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shown in chapel Saturday morning by Mr. Edwin Hughes. This picture was sent to the college by the Scientific Radio and Television Company.

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## Clifton L. Ganus, Board Member, Receives Honor

Clifton L. Ganus, member of Board of Trustees, was recently augerated forty-first presider the Young Men's Business Cl New Orleans, one of the larg the world. His inaugural m was marked by the most aus exercises in the twenty history of the organization. Govenor-elect Jones, the most outstanding

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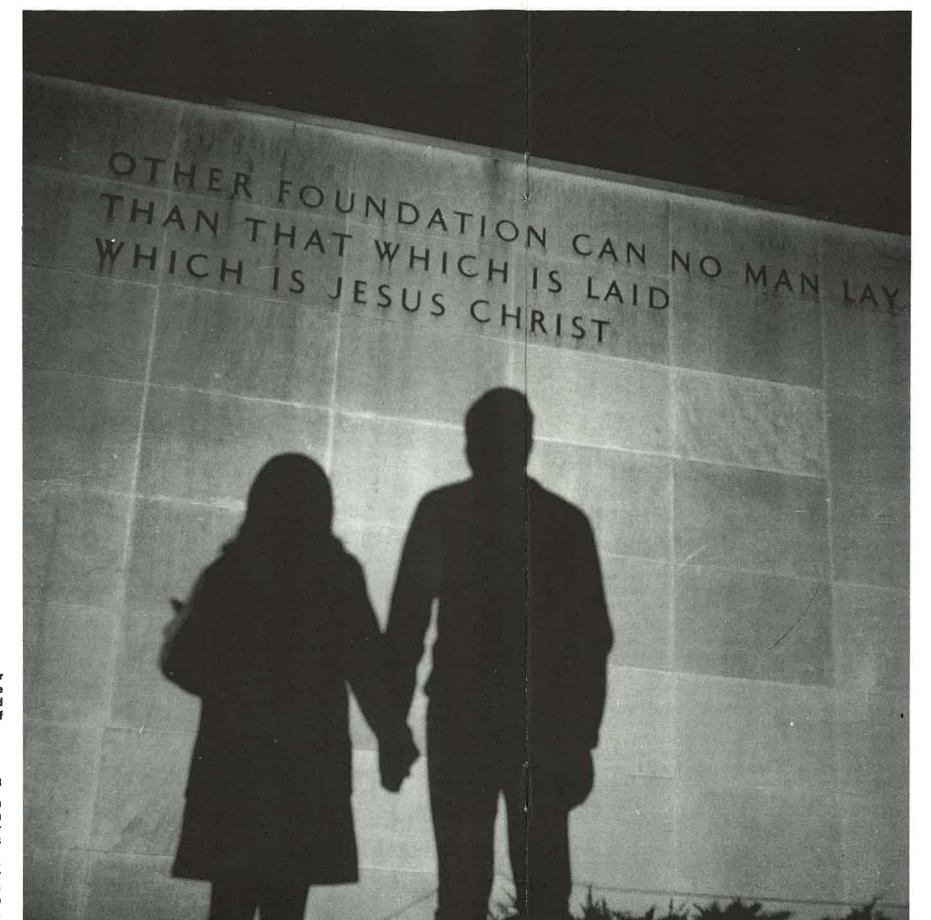
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ON THE COVER — During Harding's 50-year existence as a four-year institution three men, J. N. Armstrong, George S. Benson and Clifton L. Ganus, have served as presidents of the college.

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## Educating for Eternity

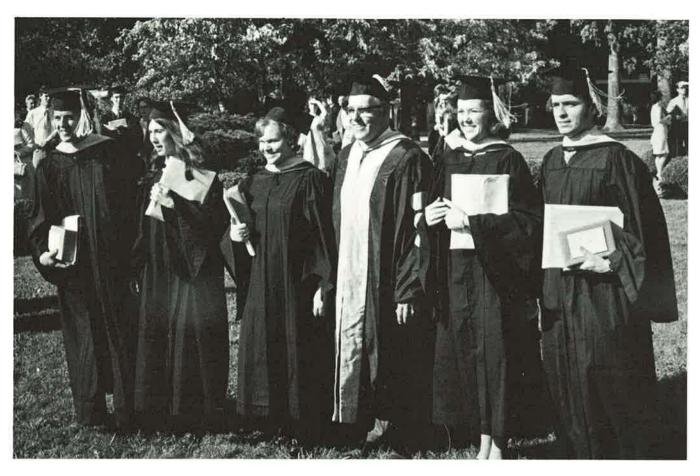
By Clifton L. Ganus

Our Golden Anniversary as a senior college is upon us and we rejoice that the Lord has seen fit to bless us and to use us in His service for half a century. We hope and pray that the next fifty years may be even more fruitful as we prepare our young people for life and for eternity. As we celebrate our fiftieth year we look back with thanksgiving to the many wonderful milestones of achievement and look forward with great confidence and dedication to the real purpose of Harding College — educating for eternity.

John Nelson Armstrong assumed the presidency of Harding in the fall of 1924. He had long been involved in the work of Christian education and had a deep love for young people, their minds and their souls. He wrote that

To guide a mind to think truly and wisely, to judge properly, reason correctly, is a masterful work. Were this the greatest work to be done in the rearing of a child, it would be enough to engage the undivided thinking and planning of fathers and mothers. But in this mind, even in the lowest type of man, is something still more beautiful and wonderful. By some it is called conscience, and by others the moral sense. Call it what we may, it separates man from all other animals and fixes his destiny eternally different. Robbed of this power, man is no longer man. Through its abuse he gradually sinks so low that language reels to tell the story. The real and lasting advancement of every community, nation, and people lies in the consciences of its people. So in our work our chief aim is to send every boy and girl home at night with a tenderer conscience, a greater respect for right and duty. To teach a boy how to live a hundred

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years and train him to be an intellectual giant without this conscience culture is to curse the world and him.

In his estimation only a Christian school could give an ideal education because without God, education was deficient. He said

The very idea that a school from which the eternal wisdom of God is purposely, legally, persistently ruled out of its course of study can train any child for complete living, or make the best possible boy out of what he is, should be an insult to every believer in God.

In the beginning Harding was committed to the preparation of young people both for time and for eternity. It still is. In the last fifty years many changes have taken place. There is little resemblance today in size of campus and student body, financial strength, curriculum development and international influence. Nevertheless, the purpose of the founders and the real reason for existence has remained constant. Over the space of five decades, hundreds of teachers and thousands of students have worked together at Harding. They have come from all over the world and have had diverse backgrounds and goals. They have pursued varied disciplines and countless professions but in all of this there has been one common goal — putting Christ in education.

At Harding we believe in academic excellence. We try to emphasize that each one should do his best and to achieve at his highest level of capability regardless of the endeavor.

Our graduates are filling important positions in Congress, business, education and many other professions all over the world. All of this is wonderful and they exert tremendous influence for good. Nevertheless, this is not the most important reason for Harding's existence. We do not only hope and prepare for this world alone. Our real reason for existence is to help young people live effectively for Christ now and to spend eternity in Heaven with our God and Creator. Men will not reach Heaven accidentally. Neither will they arrive without Jesus Christ — the way, the truth and the life. For this reason we add the fourth "R" — religion and righteousness, spiritual values — to reading, writing and arithmetic.

The Bible is the inerrant, inspired word of God. It is our guide both for life and for eternity and is the number one textbook on our campus. Bible classes for every student, daily chapel, devotionals, vespers and Christian association with wonderful students and faculty members — all of whom are Christians — helps to create a wonderful atmosphere and helps all of us to grow spiritually. Over 400 of our young people participated in Campaigns for Christ in 1973. More than 100 of these were overseas in Europe, South America and Canada. There is no way to estimate the tremendous good that they did for themselves and for those whom they served. Jimmy Allen and Neale Pryor, two of our teachers,

preached in gospel meetings in 1973 for the College Church. There were over 400 responses with more than 100 baptized. This is a wonderful indication of spiritual growth and sensitivity among our students.

The world today is not conducive to spiritual values. A rising tide of atheism and materialism, the new morality and situation ethics, a permissive and profane society, all add up to a difficult task in "bringing up our children in the way they should go." The Southwestern Christian College Communique emphasized the need for God in a college environment. The editor said, "I tell you that atheism, materialism, no-Godism and no-prayerism cannot be consistently poured into the minds of our young people and expect these things to produce the kind of spiritually educated adults that this age needs. I tell you that this kind of training is the preparatory school for spiritual delinquency.

Men are what they are taught to be. They are the sum product of their teaching — formal and informal — their experiences and their associations. The unknown author of the following poem has well expressed an eternal truth

#### IMPORTANCE OF CHRISTIAN TRAINING

"I took a piece of plastic clay And idly fashioned it one day, And as my fingers pressed it still, It moved and yielded to my will.

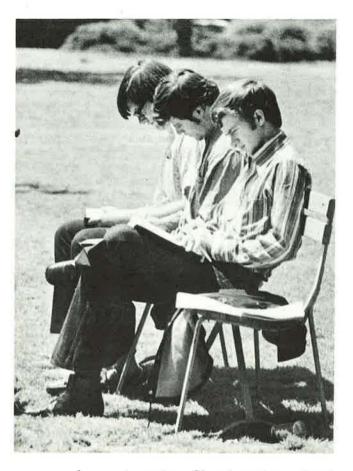
"I came again when days had passed, That bit of clay was hard at last. The form I gave it still it bore, And I could change that form no more.

"I took a piece of living clay
And gently formed it day by day,
And moulded with my power and art,
A young child's soft and yielding heart.

"I came again when years were gone; It was a man I looked upon. He still that early impress bore, And I could change it never more."

Harding College is not perfect. We are human and make mistakes but we are headed in the right direction with our eyes on Christ and our ears attuned to His word. There is no way to go but up if we will walk with God. One of our young ladies — a freshman who had been here only six weeks — wrote a wonderful letter that expresses the feeling of a multitude of us who have worked and studied at Harding through the last fifty years. She said,

Now that I have been here over a month and have become a part of the workings of the Harding machine, I can honestly say that it has lived up to all my expectations — and beyond! I have been intellectually stimulated, because the classes are so interesting, and the teachers are so interested in the students. And spiritually, I have been blossoming like



an apple tree in spring. Chapel services, church services, Bible classes, lily-pool devotionals, dorm vespers, all bring new meanings into my Christian life. I praise God every day for these wonderful blessings. My feelings can best be expressed by the words of the psalmist David: "My cup runneth over."

May God help us all as we strive for achievement in Christ and as we march on through the vestibule of life to the heavenly city that our Lord is preparing for us. This is the purpose and the real reason for the existence of Harding College and her sister institutions.



A ceremonious bonfire burned the mortgage in November, 1939.

# A History of Struggle and Growth

By Kay Gowen

Harding College, now celebrating its golden anniversary as a senior college, has served nearly 12,000 students in its 50-year history. But Harding did not just happen. It was built, through struggles and hardships over that long period of time, and each new generation of students continues to build upon the heritage which he has received from the founders and builders of such an institution.

#### 1924-1934

The first decade of Harding's history was definitely the pioneer stage. When Arkansas Christian College in Morrilton purchased the assets of Harper College in Harper, Kansas, Harding College began operating as a senior college in Morrilton, but with many obstacles to overcome. Financial strain was great. Accreditation as a senior college was difficult. Teachers' salaries were often unavailable. The physical plant consisted of a still unfinished administration building with an extension for the auditorium and gymnasium, and a three story women's dormitory, not yet completed. An old hospital building was added to serve as a dormitory for women until the new building could be finished.

Beneath these difficulties, there was a commitment to an institution with a special purpose, far greater than money and buildings. President J. N. Armstrong and his faculty possessed a zealous desire to succeed in building a college that stressed Biblical principles and attitudes and it was that goal that caused them to continue through almost impossible odds to bring Harding through.

#### 1934-1944

Harding began a new era in 1934 with the purchase of the campus and facilities of Galloway College in Searcy. This 29-acre campus with 11 buildings alleviated the present classroom and dormitory problems and provided room for expansion in the future. But it only added to the financial struggles. In 1936, Dr. George S. Benson became president and began to pave the way to debt retirement. By November, 1939, Harding had paid off the mortgage and her students and faculty watched as it blazed in a ceremonious bonfire.

Enrollment continued to soar and building needs remained prevalent. Faculty members were added to meet scholastic needs and a salary scale was adopted and met. The college newspaper dedicated its first issue in September, 1944, to J. N. Armstrong, who died on August 12 of that year. Armstrong had served as president of Harding from 1924 until 1936, and his contributions to Harding College and to Christian education itself are a tribute to his life of service.



Pictured above is one of the original buildings when the college was in Morrilton, Arkansas.

#### 1944-1954

The third decade of Harding's history brought great strides in scholastic endeavors along with expansion of the college plant. It was a 10-year struggle to overcome a tremendous academic hurdle—accreditation by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools so that students' work could be accepted by other colleges.

Godden Hall, which had been the center of campus activities both for Harding and for Galloway College, was torn down to make room for construction of the Administration Building. The School of American Studies was established in its new facility and the Bell Tower was constructed to house the bell from old Godden Hall. Chapel was conducted in the College Church building with two assemblies each day.

During most of this period, Harding averaged \$400,000 each year in new construction including the Administration and American Studies buildings, Ganus Student Center, Beaumont Memorial Library, the Music Building, Echo Haven Home Economics Building, Rhodes Memorial Field House, Sewell Hall, Cathcart Hall and Armstrong Hall.

#### 1954-1964

With struggles for survival and accreditation behind it, Harding College began its fourth decade of service with emphasis on academic excellence in a Christian environment. Student achievements and performing groups brought fame to Harding College through contributions of the Belles and Beaux, Campus Players and others. These groups became frequent recipients of tours sponsored by the National Music Council and USO Shows.

Dr. R. T. Clark joined the faculty and began work toward a National

Aeronautics and Space Administration research grant. The college yearbook, the *Petit Jean*, received All-American honors six times, including five years in succession. Dr. Joseph E. Pryor became Dean of the College, succeeding Dr. L. C. Sears who had served in that capacity since the school began operating as a four-year institution in 1924. The Bible building and Married Student Apartments appeared on the construction scene and the Clinic Building was purchased for use as classrooms, offices and the Student Health Center.

Enrollment set new records each year, culminating in 1963-64 with 1,190 students from 38 states and five foreign countries.

#### 1964-1974

Rumors of Dr. Benson's plan to retire pervaded the campus, and were augmented by the college's gift/purchase of his Camp Tahkodah. At the end of the 1964-65 session, the retirement became official shortly after dedication of the new American Heritage Center. Dr. Clifton L. Ganus, Jr., became president of Harding College on June 3, 1965.

Continued expansion in the "Decade of Development" brought about construction of the Recording Studio, the New Science Building, Stephens Hall, Keller Hall, completion of Claud Rogers Lee Music Center, the Mildred Taylor Stevens Memorial Art Center, Harbin Hall, the Beaumont Memorial Library addition and Media Center, the Ganus Building renovation and Hammon Student Center.

Student achievements remained outstanding with the *Petit Jean* capsuling 14 straight years as an All-American publication. Business students won the National Business Games at Emory University three times and the International Intercollegiate Marketing

Competition at Michigan State University three times to retire the Dr. W.J.E. Crissy trophy. Harding bowlers won eight Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference championships and three NAIA national championships. The College received further grant funds from NASA for conditioning research.

Debaters won the Sweepstakes award at the Mint Julep Tournament at Memphis State University two consecutive years and Pi Kappa Delta National Championship in 1973. Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference championships were won in cross country seven years, in track one year, in tennis three years and a cochampionship in football. The student newspaper, the Bison, won first plact in General Excellence and Sweepstakes two years, was All-American in 1964-65, and has had a First Class rating ever since. Future Plans

During its fifty golden years, Harding has expanded its facilities, its academic excellence, its enrollment and its aims to pursue better its ever-present, underlying goal — "educating for eternity."

As it begins its second 50 years, Harding will continue its commitment to providing academic excellence with purpose and integrity. College administrators are dedicated to the task of building upon the golden heritage they have received so that from the Harding campus can sound a positive voice for social and spiritual advancement in America.

Expansion plans during the next five years include a Christian Communications Center, presently under construction; a women's dormitory; apartments for married students; renovation of the Old Science Building; the George S. Benson Auditorium and a

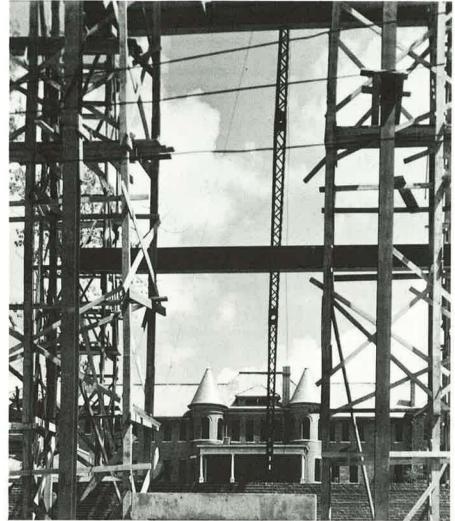
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Health, Physical Education and Recreation complex.

The fall of 1974 will mark the beginning of the Preacher Training Program to be provided for men who are 21 years of age or older. The 22-month course is designed to bring the strong academic facilities of the Bible department to bear upon the immediate and long-range needs in both American and foreign evangelism.

Also to be initiated during Harding's second half century will be a baccalaureate degree program in nursing. Helping to fulfill a shortage of qualified nurses, the scope of the nursing program will not only have an impact regionally, but it will also span continents as some of the nursing graduates assume their places beside doctors in mission fields around the world.

Harding, at mid-century, is "educating for eternity." It enters its fifty-first year with the same commitment to which it has been dedicated in the past. Never before has Harding's potential for impact upon the nation been greater than now. Its facilities are among the best small college plants in the nation. Its programs of technology, business and education have already brought national recognition and these programs are advancing each year. Its thrust includes emphasis in scientific, social and religious areas as well as citizenship and teacher education. But the real impetus to these areas of development is provided by the spiritual emphasis of this conservative, liberal arts, Christian college.



Construction on the Administration Building is silhouetted against old Godden Hull.



Andy T. Ritchie [far right] directs a devotional being held around the lily pool.

## FIFTIETH **ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

#### **JANUARY**

- 14-15 Bible Seminar George Bailey "Evangelistic Preaching" First of four Bible
  - 22 Arkansas Symphony Orchestra On its seasonal schedule of performances, the symphony from Little Rock will present a concert in the college auditorium.
- Choral Clinic and Concert George Lynn This performance will climax a composition clinic conducted by Dr. Lynn, past director of the Westminster Choir, Included is the A Cappella Chorus rendition of his recent composition, "Worship."
- 25-26 Management Seminar Saul Gellerman Gellerman is a nationally recognized writer, consultant and lecturer in the area of management. The program initiates the year's American Studies Programs.
- 29-30 American Studies Adron Doran, Ed.D. President of Morehead State University, Doran is the second speaker for the 1974 American Studies Program.







#### **FEBRUARY**

- 12-13 Reading Seminar-John T. Thornton, Ed.D. A Harding alumnus, Thornton is assistant professor of education at Stephen F. Austin College in Nacogdoches, Texas.
  - 15 Academic Convocation Arkansas Governor Dale E. Bumpers will keynote the Academic Convocation which will formally inaugurate the Anniversary Celebration at 10 a.m. in the main auditorium. Dr. Batsell Barrett Baxter of Nashville, Tenn., will address the 12 noon luncheon in the Charles M. White Cafeteria.
  - 21 American Studies-Milton Friedman, PhD. A member of the research staff of the National Bureau of Economic Research, Friedman will speak for the American Studies Program. He is a professor of economics at the University of Chicago.

28 American Studies - Walter Judd, M.D. A well-known participant in American Studies Programs, Dr. Judd served as congressman from Minnesota for 20 years. A renowned radio commentator, he also is a contributing editor of Reader's Digest.







Wilbur Mills

#### **MARCH**

- 5 Sixth Annual Preachers' Forum A panel of four preachers will discuss "Modernism and Pentecostalism" in this annual
- 7 American Studies Howard K. Smith News commentator for the American Broadcasting Corporation, Smith will appear as a participant in the American Studies Program.
- 17-22 College Church Meeting Jimmy Allen, associate professor of Bible at Harding, will conduct the annual meeting of the college congregation.

#### **APRIL**

- 1-3 Bible Seminar Jimmy Massey "Preaching on the Mission Field." Massey is a former missionary to Nigeria.
- "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" A music and drama production presented by student personnel under the direction of the departments of speech and music. Directed by Robert West.
- 4-6 Alpha Chi Region II Convention A convention of all chapters from Arkansas region. Alpha Chi is a national honorary scholastic fraternity.
- 12-13 Youth Forum 'You've Got a Friend" is the theme for this year's event. The program brings more than 2,000 high school students to the Harding campus for discussion sessions about areas of concern for young people.
- 12-13 Spring Sing An all-school production with competitive entries by each social club. The program will include comedy, music, choreography and costumina.
- 16 Wilbur D. Mills Arkansas congressman Mills will be honored during "Searcy Appreciation Night" ceremonies and will be featured as American Studies Program Speaker for the occasion.

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18 Freedom Forum

This annual forum is conducted by the American Studies Program and NEP for the benefit and training of participants concerning the American way of life.

19 "Mark Twain Tonight"

A lyceum by John Chappell, the presentation is an expert portrayal of America's greatest humorist.

19-20 Mathematics Seminar

A series of discussions for elementary middle school and secondary teachers will be held in conjunction with the Arkansas Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

25 American Studies — George Roche, Ph.D. The President of Hillsdale College and a noted national economist will present a lecture on current economic policies to the American Studies Program.

26 Faculty-Staff Dinner

The annual spring banquet which honors members of faculty and staff for years of service to Harding College.

27 May Day Celebration

One of many highlights of each year when the May queen is crowned during festive ceremonies. Numerous high school students will be guests of the college for the day's activities.

#### MAY

9-12 Coaching Clinic

Coaches from Arkansas high schools will participate in a clinic of instructional techniques for football and basketball athletic programs.

12 Commencement

Annual commencement exercises will close the spring semester with the graduation of approximately 350 students.

#### **JUNE**

10-14 Youth Citizenship Seminar

Annual seminars for outstanding high school students are designed to inform, inspire and challenge outstanding students to become more actively interested in preserving their American way of life.

19-22 Alumni Family Vacations

This first vacation week is for alumni of 1925 through 1945. Families will be housed in one of Harding's dormitory facilities.

26-29 Alumni Family Vacation

Alumni of the classes of 1946 through 1955 are invited for this week.

24-July 5 Education Seminar

"Teaching the Bible in Public Schools," offered for graduate credit, the seminar will delve into the legal aspects and methods of incorporating Bible into the public school curriculum.

#### **JULY**

10-13 Alumni Family Vacation

Classes of 1956 through 1965 will converge on the campus for this vacation week.

17-20 Alumni Family Vacation

These dates have been reserved for students from the 1966-1970 era.

24-27 Alumni Family Vacation

This final vacation week will host graduates from the classes of 1971, 1972 and 1973,

#### **SEPTEMBER**

1-6 College Church Meeting

Neale Pryor, associate professor of Bible at Harding, will conduct the fall meeting of the college congregation.

7 Founders Day

A special celebration designed to honor the men and women who were at Harding in 1924.

7 Dad's Night

The Bisons against Missouri Western.

O American Studies — Max Rafferty, Ed.D. Teacher and administrator in California schools for many years, the "most talked-of figure in American education today" is a famous author and television educator. Sponsored by the American Studies Program.

#### **OCTOBER**

2-5 Bible Lectureship

The 51st annual Bible lectureship brings more than 2,000 visitors to the Harding campus for lectures by preachers and speakers from across the United States.

18 Alton Ochsner, Jr., M.D.

The world-recognized heart specialist and surgeon will present a seminar to Harding science students and local physicians.

25-26 Homecoming

Annual homecoming activities include chili supper and bonfire, parade and football games. Alumni reunions will honor all former students in class, club and organizational categories with special emphasis on the class of 1924.

25-26 Anniversary Pageant

A special presentation by the speech department which will depict outstanding events in the 50-year history of Harding College.

28-29 Christian College Presidents Meeting
Presidents from all the Christian colleges have
been invited to meet with Dr. Clifton L. Ganus,
president of Harding.

#### **NOVEMBER**

1-3 World Missions Workshop

The annual workshop which motivates young people to mission evangelism is a cooperative effort of all the Christian colleges and will be conducted this year on the Harding campus.

4-6 Bible Seminar — Ben Jones

"Evangelism Among Youth" is the theme of the final Bible Seminar program for 1974.

12-16 "The Christian Communicator"

The Humanities Division seminar is a joint effort of the departments of English, journalism, speech and modern foreign languages.

22-23 Natural Science Division Seminar

"The Christian and Modern Evolutionary Thought" Harding alumni will serve as speakers in several sessions on various aspects of the topic.

## news, notes

## Spring Lyceum Cast Begins Rehearsals

The cast for the spring lyceum, "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown," to be presented by the speech and music departments April 4-6, has been announced by Director Robert E. West.

David Campbell will play the role of Charlie Brown with Wayne Reed cast as Linus. Lucy will be played by Sonya Bixler and Patty by Donna Johnson. Eric Manlove and Craig Jones will Play the roles of Schoeder ans Snoopy, respectively.

Performances will be at 8 o'clock on each of the three nights. All seats in the auditorium will be reserved and tickets, at \$2.50 each, may be purchased through the business office.

The musical is based on the Peanuts comic series by Charles Schultz with the lyrics and music by Clark Gesner.

Morris R. Ellis will be technical director, Tim Bixler will be assistant director and Shay Brazell will be stage manager.

## Alpha Chi Inducts Twenty-nine Students

Twenty-nine juniors and seniors were inducted into Harding's chapter of Alpha Chi, national honorary scholarship society, in ceremonies February 6 at the American Heritage Building. Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, national secretary-treasurer of the honor group, Dr. Don England and Dr. Neale Pryor, sponsors of the Arkansas Eta chapter at Harding, conducted the initiation.

To be eligible, a student must achieve a 3.70 grade point average on 80 to 104 hours or a 3.50 average on 105 or more hours.

Included are Nelda Lou Batten, Clinton; Janice Baur, Ruidoso, N.M.; Barry Blackburn, Florence, Al., Robert Bush, Searcy; Roger Clary, Carbondale, Ill.; Annette Cone, Little Rock; John Cooper, Bedford, Ind.; Connie Dabbs, Jefferson City, Mo.; Linda Garner, Little Rock; Robert W. Gomer, Kansas City; David Hatfield, Garland Tx.; Mary Jo Hinerman, Columbiana, O.; Wanda Huey, Amagon; Carol Anne Hutchison, Memphis;

Rohn Kennington, Lennox, Ca.; Barbara McKinney, Montgomery, Al.; Catherine Morrow, Searcy; Michael O'Rourke, Bozeman, Mt.; Carol Palmer, Aurora, Co.; Phyllis Phillips, Radford, Va.; Stephen Phillips, Dallas; Connie Rogers, New Albany, Ms.; Dennis Swayne, Centerton, Ar.; Perry Taylor, Florence, Al.; Stephen Tucker, Searcy; Mark Van Rheenen, Paragould; Barry Watkins, Searcy; Patricia Williams, Paducah, Ky. and Gary Keith Wilson, Fulton, Ms.

## Spring Enrollments Top Previous Records

Spring enrollment for both Harding College and Harding Graduate School of Religion in Memphis has surpassed previous records. At Searcy, 2,216 registered for classes and at the Graduate School 153 enrolled. Both tallied record enrollments last fall, also.

About 60 students completed requirements for degrees at the close of the fall term, thereby accounting for part of the decline.

The student body will be recessed for spring break March 8 at the conclusion of nine-weeks exams. Classes will resume on Monday, March 18 and the semester will end May 10.

#### Alumni Association Seeks Nominations

Nominations for officers of the Alumni Association are now being accepted, according to Buford Tucker, executive secretary.

The nominating committee has proposed the following candidates:

President Elect — Virgil Lawyer, BA '46.

Vice Presidents — Judy Evans, BA '65; Owen Olbricht, BA '54; Sidney Roper Sr., BA '45.

Additional nominations are solicited by the Alumni Office for these positions. In order to submit a nomination, the person nominated must be willing to serve if elected. Also, biographical information concerning the nominee should be submitted with the nomination.

Tucker stated that the deadline for receiving nominations is April 1, 1974.

## Muncy Will Participate In Louisiana Symposium

Dr. Raymond L. Muncy, chairman of the department of history, will be a participant in a symposium on France and North America: Utopias and Utopians at University of Southwestern Louisiana in Lafayette March 4-8. Dr. Muncy, author of Sex and Marriage in Utopian Communities: 19th Century America, will speak on Women in Utopia at a session where Mary E. Dichmann, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts at USL, will preside.

#### Vacations Scheduled

Alumni are encouraged to bring their families to stay in Harding dormitories and to enjoy the renewing of old friendships and beautiful central Arkansas recreational opportunities.

These vacations have been planned for five different weeks in June and July. Those who attended or graduated from Harding between 1925 and 1945 are invited to spend June 19-22 at their alma mater. Alumni from 1946 to 1955 will meet during the week of June 26-29. Vacations for 1956 through 1965, and 1966 through 1970 will be July 10-13 and July 17-20, respectively. Classes of 1971, 1972 and 1973 are scheduled to return July 24-27.

#### J. F. Montague — In Memoriam

No Christian college can long exist without the generous support of those who believe in its work and are willing to share with it God's material blessings. Harding College is very grateful for those who have assisted her in preparing young people for life and for eternity. Without these friends our great work would not be possible.

For many years brother and sister J. F. Montague of Houston, Texas, have been very generous with us and have assisted us on many occasions. It was always a joy to visit with them and to talk about the Lord's work as expressed in evangelism, care of children and Christian education. Brother Montague passed away February 24, 1973, but his influence and good works live on in that he remembered Harding College and other Christian works in his estate planning.

We miss brother Montague personally but will remember him fondly as he continues to assist us in the training of those who will preach the gospel both at home and abroad. We are also grateful for the kindred soul in sister Montague who loves the Lord and serves in the same spirit that characterized her husband. To such Christian servants and friends we shall forever be indebted.

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