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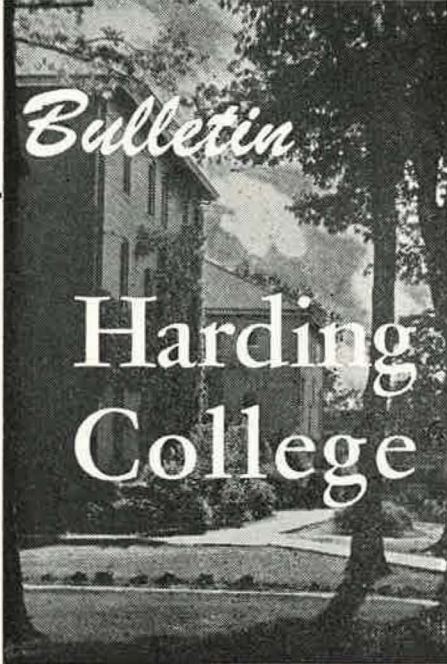
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Lectures Planned For Thanksgiving

"Inspirational and scholarly" is the prediction for Harding's annual Thanksgiving Lectureship to be held here November 21-25. Theme of the meetings, "Foundations of Our Faith," has been announced by Pres. George S. Benson.

Eight visiting speakers will appear on the program during these five days of lectures. They are: R. C. Bell, Abilene Christian College; Melvin Wise, Union Ave. Church, Memphis, Tenn.; George DeHoff, publisher and minister, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; Burton Coffman, Central Church, Houston, Texas; L. O. Sanderson, Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock, Ark.; A. R. Holton, Central Church, Nashville, Tenn.; G. C. Brewer, Jackson Ave. Church, Memphis, Tenn.; and E. W. McMillan, missionary to Japan.

Also, two of the Harding faculty, J. D. Bales, head of the Bible department, and F. W. Mattox, dean of men, will speak.

On the program for Thanksgiving Day are lectures by G. C. Brewer and E. W. McMillan, a report on progress of the Harding College Building Fund Drive, by C. L. Ganus, president of the board of trustees, and an address by Dr. Benson, asking for a contribution for missionaries. Meetings for alumni and ex-students are also planned.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons of Thanksgiving week will feature special classes on subjects related to the lecture theme. These classes will be conducted by Dean L. C. Sears, John Lee Dykes and J. D. Bales, of the Harding College faculty.

Subjects for some of the lectures are: "The Invincible Kingdom," "Biblical Contradictions Answered," "The Eternal God," and "The Inspiration of the Bible."



Mrs. Cathcart (left) and Miss Bell (right) enjoy a morning chat with Mrs. Armstrong (center) at the door of the L. C. Sears home.

Harding Happy To Have All Its Deans of Women

Did you know that Harding College has three deans of women? Of course, two of them are deans emeriti, but what other college is so fortunate as to have three deans of women living on its campus.

First dean of women at Harding was Mrs. Woodson Harding Armstrong, who was made dean emeritus in 1938. Then Mrs. Florence Cathcart held the position until 1947, when she was made dean emerita. Present dean of women is Miss Zelma Bell, Harding graduate of 1940, who holds the master of arts degree from Columbia University. She was enrolled at Harding as a student during years that Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Cathcart served as deans.

Mrs. Armstrong is the widow of the late president emeritus, J. N. Armstrong. Her father was James A. Harding, for whom the college is named. This year she retired from active teaching in the speech department and is spending her time "just resting" and doing many of the things she has been too busy to do for so long. Her hundreds of "girls and boys" will be interested to know that recently she bought a new sewing machine and plans to have fun using it. (Mrs. Armstrong has two grandchildren for whom she can sew!) On Sundays she teaches a Bible class of college girls. She lives in the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Dean and

Mrs. L. C. Sears.

In 1924, when Harper College and Arkansas Christian College consolidated to form Harding College, Mrs. Cathcart joined the faculty as a teacher in the primary department. Since her retirement as dean of women in June of last year, she has limited her work to teaching two college courses in methods of elementary education. She still keeps in touch with training school children, through her work in directing an outstanding "Rhythm Band" for the first and second grades. Sundays she leads a class of girls in a study of the methods of teaching the Bible to children. Mrs. Cathcart has an apartment in Pattie Cobb Hall.

Both Mrs. Cathcart and Mrs. Armstrong hold degrees from Harding College, as does Miss Bell, the present dean of women.

HELP WANTED!

Your help is needed. In an effort to increase our mailing list, we're asking you to send us names and addresses of people who might be interested in receiving the *Bulletin*—either as friends of the school or prospective students.



Mr. Earl Smith, of the campus maintenance staff, machining the cotton gin pulley.



Dr. Benson (right) and Dean Cremean, local businessman, inspect one of the castings machined at the college plant. At the machine is Bernie Vines, sophomore. Others are (left to right) Mayor Oliver, Dean Sears, Dr. McKerlie.



Representatives of the Mueller Brass Company demonstrate correct methods of soldering and sweating joints. A group of local tradesmen observe.

Service Is Motto Of Arts Program

Activities in Harding's new industrial arts department are proving to be of real service to industries of Searcy and nearby communities, as well as to the college. Though work in the department is not yet in full swing, a number of projects are already under way, said Dr. Jardine McKerlie, head of the department.

First job completed in the shops took care of a break-down in service at the Thompson Cotton Gin. A 75-horsepower motor had burned out, and a telephone search over the state found only one motor, of 100-horsepower, which could be used. But the shaft was too large for the multiple V-belt pulley, and it was necessary to machine about one-half inch from the hole in the pulley to make it fit the motor. Also a one-inch keyway and key were machined and holes in the base plate of the new motor were re-located for mounting.

Four staff members of the department spent an entire night modifying and installing the motor. The Thompson Cotton Gin was ready to accept cotton from farmers the next morning.

Another service offered by the department consists of clinic discussions on techniques in the various trades and skills. Recently a three-hour session on the latest methods of plumbing with copper pipe and fittings was held at the building.

About 15 local tradesmen and pipe-fitters heard E. H. Joern and N. W. Cooper, representatives of the Mueller Brass Company, discuss the use and installation techniques of copper pipe. Demonstrations were given of correct methods of soldering and sweating joints and fittings.

The clinic was arranged by Dr. McKerlie, who said that many such sessions were planned for the future.

Another function of the industrial arts department is the promotion and development of new products in cooperation with local industries. The department is now working on a new device recently developed by a Searcy automotive service company. A local businessman has developed a dual carburetion system which requires the machining of a cast-iron manifold attachment. Three hundred of these castings are now being machined to close tolerances at the college plant.

A new type of tile for walls and floors of offices, institutional buildings and homes is being developed in the department. This project is being worked out by Dr. McKerlie. Basic content of the tile is sawdust, a material which is plentiful locally. The tiles are made in a variety of sizes and colors and may even be trowelled on floors and walls.

When industrial arts classes begin, students will learn trades and skills by the actual experience which jobs like these afford.

Professors Write History Textbook

Pres. George S. Benson and Clifton Ganus, Jr., assistant professor of social sciences, are co-authors of a new history textbook to come out soon.

Manuscript of the book, "Constitutional Government and Americanism," is now at the Economy Printing Company, Fort Worth, Texas, and will be published during the fall. Designed as a supplementary study in 12th grade history, the book tells the story of our American constitutional heritage and shows how it is the basis for the freedoms and prosperity enjoyed by the people of this country.

As soon as the book is published, it will be submitted to the Texas State School Board for consideration as a text to be used in Texas Public Schools.

A 40-page cutting of the book will be printed in pamphlet form by the Harding College Press. It will be called "Our American Heritage," and copies will be sent to people interested in the work of the Department of National Education.

Co-author Ganus received the bachelor of arts degree from Harding in 1943 and the master of arts degree from Tulane University in 1946. This is his third year to teach at Harding. He is married to the former Louise Nicholas, Harding graduate of '43. They have a son, Clifton III, age 3.

Pres. Benson is nationally recognized as a speaker and writer. His efforts to promote a greater appreciation for the American free enterprise system are having wide influence and making many friends for the school.



Miss McKerlie does business with E. H. Turman, college engineer.



Business manager, cashier, accountant, clerks—all are in business for Harding College. Left to right: Miss Goddard, Miss McKerlie, Mr. Stokes, Mrs. Wyche, Mrs. Petty, Mr. Massey.

Business Office Staff Keeps College Running

Did you know that every day it takes \$1,000, a business manager, cashier, accountant, three clerks and 48 man-hours of work to keep the business of Harding College moving along? Employees in the business office handle and account for receipts and expenditures of the entire college and many of its auxiliary enterprises, and spend an average of \$1,000 per day.

Extravagant? No, you would hardly find a better business staff or a more efficiently run college. It just takes that much to run this \$1,500,000 institution.

Work in the business office is thoroughly organized. Business manager is E. W. Massey, who has as one of his jobs the collection of student accounts. Students who have difficulty "making ends meet" find that Mr. Massey is understanding and helpful with their problems. Humorously, he has described his office as not unlike the ancient Jewish Wailing Wall—in this case, the lament being for financial troubles.

Miss Florence McKerlie, cashier, is in charge of accounts payable. This includes the purchasing of equipment and supplies and all operating and maintenance expenses. The college at present has a weekly payroll of 66 construction employees; eighty teachers and staff members receive salary checks monthly.

Also the business office keeps records for auxiliary enterprises such as the college farm, bookstore, printshop, cafeteria, inn, concrete block factory and laundry. New construction in the expansion program also requires extra accounting.

Other employees of the business office are Lewis Stokes, accountant, and Miss Mabel Jean Goddard, Mrs. Claudia Pruitt Petty and Mrs. Marie Walden Wyche, clerks. They record all transactions, keep student work records, charge rents and pro-rate utility bills for college-owned apartments, post, file, check invoices, assist with correspondence and bill the Veteran's Administration for 200 G. I. students' academic expenses.

All college departments are operated on a budget. Statements comparing budgets with actual receipts and expenditures for each department are supplied to department heads monthly. These statements, prepared in the business office, help departments get maximum benefit from the finances allotted them.

Barring registration days, the month of August is perhaps the most rushing time for business office employees. The annual audit is made then, and books are prepared for closing on August 31, end of the fiscal year.

Conferences of business office personnel with advisers from other colleges have resulted in better business organization and improved methods of handling college business. A new accounting machine, soon to be installed, will eliminate much of the handwork and simplify accounting procedures. Continual re-organization and change keep the business office operating smoothly and efficiently in its service to the various Harding College publics.

SOMEONE asked concerning Henry Ford who died recently, "How much did he leave?" The answer he received was "He left all he had."

How true and how pathetic it is that so many people leave behind them all that they possess. In a great many cases possessions that have been accumulated by scrupulous care, and even by miserly thrift, cause hard feelings among close relatives and dear friends. What has cost the former owner a life of self-denial to obtain is squandered by careless heirs with reckless abandon.

The hands of an elderly gentleman, as he lay on his death-bed, were observed by his sons to be restlessly searching for something on the coverlet. One boy got his father a drink but that was not what he wanted; the hands kept exploring the bed covering. Another brought the old man some food. This too was refused and the hands still clutched uneasily at the counterpane.

Finally, one of the young men placed a banknote within the clasp of the feverish hand. Immediately the nervousness was gone, and shortly the old gentleman passed away, clutching part of the treasure he valued most highly. But he didn't take it with him.

The Son of God has revealed to us the way by which we are able to take our wealth with us into the land beyond the grave. "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven," He admonishes all. "Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only, in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you he shall in no wise lose his reward," is further instruction regarding taking our wealth with us. Again, Jesus tells us He is going to tell those in the Judgment who receive His commendation, "I was hungry, naked, thirsty, a stranger, in prison, and ye ministered unto me." When they bewilderedly shall ask under what circumstances they helped their Lord, He will say, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me."

This, then, is the secret. The greater part of the possessions we amass for ourselves and for our heirs, who in many cases would be better off without our legacies, is a complete loss as far as eternity is concerned. A cup of cold water given a thirsty soul who really needs it will be worth infinitely more in heaven than a million dollars bequeathed those who would be better off making their own way in the world.

Why lose these riches that cost us so much of our time and energy to obtain? Someone has put it this way:

"What I spent is gone;
What I saved I lost;
What I gave I have."

Jesus stated, "The poor ye have with you always." There are so many outstretched hands in the world today: there are so many beseeching our help while we, unseeing, pass by on the other side.



Send It On Ahead Of You!

By Frank Ellis
Assistant Professor English

Solomon wrote:

"Withhold not good from them to whom it is due
When it is within thy power to do it!"

How are you spending your time? Is it used for your own selfish interests or are you working for God? Our work, whether we are farmers, doctors, teachers, merchants, housewives, students, or whatever we may be, can be devoted, and should be to God's service.

The farmer as he goes out to plow should be planning on how he can use the results of his toil, not for luxuries for himself and his family, but to further the cause of Christ. The doctor as he goes among his patients should be building up prestige, not for himself, but for his Lord. The housewife as she watches her budget should not be saving for things she and her family would be better off without; she should be working, planning, saving, so as to help through the church of Christ those who cannot help themselves.

Those who devote their time, energy, and money to their own selfish ends, though they accumulate millions, pass through the valley of the shadow of death the poorest of the poor. Isaiah said "Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and you labour for that which satisfieth not?" For whom then are we working, saving, building? Is God sanctioning our efforts and is He assisting us in our endeavors? David affirmed "Except Jehovah build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

Is God building with you as you erect the house of your eternal destiny? Are you dispatching regularly to your God wealth that will be available to you in the New Jerusalem, the everlasting home of the soul? God will work with us if we work with and for Him. Although Paul wrote Timothy "For we brought nothing into the world, for neither can we carry anything out," we can send it on before us to be placed to our account. Job remarked that he came naked into the world and must leave it the same way.

A person in a strange city, penniless and far from home, need not be concerned if he knows he has a substantial bank account at home. All he has to do is go home and draw on his account. Send your treasures to heaven.

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