

# FLA makes demands, declares free state

After almost two years of dormancy, the Fanny Liberation Army has once again organized and several weeks ago presented the world with their demands. If these demands are not met in the near future drastic steps may be taken by the FLA to secure their wants.

On Feb. 16, Fahnestock Hall declared its independence. It is now a free state calling itself the Republic of Fanny. It is a totally democratic state. It believes in total equality among all of its citizens. It is a unique state, say its inhabitants.

Population problems are relatively non-existent in Fanny, strangely enough, their

population has been stable for the past innumerable years. The number may vary within a five people span, but it generally stays the same.

Fanny has no political affiliations except to itself. It is, though, entertaining the idea of sending ambassadors to various part of the world. It has an emissary in Germany at the present time.

Exchanging emmissaries with Dotzour, another neighboring state, is an idea Fanny has been interested in. But that is in the future. Right now Fanny would like the world to take it seriously and celebrate its freedom as a new state.

## Peace conference

The Bethel College Mennonite Church will host the "New Call to Peacemaking Conference" beginning this evening at 7 pm with registration. Any students who need transportation to this event should contact Leland Lengal.

Friday evening will be highlighted with a presentation by Howard Macy, instructor in Bible from Friends University, who will be addressing the topic "Biblical Foundations of Peacemaking."

Several workshops will be conducted on Saturday including: "Communicating

Peacemaking Within Local Congregations," "Economic Conversion and the Arms Race," "Handles on Peacemaking," "Biblical Foundations for Peacemaking," "A New Global Order," and "War Taxes and the World Peace Tax Fund."

These workshops will be presented twice on Saturday so that more than one workshop may be attended. Speakers at the Conference are qualified individuals from many of the mid-western colleges. The registration fee for students is \$3.00.



A gang from outer space? Are they illegal aliens? No! This is just a group of normal McPherson College students who posed for a picture on their way to class. Actually the photograph includes

almost every member of the Fanny Liberation Army dressed in their official attire as they make preparations for their next plan of presenting their demands to the world. (photo by Reynolds)

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## Visitation days coming up

by Jan Czirr

What campus organization lines up campus tours, makes room arrangements for guests, informs guides on the campus and town, mails letters to prospective students, and its members act as a link between their home communities and the school? That's right. Mac Ambassadors.

Mac Ambassadors is a group of students working in conjunction with the Admissions Office and acting as a branch of the Admissions Office. It is a useful organization on campus that is budgeted so much through Admissions instead of being funded through Stuco like the majority of other affiliations on campus. They meet six to eight times per semester.

Jeff Miller, president of the group, went on to say, "Right now we're on a voluntary basis as far as membership goes. We are in the process of changing our constitution by drawing up new guidelines for membership." Next year those interested will

have to meet certain specifications and/or restrictions before joining.

During the fall term they conducted a few tours on campus but the major recruitment weekends are coming up on April 6-7 and April 29-30. The tours are set up so that the newcomers may sit in on classes if they choose, either on a Friday or Monday.

Presently, they have three or four students working directly in the Admissions Office and have set up five committees to accomplish their goals.

The tours committee gives visitors tours of the campus and the town. A letter committee contacts applicants with a more personal touch on an individual basis. Housing takes care of any room arrangements for guests, while registration helps in that respective area. Finally, membership committee is working on Mac Ambassadors constitution.

## SPECTATOR SIDELINES

### 'Godspell' Bloodmobile Colloquium

"GODSPELL", A McPHERSON Theatre Guild presentation, will be performed in the Little Theatre at McPherson High School on March 2, 3, and 4. All shows begin at 8:15 pm and a Sunday matinee will begin at 2 pm. The play is directed by Donna Beth Schroeder and several McPherson College students, faculty and former students are involved in the drama including Gail Erisman, jr, Warrensburg, Mo; Ken Forsyth, professor of music; Bob Fraley, former student; and Paul Rohrer former student

115 PINTS is the goal set by the Bloodmobile drive currently taking place on campus. March 5 is the date any individual on campus may donate of their time or give blood between 10 am and 3 pm.

DR. HARLEY STUMP will present a colloquium on Literature entitled "Time yet for a hundred indecisions" on March 8 at noon in the private dining room in the Student Union. Dr. Stump will be dealing with a study of T.S. Eliot's "Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock."

## Telethon update

In order to reach the \$100,000 goal during this year's telethon, \$1,000 per calling hour is needed. The first three sessions totaling 10 hours have now been completed in California with an amount of over \$10,000 already being pledged.

Calling begins in McPherson at the People's State Bank Community Room tomorrow starting at 1 pm. Faculty, students, and

alumni will do the phoning. Interested persons should contact the Development Office.

The schedule for the telethon was incorrectly reported in last week's "Spectator." Calling will be March 3-8, 10-12, and 17-19. Monday-Thursday is from 7-10 pm. On Saturdays call will be made from 1-5 pm. On Sundays the callers will be involved from 2-5 pm to 6-9 pm.

## Gragg resigns

by Ralph Hamilton

Johnnie Gragg, head football and track coach at McPherson College, resigned his positions effective immediately, Ed Butler, vice president for student Services announced tis past week.

Gragg, who led the Bulldogs to

a 5-4 record this past season, cited a desire to return to the southwestern part of the United States to continue his coaching career.

The one-year McPherson College coach told team members of his decision at a meeting Tuesday night. And as expected, Bulldog team members were highly disappointed.

"It's a shame," said Pierre France, fr, Oklahoma City, Okla., as he left the meeting. "He has turned the football program around. We finished third in the KCAC and were nationally ranked in defense last year. But he has been offered a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that he could not decline.

John Brill, fr, Ft. Lauderdale, Fl., said he was "thoroughly disappointed." "I wanted to come back next year to show coach what I was made of. I didn't come all the way to Kansas to play second string. I had an operation and am training hard to show the coach I could play his caliber of ball next year," said Brill, a Florida native.

John Weaver, fr., Lansing, N. Y., said Gragg's decision will require Bulldog players to go through another change in philosophies. "I am disappointed in his leaving because now the team will have to go through another change in system. But our team is a team that can make it to the top even with a few minor setbacks," Weaver said.

# Game room use increases: activities increase

by Gail Erisman  
Finding something to do is a problem for many students on campuses from small ones such as McPherson to large ones such as KU. The Student Council feels that they can help improve the situation here at McPherson by turning the Student Union basement into a place where more people will come. The project started last fall when it was noticed that the needs of the students were not

being met by the present arrangement of the SU. Tentative changes include removing the wall partition around the TV and putting in a movable divider. There are plans to get new tables and chairs and to have another opening at the snack bar around the corner from the present opening. The purpose for all of these changes is to make use of the half of the basement that is presently not being used to its potential.

The Students Activities Board (SAB) has also been involved in the committee that is looking into rearranging the SU. The SAB is looking for ways to attract people to the SU. The new games that have been recently added to the game room are hoped to increase the use of the east side of the SU for people that are not specifically interested in pool and table tennis. According to Tom DeMatteo, game room employee, the new games have been used quite a bit and have improved business. It is hoped that as more people use the new games, there will be some activity going on in the Union for people to come join. Perhaps this will move the activity from private dorm rooms to a more open atmosphere. It is also hoped that there will be enough activity going on so that the snack bar can be opened with more regular hours. There

are not enough students to make it economically feasible now to open regularly. All it would take to remedy this problem is for people to come down in large numbers or on a regular basis, according to Sue Quay, SAB director. The Activities Board is helping this situation by planning coffeehouses, pizza nights, and other activities where the snack bar can open up and people can have something to do without going off campus. Kim Eisele, chairperson of SAB, feels that, "McPherson needs a place on campus where people can socialize after dorm hours other than the dorm lounges especially since the Mac Shack is not being used now." Kim Eisele would also like to see the SU become a place where people can come to talk and a place to take a break from studying late at night. She hopes

that it will be able to keep these regular late hours. Don Ziegler, Student Council President, would like to see the SU basement as a place to draw on-campus talent as well as being flexible enough to be used for several different purposes. The SU basement could be used for anything that is open to the whole campus and approved by the school, Sue Quay pointed out. "It has been a rather slow process," explained Don Ziegler. "We have been taking the time to work on a broad base to see several aspect of the tentative changes. We're ruling out the unfeasible changes and trying to get a consensus." Obviously the Student Council can not make things change by themselves. Complaining about something to do can be a thing of the past for the people who want to make some changes.

## EDITORIAL

### The draft: are you ready?

The whole nation gave a sigh of relief when the compulsory registration for 18 year old males was lifted a few years ago. For the last few years we have put to rest the fears of being drafted. RELAX NO MORE!!! Representative Charles E. Bennet has introduced into the House of Representatives "The Military Registration and Mobilization Act of 1979" (H.R. 23). If this piece of legislation should pass, registration would begin not later than October 1, 1979.

Females, don't stop reading here because you think it doesn't concern you. The draft most likely won't exclude you this time, regardless of the passage of the ERA.

As citizens of a country that allows our input, we can make a difference. I urge you to write to your congresspersons and let them know where you stand on the issue.

We also need to decide what we will do if the draft is reinstated. This calls for an examination of our values and beliefs. Most of us have been raised in homes that teach us to live a Christ-like life. Christ taught us to love. Can we engage in actually killing or even supporting others who do the killing and claim to be a Christian? Love conquers all and if we believe this as Christians I think we need to examine our world citizenship with our brothers and sisters in Christ, and then decide if our citizenship to the U.S. is of supreme importance. As a part of the great nation we live in, let's set an example of peace for the rest of our brothers and sisters.

The military way is not the only way. I foresee basically three options: fleeing to Canada, jail or alternative service. I feel that alternative service would be the best option. We can complain about all the faults of the country, but I feel we should cooperate with the government when they give us a constructive option. Going to Canada is probably a very popular option, and I will admit it would be a nicer place to live than jail. I think, however, that going to jail would be a greater witness.

It is time to start thinking about and taking action on where we stand. If you are opposed to war I strongly urge you to fill out a CO form. At the present time this holds no legal leverage but it would help to prove your sincerity should the draft be reinstated and you would want to file as a conscientious objector.

Filling out the form is a real growth experience and helps one to understand your own feelings and beliefs. Forms can be picked up from Paul Miller.

Besides filing as a CO, I strongly urge you to write to:  
Senator Nancy Kassebaum  
and Senator Robert Dole  
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Representative Dan Glickman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Let's start now to convert the weapons of destruction into tools of construction. "...and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn was any more." Isaiah 2:4

Marie Neher  
Editorial Editor

## Views on death penalty

The issue of capital punishment is a controversial subject. Currently before the Kansas Senate is a bill dealing with the reinstatement of the death penalty for people convicted of first-degree murder.

The bill has been passed by the Kansas House. The House bill requires that there be two trials, the first to be held to determine if the accused is guilty of first-degree murder. If he or she is found guilty, then a second trial is required to determine the punishment.

In the second trial, the jury is to consider the circumstances and causes of the murder. The decision is then made for life imprisonment or death by lethal injection.

Students expressed varying opinions about the death penalty. Doug Lengel, fr., McPherson, asked, "Why do people kill people who kill people to show that killing people is wrong?"

Roger Carswell, sr., Quenemo, had mixed reactions to it. "Basically, I'm against it. I definitely think the death penalty is a deterrent to others. In a way, for a really big crime they may have forfeited the right to live. I have misgivings, though, about the state being able to take the life of anyone," Roger commented.

Jeff Bach, sr., Middletown, Ohio, said, "I don't agree with the death penalty. To me, it is a religious and moral issue, so my opinion is based on my religious and moral feelings. Some people can separate it and see it as strictly a law enforcement issue. Basically, I don't think any other person can judge whether another person has the right to continue living. Life is a gift."

Ann Wagoner, sr., McPherson, agreed with Jeff but had other feelings, too. "Taking one life doesn't mean it justifies taking another life. Who is anybody to decide whether that person who took a life is to die? On the other side, who wants to sit in jail for the rest of their life? I think I would rather die.

Some people disagreed with the method which would be use to

execute the convicted murder. "I don't like the idea of lethal injection, I think death should be more instantaneous," commented Jim Bucher, fr., Arkansas City.

Ken Miller, fr., Macksville, noted that, "Punishment should depend on how the murder was committed. I think there ought to be a death penalty. If the murderer gets a life sentence, then in a few years he'll be out on parole, and he has taken the life of someone."

Roger and Doug expressed concern with the fact that someone wrongly convicted of a murder could be executed. "It's awfully hard to correct a mistake

### We get letters

## Plea made to attend 'New Call' conference

Dear Editor, Now is the time to act.

Today and tomorrow you have the potential to radically change the perspective of your life. Not that each day does not contain the seeds of joyful living if we take the time to reach out, but these days come during a time of political change and turmoil which will directly confront us.

The second and third of this month the Bethel College Mennonite Church will be the location of the "New Call to Peacemaking" Conference. At this conference many people will come together to examine and evaluate their attitudes toward military service, the draft, our responsibility as global citizens, and our dedication to a life of total caring.

While developing our feelings and attitudes toward military cooperation has always been important, we now live in a time of urgency. Congress will soon be debating a bill reinstating the draft. If it passes, October will mark the return of registration for, most likely, men and women alike.

Again I ask you, please, consider the peace conference. Sure

like that after using the death penalty," said Doug.

Kim Royer, fr., Tempe, Ariz., vocalized the concern, which others shared, that the penal system today has faults and that it needs to be better aimed at filling the needs of those convicted of crimes.

"Our only way to stop the problem (of crimes) now is to spend time with these people, not lock them up and forget about them, or kill them. It only delays the problem, it doesn't solve it. Once you're able to understand why a person has killed another, then you can begin to solve the problem," Kim stated.

With all sincerity,  
Curt Thill

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# Students adventure to Tetons

Identifying cones, twigs and snow crystals, building a snow cave, and cross country skiing are just a few of the things Cosette Button, Conrad, Iowa and Pam and Kirk Higgins, Albuquerque, NM, did this Interterm in the Tetons of Wyoming.

They took a class entitled "Winter Ecology of Jackson Hole" at Teton Science School. The class included studying flora and fauna formations and the way snow affects them. The class stressed environmental aspects

were the rookies," Pam said. It took them about half a day to catch on.

"Cross country skiing was the only way you could get around. They have like five feet of snow, and that's without it blowing," Cosette added.

The school has an interesting background. "Almost all the land in the valley used to be privately owned. Then Teddy Roosevelt came in and decided to make it all a national park. So he told the people they could keep the land but they couldn't sell it.

"There was a lady who owned a dude ranch up there, so she had a main lodge and then she had a lot of little cabins around where people used to stay. She died and there was nobody to inherit it so the park took it over."

"A group of people got together and said, 'Can we make a school out of it?' So they did. The ten cabins sleep four people a piece, and the main lodge has a library and a place to eat. It's really a pretty neat set up," Kirk concluded.

The three paid \$400 for the

class, which included food, transportation, lodging, and credit.

The temperatures ranged from -38 degrees to 10 degrees. "As long as you're skiing, you don't get cold, but if you stop and stand around for half an hour. . ." Cosette said.

"It would really be hard because you'd be so cold and you'd have these little things to work with. You could hardly do it with your gloves on but if you'd take them off your hands would freeze instantly," Kirk commented.

One night the group camped out in the snow. The three said it didn't feel too cold out. "The

worst time was getting up in the morning, when you had to get out of your sleeping bag," Pam remarked.

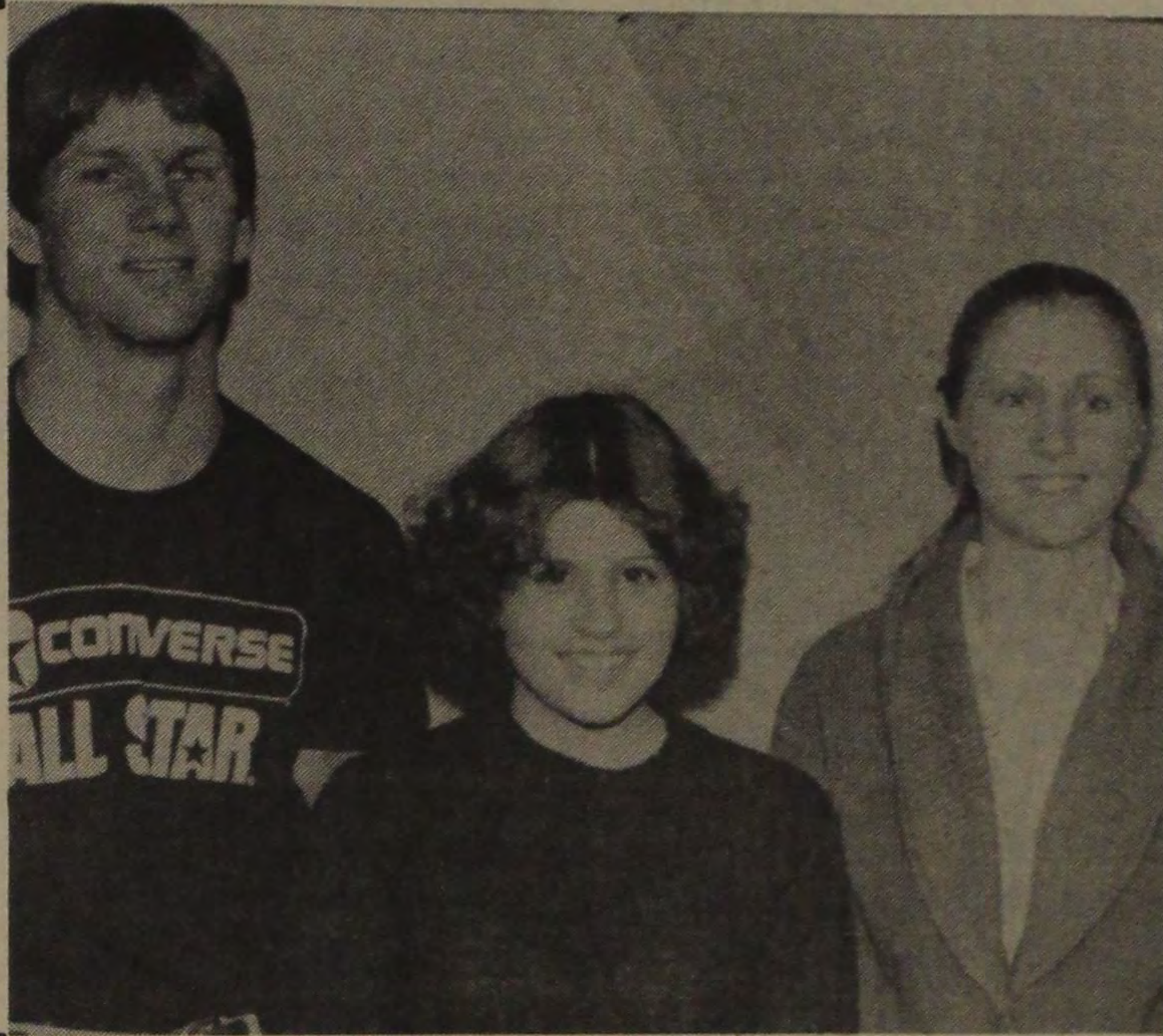
The class also spent a few days at Yellowstone National Park. They skied around the geysers and observed the animals. They talk with one of the Park Managers was "really good."

"It was a good class. It was really fun and worth the time," Kirk said.

**Industrial Arts  
Dance  
March 3  
10 pm - 1:30 am**

The Tetons make a large but enjoyable classroom and these three students took advantage of an opportunity to live and camp in this area during January. Kirk Higgins, jr, Albuquerque, NM; Cosette Button, jr, Conrad, Iowa; and Pam Higgins, fr, Albuquerque, NM, are pictured after they returned from their winter adventure.

(photo by Reynolds)



and appreciation of the environment.

There was an hour lecture in the morning and the rest of the day was spent outside. After supper there were guest speakers, movies or presentations on the subjects studied.

There were seven students in the class, plus four teachers and three interns getting credits for working on their masters degree. "They were all pretty knowledgeable," noted Kirk.

None of the three had been cross country skiing before. "We

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# Bulldogs win final two season games

McPherson finished its basketball season on a high note with back to back wins over Bethel and Tabor. In these two games, the Bulldogs showed glimpses of what might have been this year, and of what promises the future may hold.

In the final home game against Bethel, a large, raucous and sometimes rowdy crowd kept the team "psyched up" to an almost fever pitch. McPherson came out fighting and grabbed an early lead, which gave the team confidence and loosened up their game. At one point in the second half the Bulldogs were up by 16 points.

Having regained some pride and realizing that they could still win, the Bulldogs traveled last Saturday to Hillsboro for this season's final contest against the Tabor College Bluejays.

This game was well-played by both teams, although McPherson took an early lead and held it most of the way. When the Bluejays finally caught up with and tied the 'Dogs with a few minutes left, McPherson could have called it quits and gone home. But the team rose to the occasion, answering with 6 straight points, finally coming away with a 77-73 victory, plus some self-respect.

Highlights of McPherson's season include their early win over Ottawa, another over St. Mary's (which finished 3rd in the KCAC), on their home floor, and a third over Kansas Wesleyan at home.

Bethel's Invitational Tournament was another highlight, although McPherson won only one of its three games there. The win was over Colorado College,

and the two losses were to powerful Phillips University and awesome Northeastern Oklahoma, which won the tournament. The Bulldogs played well for most of both games, although they were clearly outclassed by the larger schools.

McPherson then hit a dry spell, a winless streak which was not broken until last week's triumphs. But the team played well against the cream of the KCAC, losing a heartbreaker to first place Southwestern by 2 points at home after leading for the entire contest. McPherson was also close in both games against 2nd place Sterling.

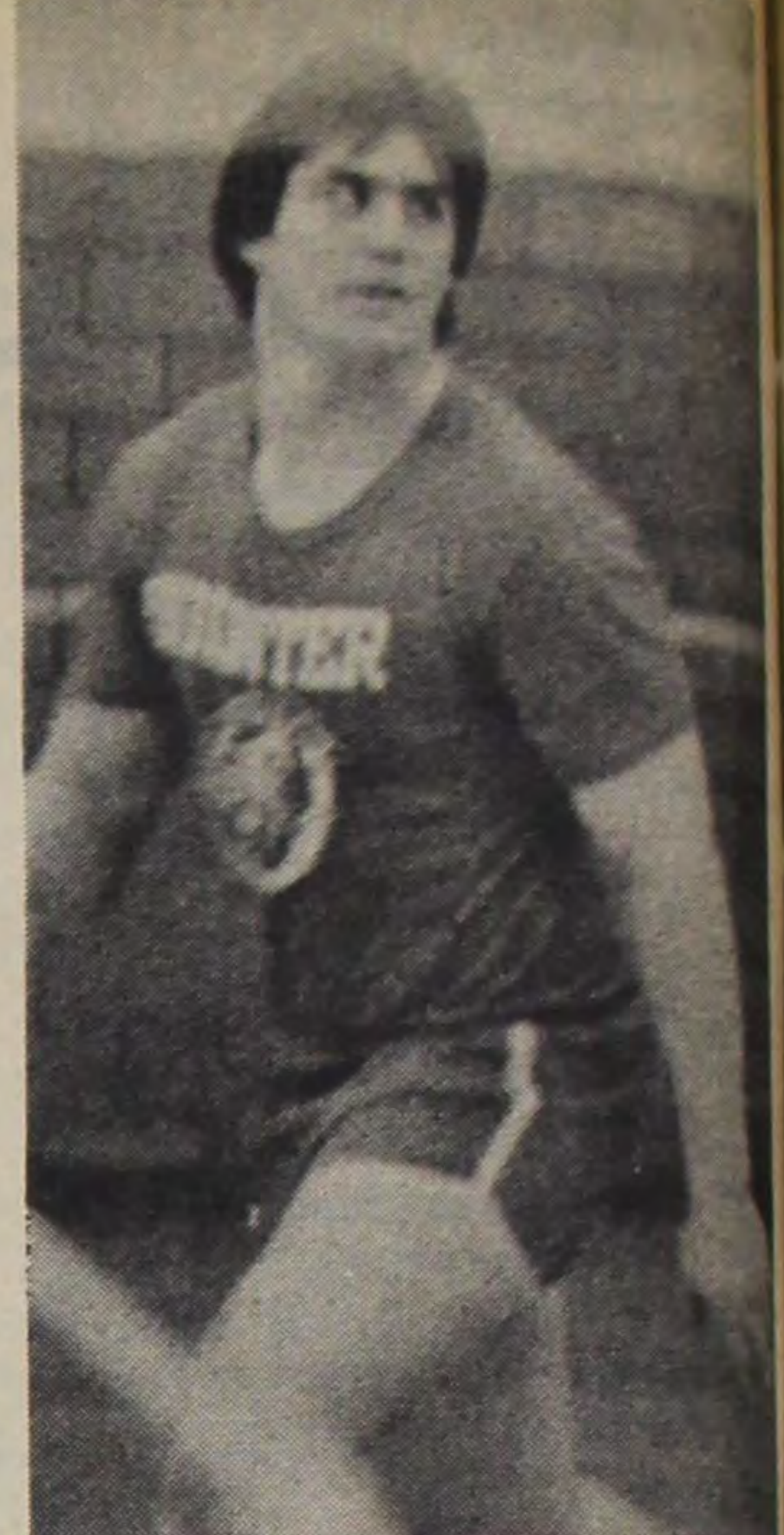
With the final two wins, McPherson's season ended with a final conference record of 4 wins, 12 losses and an eight place finish, and a 6-18 mark overall.

But the team has good reason to hope for better things next year. Only seniors Butch Jones, Melvern, and Guy Bourke, New York, N.Y., will be lost to graduation (although Jones' strength under the rim and Bourke's smooth moves and dead eye will be sorely missed).

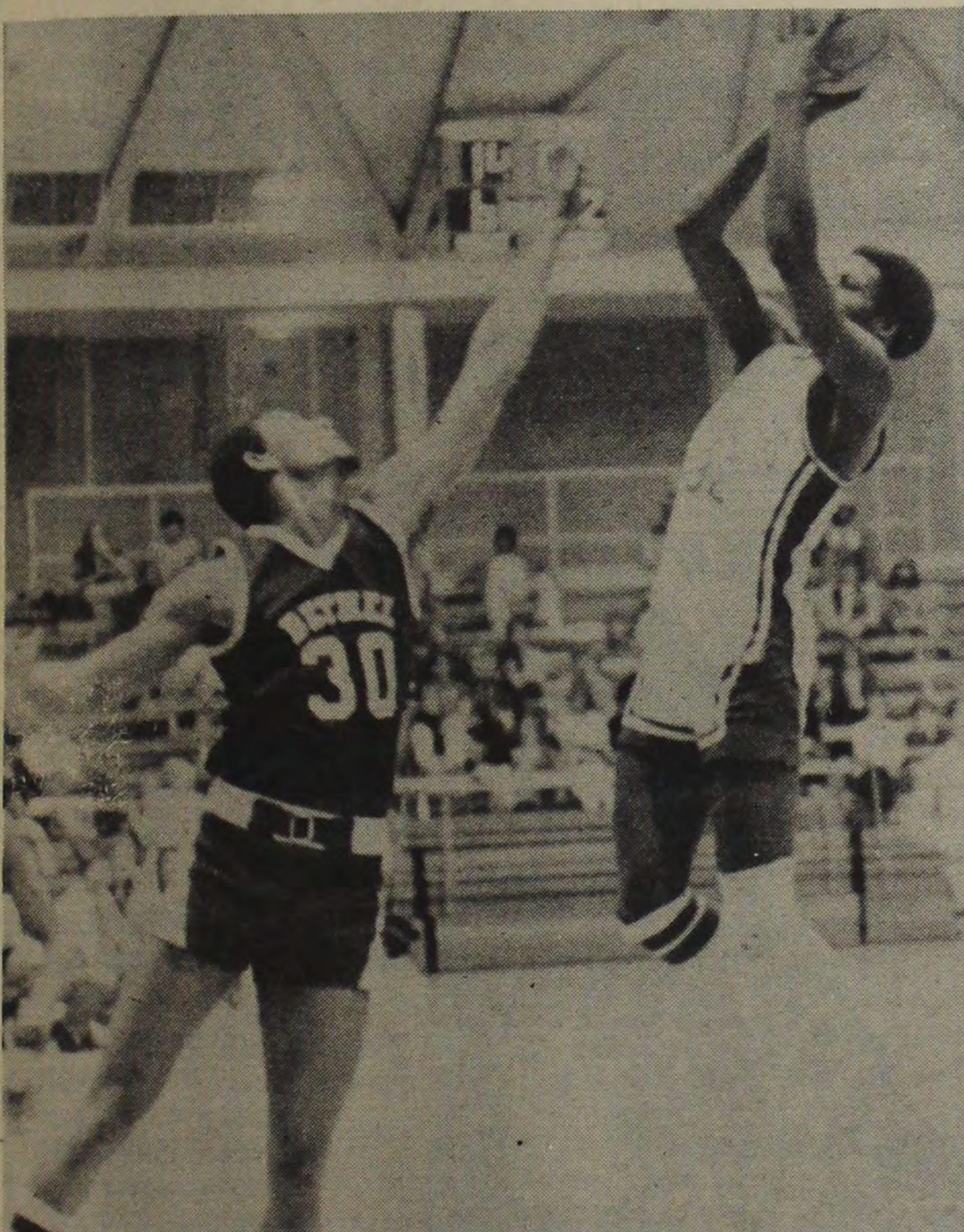
Next year's Bulldogs should have a good mixture of experience and young talent. Recruiting for next year's freshman and possible transfers is already underway.

## Women

The McPherson Bulldogs women's team saw a disappointing season come to a close with their last two losses to KCAC foes Bethel, played at the Roundhouse Feb. 21, and Tabor on Feb. 24 at Hillsboro. These two losses reflected the season as the Bulldogs ended with a 0-2 record, 0-16 in Conference actions.



Intramural sports events have drawn many students out of their dorms to engage in some friendly competition. Co-ed volleyball has been one of the top sports and Darcy Schwindt, fr, Quinter is shown as he intensely waits for the volleyball to be set up for a spike. (photo by Irl)



Bulldog center, Moe "Windex" Rickardson, soph, Doylin, La, jumps high against an unidentified Bethel player in one of the last outings of the season where the McPherson team finished on top to help pull themselves out of the cellar spot in the KCAC. (photo by Petty)

The 1978-79 statistics for the Bulldogs showed McPherson leading over their opponents in free throw percentage 51 to 47 percent, but getting outscored from the field with only 28 percent as compared to 39 percent for their opponents.

Individuals statistics showed leaders in several areas. Kathy Howell led the scoring with 245 points, an average of 12.3 per game with Wylene Schmidt close behind with an 11.8 average. Rebounding was led by a pair of freshmen with Sandy Lang on top averaging 10.1 per game and Bonnie King with a 9.45 average for 11 games. McPherson was led by Wylene Schmidt in steals with 56 as well as assists with 7.

Several other Bulldog players contributed to the cause with Peggy Davis averaging 5.2 rebounds, one game grabbing down 15. Pam Tucker had a 1.7 scoring average and a 3.2 rebounding average. Becky Baile, who was seeing more action as the season progressed, added a respectable 33 percent shooting average to the team.

## Intramural schedules

The following is the schedule for volleyball and the basketball intramurals games for next week.

- Mar. 5-7 pm Chicano Bros. vs. Crabs
- 8 pm Whiz Kids vs. Fireballs
- 9 pm Brand X vs. Boogers
- Mar. 15-7 pm Whiz Kids vs. SR / D M vs. Boogers
- 8 pm Brand X vs. Crabs

- Pickles vs. Fireballs
- 9 pm The Team vs. Chicano Bros.
- Basketball games will be played at the following times:
- Mar. 7-7 pm Cheezers vs. J. Men
- 8 pm Aryl Halides vs. Deltas
- Mar. 8-7 pm Motor Booty Affair vs. Bullets
- 8 pm Honii vs. Court Kings

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