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Observations Reveal That Less Than Five Percent Of Christian Youth Attend Christian Colleges

By Dr. Evan Ulrey
President, Alumni Association

During six months of 1963, I traveled more than 30,000 miles in behalf of the alumni. I touched the east coast at Jacksonville, Florida, and the west coast at Los Angeles and San Francisco. This work took me as far north as Detroit, Chicago, and Denver; as far south as Houston, Atlanta, and Orlando.

This travel permitted me to make many observations which were valuable to me personally. I hope to share with you some of the more important ones.

How significant do you consider this one? **"Probably less than 5% of our Christian young people who attend college attend a Christian college."** Why is this? I discovered a number of attitudes prevailing among Christians which explain, at least partially, why brethren who can afford to send their children where they wish — evidently do not wish to send them to Christian colleges.

First, I find that many people do not realize the tremendous difference that a Christian school can make in the chances for real happiness for their children. They assume that their children will remain Christians in the face of sometimes deliberate, sometimes accidental barriers which are erected in environments which are sometimes neutral, sometimes hostile toward spiritual and religious values.

What hopes for happiness are engendered in students at Christian schools which



are rare in other environments? While encouraging intellectual development and studying for a profession, the student is urged to take advantage of bonuses such as preparing to be a Bible school teacher, missionary, preacher, elder, song leader, or other Christian servant. Few students who attend state-supported colleges emerge better trained in attitudes or in techniques for Christian service. We have no reason to expect that they should, since it is hardly the province of state-supported schools to nurture a particular religious point of view. State-supported colleges have earned the gratitude of many Christians for their excellent services in graduate and undergraduate education. Nevertheless it is not their aim to make more

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Annual Alumni Dinner Set For Evening of November 27

By Buford Tucker

One of the highlights of this year's Lectureship will be the Alumni Dinner at the Rendezvous Cafe. Alumni, their friends and guests are invited. The cost will be \$1.50 per person for a good Thanksgiving dinner, southern style. You will enjoy the entertainment and fellowship that only an occasion like this can provide.

We hope that you have made arrangements to be here for the entire Lectureship, starting Monday evening, November 25, and continuing through Thanksgiving Day, November 28. If you cannot be here for all the Lectureship, come for any portion that time and conditions permit. If you can be here for Thanksgiving Day and

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Alumni Nominating Committee Submits Slate Of Candidates For Election of New Officers

The alumni nominating committee has submitted the following candidates to be considered for new officers of the alumni association: for president, Virgil Lawyer (BA'46); for vice-presidents, Dr. R. T. Clark Jr. (BS'39), Bill Lynn ('46) and Dr. Norman Hughes (BA'54).

Those serving on the nominating committee are Clifford Cronin (BA'38), Jim Howard (BA'62) and Bula Moudy (BA'49) chairman.

As directed by the constitution of the association, the slate of candidates is submitted by the nominating committee to the alumni secretary by October 1. The list is then submitted to the association membership with the opportunity for any member to submit additional nominations. These nominations must be in writing after having contacted each person to determine if they will serve if elected. These nominations must be mailed to the alumni secretary not later than February 1. The candidates receiving the largest number of votes are then added to the list submitted by the committee. On or before May 1, these candidates will be presented to the association membership to choose officers for the next two years.

The Alumni Association is a vital force in the life of Harding College. Every mem-

Harding College Establishes Stapleton Memorial Fund

Inquiries have come to the college suggesting a memorial to Mrs. Ruby Lowrey Stapleton. Some have already made contributions for this purpose and a memorial fund is being set up. The exact use of the fund can not be determined until the amount ultimately given for this purpose is known. When the memorial has been decided upon it will be announced in this bulletin.

Contributions to this fund are therefore in order. All funds for this purpose should be marked clearly for the Ruby Lowrey Stapleton Memorial Fund.



ber is important to her welfare. You are urged to take an active part in the affairs of your association and here is one opportunity to do so. Give some thought to the election of these officers and then give them your full support. This is one way you can help to build a greater and better Harding.

Harding Appoints Ken Dunn New Field Representative

Ken Dunn, a 1962 Harding graduate, has been appointed field representative for the College. His primary function is to contact prospective students and help increase the Living Endowment Association. Dunn is spending the major part of his time traveling in Arkansas and the bordering states. He is particularly interested in gaining the names and addresses of prospective students. All alumni are requested to send him this information.

The new representative received his B.A. degree in accounting and has been employed by the Arthur Andersen accounting firm of Houston the past year.



1963 Petit Jean Wins All-American Rating For Fourth Straight Year

For the fourth straight year, the *Petit Jean* has received an All-American rating by the Associated Collegiate Press at the University of Minnesota.

In the Arkansas College Publications Association yearbook contest, the *Petit Jean* was rated first in general excellence, editorial content, photography, typography and layout.

Among the colleges having an enrollment of 1,000 to 1,500, Harding is one of four colleges whose yearbooks received an All-American rating for 1962. In 1961, only three yearbooks in this category received All-American ratings and the *Petit Jean* was one of them. It was the only yearbook in the state of Arkansas to gain this honor.

Observations . . .

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effective Christian servants of our children. Who is to do this job? Or does it need to be done?

Secondly, Christian parents uninformed about Christian colleges assume that prestige state and private colleges offer a training and preparation superior to that offered by "our schools." We can admit that this was true to an extent in the past; but it is a demonstrable fact that this has long since ceased to be true. Our fully accredited Christian schools do a generally superior job in preparing students for a multitude of careers and professions — while giving the bonuses of spiritual and religious training which will make them better and happier Christians. Graduates of our Christian schools make top grades and impressive records in the prestige professional and graduate universities of the nation, and while pursuing higher education are often a major factor in building new or reinvigorating old churches. Here is where their Christian college training is most likely to prove itself.

A third factor not faced by Christian parents is that when their children go to school in an environment where the majority of their associates are not Christians, these children are very likely to marry non-Christians. Although some of these marriages may turn out well many of them have unfortunate consequences in religious conflicts, which may result in unhappy or at the worst, broken homes. Conversely, as may be expected when students of similar religious background, similar ideals and aims study together in an environment friendly to Christian values, almost ideal conditions for establishing sound Christian homes exist. Christian homes thus started are among the greatest treasures for the church.

Christian colleges are not academically "second-rate" but "first rate." In addition they give every encouragement to young people to grow in "grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ," and they offer opportunities unequalled to establish Christian homes which are the bulwark of the church.

What do these observations mean to the alumni. As I see it, they furnish a great challenge to us to inform more and more Christians about the wonderful unmatched values offered generally at Christian colleges and in particular at Harding College.

☆ Chapter News ☆

At the alumni dinner held in Beaumont on Sept. 27, the Golden Triangle Chapter (Beaumont-Port Arthur — Orange) elected the following officers: **John Davis** (BA'52), president; **Bill York** (BA'61) and **Mrs. Bill (Betty Kell) Cook** (BA'51), secretaries; **Arthur Garner** (BA'60), treasurer.

In Sympathy

To the following families we express our sympathy:

Phil Watson (BA'59) whose daughter, Angela Joyce, and wife, **Jackie Messick** ('59) Watson were killed in a train-car accident Sept. 11 in Harrah, Okla.

The family of Mrs. H. F. (Frankie Traywick) Brandenstein (Academy graduate, '45).

The **E. R. Stapleton** (BA'32) family.

Correction

We are sorry the following names were left out of the list of contributors reported in last month's bulletin: **Bill Lynn** ('46), **Mrs. Bill Lynn** (Margaret Sherrill, BA'44) and **Kelso Waters** (BA'59).

Alumni Dinner . . .

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the free barbeque dinner only, you will find it to be a rich and rewarding experience.

In addition to other distinguished speakers on the program, the following Harding alumni will have a part: **Dr. A. R. Brown** ('41), **Joe Hacker** (BA'55), **Dr. Jack Wood Sears** (BS'40), **Cleon Lyles** (Acad.), **Jimmy Allen** (BA'52), **Bill Sherrill** (BA'54), **David Underwood** (BA'52), **Buddy Myer** (BA'53), **Leon Watson** (Ext), **C. W. Bradley** (BA'44), **Dr. James Bales** (BA'37), **Worley Ferguson** (BA'45), **Harold McRay** (Grad), **Hobart Ashby** ('39), **Dale Hulett** ('55), **Neil Cope** (BA'34), **Jim Bill McInteer** (BA'42), **Mrs. Carroll Trent** (Rachel Jackson, BA'35), **Monroe Hawley** (BA'45), **John Ryan** (BA'59), **George Gurganus** (BA'39), **Mrs. Cleon Lyles** (Maxie Coats, Acad.), **Leon Sanderson** (BA'54), **Dr. James Zink** (BA'54), **Neale Pryor** (BA'56).

We will be delighted to see you.

These Companies Have A Matching-Gift Plan Are You Employed By One Of Them?

Listed below are the companies reported to have a matching-gift program in support of higher education.

This type of aid is a relatively new development in the educational field but its rapid growth is an indication of its value to both education and business. This is one way businessmen have of saying thanks for well trained employees.

Are you employed by one of these companies? Why not take advantage of their offer to double your contribution to your Alma Mater. Your employer will be needing other employees like you and this is his way of helping to provide for that need.

Investigate this program with your company.

Companies With Matching-gift Plan

Aetna Life Affiliated Companies
Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corporation
American Brake Shoe Company
American Express Foundation
American & Foreign Power Co. Inc.
American Home Products Corp.
American Sugar Refining Company
Armstrong Cork Company
Athos Steel and Aluminum, Inc.
Atlas Chemical Industries Inc.
Atlas Rigging and Supply Co.
Bank of New York
Berks County Trust Co.
Bloch Brothers Tobacco Co.
Boston Manufactures Mutual Ins. Co.
Bristol-Myers Co.
The Brown Foundation, Inc.
Burlington Industries Foundation
Cabot Corporation
Campbell Soup Company
Canadian General Electric Co. Ltd.
Carpenter Steel Co.
Carter Products Inc.
Cerro Corporation
Chase Manhattan Bank Foundation
Chemical Bank New York Trust Co.
Chicopee Manufacturing Corporation
The Chilcote Company
Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.
Clevite Corporation
James B. Clow & Sons, Inc.
Columbian Carbon Company
Combustion Engineering Inc.
Connecticut General Life Ins. Co.
Connecticut Light & Power Company
Connecticut Mutual Life Ins. Co.
Consumers Power Company
Continental Oil Company
The Cook Foundation
Copley Press, Inc.
Corn Products Co.
Corning Glass Works Foundation
Crouse-Hinds Foundation Inc.
Deering Milliken Inc.

Diamond Alkali Company
Diamond Crystal Salt Company
Dow Chemical Company
Dow Corning Corporation
Draper Corporation
Wilbur B. Driver Company
Easton Car & Construction Co.
Ebasco Services Inc.
Electric Bond and Share Co.
Ex-Cell-O Corp.
The Fafnir Bearing Company
Ferro Corporation
Ford Motor Company
Ford Motor Co. of Canada, Ltd.
Forty-Eight Insulations Inc.
Ernest Gallo Foundation
General Atronics Corporation
General Electric Company
General Foods Fund Inc.
General Foods, Limited
General Public Utilities Corp.
Georgia-Pacific Corp., Crossett Division
M. A. Gesner of Illinois, Inc.
Gibbs & Hill Inc.
Ginn and Company
Glidden Company
B. F. Goodrich Company
W. T. Grant Company
Gulf Oil Corporation
Gulf States Utilities Co.
Harris-Intertype Foundation
Harsco Corporation
Hercules Powder Company
Hewlett-Packard Company
Hill Acme Company
Hooker Chemical Company
J. M. Huber Corporation
Hughes Aircraft Company
Hussmann Refrigerator Co.
INA Matching Gift Program
International Business Machines Corp.
ITT Matching Grants Program
Jefferson Mills Inc.
Jewel Tea Company, Inc.

Johnson & Higgins
The Johnson's Wax Fund
Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.
Kaiser Steel Corporation
Kern County Land Company
Walter Kidde & Company Foundation
Walter Kidde Constructors Foundation Inc.
Kidder, Peabody & Company
Kimberly-Clark Corporation
Kingsbury Machine Tool Corporation
Lehigh Portland Cement Co.
H. M. Long Limited
P. Lorillard Co.
The Lubrizol Foundation
The Lummus Company
Lustra Plastics Corp.
Mallinckrodt Chemical Works
P. R. Mallory Co. Foundation, Inc.
Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. Foundation
The Marine Midland Trust Co. of New York
Matalene Surgical Instruments Co., Inc.
Maytag Co. Foundation Inc.
McCormick & Company Inc.
McGraw-Hill Publishing Company Inc.
Medusa Portland Cement Co.
Mellon National Bank and Trust Co.
M & T Chemicals Inc.
The Merck Company Foundation
Middlesex Mutual Assurance Co.
Midland-Ross Corporation
Miehle-Goss-Dexter Foundation
Monticello Life Insurance Co.
Morgan Engineering Foundation
Mutual Boiler and Machinery Ins. Co.
National Cash Register Foundation
National Distillers and Chemical Corp.
National Lead Foundation Inc.
Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America
New England Gas and Elec. Asso. System
New England Merchants Nat'l Bank of Boston
New England Life Matching Gifts Plan
New York Trap Rock Corp. Foundation Inc.
Northrop Corporation
Norton Company
John Nuveen & Company
Oklahoma Gas and Electric Co.
Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp.
Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp.
Owens-Corning Fiberglass Corporation
Pennsalt Chemicals Foundation
Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.
Personal Products Corporation
Petro-Tex Chemical Corporation
Phelps Dodge Foundation
Phillips Petroleum Company
The Pillsbury Company
Pitney-Bowes Incorporated
Pittsburgh National Bank
Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
Preformed Line Products Co.

Putman Management Co., Inc.
Quaker Chemical Products Corp.
Ralston Purina Co.
R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.
Riegel Textile Corp. Foundation
Rockwell Manufacturing Co.
Rockwell-Standard Corp. Charitable Trust
Rust Engineering Company
Schering Foundation
Scott Paper Co. Foundation
Joseph E. Seagram & Sons Inc.
Sealright-Oswego Falls Foundation
Security National Bank of Long Island
Selby, Battersby & Co.
Seton Foundation
Sharon Steel Foundation
Simmons Company
Simonds Saw and Steel Company
Sinclair Oil Corp.
The Singer Manufacturing Co.
Smith Kline & French Foundation
Smith-Lee Co., Inc.
Sperry and Hutchinson Company
Spruce Falls Power and Paper Co. Ltd.
Stackpole Carbon Co.
Esso Education Foundation
Stauffer Chemical Company
Stevens Candy Kitchens Inc.
W. H. Sweney & Company
Tektronix Foundation
Tennessee Gas Transmission Co.
Textron, Inc.
J. T. Thorpe Co.
Towers, Perrin, Forster & Crosby Inc.
Towmotor Foundation
The Travelers Insurance Companies
Turner Construction Co.
United Clay Mines Corp.
United Illuminating Company
U. S. Trust Co. of New York
U. S. Borax and Chemical Corp.
Varian Associates
Victaulic Co. of America
Warner Brothers Company
Watkins-Johnson Company
Charles J. Webb Foundation
Western Publishing Co.
Westinghouse Air Brake Foundation
Whirlpool Corporation
John Wiley & Sons Incorporated
Williams & Company
Wolverine Shoe and Tanning Corp.
Worcester Pressed Steel Co.
Worthington Corp.
Wyandotte Chemicals Corporation
Young & Rubicam Foundation

These companies are sponsoring some type of matching grant program. Details are available by contacting the personnel director of the company concerned.

Alumni News from Here and There

Gerald D. Hunnicutt (BA'60) has just finished two years with the U. S. Navy and has now joined the C.P.A. firm, Touche, Ross, Bailey, and Smart, in Los Angeles.

Orville ('63) and **Lydia Goins** (BA'62) **Brown** are living in Arvada, Colo. where he is a chemist for the Dow Chemical Co. and she is beginning her second year of teaching.

John (BA'60) and **Peggy Hinds** ('62) **Davis** are in Ethiopia with the Peace Corps. He is teaching math; she is teaching home economics. They plan to return to the U. S. after another year.

William H. ('63) and **Mary Jane Turner** ('63) **Hunter** are now living in Smackover where he is teaching industrial arts in the public school. Bill was graduated from Central State College in Edmond in August of this year.

Dr. (BS'59) and **Mrs. Perry** (**Lynn Merrick** BS'60) **Mason Jr.** are now living in Edmond, Okla. Perry is an assistant professor of chemistry at O.C.C. and Lynn is an instructor in the Science Department of Central State College.

Michael (**Mike**) **G. Moore** (BA'56) left in October for Germany where he will begin one to two years of study and research at the University of Tubingen on a West German fellowship.

Richard F. Salmon ('56) is now serving as minister of education for the new Bay Shore congregations. He was among several other Harding exes who made the Exodus.

Lester L. (BA'49) and **Ruth Roberson** (BA'58) **Starling** are living in Winter Garden, Fla. He is preaching regularly for the North Ocoee congregation and works also for the Plymouth Citrus Products Cooperative. Ruth, who received the master's degree from Peabody College this summer, teaches in Christian Home and Bible School at Mt. Dora.

Rue Porter Rogers (BA'51) is now Superintendent of Schools at Rector, Ark.

Edgar R. McAlister (BS'58), a member of American Marketing Ass'n., is on the faculty at North Texas State University this fall. He is an assistant professor in the division of marketing.

Odis J. (BA'60) and **Beverly Bell** (BA'61) **Clayton, Jr.** are now living in Cedar Falls, Iowa. He is teaching speech and drama at Iowa State College. Odis received the master's degree from the University of Arkansas in 1962.

Charles T. Bryant (BS'59) has been

transferred by the U. S. Geological Survey from Portland, Ore. to Little Rock where he is supervisor of the chemical laboratory.

Ensign Jo Ann Hennessy ('63), who received the bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of Arkansas in June, is now a commissioned Ensign in the Navy Corps. She attended school her senior year on Navy Nurse Corps Candidate Program.

Valdy (BA'61) and **Beatrice Bryant** ('63) **Eichmann** are in Fayetteville where he is teaching French and studying for the master's degree in languages.

Kathy West (BS'63) will begin internship at Charity Hospital of Louisiana at New Orleans on January 1, 1964. At the end of one year Kathy will be eligible to take the Board Examination to become a registered medical technologist.

BIRTHS

Son, Steven Bruce, to Bruce and **Carolyn Ainsworth** (BA'59) **Baker** on Sept. 12 in Ft. Worth.

Son, Thomas Lee, to James and **Anne Taylor** ('64) **Bechdoldt** on July 20 in Texarkana, Tex.

Son, Bryan Paul, to **Ron** (BA'61) and **Edna Dorris** (BA'63) **Butterfield** on Oct. 27 in Conway.

Son, Timothy Alan, to **Walt** (BS'57) and **Benny Ponder** ('57) **Gilfilen** on Sept. 20 in Cocoa, Fla.

Son, Timothy Blake, to **Don** (BA'60) and **Barbara Green** ('60) **Glover** on Sept. 30.

Daughter, Shelli Lynnette, to William C. and **Adalene Spencer** ('61) **Green** on Aug. 8 in Little Rock.

Son, James Weldon, to **Weldon** (BA'55) and **Joyce Hatcher** on Oct. 8 in Baton Rouge.

Daughter, Kimberly Jo, to **William H.** ('63) and **Mary Jane Turner** ('63) **Hunter** on Aug. 7 in Edmond, Okla.

Son, Dana Rijn, to Billy O. and **Sarah Anne Jones** ('62) **Key** on April 21.

Daughter, Suzanne, to Mr. and Mrs. **James Elza King** ('40) on Sept. 1.

Daughter, Reta Wynnette, to Mr. and Mrs. **Billy C. Lawrence** (BA'63) on Aug. 8.

Daughter, Lori Sue, to Noel E. ('59) and **Bonnie Johnson** ('60) **Leamon** on May 13.

Son, Jonathan David, to **John** (BA'59) and **Juanice Dill** (BA'59) **Niestadt** on Sept. 28.

Son, William Kent, to **Joe** (BA'63) and **Carol Whatley** ('64) **Spaulding, Jr.** on Oct. 11 in Houston.

Daughter, Marsha Jo, to **James** (BA'58) and **Betty Fogarty** ('60) **Stone** on Feb. 5.

Son, Steven Barton, to **Bill** ('64) and **Peggy Darling** ('65) **Tate** on Aug. 19.

Son, Timothy James, to **Charles** (BA'63) and **Kathy O'Connor** (BS'61) **Thompson** on Sept. 14 in Jonesboro, La.

Son, Phillip Ray, to **Charles** (BA'60) and **Phyllis Cooper** ('63) **Vanwinkle** on Aug. 22.

Son, Mark Quinn, to **Quinn** (BA'60) and **Lanelle Gammill** ('60) **Waters** on Sept. 17 in Gainesville, Fla.

Son, James Darrel, to Mr. and Mrs. **James Lee Williams** ('62) on April 30.

Son, Marty Lane, to **Rodger** ('61) and **Gail Childers** ('62) **Williams** on Sept. 1 in Cincinnati.

MARRIAGES

Orville Brown ('63) and **Lydia Goins** (BA'62) on June 28 in Denver.

G. W. Childs (BA'62) and **Sherra Martin** (BA'63) on Aug. 18 in Corinth, Miss.

Dennie Hall (BA'56) and **Ann Mathews** on Sept. 14 in Nashville, Tenn.

Wayne Jones, Jr. and **Lena Neal** ('64) on Oct. 26 in Little Rock.

Jimmy Lewis and **Betty M. Morgan** ('64) on Oct. 5 in Memphis.

Donald L. Picker ('53) and **Marah D. Flanagan** on Aug. 17 in Ellisville, Mo.

Wallace G. Scott and **Janet C. Pierce** (BA'61) on Aug. 24 in Wichita.

Bobby Tanner ('60) and **Jan Anderson** ('63) on Aug. 10 in Chicago.

Emil Thrasher and **Marilyn Flynt** ('61) on June 15 in Atlanta.

Dr. William Lee Winters ('59) and **Brenda Frese** on Nov. 1 in Jonesboro.

Beth Elaine Robertson (BA'59) to **William Jordan Boone Jr.** in October in Tucson, Ariz.

It's Important To Know The Difference Between Neighbors' Mailboxes and Their Trash Cans

(The following story was taken from a feature article written by Lin H. Wright, BA'52.)

It's hard to believe that Waldemar "Valdy" Eichmann ever had trouble understanding anything about this country.

But he did.

Valdy — that's what his friends call him — is a native of Germany who is studying in America on a visa. Unlike most foreign students, his speech is almost void of the telltale accent traditionally associated with Europeans. At the University of Arkansas, where he is teaching and studying for his master's degree, students in his first-year French class are surprised by his fluent English and the size of his vocabulary. But the thing that delights them is his mastery of colloquial English, a characteristic which nearly casts the 23-year-old in the mythical American image of John Doe.

Enroute to America, he readily under-

stood the speech of English-speaking fellow passengers, and was easily understood by them. So when his steamer docked at Houston, Tex., he looked upon the city with the air of the true cosmopolite. Valdy was 18.

The cosmopolitan aura melted away like a forsaken ice cream cone on a hot Houston sidewalk when he came ashore. As he casually strolled along the streets he slowly and painfully realized that:

1. He could not comprehend the soft drawl of the Southerner and could not understand Southern colloquialisms and slang.

2. He had no concept of terminology for American coins.

3. And, alas, Americans didn't do things the way they're done in Belgium.

As Valdy tells it, he had just battled a stamp machine and heartened by his conquest he hurried out to mail his letter.

He shaded his eyes and scanned the street for one of the familiar green boxes that are so predominantly mounted along the curbs of Liege. There was no such box in sight, a fact that perplexed Valdy to no end. Soon he noticed a postman ambling toward him.

"Pardon me, sir," he said in perfect, unaccented English, "can you tell me where to mail this letter?"

The postman paused and looked at Valdy for a long moment. Then he looked up at the sign above the post office door. Then he looked back at Valdy. Valdy smiled, the postman didn't. "You might try this building — or that mailbox right behind you," he said and hurried off shaking his head.

Valdy wheeled around and, sure enough, there against the wall of the post office was a familiar green box, partially hidden from view by a faded red and blue receptacle whose white lettering had been all but obliterated by weather.

"Happily, I pushed open the door of the little green box to mail my letter, but I could not bring myself to deposit it. Inside the box were leaves, dirty paper, a comic book, banana peels, and a half-

eaten apple." The word "trash" had not been included in Valdy's English vocabulary study.

It was not until he leaned wearily against the red and blue box that he noticed the faded white letters spelled "U. S. Mail."

Actually, the incidents occurred four years ago when he arrived in the United States to complete his undergraduate work at Harding College at Searcy.

While studying at Harding, Valdy met and married the former Beatrice ("Bea") Bryant of Chouteau, Okla. (The couple are expecting their first child this winter.)

The Eichmanns aren't sure what they'll do after the doctoral work is completed. "But we'll probably return to Europe where Valdy will study some more before he begins teaching there," Bea said.

"In the meantime, I want to learn everything I can about this country, its people, and their mannerisms," Valdy said, smiling broadly. Then his facial expression grew serious. "The world gets smaller every day. It's going to be increasingly important for all of us to be able to tell the difference between our neighbors' mailboxes and their trash cans," he said.

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Harding graduate, Valdy Eichmann, poses with one of his main problems when he arrived in the United States from Germany. He finds that there is a lot to learn about the U.S.

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