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Blessings of CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

From the Christian colleges have gone out a great percentage of those who are leaders in the churches and who have gone with the gospel into new fields. The graduates of Christian colleges demonstrate a growth toward "the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." No other approach to the Christian education of our young people of college age has produced comparable results. Let us invest more of our time, talent and money in this effective means of doing so much for and through our young people!

J. Harold Thomas

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As a student Christian education means to me that I can associate constantly with the finest type of young people while attending college. A Christian college is the best possible place to find a Christian mate.

Equally important, Christian teachers make available the highest quality academic education and sacrifice to maintain, strengthen, and enhance my training in a Christian home.

Mike Maple (BA '60)

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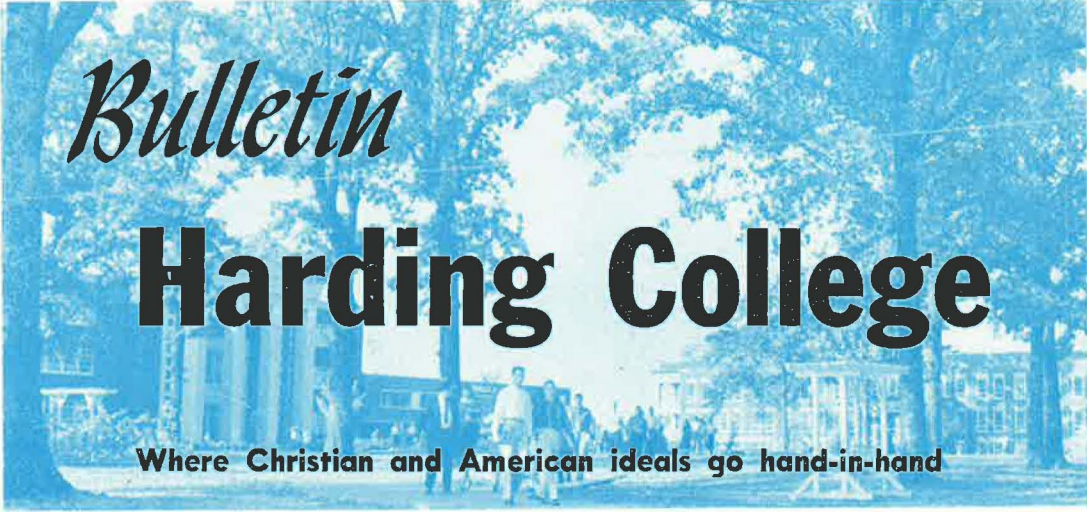
The chief reason why so many young people lose their faith in state colleges and universities is not because of antagonistic influences from either teachers or students. It is rather the result of spiritual starvation in an environment where the Bible is not mentioned and where no spiritual food is presented.

George S. Benson

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The reason for the great growth of the kingdom of God where there is a Christian college is not primarily because young men of talent are encouraged to preach the gospel. This is important. However, the main reason is because every young person is encouraged to be a loyal, zealous, and faithful Christian regardless of his occupation. Therefore, in the area there are doctors, lawyers, businessmen, farmers, school teachers, etc., who are Bible school teachers, elders, deacons, and active workers for Christ.

Ira North



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Where Christian and American ideals go hand-in-hand

New Dean is Accustomed to Activity

When Joseph E. Pryor moved into the office of academic dean few faculty members or students appreciated the profusion of activities and honors surrounding this seemingly imperturbable chemistry professor.

Even though still known as "Dr. Joe," he has added another feather to a well-plumed cap — a cap resplendent with honors and history that he keeps modestly well-hidden.

Who is this man who wanted to be a surgeon, who did not want to teach and who definitely had no aspirations to an administrative position in a college?

Who is this man to whom students go with their problems, a man who will stop even in his busiest moments to hear a troubled student or chat with a colleague?

Notice of his character began on the undergraduate level. Rated an honor student from 1934-37 at Harding, he was also a member of the Alpha Honor Society, editor of the Bison and editor of the Petit Jean.

Determined to enter the field of medicine, he took a combined A.B.-B.S. degree from Harding in 1937, majoring in mathematics and chemistry.

But the hand of Dr. George S. Benson was already being felt on student Joe Pryor's future. Dr. Benson encouraged him to take a Ph.D in chemistry and return to Harding to teach — but still medicine's pull was strong.

Dr. Joe received a Teaching Fellowship in Mathematics at Louisiana State University, 1937-39, but after completing his master's in math he still longed for medical school.

Finally a decision was forced upon him — and with a definite offer before him — he took a

Teaching Fellowship in Chemistry from 1939-41. He completed his doctoral work in 1943 from L. S. U.

Even after returning to Harding the desire to enter medical school remained for about five years. Today he says, "I fulfill that longing vicariously as I see Harding students successfully complete their medical training.

In spite of his lofty academic achievements he has remained a faculty favorite with students. For 14 years straight he has sponsored of one of the classes, and he has also served as faculty advisor to the Bison, faculty advisor to the Petit Jean every year since 1946, faculty advisor to the student council, sponsor of TNT social club since 1945 and many more.

For a man who originally had no desire to teach, his rating in the academic field is even more startling. He is listed in such Who's Who listings as American Men of Science, Education, Southwest and Chemistry.

He has served as chairman of

the Central Arkansas Section of the American Chemical Society, and presently serves as secretary-treasurer of Region II of Alpha Chi and member of the National Council of Alpha Chi.

Dr. Joe also has served on the Committee on Liberal Arts Education of North Central Association, board of directors of Camp Wyldewood and as president of Harding College Alumni Association and faculty representative of the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference.

Besides all this he has hobbies! He still can be found carrying the ball in intramural flag football or playing softball or basketball. And he also lists gardening, music listening, reading and photography among his interests.

Now he is Harding's new dean. In following Dean Sears his goal is, "to work toward increased academic excellence, and greater spiritual attainment and Christian character."

Leave you breathless? Not Dr. Joe. He thoroughly lives each day, enjoying serving others.

"Dr. Joe" enjoys his life of service to others.





A Typical Fellowship Scene at a Lectureship

Theme of 37th Lectureship Will be Christian Education

"Christian Education," a subject that gets more vitally important each day, is the theme of the 37th Annual Harding College Lectureship on the main campus in Searcy during Thanksgiving week, November 21-24.

In announcing the timely theme Dr. W. B. West, Jr., chairman of the Bible Department and director of the Lectureship, expressed a hope that every Christian school in the United States and Canada would be well represented.

Information For All

The Lectureship program, now being arranged, will include an abundance of helpful, practical and inspiring information for all who are engaged in any part of Christian education — college, high school, elementary school or congregational Bible school. Continued as a feature will be afternoon classes for Bible school teachers, arranged according to student ages and interests.

Opening on Monday evening with the keynote address, the

Lectureship will continue through Thursday evening with Marshall Keeble making the final talk (if his energy holds out after his African trip). High spots on Thanksgiving Day will include the free noon barbecue for all visitors and the season's basketball opener at 4 o'clock against Martin Branch of University of Tennessee.

Of considerable interest and value each year are the numerous exhibits which keep Christians posted on what is going on and what is needed to exercise and continue our work here and elsewhere. Finally, there is that great value of lectureships that cannot be measured — the abundant fellowship that is almost impossible to find under other circumstances.

Limited free housing will be available to those who get their requests in early, but the housing problem is getting bigger as the Lectureship grows, so early requests are imperative if free housing is required.

August 12 Graduation Date

Summer graduation is set for the morning of August 12, with 30 candidates looking forward to degrees. Twenty-one are candidates for the bachelor of arts, two for the bachelor of science, and seven for the master of arts in teaching.

The School of Bible and Religion in Memphis will award graduate degrees to 25 candidates at separate August ceremonies.

The chief task for the present generation of Christian school administrators is to convince Christian parents, and members of the Church in general, that if they want Christian schools for their children, they must accept major responsibility for the financial support of these schools. Selling Christian education as a cause is the best fund raising program in the long run.

The successful solicitation of funds from people who believe in Christian education, people who will send their children as well as give their money, is a matter of life and death for the Christian schools.

— Athens Clay Pullias

Candidates for August 12 degrees at Searcy are:

Bachelor of Arts

Charles H. Boddy
Jack E. Campbell
Alice R. Chick
Mrs. Odessa Davis
George C. Dumas
Clara Jolly Ford
Christine C. Free
Jane E. Goins
Juanita W. King
Heywood R. Loyd
Charles Martin
Ella Mae Reese
Hugh R. Roberts
Leroy Sellers
William A. Smith
Jessie C. Staggs
Sue Stanley
Robert E. Tucker
Ella F. Vancil
Doris J. Wendt
James B. Williams

Bachelor of Science

Joe E. Baldwin
Donald P. Pate

Master of Arts

Audean L. Baldwin
Doyle Border
Joe W. Burks
Ronald Goemmer
Rex C. Pearce
L. Charles Thacker
Don. R. Wilkerson

New Student from Thailand Used to American Customs

Chavalit Manjikul, a Harding College student from Bangkok, Thailand, may know more about America than most Americans.

When asked, for example, if he was familiar with American soft drinks, the 20-year-old student smugly replied, "Oh yes, we have more American soft drinks in Bangkok than you do here."

Then Manjikul explained that Thailand, a freedom-loving kingdom in the heart of Asia, is "very Americanized."

That perhaps explains why, after only 17 days in the states, he appears perfectly at home.

"The only disappointment I've seen was the Empire State Building," he said. "I expected it to be much taller."

Manjikul said Americans are as friendly and prosperous as he imagined back home, where his father, Ariyant Manjikul, is a professor at a leading agricultural college.

"Unlike the British," noted Manjikul, "Americans are unaffected."

The start of his seven-week journey by ship to America, however, wasn't so unaffected. While passing through Ceylon,

Manjikul's \$90 traveler's check was stolen.

Dean James Atkinson of Harding, contacted by phone from New York, had a solution. He mailed Chavalit money to cover traveling expenses to Searcy, where the student will work at odd jobs until school starts in September.

"I will eventually recover my money," he said, "but in the meantime I can help pay school expenses. My father would help, but you can't get everything the easy way."

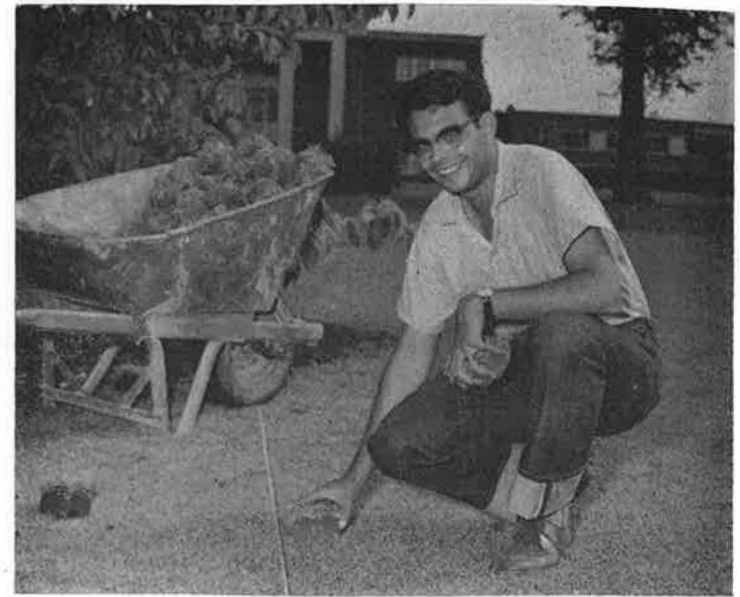
Everyone Speaks English

The personable oriental student grew up speaking English.

"Back home everyone is taught in English," he explained.

Manjikul said he once instructed English at a university in Bangkok — using American cartoons and magazines as visual aids. He plans to major in precivil engineering and minor in English and music at Harding.

While good English teachers are always in demand in Bangkok, he said, it is a "very ungrateful job to be a teacher. That's why I'm majoring in civil engineering. My father can't make a living teaching. He does



Natural smile adds to Thaiander's charm.

insect research for the United Nations on the side and so is well established."

Manjikul has an unusual way of practicing voice, one of his favorite pastimes. In addition to warbling in the shower and at work, he places a weight on his chest and then attempts to reach his highest pitch.

"It is similar," he said, "to runners placing weights on their feet."

But that's just half of it. Some

days he goes about speaking in a bass tone; the next he may be squeaking in high tenor.

"Some people think I'm crazy, but it's effective," he smiled.

Manjikul, a Christian, said he selected a small American college because teachers "treat you like a human being, not just as a student. Here I can get the attention I need."

He said two Church of Christ missionaries in Bangkok suggested he attend Harding.

A Mother Writes

Why I Am Sending My Son to Harding College

Young man of many honors, Roger Cunningham, is looking forward to entering Harding in 1962. Roger is an Eagle Scout, both Boy Scout and Red Cross Life Guard, Vice President of Explorer Post, Junior Assistant Scout Master and Beta Club member. He plans to be a chiropractor.



When I was a young girl at Harding College 20 years ago my father wrote these encouraging words:

"Glad you have come to realize that the life you lead is likely to affect generations yet unborn, and here is a thought — a kind word spoken now may change a person's entire life and also may be the determining factor in the life of some one a hundred years from now."

On June 1, 1962 I will bring my son, Roger, to select his room for the fall term at Harding. I do so with mixed emotions. It will be my first visit to the campus in 20 years.

Fulfills Promise

I'm sending Roger to Harding because I promised long ago that if God would spare my son I would rear him in His service. Roger has chosen chiropractic as a profession. To be a good chiropractor, one must believe in God and realize that he is working with the whole of man — body, mind and soul.

If Harding is the school I believe it to be, my son will learn about the American way of life and the freedoms that go with it. My husband, Dr. Grady Cunningham, and I expect our son to increase his belief in God, to stand fast in the faith and in his profession, regardless of ridicule or persecution.

Learns From Past

Tragedy befell those in my family who attended state schools.

Many of you knew my grandfather (W. R. Key, former elder at Morrilton and associated with Boles Home) before his death. To my knowledge there was no man of sounder faith. He led a Godly life, and gave liberally (according to his means) to widows and orphans.

But he allowed one most dear to him to complete her education in a state school and died with the knowledge that she had denied the faith and our American way of life.

Regrettably, I have never been a liberal supporter of Harding College. I wish I had. I'm reminded of the words of Willard Carver, my husband's teacher and friend:

"I caution you to keep educated Consciousness, that matchless guardian of yourself, the censor to your Soul."

Mrs. Sue Burford Cunningham Ripley, Mississippi

The impact of a philosophy of materialism has far too often converted schools from institutions of learning and knowledge to factories for the dissemination of information.

What we need is an inculcation of the immortal lessons of the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount in the hearts and minds of all Americans. This is the surest antidote to stem the rising tide of lawlessness.

— J. Edgar Hoover

Christian Education

Voices of Experience

We cannot have Christianity without education, and we cannot have a proper and well balanced education without Christianity.

— G. C. Brewer

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We indeed, as a people devoted to the Bible cause, and to the Bible alone, for Christian faith and manners, and discipline, have derived much advantage from literature and science, from schools and colleges. Of all people in the world we ought then to be, according to our means, the greatest patrons of schools and colleges.

'Tis education that makes the man — intellectually, morally, religiously, eternally. I mean education in its true import. The world has been, till lately, asleep upon this mightiest of living interests.

— Alexander Campbell

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The Christian college is a nurturing ground for faith. The laws of learning require continuity of experience and repetition. Ideals must be translated into action and made a part of life. Good resolutions made at church may be forgotten in weekday experiences contrary to the resolution. The Christian college campus provides the continuity, repetition, and synthesis and integration of good ideas, then places them in life situations designed to reinforce the good resolution.

— F. W. Mattox

The Christian philosophy, as I see it, furnishes the most nearly ideal atmosphere in which to conduct intellectual studies. The only atmosphere in which really objective intellectual inquiry can be carried on is the atmosphere of integrity, or to express it more simply, truth. That is a Christian concept. . . . Another reason why the Christian atmosphere is the best is that it involves complete freedom to seek and proclaim. Where totalitarian governments have taken over, these freedoms have disappeared. Even in our own democratic states, the public, tax-supported educational institutions are inhibited in these fields.

— Henry L. Bowden

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Far from being a marginal elective, the study of the Biblical heritage and of the Christian faith is obviously more relevant today than it has been for years. This is because the people of the West, aware at last that competitive co-existence is the enduring contemporary fact, are in great danger of copying the Russians in their effort to surpass their brilliant competitors. This is what we do when we try to overcome one kind of secularism by adopting another. Our danger is that we will join the progress of dialectical materialism, not by conscious conversion to its philosophy, but by a failure to be sufficiently self-critical to recognize and maintain the elements of strength in our own position.

— Elton Trueblood

Bisons in Full AIC Program Year Ahead of Requirement

Harding's Bisons jump into deep water this fall with a full-fledged football schedule — one year ahead of plans.

Supporting the return to full AIC recognition is the addition of athletic grant-in-aids. Scholarships will be given in football and basketball.

Harding also enters its fourth season of intercollegiate basketball. Prospects are for the tallest Bison squad since returning to intercollegiate sports.

Originally, Harding gained AIC membership on agreement the Bisons would be ready to tackle a full AIC football program by 1961.

No doubt the addition of the Bisons to AIC football will improve the caliber of league play, but chances for a league leading squad the next few years seem remote.

However, clean, hard football should be the mark of the Bisons. What else could be the case considering the three men guiding the team?

Allison In Second Year

Head coach Carl Allison will be back for his second year. Allison established himself last season as a coach who demands the utmost from every man who wears the pads.

Veteran coach Hugh Groover assisted Allison through the first year's pains and will be back for

opening practice, Sept. 5. Groover also is head basketball coach.

Completing the staff is newcomer John Prock from Clinton, Okla. Prock, who will also serve as head track coach, assisted Allison at Clinton before taking over as head coach when Allison moved to Harding.

Allison predicted accurately that last season would be "a year of experiences." In a game of goal line stands the Bisons slipped by Arkansas State's freshmen, 7-6, for the single win of the season.

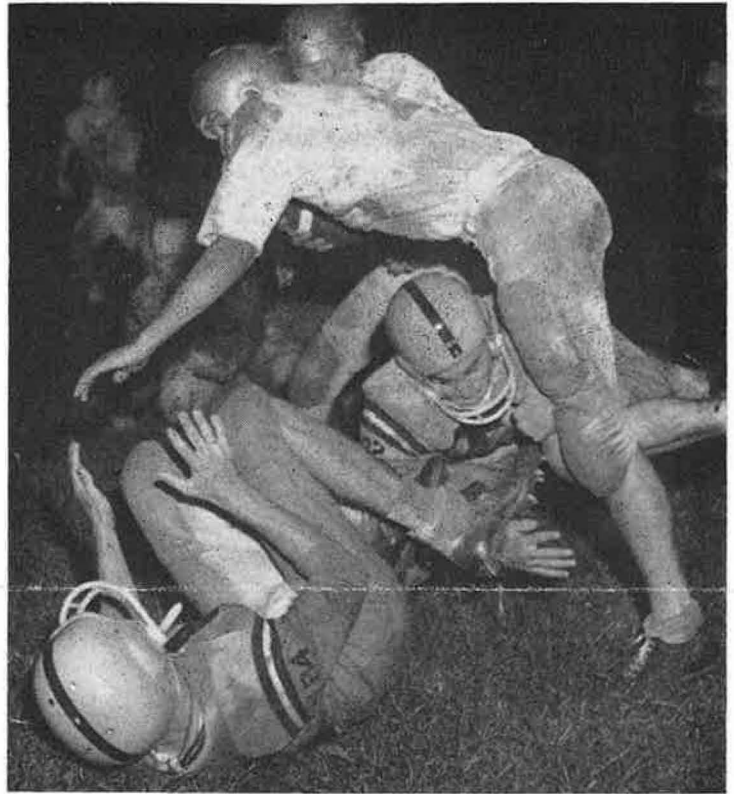
Capacity crowds backed the Bisons in the other two home games even though Harding went down before Itawamba Junior College, 19-0, and Southern State, 42-14.

Nearly 30 men return from last year's squad accompanied by an equal number of newcomers from Arkansas and surrounding states.

Two Weeks To Find Team

Allison says, "We start in high gear since we have to organize a team in only two weeks. Last year we tried to ease into shape, but this season the men will have to show up ready to go."

And practice it will be from Sept. 5-Sept. 17. Double sessions will be the order of the day with three drills not uncommon. Working units need to jell before the opening contest against



Some Action From Last Year's Opener

Millsaps College at Jackson, Miss., Sept. 17.

Tech First Home Foe

After Millsaps the schedule looms ominously. Harding comes home to meet mighty Arkansas Tech in the first home game of the year, Sept. 24. Two road games, against Southern State, Oct. 1, and Ouachita, Oct. 8, precede a three-game home slate.

In order the Bisons meet Arkansas State Teachers, Oct. 15, Arkansas A & M, Oct. 22, and Hendrix College, Oct. 29, at Alumni Field. Games away against College of the Ozarks, Nov. 5, and Henderson State, Nov. 12, complete the year.

Few colleges play a full schedule a year after starting from scratch, but the Bisons will be digging in their cleats to uphold the Black and the Gold.



The new Bible Building is nearing completion and will be ready for use when the fall term opens on September 16. It contains two large classrooms, each seating 200, eight normal-size classrooms and offices for Bible Department faculty members. Some Lectureship classes will be in the new Bible Building.

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