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## Seniors to speak at graduation

Vicky Maxon/Spectator

Tradition at McPherson College has dictated that a farewell address is given by the senior class president at graduation.

After an anonymous letter criticizing the selection process of the speaker was published in the Spectator, this year's senior class president, Jim Dechand (Topeka), called a meeting to discuss the issue.

The result of the meeting was the election of a committee to take the proposal of an alternate or additional commencement speaker

to the administration.

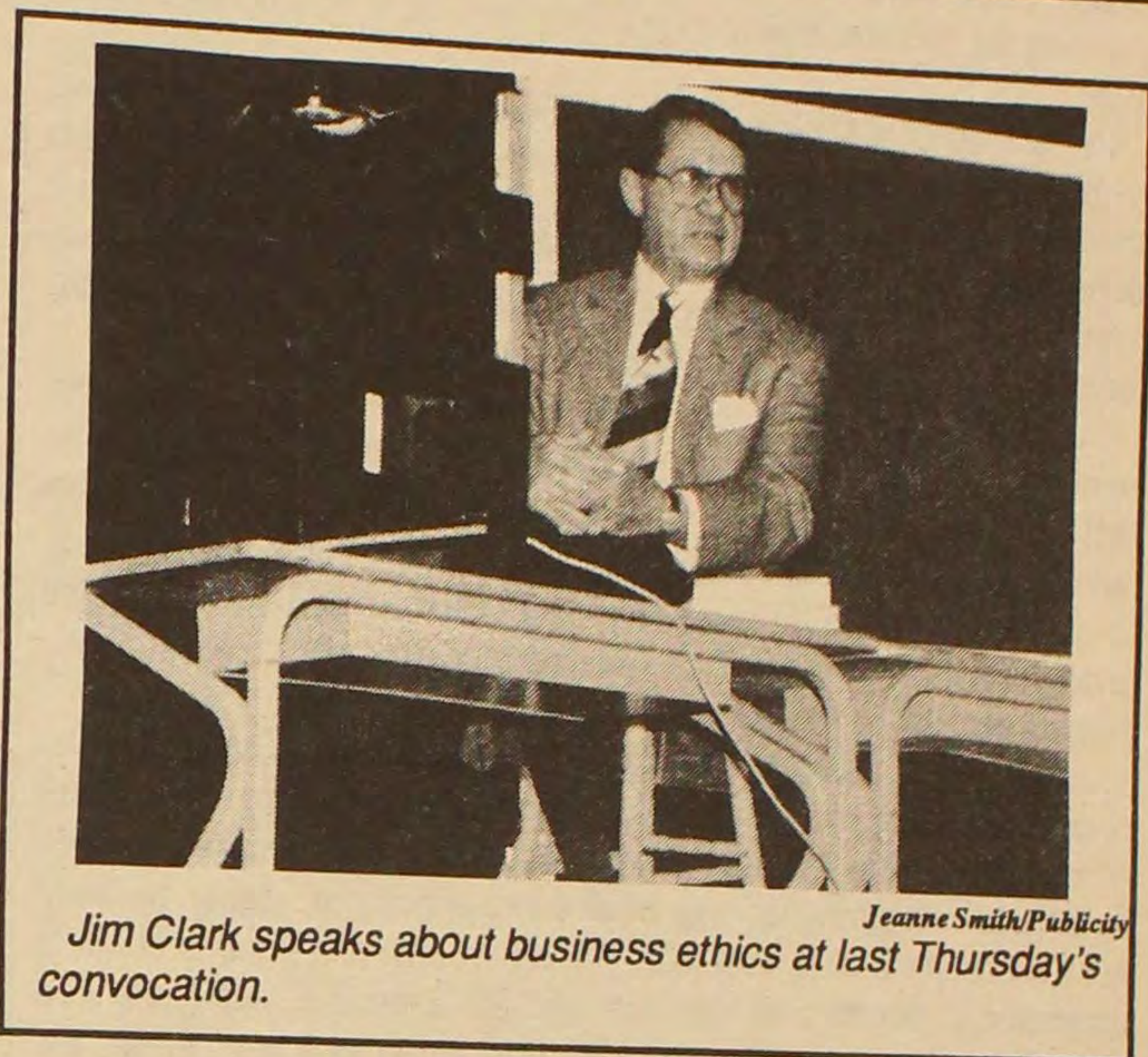
Marlene Duran (Pueblo, Colo), class Vice President Debi Engweiler (Haven), Anne Kletchka (Lawrence), and Ann Nelson (Rocky Ford, Colo) took their ideas to Dale Goldsmith, Vice President for Academic Services.

He discussed it with President Paul Hoffman, and it was decided to allow two commencement speakers representing the senior class, one being the class president, the other to be decided upon by the seniors.

Auditions for the other speaker

will be held Tuesday, May 1, in the Private Dining room at 7p.m. The deadline for submission of candidate's names to Raymond Flagg, senior class sponsor, is Friday, April 27.

It has yet to be decided who will judge the candidates. Dechand commented, "It's a little late now to be arriving at this, but I understand the seniors' concern." Kletchka said, "Several people were not aware that the class president was to give the commencement address. I appreciate the administration working with us."



Jim Clark speaks about business ethics at last Thursday's convocation. *Jeanne Smith/Publicity*

## Out for blood: McPherson Circle-K'ers to sponsor blood drive

Lisa Lauver/Spectator

"Make someone's ever livin' day. GIVE BLOOD!" said Angela Wallick (sr., Tulsa, Okla), president of Circle-K. The service organization's goal this year is to obtain 80 pints of blood, though they would like to surpass it.

"In order to obtain our goal of 80 units, it is essential to have at least 100 people with appointments," said Wallick. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Glenn Gayer, faculty sponsor for Circle-K, said: "This is our big-

gest service project and we would like to see the blood drive reach its goal." For the past decade Circle-K has sponsored the McPherson College Bloodmobile twice a year.

The bloodmobile will be stationed in Friendship Hall from 12-4:30 April 25. Those directly involved with the drive want to stress participation of students, faculty and staff alike. Especially needed are those with type "O" blood, for that type is the most commonly used blood among hospitals.

Marcia Williams, school nurse and chairwoman of the drive, said, "It is extremely important for us to give blood in the Sunflower Red Cross area.

The college works through the Wichita Regional Red Cross. This area has a population of two million and includes 100 counties that stretch from central Kansas to northern Oklahoma.

Every day the Wichita Regional office must collect 366 units of blood just to meet the demands of the area hospitals. There is always a need for blood. Less than four

per cent of the population gives blood each year, as opposed to the more than six per cent needed for transfusions annually.

Other groups on and off campus help Circle-K with the preparations and supply workers for the blood mobile.

Brethren Identity Group, the Kiwanis Club, Oasis, and local churches all contribute.

"It would be a delight to those who have worked with the blood drive . . . to end the year with a successful project," said Gayer.

Anita Mast (jr., Hesston), a

Circle-K member, believes people have misconceptions about giving blood: "I don't think that giving blood is very painful and I dislike pain very much. Plus giving blood saves people's lives." For every one pint given four people are helped.

Eligible blood donors must weigh at least 110 and be healthy. Six weeks must have passed since a person's last donation.

People who do not want to give blood can always help in other capacities.



Dave Valeta/Guest

Choir members Jay Dell, Shannon Hull, Donia Burris, Penny Huffman, Leann Johnson, and Troy Unruh pose with a statue while on Spring Tour.

## Brethren birthplace first on the list

Konni Nanninga/Spectator

The members of the McPherson College Choir are busily preparing for the coming summer and their trip to Europe. Various fundraisers have been held throughout this year, the most recent one being the sale of cookies on Valentine's Day. The choir's other big money maker, coordinated by Choir Director Prof. Katherine Baker, is their ongoing collection of aluminum cans.

The tour will include stops in West Germany, East Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. It will begin with a visit to the birthplace of the Brethren Church, in Schwarzenau, West Germany. "We do this every trip," said Dr.

Jan Van Asselt, professor of German and Linguistics, who organizes the tour every year. The choir will sing with the local community choir about which Van Asselt said: "They are incredible, and they receive us every time we come around."

Choir members Penny Huffman (soph., Quinter) and DeeAnn German (jr., Fort Scott) can't stand the anticipation. Said Huffman, "I am so excited about going -- I won't believe it until I see it!" German added, "The idea of going to Europe is exciting." The group has made new dresses especially for this trip.

The last choir tour to Europe was in 1985. Besides getting some time off for sightseeing purposes, the choir will be "singing in public

auditoriums, churches, and schools," said Van Asselt. The professor made all the travel arrangements for the tour, including stays with local host families. He will travel with the choir.

"People always want to know if we are going to my hometown," said Van Asselt, and this trip will include a stay in Vorden, the Netherlands, where he was born. There will also be first-time stops in Leipzig, West Germany, and in Austria, where the group will be hosted by the local Trachtenkapelle, or traditionally costumed singers.

Expressing her opinion of the upcoming trip, DeeAnn German said, "I hope the other Germans are ready for us!"

## Who knows

What about those Lithuanians? They're a crazy bunch of people, aren't they? Can you imagine a little country like that daring to stand up to the whole Soviet Union? Or how about those Chinese students that stood up to their government last year, now they were a crazy bunch. And what about those Palestinians? They just keep on fighting the Israelis, trying to get their land back; talk about dedication.

I'm in a bit of a dilemma. I see the people around the world daring to believe in something, daring to follow a dream that transcends themselves. Then I look at the people around me and I become depressed. Whether I agree or not with the various causes of all these groups doesn't matter to me at this point; I'm just impressed with anyone that believes in something.

Our parents seemed to believe in something. My father joined the Army at the age of 20 so that he could go fight for something that he believed in. I don't agree with his cause, but I will respect him eternally for having the courage to die for something he believed in. I also respect those who burned their draft cards. They had the courage to defy a government that believed differently than them. Most of our parents probably fell into one of these categories.

Do you think that if something occurred today we would have the courage to follow our beliefs? Maybe that's the problem: nothing that would test us has happened; everything is too perfect for us. We believe in everything George Bush and company are doing, so there is no reason to bother with that. The environment is good, so there's no reason to act on that. The poor and the homeless, well, they're a minority so there's no need to be too concerned with them either. Or maybe the problem is that we don't care enough to see beyond ourselves.

For a while I let myself believe that everything was so good here that I didn't really have a chance to believe in anything. Then I went abroad. I met people my own age, from other countries, who were living in conditions as comfortable as our own and they had beliefs that transcended themselves. More than that, they acted on those beliefs.

I don't think a day went by while I was in Spain when I wasn't handed some pamphlet, or didn't see people marching in the street, or a rally of some kind. Most of the people doing this were students, like us, who acted on their beliefs, unlike us.

I don't know, maybe it is just a phenomenon among McPherson College students. I read in one of the school brochures the other day that "each student at McPherson College is viewed as an individual of infinite worth, dignity and value." Perhaps when you have infinite worth, dignity and value you don't need to act on any belief, because what more could you possibly need? Who knows?

## Seniors

In the last issue of the Spectator (April 2, 1990) a letter to the editor appeared from a "concerned senior." This person objected to having the senior class president as the automatic speaker at graduation. The concerned senior then went on to make suggestions about how the person who will be speaking for the class should be chosen.

This caused a lot of discussion among the seniors. Anne Kletchka and Anne Nelson in particular should be commended. They took the time to make a proposal about how they felt the senior speaker should be chosen and set up a meeting for all seniors to discuss the problem.

Jim Dechand should be congratulated as well. As senior class president he may be losing the opportunity to speak at commencement. Despite this he came to the meeting and cooperated with those who were challenging his position. He handled himself gracefully.

Finally, all of the other seniors that came to the two meetings and let themselves be heard should be congratulated. All of those involved dared to make a stand. That isn't always easy on a small campus because you are forced to see those whom you may be offending. It was refreshing to see a group of people act on something.

---George Gotto

## What a surprise in convocation

Dave O'Dell/Guest

I was surprised by the thought provoking convocation presented by Anya Foos Graber. Her speech was typical of many in "The New Age Movement." This movement ushers a New Age of hope for humanity.

The New Age Movement promotes the following:

1) Each of us is a god--we need to raise ourselves to higher planes of consciousness (awareness);

2) We have lived before and will live again (reincarnation)--she referred to having "several lives in the future";

3) There is no death--she stated death is a process started at birth;

4) "There are as many 'realities' as there are people."

Shirley MacLaine and John Naisbitta are two well known "New Agers." Ms. MacLaine has had several out-of-the-body experiences, contact with extraterrestrials, and "trance channeling" with spiritual beings. The speaker referred to contacting and conversing with a "dead" friend Andy.

The New Age Movement draws its beliefs from "Eastern and pagan religions, occultism, psychology, quantum physics, etc."

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These followers expect a quantum leap into a new global age of peace, accord, and truth. They believe humanity, nature, and God are inseparable.

New Age physicist and philosopher Fritjof Capra says that the ultimate state of consciousness is one "in which all boundaries and dualisms have been transcended and all individuality dissolves into universal, undifferentiated oneness."

On the other hand, in Genesis (The Bible), I recall God creating particular things. God separated "the light from darkness, the day from night, the earth from the sky, and land from water." He created plants and animals in various kinds. Lastly, He created humans. Creation is very diversified.

The speaker believes that God is not a personal being but rather some kind of impersonal energy or consciousness as in Hinduism or

Taoism.

C.S. Lewis said, "But God created: He caused things to be other than himself."

God is not some mysterious impersonal force but a living, holy being. "He is the great 'I am,' not the great 'It is'."

"The raising of consciousness may come as a result of meditation, drugs, yoga, biofeedback, visualization or other "psychotechnologies"--per Marilyn Ferguson. New Age seminars are called Forum, Lifespring or Silva Mind Control commercially. The speaker used terms such as cosmic consciousness, self-realization, enlightenment, and illumination to describe the raising of your awareness to higher levels.

Shirley MacLaine ponders, "Maybe... everything is real. Perhaps, as philosophers and even some scientists have claimed, reality is only what one perceived it to be." Guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh says, "The intellect always misunderstands. It is not that intellect sometimes errs; it is that intellect is the error."

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According to Douglas Groothuis then "his statement is self-refuting; if his intellect always errs, then his statement is false because

it was uttered by the intellect!"

Read Acts 19:13-16, which warns of these separate "spiritual dimensions."

Also, please read John 14:6 in which Jesus Christ says, "the way and the truth and the life" and no one could come to God (Father) except through Him.

This New Age is focused on Humanity rather than on the plan of salvation and becoming more Christlike.

The New Age repeats an ancient lie: "The notion that we can find life and salvation within ourselves, apart from the One True God." This same temptation by Satan to Adam and Eve approaches YOU this day.

Which will it be, New Age (centrality on humanity) or Christ (focused on a living, one true GOD!).

You make the decision. I pray it is for Christ. Leave the New Age alone. It is dangerous and eternally threatening. Read 1 John 4:1. I urge you who do believe in New Age to "test the spirits" to see if they are from God. They will fail the test.

Please don't look at David O'Dell. I know I am not what Christ wants me to be yet. But, I know I love Christ and desire to follow Him more than anything else in the world. I have experienced New Age in my life and have read many books on it. It is poison! Don't lose your soul to it but accept Christ as your Lord and Saviour TODAY!

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Perspective

# Biological Discrimination

Mark Dooley/Spectator

Imagine a society where left-handed people are ostracized. Or fired from their jobs, or beaten, even killed because of their orientation. And rejected by churches, accepted conditionally by Christians expecting them to change or refrain from left-handed activities. Imagine people with red hair condemned and scapegoated, for no other reason besides their biology.

The percentage of people born left-handed, or with red hair, is roughly equal to those born with dominant homosexual tendencies. American society ("the land of the free") discriminates against these citizens. Corporations refuse to hire them, churches refuse to ordain them, fundamentalists often condemn them, while those Christians considering themselves more liberal (the Brethren Church included) simply patronize homosexual men and women by citing options of reorientation or celibacy.

Homosexuals are blamed primarily for the spread of AIDS, while the government is reluctant to deviate from this scapegoating by mobilizing necessary funds to increase research and supply drugs to stop the suffering, not only of homosexuals and intravenous drug users, but of heterosexuals, of mothers, of children and infants.

## "Who would choose to be cast out of family, church, and social circles?"

"But homosexuality is wrong... they choose to be that way... it's a sin..." My question is, who would really choose to be a member of perhaps the most ignored, rejected, and scapegoated minority in American society today? Who would choose to be cast out of family, church, and social circles? Who would choose to watch their lover stabbed to death by a street gang killing "fags" for initiation? Who would choose to agonize over a society ready only to accept unconditionally those born white, male, and "straight"?

The Bible mentions homosexuality. So did Jesus. Jesus condemned rituals of arsenokoitia, or sodomy, believed to consist of orgiastic (and homosexual) dances of men, which ended in self-castration. In

the passage of Leviticus, which speaks out against homosexuality (only between men), other things are also prohibited. Among these are eating pork and shellfish, planting two kinds of seeds in one field, trimming the edges of a man's beard, and wearing garments of two kinds of material. Other statutes here advocate execution of children who curse their parents, and propose that a woman be bound to marry any man who rapes her.

The Brethren church has a response to homosexuality (in the Annual Conference Statement on Human Sexuality). It's kind of a 3-option plan: 1) celibacy, 2) "conversion to a heterosexual orientation," 3) covenantal relationships (between homosexuals).

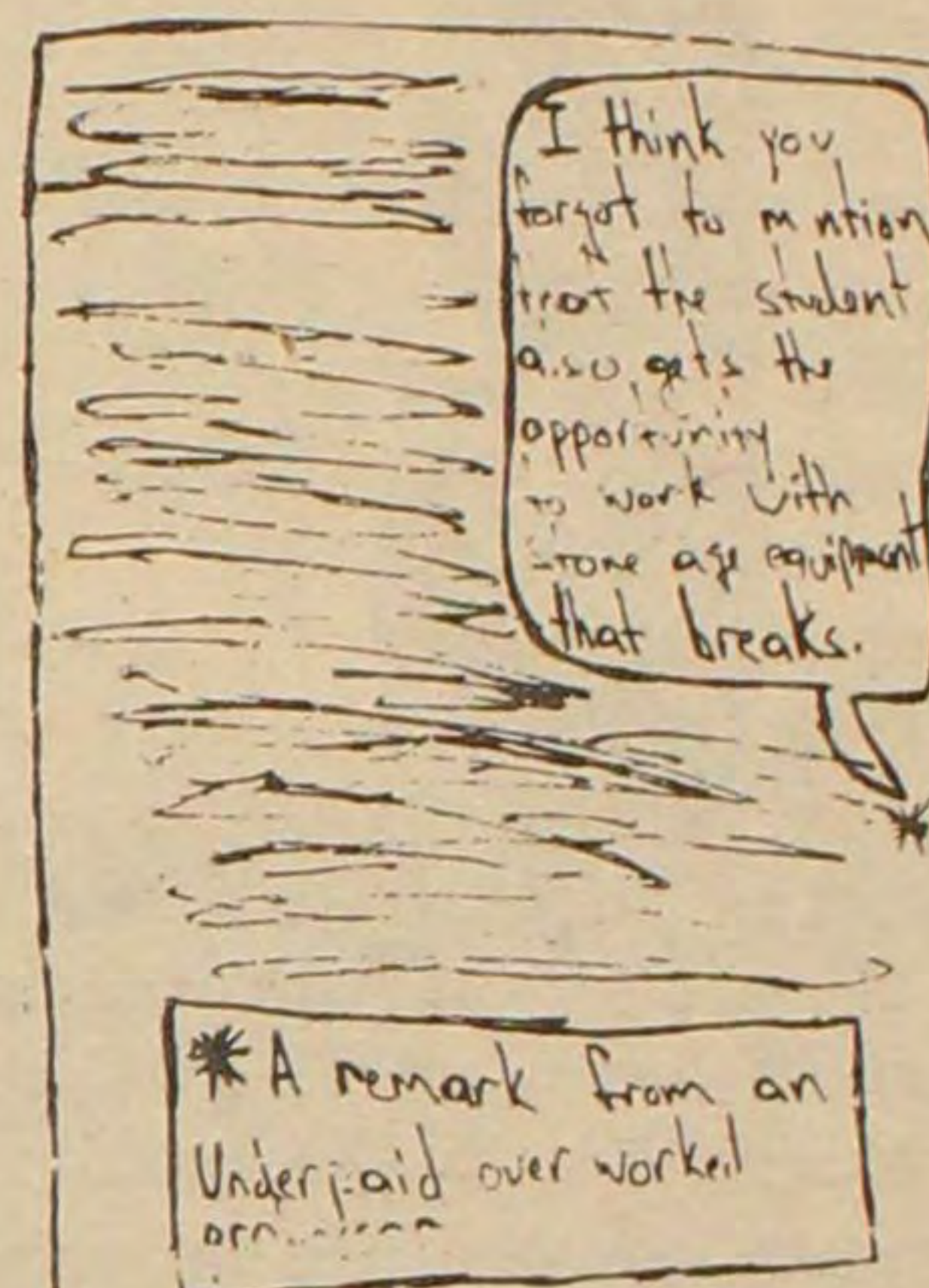
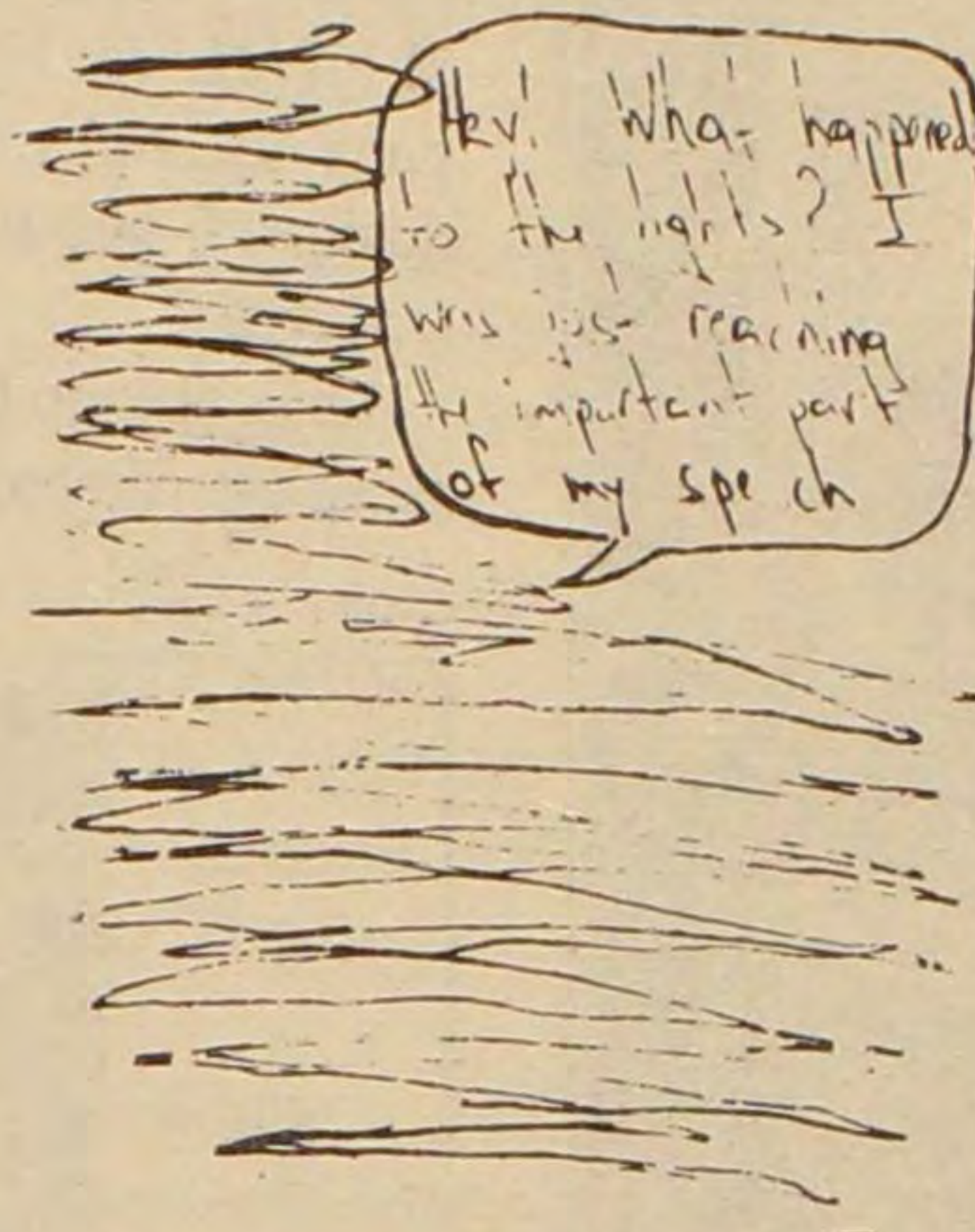
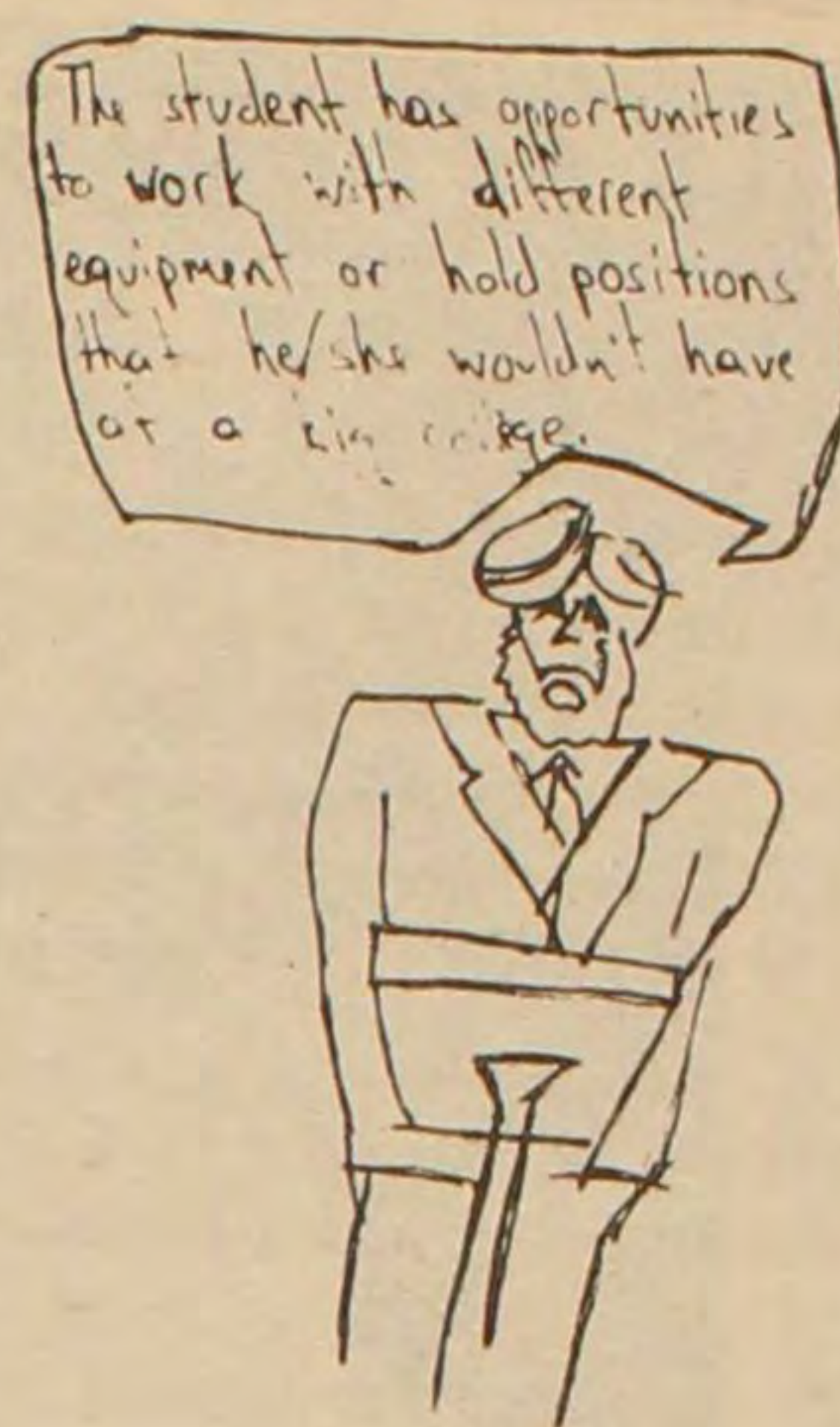
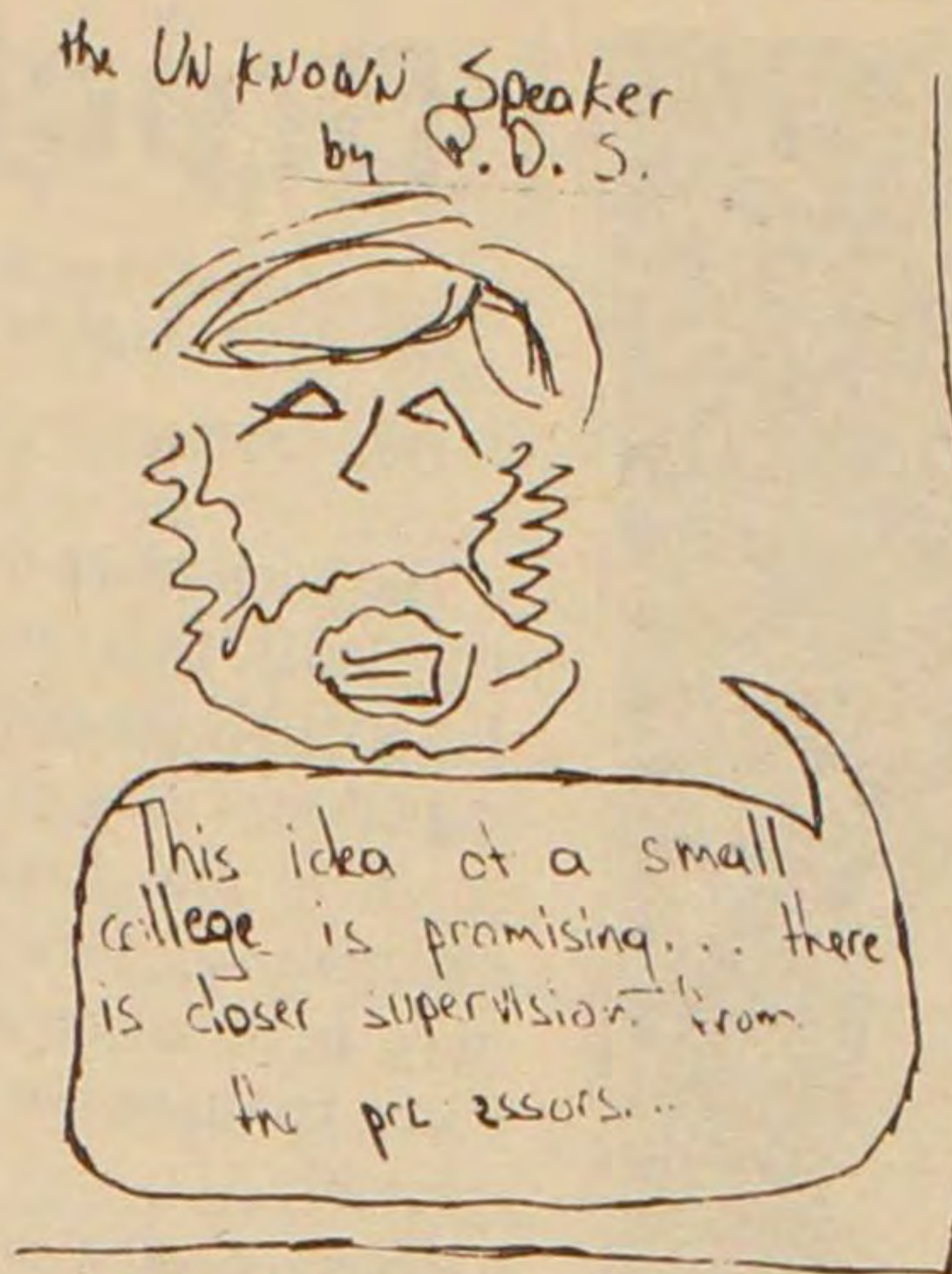
## "So when did Christianity become conditional?"

But there's one catch... number 3 doesn't really count, because "in the church's search for a Christian understanding of human sexuality, this alternative is not acceptable."

So when did Christianity become conditional? On what basis is the right to decide which aspects of a person's biology are "acceptable"? I met a graduate of Bethany Seminary who was refused ordainment by the Brethren church, because he is gay. I wonder if this would make him less sensitive to the spiritual needs of others, or if it would make him a less capable minister, preacher, or scholar? I know a girl whose family disowned her sister, because she is a lesbian. Does that make her less of a daughter, a sister, or a woman?

## "Am I of less value in society as a member of the left-handed minority?"

We all must ask ourselves, and those around us, these kinds of questions. Am I of less value in society as a member of the left-handed minority? Should I treat my red-haired friends with a little bit less respect? Is a lesbian or gay person of any less value as a co-worker, relative, friend, church member, parent, teacher, politician, or as a person, than any other member of humanity who lives as they are and feel, biologically, emotionally, and spiritually?



\*A remark from an Underpaid overworked arranger

## Letter

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to the letter printed in the last edition of the Spectator. I, as the President of the Senior Class, believe that I was treated extremely unfairly in that letter.

For the concerned student's information, I feel that I am highly qualified for my position. I was the vice-president of the class for both my sophomore and junior years, have been a member of the student council, the Campus Life Board, Metzler Dorm Council, and the Religious Life Committee.

I also feel that I am a pretty good representative of the students on this campus. I have been a resident assistant for three years in Metzler Hall and I am currently the Head Resident Assistant for the hall. I am a member of Who's Who Among American Students, which means I was chosen by the faculty of this college as one of the senior class's outstanding students. I have a grade point average above 3.9 and have been accepted to the Kansas State University School of Veterinary Medicine. I also recently presented my senior research paper at Kansas State University as a representative of the science department.

Do you, concerned student, have such credentials? I thought not. As far as my speaking ability goes I will admit that I am no Ronald Reagan. However, Professor Rick

Tyler did give me an "A" in public speaking. I also had a bit of experience in speaking when I gave my presentation at K-State, which, by the way, was pretty good, you should have been there, concerned student.

I also might point out that I was fairly elected by the senior class members that bothered to show up for class elections that were announced at convocations. Did you bother to show up for these elections, concerned student? I thought not.

As for my commencement responsibilities, I might say that you, concerned student, don't know the half of what those responsibilities are and that you also don't know that they are shared with the three seniors who make up the rest of the officers of the class.

Did you know that one of my responsibilities was to get flowers and ushers for last year's ceremony as well as marshall in last year's graduating class? No?

Did you know that the invitations were designed by the officers of this class and that much of the credit for the ones that we got goes to Karen Winter? I also might add that they turned out quite nicely.

The officers of the class also were in charge of cap and gown measurements taken at enrollment. You surely noticed us then, didn't you, concerned student?

I also took one morning away from my spring break last week to

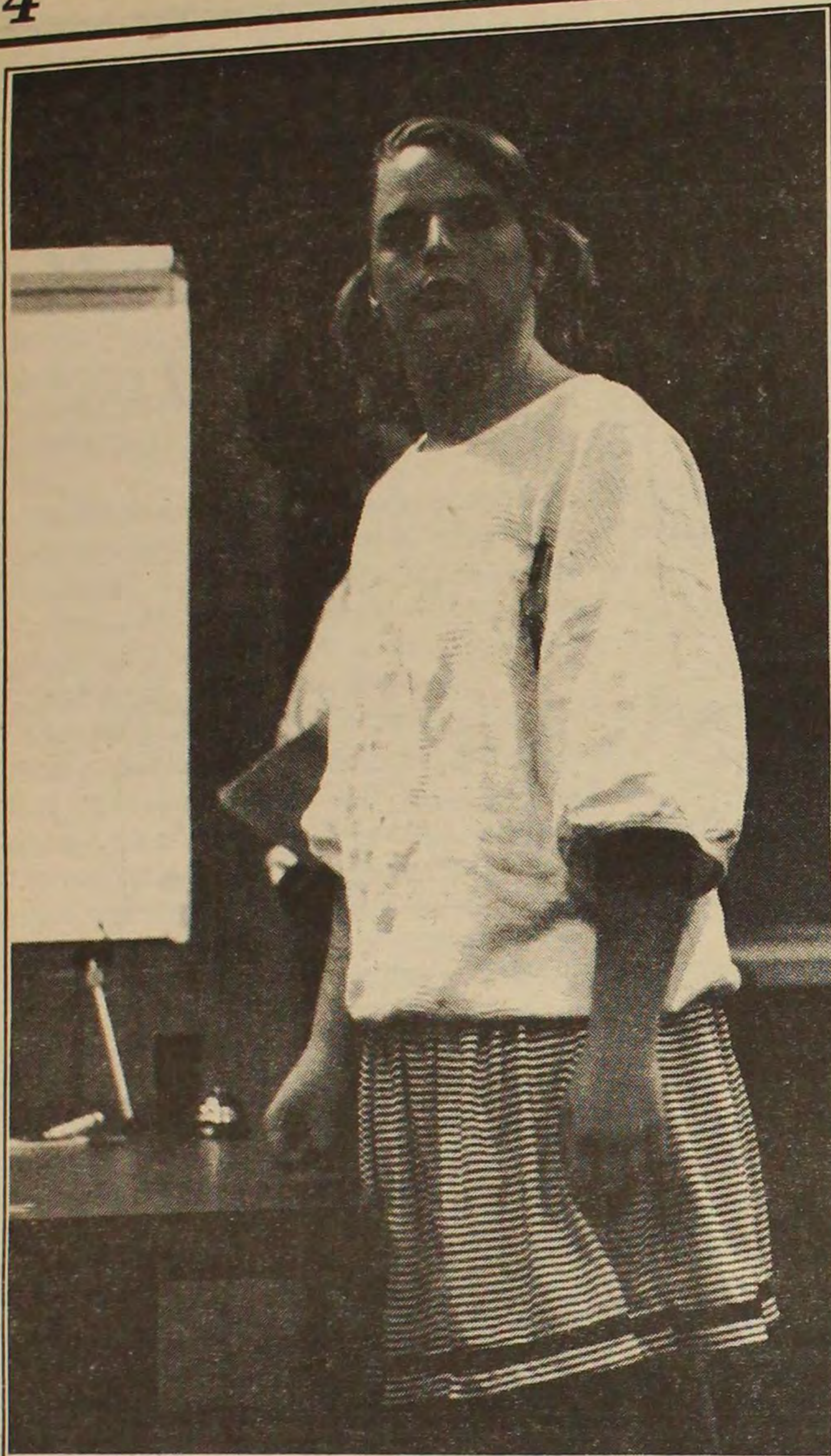
meet with Dr. Goldsmith and set up the commencement ceremony. I have also been actively seeking a known speaker for the ceremony since last July, as well as getting other necessary participants for the ceremony. Were you aware of these things, concerned Student?

As for my commencement address, that will be an honor for me and trust me, concerned student, I will try not to embarrass you. As for your idea on how the officers should be chosen, I don't think it is fair to have the senior class president chosen by anyone but the students that he or she represents, the senior class. Had you bothered to take time to come to class elections, you might have had a hand in who the class president was for your class. As it stands, you let someone else make the decision for you and this time you were lucky and a good selection was made. The next time you have the chance to vote on something, concerned student, try showing up to vote, you may not be so lucky next time.

P.S. Pen names belong in Dear Abbey's column, to people who are afraid of what others might think of them. Have pride in your work, concerned student, and always sign your work so people know that you did it; I do.

Sincerely,

Jim Dechand



Anne Kletchka/Spectator

As a participant in the Family Fued game sponsored by Residence Life, William Crago exhibits a new look.

## Plant invades theatre

Lisa Lauver/Spectator

Just when you thought it was safe to enter Brown Auditorium, here comes Audrey II, the life-size, man-eating plant in the musical *Little Shop of Horrors*. The show will be performed April 27 and 28 and May 4 and 5 at 8 p.m.

Music Director Katherine Baker said, "This is a high energy, fast-paced production." The show is basically a spoof about the 1960s, the musical groups of that time, and science fiction movies.

Stephanie Stephens, who plays Crystal, more often referred to as a doo-wop, said that it has been a challenge to recreate the movement and style of groups like the Supremes because she does not know much about girl groups of the 60s.

Everyone seems excited about presenting *Little Shop of Horrors*, and students have pulled together to fulfill all the technical nightmares that need to be com-

pleted, such as constructing four different stages of the Audrey II plant.

Because of the diversity among students involved with the production, the theatre department has been able to use the expertise of other departments on campus to help make construction go smoother.

Rick Tyler, director, said, "With the combination of technical challenges, acting, and music, *Little Shop of Horrors* is one of the more enjoyable shows we've done in a long time."

"The last two weeks of building and rehearsals have been very exciting and educational," said Shane Kirchner, who plays Mushnik. "With all the hard work that has gone into *Little Shop*, I predict it will be a great success."

Admission to *Little Shop of Horrors* is free to all students, faculty, and staff. Come see see for yourself what a man-eating plant really looks like.

## Brochures attract students

Melissa Holderreed/Spectator

The admissions department has decided that it is time for a change. For roughly the past ten years the department has been using the same format for promotional materials and view books. These have been adapted through the years, but have not changed considerably.

Recently, admissions hired an outside firm to design promotional brochures. Stamates is a company located in Iowa which has designed publications for many colleges.

According to Cindy Kinnamon, assistant director of admissions,

Stamates is experienced in knowing what to look for and knowing what to ask students when they are gathering information for the brochures.

Jeanne Smith, director of publicity, said, "Many colleges have nice materials. It is important to present ourselves in a fair way and to stay competitive."

One of Stamates' first assignments was to design search pieces. The search pieces are being sent out to nearly 15,000 high school juniors. Kinnamon hopes that this new promotional idea will elicit inquiry.

The search packets include four 7 X 5 inch view cards and a reply card. The view cards portray campus scenes and describe different aspects of campus life.

Stamates will also be publishing departmental brochures and view books. They have involved campus students by interviewing them and getting opinions. Some students have posed for pictures which will appear in these publications.

Out of the three companies invited to make presentations, Stamates cared the most about what the prospective students and present students thought, said Smith. "I appreciated how Stamates dealt with the students and staff to reflect an authentic view of the college," she said.

"I think Stamates has shown a sincere interest in our specific needs," said Kinnamon. "They have been flexible and easy to work with."



Anne Kletchka/Spectator

Tracy Barrett and Wendy Frankenbery display the wedding dresses which were designed for them at a bridal shower.

## Engagements blossom

Konni Nanninga/Spectator

Spring . . . a time for flowers, green grass, suntans, and fresh air. Along with spring also comes engagements, or so seems to be the case at McPherson College.

Since the first hints of spring, there has been news of campus couples who have gotten engaged.

Some students feel that the atmosphere is romantic, but are concerned about the age of their peers and the commitment that they are taking.

Some disagree.

"I think if they are ready for it," freshman Margaret Van Goethem said, "then they should go for it!"

One student commented, "It's nice to see someone making a commitment for once."

Sophomore Cindy Anderson-

Ewy met her husband, Robert ('89), the first week she attended McPherson. Robert proposed to Cindy at Homecoming and, by Thanksgiving, she had her ring.

"The first month was a real colorful blue," Anderson-Ewy said. "Everyone wanted to see the ring. I went around looking for people to show the ring to."

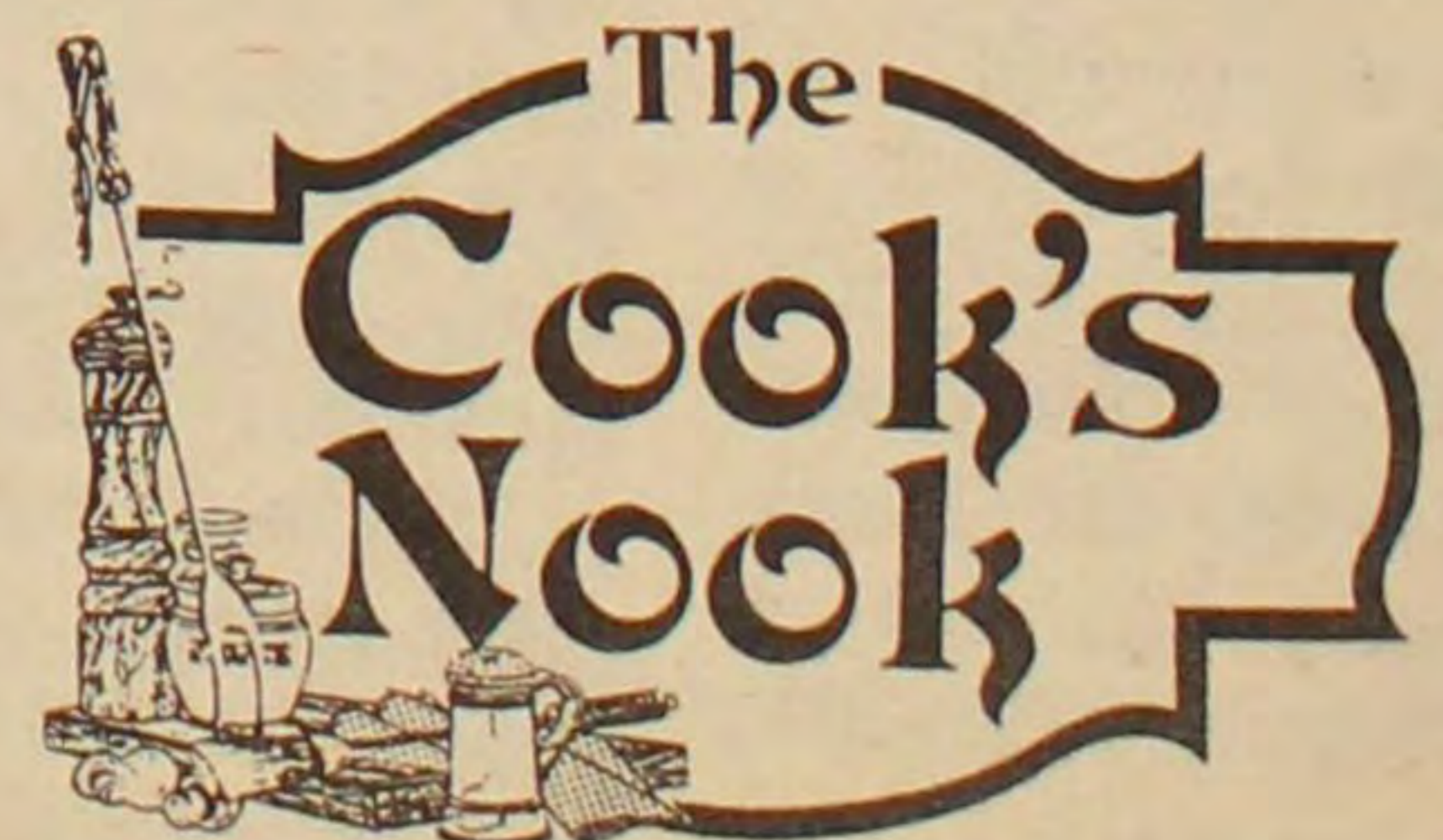
Though she only told one person, the news traveled fast, she said.

Anderson-Ewy said that getting

married was a financial benefit. "As far as going to college, it really helped with the financial aid," she said.

"Being engaged made no difference to us, but it changed the way others perceived us," she said.

"It's strange how many people are getting engaged now," said Anderson-Ewy. "It really brings back memories."



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# 1930 Alumna shares college memories

Anne Kletchka/Spectator

"At the chapel period Thursday morning the upper classmen and faculty witnessed a closer affiliation of the freshmen to McPherson College. The meeting was opened with songs and cheers. . .

"Sufficient pep being aroused, Dean Mohler gave a talk on 'Freshman Loyalty.' He defined loyalty as fidelity to duty, a fidelity measured in terms of one's loyalty to his school, to his class, and to himself."

The above excerpt appeared in a 1926 *Spectator* issue and describes services which were conducted that year to initiate freshmen at McPherson College.

The article is just the beginning of a four-year scrapbook which was recently donated to the college. The owner, Ethel Meyer, attended McPherson from 1926 to 1930. Because of her artistic talents, her memories have been preserved.

Meyer was involved with the Young Woman's Christian Association (Y.M.C.A.). According to Meyer's memoirs, the organization "has a deep significance to the spirit of the school and to each girl who is a member. Through its ideals and teachings, the girls come to know and possess more of the love, friendship, and brotherhood of Jesus Christ."

Students who attended McPherson during the 1920s had rules to follow just as we do today. However, those rules were quite different. They included Official Frosh Rules:

"1) The freshmen shall wear the official cap at all times when social custom permits. . . The above rule means that the caps shall be worn on the head and not in the pocket. This rule applies whether on or off campus. A date does not give you special privileges.

"2) Before each football game, the freshmen shall decorate the goal posts and mark the field.

"3) The freshmen shall sit in one group at the games. No dates al-

lowed. Boys and girls shall sit in separate groups as dictated by the cheerleader.

"4) Attendance to pep meeting is compulsory."

Athletics was an important aspect of college in the 1920s whether students participated in the sports or cheered the teams on to victory. Men's sports included football, basketball, track, tennis, and baseball. Women's sports did not exist.

During the 1928 National Basketball Tournament, the "Kansas conference champions (McPherson) pushed a rival Kansas team off the track in the second afternoon game. The Wichita U. quintet was the one which felt the sting of the McPherson attack. . ."

McPherson Bulldogs were basketball conference champions in 1928 and 1929.

Pep and enthusiasm were strong among the students, as illustrated by a newspaper article published in 1926. Six Bethany College students were captured by McPherson students.

"The visitors had completed a very good job of painting up the city and the McPherson College campus with slogans reflecting the Terrible Swede intentions as to what they expected to do to the Bulldogs in the Thanksgiving Day game," explained the article.

The prisoners were held under guard in a furnace room until the next day when they were forced to remove the vandalism. Also, the captives were the center of a student war-dance.

"For years raiding parties of this kind from the two schools have occurred. This is the first time a capture has been made, and aroused a jubilant spirit."

Junior and senior sneaks were also an important part of college life in the 1920s. Each class chose a day to skip classes and meet elsewhere for a day of relaxation. One year both classes chose the same day, leaving the campus nearly empty.

"The Juniors were the first to desert the campus, reports stating

that they left early last evening for Twin Mounds where they were to spend the night, and this morning continued their trip for 'parts unknown.' At 4:30 o'clock this morning the Seniors, loaded in big trucks, pulled away, their destination, according to reports which however were not confirmed, being the picnic grounds at Halstead."

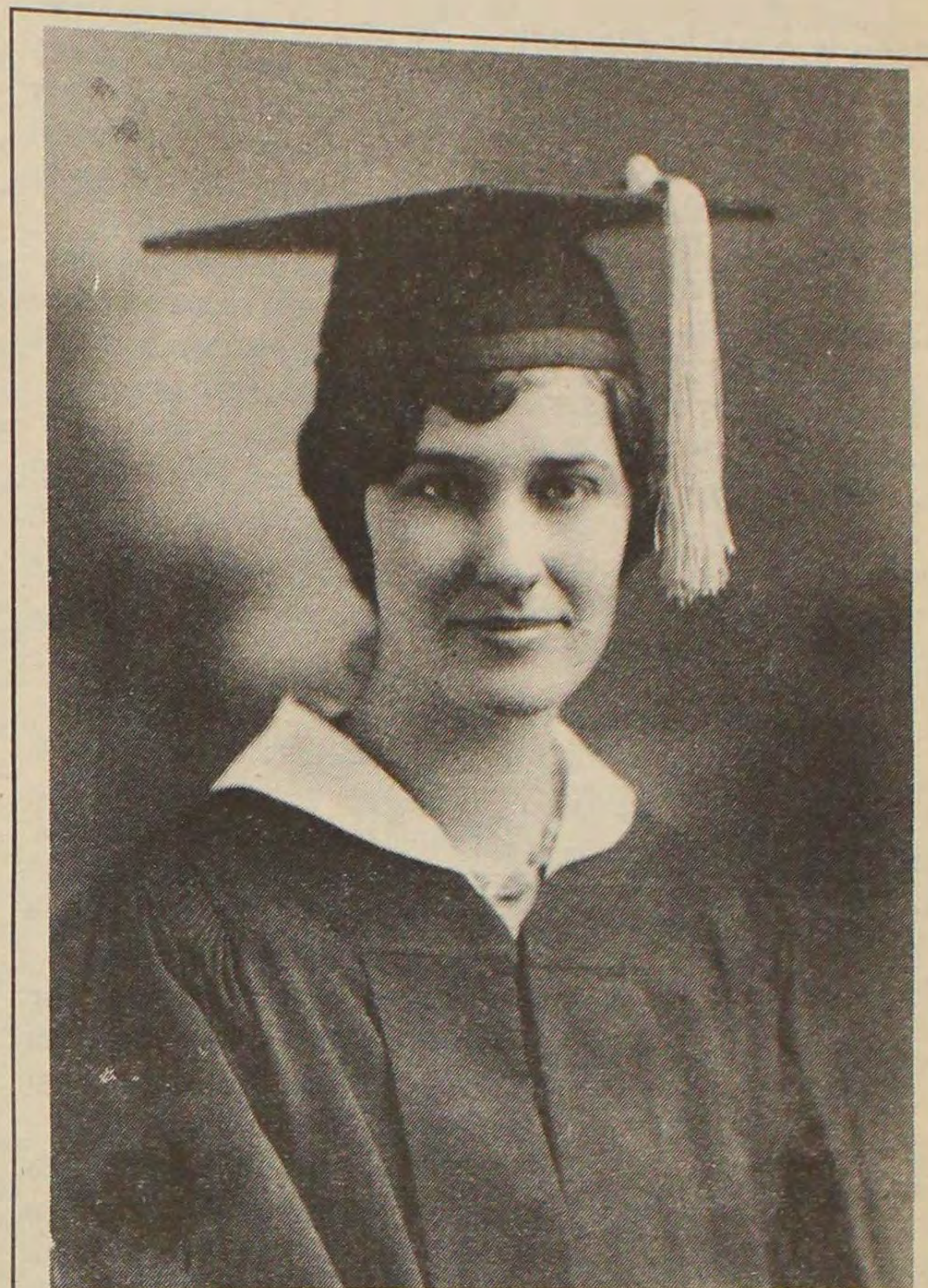
Whether the year is 1930 or 1990, students have created memories which will last a lifetime. Most important, those memories can be shared with other generations.

Ethel Meyer graduated from McPherson College in 1930 with an A.B. degree in English. She was a member of the YWCA, served as a student librarian assistant, and was a honor student.

Meyer lived in Arnold Hall one year, and when her parents moved to McPherson, she lived at home until she graduated.

She has been an accountant all of her working years, and lived at her home in Canton, Kan., until she recently entered a nursing home.

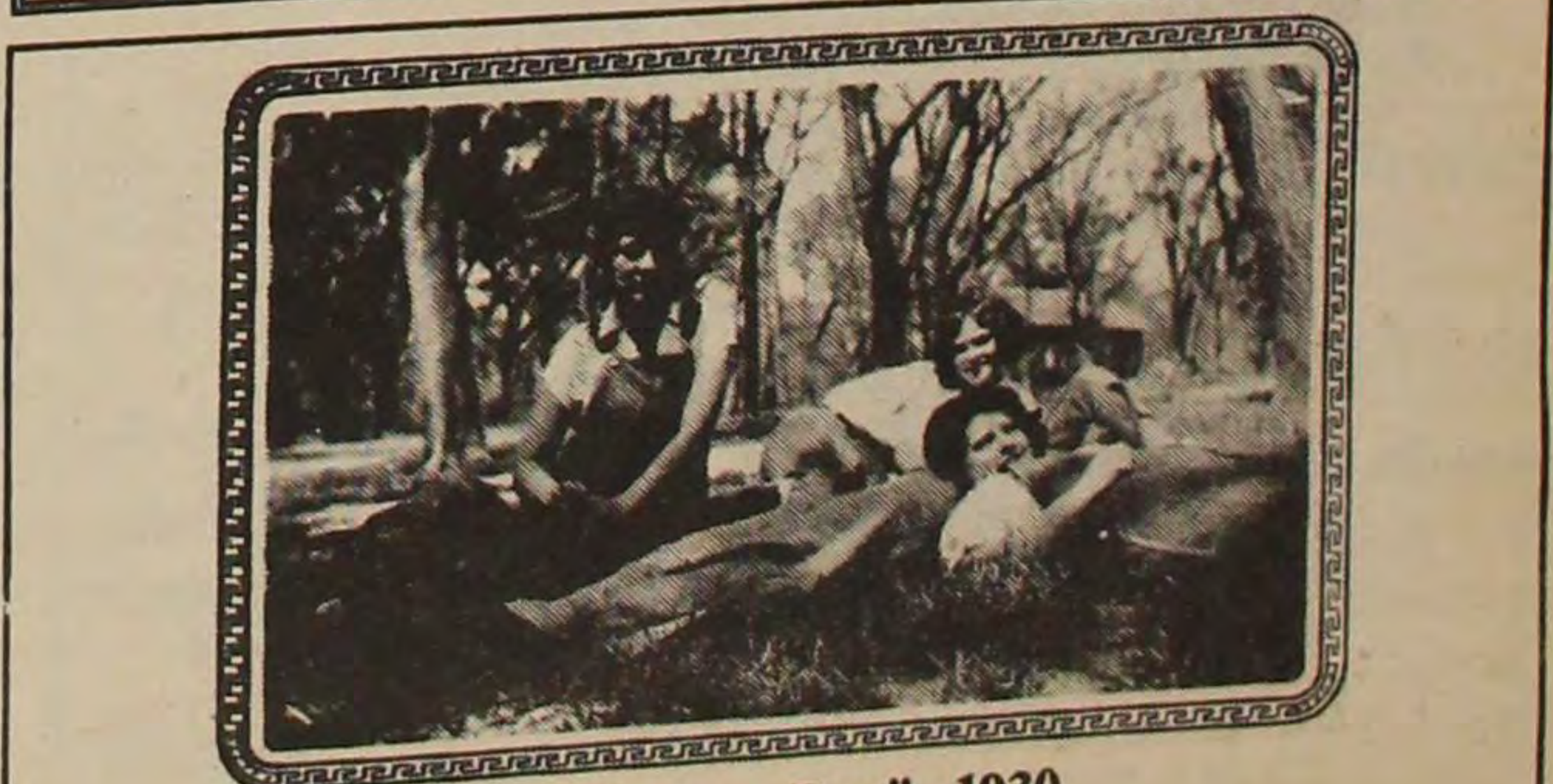
In addition to donating her scrapbook to the college, Meyer also included a four-year collection of the *Spectator*, catalogs, and yearbooks. The items will be placed in Miller Library.



Ethel Meyer, 1930 McPherson College Graduate



"Kitchen Duty"--1930



"A Lazy Day"--1930

### Cheers from The M Club 1926-1927 Growl Book

#### Zikety Boom

Zikety Boom! Raw! Raw!  
Zikety Boom! Raw! Raw!  
Whoraw! Whoraw!  
McPherson College  
Raw! Raw! Raw!

#### Fire Works

Sh - h - h Boom! Ah!  
McPherson!  
Hit 'em high!  
Hit 'em low!  
Bulldogs  
Let's Go!

#### Locomotive

U - Rah, Rah, Rah!  
M - C M - C (slow)  
U - Rah, Rah, Rah!  
M - C M - C (fast)  
U - Rah, Rah, Rah!  
M - C M - C (faster)  
U - Rah, Rah, Rah!  
M - C M - C (very fast)  
Yea!



"Senior Kid Day"--1930

# Payment of college athletes causes stir

**Editor's note:** In the last issue of the Spectator I wrote an editorial giving my opinion about the need for collegiate athletes at division I levels to receive payment. The following are two responses to that editorial and that idea. The Spectator always appreciates responses from its readers and encourages them to write in and tell us their thoughts on issues we feel are important. I would like to take this opportunity to thank both of these individuals for their interest.

Jason Pendleton/Guest

Brent Zamora's article about division I athletes deserving small amounts of money from their respective schools was very interesting to me.

Previous to McPherson College I attended and played division I football for San Jose State University.

While I was in San Jose I was surrounded, as were my teammates, with considerable amounts of pressure, and, contrary to popular opinion it was not just in games but in practice also.

The goal of winning and performing well was not an alternative, but a must. I remember many days when players were kicked off the field because the coach was upset with their play.

Each time a mistake was made the coach would become increasingly mad and his anger would be released on the team.

**"The schools are making big bucks through these athletes, yet the athletes are receiving very little besides tuition."**

Many people say that these things are very small in comparison to a full-ride scholarship.

They say that the athletes should receive nothing but an education for their play, but I disagree.

The schools are making big bucks through these athletes, yet the athletes are receiving very little besides tuition.

For example, while I was at San Jose State, we traveled to Florida to play the University of Miami. The payout the athletic department received as a result of this was \$200,000.

**"Colleges had better beware, because more athletes might be leaving early for the pros, unless a reasonable compromise can be found."**

This was only one game out of our entire schedule, and the program after travel expenses profited more than \$150,000.

We also played other big schools that paid the program to play us: Stanford, Cal, and Arizona State. Now, with the program profiting handsomely from these games and the players making it possible, we deserve at least some spending money.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not advocating giving athletes \$500 a month. Just enough to have money in their pockets. Perhaps \$100 a month.

Whatever the amount, colleges had better beware, because more athletes might start leaving early for the pros unless a reasonable compromise can be found.

Brent Zamora should be commended for his understanding of this.

Darren Crumrine/Guest

In response to your article concerning additional payment to athletes other than their scholarships, I feel this would be a grave mistake of college athletics.

My main concern is that it would legalize all the illegal "under the table" money passing.

**"Would the salaries continue to rise, much like the professional contracts have during the past years?"**

Instead of boosters and coaches sneaking around giving players money favors, it would become a standardized activity of bidding for players.

Besides what would the salary cap be? Would the salaries continue to rise much like the professional contracts have during the past years?

Although the argument is that the poverty stricken athletes need the source of income, I have to

respond and say the full-ride scholarships are enough income for four years.

**"Very few students attending college are fortunate enough to receive full payment of the costs."**

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The shoe contracts that teams receive should not be given to coaches, but rather be put into a fund that would provide insurance for the athletes since they fear losing professional contracts if they get hurt.

This would entice athletes to remain in school and receive the degree that would be "free" because of the scholarships they have received.

I think the payment of college athletes would create a bidding war for the top athletes and lead to problems that are worse than those already being incurred by colleges across the country.

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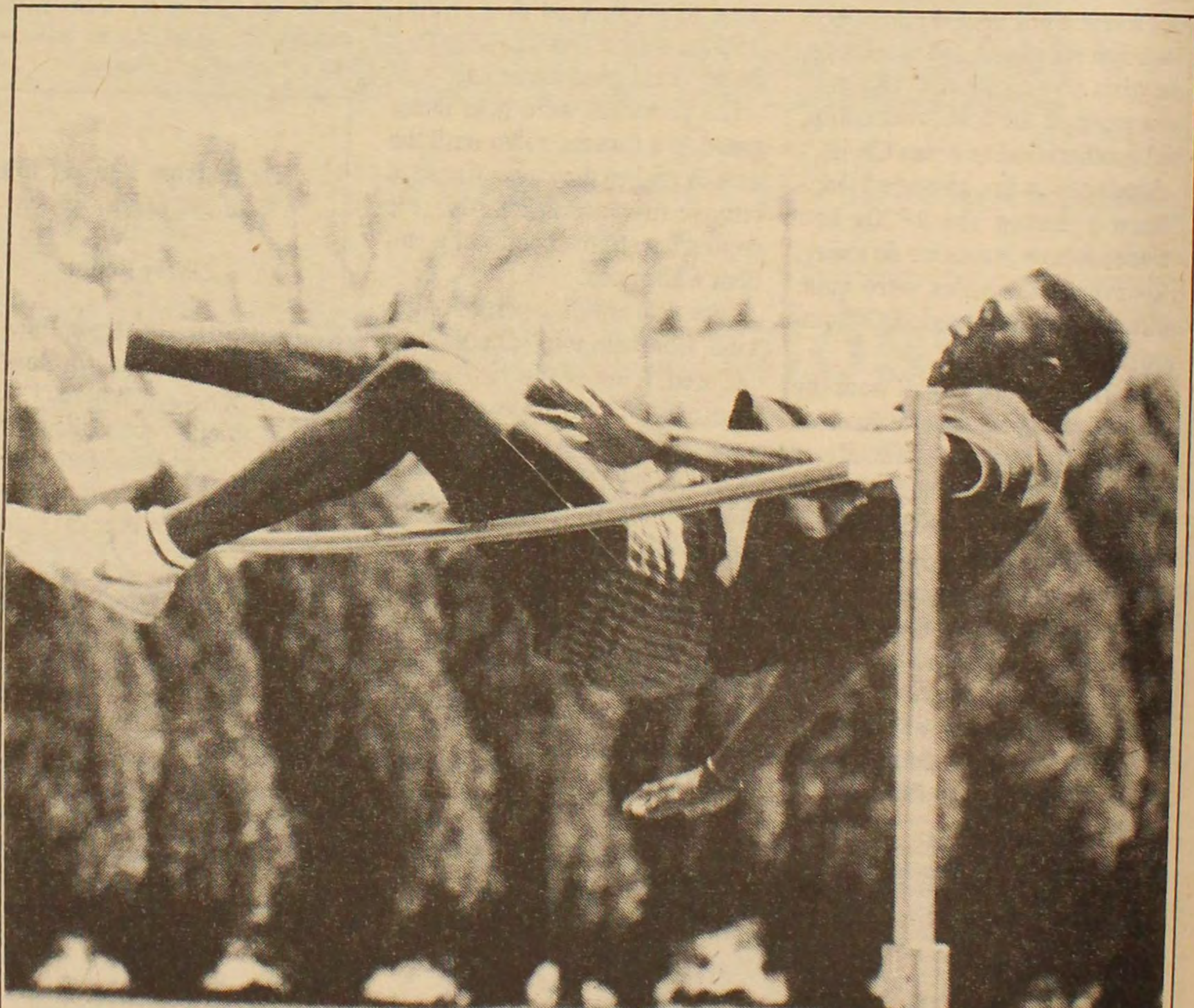
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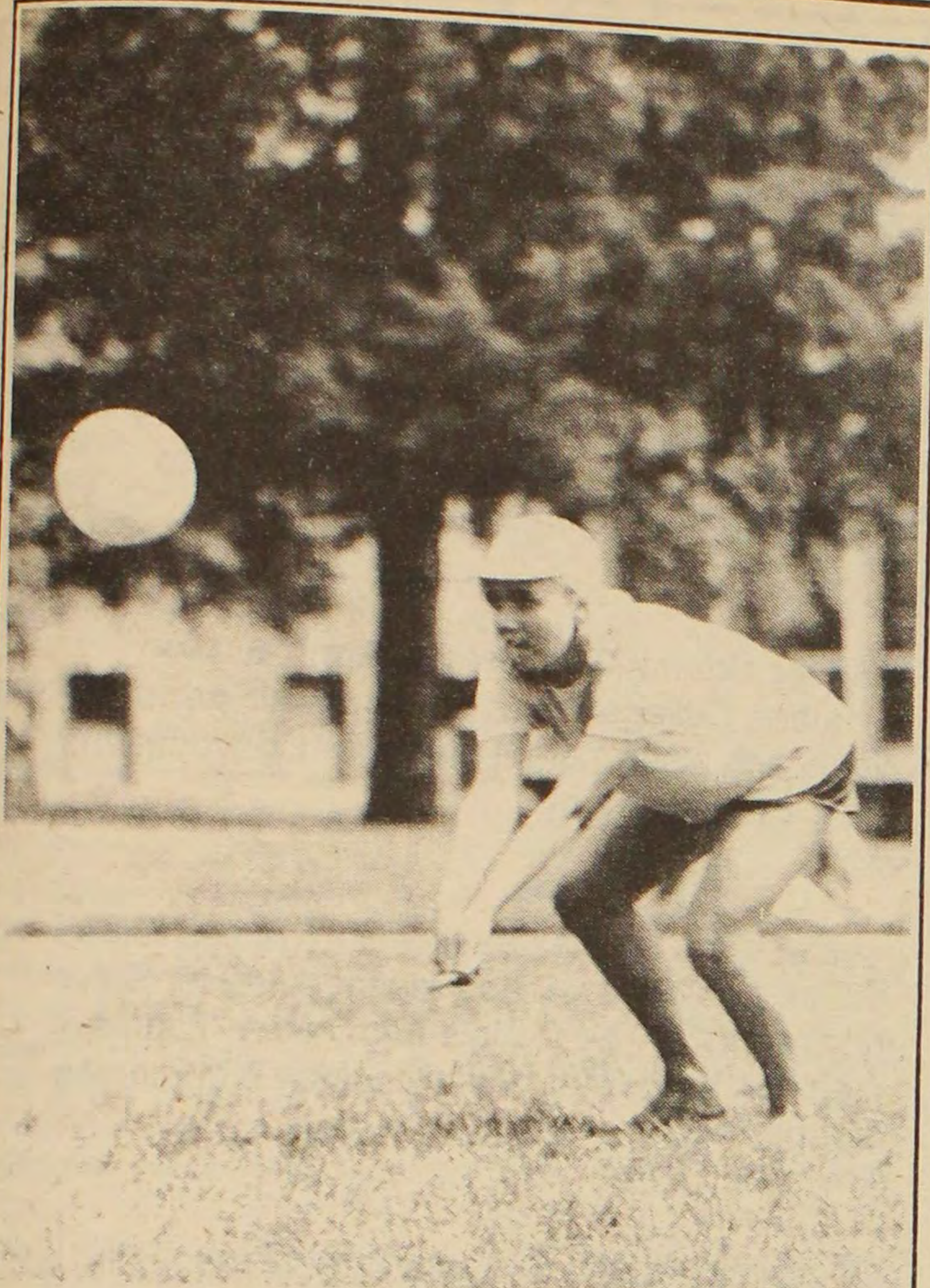
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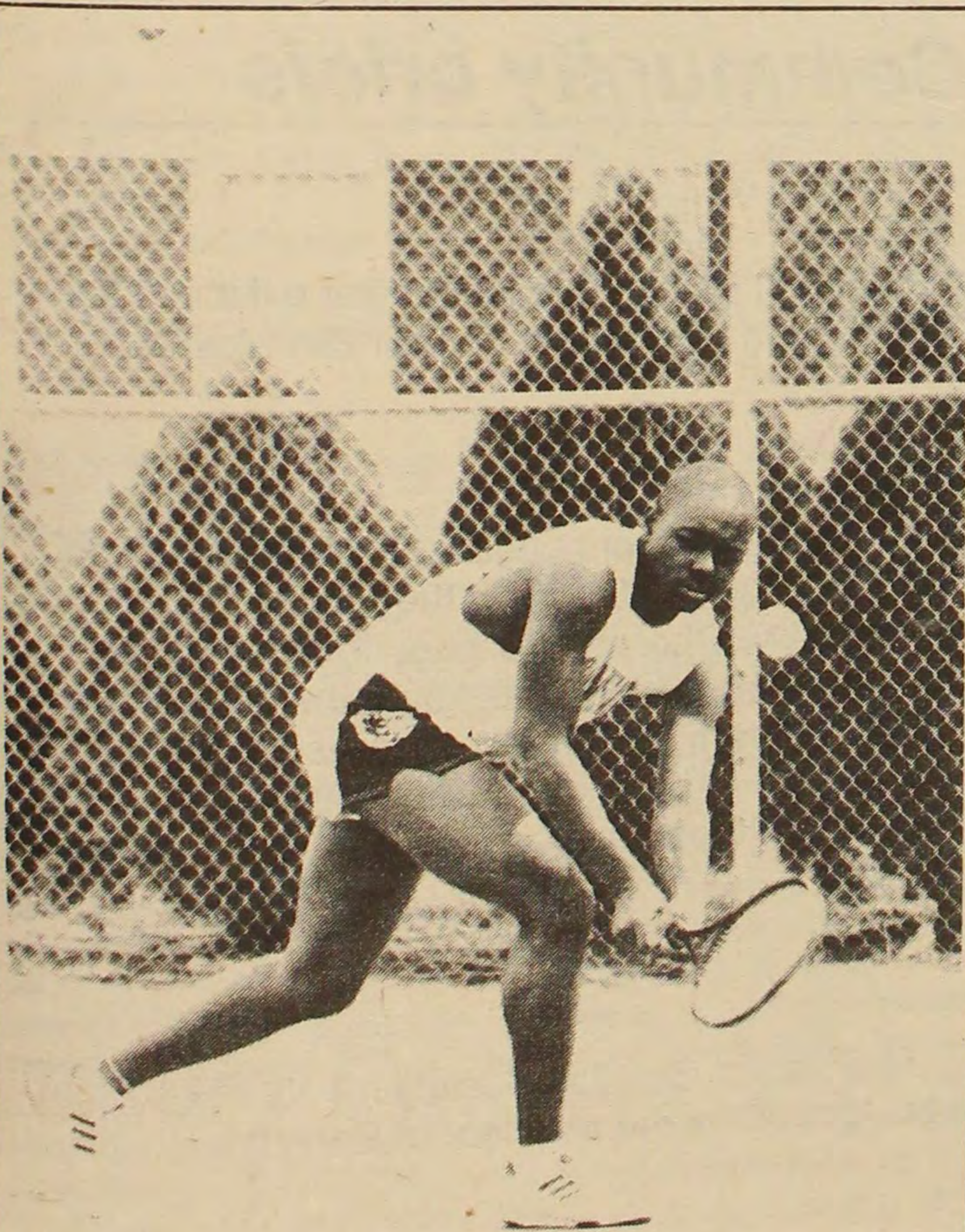
Mac track star Richard Oliver works diligently on his high jumping techniques at practice last week. The McPherson College track team participated in a meet in Doane, Neb., this past weekend.

Beverly Yokely/Spectator



Beverly Yokley/Spectator

Crystal Fitzpatrick takes advantage of Saturday's warm weather to take part in intramural lawn volleyball.



Beverly Yokley/Spectator

David Barrett tones up his tennis game. The Mac tennis squad participated in a match in Newton Saturday.

# Athletics over-emphasized at Mac?

Beverly Yokley/Spectator

Athletes' schedules are very hectic and packed. They go to class and then off to practice. Many athletes dedicate over four hours a day to their sport.

There are many people who feel that athletics is stressed too much. The athlete feels that if he doesn't dedicate more time to the sport to excel, his coach will get upset. Also, many people, including the athlete, feel that athletes are getting paid to participate.

"I'm concerned with the attitude of being paid for something," said Sharon Knechel, vice president for student services. "It is destructive to the institution as a whole as well as student perception."

"Athletics is only one part of the learning experience," Brett Bowman said, "and education should be the most important aspect of college."

Bowman feels that athletics takes away from that aspect.

"Money is going towards (sports) scholarships that could go towards people who would go further with their education in life," Bowman said.

"Coaches don't push education enough," Darlene Schulte said. "They are going to have to realize that in order to have sports you're

going to have to have education."

Schulte feels that the college should keep the athletic scholarships, because that is the only way that some students will be able to attend college, but that it needs to have a separate emphasis.

"Think of college as academic with the possibility of sports," Schulte said.

However, some coaches will allow the students to miss a practice if they are falling behind in their school work in order to get caught up. They realize that academics do come first, and will

help the student athlete.

"Approximately one-third of the students who attend McPherson College are involved in intercollegiate athletics," Knechel said.

"It's an important experience for them," Knechel said, "But the prime reason they are here is academic."

Knechel said that approximately 40% of allotted monies will go to academic scholarships with only 20-23% going towards performance scholarships, such as sports, drama, music, and journalism.



Beverly Yokley/Spectator

Karme Clark sprints in full stride during a recent track meet.

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## Sabbaticals refresh professors

Melissa Holdereed/Spectator

McPherson College grants sabbatical leaves to professors and faculty members who wish to further study in other areas and thereby increase their base of knowledge. This will in turn enable them to better serve the college.

On rare occasions, people granted sabbatical leave do not return. This has not usually been the case at McPherson College.

A sabbatical may be granted by the institution upon request of the faculty member once they have served six years at the school. They are granted in order that the person requesting the leave may continue studies toward a degree or toward their own personal enrichment.

Dale Goldsmith, Vice President for Academic Services, says that

faculty members are granted sabbaticals for "a legitimate learning experience which will enrich not only themselves but their service to the college."

This past year Professor Susan Taylor took a year's sabbatical to work towards a degree, and Dr. Doris Coppock went on Sabbatical to England to work with the Brethren Colleges Abroad Program.

Rodney Custer from the industrial education department was also granted a year's sabbatical to further his education, but he resigned before returning to McPherson.

The people who are granted sabbatical leave are expected to return. According to their contract, the person taking such leave will be paid either full salary for six months or half a salary for one full

year. They must then return to the college and fulfill two full years of service or repay some or all of the salary they received while on sabbatical.

In the past ten years or so, roughly twenty-five to thirty professors or other faculty members have been granted sabbatical. Of these, only five have not finished their two year post-sabbatical service.

The college must not only pay the person taking sabbatical, but also pay the salary of a temporary replacement.

According to Goldsmith, "The sabbatical program costs a bundle. It is worth it, however, because it is refreshing and revitalizing, giving the person a new perspective to bring into their work."

## Movie deal to continue for next year

Beverly Yokley/Spectator

Last year the student council arranged a five-year contract with B&B Theaters to enable full-time students to attend movies Monday through Thursday, for six dollars per person per semester.

The contract was drawn up with the idea that it would be mutually beneficial. The students could attend movies for approximately 40 cents per week, and the theater would benefit from the concessions sold.

This spring the B&B Theaters reevaluated this contract. They kept track of the number of students attending and the amount of concessions sold. The results showed that many students were taking advantage of the free movie deal, but not purchasing concessions.

"We thought we could depend on the students purchasing concessions," said Bill McClintock, manager of B&B Theater. "That's why we went so low on the price." McClintock went to the student

council earlier this semester with his concerns.

"There was a cost increase and the theater felt the contract needed to be reevaluated," said Sharon Knechel, vice president of student services.

Despite his concerns about a higher minimum wage and tripled taxes, McClintock said that for now "the contract will still be honored."

The prices will remain the same for next year, but may be reevaluated at a later date.



Brent Wine/Spectator

"Even the bees need God!" Brent Wine used more magic to place a church inside a flower.

## Campus briefs

Bloodmobile at Friendship Hall Wednesday, April 25 from noon to 4:30 p.m. Sponsored by Circle-K and the American Red Cross, this year's goal is 80 units of blood. Sign up to donate or to serve as a helper.

Music Honors Convocation April 26. McPherson College music students will perform vocal and instrumental music for Convocations April 26 at 9:30 a.m.

Intramural Softball Association games rained out on April 8 have been rescheduled for Saturday, April 28. The Double Elimination Tournament will be held at Wall Park May 6 beginning at noon.

Correction to the Summer School Schedule: SE 210/ED 675 Education and Psych. of the Exceptional Individual Schedule should read: June 11-29, 1990. Time: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

## Community briefs

President Dwight D. Eisenhower exhibit at the McPherson Public Library April 23 - May 28.

Today's Educators Organization meeting April 24 from 5:30- 6:30 p.m. in the Private Dining Room of McPherson College. Featured guest Shirley Adams will speak about the "Learning to Live" program designed to increase students' self-image through classroom curriculum. Anyone interested in education is welcome to attend.

McPherson Scottish Society meets at 7:00 p.m. on April 26 on the fifth floor of Bank IV.

Notice from the McPherson Public Library to all out-of-town students to return all materials on their due date. Late fines paid during National Library Week will be reduced 50%.