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Bill proposed to help finance education

Ted Bray/Staff

Believe it or not, there are people out there who are fighting to give students a chance in the battle against the ever rising costs of attending college.

There is currently an effort within the U.S. Congress to make the interest charged on student loans tax deductible, once again.

Under the current tax law, parents who have highly appreciated real estate can deduct interest when they borrow against their real estate holdings to finance

their children's college education.

Middle and low income families, with little or no real estate equity to borrow against, are being forced to borrow the money for college elsewhere, and the interest on these loans is not tax deductible.

This effort in Congress is being lead by Congressmen Richard Shulze of Pennsylvania, and supported by a group known as TERI, (The Education Resource Institute.)

The interest on student loans was tax deductible until the sweeping tax changes during the Reagan era in 1986 took effect, which amended the Internal Revenue

Code, disallowing the deductible interest.

The current bill, titled HR 747, will apply to, if passed, taxable years beginning after December 31, 1991.

It is hoped, by supporters of the bill, that the bill will become law as soon as possible, and give more high school seniors a chance to see what life is like as a student on campuses across America, as well as keep students already in school continuing on towards graduation.

Students are encouraged to write to their Congressmen, and express their views on this issue.

Students participate in blood drive

Jodi Roudybush/Staff

The Red Cross Blood Drive Unit from Wichita was at Friendship Hall April 24 for volunteers to give blood.

Marcia Williams, school nurse and chairman of the Wichita Red Cross Unit, coordinated the Blood Drive with the help of Student Council members.

Twice a year, in the fall and spring semesters, Williams helps the Blood Drive set up its unit at McPherson College

This year's goal was 80 units of

blood. Williams and seven nurses from the unit in Wichita and workers from the college were there to help students give blood.

Tracey Hughes, who was a worker commented about her responsibilities, "I took the people to the area to give blood and sometimes I tipped the blood bag to make sure the blood was mixing."

Then the workers and nurses escort the volunteers to a courtesy area where they are encouraged to have snacks, such as cookies, carrots and drinks.

Three local nurses helped with the health entries where they inter-

viewed the volunteer to get some background information from them.

Other help included Donia Buris and Kristi McReynolds, who registered the volunteers.

Student services bought the crackers, carrots and drinks. Williams and members from the RYC made cookies for the blood donors.

Next year the blood unit will relocate at the Sports Center, and their goal is 65 units of blood.

Williams said, "We haven't done very well with people volunteering to give blood, therefore, we have to decrease our goal."



Barry McMillan/Staff

John Paden, senior, prepares to give blood at the Blood Drive on April 24.

Faculty leave fall semester for sabbatical and retirement

Konni Nanninga/Staff

The coming fall semester will have a fewer number of current professors and staff members on the McPherson College campus.

Due to either retirement or sabbatical leave, there will be a total of 10 faculty members leaving McPherson College.

Steve Gustafson, Interim Vice President for Academic Services, commented, "Every time a faculty member leaves, the school feels a loss."

There will be one retirement from the college, Dr. John Burkholder. Burkholder has served the college for 38 years as a biology professor.

"Persons of Burkholder's stature are very difficult to replace," said

Gustafson. "Burkholder has served the college in a very significant way for many years."

Many students are going to miss Burkholder and his style of teaching. Freshman Janey Schafer commented she would miss his thoroughness and way of teaching. "It may seem monotonous," said Schafer, "but you learn a lot from it."

Another professor who leaving is Norman Hope. Hope will move on to Tabor College to take a position in their business department. Hope worked for McPherson College for nine years.

Professor Sander Eller will also be leaving the college but as of yet his plans are still uncertain. The computer science position will be filled by Dr. Robert Neufeld. Neufeld has 25 years teaching ex-

perience at Bethel College, Wichita State, and Emporia State. "We are pleased with the breadth of his experience," said Gustafson.

Seven professors and staff members will be leaving for sabbatical next fall.

Professor Susan Dodson will be taking up doctoral studies at the University of Missouri in Columbia. Coach Dan Hoffman will be studying for a doctorate at Kansas State University.

There is discussion at the present on the best way to fulfill the positions left open by these professors. Some members of the physical education staff will be taking over Hoffman's teaching responsibilities.

Professor David O'Dell will study next fall at Walden University. Dr. Leland Lengel will also be

gone for the fall semester.

Lengel plans to be involved in a semester of reading and other related studies at the Center for the Study of Automotive Transportation at the University of Michigan and the Detroit Public Library which holds the world's largest depository of material on the history of the automobile.

O'Dell will also be working on a doctorate in a unique way- his class will meet at different geographical locations. There has been a contract offered for the history position and there is discussion on how to fill O'Dell's position.

Professor Mary Flagg will be working on a second masters at Wichita State University. She will teach two courses per semester and three courses were adjuncted.

Rowena Olson will be gone

spring semester to complete a doctorate at Southern Illinois University. Her duties at the library will be handled by the current staff, while Susan Taylor will be taking over some of her other responsibilities.

Professor Herb Smith and Jean Smith will serve as Brethren Colleges Abroad Directors in Japan for the entire year. Smith's classes will be taught by Dr. Dale Goldsmith who will be returning in June from his sabbatical leave.

The search is still continuing for additional ways to fulfill these opening positions. "We are not looking for some one to fill these people's shoes," said Gustafson. "Rather we are looking to offer new opportunities and challenges to the students at McPherson."

Conservation should be the number one issue on the McPherson College agenda. Conservation of the earth's natural resources? Sure, but more importantly, we need to be thinking about ways to preserve natural human resources.

Come on . . . you know what I'm talking about. When was the last time you went a whole day without hearing someone use the word "burnout"?

I hear it so much that it makes me wonder if it should be part of the school's motto. Can you see it? "Scholarship, Participation, Service, and Burnout".

Think of all the energy, emotion, and talent lost each time the word "burnout" rolls across a community member's lips! This community needs a plan to deal with its tremendous human resources!

Commentary

Currently, there are several roadblocks to this potential conservation program. Two of these roadblocks are myths that pervade the collective consciousness of this community.

Myth Number One: Very few campus community members are capable of doing anything at all. Therefore, a small minority of people must carry complete responsibility for every organization, event, department, office, etc.

Myth Number Two: At all costs, those persons designated to carry all responsibility must refrain from using the word "no".

Clearly, these myths are costly for the community. We have to spread the responsibility and power around, giving every community member opportunities to express her/his potential. And we have to learn how to say "no" and accept "no" from other people.

A great place to start would be *The Quadrangle*. This student organization publishes the highly valued student yearbooks. Next year this organization may no longer exist—they are dying from the dread disease of Student Apathy. The opportunities are there, if someone would only join the staff!

Another program that would benefit from a human resource conservation program is College Life/Orientation. Currently the College Life program uses Resident Assistants as Mentors in its programs. The R.A.'s get a lot out of the position and contribute quite a bit in return, but all at the high cost of burnout.

We need to make this opportunity available to a wider range of community members. Salaried student positions could be created, allowing for applications from a wide range of persons—including, but not limited to, Resident Assistants.

There are things we can do to change—it is simply a matter of our commitment to making things better for the humans that live in this community. Aren't we worth it?

Lisa Ann Pierce

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Pregnancy rampant on campus

Dear Editor,

someone to talk to.

As a member of this college community, I want to express my opinion of the actions of the people around me.

A few weeks ago, I broke up with my boyfriend and really wanted to talk about it to someone, but there was no one there for me to talk to.

Everyone is different and therefore no one is better than anyone else.

There have been several times that I have heard people say "Hey, look at that fat girl!" or "Don't go in Dotzour, there are lesbians over there!"

These are discriminatory comments and discrimination is wrong.

Next time you see someone who looks like they need a friend, go talk to them.

Think about what you say and to whom, because you might be talking about someone else's friend.

Name Withheld

I know everyone likes to hear the latest gossip, but what I don't like are the rumors about people that aren't true.

"Everyone is different and therefore no one is better than anyone else."

For example, one female student has supposedly been impregnated three or four times this year by guys from Metzler.

It seemed like everyone was ignoring me. I hated it! I have spent many nights by myself watching television.

I'm sure this rumor was started by a jealous girlfriend or ex-girlfriend, or by an obnoxious male who was partying too hard.

There's one more thing that I think should be mentioned. I don't believe people should be judged by the way they look or who they are.

People also sometimes ignore others when in fact they really need

What's the big deal?

Sharrie Grovel/Guest

I was extremely embarrassed at convocations April 18, when our guest, Michael Kelly Blanchard, had to tell the student body to be quiet.

What is the big deal?

If you don't like what the speaker has to say or don't care—**SHUT UP!** Somebody else does!

At the same time, I commend him.

I find it embarrassing that after we invite guest speakers to convo, we can't even show them the decency and respect they deserve by just being quiet and giving them our attention.

There have been several convocations this year, that had I been the speaker, I would have walked right off the stage, or else dismissed everyone and those who were truly interested could stick around and listen to what I had to say.

There are two convocations left. Let's all see what we can do to improve this situation and finish out the year on a good note.

Readers are encouraged to utilize the Editorial/Opinion pages of *The Spectator* as a public forum for sharing ideas and opinions. Letters can be sent to *The Spectator* via McPherson College Campus Mail or the U.S. Postal Service.

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A note from Mister Ed

Dear Editor,

I was very disturbed to hear that tuition was increased by 7.5 percent for the 1991-1992 school year . . . as a matter of fact, I was downright pee-owed.

So, I got to thinking and came up with some ideas on how the college could reduce tuition and still raise money to function properly.

The first thing that should be done is the Adopt-a-Tree program. I can see it now: for the measly price of \$250.00 (annual fee) you can have one of the wonderful trees on the beautiful McPherson College campus named Spunky.

And speaking of the beautiful campus grounds we could fine people for walking on the grass. Just think of all the money we could make on students alone!

I can just picture it: the college could have an elite security force, the Bluegrass Bouncers, armed with the latest in landscaping and security gear, ever diligent to catch the young upstart who would dare desecrate the luscious greens of McPherson College.

Of course this would bring about midnight turf raids by some of the more creative individuals on campus.

Bungee cord jumping off of Harnly Hall would not only bring in the righteous bucks, but would also be a powerful recruiting tool.

But the greatest money making scheme of all would be to tear down The Gazebo and use the bricks for Barbecue pits and make this campus Barbecue Capitol of the World. I mean let's face it, The Gazebo looks nice and all, but everybody loves a good rib!

There are more creative ways to finance a college than raising tuition. Just think—when people are finished barbecuing, we could fine them for walking on the grass . . .

Your Friend,
Ed Spec

(K)night of the lost cause

He'd been on a long journey, searching from within
Looking for someone special—a truly unique friend.
Afraid and unsure, not wanting things to be like before,
This was different—it had to be. This time it meant more.
He could shelter her from all harm, but who would protect
her from him?

He was a gallant brave knight coming to save the damsel
in distress.

As her loyal protector he would always give his very best.
But he was so caught up in being the hero that he missed
the game.

He looked & searched for answers but only himself could
he blame.

He was ready for battle, anxious to come and save the day.
Armed with quick wit and poetic verse, he knew just what
he'd say.

He searched and searched—the enemy was who he wanted
to see

Then he looked himself right in the face and declared, my
God the enemy is me.

Now he feels betrayed, stranded, empty and lost.
He never would've played hero had he known the pain it
would cause.

Our heroic shining knight has now turned a darkish grey.
He never wanted to hurt anyone, he just wanted to save the
day.

Brent W. Zamora



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Wing-ding was a fling

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Junior class officers, Cindy Ewy, Michelle Wondra, Tim Cossaart, and myself, I would like to thank everyone who attended the Junior/Senior Banquet and Semi-formal held on April 19.

Although ticket sales had been slow during the week before the events, support and attendance for both events was overwhelming.



The officers have agreed that the evening was a complete success with only a few minor incidents that were easily taken care of.

The entire evening went smoothly and it seemed that almost everyone had a fun time. Thanks again to everyone who supported the evening and attended the functions. It was greatly appreciated.

Julie Gillaspie
Junior Class Secretary

Some privacy, please!

Dear Editor,

As a resident of Dotzour Hall, I would like to voice my thoughts to the males who visit our dorm.

I would deeply appreciate it (as would other students) if you would be mature and use the restroom that is provided for your use.

In case you don't know where it is—it is located on first floor by the payphone in the main lobby.

I realize that not all males are guilty of using the restrooms located in the living area of the dorm (which are for the women who live here).

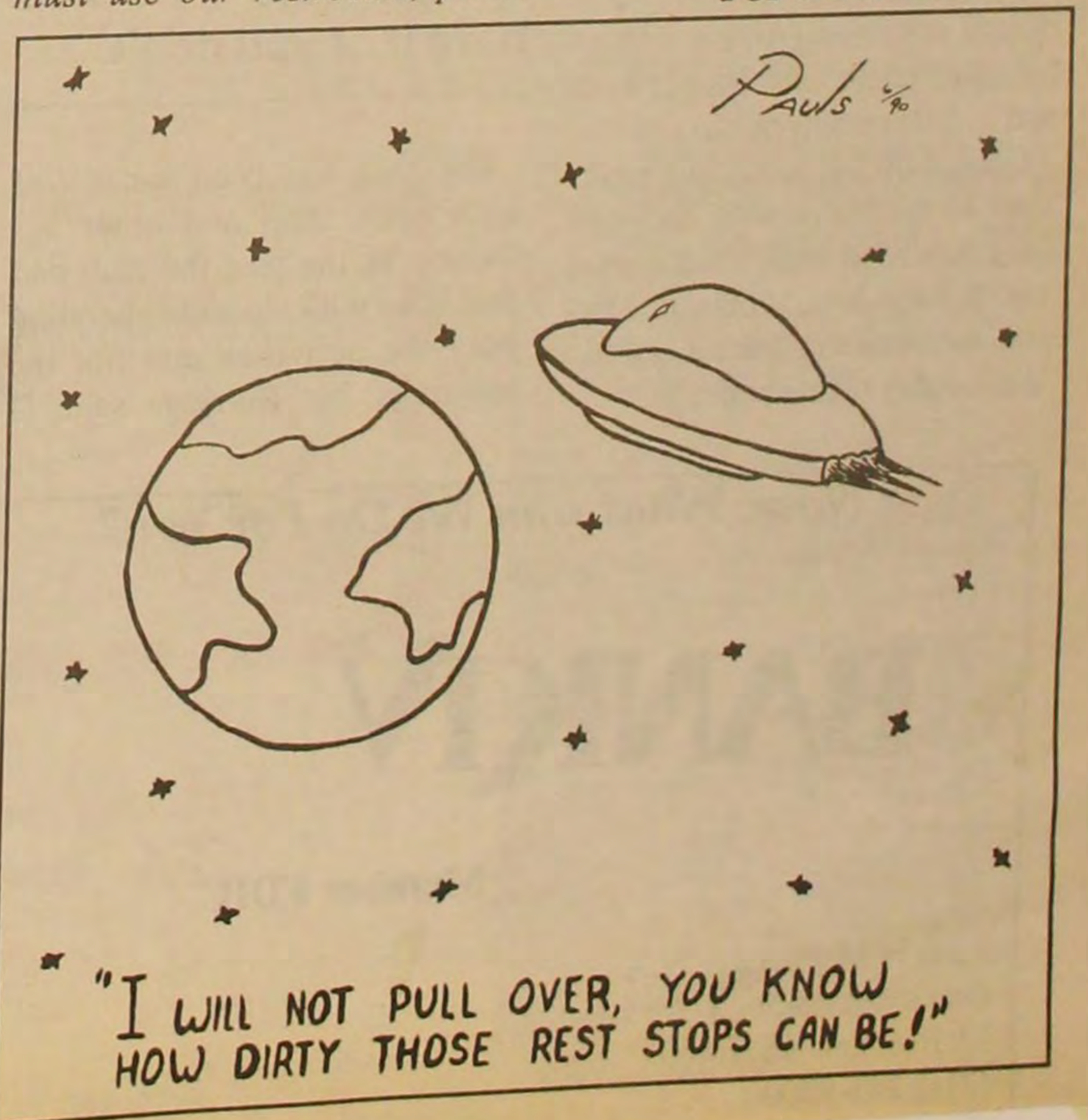
To those of you who do—please refrain from doing so—the residents would appreciate some privacy.

Thank you.

Name Withheld

P.S. You know the little silver button (or handle) either on the wall or near it? It flushes the toilet—please use it. And if you must use our restrooms, please have the courtesy to lower the seat when you are finished. Our wet bottoms thank you.

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"I WILL NOT PULL OVER, YOU KNOW HOW DIRTY THOSE REST STOPS CAN BE!"



Barry McMillan/Staff

Junior Bret Bowman who plays Rolf in "The Sound of Music" serenades Liesl, portrayed by junior Shannan Kirchner.

CARS club tours Ford

Christy Eller/Guest

Members of the CARS club visited the Ford Assembly Plant near Kansas City on Friday, April 19, to observe and learn.

The purpose of the trip was to show the restoration students the process of manufacturing an automobile and how the assembly line runs.

The trip was an educational experience and was offered to all CARS club members who wished to attend. This trip was only one of the activities planned by the club.

Every other week, between twenty and twenty-five members have gathered to discuss business and to vote on activities.

Open shop was something available to members who had cars they needed to work on. It started out on Saturdays, but Duane Matson, mechanics instructor, added a Wednesday night shop also.

President of the CARS club Larry Burrige stated, "It's a morale booster." The students got a chance to work on their own cars and fix them up, he said.

Burrige said that the students sometimes got tired of working on the college projects and were glad for the opportunity to work on something of their own. Open shop is a good opportunity simply because the students have access to shop equipment they normally would not have.

"It's like a love for the antique cars . . . You have it or you don't."

The club has been successful with open shop and other activities. In the past the club had problems with students attending only the activities and not the meetings, but Burrige said, "I

don't think it's as much of a problem this year as it was last year."

Burrige also stated that the feeling of separation between the restoration students and the rest of the school was not as large, either.

He commented that the restoration students felt separated "to a certain degree," but that they were not isolated, because they had some classes with the rest of the campus. These classes include written communications, accounting, and small business management.

When asked what could be done to educate the rest of the school about the restoration program, Burrige commented that students were welcomed to tour the shop anytime.

Referring to his enthusiasm for cars Burrige said, "It's like a love for the antique cars, like athletes have a love for football or basketball. You have it or you don't."

Mac loses movies

Ted Bray/Staff

A year-long battle between selected students of McPherson College and the movie theatre downtown finally came to an end -- with a resounding defeat for McPherson College.

In an April 14 meeting with the student council, the movie theatre manager announced that the theatre would no longer participate in the free movie program with the college.

This announcement came after several attempts by staff and students to make the student body aware of and correct the problem.

Over the course of the spring semester it became apparent to the theatre that the problem was not being resolved, and they made the decision not to enter into the agreement for the fall semester.

The theatre cited several reasons for their decision, among them:

- 1) Students sneaking non-students into the theatre;
- 2) Students not presenting their ID cards;
- 3) Drunkenness in the theatre, including vomiting all over the bathrooms;
- 4) And general rowdiness, which resulted in the theatre having to purchase a new movie screen.

The effects of this situation were far reaching.

First and most obvious, students lost the opportunity to attend free movies, and in the future will have to pay full admission.

If this were the only effect, perhaps the subject would not be as serious, but, unfortunately, it was only the beginning.

In a town the size of McPherson, the community will soon hear about what has happened. The college has been branded, scarred,

and the healing process will take a long time.

It is vital for any school to be a healthy part of the community it is in, and as McPherson College tries to benefit the town, its efforts will be slowed by this incident.

The efforts of students were also hindered.

Student Council formed an emergency committee in an attempt to salvage at least part of the agreement between the theatre and the college, but as of yet it is not known whether or not those attempts will succeed.

Stuco had planned to focus their efforts on other more positive issues, but felt that this issue demanded immediate action.

Other issues may have to be put off until next fall.

Those who look at McPherson College from a distance were affected as well.

Convocations is open to the public, and often includes speakers/performers from outside the McPherson area.

On April 18, convocations began with an announcement concerning the theatre crisis.

The speaker that day was a very talented guitarist, Michael Kelly Blanchard, who was also here to perform a concert for the Regional Youth Conference held on campus last weekend.

One wonders what he thought about Mac after that announcement.

Other people read about McPherson College through the *Spectator*. They will read this article, and they, too, will be aware of the unfortunate situation that has developed.

It is said that there is never only good news, and this is one of those times.

The fact is, this movie situation has made McPherson College look very bad.

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Illness sparks determination

Ron Engler/Guest

What do you do when you're trapped? Trapped by a body that refuses to work properly and an IV needle buried in your hand.

Every inch of my room was known to me. Instead of inciting any curiosity it told me that it contained me. The bumps in the ceiling above my head expected me to keep them company until the walls crumbled.

The little pump connected to the IV whirred on happily. As long as they kept connecting water and antibiotic sacs to it, it forced the stuff into my veins.

Familiarity with all these things bred a need; a need stronger than sex that drove me to get out, to go, to MOVE.

Where did not matter; all I knew was that slaving madness was beckoning.

But I did not tear out the IV and hurl myself out the window.

Instead, waking sapped my meager strength. A sweat always covered my body and a fever gripped my mind. The sick smell in the damp sheets yelled fear at me. Water was all I could make myself want.

No, at first that was true, but then I became aware of the ache in my

bladder. It pushed against the ache that my liver had become.

My desire split further. I realized that I only wanted to slip back into the feverish dreams that dominated me.

Maybe I could stay in that nefarious world forever and never have to face the weakness and the dull aches.

I overcame it, conquered it, and respected myself for the effort.

Then I got mad because I knew that if I did not get water I would never get better, would remain a pitiful shell.

That was why I was really mad, because I knew how pitiful and small the pain was. I had withstood many times as much pain for just as long. I overcame it, conquered it, and respected myself for the effort.

Now I was weak and hurt dully all over. So, I did what I must. I drank and made the trek to the bathroom.

Afterward, there was no sense of accomplishment.

I sat on the edge of the bed and tried to force enough water past

my inflamed throat, enough to avoid reaching that state again.

I thought about all the times in my life that I should have done something differently. I saw myself saying the perfect words and doing the perfect deeds in place of awkwardness and goof-ups.

Then I thought of what I wanted to do to some people; I dreamt about how much money I wished I had; I thought about what this sickness had wasted in my life.

The emotions coursed through me to the beat of the blood pounding in my ears. I felt drained, as though I had run too far.

I wanted to get away from being ill.

In my weak dizziness I finally realized that it was all negative. I was not going to accomplish anything that way.

I wanted to exercise; to run, to push and pull at things.

I wanted to get away from this room.

More than that, I wanted to get away from being ill. And the only way I could do that was to sit in this room; let it ensnare me in its healing folds and try not to feel...TRAPPED.

ACCK plans trip

Melissa Holderreed/Staff

Are you interested in visiting a tropical paradise?

Would you like to experience the cultural and ecological differences of the tropical rain forests while earning college credit in the natural sciences?

If so, the Tropical Biology field trip is for you..

The ACCK Biology Departments are organizing a new trip to Costa Rica for Interterm 1992.

The course will be offered for four credits, and the prerequisite is one college level biology course. The instructors will be Dr. Gilford Ikenberry of McPherson College and Dr. Dwight Platt of Bethel College.

"This is an excellent chance for students to observe first hand the plants, insects, reptiles, birds, and other organisms of the tropical rain forest that students could only read about in the conventional classroom setting," said Ikenberry.

He went on to say that this should be a very exciting and informative trip for interested students.

Studies on this trip will include topics in tropical ecology, tropical animals and plants, environmental issues, and tropical agriculture.

The scheduled itinerary will include the following areas:

1. Monteverde Cloud Forest, a higher elevation cloud forest.
2. La Selva Biological Station, a lowland rain forest.
3. Manuel Antonio National Park, a lowland rain forest and tropical sandy beach on the Pacific.
4. Santa Rosa National Park, restoration of a dry tropical forest.

5. Palo Verde National Park, a dry tropical forest.

6. Guayabo National Monument, an archeological site.

Dr. Ikenberry was enthusiastic about the involvement of the Organization for Tropical Studies in this excursion.

"It is an invaluable opportunity to learn from people...in this field."

They are a large organization sponsored by different universities. They will assist in the ACCK group and provide lecturers and guides.

"It is an invaluable opportunity to learn from people who are presently in an intense process of study and research in this field," said Ikenberry.

The estimated cost of the trip is \$1,260 to \$1,360, depending upon the number of individuals going and the current travel costs. There will also be minimal out-of-pocket costs to cover personal expenses (i.e. some meals, passport, souvenirs).

For those wishing to attend, a non-refundable deposit of \$100 is due by May 1, 1991. If spaces are still available next fall, persons may enroll, paying an increased deposit.

Dr. Ikenberry expressed hope that McPherson students would respond with enthusiasm and interest for this unique opportunity.

He said, "I believe that participants will come back with a changed view of tropical Central America, and a greater understanding, sensitivity, and cultural awareness in regard to the different problems faced there."

Activities abound

Jodi Roudybush/Staff

The resident dorms and the Student Activities Board (SAB) have planned several activities for McPherson College students as the school year comes to an end.

Dotzour President Mary Gumm said, "Dotzour dorm council is planning a picnic for residents on Wednesday, May 1." Also, T-shirts are presently being sold. The shirts are a pinstriped baseball tee with "Dotzour" printed on them.

"We're planning some surprises for the dorm, and I will be making breakfast for the dorm's RAs," said Metzler Resident Director Terry Bruton.

Fanny residents will have their annual picnic May 3, according to Brent Atwater, dorm president. He said, "We might also have a dance so that students can get their minds off school for a little bit, but we don't know if we have the time to prepare for it."

The Student Activities Board

also has had end-of-the-year activities planned.

Fun cycles were here Wednesday after being postponed several times due to bad weather.

An outing to the Wichita Zoo was scheduled for April 20, but the trip got cancelled due to lack of interest, said Karen Walter, SAB sponsor.

A trip to Worlds of Fun is scheduled for May 17 for students who want to spend the day riding roller coasters, playing games and participating in many other fun events.

Kelly Weddle, president of SAB, said, "We are still working on trying to get a free day for students to play golf at Turkey Creek Golf, and students will be allowed to go bowling and eat pizza Tuesday evening."

These and other currently unscheduled events will give students a chance to interact with their residence hall and their community. So get involved, and have fun.






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Recruit provides insight

Brent W. Zamora/Staff

Hello again everyone .

I was searching for something to talk about in this week's editorial.

I decided that I was in a positive mood and I would look for positive aspects that McPherson College offers me.

Then I began talking to a recruit and I asked him what he liked about McPherson College.

It seemed like he had many positive things to say and so I decided to let him share this with everyone.

So the following is a personal letter to McPherson College from a potential future student. About the things he likes about us.

Hello, my name is Dan Noyes.

Now, I know what you're thinking "Who is this?" That is what I am about to tell you.

I am currently a freshman enrolled at Oklahoma State University.

I am visiting McPherson College as a possible future basketball player.

Although I have not yet committed to play at McPherson, I believe this unique liberal arts college has many things to offer a prospective student/athlete.

The first and foremost aspect I found appealing was the wel-

come I received from Lowell Flory, chairman of the Business Administration Department.

Should I choose McPherson College to further my education interest I will be a business management major.

Mr. Flory was upfront and honest about the advantages and disadvantages I would have as a transfer student.

He also made it very clear to me what my options would be if I choose McPherson.

I am sure this warm welcome would also be extended to other incoming students.

Another thing which I was pleasantly surprised with was the campus. As I toured the grounds there were several things that caught my attention.

It was difficult to miss the scent of freshly cut grass. Also the grass was so green, I could have sworn I was at Wrigley Field. But, this was only the beginning.

Coming from a large campus such as OSU, it is a relief to know that I would have a short walk to class at McPherson. I also found the facilities quite impressive.

For a small college it offers many of the same luxuries a large university has to offer. From the sports center all the way to Brown auditorium, McPherson College is a well rounded school.

Another positive thing which I

encountered was the friendly atmosphere. Every person I met went out of his/her way to be nice to me. I know it is typical for people to be nice to a recruit, but I felt a sense of sincerity behind everyone's intentions.

I know you're thinking "Is this guy for real, and is he really a basketball recruit?"

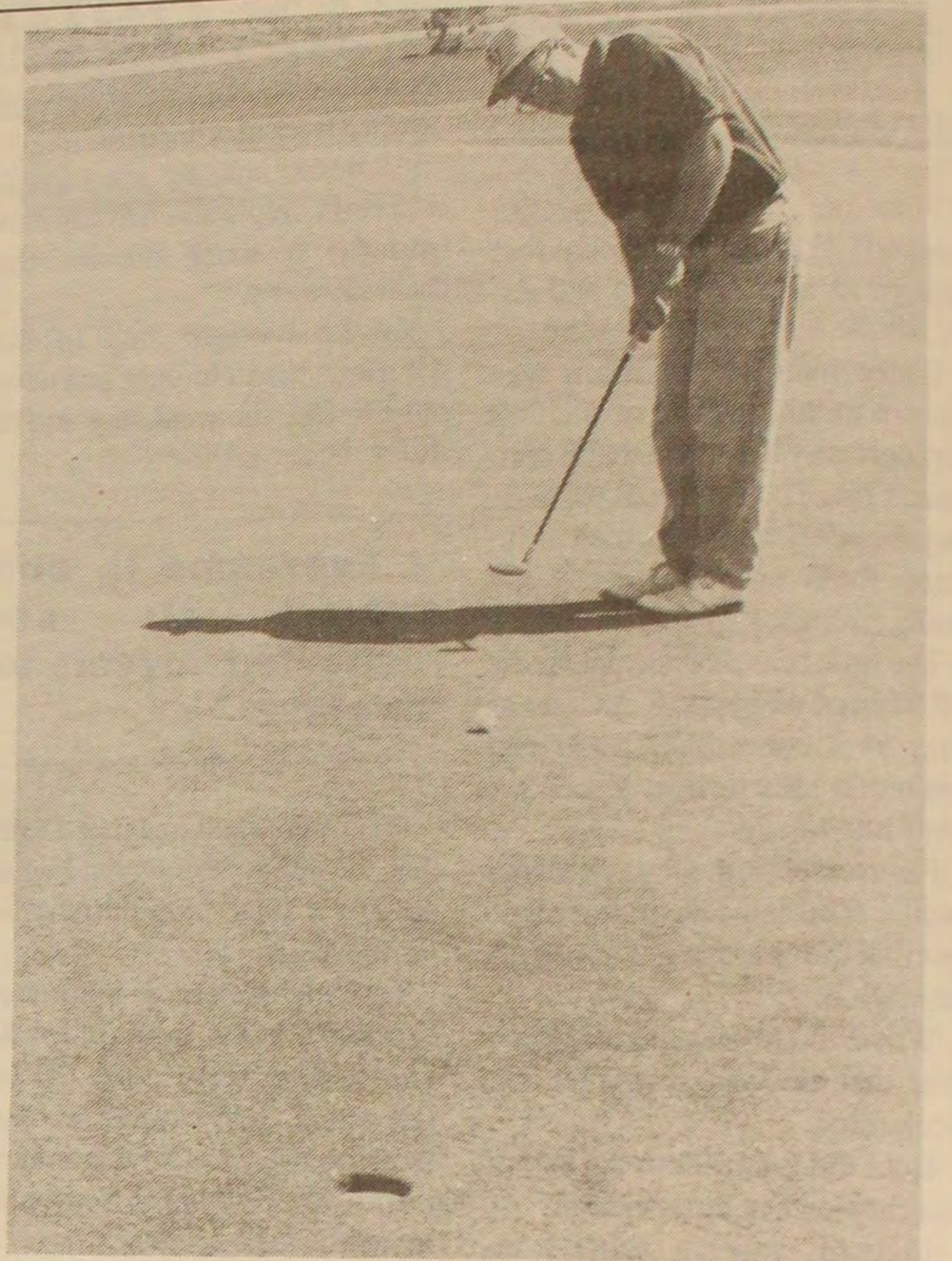
Well, the answer is yes on both counts, and even though I haven't talked much about basketball so far, I thought I'd save the best for last.

I, like Brent Zamora, attended a high school rich in competitive spirit. We both know what it is like to be proud and confident, yet, we also know the basic qualities a team must possess in order to be successful.

I am finding more and more college athletic teams drifting away from the TEAM concept. Here at McPherson College I believe I can rediscover the feeling of pride and accomplishment I once was a part of in the past.

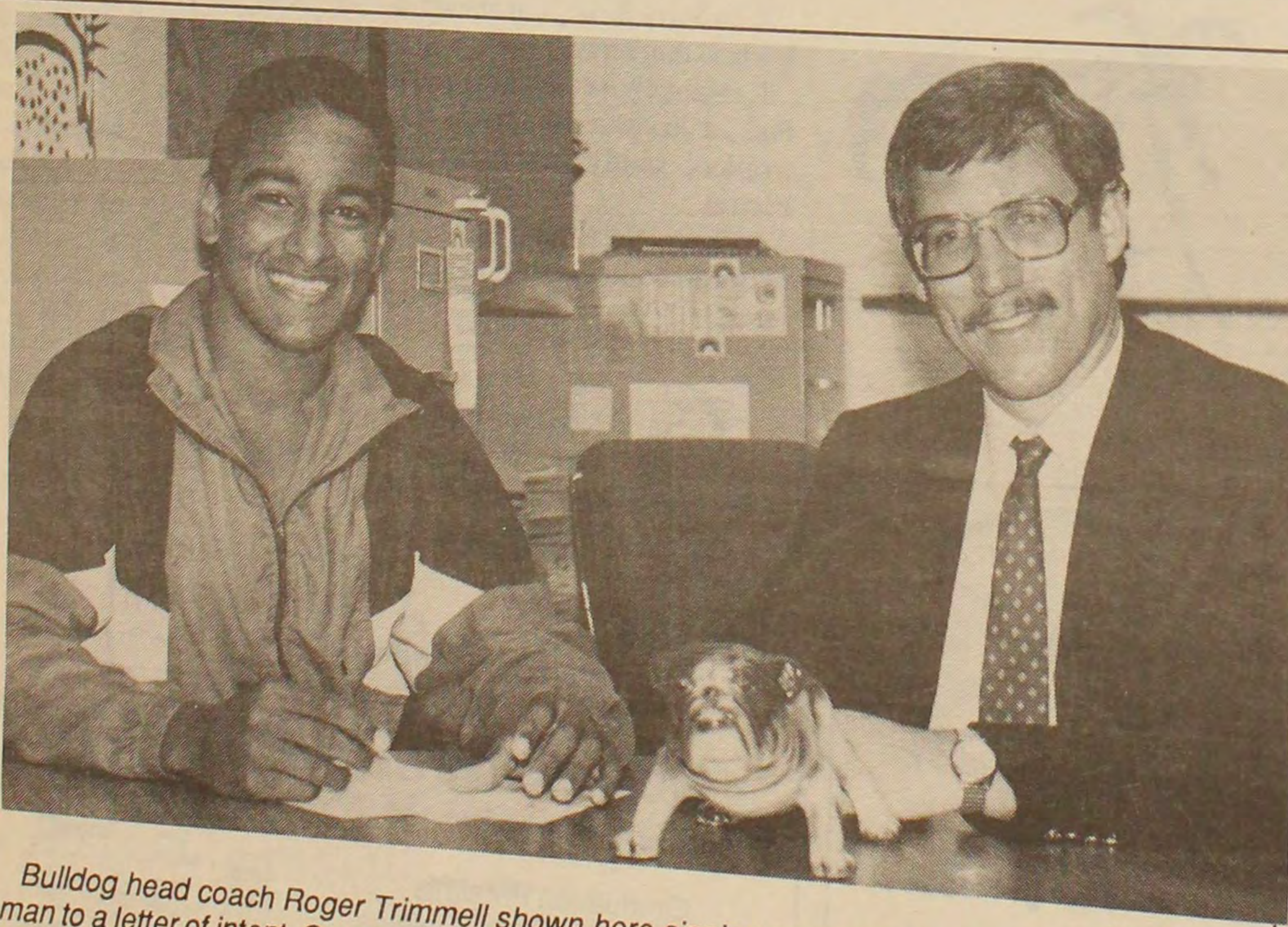
If all these courtesies can be offered to me I don't see why they would not be offered to others.

So, if you're feeling cheated as a current student/athlete, remember all of the things that convinced you to attend McPherson College.



Barry McMillan/Staff

Senior Brent Atwater working on his putting stroke during a recent golf practice at Turkey Creek.



Steve Sell/Guest

Bulldog head coach Roger Trimmell shown here signing newest Bulldog Jonathan Coachman to a letter of intent. Coachman averaged 13.0 ppg. for the 5A state champion McPherson High Bullpups.

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Student voices opinion

Jon Andrews/Guest

Hello sports fans!

Three cheers for Brent Zamora's article requesting, we have our own field of dreams.

I support Brent's idea of having a Mac College baseball team, so much so that a couple of us concerned patrons of the game had a meeting with Sharon Knechel.

In this meeting she stated that there were a number of concerns involved in undertaking a baseball/softball program at McPherson College.

One of these concerns is that several years ago Mac fielded a baseball team and that after a few years, interest died down and the program needed to be dropped.

It is my personal belief that right now there is more than enough interest to justify strong consideration of another program.

Another concern in starting a new program is expensive. Yet, recently a proposal has been submitted to the athletic committee stating that baseball would cost less than \$5000 a year.

Don't get me wrong sports fans I'm not bashing the athletic committee's decision to make soccer an extra curricular activity.

Soccer may be the sport of the future but what about the great American pastime.

All you need to do is look at the figures. How many times do you walk into a dorm room and see a soccer match on television?

Now compare that to the amount of times you see a baseball game

on the tube.

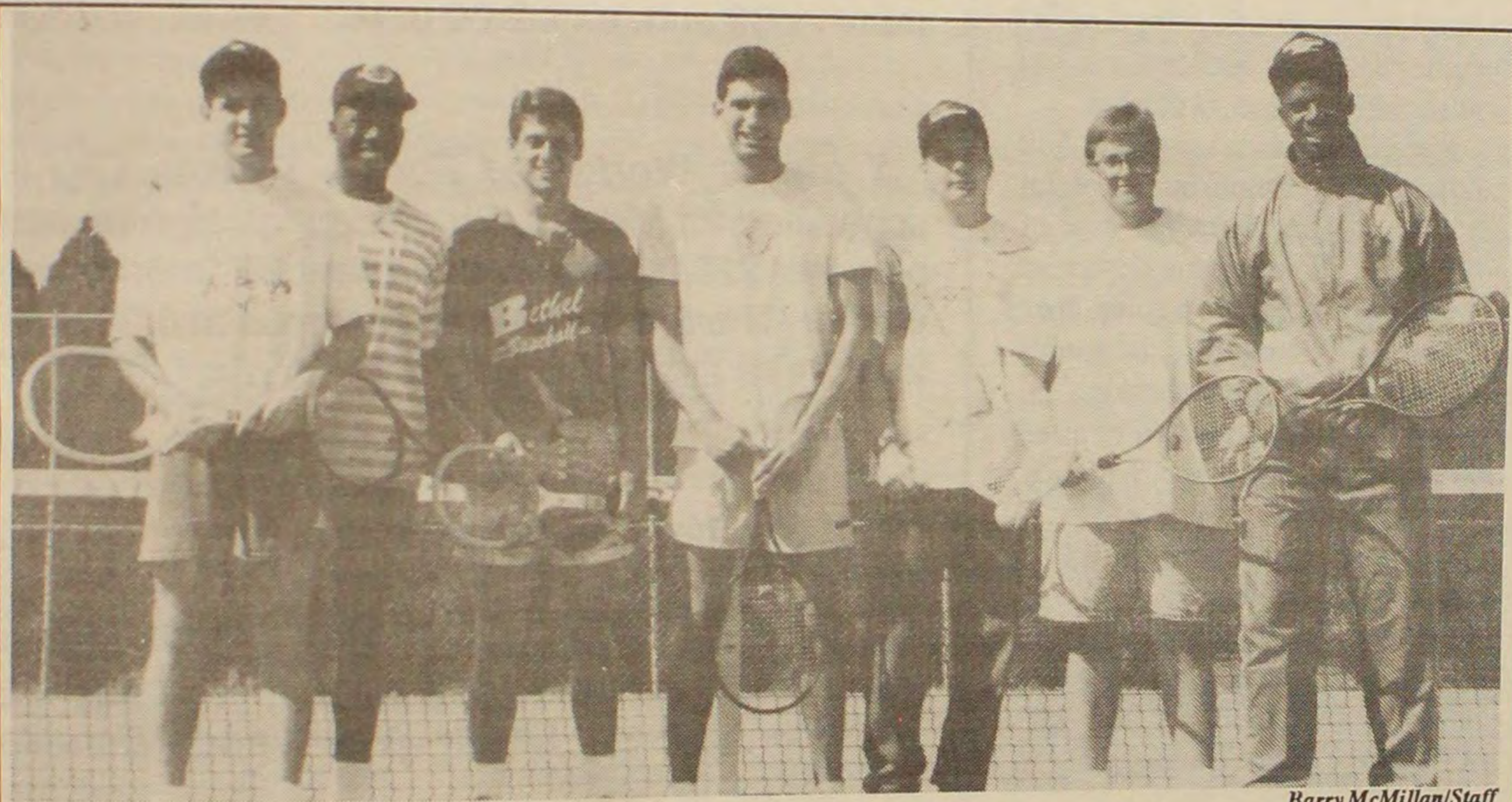
Soccer may help Mac College get more BCA students, but wouldn't baseball help bring more students for the whole four year educational experience?

This would mean many more dollars for the college.

My proposal is that anyone interested in collegiate baseball as a sport at Mac College talk to a member of our athletic committee.

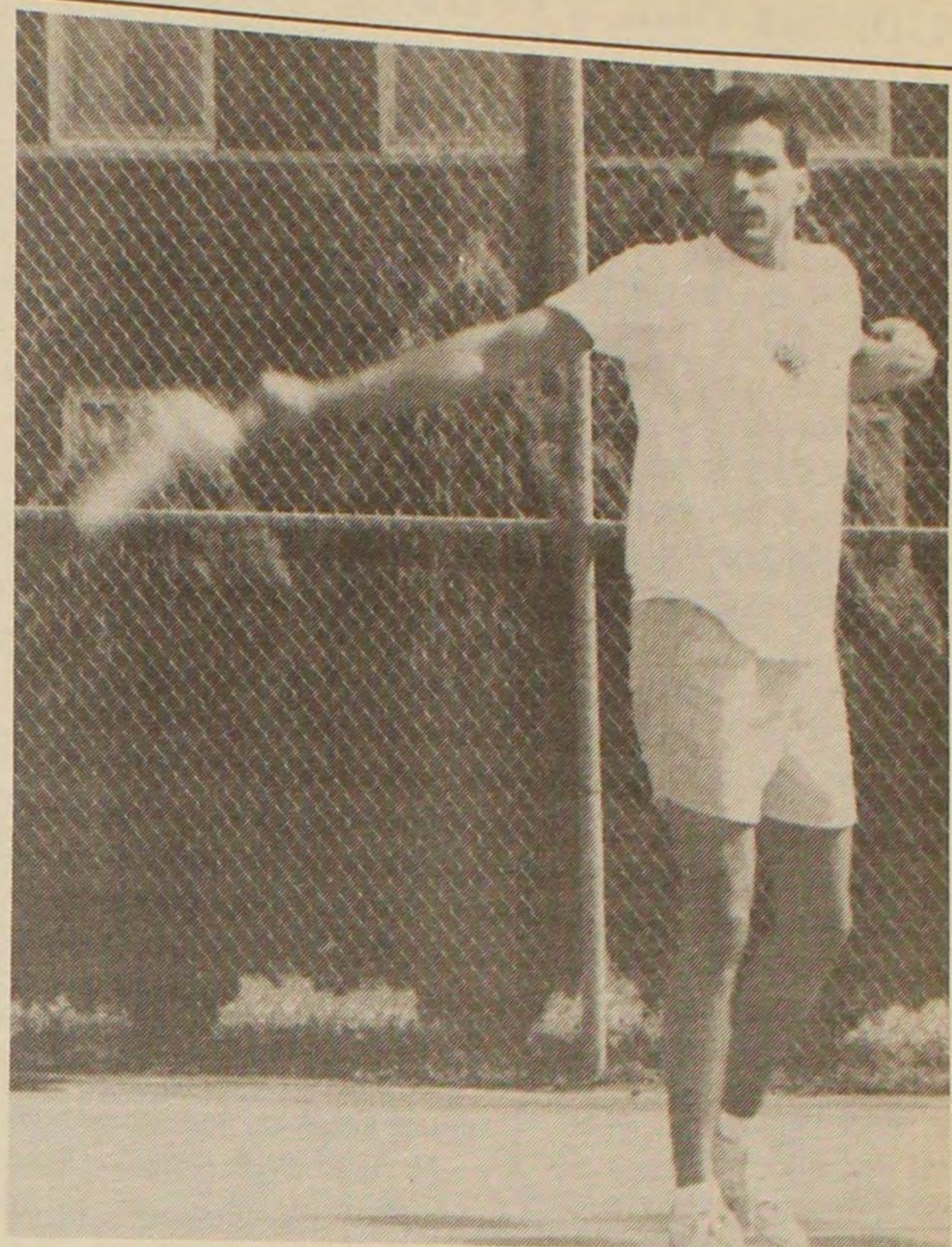
These members include, Dan Hoffman, Mary Flagg, Norman Hope, Bob Green, Kenny Becker, and Knechel.

I urge you to voice your support in a positive manner, taking into account the fact that these are busy people whose decision it is to make Mac one of the other eight KCAC schools which support intercollegiate baseball.



Barry McMillan/Staff

1991 men's tennis team (from left to right): Robb Collins, James Harris, Jay Dell, Barry Carr, Todd Leinen, Roger Burrton, and Jonathan Sowell.



Barry McMillan/Staff

Senior tennis star Barry Carr flashes pro like style during recent tennis practice. The tennis team registered their first wins of the season with victories over Sterling and Kansas Wesleyan this week.

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Tennis team wins

Jodi Roudybush

The McPherson College tennis team under the watchful eye of head coach Roger Trimmell recorded their first wins of the season this week with victories over Sterling and Kansas Wesleyan.

Coach Trimmell just prior to the start off the KW match felt confident and said, "Hey, we're looking a 'W' right in the face."

The team had struggled previous

to this week, but now appear to be heading in the right direction.

"We're going up against teams that start practice in January and compete in the fall as well," stated Trimmell.

The team got key wins against Sterling in the form of doubles team Barry Carr and Jay Dell. As well as Robb Collins and James Harris.

Dell and Collins added straight set victories in their singles match. While Todd Leinen disposed of his opponent in three sets.

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Career office provides abundant opportunities

Tahnee Carlson/Staff

Although many McPherson students don't realize or take advantage of the services of the Career Planning at Placement Office, there are many opportunities available for them.

Not only do they offer a variety of workshops, they also sponsor a career day, campus interviews and several other career events.

"We are also involved in PACK (Placement Association of Central Kansas), and we organize the Career Fair Day," said Ken Queen, Director of Career Planning.

This will be held next fall on October 30 and will consist of fourteen colleges, businesses and graduates providing information about various careers.

"It moves around but it worked out to have it at McPherson last year and again this year," Queen said. Among the colleges attending are ACCK, St. Mary's, Central,

Hesston Community, and Cloud County.

Another area in which the program gives assistance to students is having on-campus interviews. They advertise at all six ACCK schools so businesses can choose location and students have a greater variety of businesses to choose from.

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"Students haven't responded as we had hoped," said Queen. "But as they get used to the idea, maybe we'll have more response." This year about ten companies were on the McPherson campus, and they hope to organize more in future

years.

An ACCK Teacher Interview Day has also been arranged. It will be at Bethany College and seventeen school systems will be interviewing McPherson students for possible employment.

The committee also organized two Student-Alumni Career Events. A supper for liberal arts majors was held April 12.

"We got alumni to come and talk about their careers," said Queen. "I think it was appreciated by all who attended, including faculty, alumni and students."

The supper for Business majors will be held April 30. The center has been doing Teacher Credential Files, and now they have also begun doing Personal Credential Files for everyone, which is something every student can take advantage of.

Although they are almost finished with this year's events, next year will hold many opportunities for McPherson College

Habitat hosts dinner, informational meeting

Publicity Office

On April 24, the McPherson College Chapter of Habitat for Humanity hosted a Chili Dinner and an informational meeting regarding the building of a Habitat for Humanity home in McPherson.

The dinner and meeting took place in the multi-purpose room at the McPherson Church of the Brethren. The meal was available on a donation basis.

David McDaniels, Habitat for Humanity Coordinator of Campus Chapters in the United States spoke briefly with participants at the meeting, followed by a discussion of the home which the stu-

dents are planning to build.

The purpose of the dinner was to offer information and encouragement to anyone interested in helping to build the home, in donating materials or funds, or simply in learning more about plans for building the home in McPherson.

A total amount of \$620 was raised through the dinner. The money will be put toward funding the college chapter's project of building a home in McPherson.

The College Habitat Chapter hopes to gather names of local persons interested in helping to form a Habitat affiliate in the McPherson community.

Habitat for Humanity Inc. is a non-profit organization based in Americus, Georgia, which seeks to

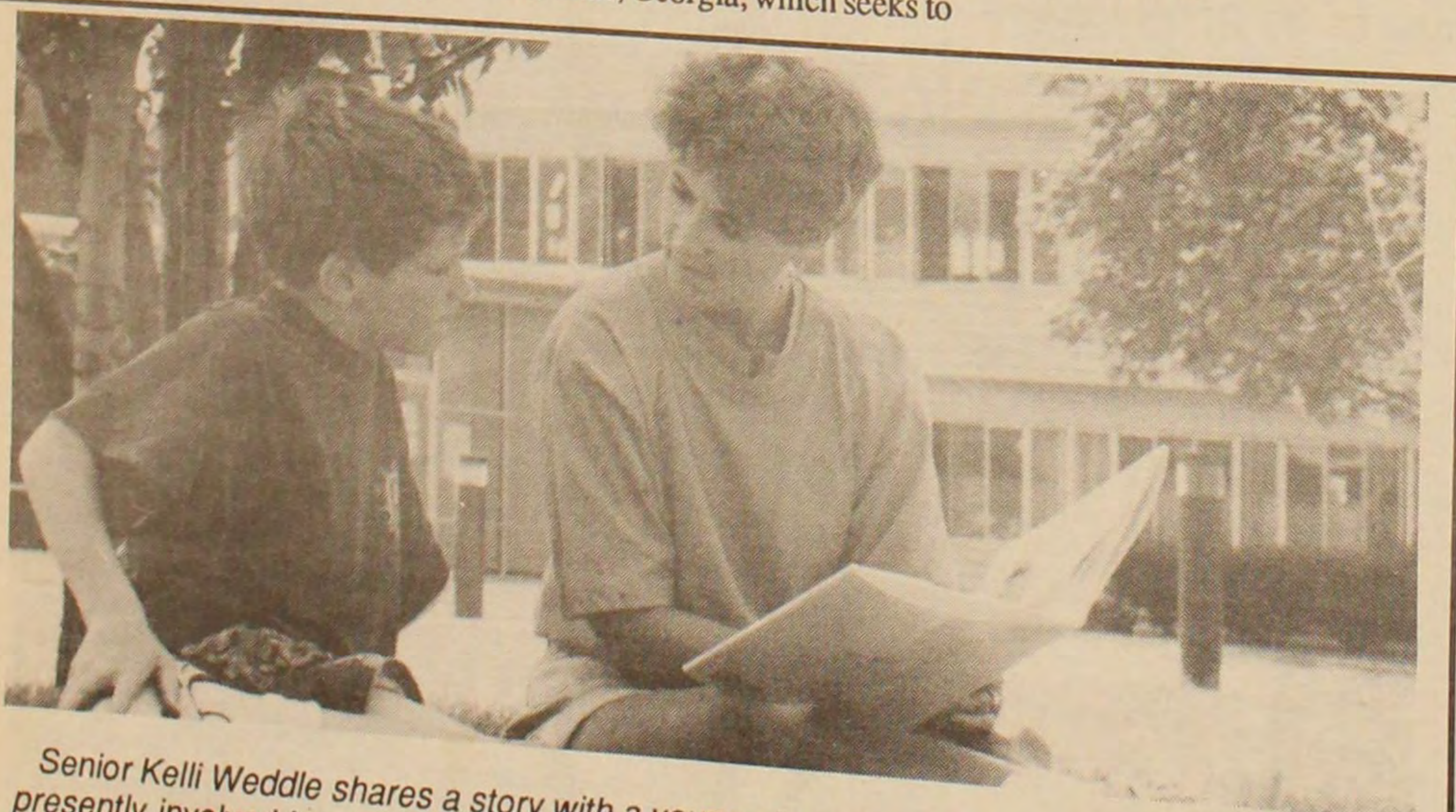
build decent housing for low-income persons who otherwise could never afford home ownership.

Recipient families give 500 hours of labor to help build Habitat homes and pay back the cost of materials, minus labor and interest.

The Habitat philosophy has been called by Millard Fuller, the groups founder, as "Jesus economics."

Local businesses which donated to the Chili Dinner are Wendy's, Buy for Less and Dillon's.

The students' homebuilding project for Habitat has been endorsed by the McPherson City Commissioners, Millard Fuller of Habitat International and McPherson College President, Dr. Paul Hoffman.



Senior Kelli Weddle shares a story with a young elementary student. Education majors are presently involved in a Reading Improvement Clinic which the college has established with the McPherson Public School System.

Barry McMillan/Staff

News Briefs

The biology majors picnic is scheduled for May 4 at the Ikenberry's at 6:00 p.m.

Applications for the Spectator and the **Quad** for the 1991-92 school year are being taken until April 30. All positions are open. These are paid positions. Turn application in to Ted Bray or Jim Van Goethem. For any questions concerning these positions contact Anne Kletchka or Melissa Holderreed.

A bowling night sponsored by SAB is scheduled for April 30 from 10:45 p.m. until 12:45 p.m. There will be free pizza and shoe rental is \$1.50.

A Resume Writing Workshop is scheduled May 1 in the Quiet Room of the Students Union from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

A trip to Worlds of Fun in Kansas City is scheduled for May 17. Students may sign up and pay the \$15.00 fee in the Campus Information Center. The group will leave campus at 6:30 a.m. and return at approximately 11:00 p.m.

The Resident Assistants have been selected for the 1991-92 school year.

In **Dotzour** Hall they are: Kelli Weddle, Karla Van Donge, Brenda Mintzer, Bertie Pfaltzgraff, Donella Merkey, Laura Weed and Michelle Wondra.

In **Metzler** Hall new RA's are: Ted Bussee, Tim Cossart, Harold Chaney, Joe McClean, Steve Walter, Danny Hall, Garth Werner, Brian Huber and Darren Crumine.

In **Fahnestock** Hall they are: Barry McMillan, Kevin Snyder and David Kerkove.

The next **1991 Teacher Placement Day** is scheduled for April 29. The event will be at Fort Hays State University. To reserve interview times, contact the Director of Career Development and Placement.

The last Teacher Planning Day is scheduled for May 7 at Washburn University.

Before attending these events contact host school to see if their fair is open to others than just their own students, find out what materials are needed and if there is a fee.