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BIBLE INSTITUTE BEST IN HISTORY

Many Visitors Enjoy Sessions

The Bible Institute of 1921 is over. To attempt to put into the space available in the SPECTATOR a complete review of the week's program is to attempt the impossible. It was a great meeting.

Prof. E. B. Hoff of Bethany Bible School, Chicago, was at his best and was perfectly at home in interpreting the Life and Character of Christ. As you hear him discuss the subject, you unconsciously receive the impression that Brother Hoff is talking about a very close acquaintance and warm personal friend.

Prof. Roger D. Winger arrived in McPherson in time to take his place Tuesday afternoon and begin his courses in Religious Education. His work is to continue through the eight weeks to come. They are especially to prepare workers in Vacation Bible schools. A number of our students have enrolled in them. Prof. Winger is full of a young man's vigor and enthusiasm and knowing his subject as he does, it is certain that McPherson College is taking a long step forward in adding this department with Prof. Winger at its head.

The two lectures by Eld. G. W. Burgin on the premillennial problem were timely and were exceptionally well prepared. The speaker has certainly studied the subject from about all the possible angles and knows what he is talking about. Many inquiries have come as to whether these two lectures, or at least their outline, may be put into print.

Our home talent supplied the remaining parts of the program. Suffice it to say that all were alive to their task and made good in his endeavors. Dr. Kurtz closed the sessions on Sunday evening with a great missionary sermon.

The attendance from outside was excellent. The programs had been sent out and invitations extended and the Institute announced all over the entire territory of the School. The churches have come to look forward to these seasons as a vital part of their activities. We could not do without Bible Institute each year. It seems that every year at the close, we think that this has been the "best ever." That's the way we feel now. And we shall strive to make the same

thing true of the one for which we are already preparing next year.

W. O. B.

NEW SEWER ON THE HILL

About 7,000 feet of sewer is being put in on college hill to accommodate the extension in building. The digging is being done by a Buckeye ditch digger which weighs 42000 lbs. and uses a 65 H. P. gasoline engine. Even at the depth of 12 feet it digs at the rate of 60 feet per hour. The new extensions will be of decided advantage to the people on the hill to say nothing of the joy it gives the students watching the mogul at work.

K. U. DEPARTMENT HEAD READS "BEN HUR."

Student Council To Be Commended For High Grade Talent Under Whose Auspices Entertainment Was Given

The entertainment given last Thursday evening by Prof. McMurray was one of the finest events that the student council has provided this year.

Mr. McMurray is at the head of the public speaking department of K. U. and has a wide reputation as a speaker.

The selection for the evening was the dramatic story of Ben Hur, taken from the book "Ben Hur" by Lew Wallace. Mr. McMurray's rendition was very fine, particularly good was the character portrayed. The account of the chariot race held the audience almost breathless, feeling the thrill of the contest. Besides "Ben Hur" Prof. McMurray read three short humorous selections.

The student Council deserves great credit for the high grade entertainments which are being given this year.

I. B.

INTERESTING, ISN'T IT?

The Bible contains 3,566,480 letters, 773,746 words, 31,173 verses, 1189 chapters and 66 books. The word "and" occurs 46,277 times. The word "Lord" occurs 1855 times. The word "reverend" occurs but once, which is in the ninth verse of the 111th Psalm. The middle verse of the Bible is the 8th verse of the 118th Psalm. The 21st verse of the 7th chapter of Ezra contains all the letters of the alphabet except the letter J. The 19th chapter of Second Kings and the 37th chapter of Isaiah are alike. There are no words or names of more than six syllables.

AGGIES TAKE HONORS

The Stock Judging Team, picked from the academy class in that subject, carried away the honors of first place in the contest, in stock judging at the Kansas National Stock Show last week. Those who took the gold medals were Jay Eller, Elmer McGonigle, and Leo Crumpacker, the members of M. C.'s team. There were 32 high schools represented by 96 contestants in the contest. Jay Eller took first place among the contestants. Our score was 926, followed by close second and third, 923, and 918.

Our team took first place last year in competition with 25 high schools, when Vilas Betts, Ervin Ihrig, and Herkle Wampler led the others by over a hundred points. To win one year is very possible, but to take the medals twice in succession shows the superiority of our agricultural work. Professor Mohler deserves much credit for the thoroughness of his instruction and his progressiveness in his department. M. C. has one of the most up-to-date agriculture departments and one of the best teachers of any school of its kind in the state. Mohler said that the boys were not nearly up to par in their judging at Wichita, but, we should worry, they brought home the bacon.

EDGEComb SELLS OUT

The students and many others were very sorry to learn, last week, that Mr. Edgecomb had sold his far-famed Jitney after over two years of the most faithful service possible. His business has been bought by Ihrig Brothers who expect to run it by the same schedule and under same policy. We will certainly miss Mr. Edgecomb's smiling face as he relieves us of our tickets which we were glad to give him in return for such accomodating service. We wish the Ihrig Brothers the best of success with the old bus which we have so unmercifully overloaded and trust that when it can no longer plod its weary way over its route, that it will be donated to the museum in the library.

Like that rare stone of alchemists of old, good humor turns the dross of life to gold.

Sue—"What did the minister preach about?"

Crawford—"My hearing is sadly defective when I am not awake."

DR. KURTZ LECTURES UPON JAPAN

Most Masterful Address of Season

The lecture on Japan given Tuesday evening in the Chapel by Dr. Kurtz to a large audience was of very unusual character.

From the first the audience was gripped by the speaker's intense and sincere purpose to give an unbiased view of the Japanese problems of today. He told many incidents of his travels, and of the great respect shown to all members of the S. S. party. The speakers of the Tokyo convention were often invited to talk to the Japanese. Dr. Kurtz received his share of homage and made many speeches. Often the S. S. party was banqueted by the Mayor and townspeople of the Cities as they passed through them. Dr. Kurtz said these banquets were always an occasion for the Japanese speakers to plead for American friendship and fair-play. The Japanese are a friendly, peaceable and industrious people, not to be imposed upon. It is true that they are represented by a controlling war party, but the sentiments of the Japanese people are not for war. The Japanese speakers asked the American delegates to go home and tell their people that the Japanese want peace and friendship and not war from the American nation.

Dr. Kurtz gave a masterly and authentic account of Japanese history in connection with the present day problems. He told how carefully scientific the Japanese are, how well-trained, how intellectual and of their promise as a future nation to be reckoned with in all international dealings. He also gave the history of their immigration to America and of America's welcome to them, a welcome followed by discourtesy that America will never be proud to own up to.

Many who heard the lecture have expressed themselves as wishing that our Congress and every American citizen might have the privilege of hearing this lecture. One of the President has said "I consider Dr. Kurtz's lecture on Japan one of the most masterly and persuasive presentations I have ever heard. It should be repeated in our city."

"Get busy" may be poor English, but it's good advice.

Literary And Art

A WOMAN IN CHARGE

At the Chicago Opera Association's board of directors' meeting, January 13, Mary Garden—the distinguished prima donna, was appointed General Director of the association. She has assumed charge of both the business management and the artistic direction of the opera, succeeding Herbert M. Johnson as business manager, and Gino Marinuzzi as artistic director. Marinuzzi resigned on account of ill health, but will remain as head Italian conductor. Miss Garden will give her services free of charge and will continue to appear in the roles for which she is booked for this season and next. Under the executive committee of the association, Miss Garden will be in control of the whole conduct of the opera in Chicago and on tour. She is probably the first woman in the world to hold such an extensive position of this nature, although there have been other women directors of opera.

ALL ABOARD FOR LINDSBORG

Just two more weeks until the Lindsborg Convention. Won't it be great to spend two whole days with students from other Kansas colleges and get acquainted just like we got acquainted here! Some of the schools are planning big delegations and McPherson—well, everybody in the state expects McPherson to outdo herself this time. They have not been able to figure out just how we put this convention business across, although they have been trying to ever since the Emporia Conference. About twenty have already signed up for entertainment while many others are planning to attend at least part of the time. This is a splendid chance to hear great men on big world problems. The fact that Dr. Robbins is a successor of John R. Mott in the Volunteer work recommends him to us. We are always pleased and proud to hear our own Dr. Kurtz. Surely Miss Lytton and Dr. Smith who have spent so many years in foreign work can speak with authority on questions relative to the countries they represent. And just think of having several returned missionaries, the Y. M. and Y. W. secretaries all at once. Then there's the banquet with its toasts and songs and college spirit—aren't you glad you've paid Miss Dickens for your ticket to that? If you have forgotten it you may do so yet. If you have ever been to a student Conference you haven't forgotten the thrill of it, and if you never had a chance to go, you will be doubly an-

xious for this one. It isn't just for preachers and missionaries-to-be, it's for every red blooded student, who calls himself a christian. Come on, register now and go to Lindsborg. Make friends with your fellow students, take a new view of big present day problems. Get a new grip on God, and come back a truer woman, a nobler man, than you went!

A. B.

A BULLDOGS REACTION OF THE EASTERN TRIP

After Much Deliberation The Team Decides To Return To Old M. C.

Life is certainly an interesting proposition. The Student's life is a series of varied incidents that causes him to pause and wonder if he isn't living the best part of his life, if you will for the moment permit us to measure life in terms of happiness. Athletics is a comparatively small portion of a School's program. That minority that participates in the Four Major sports of the school has simply another one of those varied interests that in a small way helps comprise the whole school program. What person is there that will attempt to disprove the fact that Athletics, taken as a whole is a good thing. Yes a good thing for the greatest number, and not only for that small minority that happens to participate in the Four Major sports of a school.

I don't know why but this little preliminary paragraph was in my system, and since it is out I shall attempt to talk a short time more particularly about ourselves, somewhat of an interesting subject, don't you think? Let us if we agree as to what we mean by the Basket Ball Team, and the same reasoning applies to any one of the School's teams. Do we mean the five fellows that play a particular game, or even the ten or twelve fellows that practice every day that they may be prepared to meet the foe as per schedule? Let us not call this the Team, these fellows are merely the fellows that are responsible for a defeat. But let us think of the team in a large sense. The Trustees have made the team possible. The management has supported it both directly and indirectly. The Athletic Association is a friend indeed. The coach is one of the most important parts of the machine. By the way that little fellow Dan fits into the machine to a T. And then finally there is the student body. Space does not allow me to say all. But there's the Band, an indispensable asset. There's the cheer leaders, with all of the school back of them. There's the faculty with good will and support. We can't say that all these factors are the Team.

But we can say this, that because of the very nature of the case this is your team. It is the team that is made possible by all these factors working together. Now how well do they work together? Can you judge by the number of victories M. C. has to her credit from year to year? You answer it.

A portion of that team has just returned from a hard four day trip. That is eight fellows and the Coach. From the questions that have been showered upon us we know that we are the best supported team in the State. Now don't say that, for we aren't the poorest team in the state. I only wish one thing and that is that every one of you could have seen each of those games and then we would be foolish to attempt relating some of the things you are asking. Any of the fellows will be glad to tell you what we did or failed to do if you but ask him, providing you don't get too personal. You ask if we were outclassed. Well I shall quote the other fellow. Captain Hoover says, "that under the best conditions we could not have won three of those games." the reasons are that in case of a close tight contest the referees would have favored the Eastern Schools. Now we are to an important part of the trip. The referees.

Now please notice that I am attempting to relate the facts and not to make an alibi. Every referee was different. He is rather queer don't you think that the Conference can't agree on some set of rules that the official may not at least be reasonable with their authority. One referee was a champion of technical points, such as an illegal dribble, while the gravest of personal fouls went unnoticed as far as we could see. Another was a director of the school we were playing and because of his National Reputation was appearing as a fair referee, and as a result the fellows took more personal foul play than most any one can stand. On that we could have met some real referees. But let us draw this to a close because to sum it all up, they were all different but the only raw deal was the unnecessary rough foul play that Master Quigley of the Catholic City permitted. The other referees although not up to the minute with their work were at least fair.

We might state that there seemed to be a feeling among the schools we visited that no games should be scheduled with St. Marys in the future. Here's the reason, with the exception of one game played here about three years ago during their vacation while they were not under the regulations of the school, they have played all their games at home, save for any that they may play and

return to St. Marys before the following morning. Is it a wonder they have nearly a thousand per cent each year? Other schools are dropping them, shall we? It will be too bad if we do at this particular time as they lose about three or four of their four year letter men this year. We might add that we saw an interesting fixture on their campus (which by the way was well covered with fine buildings about ten in number, of a most beautiful and substantial type) it was a combination of a smoke house and a billiard room—You know—as we passed it, it reminded us so much of the McPherson Smoke house.

It was certainly unfortunate that we hit Baker on the tail end of the trip. They were much inferior to us and we could have easily won had it been first or even before the hardest of the four, the Ottawa game. The fellows were simply under this predicament, the fatigued body simply over came the mind. The trip as a whole was an interesting study in Psychology and was in a large number of ways beneficial although the Bacon stayed beyond our reach.

A Member of Team.

Foreign Credits For Farmers.

Farming interests can congratulate themselves that the control of Congress is in the hands of their friends. Last year daylight saving repeal was passed over the President's veto. This year we find Congress making every effort to encourage exportation of farm products.

The resolution reviving the War Finance Corporation to provide foreign credits thereby furnishing markets for agricultural products has passed Congress and Congressman Strong of Kansas deserves much credit for its speedy passage thru the House. He brought it out of the Banking and Currency Committee on his motion by a majority of only one against the opposition of the Chairman and ranking members who represent the east, and he made the majority report. He appeared before the Rules Committee for the special rule which gave the resolution immediate consideration and then controlled the debate which resulted in its passage by the large majority of 212 to 61. For a new member to be sponsor for a resolution of this importance is an unusual compliment to Mr. Strong's ability and energy.

Some great failures have been achieved by men with a gift for doing the right thing at the wrong time.

Carelessness is responsible for more mistakes and accidents than ignorance.

You can't chop down a tree with an axe-handle. Neither can you make a real success with only half an education.

Organizations

The Y. W. C. A. cafeterias and lunchrooms all over the country are to turn over the gross cash receipts from their noon meal on February first to the European Relief Council to help the starving children of Europe. This food contribution seems peculiarly apt and symbolical. February 1st will be called Y. W. C. A. Invisible Guest Day and at least 450 Associations are planning to make this a community appeal and urge everyone who can to lunch in these cafeterias that noon to swell the fund. In some cities where the Association has no restaurant the church or club women will be asked to serve a noon meal in some downtown location. The idea of the Invisible Guest and empty chair at each table is to be carried throughout. The special Hoover meal, sold at a generous price, will be served to those who wish to give money in this particular way.

The laurel for patience, helpfulness, sweet smiles and all that goes with the under-worked word "politeness" was handed to the young woman who deals out information by the hour at one of the Y. W. C. A.'s in Chicago recently. The "laurel" was fifty dollars and the donor was the Chicago Tribune, which has a politeness campaign in the windy city that threatens to affect the place permanently. The politeness reporter in his quest for prize-winners strayed into the Y. W. C. A. and though he thought he had discovered the wonder of the ages already and was about to award the prize, he found that a half-hour of questioning and inquiring on his part elicited nothing but courteous answers, smiles and helpful suggestions from the girl behind the desk. So he gave his vote to her. Some people in Chicago, we hear, are afraid to be polite now. It looks suspicious, with those fifty dollar prizes ever on hand.

HOW MUCH SHOULD A STUDENT SPEND DURING A SCHOOL YEAR?

In surveying the field covered by this question we must needs assume that the student has money, or that he will get some and that he will spend it if enough pressure is brought to bear. This thought immediately carries me back to a hard summers work and to the last days before school starts when father and son sit in deliberate council trying to settle this question of school finance. The son's first purpose is to get all he can, so he fixes his figures plenty high and the father asks himself

"how much does my son need? and how much can I spare just now?" Then follows a more sensible discussion based upon necessary and unnecessary expenses and the amount is fixed accordingly. Even those students who do not get their money by the "father and son" methods arrive sooner or later at this stage of the question.

Under necessary expenses we include—board, room rent, tuition, clothes, books, and a list of miscellaneous expenses, which it seems if put side by side would make one continuous line from McPherson, thru Petrograd, on to Port Arthur and back to the stricken regions in China, where no doubt all such expenses should be at the present time.

I cannot name all of these expenses but some of them are laundry, cleaning and pressing, barber, charity, stationery, laboratory fees, class fees, society fees, breakage fees, physical training accommodations, and then more fees. Still we haven't mentioned the lecture course tickets or the student activity ticket. And sometimes it may be necessary that we have two of each of these tickets. I'll let you decide your case for your self. Now we will sum up these expenses and add to that sum \$20 to cover those expenses that we cannot recall just now, and we probably will have accounted for what I term miscellaneous expenses.

Under unnecessary expenses we have such things as musicals and other entertainments both at the college and down town, an occasional "movie" a picture or banner to decorate our room, a trip to support our team away from home, a coca cola, and once in a while a "feed" or banquet.

After all it isn't entirely a matter of how much we spend; but how well we spend what we have. Of course all the students won't have all the expenses enumerated and some will have more. And because some expenses will be greater for one student and less for another, we cannot set any fixed sum that a student should spend. The art of spending money, the choosing for what it shall be spent, and tabulating expenses should be cultivated by every student and the student himself must determine how much he should spend.

Foster Hoover.

Coach—"Do you suppose, darling, that you could make four of these cakes exactly thirty inches in diameter?"

Mrs.—"Why, yes; I suppose so."

Coach—"Fine, I was just going to get some wire wheels for the car, but these would be cheaper and more durable."

Did You Know?

Did you know that several of our Bible Normal visitors were formerly students of old M. C. That Prof. Hoff was one of this number?

That Homer Engle, who led chapel Friday morning received his A. B. in 1918?

That W. A. Kinzie B. D. '18, who led chapel Thursday is Pastor at Nickerson, Kans. They built a new brick church last spring and are using the old building as a community house?

Evangelist and Mrs. O. H. Austin, who are holding services at Newton, Kansas, were here one day. Among the others who were here are Will Yoder, A. B. 15 from Morrill, Harvey Brubaker, '17 from Plattsburg, Mo., Ernest Sherfy B. D. '18 from Monitor and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilson.

Extracts from a letter recently received from Lulu Pearl Ullom, '17 who is at Liao Chou, Shensi, China.

"As you see I am at Liao Chou at the junction of two rivers but in the midst of beautiful rugged mountain scenery. I came down to spend the winter with my friend Myrtle Pollock. As her boarding place was too far to go back and forth three times a day she decided to move into the hospital where she was alone except for Chinese helpers. She is a nurse but has full charge now of the administrative part while the doctor is home on a furlough or until Dr. Horning has his language well enough to take up the work. This winter I am still studying the language as I could do that as well here as in Ping Ting. My language work at present is reading the Chinese with a Chinese teacher with some conversation mixed in. At present I am reading Acts. Will finish it next week and that will mean that I have spent about seven weeks reading it. This is the method we use. First I listen to the teacher read the new chapter, then I read it with him, that is he reads a phrase and then I read it after him, trying to give the rhythm and tones just as he gave them. And if there are any new words in the phrase, he explains them and I romanize the word. After we have gone over it in this way we re-read it again, once or twice. Then after the teacher is gone (I read an hour with him in the morning and another in the p. m.) I look up each of the new words in the dictionary to be sure that I have gotten the correct meaning. Then I read the chap. myself, also compare it with the English, then when the teacher returns, I reread it with him and ask him any questions that came up as I studied it.

Then we take up the new work and do the same thing over again. I enjoy the language work but it takes close concentrated study. And I have to see that I get out for a bike or some kind of exercise every day."

"This winter Anna Blough is helping with the famine relief work. Helping to find out which homes in the village are most needy and how many members of the family should be put on the list of those who are to go to the Soup Kitchen twice a day for food. Just before coming down here I went out with Dr. Harri-ly, Yoder, Williams and others, to the famine district. It is awful beyond anything that we can comprehend even when we see it. The only food they had was leaves, chaff from millet, ground up corn cobs and fodder even smutty corn—the whole ear, husks and all. Our stock at home wouldn't eat some of the food (?) we saw these people eating. Their is a peculiar quietness about the villages. The people seem resigned to their fate and are calmly awaiting whatever comes. There is almost no work even for the men to do. At Ping Ling they are feeding some thousands of these people. We hear that the people at home have responded very liberally and we are glad. There is no famine here at Liao so I am not so closely in touch with the work as I was, but you will learn of the progress of the work through the church papers.

An Agricultural Tariff.

The House recently passed an emergency tariff bill on sixteen agricultural products which have recently depreciated over 50%. Eastern members and the Democratic leaders fought it bitterly but it passed by 195 to 85. Over 40 Democrats broke away from party tradition and voted for the bill thereby accepting the Republican doctrine of Protection.

Cotton in the past has been mostly an export crop hence the cotton states advocated free trade but now even cotton needs protection. Also the growing diversification of crops and new enterprises have made Southern interests kin to ours. Senate Democrats are reported to be opposing tariff changes for party consistency but agricultural interests back home may force even these partisans to favor protection.

Prof. Hoover—Don't use that phrase, small town stuff.

Student—Why? Does it make you homesick?

A Modern Curse—Music is the language of the soul; Jazz is its profanity.

If you are a fool about anything the world will tax you for it.

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EXAMINATIONS

Examinations! What are they? Some feel they are instruments of torture to find out how little they know. To the bashful, self-conscious student it is an avenue for adequate expression, without the agony of being bored by 40 pairs of eyes while oiling the mechanism which produces speech. But to the good, conscientious student they are a nuisance, taking time which might be more profitably spent.

When the word "Examination" is spoken there comes visions of past years, of certain times in past years when the snow was deep and white and the sky a deep, deep blue. Times when the tobogganing was thrilling and the snow was perfect for snow-shoeing. However the hours were spent in cramming and other hours in chewing the end of a helpless pencil. Time was when under pressure, social and otherwise, not only midnight oil, but also "wee hour" oil was burnt (altho' it happened to be electricity.)

We have all recently been thru the mill. Some have had two kinds of examinations. Which are the better, research, or the ordinary suspense? "What will Prof. ask?" Type? The uncertainty of the latter is what we dislike about them though for most they are the easier. But it, in an examination of this type, the student writes a wrong answer he is more likely to fix it in his mind wrongly than rightly. In a research, however, the right answer is hunted down and fixed in the mind by writing it on paper. They say the oriental takes 24 hours college work to the American's 16 or 18. That is because their memories are well developed but they have little capacity for research, the instructor has to do that for them. But the written examination is always hard on the unfor-

tunate individual who cannot easily express his meaning in writing, and there are such. Therefore the fairest examinations seem to be the "psychological" type. Many of the larger colleges are adopting these for entrance examinations to succeed the old "content" type. Which would you prefer?

O. D.

A FOOL THERE WAS

Some people are busier than others, and it is usually that person that has the least to do that is the most impatient before a concert or lecture or entertainment begins. If the concert is to begin at 8:00 and the curtain does not rise precisely at that time, there are always some who like to display their apparent lack of "gray matter" by clapping. The purpose of such action is obscure, for we notice that it doesn't cause the curtain to rise any sooner. And we also know that it does make a lot of us agree with "Shakespeare" that there is 'one' born every minute.

IGNORANT, RUDE OR FORGETFUL

It is one of these names that very suitably applies to that person who laughs at the announcement of a musician's selection. Even though names of many pieces of music sound peculiar that makes it no excuse for ripples of snickers through an audience.

In the first place it is very embarrassing for the player, and it shows him or her very little respect. Of course we are speaking more particularly now of instrumental music. Furthermore many of the "funny" words are explanatory, and if there is any one who can not appreciate them, the Librarian will be glad to help you find them in a musical dictionary. So, the next time that you think of laughing at things you're not supposed to laugh at, just remember that if you do, there will be some people who will brand you as ignorant, rude, or forgetful. Everyone is here to learn. To know these things is a part of your education. Don't show your ignorance next time.

Eld W. A. Kinzie, an alumnus of M. C. conducted the exercises Thursday. Rev. Kinzie at present, is pastor of the Church of the Brethren at Nickerson, Kans., and is doing a noble work in that community.

Rev. Homer Engle a former M. C. man, conducted devotionals Friday morning. He is engaged in pastoral work at present, and doing a good work. Every institute finds Rev. Engle on the grounds preparing himself more efficiently for religious work.

The Quizzical Ed

The following question was asked of six students picked at random on the campus.

Who starts most love affairs, the boy or the girl?

Ray Cullen, Senior C.—I used to think that the boys started the affairs but now I think it's 50-50. I've heard girls say that they never went with a boy to whom they had not been paying special attention. Yes, I've been studying the question myself, lately.

Ruth Kilmer, Junior C.—I think the boy starts the going together, but in many cases, when they get "serious," the girl takes the lead. I don't think that affairs are always run to suit the girl, by any means.

Clarence Showalter, Sophomore C.—I think the girl starts it even before the first date. In most affairs the couple has a sort of an understanding before they even speak. It is the girls' business to go around and tempt the boys by the "light that lies in woman's eyes" and thus, they wrap the boys around their fingers.

Ida Johnson, Freshman C.—Why don't you ask someone with experience? The boy starts it, of course. If we were all nice girls the boys would have to wait a long time before we started it. But, of course, it takes two to make a love affair.

Lee Fox, Senior Ac.—The man is the direct cause and the woman may be the indirect cause. It is unfair to the girls because they can flirt all they want to, but it will not necessarily effect the boy. He must use his own initiative if an affair is started.

Marguerite Mohler, Junior C.—I think it is 50-50. A girl will not go with a boy in whom she is not interested and, on the other hand, she has to be friendly to the boy or he will lose interest. I am certainly not speaking from experience? ? ?

The College Trustees held their annual meeting Monday. They were guests in the dining hall for dinner.

Institute week always brings into our midst quite a large number of friends of the college. These we are glad to have with us.

Rev. Hsley, pastor of the Baptist church of McPherson conducted the chapel exercises Tuesday morning. He came with an inspiring message which all appreciated.

Eld Bryant of Grand Junction, Colo., led chapel Wednesday morning. To note his earnestness and zeal for the work of the Kingdom is inspirational.

Local Notes

Miss Elizabeth Engle, cousin of Estella and Howard Engle, was down from Bridgeport to witness the Salina Wesleyan-McPherson B. B. game.

Franklin Evans has enrolled for school work for the second semester. He was in school here the first semester of last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Nininger from Hutchinson visited Prof. Nininger and family, and attended Bible Institute last week.

Messrs. Gift and Rowland of Kansas City were guests of Beulah and Blanche Spurgeon over the last week end.

Latha Daniels was happy to have her little sister "Billy" from Emporia with her for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Crumpacker have moved to the hill and will take up school work at the college.

Roy Hilton and wife have enrolled for school work this semester. Both are former M. C. students.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Austin were guests of their niece, Toy Carver, and friends last week.

Norma Finrock's mother spent the first part of the week with her and also attended Bible Institute.

Mr. Heckman from Burr Oak, Kan., visited his daughter, Mrs. Modena Crumpacker last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Judd Smith of Morrill, took supper at the dormitory with Matron Wednesday evening. They also attended the Institute during the week.

Mrs. O. H. Feiler from Hutchinson spent Friday with Beulah Keedy.

Homer Engle, a former M. C. Student, had supper at the college dining hall Thursday evening with old friends.

Elva Shirk has moved from Arnold Hall to her grandmother's, Mrs. Shirks, for the remainder of the year.

"Doc" Saylor has moved into the dormitory.

Milton Dell, brother of Carl, registered for second semester's work.

We are glad to see Iva Brammell in school again after a long absence.

Mayme King spent several days at her home in Larned, Kans., between semesters.

Among those who left school at the close of the first semester were Emma Campbell, Nora and Della Evans, Marie Pitzer, Yozelle Leighty, Beulah Keedy, Cleo Weybright, Emmert Ellenberger, and Sam Mohler. They will not be in school here the second semester.

There was a large number of out-of-town people at the college last week to be present at the Bible Institute sessions.

Society Notes

SENIOR PARTY

Last Monday evening upon the gracious invitation of Mrs. Naylor and Mrs. Blickenstaff, the Seniors journeyed to the Blickenstaff home. After all had assembled many interesting contests were given. In one the boys and girls were lined up opposite each other; they were then told they would have to remove the pillowcase from a pillow and replace it. Doubtless to say many were the difficulties incurred especially among the boys, thus furnishing much amusement for their opponents. Probably in all fairness to the boys, we should not mention the winners. Then came the True Original story part of which was contributed by each member present. No doubt this would have been the masterpiece of the hour, but owing to the lack of an efficient stenographer we are sorry that we are unable to furnish any copies.

Now for the best part of the evening—the delicious eats, and let me say they were delicious too. Sandwiches pickles, fruit salad a la mode, Lady Baltimore cake and coffee with real cream.

After lunch Martha Urey delighted her audience with several readings. At a late hour all departed for their respective abiding places, thanking their hostesses for the generous hospitality which each had enjoyed.

Miss Jessie Carter gave several of the dorm girls a surprise "feed" last Tuesday evening. She had been home over the week end and one can just imagine all the things that can be brought back for such an occasion. After the feed a real spiritulist meeting was held and of all the tales the spirits told!

Monday evening at 7:30 about twenty five Sophomore Academy met at the Lyons home where they were delightfully entertained by the president of the class, Miss Evelyn Lyons. The evening was spent in playing progressive rook and rolling hearts. About ten o'clock a dainty luncheon consisting of pimento sandwiches, waldorf salad, pears, cake and mints was served by the Misses Veda Shirk and Lillian Crumpacker. At a late hour the guests departed thanking their hostess for the enjoyable evening.

—L. L. C.

Miss Blanche and Beulah Spurgeon entertained their two friends, Fred Roland and Lester Giff, last Sunday evening at a very delightful luncheon.

Miss Latha Daniels gave a breakfast last Sunday morning in honor of her sister, Billy, who was visiting her over the week end.

Adelphian Girls Entertain

Last Saturday evening the Adelphian House was the scene of both joy and sorrow. Immediately upon returning from the ball game the girls assembled in the parlor where a farewell party was given in honor of Della and Nora Evans and Emma Campbell who left McPherson College to take up school work elsewhere.

Games and tricks formed the program of the evening interspersed with music. Refreshments of sherbert and cookies were served by Miss Hollinger and the Domestic Science girls of the House. The fun continued until it was time for Miss Campbell to leave for the train when the joy was turned to sorrow. The gloom was deepened when the next evening the Misses Evans went out into the world to seek their fortunes.

The Adelphian girls had become very much attached to their three sisters during their stay. Their cheerful presence is greatly missed and their absence deeply regretted. Miss Campbell intends to continue her school work in Enid, Oklahoma, and Della and Nora will attend the Pittsburg State Normal. The best wishes of the House go with the girls for their success in the continuation of their work.

The ladies of the Cosmos Reading Circle very uniquely entertained their husbands and a few friends at a Japanese party, at the home of Professor and Mrs. W. O. Beckner on College Hill Tuesday night, January 18th. The home was artistically decorated with Japanese lamp shades, centerpieces, pictures and souvenirs including a large Japanese flag.

Upon arriving every one was requested to remove their shoes and replace them with cloth shoes of various shapes and colors. The ladies robed themselves in kimono's of every description, some of which were very beautiful, having been brought directly from Japan. The guests were then invited to sit on the floor, Japanese fashion.

In a pleasing manner Miss Ruth Frantz read two selections from Browning. Mrs. Kurtz, the speaker of the evening, was very becomingly dressed in full Japanese costume. In an intensely interesting manner she made each one present feel that they were with her upon her trip as she spoke on "Japan, as I Saw It."

Mrs. Kurtz has a very unique manner of description in which she gives little touches of interest which enables one to appreciate in a very

real way the experiences which she is attempting to describe. She pictured life on an ocean steamer in a most attractive manner. One very interesting feature was the mention of a full days' auto trip in Hawaii at Honolulu. The party was met by Miss Steven, last year a member of McPherson College faculty, who conducted them to various points of interest.

The customs of the Japanese people and the natural beauties of their country occupied the larger part of the address. At the close the guests gave a rising vote of thanks for the lecture and incidentally an appreciating of our American custom of sitting on chairs, rather than on the floor, Japanese fashion, as they had been doing for one full hour.

Delicious refreshments consisting of rice soup with shredded chicken, unsweetened tea and wafers were served. Chop sticks were used in place of spoons.

Every one expressed themselves as having spent an exceptionally delightful evening.

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GROUND GRIPPERS

(Note: This is the second of Miss Trostle's series of articles.—Editor.)

My friend wears a kind of shoes called Ground Grippers which are symbolical of the women in the Near East. Her shoes are large and awkward; so are they. The shoes have no lovely arches and curves; no high heels raise them from the dust of the ground. They were made to serve her feet just as these women were made to serve man. When I see a group of these beings with heads always bowed in the presence of men, with backs bent from carrying heavy burdens, and with the conventional safety pin showing at the belt of the skirt which always hikes up in the front and sags in the back revealing stockingless legs and flat bare feet—I say to my friend, "These are some more Ground-grippers—ugly and earth bound."

The average life of the average woman in Turkey is very dull and very difficult. Like Atlas she wears the weight of man-made, century-old custom on her shoulders. Man is master; woman is his slave to satisfy his physical wants and animal passion. She does much of the hard work of the country. From my window I can see a garden where ten women are spading the ground under the direction of the Lord of Creation—man. Millet's picture "The Sowers," is a good representation of their physical features—strong, coarse, and brutal. If there is only one horse, mule, or donkey, the husband rides it and the wife walks. Whenever there is anything to carry, it is polite for the husband to hand it to his wife. Men and women do not walk together—a wife must follow her husband at a respectful distance. No nice woman would remain seated when a man was standing in the room. A faithful wife will not even eat in her husband's presence. She stands behind him and serves his food and then eats what remains.

This feeling of difference, this lack of equality begins at birth. Great feasts are prepared and rich gifts are offered when a son is born. But no congratulations are sent when it is only a girl. If the Babe of Bethlehem had been a girl would the Wise Men from the East have offered her their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh? Live in the East two months and you can answer that question without a shadow of a doubt.

Education for both boys and girls is very limited; it is confined to the church schools. There is no system of Public Education. The American schools and colleges dotted here and there over Turkey are acting like leaven but the lump is large and so dense that it takes a long while to

become leavened. The majority of women cannot read and write. Besides they have nothing to read. Books are almost unknown and few newspapers permeate into the interior. So we can safely say that the vast world of pleasure and profit derived from books is unknown to the Ground-Gripper.

How many unknown worlds there are for her to discover! For instance the rest, refinement, and ennobling influence of art and beauty are lost to one who lives so near the ground. How can she see the beauty of God who has never lifted up her head, expanded her chest, and taken a deep breath. She, who is afraid to look man in the face, is too timid and shrinking to look straight into the face of Nature. She who grips the ground cannot kiss the sky and sail with the clouds and play with the sunbeams. What do they know of dreams and imagination! Consequently there is little native art. It is true that some of the women do very nice needle work. They can copy the finest pattern; but they are not original in design and colors. Like all primitive people they love bright, gaudy colors and a profusion of jewelry. The Greeks motto of "Nothing is Excess" is unknown to them. The Ground-grippers have never entered that great, wonderful world of Art and Beauty.

Music is another common escape from the sordidness of the here and the now for the American woman. But music is found only in the simplest forms in Turkey, and that is enjoyed largely by the men. Udes and Timbrels are played by men at their festivals and weddings. There is little tune and only a few notes are used. Singing is equally as monotonous. But music which "is the food for love", which has power to "soothe the savage breast" is not found in Turkey. This is another great unexplored world for the woman of the East.

Mohammedanism is a man's religion. Women do not go to the mosques and hence have no part in public worship. She prays five times a day with her face toward Mecca, for man can not entirely crush her instinct for worship, her religion. In the Christian churches women hold the same place they held in the time of Paul. They sit on the floor in the back part of the churches or in the gallery, if there is one. Only the men may draw near the altar; may go near to God. The women must keep their distance. As Paul wrote to the churches that women should not pray nor prophesy with their heads uncovered; so today the women all wear large shawls or scarfs over their heads while in church. It is the customary headdress everywhere. The native Protestants were

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greatly shocked when a new missionary removed her hat in church the first Sunday she was there. The educated girls teach Sunday School classes and play the organ, otherwise women have no part in public worship in the Protestant churches. In the Gregorian church the service is conducted in Old Armenian which none but the priests understands. Thus we see that religion is purely personal and largely unexpressed in the life of the Oriental woman.

(To be continued next week)

TABLE TALK

A certain young fellow used to take his meals at the same table that was allotted to me. That fellow persisted in pacifying his gustatory passions with greedy enthusiasm. As far as he was concerned, rules of etiquette might as well have never been dreamed of. Much less established. One would have thought he took calisthenics with his meals from the way he used his arms. A scavenger could have fared well on the morsels of food that missed his grinders. His great affinity for food would have caused an observer to conclude that he had been without nourishment for several meals or that he was sparring for time. And that his slogan must be; "If I don't eat it somebody else will."

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A great philosopher once said; "Man is a social being." We are inclined to think some would be but don't know how. Man must eat according to his physical needs, but no one need forget to be mannerly while doing so.

A word to the wise is sufficient.

(Contributed by a Freshman.)

Adam and Eve after being put out of the garden:

Adam—"Come on Eve, let's have a game of craps."

Eve—"We can't Adam, we've just lost our par-a-dise."

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ON EARS

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Even so, it isn't so bad when not carried to excess. We'll have to try and excuse it in some way. Men, you know really look good in ears for they somewhat carry out the general theme of homeliness of our physiognomy. But we like to see a woman appear daintier. (Applause and blushes from the girls). But I ask you if a big veranda with awnings on each side of the head is synonymous with daintiness?

Of course, the very last thing you must do is to ask a woman's opinion of the matter. You can't tell what they will say—you never can. Perhaps they will say that burying the ears protects them, or it may be an earmark of intelligence.

Any way when you see a woman with her ears uncovered, so that they fairly shriek to the world that she doesn't give a hang if her ears are not padded, then kneel with your face toward the east and give thanks.

—The Commentator

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Extravagant demands of the Administration for appropriations one billion in excess of last year has again forced Congress to protect the taxpayer. Republican Leader Mondell has instructed the Appropriations Committees to again sharpen the pruning knives and cut every dollar of expense which will not interfere with necessary functions.

Hence the propaganda for a new Department of Education costing an additional 500 million per year is inopportune. Tax burdens are too heavy even now. Education is essentially a state function and while state aid may come from the federal treasury it should be delayed as long as Uncle Sam spends more than his income.

The journey through life isn't always a journey. Sometimes it is a "trip."

Every man owes some of his time to the upbuilding of the profession to which he belongs.—Roosevelt.

When we die, let's hope we go where we're afraid we won't.

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Athletics

Notice

All regular gymnasium classes will begin Tuesday, February 1. Schedules are posted on bulletin board. Begin with the first class. If you want credit, watch those cuts.

Coach Daniel.

GIRL'S TEAM PLAY TWO GAMES

The Girl's team played a hard game with Bethany College team as preliminary to the game of the Swedes and Bull Dogs. The game was rough, with good action, but was held down by the referee. Score was 23 to 28 in favor of Bethany.

Wednesday evening the girls were at Moundridge and took high score of the 20 to 22 count. The girls play good ball and know how to make it snappy. They are looking forward to return the date of Bethany Girls on February 19. Watch them scatter the Swedes.

The next home game for the Bull Dogs will be on February 9, and following it February 11, 14, 19. See the Bull Dogs continue their good luck at home.

Lloyd Crumpacker, former student and noted basket ball star, has returned and is working up the action. We are glad to welcome Mr. Crumpacker back to the squad.

BULL DOGS LOSE TO STERLING TAKE SMALL END OF 21-20 SCORE

In a hard fought game Tuesday night at Sterling, Kansas, McPherson College lost to Sterling College. The Bulldogs felt the "bacon" should be theirs but thru a misunderstanding part of the team was left at home. The game was fast and goals were made by both teams from all parts of the floor. We will "get your goats" next time, Sterling.

V. B.

Team-Work Did It.

Did what?—Beat Salina Wesleyan. It looked uncertain for awhile, but on the final spurt, the bristles began to rise on the Bulldogs and they dragged in the bacon. The Salina boys played well and were real sports but the gods were for us and no one could stop the fast work of the team. The first half was neck and neck; so was the second, but a change in tactics after the first half checked Salina's scoring and yet increased Salina's possibilities which were improved nobly. A change in the line-up toward the last gave new speed to the game and victory was the result.

And such pep! No wonder the gym walls are cracking—too much pressure from within. The whole crowd cheered to the utmost—and to the last minute. And when the final whistle sounded, one almost wished for cotton to plug up his ears, so great was the cheer. It was the first conference game on the home court, a fast game, and ours was the big end of a 21-13 score.

The Bull Dogs Lose to The Swedes

The Bull Dogs lost the seventh game of the season Wednesday evening to the Swedes at Lindsborg. The battle was a "royal mix-up" with the Swedes leading the Bull Dogs with the counters at all stages of the game. The defensive of the Bull Dogs was strong. The game was a see-saw between goals with Bethany having the best luck. The Bull Dogs fought hard and held Bethany's forwards close. Better team work and mere luck was responsible for the Swedes high score. Both teams played good ball until they got under the goals. Then it was andy-over, tip-over and most always over. When it came to free throws M. C. was out of luck. If the Bull Dogs would have landed 10% of the free throws and "almost dead sure" baskets, the Swedes would be crying yet. But no! The final score stood at 14 to 21.

The team has the pep, the fight and the team work. Now for the baskets. More practice on field goals and free throws must come. Come on, Bull Dogs. BASKETS!!!! MORE BASKETS!

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