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**Fall Lectureship Theme:**

# "Current Challenges and Dangers Facing the Church"

## Thanksgiving Day Schedule Includes Free Barbecue and Basketball Season Opener

The 38th Annual Harding College Lectureship, again scheduled during Thanksgiving week this year, will follow the theme of "Current Challenges and Dangers Facing the Church."

The program was released this week by Dr. W. B. West, Jr., before all speakers had confirmed their appearance because he and associates felt that the theme was of such timely importance that people would want to make earlier plans to attend. The full program, with all speakers and teachers listed, will be published in a future bulletin before the Lectureship.

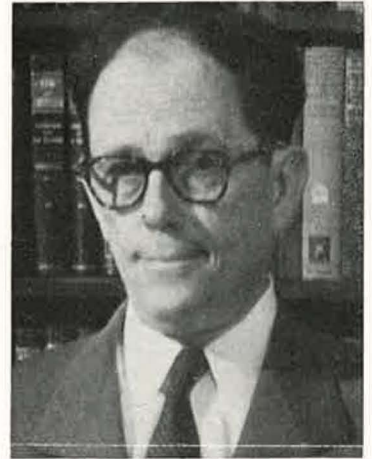
In addition to Dr. West, who as chairman of Harding's Department of Bible and Religion is perennial Lectureship director, W. Joe Hacker, Jr. (see announcement below) will serve as associate director.

### Enlarged Lectureship

Present plans call for an enlarged Lectureship with evening lectures in both the Harding College auditorium and the College Church of Christ auditorium, with speakers alternating at each place on successive evenings so no one will have to miss any of the lectures.

Many traditional Lectureship features and activities will be included — music and singing by Harding musical groups, classes for improvement of abilities for Christian service, special dinners, a tea for visiting ladies, free Thanksgiving Day barbecue, the season's basketball opener and abundant Christian fellowship.

In announcing the lectureship program, Dr. West said, "The expanded Lectureship this year makes it more imperative than ever that any persons who need housing during the period must let their needs be known as early as possible — whether they plan to be guests of friends, the college, or plan to arrange hotel or motel accommodations."



W. B. West, Jr.

## TENTATIVE LECTURESHIP PROGRAM

### Speakers to be Announced

#### Monday, November 20

- 7:00 p.m.  
Harding Academy Chorus ..... G. E. Baggett, Director
- 7:30 p.m.  
Current Challenges and Dangers Facing the Church:  
Definition of the Subject and Historical Backgrounds

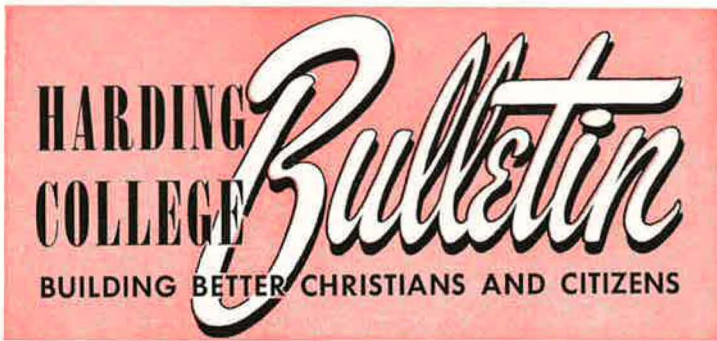
#### Tuesday, November 21

- 8:50 a.m. (Chapel Service)  
Some Challenges Which the Church of the First Century Faced  
Some Dangers Which Confronted the First Century Church
- 10:15 a.m. **Environmental Factors Facing the Church**  
Christianity and Communism  
Christianity and Western Materialism  
Christianity and the Scientific Age  
Questions by the Audience
- 1:30 p.m. **Challenges to be Met by the Local Church**  
Dangers in the Challenges of the Eldership and Deaconship  
The Challenge of Christian Stewardship  
The Challenge of Teaching and Preaching the Gospel  
Questions by the Audience

#### 3:15-4:30 p.m. Classes (Locations to be Announced)

- The Bible and Archaeology
- The Book of Job
- The Book of Romans
- The Book of Hebrews
- How to Meet Religious Error
- The Local Church in the Mission Field
- Adults at Work in the Local Church
- The Development of a Local Visitation Program
- The Improvement of Congregational Singing
- Planning an Educational Program in the Local Church
- Planning and Conducting a Local Vacation Bible School
- Proper Use of Visual Material with Pre-School Children
- Proper Use of Visual Material with Primary and Junior Children
- Proper Use of Visual Material with Intermediates and Seniors
- The Christian Woman in the Home

- 7:00 p.m.  
Harding Chorale ..... G. E. Baggett, Director
- 7:30 p.m.  
Christian Attitudes Essential in Meeting the  
Challenges and Dangers Facing the Church Today



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## Workshop for Christians Planned for August, 1962

In the interest of serving the cause of Christ more fully Harding College has established a Workshop for Christian Workers. The first such workshop, which the College hopes will crowd the campus, will be held August 7-9 next year (1962).

President Benson announced that W. Joe Hacker, Jr., has been selected to serve as director of the Workshop. Hacker will also serve as associate director of the Fall Lectureship. This fall he will be a member of the Harding faculty — teaching courses in Bible text and in the practical field. The major emphasis of his instruction will be in educational work of the church and development of an evangelistic program in the local congregation.

Hacker is a graduate of Harding, with both the B.A. and M.A. degrees. His work was in the field of Bible and Biblical languages. His thesis for the M.A.

degree was entitled "Hebrew Exegesis of Isaiah 7:14." He recently has completed a second graduate degree, earning the M.R.E. at Southwestern Seminary in Ft. Worth.

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W. Joe Hacker, Jr.





In commenting on Hacker's appointment, Dr. Benson said, "We are happy to add Brother Hacker to our faculty at Harding College. We feel he has developed a superior program for the summer Workshop in 1962 and will serve as a great asset, aiding in the work of the fall Lectureship held on the Harding campus each November."

**Purpose of Workshop**

The basic purpose of the Workshop is to prepare Christian workers for responsibility and

leadership. Each year the Christian Workers' Workshop will emphasize a different phase of the work of the local congregation. The first session next year will emphasize the work of the Bible school teacher. This will be accomplished through actual classroom demonstrations by experts in the field.

Future workshops will be devoted to personal evangelism, vacation Bible school and other themes of practical interest and pressing need in the work of the local congregation.



**1962 Christian Workers' Workshop Schedule**

**8:00-9:00**—A class demonstration, with a teacher and co-teacher of outstanding ability teaching local young people. Classes will be arranged according to departments found in a closely graded Bible school. Among those engaged for these demonstrations are Brad Brumley, Bob Helsten, Bill Patterson and Carroll Trent.

**3:15-4:00**—This session will cover a different subject each day in order that all who attend may not miss any of them.

**Tuesday**—Using the Bible School for Evangelism, Dale Hulett, instructor.

**Wednesday**—A Local Perennial Teacher-Training Program, Don Sime, instructor.

**Thursday**—Construction and Use of an Educational Building.

**9:15-10:15**—A period of evaluation and discussion based on the teaching demonstration led by the teachers who conducted the demonstration. Discussion groups will be divided into two segments — regular and advanced.

**4:30-7:00**—Free Time for Recreation and Evening Meal

**7:00-9:00**—Evening Program

1. Short reports from those who have taken part in the day's workshops
2. Evening speakers on pertinent subjects. (Cleon Lyles, Wyatt Sawyer and one other to be engaged.)

**Tuesday**—The Christian Vocation of Teaching

**Wednesday**—The Christian Vocation of Telling Through Personal Work

**Thursday**—The Educational Work of the Local Church

3. Singspiration, with all voices joined in praise and dedication to the Lord as a fitting close to a fruitful day of study and efforts.

**1:30-3:00**—Four simultaneous workshops sectionized by interests:

1. Christian Workers at Home
2. Personal Workers
3. Ministers of Education, Associate Ministers and Educational Committeemen
4. Elders and Deacons on principles of leadership

**Other Workshop Information**

**Registration Information**

Each person who attends the Christian Workers' Workshop will want to help in defraying the expenses. Registration fees are established in order to provide outstanding people to help with the program. These fees are set as reasonable as possible — at these per-person rates:

- Three days, \$5.00
- Two days, \$4.00
- One day, \$2.00

Congregations are encouraged to send all their workers to the Workshop and are asked to send a list, well in advance, of all who plan to attend. For such group attendance and advance notice special consideration on rates will be given:

If more than five but less than 20 register from any one congregation the fee will be \$4.00 per worker for the full session.

If a congregation registers 20 or more workers the total fee will be only \$50.00, regardless how many are sent.

It is the desire of Harding College that every worker in each local congregation have an opportunity to attend all of the workshop sessions.

**Food And Lodging**

Food is provided in the College cafeteria for those who wish to purchase meal tickets for the three days or any portion of the three days at the cost of only 75¢ per meal. Rooms may be reserved in advance on the campus in one of the dormitories at the rate of \$1.00 per night per person, with registrant furnishing linens.

It is imperative that reservations be made for rooms well in advance. The college will try to accommodate all under any conditions but cannot guarantee accommodations except on advance reservations.

**Early Announcement**

These plans are being printed more than a year in advance so Christian workers can plan their vacations to cover the period. The idea has been revealed in Arkansas and received with excitement over its possibilities. Some congregations have already made a commitment to send their workers. No time is too early to express the desires of workers — as individuals or as a group.

Write to W. Joe Hacker, Jr., Christian Workers' Workshop, Harding College, Searcy, Ark.

**Congregations in Arkansas Enthusiastic About Program**

**Eighteen Engagements Quickly Scheduled**

A few weeks ago Harding College offered congregations in many areas of Arkansas a two-night course for educational workers and leaders. All 18 engagements were filled at once.

The program, conducted by W. Joe Hacker, Jr., deals mostly with fundamentals but still gets deep into the practical with specific local problems carefully covered at each location.

On the opening night Hacker discusses the educational work of the church, the importance of teaching the Word and the use of the Bible school of the local congregation for evangelism. He outlines the development of a practical lesson plan.

At the close of the first session he distributes questionnaires to teachers and workers asking for specific problems and questions. These are answered on the second night which is devoted entirely to practical problems at the local level.

A display of available materials, together with their sources, is shown at each location. This is an educational service of the college with no selling or order taking of any kind — not even an implied obligation for any individual or congregation to buy anything.

The full schedule of two-night meetings began in Grubbs on June 22, followed by Jonesboro, 26, 27; and North Little Rock, 29, 30.

July sessions were scheduled at Harrisburg, 6, 7; England 10, 11; Little Rock (44th and Potter), 13, 14; Searcy (West Side), 17, 18; Monticello, 20, 21; Stuttgart, 24, 25; Benton, 27, 28; and Camden, July 31, August 1.

Other August meetings are Magnolia, 3, 4; West Memphis, 14, 15; Clarksville, 17, 18; Corning, 21, 22; Paragould, 24, 25; Melbourne, 28, 29; and Texarkana, August 31, September 1.

**(Lectureship Program, Continued)**

**Wednesday, November 22**

- 8:50 a.m.** (Chapel Service)  
Challenging Our Youth to Christian Service  
Conserving Our Youth for Christian Service
- 10:15 a.m.** **The Challenge of Doing Good unto All Men**  
The Challenge of Bible Chairs  
The Challenge of Bible Schools in Foreign Lands  
Opportunities in Christian Elementary Schools  
Questions by the Audience
- 1:30 p.m.** **The Challenge of Seeking the Lost**  
Seeking the Lost at Home  
Seeking the Lost in Distant Places  
Seeking the Lost by Mass Communication  
Questions by the Audience
- 3:15-4:30 p.m.** Classes (Same Topics as Tuesday)
- 6:00 p.m.**  
Concert by Harding Band ..... G. E. Baggett, Director
- 7:00 p.m.**  
Men's Quartet and Women's Ensemble
- 7:30 p.m.**  
**The Challenge of Evangelizing the World**

**Thursday, November 23**

- 10:00 a.m.**  
Christ the Hope of the World; the Challenge of Our Century
- 11:00 a.m.**  
**Christian Stewardship Expressed in Christian Education**
- 12:00 Noon**  
Free Thanksgiving Barbecue at Athletic Field
- 2:00 p.m.** **Some Further Challenges**  
The Challenge of Caring for Widows and Orphans  
The Challenge of the Chaplaincy
- 3:15-4:30 p.m.** Classes (Same topics as Tuesday and Wednesday)
- 4:00 p.m.**  
Season's Basketball Opener
- 4:45 p.m.**  
Tea for Visiting Women (Location to be Announced)
- 5:00 p.m.**  
Dinner for Visiting Elders and Ministers as Guests of the College
- 7:00 p.m.**  
Harding College Chorus ..... Kenneth Davis, Jr., Director
- 7:30 p.m.**  
Closing Address by Marshall Keeble (if possible)  
Song: "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"



James D. Bales



Pat Boone

**Boone-Bales Book for Youth To Warn About Communism**

\* \* \* \* \* Bales, who has already published his 16th book — several of which relate to the threats of communism — plans to meet with Pat in his California home in a few weeks and "thrash it out."

The proposed book, as Bales sees it, would be "an effort to get young people to see exactly what they have at stake in this matter — to understand how communism would cut across and upset the basic interests of youth."

No title has been chosen for the book which Bales thinks will be the first one on communism directed toward young people.



The annual Lectureships at Harding College are an uplifting experience to the thousands who attend. Countless others also benefit because those who attend carry their blessings home with them.

**Eighty Students On Honor Roll**

Six students achieved straight "A" averages at Harding College for the spring semester.

Students attaining the 4:00 average are Barbara Durling, junior biology major from Wichita, Kans., for the second time; Sarah Hinds, junior English major from Worthington, Ind., for the second time; Don C. (Butch) McLarey, junior pre-medical major from Okay, Ark.; Linda Graff, sophomore English major from North Little Rock, for the fourth time; and Jon Farris freshman from West Lafayette, Ind. for the second time.

Eighty Harding students have made a grade-point average of 3.25 and up for the spring semester. Earning honor roll ratings were 28 freshmen with grades of 3.25 and up, nine sophomores, 20 juniors and 23 seniors with grades of 3.50 and above. No honor roll student is allowed a grade of less than "C" in any subject or any "incomplete" grade.



## Alumna Enjoys Strange Friends

Most women shudder at the thought of snakes and can't even stand to look at a picture of one. Not so for Mary Burton (BA'55) Dunlap of Nashville, who was recently featured in an article in the Nashville Tennessean Magazine.

Mary's affinity for reptiles was evident when she was a student at Harding. In fact, she was informed in no uncertain terms by the dean of women that the specimens she was secretly housing in her dormitory room were a violation of the "no pets" rule and that she would have to banish them to the biology labs immediately.

While still at Harding her fame as a herpetologist brought an invitation to deliver a paper before the Arkansas Academy of Science on the subject. Her paper, titled "Reptiles of the College Farm," reported on 16 species of reptiles found on a very small area of about 1/16 of a square mile.

Mary's fascination for snakes and other reptiles was with her as far back as she can remember — as evidenced by the clay snakes she modeled in kindergarten in Naples, Fla. But it was at the age of nine, at the home of her grandparents, the A. M. Burton's of Nashville, that an experience profoundly and permanently affected her feelings for snakes.

The occasion was when a hired man killed a large rat snake in the yard, and she, with natural



Mary Burton Dunlap and One of Her Strange Friends

compassion, played with the limp body for hours. Gradually a strong desire to prevent the killing of snakes emerged.

That she was never too friendly to dangerous snakes in her earlier days was probably due to the guidance of experts like Dr. Walter Spofford, then a member of Vanderbilt Medical School faculty who channeled her enthusiasm into scientific fields which gave her the necessary safety understanding and has qualified her to be very helpful to museums.

During her youth she was as likely to be found to be carrying a snake as a boy would a bag of marbles. Since her marriage to Johnny Dunlap the year of her

graduation from Harding she has not lost any of her enthusiasm and love for snakes. She has cage-after-cage of them in the upstairs bedroom of her home where she, Johnny or their daughter Cindy may be seen playing with some of them on frequent occasions.

She keeps her cages populated through personal snake hunts and contributions from others. She is much in demand at the schools of Middle Tennessee where she demonstrates and explains them to the youngsters. "My fee," she says with a twinkle in her eyes, "is the promise that the boys and girls will bring me all the snakes they find."

## Harold Bowie is Named to Head Memphis School

Dr. Benson has announced the appointment of Harold Bowie as superintendent of Harding Academy of Memphis.

Bowie, who has been on leave from the Harding College faculty while working toward a doctor's degree in educational administration at University of Arkansas, has a background of six years of teaching experience — three at Harding College and three at Lonoke High School. In addition, he served in public relations with Arkansas Power and Light Co. and was director of student employment at Harding.

A native of Conway, he holds the B.S. and M.Ed. degrees from University of Arkansas, with emphasis on educational administration. He and Mrs. Bowie, better known as "Pat" to her many friends, are moving to Memphis this month with their four children, Steve 9, Sheri 6, Bobby 4, and Molly 1.

In announcing Bowie's appointment Dr. Benson said, "Mr. Bowie is an expert in public relations, fine in discipline and an excellent administrator. I am confident he will do a superior job of leading Harding Academy of Memphis."

Bowie replaces J. E. Summitt who is expected to remain in the organization as a teacher of science.



Dr. Benson and Harold Bowie, newly appointed superintendent of Harding Academy of Memphis, discuss the American Studies course outlines that have drawn national attention from educators. Bowie, who has been on leave from faculty duties while working on a doctor's degree at University of Arkansas, is moving to Memphis this month.

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