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Miles and Houston Ezell demonstrate the use of the equipment which is a part of the Christian Communications Laboratory in the Ezell Bible Center.

## Ezell Bible Center Dedicated October 19

The Ezell Bible Center on the Harding campus was dedicated October 19 in a ceremony attended by approximately 250 persons. The building was named in honor of the late John W. and Margaret Ezell of Nashville, Tenn.

The facility contains the classrooms and offices for Harding's Bible department. The Ezell Bible Center also includes the \$450,000 Christian Communications Center which houses the college's new preacher training program. Thirty-three men enrolled in the two-year preacher training program which began in August. An additional 226 men are being trained in Harding's undergraduate Bible program.

Participating in the dedication of the Ezell Bible Center were Dr. Clifton L. Ganus, president, Dr. Billy Ray Cox, vice president, Dr. Jerry Jones, chairman of the Bible department, and Miles Ezell, Houston Ezell and Mrs. Douglas Sanders, all members of the family. Introducing the members of the Ezell family, Dr. Cox said, "The ability to give of themselves has been the determining characteristic that makes the Ezell family memorable to people around the world. The tribute paid here

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today will live to influence and inspire many young people for years to come."

Responding for the Bible department, Dr. Jones commented, "It is fitting that in Harding's 50th year we dedicate a building for the training of teachers and preachers of the gospel. The students who use this building and its wonderful facilities will know that this building is dedicated to people who cared about teaching the Word of God."

In his dedicatory remarks on behalf of the college's Board of Trustees, President Ganus said, "We dedicate this building to the glory of God and in appreciation of this great family. This facility will render service for the thousands of young people who will serve in the kingdom of God for years to come."

The dedicatory plaque states, "In memory of John W. and Margaret Ezell, who believed until their death in Christian education, and in appreciation for the training and Christian heritage which they provided their children, Miles, Katherine, Willomina, Jack, Houston, Stanley and Sara, and their grandchildren, Harding College dedicates this building to the advancement of the kingdom of God."

Houston Ezell, the youngest son of the late couple and a member of Harding's Board of Trustees, told of the influence his parents had on the lives of their children and related many

personal experiences involving his parents. His daughter, Mrs. Douglas Sanders of Antioch, Tenn., made brief comments for the grandchildren and great grandchildren of the honored couple. "As we dedicate this Bible education building to their honor, men and women for decades to come will have the opportunity to study God's Word and prepare to spread its message throughout the world."

Responding for the entire family, Miles Ezell commented, "We are thankful for the blessings the Lord has given us through Mother and Daddy and I just wish it were possible for them to be here today. All of us are thankful to Harding for its courtesy to us and the work it is doing. The thing that appeals to me most is the preacher training program. There is none, as far as I know, to compare with it in the world. It can be the most beneficial way to spread the Word of the Lord."

Among the many members of the family and friends who attended the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Miles Ezell, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Ezell, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Strawn, Mrs. Fredalee Roberston, all of Nashville, Mrs. Richard Batey and Mrs. Tommy Reeves of Memphis, Mrs. Gilbert Young of Portland, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sanders of Antioch, Tenn., Dr. and Mrs. Larry Welch of North Little Rock, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ezell of Hermitage, Tenn.



(Above, left) Miles and Houston Ezell stand in front of a portrait of their parents, John W. and Margaret Ezell. The portrait was painted by Lee Watts of Searcy. He also painted the portrait of Houston and Mabel Ezell which was also placed in the Ezell Bible Center. (Above, right) Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sanders unveil the portrait of Mr. and Mrs. Houston Ezell. Houston is a member of Harding's Board of Trustees. (Lower, left) David Ransom (center), a blind student enrolled in the preacher training program, presents to Houston Ezell a certificate of appreciation written in braille. Ransom presented each member of the Ezell family with a braille expression of his thanks for their interest in Harding College.

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Mrs. Sara Ezell Young, daughter of the late John W. and Margaret Ezell, unveils the words, Ezell Bible Center, climaxing the dedication ceremonies held during Harding's Homecoming.



Participating in the dedication ceremonies were Dr. Jerry Jones, chairman of the Bible department, and Mrs. Douglas Sanders, granddaughter of the honored couple.



Relatives and friends of the Ezell family from various parts of Tennessee and Arkansas attended the dedication October 19.

# Scenes, Events and Participants in Homecoming '74



Dr. Alton Ochsner of New Orleans spoke to a seminar of physicians from Arkansas October 18.



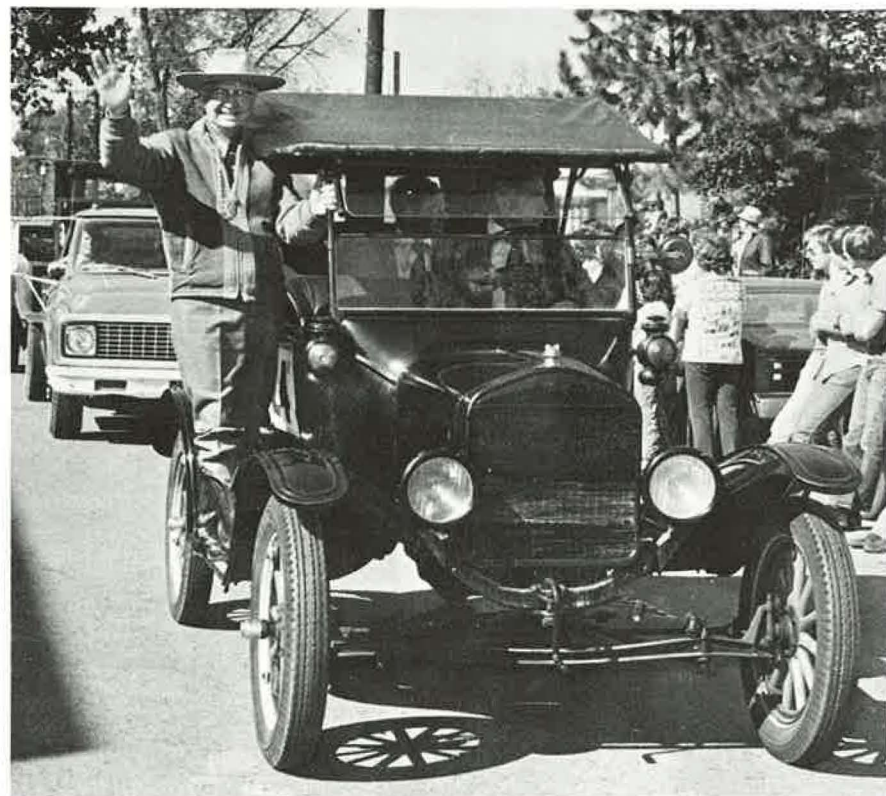
Mrs. Marie Hammon of Gainsville, Fla., was presented the "Trustees' Service Award" at the annual Black and Gold banquet. In presenting the award Dr. Richard Burt, chairman of the Board of Trustees, cited Mrs. Hammon for her service to the college.



President Clifton L. Ganus, Jr., stands beside the four by eight foot cake which was prepared by Dr. Nyal Royse to celebrate Harding's 50th anniversary. Dr. Royse's culinary creation weighed an estimated 450 pounds.



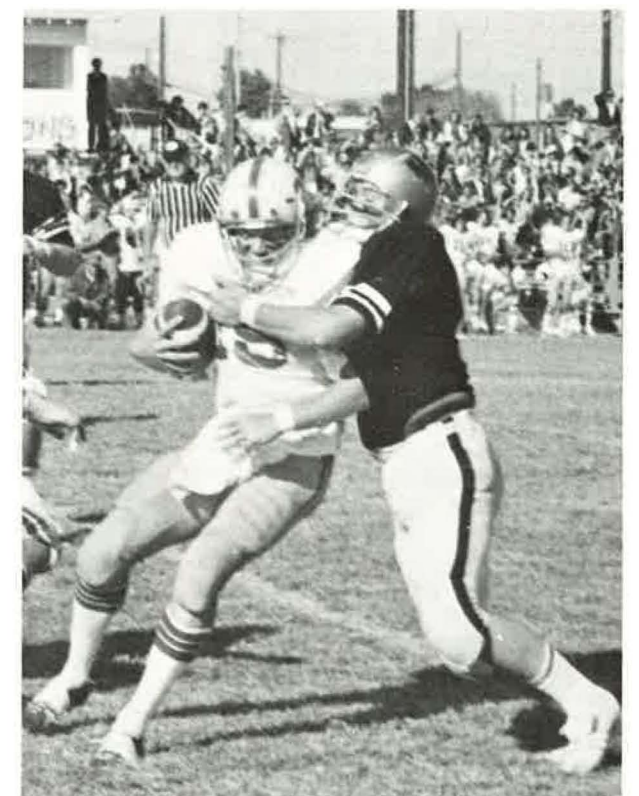
Carol Ann Franks, a junior whose home is Lake Charles, La., reigned as the 1974 Homecoming Queen. Miss Franks' escort for the Homecoming parade and festivities was Bill Fowler, president of the Student Association.



Dr. George S. Benson, president emeritus of Harding, served as Grand Marshal of the 1974 Homecoming Parade. Dr. Benson rode in a 1924 vintage automobile which led a caravan of 50 cars representing each year of Harding's existence as a senior college.



In a scene from Harding's 50th anniversary historical pageant, Ronald Frey (center) portrays Dr. George S. Benson as he prepares to leave China to come to Searcy to assume the presidency of Harding College. The pageant was written by Larry Menefee and the music was composed by Dr. William Hollaway. The pageant was presented four nights during Homecoming week.



A stonewall defense held Arkansas Tech in the Bison's 10-0 Homecoming football victory. Linebacker Bubba Hopkins stops a Tech runner after gain of only two yards.



Joe Batten

## Batten Will Conduct Management Seminar

Joe Batten, a nationally recognized lecturer and writer, will be the featured speaker at a management seminar sponsored by Harding's department of business and economics January 24 and 25.

Batten is president of Batten, Batten, Hudson & Swab, Inc., consultants in management, education and research. His staff teaches management classes and conducts seminars in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

The management seminar is the third annual such event sponsored by the department of business and economics. Approximately 200 conferees from businesses and industries in Arkansas will participate in the seminar in addition to 100 Harding business students.

Batten is the author of the all-time best seller, *Tough-Minded Management*, published by the American Management Association and now in its 17th printing. Other books he has authored include *The Confidence Chasm*, *Beyond Management by Objectives*, (and) *Developing a Tough-Minded Climate... For Results*.

He has led conferences and institutes across the nation, including Boston University; California, Georgia and Massachusetts Institutes of Technology; Texas Christian University; Southern Methodist University; Iowa State University; and the Universities of Michigan and Wisconsin.

All seminar sessions will be held in the American Heritage Center Auditorium. Those interested in attending the seminar should contact Dr. David Burks, chairman of the business department, for further information.

## Who's Who Selects 38 Students

Thirty-eight students were named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities* for 1974-75. Thirty-six seniors and two juniors were among those nominated by the Student Association Executive Council and approved by the faculty.

Members are selected on scholarship, participation and leadership in academic and extra-curricular activities, citizenship and service to the college.

Those selected are: Bruce E. Augsburger, Benson, Ill.; G. Gail Beavert, Benton, Ark.; Darrell Bruning, Sherwood, Ark.; King Buchanan, Farmers Branch, Texas; David Campbell, Searcy, Ark.; Donna and Lajuana Case, Houston, Texas; Matthew Comotto, Richmond Hill, New York; Brenda Dimitt, Springdale, Ark.; Philip Eubanks, Paragould, Ark.; Aleta Fonville, Smithfield, Texas;

William Fowler, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Nancie Garner, Rogers, Ark.; Alan Harris, Gadsden, Ala.; Campbell Henderson, Searcy, Ark.; David Henderson, Germantown, Tenn.; Elaine Huffard, Searcy, Ark.; Dianne Kirk, Leoma, Tenn.; Michael Lincoln, Mobile, Ala.; Randall McCord, Piggott, Ark.; Mark McInteer, Nashville, Tenn.; Barbara McKinney, Montgomery, Ala.;

Valerie Markley, McCune, Kansas; Marcus Muncy, Searcy, Ark.; Burlyn Nash, Jefferson City, Mo.; Barbara Neller, Huntsville, Ala.; Karen Olree, Nashville, Tenn.; Richard Paine,

Springfield, Vermont; Robert Reynolds, Alcoa, Tenn.; Mackye Sandlin, Clinton, Ky.; Doug Shields, Oxford, Miss.; Perry Taylor, Florence, Ala.; George Tipps, Ft. Worth, Texas; Stephen Tucker, Searcy, Ark.;

Thomas Wadsworth, Dixon, Ill.; Constance Willke, Columbus, Ohio; Teresa Wolf, Bonham, Texas; and Dewitt Yingling, Searcy, Ark.

## Large Audience Attends Workshop

Approximately 1,200 persons participated in the 15th annual World Missions Workshop held Nov. 1-3 on the Harding campus.

The theme of the workshop was "Here Am I, Send Me." Don Shackelford, director of Harding's MISSION/PREPARE program, coordinated the workshop.

Students from Alabama Christian College, Abilene Christian College, David Lipscomb College, Freed-Hardeman College, Harding College, Lubbock Christian College, Michigan Christian College, Northeastern Christian College, Oklahoma Christian College, Pepperdine University, Southwestern Christian College and York College attended the workshop. Many congregations also sent busloads of students to the workshop.

In welcoming the participants President Clifton L. Ganus, Jr. said, "No conference held on our campus this year has been any more important than this one. This weekend you will be discussing building the most important structure in life, the House of God."

Twenty-eight different foreign mission areas were represented at the workshop. The missionaries gave reports to the participants on various mission works throughout the world.

Another feature of the 1974 program was the special ministry workshops. Special ministries discussed included radio evangelism, bus ministries, prison work, hospital work, Bible translation, campaigns, medical missions, printing, working with the military and vocational missionaries.

Special presentations also included the "Women in Missions" program. Missionary women participating were Jo Ann McKinney (Switzerland), Elsie Huffard (Lebanon), Louine Woodroof (New Zealand), Myrtle Rowe (Rhodesia), Joyce Shackelford (Italy), Betty Choate (India), Grace Farrar (Nigeria), Sally Ellis Benson (China), Joan Dumas (Cyprus), Barbara Burchett (France) and Emily Huffard (Africa).

## Symphony, Chorus Schedule Concert

The College and Academy choruses, three guest soloists and the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra will combine forces at 8 p.m., Dec. 7 and 8 to close the 50th Anniversary Celebration events with two concerts in the main auditorium. The performances will include the talents of 350 artists in what is the largest musical undertaking ever attempted by the department of music.

Kurt Klippstatter, conductor-musical director of the Arkansas Symphony, will direct the groups in the presentation of "The Testament of Freedom" by Randall Thompson, "A Sea Symphony" by Ralph V. Williams and "The Gettysburg Address" by George Lynn.

Soloists featured are Miss Marion Cawood, soprano who performed two years at the Cologne Opera House, Arthur Shearin, a Harding alumnus currently working toward the doctorate at the University of Colorado, and Dr. William D. White, a Searcy physician.

Miss Cawood and Shearin will perform in "The Sea Symphony" and Dr. White will sing the "Gettysburg Address." The 85-member orchestra will play "The Testament of Freedom."

Dr. Kenneth Davis Jr., Dr. C. L. Ganus III and Ray Wright, directors of the College A Cappella, College Chorus and Academy Choruses respectively, have been rehearsing their groups individually. The students are traveling to Little Rock for group rehearsals, also.

Reserved seat tickets for the performances are \$2.50 and are available in the business office.

All of the groups and individuals are veteran performers at Harding. The Symphony has presented several concerts for Harding audiences.

## PHONOTHON Nears Goal

Through 13 days of Harding's Alumni PHONOTHON the fund raising drive has reached 60 percent of its \$1 million goal, according to Paul Gardner, director of annual giving.

As the *Bulletin* went to press Gardner reported that \$602,000 had been pledged by members of the college's Alumni Association. The PHONOTHON will continue until November 22 and all pledges must be made before December 31.

During the first thirteen days of the PHONOTHON volunteer callers have made approximately 2,100 telephone calls. Fifty-nine per cent of those contacted have made a pledge or contribution.



Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, dean of the college, was named Distinguished Alumnus for 1974. The award was presented by Dr. Harry Olree (right), president of the Alumni Association.

## 'Dr. Joe' Honored by Alumni

Dr. Joseph E. Pryor, dean of the college since 1960 and vice president for academic affairs since 1972, was named the Distinguished Alumnus of 1974-75 by the Alumni Association. Dr. Harry Olree, Alumni Association president, made the presentation at the Black and Gold banquet during Homecoming weekend.

A 1937 graduate, "Dr. Joe" holds the M.A. and Ph.D. from Louisiana State University. He has been a member of the Harding faculty since 1944 and was

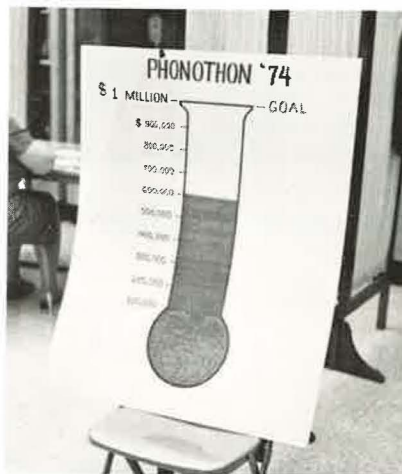
chairman of the department of physical science from 1944-63.

He has been faculty advisor of the *Petit Jean* 28 years, the publication being named an All-American yearbook for the past 15 consecutive years.

Attempts to enumerate the activities of Dean Pryor soon become mere listing. In college he led in every worthwhile activity. Continuing this pattern, he holds memberships and offices in many learned societies, honor societies and professional fraternities, currently serving as secretary-treasurer of the National Council of Alpha Chi and is president-elect of the Arkansas Deans Association. He is an elder of the College Church of Christ and preaches, leads singing and teaches classes as needed.

Dr. Pryor's concept of service is best expressed in his own words: he aspires "to make Harding College a unique institution of higher education where there is a genuine synthesis of high intellectual accomplishment and unfeigned humble dedication to Christ and His kingdom, where excellence is the goal in all facets of the program but where snobbery and arrogance are not tolerated."

He is married to the former Bessie Mae Ledbetter, a 1946 graduate. They have three children, Beverly Jo, Joseph Byron and Susan Rebecca.



# Harriers Capture Two Championships

The Harding College cross-country team, once again relying on a balanced effort, claimed a fourth consecutive Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference and second straight NAIA District 17 title at the AIC-NAIA District 17 championships held in Magnolia November 8.

Although Southern State's Tim Henry captured top individual honors in the conference competition with a 24:55 clocking, Coach Ted Lloyd's Bisons placed four men in the top nine finishers to post an easy 37-65 victory over second place Ouachita Baptist University. Sophomore Mark Galeazzi of Merced, Calif., was the first man across the line for the Bisons, stepping off the five-mile course in a blistering 25:45, to take the third place position. Freshman Marshall Grate of Waterloo, Ind., followed close behind with a 26:46 effort, for fourth place.

Hank Brame from John Brown University was the individual champion in the district race, which was held for the first time in conjunction with the conference meet. He was clocked in 24:52.

Matt Comotto of Syosset, N.Y., and Robert Mead of Merced were the other two Bisons notching top ten finishes as they recorded times of 26:26 and 26:38 respectively. Rounding out the top scorers for the Bisons was Pat Cronin of Wheeling, W. Va., who finished in 18th place.

Finishing in the third spot in the team standings was Southern State with 95, followed by SCA 113, Hendrix 132, Arkansas Tech 141, UA-Monticello 142, Henderson 170 and College of the Ozarks 249. Final point standings in the NAIA District 17 were Harding 50, Ouachita 81, John Brown 84, Southern State 116, SCA 134, Hendrix 156, Arkansas Tech 163, UA-Monticello 167, Henderson 195 and College of the Ozarks 274.

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ARKANSAS INTERCOLLEGIATE CONFERENCE AND DISTRICT 17 CHAMPIONS — Coach Ted Lloyd's cross country team compiled an outstanding record enroute to its fourth consecutive Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference title and its second straight title as champions of NAIA District 17.

## Grid Team Ups Mark to 5-4

The Harding Bisons pushed across two fourth quarter touchdowns to defeat the University of Arkansas at Monticello 14-3 November 16 and keep alive their hopes for a high conference finish.

Coach John Prock's charges have not had a losing season since 1968 and this year's team will continue the good record. Beginning in 1969; the Bisons have posted records of 7-2-1, 5-5, 5-5, 10-1 and 7-3. This year, with one game remaining, the Bisons stand 5-4.

Junior quarterback Jeff Smith of Calhoun, Ga., is currently the leading passer in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference. The 5-11, 175 pounder has completed 53 of 136 passes for a total of 659 yards and three touchdowns.

Smith's primary receivers are junior Perry Brown and senior All-AIC selection Jack Barber. Brown has caught 28 for 284 yards and three touchdowns and Barber has caught 19 for 281 yards.

Ablly abetting Smith's passing are tailback Allen Grieb of Oklahoma City and fullback Ted Walters of Dallas. Grieb, since moving into the first team position, has been one of the brightest spots in the conference. The 6-1, 195 lb. youngster has gained 388 yards on 118

carries with a high game of 118 yards against Arkansas Tech.

Walters, a line-rammer by design is the team's leading ball carrier with 449 yards on 112 carries. By gaining 85 yards against UA-Monticello, he has surpassed the 1,000 yard mark in career rushing, now totaling 1,082 yards.

Two defensive performers, senior co-captains Bubba Hopkins and All-American honorable mention tackle Barney Crawford have set the pace as the Bisons compete. Crawford was recently selected National NAIA Player of the Week for his outstanding play in the Bison Homecoming victory over Arkansas Tech. He was also named, "AIC Player of the Week" by the *Arkansas Democrat* sports staff.

Hopkins, one of the most durable performers ever to play for Harding is the all-time leading tackler. No official defensive records are kept by the NAIA or the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference, but Hopkins' current total of 472, with one game remaining, surpasses the unofficial record of 456 set by Roy Strickland of UA-Monticello last year. Of the 472 total, 191 were unassisted stops.

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