



LECTURES AT PRINCETON

Dr. Edmund O'Gorman has just returned from a two-week trip to Princeton University where he gave several lectures on how Mexico views its own history and furthered this discussion with an interpretation of Mexican history.

When asked his opinion of Princeton students, Dr. O'Gorman said, "They are very alert and quite interested in Mexican affairs, which proves that the United States has progressed in her brilliant attempt to understand Mexico."

As to Dr. O'Gorman's impression upon the student body, there is evidence that he was very popular, since he received a number of invitations to various student social clubs, at which time he extended a cordial invitation to visit MCC.

The highlight of Dr. O'Gorman's visit was the presentation of the Benjamin Shreve Fellowship. Dr. O'Gorman states, "I am indeed grateful to Princeton University and its Dr. Joseph Strayen, Head of the History Department, and Dr. Dana Munro, Head of the Woodrow Wilson School of Princeton, for having chosen me as the recipient of the 'Benjamin Shreve Fellowship'. This award is presented annually by the Department of History at Princeton University."

Changes Made In Department Of Modern Languages

The Department of Modern Languages has recently been reorganized under the following set-up. Dr. Lorna Lavery Stafford, who is also chairman of the Graduate Spanish courses, is now general chairman of the department assisted by Hildegard Buch who is chairman of the upper division Spanish Department and Elena Picaso Murray, chairman of the lower division Spanish and Portuguese Departments. Lucille Eisenbach is chairman of non-Hispanic Languages including English, French, Russian, and German. Earl Sennet is chairman of Speech and Drama.

COLLEGIAN BECOMES FOUR PAGE WEEKLY

Beginning with this issue the paper will return to its original policy of appearing weekly. Because of monetary and material deficiencies the paper will be cut to four pages in order to appear weekly but the ultimate result will be the same. The paper should be on the stands every Thursday, or, at the very latest, Friday.

ANTHROPOLOGISTS' INVESTIGATIONS APPEAR IN 'MESOAMERICAN NOTES'

Mesoamerican Notes, published by the MCC Department of Anthropology and edited by Robert Barlow appeared this week. The text deals with investigations conducted by members of the anthropology department, both faculty and students.

One of the most interesting articles regards pre-Hispanic marriage of the Indians of Xaltocan. The material was gathered by Miguel Barrios and has never before been published. Included in the article is information on the "wewetlahto", professional advice givers, old men and women, whose business it was to give, in heavily stylized eloquence, words of wisdom to the young

people about to marry. A treatise on ceramics of Coatlichan is illustrated by photographs of urns unearthed as part of the 1948 MCC investigation of this district.

Another valuable plate is from a photograph of a dance taken in Korea by Donald Kimmel, MCC anthropology student. The photograph reveals a parallel between Mexican and Korean ceremonies.

Also included is a series of different versions of the famous folk tale dealing with La Llorona, the weeping woman. The tales were collected by students in Fernando Horcasitas' class in folklore.

Selling Cars In Guatemala

For the student who plans a trip to Guatemala either to sell his car or renew his tourist card, Louis and Shirley Malley who just made the trip say, "Don't".

In spite of all announcements to the contrary, the road to the Guatemala border is still incomplete. Even when the road is finished it will serve no purpose because there is no road joining it on the Guatemala side. After questioning various counselors and tourist agencies in Guatemala, Malley has come to the conclusion that the Pan American Highway through Guatemala is still only on paper and will remain so for many more years.

Ship The Car

The only way to get through at the moment is to load your car on the railroad at either Ixtepec, Arriaga or Tunnala. Loading a car on a railroad is not a simple matter, either. It takes anywhere from one to five days to locate the proper flat-car, locate the proper officials and to get your car mounted and lashed down.

The train trip should take twenty hours but it has been known to take thirty-six. Only one person is allowed to ride guard in the car. All the others have to ride the passenger trains. And if you want to get close to the people ride the Tapachula train. At each stop the crowd thickens and livestock is crammed in every corner and bit of free space.

Then Tapachula and the problem of unloading the car. This can be done in twenty minutes if you are willing to pay the little extras. But in Tapachula the little extras start growing. It was necessary to have four signatures (so they said) on one paper and since the men were all down at the beach there would be a service charge of sixty pesos a signature. That was only the beginning. Soon the price reached Rockefeller proportions. So Louis and Shirley decided to sleep in the car until the price went down.

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WHITBOURN JOINS ENGLISH STAFF

Frank Whitbourn, who for the past three years has been Assistant Director of the Anglo-Mexican Cultural Institute, Pánuco 10, will shortly join the staff of MCC.

Mr. Whitbourn holds an Honours Degree from Oxford University and has made a name for himself in Mexico City as an inspiring interpreter of Shakespeare in particular and of English Literature in general.

His lectures, original in their approach to their subject, out-spoken and witty in their delivery, together with his direction of the popular Teatro Aguileón, have done much to put the Institute on the cultural map of the city during the past three years, and MCC students visiting the Institute library have always been sure of a warm and helpful welcome from him.

At Oxford, he studied under such distinguished scholars as H. W. Garrod, Edmund Blunden and H. Nichol-Smith. He has published poems, stories, plays and written for the BBC.

His biography 'Lex', the story of Alexander Devine, one of the pioneers of modern education in Britain, was greeted by the London Press as 'one of the best biographies of the year'.

Formerly a teacher, he served with the RAF during the war and subsequently joined the British Council.



Frank Whitbourn

MCC GIVEN AFFILIATION WITH TEXAS ASSOCIATION

Officials Explain Possibilities Of Constitutional Amendment

The Association of Texas Colleges, while not yet having admitted MCC to membership, has recognized the school as an affiliated institution, according to an official communication received by Dean Murray from Dean Alfred H. Nolle of Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos.

Discuss Great Books Program

In preparation of building a "Great Books Program" into the future curriculum of Mexico City College a group of faculty members are themselves engaged in study and discussion of "Great Books" as developed by the Foundation of that name that has its headquarters in Chicago.

Dean Murray has announced that the faculty members held their first meeting at the home of Professor Raymond Pelissier on the night of April 10. A lively two-hour discussion took place, with Professor Pelissier acting as leader and, it is reported, sometimes as referee. The works discussed in the first meeting were *The Declaration of Independence* and three selections from *The Old Testament*.

Studying Methods

This faculty experiment is expected to give the participants opportunities for studying the methods and materials best suited for a student approach to the Great Books. Although many of the participants have read about the programs now being followed at the University of Chicago, Columbia College, St. John's at Annapolis, St. Mary's in California, and other places few have had actual experience in the methods and techniques of such study groups.

The next meeting will be held at the same place on April 24. Another experienced discussion leader will be present at the meeting - Miss Alice Dugas, college librarian, who was prevented from attending the first meeting because she was at a library convention in Baton Rouge, La.

Other participants are Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stafford, Mrs. Pelissier, Dr. Isabel French, Professor Robert H. Barlow, Mrs. Lucille Eisenbach, Mr. James Watters, Mr. John P. Murray, and Dean and Mrs. Paul V. Murray. It is possible that one or two others will join the group on April 24. The topic for discussion will be selections from Plato.

Will Study In Paris

Dolly Deady, who has been prominent in dramatic circles during her three years at MCC and who will graduate in June, intends to leave for France after receiving her degree here. She will continue studying theater at the school of Louis Jouvet in Paris.

Dean Nolle was a member of the three-man committee which visited MCC on behalf of the Association. Other committee members were Dr. John L. McMahon, president of Our Lady of the Lake College, San Antonio, and Dr. J. J. Delaney, president of Schreiner Institute, Kerrville. Dean Nolle wrote:

"I am very happy that the total membership of the Committee felt free to give you the recognition thus indicated, for the Registrars of the several institutions holding membership in the Association may now use their discretion in allowing credit for work done with your institution. Ordinarily a student with a creditable record with you should now have no difficulty in receiving full credit for work done with you upon transfer to a Texas institution."

"We are not sure whether an extra-territorial institution may achieve membership in the Association of Texas Colleges within the framework of the constitution of the Association as it now exists. We are, therefore, asking the Committee on Constitution and By Laws for an interpretation and if necessary will request that Committee to propose a constitutional amendment to be voted on at the next annual meeting of the Association that will provide for membership on the part of institutions located outside the State of Texas."

Dean Murray explained that the official letter contains several suggestions and observations made by members of the committee that visited here early in March. These dealt with financial organization, housing of the college, science courses and entrance tests and requirements. It is expected, the Dean said, that MCC will do its best to follow the suggestions and observations made by the visitors although many of the ideas were already included in the college's program of improving its physical setup and raising its standards in the classroom.

Further contact with Texas schools will be had this summer when groups are expected here from Southwest TTC, Northern Texas State College at Denton, Baylor and the University of Houston.

On Drama Board

Abel Franco "Mr. Drama of 1950" has been elected to the Executive Board of the Mexico City Players. He will function as advisor and as representative of MCC.

LOST ELECTRONS

City officials stated three weeks ago that a sufficient influx of water into local reservoirs made the electricity cut of 40 percent unnecessary. However, with typical Mexican thoroughness, there still seems to be no end in sight of the electron scarcity. Silly, isn't it?

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Express Opinions Concerning Honor System

MCC's Administration leaves methods of testing up to the teachers. Some instructors watch students closely. Others do not.

Reporters of the Collegian asked students what they thought about the honor system, and heard the following answers:

For the Honor System:

DAVID DIBBLE: The school has to instill the honor in the student. Until it's there, there'll always be cheating. I'm for the honor system, though, because the proctor system makes cheating seem honorable in the student's mind.

YOSHIKI NOSE: Students are supposedly in college to learn and if a student desires to absorb knowledge he'll do so, regardless of whether or not exams are supervised.

ED LARKIN: College students should be old enough to know what's important in their studies.

BRUCE MILLER: Supervised exams are an insult to the intelligence of adult students.

Against The Honor System:

TOS OLSEN: I don't think the honor system is compatible with the grade system, unless it's been instilled in the student over a long period of time. Wherever students compete fiercely for grades, they need watching.

GLORIA SOKOL: If students only took what they wanted to, the honor system would be fine. But it doesn't work in required courses.

BOB HOLMAN: How can we have an honor system? A big number of MCC students don't know what the word means.

DICK WHITTAKER: I'm against it. It rewards the cheater and taxes the honest student.

Indifferent

JAMES CONNOLLY: Seventy per cent of the students will cheat anyway, in any school, and no system will stop them.

From The Dean's Desk

By Paul V. Murray



Our affiliation with the Association of Texas Colleges, announced in this issue of *The Collegian*, is a source of real satisfaction to all of us at MCC. While it is not the full membership we look forward to holding some day it is a recognition of which we can be proud. The real growth of MCC has come mostly during the past four years. If we can continue our pace during the next four years we shall have accomplished something unique in contemporary educational history.

It is customary to thank people when honors are granted. On behalf of the administration — and speaking for myself as well — I wish to thank, first of all, the students. A school can exist without buildings and it can get along

with a very small number of teachers but it isn't a school at all if it doesn't have students. We are especially indebted to hundreds of men and women who have studied and worked hard while here and who remembered us when they left. They make bearable the heartaches and disappointments that come to all of us at some time or another when we are engaged in building up something.

The teachers are second on the list of those who deserve to take a bow. They have been interested; faithful, hardworking, friendly, cooperative. They point to the fact that the primary business of a school is to get interested students into contact with an interesting teacher. If you can't do that no amount of marble halls and beautiful lawns and fancy swimming pools can make your school a college or university.

Lastly, there are the friends and relatives, far and near, of all of us. They help us with their advice, their encouragement, and their prayers. I, for one, have left terribly discouraged at times but someone always seems to drop in or phone or write at just the moment when the game hardly seems worth the candle anymore. And it is in this group that I place my colleagues on the Administrative Council as well as my dear friends on the Board of Advisers. MCC owes all of them a debt of gratitude on which, it seems to me, not even the interest seems to get paid. May all of them be with us until full recognition everywhere is our lot.

I wish that all those people who think the University of Chicago is in the hands of a group of fanatical dreamers of medieval nightmares would read "The State of The University: A Twenty-Year Report". Prepared by Chancellor Robert M. Hutchins and published in *Tower Topics*, the alumni bulletin, this document is must reading for every one interested in higher education in the United States. We hope to be able to print pertinent excerpts from the Report in forthcoming issues of *The Collegian* as well as to make available the entire paper, probably in our library. As a Chicagoan, as a former student of the university, and as a believer in many of the educational practices being fostered at Chicago, I believe the university is fortunate to have had Mr. Hutchins at its head for two decades; and I believe he is equally fortunate in having had the opportunity to work out his ideas about education in a school that was big enough in every way to make a general success of a long list of projects that often seemed born only to fail. It is my hope that Hutchins and Chicago will go on together for at least another twenty years, breaking precedent and building up what Mr. Hutchins himself has called "the best university there is". You are free to disagree with him but before you do please read his Report.

In 1949, Sheed and Ward published *This Perverse Generation* by Peter Michaels. I don't know much about him but I'd certainly like to shake his hand. Every chapter rings the bell in its pitiless exposure of the fads and foibles and fancies of our silly moment in world history. I especially recommend the chapter on "Secularism" and "Hand Crafts Vs. Machinery".

took twenty-six hours of constant driving to cover the one hundred eighty miles to the capitol city. Hours full of tense worry, never knowing when a flying rock would rip the underside of the car.

High Prices

Guatemala itself is a small city of half a million people. It is very clean and orderly and very poor. There is very little night-life. Every thing is imported from the states and very expensive. Ten dollars a day per person American plan is the average rate at the hotels and at that there's nothing in the way of lush comfort. A plate of watery ice-cream costs thirty cents American and cigarettes are twenty cents a pack without matches. The rate of exchange is the same as in the states.

There is a definite market for automobiles but like everywhere else in the world the hard dollar is a precious commodity not to be readily parted with. Selling a car in Guatemala is not the job of a few minutes but a job of advertising in the paper and sitting back waiting for phone calls, a job of selling and letting mechanics, good and otherwise, check your car for prospective buyers. Business in Guatemala is conducted at a leisurely pace just as in the rest of Latin America. And then there are papers. Lots of

papers. The man who buys must pay the customs and the rate is very high. Twenty per cent of the price of the car. This is another detriment to a quick sale.

Tourist Card Renewal

As for renewing your tourist card, under present regulations this is completely out. The Mexican Consular has orders not to issue tourist cards to people wishing to re-enter Mexico. It was only with the assistance of the American Consul that the Malleyes were finally given permission to re-enter the country.

The best part of the trip, according to Shirley, was getting back to Mexico where a peso still buys a good chocolate soda.

ATTENDANCE RECORD IMPORTANT TO GI

GI students are reminded that not only unexcused but also excused absence reports are sent every month to the offices of the Veteran's Administration. Since a close check is kept on class attendance, veterans not wishing to have their subsistence allowance reduced or cut are advised to use discretion in absents themselves from classes.

Editorial

While browsing around through back issues of the college paper ye ed ran across the first issue ever printed; Vol. 1, No. 1, dated June 27, 1947. The editorial printed in that issue contained some points well worth repeating.

"El Conquistador will not attempt to become a model newspaper, something to be admired but seldom read. Instead it will concentrate on being a readable paper.

"El Conquistador does not intend to become the private publication of one small group of college students or faculty members. It desires to represent the college".

This sounds to ye ed like a sound and worthwhile policy and one that should have been followed. It's too bad that intervening editors, staff members and the like have seen fit to change, in the ensuing years, what seemed to have been a logical editorial policy.

The present editor does not go in for axe-grinding except possibly in a very, very limited way. He is not the "remember-the-good-old-days" type either. But it does seem that the earlier issues of the paper had a lot more originality, spice and enthusiasm. They also seemed than be less interested in hen parties and Prof. Zilch goes to Washington than in news and current events and issues.

These changes may have been due to student preference through the years. It may have been due to the fact that except for the first few issues the editors have been women and the staff largely made up of the fair sex. However, the paper now has the first male editor in over a year and there might very well be an obvious change in slant as far as the reader is concerned.

If the readers are disappointed in the paper from now on, the editor offers his condolences et al, but he does have very definite editorial policies and intends to stick to them unless the students have what they consider worthwhile changes to suggest. Any suggestions that any of you might have which you consider to be GOOD will be received in the same spirit with which they were submitted.

The Political Discussion Club and the Benito Juarez Chapter of the AVC were privileged to hear Mr. George Weismann as speaker at the April 12th meeting.

Mr. Weismann's theme was "The James Kutcher Civil Rights Case". He painted a startlingly horrible picture of hysteria and witchhunting in the states at the moment. The stories related about abuses at the hands of the government could hardly be believed. But then, when a man is working for a shining cause he is often led to belittle his opponent's actions as well as his principles.

In defense of Kutcher he pointed out that although Kutcher is a member of the Socialist Labor Party while holding down a job in the VA, still, the Socialists do NOT advocate violent revolutionary procedures. He neglected to mention, however, that neither do the Trotskyites, the Leninists or the Marxists. Even the Russian Stalinists believe in using it only as a last resort.

Despite occasional lapses of this sort into questionable logic and slightly colored language, Mr. Weismann was an able and interesting speaker and defended his cause well. **A.E.E.**

ON SELLING CARS

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Well, the next morning the price was still the same so they paid and went on. At the Mexican border there was no difficulty that seven American dollars wouldn't fix. This time the Malleyes paid without hesitation because Guatemala was on the other side of the bridge. They felt their troubles were over. But they were not allowed in. You can't get tourist cards on the border. It is necessary to go back to Tapachula and the Guatemalan Consular to get them. But the Mexican authorities would not let them go back into Mexico and the Guatemalan authorities would not let them go ahead into Guatemala.

The Malleyes spent that evening... in fact that night and half of the next day trying to get off the international bridge. Everyone was very understanding and very sympathetic but they would still be on the bridge if Louis hadn't discovered a few more tattered pesos in his pocket. Back at Tapachula it took only ten minutes to get the papers and once again the Malleyes were on their way.

If you will look at the map you will see that there are no roads shown on the Guatemalan side. The maps are painfully correct. Ruts filled with sharp rocks, no markers of any kind, bridges made of two planks and green, steaming jungle. That was the trip to Guatemala. It

CHANCE MAKES SPANISH TEACHER AN EDUCATOR

By Toni Nigra

Angela Martinez del Rio, popular MCC Spanish instructor, entered the teaching profession by accident.



M. del Rio

When Dwight Morrow was serving in Mexico as Ambassador from the United States, Mrs. Amanda M. de Constantine, who also instructs Spanish at MCC, taught Spanish to Mrs. Morrow and her daughter Elizabeth. Miss del Rio was hired by Constance another daughter, to help her practice speaking what she was learning from Mrs. Constantine.

After a few months when Mrs. Constantine went on her vacation, the girls asked Miss del Rio, who had never taught before, to become their instructor.

Beginning Of Busy Career

This experience was only the beginning of a busy career of teaching, coaching, and living with students. After her initiation into the teaching profession, Miss del Rio started giving private lessons to many more people at the Embassy.

Not long afterward, she began teaching Spanish at the National University Summer School, where she has now been a member of the faculty for ten years. She has served as Dean of Women for the Summer School for the past four years.

Her next teaching venture was with an experimental group from the Geneva College for Women. Since the two women who ran the group were unable to take the students to Europe because of the war, they brought them to Mexico for a year.

Not confining her work to teaching, she has also tutored girls who attended the Universidad Feminina and Filosofia y Letras on Spanish and various other subjects.

Friend, Teacher, And Mother

Every summer Miss del Rio takes into her home girls from all parts of the United States who come to Mexico to study. She teaches, coaches, and chaperones them. In addition, she helps them plan their studies, social activities, and trips. She might be called a friend, teacher, and mother rolled into one.

Miss del Rio has made several trips to the United States, visiting New York, Washington, D. C., and California. On one trip she spent three months in Hollywood with her very good friend Dolores del Rio. The two are related by marriage.

In 1943 she visited briefly with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wallace in Washington, D. C. Jean, their daughter.

DRAMA STUDENTS HEAR MONCK

Students interested in drama had the pleasure of hearing, last Tuesday, a lecture on "The Elizabethan Stage" by one of England's foremost legitimate stage producers, Nugent Monck, who is the renowned head of the Maddermarket Theater in Norwich, England. Mr. Monck was presented by Frank Whitbourn of the British Institute.

The talk commenced with a brief resumé of the history of Shakespearean publications and of various changes made in the text of published quartos.

This was followed by a description of the type of stage employed and technique used in the production of Elizabethan times. The final phase of the lecture detailed an account of Mr. Monck's technique of producing Hamlet.

TEACH WHILE STUDYING HERE

From universities in the United States in order to do research work in Mexico are Robert Quirk, who is teaching a course in Latin American History Survey and Sam Shulman, instructor of Government 246E.

Robert Quirk received his B. A. from Wayne University in Detroit and his M. A. from Harvard. He is now a candidate for the Ph. D. degree at Harvard and is here to do research for his thesis on "Church and State Problems in Mexico from 1910 to 1934."

Sam Shulman received the B. A. and M. A. degrees from the University of New Mexico and will get his doctorate degree there. He has spent some time in Latin American, specially in Chile. He is here to do research on Mexican Positivism.

CLUB NOTES

At its meeting on April 25, Newman Club members will hear a talk by Professor Alex von Wuthenau on some special aspects of Mexican art history. The meeting will be held in the Coahuila Building at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Von Wuthenau, an authority on the history of Mexican art, was educated at three of the foremost universities in his native Germany. After receiving his doctorate degree he entered Germany's diplomatic service and was stationed in Buenos Aires and Washington.

He has lived in Mexico for the past fifteen years, devoting his time to teaching, lecturing, writing and supervising the reconstruction of some of Mexico's old churches.

French Club

The last meeting of the French Club was held at the home of the Johnson sisters in San Angel. About one hundred persons were present including Dean and Mrs. Murray, Dr. Luis Weckman, Salvador Martinez de Alva, Srta. Cuca Morena-Sanchez, members of the French colony and regular members of the student body.

The program, presided over by the club president, Robert Worsfold, included a recital of French poetry by Dennis Lazarotto and was highlighted by a short talk by M. Gabriel Bonneau, French ambassador to Mexico. He spoke on the reconstruction of France after the various wars fought on her soil.

Madame Germaine Dauchat gave a short resume of the club's history which was followed by a buffet dinner prepared by the club's secretary-treasurer Jeanne Manning. A social hour followed.

The next meeting will be held today at 8:00 p. m. at the French Embassy, Havre 15, and will feature a short talk by Salvador Martinez de Alva.

LAES MEETING

Alan Probert, Engineer and Expert on Mexican silver mining gave an informal talk on "Silver Mining in Mexico" in place of Señor Eustaquio Escandon, who was unable to appear for the second time in two weeks at the Economic Club regular Tuesday night meeting.

Free Will Problem

The Philosophy Club will meet today at 6 p. m. in room 14. Each member will present briefly his own ideas on the problem of free will. Anyone interested is welcome to attend, according to Rudolf Ahumada, president.

COOK'S TOUR

If you like Swedish foods why don't you male and female gormans try mixing Roka Cheese and chopped sardines with your mashed potatoes for some real gone fried potato patties?

ter, had previously spent four months in Mexico with Miss del Rio. Miss del Rio has been teaching at MCC for two and one half years, and since her arrival here she has been a strong supporter of the Spanish Club.

A native of Mexico City, Miss del Rio received all her preliminary education from private tutors. After completing these studies, she took courses at the National University at the School of Philosophy and Letters.

Ancestors Active In Politics

The families of both Miss del Rio's parents came from Escuque, Spain. Her mother's family came to Mexico in the 18th century, while her father's arrived in the 19th century.

By a strange coincidence, both families were in politics, but of opposite parties. Her mother's side adhered to the Liberal (Juarez) Party, and her father's family were Conservadores (the party of Maximiliano).

Her grandfather on her father's side was exiled from Mexico when Maximiliano was killed. He had been on a diplomatic mission in Europe for the Emperor at the time of the death. Because of his political position all of his property, including an enormous ranch in Chihuahua and Los Pinos, the present home of the president, were taken away from him. It took Miss del Rio's father eight years to recover the ranch, which was later sold as a result of the Revolution.

Street Named For Grandfather

A famous doctor in addition to his political activities, her grandfather was the first in Mexico to give blood transfusions and administer anesthetics. In his honor they named a street, Calle del Doctor Martinez del Rio.

General Zachary Taylor, commander of the U. S. forces that invaded Mexico during the war between the two countries was responsible for Doctor del Rio's return to Mexico. During the fighting, the General's nephew's arm was severely wounded and the doctors wanted to amputate it. Miss del Rio's grandfather offered to try to save it, and he did. In gratitude for this, General Taylor interceded for the Doctor and persuaded the government to allow him to return to Mexico.

On her mother's side, Miss del Rio's grandfather Manuel Zamacona, was Minister to the United States Minister of Foreign Affairs in Mexico, and director of one of the leading newspapers of the day.

Miss del Rio, who says she has never done any creative work, hopes someday to have time to do some writing. She would like to write short stories and episodes from her life. With her background and past experiences, she should have little trouble in finding material from which to work.

Gift To Library

The MCC library recently received a facsimile copy of the Declaration of Independence, announced Miss Alice Dugas, Librarian.

It was presented to the library as a gift by George Yocum, Jr., in whose collection it had been since his high school days. Mr. Yocum, who is in the import-export business, has resided in Mexico for a number of years. He and his wife, both Americans, live in the colonia Villa Obregon.

The copy of the famous document has been framed and is now hanging in the reading room of the library.

Bosch Garcia Has Son

Carlos Bosch Garcia of the History Department announces the birth of a son Carlos on March 24.

EVENTS IN THE ARTS

MUSIC AND DANCE

Palacio Chino. — Calle de Bucareli. Beginning April 26 a series of concerts by the Orquesta Filarmónica de México. Sergiu Celibidache, of the Filarmónica de Berlín will be the guest conductor for the first three concerts. Season tickets on sale at Jose Maria Marroqui 28-405. Prices from \$30.00 to \$200.00.

DRAMA AND CINE

Teatro Arreu. — "Historia de una Escalera" by Antonio Buero Vallejo. Through the coming week. Admission: \$5.00. Curtain at 9.45 P. M. Coming soon, "El Cuadrante de la Soledad", by Jose Revueltas. Sets by Diego Rivera.

Teatro Ideal. — Dolores 8. "Empire State" with Armando Calvo, Martha Roth. Tickets on sale at the theater after 11:00 A. M. Admission: \$5.00, \$1.50.

Palacio de Bellas Artes. — April 25 a performance of "Los de Abajo", by Manuel Azuela. Tickets on sale at the museum after 4 P. M.

Cine Prado. — Opened April 19, a re-run of "Angel Perverso", the French one that caused a stir at the Cine Chapultepec last fall. An entertaining film much above average.

Teatro del Caracol. — Palma y Cuba corner. Opened April 13 for an indefinite run, "Juan de la Luna", a French drama by Marcel Achard. Later productions at the same theater: "Los Fracasados", by H. R. Lenormand, "Volpone", by Ben Johnson and "Ocupate de Amelia", by Jacques Peydeau. (All performances in Spanish).

PLASTIC ARTS

Galeria Romano. — Jose Maria Marroqui No. 5. Opened April 18, "Tercer Salon de Primavera", an exposition of paintings by several Mexican artists depicting Spring. Show will continue through this month. Visiting hours: 5 P. M. to 9 P. M. Admission free.

Salon de la Plastica Mexicana. — Puebla 154, two blocks off Insurgentes. Opened April 17 exposition and sale of portraits by Raul Anguiano and Juan Soriano, two leading painters in the field. The show will continue for two months. Visiting hours: 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. and 4 P. M. to 6 P. M. Admission free.

Galeria Arte Moderno. — 16 C Plaza Santos Degollado. Exposition of works by Netter Worthington, all abstract. Will continue through this month. Visiting hours: 5 P. M. to 9 P. M.

Galeria de Arte Mexicano. Milan 18. An exposition of paintings by Gustavo Montoya, "Las Calles de Mexico". Imaginative work in the romantic vein. Visiting hours: 4 P. M. to 7 P. M. Admission free.

MISCELLENEOUS

National Museum of Anthropology. — Moneda 13. An exposition of typical Mexican toys. Fascinating examples of native craft, beautifully displayed. Visiting hours: 10 A. M. to 8 P. M. Sundays from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Admission: \$0.50.

Palacio de Bellas Artes. — "50 Años de Cultura en Mexico", a series of lectures covering the arts delivered by educators, artists and writers of the country. Those remaining in the series are: April 21 — "La Filosofía" — Leopoldo Zea, April 26 — "Las Artes Plásticas" — Justino Fernandez, April 28 — "La Musica" — Luis Sandi. All of the lectures will be given in the Sala Manuel M. Ponce at 7 P. M. sharp. Admission free.

Galeria Taurina. — Monclova 50. A unique museum which exhibits photos (over 20,000), heads of famous bulls, "trajes de luz", and other trophies from the bull fight. Visiting hours: only Sundays and holidays from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M. Admission free.

Hardison-Benavides Wedding

James Marion Hardison and Olga Benavides were married in Santo Teresa de las Lomas in a morning ceremony on the 25th of March.

After a brief honeymoon in San Jose Perra, they returned to California where Jim will study T. V.

Jim is a former student of MCC, was a member of the Student Senate, and former president of the junior class. He hopes to get "a plug in for MCC with television".

Olga worked for one year with Miss Dugas in the library.

MRS. GRAVALOS RETURNS

Mrs. Gravalos, instructor of Spanish at MCC, has returned to the class room after a two weeks absence. She underwent an appendectomy.

In Accident

Maja Cruebler, instructor in ceramics, who suffered severe injuries in a bus accident on the way to Oaxaca during the Easter holidays is reported to be recovering although she probably will not be able to conduct her course this quarter.



George Weissman of Kutcher Civil Rights Committee, who spoke before the Political Discussion Club and the American Veterans Committee, is shown here with some of the officers. L. to R. Robert Fox, vice-chairman of the club and corresponding secretary of the American Veterans Committee; Weissman; Bruce Miller, chairman of the club and of the American Veterans Committee; Rita J. Malton, recording secretary, American Veterans Committee

THE COLLEGIAN SPORTS PARADE

Edited by John Endsley



ALL THE BULL

By Ellis Page

Like students everywhere MCC'ers want to see a free show. You can see one at the Plaza Mexico any Sunday when the peons come down to draw the bulls which their matadors must fight that afternoon. The Plaza is a world within a world but you can get inside and take a good look around and it won't cost you a cent.

You might even learn the true story of Ferdinand The Bull, like I did.

Last Sunday six bulls, scheduled to fight and die that afternoon, were waiting in the corrals of the plaza so I went down to see them. They were the biggest bulls since the opening of the season.

Matadors don't like to see the horns before the fight so they send their peons who walk around the corrals waving their arms and stamping their feet to note the bulls' reaction. They jot down their impressions of the bulls on little cards.

The Perfect Bull

Now the perfect bull is one that sees very clearly from far away or close up and with either eye. He has good horns. He can run for miles without getting tired and can easily knock over a horse and rider. The perfect bull is a very wild animal that fights and fights some more. That doesn't mind pair or even death as long as he can go on fighting, trying to kill his enemy.

Sunday one bull didn't know this. Maybe he had heard the story of Ferdinand. You know about Ferdinand. He didn't want to fight. All he wanted to do was sit under the cork trees all day and smell the flowers.

This Mexican Ferdinand was named Mojarito. He didn't mind when anybody waved an arm or stamped a foot.

The peons filed up the other bull with Mojarito. The other bull pawed the ground then charged over and splintered the wood. He made Mojarito nervous so Mojarito socked him once with a horn and knocked him into a feed trough. Then Mojarito stood around some more.

Mojarito was a great, grey brute pushing a thousand pounds. He'd lived a pretty good four years out on the bull ranch with no work to do and nobody to bother him and he didn't want to be bothered now.

So the peons wrote down on the little cards that Mojarito wasn't much of a bull. They put him down on the same slip with another bull named Jarocho that looked very good indeed.

One Did, One Didn't

The peons made out other slips with a good bull and a bad bull on each slip. They put the slips into a hat and drew lots for their matadors. Raphael Rodriguez (the rashly brave Mexican matador) got both Jarocho, who wanted to fight, and Mojarito, who didn't.

Mojarito didn't mind moving with the steers from place to place. He wasn't nervous or mad at anybody. He trotted to the toriles to wait for his time in the ring.

I don't know whether he could smell any flowers in the toriles or even whether he wanted to. Honestly, he didn't look like a very aesthetic bull.

The sorteo was over so we went to the bull-ring chapel where matadors make confession before the

RACQUET DOPE

Coach Dave Engman states that the spring tennis schedule is now in full swing, with classes being given at the Club Hacienda on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 4:15 to 5:30.

Women students may take the proffered instruction on Tuesdays. Instruction is given on Wednesdays and Thursdays for both men and women students.

Those interested in learning the finer points of the game as well as those wishing only the fundamentals, are invited to take advantage of the instruction offered by Roy Grimse who has held some sixteen state titles in the US, and is capable of handling the problems of the beginning as well as the advanced student in straightening out his or her game.

All questions on surfaces of the game, the histories of the players and their styles, and the best methods for each individual player to use in advancing his technique, will be answered completely.

A proposed tournament for men and women players will be soon under way. Balls and rackets are furnished if players need them.

AHS VICTORIOUS

The American High School football team easily won from the University of Puebla at Puebla last Sunday by the score of 47-12.

Their next opponent, whom they face this Saturday afternoon at the Olympic Stadium, will be Prevoza cional.

AHS was undefeated, having three straight victories (including a practice game), until a couple Saturdays ago, when they ran up against ESIA (Politecnico), who trounced them soundly, 32-14. AHS is coached by MCC's Roland Howe, with the assistance of three other MCCers, Al Lopez, Don Goza, and Henry Sroka.

Club Parras, an entry in the Intermediate Football League, coached by MCC's Alex Esquivel, and assisted by Joe Rosales, won Saturday afternoon from ESIA, the same team which had clobbered the American High School. The score was 20-19, the boys from Parras making a comeback featured by seven straight pass completions in the last half. ESIA led at the half, 19-7. Alex's team, by the way, had lost earlier in the season to American High School.

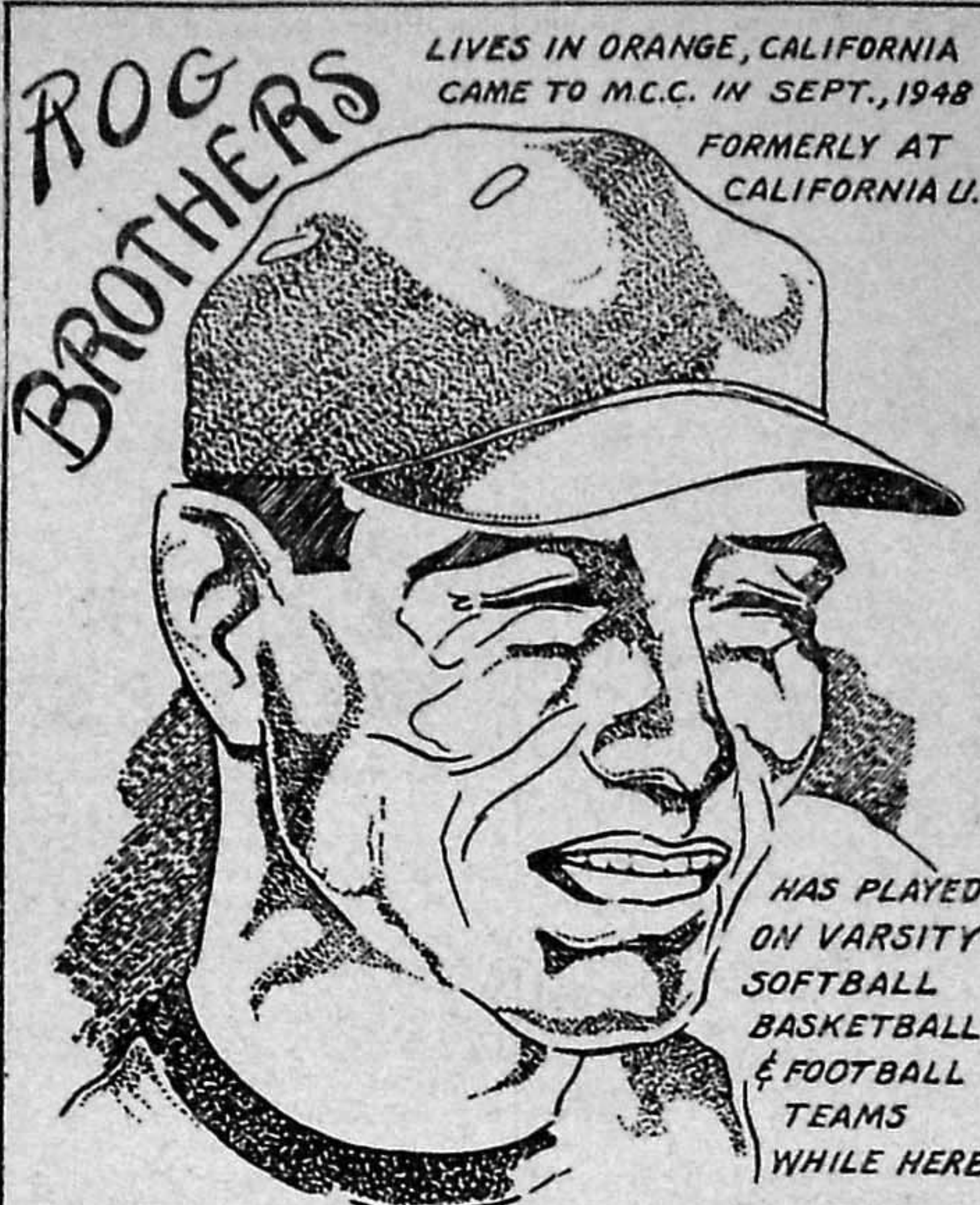
fight. A priest was saying a solemn mass. Then we saw the infirmary and the operating room, another section of the special bull-fight city. Closer down near the bull-ring there's another small operating room for wounded matadors. They who live always in the shadow of pain.

Three hour later we were sitting in the six peso seats with some other MCC students watching Rodriguez fight Jarocho. Jarocho didn't see too well and charged erratically on his right side, but he fought. Rodriguez finally took two of his black ears for the triumph of the afternoon.

Forty minutes later he was again the matador but this time the bull was Mojarito. The bull didn't quite sit down and smell the flowers but he didn't get mad either. He charged a horse twice then found that the pic HURT. He decided he didn't like it. The next time the horse came close to him Mojarito ran away.

But did Mojarito go back to the ranch to sit under the cork tree? Nah. A bull that won't fight isn't worth his feed. No good for breeding, too tough for eating. When Mojarito got back to the corrals they knocked him on the head with a sledgehammer.

Moral: If you don't fight you might live longer. Or, then again, you might not. Mojarito lived 15 minutes less.



HIS FAVORITE SPORT IS BASKETBALL AND IN 1949 TIED FOR SCORING HONORS WITH JOE ROLDAN... HE PLAYED LEFT FIELD LAST YEAR FOR THE AZTECS... IS FIRST-RATE FIELDER, HAS GOOD ARM, AND EXPECTS TO BE IN THERE WHEN SEASON OPENS IN MAY... ENDSLEY '50

A "SOFTBALL" INTERVIEW

By Gordon "Red" Metz

As I walked into Coach's office for a softball interview the other day, my ears picked a strange garble in this blossoming springtime and I naturally did a double-take with a quick glance at the calendar. This was talk of end-arounds, off-tackle drives line-bucks, etc. — this was gridiron garble, the presently buried chatter of football.

Now, when a Coach and a football star get together it's not uncommon for the talk to travel along these lines, no matter what other sport is in season, but here was Alex Esquivel saying, "Yeah, I know, Coach, but fumbles caused us the most trouble last Saturday".

Who? what? why?

And from there on, my fifteen minute softball interview was converted into a typical reporter's line of conversation — who, what, why, where, and how. Coach flashed Alex the highsign which means that all sports reporters are very stupid creatures and then they patiently straightened me out.

Yes, footballs are still filling the air and it seems that "Coach" Alex Esquivel has quite a lot to do with it. In fact, there are quite a few of MCC's football players who are proving the fact that it is a misconception to think they should all be entered in a "musclehead" contest. Besides brawn, these boys also have brains.

Alex Esquivel, Joe Rosales, and "Soldado" Arriola are coaching the "Parras", a town club team which so far has had the bad luck to always end up one touchdown short of victory. But, according to Alex, they're still a darn good team. They're little green at the present time but are catching on fast.

And roosting in enemy headquarters in this Intermediate League as coaches of the American High School "Bears" are Roland Howe, Al Lopez, Don Goza, and Henry Sroka. The

"Bears" are one of the teams which have rolled over the "Parras" by a touchdown and, from all indications, may be on the way to the title.

Coach kept a twinkle in his eyes as Alex blurted, "Gee's Coach, I about fainted when my quarterback didn't kick on last down, but I can't run out on the field and call every play". For Coach knows that when these players return to the gridiron next fall they will be a lot wiser to the many problems he encounters and the money spent for "bromo" over a long, tough season in the major ball bracket.

For the next half hour the conversation was mostly about the rocking chair quarterbacks who tell the coaches on Mondays about the million and one things they did wrong the previous Saturdays. Alex grinned shyly as he said, "You know, Coach, even a girl called me up after last Saturday's game and told me what I did wrong".

"Yeah", replied Coach, "you'll always run into that sort of thing as long as you're coaching a team. You just have to agree with them completely. Tell them you're sorry for the poor way you coach your team and that they're absolutely right". Then, with another accusing look in my direction, he continued "Yep, Alex, everyone will tell you how to run your team; everyone thinks he knows more than you do and has the secret formula to produce a championship team". A nod from Alex as he started for the door brought a final thought from Coach. "Oh, and say, Alex, don't think I'm trying to tell you how to run your team, but if I were you, I'd take those boys and."

And so, finally I managed to sneak in a word to finish up the interview. "And now Coach, as you was saying when I walked in, what do you think of the coming basketball season?"

SET 'EM UP!

INTRAMURAL BOWLING SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 20

Spanish Club vs Tong
Psychos vs 309
LAES vs Borrachos
Bums vs Int. Relations

Tuesday, April 25

Spanish Club vs 309
Psychos vs Borrachos
LAES vs Int. Relations
Bums vs Tong

Thursday, April 27

Spanish Club vs Borrachos
Psychos vs Int. Relations
LAES vs Tong
Bums vs 309

Tuesday, May 2

Spanish Club vs Psychos
LAES vs Bums.
Int. Relations vs Tong
309 vs Borrachos

Thursday, May 4

Spanish Club vs LAES
Psychos vs Bums
Int. Relations vs 309
Tong vs Borrachos

Tuesday, May 9

Spanish Club vs Bums
Psychos vs LAES
Int. Relations vs Borrachos
Tong vs 309

The intramural bowling tournament is being held at the Colonial Alleys. Each match consists of three games which begin at 6:00 p. m.

At the end of the above schedule, a Shaughnessy Playoff will be held between the first four teams. Score sheets for the league games will be kept for compilation of individual averages. A player must have on file at least ten games to be eligible for the individual tournament.

At the conclusion of the match each team pays its own alley fees.

MCC HOPING TO BETTER 1949 SOFTBALL RECORD

There seems to be a lot of enthusiasm among the candidates for the MCC softball team. Everybody has been stopping the writer, asking when the season will get under way. The answer is, "Practically immediately" — we hope.

The main delay has been waiting for the football season (for other schools) to terminate. MCC will probably play again in the Twilight League, with hopes of bettering its mediocre record of last year. MCC had the heaviest hitting last year, and the best pitching, according to the record, but the won-and-lost column didn't show it, the final count being something like 10 wins and 6 losses for all games.

The plan now is to organize a team roughly approximating those who will consist of the varsity. This team will play others organized from the remainder of the school, the other teams making use of the varsity batteries in their line-ups. In other words, Endsley and Grimse, and Mackey and Lopez will play against their brothers on the varsity. In this way, the Coach hopes, the varsity will get used to playing together and still have some hard competition to help them get into shape.

Until Mid-May

This will continue until the middle of May, or until such time as the League is ready to begin play.