

# Flory addresses graduating class next Sunday

By Trudy Christy

Eighty-one seniors in the class of '81 will be graduating next Sunday at McPherson College. The ninety-third commencement will begin at 2:15 p.m. with the procession of the faculty and seniors across campus and into Brown Auditorium. Marie Neher, president-elect of Stuco, will lead the procession, with Tammy Roesch, president-elect of the

senior class, escorting the graduating seniors.

Dr. Raymond Flory will address the candidates for graduation. Dr. Flory will retire this year after serving as professor of history at McPherson College since 1947.

Dr. Flory received a B.S. from McPherson College in 1940, a M.A. in 1942 and a Ph.D. in 1955 from the University of Kansas. He has been on the Board of

Directors of the Kansas State Historical Society and held memberships in such organizations as the Western History Association and the National Association of State and Local History. He published the book *McPherson at Fifty* in 1970.

Diane Miller, president of the senior class, will give a "Senior Statement" to the candidates for graduation.

Organ music for the prelude,

processional and recessional will be provided by Assistant Professor Steven Gustafson. A group of McPherson College Concert Choir members will sing two pieces.

Following the ceremony, refreshments will be served in the Quadrangle.

The following is a list of names and majors of seniors who will be granted degrees:

#### Bachelor of Arts Degrees

Henry M. Allen, Sociology; Kathleen Ruth Allen, Health Arts.

James A. Beyer, Business Administration; Todd Arthur Blake, Audio Visual Communications; Rebecca Lynn

Blick, Elementary Education; Harold D. Briscoe, Jr. III, Audio Visual Communications;

Rebecca M. Burr, Business Administration.

Russell R. Carswell, Accounting; R.H. Chadbourne, Sociology; Carolyn Cole, Elementary Education; Patricia A. Colvin, Art; Katherine L. Cotton, Special Education and Elementary Education; Jeff Crist, Agriculture.

Eva Marie Deaton, Elementary Education; Lisa Dixon, Early Childhood Education; Virginia Marguerite Edgell, Health Arts; Kimberly A. Eisele, Environmental Science; Gail Eileen Erisman, Music

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## Special classes planned for summer

Students who will be living within commuting distance of McPherson this summer should consider picking up a few extra credit-hours through one of the "Summer School" courses offered here next month.

Although the summer school program is designed for furthering the education of teachers, undergraduate credit is available.

Of special interest to students is "Introduction to Anthropology" (SO 105), taught by Katie Goldsmith, who has her Masters in Anthropology. This "wide-reaching survey of the history of man on earth" is offered for three credit hours from 6:30 to 9:30 on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights from June 1 to July 10, allowing students to work during the day and attend the class at night.

"Anthropology provides us with an understanding of how

people have survived in a changing world." Students will acquire tools for observing and comparing culture patterns around the world, both past and present. Special emphasis will be placed on Kansas "prehistory" with opportunity for local field-work in archeology.

Other courses offered this summer will be: "Excellence in Teaching," an intensive study of the theories of William Glasser

and Madeline Hunter, for two hours credit; "Introduction to Microcomputers," a class presenting the microcomputer and its potential for the classroom, for one hour credit; and "Art Workshop," a class with emphasis on the interrelationship of art and language, for one hour credit.

If interested, contact Dayton Rothrock, Professor of Education, for more information.

## July mail will include new Spec

Even though this is the last issue of the Spectator you will receive this school year, this is not the last issue you will see until next fall.

The Publicity Office, with the help of several students, will publish a summer issue of the Spectator.

The summer issue is aimed at

generally promoting McPherson College. It will include what has happened this school year, promotional pieces and a general overview of what is happening with college students today with some statistics.

The summer Spectator will be mailed to everyone sometime in July.

## Enrollment costs increase

By Charla Gatz

Inflation strikes again, forcing up the cost of education at McPherson College.

According to Dr. Merlin Frantz, Vice-president for Administrative Services, fees at McPherson are "lower than the national average considerably. We are doing what we can to keep them low."

The following is a breakdown of present costs and projected costs:

	1980-81	1981-82	Increase
Tuition	\$ 2660	\$ 2930	10.15.
Room	620	690	11.29.
Board	970	1120	15.46.
General fee	140	160	14.28.
Total	\$ 4390	\$ 4900	11.62.

The villain is "cost-push inflation," which occurs when rising costs are the chief reason for an increase in prices. "Utilities have gone up tremendously," Dr. Frantz said. "We have cut down on the use of energy. Even though we're paying more, we're using less. We've all worked at it."

The college has further economized by developing a 37-hour, four-day work-week for the summer. With offices closed on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, the air conditioner is shut down for three consecutive days, thus cutting down on energy use.

Compared to her sister Brethren colleges, McPherson College's costs are highly competitive; McPherson is distinguished as charging the lowest prices. The following shows the contrast for the 1980-81 school year:

\$5910	Juanata College, Pa.
\$5800	LaVerne University, Cal.
\$5700	Elizabethtown College, Pa.
\$4875	Bridgewater College, Va.
\$4720	Manchester College, Ind.
\$4390	McPherson College

"We've really tried to keep costs as low as possible," Dr. Frantz said. "Everyone is bothered by the increase. Costs just keep going up."



Almost 100 awards were given at the Stuco Awards Assembly on Monday, with some highlights pictured above.

James Janzen (sr., McPherson) was recognized as the "Outstanding Behavioral Science Student of the Year" by Sociology Professor Richard Wright and the Psych-So's, the behavioral science club. James was given a pale-green, blank sheet of paper since the plaque that was ordered for the award had not yet been received by the club. (photo by David Button)

Dr. Wesley DeCoursey, Professor of Chemistry and Physical Science and affectionately known to his students as "Uncle Wes," was named "Professor of the Year." In the picture Carolyn Spate (fr., Rocky Ford, Co.) watches closely as Dr. DeCoursey confirms exactly which ions are present, with a "flame test" on her "unknown" compound.

(photo by Trudy Christy)

Don Stinnette (sr., Elizabeth, Co.) was recognized by Stuco President Kevin Carman (sr., McPherson) with the "Outstanding Award in Student Council." Don was acknowledged for his year of dedication as editor of the Spectator, and for his service in committees in Student Council this year.

(photo by David Button)

# President Hoffman discusses highlights of 1980-81

McPherson College began the fall with 542 students, up 13 percent from 1979 and the highest enrollment since 1971. The retention between semesters was also high, with the spring enrollment being 507.

We experienced great sadness early this year with the tragic deaths of Scott Robinson and Don Hoch. It seemed unfair that something so mundane as an earth cave-in could end the lives of two such dynamic persons.

The Dotzour Hall clock experience just before Christmas caught our resident community by surprise. The emotions of judgment, superiority, hate, anger, frustration, tears, accusations, rules, and rigid opinions quickly surfaced. The simple became very complicated and some appear to still be carrying unresolved agenda.

Our women's basketball team tied for the conference championship and then narrowly lost in the state playoffs to a school over ten times our size. I had never before witnessed men students forming a tunnel through which the women athletes entered the playing area. In the state playoffs, McPherson College had more fans, both in number and enthusiasm, present than any of the other schools.

The Mingenback Foundation generously provided funds which enabled us to make energy conservation and aesthetic improvements in our cafeteria. Further improvements will be made this summer. Our community and especially students seem appreciative of these changes.

Much emotion has been expressed this year about convocations. The discussions I have heard have been fair and open. Answers have not been easy. Persons planning the convocations have worked hard and are to be commended.

Our faculty members have had a major role in making 1980-81 a good year. The average faculty tenure at McPherson is 11.4 years. This gives us great strength as compared to other institutions. Fifty percent of our faculty have completed doctorate degrees, with professors Stephanie Graber, Larry Kitzel, and Connie Nichols in the final stages of theirs. Faculty at McPherson are continually evaluated and evaluations are not lost in academic bureaucracy. Thus, I feel that we have a stronger faculty when compared to many larger schools.

Financially we made some strides forward in 1980-81. It is

very likely that we will add \$800,000 to our endowment this year. Our operating budget is in legitimate balance. Our trustees have led the way in both thought and action. They have wisely discouraged borrowing, enabling the college to avoid paying high interest rates on borrowed money. And they are contributing \$151,000 this year toward operating our college.

Currently, each student pays less than 45 percent of his or her own education costs in a given year. Thus, gifts are very needed. This year the financial base has slightly broadened and 225 persons, businesses, churches, or families have given \$1,000 or more to support McPherson College.

The summer promises to be a busy one in both hard work and

planning. Those of us in administration dread the summer a bit because students and faculty are gone. But it is an opportunity for creative reading, a change of pace, and some different schedules.

I wish you all a good summer.  
Sincerely,  
Paul W. Hoffman  
President



Glen Wright (soph., Kansas City) rings up Aaron Gragg's (jr., Quenemo) purchase from the Snack Bar, in the basement of the Student Union. The Snack Bar plans to change its name soon to the "Mac SNACK."  
(photo by Trudy Christy)

## Snack Bar will become 'MAC SNACK' next year

The Snack Bar is planning more changes for the fall semester of 1981. One of the expected changes will be the name. It will be changed to "MAC SNACK".

Other changes planned are to increase the hours, and to offer specials, both monthly and as surprises. Changes in the menu will include the addition of ice cream.

We would like to say thank-you to everyone who has supported us this spring and we look forward to an even better fall. From all of us at the "MAC SNACK," have a good summer.

Robert Cole

## Freshman finds 'freedom' a bit too overwhelming

Editorial note: A common nightmare for "Joe College" is a dream of returning home for a holiday, and discovering that his family had moved while he was at school, ... and left no forwarding address.

Jeff Thill's family moved from Adel, Iowa, to Wenatchee, Wash., but they were kind enough to keep him informed of the change of homes. In his last letter to the "great Northwest," Jeff gave his parents some reactions to his freshman year at McPherson College:

Dear Mom and Dad,

Wow! What a year! It's been great! (My exclamation marks are deafening, aren't they?)

Last fall, I said to myself, "Jeffrey, you are going to school. You are a big boy now."

And you said, "Jeffrey, you are a big boy now, and we are moving 2000 miles away from here. Write often."

"What!?" you heard me exclaim. "Mom, Dad, Kristin, Lisa, you can't do this to me!" But you were off, suddenly transformed into a family with great mobility, now that your youngest son had graduated from that great social institution, high school.

I was off, too. Off to McPherson College, the third Thill to terrorize campus. I arrived, settled down and went out into the McPherson College community. I was greeted with a volley of interrogatives: "Are you going to be like 'C.' or like 'B.' (your other sons)?" Stunned, I retorted, "I am going to be like 'J.'"

You warned me that I would have so much freedom here that I would be lost. For once I wish you were right.

Freedom is 24-hours-a-week cross-sex relationships. (That is, if the R.A.'s are on their toes.)

Freedom is pressure to conform to the idealized ways or be cast aside like a piece of fecal matter.

Freedom is an intricate "Campus Gossip Center" which operates 24-hours-a-day, picking up bits of juicy information and molding into something that will bring atrial fibrillation to the "gulliblest" of the fine upstanding college kids.

Freedom is room checks for running fans and clinking glasses.

Freedom is being labeled "immature-selfish freshman" because one's philosophy of life is different. Freedom is moralism and legalism.

Yea, Mom and Dad, you were wrong. I was wrong, too. I thought people were to accept other people as they are, like you preached on, Dad. So how come we're scoffed at when we're different, Dad?

How come I'm confused when I hear our dorm's R.A.'s were picked on the basis of ability to relate and establish dorm community and the guys in the dorm swear up one wall and down the other when informed of the choices? Wait a minute. I know how come. I'm just paranoid.

Your son,  
Jeff

P.S. I will be back next year so the good must outweigh the bad.

## 'But such a relief when finals are over ...'

By Dan Rogers

With the advent of finals is the accompanying worry and fears. Yet the purpose of these final exams is to correlate the expanse of information received throughout the semester. It is through tests that a student can express and articulate his inner knowledge.

Finals should be looked upon as a type of learning tool. Ha! Ha! Many believe that finals should be done away with — but what could replace them?

I feel that these final exams are vital to an understanding of each and every course. Education is the purpose of our college sojourn and to shy away from our ideal in attending a higher education institution is to debase our values and goals for life.

The final exam is an effective force utilized by teachers to ensure and determine what their students have retained from the course. With this understanding,

a student can justify the time and effort put forth, for he must realize that this is the process of education.

So when you are forcing those hundred pages of economics at 2:00 a.m. Monday morning, remember the principles you are striving for: to develop, to expand, and to experience the highest qualities that life has to offer! AND — summer vacation is here!!!

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# Campus Information Center survives rookie year

To Those We May Concern:

Our first year as the Campus Information Center is drawing to a close. Alas, it will never be forgotten by those of us who spend most of our daily lives here.

Not really knowing what to expect, we began last fall with feelings of anticipation, bewilderment, organization, disorganization, fright and insanity. Now that we are accustomed to our sporadic schedule and more familiar with our tedious tasks, things seem to be going a little more smoothly (most of the time).

## Editor Man flies once again!

The transformation is almost unbelievable. But whenever an issue of the Spectator must be put out, mild-mannered Matt Howell becomes Editor Man (da, da, da, DA, da, DA!) and the Spectator appears in the mailboxes almost magically.

Who else but Editor Man can visit administrators without an appointment? Who else can get the President of the college to write an article, on the weekend that he has to grade three stacks of "Marriage and Family" reports?

There is no doubt that this guy is amazing. But how is it possible that this teenage boy with hay fever can turn into this superhuman work-force, able to put out a Spectator week after week, with only three reporters enrolled in "Reporting Practice?"

"You see, Matt, it's like this," he told me. "The first thing you have to think about is your time. What do you have time for? Spectator, of course. Classes? Well, maybe. Social life? No chance. Other activities like soccer, theater, or church choir? Forget it. And last time I checked my backlog of Time magazines, Reagan isn't going to get shot for another month. I'm looking forward to that (catching up with the news, that is)."

"Sounds like quite a sacrifice," I observed.

"Don't forget it's a paying job, but I would consider my work to be primarily a public service. If a superhero can't serve the public, what's he good for anyway?"

"When do you sleep, Editor Man?"

"During my classes usually. When I work until 3 in the morning, at least twice a week, it's difficult to remain alert during my 7:30 and 8:30 classes, not to mention convo."

"Speaking of convos, E.M., how many have you skipped?" I asked.

But before I could get a response, Editor Man was flying off on an emergency apology mission to Scott Carpenter, whose review was the most recent victim of the dreaded "Editor's note."

I couldn't follow Editor Man into the sky, so I took a short cut and went up to the stairs to the hall outside of Scott's room, and observed Editor Man, as he swooped down and knocked on Scott's door.

As most new things are followed by curiosity, we were bombarded by thousands of questions during our first few hectic weeks in operation.

Following are some of the unique questions that we kept track of, after deciding it might be enjoyable to keep record of them, who knows what for. Some of the questions may make no sense to you (or us), some of them may look familiar, and some may be as entertaining to you as they were to us. Here they are, 38 big ones, given to you in the order they were given to us:

- 1) Do you have 8 pieces of chalk that I could borrow for a few minutes?
- 2) Where's the bathroom?
- 3) Can you recommend a good dentist?
- 4) What bank should I go to?
- 5) How come my daughter hasn't got her "Bulldog Buddy" t-shirt?
- 6) Can I use your comb?
- 7) Have you seen my mom?
- 8) Can you take my daughter to the bathroom?
- 9) Didn't you used to have candy in here?
- 10) Who's buzzing my room?
- 11) Do you hold sewing classes

much valuable experience this semester."

"My pleasure," Editor Man answered. "Good luck as Editor next year!"

From there, Editor Man flew over Fahnstock Hall. "It's wonderful how much the guys in Fanny have helped me out. I've calculated that over two-thirds of the residents here have contributed either through writing or photography, this semester.

"And there's my R.A., role-model and editorial predecessor, Don Stinnette! He really showed me the ropes; how did you think I learned to fly? Besides tackling the 'big' stories this semester and always being there for consultation, Don's been a dear with loaning his car to me. It takes at least six trips to the Sentinel for each issue of the Spectator, and I wouldn't want to cause a disturbance by flying over Main Street, McPherson.

"Well, how about that? Do you see Dan Coffmann, the Spec Business Manager, and his favorite assistant, Kent Nicholson? With them on the job, I didn't have to worry about the business end of the paper (very much)."

I knew the thank-you mission was not over yet. "Thanks also to Carolyn Spate, next year's Managing Editor. I'm pretty tired of watching her set the curve in my classes. Next year, I'll enjoy seeing the shoe on the other foot."

And to Susan Taylor, The Sentinel, Norma Tucker, Tina Schmidt, and all our regular reporters, photographers, and everyone else who helped out when we needed it: THANKS!"

Practically exhausted, Editor Man was almost finished with his massive editorial. Confident that Trudy and Carolyn could take over the paper next year, our superhero knew that there would be no other Editor Man for a while.

Hanging up his cape, Editor Man finished his duty. Now he could return to the life of mild-mannered Matt Howell, worrying about finals and a summer job.

One final editor's note: Heck, if Stinnette can be "Don Juan," I can be Editor Man.

Matt Howell  
Editor-in-chief

30) Is this McPherson College?

Is this the Athletic Department?

31) Who started in the girls' basketball game Wednesday night?

32) Is this McPherson?

33) Do you know anything about seeding the clouds?

34) Are you the lab that tests water?

35) Are there any summer classes at Central College?

36) Are there any real cheap motels around here?

37) How do you spell "Humphrey," as in Hubert?

38) This is the library. Will you tell Bob Green his order of honey is here?

For those of you who have found our services helpful, you're welcome. Offering our apologies for the times when some of you had to wait in line behind 10 others, only to be sent down the hall, or were confronted with a blank stare, or tripped over our wall, we hope to accommodate you more effectively the next time. Thanks to those of you who were patient and understanding and cracked a joke when we needed it most. We hope we have fulfilled our mission and that next year will surpass this one. Enjoy the summer.

Cheers,  
Jeanie Rohrer  
Karlene Tyler  
John Wagoner  
Marcia Walters  
Candi Witmer

The Campus Information Center P.S. And thanks to those of you who showed up for your appointments!

## Next year's convo policy won't change much

The Convocations Committee has spent a number of hours discussing the current schedule relative to several suggested alternatives. The one most frequently expressed was that of having one convo per week.

We reviewed the evaluations shared by those in attendance at convocations, as well as comments of the various groups from C.C. Day. These were both supportive and critical. One item that seems to have the greatest consensus is the need to have a more effective monitoring system. Though there was some interest in having a choice of which convos to attend, most supported required attendance at all scheduled.

After considering the recommendation from the Convocations and Educational Policies Committees, that we have one convo per week with a specific time set aside for a program of a religious-worshipful nature, the faculty strongly supported continuation of the present policy.

It was expressed that this schedule should be allowed more than one year, and that this year's convocations experience had achieved greater success than that of the last several years. The practice of 30-40 minute programs with an opportunity to check mail, have "coffee," or just chat with

friends, was given popular support.

The Convocations Committee recognizes and accepts responsibility to plan varied quality programs with educational, entertaining, and-or inspiring characteristics. Some will bomb — sometimes those most anticipated; and few of us, if any, will like each convo. But if we gather in community with open minds, many convos will meet one of the above criteria for most of us. For those convos we dislike, let us at least allow that for someone else in the room, it may be one of the more meaningful ones.

The schedule for next fall is already taking shape. How about an early-autumn exciting, inspirational, highly educational and intellectual "Fall Faculty Follies?!"

Several weekly themes are being proposed: food, women, and sex — to name three. And to be more explicit: one week will emphasize world hunger, climaxed by the Crop walk; another will highlight women's issues; and another human sexuality. Expert speakers on these subjects will be followed by panel discussions and campus forums.

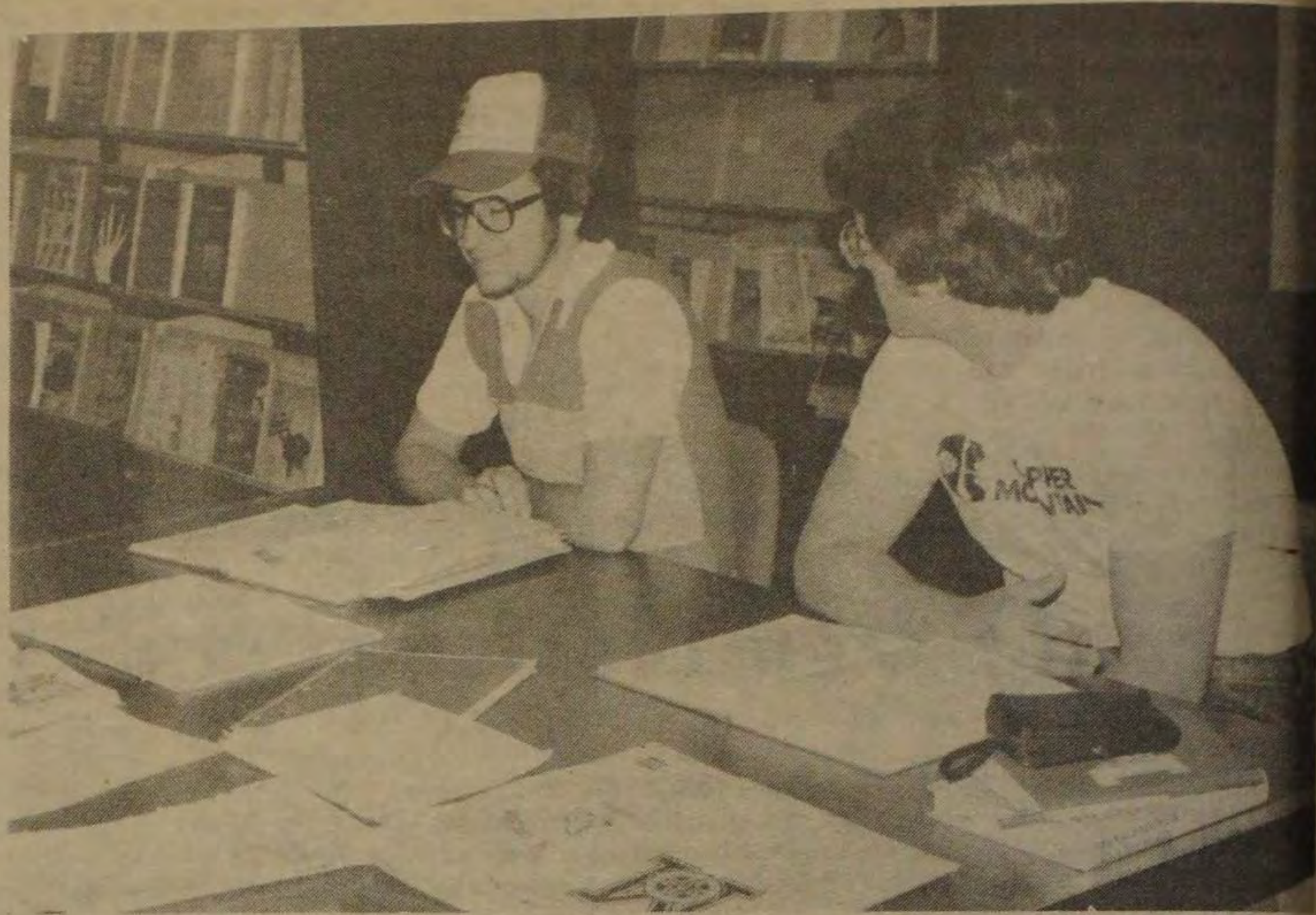
'Nuff said for now. But I'm excited!

Doris Coppock  
Convocation co-chair

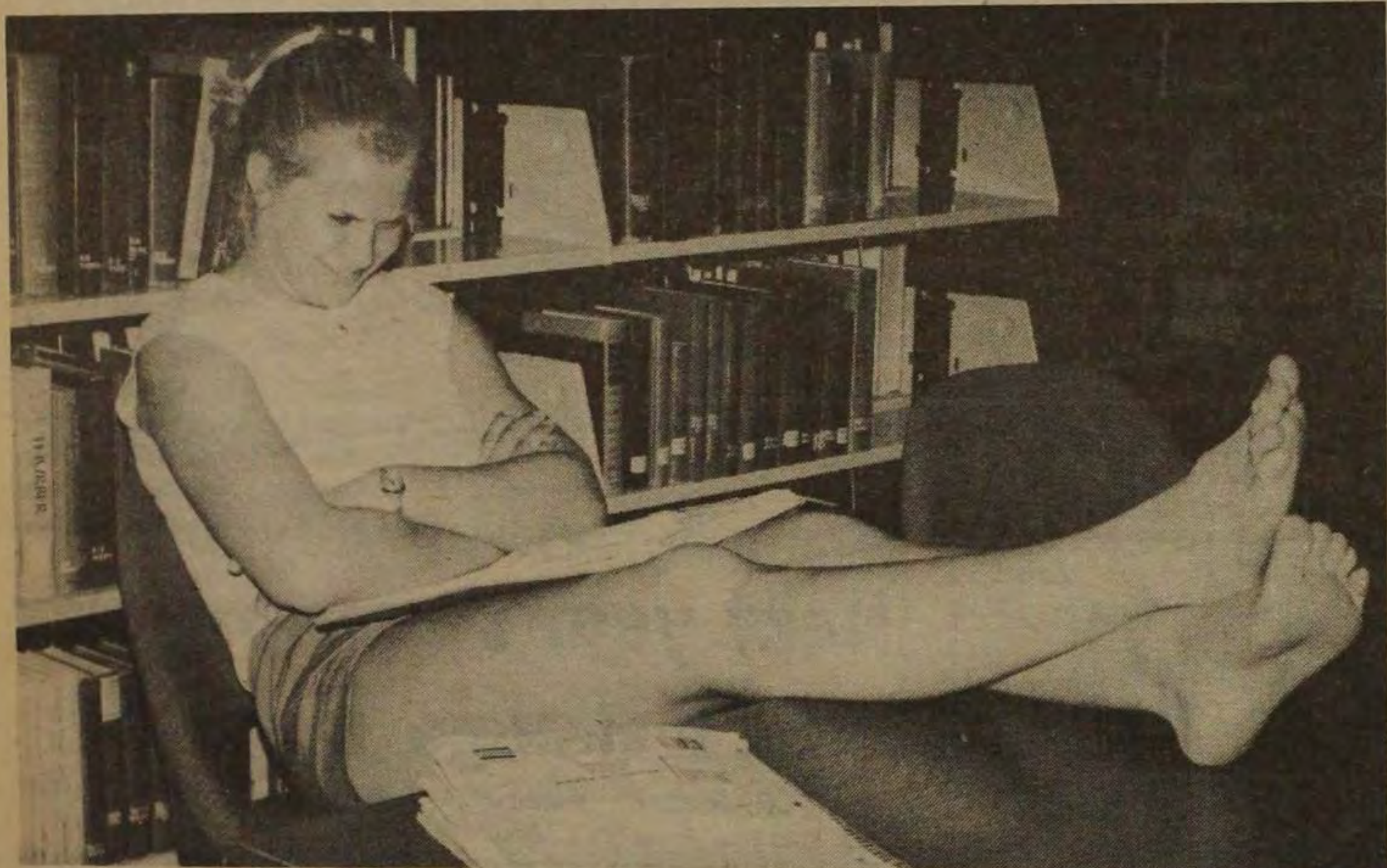
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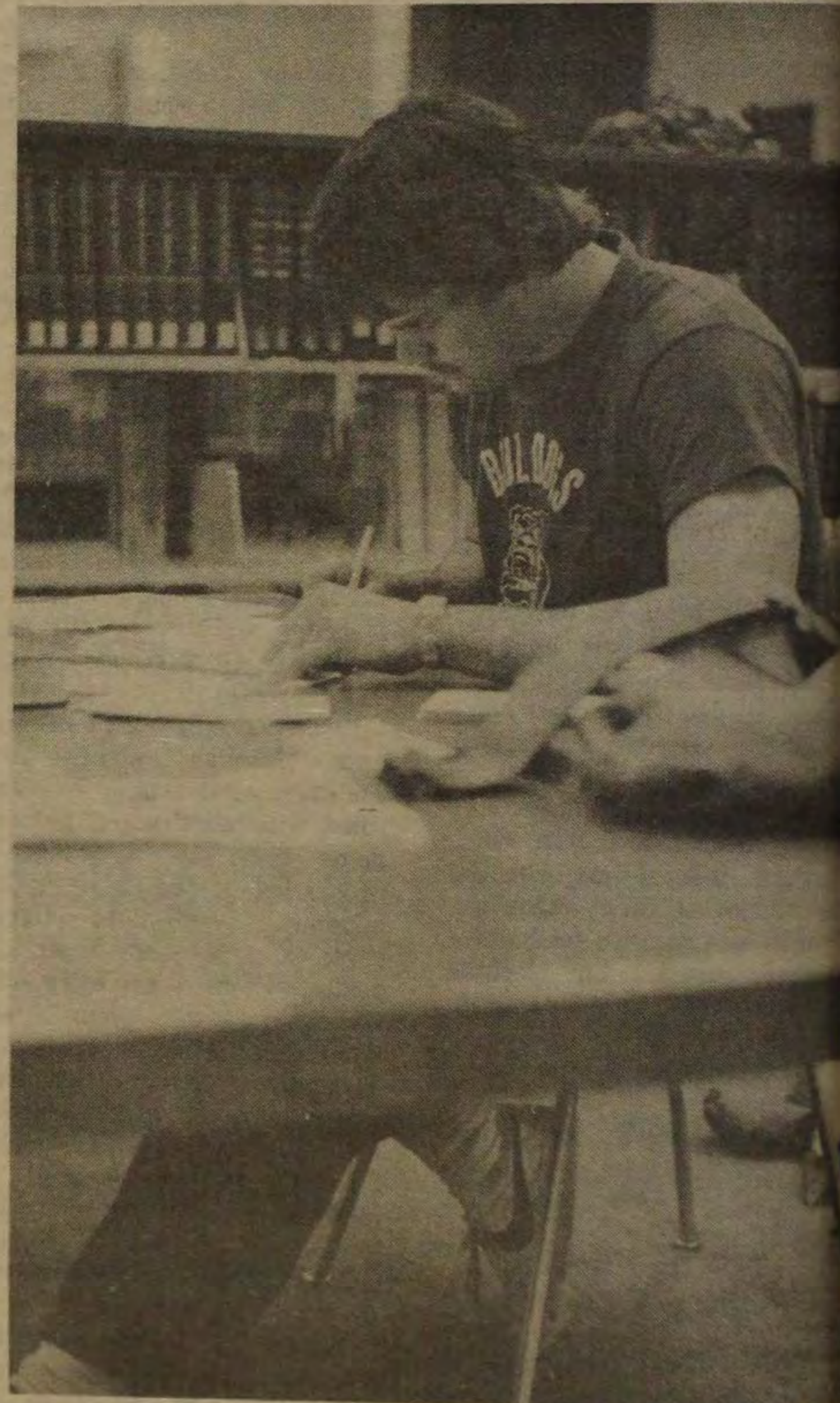
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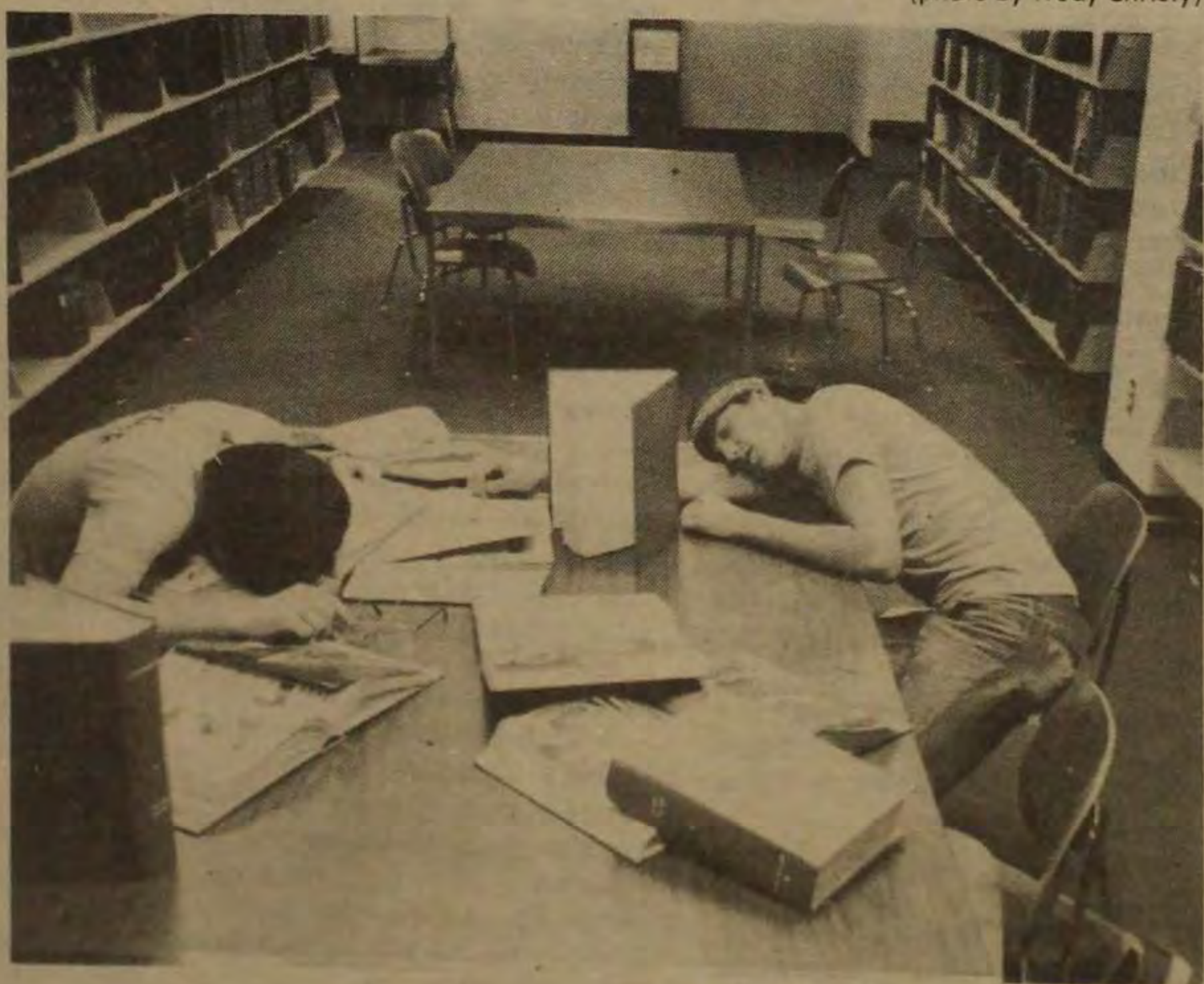
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Clockwise from top left: Susie Morales (soph., Lyons) and Patti Helmer (fr., Tescott) sit in the middle of the street between the Student Union and Dotzour Hall, hoping that a passing car will cause them excused absences from finals.

Les Glenn (soph., Conway Springs) and Kevin Harshberger (jr., Minneola) study together in the library for their "Principles of Feeding" class.

Mark Swick (soph., Burlington, Co.) gives every impression of being a serious student, when he spreads his work all over a table in the library.

Two victims of "homework overload" were recently discovered in the basement of Miller Library. "Crashed out" on the table are Scott Carpenter (soph., Pratt) and Russell Carswell (sr., Quenemo). Photographer Brian "Wookie" Mollhagen admits that this picture may have been posed.

Teresa Goodfellow (soph., Lyons) learned the secret to education: "Pretend you enjoy studying."



Jeff Hart (fr., Dayton, Ohio) and an unidentified helper dig holes, so that the new lights for the tennis courts can be installed. (photo by Trudy Christy)

## 'Let there be light' on tennis courts

By Carolyn Spate  
For all of you tennis fans who enjoy an evening game, but are tired of straining your eyes to see those yellow fluorescent balls in the dark, here's some welcome information. As the result of a special gift to the college, lights are now being installed at the tennis courts west of the gym. The donation designated for

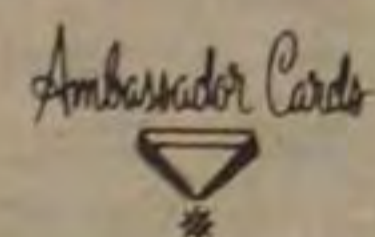
this purpose was for twice the cost of the lights themselves. Half of the money is to be used for the purchase and installation of the lights, with the remaining half used to set up an endowment fund. Income earned on the endowment fund will be used to cover any maintenance costs on the lights which may arise in the future.

## Finals treats to aid studying

by Trudy Christy  
Studying extra hard for one hour burns off the calories found in one half of a peanut. Since Jim Thomas, food service manager, recognizes that the strenuous activity of studying for finals requires extra nourishment, he is providing "study breaks" with free snacks every night before finals.

The times are Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights at 9:30 to 10:15 in the cafeteria. Treats may include cookies, brownies, chips and a chili supper. Watch for signs telling what will be served each night.

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# Intramurals organized for next year

by Vashti Phenice

Many Intramural games are being organized for next fall, winter and spring. John Snell, who is in charge of organizing the events, says that there will be a governing Constitution. The Constitution will have certain written regulations for the games, to take care of conflicts that may arise, to give job descriptions, it will also allow for a student manager and will, in general, set guidelines.

## College plans end of school year

by Matt Geisert

Many of the buildings and offices will change their schedules when summer arrives after finals next week.

For the last two years the offices in Mohler Hall have been on a four-day work-week, with Mondays off. This year the schedule for the offices has not been determined, but the schedule will probably be similar.

The bookstore will keep its regular hours until May 20. After that the bookstore will be open from 9 to 11 a.m. daily from June 1 to 19.

The dormitories will stay open until May 25, when they will close at noon. Open dorm hours will be normal during this time.

The cafeteria will remain open until the noon meal on Saturday, May 24.

The summer library hours have not yet been determined.

The mail arriving this summer for students will be forwarded to the addresses listed in the campus directory. Notify the mailroom if the address in the campus directory is not correct.

Next year anyone interested in participating should watch for Intramural sign-up sheets during enrollment at the beginning of the year. The entry deadline for fall games will be Friday, September 11 and the games will begin on the 14th.

The Intramurals being organized for next year will offer more opportunities to participate in athletic and nonathletic activities, besides providing a release for everyday pressure for students, faculty and staff.

The games offered during the fall are: tennis, men's and women's football, co-ed

volleyball, table tennis, fun run and a pool tournament. During Interterm there will be three-on-

three basketball, volleyball, badminton and card tournaments. For the spring term, intramurals will include softball, ultimate frisbee, men's and women's basketball, arm wrestling and bicycle races.

## Seniors plan gift

It is tradition at McPherson College for the senior class each year to donate what money it has left over to improve the campus in a way it sees fit.

The class of 1981 voted to use its money to pay for an outdoor drinking fountain near the tennis courts. The cost of this project has not been figured yet; so if the class does not have enough money for the drinking fountain, the money will go towards permanent trash containers around campus instead.


The class of 1979 donated its money to buy several trees for

the campus. The bleachers by the tennis courts were paid for by the class of 1978. The flag pole so prominent in the center of campus was paid for by the seniors of 1920 who marked the pole with a plaque for posterity. The plaque reads, "The Class of 1920, Truth is Freedom."

Many commonplace things which are taken for granted around campus may have been made possible by the money donated by past senior classes. Unfortunately, however, no record has been kept of these gifts.

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# Rogers will soon discover the joy of 'bike touring'

By Don Stinnette  
 To feel the wind in your face as you glide easily down the open road...watching the wheels spin, feeling the miles slip by beneath you...sensing the blood coursing through your veins, feeling the movement your body craves, and knowing it is good...perhaps not sure where you've been, not sure where you're going, but knowing that the going is as vital as the getting there...this is the freedom known as bike touring.

Several current and former students have enjoyed this activity, and this summer a couple of them are planning on doing some "heavy biking".

Dan Rogers, soph., Guthrie, Minn., is hoping to bike home from McPherson as soon as he finishes finals next week. The distance from McPherson to Dan's Minnesota home (in the Bemidji area) is about 850 miles.

Sound like a long way to go on a bicycle? Well, Dan doesn't think it will be that bad; he expects to cover about 100 miles per day, which may vary with wind and weather conditions. If he starts on May 20 as he hopes, Dan should be home on May 28 or 29.

Dan doesn't have any bike-touring experience, but he has

ridden his bike in training for quite a while. He decided last winter to try this ride.

The big question many might like to ask is, "Why!?"

Dan has several reasons, not all of which can be easily defined. First, he thinks touring will be interesting and fun.

It will provide a good break between the routines of school and summer work. Also, he is looking forward to having some time to himself to think about such things as his life's purpose and to do a little soul-searching.

Dan realizes he has seen only a small part of the U.S., and most of that from a speeding car. He would like to see the country at a slower pace, not dependent on mechanical marvels or fossil fuels, but on a simple mechanism powered by his own body.

Dan feels biking offers a good opportunity to find and stretch one's limitations. He says he is "really looking forward to it."

He is not planning to ride the bike back to college in the fall, mainly because the winds are likely to be unfavorable, heading south at summer's end.

Although Dan won't be using any gas, the bike trip will probably save little money, if any, as he'll need to ship his college baggage home by U.P.S.

or bus, and he'll need to buy food for more than a week. But at least he'll have an efficient way of getting his bike home.

David Franklin, fr., Modesto, Cal., is tentatively planning to ride his new bike from Modesto to the Brethren Annual Conference in Indianapolis this summer. This venture would cover 2200 miles of desert, mountain and plain. To ride from California to Indiana would take nearly a month.

Dave is also not experienced at touring, so he is somewhat leery of such an ambitious attempt. He has an alternative plan in case he decides against the long trip.

"Plan B" is to ride to Indianapolis from McPherson, a much "easier" ride of 600 miles.

Dave also would like some time alone to "sort out the past year" and to consider the many new thoughts and ideas he has been exposed to here at McPherson.

Students may wish to wish these enterprising individuals good luck on their journeys. They may need it.



Dan Rogers poses beside the bicycle that will take him home to Minnesota after finals.

(photo by Trudy Christy)

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## The graduates march on ...

Education; Marlene M. Ewalt, Industrial Arts; Kathy Marie Swank Ewert, Elementary Education.

Tony Gene Fawl, Agri-Business; John R. Fleming, Education; Paula J. Lyne Frantz, Elementary Education.

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William M. Hall, Industrial Arts; Ralph A. Hamilton, Math; Monica D. Heckart, Home Economics; John Michael Hoffman, Double Major, Art and Industrial Education; Sandra Kay Sharp Hoffman, Double Major, Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education with Special Education Emphasis; Bambi Crumpacker Holderread, Elementary Education; John L. Holderread, Philosophy and Religion; Keith Hunter, English Education.

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Demetra O'Brien, Administration of Justice; Martina N. Odokara, Business Administration; Samuel Sunday Omokore, Philosophy and Religion.

Renee Suzanne Pettit, Biology.

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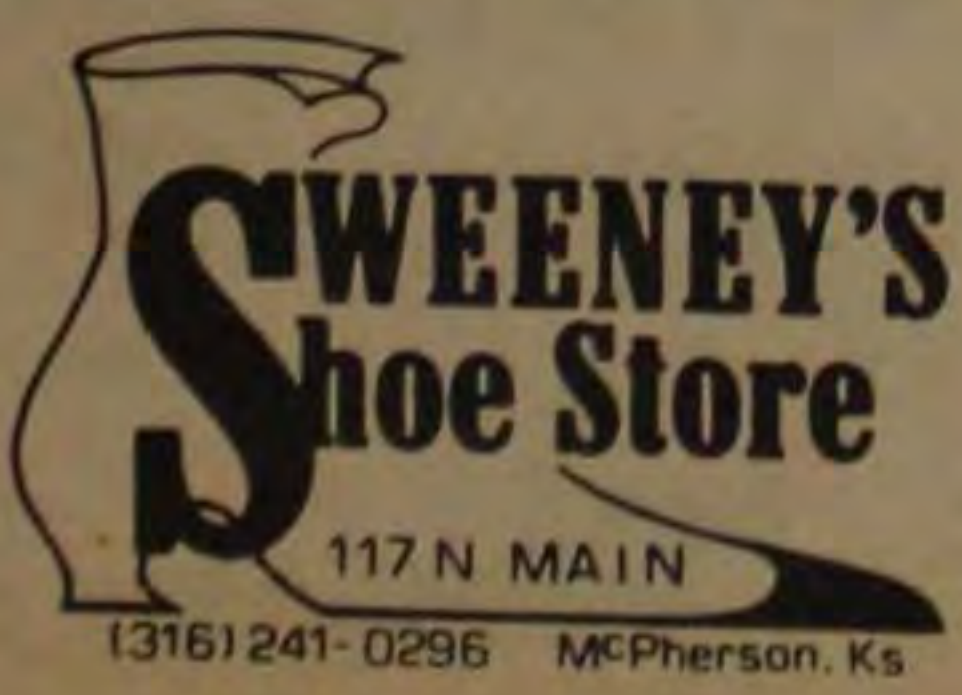
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Thomas Faw Neher

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 And had each other  
 They were not alone  
 God bless  
 Father & Daughter

Thomas Faw Neher

# CAUSE Grant provides money for unique research lab

By Vashti Phenice

In November of 1979, McPherson College submitted a proposal to the National Science Foundation for the CAUSE Grant. The main purpose of the grant is to develop a program for interdisciplinary research for natural science and agriculture majors.

The college contributed \$55,615 and requested and received

\$111,083 making a total of \$166,698 to be used over a period of 3 years (the official statement of the full monetary grant was received in May of 1980).

McPherson's proposal was one of the 66 accepted, out of the 301 proposals submitted, and was the only one accepted from the four submitted by the ACCK colleges.

So far, McPherson has had the grant for a year and much

progress has been made to get the program under way. At this time, almost all of the most important pieces of equipment needed have either been purchased or ordered, and a class in research methods is being taught this semester to prepare students for their research projects.

The new lab facilities are basically complete, involving the renovation of 4 rooms. The four rooms will be used as a chemistry research lab, an instrumental room, a biology research lab and the fourth room, which will undergo renovation in about two years, will house a computer terminal.

The science faculty has put a lot of thought and planning into this project, and they see it as a unified effort. The intentions are that all natural science majors should participate in the research project to some extent. Many students will be starting on projects next year after their individual research proposals have been approved.

The students involved will not only include science majors, but also agriculture majors. The topic of sunflowers was chosen because of the wide range of areas which could deal with it. It is a unified theme and many perspectives of it could be

studied. This unification will enable interaction and cooperation among the entire research group.

Reports will be sent to NSF periodically, to keep them notified of McPherson's procedures and progress, generally at least once a year, with a final conclusive report at the end of the three-year grant period.

The approximate amounts of expenditures for materials needed are set at \$60,800 for equipment, \$33,655 for furniture and \$4,700 for library materials.

Because of new Reagan administration, all such future grants will be discontinued. Fortunately, this one is guaranteed for the full three years.

Dr. Zerger, the project director, emphasizes that the proposal involved all of the science faculty in a joint effort, and that the whole program is cooperative, besides being designed for student research.

This program at McPherson College is considered quite unique since it includes not only the "better" students, but all of them.

## Catch-all department helps campus run smoothly

By Mark Colflesh

As the present academic year draws near to its long-awaited conclusion, it seems only fitting to honor those who have labored year-round to make campus life run smoothly; specifically, the maintenance department.

The maintenance department is a catch-all for an incredible variety of tasks. These trusty souls handle everything from cleaning dorms and bathrooms to remodeling offices and arranging off-campus transportation.

The staff consists of 10 full-time workers and 30 part-timers, making this department crucial to the economic well-being of many McPherson students.

The work of maintenance also takes on staggering proportions when one views the amount of money involved in campus upkeep. During the 1979-80 school year, the maintenance department spent \$339,198. Of that, \$29,150 was devoted to small repairs and maintenance alone.

Merrin Godfrey, a 1971 McPherson College graduate, heads up the department. Before his arrival in 1973, Godfrey

served with BVS missions in Nigeria, an experience which provided him with some good story material.

Always a very opinionated person, Godfrey naturally has much to say about his job, his fellow employees and the students.

"I enjoy my job. It's very hectic and a lot of times we're working under pressure, but it has its rewards," commented Godfrey.

"We know a lot of people. We enjoy it when students stop by, take advantage of the pop machine, and talk for awhile. I'm pleased with the students this year. They seem like a serious, mature group of people," he said.

"I'm happy with the things that have been done this year, particularly in the area of energy conservation. We've saved money that can now be used on other projects."

Some of the projects planned for this summer include making Miller Library more energy efficient, remodeling the food line in the cafeteria and installing a new phone system for the campus.

## Dorm officers chosen

by Vashti Phenice

Elections have been held in most of the dorms to determine next year's officers. Bittinger Hall has not yet held elections.

In Dotzour Hall, the president will be Becky Nicklos (fr., Las Animas, Co.). The vice-president will be Karla Wilson (jr., Valley Center); Tina Wagner (jr., Wiley, Co.) will be secretary and Rhonda Wise (soph., McPherson) will be the treasurer.

Fahnestock Hall has chosen Dale Ziegler (jr., Elizabethtown, Pa.) as their president, Doug

Duncan (soph., Evergreen, Co.) as their vice-president, Jeff Thill (fr., Adel, Iowa) as their secretary and Scott Carpenter (soph., Pratt) as their treasurer.

In Metzler Hall, Mark Baus (fr., Alexander) was elected president; Dan LeValley (fr., Hugo, Co.) will be vice-president and Adrian Fishburn (fr., Lawrence) will be the secretary-treasurer.

## 'Arsenic and Old Lace' opens fall season

by Vashti Phenice

Next year should be an exciting year for the McPherson College drama department and all drama fans in general.

There is already a big line-up of plays, from comedies to fairy tales. Some of them will be directed by Rick Tyler, but many students will also be getting involved by directing plays themselves.

The season will begin on September 18, 19 and 20 with the comedy-mystery "Arsenic and Old Lace" directed by Jeff Frazier (soph., McPherson).

For Homecoming weekend, October 17 and 18, "She Stoops to Conquer" will be performed. It is an English restoration comedy directed by Lisa Irlle (sr., Warrensburg, Mo.). The play deals with country and city people.

On December 4, 5 and 6 Rick Tyler will direct "The Childrens' Hour" in which a little girl lies about her teachers being lesbians.

"The Honorable Urashima Taro" is a Japanese fairy tale appearing on February 12 and 13. Pam Thies (soph., Evergreen, Co.) will be its director.

Then a play dealing with women's rights in the 1880's, called "A Doll's House," will be directed by Rick Tyler and performed on March 12 and 13.

Rick will also direct a very well-known play, "Inherit the Wind," which deals with the age-long dispute between Darwinism and the Bible. This play will close the season and will be done in cooperation with the community theater on May 7 and 8.



David Sollenberger (fr., Smithville, Ohio) is past his elbow in clay pot as he prepared yet another ceramic creation. The Art Club had its annual "Art Sale" Wednesday. (photo by Lisa Irlle)



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# Gayer ends college with many accomplishments

by Charla Gatz

While many at McPherson College sadly contemplate the loss of star athlete Doug Gayer, he himself is ready to "graduate and move on."

The six-foot-tall senior from Buhler has an impressive list of accomplishments to his credit. Among other things Gayer was a three-year starter for the basketball team, named an All-Kansas College Athletic Conference performer in March and voted most outstanding and inspirational performer of the year (1981) by his teammates.

Gayer also played both singles and doubles tennis. He was seeded number 1 and named All-Conference four consecutive years; not to mention being named 1981 Athlete of the Year. However, he is modest, unassuming and plays down his many achievements.

His father, Glenn, is athletic director and coach of the basketball team at Buhler High School. Gayer enjoyed playing under his dad and also learned a lot. "I hope to be as successful in coaching as he is," he said. His mother, Loreen, teaches grade

schoolers at Inman. His brother, Todd, 19, is completing his freshman year at Emporia State and his sister, Michelle, 15, is a freshman at Buhler High.

Gayer is currently job-hunting and wants to be both a teacher and a coach, preferably basketball. He hopes to stay close to McPherson since he has lots of friends here. According to Bulldog basketball coach Bob Fairbank, Gayer "will be a super coach."

In comparing the difference between college and high school athletics, Gayer said, "In college most of the players are good but in high school only a few are good."

Gayer is glad he came to a smaller college. He felt he would not have been able to participate in sports at a larger school. He never seriously considered attending a university anyway.

The main factors involved in his decision to attend McPherson College were that it was close to home, both his mother and father graduated from McPherson and it is a small college where "you can get to know more people."

After participating in both

basketball and tennis for four years, Gayer said he preferred playing basketball because there is more of a team concept but he said tennis is more relaxing and there is not as much pressure on performance from a crowd like in basketball.

On the subject of the future of McPherson College athletics, Gayer said he hopes the college will "spend more on the sports program and get better facilities. School can't exist on academics alone."

If he had it to do over, Gayer would still go out for both basketball and tennis. He said it kept him busy and if he were not busy, he would "go nuts."

However, Gayer is enjoying his free time right now. He plans to play softball with his friends from back home this summer and he also likes to indulge in golf, water-skiing and snow-skiing when the season permits.

Although his competitive career has ended, Gayer said he will always participate in non-competitive sports. "I couldn't give them up. No way!" With that, he headed for the golf course.



Paul Graber, Athletic Director, congratulates Doug Gayer (sr., Buhler) as he gives him the "Male Athlete of the Year Award."

(photo by David Button)

## Active recruitment gives good outlook for athletics at Mac

by Matt Howell

Active recruitment, combined with a high retention of athletes, are the major ingredients in a building athletic program at McPherson College, with a "very bright" outlook, according to Dr. Paul Graber, Athletic director and coach for volleyball, women's basketball and golf.

A fall sport for the women is volleyball, where "things are looking up," according to the coach of the team, Paul Graber.

Again, retention is the key to building a strong team, and volleyball has "everyone back from last year." Deb Ladely, a junior transfer from Central College, will be providing the team with "needed depth in the center position," and "power hitters have been recruited from as far away as West Germany."

Football Coach Lee Dobyms is working under the philosophy that the reason for attending college is to "get an education,"

and is trying to recruit "the athlete who is a student as well."

"Recruiting is going very well," says Dobyms, who is presently in the process of application with 63 football players. "Of course, you never know for sure if anyone is coming until he's practicing with the guys on the football field."

The coach expects 44 athletes who played football last season to play again for McPherson this fall. "We keep close track of these students during the year. Making sure that they are happy with McPherson is as much a part of recruiting as new students."

Women's tennis, under the direction of Doris Coppock, has possibilities to finish on top of the conference next year. The team has some "excellent people returning," and Coppock has signed three of the top four women netters from Garden City Juco.

Since there were no seniors on the women's basketball team this year, everyone is expected to return and have "another season like this winter."

Coach Graber would like to start a "JV program of sorts." He contends that the "women need a program like this to develop the younger players."

The men's basketball team will lose Gayer, and he "won't be easy to replace." Returning for McPherson, however, will be "veterans" like Wallace Whitfield (fr., Kent, N.Y.), and Darrell Stuart (soph., Hutchinson). The Athletic Director adds that "Cox (Lindall, jr., Hanston) has shown tremendous improvement, and (Mike) Higgins (fr., Albuquerque) won't be a rookie anymore."

Graber gives women's track coach Larry Latimer credit for having "worked the program very well. Larry's been recruiting hard this spring, both

on campus and off." Once again, retention, along with recruitment, is the key to success, and Coach Latimer will see all of his tracksters from this year return, except for one.

Men's track, on the other gender, "remains a problem for the Athletic Department," says Graber. But "solutions are being pursued; we're working with it. We have such a good facility; we need a good men's track program to go with it."

Graber's spring sport is golf, which he expects to "improve vastly" next year. "We were lots better this year, outshooting last year by 12 strokes, as a team."

The final sport, men's tennis

has been under the leadership of Gerry Holman for several years. "When Holman has a building year," points out Graber, "he still takes third place in the KCAC with a 5-2 conference record, and 6-5 overall." Coach Holman will also lose Doug Gayer, as well as Jeff Crist (sr., Quinter), but Graber doesn't worry much. "Holman has had a consistently quality program and I know some recruits will be here." Bethany better stay on its toes.

The combination of active recruitment and high retention just might mean that 1981-82 year will see McPherson take its turn as the "sports leader" in the KCAC.

## Opiyo scores seven goals in Sunday's tie

by Bonny Waweru

Last weekend was not a lucky time for the soccer team. They had to face two teams — one on Saturday and the other on Sunday.

The first half ended in a tiresome way for both teams. All the scores were made in this round. Mike Yancey (sr., McPherson) scored the one and only score for the Mac team. The opponents, the Derby Independents, scored three goals.

The captain, Charles Ogwang (jr., Uganda) was hurt in the first round after colliding with the opponent's goalkeeper.

When I talked to him on Sunday, he told me that it wasn't a fracture, as it was thought to be, but it did have some damage to the ligaments on the lateral side of the knee joint.

The following day, though also tiresome, was played here against the McConnel Tornados.

Several players from the Mac team had limping legs, but still they tried all they could.

The talk of the week, especially for the soccer team, was the famous soccer superstar Joe Opiyo (jr., Kenya). It's hard to believe, but he made all of the seven goals for the team, with the assistance of his teammates.

Joe made three goals in the first half while the opponents made two. He then made three more in the second half while the opponents were lucky to have two penalties against Mac and three more goals, thus totaling seven goals against Mac's six.

With about 10 minutes before the end of the game, and the

opponents leading, Joe was hurt and had a nosebleed. This reporter was close, and applied some quick first aid on Joe's nose.

When he re-entered the game and made the seventh goal, there were cheers all over, with many yelled in Swahili (the Kenyan language), of which many of the players can understand a few words.

There is still one more game on this coming Sunday at Wichita, against the Ritchies Rockets.

It's not yet known where McPherson will end up in the league standings this semester.

When I visited the Captain in the hospital, he said that if he wouldn't be able to meet with all the players before the end of the semester, he wishes them a good holiday.

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