

Centennial fund drive underway

by Patty Helmer

McPherson College's new Sports Center is the most visible product of the McPherson

College Centennial Commitment. This is not, however, the extent to which this campaign will benefit the college.

The campaign operates as a part of the Development Office. Bruce Appel, a 1983 graduate of McPherson College, serves as the Centennial Commitment Coordinator.

The purpose of the campaign is to raise contributions for operational and capital needs, and to increase the endowment. After completing approximately half of the campaign, 5-sevenths of the total Centennial Commitment needs have been raised,

according to Eugene Lichty, Director of Development. The total 3 year goal is \$7,500,000, and the fund-raising is right on schedule.

McPherson College's film, "A Time to Decide," has been an instrumental part of the campaign, which solicits funds from alumni and friends of the college and foundations. College personnel have shown their dedication to McPherson College by committing almost \$250,000 over the 3 year campaign.

McPherson College will celebrate its centennial anniversary in 1987-88.



The SAB officers for the spring term are: Sue Six, Steve Foulke and Alana Switzer.
photo by Glen Snell

Local committee surveys hunger

Because of the Reagan Administration nutritional program budget cuts of 1981, local private church related relief organizations have more than doubled their funding for nutritional services.

This was the finding of the study conducted by the McPherson Hunger Watch Committee, composed of Ms. Linda Schweppe, and Professor Richard Wright, of the McPherson College Behavioral Science Dept., and Pastor Mendle Adams, of the First Congregational Church.

Linda interviewed various local assistance agency representatives to examine how nutritional needs in McPherson are being met.

Although the study indicated that private agencies are adequately meeting the nutritional needs of the local population, committee members agreed that any future budget cuts would adversely affect the ability of private agencies to respond. The committee also discovered that other basic needs — housing, medical, and health care — are largely ignored under existing programs, so that subsequent budget cuts would force the needy to make difficult choices between eating and other necessities.

A copy of the committee's report has been forwarded to Bread for the World and local political representatives.

There are many active agencies in the McPherson community which are involved in helping the needy; the problem is larger than most people realize. More responsibility is now placed upon local and state governments, and individuals, to care for those who are without adequate food and shelter.

Our mistake

It's funny how very different objects look similar from the wrong perspective. On last week's front page we wrongly identified a check-signing enrollee as David van Asselt, when the individual pictured was, in fact, Jody Maze. Our apologies to David and Jody for the mix-up.

Tucker's article published

Dr. Norma Tucker, Vice Pres. of Academic Affairs at McPherson College, has received a notice of acceptance from "Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science". Dr. Tucker's article, "Brain Hemisphericity, Mysticism, and Personal Wholeness," deals with the psychological, medical, and scientific research involved with what happens to the brain when the body rests.

The article is based on updated research from Dr. Tucker's doctorate studies.

Writing has long been an ac-

tivity which Dr. Tucker takes seriously and enjoys. Her list of publications includes everything from organized research writing to poetry. She has also had experience in journalistic writing as the Publicity Director at McPherson College.

"I enjoy all kinds of writing," states Dr. Tucker, "I love the experience of coordinating research with words, and the personal expression that is common to creative writing."

Dr. Tucker currently teaches Creative Writing at McPherson College.



Caricatures dating back to the 1920's were discovered on the back of a fourth floor Harnly chalkboard. Can you identify this professor?
photo by Glen Snell

Intercultural week

by Terri Vinson

The theme for this year's Intercultural Forum Week, Feb. 19-27, is "Coming together through our differences." Several activities have been scheduled and this promises to be one of the most eventful weeks of the academic year.

The activities will begin on Feb. 19, 10:45 a.m., with a church service at Morning Star Baptist Church, 207 N. Hickory. Following the service, a fellowship dinner is planned. A gospel singing, featuring McPherson Intercultural Forum members and a choir from Hutchinson, will begin at 7 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

McPherson Intercultural Forum students will also be responsible for the convocation on Monday. A Mexican-style dinner is planned for Monday evening. At 7 p.m., the popular video "Thriller" will be shown on the big-screen t.v., followed by the movie — "Carbon Copy."

An international dinner is planned for Wed. in the cafeteria.

At 7 p.m. a sports tournament is on tap at the Sports Center. Raquetball, volleyball, and basketball competitions are scheduled; everyone is invited to participate. Sign-up will be posted.

After a Chinese dinner on Thursday, a movie and a Teddy Pendergrass concert will be shown, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Student Union.

On Friday, Intercultural Forum students will help Rick Jones prepare a "soul food" dinner. A talent show is also scheduled for 7 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

The activities and the week will finish with a dance on Sat. night from 10:30-2 a.m. Anyone who is interested in participating in the dance contest can contact Dwayne Jackson for details.

Joanne Hamlin, sponsor of the Intercultural Forum, is optimistic about the week ahead.

"We have a very fine group of students this year, and the week looks very promising," commented Hamlin.

Conyer's art to be displayed

by Jeanne Smith

Professor Wayne Conyers, of the McPherson College Art Dept., has been accepted into the Tri-state Watercolor Exhibition at the Wichita Museum of Art.

Slated for April 1 through 29, the show is open to artists from Missouri, Oklahoma and Kansas.

The art work to be presented was selected by a jury of professional artists.

Mr. Conyers' work, "Family Reunion," is an abstract in which four grids group leaf images into each setting. The Exhibition is sponsored by the Kansas Watercolor Society.

SAB Olympics announced

by Shawn Payne

What are the Special Olympics, one might ask, it is perhaps better known as contest night. There will be different games to play, and good times for everyone. The big event will be held on February 24 at 8 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come and participate.

The new SAB officers for the

spring semester are as follows: Chairperson, Steven Foulke (jr., McPherson, Ks), Chairperson Elect, Sue Six (fr., Washington D.C.), Treasurer, Robert Taylor (jr., Widefield, Co.), and Publicity Director, Alana Switzer (sr., Modesto, Ca.) If anyone has any questions or suggestions please feel free to contact one of the officers.

Grounds for impeachment

True enough, the events following the invasion of Grenada are already indelibly inscribed on the pages of history. Unfortunately, once happenings disappear from newscasts and newspaper front pages, we often turn our attention elsewhere.

I suggest we take the advantage of hindsight's perspective and consider the appropriateness, and the constitutionality, of Reagan's action.

In November, Congressman Ted Weiss (D-NY) and several of his colleagues introduced a resolution to the House of Representatives, listing the following three constitutional violations as cause for impeachment:

* Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution, which specifically grants Congress the power to declare war, when he instructed U.S. forces to invade the small Caribbean island nation on October 25 without the advance consent of Congress.

* Article VI of the Constitution when he ignored U.S. treaty obligations, as outlined in the charters of the United Nations and the Organization of American States, prohibiting the use of force against a sovereign state.

* First Amendment rights of the American public and press when he prevented members of the news media from covering the invasion.

Clearly enough, this resolution does not fit the current mood of Americans. But, as Congressman Weiss points out, "The Constitution of the United States was not meant to apply only when its provisions enjoy majority support."

This bill of impeachment contains an interpretation of the Constitution which Mr. Reagan obviously didn't share when he swore to uphold this document at his inauguration.

Predictably, this unpopular resolution didn't even receive serious Congressional treatment. So with Congress unwilling to rein in the President, who's to keep the President from abusing his executive powers?

The responsibility is ours. As citizens, we have the duty to hold our public officials accountable for their actions. Because if we don't, who will?

Matt Howell

Thoughts about life

"I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not, when I come to die, discover that I had not lived."

These words whittled their way into the tender channels of my mind last month, as I read Henry David Thoreau's book, *Walden*.

I began thinking more about life. Just what is it? For what purpose am I alive? Why am I living in a wind-blown environment that provides me with mentally stressful activities, lodging in a dorm of mixed marbles and biscuits for breakfast?

Why do I fight biologically natural inclinations by prematurely ending needed sleep at six-thirty a.m.? Why do I wear Nike sneakers, clean a bathroom for money and eat lunch in absurd self-consciousness caused by the pretty girl across the table?

Just what is my life about? What potentials does it have? Am I merely existing and perhaps studying how to live, without really living?

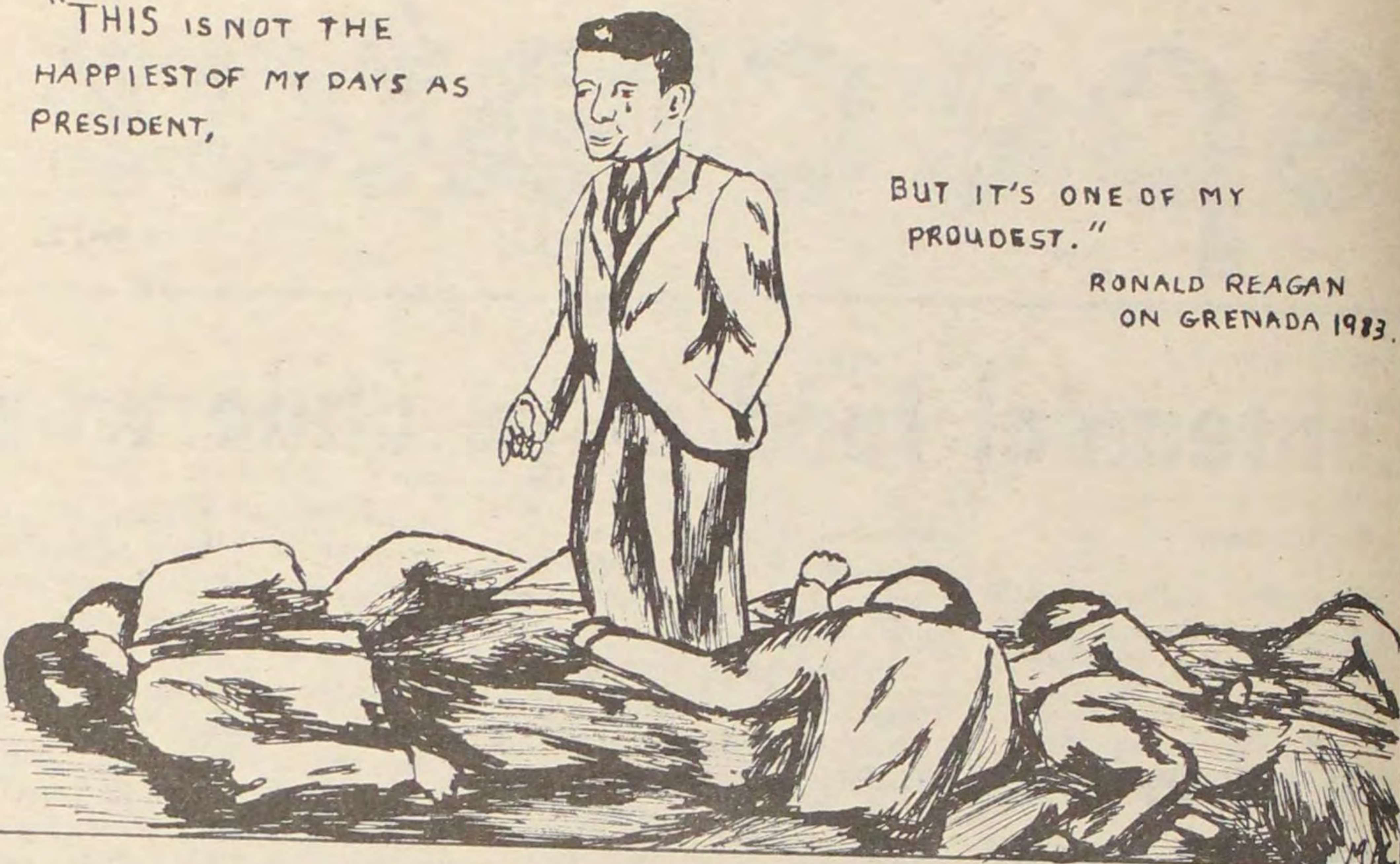
Yes, Thoreau "threw" me into a state of thoughtful confusion. But I believe it is a healthy confusion that everyone should try to experience and work through. Realizing that one only goes around once in life is real incentive to search for all the gusto one can get.

To find true gusto, continued searching is a must. Gusto and satisfaction in life are not found thriving in the security that our society so strongly stresses. A high-paying, stable career, a mighty national defense and a pre-laid pattern for growing up in society constructs a sort of bland security, but life itself is a rather insecure phenomenon. The insecurity or, much more accurately, the vulnerability accruing from new experiences and change is where the quality of life soars in value.

Career planning and the choosing of a major have been lowered on my list of priorities because of these Thoreau-provoked thoughts. It sure would be a bummer if, when I come to die, I discover that I have not lived.

Tim Crouse

"THIS IS NOT THE
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BUT IT'S ONE OF MY
PROUDEST."

RONALD REAGAN
ON GRENADA 1983

Anderson heads National Campaign

by Gary Long

What ever happened to John B. Anderson? Since his unsuccessful bid for the presidency in 1980 he has slipped from public view. Meanwhile he has been working the lecture circuit.

"The time has never been so right for a new party," affirms Anderson as he gathers support for his new party, The National Unity Committee.

The National Unity Committee rests on a foundation committed to fiscal responsibility, decreased defense spending, nuclear arms freeze and reduction, and decreasing the power of special interest groups. Anderson argues that there is no longer much difference between the Democratic and Republican parties. The National Unity Committee gives the American people a new choice.

With the possible exception of John Anderson's stand against

special interest groups, he primarily deals with the arms race and defense spending. He feels special interest groups have gained too much power in American politics.

Often special interest groups (right-to-life groups, The National Rifle Association, etc.) represent a minority of the population, yet have a disproportional influence on legislators.

Anderson is a staunch supporter of the nuclear freeze movement. He argues that "the administration's assumption that it can win a nuclear war is sheer madness." In fact, Anderson is one of the few politicians that proposes a "reduction of strategic launch vehicles and warheads after the freeze is in place."

John Anderson's budget policy is rather simple. Defense spending must be cut. Anderson sites current improvements in

the economy to be only temporary. He notes, "Each minute the government spends \$533,000 on the military, per hour it pours out \$32 million and per day \$786 million."

He also attacks aggression (Grenada) and military aid justified as protecting our sphere of influence from the Soviet Union, as nice arguments but not logically sound.

I had the opportunity to meet John Anderson in Washington D.C. last month. He looks about the same as he did in 1980. I found it refreshing to find a politician that is willing to turn on the system that has given him power, when it fails to maintain the principle it was founded on.

Anderson and his National Unity Committee are beginning to permiate the political structure of America. Anderson wants to build the party up from the grassroots to the presidency.

Bold idea to solve world problems

Dear Spectator:

I've always had a soft spot for your fine journal, which is why I've decided to offer you the scoop of the century. The solution for all the world's problems is in my grasp and the purpose of this letter is to impart this vital wisdom to eager humanity.

Like all innovations of genius, my insight is deceptively simple. The answer lies in mandatory sterilization of every living human being.

Picture this, if you will: in a few months babies would stop being born (solving the problem of overpopulation and where to get a babysitter Saturday nights). In a few years there would be no more screaming infants in public places, within another two decades wars would be ended (no more men of draft

age). I'm sure these few illustrations suggest the endless possibilities of my proposal. Read on.

What is probably the most common cause of concern in today's world? It is our anxiety about our posterity, our dedication to preserving the earth for as yet unborn generations. Hey, no problem anymore; there will be no more generations.

Therefore a dissolving ozone layer is of little consequence, nuclear waste disposal becomes as trivial as taking the garbage out, and finally, pollution and shameless exploitation of Mother Nature are possible as never before.

Faced with the overwhelming benefits of this plan, any rational person must immediately give

his assent, and I think I can say in all modesty that I will be the next Nobel Peace Prize laureate.

Furthermore, I daresay that your foresight and vision in printing this will be rewarded with the Pulitzer Prize. Other "news" papers that I have written to have not had the courage to take the bold step of printing my idea for saving mankind.

In closing, I'd like to say that the people who have known me best always knew that someday I would come up with an idea like this. Without their faith and love I might not have thought of my plan until later.

Humbly yours,
David E. Zook, Esq.

P.S. Just a last minute fine-tuning. It just occurred to me that only half the human race would need to be sterilized. The plan would be just as effective if all the members of just one sex were fixed. Since it's my plan I will arbitrarily choose . . . the females. Thank you.

Two travelers tell of Japan

Editor's note: Over Interterm four faculty members and one student from McPherson College traveled with a group to Japan. Staff reporter Marty Moyer talked with two of the travelers and here's his report.

Roy Grosbach (jr., Enders, Neb.) brought back quite a few observations from his trip to Japan. He said that you cannot imagine what Japan is like until you're actually there. Some of the more meaningful experiences he had were his stays with the families. Roy stayed with three different families. One was a man and his wife who were in their twenties and another was a couple who were in their forties.

The third family was the one that Roy was closest to. This was a family of five — two parents and three girls. Roy felt as though he was treated like a son in this family. The three girls were 20, 18 and 16 years old. Roy was highly impressed with their presence.

By staying with these three families, Roy's observation of the Japanese was a friendship experience while observing the way they lived.

Roy's transportation consisted of trains and subways. He used

them every day and got lost only once. The mass transit is used more in Japan than in the United States and thus is more efficient.

Japan's culture was obviously different from the United States. The communication between individuals is physically closer, meaning that two people are shoulder to shoulder when walking rather than a considerable distance between each other. Talking is quieter in Japan compared to the "loud mouths" of the United States.

There is more of an emphasis on the family with elderly people being respected. The youngest son or daughter stays with the parents after they retire. There are no retirement homes in Japan.

Housing is very expensive in Japan. A 12-by-25 foot condominium costs an unbelievable \$100,000. The apartments are all five to ten stories with gardens and tennis courts on the rooftops. Each house has no yard with fields surrounding the houses instead.

Japan has half the population of the United States with 120 million people in a country that is the size of Montana.

Seventeen percent of the land is arable with steep mountain scenery. The mountains of Japan are leveled off for factories.

Tokyo is a civilized city of 11 million people and has no slum areas. The other cities that Roy visited were Gifu, Nagoya, and Osaka.

Technology is a vital aspect of Japan. American technology is imported, then Japan refines the materials. Industry is more automated than in the United States.

Farming is labor intensive with no use of heavy equipment. The people are willing to do manual labor which results in a low unemployment rate of 2 percent.

Recently the government was taking heat when the unemployment rate hit a high 2.4 percent.

The colleges are not small but are very difficult to get into. The high schools are academically the same as our colleges here in the United States. Japan even has entrance exams for kindergarten.

Dr. Norma Tucker, Vice President of Academic Services, visited a private college in Japan. This was a large women's college of several thousand students.

Once the students have gotten into college, they learn three different characters of writing. Some of the students produced a Shakespeare play in English and the library consisted of many English books.

The majors in college are similar to American ones, with quite a few business students. The students are well-displined.

The people of Japan are hard-working people. Many workers do not sleep more than 5 hours a day and they work seven days a week. The homes are clean due to the hard-working women and the Japanese culture of taking off one's shoes before entering a home. Sandals are worn instead of shoes in the homes.

Living with the families was a tremendous cultural experience. The families were gentle and considerate.

The Japanese exchange gifts all the time rather than on holidays. These gifts are vital aspects of the culture of Japan. The children respect the grandparents with backrubs every night. Even Dr. Tucker received one!

Overall, the people were quiet, even when there were crowds around the house, and very gracious.



Norma Tucker, Roy Grosbach, James Dodson, Lowell Flory and Joan Hoffman (not pictured) ventured to Japan during Interterm. It was a cultural experience, among other things.

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Bulldogs bomb Swedes and complete a Mac sweep

by Kevin Burton

Some called it "McPherson College Night, in Lindsborg," as the Bulldogs brought out the broom and completed the sweep of the Bethany College basketball teams.

The Bulldogs' win was last and most convincing. The Swedes fell by the score of 85-64.

"We spurted out to a big lead," said McPherson coach (of the year?) Roger Trimmell. "There were about four trips down the floor when we scored and they didn't, then all of the sudden they were way down."

And down they stayed, as five Bulldogs scored in double figures including Andre Barber with a game high 20 points.

No one seems to remember the last McPherson sweep of the Swedes, including Trimmell, who played four years for McPherson.

McPherson was coming off a win over St. Mary at the Sport Center. The Cavs almost stole the game, but the 'Dogs were able to dodge a couple of bullets, and won the game by two.

Tomorrow McPherson looks to improve their record in Winfield, against the Moundbuilders. McPherson-Southwestern is a budding rivalry, and this game should be played with feeling.

"They'll have revenge on their mind," said Trimmell, "and they've got the talent to do it." The Bulldogs, who have talent

of their own, also have "The Hex."

The 'Dogs own three straight victories over Southwestern, including two which were won in the waning seconds. It's a string that some are calling a hex, but the 'Builders are calling frustration. No one will have to remind them who's coming to town tomorrow.

Game time in Winfield will be 8, for the continuation of a series which is fast becoming a classic.

Track team to Fort Hays

McPherson's indoor track team, though few in numbers, is meeting with some success, even against larger schools.

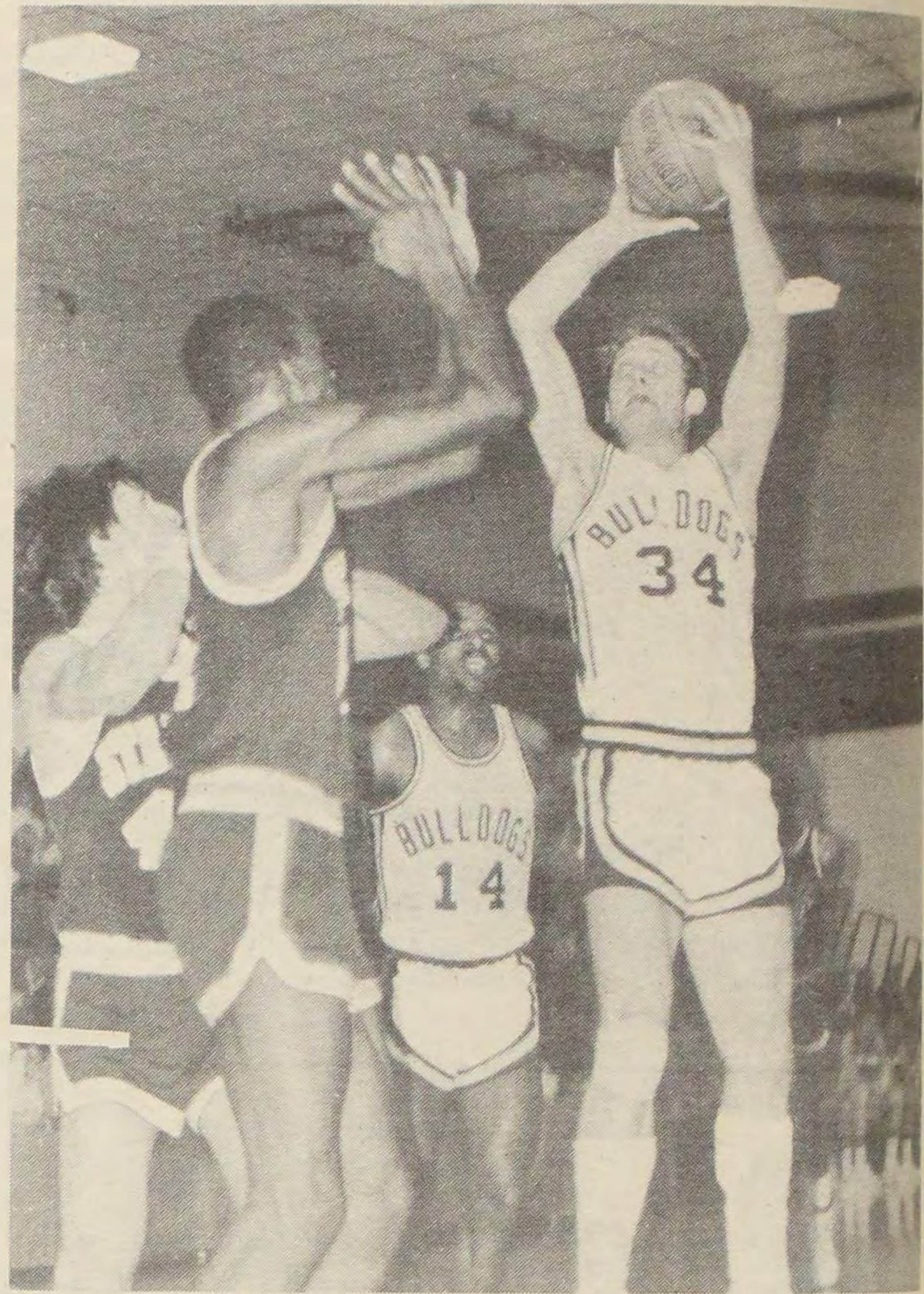
Last weekend saw the team up bright and early to travel to Kansas State. Several schools competed, including the big three of Kansas - K-State, Kansas and Wichita State.

Denise Race and Amy Howell, who have already qualified for the nationals in the high jump, placed fourth and sixth respectively at Lawrence. Race may have placed higher had she not injured her ankle during competition.

Mike Jackson placed fourth in the long jump, and team mate Scott Green placed sixth. Lynn Gibbs also placed sixth in the shot put competition. Tony Tranbarger ran well last weekend, placing second in his heat of both the 300 and the 60.

Tomorrow will be another early Saturday for the team as they travel to Fort Hays, to compete in the District Ten meet. What McPherson's contingent lacks in numbers, they have proven they can make up in quality. The only question mark seems to be the health of many team members.

In addition to Race's injury, George Johnson has been unable to run due to a pulled muscle. Green scratched from one event last weekend because he was under the weather and Gibbs wasn't feeling well earlier this week.



K.C. FOR TWO — Kevin Carlson goes up for two in a game against Sterling. The Bulldogs were 8-6 in the KCAC at press time. photo by Glen Snell

Lady Red freshmen 'coming of age'

by Kevin Burton

The saying goes that the best thing about a freshman athlete is that he becomes a sophomore. Sometimes the look of a veteran comes a little early. And in this case it's she, thank you.

The Lady Red basketball machine has sputtered under the weight of youthful mistakes at times. But if youth slowed the machine, experience has provided the perfect tune up. Now, coach Paul Graber is seeing the gap between potential

and performance close, and talking about a "coming of age."

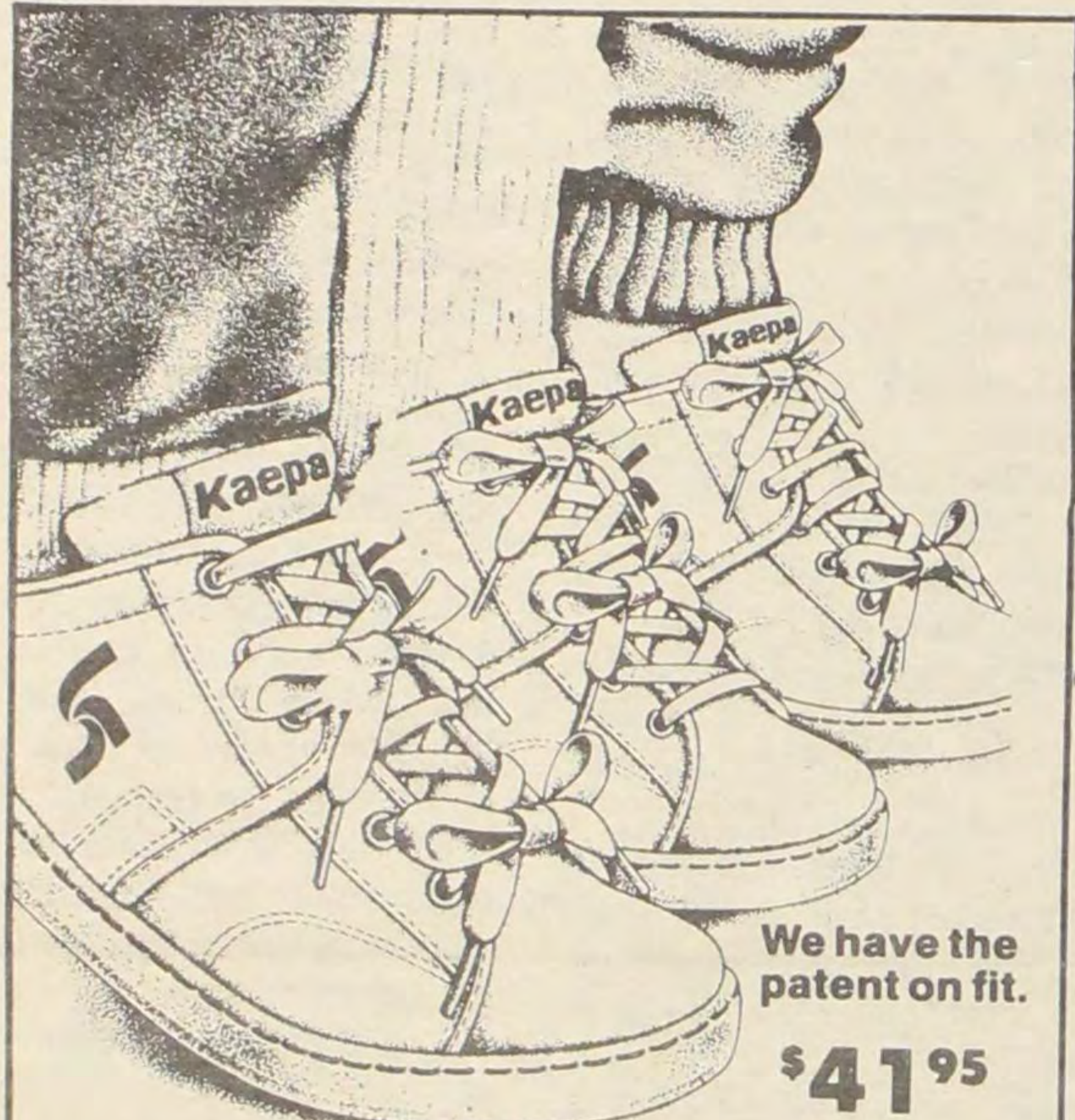
"We've been waiting and waiting for our freshmen to play more like veterans. Now I think they've arrived."

Graber's comments came after McPherson beat the Lady Swedes from Lindsborg, on their own court. The win brought the Lady Red record to 9-11, including six wins and eight losses in the KCAC.

Another factor that has held the ladies down has been illness. Often McPherson was forced out of their game plan because all the players weren't available. Lately, however, this has not been the case, and the Bethany win serves as evidence of what the Lady Red can do.

Tomorrow the Ladies will travel to Winfield to take on Southwestern. Last time the Lady Builders came back to steal the game from McPherson in what coach Graber calls "the worst performance of the year." Mac will be looking to shut down Ella Dickens, among others, who starred in Southwestern's come from behind victory.

Tuesday night's game at the Sport Center will be the last home game for the Lady Red. For Mac seniors Valecia Kelly and Joy Spangler, it will be the last game in front of the home crowd. Game time, for the game against the Lady Falcons of Friends University, will be 6.



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