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## Melhorn resigns presidential post at Mac

### Says Mac needs fund raiser

by Mary Hoover

President J. Jack Melhorn surprised students and faculty, December 4, by resigning as president of McPherson College.

Melhorn feels that McPherson College is going through many changes. Things that were important five years ago are no longer the top priorities in 1971. When President J. Jack Melhorn came to McPherson College the need was for a good administrator who also had abilities as an educator and fund raiser. Today the leadership needs have changed for the college's highest administrative position.

Dr. Melhorn feels that what the college needs at this point

is a leader whose main attribute is that of a fund raiser. "The college is financially sound," says Melhorn, "but we can't continue to increase our deficit. We must come up with a balanced budget." Melhorn feels that the only way to balance the budget is to increase gifts to the college.

To explain his decision, Dr. Melhorn submitted the following letter.

**Dear Friends:** For the past several years enrollments have declined in private colleges throughout the country. Also, most private colleges in Kansas have experienced a drop in enrollment, with an average decrease in enrollment of 7.7 per

cent for this year as compared with last year.

The enrollment at McPherson College increased to a high of 835 in the 1966-67 academic year and decreased to 578 this year. This loss in students has resulted in a serious loss of income which also means an operating deficit for the college.

Without additional financial aid from state and federal sources, an increasing number of students cannot afford to attend private colleges, including McPherson College.

Some of the numerous adjustments and modifications which have been taken and continue to take place to help alleviate our financial problem are as follows:

(1) a new Education Master Plan has been adopted to improve the flexibility and quality of our educational program. I know this is one of the best educational plans in the Plains area. (2) improved on the operating efficiency of the college. (3) reduced staff in areas where the total program would be least affected. (4) increased the number, types and value of grants and scholarships. (5) increased the student recruiting staff. (6) held faculty and staff salaries this year at the same level as last year. (7) held tuition and room charges the same this year as they were last year. (8) contacting larger number of the constituency to acquaint them with our new program and to have them become more involved in supporting the college. (9) worked to get the Kansas State Tuition Grant bills passed and funded to help Kansas students attend private colleges in Kansas.

The two main sources of college income are tuition and gifts. At the present time, it appears that the prospect of increasing income by increas-

ing our enrollment is minimal. Thus, the other main source of increasing income is to increase gifts. In order to balance the budget this year, additional unrestricted gifts estimated to be \$267,000 are needed. For the 1972-73 fiscal year, the projected amount of additional gift income \$236,000; for fiscal year 1973-74 it is \$156,000; and for fiscal year 1974-75 it is \$58,000. These figures show the amount of gift income needed in addition to the regularly budgeted annual gift support to have a balanced budget.

To raise these additional gifts a fund raiser with outstanding ability and a successful record of raising money is needed at this time. For this reason I have submitted my resignation to the Board of Trustees so that they may begin immediately the selection procedure of appointing a new president with exceptional fund-raising abilities. My resignation is effective as of August 31, 1972.

I have enjoyed the seven years of service as President of McPherson College. The Melhorn family, Mary, Mark, Linda, Kent and I love the people of McPherson, and we have

formed many lasting friendships. This is a great community and McPherson College is a great college!

With everyone pulling together and supporting this excellent college, many more students will be able to have their educational experience here, and both the college and the McPherson community will share mutually in the benefits. Sincerely, (signed) J. Jack Melhorn, President.

Among the many changes since the fall of 1965, when Dr. Melhorn first took the office as president of the college, are an increase of private gifts, an increase in scholarships and grants made available to students from college funds and an increase in the college's endowment. Nevertheless, with the drop of enrollment, McPherson College is running a deficit.

The decision to resign was both a long range and immediate decision on his part, Dr. Melhorn feels. As of now he has no plans for future employment.

He says he will take time to re-evaluate his position and potential and remain open to many possibilities.

## Band concert today

The McPherson College Band will present its first concert on Thursday, December 9, 1971, in Brown Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Pieces to be performed are "Komm Susser Tod" by Bach, "Intrada and Rondo" by Ray Luke, "Get Together-Light My Fire" — arranged by Bill Holcombe, "Sonus Ventorum" by Claude Smith, "Soul Trumpets" by James Ployher, "Alla Borocca," by Caesar Giovannini, "An

Original Suite" by Gordon Jacob, "Second Suite for Bart" by W. Francis McBeth, and "Christmas Suite" by Harold L. Walters.

This fall the band played at all home football games and marched in the Homecoming parade. The plastic band performed during halftime at the Homecoming game. Some members of the band also participated in the ACCK Tri-college band.

Members of the band this year are — Clarinets — Sherry Anderson, Phyllis Chapman, Terri Fox, Diane Harbaugh, Shirley Matile, and Steve Quakenbush; Bass Clarinet — Sue Roederer; Alto Sax — Coleen Appel, Beth Brubaker, Dale Dowdy, Ardeth Wine; Baritone sax — Judy Harbaugh, Tenor sax — Guy Hauck, Lynn Kleiber; Flutes — Dianne Frantz, Mariel Matile, Ellen Shoemaker, Jeannine Strom, Christine Swank; Trumpet — David Ayers, Jeff Farrell, Keith Gruber, Fred Haddock; Trombone — Bill Bohnenblust, Geneva Sanger, Paul Scofield, Rich Wollard; tuba — Ralph Dickerson, Cheryl Fike, Ellis Porter; Tympani — Stan Clark; Percussion — Mike Dautremont, Roger Helsten, Sue Stover, horns — Bruce Kitzel, Nancy Moffitt, John Odor.

This performance is the first formal concert of the band this year, with another concert tentatively planned for the spring.

## Season hosts dance, banquet

"A Christmas Carol" is the theme for this year's Christmas banquet and dance scheduled for Saturday, December 11. There will be two serving times, the first will be from 6 to 6:45 and the second 7:30 to 8:00. \$3 will be the cost of the dinner for those not on Slaters Food Service. During the banquet, Christmas music will be played to set the mood for the occasion.

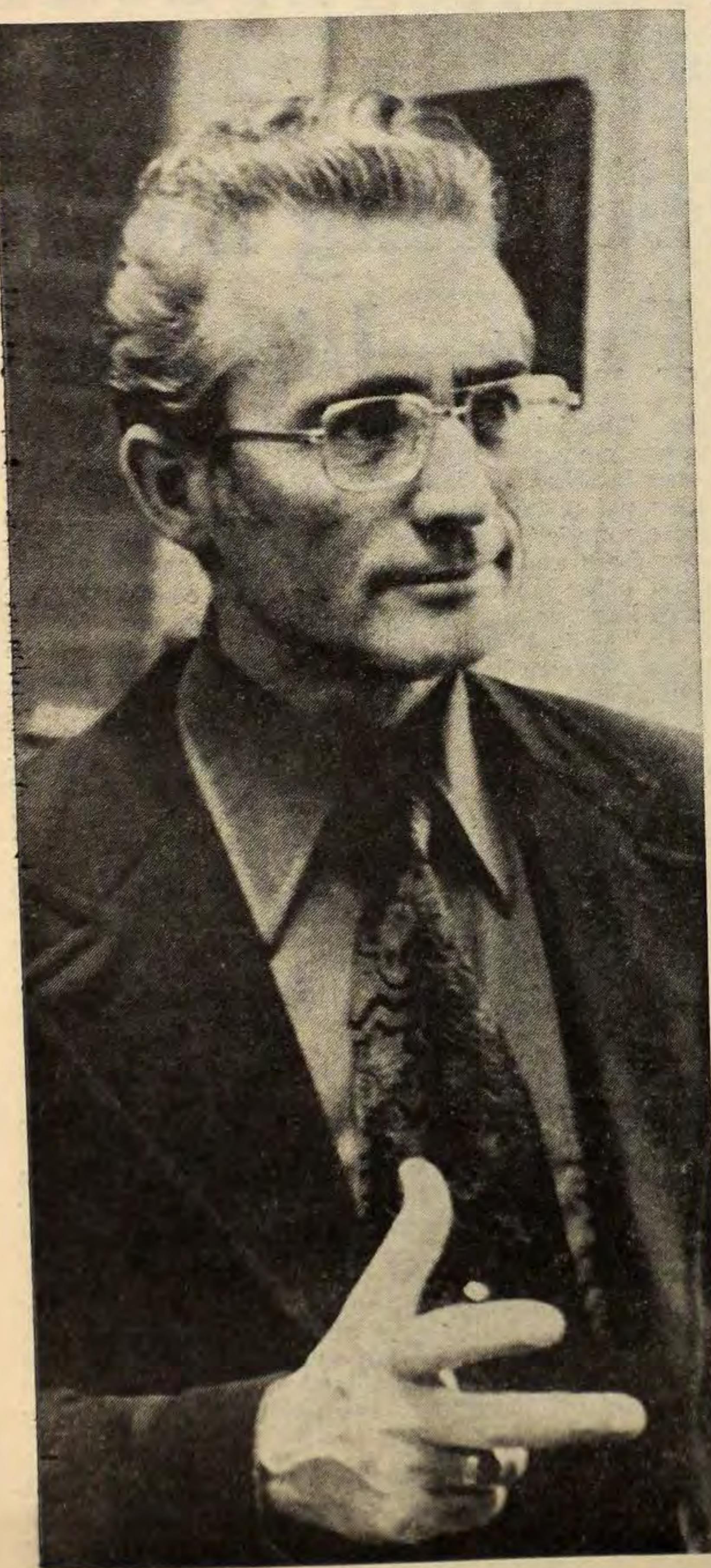
A special effort has been made by the Social Committee this year to find a band which plays a wider variety of music. The Bikales-Weinberg band has been chosen because it plays

hard rock as well as slow selections.

The five man band is versatile and the members switch to different instruments (they have guitars, flutes, drums, a piano and organ) required for the number. The music will be played in three 45 minute intervals from 10:00 to 1:00.

This year, the dance will only be \$1 per couple so that all those who desire to come, can. The Social Committee this year, which is headed by Rick Tyler, chairman and Jim Tomlonson — adviser have made changes like this in hopes that more McPherson students will attend.

President Melhorn explains his resignation and tells how he sees the college's future needs.



# Fund idea bad

Dr. J. Jack Melhorn in his letter of resignation to the college says that the college needs a president whose main attribute is that of a fund raiser. He speaks of the serious loss of students to private colleges across the country and the fact that Mac's loss of students has caused a deficit in the college budget. We all know this.

But does the college need a fund raiser for president? The college may need a professional fund raiser, but **NOT FOR PRESIDENT**. This college needs someone who has time to devote to students, time to research campus situations, time to make decisions based on what is happening on campus, someone who can take a strong stand on campus issues.

At the first Community Council meeting, students told administrators that they were tired of the wishy-washy attitude of the college. They wanted administrators who would take a stand on issues. Whether students agreed with such decisions or not at least they would have someone to respect.

**NO ONE HAS TO SELL THIS COLLEGE.** If students like this college, **THEY WILL SELL THIS SCHOOL BETTER THAN ANY RECRUITER COULD DO.** It was rumored that one small school in Nebraska sold cookies to save their school. Cookies would not pay for Mac's deficit, but dedication of this kind is what Mac really does need.

There are things about Mac that keep students here, but there are other things that nearly drive even the most dedicated students to the brink of attrition. What a college president needs to do is find out what factors keep students from coming to Mac and get rid of them.

Is it really money that keeps students away? For a private college, Mac is not expensive. Mac needs to stand for something, to establish its reputation. A record for top academic standing and top profs would be a good place to start. After all, students do not go to college primarily for social life.

Two hundred more students times \$2,000 school cost equals end of deficit?

Colleen Paige

# Looks Towards Graduation

On the third page of this issue of the **Spectator** is a boxed notice informing all graduating students of the requirement of paying \$3.50 for cap and gown rental in order to graduate.

Students who have spent four years in college, working to achieve a degree now find that unless they conform to the ritual of commencement, they will not receive their diploma!

Parading around the campus in tassled caps and ill-fitting gowns, and sitting through the message of "Life's long road ahead" is not a sentimental moment for many - it is a bore.

The idea of forcing adults from age 21 on up into a ceremony which, to many is little more than ridiculous - is ridiculous.

# Editor reflects

This issue of the Spectator is the trial issue for next semester's editorial staff. In this issue Mary Jeanette Hoover, Sue Stover and I, Linda Thorp will learn the mechanics and the frustrations of putting together a weekly campus paper, and believe me there are frustrations: from the 'big scoop' that doesn't come in, to the inaccurate counting of inches which means completely re-working the page at the printers, plus hassles from organizations and individuals who all want their item given top priority, and the ultimate in ulcers - an eight page lay out.

But somehow the paper comes out, with for the most part accurate representation and interesting articles.

This semester's paper has been outstanding, an improvement in many ways over previous years, the reasons are as varied as there are reporters and as specialized as the person who put it all together - the Editor-in-Chief, Colleen Paige.

Following in Colleen's footsteps puts me in the awkward position of trying as a green 'chief' to live up to her level . . . . My gosh, what have I gotten myself into? ? ?

Convo

## Presentation Misses point

by Beth Green

"Like man, you felt as if you were watching three movies all at once." "It was frustrating just trying to keep up with all of them." These comments followed the Multi-Media presentation at last week's convo.

Introduced by director John Getman, it was a light show sponsored by the Foreign Language Department.

The movie could have been titled "Today." All its pictures centered around the problems, joys, interests, and emotions of today's world. With all that emphasis on today it seems as if nothing could have been left out. But something was . . . the feeling. No one really felt moved by it, they only expressed feelings of being entertained. But then maybe that's where the movie ends and the people's participation begins.

# False alarm rouses Girls in wee hours

At 5:15 a.m., November 30th, the girls of Dotzour Hall were awakened by a fire alarm set off by several of Dotzour's own residents.

Unlike other fire drills when everyone grabs their most precious possessions before leaving the rooms, in this case most were lucky just to make it out. In fact, one or two didn't. The general attitude of the girls in curlers and pajamas was one of "I don't care if Dotzour burns, just let me sleep."

A short cord with black thread attached at each end was tied to Ann Thomas's door and to the alarm itself. Those in on the prank knocked at Ann's door which was supposed to set off the alarm as she opened it. However, according to Ann, it

didn't go off so someone set it off anyway.

Dorm Council decided to suspend all card privileges and over-nights until the guilty party confessed. Stated Resident Director, Judy Lunkley, "There were two reasons for doing this. To find out who did it, and to impress upon everyone how serious a fire alarm is."

A confession by those involved was made to Judy before innocent residents of Dotzour were effected by the removal of the card privilege. Judy added, "It was decided we would try the girls in dorm council without them (dorm council) knowing who they are. This is really to protect them from the other girls more than anything else."

# Council's actions enfringe rights

The Dotzour Hall fire alarm incident was settled in a manner which was definitely an infringement on not only the civil liberties of the residents in Dotzour, but also of the entire population living on campus. The dorm council of Dotzour Hall acted in an unrealistic and childish manner which I hope does not set an example for procedure by other dorm councils.

Analyzing the situation clearly demonstrates that the procedure taken by Dotzour's dorm council was a clear cut case of dispassionate stupidity which should never have been considered as a form of action to find the girl who set off the fire alarm. The immediate action taken by dorm council consisted of: 1) stopping the card system, by having the girls check them in at 12:00 noon, 2) granting no overnight passes, even though some girls have parental permission to live their own lives, and 3) having room checks at night, to make certain that all girls are in the dorm.

This type of pressure must have been so cohesive that before the restrictions were totally in effect, the girl confessed.

At the time that the restriction

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erties the girls have secured.

Can we socially justify this suppression of the entire dorm population in this fashion? I fear that once we allow this much power to be exercised by a ruling body, we are relinquishing rights as individuals.

George Santore

# Securing new Pres—big task

The job of selecting a college president is an awesome one. With the recent resignation of current McPherson College president, J. Jack Melhorn, this obligation has fallen to a committee made up of a number of trustees of the college, two faculty members and student body president. Dr. Melhorn will offer some suggestions to the committee but will have no part in naming his successor.

The task the Presidential Selection Committee must perform before August 31, 1972 is not an easy one. Their search will be for someone with the ability to handle effectively the many responsibilities of a college president and someone who can gain favor with the numerous groups associated with the college including students, faculty, staff, trustees, alumni and contributors.

After a man is found to fit the job, he must also be willing to take the job. McPherson College is facing troubled times, especially financially. The person to become president of McPherson will inherit all these problems. Salary is not a major drawing factor considering that it does not amount to as much as one might expect for the responsibilities involved.

Any person the committee comes up with may find it difficult to follow in the footsteps of his predecessor who has brought many changes to Mac over the past seven years.

Procedure for selecting a college president is to list the characteristics desired and define the position to be filled first of all. When these criteria have been drawn up, the search for prospective persons can begin.

Prospects will be given a job outline so that they can determine if they are interested in the position. After a person applies, he will be evaluated by the committee and the final selection made after a personal interview between the applicant and the committee.

When a selection is made, it is doubtful that it will meet the approval of everyone involved. What type of man will be the president of McPherson College next year? What type of man would the students of McPherson like to see? The Spectator welcomes replies from the students.

Mary Hoover

# Tuttle is more than an administrator

by Mary Hoover

Steve Tuttle is in the "people business." In an administrative position, Steve still finds it possible to relate to the students of McPherson College on their own level.

Upon his graduation as a psychology major from McPherson last year, Steve was offered the position of Dean of Men. Although it wasn't the type of work Steve had planned for, it was in his line of interest and he accepted the position.

As Dean of Men, Steve has several duties. He is the supervisor and trainer for the Resident Assistants of Bittinger, Metzler and Fahnestock Hall. Working with dorm councils and helping with problems that arise in the dorms falls within this line of work.

As the supervisor for the Student Union, Steve provides a link between the administration and the student body. Steve meets with Student Union workers and the two student directors, thus providing a channel of communication for students to express their ideas about needed changes and for admini-

strators to explain their policies.

Steve also works with Dr. Van Dyke in the psychology department. As Van Dyke's assistant, Steve will be conducting several class sessions in psychology.

Counseling male students is Steve's primary responsibility. While Milton Goering takes care of the policy and disciplinary problems as Dean to all students, Steve has time to sit down and get to know students on a personal level.

Personal encounters may keep Steve up until two o'clock in the morning in rap sessions. Or they may involve him in such campus shenanigans as water fights at Dotzour Hall.

One student views Steve as part of the administration; but not as an administrator. Many students who regard administrators as part of the establishment for disciplinary action, can't fit Steve into their pre-conceived notions. Because he was a part of the student body last year, Steve can break down the barrier between students and administration through a direct relationship with the students.

The hardest part of moving

from a student to an administrator position comes with students who are not personally acquainted with Steve. In the many aspects of his new job, Steve is many things to different people. Counselor, friend, teacher — it's sometimes hard to know where he stands. Steve sees himself in the midst of it all. He has the "nearness of experience" to be a part of student life, yet the responsibilities of an administrator.

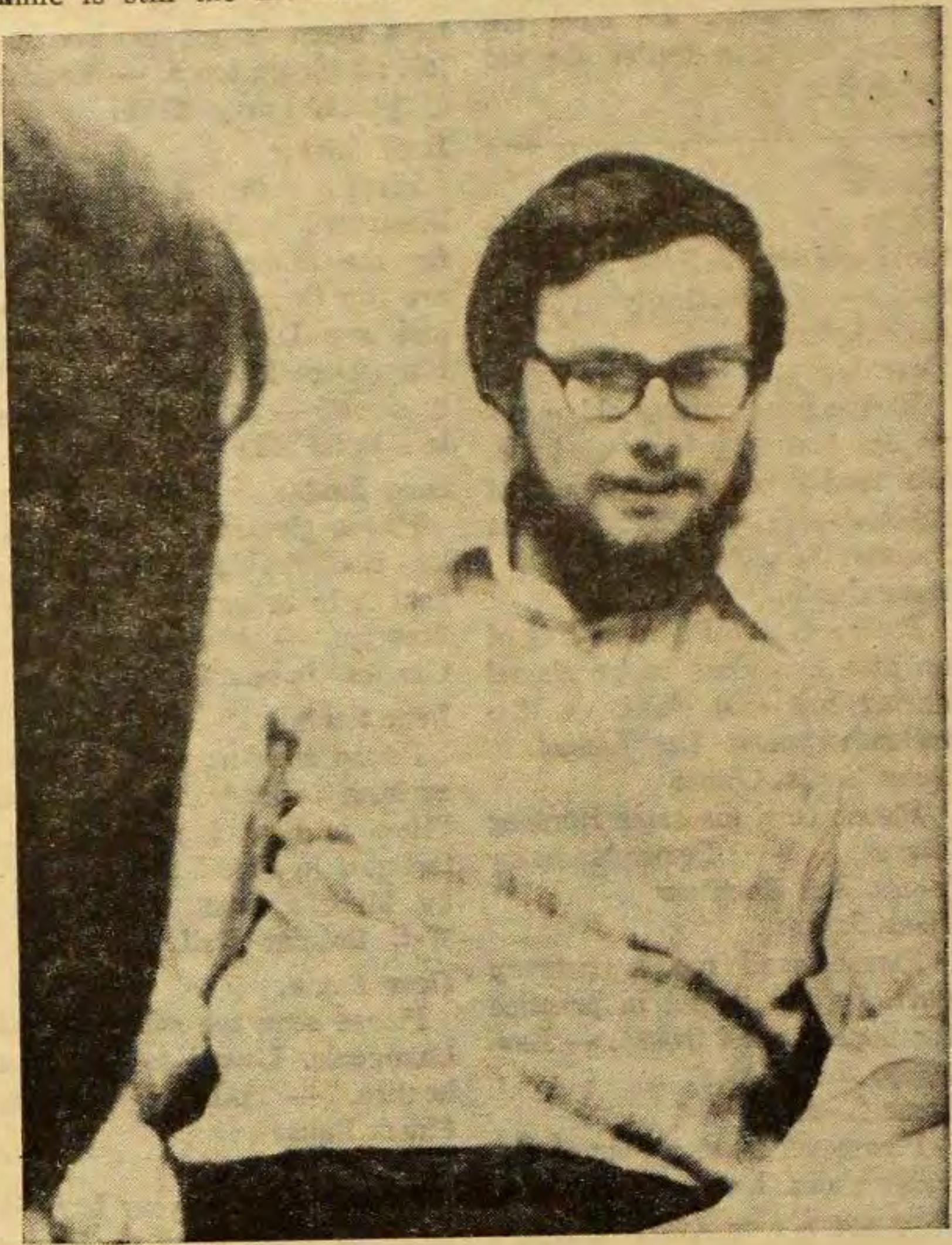
Dropping out of school for two years actually helped him get the position he has now, Steve thinks. After two years at Southwestern College as a math and computer science major, Steve left college and spent two years in Brethren Volunteer Service.

It was at this time in his life that Steve began trying to relate with other people. He worked in Rehrerburg, Penn., in a Teen Challenge program with drug abusers. It was also during his alternative service that Steve met his wife, JoAnne.

Returning to college in 1969, Steve entered McPherson and switched his major to psychology. Steve and JoAnne were married in the summer of 1970 and became the resident direct-

ors for Metzler Hall where JoAnne is still the mother to 91

boys including the newest arrival, Paul Chon.



Steve Tuttle hard at work.

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## Kline raids Arnold Hall

by Dave Sharma

Because of the better condition of the Arnold furniture, the Administrative Committee gave permission to the Kline women to exchange it for their present Kline furniture. This included dressers, desks, padded chairs, and mirrors.

On Monday, at 3:30 each Kline woman moved her furniture with the assistance of one man. They were met by the maintenance men who carried the new furniture out of Arnold.

After Kline's lounge is finished, an open house is planned. Kline residents wish to thank everyone who has helped improve their dorm.

## Gown fees

All students who plan to graduate this year (fall, interm, spring, or summer) should order and pay rental fee (\$3.50) for a cap and gown at the switchboard in Mohler Hall and sign the application for graduation at the Office of the Registrar. This must be completed before the end of the Fall term, if you are to receive a degree this year. If students have not applied by December 10, they will not receive a diploma. All students must show the receipt for the cap and gown rental at the Office of the Registrar before they will be permitted to sign an application for graduation. If it is impossible for any student to attend commencement exercises, they must write to the President for permission to graduate 'In Absentia' and present their letter of reply when they apply for graduation.

## Foreign students view Christmas

by Dave Sharma

Christmas is a season of giving gifts, (God gave Jesus Christ to mankind two centuries ago) and celebrating — bright lights on campus, in the city and on community homes; everybody seems joyous. Amongst the many confused Americans who can't make up their minds over gifts are a bunch of foreigners, confused about the whole season and over the manner in which it is celebrated in the U.S.

Jose Urzagaste, a Catholic from Bolivia feels that Christmas is a commercialized season here. "The way people go about it here, one would never think of Christmas having anything to do with religion. All anyone thinks of is the gifts he's going to get and all the fun he'll have." Jose said that in Bolivia people really involved themselves in the celebration by not only having fun themselves but also by praising God for this wonderful day.

Nguyen Nhan from South Vietnam, a Buddhist by religion has seen Christmas being celebrated in South Vietnam by Christians but has rarely involved himself in the festival. "To me," he says, "this is a holiday like any other. I have time to do whatever I want to do." Nhan will spend the holiday with his roommate Bob Harvey and his family. Nhan said, "I did make some plans to hijack an American Airliner and go to Vietnam to visit my

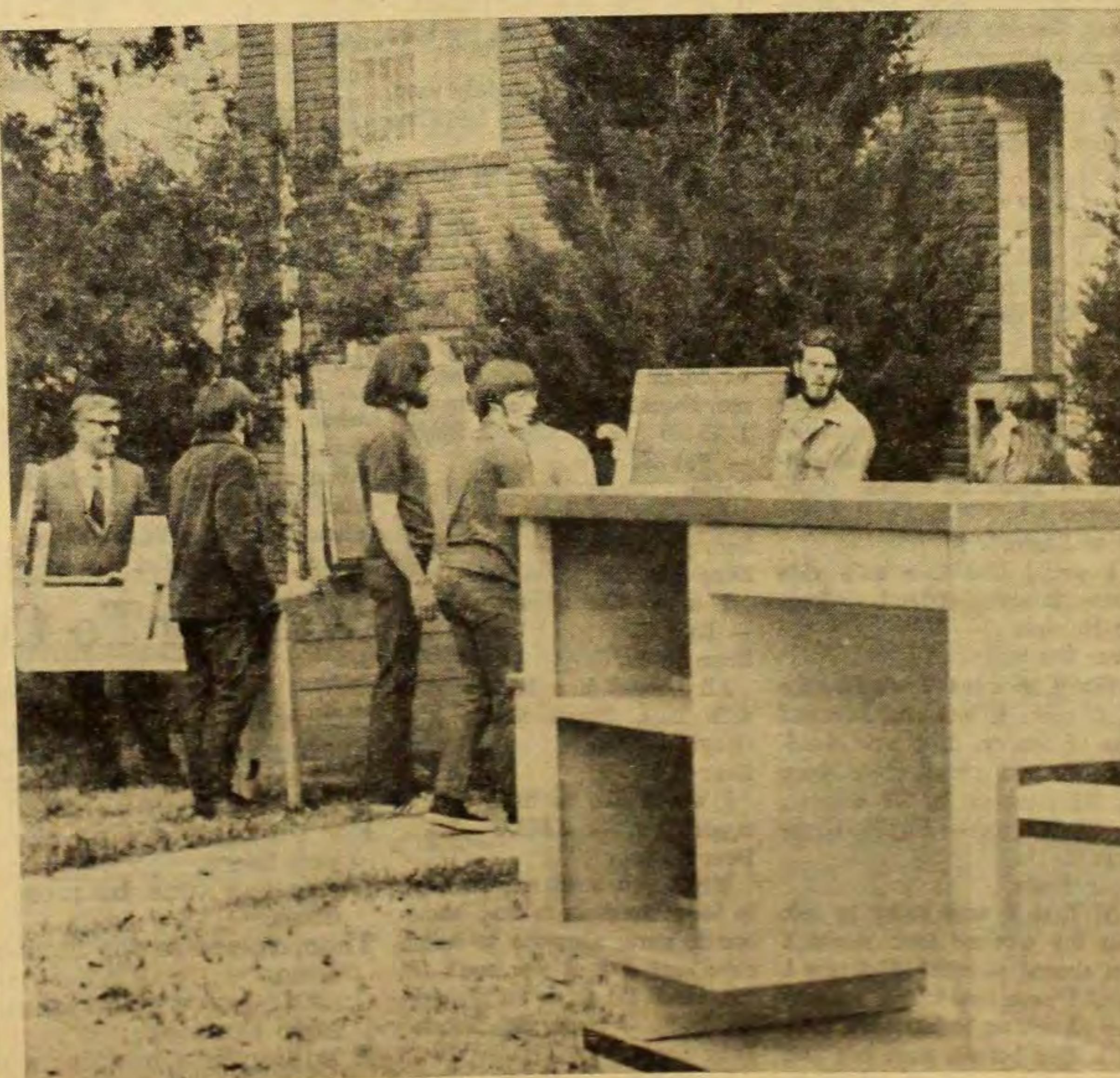
folks but Bob talked me out of it by reminding me I had only a water pistol and the mission might turn out to be hazardous."

Louis Quevedo, a Catholic from Peru sounded very disappointed to be away from home. "For me Christmas this year will be what it was last year. The dorms will close but I will stay on campus and on Christmas day, I suppose I'll go to church and then back into my room to spend another wonderful, lonely Christmas." Louis feels that the college should try to find willing families in the McPherson community with whom foreign students could visit over Christmas.

Chaloke from Bangkok, Thailand may visit an American family in northwest Kansas. He was introduced to this family when he was a student at Kansas University in Lawrence. Chaloke feels that this gives him more enjoyable holiday and says, "one can learn much through such fellowship. These people know I am a Buddhist but don't make one feel different and I am able to participate in a Christian tradition."

Perhaps the luckiest of all foreign students on campus this season are Abe and Anisa Suleman who will take time off to visit their folks in London, England. Abe feels that this is a very joyous and exciting time of the year for Christians and he is happy for everyone who is happy. He too feels that the season is highly commercialized.

In the masses of Christians, I do hope that foreign students will mingle in the spirit of the season. Perhaps they could learn from Nazir Zahara, "Sam," an Arab from the Holy Land who has spent all his life amongst Christians. "I look forward to Christmas every year even though I'm non-Christian."



"Volunteer" labor moves furniture for Kline Hall girls.

# Dear Santa, all I want for Christmas

zour Hall President

**Ed. note — Dear Santa please double check the authenticity of the requests. We have the feeling someone stuffed the old letter box.**

**Thanta:**

How about givin' me a Winnie the Pooh Bear? Heth my favorite. — Dramatically yours, Rick Tyler

**Dear Santa,**

Please send us any old newspapers you may have on hand. We need them for a project at school. — Yours in type, Ann Tannreuther, Judy Harbaugh

**Dear Santa,**

Please drop off a recording of an attentive class to be played during my 7:30 class. — Historically yours, Lee Lengel

**Dear Santa Claus:**

Please send me some Hershey Kisses. — Pennsylvanianly yours, Jan Renshaw

**Dear Santa:**

Please send me a grocery cart. I want to get in practice for Supermarket Sweep. — Rovingly, John Odor

**Dear Santa:**

Please send me a pair of elevator shoes. I can't seem to see over people. — Yours in shortness, Rich Brindle

**Dear Santa:**

Please rush me a years subscription of Playboy Magazine. — Playfully yours, Ted Hammarlund

**Dear Santa,**

Please send me a copy of your latest best seller "How to tie evergreen branches together to make a Christmas tree." — We've got the Christmas Tree Blues, Sue Cook, Terry Ingram

**Dear Santa:**

Please send me a Sherlock Holmes Detective Kit so I can find out who pulled the fire alarm at 5:15 a.m. on Tuesday, November 30th. — Yours in Mathematics, Ann Herbst, Dot

## Christmas Hope

by Harley Stump

If all the hopes of Christmas time

Were rolled together in a ball, I'd fling it out upon the world And share its love with one and all.

Then hating wars would surely end,

And gladsome songs fill every glen

And echo once again the strain Of peace on earth, good - will to men.

Harsh pain and anguish would no more

The hours of people rend apart; For Christmas hope would bring relief

To aching soul and bleeding heart.

The fear, and greed, and cold despair

Would nevermore enshroud the day.

For happy song would overcome All evil doubts along the way. And honesty, and truth, and love,

And trust, and faith, and purity, Would burn within all throbbing hearts,

For all would know infinity. If all the hopes of Christmas time

Were rolled together in a ball, I'd fling it toward dark Calvary. Replace cold hate with Love's sweet call.

Dear Santa,

Please send me a new director's baton as my old one has lost its magic touch. — Musically yours, Larry Kitzel

**Dear Santa:**

Please rush me your color illustrated booklet "Watch out for the other Fiat." Enclosed are my Cracker Jacks Boxtops and my Dick Tracy Decoder Ring. Does Rudolph's nose really shine? — John Kedzuf, (Santa's Little Elf)

**Dear Santa:**

Please give me a Charles Atlas Body-Building Course. My goal is to become the next Mr. America. — Muscularly yours, Charles James Kramer II

**Dear Santa,**

Please rush us your new and exciting illustrated manual "How to Beat Metzler in Waterfights in Five Easy Lessons" by Mabel's Boys. — Dripping Wet, Dotzour Hall

**Dear Santa,**

Please send me some contact Chemicals. I need to set off a bonfire. — Blisterly yours, Chuck Baker

**Dear Santa,**

Please send me your bargain basement recording of Bing Crosby singing, "White Christmas." — There's a song in the air, Roger Helstern

**Dear Santa:**

Please send me a new cheerleading uniform. My old one was stolen by the Salvation Army. The Bellringers now wear it. — In need of shirt, Gene Lightner

**Dear Santa:**

For Christmas I would like '92 Sly, Scheming, Devilish Tricks to Play in the Dorm." I would also like the Introductory Kit-Fun with Sarah Warp. — Alarmingly yours, CeCe Zavala

**Dear Santa:**

Please send me a new pair of OshGosh coveralls. My old ones got ripped in the seat while I was playing Monopoly. Also include a new pair of loafers as the athletic tape wore off my old ones. — In need of repair, Gordon Griffith

**Dear Santa:**

Please send me a new brown hat with black stripes. Someone keeps stealing mine. Also a blue plaid coat. I seem to have misplaced my old one. If you have time stick in Andy Williams' latest record, seeing as how I've been a "good boy." — The GREAT Sonewall, Richard D. Stern.

**Dear Santa:**

Please send me a side car for my motorcycle. I've been picking up too many hitchhikers. — Yours on wheels, Doyle Harper

**Dear Santa,**

I would like 1. a safe ride home. 2. my girlfriend. — Roger Helstern

**Dear Santa,**

For Christmas I would like 1. A man. 2. lots and lots and lots of money. 3. a new wardrobe. 4. and one of these three a. '72 Camaro, b. '72 Cougar, c. '72 Charger — Phyllis Chapman

**Dear Santa,**

At first I was going to ask you for a door that wouldn't run around so much. But now I think I have that cured. I would like 12 screws to hang the door with. I've been a good boy and I don't think it is too much to



ask. — Bill

**Dear Santa,**

Would you please send Slater a cookbook on how to cook without grease. The society for the prevention of Ulcers and the Weight Watchers thank you. — Sincerely, Ann Herbst

**Dear Santa,**

Please don't think I'm weird, because I'm not, I just like a lot of weird things. What I want is to be able to understand crustaceans. If you can give me this understanding, I will be grateful until eternity. (All right, until Thursday?) — Love Dizzy.

P.S. There's more to this than meets the eye, Santa.

**Dear Santa:**

I'd like a new ball and a 10 lb. bag of 5 dollar bills.

**Dear Santa,**

Here are just a few of the things on my Christmas list that I thought you could take care of. I'll do the rest.

1. New coat of paint, replumbing, face lift, for Kline.
2. A bright red night gown for my friend Debby.
3. 7,500 new Mac Students second semester.

4. Whole bunches of Betty Crocker coupons for Colleen.

5. 25 tanks of gasoline for Mike — and elevator shoes.

6. A Mobile home-slightly used, marked down to \$6.25 for Kline girls only.

7. A baby god-sister for all the girls in Dotzour.

8. An Afghan of different shades of blue for my sister-in-law.

As you can see, Santa, this is a very unselfish list. If you would care to do anything for me, choose two of the following:

1. \$5,000
2. \$7,500
3. \$10,000

— Pat K.

**Dear Santa,**

Give me some sheets for my bed, ya old fool. — Herman

**Dear Santa,**

I would like a new shadow. — Ray G.

**Dear Santa,**

All I want is a hockey stick with hair, tennis shoes, anything!! — Oop

**Dear Santa,**

I would like to have a new upper jaw. — J.M.D.

**Dear Santa,**

Won't you send me someone to love, someone to hug, someone to care, someone to watch over me? But if you can't fill this order I'll settle for an electric train. — Room 308, Dotzour

**Dear Santa,**

I want some elevator shoes.

(and students) — DIANNE  
Dear Santa,

I want to inform you that no matter what my roommate says — I have been a good girl this year! So, would you please bring me a new typewriter ribbon, so I can type term papers for "the rosy faced girl" from Dotzour!" And please bring me another blanket — It's COLD!! — Most Sincerely, Judy Kimmel Dear Santa,

Please send me a book of ten easy lessons on learning how to type. This is so I can type my term papers for my Professors, instead of asking someone to do my work. Also, could you give me a typewriter (preferably an old one, so I can't damage it); it helps when you have something to type on. I'd like that very much Santa! — Thank you! A Rosey Faced girl in Dotzour

Dearest Santa,

I need a Mickey Mouse watch with a special calendar and alarm. It seems like I'm never on time. I also need a pair of roller skates so I can slide into class unnoticed. (ones with rubber wheels) — Tardily yours, James Vaughn

Dear Santa,

Please bring me your latest wine-making kit. I understand that this kit is guaranteed for dorm use. Yes, I'm old enough. — Yours in diapers, John R. Kedzuf

(I always did like wine better than milk.)

Dear Santa:

Please send me a new Rubber duck. Mine lost its quack. — Yours in water, Karen Quakenbush

Dear Santa,

I want a set of toy drums. I'm a toe tapper. — Soft-shoeing it, Stan Clark

Dear Santa,

We want to go to New York City so we can see Doc Severinsen on the Tonight Show. He's a friend of ours-he'll do it any-time - for a nickel or a dime.

— Yours off key, Keith Gruber, David Ayers

Dear Santa,

Would you please enroll me in the art of dancing at the Arthur Murray dance Studio. I understand the instructor is a real goody-two-shoes. — Soulfully yours, D. Ray Craft

Dear Santa,

Discovering that you really have no idea what size she is.

when making a snowman doesn't seem too childish.

when aluminum can smell like pine needles.

when it's okay to lie to children.

a nice time of year.

— Please? Bruce Kitzel

Dear Santa,

Send me Amy Vanderbilt's "Book of Etiquette on Telephone Answering." I've received many complaints on this matter. — Yours as a ding-a-ling, Butch

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## Christmas is:

by Sue Stover

when you can walk around singing without people thinking you're high.

the time of year when non-church goers repent, at least until Boxing Day.

the reward for making it through exam week.

getting to go home.

good for the American economy.

when hinting becomes Americas favorite pastime.

when you've got a good reason for being broke.

discovering that you really have no idea what size she is.

when making a snowman doesn't seem too childish.

when aluminum can smell like pine needles.

when it's okay to lie to children.

a nice time of year.

— Please? Bruce Kitzel

Dear Santa,

Sitting by the window on a snowy winter's eve,

Passing hours in idleness until it's time to leave.

When waiting to go home, it's the time that's hard to bear.

For thoughts are on the family that's waiting for you there.

Never can time be more slow when everything is done.

Then, remedies for anxiousness, available — are none

Outside my window snowflakes fall and help me keep the score:

A million in a minute; a million minutes more.

## Waiting To Come Home

by Mary Hoover

Sitting by the window on a snowy winter's eve, Passing hours in idleness until it's time to leave. When waiting to go home, it's the time that's hard to bear. For thoughts are on the family that's waiting for you there. Never can time be more slow when everything is done. Then, remedies for

# Exceptions to the rule

There's an old saying that goes "There's an exception to every rule." At Mac, the group of people that grants the exceptions to campus rules is the Student Life Committee.

Student Life, which is made up of students and faculty, considers requests from students who wish that an exception be made for them. One of the more common requests is for permission to live off campus.

Besides granting exceptions, Student Life also has the power to recommend action to McPherson College Community Council. When Student Life feels that the exceptions are becoming prevalent, they can suggest that the rule be changed.

Dean Milton Goering, ex-oficio chairman of Student Life, remarked that he hoped that students desiring to change a rule would also come to Student Life. He allowed that they could go straight to MCCC with their request, but he felt that, if approved by Student Life, the idea would carry greater weight.

Up until this year, Student Life also had disciplinary powers. The committee examined dorm policies and made recommendations concerning dismissals. However, last year's MCCC gave these powers to the new Campus Hearing Board.

According to Dean Goering, anyone wanting Student Life to take action should write out their case and give it to him. The case can then either be read to the committee by Dean Goering, or the student can present it himself.

Student Life is made up of four faculty members and, this year only, has five student members. The faculty members, appointed by President Melhorn, are Dr. Doris Coppock, Dean Merlin Frantz, Mrs. Corinne Hugbanks and Rev. Jim Tomlonson.

Student members, who were chosen by Student Council, are Karen Quackenbush, freshman, Ralph Dickerson, senior, Roger Trimmell, sophomore, Larry Moorman, senior, and Dennis

Engbrecht, senior.

Ralph was appointed to the committee at the October 20 meeting of Student Council, after it was learned that, according to precedent, a member of last year's Student Life Committee should have been carried over. After this was discovered, Ralph, who was a member last year, was approved.

Next year, there will again be four student members.

The announcement of those who passed and failed the English Proficiency Examination, given on December 4, was up on the bulletin board next to Doctor Harley Stump's office. Of the twenty one who took the exam, fourteen passed and seven failed. Dr. Stump was rather pleased with the results. He went on to say that there will be another test on April 29 for this year's Sophomores only.

## Three attend conference

Floy Ditmars, George Santoro and Jim Curtisinger joined approximately three thousand people from forty-five states last weekend at Loyola University, Chicago, in a Emergency Conference for New Voters.

They met in political workshops and heard speakers Don Riggle, Julian Bond, Bella Abzug, Pete McCloskey, Daniel Ellsberg and Jesse Jackson.

"We dramatically experienced the growing pains of trying to unite the many special interest minorities present," said Floy Ditmars.

"The national press has wrongly considered this conference as a meeting of the youth of America," she added. "The members were mainly students and realized that approximately 60 per cent of the new voters are not students."

A statement of purpose adopted by the National Youth Caucus at the conference called for "power not for ourselves, but for what we believe in."

Those beliefs include an end to Indochina war and of "interventionist foreign policy," a massive reordering of national priorities to attack problems of hunger, poverty, education, and urban and environmental decay.

This statement spoke out for an adequate income and job for

every American and an opening up of the political parties "to poor, black, and brown people and to all women."

Because the group believes the present government is operated "by deceit and manipulation" an end to the administration of Richard Nixon was asked for.

Among the group attending were some who had organized voter registration rallies and caucuses in 24 states during the past seven months.

The group now hopes "to organize and mobilize the youth vote."

## Twas the nite

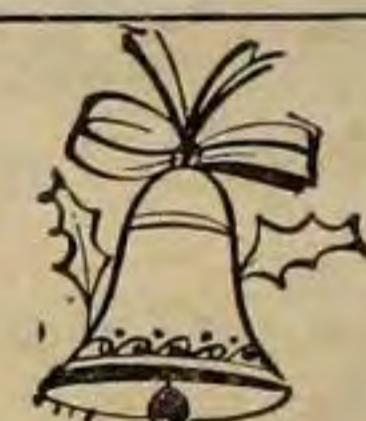
by Candi Loper

"Twas the nite before deadline that I heard someone say, "write a few inches of copy without delay!" So I dashed to my room and dug out my pen. Wondering what I should do then. If I wrote a good story, I knew it would throw 'em. So instead I wrote this sick poem. With visions of Editors dancing on my head, I got a headache and soon went to bed. Now that we've come to the end of my verse, don't get your hopes up, it's not the worst! — Merry Christmas!

Jim Olenick and Chris Caputo cram for finals.

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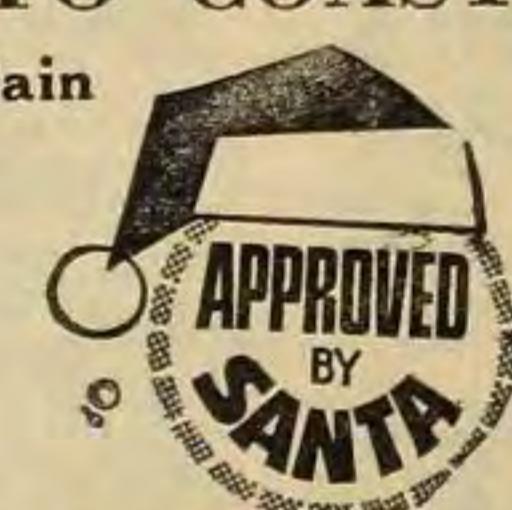
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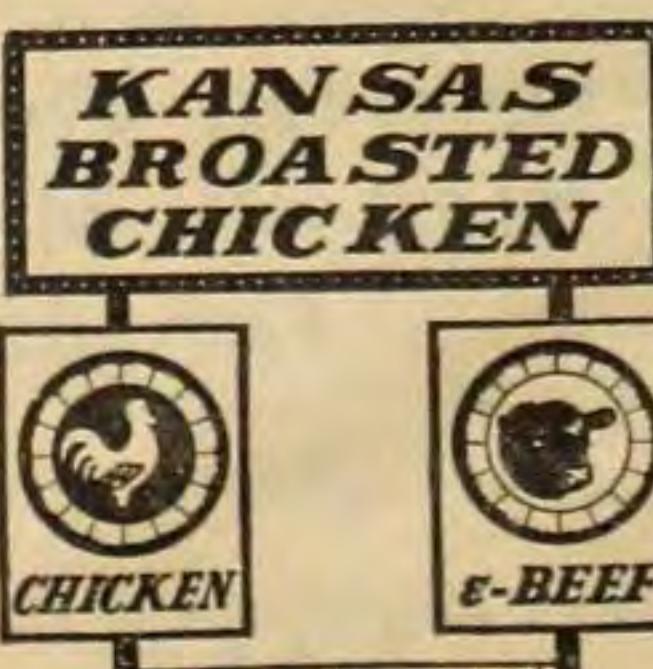
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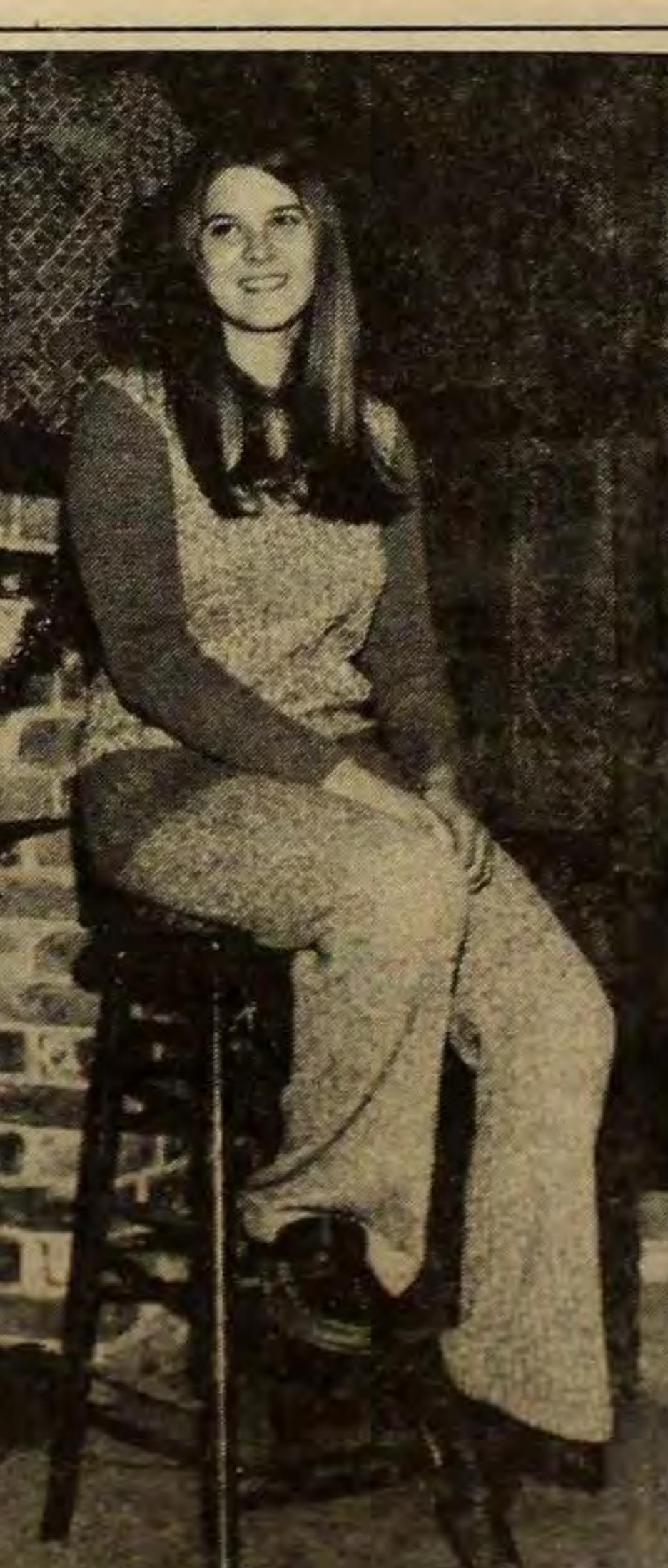
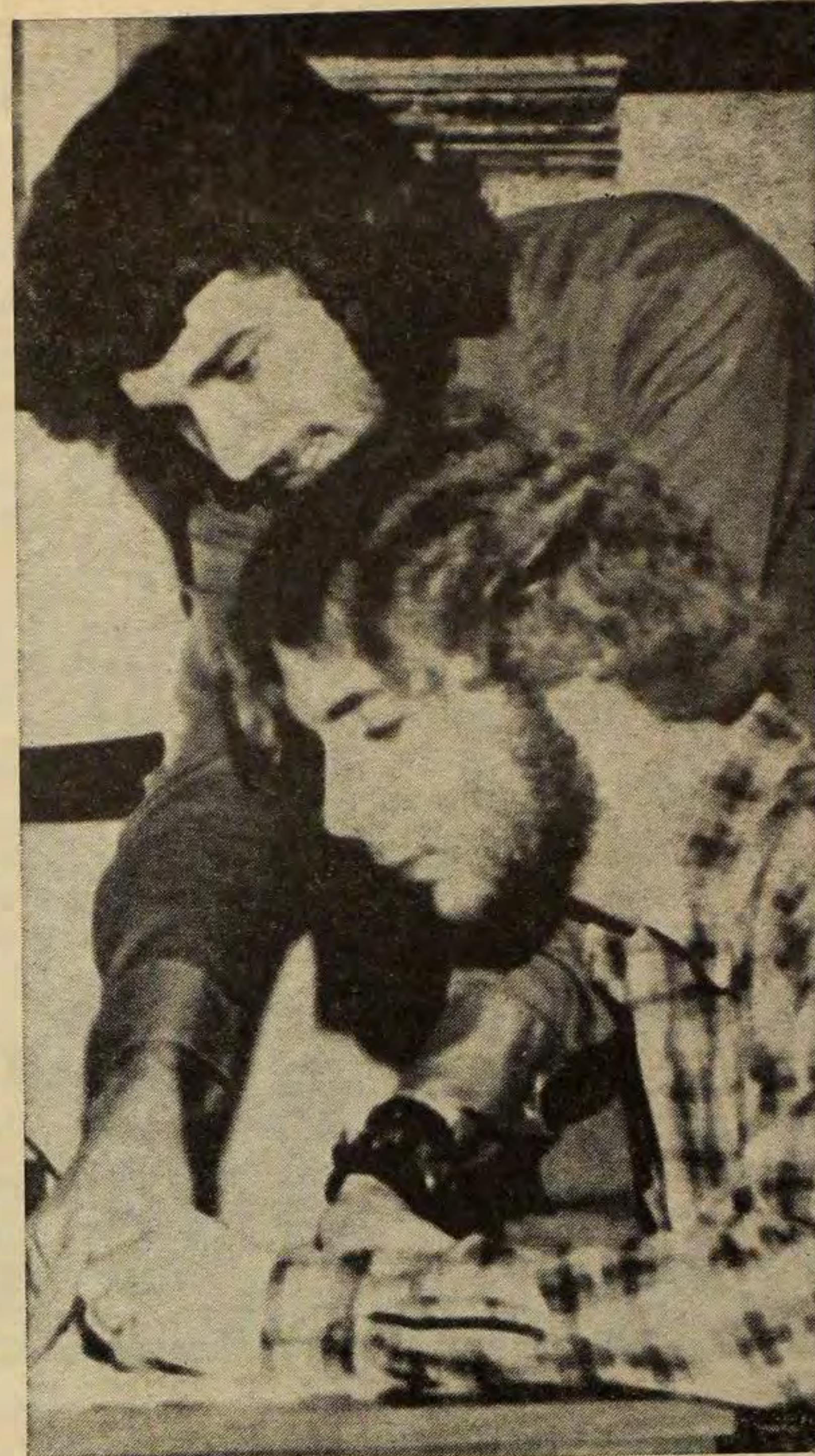
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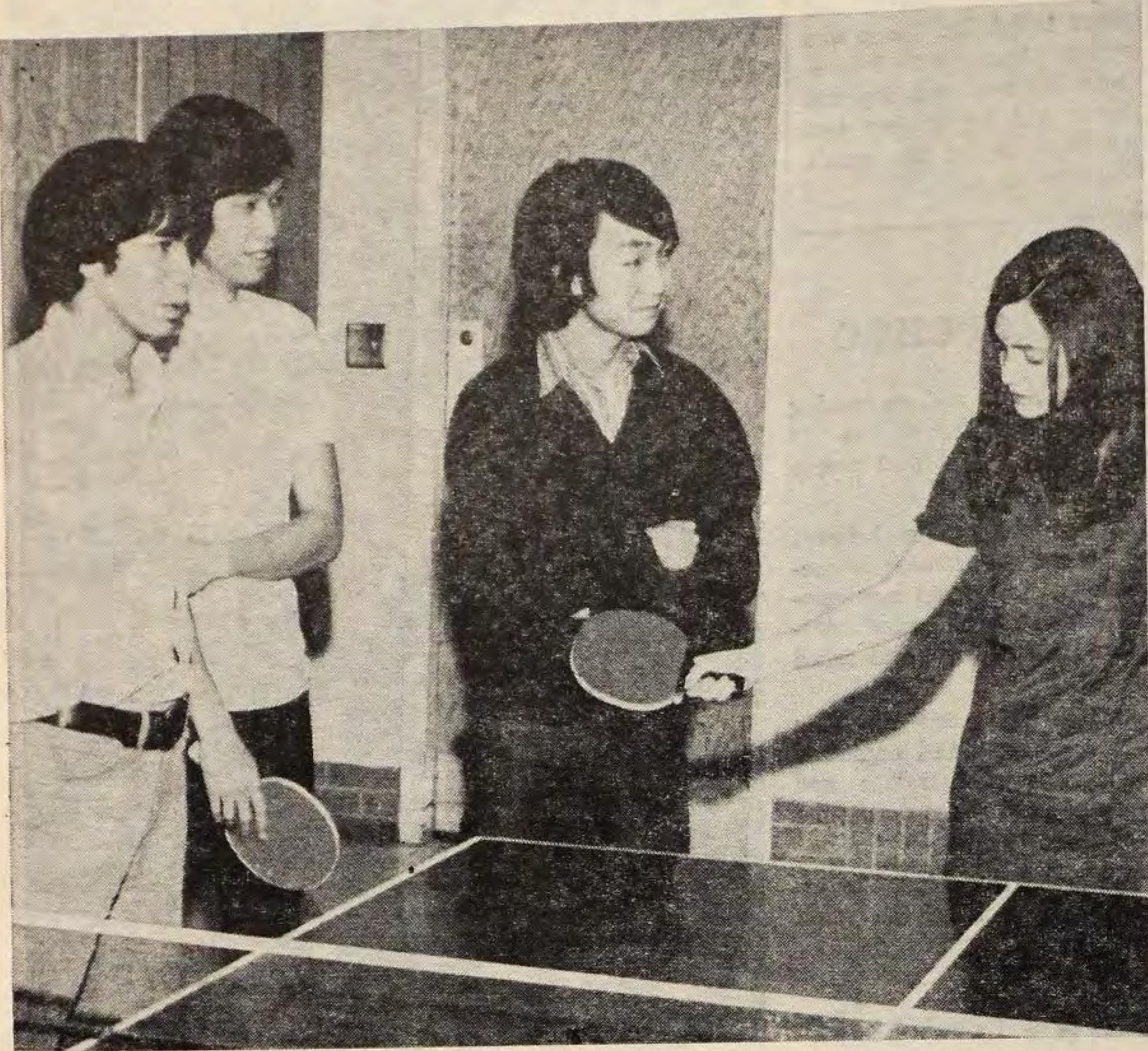
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# Foreign students dominate ping pong



Susan Blough demonstrates the "chop" that Nhan taught her, which secured the mixed

doubles match for them. Jose Urzagaste, Juan Wong, and Nguyen Quy Nhan look on.

## Mac women Join AIAW

McPherson College co-eds may now participate in regional and national athletic championships through a charter membership in the Association For Intercollegiate Athletics for Women.

The A.I.A.W. was organized this year to provide direction and leadership for women's intercollegiate programs in the United States.

The new organization will replace the present Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics during July of 1972.

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After three weeks of hard competition the winners of the Mac Ping Pong Contest were decided Saturday, December 4.

Nguyen Quy Nhan had the best showing in the men's singles. He outscored Frank Gavida in all three championship games, the final scores being 21-15, 21-5, and 21-9.

In the women's singles Susan Stover lost to Karen Quakenbush who won all three games. The scores of their games were 21-14, 21-8, and 21-10.

Nguyen Quy Nhan and Susan Blough outplayed Paul Crabb and Karen Quakenbush to win the mixed doubles by two games. The scores for the four games were 21-16, 18-21, 21-17, and 21-6.

The winners of the men's doubles were Juan Wong and Jose Urzagaste. Their competitors, who lost all three games, were Mike Hooker and Chauncy Morehead. The scores are as follows 21-14, 21-11, and 21-14.

Despite the tough competition, none of the scores show any

close games.

Spectators seemed to enjoy the event. Many expressed wishes that the competition would continue.

An Informal Christmas sing will be held Sunday, Dec. 12, at 8:30 in the SU Lounge (after the German Christmas sing at the Church.)

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# Runners work out

Striving towards what some think could be one of the best track seasons that Mac has ever had, 15 to 20 men are working out regularly.

Workouts are held five days a week; Monday, Wednesday and Friday are spent lifting weights, and Tuesday and Thursday are spent running.

Besides the traditional workout of running around the track, the team has also been going through what they call "Beer can workouts." During these workouts, Coach Art Ray drives

down the middle of section roads, and his team runs along side, picking up anything aluminum and all returnable pop bottles, and throwing them in the car.

The money brought in from the sale of the collection will be used to help meet track team's traveling expenses.

The track season opens January 15 with an indoor meet at Doane College, Doane, Nebraska. The next weekend is the NAIA National Indoor at Kansas City. In May Mac will host the Conference meet.

## BB Team warms up

by Preston Ward

McPherson College basketball team made a gallant attempt, but fell prey to tall strong conference teams in the K.C.A.C.

## Learning skill taught in lab

Students needing academic assistance will be able to find help next semester at the Learning Skills Laboratory. A new program, designed to help students improve on their basic learning processes, is being set up at McPherson College under the direction of Professor Bob Green and Dean Milton Goering.

A room in Beeghly Hall will be open several afternoons and evenings each week where students may receive help from volunteer teachers and student tutors. Students who are falling behind in their classes can benefit the most from the Learning Skills Laboratory but the "A" or "B" students can also take advantage of the new program.

Speed reading will be offered at the lab. Other skills which the program can help students to develop include listening, mathematics, study habits, attitudes and career development.

No charge is made for any of the services rendered at the lab. This project has been funded by the ACCK. A \$500 grant will be spent to furnish the room in Beeghly, and to buy booklets, testing materials, reading machines and other equipment needed. Students will buy their own workbooks if they use them, however.

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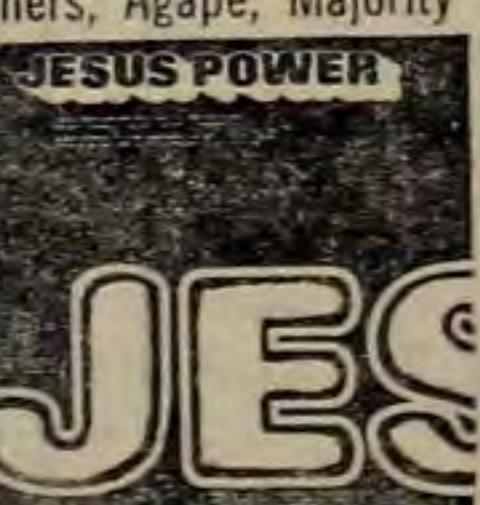
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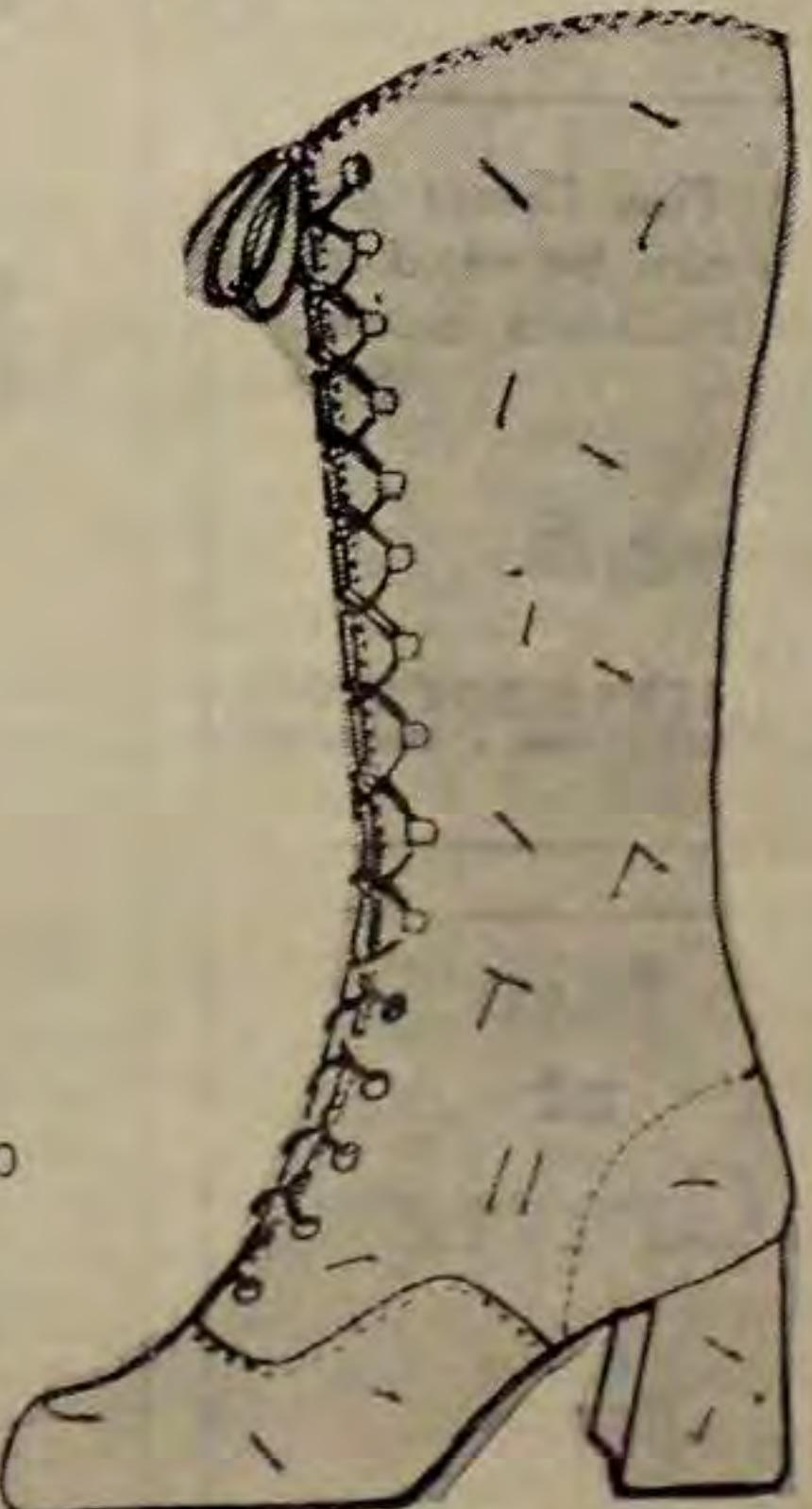


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# Church relatedness, financial problems occupy MCCC group

by Florie McFadden

Main discussion at the Dec. 6 meeting of McPherson College Community Council concerned McPherson's church relatedness and financial position.

Passed unanimously was the recommendation from the Campus Hearing Board "that the Chairman be considered a non-voting member and included in the required six member attendance. He would, however, have voting power in case of a deadlock decision."

Paul Wagner discussed misunderstandings in the relation of the Church of the Brethren to McPherson College, such as the idea that the college is owned by the church, which it is not. Some of the churches get uptight about new liberalism on the campus, such as smoking regulations or the talk of co-ed dorms.

Finances were discussed. The main cause of the big deficit is that in '67 and '68 835 students were enrolled. The college expected a larger enrollment the following year, kept teachers

they didn't need and built Bittinger. But the enrollment dropped.

It was stated that if enough students were enrolled to fill the dorms, it would be easier to pay off the deficit. Presently there are about 575 students enrolled.

Most money to the school comes from gifts and tuition. Last year Mac got \$23,000 from downtown businessmen. This year the goal is \$40,000. In short, it is stressed that the college community must have good relationships with the town.

It was pointed out that our interests can't be run by the town, but Mac must show the town what the purpose of the college is.

The Educational Policies Committee has restored speech-theater to the list of majors of McPherson College.

This move came as pleasant surprise to a number of students who planned on majoring in drama before the program was dropped. Also to the students who were recruited on the promise they could major in drama.

The major has been restored due to the great amount of interest and participation in the productions that have already been done this fall. It was originally dropped because of the lack of interest.

Mrs. Una Yoder, head of the drama department, said it was because of the "kid's enthusiasm" that the drama department has grown and the major has been restored.

At the present time there are approximately ten students interested in majoring in speech-theater.

Requirements for this major are four hours in public speak-

ing, discussion, and/or literary interpretation. A minimum of 32 semester hours is required for a speech-theater major.

# Macalendar

**Thursday - Saturday, December 9-11 — MCY Gift Sale, SU.**

**Thursday, December 9 — McPherson College Band Concert, Br. Aud., 7:30 p.m.**

**Friday, December 10 — Leader - Alumnus Dinner, SU, 6:30 p.m.; Christmas films: "Mr. Magoo's Christmas Carol" and the "Third Wise Man" Br. Aud., 8 p.m.**

**Saturday, December 11 — ACT Tests; Christmas Dinner, 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. by reservation; Christmas Dance with the "Bikales-Weinberg Band," SU, 10:00 - 1 a.m.**

**Sunday, December 12 — Christmas Tea for Women Students, Friendship Hall, 2:30 German Christmas Sing, Church of the Brethren, 7:30 p.m.; Christmas Sing, SU Lobby, 8:30 p.m.**

**Monday-Thursday December 13-16 — Final Exams.**

**Tuesday, December 14 — Basketball against St. Marys, there, Dodge City, 7:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, December 16 — Basketball against Marymount, there 7:30 p.m.**

**Friday, December 17 — Christmas Vacation begins.**

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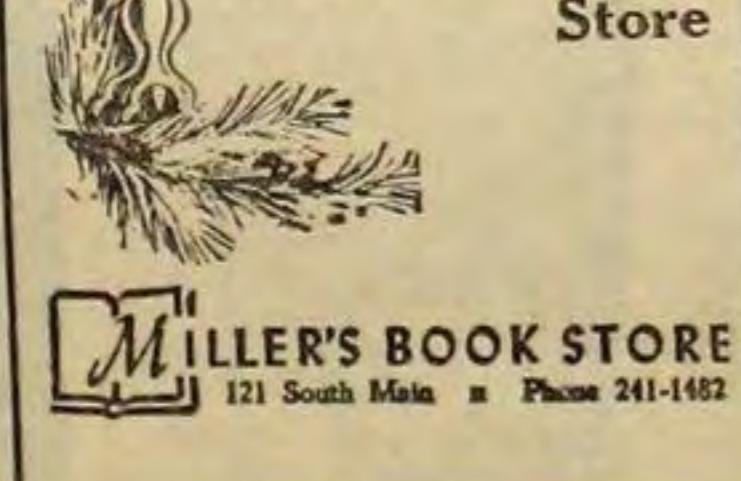
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