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Massage parlor

McMindes Hall sponsored a Carnival Fun Night last night to raise money for the Ellis County United Fund Drive. One of the booths in the carnival was a massage parlor on the west wing of the sixth floor. Mary Parks, Salina sophomore, and Janice Allen, Hutchinson

sophomore, give Kevin Cederberg, Luray freshman, a massage. Each floor in McMindes Hall set up a booth, and at 70 p.m. last night over \$170 had been raised for the United Fund.

(Photo by Thad Allton)

Sackett explains resignation

by JIM HAAG
Staff Reporter

Feelings of excitement, stimulation and adventure were expressed by Dr. Samuel Sackett Tuesday in explaining his resignation as professor of English. Sackett, who has taught for 23 years at Fort Hays State, submitted his resignation Monday effective immediately.

"I went through the regret stage about a month ago," Sackett said. "But I knew I had to get out of teaching as I was burnt-out on it. I naturally had feelings of grief after 28 years of teaching and 23 years here, but now I feel excited and stimulated. Teaching has essentially been my life."

He said he attempted to reconcile the difficult times this past month in an effort to get through this semester and possibly the spring semester.

"Evidently, I overestimated how long I could last," he said. "Precipitating factors, in a sense, made it (this resignation) bound to happen and it did."

In a prepared statement regarding his resignation, Sackett said: "The reasons for my resignation were various and complex, and some of them were personal reasons of concern only to myself."

"I do wish to say, however, that one important factor was student indifference and apathy. It became impossible for me to tolerate any longer the fact that students were, at best, ignoring and, at worst, resisting my best efforts to help them. Dr. Johnson reminded Lord Chesterfield that no man likes to see his all, be it ever so little, rejected."

"Students are not, of course, wholly to blame for this. We have an educational system which so frequently ignores the best efforts of students, focusing instead on their shortcomings, that the students learn from their teachers how to make it impossible for their teachers to please them."

"The grading system, too, bears a share of the responsibility. Many studies have demonstrated that the most important variable in learning is the human relationship between teacher and student. But a system in which the teacher is continually withholding what the student wants makes it extremely difficult, if not impossible, for them to develop the kind of open trust which is necessary for warm human relationships to exist."

"But for whatever reasons, students are extremely shortsighted when they fail to discriminate between good teachers and bad and receive them both with the same indifference and hostility. For the inevitable effect of this will be to drive the good teachers, who do care about their students, out of the profession, leaving only the bad."

"One of the important reasons I am leaving the teaching profession, then, is that I realized I was too proud to continue any longer to force my help on people who did not want it. I had reached that point some time ago. On Monday the University gave me an opportunity to resign, and I took it."

Sackett said he had been advocating for years the replacement of grades with written evaluations. "Now, the student becomes concerned only with the grade instead of with learning."

"The focus in the educational system is on the wrong thing. Because of that, a relationship develops between the teacher and student in which the student attempts to seduce the teacher for a decent grade and the teacher tries to withhold the grade from the student. This type of relationship breeds distrust."

Sackett explained that the majority of students are not responsive to teachers. "The capacity of teachers to turn students on is low," he said. "I can't blame students for getting turned off, but because they fail to

discriminate between the good and bad teachers, students negatively reinforce all teachers."

After becoming dissatisfied with his Creative Writing 546 course, Sackett dissolved the class Oct. 14. "I told the class that everyone would simply receive a 'C' because that wouldn't hurt the grade point averages that the class was so concerned over."

The class has since been re-organized under John Knight, assistant professor of English, according to Dr. Paul Gatschet, Department of English chairman. The class will meet at regular times and dates as assigned in the class schedule.

Gatschet also announced the instructors who will take over the rest of Sackett's teaching load.

Dr. Michael Marks, associate professor of English, will teach Science Fiction 126; Dr. Samuel Warfel, assistant professor of English, will teach Technical Writing 126; Michael Meade, associate professor of English, will teach Seminar in Satire 775; and Gatschet will take over in Writing Conference 846, Special Master of Arts Program and Independent Projects.

Compensation in salaries for the instructors taking over the classes is being worked out between Dr. Harold Eickhoff, vice-president for academic affairs, and the individual professors, Gatschet said.

Sackett said he had been informed that he would receive the proportion of his annual salary for the period for which he taught this year.

The educational system, Sackett said, contains de-humanization factors. "The student becomes involved with psyching out the teacher," he said, "so no matter what subject I taught, the subject became Sackett."

Sackett said he hoped his message had been communicated, adding, "I may have resigned, but I'm still teaching."

Debators question U.S. survival

by JIM HAAG
Staff Reporter

Differences in the methods the United States should take to survive as a republic were discussed by columnist Max Lerner and author Reid Buckley in a debate Monday night.

Speaking before approximately one-hundred persons in the Memorial Union Ballroom, Lerner cited America's ability to survive crises in the past as an indication of the country's capability to endure into the 21st century.

Buckley, however, said that recent military advances by the Soviet Union have placed the United States in a secondary role as a world power which will make it impossible for the country

to survive unless the situation is rectified soon.

Each speaker was allowed a 20-minute introductory presentation, followed by a cross-examination. Then the audience was permitted to ask questions not exceeding 30 seconds in length. Each speaker was given time to briefly summarize his statements at the end of the debate. The debate moderator was Dr. Bill Jellison, vice-president for student affairs.

"The position I take is that we've (the United States) shown in our history the capability to survive," Lerner said. "We've been wounded by different situations, but we've remained walking wounded."

Buckley, concentrating on what he called "military realities," said, "The United States has allowed itself to decline to the position Russia held during the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962. The U.S.S.R. will be able to back us down in areas throughout the world, such as in the Middle East."

The nature of the debate, according to Lerner, was whether America as a total civilization had the qualities to endure as an independent nation. The situation must be viewed as a whole, he said, without singling out one aspect.

"It is easy to be intense about a single issue," Lerner said. "But we should attempt to see the whole of American civilization to show us where we're going."

National defense was stressed by Buckley as the key to America's survival. He condemned recent administrations for their policy of detente with the Soviet Union and denounced the Strategic Arms Limitations Talks (SALT) between the super-powers.

"The first SALT agreement, signed during former President Richard Nixon's administration, significantly reduced American defensive capacities," Buckley said. "Russia is on the brink of superiority in all arms, while we are withdrawing into ourselves. If this continues, our doom is sealed."

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of the University's program and a dedication to serving the needs of western Kansas.

Criticisms from students and faculty were many and varied. Some thought the statement was too vague, and that the concept of "excellence" should be defined better. Others said the notion of serving the needs of western Kansas was too parochial; the area which FHS serves should be defined as the central High Plains.

The criticism that recurred most often was the one directed at the closing paragraphs of the statement. It was stated in these paragraphs that "the college's intercollegiate program will be excellent, that is, the teams will have winning records."

"It was a mistake to single out a specific area like that," Tomanek said. "Why not a winning debate team or excellent theater group?" Tomanek also said the positioning of the football clause was wrong, that putting it at the end of the statement made it seem like the climax of the whole thing.

Eickhoff said, in regard to the first draft of the statement, "I felt like I got back my first college paper with a C- and had my ears boxed."

A second version of the statement was written by a smaller committee chosen from members of the first committee. It retained the original message, while attempting to rectify the weaknesses of the first statement. Distributed throughout the campus this spring, it met with a more positive response.

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Possibility of public TV to be discussed

The possibility of obtaining a public television station for Hays will be discussed at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Black and Gold Ballroom of the Memorial Union.

Jack Lemen, executive director of the Kansas Television Board, will make a presentation on the status of the public television possibilities, with the emphasis on the Hays station. There will be a question and answer session afterwards.

Lemen will also present the history of public television in Kansas, along with the current planning and goals of the Public Broadcasting System (PBS) and the Commission for Public Broadcasting.

Dave Lefurgey, manager for the research and development of public television-acertainment study, said, "There has been a lot of misunder-

standing. . . (Lemen) is the man that knows."

Lefurgey's job in the acertainment study is to determine the needs of the community. In the next few weeks he will be conducting a phone survey to find what the Hays area residents consider the most pressing problems of the day. After the survey has been completed, an application must be filed with the Federal Communications Commission, which will then decide if Hays will be granted an educational TV license.

Also in the running for a PBS station is Garden City. However, Lefurgey said Fort Hays State is currently ahead in getting the station, as Garden City has yet to start their acertainment study.

Lefurgey also noted that a good response at the Oct. 24 meeting could have a favorable impact on the acquisition of the PBS station.

Student Senator reports

Health office charges to see doctor

One senator questioned the one dollar fee to see the campus doctor, and a discussion on the subject followed at the Student Senate meeting last night.

Sherry Searls, Wichita senior, stated that some of her constituents were puzzled by the one dollar fee being charged to see the campus physician, Dr. Dorothy Cody.

Dr. Bill Jellison, vice-president for student affairs and senate adviser, explained that the one dollar fee was a recommendation of an ad hoc committee established last year to study health services.

The committee, he said, was comprised of a majority of students and among its recommendations was to include a fee for visits to the campus doctor.

Approximately five thousand dollars

will be raised from office calls, Jellison said. This money is used to pay for hiring a doctor to be on campus two hours daily instead of one hour as in the past, he said.

Administrative Assistant Rick Allton, Hays graduate student, questioned Jellison as to why the subject has "been kept quiet" and if the fee was written university policy.

Jellison responded by saying that it was university policy. He said the request to charge fees was presented to the Board of Regents in May and went into effect in June.

"Senate officers had one month from the time it was requested to the time it was enacted to respond to the fee," Jellison said after the meeting.

Little action was taken during the brief 30-minute meeting since only 17 senators were present. The ad hoc committee to handle Homecoming Queen elections was filled, and an appropriation to the Fort Hays State Chapter of National Student Speech and Hearing Association was approved.

A motion by Keith Motzner, Wilson senior, to expand the size of the ad hoc committee created last week to study Homecoming Queen elections from four to five members passed unanimously.

Two senators were nominated to the committee last night to join the three nominated last week. Approved to the

committee by a 14 in favor, two opposed vote were Terri Lungren, Hays junior; Motzner; Mike Moyers, Hays graduate student; Debi Schumacher, Hays freshman; and Searls.

A motion by Melissa Brack, Hoisington junior, to have the committee report its finding in two weeks was approved.

"Since Homecoming Queen election problems have dragged on for over a year, it could be again procrastinated," Brack said. "One way to motivate the committee would be to put it on a time limit."

"It would be nice if the committee had legislation ready in two weeks, but it isn't necessary. Hopefully, it will have at least looked at all sides of the issue and will present the most logical way to go about solving it," Brack added.

Senate Bill 104 was approved unanimously. The bill appropriates \$346.72 to the FHS Chapter of National Student Speech and Hearing Association to send nine of its members to a national convention in Chicago, Ill. Nov. 2-5.

The chapter had requested \$660.50 from the senate. Clark Hay, Newton junior and chairman of the Appropriations Committee, said that the decrease in the suggested appropriation resulted from a cutback in gas mileage.

New name tags were ordered for members of the administration, department chairmen and other Fort Hays personnel involved in hosting events on campus.

When the name tags came back this week, there were a few typographical errors on some of the tags.

The three persons from Information Services had their titles come back as "Bob Lowe, Director of Information Services," "Jeanne Lambert, Director of New Service," and "David Adams, Director of Student Publications."

Russell Bogue, chairman of health, physical education, recreation and athletics (HPERA) had a complete change in title, however. The company who made the tags evidently thought someone from here sent in an error. Bogue is now, according to his name tag, the Chairman of Opera.

Typos found in tags

Fort Notes

Blood donor cards arrive

Students who donated blood Oct. 11 may pick up their Red Cross donor cards at the Student Health Office in Sheridan 205.

Cheerleader try-outs Nov. 5

There will be an informal meeting and learning session for persons interested in being basketball cheerleaders at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 31 in the Modern Dance Studio in Cunningham Hall. The practice sessions will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Nov. 1-4. Tryouts will be at 1 p.m. Nov. 5 in Cunningham 121. For further information call Paula Stein at the Athletic Department at 628-4420.

One-act plays continue today

A free weekly series of one-act plays will continue at 3:30 p.m. today in Felten-Start Theater. The plays will be "Anybody for Tea," a comic murder mystery, and "The American Dream," a famous comic picture of America.

Mortar Board holds slave day

Mortar Board will hold a slave day from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. tomorrow. Members will do any type of work for \$2 an hour or a contribution. To make arrangements call 628-5481.

Leader not published Oct. 28

The Leader will not be published a week from today (Oct. 28), due to staff attendance at the Associated Collegiate Press Convention next week. Any items you want in next Tuesday morning's paper should be turned into the Leader Office today.

Disabilities class requires permit

Beginning with the spring semester, the Analysis and Corrections of Reading Disabilities class will be offered on a permit basis only. To enroll in this class a student must obtain a permit to enroll card from the Reading Service Center before going through the enrollment lines. This applies to pre-enrollment also. For further information contact the Reading Service Center in Rarick 104.

Delta Sigma Phi holds car wash

The Delta Sigma Phi pledges are sponsoring a car wash from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. tomorrow in the J.C. Penney's parking lot. Price is \$2.50 for wash only, and \$3 with vacuum.

Seventh Cavalry meets Thursday

The Seventh Cavalry will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday in the State Room of the Memorial Union.

ID, activity cards needed for games

Students wishing to attend home games must present both their ID card and their student activity card at the gate.

Parliamentarian applications available

Applications for Student Senate parliamentarian are available in the Student Government Association (SGA) Office in the Memorial Union.

Organization resumes due at SGA Office

Any organization that has not submitted a resume of activities, purpose and membership for the Student Government Association's (SGA) Student Handbook, must do so by next Friday or the organization will be excluded from the handbook. The resumes are to be submitted to the SGA Office in the Memorial Union.

Band Day observed tomorrow

Approximately fifteen-hundred high school and junior high band and pom-pom team members, baton twirlers and drill-team participants will be on campus to observe and compete in the 16th annual Fort Hays State Band Day Festival tomorrow.

The festival, said Victor Sisk, assistant professor of music and festival organizer, "is held to encourage band directors and students to work up a half-time show," and "to encourage better college marching bands."

The event is held in conjunction with the University's annual Senior Day, giving area high school seniors and band members a chance to look over FHS.

Competing bands are to receive first, second or third division ratings. The two most outstanding units will be invited to perform during halftime of the FHS-Missouri Southern football game.

Judges for the Band Day competition are Dr. Harry Haines, West Texas State University, Canyon, Texas; Eugene Griffin, Enid High School, Enid, Okla.; and Dr. Milburn Carey, Phillips University, Enid, Okla. Sharon Velhartick, Kinsley, will judge the twirling competition.

FHS students are invited to the event, said Sisk. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and 75 cents for students. Competition begins at 11 a.m. in Lewis Field Stadium. Nineteen bands will perform.

One twirling team and six individual twirlers will also begin performing at 11 a.m. in Sheridan Coliseum. Pom-pom

and drill team competition will begin at 1:20 p.m. on the band practice field adjacent to Malloy Hall.

In addition, the Tiger Marching Band and Tiger Debs will put on a special demonstration following the band competition. Fifty of the band's members will also act as guides and assistants throughout the day.

Participating area bands range in size from a 33-piece group from Oakley to a 138-member unit from Garden City. Other bands to perform are from Kinsley, Ellinwood, Sublette, Cimarron, Hillsboro, Otis-Bison, Scott City, Dodge City, Phillipsburg, Wichita, Wellington, Lyons, Pratt, Salina, Hays and Thomas More Prep.

Seniors visit campus

Seventy-four high school seniors, nearly double last year's number, will be on campus tomorrow for Fort Hays State's third annual Senior Day.

Dorothy Knoll, associate dean of students, said the purpose of the event "is to bring seniors onto the campus and let them see one alternative choice after high school graduation"—going on to higher education.

Visiting seniors will receive a

welcome from President Gerald Tomanek. Knoll and Dr. Bill Jellison, dean of students, will provide seniors with a rundown on FHS similar to the freshman and new student orientation procedures.

Students will be able to visit with department chairmen and also attend seminars aimed at some of the non-academic aspects of FHS.

Free lunch, admission to the FHS-Missouri Southern football

game and after-game movies at McMinder Hall are being offered to seniors, too.

According to Knoll, Senior Day is not aimed directly at recruiting students for FHS. It's aimed at showing them college as one post-high school opportunity. But she said the event is productive for the University. She said that one third of the freshmen currently enrolled attended Senior Day last year.

Strike doesn't affect campus

The price Fort Hays State students pay for food on this campus won't take a large or immediate jump as a result of a proposed nationwide farm strike that is scheduled to go into effect Dec. 14 if farmers' demands on price increases aren't met.

Two FHS agriculture professors and the university's food catering manager doubt that a strike would be effective, or that its results would be felt here immediately.

Bob Summerfield, director of ARA food services in the Memorial Union and Wiest and McMinder Halls, said it would take six weeks to seven months for such a strike to raise his costs.

Agriculture Chairman Wallace Harris, said it would be too independent to act as one body for a strike. U.S. farmers, said Thaine Clark, professor of agriculture, have traditionally been independent and hard to organize.

Summerfield agrees, stating that, "The movement doesn't seem that well organized. But if a large amount of farmers do cooperate and a strike does occur, he said he would have to raise his prices.

Students who eat at Wiest and McMinder Hall cafeterias would be protected from in-

creased meal costs until the end of this school year, since food in those locations is sold on a contract basis with a pre-set price.

But the cafeteria in the union doesn't operate under such a contract. Prices there would probably increase sooner in the event of a strike.

Summerfield's costs have risen 12 per cent in the last year as a result of inflation. But he feels even an increase of two cents per pound for food sold by weight or two cents extra for a loaf of bread—brought about by a strike—would have a definite effect.

Farmers make only about 18 cents from every U.S. dollar spent for food, according to Harris and Clark. The rest of the cost, they claim, is made by people who package, advertise and transport it.

Asked how the area economy would be affected by a successful strike, Harris replied, "That's open to guess. There's no way to know."

About why some farmers are threatening to strike, Harris said, "They are going broke." Farmers proposing the measure are asking the federal government to guarantee 100 per cent parity on prices paid for farm products.

Parity, as defined by Clark, is

a term used for buying power. "Parity is what agriculture economists say prices should be."

One hundred per cent parity is when a farmer's profit will buy as much as it would have bought in a given base year. Years used by the United States Department of Agriculture as a base are in the 1910-14 period and 1967.

Clark said an effective definition of parity today would mean a price of \$5 a bushel for wheat.

In addition to a food production halt, some farmers are also threatening to stop paying taxes. And that, said Harris, would have a major effect on Hays and other area communities.

The strike's point of origin is elusive. Associated Press reports state it originated in eastern Colorado. Harris said the idea "came up over a cup of coffee," somewhere in western Kansas, followed by a trip through that area by U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, Robert Burgland.



Mortar Board

Mortar Board members are sponsoring another workday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. tomorrow. Last Saturday, Mortar Board members earned approximately \$50 washing cars and windows, raking leaves and hauling trash. The rates are \$2.50 per person per hour.

Faculty member to present recital

Dr. Donald Stout, professor of music, will present a faculty recital at 8 p.m. Monday in the Felten-Start Theater of Malloy Hall.

Stout, a tenor who will present a variety of German, French and English songs, will be accompanied at the piano by Bonnie Storm, professor of music. Assisting Stout will be Alison Atkins, soprano and associate professor of music, and Mary Bartholomew on the French horn.

Stout will open his program with a set of songs by the German composer Richard Strauss. The following set is by the French composer Francis Poulenc. The texts, "Postcard," "Before the Movies" and

"1904" are by the French poet Guillaume Apollinaire.

Atkins and Bartholomew will present a cycle of songs by the British composer Arnold Cooke, entitled, "Nocturnes." The poems for these songs represent a cross-section of British poets, including Tennyson, Shelley and Lawrence. This cycle of songs will also be accompanied by Storm at the piano.

Stout's final group is a set of old American songs, arranged by Aaron Copland. This set includes a political campaign song of the 1860s, a song of the Pennsylvania Shaker sect, as well as a children's nonsense song entitled "I Bought Me a Cat."

The public is invited to attend the concert.

Foundation plans awards

The National Science Foundation (NSF) plans to award approximately five-hundred and fifty new three-year Graduate Fellowships to individuals deemed worthy of advanced training in the sciences.

Graduate Fellowships are awarded for study or work leading to master's or doctoral degrees in the mathematical, physical, medical, biological, engineering and social sciences, and in the history and philosophy of science.

NSF Graduate Fellowships are available to those who are citizens or nationals of the United States. Other requirements are for the applicant, as of the time of application, not to have completed post-baccalaureate study in excess of 18

quarter hours 12 semester hours, or the equivalent. Also, no student will be eligible for more than three years of NSF Graduate Fellowship support.

Those interested must submit a signed application form, grade reports, transcripts of college and university records, a proposed plan for graduate study and reference reports.

Application materials can be obtained from the Fellowship Office, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20418. The closing date for application is Dec. 1.

All applicants will be notified by letter of the outcome of their applications by March 15.

All students receiving fellowships will be required to enroll in full-time courses leading to graduate degrees in

fields supported in this program.

Graduate Fellowship salaries during 1978-'79 for all new and continuing fellowships will be \$3,900 for 12-month tenures, prorated at \$325 per month for lesser periods.

The normal tenure of a graduate fellowship is 12 months each fellowship year. Fellowships may reduce the tenure of any year to no less than nine months without jeopardizing possible future support.

The availability of the second and third years of a three-year award is contingent upon (1) certification by the graduate dean of the fellowship institution that satisfactory academic progress is being made by the person receiving the fellowship, and (2) sufficient appropriated funds for such continued support.

Placement Annuals available to students

The 1978 College Placement Annual is available to any senior, graduate student or alumni, except education majors, at the Placement Office, Picken 100-109.

Most entries in the book, which is provided to colleges and universities who are members of the College Placement Council and the Regional Placement Association, include descriptions of available jobs, their geographic locations and

the openings individual firms usually hire college graduates to fill.

Special employment listings are also provided in the manual for graduates with associate degrees, doctoral degrees or with special employment experience.

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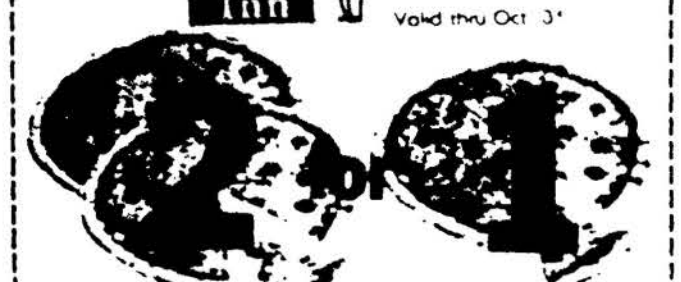
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Plays begin today

Today's Thank God It's Friday (TGIF) theater production, "Anyone for Tea?" begins at 3:30 p.m. in Felten-Start Theater.

The production, the first of two to be presented, is about six spinsters who live in a boarding house and fall in love en masse with the young man living next door.

The second production is "The American Dream." The play asks two questions—"What is the American Dream?" and "Whoever really has whatever he wants?" The play is an exercise in stereotyping.

Directors for the play are Landy Tedford, Minneola junior, and Jason Kenyon, Belleville sophomore.

Cast for "Anyone for Tea?" consists of Jan Lytle, Carthage freshman, Deanna Beckman, Grinnell sophomore, Murita Rose, Agra freshman, Karen Walker, Arkansas City freshman, Paula Pratt, Hoxie freshman, Curtis Kuhn, Great Bend sophomore, and David Sharp, Healy freshman.

"The American Dream?" cast is made up of Jill Stickney, Hoisington sophomore, Eric Summerall, Hays sophomore, Cindy Griffiths, McPherson freshman, Carol Davidson, Russell freshman, and Gil Goldsberry, Garden City junior. TGIF Theater was revived by the Fort Hays State Drama Department after several years

of non-existence. Officially, productions are part of classroom projects. Plays are presented in pairs, which take place at intervals of several weeks.

Activities include cartoons

A Pink Panther film festival is being sponsored for area high school seniors by the Residence Hall Association (RHA) at 10:30 p.m. tomorrow in the McMindes Hall Recreation Room as part of Senior Day activities.

The film festival, according to Mike Ediger, Hutchinson senior and RHA president, will feature Road Runner, Bugs Bunny and Ant and the Aardvark cartoons as well as Pink Panther.

"I think we'll have a pretty good time," Ediger said. "It's amazing how many college students like to watch cartoons. It gives us a chance to revert to our childhood."

The cartoons are free and open to all hall residents and high school seniors.

"The film festival," Ediger said, "provides the seniors with an activity following the football game and also gives them an example of what we're doing in the residence halls."



Debate

(Photo by Tom O'Neil)

Author Max Lerner presents his argument during the debate on "Will the American Republic Survive into the 21st Century?" Monday while columnist Reid Buckley contemplates his rebuttal. Calling himself a "possible-ist," Lerner said that the United States can survive and guessed that it would.

Americans show flexibility

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American survival, Lerner said, is dependent on the collective will of the people. Relying on ideological arguments, he pointed out that Americans have shown flexibility to meet both internal and external challenges in situations such as Watergate, Vietnam and the 1960's stagnation.

Many people, Lerner said, have called America a dying civilization. He admitted that the penal system is overburdened, the youth are alienated, defense is down and confidence is faltering, but added that "we have the capacity to survive."

"I do not deny the crises," Lerner said, "but neither do I deny the creativeness of Americans in every aspect I have mentioned, and I am willing to defend the proposition that we will survive."

Quoting extensively from Communist leader Vladimir Lenin and Russian author Alexander Solchenitsyn, Buckley attempted to show the nature of Russian politics. Despite American feelings that the Cold War has ended, Buckley said, "Co-existence and detente are simply another weapon for further Communist take-overs throughout the world."

Buckley said that Solchenitsyn once wrote that "when they (Communists) bury us alive, please do not send them shovels." But under Jimmy Carter's continued policy of detente, Buckley said, "This is what we're doing."

"We are sending them technology to help them make slaves of the rest of the world and ourselves," he added.

Calling him a "possible-ist" rather than an optimist or pessimist, Lerner said, "I say we can survive and my guess is that we will."

Lerner, however, said, "Detente is a con game and we have been the suckers."

During the cross-examination, Lerner accused Buckley of concentrating on a single issue, military effectiveness, and he called it the "least indicative aspect of our culture."

In response to a Lerner question, Buckley said, "If we must go to total war, then we must." Buckley stated that Americans should free the two-thirds of the world now under Communist or totalitarian governments.

Fighting an ideological war to free the rest of the world, Lerner argued, could mean the combination of Russian and Chinese strength.

Buckley refuted Chinese strength by saying that China doesn't "have the capacity to wage war beyond its borders." He also said that the United States should never appease the Russians because "they want to destroy us."

Lerner asked Buckley if there was any electable American who was ready to adopt a take-it-or-leave-it policy with the Russians and if America would survive if such a person existed.

"If there is no such man," Buckley said, "then I have won the debate because the country can't be saved. Fortunately, there is such a man and he is Ronald Reagan."

Lerner responded by saying, "You mean the survival of the American republic lies in the hands of Ronald Reagan?"

In summation, Buckley said that he feared that he "hadn't adequately got across the nature of the enemy we're facing. The enemy is armed to the teeth and detente allows it to increase its power to make the sinews of war."

Buckley said he favored waging wars of intervention against the atrocities continuing in Cambodia and Rhodesia.

Lerner summarized his argument by referring to the military state of Sparta as he did in his introductory statement. Sparta, like other civilizations following a military path, "died in a rigid suit of armor," he said. The same fate will be true of any society focusing solely on military strength and ideology, he added.

The United States has the strength to wage a political and economic war against Russia, Buckley said. If America attempts to continue in its role as world policeman, however, the results would be a succession of Vietnams, he added.

"Our purpose," Buckley said, "is to create a world family in which we can pursue our goals without massive killing."

Committee includes faculty, students

(Cont. from pg. 1)

The Destiny Statement Implementation Committee was formed Aug. 19. It is composed of 12 faculty members, including Eickhoff and two students.

The faculty members are Darrell McGinnis, professor of art; Dr. Gary Hulett, chairman of the Biology Department; Jack McCullick, chairman of the Economics Department; Dr. Emerald Dechant, professor of education; Ed McNeil, professor of health, physical education

and recreation; Dr. Cliff Edwards, professor of English; Dr. Marcia Bannister, associate professor of speech; Dr. Leland Bartholomew, chairman of the Music Department; Ileen Allen, associate professor of nursing; Ellen Veed, associate professor of mathematics; Dr. James Forsythe, chairman of the History Department; and Eickhoff.

The students are Deb Guerrero, Oberlin junior, and Dave Inloes, Hays senior.

Eickhoff said the purpose of the committee was to "provide a

mechanism for identifying and studying those areas of immediate importance in implementing the Destiny Statement."

The committee has met four times since its inception; the most recent meeting being yesterday. Eight categories of implementation have been taken from the statement and put in order of importance. They are

enrollment, financial support for the college, faculty development course programs, student needs, course quality, research and the development of the college as a cultural center.

The committee's next action, Eickhoff said, will be to create more committees to concentrate on each of the areas. The committees will be composed of six to eight people.

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Artists exhibit, sell crafts

Artists will exhibit and have for sale their art works during the Hays Arts and Crafts Fair Nov. 5-6 at the mall.

The fair is sponsored by the Hays Arts Council Art Sales, Inc. and is being held for the seventh year. Invitations to exhibit were sent to people in the following five states: Missouri, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Colorado and Kansas. Carol Heil, executive secretary of the Hays Arts Council, said, "One man is coming from Lookout Mountain, Colo. He appears to be the artist coming the farthest distance. Most of our exhibitors are Kansas-based." He said the show usually attracts around forty exhibitors.

Among items that will be shown are preserved flowers, woodworking, patchwork and quilts, pottery, metal and glass, crocheting, weaving, nail art and painters.

Products will be displayed in booths. There will be cash prizes for first, second and third places in Best Display.

The exhibits will be open to the public from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. on

Nov. 5 and from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Nov. 6. The public will have the opportunity to watch the artists create and also to purchase works.

The Hays Arts Council Art

Program guarantees educational loans

A new financial aid program featuring loan guarantees for students who don't have collateral and need to borrow money for college expenses is being offered by the Higher Education Assistance Foundation (HEAF), a non-profit corporation that assists students in getting low-cost education loans.

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Carroll Beardslee, director of student financial aids, said several Fort Hays State students have already applied for help from HELP.

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Heil said, "There is always a good crowd because there is a lot of foot-traffic in the mall. This is a good opportunity to do some Christmas shopping."

the Office of Student Financial Aids, Beardslee says.

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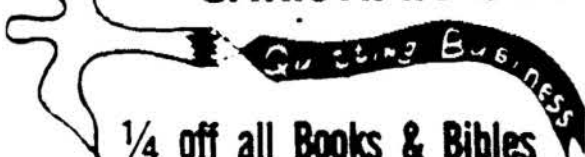
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Torneden paces Tiger cross country victory

Fred Torneden, the Tigers' number one runner, led the Tigers to victory in an invitational and a dual cross country meet at the Fort Hays golf course Saturday.

In the dual meet, Emporia State University had just one runner crack the Tigers' top five and totaled 46 points overall; the Tigers' score was 16.

Fort Hays State tallied 24 points in the invitational to easily defeat ESU with 59. Garden City Community College finished third with 67 points. Colby Community College fourth with 105 points and Barton County Community College last with 110.

Torneden took first overall with Garden City's Gary Livingston taking second and Tiger Gary Sigle coming in third.

Head Coach Alex Francis commented, "I think that's about the fastest anyone has run on this course. It's a little different from the one we used to run, but it's still one of the best."

Torneden passed his mile splits in 4:42, 9:41, 14:54 and 19:47. He ran with Livingston and Sigle for most of the race, as Torneden toured the course in a time of 24:40.

"The last couple of miles were tough," Torneden admitted. "I tried to sprint up that hill with about a mile and a half to go, but I couldn't shake them," he said.

However, during the final mile he opened up a 50-yard gap before easing off at the finish.

Sigle, who has snapped out of a slump from the early part of the fall, was only eight seconds behind Torneden.

Coming in third for the Tigers was Chuck Foster. Randy Kinder, who ran perhaps his best race of the year, grabbed the number four spot.

Injuries to Steve Herrman, Bill Myers, Lonnie Gee and Jerry Peffy have dampened the Tigers' shot at the Central States Conference title.



Just another mile

A member of the Tiger cross country team has a few steps on his opponent in the Emporia State meet. The Tigers have had high ratings all year in cross country. The Tigers' number one runner Fred Torneden led the Tiger to victory.

Intramural Notes

Monday, Oct. 17
Morning Star won by forfeit
Ghetto Gang
U.S. Heads 33, Spookers 27
Delta Sig A 20, Sig Chi A 6
Sig Ep A 25, Sig Tau A 6

Tuesday, Oct. 18
Custer 1 22, Wiest III 13
AKP 26, Geology Club 0
Morning Star 26, Spookers 26
Who Cares 26, 3-H's 25

Wednesday, Oct. 19
Sig Ep A 39, Delta Sig A 12
Sig Chi A 26, Phi Sig A 13
McGrath A 25, Wiest I 13
Playboys won by forfeit over
Ghetto Gang

Monday, Oct. 24
Second Choice vs. McGrath A
Custer I vs. Wiest I
Ghetto Gang vs. U.N. Heads
Playboys vs. Morning Star

Intramural trap shooting will have their first organizational meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Cunningham Hall. This is the first year for intramural trap shooting and is being formed by the local trap shooting club.

Basketball: play starts Oct. 31 with entries due at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Cunningham Hall. Entry fee is \$10 and must be turned in Tuesday with Form 10. All basketball managers must attend the meeting.

McConnell also announced the winners of the diving competition and said the format for the diving meet will be changed next year.

James Ross won the men's competition with 197.5 points, followed by John Tennery with 144.8 and Brad Kay with 121.2 points.

Cindy Campbell, the only woman to compete, had 153.8 points and was awarded first place.

Flag football results
Monday, Wednesday League
GDI's 5-0
McMindes 6th west 4-1
McMindes 4th east 3-2
McMindes 2nd east 2-3
McMindes 6th east 1-4
McMindes 4th west 0-5

Tuesday, Thursday League
McMindes 5th east 5-0
Fort Hays Wreck 4-1
Delta Zeta 2-3
B's Busters 2-3
Sigma Sigma Sigma 1-4
McMindes 1st west 1-4

Final standings
Fort Hays Wreck, first
McMindes 5th east, second
McMindes 6th west, third
GDI's, fourth

Tennis results
Melanie Miller, first

Kris Krug, second
Brenda Cervantes, third
Maureen Theobald, fourth
The doubles competition will be at 6 p.m. Monday, according to Joyce Greif, women's intramural director.

In the women's swimming competition, Kris Lett, Cindy Graves, Mary Parks and Polly Vernon set a new record in the 100-yard medley relay in a time of 1:03.

Parks also won the 200-yard freestyle and the 100-yard individual medley relay. Lett won the 50-yard freestyle while Vernon captured the 25-yard butterfly and the 50-yard backstroke.

Cindy Campbell was another double winner taking the 100-yard freestyle and was the individual winner of the meet. Mary Ford won the 50-yard breaststroke. Lett, Vernon, Graves and Parks also won the 200-yard freestyle relay in a time of 2:04.4, which was also a new record.

Other new meet records which were set included the 50-yard freestyle, the 100-yard freestyle and the 50-yard breaststroke.

The team championship was won by the Hydrofoils.

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World Series like soap opera for Yanks

After picking the Tigers to win the Central States Conference (CSC) and then picking the Dodgers over the Yankees in the World Series, I've decided to quit making predictions.

All week I've had a severe case of the rashes from Yankee fans who read my latest and last prediction. I still can't

quite figure how the Yanks could have won the series after all the controversy Howard and company have told us there is on the Yankee team.

It was kind of like a soap opera: Reggie hates Thurman; Catfish wants more money; Martin will get fired; Steinbrenner bought the pennant.

Leader

From the Bench



by ROD LAKE

and so on, every day. How could a group of temperamental egotists like the Yankees win the World Series? Simple, they're the best team when it comes down to the wire.

When the pressure was on, Jackson came through with three home runs and, after a shaky start, Mike Torrez quickly took care of the Dodger hitters.

The soap opera had a happy ending. Reggie hugged Billy; George loves all the Yankee players (all the way to the bank); and the World Series title was back where it belonged, in New York.

Looking through the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) cross country polls, the Tiger cross country team has consistently been ranked as one of the top 10 teams all year.

The team, led by Fred Torneden, will be travelling to Marymount tomorrow.

Although I said I was retiring from predictions with an 0-2 record, it looks like the baseball team under the new direction of Head Coach Joe Rosado could become contenders.

Several people on campus have said that, from watching

the new players and some of the players who were on the team last year, hopes are high for a good year.

If the players have the attitude that Rosado has, they could finish high in the CSC.

The Tiger football team will be looking for their first CSC win against Missouri Southern, one of the better teams in the league, tomorrow.

The Tigers have had injury troubles: the latest to offensive guard Jeff Goad. Goad has a sprain and will be out for two weeks.

It has been a disappointing season for the Tigers, but a win against the Indians could turn things around. The Tigers have played their three easiest opponents so far in Emporia State, Pittsburg State, and Missouri Western and have not earned a victory.

The same pattern held true last season as they lost a couple games to easier opponents, but the Tigers beat some of the tougher ones. Tiger fans hope the same thing will happen Saturday.

By the way, the Sig Ep football team came through with another victory despite the pressure Rod Betts, their head coach, put on them last week, saying that a Sig Ep football team could never get beat. It's beginning to look more and more true each week.

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CSC champions

The Tigerette tennis team captured the Central States Conference championships at Emporia last Saturday. The women were undefeated in league play and lost just one match the entire season to the Kansas State Wildkittens.

They will take on McPherson College tomorrow in preparation for the state championships Oct. 28-29. The Tigerettes had three individual champions at the CSC meet.

(Photo by Tom Bachman)

Past, present athletes play in national softball tournament

by DIANE GASPER
Sports Information Department

The Hodisco-Wray and the Cowley County women's softball teams squared off seven times during the summer with Hodisco-Wray winning six games.

There was plenty of competition in all seven outings, with two present Fort Hays State athletes and two former Tigerettes competing against each other.

Sheri Piersall, Anthony senior; Janna Choitz, Buhler senior, and Sue Bozeman, instructor of mathematics, were three factors leading to the 53-17 season of the Hodisco-Wray team of Hutchinson.

Helping the Cowley County team of Arkansas City to a nearly identical record of Hodisco-Wray's with 57 wins and 17 losses, was Theresa Crittendon, Gueda Springs senior.

The last of the six Hodisco victories over Cowley County came at the regional tournament when they took first place, sending both teams to the national tournament in Graham, N.C. Hodisco became the first team ever to go undefeated in the regional tournament, winning all five games.

The defending Region 25 champions of 1976, Hodisco-Wray was permitted to bypass the district and state tournaments. Making the national trip for the third year in a row, they started out victorious in Graham, scoring a 4-1 victory over the Miami, Fla. Dots.

The string of victories was short lived, however. It was homeward bound for Hodisco-Wray when the team from Avantis, Minn. handed them a

4-0 shutout, ending the season for the Hutchinson team.

After claiming first place in the district, Cowley County advanced to state, where they took a second place finish. After falling to Hodisco-Wray in the regional tourney, Cowley County narrowly escaped with a 5-4 victory, the first of four wins in North Carolina, defeating Couer D'Aleone of Idaho.

Three victories and one loss later, the Kansas team found themselves up against the defending national champions, Sorrentos Pizza of Cincinnati.

Suffering a 7-0 loss, Cowley County returned home with fifth place national honors. Sorrentos went on to capture third in the tournament.

Crittendon, Cowley County's catcher, was a member of the 1977 FHS softball team that posted a 22-6 slate. She was also a member of the 1976 softball and basketball teams.

A 1975 graduate of Cowley County Community College, Crittendon participated in volleyball, basketball and track. She is a senior, majoring in general sciences.

Bozeman, shortstop for Hodisco-Wray, played on Tigerette volleyball, basketball and softball teams in 1971-72. She

attended Hutchinson Community College and McPherson College before receiving her bachelor's degree in mathematics from FHS in 1972.

Playing on the Hodisco-Wray team in all three years of its existence, she has made the trip to the national tourney seven years.

Both Piersall and Choitz, who are physical education majors, were on the 1977 FHS basketball and softball teams and are presently playing tennis for the Tigerettes. They were also on the 1974 Hutchinson Purple Pride fast-pitch team that finished second at nationals. Both girls were outfielders for Hodisco-Wray.

Piersall was an all-conference pick at shortstop in softball and honorable mention all-conference in basketball last year for FHS.

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Choitz was named all-conference in both basketball and softball. She led the pitching staff with a 15-3 record. She has played eight years for Purple Pride, being named most valuable player in the 1974 tourney. She switched to slow-pitch last year, going to the nationals again with the Wichita Arrows and finishing 13th.

With one year of eligibility left, Piersall and Choitz will be around for the 1978 FHS softball team... and maybe another trip to the nationals.

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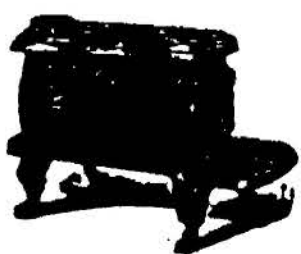
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Tennis team faces state tourney

The Fort Hays State Tigerette tennis team travels to McPherson tomorrow to take on McPherson College in a dual meet before the state championships to be held here Oct. 28-29.

The Tigerettes, boasting a 13-1 record, have never beaten McPherson while under the helm of Head Coach Cindy Bross. However, said Bross, "I think we have a real good chance of beating them this year."

So far this year Sheri Piersall has a record of 6-6 in singles competition and 7-5 in doubles. Janna Choitz's record is 8-4 in singles and 7-5 in doubles. Donna Keener, 10-2 singles, 9-3 doubles; Joan Klug, 12-1 singles, 9-3 doubles; Cathy

Jameson, 7-4 singles, 8-3 doubles; and Patty Mastin, 9-3 singles, 9-3 doubles.

Other records for the year are: Tammy Zeigler with a 6-0 singles record and a 5-1 doubles record; Chris Conner, 3-1 singles, 4-0 doubles; Diane Bougher, 3-1 singles, 4-0 doubles; Terri Hooper, 3-1 singles, 4-0 doubles; and Diane Beck, 2-2 singles, 3-1 doubles.

Singles players who will be participating in the state championships are: Piersall, Choitz, Keener, Klug, Jameson and Mastin. The doubles teams will be Piersall-Choitz, Keener-Jameson and Klug-Mastin.

The women are coming off a victory in the Central States Conference Championships last weekend in Emporia.

Martin places eighth in Nebr. Invitational

Martha Martin finished eighth out of 21 runners at the University of Nebraska Invitational last Saturday.

Martin, a senior from Healy, hurt her foot and will not compete this weekend. She was scheduled to run in the Wichita State Invitational.

Martin has improved her times in each meet. In her first race in the Wichita State Golden

Classic she finished 10th out of 36 in a time of 20:43.

In the Kearney State Invitational she was third out of six in a time of 19:54, while in the Nebraska Invitational she turned in a time of 19:39.

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Contraception. Birth control. The pill. To many people these words represent something to banish or repress. Why? Because these words all deal with methods of preventing irresponsible procreation.

Why do certain people become upset when there is talk of limiting the hordes of people covering the earth today? Perhaps it can be traced to the large extended families of three generations passed. True, an agrarian society can use large numbers of people to work in the fields.

But as the years pass, we are becoming more and more urbanized. What was good for grandma and grandpa is no longer good for today. People must realize that a family of 12 in a one-room apartment in a large metropolitan city is just not a good idea.

When over 400,000 single girls become pregnant each year, there is a problem. When there are so many unwanted children that child abuse and battering achieves national recognition, there is a

problem. When tens of thousands die of starvation in one country alone because of overpopulation, there is a problem.

Let's face it. Most of the problems of today's society can be directly or indirectly traced to overpopulation; starvation and disease, scarcity of raw elements, energy, overcrowded living conditions and massive unemployment. World tension as the space in which to live grows smaller and smaller, while the number of people that live there grows larger each day.

In nature, there are various ways to deal with overpopulation. The lemmings have their fatal swim and the rabbits have tularemia, or rabbit fever. Humans do not.

We used to have a great way of dealing with overpopulation—Black Death and war. Medical advances and detente seem to have eliminated those, however. What's left, then? Some form of population planning seems to be in order.

Mandatory sterilization is not the answer, at least not yet, for that would take away the right of free choice. Of course, the opponents of birth control have no such qualms about deciding for you whether or not you will even have the option of using some method of contraception, should you so desire. Many of them would prefer a total ban on availability of the various methods.

The choice is yours. Either we think for the future now, or our descendants will regret it later. Population world-wide is doubling about every generation now. It will soon get worse.

On this page are the opinions of the Right to Life movement, the students' thoughts on the subject of birth control and a look at one of the local services—Planned Parenthood. Take a look and think. The future of the world depends on the decisions of the next few generations.

—Bill Ward

Student survey shows birth control support

by LEROY HOLT
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"When people speak of birth control, they often forget that the child is the one who really suffers, and birth control is designed to prevent needless suffering by preventing unwanted children."

This comment from a Fort Hays State student reflects the attitude of some students that birth control is a desired practice.

A recent survey on birth control conducted by a *Leader* reporter asked, "Do you have any moral conflicts with the use of contraceptive devices to prevent pregnancy?" In an overwhelming response, virtually 100 per cent of the students and faculty polled approved of the practice of birth control.

Several of those surveyed felt that while the idea of birth control is widespread on campus, it should also be taught at the secondary school level. The two most consistent reasons given were the increase in teenage pregnancies and needed guidance being sought too late. They felt the wonders of technological discoveries in the field of birth control are wasted when restricted from the young, as they are in most schools.

The Hays area has several private counseling and educational centers for people seeking birth control or related services. The reporter's survey showed that a strong majority of the students supported the ideas and services of these organizations. While most of the students believed the local organizations should attempt to distribute more birth control information, several disagreed. These students complained that often the material distributed by

these organizations is offensive and subtly forced upon the individuals.

Many students think the area private centers are operating at a handicap due to local pressures to suppress the education and distribution of birth control methods. Religious groups, primarily the Catholic Church, were considered the main suppressive force.

Surprisingly, of the majority supporting the private groups, nearly 25 per cent believe that the groups are disrespectful of those persons who have moral objections to the use of birth control.

On-campus counseling is available through the Student Health Office. The office provides birth control information, birth control pills by prescription and screening for venereal disease. Pregnancy testing is also provided, and if asked for, a directory which provides information on locations and costs of facilities performing abortions can also be obtained.

The Campus Counseling Center provides a referral service to those who desire assistance with birth control, pregnancy or abortion. However, the center refuses to take an active role in guidance in this area.

The poll also asked if persons believed feelings of shame or guilt would prevent people from seeking assistance from local birth control groups.

One student said, "The bad thing is that those who would like to seek help or information are scared away from these centers for fear of being spotted by one of the locals, and falling victim to gossip and cheap rumor." This comment, although not directly in answer to the question, indicated another factor hindering people from using these facilities to their full potential.

The idea that the facilities aren't being used to full capacity due to religious or social pressure sparked some heated complaints. Where as 90 per cent of the students surveyed believed that birth control-related organizations help make students more aware of the importance of birth control, most felt those who discourage it are destroying the hope of eliminating an unwanted pregnancy.

Recognition of the local programs appears to be widespread. Nearly 100 per cent of the people had heard of the local Planned Parenthood Organization, and had a good understanding of its practices and ideals.

With all the expressed support for the program—nearly 100 per cent—only a small portion said they would actively support the organization. Apathy seemed to comprise a large portion of the excuses not to support it. "I don't have the time," said one girl. Another replied, "I'd be too embarrassed."

However, not everyone was so apathetic to the cause. Several individuals said they would support the organization financially or by donating time. A smaller number said that they were already supporting the group.

While the local struggle continues, it would appear that birth control has found a stronghold on campus. Nearly 100 per cent of those polled, regardless of religious beliefs, had no moral conflicts with the ideas of contraceptive practices. Success in influencing the use of contraceptive devices by local groups was rated at a strong 90 per cent.

Those opposing the practices composed a nearly insignificant percent-

age. Those who supported contraceptive usage, but had complaints of disrespectful treatment toward those with moral objections to the use of contraceptives, formed a respectable 25 per cent.

Despite the strong support revealed in the percentages, the number of people who said they would not actively support the group, 90 per cent, tends to cast doubt on how solid the expressed support really is.

Local center provides education, examination and contraceptives

by BILL WARD
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One of the major birth control and family planning centers in the Hays area is Planned Parenthood of Hays. It is a branch office of Planned Parenthood of Kansas Inc., located in Wichita.

Planned Parenthood has replaced the Family Planning Center, which was disbanded due to lack of federal funds.

Operating without subsidy, Planned Parenthood is supported by contributions, donated working time and minimal charges for the services provided.

Birth control advice is the most widely used of the services they provide. When a person—both men and women come in for advice—comes to Planned Parenthood for birth control counseling, they are scheduled for a



(Photo by Tom Bachman)

Taking a blood test

V.D. screening is a routine operation at Planned Parenthood for anyone requesting prescription contraceptives. This blood sample will show if the person has been infected with syphilis.

preliminary sex education class. This class acquaints the people with the various forms of contraceptive methods and their relative percentage of successes and failures.

Birth control measures range in success from 99.6 per cent for the birth control pill to the IUD at 97-99 per cent, to rhythm at 87 per cent and to no method at 10 per cent.

After the sex education class has been completed by the clinician, Ginny Robbins, class members begin to choose the form of birth control best suited for them. Romy Jacobs, Planned Parenthood director, notes that "most people want the pill because of its ease and percentage."

When the person selects the form of birth control they wish, Robbins, a Fort Hays State graduate, conducts an intensive medical examination, both physical and historical. For instance, if a person wishing to take the pill had a parent die of a blood clot, or suffers from migraines or high blood pressure, Robbins will advise them to try another form of birth control.

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Also at that time, Robbins will make several physical examinations including the pap test for cervical cancer. The entire examination, including the hospital pathology lab work, is done for about half the price of a normal doctor's exam.

After the examination is completed and the form of birth control selected, the client is scheduled to return to the clinic on a regular basis for a continuing series of check-ups.

Jacobs believes that if a person decides not to take birth control, they are still the person who chose to be a parent.

Jacobs also acknowledges that operating a birth control center in the heart of a Catholic area is at times difficult. While she said "I never heard any of the doctors pressure her into closing down the clinic, support for the clinic has been a problem. She has had several people tell her they would support her if they could."

"I think a lot of the Catholics are for us, but the church's position prevents them from supporting us," said Jacobs.

Two of the accusations most often leveled against Planned Parenthood are its connections with abortions and its corrupting of young girls. Jacobs sees the clinic as an education center, not a promoter of abortions.

"We're not an abortion center. We're here to educate the girls about contraception and their bodies," said Jacobs. Marian Shapiro, president of

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the advisory council of Planned Parenthood, also believes that their services do not contribute to sexual promiscuity and feels they actually lower the need for abortions.

"We're cutting down on the need for abortions by cutting down on unwanted pregnancies," said Shapiro. She also claims that family planning helps reduce abused children by helping eliminate unwanted pregnancies.

According to Shapiro, over one million teenage girls become pregnant each year. Of these, 400,000 end up as unwed parents. "In fact," continued Shapiro, "our services greatly contribute to the enhancement of the family."

In reference to the accusation that contraceptives encourage sexual promiscuity, Shapiro cites national figures that 80 per cent of the teenagers with active sexual interest do not use contraceptives.

"Providing contraceptives does not contribute to sexual activity," said Shapiro, contending that socialization at home is a bigger factor, rather than the availability of contraception.

In addition to the birth control advice, Planned Parenthood also provides family planning and pregnancy counseling. During the pregnancy counseling, however, the clinicians are careful to only list the alternatives, never advocating one method over another.

Planned Parenthood usually receives 10 to 15 new women each week. According to Jacobs, almost all the women coming in are either college age or married, with "very few" of high school age or under 15.

A recent poll conducted by the *Leader* among college students indicated a large amount of support for the activities of Planned Parenthood. Shapiro agrees that, on the whole, the Hays area is sympathetic towards their goals. "I feel the community is quite supportive," Shapiro said.

Right to Life opposes birth control, abortions; politically calls for complete ban on abortion

by JEAN TELLER
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The Right to Life group and its philosophy has been with us since the 1950s when the fight to liberalize abortion laws began.

The Model Penal Code of 1959 included a provision that "a licensed physician could legally terminate a pregnancy if he or she believed that 1) it threatened the life or would gravely impair the physical or mental health of the mother, 2) the child would be born with a grave physical or mental defect, 3) the pregnancy resulted from rape or incest."

The first organized effort of the Right to Life group came in the summer of 1970 when its first national conference was held in Chicago. By that time several states had liberalized their abortion laws. Colorado, California and North Carolina liberalized the laws in 1967. Kansas' law for the liberalization of abortion took effect in July of 1970. Since 1971 the Right to Life group has held an annual conference in various cities across the United States.

Some states have highly organized Right to Life groups. Others, such as Kansas, may be vocal but the groups are not very organized, according to Catherine Wahlmeir, Hays resident

and member of the Right to Life group.

Pat Goodson, Shawnee Mission, is the national group's representative in Kansas. She helps to organize the groups to go to national conferences and other activities. The Kansas organization does send out a bulletin to all members to keep them informed.

The Right to Life group has as its primary goal the education of the people. In order to do this they feel they need to become politically active by sending delegates to Right to Life conferences, conventions and meetings across the United States, including those called by the opposition or the pro-abortion factions.

The Right to Life movement feels that abortion is an attack on human life. They feel that once society has lost respect for one phase of life, respect for the other phases is soon lost.

For this reason the Right to Life people are also opposing euthanasia. Wahlmeir questioned the priorities of our society when people can kill one life (through abortion) and they try to save another life when it is a hopeless case, such as terminal cancer.

Wahlmeir feels that once a life is created, it must be protected. She argued against the idea of abortion in

the case of rape or incest by saying something could still be made of that life no matter how it began.

Another argument put forth by the pro-abortion groups is that abortion is a religious disagreement. According to Wahlmeir, many people of different religions have joined the Right to Life movement. She feels that anyone who is for abortion is not living up to their religious convictions, whether they are Catholic or Protestant.

Many people who are in between the two beliefs concerning abortion feel there should be only certain exceptions to abortions. These exceptions would be when the pregnancy results from rape or incest, when the pregnancy could endanger the life of the mother or when the child would be born with serious defects.

However, Right to Life members want no exceptions, they want a complete prohibition of abortion or nothing.

A Human Life Amendment would help to prohibit abortions throughout the United States. This amendment could be accomplished in one of two ways.

First, Congress could be petitioned to pass an amendment, then have the states ratify it. The second way would

be to have a constitutional convention where the amendment would need approval by the majority of the delegates at the convention before ratification by the states. Different parts of the Right to Life movement disagree on the method of obtaining the Human Life Amendment, but members of the group do not feel that it causes serious problems within the organization.

Wahlmeir said apathy seems to be the biggest problem in the Right to Life group. Many people know little about abortion or misunderstand it.

The Right to Life group feels if people are made aware of what abortion is and means, and realize the dangers involved, then the general public can't help but be opposed to abortion. If these dangers could be taught in school, she said, many would be educated sooner than now. Wahlmeir feels that children would appreciate knowing the truth about what abortion is.

The greatest thing anyone can do for the Right to Life movement is to talk to people, make them aware and to speak out for the truth of the situation. Wahlmeir said, "Put action with words in people will know what you stand for," she said. "You can't tell your children one thing and then not do anything about it."