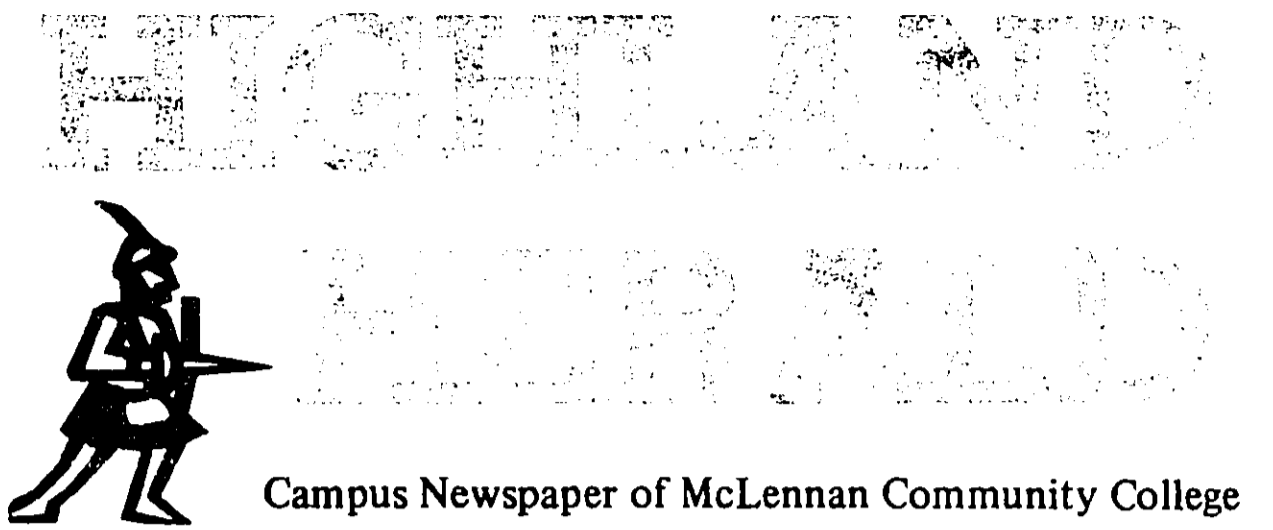


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Tom Koonsman Wins Top Money In Rodeo Club's First Big Show

BY TOLLINE ENGER

"Here he comes out of the chute, riding number 13 . . . Tommy Koonsman." The eight-second bareback ride on the "unlucky number 13" brought Tommy \$150 in prize money.

Koonsman was the only MCC student to place in last weekend's MCC rodeo--winning over 20 others entered in the bareback riding event.

Aubrey Owens, MCC instructor and sponsor for the Rodeo Club, and Jerry Smith, MCC student, entered the roping event. Other MCC students entered were: Jimmy Jones, bull-riding; Trice Harison, goat-tying; and Roy Sparkman, bareback.

Tommy was asked what he planned to do with the prize money he replied, "I already spent it." He is vice-president of the Rodeo Club and he was of the main persons involved in planning the rodeo.

He said, "I was pleased with it. The stock bucked real well. We started planning the show about three weeks before we had it--and it takes a lot of preparation. We were here Saturday night--more organized. Attendance for both Friday and Saturday night, April 18 and 19 almost hit 700."

Tommy and his mother, Mary Koonsman, performed during the show. They are known as the "Comanche Fireballs." The bull-riding event Tommy acted as the clown. The job has two purposes, not only to act as a funny man but to help the rider in case he gets in trouble with the bull.

When asked "How does it feel when you are in the area with the bull?" Tommy said, "It makes you think twice and want to go to church on Sunday."

The Rodeo Club expressed a special thanks to Larry Gilliam, Dean of Student Services, and Keith Geisler, Financial Aid Director, for their "added extra effort in making the rodeo a success." Geisler accompanied members of the MCC Rodeo Club to Temple Jr. College and Killeen's Central Texas Jr. College to talk with their rodeo club members in publicizing and getting ideas for our rodeo. Gilliam spoke at the dedication of the rodeo in the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

A special thank you for keeping the rodeo books went to Mrs. Stoker, who works in the student activities office. Girl's sorority, Delta Phi Beta, helped sell tickets to the activity.



Dedication Speaker
Tom Sealy

Mrs. Linda Draper, MCC switch board operator and Ken Palmquist were judged best dressed cowgirl and cowboy on Western Day, April 18. A public address system located in the main area of the parking lot played country / western music. Livestock was also on display throughout the day near the P.A. "Sam" the brama bull drew much attention. At the 10'clock activity period live c/w music was provided by the Country Gentlemen. They also donated their time playing Friday night at the rodeo.

\$2,000 in prize money was won during the two nights. Around 150 contestants participated. Koonsman said, "We drew some real good cowboys. They came from Fort Worth, Dallas, Gatesville, Killeen, Temple and just about all the small towns around Waco. We even had people call from New Mexico."

This weekend, May 2 and 3, nine members of the Rodeo Club plan to enter the Hill Junior College Rodeo. The club is planning another rodeo for MCC in October.

Government Students Visit State Capitol

Government students were given a first-hand look at the state legislature in action on April 27. Fourteen students accompanied by history/government instructor Don Reeves left the campus at noon by bus for Austin.

The group arrived at 2:15 p.m. and met with Central Texas representative Bob Haultor. They then proceeded on the "typical tour" of the capitol.

From bagpipes to butter-scotch cookies, the Saturday (May 3) dedication and open house activities at McLennan Community College will provide something for everyone, plus an excellent opportunity for citizens to see their new college.

An open house will also be held Sunday afternoon (May 4) from 2 until 5 o'clock and a week of campus activities will follow.

The Saturday dedication ceremony will be preceded at 2 p.m. by a bagpipe band concert performed by the Houston Highlanders, Robert Bishop, pipe major. The principal address will be delivered by Tom Sealy, Midland businessman and chairman of the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System.

Afterwards a gala open house of the 11 new buildings on the \$5.7 million campus will be staffed by faculty and student

hosts to answer questions and give directions. Refreshments will be served in the Student Center.

About 20 exhibits, displays, and demonstrations will be presented. The displays are prepared by academic departments to suggest the scope of course offerings. Physical education students will present several demonstrations of gymnastic skills.

This will also mark the opening of an art show by Instructor Robert Wade. Entitled, "Three Years of Robert Wade," the exhibit will feature pieces which have won acclaim in shows across the southwest.

From May 5 to 9, each day at MCC will have featured attractions for the public. Band concerts, talent shows, productions of "Androcles and the Lion," and choral readings are only a sample of the events on schedule. (See complete schedule on Page 2).

"Games" Set For May 9

The Traditional Highland Games are scheduled for the afternoon of May 9, with activities centered around the Cameron Park Clubhouse where students will participate.

"We urge all people to eat their lunch at the games," requested Keith Geisler, Director of Student Activities. Last year's participation was encouraging and a continued support and interest in the annual activity this year will solidify this tradition, he added.

Classes will be dismissed at

noon on May 9; festivities will begin about 1 p.m.

Los Serranos, the campus Spanish Club, will sponsor a booth selling sandwiches and the Nursing Club will sell pastries. Other refreshments will also be available.

A tradition is being set in that last year's individual events are to be repeated. The co-ed tug-o-war, egg tossing, ice cream and pie eating, balloon tossing and a three-legged race will be climaxed by the one truly Scottish traditional event, the caber toss.

Traffic Tickets Can Mean Woe

By PETE LINGAMFELTER

The unpaid traffic tickets piling up in the Student Activities Office are beginning to cause storage problems, said Keith Geisler, Director of Student Activities.

However, he added that the storage problem will be small compared to the "no transcripts" problems which they can cause for students who have not attended to them.

"According to administrative policy no transcripts will be transferred or released to students with unpaid campus parking tickets," said Geisler.

As a courteous gesture, the Student Services Office is sending reminders to some students. However, time will not permit notification to all students.

"The students with delinquent tickets are obligated to attend to them," said Geisler.

He explained that in the past students have gone so far as to be in a registration line at another school only to find their transcripts are not. In frustra-

tion they called MCC asking for their transcripts only to hear a pleasant "sorry".

Geisler continued to explain that a student in this situation must then fall in line behind about 300 other students who waited to clear up tickets, compounding their complications.

Approximately \$3500 in unpaid campus tickets are outstanding. Half of this is appropriated to the student government, which, in turn, sponsors student activities.

A student with a ticket is given three days to pay a reduced fine of \$1. After three days the fine is set at \$2.

If a student feels he has a just and valid argument, his debate can be taken to the Student Supreme Court. Students seeking the "easy way" out will not find it through the court, however, as the vast majority of appeals have been found guilty.



Harin' on ole number 13, Tommy Koonsman stays with it to clock the best bronco riding time and win \$150 in the recent show.

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Old Baseball Myths Keep Coming Back To Cloud the Sport's Historic Facts

By STEVE SPEIR

The author, Sports Editor of the Herald last year, contributed this article. He is now a journalism major at UT, Austin, and is editor of La Fuerza Press in Austin.

I hate to admit it but in the "Gay Nineties" imaginative sports writers, perhaps to fill up a column, dreamed up and popularized some pleasant baseball fables that, today, are still unquestionably accepted by most sports fans as factual history. But the real spade work in the creation of baseball mythology was performed after 1900.

In the summer of 1889, ill-advised friends of early baseball writer Henry Chadwick endeavored to declare him the

"Father of Baseball" somewhat prematurely. They contended the Chadwick had been the first one to lay out the present baseball diamond. Led by Detroit sports-enthusiast Frank Nagy, knowledgeable Chadwick-critics pointed out that justification for this honor was unsubstantiated since Chadwick's first article on baseball had appeared in the New York Clipper on July 31, 1858 and the present diamond set-up had been in use since 1854.

Being an Englishman, Chadwick was more familiar with cricket and its terms. His early articles advocated eleven men on a team, the extra two to field fouls, and called home plate a "wicket."

Nevertheless, his misguided friends began saying that he had played shortstop on some nine in the wilds of New Jersey during the summer 1847.

Nor did Chadwick "decree that the game should go on" after nine innings had been played to a tie in a famous match between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Atlantics, June 14, 1870. Actually, it was umpire John Mills who ruled that a forfeit to the Reds should be declared unless the Atlantics, who wanted to quit, continued. Predictably, the Atlantics went on to win in eleven innings.

The prosaic true details of the organization of the National League in 1876 have proven unsatisfactory to the writers, assisted to some extent by the famous A.G. Spalding. Because of the mutual jealousy of the club owners present in New York at the organization meeting, it was decided to pick directors by drawing names from a hat, the first name out to be the first league president. Thus Morgan G. Bulkeley actually became the first National League president.

In another instance, noted baseball historian Ernie Lanigan misread a newspaper account and became convinced that Boston pitcher Josephus, known as "Josephus" but actually Joseph Borden, had pitched the first National League no-hit game on May 23, 1876. This error was repeated in every baseball record book until 1957 when Barry Nowman, historical editor for The Sporting News, uncovered the actual spelling while searching the files of a then competing Boston daily.

The American Association, a major league of the period from 1882 to 1891, is now termed the "Beer and Whiskey League" by many 20th Century writers. This term was com-

pletely unheard of during the period of the league's existence. In the course of reading the sports pages of thousands of newspapers in the National League cities, "official-historians" discovered this spithet was never encountered during the period 1882-1891. The first such reference occurs in a 1916 edition of a now defunct Milwaukee bi-weekly publication.

"Sat Louis millionaire" Henry V. Lucas, credited with organizing the Union Association, an ill-fated alleged major league one year existence in 1884, was not a millionaire and did not organize that league; instead, he joined up a number of months after the organization began and being president after the officers resigned to make way for him. Even the bitter enemy of the Union Association, sports writer O.P. Caylor of Cincinnati, never thought to call Lucas by the title of "St. Louis" and the St. Louis players by the nickname "Onions." It took some later writers to think up these colorful phrases.

A minor but interesting revision of history is the statement that the National League deliberately sought schedule conflicts with the competing Players League which formed in 1890. Actually it was the confident Players League, which boasted about 80% of the prominent ballplayers, who engineered these conflicts, even changing its adopted schedule to create as many conflicting dates as possible.

The \$10,000.00 bribe reportedly offered by Spalding to New York Highlander star King Kelly to desert the Players League 1890, a report never confirmed by Kelly himself, was the brain child of an unknown Cleveland sports writer several years later.

As the baseball sections and coverage in newspapers expanded rapidly in the final ten years of the 19th Century, more interest began to be taken in the "firsts," such as the first curve ball pitcher, etc. In the ensuing series of articles, letters, etc., "Candy" Cummings began to be given credit as the first curve ball pitcher. And of course he did demonstrate during practice that he could throw a curve, as did Goldsmith and others. But during the career of Cummings he was known as a pitcher who could throw a good "live" fast ball, but not of the first rank. His "curves" were not mentioned but the 120-pound Bobby Matthews, who had a long major league career, with a 308-347 win-loss re-

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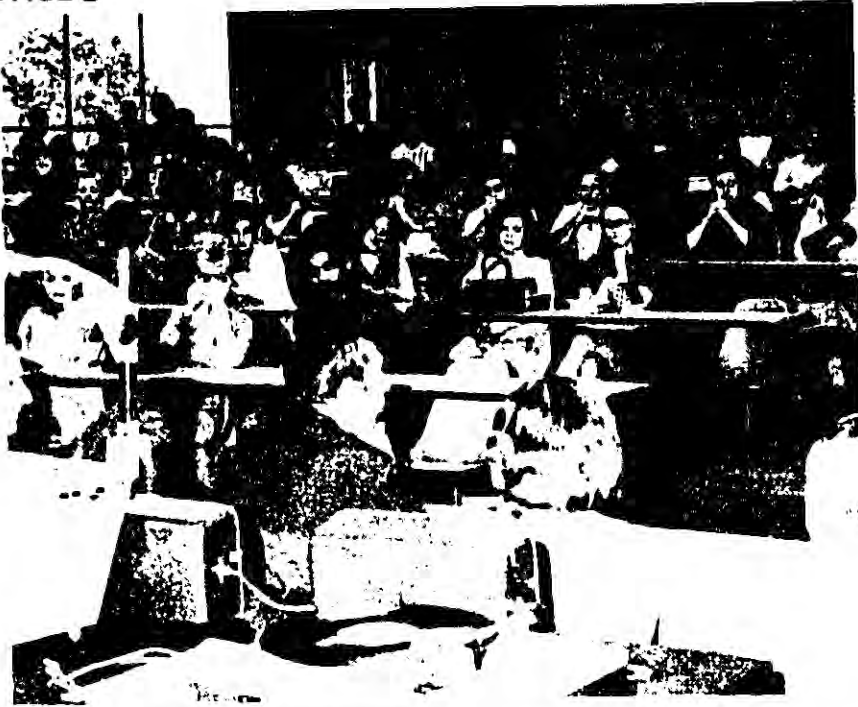
Burton Mason Speaks to Registrars

Burton Mason, registrar at McLennan Community College addressed the members of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers during their annual convention in Dallas April 29.

Mason was selected as one or only two junior colleges registrars in the United States to present a paper to the group. He reported on MCC innovations in checking changes in student status to facilitate filing governmental reports.

Also on the program at the Statler-Hilton Hotel were registrars from Rice University, the University of Texas at Arlington, and the University of Texas Medical Branch.

Recognition for Mason's innovations come at the close of his 48-year career in education. He has served as a public school teacher and administrator and was formerly dean and registrar at Paris Junior College before coming to MCC in 1966.



Soul Feast Set

Afro-Student Kindred is sponsoring a Soul Feast to be held Thursday night from 6 to 8 p.m. on May 8, at the Student Center.

Tickets are \$1 and may be bought at the door. ASK members will also be selling the tickets in advance. John Westbrook, Baylor football star, will speak. The menu will be "soul food" such as barbeque, collard greens, black eyed peas, and cornbread. Soul music will also be part of the feast.

Afterwards, at 8:15 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theater, there will be a concert by the McLennan Singers and a Speech Choral Reading.

PACKED HOUSE at ASK meeting hears plans for Soul Feast and other club activities planned for May.

OPEN HOUSE AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Public is invited - No admission charges

Saturday, May 3

2:00 p.m. Concert Highlander Pipe Band and Dancers

3:30-6:00 p.m. Open House Exhibits and Demonstrations

Sunday, May 4

2:00-5:00 p.m. Open House Exhibits and Demonstrations

3:00 p.m. Band Concert Outdoors

Monday, May 5 "Androcles and the Lion" Fine Arts Theatre

7:30 p.m. Radiant Set UT - Austin Pop-Folk Group Gymnasium

8:00 p.m. * "Androcles and the Lion" Drama students - MCC FA Theatre

Tuesday, May 6 MCC Stage 8:15 p.m. Band Concert FA Theatre

Wednesday, May 7 10:00 a.m. Talent Show Gymnasium

8:15 p.m. "An Environmental Performance" Fine Arts Theatre
Music Art Drama Participants

Thursday, May 8 Concert 8:15 p.m. McLennan Singers and Speech Choral Reading Fine Arts Theatre

Friday, May 9 Concert 10:00 a.m. McLennan Singers and Speech Choral Reading Fine Arts Theatre

12:00 noon Highland Games Cameron Park

Contests in art and literature centered around the dedication of the campus. Winning entries are to be displayed during the week of May 4-9. *Telephone reservations accepted on day of performance, 756-6551.

Kennedy Places 3rd In State

Lynn Kennedy, (editorial writer, Highland Herald) won a third place in the Texas Junior College Press Association annual contest, according to Dr. David Bowers, TJCPA director and Texas A & M Journalism professor.

Kennedy placed in the "general column" division of the competition which pitted the Highland Herald against 31 newspapers from Texas junior colleges.

MCC sports writer Pete Linghamfelter was cited by judges for special techniques in story handling.

This competition was the first ever entered by the Highland Herald staff, according to MCC Student Publications Advisor Bill Stone.

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The Herald welcomes letters to the editor. Publication of signed letters will receive thorough consideration.



RADIANT SET trio, brought back to campus on May 6 by popular demand, will present a rockin' program of pop-folk music in the Gym at 7:00 p.m.



Sigma Delta Phi Sponsors First Dance in New Student Center

Although the new Student Center had not officially opened for regular use, the Sigma Delta Phi service fraternity managed to create a "first" by obtaining the building recently for their spring dance. The affair was well attended and all agreed that the new student Center will prove to be a popular spot --- both for day and evening functions.



Paul Waters and Connie Williams Ham It Up At the New Student Center



Rita Koons Instructs "Rose Makers" on Decorating



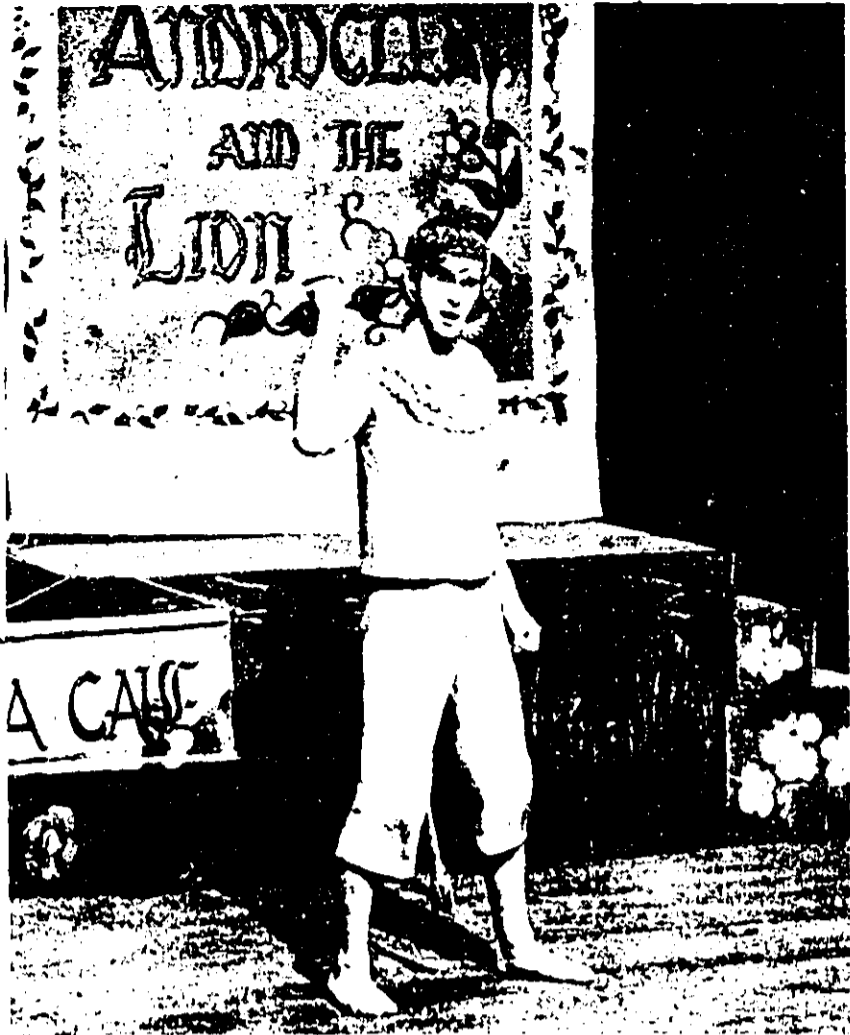
Ronda Roberts, Tommy Koonsman, Lynn Janak, and Linda Calloway Enjoy Lounging on the Spacious Balcony



Decorations and Crowded Dance Floor Mean a Successful Party



Mixed Reactions to Posing for the Photographer Are Seen in Groups Resting at Tables



THE LION, in "Androcles and the Lion," alias Glen Hendrix, roars a reminder to all to see one of the two performances of the state contest prize-winning play set for May 5.

36 Initiated Into PTK

Initiated Friday night April 25, into the local chapter of Phi Theta Kappa were 36 honor students. These students were recognized for excelling for academically.

The ceremony began at 7:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall. A brief welcome was given by Tommy Cryer, chapter president. The initiation of new members followed. Then Steve Weaver, accompanied by Kenneth Alford on piano, presented special music for the occasion.

Dr. Chester R. Hastings, academic vice-president, spoke concerning student power. Hastings complimented the initiates on accomplishments. He gave the audience an administrative opinion of the current state of student affairs, and much information to the parents present concerning the academic program.

A reception followed the ceremony. Refreshments were served in the Student Center.

Candidates for membership in Phi Theta Kappa were: Kathy Adams, Patricia Adkin, Alice Braden, Joyce Bennett, Stephanie Blaskiewicz, Rita Bucy, Linda Cloer, Frances Francis, Elizabeth Frankel, Janet May Guthrie, Don Hancock, Glen Hendrix, Susan Jones, Joan Jordan, Fred Knapp, John Lynch, Jerry Mechell, Charlotte Michalowicz, Thomas Peterson, Donna Pick, Janice Pick, Milton Rejcek, Earl Richter, Charlene Spoede, Bernice Stieg, Bobby Storm, Timothy Talbert, Kathy Lynne Townsend, Laura Tynes, Connie Veselka, Steve Weaver, Carol Wessels, Barbara Williams, Barton Townsend, Madeline Willis, and Emilie Jones.

Queen and Officer Elections

Students will go to the polls to elect Student Government officers and Heather Queen on May 7-8. Voting booths will be centrally located throughout the campus.

Campaign speeches by Student Government nominees and the presentation of Heather Queen

nominees will be at 10 a.m. May 2, in the gym.

A closely contested race for the presidency spotlights the elections as three well-qualified candidates pour on the campaign. The nominees are Michael Hurst, Clint Lewis and Ken Phelps.

The only other contested position is parliamentarian, since secretary nominee Mike Alford and treasurer nominee Brenda Allen are unopposed. James Brooks and Mike Erlanson are the candidates for parliamentarian.

Eleven houses sponsored by 12 campus clubs and organizations will vie for the Heather Queen throne. They are: Art Club-Mary Jo Paske; ASK and Nurses Club-Effie Wilkenson; ISU-Martha Harris; Choir-Polly Medart; Delta Phi Beta-Linda McKelroy; Los Herranos-Karen Jones; Newman Club-Connie Veselka; Rodeo Club-Martha Hinkelmann; Sigma-Delta Phi-Melissa Venner; SCA-Jan Lee; and Student Government-Shirley Hinkelmann.

Baseball Myths

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corn, was considered the pitcher with the most varied delivery, although perhaps far from the best behaved fellow in the league. During the Nineties, and at his death in 1898, Matthews was hailed as the first twirler with the ability to throw all of the curves that were known as late as 1908. But Cummings is the man who made the Hall of Fame although considered just a second string pitcher in the days of the early major leagues.

But, personally I prefer even prosaic facts to colorful fables.

Baggers Fall Short of Even Season, Nipped by Navarro

By PETE LINGAMFELTER

The Highlander baseball team narrowly missed a .500 season record as they were pinched by Navarro JC 4-3, April 28, at Bellmead Lions Park.

The Navarro game marked an end to regular season play for the Clansmen who are now scheduled to participate in the Region V Central Division Tournament beginning May 5, at Dutton Park.

MCC's season record is 8-9 and conference record 1-5.

In the season's closer last Monday Navarro hammered eight hits to MCC's five. The Bulldogs rallied three runs in the fifth with the aid of only two hits but also two wild pitches.

MCC scored single runs in the first, second and eighth innings and placed runners on second and third in the last two innings without results.

James Barak singled in the first, moved along on a single by George Caldwell and scored on a single by Babe Torres.

In the second, Mike McKissick doubled, went to third on a fielder's choice and scored on a sacrifice fly by Caldwell.

Mike Giles walked in the eighth, Mike McGilvray walked and pitcher Bob Purvis doubled to score Giles.

Purvis gave up eight hits, walking four and striking out four. His record for the season is now 2-4.

Mike Reeves, the only other MCC pitcher, closed his season record of 3-5 with a win over Navarro on April 26.

In that contest with Navarro, MCC won 4-3 in a "catch up" game as the Bulldogs jumped to a two run lead in the first inning.

Reaves shut out Navarro after

the spotty start until the ninth when he surrendered a run with two outs. Jerry Clanton singled Mike Bunch home for the final Navarro run.

MCC got its first run in the third with Mike McGilvray starting things with a walk. Reaves sacrificed him to second and George Caldwell doubled him home.

In the fourth MCC scored twice to take the lead. Mike Amick doubled and Babe Torres singled him home with the tying run. Mike McKissick sacrificed Torres to second and McGilvray singled to score Torres.

Some fancy base running by McKissick earned the Highlanders the victory in the ninth. McKissick singled, stole second, took third on a pass ball and scored on a wild pitch.

MCC was handed conference defeats by Ranger on April 19 and Hill on April 22.



Coach Jerry Walsh and Pitchers Bob Purvis and Mike Reeves

Mike Berrier Named BSU Prexy., Plans for New Center Under Way

By LYNN KENNEDY

Baptist Student Union plans for increase in activity and participation next year were boosted recently with election of 1969-70 officers, announcements of renovation plans for a new B.S.U. center adjacent to the campus, and involvement in plans for summer mission work.

Elected were: Mike Berrier, president; Linda Baldwin, publicity chairman; Brenda Allen, social chairman; Linda Williams, secretary; Dana Nicholson, devotional chairman; and

Kay Gant, mission chairman. Rollin DeLap, district B.S.U. director, and several students attended the leadership training conference at Hardin Simmons University in Abilene. DeLap stated that this conference offered the students participation in workshops and opportunities to train the student leaders.

Renovation plans are under way for the B.S.U. center at the house on Powell Drive adjacent to the campus parking lot. This house was formerly owned by the Howard family and was pur-

chased by the Waco Baptist Association for the price of \$20,000. The house will be refurnished to offer lounge, recreation areas, kitchen areas and office space.

The B.S.U. has planned a car wash Saturday, May 3, which will provide funds for a Rio Grande Mission trip tentatively set for the first part of June.

This activity will open mission work for the summer, which will be an opportunity for students to travel and serve others.

Trustees Elect Bob Sheehy For 2-Year Term as Pres.

MCC college board of Trustees organization for the next two years was determined April 15, when the board elected new officers.

Bob Sheehy was elected chairman of the board, Mrs. Ed Ware, vice-chairman and Dr. J.J. Mayes, secretary. They will serve two year terms.

W. Earl Harrison, out-going board chairman and incumbent for a new six year term, was sworn into office by County Judge Ray Mormino. Also entering a new term and receiving the oath of office was Dr. J.J.

Mayes.

In other action the board extended President Wilber A. Bull's contract two years, with a salary increase to \$22,000 and approved administrative salary contracts and faculty contracts for 1969-70.

Other members constituting the current board are Mrs. John Falkner, Dr. G.W. Henderson, and Henry V. Griffin. All except Mrs. Falkner and Dr. Mayes have served since the board was constituted in November of 1966.



Board President Bob Sheehy