

Michael Kelly Blanchard, singer-songwriter, was well received last weekend at both the convocation and his evening concert. His compositions present a message of love, hope, and the value of relationships and often include a touch of humor. Photo by Pierre France

Financial future looking good

by Chuck Cuthbert

Students of the future, rejoice! In the face of the furious budget cutting by the government and the poor, recessing economy, the administration of McPherson College anticipates a bright future.

During the trustee meeting last weekend, primary attention was focused on the future of the college in respect to its centennial year 1987-88, and the outlook is positive. This is significant because it is

estimated that nearly 300 colleges may be forced to close down soon due to the present dismal economic situation and a probable gloomy future.

According to the results of a year-long feasibility study performed by Howard Braren and Associates (Davenport, Iowa), McPherson College, with the goal of a \$7,500,000 endowment by 1987, will be able to stay afloat with some hard work, generous gifts, and good management.

Braren noted that President

Hoffman and his staff have managed the college well and that the faculty and staff have been very generous in contributing to the operation of the college.

Although many colleges are suffering at the hands of the Reagan budget axe, Braren, the Trustees, and President Hoffman feel confident about the college's future. President Hoffman believes that McPherson will be one of the few colleges to survive the dismal economic picture of the 1980's.

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Students share cultural backgrounds

by Pierre France

International Student Organization meetings present cultural information on religion, social life, and lifestyles of many different countries. Students are encouraged to bring slides, movies, and other material from their own countries to help expose other students to different languages and customs.

The students often discuss the contrast between the lifestyle of their own country and that of the United States and McPherson College. "It is an educational experience," states Daphne Karayianni, fr., Cyprus, president of the International

Students Organization. "The students learn about other countries from each other."

The foreign students also transmit this knowledge to American students. One student, Ron Washington, jr., Kansas City, Mo., is an Audiovisual Communications major who is planning to work in West Africa after graduation. Ron will be employed by a West African television station. Ron had learned about West African culture from International Student members.

Latin America, Africa, the Middle East and Europe are a few of the areas that are

represented in this organization. There are eighteen foreign students and three American students in the club. The organization encourages students interested in this experience to get involved and to come to the meetings.

The group is planning to hold a meeting for all International Students from the ACCK colleges very soon. They are also planning an International Student Week to take place in April or early May. During the week speakers will present information on their native countries. A special meal will also be served in the cafeteria.

Health Institute is seeking workers

by Kevin Burton

The National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, is looking for good women and men to help with some very important experiments this summer.

Students involved in the project would become "normal volunteer control patients." Volunteers undergo simple tests related to a variety of areas for scientific research.

"This is a good chance to pursue career goals," says John Burkholder, professor of biology. "For instance, there are a lot of tests being conducted on animals. If you are interested in veterinary medicine, you can gain valuable experience."

Kenneth Steadman, jr., Sedgwick, has been involved in the NIH program for two years. After serving one year as a volunteer and assistant, he was asked to return to conduct some research of his own.

Steadman says, "As a volunteer I was involved with studies on immunological and infectious disease. It was a very simple process. I was injected with a dead virus. Then they studied my blood sample to see if and how my body would produce antibodies."

Burkholder stresses that those who participate in the program must be healthy. Steadman adds, "At first, you'll have to take a few days worth of tests just to

determine whether you're healthy enough for the tests."

You can't expect to get rich from this program, but room and board are free for the entire summer and you are paid a small salary.

Loretta Coughlin, assistant director of the NIH program, will be on campus March 31, to give general information on the program. The meeting is set for 7 p.m. in Harnly 308. All interested students should attend.

On April first she will be interviewing applicants individually. Those interested in an interview should make an appointment with Betty Barchesky in the administration office.

Student recruiting going strong

by Linda Schweppe

Although it is only spring term right now, recruitment for fall term is busily under way.

Connie Weddle, Director of Admissions, reports the application flow at this time to be ahead of that of recent years. She is also pleased with the quality of the students who have applied thus far.

At this point there are 51

students who have already paid tuition deposits. This figure is well above the figure at this same point two years ago when fall enrollment was the highest it had been in several years.

However, Connie also says that the application process is different from other years in that students are now applying to many schools instead of just one. Many are even paying tuition

deposits to more than one school.

Coach Cripe and Cindy Koehn have just completed a week of recruitment in Colorado. Beth Cox, Larry Latimer, and Lamont Rothrock are also involved with recruitment. The states they are concentrating on are Colorado, Iowa, Kansas and Oklahoma.

Three more on-campus visitation days are scheduled for March 16, April 2, and May 4.

Spectator Sidelines . . .

SPRING BREAK begins Friday, March 19, at 5 p.m. Classes resume on Monday, March 29. You are encouraged to go home for break, but if a problem arises, contact Joanne Hamlin. The last meal before break will be at noon on March 19. Food service resumes starting with breakfast on March 29.

McPherson College was one of the three private colleges in Kansas to receive a GRANT FROM THE SEARS-ROEBUCK FOUNDATION. The Kansas colleges and universities are among over 1,000 private accredited two-and-four-year institutions across the country which are sharing in \$1,500,000 in Sears Foundation funds for the 1981-82 academic year.

McPherson College and Lab-Volt will sponsor a Fluid Power Workshop April 2-3 on the McPherson College campus. The workshop will cover 11 hours of instruction and labs in basic hydraulics, pneumatics, and electrical and electronic controls. The cost is \$135.00 for 1 credit hour and \$35.00 for non-credit. Registrations should be made by March 19, 1982.

Student Council elections will be held on Monday, March 15 for the offices of president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. Students are encouraged to consider running for an office. Treasurer candidates must have completed two accounting classes.

There will be a BOWLING PARTY tonight at 11 p.m. The admission will be free due to a recent action of Student Council concerning some surplus funds.

The movie "THE PAPER CHASE" will be shown on Thursday evening at 8 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

STUDENT TEACHING APPLICATIONS for all of next year may now be submitted. Pick up an application in Mohler 105 if you do not have one. Deadline is March 15.

Student Activities Board has planned a trip to the Kansas Coliseum to watch the WICHITA WIND PROFESSIONAL HOCKEY TEAM. Gametime is 7:30 p.m., Sunday, March 14. Tickets are discounted to \$4.50 and \$2.00. Transportation will be provided. Meet in the gym parking lot at 6:15 p.m. Sunday evening. Contact John Snell or Dan Masterson for reservations.

Quad staff is working hard

by Kerri Vinson

When students are thumbing through their own issue of the Quadrangle this fall, few will realize the extensive planning and excessive labor that this project requires. Almost everyone will take their yearbook for granted. The exceptions will be the Quadrangle staff, writers, and photographers, who have been busy since day one of the fall semester organizing and working toward the final deadline — May 31, 1982. The issues will be handed out during enrollment next fall.

Any yearbook or similar publication is only as good as the workers behind it, and this year's staff is blessed with the talents necessary to cover all aspects of the yearbook-making business. Of course, there is always room for improvement. Cindy Dell, co-editor of the Quadrangle pointed out that more photographers are always needed.

If you can't take pictures, at least smile when you see a Quadrangle photographer snapping a shot of you.

Appel challenges the mandatory convo policy

Dear Editor:

Having attended one too many convos with the cast of "Wild Kingdom" in attendance, I must now add my voice to those calling for a change in convocations policy, though perhaps for different reasons. My patience has begun to run quite short for those few people who feel they need not extend a certain amount of respect to the guest speakers-performers and thus entertain the rest of us with a representation of barnyard life, laughter, and constant drivel. I am not appealing for an end to the commotion, however, as that appeal has been made before to no avail. I am calling for an end to required convocations.

It is time for the administration to realize that force is an inefficient means to education. I can't seem to avoid using that already too often quoted cliché "You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink." The old farmer who made that observation seems to have had more insight than some more educated members of our campus community.

I wholeheartedly support

convocations in principle. It adds another dimension to our education and I, as many others do, enjoy the opportunity to hear differing viewpoints as well as being able to soak up some good music on occasion. But not all things appeal to every person and forcing a person to withstand something she/he doesn't enjoy breeds resentment. In the case of convos, that person may exhibit that resentment in a vocal manner. This has three consequences. First, it is rude and disconcerting to the speaker. Second, it is annoying to the rest of those people in attendance. Third, a resentful person can derive no good from a forced activity.

Yes, I realize the supposed alternative of writing a paper. But is this really an alternative? I know very few people who have that kind of time.

It is time for the administration to shuck the rose-colored glasses and realize that education, as all things, is imperfect. In purely economic terms, the tradeoff of respect and orderliness for attendance is yielding negative benefits.

I strongly urge the convocations committee and others to give this matter careful consideration. The best resolution is to provide a wide variety of subjects of high quality and allow people to choose which

ones they would like to attend. An added benefit of this would be that the faculty would no longer need to feel like they were on playground duty and I would no longer feel that I was checking in with my parole officer.

My foremost appeal is that this issue is actually dealt with, that questions are asked and answered, and that the whole thing isn't just shoved aside as a matter of convenience.

Bruce Appel

Band is preparing for spring concerts

by Ken Turner

In the big band scene this semester, first in line is the Pep Band which played at almost all home games supporting the basketball team.

While we know the band is at the games, do we really recognize and appreciate the enthusiasm and excitement the

band adds? There is always the question of "why is the choir so big and why is the band so small?" The band isn't really small compared to the size of this college. However, it could be bigger if more students would share their instrumental experience. Anyway, it is not the quantity that is most important.

More importantly, is the high quality performance that the McPherson College Band puts forth.

Special band events coming up are the Trombone, Jazz, and Concert Band concert on Tuesday evening, March 16 in Brown Auditorium, and an outdoor concert on April 29 which may be held at the city park.

'A Doll's House' this weekend

by Kelly McMurray

In an age where equal rights are the predominant issue, it is not unusual to see books, films, and plays being produced on the subject of equality. By looking closely at equality struggles, however, one can discover that the desire for individual freedom and other rights was existent even in the early 1800s. This brings us to a major theme in Henrik Ibsen's play "A Doll's House" —equality for women.

Ibsen's woman, Nora Helmer, has noticed that an increasingly uncomfortable existence has slowly pervaded her happiness and her marriage to Torvald Helmer. The title of the play indicates the ideals Nora lives with and the situation she faces. Even in her society she has become a doll, treated as an object, living each day like the previous. To fight at any cost — for her freedom is Nora's main concern, and the building of pressure and tension lead to a climax worth remembering.

Although many things in the

play are dated, A Doll's House could easily be an example of today's society and the institution of marriage. By setting the story at Christmastime, Ibsen has increased the impact of the play tenfold and has seemingly underlined the importance of the institutions of family and marriage.

McPherson College's theatre department is producing "A Doll's House" tonight, tomorrow night, and Sunday. Each performance will be held in Brown Auditorium at 8 p.m. The show is being directed by Karlene Mophew Tyler, with set design by Rick Tyler and costumes designed by Lisa Irle, sr., Warrensburg, Mo. Bruce Spitzer, soph., Kalona, Iowa is serving as stage manager.

The cast for "A Doll's House" follows: Patricia Lusk, sr.,

Rocky Ford, Colo., as Nora Helmer, and Doug Vance, soph., Seattle Wash., as her husband Torvald. Jeffrey Thane Frazier, jr., McPherson, will portray Dr. Rank, and Marie Neher, jr., Grundy Center, Iowa, will play Kristene Linde. Rick Patton, sr., Camp Verde, Ariz., as Nils Krogstad, Wendy Rayno, soph., Boston, as Anne Marie, and Ann Dirksen, jr., Wichita, as Helene round out the cast.

"A Doll's House" promises to present an evening of entertainment, emotion, and thought. The confronting of this timeless issue at McPherson College should be quite a worthwhile experience. Hopefully, many of you will leave the auditorium with a sense of caring about relationships and equality and at the same time be thankful for an evening of entertainment.



Kristene Linde (played by Marie Neher, jr., Grundy Center, Iowa), an old friend, comes to Nora Helmer (Patricia Lusk, sr., Rocky Ford, Colo.) to ask for a favor during a scene of "A Doll's House" which opens tonight in Brown Auditorium.

Photo by Kenny Miller

Congressman Glickman backs student aid

(Editors note: On Friday, Feb. 26, 117 students, faculty, and staff members of McPherson College signed a petition to protest budget cuts in aid to students. This letter is a response we received from Dan Glickman, Representative of Kansas. Our voices are heard!)

Dear McPherson College students, faculty, and staff:

I have received the petition signed by students at McPherson College in protest of the President's proposed budget cuts in student assistance. We are of like mind on this and I would appreciate it if you would share the following comments with those who signed the petition. Perhaps you could post this letter in a central spot or print it in your student newspaper.

I do not support the drastic cuts in student assistance programs proposed by the Reagan Administration, and will oppose efforts to reduce their funding below this year's level and to make unreasonable changes in the Guaranteed Student Loan

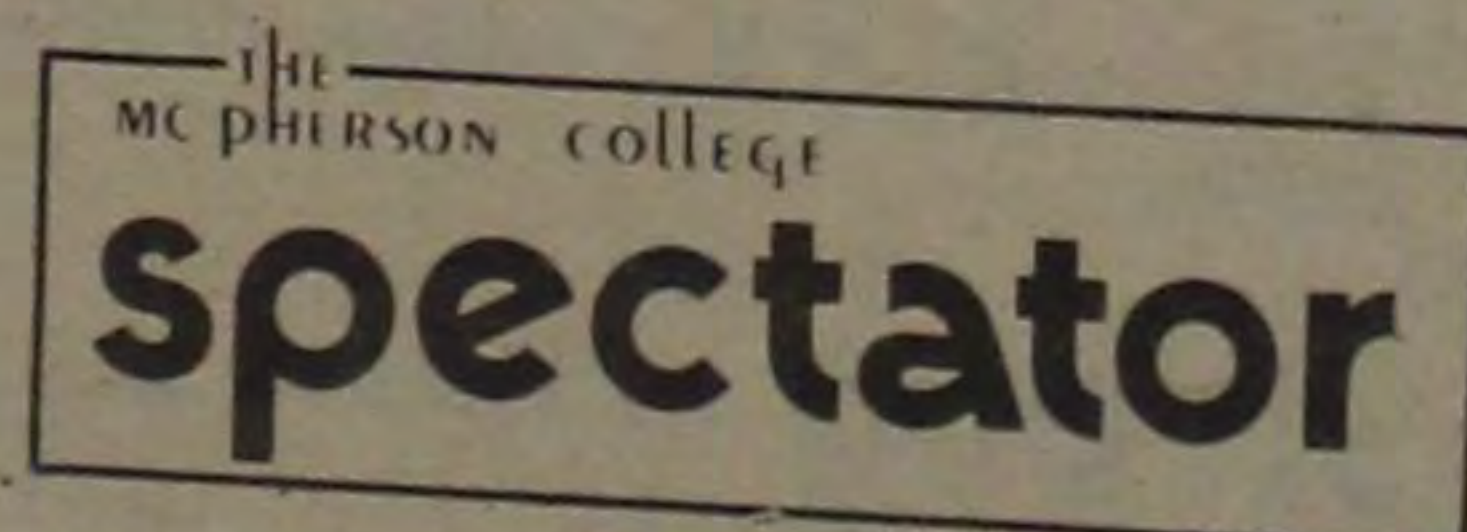
program. Reductions such as those advocated by the Administration could make it extremely difficult for many persons to further their education. These cuts would also have an adverse impact on Kansas' small, private and church-run colleges like McPherson. What these cuts could mean in the long run is immeasurable, but certainly there would be negative social costs and a loss in this country's research and productivity potential.

I can't guarantee that there won't be any changes made in student assistance programs. But the Administrations' proposals could make it difficult for all but the very rich to go to school. That is unfair and something we can't allow to happen in our democracy. Frankly, though, given Congress' response to the budget thus far — because of its huge projected deficits, its large increases in defense spending and its severe cuts in many non-defense programs — I doubt very much it

will be approved as submitted to Congress.

As Congress takes up the 1983 budget, I will not forget the concerns expressed by you and the many other Kansas students, parents and college professors and administrators. In the meantime, feel free to share other concerns as they come up.

With best regards,
Dan Glickman



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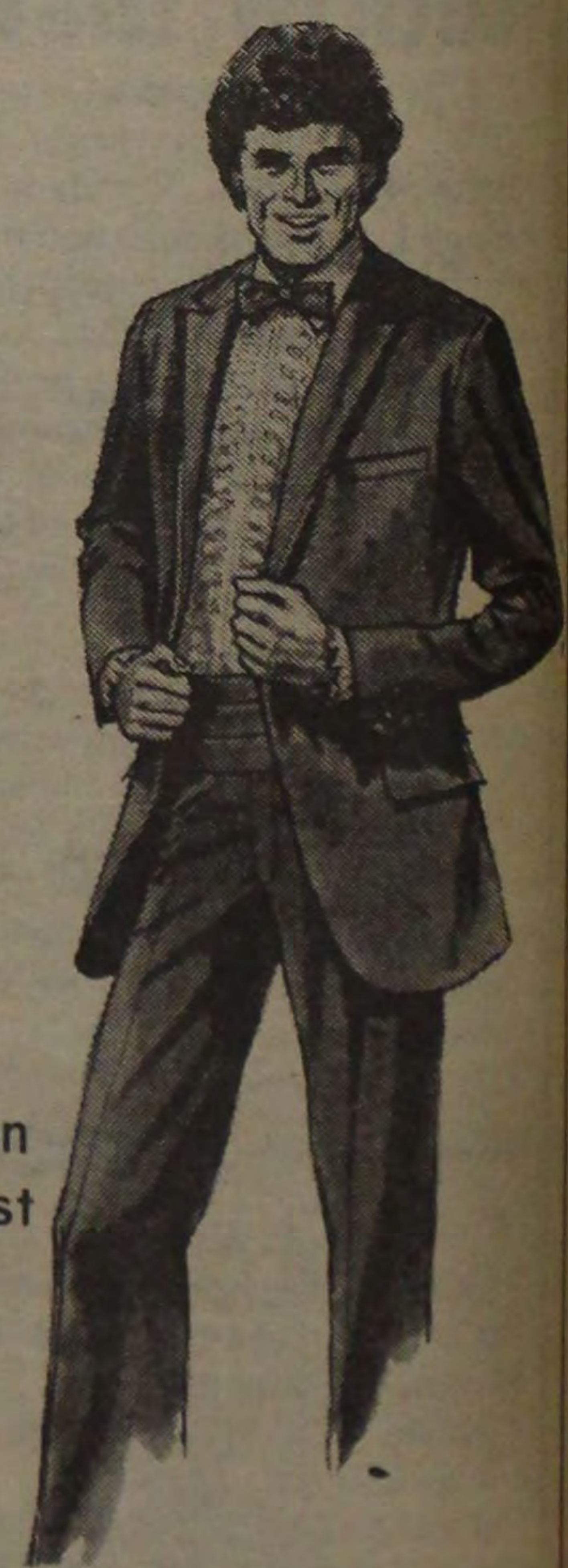
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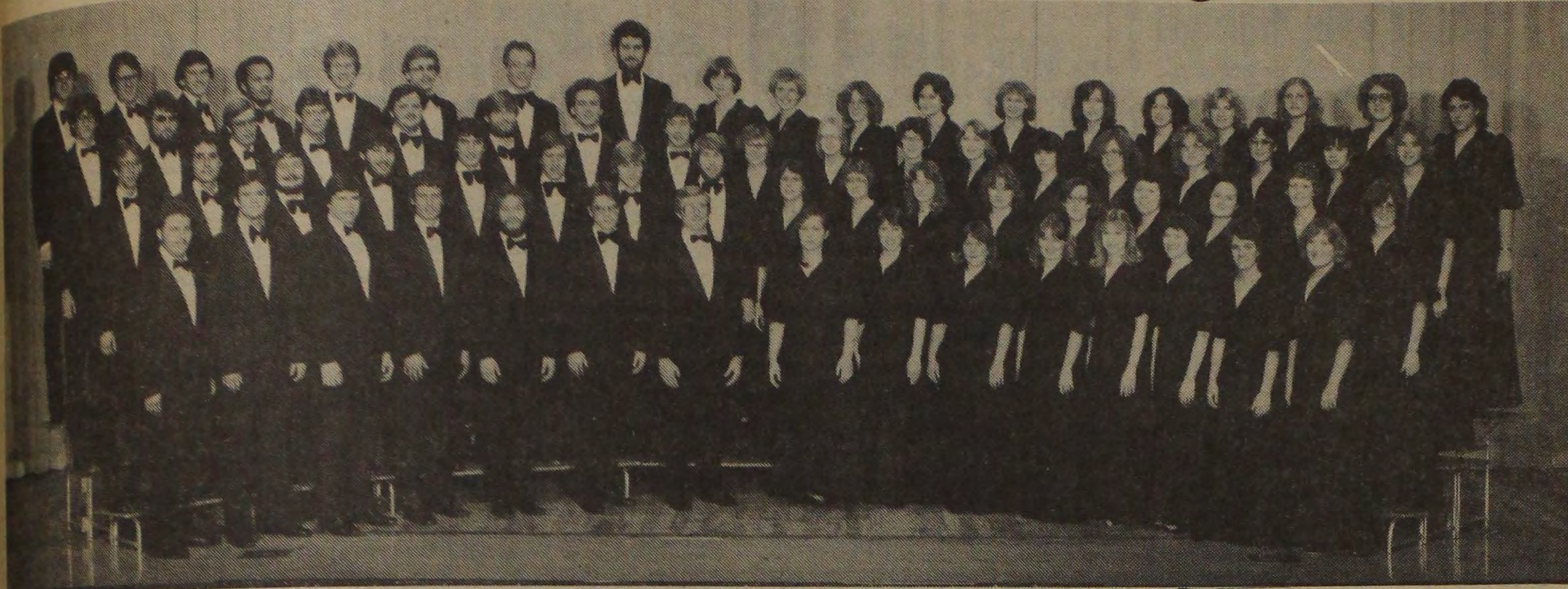


Photo by Kenney Photography

by Ken Turner

The McPherson College Concert Choir will begin its 1982 concert tour on Tuesday, March 18. The choir will travel this year through the states of Kansas, Iowa, Minnesota, and Illinois and will return to McPherson on Sunday, March 28.

Choir members will once again stay in the homes of church members, McPherson College alumni and constituents during the eleven day tour. There will be 62 choir members on the tour representing 15 states and one foreign country.

Professor Stephanie Graber is anticipating an eventful tour and receptive audiences. The choir will be presenting 20 concerts in various churches and high schools. The McPherson College Singers, a 20-member ensemble, will also be performing during the tour.

Some of the musical selection include secular and folk pieces by Christiansen, Nuefeld, Nystendt, Rachmaninoff, Bach, Hayden, Ives, and Palestrina.

The choir has been touring for more than 20 years, and this year marks the 50th anniversary of the founding of the McPherson College A Cappella Choir.

McPherson area tremors not caused by quake

by Kevin Burton

Something happened in McPherson over interterm. It didn't turn out to be much, but at the time some residents thought it was earth-shattering.

The tremors felt in the area during interterm were not the result of an earthquake, contrary to what some residents presumed. Geologists said that nothing registered on their meters, and that the tremors

were probably the result of Air Force jets or some atmospheric phenomenon.

Earthquakes are not unheard of in this area. In fact, geologists expect some minor quakes. McPherson lies near the spot where the continent once split open about 40 miles. A fairly deep ocean was beginning to form at that time, but volcanic debris filled in the crater.

The last earthquake in McPherson was Aug. 1, 1981. It registered only 2.8 on the Richter scale — too low to be felt except very close to the epicenter.

The McPherson area sits on top of the Mid-continent Geophysical Anomaly, which runs from Salina to Lake Superior. Don Steeples of the Kansas Geological Survey at Lawrence states that the formation is made of deposits of basalt, characteristic of ocean

basins rather than granite, which underlies much of the continent's mid-section.

"I would expect that over hundreds of years," said Steeples, that "there will be some development of earthquakes that are felt, but nothing that will cause significant damage to McPherson." Steeples went on to say that slight earthquakes are normal for Kansas at the rate of about two a month.

Foreign school systems: education from a different perspective

by Memo Zavala

Many of us fondly remember our middle school promotion as a time when we looked forward to the future with great anticipation. However, to some foreign students in their native country, this event can mean the difference between success and

taking "back seat" jobs for the rest of their lives.

One big comprehensive test given at the end of several years of study in many foreign countries often determines the student's destiny: termination of education, vocational school or the university.

Joe Opiyo, sr., Kenya, describes it as a type of "Social Darwinism", or "the survival of the fittest." There is no way to avoid taking the exams, and "only a fraction of those taking the exams get to continue on."

In many foreign school systems, this method results in a multitude of students fiercely competing for the opportunity to gain higher placement on the educational ladder.

If a student is bright enough for placement at a higher level of education but does poorly on the examination, there is some room for a second chance. The German school system allows students to work their way up, says Claudia Ellermann, jr., Germany, but "it's much more difficult for a

student to have to work their own way up, rather than to be originally placed there." A student must also retake the entrance exam for admission. "After two failures, that's it." Six hour exams covering several years of material are not easy.

Many African countries structure their schools on the British Educational System (BES). "It's somewhat more difficult," stated Knechi Ezekwe. "A foreign language must be learned by each student. Between one and three are learned by each high school student, and when you go to college, there's a possibility of learning up to five!"

A negative aspect of the BES is that the actual grading of all

exams is done in Britain. For pupils with a non-English first language, like Sam Rwakoojo, sr., Uganda, the questions often must be translated first into the student's native tongue in order to select an answer, and then the answers are translated again into English.

In addition to tangling with the BES during preparatory school, Sam was also confronted with problems from the Idi Amin regime which eventually caused him to flee the country. He recalls that many of his fellow students were blindly being placed in other countries with the help of African Enterprise, a group that helped Ugandans seek exile in other countries.

Something that surprised Connie Neher, fr., Anna, Ill., was the amount of American influence on Latin American schools. Connie spent her second year of high school studying abroad in Brazil. The memorization of the names of our fifty states and their capitols was a common requirement in many elementary schools. "Sometimes I received the impression that they knew just as much about America as I did," she noted.

In many countries, this type of influence has created great anti-American sentiment. A Spanish fifth grade school teacher often jokingly remarked that Spain was the 51st American state!

Most foreign educations are provided free, or offered at a very low cost which is affordable by most who qualify. After hearing the news about the probable cost increase to attend McPherson College, it might be nice if our business department adopted some of these foreign charging practices.



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Sports Comment

with Kevin Burton

Monday will be time for serious business as the McPherson College men's tennis team takes to the court for the first time this year. The team will be traveling to Sterling in quest of victory number one.

Last year, McPherson finished third out of the eight KCAC schools that fielded a team. The third place finish marked the first time McPherson had not been either first or second in nine years.

High expectations are in the air once again this year. Coach Jerry Holman says, "It's our goal to finish in the top half of the conference again."

Whatever the team does this year, they'll have to do without last year's top two players, Doug Gayer and Jeff Crist, who graduated.

"I don't know exactly what to expect," said Jim Heiser, one of the four returning lettermen on the team, "We might be down a

little bit this year. We're going to miss Doug Gayer and (Jeff) Crist a lot."

McPherson still has some pretty good players, and Glen Snell, another returning letterman, thinks they will come through. "I'd say we're going to be as strong if not stronger than last year. We have good balance on our team. I think the new guys will come through."

Along with Heiser and Snell, Wally Roberts and Les Glenn comprise McPherson's corps of lettermen. The best bets to fill the remaining two positions are Clayton Allen and Mark Scruggs.

Tennis matches are scored on the basis of nine matches — six singles and three doubles. Each match is worth a point.

The top two players on the six man teams are paired to take on the opposition's top two. The same follows for the third and fourth, fifth and sixth players. The decision on who plays in

what position is yet to be made.

Once the doubles teams are chosen, they play together all year. This helps the players gain a sense of continuity, and also helps them get favorable seeds when tournament time comes around.

Thursday, March 18, the Friends tennis team will be in town to play McPherson. The match starts at 2 p.m. Large home crowds are a definite advantage, so let's help McPherson start their home schedule with a bang. SCRAPBOOK . . . Applications are being taken for the head coaching job vacated by Bob Fairbank. No word yet as to who might get that job . . . When "play ball" is shouted at the beginning of the baseball season this year, it might come from the mouth of an amateur umpire. The major league umps once again want a bigger share of the pie.

Golf swings into gear

by Chuck Telk

As the snow melts and the grass turns green, the McPherson College Golf Team is swinging into gear for the upcoming season.

Coach Paul Graber, heading into his third year as coach of the golf team, is optimistic about the team's chances. "Things look good this year. With five returning players, and two top-notch newcomers, we'll be very competitive."

The five returning players are Kevin Carman, Jack Koehn, Dan Coffman, Bruce Spitzer and Wade Thiessen. The two additions to this year's team are Rob McKay and Kevin Cleary.

With practice commencing soon, the team has only a few weeks to prepare for their initial meet, the Topeka-Washburn

Invitational, which will be held April 2 at Wichita. Next will be the McPherson Invitational on April 6, held at the Hesston course. The team will then travel to Salina for the Bethany Invitational on April 8. Numerous tournaments continue through April, with the culmination of the season being the District 10 final held May 6 and 7 at Wichita.

The last McPherson golfer to make it to the finals was Nick Ikenberry, back in 1979. However, Coach Graber feels that a couple of this year's players have a chance to make it.

At any rate, the Bulldogs will be making a bid to improve on last year's fifth place KCAC finish, and trying to remove the conference champions, Friends University, from the number one seat. The former will be easy. The latter? Only time will tell.

Tracksters need support

by Dan Rogers

Men's and women's track provides a sport in which individuals who excel in an area may strive for both personal and team achievements.

Larry Latimer, the women's track coach, has an excellent squad this year. With balance in both the track and field events, a successful season seems probable.

Outstanding members on the women's team are predicted to include Valecia Kelly, soph., Cincinnati, Ohio competing in the hurdle events. Diane Proffitt, jr., Sterling, shows promise in the

field events. The running events will be led by a strong squad of juniors and sophomores.

The men's track team, coached by Dave Cripe, is once again lacking personnel. Kip Coulter, sr., Garden City will be leading the track events. Everett Bradley, jr., Marion, Ind. will be vaulting and assisting in relays.

As stated in a letter to the editor last week, the athletes sincerely appreciate the support of fans. So if you are interested in visually participating in the agony, defeat, and victory of our athletes, come on out to the stadium.



Ahmed Abu Mbarak, Egypt, carefully handles the ball while the other soccer players leap into action during a soccer practice one afternoon. The Soccer Club, which lost

to WSU last Sunday, is still optimistic about its potential for the rest of the season.

Photo by Kenny Miller

Mac drops season opener to WSU 6-1

by Charles Ogowang

The first game of the spring season was played at home against Wichita State University last Sunday.

During the first half, Mac put up a very good performance although they went down to 0-2 by the end of the half. The second half was even more unpleasant when Wichita netted three more before charter member Charles Ogowang captured the only goal for Mac. A little while later Wichita concluded its scoring spree by adding one more goal. The game ended with a 6-1 score.

Bill Snyder, Mac's goalie, deserves special credit for the great effort he made throughout the game in preventing many of Wichita's scoring attempts.

Generally, the team suffered from poor coordination in both the defensive and offensive aspects of the game. Part of the blame for this may be placed on the wind. The wind, which was calm at first, blew a little stronger later in favor of Wichita. This gave the McPherson defense a more difficult challenge.

Another factor working against

Mac is that not all soccer players practice at one time. Therefore it is sometimes difficult for the players to coordinate their abilities and develop playing patterns to use to confuse the opponents. However, there is still time for improvement on the club's weaknesses.

Next weekend the team is on a 'bye'. This is quite advantageous because it provides more time for

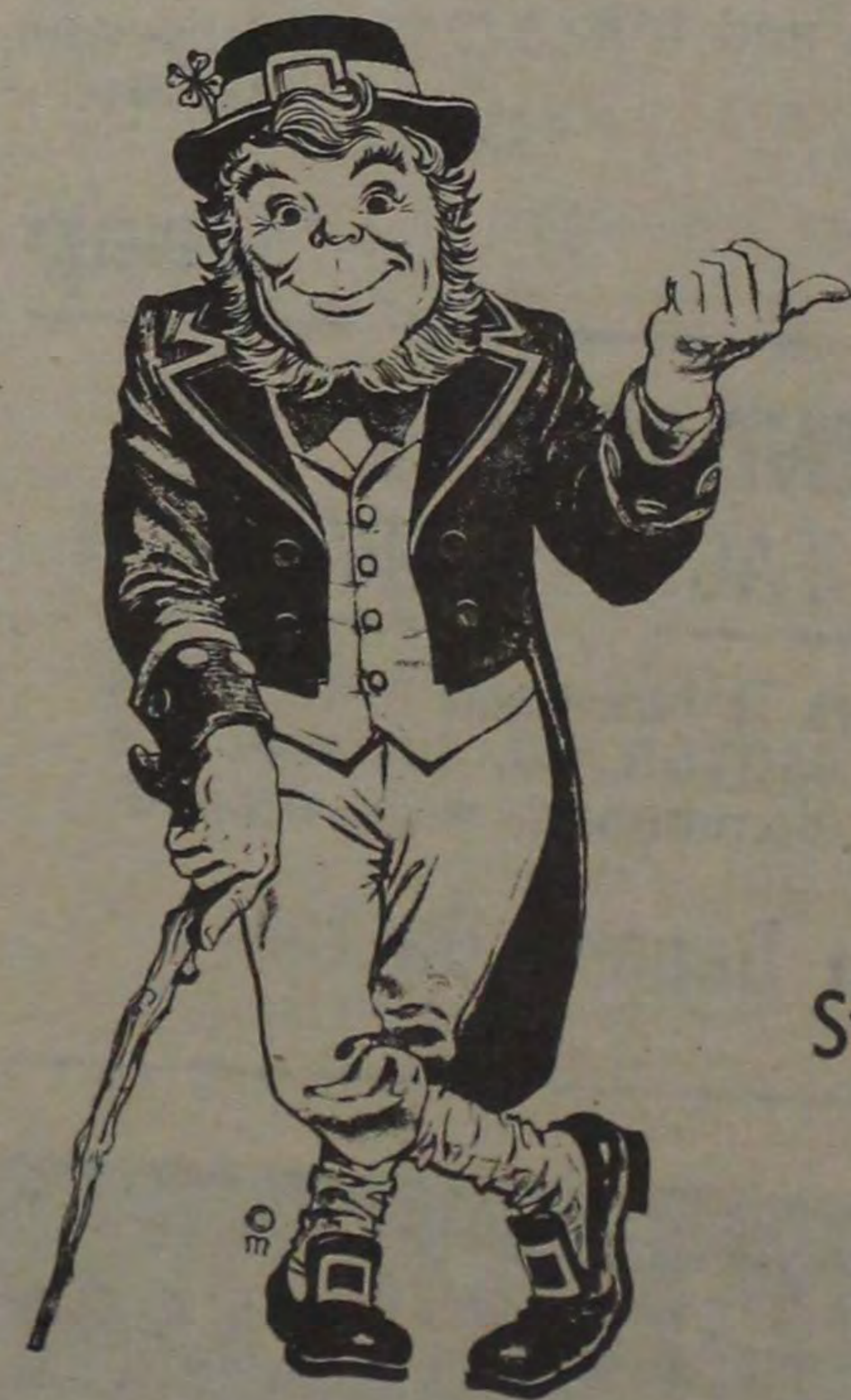
improvement. It's therefore up to the players to put in more effort in order to achieve better results in the remaining games. This loss need not discourage the players in any way.

Captains Stuart Knoll and Phil King have requested all players, with the exception of those with prior commitments or other sound excuses, to show up for the practice sessions.

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