to current popular belief, however, freedom of the press does not imply that the editor of a newspaper may print absolutely anything he desires. Laws governing libel and slander still pertain to college newspapers.

"The Spectator's" policy is to suggest improvements or offer constructive criticism of ideas or programs, not to viciously attack the person related to these ideas.

This is not intended to discourage freedom of expression, but to encourage positive ideas from which McPherson College will benefit.

Write a letter to the editor, an editorial, a feature story or anything of interest to "Spectator" readers. "The Spectator" is written by students about students activities for student readers. Use it to its fullest potential.

Kenny Cotton

Honorary home ec society initiated on four campuses

Kappa Omicron Phi, an honorary home economics sorority, was officially established on campus last spring after a three year waiting period. This is the first chapter of its kind to include other colleges. Sterling, Kansas Wesleyan and Bethel colleges are also members of this chapter.

The three year waiting period was required in order to organize the sorority according to the standards set by the national chapter.

The standards, set up by the national organization, requires that the students 1) signify an intent to be a home economics major or minor, 2) have no less than a B average in home economics and a C plus average in non-department subjects, 3) rank in the upper 35 per cent of their classes, 4) have completed three semesters of college and 5) show evidence of superior personal qualities and potential leadership.

The McPherson chapter met these standards last spring and was approved by the national president of Kappa Omicron Phi. On May 15, 1976 the chapter was officially installed.

In the ACCK there are 28 initiates and their sponsors who qualified as members. From McPherson College are Ethel

Herbst, a 1976 graduate; Jean Burchard, sr, Abilene; Jane Albright, jr, Nampa, Idaho; Sally Correll, jr, Abilene and Dalene Royer, jr, Lincoln, Neb. Jean is the first president of Kappa Omicron Phi. There will be four meetings a year; one on each campus.

Kappa Omicron Phi is one of three national home economics sororities. The other two are established on large university campuses, while this one is associated with small colleges and has been in existence since 1922. There were 68 active chapters last year in the nation.

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Won two opening round matches

NAIA tournament highlights Holman's tennis career

by Kenny Cotton

"Tennis anyone?"

America recently plunged headlong into racketmania and as a result the young and old alike have taken up the game for fun, competition and exercise.

McPherson sophomore Craig Holman gets an ample dose of all three from tennis. He took up the game at the ripe old age of eight and estimates he plays "about three hours a day if possible."

These hours of practice have paid off for Craig this year, as he

this tournament, as it is the largest intercollegiate tennis tournament in the world," Coach Holman continued. "The top seeded player was a member of Finland's Davis Cup Team."

"Playing in this tournament has been one of the two real highlights of my career," Craig commented. "I worked a lot harder last year than I have in past years, and it had been a while since I reached a goal I had set for myself."

He considers qualifying for the national amateur tournament at

ment, and later that year the Holmans moved to McPherson. Craig still remembers what the tennis director of the Patrons club ironically commented.

"I told her I was moving to Kansas," Craig recalls, "and she said 'well, there goes your tennis game'."

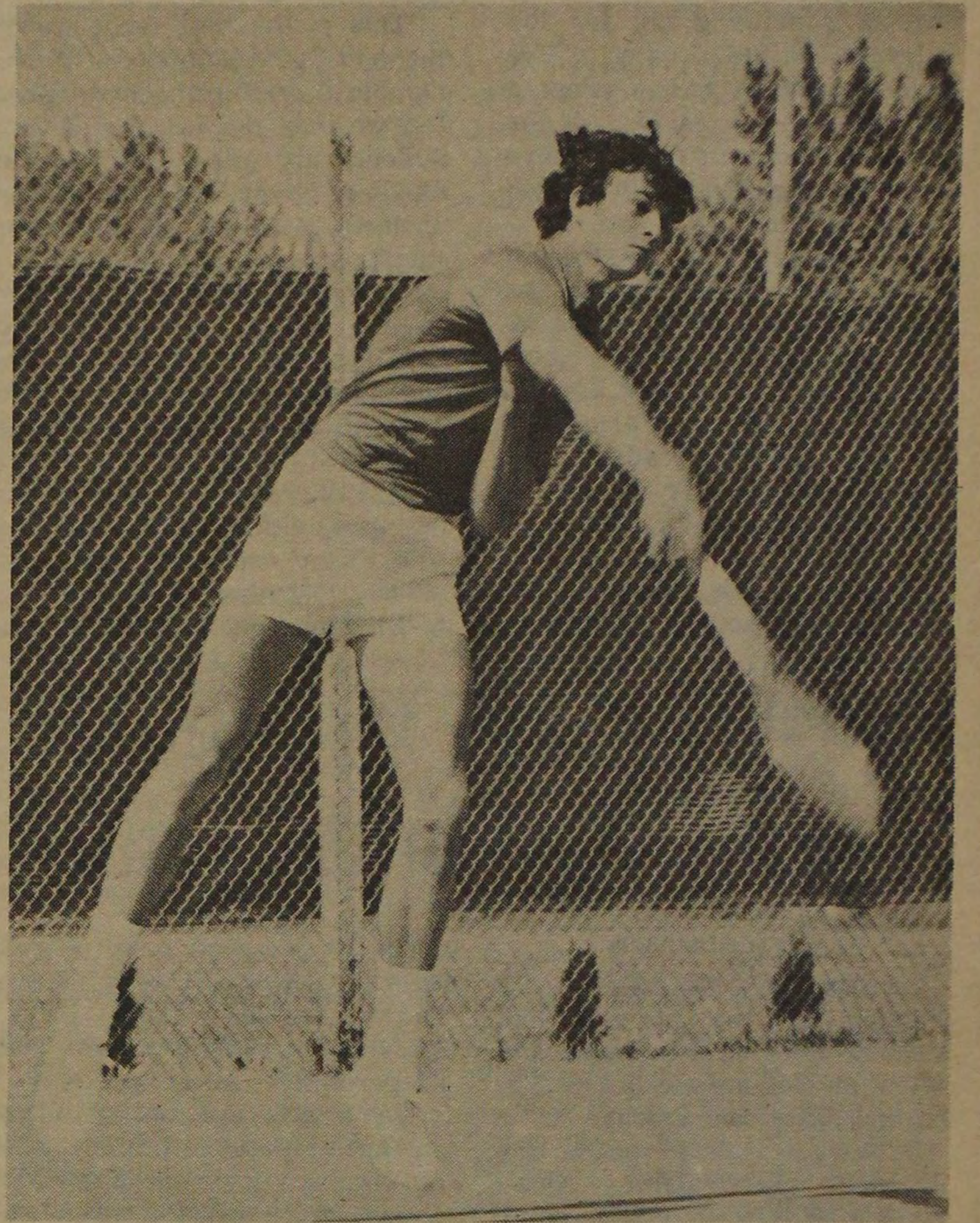
He estimated that he now has "around sixty trophies at home," including two from Central Kansas League competition and three from Regional tournaments in high school.

"I would like to be selected an All-American or All-American Honorable Mention tennis player," he commented. He admitted this will be a difficult feat, as only eight players are selected to receive each honor.

"Becoming a good tennis player takes a lot of time," he noted. "Since so much of my time is devoted to tennis, I haven't really had much of a social life."

"And since I practice and play in tournaments all summer I haven't been able to afford a good car."

"But," he concluded thoughtfully, "this last year made it all worth it."



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'I worked a lot harder last year than I had in past years, and it had been a while since I reached a goal I set for myself...'

won the 1976 KCAC and District Ten championships. As a result of these victories, he is the first McPherson College player to qualify for the NAIA National Tournament.

Craig was one of 230 outstanding collegiate tennis players competing June 1-5 at the Rockhill Tennis Club, Kansas City, Mo. Before losing a tough three set battle to fourth-seeded Gabriel Jarmillo, Craig defeated Paul Boyd, 6-2, 6-2 and Bob Manton 6-2, 6-3 in the opening rounds.

McPherson College tennis coach Gerald Holman explained, "Craig went as far as I had anticipated, and he had a good draw."

"It's very difficult to qualify for

age 12 to be the other high point of his tennis career. After competing in this tournament, Craig was ranked 30th nationally for his age group.

Craig's interest in tennis stemmed from his father's membership in a country club in Altadena, Ca. "I used to watch Dad play and one day I just got interested," Craig said, "so I asked him to teach me how to play. He has been my main coach."

Later Craig joined the Pasadena City Tennis Patrons, a club which gave young players private tennis lessons.

At the age of ten Craig participated in his first tennis tour-

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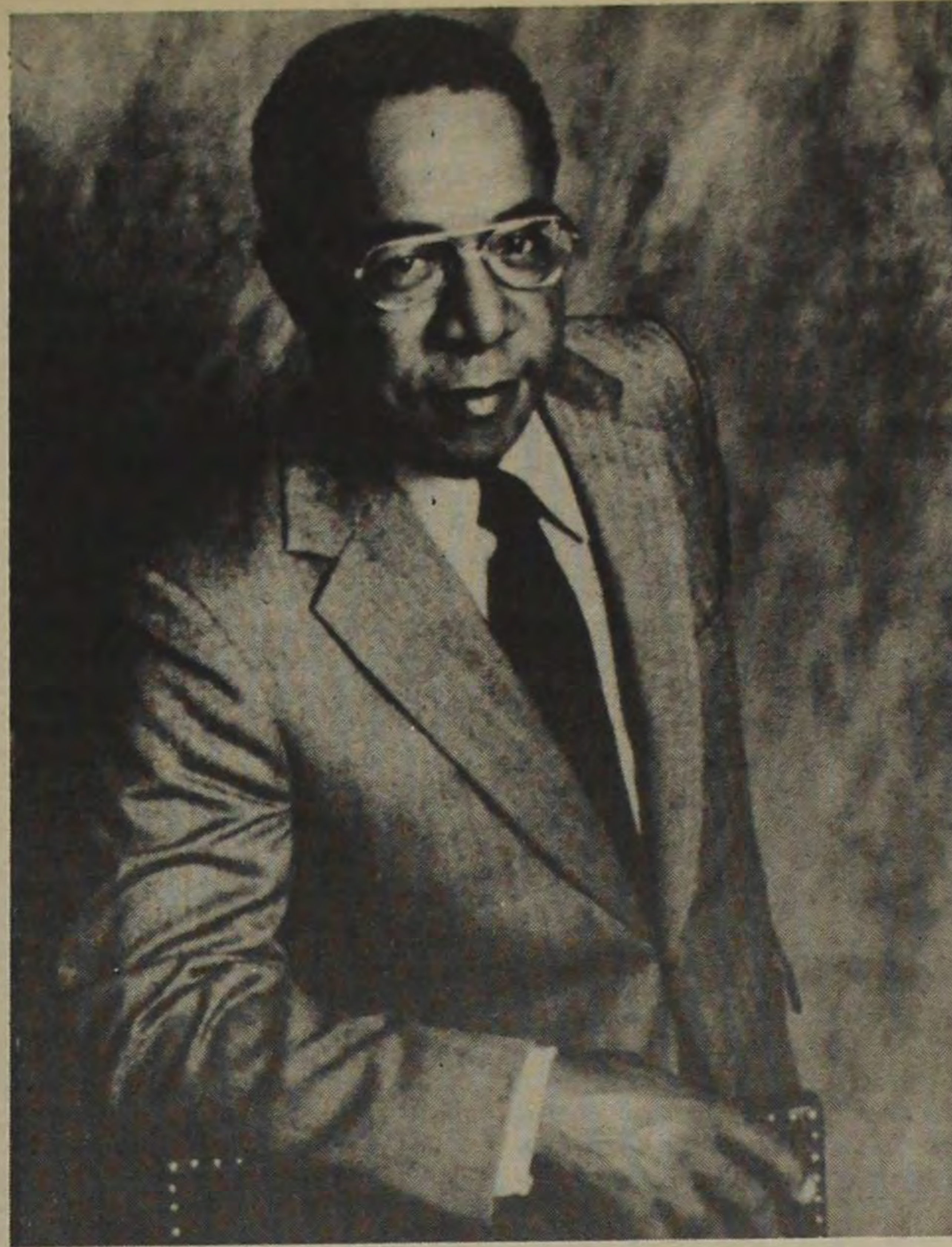
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 And remembering our family life in Kline—our home.

Leslie Goodrich



Alex Haley

Alex Haley to give lecture in WSU arena

Alex Haley, the first black American writer to trace his origins back to their roots, chronicled the oral tradition of his own family in a book which has become an all-time best seller in its first six months.

Haley, author of "Roots," will be speaking in Henry Levitt Arena on the Wichita State University campus Feb. 16 at 8 p.m. The lecture, his second in Wichita in less than a month, is open to the public free of charge under the sponsorship of the WSU Forum Board.

The television version of "Roots" aired the last week in January and was viewed by more than 80 million Americans. Among these 80 million Americans were 15 McPherson college students who viewed the entire 12 hour series for one hour of sociology credit. Students were required to read the book and attend a discussion session.

Frances Moore, sociology, said, "the show did make an impression on people and stirred a lot of sentiment." However, she believes the television version of "Roots" was not entirely historically accurate and added, "The book is better."

The initiator of the "Playboy Interviews" and the co-author of "The Autobiography of Malcolm X," Haley spent 12 years researching and writing "Roots" which was published in August, 1976.

Haley began writing during a 20-year career with the United States Coast Guard and retired as the Coast Guard's first chief journalist.

Louisa thanks students, faculty

Dear Editor,
 Christmas 1976 will be one of the most memorable Christmases I have ever spent. I have spent Christmas away from home for the past nine years and this year would have been no exception but for the kindness and generosity shown me. For it was you the people of McPherson College that made it possible for me to spend Christmas at home with my family.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest thanks to the student body, faculty and administration of McPherson College and a special thanks to Stan Flory, Sharon Switzer, Jeff Carter and the many others who did so much to make this Christmas a very special one.

I hope one day to be able to show you all the same kindness and sincerity that you have shown me. I wish you all a very HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Louisa Panagides
Kline Hall

Graduate credit endorsed

During the 1920's, McPherson College students had the opportunity to continue their school after graduation with graduate studies and to work towards obtaining a master's degree. Since that time, however, it has not been possible for students who have graduated to further their studies at the graduate level here at McPherson.

In hopes of changing this situation, the Educational Policies Committee (EPC), which is made up of ten faculty members and two student representatives, has approved three education courses which will probably be offered for credit at the graduate level sometime in the near future. These courses are entitled: "Issues and Innovations in Today's Schools," "Cultural and Social Awareness of Educators" and "Dealing with Pupil Differences in the Regular Classroom."

A memo reporting the action of the EPC stated, "It was moved

and seconded that we (the EPC) recommend to the faculty and administration the approval of those graduate courses that seem feasible to us and acceptable to the North Central Association."

The motion was carried by a vote of 8 to 1. The three courses were given general faculty approval in a meeting held on Jan. 12.

The North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools

is an accrediting agency which serves high schools, colleges and universities throughout Kansas and neighboring states. Accreditation of these graduate courses is pending.

The approval of these courses will allow students to earn credit towards a master's degree in the field of education, but no degree in post-graduate work will be available from McPherson College.

Senior looks to graduation

by Wilson Cottee

While sitting here in my room I am reflecting on what course my life will take at graduation. The questions that come to my mind are, "Will I go back or go ahead?" This means to me, "Will I go back to my home and pick up where I left off four years ago or will I go someplace new and different so I can start out all over again and

make a life for myself on my own?"

If I go back home I will not be allowed to be on my own because my parents will always be there to pick up the pieces if I make a mistake. I want to be able to survive on my own, make my own mistakes and straighten them out with my own resources. Well, I guess what I'm really saying is that I want to be independent.

Once you've got the people five feet past the counter, the next problem becomes terrifyingly clear—(sex)—segregation. (Whisper that word around here—people might faint otherwise.)

All the boy people went east and sat on the bookracks and all the girl people went north and sat on couches and tables. However, they only do this when there's no room left between the door and the counter. Fighting unity right up until they become casualties on the other side of that glass Jordan, or Styx, more appropriately, I guess.

Now the rumor is that the women get annoyed at not being asked to dance. I decided, after striding boldly into the ballroom, to make a survey on this. I asked a few to dance.

I realize I may not have been the best choice for the survey—I'm

purely short on handsome. I have the build of a middle-aged gorilla who's shook the banana tree a few too many times, and I strictly avoid looking at mirrors or clocks, as it gets expensive.

At twenty-four I'm also wearing a little thin as a college student. And admittedly my waltz style is reminiscent of King Kong and Godzilla in their first appearance together. Still I think ladies might make some allowances on account of the occasion.

Also I couldn't pry any of the rest of those blasted fear-paralyzed Apollo's off the blasted bookrack; they were doing a great imitation of a library.

I got one dance. Of course I had to cut the survey a little short—because what I danced to was a bluegrass tune, and I made the mistake of finishing out the last

chorus doing "Uncle George's Patented Baker Family Stomp." (No, I won't describe it; you have to see it to believe it.)

That put me out for both that dance and the next three days.

My total "asks" for the night were only three. Two-thirds of those females surveyed said no. One-third said she wasn't dancing, which invariably meant that she was waiting to torpedo some particular male. She did. Direct hit amidst two dances later and sunk him for the evening. They danced rather nicely, in fact. The other third fled screaming and knocked over five people on her way out.

Still, 30 per cent ain't bad for an old man. Not bad at all. Now if those young willyniddles would just come down off the shelf.

Paperwads by Chuck Baker

Some things never change...like trying to find someone who will actually dance at the dances put on periodically here at Mac. (Harry Rose, you are a brave man to continue in the face of such opposition!)

Of course the first problem is getting people to actually attend a dance. They don't notice minor things like posters, Bark announcements and guys hollering from tabletops in the cafeteria...oh, you know, just the regular ways of getting news out on campus.

The next "toughy" is getting the group in past the door. Either we have a student body with a real love for closeness—60 people between the door and the glass counter—or a deep reverence for empty floorspace. Agorophobia, maybe? On a mass scale?

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