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## Adventurers Search For Fun and Gold

Nearly everyone at some time in his life dreams of finding buried treasure. Macampus students are surely no exceptions. . . . Therefore, tomorrow night at 7:30 the opportunity for such adventure comes to all such fun-loving individuals.

It will not be wealth hidden by some miserly uncle and finally discovered by his W. P. A. worker nephew; nevertheless, there is to be a treasure!

Notes hidden at various secret points in the City of McPherson will furnish the clues for the occasion. The hunt will begin promptly at 7:30 as the all-school group assembles in the gymnasium to get directions for the mysterious chase over unknown spots to find . . . they do not yet know what.

The Social Committee is in charge of this unique entertainment. Coach Thomas C. Hayden heads the committee which planned the party. Eunice Swank and Bernice Guthals are the other members of the committee.

## College Helps In Darlow Meeting

A number of McPherson College students and faculty members participated in the District Conference of the Church of the Brethren of southwest Kansas last weekend.

The meetings were held at the Pleasant View Church, Darlow, Kansas.

Dr. Burton Metzler, Professor of Philosophy and Religion, was Moderator of the conference. The moderator's address was delivered Friday evening.

Dr. R. E. Mohler and C. E. Drescher were official delegates for the McPherson Church.

Rev. Bernard N. King, pastor of the College Church, presided over the Saturday afternoon worship service. Mrs. Nevin W. Fisher assisted in the children's department that same afternoon. Mrs. D. W. Bittinger spoke to the women; Dr. Mohler presented a talk on the Men's Work to the men.

Saturday evening Dr. W. W. Peters addressed the conference on "Christian Higher Education."

In the Missionary Program Sunday afternoon Dr. Desmond W. Bittinger delivered the sermon. He spoke again Sunday evening.

Mrs. Burton Metzler, president of the Women's Work, presided over the women's meeting Sunday afternoon.

An outstanding program was presented Saturday evening by McPherson College.

Sunday night Maurine Gish was in charge of the installation of new officers in the youth department for the following year.

## Cabinet Discloses Big Night For B.Y.

The B. Y. P. D. cabinet has made plans for an excellent Sunday evening.

At 6:45 o'clock the regular group will meet for a period to sing vigorously all those old hymn favorites that the choir directors never put on the song service.

After the preaching service and a brief pause in which the girls may run to the dorm for a change into quick slacks and low heels, the group of young folks will hike to Lakeside Park for a campfire with all the suitable trimmings. Keith Burton has consented to direct a number of familiar camp songs.

Professor James Berkebile will be the guest speaker of the evening and will deliver a short talk to the group around the campfire.

For a perfect finish to the evening, the social committee has planned refreshments and an easy-going social get-together.

## Berkebile Accepts Debate Coach Post

Professor James M. Berkebile, head of the Chemistry Department, has accepted the position of debate coach at McPherson college for the second semester, it was announced Tuesday evening by Prof. M. A. Hess.

In taking over the coaching duties.



Prof. James M. Berkebile

Mr. Berkebile is succeeding Dr. Desmond W. Bittinger, who has been coach here for three years. Dr. Bittinger plans to leave McPherson at the close of the first semester to begin his new work as Editor of the Gospel Messenger.

With his wife and two children Mr. Berkebile moved to McPherson early in September from his former home in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

An alumnus of Manchester College, Mr. Berkebile graduated in 1934 with a major in chemistry and a minor in biology. He obtained his M. A. degree in 1935 in chemistry at Ohio State University.

## Council Shares Retreat Service

Friday's chapel was a re-enactment of the outdoor church service held by the Recreational Council on their retreat the preceding week-end.

The group was seated on the platform and Professor Dell, who has been one of the chaperons of the retreat, gave a word picture of the setting of the original service.

Anne Metzler gave the scripture after which Professor Hess presented a condensation of his morning address. A mixed octet directed by Lucille Harris, presented a closing song which was followed by the benediction.

## Ladders To Success Is Bittinger's Topic

"Ladders into the Promised Lands" was the subject discussed in the Monday morning chapel by Dr. Bittinger.

Dr. Bittinger stated that before we can enter the promised land we must be prepared. We must all spend some time wandering in the wilderness, but ladders can be built. Anyone can build a ladder if he has the determination to build and climb the ladder he builds.

College students should find out soon which way they want to lean their ladders. Some people never get anywhere, because they don't know what they want for a promised land. We must become ladders upon which we climb. "If you want to be a missionary, begin by being a missionary in your daily life," said Dr. Bittinger.

## Peters Honors Alumni And Former Students

An unusual chapel service took place Wednesday, October 13, the day after Columbus Day. Dr. W. W. Peters based his talk on the thought that boys today as well as Columbus are going out to find new worlds.

Dr. Peters gave the number of men and women who are serving the country in some way. Ninety-seven alumni and one hundred fifty former students are in the service. Of this number, four are women.

The president read letters from former students. The first letter he read was from Kirk Naylor in Africa. The outstanding feature of this letter was the description of a feast given by an Arab chief. The guests sat on mangers around a small table covered with silcloth in a reclaimed stable. The first course was a tumbler of milk that was passed counter-clockwise from one person to the next until it was empty. Beef, fried eggs, fried eggplant, prickley pears, and gravy were some ingredients of the second course. The last course consisted of watermelon and cantaloupe.

First Lieutenant Clifford Schapan-sky wrote his letter from China. He is in the eleventh bomber squadron and told of the bombing of oil tanks at Hongkong.

The third letter was from a boy working with the Civilian Public Service. He is one of seventy boys in training at Manchester College for post-war service.

Another letter was from a boy in school. His studies are military secrets. He was expecting to be sent overseas. In the last part of his letter he said, "Please keep on praying for us, for we need God's hand more than ever before."

A prayer by Dr. Peters for the boys who are in service and for those at home closed the chapel.

# "Letters" Is Cast

## Lehman, Boitnott, Upton Select Cast Thursday

### Hershey's Death Reported In Leading Newspapers

The death of Dr. J. W. Hershey received comment from the nation's top-ranking newspapers.

An account of the life and works of the late head of the Department of Chemistry of McPherson college was printed in the New York Times, September 28.

A notice of Dr. Hershey's death appeared in numerous other papers having nation-wide circulations.

### Ethnic Minority Discussed By Lichty In S.C.M.

Eugene Lichty, co-president of the S. C. M., lead a panel discussion on "Ethnic Minority" last evening in S. C. M.

Racial discrimination is a question that all alert young Christian young people are interested in, and they are seeking a solution for this problem.

The group discussed the treatment of the Japanese-Americans in the relocation centers. Many of the Japanese-Americans have become students in our church affiliated colleges and universities. Racial discrimination in the war industries and prejudice against Negroes and Jews was also discussed.

## S.C.M. Group Hears E. S. Jones

### Commission Spirit High With Success Of Project

Members of the Personal Relations Commission of the S. C. M. journeyed as a group to Hutchinson last Friday evening to hear Dr. E. Stanley Jones. The trip was a commission project and was enthusiastically commended by the forty "Jones-enthusiasts".

Prophet-great of the modern day, Dr. Stanley Jones addressed a crowd of more than 3,000 as a highlight of the Methodist Annual Conference on Friday evening. His subject was "Our Personal and Collective Destinies." The essence of his hour-long address, which successfully silenced the capacity crowd, was that the whole of our lives and existence is predestined to ultimate in the Christian "Way of Life."

"It's written into the flesh, into the mind, and even into our glands that the qualities which make for health and well-being are the Christian qualities. The Stamp of God is upon the Creation. We are predestined to be Christians." Dr. Jones substantiated his contentions with references and quotations made by outstanding physicians, psychologists, and psychiatrists.

Since everything is made for the Christian way, then it is imperative that we have our say at the peace table; we must say, "It won't work, if it isn't Christian."

Jones' concluding thought was, "He destined us to be the image of His Son—what a destiny!"

### Scotfield, Photographer, Snaps Macampus Groups

Don Scotfield, Quadrangle photographer, has been snapping pictures right and left recently. These pictures will help to make the Quadrangle both attractive and interesting.

The pictures range from campus pics to group photos. The groups that have already been photographed are: The Choral Club, Student Council, Men's Council, Women's Council, and Student Ministers.

Other groups that will be photographed next week are: S. C. M., Rec. Council, Chemistry Club, Theatrical Club, Class Officers, and the B. Y. P. D.

## Group To Newton For Day's Study

In the interests of the Institute of International Relations, representatives from Tabor College, Bethel, Friends University, and McPherson College will meet together Saturday morning with Paul Harris, guest speaker.

The meeting opens at 10:30 o'clock. Representatives will have dinner together on the campus. The day's program consists of a speech and forum and will close early in the afternoon.

Dr. Peters and Dr. Metzler will attend the conference along with a sizeable body of McPherson college students.

## Homecoming Is Set For Dec. 10

### Hayden Plans Basketball To Highlight Occasion

Homecoming is to be a reality this year again in spite of the fact that McPherson College has no football games scheduled.

In a meeting of the Homecoming committee last Tuesday afternoon it was decided that Dec. 10 should be the tentative date set for the occasion.

Instead of the usual football Prof. Thomas C. Hayden plans to contact some other Kansas school and schedule a basketball game for this particular date.

Organizations were appointed to direct the various parts of the Homecoming celebration by the preliminary meeting this week.

As is the usual custom, a "Homecoming Queen" will be elected by the students. The Student Council is the organization in charge of this activity.

A parade will be planned by the "M" Club. The "Barkerettes" will be in charge of the pep rally which will likely be the night before the game.

Last year the S. C. M. conducted a campus cleanup campaign which worked out quite successfully; consequently it has been decided that such a movement will be in order again this year.

The Chapel Committee is to plan the chapel for Homecoming Day. As usual various members of the alumni will, no doubt, appear on this program.

The W. A. A. will be expected to furnish entertainment between halves at the game. The band, also, is to work out numbers suitable to use at the celebration.

The Spectator will serve as a publicity agency for the whole affair.

## Morpheus-repelling Furniture Implants Spine Curvatures and Broken Necks

By Jean McNicol

There is a delightful old practice that goes back to the middle ages when University students gleaned for their teeming brains knowledge of philosophy, the sciences, and the arts while reclining on Farmer Brown's 1243 crop of hay in the barn just back of the chicken house. As is common today at McPherson College, the bigger the wheat crop, the larger the number of scholars within her portals. Today the more truckloads of that golden grain, the forerunner of the "Staff of Life" and its hybrid, toast, the more book larin' the rural pater can bestow upon his progeny. Thus in olden times, the more wheat, the more straw; the more straw, the more comfort in the classroom; the more comfortable the classroom, the more students; the more students, the better straw providers in the next generation.

This pleasurable practice which nodded its greeting in the first paragraph and has been since completely

ignored, again appears. This practice, dear to the hearts of all students and slander-column writers, is not held in such good repute by faculty representatives of these good institutions, for the practice is: succumbing to the wooings of Morpheus while absorbing knowledge within the classroom.

The earliest universities knew more about the desires and inclinations of their students than do their modern counterparts; they situated themselves in stables and feed lots. Students could then breathe in the joys of knowledge while physically at ease and receptive to the profound mutterings of their professors. Since then, designers of schoolroom furniture have been bent on torturing the frequenters of these rooms. No doubt they themselves descended from sturdy Puritans who were forced to spend much of their leisure in stocks, and have been since getting their revenge by making others uncomfortable.

Not only are the present day chairs a mental inhibition, but they will

lead to the physical breakdown of the race. The generation of Americans fifty years hence will all have curvature of the spine and a definite droop of the right shoulder caused by leaning too heavily in their youth on a right-armed chair while trying to snatch a few precious winks in class. Even the library—a sanctum for those of the sleepy horde, if ever there was one—with its high tables, is equipped to guarantee a permanent indentation in the lower rib region if one tries to plow his head on his arms in order to lapse into the unconscious. The backs of the chapel seats are so low that a broken neck resulting from one nod too many in any one of a various number of directions, is expected to occur any day.

An array of couches and lounges should be the next project to which McPherson College should turn its interests. To parody ex-President Wilson, might we say, "Make Macollege life safe for head-nodders!"

If certain members of the Theatrical Club or the Play Production Class suddenly develop the guttural brogue of Germany or "ze" eccentricities of the French dialect, it will not be the forerunner of a new world order, but merely indications that McPherson College's next dramatic production is in the making.

The play, "Letters to Lucerna" which was chosen several weeks ago, was cast yesterday afternoon. The cast will begin work next week. Miss Della Lehman, Mrs. John W. Boitnott, and Rev. W. H. Upton of the Congregational Church were judges at the tryouts.

Annette Glasier in the part of Olga Kirinski, a Polish girl, will play opposite the handsome German lad whose part will be interpreted by Don Keltner. These two will supply the love interest of the play.

Keith Burton takes the role of an old French gardener.

Perhaps the most important character in the play "Letters to Lucerne" will be played by Maxine Ruehlen, who portrays Erna Schmidt, a well-poised German girl, loved by all her classmates until the plot thickens and she is declared an enemy by Felice Renarr.

Felice Renarr is the girl from France. Her part is taken by Betty Burger.

Jean McNicol will act Caroline Hunter, American matron of this Girl's School in the mountains of Switzerland.

Bingo Hill and Sally Jackson, played by Lucille Harris and Norma Lea Jones, respectively, hail from the Northern and Southern parts of the United States. Bingo Hill is a neglected Yankee orphan, while Sally Jackson enjoys more than her fair share of male admirers.

Miss Linder, teacher in the school and Miss Hunter's assistant, will be acted by Bernice Guthals. Miss Linder possesses a German accent.

Lillian Fulkerson will project her personality into the character of Marion Curwood, a girl with a strong British accent, the "tweedy" type. She causes difficulty by suspecting the integrity of Erna Schmidt.

Margarethe, the middle-aged French cook, will be played by Alice Mae Boyce.

The part of the French postman, Francois, will be given a comical cast by Marvin Reeves.

Dean Hoefle, as a member of the Swiss police will bring the play to a climax with his investigation. He will act the part of Koppler.

The play begins on Aug. 31, 1939, in a girls' school situated in Lucerne, Switzerland. The war breaks out. At first the young ladies are not greatly affected by this calamity. Soon, however, the letters which they receive from their various homes cause trouble. Ennities arise in this usually peaceful institution, and girls whose homes happen to be in countries on the wrong side in the fight are in great danger of being innocently persecuted.

"Letters to Lucerna", while essentially a serious play bringing out a certain definite idea, is not entirely of that type. It has its comical spots as well. People who desire something which is thought-provoking as well as entertaining will not want to miss the next McPherson College staging.

## At The Stroke Of The Clock

Friday, October 15, Freshman-Senior Kid Party, Gymnasium, 7:30 p. m.  
Saturday, October 16, All-School Treasure Hunt, Gymnasium, 7:30 p. m.

Tuesday, October 19, Final Interclass Debate, S. U. R., 6:45 p. m.  
Friday, October 22, Fahnestock Hall Open House, 8:00 p. m.  
Friday, October 22, Hi-School Game with Chapman.



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## Sunflowers and Sandburrs - - -

Weather is a sort of changeable thing, especially Kansas weather. One morning it's warm and we dress for summer weather; in the afternoon we change to woolen stuff and heavy sweaters. The girls tie up their hair in splashy-colored cotton squares when it rains in the morning. By noon the sun is out and they let down their hair. All day long they're kept busy putting in and taking out bobby pins while the sun decides whether to shine or stay in bed.

conscientiously careening down Euclid. Did he or did he not mistake Miss Lehman for Marvin Reeves?

Lobbin, we're in favor. The ring is beautiful and you're a lucky girl. Good luck. And Maccollege sympathy is duly extended to Dean Hoefle in his latest bereavement.

The colonial housewife lived a hard life. In a comprehensive study of the housewife's duties, Blanche Gelsert enumerated: curling own hair, making wine, help in putting up fences, pulling teeth, and church janitoring.

Monday night, after some more rigorous initiating processes, the Rec Council group played "Slam" and directed their sarcastic quips at the new-comers. The game disclosed some tongues that could well be curbed a bit. Some remarks sting though they may be thrown out in fun.

Just commenting, but it is a known fact that the editors don't appreciate those people who insist upon using the Spec office as a prop room. They request the Student Council to remove the heap of chapel curtains that at present bedeck a Spectator table.

"Hi-ya, wife," shouted Chuck Dumond to Della Lehman as he, perched on bicycle, rounded the Lehman auto

## Lack of Sleep Unknits "Raveled Sleeve of Care"

By Mary Beth Loshbaugh

Day in and day out—or mayhaps it should be night out and day in—a dull monotonous refrain drums in our ears. "College students do not get enough sleep!" Teachers, friends, house-mothers, yes, even to the president of the institution. . . . they all add their voices to the din. Tired of hearing this oft-reiterated tune, your reporter thought a bit of investigating would not be amiss. "Oh, pardon me," I murmured as a sleepy voice bade me come in. Convinced by actuality, I spent little time discussing the subject of sleep, for I felt I was silently being "cussed" for disturbing a hard-earned nap.

The next encounter was with a dainty little miss from Canton, June Perkins. In answer to my question she appeared startled as she repeated ". . . Enough sleep!" Then she sighed, "It's so late when I get to bed that I'm always sleepy."

Extending my inquiries to the newly wedded Reeves, I got a new slant on the subject. . . . "Educationalists say a serious fault of college students is insufficient rest."

"Harry," I pleaded, "be personal." Seemingly, he answered, "Last year I didn't get enough sleep, but now—Marriage is just what a man needs. . . . Unless you take history", he reflected.

Inclined to believe that students

were aware of needing more sleep, I proceeded to Arnold Hall. A dashing third floor miss breezed in "Sleep? I feel a lot better with too little than too much." Huh . . . we wondered where your pep came from.

Miss Neher feels that girls are shamefully neglectful of their health when twelve is their usual bed-time. "Girls, don't you realize how important your rest is?"

Two second floor residents solved the problem by sleeping during breakfast, "but it seems so long until noon."

Ho-hum, it appears evident that a large portion of the students could use more sleep. (Yawn) Ho-hum, excuse me, but I wonder . . . maybe I can catch forty winks before supper!

### B. Y. Meditation Period

A fine devotional atmosphere accented the B. Y. P. D. program held in the main auditorium of the Brethren church last Sunday evening. The program was composed of devotional music on the organ played by Leora Dobrinski and some "food for thought" presented by Leslie Rogers. Joan Blough sang a vocal solo accompanied by Miss Dobrinski. A closing poem, "I Am Sure I Will Not Pass this Way Again," was given in four parts by Betty Burger, Rex Wilson, Patricia Kennedy, and Ernest Ikenberry.

## Our President Comments:

As we anticipate a world in which peaceful relationships shall be obtained and wars shall be no more, there are certain concepts that must be understood, accepted, and practiced.

1. Wars result from the natural combative nature of man only because the institution of war is perpetuated by social customs and traditions and not because combativeness, as such, is a constituent part of human nature.

2. Pity and sympathy are native elements just as much as are pugnacity and fear.

3. It is not inherent nature that causes peoples of one race, class or nation to hate other races, classes or nations. Race, class, or national animosities are the products of sociological causes that result from traditions and customs which are allowed to generate false values and standards out of which hates and fears are wed to give birth to war.

4. Neither likenesses nor differences in natural endowment predetermine individuals to a fixed form of expression. The form of expression can be and is determined by education, philosophy and religion.

5. Will Durant calls the greatest discovery of the 20th Century the fact that "Knowledge is neutral." This means that knowledge in the hands of evil men can destroy, but controlled by wise, moral men of good will it can advance human brotherhood and increase happiness. It is possible, therefore, for the intellectual and spiritual acquirements of man to master and to control his skills in the building of a social order that is just and durable.

## Do We "Ring True"?

The name of Jenny Lind never fails to bring to my mind a little tale heard long ago. . . . I don't know that it is true, but I like to think that it is.

As you no doubt know, Jenny Lind was a soprano of note many years ago. During her lifetime she made many public singing appearances. It is said that this "Swedish nightingale" had one little habit which was smiled at by many but which she, nevertheless, continued.

It was her custom every time she was to give a public audition to ask for a room in which she could be alone. Then just before the time came for her to sing, she would go to that room and breathe a little prayer to God, ending with these words, "Oh, God, may I ring true today."

Although few of us possess voices which would be welcomed by a music-loving public, there are times when we, also, should echo that little prayer. Personality is an undefinable something that is much talked of today. We are urged to develop "our personalities" in order to make other people like us. This, of course, is desirable. . . . Yet, in our efforts to have pleasing personalities we too often develop something which does not "ring true."

Anyone who has ever lived in a dormitory for instance, can think of situations in which they find themselves different individuals according to the situation in which they find themselves. Oftentimes we hear a girl say about one of her friends, "Oh, she's really a lot of fun when you get acquainted with her." This is likely a case of shyness, something which many of us have to conquer. In such an instance the girl is not ringing true, that is, she is someone with a very nice personality when she is among people she knows. Yet, she turns into another type as soon as she gets out among strangers.

Then there is the type of girl or boy who makes no effort to make persons of his own sex like him but really exerts himself or herself when it comes to opposites. For this reason a girl may be well liked by boys and disliked by her feminine companions. The same goes for boys. . . . only vice versa, of course.

I have a hunch that when you started reading the preceding paragraph (if you are reading it), you thought or perhaps even said, "She's wrong. The other boys and the other girls are merely jealous of such individuals. Therefore, they do not like their company." Granted that such may be the case sometimes. . . . yet it seems to me that more often than not there is some justification for this complaint. It might be said that friendships need to be cultivated extensively within the sexes as well as between them! A girl who is only slightly "nice" to other girls or a boy who never attempts to get along well with other boys again is not "ringing true." He is leaving people with a false impression of him.

"What dazzles, for the moment spends its spirit; What's genuine, shall posterity inherit." A course in "How to win friends and influence people" may be helpful in some cases, but it is doubtful that such is what is actually needed. If we were all to take as our guiding notion, "Be genuine—be yourself," we would have more of a chance of having a host of friends than if we spend considerable time attempting to live "Dale Carnegie lives."

Most people have traits about them which are really likeable. If they spend too much time thinking about whether they are well supplied with friends, there is danger that they will develop a personality which lacks genuineness and which can be spotted a mile off by anyone who knows a little about human nature.

If in our dealings with our fellow man, we would all take as our prayer the one immortalized by Jenny Lind—if we, too, would pray to God and ask, "May I ring true today," the world would, to my way of thinking, be better supplied with more congenial people.

A college education will be of greater value after the war than in the past, but American colleges should change their teaching and learning methods. These are two of the opinions expressed by Colgate University's civilian students in a survey made by Dr. George E. Schlessler, head of the education department, for the institution's office of tests and records.

Sixty-nine per cent of the students, nearly all of them about to enter the armed forces, believe that a college education will have increased value after the war and only 5 per cent think that its importance will be decreased. Only 22 per cent of the students, however, said that colleges should retain the teaching and learning methods now regarded as standard. Seventy-three per cent believe that these methods should be altered to emphasize project, study group and field trips and 3 per cent think that increased emphasis should be placed on the use of books and teaching.

Only 37 per cent of Colgate's students believe that liberal arts colleges should return to the standard curriculum of 1940. Thirteen percent think that post-war curricula should give greater attention to the humanities and 48 per cent believe that increased emphasis should be placed on vocational and professional subjects.—A. C.P. Bulletin.

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# Seniors To Play Juvenile Games With Freshmen

## Annual Kid Party Staged In Gymnasium Tonight

The noise and confusion which accompany each session of the average one-room grade school will, no doubt, reign this evening as freshmen and seniors assemble for their annual "Kid Party" in the gymnasium.

With that familiar childhood song, "School days", as their guiding theme, the seniors have planned a program and other entertainment to make glad the heart of any normal "child." This is the yearly occasion on which the most advanced members of the student body take it upon themselves to entertain for the newest additions to student personnel.

Both freshmen and seniors will be dressed in appropriate costumes when they traipse to the gym at 7:30 p. m.

The committee in charge of entertainment this evening is composed of Alta Gross, chairman, and Leslie Rogers, Alice Mae Boyce, Muriel Lamle, Jean McNeel and Elvin Frantz.

Charles Lunkley heads the refreshment committee with Anna Mae Tinkler and Lillian Fulkerson as helpers.

As is the custom, prizes will be issued for the most realistically dressed "kids". A couple, a girl, and a boy will be chosen to receive honors in accordance with their costumes.

Dr. John W. Boinott and Dr. Desmond W. Bittinger, sponsors of the two classes will be present at the party.

# Circulation Staff Works To Scatter The Spectator Far

Although McPherson College is situated in the middle of a mid-western state, news of the school, through the Spectator, reaches all the corners of the United States as well as the ends of the world.

Copies of the Spectator released to the City of McPherson number much less than do those sent out to other parts of the earth. The Circulation Department, under the leadership of Helen Burkholder, mails over 400 papers each week.

Some of these are sent to high schools in Kansas or other schools in which McPherson has an interest. A large number of the "Specs" are sent to former students who are now either in C. P. S. camps or in our armed forces.

The college is sending these papers to the boys in the service, thus keeping them in contact with their school and friends. These individuals as well as other former students and friends of the College write their appreciation for the newspaper.

College chatter is far-reaching. Besides entering most of the states, it goes to Canada, China, India, South American, Australian, Pearl Harbor; and some are merely sent to the New York Post Office, proceeding to "the government only knows" what distant places.

Note to students: Be careful what you do and say . . . news travels!

## Harris Takes Trip Home

Miss Lucile Harris took the train from Hutchinson for her home last Friday night. She received a telephone call from her father Friday morning telling of the sudden death of her small niece, Glenna Vee.

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## Phyllis Reeves Enrolls In Macollege Classes

The face of Phyllis Reeves, a Junior, appeared on the campus Sunday for the first time this year. Phyllis, whose brother, Marvin, is a freshman here, is well known to many of the students who attended McPherson last year. The absence of her mother made it necessary for Phyllis to enter school several weeks late. She says she has been spending her time cooking, sending her little brothers to school, and taking care of any other odd jobs which always occur in farm life. Her home is Cleo Springs, Oklahoma.

## Editor Sponsors Picture Contest

### Year's Annual Features Typical Macollege Shots

Typical campus shots are to receive a featured spot in the 1944 Quadrangle. It was announced this week by Editor McNeel. Since no year-book is any better than its representation of the school year, the staff is asking anyone with a camera, or with access to a camera, to take part in the contest which it is sponsoring. This contest is open to any student or faculty member who has a bit of imagination, a flair for balance and design, or aspirations of becoming a Bourke-White or a Hurrell.

Starting the minute anyone visions his first shot of a typical Macollege scene, the contest will end at midnight, November 10. All prints must be in by that time.

Pictures will be judged on the basis by which all photography is rated—human interest, aliveness, composition, balance, clearness. Originality and imaginativeness also rate high in the judges' books. Experienced photographers will select the best picture. A page of the Quadrangle is being set aside for the winner among these views of McPherson College life, and special notice will be given to the person by whom the picture was taken. Everyone is urged to show his talent for photography by helping to add life to the 1944 Quadrangle.

## Sophomores Defeat Freshman Debaters

### Burger And Geisert Will Meet Glasier And Howard

As a result of the debate staged last Tuesday evening in the S. U. R. the sophomores will meet the senior team next week.

Vurle Howard and Annette Glasier on the affirmative defeated the freshmen, represented by Nada Niel and Dale Brown, with a split decision after a close debate.

Prof. James Berkebile, Dr. Burton Metzler, and Charles Lunkley judged the proceedings.

The "battle royal" begins Tuesday evening in the S. U. R. at 6:45. At this time the team which will hold the interclass championship for the school year, 1943-44, will be selected.

Betty Dean Burger and Wayne Geisert will debate for the seniors. Last year's inter-class meets were won by Maxine Ruehlen and Wayne Geisert, juniors.

These inter-class debates are being sponsored by Pi Kappa Delta this year. Maxine Ruehlen is president of the organization.

The topic for debate is the regular inter-collegiate question, "Resolved: That the United States should cooperate in establishing and maintaining an international police force upon the defeat of the Axis."

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# "Scandalabra Glitterings"

After all the dust we sift around in this column. It is indeed a pleasure to be able to serve a little sparkle. But we aren't half as pleased as the owner of said sparkle(s). If appearances are telling. Come on girls—lets more of us go to Topeka and see if we can get like results. Seriously though, it's congratulations, Shirley!

This past week has been one that yours truly revels in. Geisert Glishing—pardon us if that is getting a little trite but maybe you weren't in the dining hall when a report was called for from Mau-Wayne Gishert (that is more easily said than spelled) and both of them got up!—and sundry other things that make a scandal writer—not me!—happy.

Notable of mention (but definitely) is that little foursome Sunday night which included the Peterson sisters en force. We might add that what we saw from a window (and we didn't say which window) when they were coming in was n-o-t b-a-a-d!

Pardon us if we are slightly dense, but is or isn't this new heartthrob of Dobrinski's the same guy we see on the high school campus now and then? Could this be still another case of cradle-robbing or does he just get around? (Maybe he is twins?)

For once, methinks, Sir Keltner was really at a loss. We refer, of course, to last Saturday night. After all, how could he know that the jacket which so proudly he wore (borrowed of course) was the same one that Anne had been out with before on another man.

And what have we here?—another couple on the rocks or just a little variety? Anyway what we saw down town Sunday night we wouldn't even tell Bales. Who was she, Birkes?

It is just beyond our understanding! What have the non-college guys got that the students ain't got besides most of the college gals? Maybe you boys hadn't heard about Mr. Sanger, a last year student, walking off with Freshman Holderead Sunday. Don't get too sure of yourselves, fellows, just because you are limited in number or you may suddenly find yourselves without—Know what I mean?

Flash! Someone had a birthday and no-one called a 'belt line for Klotz! !! That is twice it has happened this year. Maybe this Alvin-Evelyn business is serious!

Personally we think that three boys we know are just a little selfish. Surely that trio, Dumond, Mease, and Erisman don't think that Neely and

Wolfe are the only girls in the dorm that like watermelon. All we need is an invitation.

Open house is open house and there is little to be added or detracted via this column. We doubt very much, however, if it is merely coincidence that before the evening was over, one could find several of the boys in the same room in which one had already seen their pictures. Hmmm.

To Whom It May Concern: Jerry Mease wants it understood that he is not at present interested in my proposal—or so he emphatically announced to the kitchen staff recently. We understand that at present the answer will be emphatically "no", Groves.

If we hadn't already had her in this column once we might inquire—just to fill up space—if the reason Dobrinski has decided not to go to Texas Christmas has anything to do with this rumor about Hill's being transferred.

She is very mysterious and secretive about her love life but she isn't fooling us. We know all about that picture—that Air Corps guy—that sits on Ione Akers desk. We know about the letters she gets—and sends—regularly. We also know that he was down to see her recently. Off

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hand we would say you are doing all right, Ione!

At first we feared that it was an elopement . . . There was the tinkling sound of pebbles hitting a window on second, and then came "Bessie's," sense men, Leslie's masculine voice asking for the young lady who has been going around with the sacred light gleaming in both eyes and a thrilled giggle in her voice. After said person had been summoned, we heard the murmur of voices for a moment, then, suddenly the fire escape steps began resounding to the beat of many footsteps. You guessed it! Les was coming up. As the door opened, he held out his hand. We began looking around for a preacher then and there, but, alas, the lily white carton reposing in his palm

held not a diamond, but that hard-to-get-nowadays but all the more delicious article . . . ice cream!

Disgusting, ain't it? With the girls in college outnumbering the boys about three to one, it would seem that the young Romeos should be able to find a Juliet from among their own group. Yet, what do we see the last few days but Louie Rogers and Dale Brown proudly commanding two of the younger set among the faculty's daughters.


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# Hayden Reveals Squad Personnel

## Eleven Cagemen Begin Season On First String

After an early season of steady and strenuous basketball practice, the prospects for the Bulldogs are shaping up into something really tangible.

Said Coach Thomas C. Hayden, "The boys have shown a fine attitude and have been working out three times a week."

It is the expectation of the school that scheduled games will begin early. Consequently, the squad personnel has already been announced.

The fellows who will start out the season as members of the first squad are as follows: Eugene Lichty, Glenn Swinger, Vance Carlson, Paul Markham, Francis Markham, Dale "Rip" Ferguson, Bob Lowe, Louis Rogers, Bobby Barr, Kent Naylor, and John Brown.

# We Are Active

## Where Winds Do Blow And Sunflowers Grow—

and Outers go—and yes, last Sunday thirteen "head-scarfed" outers ducked into the wind and went on a nature hike, southeast of town. Joan Blough and Alice May Boyce were heads of the groups in contests. Under a tree with a sack of grapes the girls spat the seeds and also elected Lois Nicholson as secretary of the outing club. Marilyn Sandy is the club manager.

Tuesday's bowling was enjoyed by the group downtown.

## Absence Makes The Heart Grow Fonder

And in this case since Lucile Harris has been gone and the Doel Do Club has not yet started—W. A. A.er's are getting more anxious than ever for the new club to begin. "Looch" promises many new and interesting folk games this season.

## Let's Get Wet

Wet in the ol' Y pool. Let's get wet with the rest of the swimmers each Wednesday at the downtown Y pool with Helen Burkholder as manager. 'Tis fun!

## King Elected Moderator Of Southwest District

Reverend B. N. King, pastor of the college church, was elected moderator of next year's meeting of the Southwest Kansas district of the Church of the Brethren. Rev. King was elected to this position at the district meeting held at Darlow over last weekend.

## Hymn Sing Festival Scheduled Nov. 28

### Prof. Fisher Directs Choir Sponsored By Ministers

On Sunday evening, November 14, in the City Auditorium of McPherson, the first Hymn Singing Festival of this community will take place. Such hymn singing festivals are carried out at a number of places in different parts of America, with large audiences and much enthusiasm. Some of these festivals have attracted national recognition.

The McPherson Hymn Festival is being sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance in cooperation with choir directors, and by all of the churches represented by the Alliance. All of the worship services will be transferred to the Community Building on the evening of November 28.

The singing of Christian hymns by the entire audience will be the chief feature of the service. All the choirs of the city will be assembled on the stage, and, besides their participation in congregational singing, will present several anthems as a combined chorus. It is expected that this union choir will number around 150 voices.

At a recent meeting of choir directors the following leaders were chosen to conduct the congregational hymn singing for the festival: Mrs. Rex Guse, of the Lutheran choir; Mrs. Cleo Hill, of the Methodist choir; and Rev. W. H. Upton, of the Congregational church. Mr. Nevin Fisher, of the Brethren choir was selected to conduct the massed choirs for the occasion. Accompanists on the two grand pianos will be Mrs. Andrew Darrah of the Christian church choir and Miss Leora Dobrinski of the Lutheran church choir.

## Stork Visits Berkebiles

The faculty family increased one member Wednesday afternoon of this week with the birth of a baby girl to Professor and Mrs. James Berkebile.

The three pound, nine ounce baby has been named Rose Anne. She was born in the McPherson County Hospital.

## College 'Four Hundred'

Shirley Wyckoff and Jane Anderson spent the week-end at Topeka, visiting Katherine McRae and other friends.

Bob Lowe spent Sunday evening at Newton, Kansas, visiting friends there.

Evalyn Bentley went to Topeka Friday afternoon to visit a former school chum, Doris Custer, who is attending business college there.

Several McPherson students attended a district meeting of the Brethren Church at Darlow, Kansas. A quartet consisting of Eloise McKnight, Ruth Shoemaker, Don Scofield, and Keith Burton, sang at the meeting, and Maurine Gish, Wayne Gelsert, and Wilma Fae Kuns went also.

Lucile Harris went to American Falls, Idaho, to attend the funeral of her niece. She expects to be absent for a week.

Six cars of McPherson College students went to Hutchinson Friday night to hear a lecture by E. Stanley Jones, noted writer and speaker of the Methodist Church.

Evelyn Weaver spent the weekend at the home of Ione Akers, who lives a few miles from McPherson.

Susan Ikenberry entertained friends at the Ernest Wall residence Sunday evening after church. The guests included Rex Wilson, Dean Hoefle, Ila Verne Lobban, Leslie Rogers, Betty Dean Burger, Mildred Jones, Annette Glasier, Don Keltner, Anne Metzler, Betty Grieg, Pat Kennedy, and Ernest Ikenberry. The evening was spent in playing ping-pong and group games. Refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Eugene Lichty attended an S. C. M. conference in Topeka last weekend.

Monday evening Miss Della Lehman traveled to Wichita to be present at the concert of Sigmund Romberg, composer of light opera. She reports seeing other McPherson people at this delightful musical.

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# Squints from the Sidelines



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Basketball games will soon be here. Yes, the season will be arriving in a few weeks. Perhaps no one realizes it more than the men on the basketball squad. With the season just over the horizon, Coach Hayden is beginning to bear down. His purpose is really to condition the men and give them the best training he can.

Probably the one thing that is lacking is experience. Experience is a valuable asset in any participation. Without experience, more practice is necessary. Let us compare this year's team with teams of the past.

The basketball squads in the past had no freshmen. Seniors and juniors

were the prominent players, with a few good sophomores added. This season will be practically the opposite. The freshmen will predominate with one senior and one junior added.

In relationship to these present conditions, an adjustment of practice methods is necessary. Fundamentals must first be taught to all the players no matter if they have once learned them. The next most important item is conditioning, conditioning, and more conditioning. Watch the boys when they eat, and you will see what I mean.

Prospects are looking better all the time. There's a lot more work to be done but they can and will do it. You bet!

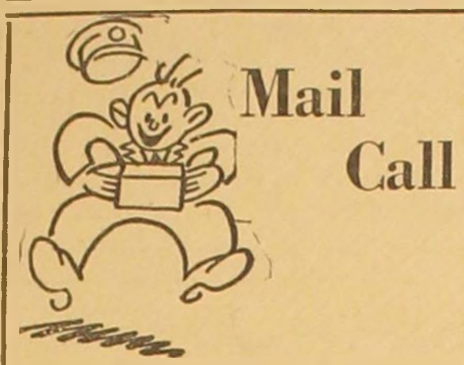
"I am beginning to feel quite sleepy. . . ."

Russell Jarboe  
Los Prietos Camp  
Santa Barbara, California.

Last year's students will be glad to read excerpts from a letter written by one of those "Jordan twins." Curtis Jordan, hospital assistant, writes:

"Chris and I still work in the same building, for they drafted us by our last names. We are in the outgoing patients building which takes care of the wives and children of Navy and Marine men. Wives of some of the highest ranking officers come here to be treated and they're even harder to handle than their husbands. . . ."

"Today I was moved back to the dressing room. This is where all the emergency cases are taken. It is really sort of funny. Back in civilian life I would think it pretty exciting to hear someone that had watched an operation, but here I can watch brain operations and all types of surgery almost any day and I



## Mail Call

Av/C Jack Vetter, C'42, who is stationed at Ottumwa, Iowa, spent the weekend in Kansas City. He has been given a six day extension on his leave, because he ranked highest among the 800 cadets in his class.

From out Santa Barbara way we get news from Russell Jarboe and the Civilian Public Service work.

"I am 'dying' for news from all the kids at college. I realize, of course, most of the kids are girls this year, which is a perfectly natural situation under the circumstances. However, I understand some of my "preacher" friends are still in school—Reeves, Klotz, Swinger, Elvin Frantz, and Bob Mays. Letters are always welcome, and I will promise to answer any and all who send me epistles.

"I like it fine here in camp, and I feel I am learning a lot of different things. Several philosophies are prevalent in camp, not all Christian, and it is of interest to compare our various differences in thinking.

"During August I was with our camp quartet on a peach-picking trip. We picked peaches for a Brethren farmer near Empire, in central California. We were away on camp time; the purpose was to gain credit for dried fruit for our camp. The wages will go to camp funds, after expenses are removed. We learned quite a little on that trip, got to sing together in three different churches, I preaching in our three regular programs. So, with a sermon a week ago Sunday in camp church services, I have been getting good practical experience speaking in public. . . ."

"We have had only a few fires this summer. One was caused by the crash of an army bomber early one morning. We really had fireworks. No one was killed in the crash, as all bailed out, but two flyers were never found. A few weeks later some of us went to a fire eighty-five miles from camp. We were gone four days.



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## "Barkerettes" Add Eight Pepsters

The "Barkerettes", the newly formed pep organization, are making plans for a year full of pep and enthusiasm.

Eight new members have been chosen to add their yells to the club's former total of seventeen girls. They are as follows: Annette Glasier, Betty Grieg, Berniece Guthals, Vurle Howard, Susan Ikenberry, Norma Lea Jones, Ila Verne Lobban, and Joyce Peter.

As was announced last week, a paper was placed on the bulletin board on which those who desired admittance into the club signed. In a meeting yesterday the former members elected the eight young co-eds previously listed.

The "Barkerettes" plan to appear at the various games and rallies decked out in white sweaters with Bulldog emblems and in red skirts.

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## Mixed Foursome Sings At District Conference

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Eloise McKnight, soprano; Ruth Shoemaker, alto; Keith Burton, tenor; and Don Scofield, bass, sang. They appeared on the Saturday afternoon program and on the McPherson College program on Saturday evening.

On Sunday morning the group sang at the regular services at the same church.

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