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Where Ideals of Youth Are Not Destroyed But Preserved and Strengthened

# HARDING

#### VOLUME XIV

#### Does Success Measure Efficiency of Training?

If so, an astonishingly high degree of efficiency is indicated by the brilliant records of Harding students. In certain departments colleges measure their strength in open competition. In Speech and English Debating Tournaments, a Little Theater Tournament, and various speech contests are now held yearly.

Harding debaters have captured state and midsouth championships (including all states around) seven times in ten years. They have taken firsts in extemporary speaking and oratory three times in four entries.

In the State Little Theater Tournament they have taken firsts two years in succession, two firsts also for the best actress in the state, first in poetry reading, besides other honors.

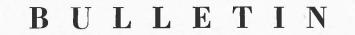
Harding is perhaps the only college in the state which publishes a booklet of college verse each year. It was the only college in the state to be represented in the national anthology of college verse published in North Carolina this year.

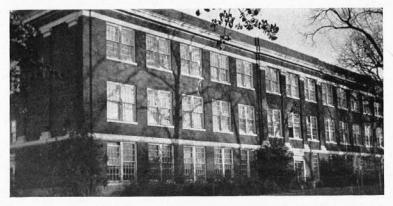
This and the next bulletin will give additional achievements which can leave no doubt of the superior work students receive at Harding.



HARRY A. BULLIS Vice-President of General Mills, Incorporated Largest Flour Milling Company in the World

"It is interesting to note the unique and distinctive method you are using to demonstrate that successful careers in America are still being built upon the old fundamentals — self-reliance, courage, vision, and the desire to pay the price in intelligent hard work. Congratulations for the pioneering work you are doing."





Where the Bible Is Taught as the Inspired Word of God

# PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN FROM ATHE-

## ISM AND IMMORALITY

Reprint from the Gospel Advocate, June 30, 1938 (This article is addressed exclusively to parents whose children may consider going to college)

While the United States has doubled in population since 1890, the number of college and graduate students has multiplied twelve times. The young man or woman in business today who does not have a college education has twelve times the competition that he or she would have had in 1890. Possibly this is one reason why so many parents who did not go to college themselves are anxious to send their children there. Of course those who did not go to college are not familiar with the moral or immoral, religious or irreligious conditions that will surround their children at college. Also those who did go to college will not have a correct idea of the conditions in the average college today, if they are basing it upon the conditions they were familiar with twenty years ago.

The purpose of this article is not to consider whether or not to send the young people to college, but is to consider whether or not it should be a college controlled and governed by members of the church of Christ or one of the average colleges not controlled by the religion of Jesus Christ.

A book, published in May, 1938, written by Bromley and Britten, gives a clear picture of the conditions surrounding the student in the average college, as far as morals are concerned, which is based upon written questionnaires and personal interviews with thirteen hundred college students. The questionnaires were received from six hundred eighteen females and four hundred seventeen males. On the subject of religion it says:

James A. Hawes, for twenty years traveling secretary of the D. K. E. fraternity, and, from a different point of view, Dr. E. M. Lloyd-Jones, formerly of the Personnel Department of Northwestern University, an institution with a strong Methodist tradition, have both observed that religion is no longer an important influence in student life. It also states:

In contrast to woman's strongly religious bent in the past, it is significant that only ten per cent of today's young women acknowledge religious influences in their lives. This is but little larger than the men's percentage.

In discussing the use of liquor, it would indicate that your daughters are expected to associate with, dance with, and pet with drunks. It says:

As field representative of a national sorority with chapters in forty-three universities, Elizabeth Eldridge, (Continued on Page 2, Column 2) Where Character Counts, and the Power to Achieve Is Developed

# COLLEGE

NUMBER 2

### Some Pleasing Facts

1. What college has received more letters of commendation from national business leaders than any other Southern college or university? Harding College. (See pp. 1-4.)

2. What college newspaper recently won the honor of being the best college weekly in its state? The Bison, published at Harding College. (See p. 4.)

3. What college has won state debate championships seven times in ten years? Harding College. (See pp. 1, 2.)

4. What college in a Southern states contest, including 1,200 contestants, entered four musical events and won four firsts? Harding College. (See p. 3.)

5. What 1937 college student entered a national musical contest in Chicago, including 4,000 contestants, and won *first place in the nation?* Frank Thomann of Harding College. (See p. 3.)

College. (See p. 3.) 6. What twenty-year-old college student received offers from major baseball leagues (New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit) being offered \$12,000 to sign up, but refused so as to complete his course in a Christian College? (Continued on Page 2, Column 3)



ROBERT R. McCORMICK Publisher of The Chicago Tribune, One of the World's Largest Newspapers

"Your splendid example of instilling in your students allegiance to those principles which have guided us, heretofore, in political and economic development could well be imitated by the heads of other educational institutions. I am sure that under your guidance, your college will develop good American citizens."



Harding Graduate Makes Brilliant Record

Joseph Pryor above is one of the young men who has helped work his way through Harding College. Because of outstanding attainments he was offered scholarships by three different universities and finally accepted a fellowship at Louisiana State University, where he is making a very unusual record. Pryor has the distinction of having made the only grade of 100 per cent to have been given by the professor in Advanced Calculus through a long teaching career in various institutions. Pryor has been offered a still more attractive fellowship for next year. He plans to work out his Ph.D. degree and then return to join the faculty of Harding College.

Young Pryor is only one of the graduates of Harding College whose scholarship has won distinction in their graduate work. Others have made similar records in other universities. Their leadership in the graduate schools reflects the outstanding quality of their work at Harding.

#### Protecting Our Children (Continued from Page 1)

recently a coed herself, has visited them all from coast to coast. Her advice is moderate, and, once the point of view is accepted, fairly conservative.

This is a sample:

Mothers and grandmothers would never have needed the practical hints as to what to do on the dance floor if a drunk breaks (asks for a dance) and your partner lets him have it. "Don't refuse to dance with him if he can stand on his own feet. So long as you do not cross a drunk on the dance floor, he is a harmless, though at times unpleasant, partner. . . . A girl today has to be as adroit as ever in handling a drunken date and in staying sober herself. . . . Never under any circumstances let him drive the automobile. If he gets into a brawl, let him fight it out alone. If he gets sick or unmanageable, turn him over to his fraternity brothers or friends. And if he gets amorous, don't wander with him alone in the moonlight."

Time magazine of May 16 devoted almost two columns to a review of this book, and included the following statistics taken from the questionnaire prepared by these students:

One-half of the men and one-quarter of the women juniors and seniors in United States colleges have had premarital sex relations. Of these, two out of three men and one out of three women began in high school.

Three-quarters of the men were willing to marry nonvirgins.

Of the nonvirgin girls, less than one-half admitted having more than one affair, only four per cent being completely promiscuous.

The authors of the book referred to visited fifteen different colleges-five men's, five women's, and five coeducational institutions. Four of the men's colleges were located in the East and one in the South; three of the coeducational universities, two of which were state institutions, were in the Middle West, one was in the South, and one in the Far West.

In 1920 Dr. Davis published a study of one thousand unmarried women, age thirty-seven, stating that nineteen per cent were tolerant towards sex relations outside of marriage. The Bromley and Britten study, however, which was confined entirely to college students, found that sixtyfour per cent of the young women in college approved of sex relations outside of marriage.

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## Do Harding Debaters Have More Chance of Victory and Success?

They have won the state and midsouth championships seven times in ten years. They have won three out of five entries in extemporary speaking and oratory. Compute their



chances for vourself.

On the left are some of the cups brought in Students by debaters. interested in preaching, law, business, teaching, or public service will find unusual training in speech at Harding.





GEN. J. G. HARBORD Chairman of the Board, Radio Corpora-tion of America

"I congratulate you on the excellent work you are doing in bringing such men as Dr. Kemmerer to your state.

"I congratulate you on the showing which Harding College makes as described in your letter. It must be that you have an exceptional student body or are handling it exceptionally well. Perhaps the one is the result of the other."

#### Some Pleasing Facts

(Continued from Page 1) Elwin Roe of Harding College. (See p. 3.)

7. What college has demonstrated the strength of its Speech Department by winning highest honors in the state in dramatics and in debate, and by having three members of its poetry club represented in a national anthology of college verse for 1938? Harding College. (See pp. 1, 4.)

8. What college was able to make the outstanding statement during the last years that it had no unemployed graduates? Harding College. (See next BULLETIN.)

#### A Fact of Greater Importance

The material honors that have been heaped upon the students of Harding College speak well for the unusually high standing of its fac-ulty. They demonstrate that no Christian parent need run the risk of permitting a child to go to a nonreligious college to secure the best intellectual training or the best preparation for business life. The 200 letters in our files from such men as Robert R. McCormick, editor of The Chicago Tribune; General J. G. Harbord, chairman of the Board of the Radio Corporation of America; Ralph Budd, pres-ident of the Burlington Railroad Company; and others commending Harding College furnish all the proof you could desire that no college offers better preparation or opportunity for a business career than Harding. Of far greater importance, however, is the fact that former students of Harding College are now and have been serving Christ on missionary fields, are now and have been preaching the gospel of Christ; that many students who enter college indifferent religiously become Christians before leaving; that all study the Bible which is taught as the inspired Word of God; and that the Bible instructors have been known for many years as spirituallyminded servants of God.



R. GRAY Vice-Chairman, Board of Directors of the Union Pacific Railroad

"I am interested to learn of the methods which you have adopted and which, as you say, are somewhat unique in that you are apparently going farther than I have ever heard of elsewhere. Certainly these addresses by practical business men will supplement the education of your young people in many ways and will point out in an understandable way particularly those things which are to be avoided."



Harding Students Win South and National Honors

In the great National Musical Festival held at Chicago last summer, and including over 4,000 contestants from all parts of the nation, Frank Thomann of Harding College, left, won first place in the bass solo.

In a great Southern states contest held earlier at Memphis both he and Fletcher Floyd, right, sophomore in Harding College, had en-Among more than 1,200 tered. contestants from five Southern states Mr. Floyd won first in baritone and Mr. Thomann first in both bass and violin. The Harding A Cappella Chorus was the fourth number entered and it too took first.

A remote control broadcasting system is being installed this summer, so that radio programs can be sent out from our own auditorium beginning next September.

Students in the music department will be given a prominent part on these programs, under the supervision of experienced teachers. Students in music may specialize in any one of four divisions for the Bachelor of Music degree—piano, voice, violin, and public school music.

#### Protecting Our Children (Continued from Page 2)

We all know that no such condition exists in the colleges controlled by members of the church of Christ, and it would seem that any member of the church, who has the opportunity of sending a child to such an institution, but instead offers no objection to the child going to a state institution or to the average college described by this book, is flying into the face of Providence.

Why, we might ask, do sixty-four per cent of the young women in college approve of sex relations outside of marriage? Dan Gilbert, in his well-known book entitled "Crucifying Christ in Our Colleges," gives two reasons:

1. In sociology "not only is the coed taught that illicit relations are proper, but she is taught that the legal control of sexual relationships is improper." "In sociology one is taught the virtues of free love and viciousness of marriage." Numerous quotations from professors' lectures and from textbooks are given by the author to substantiate this statement.

2. The teaching of the Bible regarding love and marriage is denied, destroyed, and ridiculed. Many proofs of this are given by Mr. Gilbert. Here is one of them from page 122:

The following dogmas are attested by citations (gathered by the Rev. William P. McCorkle) from the writings of the noted sociology professors, Harry Elmer Barnes, of — College, and L. L. Bernard, of — University: 1. All gods and devils were the creations of the human

imagination.

2. There never has been any divine revelation of God's will to man, and never will be.

3. No extant moral code, not even that derived from the Bible, possesses divine authority. Jesus was merely a religious reformer.

4. The Christian's hope of heaven is based on a myth, "the myth of reinstatement." 5. The fall of mankind was mythical, "the myth of re-

gression."

6. Conscience is nothing more than the product of group opinion.

7. Christianity errs as to the basic purpose of moral conduct.

8. Current Christian and Jewish teaching as to purity and modesty is all wrong. "Our sex mores go back to primitive mysticism and superstition," and to the Jewish mores, where there was developed that pernicious concept, "naked and ashamed."

9. Christianity has degraded woman, assigned her a lower position than she occupied in pagan Greece, and has retarded human progress. 10. The world today has no true code of morals and

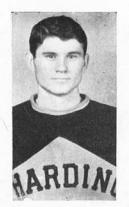
must look to science alone to supply one.

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PERCY C. MAGNUS President, New York Board of Trade, Incorvorated

"Your communication of January 27 comes like a breath of fresh air through thick smoke. I congratulate you on your determination to give your students the opportunity of learning something about business from the men who are actually engaged in it."



### Harding Develops Sensational Pitcher

Elwin Roe, above, has made the Harding baseball team the strongest in a state which has produced such national players as "Dizzy" and Paul Dean, "Schoolboy" Rowe, Lon Warneke, Travis Jackson. "Dizzy"

He has won every college game this year. Last year when he fanned twenty-seven men in one thirteen-inning game he attracted attention from New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, and Detroit. Five major league teams sent scouts to watch him play and each tempted Roe with a contract. This year Roe's father reports that he has been offered \$12,000 to let the boy sign up for professional ball. The twenty-year-old youth, however, considers what he is get-ting at Harding College worth more, and is finishing his college work.

Roe has pitched sixty-six innings this season and has struck out 109 men, giving him an average of almost two strike-outs each inning. He has an average of sixteen strike-outs per game. A fast ball, a sharp breaking curve, and a marvelous drop constitute his chief weapons.

If Roe were your son would you advise him to sign up now for professional ball or to go on and finish college? The boy believes that he should get a college degree to fall back on when baseball days will be over.

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If you are interested in attending Harding College, now or at a later time, cut out this form and return it to us with the information desired. You will receive the later bulletins as they appear.
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When do you wish to enter?
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In what work or profession are you interested?
Please list any others who might be interested in attending.
HARDING COLLEGE—SEARCY, ARKANSAS

### Harding Leads in Speech and Language Arts



SAM PEEBLES Smyrna, Tennessee Editor of the Bison

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Judged by the Universities of Wisconsin, Oklahoma, and Tennessee, the Harding *Bison* was awarded highest honors as the best college weekly in the state for 1937-38. In addition to sweepstakes, first awards were won for make-up, headings, and special feature articles.

Thoroughness of the work in journalism, attested by this and other awards in former years, will be increased next year by installation of a completely equipped printing office for high quality printing, photo engraving, and photography. The brilliant record of the Campus Players, debaters, and Poetry Club is briefly suggested elsewhere. James Kern Sears, senior in Harding Academy and member of Campus Players and Poetry Club, was state winner in poetry reading this year.

Every phase of speech and dramatic training is given from acting to creating scenery and writing plays. Harding is the first college in the state to make a corrective and cultural speech course a requirement for every student. It has received high commendations from educational leaders for its progressive work, and at least one other institution of outstanding position is planning to follow its policy as rapidly as it can be arranged.



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The problem of immorality and atheism that exists in nonreligious educational institutions is discussed in this Bulletin, which is a reprint of an article from the Gospel Advocate, Nashville, Tennessee.

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