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New teachers

Five new teachers to be added to the faculty for next year are Harding graduates: R. C. and Nona Hanes Cannon, Richard Waller Walker, Cecil M. Beck, and Alpha Lee Turman.

Cannon, '39, will be assistant professor of Bible. He received his M.A. degree from New York University and expects to receive his Ed.D. from Union Theological Seminary in August.

Mrs. Cannon, '38, will be assistant professor of home economics. She received her M.S. from the University of California and expects to receive her Ed.D. from Columbia University in August.

Walker, '50, received his M.A. from Louisiana State University where he is a candidate for a Ph.D. He will be assistant professor of speech.

Beck, '50, expects to receive his M.S. from North Texas State College in August. He will assist in the Academy physical education program.

physical education program. Miss Turman, '48, is working on her M.A. degree at George Peabody College now. She will teach the third and fourth grades in the Academy. Other new teachers include Kenneth

Other new teachers include Kenneth Davis, assistant professor of music; Jack Lewis, assistant professor of Bible; and Jack Bates, assistant professor of social sciences.

Alston honored

Librarian Annie May Alston recently received a check for \$100 from Dr. George S. Benson for "outstanding service to Harding College."

Miss Alston, '39, used the check to make a trip to Washington D. C., during the spring holidays along with a group of Harding students and faculty members. She spent most of her time at the Congressional Library.

The check represented Dr. Benson's personal award, given by Freedoms Foundation for his speech, "The Challenge." For the fourth consecutive year, Harding College won the Distinguished Service Award for its overall Americanism education program.

Dr. Benson stated that he wished to pass the award on to some faculty member who had done an exceptional job this year.

Alumni Day plans announced

Classes of '28, '38, '43, '48 will re-unite June 3

Plans are being made by the class of '28 for their 25th reunion at Harding College on June 3, Alumni Day. The classes of '33, '38, '43, and '48 will also have anniversary reunions.

The Alumni chapel program is being arranged by the following committee: Mrs. L. O. Sanderson of Springfield, Mo., Mrs. Frank Kell of Little Rock, and Nelson Gardner of Abilene, Tex. The '28 class will have a luncheon in the Emerald Room of Ganus Student Center at 12 noon. Other class luncheons will be announced later.

Other Alumni Day activities include the W. H. C. Mother-Daughter luncheon at the Rendezvous, the softball game, Alpha Honor Society Dinner, and in the evening a concert by the college chorus.

Activities on June 4 include the Campus Players breakfast, GATA coffee, Ju Go Ju coffee, L. C. coffee, commencement exercises and the annual Alumni luncheon honoring the class of '53.

Carl Spain, former faculty member, has been chosen to deliver the baccalaureate address on May 31 at 8 p.m. He is now preaching for the Central Church of Christ in Houston, Tex. The commencement speaker has not been announced.

VISITORS VIEW CAMPUS CHANGES



Taking a look over Harding's campus are former students (left to right) Lewis Yingling, '50, Dot Munger Yingling, '48, Lou Dugger Lawyer, '48, and Virgil Lawyer, '46, holding his daughter, Lauren. The Lawyers stopped by Harding on their way home from Ibaraki Christian College, Japan. The Yinglings came up from Little Rock to visit with them. The new American Studies building is shown in the background. Other missionaries who have visited the campus recently are Colis Campbell, '47, and Keith Coleman, '45. Campbell and his wife, the former Delores Barker who attended Harding Academy, were here April 24—May 1. They are on vacation from Japan. Coleman and his wife, formerly Gisela Eber, arrived May 1 to stay a week. They plan to return to Frankfort, Germany, the first of June.

President's Corner



By Dr. Joe Pryor

I AM WONDERING HOW MANY of you are making plans to be present for Alumni Day, the com-

mencement exercises, and the Alumni luncheon which are only a month away. The chapel program on Alumni Day Wednesday, June 3, will feature the 25 year class of 1928. A committee from this class is planning a program that will be of interest to everyone. In the afternoon the traditional softball game between alumni and students will be held. You alumni who were athletic stars of years gone by should start flexing your muscles for this game.

We are especially interested in having alumni from the 25, 20, 15, 10, and 5 year classes present. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the class of 1928 could be present 100 per cent?

During recent weeks a number of alumni have dropped by for a visit. We welcome these visits at all times. The Alumni Office located on the second floor of Ganus Student Center is open during regular office hours and Miss Catherine Root, our efficient executive secretary, will be there to greet you. The album of baby pictures-children of alumni-attracts the attention of visiting alumni. If you are a proud parent and have not sent us a picture of Junior, why not do so? Your classmates and other friends will enjoy seeing it.

I want to express deep appreciation to each one of you who has already contributed this year to the alumni fund. The response to the letters sent from the alumni office has been good, but we feel that there are many more who really intend to send in a contribution. Last year seven per cent of the alumni of Harding 'College contributed to the Harding alumni fund; whereas 65 per cent of the alumni of Dartmouth contributed to the Dartmouth alumni fund. We are deeply interested in a broad participation of the alumni because we believe that will keep the alumni more interested in our alma mater. Therefore, do not fail to make a contribution just because your contribution may be small. Several small gifts add up to a substantial gift and you have the satisfaction of knowing that you have had a part in the great work Harding College is doing.

As we are getting ready to go to press with this bulletin, we have heard that the Bison has received both the general excellence award and the sweepstakes award in the annual A.C.P.A. contest. This is the third year in succession that the Bison has received the sweepstakes award. Earlier in the year a delegation from the International Relations Club received both the outstanding delegation award and the individual performance award in the mid-south model U.N. session. The Harding delegation represented the U.S.S.R. Excellent achievements have been made by debating, dramatic, and music groups. A Harding student was president of the Arkansas F.T.A. this year; and another student is secretary-treasurer for the coming year.

By the time you receive the bulletin the annual May fete for 1953 will have become history. Then on May 8, the 1953 Petit Jean will be dedicated and distributed. Music and dramatic groups are hard at work on the opera "Martha" which will be given on May 22. Other music groups are polishing up for various performances. This has been a busy and profitable year. Along with these tangible accomplishments, we feel that great development also has been made in those areas that are difficult to evaluate but which are of greatest importancethe intellectual and spiritual.

MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW TO BE

PRESENT FOR ALUMNI DAY, JUNE 3, AND FOR THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES AND ALUMNI LUNCH-EON, JUNE 4. WE SHALL BE LOOKING FOR YOU.



2211 Highland Nashville, Tennessee

Five dollars seems like a small amount to send in, but this time, I'm sending it anyway; for it seems that the time when I might be able to send in a large check might yet be in the distant future.

May Harding continue to mean much to boys and girls, and may it continue to grow.

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Glenna Grice, '49

1155 Hampton Road Dayton Beach, Fla.

We do enjoy and appreciate the bulletin and Alumni News and hope this little check will in part defray the expense of sending them to us.

Sometime when you are catching up on alumni families you might be interested in this information: We have two children - Penny, June 23, 1950, and Eddie, August 28, 1952. We attend worship at the Bay Street congregation here where Bill is assistant song leader.

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Alice and Bill Fox, '53 and '52

1633 Linden Oklahoma City, 8, Okla.

I mailed the card last week expressing our intention of being at Harding during commencement week.

As soon as any information is available regarding the activities relative to Commencement . . . we should like to know about them. Our daughter, Eleanor, is a high school sophomore and interested in Harding.

Jean and George Emptage, '33 and '32

News Bits

Rosemary Pledger, '47, is a graduate student at the University of Arkansas this semester.

Jimmy and Jo Ann Pickens Garner, '51 and '53, visited visited on the campus in March. They live in Danville, Calif., where Jimmy is stationed. Howard and Jean Gibbons Garner, '50 and '53, came down from Bernie, Mo., while they were here.

Audrey McGuire, '52, who teaches at David Lipscomb College, visited here during the spring holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Kern Sears, '42 and '52, of Jacksonville, Ala., visited here early in April. He is a research chemist for Montsanto Chemical Co., and she teaches English at Jacksonville State Teachers College.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond B. Hogins, both '53, moved to Kearney, Neb., from Davenport recently. They live at 1304 First Ave.

Three Harding couples have moved to Pine Bluff, Ark: Ernie and Jayne Pate Wilkerson, '52 and '53, Jimmy and Pat Atkinson (he is '50) and Lin and Kathy Cone Wright, both '52. Ernie, Lin, and Jimmy work on the Pine Bluff Commercial.

J. D. and Ella Belle Kincaid Pinkerton, both '36, live in Austin, Tex., where J. D. preaches for the congregation at 81 San Marcos Street.

Albert P. and Frances Renshaw Stroop, '46, have moved from Nashville, Tenn., to Winchester, Ky.

Marian French Jennings, '48, is teaching in Torrance, Calif.

Billy and Jodeen Bergeron Aven, '50 and '51, and daughter have moved from Houston to El Campo, Tex.

The girls' tennis team at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., high school, which is coached by physical education teacher Margaret Alston, '40, won first in the South Florida tennis meet recently.

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Chapter News

Chapter 15 formed

The 15th Harding Alumni chapter was formed in Shreveport, La., on March 19 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cranford (he is '51). Officers elected were: president, Loren Word. '49; vice-president, Stanley Heiserman, '49: and secretary-treasurer, Mary Beth Gordon Heiserman, '49.

Their next meeting will be held on May 11 when they will have a party for prospective students. Any former students living in the Shreveport area who would like to attend should contact one of the officers.

The committee appointed to contact prospective students is composed of Wanda Hall Johnson, '39; Edgar O'Daniel, '29; Mrs. Woodrow Chaney, '50; and Jimmy Rheudasil. '53.

Dallas-Ft. Worth

New officers elected by the Dallas-Fort Worth chapter are: president, Sammie Swim, '47; vice-president, Lowell Davis, '39; and secretary, Norma Sanderson Cox, '50.

The retiring officers were: president,

Sears speaks

Dr. Jack Wood Sears was the principal speaker at the Harding-Armstrong Memorial Day service on Wednesday, April 15.

"It is not the men themselves, but the things they have done for us that we should remember," he stated in his chapel speech.

Sears, '40, is the grandson of J. N. Armstrong and great-grandson of James A. Harding, for whom the college is named. Armstrong was president of the college from 1924 to 1936

President Benson established Harding Day about 10 years ago. Later it was changed to include Armstrong, too.

FTA convention

When the Arkansas Future Teachers organization got together in Little Rock March 13 and 14 for their fourth annual convention, Harding College was well represented.

The state president this year was Kenneth Rhodes, senior. Norman Hughes, junior, was elected state secretary for next year. Glen Olbricht, senior, was in charge of registration, and when delegates were counted Hard-

Homer Reeves, '34; vice-president, Kenneth Davis, '42; and Norma Cox, sec-retary. Officers serve two year terms. When this chapter met in March President Benson was the speaker. Their next meeting is to be on May 8.

Oklahoma City

The Oklahoma City chapter will elect officers at a meeting on Saturday. May 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Boulevard Cafeteria. Jim Kinney, '47, is in charge of making arrangements. He is minister of the church at 12th and Drexel, where a meeting of alumni and prospective students will be held on Sunday, May 10, at 3 p.m.

Wichita

The Wichita Alumni chapter met April 18 to elect officers and entertain the preachers of the Wichita area. Dr. F. W. Mattox, Prof. Ed Sewell, and Prof. Evan Ulrey of Harding College were also present at the meeting.

Byron Corn, '50, was elected president and Laura Balcom, '55, secretary. They will serve two years. On Sunday afternoon, April 19, the

Harding representatives met prospective students at the Cleveland Avenue Church of Christ to tell them about Harding College.

ing had 28 representatives, more than any other school in attendance. At the banquet on Friday night, the

Future Teachers honored those living educators after whom clubs and chapters have been named. Mrs. Florence Cathcart, for whom the Harding chapter was named, was recognized and made an honorary Future Teacher.

Laas writes song

Bill Laas, '43, director of the Searcy High School Band, has written a symphonic tone poem entitled "The Legend of Little John," (Petit Jean).

Laas wrote the composition as a master's degree thesis. It is a symphonic tone poem depicting the legendary story of Petit Jean Mountain. It has been performed several times since its publication in March, and most recently by the Little Rock High School Band when Laas was guest conductor at their spring concert.

A book of band shows "Skit Time" written by Laas was also published recently. Some of the skits were performed over WMCT television station in Memphis.

Laas received his B.Ed. and M.Ed. at the Southern College of Fine Arts at Houston, Tex. His wife, Cecil Hare Laas, attended Harding.

SPRING ISSUE



Gets promotion

Miss Deloris Blankenship, '50, daughter of Mrs. J. B. Blankenship, of Black Oak, Ark., has been appointed assistant supervisor of stewardesses for American Airlines at Dallas.

Until this promotion, Miss Blankenship has been flying the line out of American's stewardess base at Boston, Mass.

A resident of Black Oak, Ark., until moving to Memphis, Tenn., in 1937, the new assistant supervisor of stewardesses attended Harding Academy and Harding College, and Arkansas State College at Jonesboro.

Miss Blankenship joined American Airlines in May of 1950. Prior to that she was a teacher at Dixie Consolidated Schools, Lake City, Ark., and editor and photographer for the Sears, Roebuck & Company employes' publication in Memphis.

Fund established

A scholarship fund has been established for Harding College students by friends and relatives of Ralph Stirman, '42, who died of polio in December.

The fund will be invested and the interest used to help some worthy student go to college. Stirman's parents and others will add to the fund annually.

Stirman's request was for his friends to donate to this fund rather than buying flowers for him. His wish was fulfilled, and the fund has reached \$300.

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From here and there ...

Married

Greeta Shewmaker, '50, to Francis McConnell of the U. S. Air Force on April 4 in Searcy . . . Jack Purdom, '52, to Martha Risley on Nov. 28 in Neosho, Mo. . . . Audrey Louise Schaefer, '50, to Lt. Stanley Phillip Hart on March 14 in the Post Chapel, Camp Roberts, Calif. . . . Ella Mae Lancaster, '52, to Richard Q. Veteto, '51, on Feb. 12 in Indianapolis, Ind. . . . Sue McCaleb, '54, to William Arthur Cannon on Dec. 26 in Columbus, Miss. . . Lucille Joy Hancock, '50, to Kenneth Bostwick on Dec. 20 in Wichita, Kan. . . . Marian Aline Phillips, '49, to Jerry Alan Barton on March 3 in Albuquerque, N. Mex. . . . Flora Jean Taylor, '54, to Q. C. Grant, student, on April 19 in Searcy . . . Denzil Gates, '51, to Flodelle Hooton on April 3 in San Antonio . . . Maxine Pollard, '54, to Lyle Harrison Thume on April 4 in Tyronza, Ark.

Born

A son, Robert Stephen, to Lott and Mae Ann Tucker on April 1 in Searcy . . . A daughter, Deborah Lou, to Jack and Marjory Lee Dillard, on March 12 in Portales, N. Mex. ... A daughter, Sharla Jan, to Robert and Peggy Gordon on March 24 in Houston, Tex. . . . A son, Derek Keith, to Forest and Beth Merritt Moyer on March 4 in Davis Creek, Calif. . . . A daughter, Vicki Lynn, to Allen and Joyce Noble on March 23 in Little Rock . . . A daughter, Teresa Caen, to Mr. and Mrs. Sammie E. Swim on Feb. 27 in Dallas, Tex. ... A daughter, Angela Faye, to Norman and Betty Ross Jones Starling on Dec. 12 in Jasper, Tex. . . . A daughter, Mary Nell, to Thednel and Doris Healy Garner on March 15 in Searcy . . . A son, Stephen J., to J. Lee and Margaret Clampitt Roberts on March 9 in Searcy . . . A daughter, Patti Lynne, to James and Loretta Smith DeHoff on Nov. 29 in Syracuse, N. Y. . . . A son, Robin Lynn, to Jule and Judy Hogan Miller on Feb. 28 in Searcy . . . A daughter, Cheryl Beth to Charles and Betty Huddleston on March 1 in Searcy . . . A daughter, Cynthia LaTrelle, to Thomas Blake and LaTrelle McLeod Hamilton on Jan. 22 in Brooker, Fla. . . . A son, Perry Duane, to Richard and Mabel Perry Taylor on Feb. 9 in Florence, Ala. . . . A son, Norris Dee Loy Wall, to Arvel and Freda Herndon Wall on Oct. 7 in

Bay, Ark. . . . A daughter, J'Nan, to Paul and Esther Mitchell Hesser on April 5 in Grenola, Kan. . . . A daughter Wanda Joy, to Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Hinshaw on March 8 at Doyline, La. . . . A daughter, Karen Ann, to Lt. and Mrs. Bill Sturm on April 7 at Manitou Springs, Colo . . . A son, Samuel Cliff, to Clifford and Betty Chesshir Buchanan on April 18 at Moulton, Ala. . . . Twin sons, Donald Lester and Ronald Chester, to Willard and Yvonne Simon Cox on April 2 in Florence, Ala. . . . A son, Kent Jackson, to Ray and Barbara Brown Lewis on Oct. 4 in Corpus Christi, Tex.

Deceased

Orvid Mason, '42, was killed near Pearlington, Miss., on April 2 by a hitchhiker. Funeral services were held at the Church of Christ in Center Ridge, Ark., on April 12. Survivors include father, Fred Mason; sister, Mary Linn Bostain, '45; and brother, Ferrell, '44.

News Bits

Willie O'Bandon, '50, has been transferred from Dallas, Tex., to Kansas City, Mo.

Francille and Leland Waters, '47 and '50, have moved to Wadley, Ala., where they are connected with Southern Union College.

Dillard Thurman, '34, formerly preacher for the University church of Christ in Norman, Okla., is now preaching in Hurst, Tex.

Dr. Joe Pryor, '37, has recently received two honors. He has been re-appointed to the Committee on Liberal Arts Study of the North Central Association under the Commission on Research and Service. He is one of three faculty members selected from about 71 colleges participating in this study program. Dr. Pryor also has been selected chairman-elect (for 1954) of the Central Arkansas section of the American Chemical Society. The 1953-54 chairman is Clyde Broyles, '41, who is now employed by Reynolds Metals Co. of Hot Springs.

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