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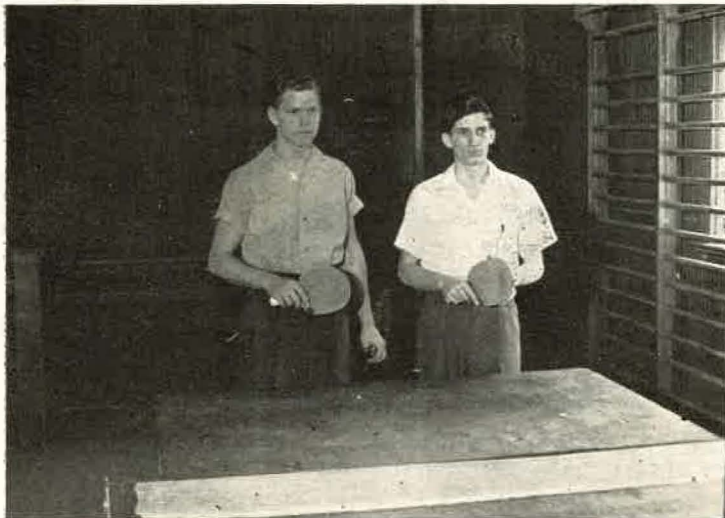


BULLETIN

Harding College--Searcy, Arkansas

Harding Reflector *and Alumni News*

Spring, 1946



PING PONG FINALISTS, 1946

OFFICERS

Clifton Ganus, Jr.,	- - - - -	President
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Mildred Formby Mattox,	- - - - -	Secretary
B. Frank Rhodes, Jr.,	- - - - -	Executive Secretary

Commencement Program

Since this is the first post-war Commencement, it is hoped that the largest number in all of Harding's history can, and will plan to be here for the homecoming celebration this spring.

Baccalaureate services will be on Sunday evening, May 26, when Brother Batsell Baxter, of Nashville, Tennessee, will preach the sermon. Official alumni activities will begin on Wednesday, May 29, which is designated as "Alumni Day". Chapel services this year will be under the direction of Mrs. Ruby Lowery Stapleton, '26. The whole class of '26 plans to be here to celebrate its twentieth anniversary. A special request is sent to the classes of '31, '36, and '41, to try to do as well.

Wednesday afternoon the usual Varsity-Alumni softball game will be played. The exes plan to take this game this year. Sidney Roper, '45,

"Spring Fever"

"Spring Fever" is not only the most common malady at Harding; it is also the theme of the last lyceum number to be presented in the college auditorium on the night of May 30. The setting of the play is, appropriately enough, a college campus at commencement time. Zoology professors, rich donors, and a few

said after the game last year, "We'll come back and beat them next year." All of you alumni help make this intention a reality.

At 6 o'clock the Alpha Honor Society will have its annual dinner. An outstanding national personality is expected to speak at that occasion, although no further announcement can be given right now. This dinner is open to all those who care to reserve plates.

In the evening the commencement play, which is "Spring Fever", by Glenn Hughes, will be presented.

Thursday morning, May 30, graduation exercises will be held. Immediately following this is the Alumni Dinner to which all former students are invited. An established feature of this dinner is STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE.

students are the characters in the drama.

In the cast are Josephine Connell, Maxine Mercer, Mildred Lanier, Lois Gurganus, June Robbins, Ruth Benson, Bob Helsten, Doug Lawyer, Charles Stovall, Clarence Richmond, Charles Brooks, and Dale Straughn.

Vote for Council Members

Elections for half the members of the Alumni Council are being held this spring, so that hereafter one-half of the council will retire each year. Terms are for two years. As a member from District Two, composed of Louisiana and Texas, D. C. Lawrence, Dimmitt, Texas, Hubert McReynolds, 4537 Woodlawn, Port Arthur, Texas, and Ralph Lee Stirman, 12407 Bullington, St., Wichita Falls, Texas, have been nominated.

For District Four, composed of states east of the Mississippi River and north of Tennessee and North Carolina, the nominees are: J. Harvey Dykes, Strathmore Church of Christ, Detroit, Michigan; Doyle F. Earwood, 2928 Chandler Ave., Lincoln Park, Michigan; Louis E.

Green, 1429 Myrtle St., Whiting, Indiana; George Gurganus, 306 West Kennedy, Syracuse, New York; and Dale Larsen, 48 E. 80th Street, New York 21, New York.

For the western half of District V (Arkansas) there has been only one nomination, Charles J. Merryman, North Little Rock. He is therefore declared to be the new Council Member for that section.

Very little interest was shown in the election last year. We are asking that all of you alumni members register your choice in this election. Vote on the ballot below for one name in the district in which you live and MAIL YOUR BALLOT NOW to the Executive Secretary.

BALLOT

(Vote for one name in your district by marking out the names you do NOT want.)

District Two:

D. C. Lawrence

Hubert McReynolds

Ralph Lee Stirman

District Four:

J. Harvey Dykes

Doyle F. Earwood

Louis E. Green

George Gurganus

Dale Larsen

Annie Mae Alston is Popular Teacher

By Leslie Burke

Well-known on Harding's campus today and loved for her broad, ready smile and never-failing cheerfulness is Miss Annie Mae Alston, teacher of English and literature.

Born November 26, 1917, in Henning, Tennessee, to Mr. and Mrs. Willis Alston, Annie Mae spent her early life amidst the environs of her birthplace.

From 1935 to 1937 she attended David Lipscomb College. She continued her collegiate work at Harding and received her B. A. degree in 1939. Taking advantage of the Library School of George Peabody College, Annie Mae added in 1940 a B. S. degree in Library Science to her attainments. She is also a member of the Harding Chapter of the Alpha Honor Society.

Her pedagogical experience includes three years of public high school teaching at West Memphis, Arkansas, during which time she was also school librarian.

Turning down a position elsewhere which promised a bigger salary, Annie Mae joined Harding's faculty in 1944.

Others of the Alston family have attended Harding. Jack, a brother, spent two years at Harding when the school was at Morrilton, Ark., and a sister, Margaret, served as assistant physical education instructor prior to her graduation in 1940.

Annie Mae's special likes are talking, reading, drinking coffee, and eating hard apples. Her special passions are her mother and daddy.

California Chapter

At a meeting in Los Angeles, California, in January, a California Chapter of the Alumni Association was formed. A constitution and by-laws were adopted, and officers are to be elected later.

Great enthusiasm was manifested at the meeting, which seventy persons attended. Many paid oral tribute to the memory of Brother Armstrong. This group plans to be a help to Harding in the years ahead.

Amendment I Adopted Last Fall

Amendment I to the constitution was adopted by vote of the members last fall. This amendment dealt with the adjustment of the dates for term of office of the council members. The amendment was printed in the fall issue of the Reflector, and votes were mailed in.

Alumni News

Dean Lawyer, '45, and his wife Normanda are both teaching school at Marston, Missouri. Dean was also the basketball coach.

Donald and Frances Healy, '43, are living in Nashville, Tennessee, where Donald is teaching in Peabody Demonstration School. Mrs. Healy receives her B. A. degree from Peabody College this year. They have a daughter one year old, named Suzanne.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Watson, '44, are living in Springdale, Arkansas, where Neal is Principal of the high school.

George DeHoff, '37, and his wife are now living in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, where George is working with the East Main Street Church. The DeHoff's now have two children, Bonnie Marie and George, Jr.

Robert Lawyer, ex-'37, is now in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, where he is manager of a jewelry store. He preaches for the church of Christ in Kennett, Missouri. Robert now has two children, Richard and David.

Captain John F. (Fletcher) Floyd is now at Langley Field, Va. Fletcher is remembered around Harding as an outstanding singer, and was a member of the class of '39.

Horace (Nick) Camp and Sue, both '39, are in Wichita Falls, Texas,

where Nick is buyer for 150 Whites Auto Stores, and manager of an apartment building.

Emerson L. Flannery, '40, is now working with the church in Kannapolis, North Carolina, after teaching and preaching for several years in Ohio and Canada. He now has three daughters.

Theodore King, '37, is now minister of the church of Christ in Eldorado, Oklahoma, where he also teaches history in the public schools. He has one son, John Theodore.

Alpha Honor Dinner

A nationally known figure is being secured as the speaker for the annual Alpha Honor Society banquet, which is to be given at 6 o'clock, Wednesday, May 29. He will also be the speaker for commencement exercises on Thursday. At the time of this writing it is not certain what man will be obtained, but you can count on hearing an outstanding personality.

Plates for this banquet will cost \$1.25. Reservations must be in by May 27. Send your money to Dr. W. K. Summitt, Registrar; Bob Helsten, President of Alpha Honor Society; or B. Frank Rhodes, Jr., Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association.

Summary of Past Events

Events of the year move past the vision of this year's student body in a way that is familiar to all former students, and yet they present new faces and variations that are ever-new. During the winter and spring athletic seasons the Senior Class added the basketball title to its other honors, while the Juniors received the crowns in both volleyball and softball. In individual events, Carter Geer won the cross-country race, with Joe Webb and Ambrose Rea second and third; Ray Traxler won the horseshoe-pitching title; and James Ganus again was top man in ping pong.

The chorus has made a number of trips this year. The two longest jaunts were a three-day trip to Tennessee and Mississippi, and a similar excursion to south Arkansas. On the latter journey the group sang to a crowd of about 500 in Texarkana. More recently the chorus has sung at churches in Judsonia, Calico Rock, Brinkley, and Wynne.

Taking them to Little Rock on April 26, Mrs. Florence Jewell presented the singers as an individual unit and in combination with other singing groups of the state at the State Festival of Music Federation Clubs. For their ability and faithfulness during the year, thirty members of the chorus were recently awarded keys.

Under the combined direction of

Mrs. Florence Jewell and Miss Vivian Robbins, an operetta was presented as one of the lyceum numbers. This production was titled "Hearts and Blossoms", and featured Dorothy Brewer, Robert Webb, Gladys O'Neal, Bill Nations, Gladys Walden, Evan Ulrey, Pat Halbert, and Orel Herren.

On April 4 Miss Vivian Robbins took the play, "High Hearts," to Little Rock as Harding's entry in the State Speech Festival. It received a rating of "good". Two days later at the Festival, Pat Benson received a "superior" rating in memorized poetry, and Mildred Lanier was judged "excellent". Bill Smith also received a mark of "excellent" in oratory.

Bill Smith was voted "the outstanding speaker" at the Youth Congress of the Southern Association of Teachers of Speech, held in Atlanta, Georgia. This year Robert Helsten, Ruth Benson, and Al Stroop have been added to the roster of members of Alpha Psi, national dramatic fraternity.

The annual Junior-Senior Banquet was served on March 29 at the Rendezvous. An academic theme was carried out in the decorations. On May 1 the Ju Co Ju Club presented their traditional May Day program. Dot Munger was crowned as Queen, with Gladys Walden and Jewell Hanes serving as Maids.

Contributions

This includes those received since November 3.

Maud F. Jackson	\$ 5.00	Terrell Clay	5.00
W. M. Timmerman	5.00	Sidney Roper	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jess Rhodes	10.00	Kern Sears	10.00
Marguerite O'Banion	5.00	Gene Koken	5.00
Mrs. Vance E. Greenway	5.00	Lee F. Lambert	5.00
Griffin Copeland	5.00	Mrs. George D. Tipps, Sr.	5.00
Winston Allen	5.00	Sara Collier	5.00
Mrs. C. M. Huddleston	5.00	Monroe Hawley	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bill McInteer ..	10.00	Ethel Brabbzson	5.00
Gussie M. Eubank	5.00	Enid Coleman	5.00
Mary Gray	5.00	Gretchen Hill	5.00
Joseph E. Pryor	10.00	Lois McGregor Massey	5.00
Marian Graham	5.00	Ruby Jean Wesson	5.00
George S. Benson	10.00	Don Healy	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Trent	5.00	Clinton Rutherford	10.00
Worley Ferguson	5.00	Mrs. J. R. Colvin	5.00
Mrs. Charles Geer	5.00	Pauline Reid	5.00
Blanche Rickman	5.00		

A payment of \$89.41 on the insurance is due June 1. Very little is on hand to make this payment, as most of the money listed above went to meet previous payments.

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IMPORTANT

If the address below is not correct or will soon be changed, please drop a card to Alumni Association, Harding College, Searcy, Ark., giving the correct information. Or, if you know an alumnus or an ex-student with whom we have lost contact, please send us the correct address of such a one. We want to keep in touch with all, but we need your help.

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