H.C. students to aid spring campaign

By Susan Bradley

Dr. Neale Pryor, Bible prof, and 36 H.C. student evangelists will invade the Ole Miss campus for a spring campaign for Christ.

The Harding students plan to be paired with Christians at the University of Mississippi to knock on doors and set up Bible studies during the week.

Letters have been sent to each of the 8,500 homes in Oxford who have won more than 75 percent of their debates.

In a meet at Mississippi State College for Women at Columbus, Miss., last week, Harding's teams took an overall third place sweepstakes rating.

Paine and Smith were Joe Cardeau and Joe Corum, and Richard Deidiker comprise the senior division.

Miss Smith and Miss Deidiker finished in third place, reaching the semi-finals. Teams reaching quarter-finals were Joe Cardeau and Joe Corum, and Richard Paine and Martha Denewiler.

Cardeau and Corum were awarded the title of Super Debater Team, while Jana Smith was ranked Superior Speaker.

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Flo Nightingalers come on campus for fall '73

By Kay Perkins

A baccalaureate nursing program will replace Harding's 3-year pre-nursing curriculum in the fall of 1973, according to President Clifton G. Games.

Pending approval of the Arkansas State Board of Nursing and the follow-up of a validation team to the campus, the program will be initiated next fall as a fundamental nursing course will be offered at sophomore level to pre-nursing majors. Professional work of nursing will begin in the fall of 1974.

It is expected that the first graduating class in 1976 will number approximately 30. Each graduate must complete four years and one summer.

There are presently 29 pre-nursing majors, representing 14 states and two foreign countries. Fully 100 percent have expressed desire to remain at Harding should a baccalaureate program be initiated.

Dr. James Carr, Jr., assistant dean, is acting Chairman of the Nursing Feasibility Steering Committee. Chairman and staff of the nursing department have not been selected at this time. The staff will be hired gradually until by 1976 a minimum of five full-time instructors will be involved in the program.

Third floor of the Old Science building will be renovated to provide classrooms, faculty offices, a laboratory equipped with clinical training apparatus and a learning resource center.

Clinical facilities are available locally at White County Memorial Hospital, the Air Force Base Hospital in Jacksonville and two Little Rock hospitals. Most surrounding institutions have affirmed the need of the project and are encouraging its initiation and execution.

Harding will be the first Christian college to offer a baccalaureate degree program in nursing. The college's emphasis on missions will encourage nursing majors who are interested in mission work, as some have expressed such a desire. It is estimated that 40 percent of all church of Christ missionaries in the world are Harding graduates. There is a need for graduate nurses to work in the medical hospitals now in existence in the mission fields.

There currently exists no professional nursing program in the 16-county area which constitutes the Comprehensive Health Planning District II in North Arkansas. This district has a deficit of 249 professional nurses, with White County alone representing 29 percent of the total deficit.

Fully 51.2 percent of all professional nurses in Arkansas are 50 years of age or over.

S.A. releases calendar dates for officers, reps elections

March 26 Petitions due for Student Association officers—
President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer
April 2 Campaigns begin; Presidential candidates speak inapel
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For election rules and bylaws consult your Student Handbook. Copies are available in the Student Services Office. If you have any questions contact S.A. Elections Chairman David McCullaca.
P.O.W.s apply Paul's philosophy better than we

By Holly Overview

Spiderphobia...an irrational, persistent fear of spiders. Since a large proportion of the 9,000 or so disabled creatures put me in White County Memorial Hospital last week, I have developed spiderophobia. Upon my dramatic entrance and in my weakness I thought the admittance staff sent me to isolation...just me and my spider bite. During the elevator ride to third floor I scoured the elevator for an escape hatch. I was wrong. It was a normal hop, skip and a jump over to the nurses station. It was great watching them prepare all the shots and pills for the third floor. I had a roomate, but when I met her and discovered that she had pneumonia I developed a cough in my lungs.

After getting settled two nurses came in with an intravenous-feeding and proceeded to attempt inserting the needle in my shaking, quivering arms. Before that I had no idea my arms just weren't made for holding needles.

After tying the tourniquet around my left arm, one nurse stuck the needle in and pushed these three time, and I had the half on the bed when I heard say (I didn't care) that it had done right through the wall. The nurses persisted in unsuccessful slapping me. Finally after both of my arms and hands were black and blue, while at some time I think I could have managed to take my blood via needle in my left arm.

I must say it was a good thing I was laying down. The nurses finally left to go in search of the supervisor to give her the responsibility of inserting the needle to the right place.

I finally relaxed when they left, looked outside and saw my bruised and aching arms and immediately concluded that my parents would never have to worry about me becoming a drug addict. The supervisor came in shortly and successfully just missed the needle in my left wrist and taped my hand and arm to a board. I must forget about spider bite, actually. But you know how people always know just the right things to say to a sick person. I heard all kinds of scary stories about suits, uncles, cousins and dogs who had been spider bitten and I got that after an hour or more had lost their left hand in it.

By Tuesday night, I was just sure everything was fine and I could have a good night's sleep. I was afraid that we tried to sleep with your arm tied in a board and a needle stuck in it?

About the time I got comfortable, the nurse came in and found my I.V. had quit dripping. She heard a strange sound on the tubes and got it going again but warned that if she couldn't get in going they would have to take the needle out and start all over.

I had work to do though. I tried the I.V. tubes about four more time through the night. Next day was it, if I was alive and in a hole in my leg. I was awake - with a sore neck from keeping watch on the escape hatch. It was a day.

After that things went fine for the rest of the day and I even almost forgot about the spider bite. But it was not soon after about weeks all night and when I was in the morning I was not able to sleep. Then Thursday was a fast day. The needle was taken out before my fourth I.V. was completed and I could go to the bathroom.

Now I'm fine again. I didn't die and I don't have a hole in my leg. But I still hate spiders. The next time you go looking for tests with the seived bodies and long legs, kill it and see what it was afterwards.

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From the Editor's desk:

POW's apply Paul's philosophy better than we

Students offer mud cure, solace for tests

Dear Editor,

During the course of the past few months I have noticed something that I should have been present of for a long time. Someone took one of the coke boxes while we were not looking and I am not sure what the procedures were. They probably have suffered.

Now, how many of us here at home have Biblets literally "running out of our ears" and usually don't even take the time to read from them ever even once a day?

How many of us here are practically ready to "curse God and die," as Job's wife put it, whenever the least upsetting incident occurs, such as failing a test, or receiving an insult?

How many of us have a constant reverence towards God, fully believing "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me?" (Phil. 4:13)

How many of us are still holding grudges against people from way back when over some minute dispute when most all of these guys are coming home from a world where all they ever got was a show and a hard word, but have taken it all without bitterness?

-Harding has been hailed as "the prison" by some of its students. Now really, how many of us could actually live in the conditions our POW's have lived?

Major McDaniel hit the old sore spot when he said, "having faith in God, in our country, our fellow Americans we felt that we could endure all that was necessary...we called upon all of these forces and we were never dismayed."

We are not the only ones who are not able to jump the last box to the have not been provided.

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During rainy periods - most of the time around here - this creates a problem for those of us who are not able to jump the last box to the sidewalk. We have to either slough through the mud or walk the boards, which also come fare short of the sidewalk.

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Dear Director,

Next week as tests come upon us, I'll be a time when we students feel as though we do not know which way to go.

To offer, I hope, some comfort to all this next week and every week of our lives, I feel we should think seriously on the thoughts expressed by Helen Steiner Rice in her poem "The Way to God."

"If my days were untroubled and my heart always light, would I seek that fair land where there is no night?"

"I never grew wearied with the weight of my load, would I search for God's Peace at the end of the road?"

If I never knew sickness and never felt pain, would I reach for a hand to help sustain?"

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Will Japan's imperialism monopolize ours?

By Bob Merriman

The dragon of Japanese imperialism has reared its molten head in the United States. Japan, itself a country often accused, and sensitive of, such charges.

The form of the imperialism by the world's third largest industrial nation has resulted in the virtual colonizing of the Appalachian region of the Southeast with Japanese money.

Several years ago when imports from Japan first began en masse, most Americans continued in their pre-World War notions that all Japanese products were copies of Western-made articles, and usually were stamped and molded from beer cans.

By 1972, however, trade between Japan and the U.S. was so one-sided that Japan sold the U.S. $4 billion more than she bought. At the same time, Japan's banks boomed with more than $18 billion from trade with other countries.

Not only has Japan flooded the world's markets with products of mass production, several Japanese companies have established a monetary claim to energy resources of Appalachia. Such facts may be difficult for many Americans to live with—idea that a foreign power, and an Asian one at that, could turn the tables and stake out resources in the home of economic imperialism.

The area of the Southeast now partially under the virtual monopoly of Japanese money contains the world's most valuable coking coal, a commodity vital to the production of steel, Japan's most valuable product. So greatly has Japan expanded its steel industry that its trading interests have, with their monies, established their claims on the natural resources of the Southeast, aided by American oil interests and "populist" politicians such as George Wallace.

While railroads play an important part in the Japanese claims to American coal, by setting up deals with their own mines, Japanese agents are also active, ranging throughout the entire Southeast, visiting mines, making diagrams, taking pictures and working out deals.

The sale of coal at the expense of American markets is increasing. Consolidation Coal Co., the industry's largest producer, sells 3.5 million tons of its annual 10 million ton production to Japan, Island Creek, a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum, is now building one mine with Japanese financing and discussing a second mine in Virginia. The output of both mines would go to Japan.

Other dealers to Japan include the Pittston Co., which sells two-thirds of its exports to Japan, and Eastern Gas and Oil. In Alabama, U.S. Pipe and Foundry, a subsidiary of Jim Walters Corp., closed a deal to sell Japan large amounts of coking coal. George Wallace provided backing for the deal in the form of legislation for deepening the Mobile port, without which the coal could not have left the country.

In some instances, the sale of coal to Japan has resulted in the loss of electrical power sources in the United States. In 1970, the first year of Japanese advances, TVA, already experiencing some coal reductions, losing one supplier to Japan. Also, TVA was unable to locate sufficient railroad cars to carry what coal they had.

Investigation of the shortage resulted in the discovery of thousands of cars standing idle in Norfolk, waiting for Japanese ships to arrive and take the coal. That same year, some coal companies failed to meet contractual requirements with electrical utilities. Because the export market was more profitable, they directed their activities toward developing mines for those export markets.

Japanese influence not only has some determination of the standard of living in Appalachia, it has, ironically, purchased coal from the Steel. Japan, which owns its own mines, thereby making Japanese steel from U.S. Steel coal, which would compete with American steel in U.S. markets.

U.S. coking coal is considered to be the most valuable in the world, but neither Japanese or European can use it exclusively, so the coal is mixed with lower grades from Canada, Australia and South Africa. Subsequently, American and British international corporations have staked out these resource colonies, agreeing to sell the lower grade to Japan.

The upshot of all these international deals is that through Japanese and American practices, the present colonial policies will continue in Appalachia and elsewhere, insuring that property there remain low, health and safety laws remain lax, and labor remains cheap.

These historic causes of poverty in Appalachia and elsewhere will only be reflected in ensuring that the Southeast will remain one of the poorest sections of the richest nation in the world, and because of the exploitation of the miners of the region, as well as exploitation of the workers of Canada and South Africa, poverty will continue to exist while steel interests are enriched.

Absolutely believing

Brunner defines the religious athlete

By John Brunner

One of the reasons that I greatly appreciate athletes is that, as a whole, they are not religious! There is something in athletics that has a way of weeding out the hypocrisy, pomposity and false front that typifies so many non-tried self-righteous individuals.

If you can swim the "50" under a minute, if you can run the "440" under the "50", if you can make a hard break and hang onto a pass, it shows something—like knowing where your inner self stands. That's an important viewpoint to grasp.

There is nothing that I can't stand more than the religious type. He's the one who always knows book, chapter and verse and yet never applies them to himself.

He's the guy who always has that humble look. You know, he's everybody's friend, the kind of guy who even the people who are rubbing the dirt.

He always reads the Word with the Book on an outstretched right hand. His voice, turning each page with a parchment crackle.

This person doesn't have enough perspective in life to know that Christianity is a relationship, of knowing Christ, not a self-appreciation system of good deeds.

An athlete realizes that "righteous" looks, a smiling face, a "humble" walk has nothing to do with "the race that is set before him." The athlete knows that going around setting examples for others is not enough to help him where he counts.

The hardest truth to realize in the fundamental Christian community is that, "as a man thinks, (not doeth) so is he." Do you realize that of the seven sins that are an abomination to the Lord and make a person "filthy"? The rest are derived as mental attitude sins (see Proverbs 6). Some people can't understand that the term, "following in the footsteps of Christ," is the result of learning sound doctrines and promises, not the means to it.

As an athlete strives, press on to obtaining a divine viewpoint and understanding the continual intake of Bible doctrine.
H. C. reps visit Drury in Missouri for leadership forum

By Kathy Burton

Take one century-old campus in Springfield, Mo., add delegates from nine small Arkansas, Kansas and Missouri colleges. Stir in a cloud of cigarette smoke, a dash of group dynamics and a mixture of trustees and presidents. Let it simmer over the weekend. The end result: Drury College’s second annual Student Leadership Conference.

Student Association President Tim Geary, KHCA Station Manager Don Shores and Bison Editor Kathy Burton represented Harding among the student leaders of Drury, William Jewell College, Southwest Baptist College, Avalon College; Baker University, Southwestern College; Ouachita Baptist University and School of the Ozarks.

The conference opened last Friday afternoon with an encounter session — “Everyone mil around without saying anything. Look each other over. Pick one person with whom you want to work. Sit down.”

This was done until the pairs had chosen another pair and that quartet had chosen another quartet. Eight was the magic number for the first group dynamics experience. The first exercise in group dynamics was NASA worksheet. The pairs were instructed to imagine themselves as members of a space crew scheduled to rendezvous with a mother ship on the lighted surface of the moon. Due to mechanical difficulties the ship was forced to land 200 miles from the rendezvous point. In order to reach the mother ship the equipment most essential for survival was to be selected for the trip.

The 15 items ranged from two 100-lb. tanks of oxygen to a life raft. The task was to first rank them individually and then as a group. The moral of the entire conference was that group work is more efficient than individual work.

“It’s all in your hands” was the theme stressed throughout Friday afternoon’s administrative-led resource centers on communications, ways and means, mental health and trends in student life; the banquet speech of John Blackburn, Vice Chancellor of the University of Denver; Saturday morning’s conference topics on student government and... campus life, educational policy, structure, and public relations and apathy.

Presidents of Colleges Speak was an interesting feature of Saturday’s program. The presidents of Drury, Antioch College and Southwestern College amplified upon their respective philosophies on student government.

The Harding delegates noted that among the nine schools — all of which had been chartered as church-affiliated colleges — Harding’s enrollment is double that of the largest and she is the only one which still places curfews on upperclassmen and has compulsory chapel five days per week.

Enrollment averaged 1,000 on the other campuses and self-regulating hours and monthly optional convocations were the rule.

KHCA program log

Mon.-Fri., 9:00 a.m. — Campus Radio Voice

Discussion of current issues of interest to college students

Mon.-Fri., 9:32 a.m. — Periscope

Interviews of editors, writers and critics on topical developments in their specific areas

Mon., Wed., and Fri., 8:32 a.m. — How Business Affects You

Mon., 9:36 p.m. — Open Channel

Discussion of students’ opinions on a weekly question involving the Harding campus

Tues.-Thurs., 5:00-7:00 p.m. — Classical Allusion

Classical music programmed according to listening music of music appreciation students.

Tues. and Wed., 8:32 p.m. — Freed Hymns

Hymns recorded by Freed Hardeman College Chorus. Tues., 9:30 p.m. — Space Story

Tues. 11 p.m. — Classical Allusion

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Mohawks and Zeta Phi's finance camp for 7 kids

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Netters stroke for championship crown

By David Staggs

After a lackluster 1972 season, the Harding tennis team has taken to the courts, under the direction of Coach Dean Bawcom, in hopes of regaining the AIC tennis crown. Bawcom, former Bison golden boy, was the 1968 AIC singles champion and a member of the championship doubles team that same year. In 1969 and 1970, he was edged into the runner-up position by teammate Freddy Marsh. Incorporating his winning attitude and zest for the game into his coaching techniques, Bawcom feels that his squad has an excellent opportunity to return the AIC trophy to Harding.

Coach Bawcom commented, "The team looks real good, we have a lot of competition and a lot of depth. I don't see any reason that we shouldn't go all the way." The 1973 tennis team has five returning lettermen. They include Alvin, a junior from Benton, David Cannon, a sophomore from Searcy, Marcus Hogies, a sophomore from Jonesboro, Bill Robertson, a senior from Crawfordsville and David Staggs, a junior from Searcy.

Five new team members are also in competition for the top spots. They include two freshmen from Searcy - Charles Gamus and Steve Davis; freshman Brad Dell from Freeport, Ill.; and junior David Hawley, a transfer from York College. After spring football practice winds up, freshman Jeff Smith will also be added to the team roster.

Tqeing day at 2 p.m., the Bisons will face State College Arkansas across the Harding nets.

By King Buchanan

"With the real AIC 1973 Baseball Championship team please stand up."

Now every team in the AIC conference would send a representative for that lineup to answer the all important question. The problem is that as the season wears on the teams themselves will eliminate their own representatives in the "Who's My Line" game, and Harding hopes to make the least mistakes and eventually win the AIC.

"We have set four goals for this year during conditioning," said Assistant Coach Dallas Howard. "Our first goal is to center on cooperativeness, we want to be a really close group of teammates. Then we want to win the AIC and in doing that we hope to accomplish our third goal which is to win more games than Harding ever has. Lastly we hope to get in the middle of the district playoffs."

The Bisons last year were 18-5 going into the AIC playoffs, but ended the year 18-10 and third in the conference. The main section of the team that each year determines a team's record more than any other one part of the team is the pitching staff. "All-American honorable mention Joe Mathias and Robert Helvering will be the established pitchers that we have right now," said Head Coach Dick Johnson.

Coast Howard said about the freshman pitching crop, "Phil Thompson looks real good in practice. Ed Adams is just getting over an ankle injury and Perry Brown, who is also another freshman, is just getting out of football's spring training." There are also David House and Steve Tullup on the pitching staff. House is a left-hander and is one of the pitchers that will be heavily depended upon at least for the first of the season. Tullup has been out of school for sometime, but is another part of the Great Hope for this year's hurlers.

"We have a number of pitchers, but we are not sure of them yet," said Coach Howard. "They are a young pitching staff, how much we win is determined by how fast they learn." Injuries and grades have hit the team pretty hard. The Bisons have lost an outfielder and a short stop on the basis of grades. Injuries have struck Marty Francisco, former All-American honorable mention hurler, with a knee injury that will put him out for the rest of the year. Rance Reagin, a two-year lettermen has also been knocked out by a knee injury that resulted from football. "Russ Schramm playing first base is a senior and a starter from last year, and he is really looking good," said Coach Johnson. "Larry Harrison will give us speed in the outfield and Randy Kirby, Mark Moore and Ron Allison will give us strength by working in the infield." Others working the outfield are Lynn Claffin, Ed Ross, Larry Graddy and Bill Green who right now is on crutches from an ankle injury. There is also Rock Long who is just getting out of football's spring training and was catcher for the team last year. Along with Long will be David Brown, freshman, catching and according to Coach Johnson to be an AIC prospect.

"Four impressive transfers have come to us this year," said Coach Johnson. "Dell Barnett and Steve Bills are from York and are trying to nail down spots in the outfield. From Corning College is Ronnie Allison; Stan Taylor, who is looking impressive is from Crowder's College."

Since the beginning of February the team has been going through conditioning which consists of mile runs, running up and down bleachers, 50-60 yard sprints, sets, pull-ups, and stretching exercises. The first game of the year is with Shelby State College, March 16 in Memphis.

"The team has a fantastic attitude and conditioning has been tough so they are in good shape," said Coach Howard. Coach Johnson said, "We have had pretty good support from the student body and we hope to have a good season, but it all depends on our freshman crop."
Buffaloes outswim most of AIC for 2nd place

By Fred Finke

Although there were several mistakes made at the AIC Swimming and Diving championships held last Saturday, the Bisons easily clawed their way to the majority of the field to take second place.

One of the more interesting highlights was the start of the finals in the 50 yard freestyle. The starter’s gun went off prematurely and Mark McInteer flew from the blocks without knowing it was a false start.

The girls who were holding the recall rope did not know they were supposed to drop it until Mark was already past when it was too late. As a result Mark had to swim the race twice. His best time of the year going into the finals was 23.4 and in the finals he ended up with a 24.7 effort.

Every cloud has a silver lining and this meet was no exception. Harding silver lining was Mark Trotter. Trotter did poorly in the pre-lims and with three dives to go he was in second place. Still he kept his composure and showed what a true champion is made of as he proceeded to the next three dives better than he had ever done them before. Trotter had it all.

He went to the awards stand, climbed back up to the Harding seats, sat down and let the pressure of the day trickle down his cheek.

Swimming their last race for the Bisons were Dave Cunningham, Dan Bateman and Harry Miller.

Dave Cunningham has rewritten most of Hardings records in the time that he has been here. In the past couple of years he has broken over twenty of Harding’s school records. In the conference meet he placed 4th in backstroke and 5th in the individual medley as well as being on both relays.

Dan Bateman’s "peevial spirit" will be missed as much as his 4th place finish in the AIC meet. Harry Miller, who was the team captain for the past two years, was instrumental in Harding’s high AIC finish. Not only was he the second place finisher in the 200 yard breaststroke and on the second place medley relay, but also was the motivator of the team and the leader who made everyone perform so well.

Other point getters in the meet were: Paul Knarr, who placed in the 1000 yard freestyle (4th), the 500 yard freestyle (3rd), the 200 yard butterfly (3rd) and on the medley relay (2nd); John Eastland in the 200 yard breaststroke (5th); Mark McInteer in the 50 yard freestyle (4th), the 100 yard freestyle (4th) and on both second place relays.

Also placing for the Bisons were Fred Finke in the 1000 yard freestyle (5th), the 500 yard freestyle (4th), and on the free relay and Dave Denman in the 200 yard butterfly (6th.).

Coach Pyklas was highly pleased with the team’s efforts and said "I’m looking forward to next year now that our freshman have the experience that they lacked in the beginning of the year. We’re going to miss our seniors, but Hendrix is also going to miss theirs and we think they are going to be hurt by graduation more than we will."

Football’s spring falls in February’s winter

By Doug Shields

You may think that spring begins in March and runs through May, but a Harding football player will tell you that all of spring is in the month of February. He will be referring to spring practice, of course.

The Bisons wound up their allotted 20 drills on Wednesday of this week. Coach John Prock described the practices as “pretty good over all, even though there were some discouraging injuries during the first few days.”

Hoping to provide an encore for last season’s 10-1 record and conference championship, the Bisons concentrated on rebuilding the defensive secondary and the offensive line. The record-setting offensive backfield will return intact, and the defensive line lost only Dale Payne to graduation. Payne will be replaced by transfer Bob Lee, who suffered a knee injury on the first day of spring drills.

Sophomores Rock Logg and Terry Greenwood probably will earn starting berths at safeties, as will Rodney Echols at cornerback. Echols saw extensive action last season. The other cornerback position, vacated by David Lumpkins, is still up for grabs.

The offensive line was almost totally decimated, losing five starters. Rance Reagan, another victim of knee injury, was an alternate at guard last season and will probably start there in the fall, as will big Steve Watts at tackle. Richard Calloum and Bobby Floyd, a first semester freshman his semester will play at center. Floyd is a former all-stater from Nashville, Ark.

Three outstanding offensive line prospects have been signed from the high school ranks, and Coach Prock hopes to start at least one. The Bisons held an intrasquad scrimmage last Saturday, and will continue to work on fundamentals until school is out, although Wednesday was the last day of contact. Coach Prock praised the enthusiasm and team spirit of the players, “We’ve just got a great bunch of kids and they’re just a joy to work with.”