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# Speck, Poucher Key Speakers For Workshop and Forum Aug. 4-6



H. E. Speck Jr.



Wayne Poucher

Harding College's Preachers' Forum and Christian Workers' Workshop are scheduled for August 4-6, on the Searcy campus.

Featured speaker at the Preachers' Forum on communism will be Wayne Poucher of McLean, Va. Poucher, formerly a speaker on Life Line, a nationwide radio program broadcast, is now engaged in evangelistic work. Other speakers on the Forum will be Dr. J. D. Bales, Dr. C. L. Ganus and Dr. George S. Benson.

Dr. H. E. Speck Jr., associate professor of religious education at Abilene Christian College, Abilene, Tex. will be the keynote speaker for the Workshop. Dr.

Speck is also the author of "The Church's Educational Program."

Seventeen different teachers will conduct classes in the Workshop centered around the theme, "Evangelism Through Education."

There will be classes for beginning teachers, advanced teachers, department supervisors and lectures on Bible school methods. Also classes will be conducted in leadership for elders and deacons, workshop on bulletin boards, the challenge of the Christian woman, men's training class development, the church secretary, making the Bible class evangelistic, training cottage meeting workers, and a methods workshop prepared by the churches in the greater Memphis area.

Other areas of study will be the department supervisors class on leadership, the Christian woman's work in the community, developing and conducting the vacation Bible school, developing a singing congregation, women's service in the home and church, personal work program, winning the lost by developing small congregations and counseling young people.

A special feature of the Workshop is the method's workshop. During this period, visitors may observe ladies actually preparing displays, etc. Joe Hacker Jr., director of the Workshop believes that this will be one of the most effective and useful sessions during the Workshop.

Teaching classes will be Mrs. Wayne Puckett, Mrs. Opalene Kail, Mrs. T. B. Underwood, Mac Lynn, Paul Brown, T. B. Underwood, Mrs. Bea Speck and Dr. Foy Kirkpatrick.

Others having a part in the program are Miss Melva Ball, Mrs. T. B. Thompson, Mrs. Cleon Lyles and Mrs. Carroll Trent.

## 1964-65 Seminars Will Feature Four Noted Speakers

Wilmeth, Nichols,  
Lyles, Scott On  
Schedule

Four religious seminars, centered around the theme "The Preacher and his Relationships" with mission work emphasized in the last seminar, have been planned for 1964-65.

Students with majors in Bible and Biblical languages and others planning to preach, profit from the knowledge and experience of visiting speakers.

P. D. Wilmeth, minister of the Glenwood congregation in Tyler, Tex., is scheduled as the first speaker October 5-7. His topic is "The Preacher and his Relationship to the Community."

On January 5-6 James Walter Nichols, editor of the **Christian Chronicle**, will discuss "The Preacher and his Relationship to the Brotherhood."

Cleon Lyles, minister of the 6th and Izard congregation in Little Rock will speak on "The Preacher and his Relationship to the Congregation" February 22-24.

The final seminar, April 5-7, will be conducted by Bob Scott, from Albany, N. Y. His topic is "Missions Methods in U.S.A."

Each seminar will include afternoon and night lectures. In addition, each speaker will talk to the entire student body in chapel and to the College Church of Christ on Wednesday night.



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## Jimmy Don Lawson Wins 1964 AIC Scholar-Athlete Award

Jimmie Don Lawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Lawson, is the winner of the 1964 AIC Scholar-Athlete Award.

Lawson, who earned five letters in intercollegiate sports, three in track and two in cross country, graduated from Harding this spring summa cum laude with a 3.950 grade point. He received his degree in mathematics and earned minors in chemistry, physics and English.

As a result of his academic achievements, Lawson has received a NASA Fellowship in mathematics from the University of Tennessee for graduate study.

During the summer of 1963 he was a student trainee at Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies. This year he was the recipient of the Region II Alpha Chi Scholarship Award.

At the end of his sophomore and junior years at Harding, Lawson received the Ganus

Award which is given to the young man achieving the highest academic average for that particular school year.

He has participated in inter-

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Jimmy Lawson

## Nine New Courses Added To Next Year's Schedule

Harding College's curriculum will include nine new courses beginning in the fall 1964.

Five business courses, Business 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, will be offered for three credits each. These five courses comprise the Charter Life Underwriters Course.

Other new courses include Biology 430G — Research (1-4 credits), Home Economics 431 — Advanced Nutrition (3 credits), Psychology 451 — Independent Study (1-3 credits) and Speech 281 — Radio Programming (3 credits).

## 137 Harding College Students Make Spring Semester Dean's List

Comprising the 137 students who were named to the spring semester Dean's List were 50 seniors, 26 juniors, 18 sophomores, and 33 freshmen. Twenty-four of these students achieved straight A's; last fall nine of the 119 students who made the Dean's list made straight A's.

Two freshmen, Nancy Lee Dasher and Donald Hall Johnson, and three sophomores, Dennis Michael Organ, Retta Martin, and Ann M. Gaskill made straight A's. The ten juniors who achieved straight A's are David B. Burks, Patricia Clement Jones, Regina Ann Dunn, Richard Thomas Hughes, Judith Maye Limburg, Kenneth Wilkey O'Neal, Earl Dean Powell, Merlin Rex Prior, Carol Annetta Sexson and Pa-

tricia Louise Shull. Nine seniors, Sylvia Ann Aday, Carole Winn Humphreys, Jimmy Don Lawson, Paul DuWayne Learned, Judy Carol Mathis, Laura Jane Miller, Sandra Tanner, Saundra L. Tollett, and Louise L. Tucker, achieved all A's.

To qualify for the Dean's List freshmen must average 3.25 and upperclassmen 3.50 from a possible four-point average. The students must carry at least 12 hours, have no incomplete hours and have no grade below a C. The following is the remainder of the Dean's List according to class.

Freshmen: Ellis Lavert Hague-wood, Harold Allen Walker, Mary Ann Eddy, Robert Earl West, Emilie Claire Gardner, Linda Sue Byrd, John Thomas Valentine,

Ben Milton Huey, Robert Vann Adams, Patrick Norman Barker, Billy Joe Baker, Sherry Lee Balthrop, Patricia Ann Chambliss, Anna Sue Hinds, Michael Edward Moore, Clyde Gaylon Smith, Ivan McKinney Jr., Mary Nancy Watson, Rachel Vivian Fishel, Sherry Lynne Wait, Reta Jeanne Lloyd, William R. McDaniel III, Connie Jean Taylor, Philip Max Lorenz, Suzanne Rayne Learned, Laurel Darwin Keichline, William Lowell Culp, L. Sue Fugate, Erlene Marie Laney, Susan Janet Teufert, and William DeWitt Whitten.

Sophomores: Clifton Loyd Ganus III, Ken Lester Johnson, Ron K. Young, Dwayne Dale Van Rheen, Donald Paul Samanie Jr., Etlar Berry Davis, Faye Masters, Eileen F. Mazuran, Allen Clark Johnson, Don W. Mathis, Robin Algee, Jacqueline Frances Daniel, James W. Wilson, Paula Celeste Peacock, and Janice Akin.

Juniors: Amelia Ann Griffin, Priscilla Baker, William T. Blake-more, Doris Ann Bush, Ruth Ann Selby, James Ernest Arnold, John Michael Waters, John G. Underwood, Claudette K. Thompson, Lanny Casey, Linda Jo Risinger, Peter Wayne Bumpass, Jerry B. Hollis, Lily Diana Hays, Susan Muriel Luke, and Carmen M. Camperell.

Seniors: Tamara Tanner, Robert Carter Camp, Randall Joe Burlison, William Leighton Waters, Leslie Carlton Burke, Mike L. Eldridge, Mona Judy Epperson, Robert Edward Smith Jr., Dora Anita Southard, Judy Anne Stracke, Karen Ann Mock,

David C. Jones, Hettie Lou Martin, John Quarles Cunningham, Del Mason Brock, Rayma Jean Bailey, Frank Ellis Ackers, Butch Doyle Bradsher, Robert Sidney Brewer, Jerry Claude Webb, Patricia Ann Caraway, James Harbert Jones Jr., Jon R. Farris, Barbara Barnes, Robert H. Boaz, Dennis O. Peugh, Billy Duke Pearcy, Chester Gail Russell, Sandra Lee Teufert, James William Tollerson, James Henry Bailey Jr., Julia Ellen Chester, Latina C. Dykes, Marcia Geisler Phillips, Barbara Lou Siler, Larry Max Brown, Sharon Kay Dunn, Bob A. Pearcy, Ted J. Maple, Samuel Peter Keichline, and Janice Wright Hughes.

### Dr. E. G. Sewell Attends North Central Workshop

Dr. Edward G. Sewell, professor of education at Harding College, is at the University of Minnesota at St. Paul this summer attending the annual North Central Association Liberal Arts Workshop.

The workshop is scheduled to begin July 20 and will continue for four weeks. Dr. Sewell's group will study the criteria for admission to and retention in the teacher education program.

Harding College has had a representative to the workshop each year since 1947.

Dr. Sewell's daughter, Ann also plans to attend two short music workshops at the University of Minnesota this summer.

### Earl Wilcox Returns To Harding After Two Year Leave of Absence

After a two year leave of absence, Earl J. Wilcox resumed his work as an assistant professor of English at Harding College July 6.

During his absence from Harding Wilcox has been doing advanced work toward his Ph.D. degree at Vanderbilt University. Also during this period, he taught part time at David Lipscomb College.

Wilcox received his B.S. from Arkansas State in 1958 and his M.A. from the University of Texas in 1959. In 1958 he received the Student of Distinction and the Honors Award in Literature from Arkansas State.

Wilcox and his wife Bettye and their two boys Geoffrey, age 3, and Michael Alan, age 1, are residing at 210 S. Blakney St.



Earl Wilcox

## Six Harding Professors Take Leaves of Absence; Nine Do Advanced Work During This Summer

Six Harding professors will be on a leave of absence to do advanced work this fall.

Kenneth Perrin, chairman of the math department, has a teaching fellowship at Oklahoma State University at Stillwater. He will be working on his Ph.D. in mathematics.

Working toward his Ph.D. in biology William Rushton, assistant professor of biological science, will be attending Cornell University in Ithaca, N. Y. He has received a National Science Foundation Fellowship in radiation biology.

Joe Hacker, chairman of the Department of Bible, Religion and Philosophy, will be attending Southwestern Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. While working on his Doctor of Religious Education, Hacker will retain his position as head of the Bible Department and direct the Lectureship, seminars and other programs.

Attending the University of Missouri in Columbia, Doyle Ward, assistant professor of speech, will be working on his Ph.D. in speech. He has a fellowship in speech correction.

Ben Holland, assistant professor of speech, will attend the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. He will be writing his thesis for a Master of Arts in drama.

Don England, assistant professor of chemistry, continues his leave to work on his Ph.D. in organic chemistry. He is attending the University of Mississippi in Oxford.

Nine Harding faculty members are doing advanced work during the summer: Ted Lloyd, assistant football coach, is working on his master's degree in biology at the University of Mississippi; Geneva Combs, instructor in secretarial science, is working on her master's degree in business education at the University of Oklahoma; Bob Gilliam, director of testing and counseling, is doing post-doctorial study and is a visiting professor at Auburn University; Jerry Starr, assistant professor of economics and business administration, is doing work toward a Ph.D. in economics at the University of Arkansas; Ken Davis, assistant professor of music, is completing his dissertation for his Ph.D. in music for the University of Indiana; Winnie Bell, assistant librarian, is attending Drexel Institute of Technology; Grover Goyne, an instructor in English, is working toward his Ph.D. in English at the University of California; Neil Cope, chairman of the Journalism Department, is working on his doctor's dissertation; and William Williams, chairman of the Department of Physical Science is working at the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies on an Atomic Energy Commission Fellowship.



Herman West

### Harding Printer Elected To Head Project For Blind

Herman West, manager of the Harding College Press and International Counsellor for Lions International, has been elected president of the Arkansas Enterprises for the Blind for 1964-65.

The AEB is a non-profit organization owned and operated by the Lions of Arkansas for the rehabilitation of the blind.

West has been active in Lions work since October 1947, beginning at Midwest City, Okla.

He has had a perfect attendance in the 11 years of service in the Searcy Club.

West is presently chairman of the Public Relations Committee of Multiple District 7 of Lions International, vice chairman of the Advertise Arkansas Committee of District 7 and chairman of Extension and Lions International.

He has attended ten consecutive international conventions. In June of 1962 West was among 74 from Arkansas to attend the Lions International Convention in Nice, France.

### Jimmy Allen Will Conduct Largest Evangelistic Campaign In Dallas

Jimmy Allen, assistant professor of Bible at Harding College, will be the speaker for the largest evangelistic campaign ever sponsored by the Dallas County (Tex.) churches of Christ July 26-Aug. 9.

The Dallas campaign, sponsored by Dallas area churches, is designed to attract thousands nightly from the Dallas County and surrounding area. It will be held in the 10,500-seat Dallas Memorial Auditorium and will be centered around the theme "15 Keys to Living." Sunset Church of Christ, 2442 West Jefferson Blvd., will be the general coordinator of the campaign.

Preaching almost half his life, Allen has held some 180 gospel meetings in 12 states during the past 15 years. In June, an average nightly audience of 4,500 people heard Allen speak at an eight-day meeting in Springdale, an Arkansas community of 12,000 people. The last night of the meeting drew 6,000 people. Responses numbered 182, including 107 baptisms and 75 restorations.

Allen, who recently returned from an extensive tour of the Bible Lands, says he has come a long way from the days when he was a youth, completely disinterested in religion. After being discharged from the Army in 1948, he enrolled in Harding College "simply because it was close to the place where I was reared."

"One of the early influences on my life was G. W. Allison," he said. "Since students in chapel were seated alphabetically, we sat next to each other. He was the



Jimmy Allen

first and only person to talk to me about my soul." Allen was baptized soon after entering college.

"Influences at Harding College were threefold," Allen said. "First, the dedicated young people — the first time in my life that I had been in such surroundings. Second, daily Bible classes and especially the Book of Acts, my first course in Bible at Harding, taught by Brother Jack Wood Sears, and third, the influence of the chapel services."

Allen preached his first sermon on a dare, soon after he became a Christian.

"A friend of mine said he would go to church if I'd preach so my uncle got permission for me to speak and helped me with

my sermon," he said. "I must have preached all of twelve minutes but none of it was to my friend. He was out baiting hooks — he didn't even show up."

Allen preached for a number of different churches while attending Harding until he finished the sophomore year. He then preached for three years at the Newport (Ark.) Airbase church while obtaining the B.A. and doing his first year of graduate work. He received his Master of

Religious Education from Harding Graduate School at Memphis in 1959. He has also preached for congregations in Prescott, Magnolia and Lepanto, all in Arkansas.

He has been on the faculty at Harding since 1959 and is now an assistant professor of Bible and Religion.

He and his wife, the former Marilyn McCluggage of near Wichita, Kan., have two children, Jimmy 4, and Cindy, 5.

### Memphis Summer Lectureship And Seminar Set For July 21-31, Aug. 4-14

Harding Graduate School has scheduled two sessions for the Summer Lectureship and Seminar In Missions, July 21-31 and August 4-14, on the Memphis campus.

Seminar classes may be taken for graduate or undergraduate college credit or may be audited. Preachers and missionaries are eligible to receive scholarships covering cost of room and tuition.

Classes will meet on Tuesday through Friday in the morning and afternoon. Chapel devotions will be conducted on each class day and evening lectures will be

held on inspirational and educational themes.

There will be no classes nor lectures on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays, except the all-day program on "Preaching the Gospel to the Whole World," Saturday, August 1, at the Getwell Church of Christ.

A class in preparation of the missionary will be taught by Otis Gatewood and Lucien Palmer the first and second weeks of the first session. George Gurganus will conduct a class both weeks in the first session on Anthropology for Christian Missions. DeWayne Davenport will teach a class in Selected Fields (Africa), the first week during the first session, Ira Y. Rice, Jr. will be teaching Selected Fields (S.E. Asia) the second week.

George Gurganus will teach Missionary Principles, Methods and Practices, and James D. Bales, Christianity and Communism, for both weeks during the second session. Abe Malherbe will conduct a class on Evangelism of the Early Church, the first week of the second session and Dr. George S. Benson, president of Harding College, will teach a class on the Home Church and Missions the second week of the second session.

Reservations and applications for scholarships should be sent to George Gurganus, Director Summer Lectures and Seminar in Missions, Harding College Graduate School of Religion, 1000 Cherry Road, Memphis, Tennessee 38117.

### Jimmy Lawson . . .

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collegiate debating, has served as president of the Science Club and was president of the Arkansas Eta Chapter of Alpha Chi, a national honor scholarship society, during his senior year.

A distance runner, Lawson was a member of the Harding cross country team which won the AIC championship last fall. He ran the half mile and mile during the track season.

Other candidates for the scholar-athlete award were: swimmer Larry Barden of Hendrix with a grade point average of 3.330; footballer Jimmy Atkinson of Arkansas A&M with a grade point of 3.120; and football, basketball and baseball standout Bill Shimek of Arkansas State Teachers with a grade point of 3.008.

# Attitude On Academic Excellence Has Changed Over the Years

By Dr. James L. Atteberry Jr.  
Chairman of the English Dept.

As a student and as a teacher I have been intimately associated with Christian education for almost thirty years, counting from 1935 when I entered the seventh grade on a Christian campus in West Texas. During that period I have watched some things change, some things stay essentially as they were. And I have through those years found repeated justification for my conviction that Christian education is worth what it costs — in expenditure of energy, in denial of self, in dedication to duty. For Christian education offers one of the few bright paths to a better tomorrow not only for the Church but also for the world.

What has not changed over the years, in my observation, is the Christian emphasis. A Christian campus is still a concentration point for essentially good people, teachers and students, who wish to join with other idealistic hearts in a common effort to obey God and to serve humanity. An individual who desires spiritual growth will find ample opportunities for maturation on the Christian campus; the challenge to become a spiritual giant is constantly kept before him.

What has changed is the attitude toward academic excellence. In the early years of Christian education the most

ardent supporters of the movement were frequently humble men who were appalled by the attrition in the ranks of their children attending non-Christian institutions. To these men no education at all was better than an education which terminated in spiritual death. But survival in their world demanded education. A compromise seemed inevitable. And a compromise was initially imperative. They could set up their own schools staffed with Christian teachers, but unfortunately the teacher with both spiritual and academic qualifications was hard to find. As a result the early schools were frequently staffed with dedicated men who were handicapped by limited preparation. It is true that the dedication frequently balanced the handicaps; nevertheless, the Christian schools initially could not boast of academic excellence. Years are essential to the training and assembling of highly qualified faculties.

Now the years have passed; and although highly qualified teachers are still in short supply, the major institutions patronized by members of the churches of Christ can boast of faculties comparable in academic qualifications to those of many of the renowned institutions of the nation. Indeed, it can be demonstrated that the Christian colleges maintain higher academic environments and standards than non-Chris-

tian schools of comparable size. Examples can be multiplied, but one basis of comparison will suffice. At Harding College first-year students are assigned to freshman English sections which average twenty-one students in size. They are taught by full-time faculty members whose teaching loads average twelve semester hours. At a fully accredited state institution less than 150 miles away, the freshman English sections average thirty-five students in size, and the instructors are routinely assigned fifteen-hour teaching loads.

Often the learning environment is even less advantageous in the large universities, especially for undergraduate instruction. Three years ago an exceptionally fine Harding College graduate, with an English major, was appointed to a teaching assistantship in a prestige university of the Southwest. He had had no graduate courses. He had had no teaching experience. Yet in his first semester of graduate experience he was assigned, with four other teaching assistants of similar qualifications, to direct the learning activities of a section of freshman English numbering 200 students. And a highly respected university of the Midwest has a beginning psychology section with 2000 students.

The ultimate test of academic excellence, of course, is the performance of the student after he leaves the institution. This test

the Harding graduate meets admirably. The Harding faculty is justifiably proud of the outstanding records of Harding alumni in the graduate schools of the nation. Their records demonstrate conclusively the academic excellence of the Harding experience. Thus the idealistic goals of the pioneer Christian educators are now a reality: Christian education still emphasizes spiritual development, but it maintains its spiritual objectives without sacrificing academic excellence.

## 1964 Lectureship Theme, Date Set

The 41st annual lectureship of Harding College has been scheduled for November 23-26, around the theme of "My God And I."

Keynote speakers will be Cleon Lyles on the subject of "My God And I, A Covenant Relationship;" Hugo McCord, "The God I Worship;" E. W. McMillian, "My God And I At Judgement;" and Ira North, "My God And I In Eternity." Other featured speakers will be C. W. Bradley, John Chalk, Bob Marshall, Jimmy Allen, George S. Benson and Jim Bill McInteer.

Forums will be conducted daily around the subjects of "My God And I — Ethical Responsibilities" and "My God And I — Stewardship Responsibilities."



Gordon Teel, former minister for the College Church of Christ and now working with the Vermont Avenue Church of Christ in Los Angeles, will welcome Harding College students September 6-13 when he conducts the annual fall meeting at the college church.

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