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Homecoming At McPherson College

The Annual Homecoming at McPherson College was held December 14, 1945. A number of events took place during the day beginning with a special Homecoming Chapel at 10:00 a. m. directed by the President of the Alumni Association, Mr. Royal Yoder. The Alumni who took part in the program were, Rev. Earl M. Frantz, Sgt. Keith Pierce, who has just returned to McPherson after a year in the E.T.O., and Mrs. Isabel Champ. At 4 o'clock a Homecoming parade left the campus for a march thru town. The parade consisted of floats prepared by individuals and organizations. Immediately following the parade, the Homecoming Alumni Dinner was served in the basement of the College Church to a capacity crowd. Messrs. LaVerne Voshell, c'40 and David McGill, c'40 acted as toastmasters. Coach Hayden introduced the basketball team. The ladies quartet furnished special music numbers after which J. H. Elrod extended greetings from the Alumni and gave a report on the Alumni Finance Campaign. Blair Helman, President of the Student Council, introduced the queen and her attendants. Dr. W. W. Peters then gave a short talk which was followed by another number by the quartet. Mr. August San Romani then spoke to the group for a few minutes.

After the toastmasters recognized all the visitors, the program was brought to a close by the group singing the College song.

The next event was the game with Emporia State Teachers College which ended in a 55 to 35 score with Emporia as the victors. Climaxing the events of the day was the crowning of the queen, Miss Lois Kauffman, by last year's queen, Miss Elva Jean Harbaugh. Attending Miss Kauffman were Miss Della Mae Poland, a sophomore, of Chapman, Kansas; and Miss Ann Oberst, a freshman, from McPherson. Miss Kauffman is a junior and comes to McPherson from Abilene, Kansas. Complimentary tickets to the game were given to all Alumni who came and a special section was reserved for them at the Convention Hall.

Rev. E. L. Ikenberry, c'20, arrived Dec. 1 in Shanghai China to serve as director of relief for the National Christian Council of China.

Thinking About Alumni Finance

The Alumni Endowment and Debt Liquidation Campaign is rapidly coming to a close. As announced in the recent letter, the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association has set the first of the year as the closing date. By the time this letter reaches you, that time will almost have arrived.

Viewing the total figures, we discover that some three thousand dollars has come in since the last News Bulletin was mailed. The total figure to date now stands at \$15,511.90, and the checks are still coming in. We are now 50 percent above our MINIMUM GOAL of \$10,000.00. That indeed is an excellent record. Those who have made it possible are to be highly commended.

This giving does not represent the total contribution of the Alumni to the College. Some have given to: the Fifty Dollar Club, the Improvement Fund, Church Offerings, and Annuities. Some gifts will soon be coming in, in terms of Memorials. We hope at the close of this campaign to announce all gifts to the College, by Alumni, since the start of this campaign.

Let us not dwell too much on past achievements, however good they may be. Not any of us have burdened ourselves too much with our sharing. Many splendid and encouraging comments have come to us, from those of you who have written in along with the sending of your checks. I share a few comments with you: "—we always look forward to the bulletins and newsletters. You are doing a wonderful work for the college"; "Keep the good work going and put old M. C. on the map by doing as Teddy Roosevelt once said while watching a football game, 'Hit the line boys, and don't bounce back'"; "Please find enclosed a very small mite toward your big drive. I think I spent some of the happiest days of my life in McPherson College. God speed you on to greater works". And this one should be duplicated by a number of Alumni whose addresses have changed since we last heard from you, "Enclosed find a check for . . . for the Alumni Fund . . . We have been enjoying our work here . . . Note change of address. Glad to get any Alumni News."

Money is still coming in. This is indicative of the fact that many of you who have not yet made your

contributions, still intend to do so. Yes, 'tis true there are other obligations. You would not have many of these if you lived in the heart of Africa or even in many European countries at the present time. One of the best ways to keep from having to endure a lot like this is to keep alive such institutions as your OWN ALMA MATER.

Thank you all for the splendid spirit you have manifested. Whether you have given or not, will you come and visit us here at the College? Will you keep a warm place in your heart for Old M. C.?

Make all checks payable to McPherson College.
EVERY ALUMNUS A CONTRIBUTOR!!

James H. Elrod
Alumni Campaign Finance Secretary

1891—\$50.00
Miller, Harrison
1892—\$1683.00
Maxwell, Mrs. J. G.
Shirk, F. M.
Vaniman, F. A.
1893—\$30.00
Miller, Sarah
1895—\$5.00
Patton, Myrtle Hoff
1897—\$20.00
Nice, Mrs. Sadie
1900—\$75.00
Strohm, Ray
1901—\$25.00
Muldrow, Mrs. Ethel
1902—\$1655.00
Bower, D. Earl
Bowman, L. K.
Frantz, E. J.
Frantz, Mr. and Mrs. H. J.
Throne, John E.
1903—\$25.00
Hamm, Emma
Leikemaa, F. E.
Andes, John M.
1904—\$50.00
Johnson, Lucretia
1905—\$921.00
Frantz, O. C.
Heaton, W. C.
Stutzman, J. B.
Stutzman, J. M.
Wagman, Mrs. E. H.
Abel, Orle J.
1906—\$36.00
Abel, Orle J.
Fishbach, R. L.
Stutzman, Mrs. J. M.
1907—\$20.00
Cline, Mrs. Furman
Mohler, R. E.
Rasp, Mrs. C. D.
Stutzman, Mrs. J. B.
1908—\$610.00
Ashman, Theo. R.
Hoover, Mrs. Elva M.
Vaniman, Clara N.
1910—\$65.00
Carrier, Mrs. John
Fundersburg, E. W.
Rasp, C. D.
Yoder, Mrs. Etta H.
1911—\$70.00
Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph
Kerr, Proctor H.
Vaniman, Ernest
1912—\$116.00
Carrier, Mrs. John
Gulle, Mr. and Mrs. James L.
Spohn, Mrs. Chas.
Tretbay, F. W.
1913—\$100.00
Ebbert, Ella
Hartly, Sarah W.
Niminger, Mrs. Elsie
Wright, Grace
1914—\$25.00
Seidel, Mr. and Mrs. Paul
1915—\$305.00
Moors, Chester
Yoder, W. H.
1916—\$42.50
Finkrock, Glenn
Mishler, Mrs. Floyd
Nelson, Harley A.
1917—\$42.50
Buekman, John F.
Crumpacker, Mrs. Earl
Holsapple, F. F.
Moors, Mrs. Chester
1918—\$165.00
Bowman, J. A.
Bowman, Mrs. S. S.
Philippi, H. Roy
1919—\$185.00
Beam, Mrs. Harold
Cline, Clyde
Coehran, Road
Crumpacker, Earl
Mishler, Floyd
1920—\$122.50
Ebbert, Mr. and Mrs. S. S.
Frantz, Roy C.
Loehbaugh, Mrs. R. E.
1921—\$630.00
Bowman, D. L.
Frantz, Mr. and Mrs. Earl
Hobdy, T. C.
Hornbaker, Mr., Mrs. E. R.
Klinkerman, Elsie
Stump, Maude
1922—\$755.08
Beam, Harold
Bowman, Mrs. D. L.
Cline, Mrs. Clyde
Holmes, Olive
Jamison, Mrs. Joe
King, Mayme
Terlinger, Roy
Tharrington, Mr., Mrs. E. A.
Tise, Oalen M.
Witmore, Irma
Yoder, Dayton
1923—\$259.00
Drummell, Ira N. H.
Cory, Wretha
Crumpacker, Grace
Fasnacht, Naomi
Johnson, Glenn
Naber, M. E.
Sargent, Mrs. Paul
1924—\$254.00
Brubaker, Everett
Colberg, Mr., Mrs. Alfred
Garber, Mr. and Mrs. H. L.
Gish, Mr. and Mrs. W. W.
Hockhorn, Margaret
Jacobs, Helen
Marchand, Earl

Mohler, Elisabeth
Mohler, Ruth
Neher, Edna
Sargent, Paul
Templeton, Mr., Mrs. L. G.
Vardy, Mrs. H. C.
Wall, Mrs. E. A.
Yoder, Harlan
1925—\$167.00
Cayford, Mrs. Ruth
GROGAN, Truman
Haas, Frank
Keim, Stanley
Hostetter, A. E.
Reed, Mrs. Earl
Rhine, Pearl
Shifer, Edith
Yoder, Mrs. Harlan
1926—\$220.00
Lentz, Mr. and Mrs. Paul
Riffel, Harry
1927—\$492.50
Blickenstaff, Paul E.
Bowman, Mrs. S. S.
Coffman, Mr., Mrs. Virgil
Coulson, Mrs. T. A.
Fleming, L. Avery
Frantz, Mrs. Roy
Glaser, Adelaide
Glehn, Mr. and Mrs. Peter
Hackenberg, Mrs. Geo.
Hiebert, Mr. and Mrs. Theo.
Keim, Mrs. H. H. Jr.
Kehman, H. C.
Lengel, Mr. and Mrs. Chas.
Long, Mr. and Mrs. H. C.
Loehbaugh, R. E.
Reed, Earl V.
Rothrock, Glenn
1928—\$247.50
Carnay, J. M.
Keim, H. H. Jr.
Stoner, Mrs. S. A.
Trostie, Raymond
Vaughan, Florida
Wall, John
1929—\$375.00
Barber, Hulse
Booth, Mrs. Lela
Dell, Lois
Fasnacht, Harold
Frantz, Roy O.
Hutchinson, Haven
Landes, Ralph
Lindell, Mrs. Leland
Miller, D. L.
Mohler, Mrs. R. E.
Spohn, Philip
Yoder, Joe
1930—\$650.00
Crist, Harold
Elrod, James
Fields, Lila
Lindbeck, Vinnie
McCaffey, Walter
Meyer, Elmer
Trostie, Mrs. Raymond
Whiteneck, Wray
Zink, C. L.
1931—\$226.50
Abeldt, Effie
Bagley, Christine
Mohler, Sigismund W. H.
Jamison, Elmer
Lehman, John
Lindell, Leland
Morrison, Alma
Witmore, Naomi
1932—\$346.00
Dennis, Mrs. Allan
Hockstrasser, Herbert
Horn, Luther
Lee, Mary Weddie
Merkle, Mrs. Evalyn
Mugler, Minnie
Peterson, Mrs. Virgil
Yoder, Royal
1933—\$88.50
Arnold, Mrs. Harold
Buskirk, Raymond
Crist, Genevieve
Drazner, Donald
Gottman, Mr. and Mrs. C. L.
Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert
Nish, Mrs. E. G.
Steinhery, Ellen
1934—\$68.00
Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Guy
Yoder, Wilbur
1935—\$612.50
Friesene, John
Georing, John
Glen, Gales
Siek, Mildred
Drazner, Donald
Stoner, S. A.
Wall, Mrs. John
Yoder, Mrs. Royal
1936—\$1907.00
Austin, Glenn (Estate)
Gefny, Lowell
Wine, Leta
1937—\$12.00
Hunt, Van
Schmidt, Emma
1938—\$200.00
A Friend
Brubaker, Mrs. Lowell
Hoover, Mrs. Ira M.
Ikenberry, Mr. and Mrs.
Herbert A.
Lloyd, L. D.
Nettleton, Charles
Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Mark
Toung, Geo.
Zink, Dan
1939—\$127.50
Beehler, Mr., Mrs. Orville
Brubaker, Lowell
Frantz, Lillys
Harris, Virginia
Hoover, Ira M.
Krusz, Mrs. Vernon
Ostlund, Asta
Wiegand, Robert
1940—\$60.00
Elrod, Sam
Dreher, Doris
Meyer, Anton
Stover, Mr. and Mrs. S. L.
1941—\$35.00
Krugner, Norman L.
Michael, Mrs. Herbert
Miller, Mildred
Ratzlaff, Mildred
Halsdorf, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer
Whitaker, Vera Flory
1942—\$10.00
Achilles, Leland
1943—\$10.00
Beaver, Jean Oberst
1944—\$54.40
Geisert, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne
Lighty, Eugene
Murray, Edward
1945—\$5.00
Dirks, Alvina

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Austin of Fruita, Colorado, gave \$1,500.00 to the College as a memorial to their son, Glen Austin, '26. This money is being used to aid student ministers.

In Memoriam

Jasper Vaniman, Com '92, died June 1945. He had been a dentist at Hoisington for many years.

Mrs. Carrie Ilsley, c'19, died in May of 1945.

Mrs. E. M. Studebaker (Lottie Rothrock, Cou. & St. '00), died last spring.

Mrs. Jennie Heckman Miller died November 27. Her former husband was a teacher in M. C. and her three children were graduated from M. C.; the late Paul Heckman, c'36; Mrs. C. L. Gottman, c'33; Mrs. Harold Larsen, c'39.

M. C.'s Prospective Students

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Thomas of Chicago, a daughter, Bonnie Jean, Nov. 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville D. Pote of Halstead, Kansas, a son, Maurice Allen, June 18. Mr. Pote is a member of the class of 1923.

Lt. c'44, and Mrs. Wilbur Linville (Kathleen Brubaker, c'43), a son, David, June 20, 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Peterson, a daughter, Jeanne Ione, July 8th. Mr. Peterson, c'43 has just received his discharge from the U. S. Army.

Mr., c'39, and Mrs. Martin Seidel of Conway, Kansas, a daughter, August 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bowers of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, a son July 28. Mr. Bowers graduated with the class of 1929 and Mrs. Bowers, the former Clara Davis, is a music graduate of 1928.

Mr. and Mrs. Manly J. Ewalt (Lillian Fulkerson c'44) of Los Angeles, Calif. a daughter Gretchen Anne, August 7.

Lt. and Mrs. James Lambert (Kathryn Enns c'40) a son, James Nicholas, July 24. Mr. Lambert is a former student of the college.

1st Sgt. and Mrs. Stephen L. Stover of Cheyenne, Wyoming, a girl Nancy Lynette, October 26. Sgt. Stover is with the U. S. Army on Luzon, graduating from McPherson college in 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Bollinger (Elizabeth Mohler, c'41) of Seattle, Washington, a daughter Barbara Ann, May 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stucky of McPherson, a daughter, Susan Kathleen, May 11. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stucky (Edith Spengler) were graduated in 1941.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bullinger, a son Rex Anthony, May 11. Mr. Bullinger graduated in 1942 and Mrs. Bullinger will be remembered as Juanita Weaver. Mr. Bullinger just recently was discharged from the U. S. Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Flory (Avis Elliott, c'41) of Wichita, a daughter, Dona Lyn, March 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Stephen (Myretta Hammann, c'32) of Storrs, Conn., a son May 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard DeTour (Lorene Voshell, c'39) of Hutchinson, a son Robert Vernon, May 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Verle Ohmart of Buhler, a son, Harold Eugene, June 1. Mr. and Mrs. Ohmart (Fern

Heckman) were graduated in 1932.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wachholtz (Florence Dresher, c'33) a daughter, Nancy June, June 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dickson (Geraldine Spohn, c'41) a daughter, Paula Sue, September 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Colwell, a daughter, Linda, July 14. Mr. Colwell is a member of the class of 1937.

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Miss Maxine Ruehlen, c'44, and Richard V. Johnson, were married June 3. Mrs. Johnson is teaching at Minneapolis, Kansas and Mr. Johnson is in the merchant marine.

Miss Orvell Long, c'42, and Mr. Lauren Brunner of Ramona, Kansas were married June 3.

Miss Betty Dean Burger, and Mr. Leslie Rogers both of the class of 1944 were married June 5 and are at home on a farm at Corning, Iowa.

Mr. Kenneth Bentson, c'38, and Miss Esther Harner, of Rago, Kansas were married May 22. They are at home on a farm near Pretty Prairie, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Willcuts (Geraldine Tharrington, c'45) are at home at R6-400, Tacoma, Washington following their marriage June 26, 1945.

Miss Myrtle Barley c'37, and Mr. Ralph Ward of Rosepine, La., were married December 7, in the New York Hostel, N. Y.

Miss Ruby Peterson, c'42, and T/Sgt. Fred Wagner were married in McPherson July 8.

Galen Stern, c'40, and Evelyn Fish of Blackburn, England were married July 18 in Blackburn.

Miss Margaret Davis, c'42, and T/Sgt. Ralph Brontrager were married July 29, in New Orleans, La.

Miss Helen Davis, c'42, and S/Sgt. Francis Starr were married August 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hartley (Twila Peck, c'42) are at home at 745 S. 12th, Lincoln, Nebr.

Of Interest

Mr. Paul Dannelly, Jr., c'42, is now Managing Editor of the Kansas Business Magazine at Topeka, Ks.

Miss Virginia Harris, c'39, and Librarian at M. C. received the B. S. degree in L. S. from University of Louisiana in May.

Miss Esther Sherry, c'41, is teaching in the high school in Muskegon, Michigan.

Anna Maye Strickler, c'28, is teaching in the high school in Great Bend, Kansas.

Mr. Everett M. Brubaker, c'24, was recently appointed Instructor of Agriculture at Illinois State Training School for Boys near St. Charles, Illinois.

Dr. Leslie E. Blackman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Blackman of McPherson, has recently announced his resignation as head of the department of chemistry at Emporia State Teachers' College to become chairman of the physical science division of Chapman College, Los Angeles, California. He reported to his new position on August 1. He had been head of the department of chemistry at Emporia since

1934. Dr. Blackman received his A.B. and B.S. degrees at M. C. in 1922.

Dr. Paul Harnly, '15, is now serving as Director of Secondary Education in Wichita, Kansas. He succeeded Dr. L. W. Brooks who is now State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Miss Mary Harnly, '27, is a member of the faculty in East High School in Wichita.

On May 4, the Chicagoland Alumni Chapter held a meeting which was well attended. Dr. R. E. Mohler of M. C. was present and spoke to the group. During the business Miss Alberta Yoder, '32, was reelected as President, Roy McAuley, '44 was elected Treasurer; and Harry Reeves, '44, was elected Vice-President.

Among the graduates of Bethany Biblical Seminary in Chicago with the class of 1945 were the following McPherson College alumni: Homer Kimmel, Lyle Albright, Richard Burger, Charles Nettleton, Ernest Vanderau, Virgil Bralier, Philip Lauer, Paul Thompson, and Lawrence Lehman.

Officers of the Alumni Association for the year 1945-46 were elected as follows: President: Royal Yoder; Vice-President: Lila Fields; Secretary: Doris Dresher; Treasurer: Delbert W. Kelly. The four new directors are: Mrs. E. A. Wall, Donald W. Dresher, Paul Sherry, and Earl Marchand.

It is interesting to note that 43 of the 171 members of the 1944-45 Fifty Dollar Club are also Alumni members.

At the reunion of the twenty year class of McPherson Senior High School it was discovered that of the 67 graduates of the class, 16 of them are also graduates of McPherson College.

Roy Robertson, '40, is now assistant coach in the high school at Springfield, Mo.

Doris Dresher is now secretary to Leland Brubaker at Elgin, Illinois. Miss Dresher, '39 had been secretary to the President of M. C. for the past 8 years.

Doris Voshell, '42, is now a hospital recreation worker with the American Red Cross stationed at the Army General Hospital in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Leora Dobrinski, '45 and P.F.C. Hillis Silliams, who attended M. C. in 1942-43 before his induction into the U. S. Army.

Donald Dresher, class of 1933, was elected President of the McPherson County Teachers Association at their meeting held early this fall.

Mr. '41, and Mrs. Harold E. Fries are now at home in McPherson, Kansas. Mr. Fries is employed by the U. S. Post Office following his discharge from the U. S. Army Dec. 14.

By recent action of the Board of Directors of the

Alumni Association, it was decided to build three tennis courts on the campus north of Harnly Hall. The tennis courts are being built as a memorial to our men and women in the service.

Luther Harshbarger, '39, is working in Belgium under the Brethren Service Committee and Dwight B. Horner, '39, is now working under the Brethren Service Committee serving in England.

Five of the missionaries who were consecrated for the mission field at the Annual Conference at North Manchester, Indiana, are graduates and former students of M. C. They are Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Albright (Rowena Wampler) both of the class of 1942; Mr., '42, and Mrs. Richard Burger (Ann Witmore); and Mr. John Detrick, '41. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burger left December 4, from New York city by plane for Nigeria, Africa. Mrs. Burger is being supported on the mission field by the McPherson Church of the Brethren.

Dr. Galen Jones, Principal of East Orange High School, N. J. since 1942 was recently appointed to the staff of the U. S. Office of Education. Dr. Jones will serve as Director of Secondary Education. Dr. Jones received his A. B. degree at McPherson College in 1918 and his masters and doctor's degrees at Teachers College, Columbia University in 1921, and 1935 respectively. He has been identified with the administrative field of education since 1921 and has held many noteworthy positions. He assumed his new position on December 1, 1945.

Greeta Griffis, '33, has gone to Philadelphia, Pa. where she is enrolled as a student at Overbrook, the Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, connected with the University of Pennsylvania. In attending this school, Miss Griffis is realizing an ambition of long standing. In June, 1946 she will receive one of the famous "Seeing Eye" dogs.

Dr. Lettzer Lewis, '35, is now in the University of Kansas Hospital, Kansas City, Kansas where he will be for one year as a resident physician. He plans to return to his practice in McPherson.

Tom Doeppner, who attended McPherson College from Nov., 1939 until the spring of '41, recently received his commission as Lieutenant in the Army Signal Corps after graduation from O.C.S. at Ft. Monmouth, N. J. His wife was present to pin on his bars. Tom has since received orders to go to a Signal Corps Officers' Reserve Pool at Frankfurt, Germany. His latest available address is Lt. Thomas W. Doeppner, 0-1657813, R. L. Area, Fort Monmouth, N. J. It is interesting to note that when he attended McPherson he was a refugee student from Germany.