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Bulletin

CAMPUS HOUSING EDITION

HARDING NEWS
SUMMARIZED

Harding College

Where Christian and American ideals go hand-in-hand

Harding's Campus Housing is Excellent

Harding College provides housing for 813 single students in six dormitories and furnished apartments for 72 married couples. Three of the four brick dormitories have been built in the last ten years, and 60 of the 72 married housing units were completed last spring. Only one of the present dormitories, picturesque Pattie Cobb Hall, was standing when Harding moved to Searcy in 1934.

After the removal of the five old Vet Village tar-paper row houses this summer no strictly temporary housing is left on the campus. The two smallest dormitories, East and West Halls, housing a total of 130 women students until present building plans can materialize some time in 1960, may be considered as semi-permanent due to their wood construction. They were converted in 1947 from Army surplus non-commissioned officers quarters. Twelve units of married students' apartments are also of wood construction and are considered in the semi-permanent category.

Pattie Cobb Hall, one of the women's dormitories, is a carry-over from the old Galloway Female College campus which was bought by Harding 25 years ago. Its age does not distract in the least from the attachment that so many have for it — as evidenced by the same persons reserving the same rooms in it year after year.

First among the new completely fireproof dormitories was Armstrong Hall, built in 1949. It houses 214 young men, and is built on the suite plan of paired bedrooms, with connecting bath between. It is in the shape of a reversed "L" with its entrance

facing the main part of the campus.

Cathcart Hall, built in 1951, also has its rooms paired in suites. The overall floor plan, like Pattie Cobb Hall which it joins, is in the shape of a "T," with the two combining into an "H." Both are three stories high, as are all of Harding's brick dormitories, but the first floor of Pattie Cobb houses the college dining hall. This explains why it houses only 102 women while Cathcart houses 196.

Both of these dormitories contain kitchens in which women students may bake cakes, make candies, or do other special occasion kitchen work. Sewing machines are also available at a slight rental charge for use by students.

Graduate Hall for men, which also houses upper class undergraduates until the time comes when its entire capacity is needed for graduate students, is divided into three sections. Two of the sections contain a total of 50 double rooms, paired off in suites with connecting bath. The other section provides 81 single rooms with individual lavatories and community baths.

Living costs are reasonable at Harding College. Room rent in double-rooms is \$15.00 per four weeks, totaling \$135.00 for the 36-week school year. Rent for single rooms adds to \$157.50 for the full two-semester school year.

Meals in the dining hall, at \$37.50 per four weeks, cost a total of \$337.50 for the regular school year. With registration fees of \$65.00 and tuition at the reasonable rate of \$12.00 per semester hour, the student taking 16 hours per semester will find his total basic cost for registration, tuition and living expenses at Harding to be \$921.00 for the full two-semester term.

Space for 20 trailer homes is located adjacent to the married students' apartments. Trailer locations are at the rate of \$5.00 per month, plus utilities, with an initial utility-connecting fee of \$15.00 required.

Each reservation for a dormitory room or apartment requires a fee of \$25.00 which is refundable after the student has made a final departure from the college. The trailer connection fee of \$15.00 is sufficient for a location reservation.

Old Vet Village — Going, but not to be Forgotten!



NEW ATHLETIC BUILDING

First phase of a \$40,000 three-year drive for a new athletic building is expected to be completed by Aug. 1. The new building, which is already under construction, is located at the west end of Alumni Field. Included in the 100 by 60 concrete block structure will be coaches' offices, trainer's room, showers and storage facilities. Backed by citizens of Searcy and White County, the drive will also provide lighting facilities for Alumni Field.

WE MISSED AN "A"

Our June Bulletin listing of straight-A students failed to include Gerald Ebker, junior math major from Owensville, Mo. Ebker, who will serve as Student Association president next year, has made a habit of straight-A's and should not have been overlooked.

GIFT AT MEMPHIS

Harding College School of Bible and Religion at Memphis, Tenn., has received \$50,000 from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous. The gift will be used for a building program now being planned, Dr. George S. Benson said. First building planned is a men's dormitory. Other plans call for a student center, complete with small cafeteria, snack bar, post office and recreation room.

THIRTY-EIGHT TO GRADUATE

Summer graduation at Harding is set for Aug. 7 at 10 a.m. The tentative graduation list shows 24 candidates for the bachelor's degree and 14 candidates for the master's degree.

CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION

Staff members and summer workers are hard at work preparing the campus for another fall term. Groundskeepers have done a good job with the lawns. Inside college buildings, waxing and clean-up crews are busy preparing for the shuffle of another school year. Class work will begin Sept. 16.

ON THE MOVE

Vet Village is on the way out! The old barracks buildings are now being moved out of their location adjacent to the campus. Bought by Economy Homes of Fort Worth, Tex., the buildings will be moved by Sept. 1, school officials report. Three of the more permanent structures will be retained.

Dormitory Life is Real Fun

Living in a dormitory is not only great fun to the average student but also may be counted among the many valuable experiences of college life.

It is not like home; it cannot be! But it is a most enjoyable sample of coexistence and serves as excellent preparation for the future when the student finds himself a part of the great stream of life — away from the sheltering wings which protected him in his youth.

There is probably no more efficient way in which young people can learn social responsibilities than through life on a college campus. When the college is a Christian college like Harding the practical experience of campus life is of even greater value in building better future citizens.

Consider, for example, the many opportunities and good patterns of such social virtues as cleanliness, punctuality, diligence, reciprocity, meekness, humility, and general efforts to be helpful when help is needed. Consider, too, the priceless value of being so closely associated with so many other persons of noble aims — with so few bad examples around that one is even more impressed with the true joy of being righteous.

Most of Harding's dormitory accommodations are grouped in suites, with each pair of bedrooms connected by a bath. This arrangement encourages the building of solid friendships between roommates and suitemates, and still leaves unlimited opportunities of joining in with others in all parts of the dorm in activities of common interest — be it a game of chess, popping of corn, a scientific experiment in electronics, or a group of young women exercising their gradually improving culinary arts in one of the dormitory kitchens.

Each day at Harding appropriately ends with students in each dormitory gathering together for vespers, expressing their gratitude to God in song, Scripture and prayer. Among the things for which they are most grateful Harding students are almost unanimous in including the privilege of attending a college dedicated to building better citizens and Christians.



Armstrong Hall, built in 1949, comfortably houses 214 men.



Cathcart Hall, housing 196 women, was built in 1951.



Graduate Hall contains 81 single and 50 double rooms.



Pattie Cobb houses 102 women and also the dining hall.



Students in each dormitory end the day with vespers.

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The Harding campus has seen many improvements in the last ten years but the enthusiasm which has greeted the new apartments for married students has been astounding. First opened during spring semester, they were occupied as fast as they were made ready. Even during summer school occupancy has been well above expectations.

The three buildings, grouped in a "U" around a fenced-in play area of grass occupying more than two acres, contain 60 furnished apartments. Of these, 52 have one-bedroom and eight have two bedrooms. Both types have single sofa beds in the living rooms. All bathrooms are spacious, with angular tubs and built-in showers. The electrically equipped kitchens are the essence of efficiency.

Each building has a modern coin-operated laundry at its midpoint, and individual apartments are wired for plug-in of tenant-owned laundry equipment. Automobile access and parking areas surround the group of buildings, leaving the protected center court for safe play areas for children.

These modern, cozy, fireproof apartments are offered at the unbelievable monthly rate of \$37.00 for one-bedroom suites and \$42.50 for the two-bedroom suites, plus utilities.

Married students planning to attend Harding are advised to send their application and reservation deposit of \$25.00 at the earliest possible date because demand is certain to exceed apartments.



Married Students Praise New Apartments

This partial view of the new apartments for married students gives an indication of the expansive play area of more than two acres in the center court. At the end of the walk in the distance is the two-bedroom section of one of the buildings.

The McKenzie family, Bob, Joann, and Janet, get a bit of sunning in front of their apartment. Bob, a Bible major from Newport, met and married Janet after coming to Harding. In the distance, between the buildings, a portion of the 20-trailer parking space may be seen.



Picnic grove in College Park is adjacent to the apartments and handy to all students and faculty and staff members. Spring and fall find the grounds frequently used. This group, headed for nearby Camp Wyldewood where the young folks will spend a happy two weeks, is making good use of the picnic facilities.

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