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Seven nominated for 1952-53

Official ballot to be mailed to Association members

Seven candidates have been nominated for the offices of president and vice president of the Harding College Alumni Association for the 1952-53 term.

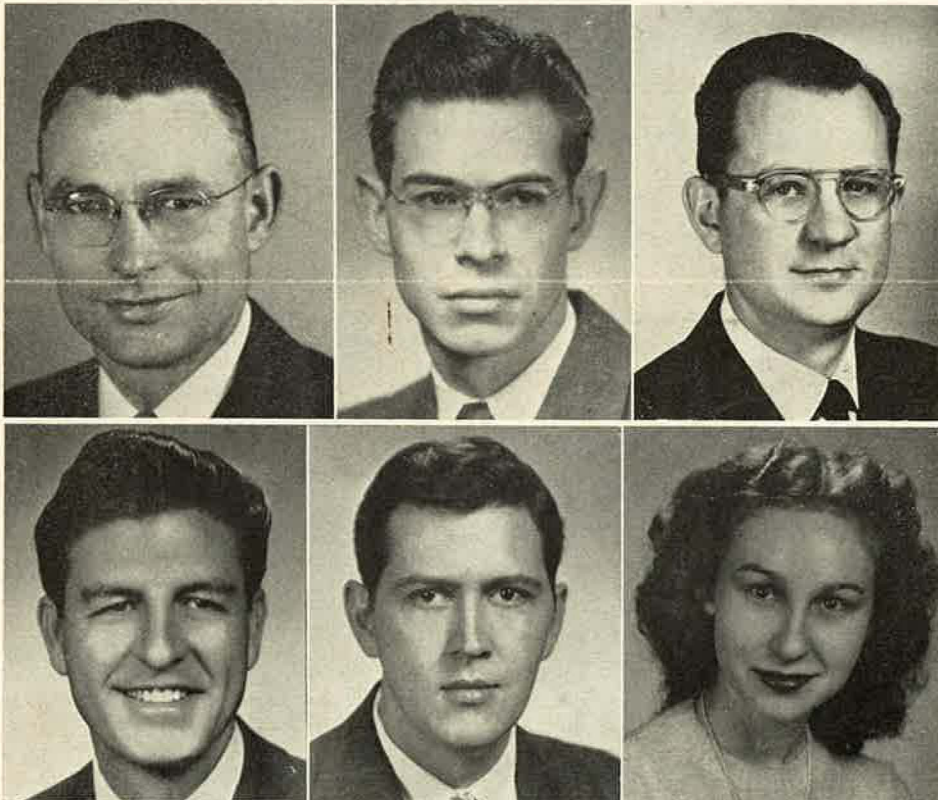
Nominated for president are: Dr. Jack Wood Sears, '40, and Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, '37.

For vice president: Billy Norris, '35, Rex Westerfield, '49, Charles Cranford, '51, C. W. Bradley, '44, and Mrs. Eddie Baggett (Jeannette Norris), '50.

Names of these candidates will appear on the official ballot, which will be mailed to all members before May. Voting ends at noon, June 5, Commencement Day, and new officers will be installed at the annual alumni luncheon-business meeting on that day.

Both presidential candidates are members of the college faculty. Dr. Sears, head of the biology department, holds the Ph.D. degree from the University of Texas. Dr. Pryor, head of the chemistry department, received the Ph.D. degree from Louisiana State University.

Cranford is employed by Gulf Oil Company, Shreveport, La. Mrs. Baggett is a housewife, living in Searcy. Westerfield is associated with Westerfield, Inc., Oklahoma City, Okla. Bradley is minister of the Church of Christ, Statesville, North Carolina, and Norris is a minister in Sparta, Tenn. He holds the M.A. degree from George Peabody College.



Top row: Norris, Westerfield, Dr. Sears. Bottom row: Cranford, Dr. Pryor, Mrs. Baggett. Bradley is not pictured.

Giving is good

Alumni have contributed more money to the Alumni Fund in the four months elapsed thus far in fiscal year 1951-52 than they gave during the entire 1950-51 year. (The Alumni Fund total was \$721.23 last year.)

A gift to Harding is a gift both to the present and future!

Recruit students

Dallas and Fort Worth alumni helped Harding launch its 1952 student recruitment program with a dinner for their high school senior friends and other college-age young people at Luby's Cafeteria, in Dallas, Jan. 15. A dozen or more alumni chapters in other southern cities will cooperate with the college in entertaining prospective students during the next few months.

Dr. W. B. West, head of the Bible department, was speaker at the Dallas dinner, and Catherine Root, '48, executive secretary, and Jess Rhodes, '38, field representative, presented a program featuring student life at Harding. They showed color slides of campus scenes and student activities, and played recordings of songs by the chorus.

Other alumni groups planning entertainments for young people include: Houston, Port Arthur, and Beaumont, Tex.; Nashville and Memphis, Tenn.; Tulsa and Oklahoma City, Okla.; Florence, Athens, and Birmingham, Ala.; Fort Smith, Little Rock, Texarkana, and Batesville, Ark.

Gerald Gordon killed

Gerald Gordon was killed in an automobile accident near Searcy Oct. 27, 1951. His wife, the former Joe Rene Boggan, died a few days later of injuries received in the accident. The Gordons are survived by a daughter, Aleta Ann.

Gerald attended Harding in 1946-48, and had been employed as a crop dusting pilot. Three of his brothers, Reginald, Paxson, and Robert, are Harding alumni.



President's Corner

By Clifton L. Ganus, Jr.

IN THE JANUARY 1952 ISSUE of the **Readers' Digest** there is an article entitled "The Source of All Our Strength." The author, A. Whitney Griswold, is president of Yale University and a notable historian. His thesis is that man today is faced with the loss of his birthright—freedom. At the point of the sword dictatorships are spreading communism and fettering the minds and lives of those whom they touch. By hatred and fear, by lies and misrepresentations they are forcing multitudes into a position of the blind following the blind to destruction. Individualism is the source of strength that will save America, as Dr. Griswold sees it.

There is another source of strength, I believe, that far transcends the puny efforts of man, a never ending source of power from which all blessings flow. A power which man cannot reckon, able to succor him that seeks it and to melt the heart of stone. This power was the strength of Peter, James, and John and it led Paul through danger and woe. God the creator, the Lord and judge, in whom man lives and moves and has his very being, is the source of all strength and power. Only through Him can there be strong, righteous, self-reliant individuals.

But statistics tell us that millions of American citizens know little about God. There is abundant evidence that the moral fibre of the nation is weakening. The American people, by adding a little socialism here and a little "security" there, and by tolerating immorality in high places are drifting into a type of economy and political order that in future years may well destroy freedom, impair the dignity and worth of the individual, forbid religious worship and freedom of speech, and impoverish the spiritual and material strength of the entire nation.

This type of economy is not new. American history records many attempts at community ownership of property (communism but without its godlessness of today): Jamestown, Plymouth Rock, Brook Farm, New Harmony—to name a few—but each experiment failed miserably, even when the participants were God-fearing men and women. Captain John Smith of Jamestown said that under communism people would not work, having no incentive. William Bradford, governor of Plymouth, wrote that communism bred "much confusion and discontent, and retard much employment that would have been to their benefit and comfort." Must America follow the path of "confusion and discontent" to inevitable ruin, deceived by the lies and misrepresentations of men who hope to become her masters? On whom does the responsibility rest to warn Americans of the danger threatening the nation? Who has the greatest stake in freedom of worship? Those who receive the greatest benefits from a free nation.

Christian people, it seems to me, have a tremendous responsibility and obligation in this matter. First, they know God and His commandments. They know that individual development is not complete without obedience to God. They know that no nation has survived after turning away from God. They know that freedom and opportunity are possible only in a nation that worships and fears God. Also, they know that all Christians must be resigned to the will of God; that against His commands they must not act, even though their lives be forfeited.

Let Christians, in all their endeavors, remember God who is their strength, that they may abide within His pleasure. Let them keep all their efforts consistent with His will. And let the prayer of all Christians everywhere be that they use their influence and learning, however small it may be, to the salvation of men and to the preservation of a way of life that makes Christian worship possible.

the Alumni write

Nashville, Tenn.

Your letter of Nov. 13 brought me an unexpected but highly appreciated honor. I am happy to be numbered among the alumni of Harding College.

If there is any way in which I can be of assistance in your work of indoctrinating students with the ideals that my associates at Harding deepened in me, let me know.

Batsell Baxter

(Note: Harding awarded Batsell Baxter the honorary LL.D. degree in 1939 for "service to Christian education." He is president emeritus and head of the Bible Department at David Lipscomb College, has served as president of Abilene Christian and George Pepperdine Colleges and as professor of Bible at Harding.)

173 Brinkerhoff
Ridgefield Park, N. J.

Having broken all my other New Year's resolutions, I was about to break my resolution to pay my alumni dues . . . but my faithful-to-Harding wife wouldn't let me get by with it. So enclosed is a check . . . Harding means much more to me than I could ever express as a gift in return.

More power to the **Alumni News**. You get more news on those four pages than they do in the *New York Times*. Maybe I can give you some news . . . I married Valle Horton ('52) last June 22, and have been living here since then . . . I'm working as an engineer at Bendix Aviation Corp. in Teterboro, N. J.

Clarence L. Richmond, Jr., '50

Munich, Germany

Here are two pictures of our children for the *Alumni Baby Scrapbook*. Also a short report from us:

We are living in Munich and preaching for a German church, having a membership of about 100 . . . After two years of living in bombed out buildings with three or four other families, we now have a lovely little house all to ourselves . . . The church as yet has no building, but we have bought a lot and hope to start the building before Christmas.

We hope to visit the United States, and of course Harding College, in two more years. In the meantime, we would appreciate letters from friends in the States.

Jack and Kathryn Drake Nadeau, '43, '46

Yokosuka, Japan

I don't know yet why I am writing this letter except that I need to talk to someone on this day (Christmas).

Today we are giving a big dinner and gifts to 170 Japanese orphans. Any man that wants to can invite an orphan to be his guest. Since I can't be with my own daughter, this is about the closest I can get to giving some child a very happy Christmas.

Maybe you would like to know what has happened to me in the past few years. The best thing is that I am married now and have a daughter seven and a half months old. My home now is in Oakland, Calif., and I plan to live there after I get out of the Navy.

Refes O'Brien, '50

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WINTER ISSUE

National council

Two staff members represented the Alumni Association at the District IV Conference of the American Alumni Council, at Texas A and M College, College Station, Jan. 17-19. Miss Catherine Root and Jess Rhodes went to College Station following the Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter dinner meeting, Jan. 15.

The Conference program featured discussions on several phases of alumni work, including office organization, student relations, reunions, homecomings, publications, and alumni awards. Keynote address was made by Charles P. McCurdy, President of the Council.

The Association has applied for membership in the Council, which is a national organization of men and women professionally engaged in alumni work for colleges and universities. It benefits its members by facilitating the interchange of ideas on alumni and educational problems and by studies of practices in organized alumni work. The Association will receive regular publications of the Council, which includes the *AAC News*, a bi-monthly magazine containing new ideas and techniques in alumni work.

Cavalier fund

An alumnus of Alachua, Fla., has given the initial sum toward a loan fund to be used for helping Harding students meet the cost of their education.

Henry J. Waters, '50, former member of the Cavalier social club, has contributed \$25 toward a \$100 student loan fund, to be established by the Cavaliers. The fund is to be administered by the college business office on the same basis as other loan funds.

Present Cavalier members have given \$1 each and all former members have been asked to contribute. Clement Ransburgh, senior and president of the club, said.

The club plans to increase the amount each year, so that more students may benefit, Ransburgh said.

Lavender paints murals

The Industrial Arts Building at George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., has a new group of murals painted by Tom Lavender, Jr., '50, who is studying art in the graduate school there. The murals represent "modern living, modern thinking, and future development," and have as their purpose the "development of creative thinking and interpretation." They are valued at \$20,000.



Miss Paschall.

Exchange teacher

In these times an American teaching school in England has a real job to do in promoting international understanding, believes Miss Rowena Paschall, a former Harding student who is spending this year as an Exchange Teacher in the Nottingham, England, high school.

"I wish I could tell you some of the funny ideas people here have of America and Americans," Miss Paschall wrote to the *Alumni News*. "Our mission, partly, is to show that America is inhabited by people other than cowboys, Indians, movie stars and gangsters, in fact that there are many people who actually work hard, live simply, and pay exorbitant taxes.

"The American Embassy furnishes us posters, pictures, books and all sorts of good material about the United States which we can pass on to our schools. It also sends us daily the overseas editions of the *New York Times* and the *New York Herald Tribune*.

"One of the greatest benefits I am deriving from this experience," she said, "is a new concept of the word **democracy**, and a deeper appreciation of my own school and nation."

"I hope the United States will never socialize any further than it already has," she said. "In England so much nationalization has cut out competition in business that it has brought about an indifference on the part of employees. They do not have to seek your business; therefore, they do not mind how much misinformation they give you or how much inconvenience.

"For instance, the grocer and butcher may keep you waiting ages while they chat sociably with a customer. In America we could walk out and take our trade elsewhere, but here they

Arkansas doctors

Harding has had a part in the education of three young doctors who have opened new offices in Arkansas communities recently. They are: Adrian Formby, '46, Karr Shannon, Jr., '45, and Joe L. Rector, Jr., '39.

All three received the M.D. degree from the University of Arkansas School of Medicine.

Dr. Formby has moved to Paragould, from Detroit, Mich., where he served his internship at City of Detroit Receiving Hospital. He is married to Mary McCullough, '46, and they have a daughter, Margaret Nell, 20 months old.

Dr. Shannon has located at Fort Smith, after serving his internship at Madigan General Hospital, Fort Lewis, Wash. He is married and has a year old son, Karr III.

Dr. Rector has moved to Fayetteville from Wynne. He is married to the former Ruth Yingling, '42, and they have two children, a daughter, Patti, age seven years, and a son, Joe III, age four.

Stanfield gardens

Opie Stanfield, '33, is a gardener of note in Arkansas gardening circles. He was featured speaker at a meeting of the Greater Little Rock Federation of Garden Clubs last November, and addressed the group on "Bulbs for Spring Blooming."

Stanfield became interested in flowers five years ago, on his return from overseas duty with the Air Force. He started the Stanfield Gardens on Riverfield Road, at Delaware, Ark. Now he has acres of gladiolus in more than 100 varieties more than 100 hybrid iris, and has planted several thousand tulip bulbs. He is graduate of the Colorado School of Floral Design, Denver.

know they have you, for you are registered with them and cannot get your rations elsewhere."

Miss Paschall, who attended Harding during the summers of 1938-39, teaches at El Dorado High School. Her "exchange" is Miss Mary Parkin, of Nottingham, who is this year at El Dorado learning about America and promoting understanding of her own country. The interchange of teachers is part of the Fulbright Act for International Educational Exchange.

Miss Paschall spends week-ends and holidays visiting points of interest in the British Isles and on the Continent.

From here and there . . .

Married

Elwanda McNutt, '52, to Pfc. Benny S. Bran III, in Swifton, Dec. 22.

Nannie Jo Webb, '51, to Clovis Meixner, in St. Marys, West Va., Dec. 19.

Thelma Ellenberg, '48, to John W. Revel III, in Rockville, Md., Oct. 30.

Lynda Nell Hefton, '48, to Tom Walker, in Valdosta, Ga. Dec. 22.

Mildred Chambers, '51, to Edwin P. Stubblefield, '49, Dec. 22.

Betty Thornton to Evan Ulrey, '46, in Searcy, Dec. 14. Evan is professor of speech at Harding; Betty is a senior.

Kansas Nell Webb, '45, to Jack Pruett, '48, in Searcy, Dec. 23. They are living in El Dorado, where Jack is employed with Pan Am Southern Corporation.

Letha Stephens, '53, to Sidney Hubbard, Dec. 22. Sidney is a junior at Harding.

Abbie Showalter, '51, to Joe Hazelbaker, in South Bend, Ind., Dec. 29. Abbie teaches at Judsonia High School; Joe is a junior at Harding.

Marilyn Bloodworth, '54, to Edgar Gene Morton, Nov. 23, in Searcy.

Jewell Combs, '51, to Wade Ozbirn, '49, in Searcy, Dec. 8.

Jo Ann Pickens, '54, to Jimmy Garner, '51, in Searcy, Jan. 7. Jimmy is in the Air Force, stationed at Lackland Air Base, San Antonio, Tex.

Born

Daughter, Leslie Kay, to Ed and Betty Beck Johns, Nov. 8 . . . Daughter, Cherin Leigh, to Edwin and Carmen Price Stover, Nov. 4 . . . Son, David Wayne, to Wayne and Velma Turman Moody, Nov. 8 . . . Daughter, Mary Kathryn, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spaulding, Dec. 18 . . . Daughter, Therese Ann, to Kent and Billie Beth Hill Burgess, Jan. 6, 1952 . . . Daughter, LaVera, to Charles and Vera Young Draper, Oct. 25 . . . Daughter, Linda Sue, to Burl and Billie Baird Dykes, Dec. 8 . . . Daughter, Sharon Edith, to Ronald

and Laura Lee Arms Mayo, Dec. 11 . . . Son, Kenneth Mark, to Kenneth and Evelyn Wolfe Wegener, Nov. 14 . . . Daughter, Alice Marie, to Kerry and Marie Walden Wyche, Sept. 29 . . . Son, John Warren, Jr., to Warren and Marian Songer Nunnally, July 14 . . . Son, Kenneth Douglas, to Less and Elaine Wythe Perrin, Nov. 30 . . . Son, Rodney Wayne, to Charles and Anne Brown, Aug. 22.

News Bits

Robert and Mary M. Naugher Reeves, both '42, of Chase, Ala., announce the adoption of two daughters, Mary Frances and Diane, Nov. 2. Their ages are 8 and 2, respectively. The Reeves also have an adopted son, Tommy.

Henry H. Fulbright, Jr., '49, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force. Fulbright is stationed at Chanute Field, Illinois. He is married to Mary Frances McSpadden.

Don and Virginia Terry Worton, '52, '49, and son, Mark, live at 5278 Jonathan, Dearborn, Mich. Don is employed in the accounting department of the Wilson Dairy Company.

Charline E. Dodd, '49, is working for the United States government in Weisbaden, Germany.

Glenna Faye Grice, '49, Howard See, '50, and Freda Gibson, '51, teach at Stinnett Settlement School, Hoskington, Ky.

Bill O'Neal, '50, is working with Continental Airlines, Oklahoma City, Okla. He lives at 3422 S.W. 29 Place.

Lt. L. Harley Hull, '44, is serving as an intelligence officer on the aircraft carrier Bon Homme Richard, off the coast of Korea. He is married to Yvonne Morris of Berkeley, Calif. They have two children, Steven, 4 and Deborah, 3.

Kenneth Baines, '51, was graduated from the Palmer School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Ia., recently and has established an office in Searcy.

Carl and Mildred Mick, both '52, are doing religious work in Delight, Ark.

Martha Frances Deen, '51, is teaching fifth grade in the De Valls Bluff, Ark., elementary school.

Marian Phillips, '49, is teaching music at Sul Ross State College, Alpine, Tex.

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