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Harding Reflector and Alumni News



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PLANS OF THE ASSOCIATION

EDWIN M. HUGHES

The most forward step taken by our Association in recent years was the election of an Executive Secretary last spring. For several years we have gone along with the regular officers, each willing to do what he could, but with no one taking the initiative. In fact no one of the three officers had time to do justice to the Alumni work and at the same time take care of other responsibilities.

The need for an Executive Secretary has been felt for some time, and as the Association has grown in influence, in the scope of its activities, and in its plans for the future, the need has become acute for one in whose hands could be centralized the various problems and activities of the Association.

Recognizing the potentialities of a strong Alumni Association, Dr. Benson, President of Harding College, has been untiring in his efforts to put the Association on its feet. Not only has he financed the Association's activities, but has now agreed to finance the office of the Executive Secretary.

An office has been selected and turned over to the Association, and is being equipped at the present time. Being well located, this office will serve as the central point for all Alumni activity on the campus, and should be the mecca of all returning Alumni members.

In the election of B. Frank Rhodes, Jr., to serve as Executive Secretary the Association has made a wise choice. Mr. Rhodes is well known by all Harding students, and probably knows personally as many of the Alumni members as any one in the Asso-

ciation. Mr. Rhodes has recently received his Ph. D. Degree from the University of California and is now head of the History Department of Harding College.

It is with confidence that the Association officers look to the future, and it is our desire that every member of the Association will wholeheartedly cooperate in the years to come, that our Alma Mater may be proud of its graduates and ex-students, and that we may be justly proud of our part in helping our Alma Mater achieve her place in the post-war world.

PERSONAL EVANGELISM CLASS

This class, taught by Dr. George S. Benson meets each Friday night. It is one of the largest and most active groups on the campus, having an average attendance of about seventy-five. The group is divided into four teams for personal work in Searcy and nearby towns.

SCHOOL OUTING

Nearly the whole student body enjoyed an all-day outing November 3 at Letona, twelve miles from Searcy. The beautiful fall day was spent hiking around the creek and the hills. An excellent dinner was prepared by Mrs. Chandler, of which the outstanding features were barbecued pork and banana pudding. Because rationing and other factors made necessary the curtailment of club and class outings, it was decided to take all the students on an outing at once.

HARDING COLLEGE—Present and Future

GEORGE S. BENSON, President

In spite of the manpower shortage and in spite of other national complications Harding College is enjoying a very excellent student body and a very fine school year with full dormitories.

One new major—a major in Library Science—was added this year. Other new courses to keep step with changing conditions and with new demands upon educational institutions, have been added.

The Bible Department is strong and the number of Theological students continues to grow as it has over the past several years.

Financial conditions continue to improve. Gradually the institution is making progress on its endowment campaign.

The College has also added a new department—a Department

of Popular Education. This is in reality, a department for mass adult education. Believing that a college has a debt to its entire community as well as a debt to the students who are able to live on its own campus, Harding College is reaching out through many publications, through radio, through an intensive lecture program, and through special selected reading courses to ever increasing numbers.

In addition to a broadly circulated monthly bulletin and other special publications, a column goes to 1,500 different newspapers each week.

In addition to a weekly radio program over KARK at Little Rock, recordings are appearing weekly on prominent stations in seven other states.

ALUMNI NEWS

1925—Mr. and Mrs. William Dowdy are employed by a florist company at Abilene, Texas. Mrs. Dowdy was Mae Bell, daughter of Professor and Mrs. R. C. Bell.

1926—Roy B. Harris an employe of the Times-Journal Publishing Company, printed the Harding yearbook, the Petit Jean in 1943. He is married and has two children.

1927—John Adams, academy, is preaching for the Woodstock Park congregation at Jacksonville, Florida.

1928—D. Willis Rhodes, of Borger, Texas, and Mrs. J. C. Kings-

ley (Maurine Rhodes) and son of Colorado Springs, visited Prof. and Mrs. B. F. Rhodes, recently, all the children being home for a reunion.

1929—Lindsay Allen is continuing his work with the church at Cullman, Alabama.

W. Eugene Hightower, formerly city mail carrier at Morrilton, has moved with Mrs. Hightower and sons, Joe and Edwin, to Weslaco, Texas.

1930—Carrie Olson Henderson and Adrian Henderson, '32, and

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THE SCHOOL YEAR

Starting its twentieth year, Harding College opened the fall term with about the same enrollment as last year, but with a larger number of boarding students than before. Ninety-seven courses are being offered this fall in the college by twenty-six members of the faculty. The Academy and the Training School each has a comparatively large enrollment.

ACTIVITIES

Music

The Chorus is a large group this year, having 122 members, with the parts about evenly divided. Rehearsals are held Tuesday and Friday nights at 6:00 in the auditorium. Many former chorus members have been visitors at rehearsals this fall. Mr. Kirk reports that one of the most popular numbers is a new Lyn Murray arrangement of "Let's Bring New Glory to Old Glory."

Forty girls compose one Glee Club, which has greatly improved alto and second soprano sections. There are thirty men in the other Glee Club, which is about equal in quality to organizations of preceding years. A Girls' Sextet was formed this year, instead of a Trio as in former years, and this promises to be a good organization.

Mr. Coger of Heber Springs, is directing the orchestra. Some former members did not return, but new ones should make this organization about equal to last year. Mr. Laas, known to former students as Orchestra Director,

left the second day of school to accept a job in a shipyard in Houston, Texas.

General musical conditions are very good. More are studying voice and piano than ever before, and there are fine accompanists for all singing groups. There has been splendid hymn singing in the dining hall after church on many Sunday nights.

Speech and Dramatics

With Miss Robbins, who has her M. A. degree from Northwestern University, as a new Director, the Dramatic Club is larger than ever and off to a fine start. A Lyceum Course is being sponsored again this year, the first number of which, "Second Childhood," is to be presented November 19.

The Speech Festival, under the direction of Mrs. Armstrong, is again being planned for this year, with awards in various events to be given by many former students.

The debaters are now hard at work preparing for the Mid-South Tournament, to be held at Arkadelphia early in December.

Publications

A large number of students are engaged this year in work on "The Bison." Keith Coleman and Monroe Hawley are co-editors.

The *Petit Jean* is under the editorship of Elizabeth King. As this is being written, individual pictures are being taken of students and faculty.

THANKSGIVING PROGRAM

The Thanksgiving week will be filled with inspiring speeches by outstanding preachers and church leaders. Among those who are definitely scheduled to speak are: E. W. McMillan, of the Union Avenue church in Memphis, and well known to all; Clifton Ganus, who will talk on "Christian Education;" K. C. Moser, who will speak on "Knowledge of Christ Jesus;" Gussie Lambert, "Some Problems and Prospects Facing Youth Today;" S. F. Timmerman, "Reassuring the Faith of Youth;" Charles Pitner, "A Field White Unto Harvest;" J. N. Armstrong; U. R. Beeson; Norvel Young; and Howard White.

Others who have been invited to speak, but from whom definite word has not yet been received, are: B. C. Goodpasture, C. H.

Hale, H. C. Crowder, John Bannister, Wallis Beasley, and Harvey Scott. It is hoped that these brethren also will decide to come.

Dinner will be served in the college dining hall on Thanksgiving Day for all visitors and students. Many of you remember these Thanksgiving dinners with pleasure.

Alumni Program

An Alumni-Varsity basketball game will be played Thanksgiving Day at 4:00 p. m. We are hoping that many former players will return to match their skill with today's college boys. Following this, there will be an Alumni tea at 5:30. You will enjoy seeing your old friends, and meeting others about whom you have read and heard.



THANKSGIVING DINNER

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sons are living on their farm at Floral and teaching school.

1931—Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Dykes live at Topeka, Kansas, where he is preaching a second year. He and his wife, Elizabeth Pankratz, ex '31, have another boy, born August 28.

1932—J.—V. Copeland, Jr., is teaching school at Bell, Florida.

1933—Mrs. Otis Gatewood, formerly Alma Morgan, is living at Salt Lake City, where Mr. Gatewood is preaching.

1934—Geraldine Rhodes Baird and O. P. Baird, '36, who have been living at Woodbury, Tennessee, will move the first of the year to Atlanta, Ga., where Mr. Baird will work with a newly established church.

1935—Pfc. Guy Dale McReynolds, who has been overseas about a year, has seen service in North Africa and Sicily.

1936—Margaret Lucille Toler is working in the office of Arkansas Power and Light Company at Pine Bluff.

1937—Glen D. Trent, who married Beth Varner of Marvel on September 26, 1942, is a signal man for the navy on a merchant ship and has crossed the Atlantic three times.

1938—Berneile Anderson Greenway and small son visited Harding recently. Her husband, Vance, has recently been inducted into the army and is stationed at Camp Robinson, Little Rock.

1939—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Milier are living near Judsonia where he is farming. Their son, Paul Robert, was a year old in July. Mrs. Miller was Alyene Yokum.

1940—Oscar Drake is teaching at Tanacross, Alaska. Address: U. S. D., Indian Field Service.

1941—Mariam Graham is a medical technician in a clinic at Bay City, Michigan. Her address is 400 N. Wenona.

1942—Miss Frances Welch, ex. is home economics teacher at Brinkley.

—Ruby Lowery Stapleton.

BIRTHS

Nancy Jill, to Mr. and Mrs. Neil B. Cope of 1043 Chicago, Evanston, Illinois, on September 17. Mr. Cope is working on the staff of the Chicago Tribune.

Clarita Dorothea, to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bartley, Jr., on August 27. The Bartleys are teaching at Joiner, Arkansas.

Mary Claire to Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Stapleton on September 7 at Searcy. The Stapletons are members of the Harding faculty.

Eddie Jo, to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin M. Hughes in July at Searcy. Searcy.

Marilyn Jean, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geer in July. Mrs. Geer was Lavone Thornton, '41. Mr. Geer is teaching at West Ridge. Ridge.

Donald Kelley, to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thompson of Paragould, on October 1. Mrs. Thompson was Elaine Camp, ex. '40.

Robert Caudell, born October 8 to Mr. and Mrs. Caudell Lane, both graduates of '43. Mrs. Lane was Edythe Tipton. Mr. Lane, in the engineering corps of the army, is stationed at Camp Cleborne, Louisiana.

YOUR PERSONAL INVITATION

As president of Harding College, I take great pleasure in hereby extending a personal invitation to every former student of Harding College and to every parent of our present student body, and to our many, many other friends to visit Harding College and enjoy with us the special Thanksgiving lecture program this year.

Our lecture program will begin on Sunday, November 21, and continue through until Thursday night, November 25.

We shall undertake to provide free rooms for all visitors. Meals

may be had in our cafeteria at the same rate that our students pay.

In spite of the difficulties of travel we have definite indications that this will be a great homecoming. Some are coming from as far away as New York state. The number of speakers on the program will be larger than usual, including several from our own state and representatives from at least five other states, according to present expectations.

Again we say "Come and be with us."

—GEORGE S. BENSON.

MARRIAGES

Sgt. Cornelius Finley, ex '41, of Providence, married Miss Ruth Manees of Kilgore, Texas, October 22.

Anna B. Higgins and Louis Tandy were married September 9 at Searcy. They live at Luxora, where he is director of physical education.

Marjorie Harwood and Gene Hancock were married in the Harwood home in Searcy on May 26. Mr. Hancock is teaching at Burdett.

Miss Dorothy Brown and Joe Clark, both ex '43, were married on September 27 at Tampa, Florida where he is in defense work.

On September 27, Miss Ocrie Melton, ex '31, and Mr. Robert Lambert were married in the Harding College Chapel.

Miss Betty Bergner and Jim Bill McInteer were married on July 20 at the Church of Christ, Isabel, Kansas. They are living at 108 S. Elm, Pine Bluff, where he is in defense work.

Estelle Anthony
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