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Student teachers begin apprenticeship

by Chuck Cuthbert

There are eleven members of the senior class who have acquired a very special job that relates directly to their intended major. They have completed four years of tough training and hard observation in the classroom and have spent numerous hours observing pupils of different schools.

Finally, all eleven have entered their future employment at the apprentice level.

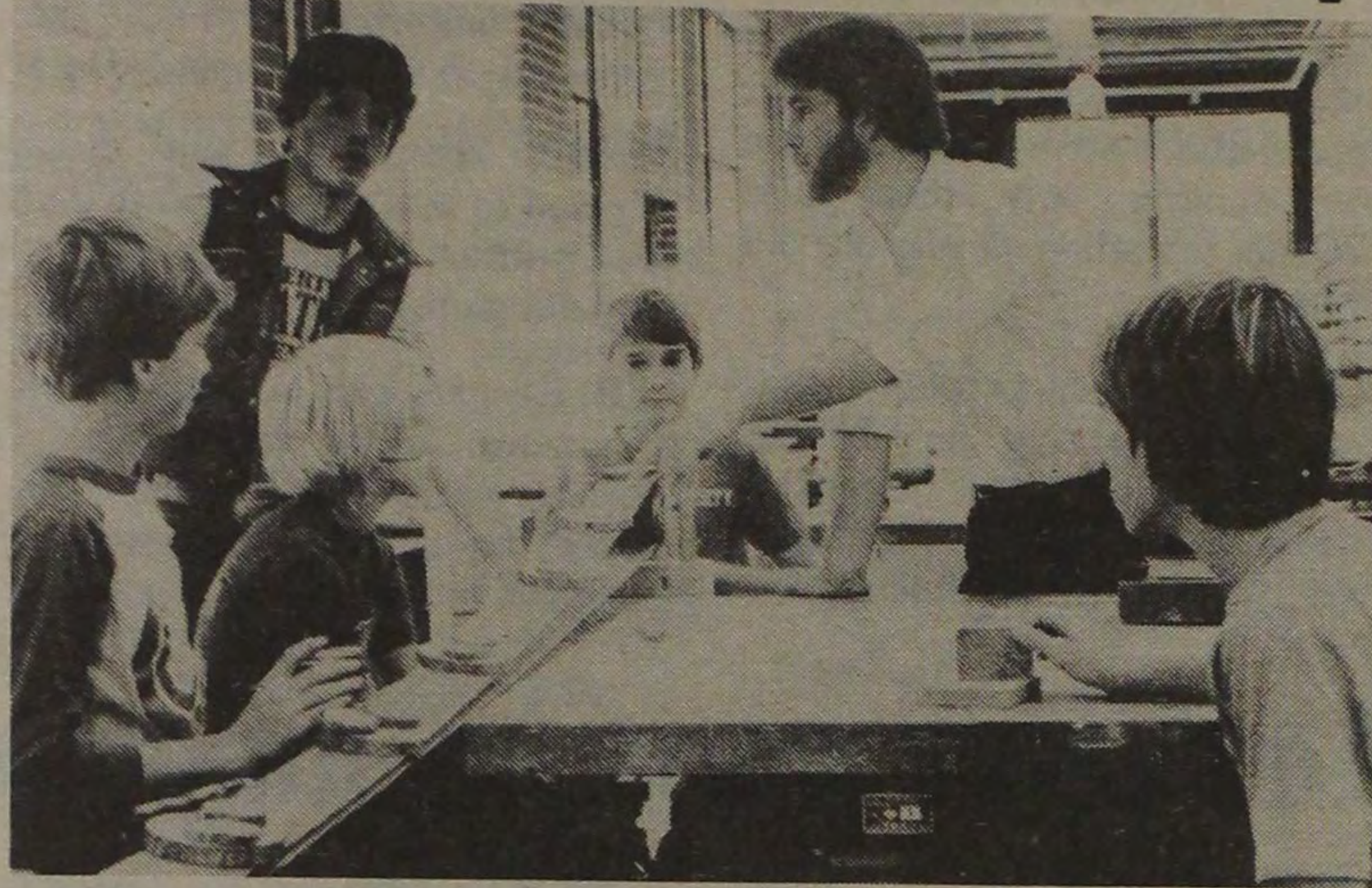
Although, they are known to you and I as Dale, Tina, Phil and Joyce, these special college students are known as Mr. Ziegler, Miss Wagner, Mr. King and Mrs. Lewis to pupils in secondary and elementary schools.

The problems and difficulties of being a student teacher are numerous. Aside from the usual mischief that young pupils can cause, there are also the problems of planning and conveying the point to the student.

Dale Ziegler, a student teacher of 7th through 9th graders at the McPherson Junior High, says he's found student teaching to be an enjoyable experience so far. Ziegler instructs Mechanical Drawing to 7th graders and Woodworking to 9th graders. He continued to say the most enjoyable experience is when he explains something to a student and he or she understands it. Ziegler has spent the past six weeks observing the classroom activities and began to tutor some pupils early this week.

Phil King student teaches at McPherson Senior High. King enjoys instructing students in the industrial arts courses and finds much satisfaction in it. He also thinks this will be a big challenge to him.

Monroe Hughbanks, professor of education and director of



Dale Ziegler shows his junior highers how to use a belt sander as part of his student teaching experience at McPherson Junior High. Dale is one of 11 seniors student teaching this semester.

Photo by Pierre France

student teaching, explained the process of becoming a student teacher as being not difficult and yet not a piece of cake. Maintaining a 2.50 grade point average in both your major area and other college work is the most important of the ten basic requirements to be met.

Hughbanks continued to explain that each prospective student is screened by the college through means of a student interview. This process filters out the possibility of a student and the college being embarrassed if the prospective student teacher does not make the grade.

Student teaching can be a rewarding experience for those who make it one. All of these people have been certified and inducted into the teaching blocks of their respective school systems.

The other seniors student teaching are Celeste LeWallen, special education at Lincoln Elementary; Monica Heckart, home economics at McPherson

High School; Jack Koehn, social studies at McPherson Junior High; Karla Wilson, kindergarten at Roosevelt Elementary; Roxie Anders, in elementary education; Audra McGuire, in elementary education; and Randy Flickinger.

Choirs combine with symphony

The McPherson College Choir and Central College Choir will be combining Thursday, Oct. 29 into a 110 voice choir.

They will be singing with the McPherson Community Symphony, performing "Festival Song of Praise" by Felix Mendelsohn.

Don Frederick will be directing both the orchestra and the mass choir.

This is the eighth year the community symphony-choir concert has taken place.

The concert is at 8 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

Administrators prepare for McPherson College centennial

With McPherson College's centennial year not until 1987-88 most students have probably given it little thought. But the administration is already at work with the preparations and plans for the celebration.

At present a feasibility fund raising study is being done to see if there is enough interest for a major campaign. Such a campaign would include three major sections for fund raising.

Funds for the operation of the college, including salaries and academic excellence would be one part of the campaign.

A second section would be for plant or campus maintenance. This includes the building of a new gymnasium and improvement of the present campus facilities.

The third important part of the campaign would be the building of an endowment fund. A possible goal for this is \$10 million. Of this the dividends would be used for such purposes as described above.

President Hoffman said all the staff changes which have been

made since he has been president have been pointing toward the centennial and for making McPherson College a better college.

President Hoffman also said plans such as these have "the potential of separating McPherson College from institutions with less vigorous efforts."

Another goal-oriented area is the initiation of more chairs. Chairs are used to give recognition in a specific area. They are a restricted endowment to be used for a specific area.

A religion and philosophy chair and an anthropology chair have already been begun. To these the addition of two more chairs by 1985-86 is hoped for.

It is true that few of the students now attending McPherson College will still be doing so when the school celebrates its 100th year. Still, the efforts beginning now and continuing into the future can only make for a better institution for the students of the future as well as the students of today.

Faculty recital starts series

A recital by the music faculty Tuesday will be the first of weekly recitals by the music department.

Prof. Steve Gustafson will play the organ and accompany Prof. Larry Kitzel and Prof. Stephanie Graber as they perform in the recital Tues., Oct. 27 at 3:30 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

Student recitals will be each following Tuesday at the same time in either Brown Auditorium or the recital hall in Beeghly Hall.

All people taking private lessons, whether or not they are music majors, are required to give a memorized performance in a recital sometime during the year.

According to Prof. Graber this gives students the opportunity to perform and to polish something and gain the experience of having an audience. Recitals also help prepare music majors for their senior recital.

Students and the general public are invited to each Tuesday afternoon recital.

Three winners in indoor fair

With rainy skies and muddy grounds interfering, the third annual Homecoming Fair showed it could be almost as successful as an indoor event.

The Minority Student Union had the best booth according to the judges of the booth contest. M.S.U. took first place with a style show featuring models wearing fashions from the '50s, '60s, '70s and '80s.

Stuco was awarded second prize for their display of old Growls and some interesting

rules highlighted and posted.

Third prize went to Metzler Hall who featured blue grass music by a local fiddler. Their theme was "After all these years Metzler is still fiddling around."

Contest judges Jim Dodson and Deb Latimer made their decisions based on originality, aesthetics and appropriateness to the Homecoming theme.

Cash awards from Stuco of \$40, \$30 and \$20 were given to the three winning booths.

Spectator Sidelines . . .

MONDAY'S CONVOCATION will feature "Wilderness Experience" by John Colyn, an outdoor photographer and full-time lecturer who was a former teacher in McPherson.

Instructor-naturalist for the National Audubon Society, he participated in and photographed a four-week survival hike in the Winter Wyoming Rockies.

Colyn will give survival and backpacking techniques plus show rare shots of scenery and outdoor life.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS Oct. 25. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night to gain an hour.

SAB'S SECOND SPECIAL INTEREST SEMINAR will feature horseback riding and a demonstration of horse breaking this Sunday by Joel Miller, sr., Rocky Ford, Colo.

Interested persons should meet in front of the S.U. at 2 p.m. Sunday where transportation will be provided to go north of town where the seminar will take place.

This seminar on horseback riding and breaking is one of the free monthly seminars planned as informational activities for students and faculty.



THE 1981-82 HOMECOMING COURT addresses the large coronation audience in Brown Auditorium last Saturday. Members of the court are from left: sophomore attendants Valecia Kelley, Cinninati, and Bruce Spitzer, Kalona, Ia.;

Queen Elaine Moore, jr., Wichita and King Bruce Grose, sr., Great Bend; freshmen attendants Tammy Lusk, McPherson and Randy Zimmerman, Grinnell.

Photo by Kim Royer

Well-represented patriot responds to Maxim's 'policy'

An open letter to the malevolent, mighty and mysterious Maxim:

As a student who is indeed very well represented by Stuco, I strongly object to the unfair attack you made on the Council in your letter printed in last week's Spectator.

Your letter has made it apparent to me that you find your opinions so ideologically and righteously superior that you have forsaken those ideals our country and Student Council were founded upon, especially democracy and the free exchange of ideas.

First, I acknowledge your right to hold and express your views, a greater privilege than you would grant those nasty Stuco radicals. Thus my main objection is not with your opinions per se, but in the way you have expressed them.

Since I, for one, respect the

freedom of editorial choice, I won't quibble with the decision to print your letter without the writer's(s) name(s). Moreover, I can understand your hesitation to take responsibility for what you had to say.

Nevertheless, if there is ever to be a reconciliation between you and (the rest of?) Stuco, it will be necessary for you to step out from your concealed position of hostility, to an open stance of discussion, making a genuine effort to work out your differences.

I hope there will be a letter near my own to make the point that there is very little connection between the ill-timed motion to abolish Homecoming

Court (a motion which never passed despite your misleading implication) and the patiently-developed, thoroughly-discussed-

and-researched off-campus proposal.

Even the most contorted stretches of my imagination can't reach a relation between these two issues (Homecoming Court and off-campus living?), except your mocking objection to these changes, or even to any discussion or consideration of changes (impertinent matters, indeed).

By far the most offensive part of your letter was your assertion that the Stuco rep's are representing only themselves and not the students who elected them.

This statement presumes that you are speaking for a vast following, that "silent majority" of students who are "fed up" with the "radicalism" of Stuco.

Even if I shared your views on the two issues you raised; I would reject your "leadership," Saint Maxim, for it is hard to follow a leader I do not know. Your voice in the wildness of Student Council does not sing in harmony with mine, because you fail to listen to those around you.

Where were you when the off-campus proposal was being formulated, and where was your "vast following" when the proposal was voted upon? Do I need to remind you that those elected to Stuco were nominated by petition, and elected by popular vote?

If Reagan can act upon the "mandate" of the voters, surely our own Student Council can make the same claim from its electoral support.

If my representative or one of my Senators doesn't act according to my political will, it's my obligation as a concerned citizen to let him or her (Nancy) know, of my objection, or support a lobbyist for indirect input.

With all the opportunity for direct lobbying on this campus, I would think students would express their concerns to their representatives. Yet Stuco rep's tell me that such is not the case.

My conclusion is this, Maxim. If you haven't talked to members of Stuco about your concerns, you have no reason for complaint. There is certainly no excuse for your letter's anonymous backstabbing.

For democracy and the Stuco which represents me,
Matt Howell

Stuco clarifies position

Dear Editor,

Since you have chosen to print an article and a letter which misleadingly refer to a discussion in Stuco, we feel it is time to make the issue and clarify Stuco's involvement.

The issue is that of the tradition of Homecoming court. One person made a motion to abolish the tradition, this motion did NOT pass. What was decided is that we should look into possible ways to make the tradition more meaningful for everyone involved.

We have assigned a standing committee to deal with the issue. These persons are: Mark Swick, Yvonne Mellott, Karin Butts, Sarah Baile and Beth Burns. It is an open meeting to any interested Stuco member. If you have feelings about the issue we urge you to talk to a Stuco member.

The committee will be dealing with question such as:

1. What is the purpose of the

tradition of a Homecoming court?

2. There is cultural value in tradition, how can we make it more meaningful for a larger number of people?

3. How can the selection procedure be changed to promote a more positive attitude during the selections?

4. Should there be criteria for the voting, if so what should it be?

It is our hope that the misleading references to the issue have not unnecessarily hurt anyone's feelings. We would especially hope that this year's candidates understand that this issue was discussed before their election and not a result of their election.

As the student government we will continue to strive to represent you and work for the betterment of the campus life and activities. Your input is important and necessary.

Sincerely,
Bruce Appel
Stuco V.P.

Sincerely,
Marie Neher
Stuco President

Facilities must be unlocked weekends

To the editor:

Many concerns have been raised through the Spectator this year. Some have been worthwhile and others have not. I would hope that this concern is one which is worthwhile.

It seems that there is a problem with the unlocking of facilities during the weekends this year. This is a very annoying inconvenience.

I first ran into this headache early in the year when I attempted to access the computer room early one Sunday morning to take care of a few changes in a file I had been working on. Much to my dismay, Mohler Hall was locked and stayed that way the entire day.

Early the next morning I contacted Jim Dodson to see why the buildings were being kept locked on weekends. He told me that the weekend locking schedule just hadn't been changed yet and stated that he would get in contact with maintenance to make sure things would be unlocked in the future.

While I'm sure that Mr. Dodson contacted maintenance, Mohler, Harnly, and the S.U. basement are still not being regularly unlocked. At other times Mohler Hall is unlocked but the door to the computer room remains locked.

It is my hope that in the future Harnly Hall, Mohler Hall and the S.U. basement may be unlocked without fail on the weekends so that those students who need access to laboratories, scientific libraries, computer terminals, the publications darkroom and offices in the S.U. basement may be able to gain access, as well as the students who desire to relax and amuse themselves in the S.U.

While I realize that we are all supposed to be able to get all of our work done during the main part of the week, some of us need the use of these facilities during the weekends. Besides, what good are all our facilities if no one can use them?

In closing let me cite two dates which Mohler and Harly were

locked (there probably are others): Oct. 4, locked at 8 a.m., found maintenance personnel at 8:15, took maintenance 20 minutes to get to Mohler to unlock it, by that time I had to leave to go to breakfast before it closed; and Oct. 18, (Sunday before Midterm), Harnly, Mohler and the S.U. basement were locked all day.

Take ear maintenance
Jim McKinnel

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'Professors' grade freshmen at midterm

by Mik Hoffman and Greg Fenno

At this mid-term, it gives us great pleasure to play the role of professor and rate the freshmen towards the advancements they have made, and to point out the areas where work is still needed. Overall, this new class we have at McPherson College is quite outstanding in comparison to years past.

The following is a "report card" on the progress (or lack of) that the freshman class has made.

Good points — C or above

1. Freshmen no longer wear their high school class rings 24 hours a day.
2. Freshmen no longer give endless lectures on "cool" or "far out" experiences in high school.
3. Freshmen no longer need

campus maps to locate rest rooms on campus.

4. Freshmen no longer genuflect to members of the administration with the exception of Auntie Norma.

5. Freshmen have finally memorized their room mate's name.

6. Freshmen no longer pray to their R.A.s.

7. Freshmen are now known personally by all Southwestern Bell long distance operators, who have memorized their parent's telephone numbers and amounts of money needed.

Bad points — C or below

1. Freshmen still don't have the nerve to venture to see "The Rocky Horror Picture Show", and still need encouragement and support from up-

perclassmen.

2. Freshmen still feel umbilically attached to the staff of the admissions office, who by now have forgotten all new students they recruited last year.

3. Freshmen are still confused as to what a "Church of the Brethren" is.

4. Freshmen still don't know who Dr. Margaret Young is or why she is suing the college.

5. Freshmen still think the drama department is spelling "Theatre" wrong.

6. The freshmen girls are still shocked by the fact that there are some females at McPherson College who are not here for the MRS. degree.

7. Freshmen still think that Professor Stephanie Graber is a fellow freshman...Don't be crabby!!



Preview of January Interterm offerings

McPherson students will have to make their choices for interterm courses a week from Wednesday. Over three dozen courses are being offered to enhance the education of a student during January. Here is a review of some of those choices.

In the division of the Humanities, several special treats are planned. Under the title of Contemporary Drama, Professor Rick Tyler plans to move his course to New York City for 10 days in January. The class will leave Mac Jan. 14 by bus and return Jan. 25 in the same manner.

While in New York City, students will have the opportunity to attend four or five performances on the Broadway circuit. The price for these tickets is included in the fee for the trip. Students who wish to attend other performances should bring extra money to purchase tickets in New York.

The class will be lodged in hotels along the Broadway District. And, if student demand is popular, the class may visit New York University, home of the performing Broadway's aspiring actors and actresses. The visit, though, would have to be worked into the schedule at a later date.

Tyler also advises that students bring along additional monies to pay for food and other necessities, such as public transportation, for their stay in New York.

Closer to home, the music department has planned a special course for those interested in looking into music.

The course, Music Appreciation, will be instructed by Professor Gustafson and it will amplify the essential aspects of music. The basic aspects covered will be history of music, theory, and general performances.

Field trips are planned to concerts and other musical performances in the area to tie in with classroom activities. The total cost for all of the field trips should run near \$25.

Moving in a southerly direction, the language department is planning a trip to Mexico with Professor Corinne Hughbanks. The trip will include two full weeks of travel through the cities of our southern neighbor. Mexico City and Cancun are planned as major stop-overs for the class.

The trip's basic purpose is to sharpen the language skills of the class and immerse the travelers in as much Spanish culture as possible.

The trip will be preceded by one week of language and customs work with Professor Hughbanks. The only requirement for the course is one year or more of high school

Spanish, or one semester of college Spanish.

Students are asked to bring extra funds to pay for food and personal expenses.

Another class making a trek off campus is headed by professor Marvin Sellberg. The course, entitled Investments: Basics, Media, Mechanics, will travel to New York City Jan. 16th. The class will learn to analyze stock reports, risks, evaluate businesses and industries and study investment in media. The cost of the 8 day New York tour includes transportation and lodging. However, additional money should be taken for personal and food expenses.

Another tour to New York City is being undertaken by the home economics department. Under the direction of professor Connie Nichols, the Home Economics Tour will leave here Jan. 16 and return the 24th.

While in New York, the students will study interior design, textile and garment industries and food processing just to name a few. The cost for the trip includes lodging. Additional money should be brought along to pay for food and other fees.

Another tour is being offered by the Behavioral Sciences department. Students in Prison Community will take a one week field trip to local state prison systems. The course is being headed by Professor Richard Wright and will cost \$100.

Another course providing a change of pace is Exploration in Human Potential, an interdisciplinary course offered for one hour of credit.

Three interdisciplinary courses will also be offered here on campus. For one credit hour College Learning Skills, Reading Improvement, or Explorations in Human Potential are designed to be taken with some three credit-hour course to fill up your schedule.

Explorations in Human Potential, taught by Alice Henson, involves activities to help students with individual goal setting, and to become more self-affirming and self-motivated, and to develop more empathetic regard for others.

According to Alice Henson time outside class is minimal, but time in class is required and "a neat group feeling develops and there is a good feeling about it because you get to feel good about yourself."

Mentioned are just a few of the many interesting courses offered here at Mac. Interterm courses may also be taken off campus in other colleges. A complete listing of all the Interterm course offerings can be obtained in the Campus Information Center.

Cable TV channel operates out of media center

by Jody Maze

Cable channel 5 has a distinct relationship with McPherson College. Most of channel 5's programming is operated out of McPherson's media center in Miller Library.

"When McPherson first got cable television the cable people and the education people sat and talked out the possibilities for educational channels," said Herb Johnson, director of learning resources.

At the time there were several channels available for education programming.

"None of them (channels) were ever used other than ours. And I say ours with a little conservatism, because actually we share it with anyone who has a

legitimate need for the channel but it does originate here."

One of the programs shown on Mac's channel is home football games. This is done through video-taping.

"Weather permitting we do video-tape all home games and show them the following Monday night."

"We tried taping away games but we simply didn't have the resources to go running around all over. That had to come out of someone's pocket and basically it came out of our pocket. Which proved to be a highly unprofitable venture."

This year the taping is done by students enrolled in media production practice.

"If we don't have enough students in the class, then we just

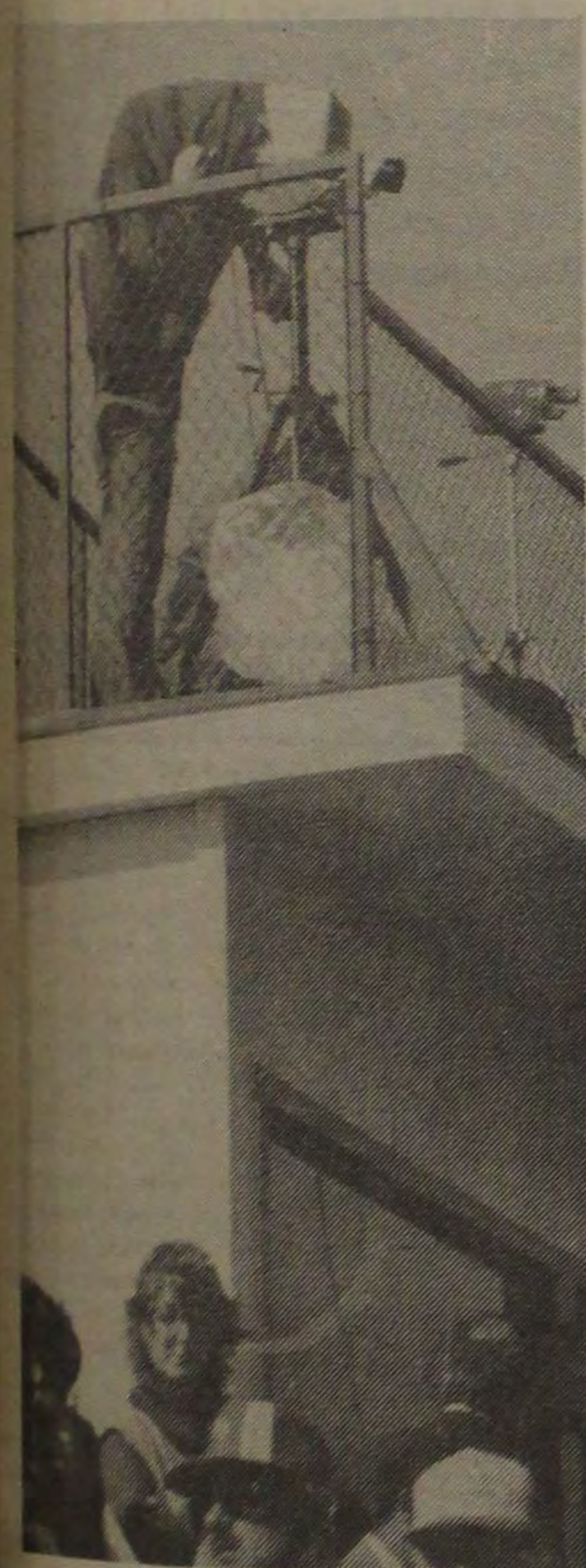
accept anyone who volunteers."

Some of the other programs shown on the channel are public service programs, student productions, stock market programs, shows done by coaches, and programs about what is going on in McPherson and at Mac.

"We run almost anything within reason that is in good taste."

"We have tremendous help and support from the McPherson Cable Company. They help us with anything. They've made all kinds of sacrifices to help keep us going."

"So we own an awful lot to McPherson Cable. We really are very fortunate to have a cable company that's so willing to cooperate with us."



High above the crowded stadium Mike Haughey, fr., Estes Park, Colo., hoods the camera as he video-tapes a football game to be shown by the media center on cable channel 5. Photo by Trudy Christy

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Bikers plan workshops, rides

The McPherson College Velocipides, under the faculty sponsorship of Prof. Larry Kitzel, are planning on an eventful year, with the first activity happening today, as members of the group are biking 35 miles to Lake Kanopolis for a campout.

Other plans for the year include a community race this spring, weekly Saturday morning rides beginning at 8 a.m., and

monthly meetings and workshops, with the first one coming up on Nov. 4.

Sponsor Larry Kitzel speaks for all Velocipides in encouraging "anyone who is interested in touring Kansas country while enjoying the exercise of bicycling," to join right away.

The experience will prove to be an educational one also, as Mr. Kitzel will be stressing bicycle maintenance and safety during the workshops.

Air band contestants needed

You don't have to be musical, you just act like you are in the Air Band Contest which is coming up sooner than you think.

John Snell, coordinator of student activities, is looking for "bands" to participate in the contest where people pantomime a music group. "You're playing air, that's what you're doing," Snell says, "while the tape plays the music, you act like you're playing it."

All you have to do to enter the contest is get your group together

and pick out the music (under 5 minutes) that your group will perform. Music must be submitted beforehand to John Snell so he can tape it for the contest.

The contest will be Sat., Nov. 14 at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria. Prizes will be awarded to the members of the winning band by a panel of judges from the music, drama and athletic departments as well as other select faculty members.

Snell notes that contests of this type have been very popular in Wichita in the past.

Those Battling Bulldogs are certainly not losers



A mud-covered quarterback, Robert Taylor, receives instructions on the sidelines from Coach Cripe in last week's Homecomings game against St. Mary's of the Plains. Photo by Trudy Christy

by Mark Swick

The final score of the Homecoming football game was 20-16. But I'm not going to report on the yards rushed, the passes intercepted, or other official statistics because everyone knows these anyway.

What I want to say goes deeper than the numbers that success and failure are judged upon.

To give part of yourself for a cause and come up on the losing side is a hard experience to withstand. Yet every athlete goes through it.

Just one look in the eyes of the seniors after Saturday's loss and you would begin to wonder about the sanity of athletics. Why would anyone submit themselves to that kind of anguish and that type of frustration, just for a game?

The question of why is a hard one to respond to. Although I know that the answer lies somewhere in the fact that everytime they take the field it's a challenge; to try again even though the memory of losing burns your soul, to look on the

inside for the strength to keep going with the realization that every week the chance of failure equals the possibility of success.

The McPherson College football team hasn't won on the scoreboard but they are not losers. The successful person is the one that tries one more time, even if that means trying a thousand more times.

Tomorrow the team will travel to Tabor College to compete with the Blue Jays. The game will begin at 2 p.m.

Tennis team takes fifth in KCAC finals

The McPherson women's tennis team finished fifth overall at the KCAC championship in Wichita on Oct. 14 and 15. Every team member contributed to the total team score of 7 points.

Southwestern won the first place title with Bethel in second place. Bethany was third, Tabor fourth, and McPherson fifth. Sterling and Friends also participated.

Michelle Michaelis, jr., Lyons, probably gave the best performance of the team as she combined with Tracy Griffis, jr., McPherson, to take third in No. 2 doubles and then as she won fourth in No. 3 singles.

Dani Crist, jr., McPherson, and Susie Morales, jr., Lyons, the No. 1 doubles team, took fourth place.

Also scoring points for Mac were Nancy Birt, soph., Nickerson, who placed fourth in No. 4 singles and Teresa Goodfellow, jr., Lyons, fourth in No. 6 singles.

Coach Doris Coppock said that the Bulldogs did have a rather disappointing season, partly due to the fact that the team members were not always playing their regular positions because of injuries. Yet, she also feels that the team did show some improvement. All six players can return next season.

Coach Coppock also notes that Tammy Roesch, sr., Quinter, and Wendy Rayno, jr., Kansas City, worked hard and substituted well for other team members during the season.

Mac soccer club shows improvement

by Chuck Cuthbert

Despite a tremendous effort by the entire Mac soccer club to add a win to their record, the Bethany Swedes pulled the game out and won 4-3 last Sunday. The soccer club, now 0-7-1, played excellently as a team in every aspect of the game.

The defensive line-up held up well under pressure and helped to initiate several offensive drives. Keeper Bill Snyder warded off countless goal shots while fullbacks Stuart Knoll, Andrew Nyakatura and Greg Creed halted several Swede offensive drives.

Halfbacks Dan Rogers, Darren Klotz, Perry Winters, Dean Stubb and Galen Switzer assisted tremendously in defensive stands and offensive drives.

Offensively, Phil King led the charge flanked by Benson Owiny, Clayton Allen, Rob McKay and Joe Opiyo. Opiyo and McKay proved to be a fine combination as they weaved in and out of defenders on the extremely muddy surface. Sam Rawkoojo added some finesse at winger.

Game action was furious and fast paced in Sunday's match. Bethany drew blood by scoring twice in the first half. Phil King narrowed the deficit to one with an own goal.

The second half saw more furious action with Bethany moving ahead 3-1 in the early part of the final half.

Mac's Joe Opiyo picked off a pass at midfield and drove through five defenders and scored from 20 feet to once again

narrow the deficit to one. Bethany followed up with a 15 foot crossing shot over the head of the Bulldog keeper to raise the score to 4-2.

Following Bethany's score, Mac drove downfield once again to set up a corner kick situation. Mac's McKay lofted his shot in front of the Bethany goal for Owiny to boot the ball in for the score.

Mac had pulled within reach of Bethany, but, time ran out and the score stood 4-3 Bethany on top.

This Sunday the soccer club plays at home on the practice field at 2 p.m. Hopefully, a victory will be in order now that the team is finally working together as a team.



Galen Switzen, fr., Hutchinson, gains control of the ball in Sunday's game against Bethel. Time ran out for the soccer club with the score 3-4. Photo by Trudy Christy

Spikers ecstatic over rapid progress

by Deb Rettele

At the halfway point in the conference schedule the women's volleyball team is accomplishing some "firsts."

Up to this point, I've been writing objectively, but after our first home match, I'm just too excited about the team to do that any more.

Our record is now 4-4, and that's more wins than any McPherson College volleyball team has ever posted.

In each outing so far, we've managed to win one match. In the first conference match at Lindsborg, we lost to Bethany and beat Kansas Wesleyan.

At Hillsboro, we beat host Tabor and lost to conference powerhouse Bethel.

And in our third and final trip this season we beat host Southwestern and lost to Sterling.

In the match against Southwestern, the 'Dogs posted a shut-out, 15-0, another McPherson first.

Finally, in our first of two home matches this season, backed by a great crowd, we lost to St. Mary's and beat Friends.



Assistant coach Pam Hieronymus says, "I've been very pleased with the girls' play lately because they've been playing with intensity."

The support from those of you who ventured to the Microdome

on Oct. 14 was immensely appreciated by the entire team. And to those of you who missed us the first time, don't be left out when we host the same two teams on Mon., Oct. 29.

Mac basketball season looks promising

by Kevin Burton

Even though football is still in season it will soon be time for basketball here at McPherson College. Some of the players are running in preparation for the season to come. As the season approaches, our two teams are shaping up to be something to shout about.

Women's basketball coach Paul Graber is hoping for a return trip to the AIAW division II state playoffs. His team has a pretty good chance to make it. The top eight players from last

year's playoff team are back again this year.

All-KCAC performers Deb Rettele and Susan Sundahl will lead the team this year. In addition to the other six returning from last year, the Lady Red now have four all-league guards and two six-footers in their freshman class.

The Lady Red have a tough schedule this year. It begins with a Nov. 18 scrimmage against Kansas University. The first home game is against Marymount on Nov. 28.

The Bulldogs men's basketball team has a lot more depth than it's had for a long time. There are at least seven promising players in the freshmen class alone.

When you figure in the four transfer students who are expected to try out, the picture gets a little crowded. With that much talent around, the Bulldogs should develop into a force to be reckoned with in the KCAC.

The first six Bulldog games are on the road. The first home game is on December 12, against Sterling.