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McPherson individuals cited for achievements

A special Honors Convocation held this morning cited four McPherson individuals for their outstanding contributions to the field of physical education and sports. Presentation of the awards occurred at 9:30 a.m. during the dedication of the college's new Physical Education-Sports Center.

Highly respected for his officiating in collegiate football's Big Eight Conference, Mr. Vance Carlson has logged an enviable record by working more games than anyone in the history of the Big Eight. Included in his record are two Sugar Bowls, two Orange Bowls, five NCAA Division II playoffs and the 1980 NAIA Division II playoff.

Carlson was headed for retirement as he reached his 57th birthday last year, but a reprieve in the regulations found him back on the field this season. He is considered by experts to be one of

America's foremost college football officials.

Mr. Carlson began his college career at McPherson in 1943, and combined professional baseball with the New York Yankees organization with his education until his graduation in 1950. In 1958 he was asked to join the Big Eight Officials Association.

Mr. Sid Smith, who celebrates his 30th year with McPherson College this year, came to the college in 1953 as Athletic Director and coach.

Smith served as basketball and track coach for twelve years and football for a total of 16 years. In 1959 he accompanied student Ronald Anderson to San Diego where Anderson claimed the national NAIA championship for the discus throw. Another of Smith's students, William Houghland, was selected for the U.S. Olympic baseball team.

In 1973 Mr. Smith completed a highly successful coaching career with McPherson College, and has worked with the college as Director of Deferred Giving since that time.

Professor of physical education at McPherson College for 33 years and Chair of the department for 19 years, Dr. Doris Coppock finds time to practice what she teaches. She is an award winning competitor in women's tennis in both singles and doubles, with awards numbering in the hundreds. In 1976, she was named Coach of the Year for women's tennis in the Kansas Colleges Athletic Conference.

Dr. Coppock was honored in 1977 as Woman of the Year by the McPherson Soroptimists International. In 1979 she was selected to present the Faculty Lecture at McPherson College.

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Faculty takes convo crowd back 30 years

by Gregory Loren
Staff Reporter

The highlight of Homecoming may have happened before any had a chance to arrive at school. Yes, I'm talking of the 1983 Homecoming Convocation SLASH Faculty Follies.

On Monday the student body was surprised to find, not the regular two chairs and a podium for the guest speaker but, a full blown extravaganza featuring none other than the McPherson College faculty lead by head folly Rick Tyler.

Who could forget beautiful Marcia Mae Lolita Reimerasky singing "Where the Boys Are" to the Powder Puff Football Team? Who would have thought Lois Reimer could display such poise and beauty and that the women of the faculty could rival our own football team on workout form?

The Vanilla Fudge Creams, Connie Andes, Admissions, JoAnne Hamlin, Housing, and Penny Elwood, Admissions, were right along with Bulldog spirit by singing "Backfield in Motion" but they were only slightly overshadowed by Dr. Coppock and some of the guys who sing together every once in a while with their rendition of "Autumn Leaves" and of "Tradition" with some key words altered.

"This Magic Moment," this year's Homecoming theme was presented uniquely by the R.J.B.'s but the act that took the audience by storm was no doubt "At the Hop" which had the Homecoming Queen, Karlene Tyler, and the football team Captain, Coach Dave Cripe dancing in an impressive routine that will not be topped even at our dance this Saturday.

Overall it was a thoroughly enjoyable morning and anyone who slept in and missed convo simply missed out. It is great to see that our faculty is abundant in talent as well as humor and it is hoped the Faculty Follies will become a McPherson College "Tradition".



Dave Cripe and Karlene Tyler impressed the convocation audience with their boogie abilities.

This Magic Moment

Friday, October

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- 9:30 A.M. Honors Convocation, Brown Auditorium — followed by dedication ceremony at Physical Education / Sports Center
- Open House — Sports Center
- Conducted Campus Tours
- 5:00-6:00 P.M. Steak Dinner — SU Cafeteria — Entertainment
- 6:30-10:30 P.M. SU Game Room Open
- 8:00 P.M. Theatre Production "Harvey" — Brown Auditorium
- 10:30 P.M. Pep Rally at the Stadium

Saturday, October 8

- 7:00-8:00 A.M. Breakfast — SU Cafeteria \$2.25
- 8:45-9:00 A.M. Opening Fair Activities
- 9:00-5:00 P.M. Art Exhibit — Friendship Hall
- 9:00-11:30 A.M. McPherson College Homecoming Fair — South Campus Lawn
- Conducted Campus Tours
- Open House — Sports Center
- 10:00 A.M. Coronation of Homecoming Royalty — South of Friendship Hall
- 10:15 A.M. Choir Practice — Beeghly Hall
- 11:00-1:30 P.M. Alumni Board Meeting — lunch — SU Quiet Room
- 11:30-4:00 P.M. Child Care for luncheon reunion guests (\$.75 per hour per child 12 and under with lunch provided). Preschool child care also provided from 1:15-4:00 P.M. at the Church of the Brethren Educational Building
- RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
- LUNCHEON REUNIONS
- 11:30 A.M. Lunch at the College Cafeteria \$2.75
- 1:15-4:00 P.M. Child Care — preschool age for alumni guests — Church of the Brethren Educational Building, Reservations Required
- Pre-game activities and announcements
- 1:30 P.M. McPherson College Band Show
- 1:45 P.M. Homecoming Football Game, McPherson Bulldogs vs. Tabor College Bluejays
- 2:00 P.M. Introduction of Homecoming Royalty, Halftime entertainment
- HALFTIME
- 4:15 P.M. Post-game Reception — Friendship Hall
- 4:15-6:00 P.M. Open House in the College Dormitories
- 5:00-6:00 P.M. Sports Fans Supper — Sports Center \$4.50
- 5:00-6:00 P.M. Dinner at the SU Cafeteria \$3.25
- 6:15-7:15 P.M. Open House at President Paul and Joan Hoffman home for parents, alumni, and friends — 1000 E. Euclid (park in city park area)
- 8:00 P.M. Theatre Production "Harvey" — Brown Auditorium
- 10:30-1:30 A.M. Homecoming Dance — Live Band — Student Union, Campus guests are welcome

Sunday, October

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- 7:30-8:30 A.M. Breakfast — College Cafeteria \$2.25
- 10:00 A.M. Worship — Church of the Brethren (Other church schedules are posted on campus)
- 12:00-1:00 P.M. Sunday Dinner — College Cafeteria \$2.75
- 1:30 P.M. McPherson College Choir Concert, Brown Auditorium — Former Choir members are invited to sing several selections
- Open House at Sports Center and Conducted Campus Tours

Homecoming candidates selected by Student Council

by Jana Huffman
Staff Reporter

Of all the activities that take place around Homecoming, perhaps the most exciting, next to the football game, is the election of a king and queen.

Stuco, in charge of the election, has set the ground rules. Students must have 60 credit hours to vote, and only those with 60 credit hours are eligible to be candidates. This first step was completed in the Student Union the week before Homecoming. When the three men and three

women have been selected, they will be introduced to the student body in Convo. The king and queen will be announced at the Homecoming game.

Our three women candidates this year are Valecia Kelly, Sr., Cincinnati, Oh., Lela Ball, Sr., Weldon, Ks., and Deanna Koehler, Jr., Udell, Ia. The Three men are Gerald Henderson, Sr., Maywood, Ill., Mark Scruggs, Sr., Denver, Co., and Scott Miller, Sr., Hesston, Ks.

It'll be a tough decision, but best of luck to all of you!

Just can't stay away

Practically no current McPherson College student was reading the Spectator on March 7, 1980, when the following appeared on the editorial page:

We did get some much needed help this week when, in our darkest hour, it seemed all was lost. But, lo, out of the dismal darkness came a lone figure, descending reluctantly into our dank pit of doom. "Who," queried we, "would voluntarily (well, almost voluntarily) come to aid us in facing this awesome beast we have been struggling with for three weeks. What manner of fool is this?"

It was one called Matt Howell, a freshman. How could a mere first-semester freshman possibly help in producing a publication as prodigious as the Spectator? The same way a first-semester freshman became editor-in-chief last semester, kiddies. We hope this fable will have a happy ending.

Don Stinnette
Editor

This marked the beginning of a partnership which lasted for two whole semesters. In the spring of 1981, Don relinquished control of the paper, and, still at the tender age of 18, I took the helm.

No, the long hours and minimal pay didn't completely burn me out; yet, since my editing days I've only made a couple contributions to these pages. (The following year I had a full-time job off-campus in addition to my full-time student work load, and last year I was a Brethren Colleges Abroad student in Marburg, West Germany.)

Returning to the Spectator for a perhaps unprecedented third semester as Managing Editor is a sure indicator that I'm out of my gourd. Just what has lured me back into McPherson's journalistic fold (besides Paula Burkland)? Though it sounds incredibly noble, the McPherson College Spectator needs me (or some "manner of fool" like me) almost as desperately as it did three-and-a-half years ago. I'm simply heeding the call.

Just to show I've learned something since my freshman year, I'm refusing to become editor-in-chief next semester. My vision for next semester is an editorial team, including about four editors with experience and-or potential.

Matt Howell

BACKTALK by Paula Burkland

Imagine for a moment a land of supreme opportunity, where even the most unskilled individuals have the chance to raise themselves into a position of power. It is a land which draws no distinction between the incapable and the ambitious; a place where dreams really can become reality.

Sound a little far-fetched? Well, take a good look around you, because that's precisely where we live today. Welcome to the world's largest Almost Anything Goes contest, more commonly known as American politics.

The first major breakthrough in this new style of politics surfaced in 1976, when Jimmy Carter, a peanut farmer from Georgia became President of the United States. Determined not to let his farming industry die, Jimmy soon had the entire country working for peanuts.

In 1980 a familiar face rose to take the position of President from the prosperous peanut pusher. Known to America for his silver screen performances, Ronald Reagan cast the entire country in a poorly written script entitled, "Bonzo Goes to Washington (while the country goes to pieces)."

Now in 1983, the pressurized presidential race is on once again. Having walked on the moon, former astronaut John Glenn feels he is capable of filling the presidential shoes.

Glenn may very well be a likely candidate, but I can't help but feel somewhat wary of such a possibility. Should Glenn be elected, I think I know what lies in store for us as he selects his staff. For example:

Luke Skywalker, Secretary of Defense—having proven himself to be a competent source of strength in times of trouble, Skywalker will assume the

responsibility of safeguarding the peace of America.

Yoda, Secretary of State—highly respected for his experience as a Jedi Master, it is anticipated that Yoda will become the finest mediator the country has known.

Princess Leia, Secretary of Foreign Affairs—although she possesses absolutely no knowledge about anything, it is believed that Leia will definitely spark interest in affairs of any kind.

The prospects for Glenn's cabinet are, of course, much longer than this limited list. Whether or not his presidential endeavors will be launched with success is yet to be seen.

Should Glenn become our new President, America will have established itself as the golden land of opportunity. By 1988, I guess we'll be ready for a female President, so how about it... will you vote for me?

A complex issue . . .

by Erny Figueroa
Staff Reporter

The people asked, "What are you building, Mr. Pyle?" and he answered, "The gods of McPherson College told me to build a sports complex. It shall be 250 cubits wide by 600 cubits high by 750 cubits long; because in one year they will send a "flood" of sports events pouring into the college."

Well, one year has gone by and alas, it has been pouring sports events for more than 40 days and 40 nights. Now shall we seek refuge in the gym? Sorry, no relief there . . . at least not yet.

However, the end is near, as was so eloquently shown to us during the convocation this morning. I still can't help thinking it is a little cold for August (the estimated completion date of our new gym). Thank goodness that God didn't petition Mr. Pyle to build the ark—mankind may have perished.

Even with the delays, we must not be pessimistic. After all, it was stated in convo, "For the gym to be this far behind is not surprising." ("... for a job this size!" was added quickly as a buffer to the student's own disappointment.)

But seriously, isn't it nice to have a new gym? I mean, just to point at it and say we have one, you know, like that crystal your mom has but never uses. She says, "See my new crystal?" but it's for aesthetic pleasure only. It's especially exciting at homecoming when we can point and say, "See our new gym" (I believe the Trustees at the college have probably been hearing quite a bit of that lately.)

I have to admire the football team though, (practically the only ones who have seen inside the gym), having a 3-1 record, the locker room must be a great spirit booster. We should all be impressed.

Although rumor has it the locker rooms are Burnt Orange and not Cardinal Red the way they were supposed to be. But leave it to Stuco to save the day, there must be a petition

somewhere to change our school colors from Red and White to Burnt Orange and Lime Green, just to accomodate the little mistake.

What impresses me the most was that all effort was made to get the locker rooms functioning for the football team, and on the priority list for completion is the next important part of any sports complex. You guessed it . . . the offices. I mean, how can we have a sports complex without offices? Oh, and just in case you're wondering about something as insignificant as the gym itself, that is to be one of the last things completed due to the amount of work that is needed to construct the floor.

So hang tough, we just may be in our gym by Christmas, if not sooner. After all, look how far we've come!

P.E. leaders recognized

A graduate of McPherson College in 1948, Coppock also completed M.A. and Ph.D. degrees at the State University of Iowa in physical education. Her commitment to physical education and athletics for women is evidenced in the development of capable physical education majors and the many hours spent in assisting to develop the structure for women's competitive athletics at the state and national levels.

Thirty-one years of basketball coaching with a 511-179 record, five state championships and numerous invitational titles have brought Jay Frazier, assistant principal in charge of activities at McPherson High School, the respect and support of coaches, players and community.

Mr. Frazier, now retired from basketball coaching, has

received warm words of tribute from administrators, colleagues and former students.

A graduate of Fort Hays State University, Mr. Frazier earned his M.S. and Ed.S. degrees in biology at Emporia State University. With 26 years of teaching and coaching at McPherson High School, preceded by one year at Pretty Prairie and four years at Burdette, Mr. Frazier is committed to service through education.

In recognition of his service in education Mr. Frazier was named Basketball Coach of the Year for District V in 1974 by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association and was honored as Athletic Director of the Year for District V in 1982 by the Kansas State High School Athletic Directors' Association.

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Stuco gets traditional tasks out of the way

by Matt Howell
 Managing Editor
 and Stuco Representative

With some of its have-to tasks soon to be completed, Stuco will be able to progress to a new agenda.

Question is: What will it be?

But first, the Old Business. To fill vacant and suddenly vacated positions, Stuco elections were held in September. Elected onto the council were DeWayne "Action" Jackson, Metzler representative; Dave Franklin, Off-campus representative; Todd Schrag, Mike Ramsey and Matt Howell, representatives-at-large; and Marla Ullom and Annette Taylor, freshmen representatives.

Sarah Baile (jr., Warrensburg, Mo. — we have this information on her, but we won't be able to provide similar data on all other students until Stuco comes up with campus directories for us) was surprised that so many students wanted to be on the ballot, and is pleased with how the elections turned out. Student

Council also supervised Homecoming elections; but those results need not be reported here.

The budget got to be very frustrating, Sarah complains, because too many clubs asked for too much money. She notes, "What many people don't realize is that Stuco isn't made of money, and has no obligation to fund clubs at all, let alone their parties."

Budget-cutting commenced after an analysis of each club's basic needs: Its purpose, number of members and the extent to which its activities benefit the student body.

It might be noted in passing that Stuco has been quicker in granting funds than it has been in approving constitutions. The three lucky clubs, whose constitutions are still "under review," include the Business Club, Spirit Kickers and the Computer Users. The yet-to-be-organized McPherson College chapter of the International Frisbee Association might soon be asking Stuco to provide

WHAM-O flying discs.

One can tell by looking at the figures below that S.A.B., The Quadrangle and the Spectator (the primary recipients of Stuco funds) got practically all they had asked for. Salaries, however, were not raised — one reason the Spec might not have any editors next semester.

The budget leaves only about \$1000 for Stuco projects. Ideas include sending books to the third world and "campus improvement," like benches in front of campus buildings and a fountain in the Quad (referring to Ultimate Frisbee's current playing field, not the yearbook).

Another idea for an extra cache of Stuco money was a "contingency fund," emergency dollars at the disposal of the Student Council Executive Board. Firing the shots which eventually torpedoed this proposal was Fahnestock Hall's representative, Steven V. Foulke. "The purported purpose for the fund was to meet a need which had to be taken care of

before the entire council could be convened," Steve explains. "The thing is, the urgency for such an expenditure has never arisen in the past. The executive board could only stammer when requested to present a 'contingency' which couldn't wait until the following Tuesday." (Stuco meetings are scheduled for every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the basement of Miller Library, and are open to anyone interested in attending.)

After trustee meetings and Homecoming, Stuco will be

struggling to find its direction. Indeed, inside sources indicate that a discussion questioning the necessity and function of the council may soon be forthcoming.

The Stuco president would like to see her council become more visible and increase its accessibility to all students. This could include building up awareness within the student body. Sarah sees her main responsibility as serving as a liaison between students and the administration.

Club	Request	Allocation
Art	\$600.00	\$330.00
Alpha Psi Omega	945.00	680.00
Behavioral Science Club	342.80	150.00
Brethren Identity Group	300.00	180.00
Business Club	561.00	405.00
Cheerleaders	278.00	230.00
Computer Users	150.00	130.00
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	380.00	280.00
G Clif (MENC)	357.00	280.00
Intercultural Forum	530.00	380.00
Quadrangle (full year)	5,464.00	2,200.00
Student Activity Board (SAB)	4,433.55	4,413.55
Soccer Club	375.00	355.00
Spectator	1,700.00	1,680.00
Spirit Kickers	400.00	230.00
TOTAL	16,816.35	11,923.55
Student Fees (Fall Term)		14,602.15
Remaining Balance (Regular)		231.97
TOTAL		14,834.12
Less: Salaries (Fall term)		1,813.75
Less: Allocations		11,923.55
TOTAL		1,096.84

Conyers enjoying new position

by Jana Huffman
 Staff Reporter

The art display in Friendship Hall this month features Professor Wayne Conyers, who is a part-time art teacher here at McPherson College, a teacher at Park Elementary School, and on the McPherson Arts Council.

The displays are changed each month. They expose students to a wide range of art and different types of art. Students and community people are able to display their work in Friendship Hall and be recognized for their talents.

Conyers' display includes paintings and ceramics. It will stay on through the month of October, and will possibly be joined by the work of several students from the college art department.

November will feature the McPherson High School students. Teachers who will be submitting students' work are Elizabeth Liljigren and Betty Houchen. In December we will see some weaving projects from the high school.

Wayne Conyers says that he has always been interested in art.

He was brought up with a traditional mode of art, but began understanding abstract art and has concentrated his work in that area in the last ten years.

"I enjoy working with aesthetic concepts instead of being like a Xerox machine or a camera," says Conyers. He had always liked learning new techniques, but soon decided that working with realistic images was not challenging enough.

"Why copy things that people can already see?" he asked. This thought brought him into the abstract — to make people see something new.

Mr. Conyers did his undergraduate work at Bethany College, and graduated in 1974. He then went on to graduate school for his masters at the University of Missouri.

"There is a progression to be seen of how my work went from the beginning of my career up to now in the Friendship Hall display. I'm finally becoming happy with my work," he stated. "I like to exhibit, but I don't promote my work to be sold. I sell

a little, but I prefer the competitiveness of exhibiting. Being accepted in a show always feels good, but rejection helps me to strengthen my work."

Conyers has submitted some of his work to large exhibits, and is waiting to see if he will be accepted. The displays he is hoping to enter are the Kansas Four, sponsored by the Kansas Arts Commission, and the Rutgers National '83, '84 at Rutgers University in New Jersey. They are both very competitive shows.

"Art is not my vocation, it's my life. I'm a 'jack of all trades' in a way because I don't limit myself to just one type of art. I work with oils, water colors, printing, ceramics, and others. Although many people tried to get me to concentrate on one area, I'm glad I never did. I've taught nine different types of art, but didn't want to be confined to one area of work. There's too much I want to share. I'm not a painter, not a potter, but an artist."

Take a minute to visit the exhibit in Friendship Hall. You'll be proud to see how much talent we possess in Wayne Conyers!

Congratulations to the Homecoming Court

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SPECTACULAR

by Janet Powell
Staff Reporter

"I think it has humbled me. It made me see how good I have things; how much we take for granted." These are the things Ellen Mellinger, second semester freshman, Carlisle, Pa., had to say about working for the Family Crisis Center in Baltimore. She worked for the center three years ago while she was in Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS) and returned to Baltimore this summer to work again.

The Family Crisis Center is a shelter for victims of domestic violence. Most of the victims suffered from spouse abuse. Many of the victims were women and children, occasionally there was a man who suffered from spouse abuse.

There are three sections in the center. First, there's a hotline service. People who need help and someone to talk to can call in. These calls aren't always violent abuse related. They'll be anything from rape, drug abuse, or suicide victims.

Second, there's a counseling center. There are four professional counselors who work with family difficulties. This service is free on a short term basis.

Then there's the shelter house with room for twenty residents. It's a dormitory like set up with a shared living room and kitchen. The maximum stay is twenty-one days.

Ellen worked as a counselor and screened hotline calls. Being a counselor involved finding a place for the victim to stay, helping them get a job, getting on

food stamps or other types of public assistance. Screening domestic violent calls involved listening to the people to see if they were appropriate to stay at the shelter. You had to know if the individual really wanted help or a free ride.

"One of the most high pressured anxieties was being emotionally attached and then torn away." There were a few victory cases where the victims

actually left their spouse and made a new start. Those cases were rare. Most of the time they'd go right back and be subject to the same abuse.

Ellen is a sociology-social work major so this job has been good training. When you're working with people you find out how cruel the world is. "I have seen so much of what the real world is. You can't solve its problems." But you can help.



Ellen Mellinger

HARVEY

by Gregory Loren
Staff Reporter

Curtain up! Yes, with one production under their belts does the McPherson College Theatre Department slow down? No! Tonight opens the theatre's second production of the season, "Harvey" by Mary Chase.

In fact while "Lunch Hour," the first production, was just beginning its two week run, "Harvey" was already being cast and went immediately into rehearsal.

Difficulties included working around two schedules of two directors, not to mention some critical overlaps in cast and crew members.

"Harvey" is unique in its casting in that it has a variety of people involved. Especially exciting will be the guest performance of Mrs. Una Yoder as Veta Louise Simmons. Mrs.

Yoder was formerly the director of theatre here at McPherson. Elwood P. Dowd will be portrayed by alumnus Jeff Frazier who is still remembered for his many dynamic performances during recent years at McPherson College.

Portraying Myrtle Mae Simmons is none other than Lois Reimer, the Career and Life Planning counselor for the college. This marks her first performance with McPherson Theatre. Other newcomers include several talented freshmen such as McKinley Dedmon, Nancy Pennell, Steven van Assalt, and Stacy Opgrand.

"Harvey" promises to be one of the highlights of the Homecoming weekend, and will be performed in Brown Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. tonight and tomorrow night.

Yearbook staff announced

by Greg Zugmier
Staff Reporter

Believe it or not, but work on the '83-'84 Quadrangle has already begun. This year's editor, Craig Spitzer and his staff, consisting of Annette Taylor, Sally Meyer, Luann Meyers, Carolyn Brossman, Jeweline Anglemeyer, Sheri Eller, Kathy Moore, Marla Ullom, Mary Cline, David Spitzer. Jay Nicholson is the advertising manager and Patricia Keats is the business manager. The Quad is published by Josten's-American Yearbook Company of Topeka, Ks.

Portraits for the '84 Quad will be taken by Sudlow Photography on Dec. 8 and 9 in Miller Library, room 106. Students will be able, but not obligated, to buy color photographs.

Spitzer had these remarks about the Quad, "I am looking forward to a very good year and working with all the new staff members that have volunteered their time and talent to try and help produce another great yearbook. Last year's book is going to be a hard act to follow." If anyone is interested in joining the staff, contact Craig Spitzer.

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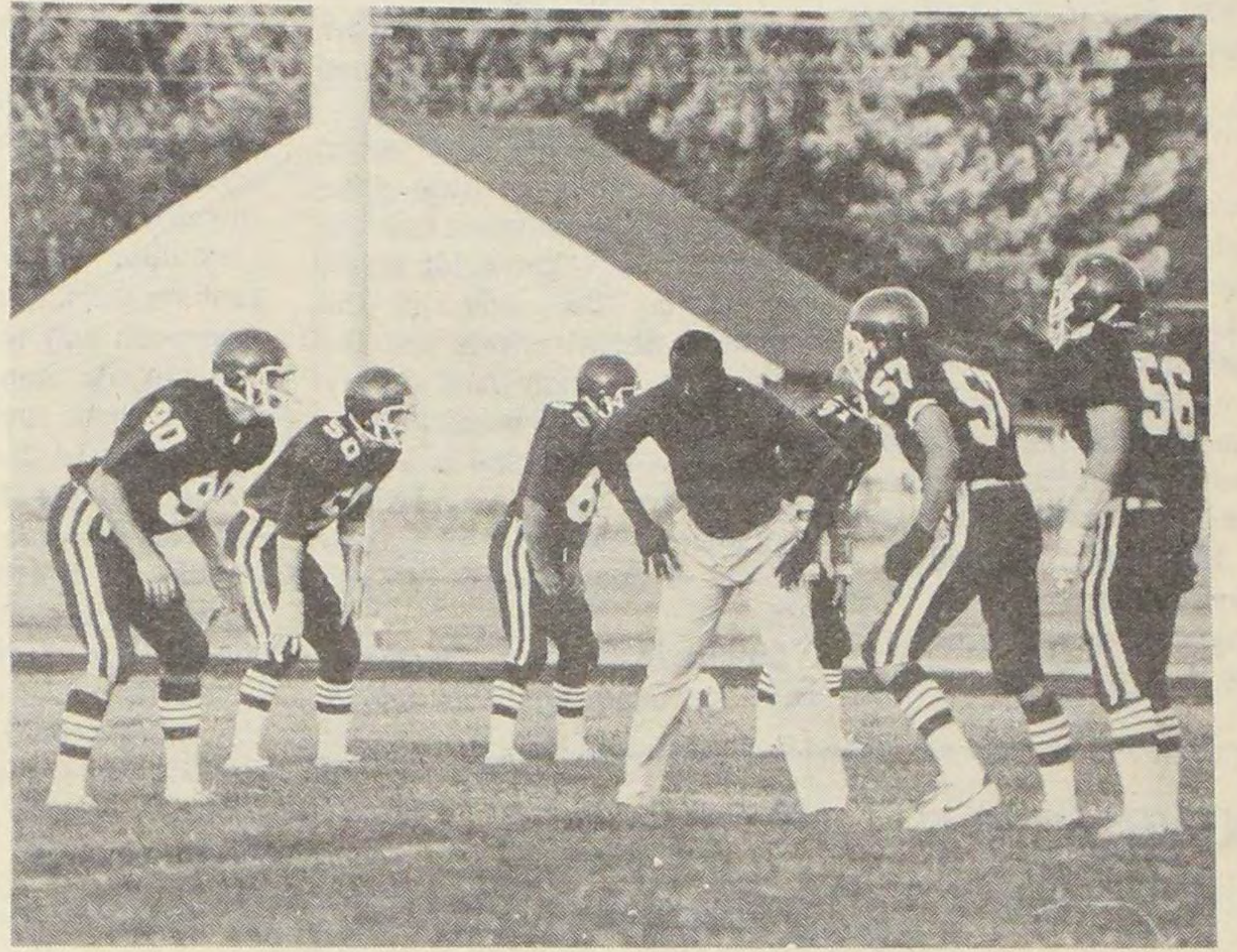
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Good luck to the cast of "Har-
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Spec staff —
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it up!

Fall Fun



International student enjoys Mac

by Rico Hollis
Guest Reporter

Some of us may feel we have come a long way from home to attend college. Yet when we compare the distance to that which some International Students have come, we can consider ourselves lucky. One such student is Paulina Avila from San Jose, Costa Rica, Central America.

When asked how Paulina came to know of McPherson College, she explained that she came to Hutchinson through the Brethren Volunteer Services in 1982 and while in Hutchinson learned of McPherson College.

You may wonder what brought Paulina to the United States. She

said she wanted to go through "the college experience" in the U.S., although it was difficult for her to leave behind a teaching job at a high school, her family, and her country.

Paulina likes McPherson College especially because of the size and she commented that the students really get a lot of attention on the side of the teachers. She also feels that the college as a whole has a very positive attitude towards foreign students. Although she is aware that there are sometimes prejudices toward foreigners outside of our isolated campus life.

Paulina feels very privileged to have the opportunity to spend

time studying in the U.S., as she believes she now sees our country and her own in a new perspective. Paulina stresses the importance of a cultural experience when learning a second language. She thinks one needs more than a book and vocabulary to relate to.

Paulina hasn't had many problems adjusting to the American way of life. However, she can see many things which are different, such as the family structure and the limit on time we sometimes have as North Americans with our children because of our busy schedules.

In the future, Paulina believes she will be returning to Costa Rica after a year of teaching in a U.S. high school; after having gained the knowledge of how another country's educational system operates.



Caught candidly on the S.U. ramp, Deanna Keohler gives our photographer a winning smile.

Letter

Spectator Staff,
Good paper this week! I especially enjoyed the introduction of NUKE.

Keep up the good work!
Lois Lehman

Placement service

by Janet Powell
Staff Reporter

Lois Reimer, McPherson College's career counselor, has another busy year ahead for herself and students.

Several workshops involving job hunting are planned for this year. Some of them are: resume writing, conducting an interview and where to find information on jobs. Lois urges students to attend these workshops and if that's not possible to visit her office in Miller Library for information.

One placement possibility is available through the Education Department. This service provides prospective schools with a student's transcripts, recommendations and student teaching reports.

Another opportunity for students will be a class during interterm for 1/2 credit. The course will be related to job issues as work ethics.

Career fairs are good chances for students to meet with prospective employers. The first career fair will be held Feb. 23 in Salina. Last year was the first time McPherson College participated in the Career Opportunity Exposition. It is sponsored by the placement directors at the following colleges: Bethany, Brown Mackie, Marymount, McPherson and Tabor.

Next spring there will be two career fairs for education majors. One will be at Fort Hays State University, the other at Kansas State University. Superintendents from schools all over Kansas meet with students wanting to enter the education field.

Look Into Future Employment (L.I.F.E.) is a workshop designed for students to speak with employees of about sixty different occupations. Employees talk with students about their own career, training involved, the chances of making it, related occupations and the opportunities available. This will take place Feb. 28 and 29 in Wichita.

There are several occasions to get a head start in the job search. Lois advises, "The earlier you start the job search process, the better. You will gain confidence about yourself and future employment."

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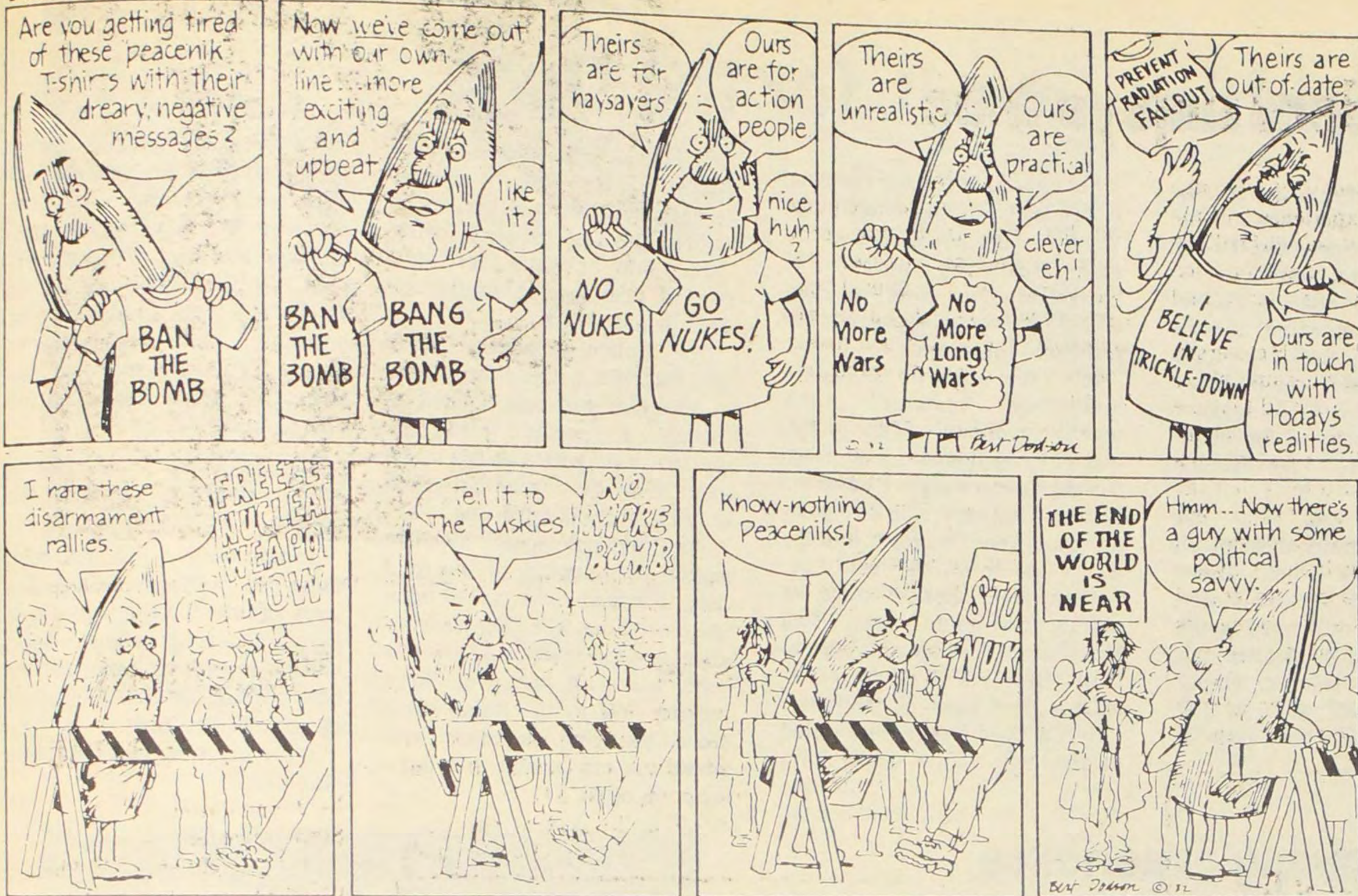
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Mistakes and penalties lose it for the Dogs

by Kevin Burton
Staff Reporter

For the Kansas Wesleyan Coyotes, Christmas came three months early this year. Their gift, wrapped in penalties and turnovers, was a 14-13 victory over McPherson.

"We beat ourselves more than Kansas Wesleyan beat us," said a frustrated coach Dave Cripe. "We outplayed them, beat them up and down the field. We just made too many mistakes and gave them the game."

Ironically, the clearly superior Bulldogs lost to K.W. by the same score as last year's troubled squad. The loss dropped McPherson to 2-1 in the KCAC.

The story of this game was McPherson mistakes, and the

plot was established early. The game was less than a minute old when the Bulldogs turned the ball over for the first time.

Later in the quarter, Robert Taylor was intercepted, and the Coyotes ran the ball back for a touchdown. And so the Bulldogs, having limited K.W. to negative ten yards in offense during the first quarter, nevertheless trailed 7-0.

McPherson got on the scoreboard midway through the second quarter when Taylor threw 40 yards to Scott Green. The Bulldogs attempted points after instead of point after, and unfortunately came up empty. That missed PAT, as is so often the case, would come back to haunt the 'Dogs.

An attempt to grab the lead before half fell short, with Jim Yockey's 49-yard field-goal attempt. Before the teams went to the locker room however, Billy O'Neil intercepted a pass for the fifth time this season.

In the third quarter, McPherson continued their tentative dominance of the game, and with less than a minute to go Gerald Henderson gave them the lead on a six-yard run. The point after was good this time, and the 'Dogs took their first lead, 13-7.

Then Mac showed signs of putting the game away. Two plays after Henderson's touchdown, DeWayne Jackson picked off his first pass of the year. Later, a Coyote fake punt failed to get them a first down. With

just under eight minutes to go, Kansas Wesleyan had an interception called back because of a penalty. The Bulldogs drove deep into Coyote territory, earning first and goal on the six. Then it happened.

The Bulldog express, which was staggering under the weight of offensive mistakes, looked as though it would persevere anyway, until with 6:45 left in the game K.W. recovered a fumble on their own six-yard line.

The Bulldog defense, which has logged the majority of the field time this year, was called upon one more time. The Coyotes were given one too many chances this time, and with just over three minutes left in the game, they scored the tying touchdown, and added the conversion that gave them the lead.

McPherson's running offense isn't at its best in a two-minute situation, even when it has three minutes. The Coyote defenders, knowing McPherson had to pass, teed off, first knocking Robert Taylor out of the game and then hounding his replacement, Randy Tucker, into an interception which sewed up the Coyote upset.

The Bulldogs are playing vastly improved football this season.

Tomorrow's homecoming clash pits the Tabor College Blue Jays against the Bulldogs. Coach Cripe expects his defensive backs will be tested, as Tabor has the best passing offense McPherson has faced thus far.

Two o'clock is game time at the stadium.

Volleyball team keeps gaining experience

by Carolyn Brossman
Staff Reporter

The Lucky Lady Reds would like to extend a very special THANKS to the Powerful Fanny Volleyball Team for all of their help in scrimmaging the ladies on Friday of every week.

The Fanny Volleyball Team has done a great deal of help for the Lady Reds in finding the time and being considerate enough to play the Lady Reds and help them gain some valuable experience, on and off the court.

The Lady Reds have two tough tournaments coming up on Tuesday, October 4, and Thursday, October 6.

The first tournament will be against Tabor College and Friends College played in Wichita.

The second tournament will be held at McPherson against Bethel College, St. Mary's College and Kansas Wesleyan College.

These tournaments will be hard, but with the support of the fans and with the support of the other team members, the Lady Reds should do real well.

With a month already past, here are a few of the team

members comments. Valecia Kelly, the only returning senior, states, "We have a great team if we use our potential."

From off the court comes the comment from Charlene Zerger, the Lady Reds' manager, "We have a lot of talent this year and will do well in conference play."

From on the court is Peggy Sanders, a varsity setter, who thinks, "As conference draws near we are working out mental

mistakes that we have made these last few weeks."

Millie Alexander, fresh., states, "The team has great possibilities as far as skills and fundamentals, but they have to work and get along together to make it."

With the Lady Reds in fine shape they are doing real well and will keep giving it their all as long as they have support and games.

Crossing country

by Tim Crouse
Staff Reporter

Lincoln: Abraham, big car, function of cracked cups and destination of some baggy-eyed runners as they left at 4:30 a.m. two weeks ago.

On Saturday, September 24 the McPherson College cross country team traveled to Nebraska to compete in the game of rapid and persistent foot placement, more commonly known as distance running.

It was warm and windy this morning when the multi-colleged

runners raced on the course overlooking the capitol building of Nebraska.

The 52 females were first to race, with Deb Hayes representing McPherson. Hayes placed 13th with a three mile time of 22:36. Lela Ball, facing the frustration of knee problems, wasn't able to run.

The males had the good fortune of touring not only three but five miles of the Nebraskan hills. Roy Grosbach was the quickest Bulldog with a personally satisfying time of 28:22, placing him 58th out of 100. Kevin Miller placed 75th in 29:30, while Todd Ritcha finished with a time of 31:26, placing 91st.

A week later, October 1, the team went to Emporia State University, this time leaving at the late hour of 8:00 a.m.

The course was rather rough, with dense forests, deep ditches and all that makes for a barbaric runner's dream (at least that's how it appeared to one weary participant.)

Once again the bad knee kept Ball out of the race, but Hayes ran very well, placing third of 21 in 20:37.

Grosbach was able to climb out of ditches quick enough for 13th place, running 28:37. Miller plugged out a 30:38 for 35th and Ritcha found the finish in 32:09, placing 49th. There were 55 men competing.

Bethany: Quite a pun-proof word and host of October 7's cross country meet in which McPherson College's runners will be running.



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