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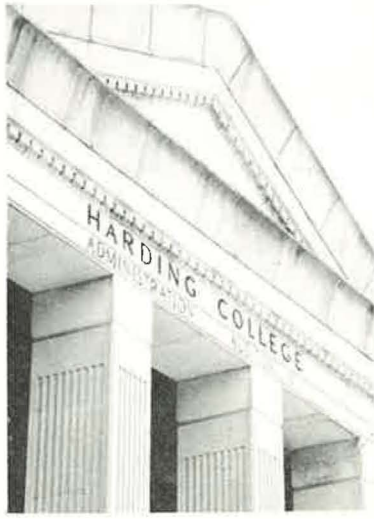
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DECEMBER BULLETIN

Dedicated to the Pursuit of Excellence in Christian Education

Oral History Association Inducts Texas Attorney

Roy C. Coffee, attorney and former mayor of University Park, Tex., was inducted into the Harding chapter of the Oral History Association on Nov. 3. He became the seventh inductee into the Harding chapter.

A native Arkansan, Coffee was born in Gassville, a small community near Mountain Home. He received his baccalaureate degree from North Texas State College in 1918 and the LL.B. degree from the University of Texas in 1922.

Coffee was admitted to the Texas Bar Association in 1922 and is a member of the Dallas Bar Association, having served as its president in 1943-44. He has served in the Texas House of Representatives and from 1950 to 1970 was mayor of University Park in suburban Dallas.

The seventy-four year old attorney is a trustee of Abilene Christian College and an honorary trustee of Christian College of the Southwest.

At an evening dinner following the two-hour interview session Coffee addressed the more than one hundred students, faculty members, college administrators and local civic leaders attending the dinner. In his remarks he discussed the principles of government he employed as mayor, his concern for the nation's plight and his belief in Christian education.

He labeled selfishness, greed and ignorance as the chief problems he encountered as mayor. "People were only interested in what the city could do for them. They were spending city funds for personal expenses and then complaining about the tax burden."

During Coffee's first four years as mayor the city made nearly \$3 million in improvements to the city's utilities and streets. As mayor he was able to reduce taxes three times in twenty years and when he retired in April



Roy C. Coffee

the city had nearly \$600,000 in surplus funds. He explained his success as "just keeping a close tab on expenditures."

Commenting on the problems facing the nation he remarked, "I think Americans are planting the seeds for our downfall. Continuing deficits in national spending, inflation, riots and civil disturbances are the chief reasons for the nation's plight."

"We have forgotten the Christian principles of fairness and equality upon which this nation was founded. If we are to continue as a nation, schools like Harding must bring the country back to where it began and make the best possible citizens out of their students. The greatest thing neglected in education today is teaching with religious emphasis."

The purpose of the Oral History Association is to preserve history through the use of tape recorded interviews with the people who make history. Previous inductees include H. R. Gibson, Dr. George Benson, W. R. (Witt) Stephens, Gordon McLendon, Wallace E. Johnson and V. E. Howard.

Two New Members Appointed by Board

Two new members were recommended and approved to serve on Harding's Board of Trustees at the board's annual fall meeting November 24.

Dr. Richard Burt of Richardson, Tex., and Dallas Harris of Boise, Idaho, will join the present twenty-two member board of trustees.

Burt is a dentist in Richardson and serves as a deacon for the Waterview congregation. Until February, 1970, he served on the board of trustees of Christian College of the Southwest.

He holds the B.S. degree from Harding and was awarded the D.D.S. degree from Baylor University in 1960.

Harris is the owner of a lumber company and an elder of the church in Boise. He has served as a board member of Magic Valley Christian College.

Two of Harris' four children are presently enrolled in Harding. His daughter, Milly, is a junior home economics major and his son, Randy, is a freshman business administration major.

Lectures Evaluate 'The Bond of Peace'

The timely topic "The Bond of Peace" was discussed and evaluated during Harding's Thanksgiving lectureship.

The 47th annual event brought together thirty-nine speakers from nine states. The lectureship was attended by visitors from twenty-five states and two foreign countries.

Lectureship director Dr. Joe Hacker commented on the four-day program. "This year's lectureship presented a positive approach to solving our problems. The theme of peace is being proclaimed throughout the world, but the rewarding peace found in communion with Jesus Christ is often overlooked. Speakers at the lectureship directed those in attendance toward the common goal of 'the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace'. The lectureship audience was challenged to promote and preserve this peace."

James O. Baird, president of Oklahoma Christian College, concluded the lectureship with a lecture on "The Prince of Peace." In his speech Baird noted, "God did not mean for us to live in a world of trouble without knowing a peace that is real. In the face of the force of Satan and the ravages of sin, our hope for peace rests on the one born as a child, given as a son, who bore the burden of a government upon his shoulders."

Other excerpts from the lectureship include:

"I am convinced that an individual must have peace with God before he can have peace with himself and he must have peace with himself before he can have peace with his fellow-men." — Willard Collins, vice-president of David Lipscomb College.

"We must go to great lengths to promote peace. But we must never become so preoccupied with this noble goal that it supplants our concern for doctrinal purity. If we permit our call for peace to be motivated by desire for ecclesiastical imperialism rather than the gospel, the price is too great." — Joe Barnett answering the question "Peace at Any Price?"

"If you're a born worrier, you were born at the right time. Christianity, however, challenges the pessimism of our day with the powerful declaration that God is involved in human history. This involvement does not limit or squelch human ingenuity, but rather this action demands superlatives of both man's intellect and emotions. Really what the world is coming to depends upon when, if ever, you and I come to! Christianity asserts that the pessimist is a person who ought to have his dread examined." — Virgil Trout discussing "The Power in Peace."

"Peace is something like death. In

death we see something more than a biological event, the dissolution of organs and the disintegration of cells. Rather, an event takes place that transcends the activities of the moment, an event between a man and his God. Peace rises above the noise and activity of the moment; peace is an event between a man and his God; therefore, the movements and circumstances of the moment are not able to invade that peace." — Landon Saunders discussing "Things That Make for Peace."

"Worry is mental poison. And when the mind is poisoned, the physical body is almost immediately affected. But even sadder, the spiritual body is touched even before the physical and we find ourselves cast adrift in a sea of unrest." — Marge Green speaking on the topic "Seeking Peace Within Ourselves."

"Our Christian freedom must always be limited by the will of God. And why should any one, deluded by his pride in intellectual liberty, want to oppose his own opinion against the will of the Lord? Truth is the only road to freedom, and perfect freedom is found only within the limits of God's truth. As the Creator of the universe God's mind is infinite and his understanding of us and of our needs is complete." — L. C. Sears discussing "Christian Education."

Social Work Major Added to Curriculum

An undergraduate degree in social work will be added to Harding's curriculum in the fall semester of 1971.

The new degree will replace the psychology-sociology major offered by the college. The new program is designed to give requisite undergraduate preparation for accreditation by the National Association of Social Workers.

According to Ron Brotherton, chairman of the psychology-sociology department, the major in social work will require 50 hours of combined courses in psychology and sociology in addition to the liberal arts education requirements. No minor will be required for the B.A. degree.

Harding's undergraduate social work curriculum will also require one semester of supervised internship in

field work. Students will work with local welfare agencies, schools for retarded children, homes for the aged and with parents and children in foster homes. A screening committee will review each candidate for the internship program.

Calvin Dunham, regional coordinator of the Southern Region Education Board, aided the college in organizing the curriculum. Courses added to the curriculum will be taught by a professor holding the Master in Social Work degree.

"Our undergraduate social work program was developed to provide national accrediting for Harding graduates and to provide sufficient training for entrance in graduate schools of social work," commented Brotherton.

"In recent years we have seen an increased interest by the layman in the behavioral sciences. There are unlimited opportunities for the social worker and the need for qualified personnel increases every year," he added.

During the initial year, an estimated thirty students will enroll in the social work curriculum. The first candidate for the new degree will graduate in June, 1972.

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Petit Jean Accorded All-American Distinction

Harding's PETIT JEAN, the student yearbook, has received its eleventh consecutive All-American rating awarded by the Associated Collegiate Press at the University of Minnesota.

The book was also awarded the first place award in the General Excellence category of the Arkansas College Publications Association. Both awards were presented at the annual fall meeting of the ACPA held Oct. 23 in Conway, Ark.

The 1970 PETIT JEAN scored a near record 7415 points in earning the All-American rating. The highest total ever accumulated by the yearbook came in 1964 with 7475 points. The 1969 PETIT JEAN received 7235 points in the ACP judging. The minimum for the All-American rating was 7100.

The ACP conducts the national competition in which yearbooks, magazines and newspapers from more than 1,000 colleges and universities are judged on the basis of content, writing, layout and makeup.

Yearbooks are evaluated in com-

parison with other books from schools with equal enrollment. Ratings awarded are All-American, First Class, Second Class, Third Class and Fourth Class. The All-American honor rating represents a "superior" rating and is reserved for the top one per cent of publications in the nation.

The PETIT JEAN was the only yearbook in the fourteen-member ACPA to receive the All-American rating. Carla B. Waldemar, ACP judge, called the yearbook "attractive and well-planned. The copy was lively and detailed, and contained excellent photo composition. It was a pleasure to judge this book."

The yearbook was edited by Jerry Bailey, a journalism major from Birmingham, Ala., and Larry Smith, a Bible major from Vernon, Tex., served as business manager.

Harding's entry in the ACPA judging made a clean sweep in the individual categories. The PETIT JEAN placed first in Layout and Typography, Editorial Planning, Photography and Editorial Content.

Thirty Selected for Who's Who

Thirty Harding students have been named to the 1970-71 listing of Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities. Twenty-nine seniors and a junior were among the designees who were nominated by the faculty and the Student Association Executive Council and approved by the faculty.

As a national listing of outstanding college men and women, the criteria for selection was based on the student's scholarship, participation and leadership in academic and extra-curricular activities, citizenship and service to the college and promise of future usefulness.

Included are the following Carol Timmerman Adams, Lachine, Quebec; Grace Stroup Brewer, Somerville, Tenn.; James Russell Burcham III, Kennett, Mo.; Carol Ann Byrd, Little Rock; James Vance Cox, Tustin, Cal.; Robert Gerald Dockery and Robert Wayne Dockery, Fayetteville; James E. Fly, Pacheco, Cal.; Patrick Howard Garner, Longview, Tex.; Deborah

Lynn Ganus, Searcy; Christopher Hugh Greene, College Park, Ga.; Rickey L. Harris and Marcia Leah Hays, Searcy; Linda Suzanne Holland, Lake City; Eugene Johnson, Friar's Point, Miss.; Sharon Danette Key, St. Louis; Melvin Dean Kilmer, Alva, Okla.; David Layton McCown, Ambler, Pa.; Joe E. McReynolds, Carthage, Mo.; Gary Randall Martin, Gainesville, Fla.; Glenna Sue Meeker, Hot Springs; David Earl Sain, Memphis; Bruce Elliott Smith, Winnsboro, Tex.; Don Richard Smith, Corning; Kay Lorraine Smith, Benton; Bruce Queinton Stidham, Alexandria, Va.; Mary Lou Stites, Newport; Rodney Leonard Waller, Shreveport; Donna Kaye Wolfe, Depauw, Ind.; and Cassandra Sue Yingling, West Monroe, La.

Wayne Dockery, Chris Greene, Danette Key and Bruce Stidham were selected as juniors last year.

Miss Ganus was the only junior among this year's selections.



David Lacey

Alpha Chi Scholarship Awarded to Senior

David Lacey a senior social science major from Dallas, has been named recipient of the Alpha Chi Region II scholarship of \$200.

Lacey was nominated from the twenty-six chapters of the national honor scholarship society in Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and East Texas. He is the fifth Harding student to receive the honor in recent years.

He entered Harding with twenty-two hours of college credit granted by examination. He was selected as the 1970 PETIT JEAN honor student. The native Texan holds membership in the History Guild, Phi Alpha Theta history fraternity, the TNT social club and the American Studies program.

Fall Semester Enrollment Increases by 1.4 Per Cent

A near record 1,916 students enrolled for 1970 fall semester classes. The 1970 enrollment is a 1.4 percent increase over last year's fall enrollment of 1,888.

The 1970 total is the third time in the school's history that the enrollment has topped 1900. In 1968 a record 1,943 students enrolled and the previous year the fall enrollment was 1,919.

Forty-six states, the District of Columbia and 17 foreign countries are represented in the 1970 student body. The only states not represented are Connecticut, Hawaii, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

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Audio-Tutorial Innovation Aids Learning

Outfitted with tape recorders and microscopes freshmen biology classes at Harding are employing a unique teaching innovation to study the biological sciences.

An audio-tutorial learning center in the new science building allows students to learn at their own pace. The new dimension in education provides an individualistic approach to the learning situation.

Describing the technique employed by the audio-tutorial center, Dr. Jack Wood Sears, chairman of the biology department, noted that most of the student's learning is done in the center. There the student uses a study guide and text book as an aid as he listens to a taped lecture recorded by either Sears or Dr. Bryce Roberson.

The taped lecture often includes instructions for an experiment or for use of single-concept film loops that illustrate the lesson. The student, using a study guide as an aid, can go as rapidly as he wishes, replaying the tape for any facts that may be misunderstood.

"Laboratory assistants, who are upperclass science majors, are also present to answer questions that the students may have or to help them

with any experiments or demonstrations," Sears explained.

According to Sears, this method of teaching was pioneered by Dr. Samuel N. Postelwait, professor of botany at Purdue University. Sears became interested in the new technique after hearing Postelwait lecture in Little Rock.

Waiting to learn more about the audio-tutorial technique, Sears went to the University of Purdue to discuss with Postelwait the feasibility of such a program at Harding. Sears then recommended it for Harding's program and requested that the center be included in plans for the new science building completed in 1968. The center was financed through a grant from Title VI of the Education Act of 1965.

Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, Dean of the college, noted that many schools across the nation were using this technique on an experimental basis. "This type of program has been received enthusiastically by many students. The technique is very similar to that employed in language labs. This method helps bridge the gap between lecture and practical application in the laboratory," he said.

In today's educational world ex-

penditures on audio-visual aids total \$40 million with a great portion of the funds being used for developing audio-tutorial learning centers.

The role of the audio-tutorial center is to stimulate, motivate and direct the student and then to provide him with facilities to make learning convenient. According to Postelwait more than ninety per cent of all students are capable of mastering material if individual aptitudes for particular types of learning are taken into account.

A program similar to Harding's is being employed at Simon Fraser University where tape recorded commentaries on problem sets allow the teaching of chemistry to become more flexible. The audio-tutorial program clarifies the assigned problem and fits it into the context of the other material of the course.

The audio-tutorial concept has not been limited to the teaching of the sciences. Oklahoma State University has successfully incorporated this teaching technique into the teaching of home economics. Other colleges and universities have employed the audio-tutorial learning center to teach mathematics, English and history.

"This type of program adds a new dimension to teaching; however, it requires a great deal of the teacher's time to coordinate the various aspects of the program. Tapes must be recorded and the necessary instructional aides must be readied for the student's use. The program is not quite as simple as it appears," commented Pryor.

The audio-tutorial approach to learning is often criticized as being too impersonal. Advocates of the program, however, point out that the learning center offers communication exclusively between the instructor and student. The student becomes an active participant in the instructional session. The greatest benefit from the learning center has been to the under-achieving student.

For those students who enjoy the chance to learn at their own pace an extra incentive is provided by Harding's biology department. Each week a different outside reading list is available. A test is given over the reading list and bonus points earned on the test often make the difference in a letter grade.



Expansion Becomes An Auditory Perplexity

Quietness is not the appropriate word to describe Harding's Beaumont Memorial Library. Students and librarians alike have had their auditory senses stimulated by the noise of construction crews working on the \$400,000 expansion wing of the present facility.

Workmen have completed the first floor skeleton of the new addition and have begun work on the second story. The facilities are expected to be completed by the start of the 1971 fall semester.

The new wing will contain 16,906 square feet and will increase the size of the existing building by 80 per cent. The new area will provide shelving for an additional 58,000 volumes. The seating capacity will be expanded to 600 and total shelving capacity to 170,000 volumes.

In addition to adequate space for study and shelving of new volumes, another of the library's more important problems will also be solved.

"We finally will have the library under the control of one heating and cooling system," commented librarian Shirley Birdsall. "In past years the temperature was controlled by two separate systems causing as much as twenty degrees difference in temperature in various areas of the building."

The new addition will also allow consolidation of all bound periodicals on the first floor of the library. The bound magazines and other periodicals will be conveniently located near the present periodical reading room. "This location will make research work done by students much easier," noted Miss Birdsall.

The new addition and the remodeling of the present facilities will stress a greater emphasis upon individual study by the student. "The library is increasing in importance as a place to study because of a growing student body and crowded dormitories," Harding's librarian noted as she stressed the efforts being made to make the present conditions more conducive to studying.

On the second floor of the new structure will be specially adapted rooms where students may bring their typewriters to the library. Also 160 individual study carrels will be available for the student's use. The main reading room on the first floor of the structure will be re-designed with alcoves of bookshelves to create less distractions for students using the library. The new portion of the building as well as areas of the existing facility will be carpeted to alleviate unnecessary noises.

Three additional areas and offices have been included in the expansion wing. The Educational Media Center will be located on the first floor of the building. The Center will contain a darkroom, an office, a preview room for films and a storage and work room.

The first floor will also have facilities to house Harding's Oral History collection of tapes. Harding joined the Oral History Association in 1968 and has inducted seven members into the Harding chapter.

An Archive Room has been planned for the second floor of the structure. The room will contain rare books, bound volumes of the BISON and copies of the PETIT JEAN. Paintings of Harding's presidents and deans are also planned for this room denoting Harding's growth.

Alpha Chi Inducts 24

Twenty-four Harding juniors and seniors have been named to membership in Alpha Chi national honor scholarship society.

Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, Dr. Don England and Dr. Neale Pryor, faculty sponsors of the local chapter, conducted the induction ceremony. Neale Pryor, an associate professor of Bible, spoke at the dinner that followed the ceremony.

Those inducted were Flowayne Bahler, Oregon, Mo.; Dorothy Beeler, Wales, Tenn.; Charlene Bell, Searcy; Edward Blackwood, Massillon, Ohio; Linda Broom, Martin, Tenn.; David Butterfield, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Patsy Cassetty, Charleston, S. C.; James Clark, Rochester, N. Y.; Deborah Doggett, Conway; Wanda Fletcher, Batesville; James Fly, Pacheco, Cal.; Marcia Hays, Searcy; Judy Hendrix, Fresno Cal.; Linda Suzanne Holland, Lake City;

Marjorie Hurlbert, Avaconda, Colo.; Hattie Lavender, Grandview Mo.; Carisse Mickey, Dallas; Celia Richardson, Montgomery, Ala.; Kathy Strawn, E. Palestine, Ohio; Shelia Van Derck, Prescott, Ariz.; Kenneth Whitelaw, Milan, Mich.; Virginia Whitten, Bay Minette, Ala.; Donna Wolfe, Depauw, Ind.; and Gary Woodward, Fort Worth.

To be eligible for the society, students must have a 3.70 grade point on 80 to 103 hours of credit or a 3.50 average on 104 or more hours.



L. A. Waters (r), manager of the Searcy Sears-Roebuck catalog order store, presents President Clifton L. Ganus with a check for \$1,500. The check was part of grants totaling more than \$6,400 that were distributed to eight privately supported colleges and universities in Arkansas.

Jack Pruett: 'A Salesman Personified'

By Gene Ellmore

"Selling is his name, promoting is his game," could be the catch-line on the business card of Jack Pruett, a member of the President's Development Council of Harding College.

"I get more fun and recreation out of selling and organizing things than I do catching a fish or hitting a golf ball," said the Little Rock businessman.

A native Arkansan, Pruett was born in Newport, and at an early age moved to Searcy, where his father sold insurance and real estate.

Pruett graduated from Searcy High School in the class of 1943 and attended one semester at Harding College before entering the service as an aviation cadet. Upon his return from the military, he enrolled again at Harding and graduated in 1948.

Following graduation from Harding, he was employed as a payroll clerk for the L. E. Meyers Construction Company in Searcy. He became state cashier for the company before resigning to do graduate work at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. Upon receiving his Master's degree in business administration in 1951, Pruett returned to Searcy and married Kansas Nell (Kay) Webb, who was working as a dietitian for Harding. They have two children, George II, 13 and Denise Kay, 12.

"My son is a chip off the old block," said Pruett. "He would rather work than play."

The next twenty years of Pruett's life could be pictured as eight rungs in the ladder of business success. Following two years as personnel director of the Pan Am Southern Corporation, an oil refining company in El Dorado, he went to work for Victor Metals in Newport as a purchasing agent.

After two years with this Newport firm, he moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, and became a sales supervisor with the Dubois Chemical Company. "And that without any previous sales experience," he said. Following a short training period at the Cincinnati home office, he moved to Little Rock where he served for ten years as area sales supervisor for the company.

Although his life's story to this point seems to be a good bit of "job jumping", his business prospects for the future were getting brighter with each successive move.

When the DuBois Chemical Company sold out to a competitor, Pruett,



Jack Pruett

along with a number of other employees, resigned and established a new chemical company — Intercontinental Chemical Corporation. While still associated with this company Pruett formed a partnership with Earl Hilliard and they became distributors for the Robo Car Wash in Arkansas and Texas.

In 1968 he sold his interests in Robo and entered the field of education. He purchased control of a company known as PLAN, Inc. (Programmed Learning Aids National) which develops and produces language arts materials designed to increase the reading ability and vocabulary of elementary students. These materials are handled through dealers calling on schools.

Last year, Pruett formed a separate company known as Plan Education Centers. During the summer he has installed twelve of these centers — seven in Arkansas and five in West Virginia. The company has been awarded a federal contract by the O.E.O. for the operation of centers in Wichita, Kan., Athens, Ga. and Selmer, Tenn. Speaking enthusiastically about the program, Pruett said: "It is achieving tremendous results here in Little Rock and elsewhere. We take students who are failing and turn them into "A" and "B" students. We are dealing not only with PLAN materials but with materials from twenty different companies."

This year, in association with Citation Manufacturing Company, he organized Maynard Sales International for the sale and distribution in the United States, Canada, and Mexico of an all new, fully automatic golf caddy. "This electronic genius homes

in on a transmitter carried on the golfer's person. You put your bag on it and it follows you around like a trained dog. You turn, it turns. You stop, it stops. Its aerodynamic design offers many convenient and restful features to the golfer."

An astute businessman, Pruett established, organized and staffed these various enterprises and, as the president of each, he continues to coordinate and fund them.

Harding ties run deep with Pruett. His two sisters, Mrs. Bill (Claudia) Petty, who lives in Mountain Home, and Mrs. Alvin (Georgia) Hobby, who for many years has served with her husband as a missionary in Africa, attended Harding. His wife is a Harding alumna and former staff member. A Harding alumnus himself, Pruett recognizes the importance of a religiously oriented, academically excellent education. Upon occasion, he has helped young people attend Harding that would not have been able to otherwise.

Pruett's life reads like a story straight out of the pages of a business trade magazine, and justly so, for he is the personification of a businessman — the epitome of organization, and yet, possessor of the measure of flexibility which makes for success.

Record Number Visit Campus On Senior Day

A record 504 students from thirteen states attended Harding's annual Senior Day program Oct. 17. The students were accompanied by 173 sponsors.

The 1970 attendance surpassed the 1969 total of 323 students and 101 sponsors.

The students and their sponsors attended a faculty-student reception, a musical concert and Harding's Homecoming Day activities. The visitors also toured the various campus facilities.

States represented were Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas and Wisconsin.

Stewart and Cole Will Edit, Manage 1972 Petit Jean

Larry Stewart of Corunna, Mich., and Mike Cole of Trenton, Mich. have been named editor and business manager respectively of the 1971-72 PETIT JEAN.

Both are juniors and are serving this year as assistants to editor Layton McCown of Ambler, Pa., and business manager Suzanne Holland of Lake City, Ark.

Stewart, a Bible major, is a junior college transfer from Michigan Christian College. At MCC he edited the school's 1970 yearbook and was listed among Who's Who in American Junior Colleges.

Cole, an accounting major, was a member of Harding's 1970 entry in the Emory University Intercollegiate Business Games. The team placed second in the competition.

Other applicants for editor were Kathy Barton of Alabaster, Ala., Tommy Beasley of Memphis and Robert Cronkite of Security, Colo. In addition to Cole, applicants for business manager were Maryann Cooper of Grove City, Ohio, and Alexandria Zink of Shadyside, Ohio. The editor and business manager were elected by the junior class.

ENROLLMENT . . . (Con't.)

Freshmen comprise the largest class with 553 students. There are 401 sophomores enrolled, 468 juniors and 442 seniors. Twenty-nine graduate students and 23 post-graduate and special students are also enrolled.

For the first time since 1962 coeds outnumber their male counterparts. There are 961 full- and part-time women students enrolled as compared to the 955 male students.

Arkansas students number 560 or approximately 30 per cent of the student body. Other states with more than 100 representatives are Texas with 159, Missouri with 137 and Tennessee with 111. Alabama with 92 students tops the list of states not bordering Arkansas in number of students enrolled.

Of the 1,916 students, 1,832 are doing their baccalaureate study in thirty-four major fields of study. The remaining 84 are enrolled in pre-professional courses. There are 39 enrolled in the pre-medicine curriculum.



Susan Murray of Searcy portrayed the ghost in the "Blithe Spirit" production. Above, freshman photographer Bruce Baker pictures the supernatural creature as she hovers over the ill-fated seance. Other characters pictured above are (l-r) Rick Adkins of Benton, Mary Ann Peden of Arlington, Va., and Carolyn Dell of Freeport, Ill.

Ghostly Theatrical Production Entertains Harding Audience

A modern rendition of *Blithe Spirit* was presented as Harding's second student production of the fall semester. Under the direction of James Huddleston, instructor of speech, the seven-member cast presented the three-act comedy Dec. 10-12.

Playwright Noel Coward's cutting wit was demonstrated in the comedy portraying the results of an ill-considered seance. The plot presented the predicament of a man who inadvertently brings the ghost of his first wife back to the home where he now lives with his second wife. The man was confronted with a rather bizarre form of bigamy.

Rick Adkins, a freshman physics major from Benton, portrayed the character of Charles, a mystery novelist who contrives the idea of the seance to add color to his forthcoming novel. His covetous and vain second wife, Ruth, was played by sopho-

more English major Carolyn Dell from Freeport, Ill.

The role of the ghostly and cunning Elvira was performed by sophomore speech major Susan Murray from Searcy. The part of the unpredictable professional medium, Madam Arcati, was played by Mary Ann Peden. Miss Peden is a senior speech major from Arlington, Va.

Dr. and Mrs. Bradford, guests at the ill-fated seance, were portrayed by John Wilson and Diane Weaver. Wilson is a junior English major from Fort Pierce, Fla., and Miss Weaver is a senior psychology major from Cleveland, Miss. The role of the befuddled maid, Edith, was played by Debi Krummel, a junior speech major from Joplin, Mo.

Blithe Spirit was first produced for the stage in 1941. Since that time numerous productions have been presented by collegiate and amateur theatrical groups.

Bisons End Season With 20-14 Victory

A 20-14 victory over State College of Arkansas, first in the 11-year competition between the two schools, evened Harding's gridiron season record at 5-5 as the 1970 campaign came to a close.

Six Bison footballers were named to post-season All-Star teams, on a conference and district-wide level. Named to the first team All-Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference team were record-setting junior end Ronnie Peacock of McGehee, senior defensive end Eugene Johnson of Friars Point, Miss. and freshman tailback Alan Dixon of Fitzgerald, Ga.

Earning NAIA All-District 17 honors were junior guard Jerry Cook of Clarksville, senior tackle Mike Watson

of Memphis, Tenn., senior defensive halfback David Treadwell of Sand Springs, Okla., Peacock and Johnson.

Peacock established one conference record, tied another and set eight school records. His 62 receptions broke a four-year-old record of 55 set by Jack Mills of Ouachita Baptist and his eight touchdown passes caught this season tied the existing AIC mark. Career-wise he now has caught 12 touchdown passes. For the year the 5-11, 175 pounder caught 62 for 851 yards, raising his three-year total to 142 receptions for 1725 yards. He also set a single game record against State College, totaling 139 yards on seven receptions.

Dixon, only a freshman, was a pleasant surprise to Harding supporters, accumulating 822 yards rushing on 200 carries, best ever for a first-year man and third best in Harding history.

Thirteen seniors will graduate from this year's squad. They are: Vance Cox of Tustin, Calif.; John Manning of Memphis, Tenn.; Mike Payne of Newport, Ark.; Tommy Lewey of Tusculumbia, Ala.; Dean Kilmer of Alva, Okla.; Woody Eason of Birmingham, Ala.; Ken Merritt of Searcy; Mike Conley of Tomball, Tex.; Emerson Brubaker of Little Rock; Charles Caffey of Seminole, Tex.; Watson, Treadwell and Johnson.

Cagers Begin Conference Play

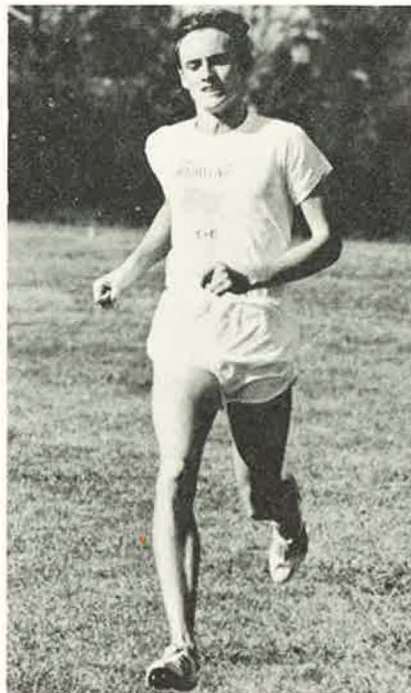
Early basketball action shows the Bison cagers holding a 2-1 record with victories over University of Arkansas at Little Rock and David Lipscomb College. In a Thanksgiving Day encounter Lipscomb upended the Bisons with an 80-76 win.

Coach Jess Bucy's squad opens conference warfare in early December and an improvement on last year's 10-14 mark is anticipated.

"We have some new boys who are still learning our system" Bucy explained, "and it will take a while to smooth out our game."

Co-captains for the 1970-71 team are seniors Charlie Boaz of Mayfield, Ky., and Dana Zartman of Columbus, Ohio.

Ratliff Captures AIC Title



John Ratliff

Sophomore John Ratliff won the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference cross country meet November 6 while teammate Tim Geary placed third.

In team competition the Bisons placed fifth behind winner Southern State College.

Ratliff, a native of York, Neb., toured the 5.0 mile course in 26:17. Geary, from Merced, Calif., finished in 26:49. Others scoring for the Bisons were Richard Bellis of Covington, Ind., (32nd); Fred Finke of Mastic, N. Y., (33rd); and Rick Johnson of Oxnard, Calif., (37th).

Coach Ted Lloyd's team came back November 14 and won the Arkansas AAU cross country meet for the fourth consecutive year. Jim Crawford, former Bison All-American now living in Dallas, was the individual champion in 23:13 for the 4.7 mile course.

Geary and Ratliff competed in the NAIA Meet in Liberty, Mo., November 21, and placed 66th and 124th, respectively. More than 450 runners competed in the event.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- December 14 — AWH meeting
- December 18 — Christmas recess begins
- January 4 — Classes resume
- January 4-6 — Bible seminar
Jack Paul
- January 8-9 — Lyceum
Richard Elsasser, organist
8 p.m.
- January 11 — AWH meeting
- January 13-16 — Dead week
- January 18-23 — Final exams
- January 25-27 — Registration
- January 28 — Classes begin

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