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## E. Stanley Jones Will Be Here On April 2

### Popular Writers Of Christian Literature Obtained By SCM.

E. Stanley Jones, world renowned missionary and church leader, will speak in McPherson in the Convention Hall, Thursday, April 2. His appearance here is sponsored by the SCM.

According to present information, Jones will speak on either "What May a Modern Person Believe" or "Is the Christian Answer Realistic."



Dr. E. Stanley Jones

According to a poll of the Christian Century magazine not long ago, Jones is the most popular writer of Christian literature among the common class of people. Among his many writings are the books: "The Christ of the Indian Road," "Christ at the Round Table," and "Is the Kingdom of God Realistic." "The Christ of the Indian Road" was a best seller when it was first published. These and many other of his writings may be found in the college library.

From 1907 until about two years ago, Jones was active in missionary work among the higher castes in India. In 1928 he was elected bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, but he resigned the position to continue his evangelistic work. He is considered also to be an authority in the field of psychology.

It has been the policy of the SCM for several years to secure at least one prominent religious speaker for the community each year. Last year Kirby Page, noted author and lecturer on pacifism, was the special speaker.

## Bittinger Speaks On New Mission Field

The McPherson high school seniors presented cuts from the senior play, "Young April" in the Wednesday morning chapel. After this, Dr. Bittinger led devotions and spoke on the new mission field in Mexico. Lyle and Rowena Albright have been appointed to serve in this new field in Mexico. Dr. Bittinger stated that we look far away and mourn at the hardships of others, but all too often we fail to see the hardships of those living near us.

## Thirty-One Seniors Don Buskins For Biblical Roles In "A Family Portrait"

Congratulations, Seniors, on one of the finest plays presented at McPherson College for some time! You made the characters really seem alive and real; we felt that we had finally become acquainted with those rather vague Biblical characters of Jesus' time. "A Family Portrait" put modern words and sometimes rather modern ideas into the mouths of its characters.

Carrying the heaviest and the leading part, Virginia Kerlin portrayed Mary, the Mother of Jesus, beautifully. She seemed well at home in the part even when it called for making bread and mending. Orvell Long, the practical and sharp-tongued Mary

## Box Supper In Gymnasium Tonight

### Sponsored By BYPD Music Also Featured

Tonight at 7:30 in the gymnasium you can hear Bob Mays and Harry Reeves, the two auctioneers from Denver, as they are featured in the B. Y. P. D. box supper. During the past week it has been possible to hear these young lads until the wee hours of the morning trying to auction off everything from brass tacks to sixteen-penny nails, so they are sure to have a real line.

Other features of the evening will be recreation, quartet numbers, and a few German band numbers. After the boxes have been sold, coffee will be served free to all those who bought boxes.

It is not the primary purpose of this event to bring in a large amount of money, but it is being sponsored to give all those who attend a good time. A recommended price limit will be set so that no one will need to feel too financially embarrassed. Don't come to put on dignified airs, but remember it is an old-fashioned box supper.

## Lindgren Talks On Fire Fighting

Fire-chief Lindgren, of McPherson, in chapel Monday morning gave a talk on the subject of fire fighting and its importance in the present national emergency.

He accused the populace of the Middle West of having a complacent attitude toward fire, a feeling of immunity from air attacks because of the distance from the coast.

According to Mr. Lindgren, every person should learn how to stop bleeding until help arrives, how to take care of incendiary bombs, how to act in case of a fire, and what to do in almost any emergency. He said that he has seen too many people become confused and frantic under such circumstances.

America should start now to think in terms of an attack from the enemy upon the continent of America, so that eventually Japan will be sorry she ever attacked Pearl Harbor.

## FOR Studies Book By E. Stanley Jones

Sunday evening Bob Mays will be in charge of the Fellowship of Reconciliation. The study to be taken up will be chapter two of the book, "Is the Kingdom of God Realistic" by E. Stanley Jones. This particular chapter is entitled "Life's Answer from Life."

At the last meeting Wayne Crist introduced this book by Dr. Jones and gave a brief review of the 1st chapter. This chapter, "Was Jesus a Realist?", goes to a study of the four gospels and points out various factors showing that Jesus was a realist. "In fact," so says Jones, "Christ was such a real realist that we have called him an idealist whose teachings are impracticable."

Cleophas, stole many scenes with her biting satiric remarks. Of the four brothers of Jesus, Joseph, characterized by Lyle Albright, was outstanding. Lyle impersonated the ill-tempered, money-grabbing brother in a life-like manner. Dick Barger ably performed the part of the youngest brother of Jesus; and Max Brunton and Virgil Brallier capably portrayed Simon and James respectively. Of the minor characters, Paul Danneley was prominent as Judas Iscariot, the betraying disciple of Christ. Especially good was his scene with Mary in which he was on his way to betray Jesus and she was pleading for pews of her Son, Raymond

## "White Cliffs" Read

A new type of program was presented in chapel last Friday morning under the direction of Miss Della Lehman, speech director of McPherson College. She presented a program of recordings of Alice Miller's poem "White Cliffs", a best seller of last year (a rare distinction for a poem). The reader was Leona Fontaine, and the musical background was furnished by Dr. Frank Black.

The well known popular song "White Cliffs of Dover" grew out of this work. The records are owned by Miss Margaret Abildgard of the city library.

## Albrights To Go To Mexico To Survey For Mission Work

Lyle and Rowena Albright, terminating their career at McPherson College when they graduate this spring, will go immediately into mission work in Mexico. Their work in Mexico, at least for the first summer, will consist largely of survey work in which they will investigate further into the field recently visited by Dr. Bittinger in his trip to Mexico. At present the Church of the Brethren has no missions in Mexico; however, with the opening of much new territory for farming and fruit growing in the Rio Grande Valley as a result of recent irrigation projects, a new field of mission work is opened.

The work of the Albright's will be to move into this territory, make friends with the natives, survey the territory for a location for a mission,

## Annual Local Peace Contest Next Sunday

### Winner Eligible For State Contest On April 24.

Contestants in the local peace oratorical contest will give their orations in the college church Sunday evening, March 22, at 7:30.

Probable entrants in this contest include Blanche Geisert, Geraldine Hodges, Bob Mays, James Burger, Harry Reeves, and Nathan Jones.

Prizes of \$7.50, \$5.00 and \$2.50 will be awarded at this local event. The winner will be eligible to participate in the state tournament to be held at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Friday April 24.

## Singing Featured At BYPD Sunday

The Sunday evening program for B. Y. P. D. will be a special evening of singing. Lucy Blough, soprano singer, will lead, and favorite camp songs, hymns, and songs will be sung. This opportunity will also be used for learning some new songs.

Last Sunday the Student Ministers gave the program. Melvin Fager spoke on "The Trials of Jesus," Wayne Parris on "The Greatest Tragedy, Christ's Crucifixion," and Edward Murray gave a talk on "Christ's Resurrection," with modern application.

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"Sneak" Meyer made a realistic bargain-driving merchant as Mathias, and Rowena Albright stood out as the mother of James and John. The outsiders of the cast, or those who were not seniors, also performed ably; they were Donald Jean Smith, Stanley Bittinger, and even "Freshie" Hevlie took as the rosy-checked, bashful bridegroom. Paul Danneley is to be commended greatly on his directing of the play. The results show much work and painstaking care. The play was a decidedly ambitious venture, but the Seniors are to be praised for their hard work which made the play such a fine production.

## Annual A Cappella Choir Concert to Occur Next Friday

### No Spec Next Week

No Spectator will be published next Friday, March 27. This is being done to stay within the limit of the number of papers scheduled to appear this school year. The next issue will appear on Friday April 3.

Next Friday the McPherson College A Cappella Choir will present its annual concert at the senior high school auditorium. Beginning at 8:00 p. m., this year's concert, the tenth since the organization of the choir in 1932, boasts an interesting and varied repertoire.

## Speech Department Gives Broadcast

### Program On American Life Given Tomorrow

Members of the McPherson College speech department will present a 20 minute program on "American Life" over KSSL, Salina, Saturday, March 21, at 1:30 P. M.

The program, under the direction of Miss Della Lehman, will consist of readings and two vocal solos by Lucy Blough.

Students making the trip are Betty Burger, Maxine Ruehlen, Jean McNicol, Jean Oberst, Margaret Hamm, Luella Poister, Anne Janet Allison, Lucy Blough, Leland High, Nathan Jones, Robert Mays, Wayne Geisert, Russel Jarboe, Lyle Albright, and Wayne Crist.

Transportation will be provided by the college car, Lyle Albright, and Wayne Crist. Other students may make the trip if they can furnish their own means of transportation.

## Forensics Meet Last Tuesday

### Willie Linville Tells Of Recent Trip To California

The Forensic Club held one of its meetings in the Student Union room on Monday night of this week. The featured speaker of the evening was Willie Linville who gave a talk on his recent trip to California to see his sister married. He passed around several pictures of points of interest and incidentally told what it feels like to be a best man.

Impromptu speeches were given by Joe Hoffert and Austin Williams on "Why I think that studying and listening to Bob Hope at the same time is impossible," and "What I think of tire rationing." Assisting on the program were Bernice Guthals who played a piano solo and Alvin Klotz who sang a solo.

Blanche Geisert was elected the new secretary of the organization as successor to Dorothy Burger. Wayne Geisert was in charge of the meeting.

## Whitmore Wins First In Anti-Tobacco Contest

### Hoffert and Kough Place Second And Third, State Contest Next Friday

Ann Whitmore, freshman honor student, took first place in the local anti-tobacco oratorical contest held at McPherson College, Monday, March 16.

Joe Hoffert and Jack Kough were given second and third places respectively. Other contestants were Leona Dobrinski and Raymond Worden.

Although there was no prize money given in this tournament, Miss Whitmore is now eligible to represent the school at the state contest to be held Friday, March 27, at Central College here in McPherson.

Prizes for the state contest are \$35.00, \$25.00, and \$15.00. The money for these awards is donated by Dr. J. W. Fields, well-known McPherson dentist.

Judges in the local event were Dr. O. A. Olson, Dr. D. W. Bittinger, and Dr. B. K. Metzler.

The rathskeller of the University of Wisconsin Memorial union, long "for men only" has recently been opened to women students.

Professor Nevin W. Fisher, director of the A Cappella Choir for the past six years, makes this statement concerning the 1942 choir. "The choir for this year is one of the most responsive and artistic musical groups which I have directed during my years at McPherson College." He continued, "Their voices are exceptionally fine in quality and as a group they feel and express the emotional significance of their music as no other choir under my direction has done.

Secular, religious, and humorous music are features of this year's concert program. Novelty numbers with solo parts for senior members of the choir add variety to the repertoire. New choir concert programs is this year's duet experiment, Lyle Albright, baritone, and Virginia Kerlin, soprano, will sing a duet.

Of particular interest to concert goers is the fact that both the men's and women's varsity quartets will sing several selections.

As formerly, the theme song of the choir, "Dedication," will begin and end the program. The concert will begin in total darkness, the lights gradually coming on as the choir hums the theme song.

## Twelfth Annual Booster Banquet Last Saturday

### L. R. Pennington Of FBI Principal Speaker For Occasion

Last Friday evening in the McPherson Community Building, the twelfth annual McPherson College Booster Banquet was held. This Banquet serves the purpose of raising funds for McPherson College from its friends who buy tickets to the banquet.

Principal speaker of the evening was Inspector L. R. Pennington of the F. B. I. Mr. Pennington told of several instances in which the F. B. I. has successfully outmaneuvered subversive elements working in our country. The organization today is very efficient, and has at its command all the means needed to carry on successfully its program. Mr. Pennington also stressed the fact that we should not become misled by rumor and propaganda.

President W. W. Peters of McPherson College as first speaker on the program gave a brief history of the College.

The College Double Quartette and the A Cappella Choir under the direction of Prof. Nevin W. Fisher, sang respectively "The Lost Chord" and "Gladly Hear Nobody Pray".

Toastmaster of the occasion was Dr. W. C. Heaston of McPherson. The invocation was delivered by George N. Bryan.

The preparation and serving of the meal was in charge of the Home Economics department of the college. Students and others prepared and served the meal.

**Tune In on our Social Calendar**  
Friday March 20—H. S. Senior Play, B. Y. P. D. Box Supper.  
Saturday March 21—Movie.  
Sunday March 22—Peace Contest.  
Friday March 27—A Cappella Choir Concert 8:00 H. S. Aud.  
Saturday March 28—Annual Student Night 9:00 Chapel.

## SCM Holds Lenten Service

Leona Dobrinski opened the regular SCM meeting Thursday, March 12, with organ music. She played several old favorite hymns. Ronald Orr, accompanied by Tella Peck at the piano, sang a solo, "The Stranger of Galilee."

Ruth Shoemaker read a story to the group entitled "The Hall of Heroes." The meeting was closed by prayer led by Leona Dobrinski.

Everyone is invited to these lenten services. The meetings are held in the church.



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All letters written for publication must be typewritten double spaced, and signed by the author. Signatures will be withheld from publication.

Opinions expressed in this column are those of the contributor only, and do not necessarily represent the sentiments of the editor or the editorial staff.

(Editor's Note: The following letter called to my attention an error in The Spectator, March 13 issue. The letter was written by Mr. Ernest Dale, now Sports Writer for the McPherson Daily Republican.

Mr. Ernest Dale, Editor, Spectator, McPherson, Kas. Dear Editor:

My attention has been called to the March 13 issue of the Spectator concerning a story headed "First Spectator Banquet Held Last Saturday." The article opens with "In the first event of its kind in the history of the Spectator," and so on.

I wish to call attention to this statement as an error for this banquet was not the first banquet held by the Spectator editorial and business staff.

Back in the late '20's and early '30's it was an annual event for the staff to hold its annual banquet at one of the downtown hotels. Prof. Maurice A. Hess, Spectator staff adviser, attended several of these banquets and several other people living in McPherson today can also recall similar events.

I was editor of the Spectator during the school years of 1929-30 and 1930-31, and I recall that each year we held a staff banquet. Others on the staff before those two years since then have told me they too attended similar Spectator banquets.

Staff banquets, are great things. They bring the members of the staff closer together for a common cause. I would think they would be of more good if they were held at the start of the school year instead of at the close for they might have a tendency for smoother operation of the staff.

Very truly yours, Leland E. Lindell

## Poesy And Prose

"The almost April, and with no Spring next week and not enough copy to go to press, it behooves me to dwell upon the aforementioned event. April is the month of showers. You know, "April showers bring May horseweeds," and it was in this month that the poet got caught in the rain with the top off his convertible coupe, no umbrella, and while wearing his still-unspid-for-Easter suit and drooled off these lines while trying to console himself.

It isn't raining rain to me, It's raining daffodils, In every dimpled drop I see, Wild flowers on the hills.

And clouds so grey engulf the day, And overwhelm the town, It isn't raining rain to me, It's raining roses down.

Which all sounds like sour grapes to me. Or am I too pessimistic, perhaps the poet was sincere in his words. Considering the other side of the situation it seems quite possible that the poet might really have had his heart in his work. No doubt he liked to wade in the mud and watch it ooze up between his toes, and to make mud pies and throw them at the neighbor kid when he was a brat. It could also be that his father was an umbrella salesman, or a golasha manufacturer, or raised ducks.

## Music Festival Here April 11.

Prizes Awarded for First and Second Places

McPherson college will be the scene of a music festival on April 11. Musicians from high schools all over central Kansas will be expected to attend. Tuition scholarship prizes will be awarded for first and second places in both the adult and juvenile divisions of the contest.

Age limits are set to classify contestants into two groups. Contestants under the age of fifteen are to be classified as juvenile, whereas the ones between the ages of fifteen and twenty are to be classified as adult contestants.

This is an annual event sponsored by the music department of the college. College faculty members are to be the judges.

## The President's Corner

Because of certain recent observations I am moved to express something I may have or should have spoken or written earlier this college year.

Any person who cannot listen with respect and courtesy to another who holds different views on certain issues is one to be pitied. We are weaklings if we have to be insulated as to what we hear and read.

Before passing judgment upon the acts of another, one should try to put himself in the other person's place and ask himself, how would I have acted had I had the same biological inheritance and environmental conditioning? Or with the biological inheritance I possess, how would I have acted had I lived in the other person's environment?

No one of us or no group of us has a corner on what is beautiful, true and noble. One is weak in character who cannot have respect for and hold the respect of those who honestly differ on matters of belief and conduct.

Remember: " - - - God is no respecter of persons!"

"Let him that is without sin cast the first stone."

One can be both broadminded and tolerant without condoning sin or participating in evil practices.

It is possible and certainly most highly desirable to be both good and nice.

## MacArthur's Appointment As Allied Commander Greatest Morale Booster

The greatest booster in allied morale (at least as far as the United States is concerned) was the selection of General MacArthur as chief commander of all allied forces in the Pacific. After having made such a great show in spite of limited means, MacArthur was the logical one to be chosen.

Seemingly, the people felt that they must have a strong military figure in this war in whom they could base their trust. MacArthur "filled the bill." Besides this being a very clever move from a political standpoint, it was probably a wise military choice.

MacArthur in the past two months has done an almost seemingly impossible feat in the way of defending the Philippines. From all news reports, we gather that reinforcements of munitions as well as men was almost, if not, an impossibility. In view of this, MacArthur was fighting two battles—one, the Japanese forces to hold territory, two, the possibility of running out of supplies. In other words, he was not only fighting with limited supplies, but he was fighting possible running out of all war equipment.

In all, whether the Allied forces gain or lose, in all probability the American people will be confident of one point—that MacArthur is doing his level best to win this war as soon as possible.

## How Acute Is The Tire Shortage?

One of the most common topics of conversation today is the rubber shortage. Everyone (or nearly so) wonders what we will do when the present supply of tires runs out. The problem, it would seem, creates a great deal of discomfort to many. People can hardly imagine themselves without an automobile to drive to a nearby city whenever they so desire. Yet, the problem is here. But what are we doing about it? Very little. Of course tires have been frozen to be rationed according to needs, but what else?

As far as can be gathered, very little or nothing is being done. Several methods are known wherein synthetic rubber can be obtained at least in small quantities. Also, in certain South American countries there are innumerable groves of trees which can be tapped for raw rubber. It is argued that this takes time and costs money. So we do nothing about it. Assuming however, that it is impossible to get these new supplies, what about our present supply? Is it being conserved wisely? It is being conserved, but not wisely. Take into account the fact that numerous cars and trucks which are used daily for necessary work. Some of these oftentimes need tires immediately. The owner cannot wait a month for a new tire. He needs it immediately. In such cases, it would seem wise to abandon all the unnecessary red tape, and with a reasonable amount of checks let such car and truck owners have tires as they need them.

Then too, when we look to the north or the south of us, in both Mexico and Canada, we see that tires may be obtained there without limit. These tires are not foreign made, but made in the United States and shipped out. If the tire manufactured in the United States can continue to be supplied to Canadian and Mexican civilians, then why can't they be supplied in the United States.

This brings us to our next question. Is there really a shortage? Undoubtedly there is, but not to the extreme that present tire restrictions need be made. From all observations, it seems that nearly every garage, filling station, chain store of the hardware type, have racks literally loaded with new tires. Warehouses, storerooms, every conceivable storage capacity was filled with tires by garage owners. This, at least, seems to be the case in Kansas, and there is no reason to believe that it isn't the case in nearly, if not all other 47 states in the Union.

I suspect that with our present rate of sale and consumption of rationed tires, about 75% of the new stock now on hand would rot before being put upon the wheel of a car.

## To Give Classes In Defense Industries

McPherson College And K. U. To Offer Classes Locally.

Engineering science and management defense training for places in national defense industries will soon be available in McPherson and vicinity through the University of Kansas extension division and the federal government through the cooperation of McPherson college.

The first general meeting of those interested in the night classes will be held next Tuesday evening, March 24, at 8 o'clock, in the chapel at McPherson college. All those interested in the courses are invited to attend.

Classes in safety engineering, engineering drawing and production drafting are being planned. The courses are being arranged especially for men and women who would like to be upgraded in their present positions or find jobs, if they are now unemployed. Classes will be for a period of 16 weeks, two evenings a week and will be free of charge to students.

Dr. W. W. Peters, president of McPherson college, who is in charge of the local program, yesterday afternoon completed arrangements with Jack Happy, of the University of Kansas, for the opening of the classes. Dr. Peters said he had bulletins containing further information about the courses and has a supply available for those interested.

Classes of 20 to 25 students each are necessary before they can be organized and the average attendance must not be less than 15, Mr. Happy explained. If there is a demand for other types of classes they will be organized if local facilities are available.

University of New Hampshire had an enrollment of 73 farmers for the spring short course in agriculture.

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## Spring Varsity Sports Will Be Numerous

**Probable List Includes Softball, Track, Tennis, Golf, Not Definite.**

All's quiet on the sports scene around Macampus these days with the basketball season over and the spring athletic program not yet begun.

In all probability the Bulldogs will have teams competing in at least three sports this spring and possibly four. Besides golf, tennis, and track the Bulldogs may have a softball team this spring. However, nothing definite has yet been done about it.

Track prospects appear bright this spring despite the loss of several lettermen from last year's squad. Among the promising newcomers to the track squad this year will be Walt Buller, state shot put champion last spring.

The tennis team that won the Kansas Conference championship last spring has been riddled by graduation and dropping out of school. Kenny Nordling, conference singles champion is not in school this year. Neither is Cal Jones or Al Whitmore, both lettermen on last year's squad.

Gone from last year's championship golf team is Chet Nordling, conference champion but letterman returning this year are Max Brunton, Delbert Brunton, and Harry Reeves.

Schedules have not been completed in any of these sports yet.

## Spring Athletics Begin In W.A.A.

**New Sports Offered; Practices Begin Soon**

In the spring a young girl's thoughts turn also to athletics, especially if she is a member of the Women's Athletic Association, for the spring sports season is filled with some new and some continued sports.

### Softball

Tuesday Alta Gross, sport head of Softball, called this sport's enthusiasts out, and although weather did not permit the actual playing of the game, girls started learning effective pitching, catching, and hitting.

### Outing Club

Outing Club, under Anna Mae Nickey and Lucille Harris direction, are taking full advantage of this Spring weather and are planning the first big spring outing.

### Orchestra

Wednesday evening Orchestra met for the first time. This is the very newest type of division in the W. A. A. program and is headed by Arlene Flory. Orchestra consists primarily of interpretative and rhythmic movements with musical accompaniment.

### Swimming

Swimming, which is headed this season by Maurine Blair, will begin next Wednesday at 3:30. With the permission of the Y. M. C. A., girls of the W. A. A. are able to take advantage of the Y's Swimming pool.

### Archery

A number of the girls will again take up their bows and arrows and begin archery after a lapse of one sport season. Jean Oberst is instructor in archery.

### Recreational Club

Ruth Miller, who heads the entire Recreation Club, announced Thursday that table tennis is the first recreational game in this club. Tournaments will not begin for several weeks, however.

## To Have Stunt Night; Award Three Prizes

March 28 at 8 o'clock in the gym. 10 student clubs will compete in a stunt contest. Prizes will be awarded to the three best contestants. First prize will be \$2.00, second prize \$1.25, and third prize \$.75. This party is open to all students of the college who want to watch the fun.

## Two Intramural Basketball Games Played Today

**Ministers Win Close Game Over Town Team, Now Hold Top Rank.**

Only one intramural game was played last Friday afternoon. The lone game was played between, possibly, the two strongest teams in the tournament, that of the Student Ministers and the Town team. The Ministers won a hard fought game 30-29. The lead changed hands many times. It was a battle between Swinger of the Ministers and Kasey of the Town team. Both are their team's scoring punch and the game depended largely upon these two boys.

The game between 3rd Floor and 1st Floor was postponed due to lack of time. It will be played at a later date.

Tuesday afternoon of this week the second round of tournament play began. The Student Ministers won out over the 3rd Floor crew 33-24. It was a battle until the last few minutes when Swinger and Thompson dropped in buckets to put the game on ice for the Studes. As a result the ministers remain in first place, with 3rd Floor in second place.

Tuesday's second game was forfeited to the Gordon Street boys because of lack of players to begin the game.

This afternoon there are two more games between 3rd Floor and 1st Floor, and the Student Ministers vs. the Town team. These should both be good games.

Just a tip to all players in remaining games, watch HARRY REEVES; he is rough.

## Spring Softball Teams Are Being Organized

Ahhh me! Spring has went and did it again. Spring, going patriotic and observing daylight saving time, has jumped the gun and arrived ahead of schedule this year. Yet the singing birds, and the humming bees, and the budding flowers and the greening trees all herald the approach of spring, but better than that, we have real authentic proof of Spring's presence and that is the fever. Spring fever? No, spring fever comes and goes, but this goes on forever. You guessed it! Baseball fever!

No sooner has spring arrived than every able bodied boy and man has dug the old apple out of the moth balls, oiled up the old mitt, and struck out for the local sand lot to limber up for the coming season. Not only is this the case with the men, but of recent years the falter sex has been displaying curves on the ball diamond that appeal to the eye of even the most critical fan.

And that reminds me. When Miss 1942 yodels "Take me out to the ball game," she has to be more specific for recent years have witnessed a new era in the favorite American outdoor sport and that is softball. Softball,

## Reboundings

By Bob Burkholder

The other ninety per cent is using the gym these days. By this we mean that the varsity athletes are sitting on the sidelines these days while the rest of the students, both boys and girls, get their opportunity to use the gymnasium facilities.

During the winter especially, it is hard to find a time for all the students to use the gymnasium, except in physical education classes, because of basketball practice. Intramural play and W. A. A. sports was confined almost entirely to the game day, when varsity athletes do not practice. But with the end of the cage season, the girls and the boys that do not participate in varsity athletics took over. Basketball and volleyball tournaments were the chief attraction for the girls while a spirited race is going on in the boys' intramural basketball league with five teams entered.

Intramurals have always been an important part of every school's physical education program. But with the need for more physically fit men and women in almost every field, intramurals may have added importance attached to it.

once limited to only the less robust of ball fans has proved that it too can be as rough as the players want to make it and has experienced such a remarkable growth in popularity that the seasoned ball fans no longer gaze on it with lifted brow and murmur something about pantiwaists, but have realized that softball is going places and if they want to go along they had better get in the buggy.

Not only is baseball and softball a spectators sport, but it is a sport of spectators. The average fan not only follows the big leagues in the papers, on the radio and in the stands, but in many cases, he belongs to his local bush league and his son keeps em flying on the local sandlot, and let the window panes fall where they may.

Now that my topic is sufficiently introduced let us get down to news. In view of the growing interest in softball, Bethel, Bethany, and McPherson Colleges plan to sponsor teams to play intercollegiate competition this spring. These will be merely friendly games, played for the sport of playing, and absolutely non-official. Some fun, eh kid?? Now wasn't that worth reading, yes??

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## VOGUE





### Library Buys Twenty New Books

**On Field of Religion Ethics, Philosophy**

During the past month the Library has purchased some twenty books in the field of religion, ethics, and philosophy.

Several of the titles are interpretations of the teachings of Jesus. Two are by Gerald Heard. One, "The Code of Christ," is an interpretation of the Beatitudes; the other, "The Creed of Christ," treats of the Lord's Prayer. George A. Buttrick's book, "The Parables of Jesus," has for its purpose, in the author's words, "to suggest an unfettered interpretation of these incomparable stories, to trace them back to Jesus' daily life in Galilee; and so to discover in them the tang of the human and the glow of the divine."

Many people are wondering if the ethical ideals of Jesus are valid in our time. Can they be applied to our highly complex world? G. Bromley Oxnam, in "The Ethical Ideals of Jesus," presents his answer, based upon the thesis that Jesus put men before things, deciding the question of right and wrong in reference to His estimate of the worth of persons.

E. Stanley Jones in "Is The Kingdom of God Realism?" answers other important questions in the field of religion: What is conversion? How far can lies go in this world? How far can a good man's life work fail? According to the publishers these questions are answered "in the great answer, the ultimate Truth which gives life wholeness and which is the supreme realism."

### Senior Comprehensives To Be On Wednesday, April 1st

Every dog has his day, and so it is with the seniors, for they too shall have their day; namely, April Fool's day. Yes, on April 1, the seniors shall have their day of trial; they shall be weighed and we hope not found wanting; they shall be exposed to the terrors of the much-dreaded comprehensive examinations.

If so happened that two years ago the faculty met in a mighty caucus to cook up some new form of torture for the student body, after many suggestions such as epidemics and plagues by Dr. Hershey, various anatomical alterations by Dr. Mohler, and requiring three years of latin for graduation by Prof. Hess, Dr. Boltmott hit upon the ideal answer, the ultimate.

### Track Squad Has Seven Lettermen

**Workouts Not Begun; Team Strength Uncertain**

Seven returning lettermen will form the nucleus of Coach Hayden's track squad this spring. Heading the list of returning lettermen is Jack Vetter, three year letterman in the sprints, and weights. Another veteran out for his third letter is Dick Burger, who won the conference championship in the two mile, last year. Other first year lettermen of last year out after their second letter include Merle Finrock, half miler; Darwin Culver, sprint man; Albert

Miller, javelin and pole vault; and Warren Sies, high jump. Also back on this year's squad after a two years absence is Leslie Rogers who lettered in the two mile three years ago. Rogers will be pushing Dick Burger, his roommate for top honors in the two mile this year.

Track workouts have not officially begun, so an indicator as to the strength of this year's team can not be hazarded as yet. However almost fifteen boys have been working out daily for several weeks now.

Due to the difficulties in getting transportation facilities, Bethel and College of Emporia are not having track teams this year. All of the schools have indicated they will continue their spring athletics program as near normal as possible.

much of his energy that he drank as many mints as Lucile Horner did at the Puritan after the play.

By the way, while I think of it, I might mention that Arlene "Floppy" Flory, who has of late been somewhat thick with the returned Don Newkirk, has branched out still further. Of course, this is unauthenticated, and proves nothing, as any fool can plainly see, but they do say that Flory sat with Pinky Lowber at the senior play Tuesday night. Purely coincidental, doubtless.

Campus girls are polishing their fingernails preparatory to punching holes in pie crusts for the box supper

tonight. If there are any campus couples which continue in force at the supper, everyone will know. Such a thing could not happen if the girl had not tipped the guy off. So all the guys and gals should take heed. This means you, too, Ronk and Connor.

Spring fever does blow, and where is the snow, and what will the Macamusan do now, poor thing? All over the campus students are beginning to look like winter has gone. But alas, they are not busily engaged. No, they stand around with their reddish auburn hair gleaming fit the sun, don't you, Rough. The seniors have not been doing any sunning for the

past few weeks, but they can get in their quota now. As far as that goes, there hasn't been any sun for the past few weeks. Spring brings strange thoughts to the minds of the youth of our nation. What they are, you must find out from the youth of our nation, for I wish to say nothing that could be used against them. Nor do I wish to incriminate any or all concerned. What I started out to say is that spring fever is in the air.

When the seniors gave skits at the high school last Monday, Jack Bowker was seen and heard. Ye Gods! How he was seen! He had on his Roman costume and no pants.

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Dr. Thurston H. Ross, director, said 5,000 California working women in all forms of occupation—about half of them industrial—were surveyed.

Eighty-eight per cent, he continued, were satisfied with their incomes. And of those saying they needed more money, 92 per cent already were in the higher brackets. The group's average wage was \$18.21 a week.

"The higher wage group complained a great deal more about the need for clothes than did minimum wage earners," Dr. Ross reported. "Those who spent most money for clothes seemed to be in the greatest need for them." (A. C. P.)

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### Heard On The Party Line



Because he is such a consistent column crasher, I hesitate to mention this item about McAuley. After this brief pause for hesitation, I continue. Furthermore, the Hon. Rev. has no trouble with this early hour breakfast stuff when he takes Dobrinski

in at night. When the hour is eleven, they go in at eleven. This I have noticed, and what is even stranger is the fact that Dobrinski seems to understand about various things, including definitions of biblical terms. The other day in Bible class Miss Dobrinski, on hearing the term "A Holy Kiss," asked "What is a 'holy kiss?'" while pulling an "Eliza" cat on the mud floor behind Kline Tuesday afternoon, a few second floorites returning from the Inn were treated to a rare sight. "Doc" Williams, campus editor of the Spectator, fell to a watery position seated on his posterior. When he arose, his blithesome playmates discovered that he and mother earth had made distinct impressions on each other.

One of the proverbial "slips that pass in the night," passed Tuesday night at the Community Building where the seniors were making up for their play "A Family Portrait." Virginia Kerlin, lead character, who subsequently turned in an all out performance was being made up for her part. When Mrs. Heibert, makeup manager, showed Virginia the hair with which she was going to build up Virginia's hair, this remark escaped the redoubtable Kerlin: "Oh, isn't that pretty?—just like mine."

Speaking of the senior play, did you notice the food the cast consumed? However, envy them not, gentle reader. The soup was cold and greasy—and those eggs! Phew! They were so leathery that they started wearing out on their first day. Max Brunton, official senior keeper of secrets and ace airmail letter sender, sprained his right wrist cutting his egg loose from the pile. It used up so

### Gleaned From The Teeming Brain

Prof. Hess can relax for a while and have a sigh of relief because the Booster Banquet for 1942 is history now. The banquet seemed to be a big success and I suppose everyone knows better than to try to commit a perfect crime now because the F. B. I. will get you sooner or later. They talk that the streets of McPherson were rather bare during the banquet due to the large attendance and the fact that those who didn't go were ashamed to be seen on the streets. One thing about the banquet was particularly amusing to me and that was the waiters and waitresses got paired off into couples. I wonder if it just happened that the usual couples got together or if it was premeditated!

One of our beautiful little (short) coeds, better known as "Floppy Locks" has turned military on us in spite of the teachings and beliefs of some of the college. It wouldn't be so bad if her interest was only in the army but no—she has interests in both the army and the navy. She says it is her brother in the navy who sent her that cute little battle ship but we have our doubts. You probably didn't know she had been out with a soldier several times in the past week because he wore civilian clothes instead of his uniform. I wouldn't think of revealing his identity but he is a 1940 graduate of McPherson College, a good debater, and he lives at Lyons. If you can't guess who he is just ask Flory.

LaRue Owens and Don Newkirk, who are both working for Uncle Sam, were present on the campus sometime during the past week. People are saying that LaRue got a 10

day leave from his "work" to come home and get married. I've heard that these soldier boys crave excitement but it isn't often they get it far!! "W. P." Reeves seemed unusually happy this week since he got back "in the groove" with Ruth Miller but his spirits fell when "Stogie" Snarely horned in took the lovely coed to the Senior play Tuesday nite. Don't give up Harry because competition makes things more interesting—at least that is what Jack Kough, Willie Linville, and Joe Hofferth think.

Here is a note of special interest to all the fellows of the A Capella choir—Klotz has already hung a "hands off" sign on Voshell for the A Capella Banquet but don't let that discourage you fellows because something might happen to Klotz—however he seems quite healthy at the present in spite of the late hours he has been keeping!

Since the senior play I have learned that Dick Burger's expected arrival in the play turned out to be a boy!! Congratulations Dick—what kind of cigars do you have on hand??

Due to the fact that "Prince" Trostle spends so much time keeping up his social life on South Ash he has to take his radio to the wash room when he shaves in order to keep posted on the latest news, etc. We don't blame you Johnny because you may as well get all the good you can from your radio and then too it is very essential that a potential big time farmer, who is going to farm 4 or 5 sections of wheat land and donate \$500 dollars to McPherson College, keep well posted on the news, stock market, and wheat prices.

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