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Administrators answer charge of AIC violations by Bee Mitchell and Kes Bissel

An article in the Arkansas Gazette April 14 charging Harding with possible violations of Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference conference scholarship rules between 1980 and 1988 drew immediate rebuttals from the University administration.

"Harding is not in violation of any AIC rules," President Clifton Ganus responded.

Dr. Dewey Chapel of Ouachita Baptist University, current president of the Executive Committee for the AIC faculty representatives, added, "The whole AIC is behind Harding and we feel that Harding have done no wrong."

The Gazette implied that an investigation was underway in this matter, but Chapel denies this. "We have no investigation pending," he said.

The Gazette said Harding "may have broken three AIC rules in the recruiting and care of athletes."

The rules in question are stated as follows in the 1980-81 AIC Constitution and By-laws: No AIC member institution shall pay athletes for regular or summer work rates higher than those paid any other student for the same type of work. Athletes participating in sports other than football and basketball may hold bona fide nonathletic scholarships approved by the faculty committee on scholarships of the member college without being counted as athletes who are receiving grant-in-aid. An athlete may be offered bona fide income from campus employment by a coach or recruiter for baseball, tennis, golf, swimming, cross country and track.

Ganus confirmed that athletes in spring sports are supplied with work grants before they register at school and added that this is not illegal. "Soliciting an athlete with financial aid is not illegal," he added.

Harry Hall, AIC Commissioner, said, "You can entice athletes by way of on-campus employment."

One issue is whether athletes are being paid more than the nonathletes. Hall explained, "An athlete should not be paid more than a piano student for the same job. They should be making the equivalent amount per hour." Dr. Harry Orelle, athletic director for Harding, said, "The amount of money given should be tied to the job, not athletic performance."

Ganus said that athletes are paid in the same way that Bosnia and Perist Jean editors and photographers, residential assistants and coaches are paid.

"Instead of getting paid by the hour," one studentathlete said, "I get a certain amount of money for a job every semester. RA's and assistants are paid the same thing. I had to perform a duty (work) and was told that if I couldn't fulfill that duty, or if I didn't progress as an athlete or couldn't keep up with my grades, the aid would be cut off."

The money the athlete receives is credited to his or her account. Orelle will be watching the participation in the sport itself is not "work."

"All (the AIC) of us are doing it," Ganus said in his Wednesday chapel speech. "It's not illegal."

Ganus said that Harding's athletic faculty representative, moved that the constitution be changed to say "work scholarship." Pryor, however, withdrew this motion after the AIC faculty representatives felt this motion was unnecessary in view of the Intercollegiate Athletic constitution.

Ganus cited no citation argument between the Gazette and Harding as a reason for the article. "I'm not sure if this will work. Harding and I don't know whether they're close to me. I don't know Harding and Harding doesn't work with me." Dr. Harry Olree, athletic director for Harding, said, "I'm not sure if this will work. Harding and I don't know whether they're close to me. I don't know Harding and Harding doesn't work with me."

Students on campus were instructed not to talk to Gazette reporters. Ganus said in chaplain service that student athletes were requested not to comment because Bill Allen, the lawyer representing the AIC, asked this since a current suit is pending in the Arkansas Supreme Court between the AIC and the Arkansas Gazette.

"The whole AIC is behind Harding and we feel that Harding (Pryor) have done nothing wrong.... If we feel anything is wrong, we'll ask the commissioner to look into it."
Dear Editors

Upon reading the recent "Humor" column, my feelings ran from mild amusement to shock to anger to amusement again. The amusing articles and "advertisements" in the paper, there are some writings that would seem to have no place in any publication on a Christian campus.

The question that I ask is this: Is it having a little fun worth running the risk of seriously damaging or destroying someone else's soul?

One might ask how this could happen. It could happen very easily. It is a sin to think when he sees those who are in a higher learning a mockery and travesty of their school, their instructors and their God in such a way as was done in the recent April 15 issue of the student newspaper.

A defense may be made by pointing out that the paper was obviously satirical. This is recognized, however, the subject of our Lord and His Word is absolutely not an appropriate subject for satire or mockery. The Bible is the reference primarily to the articles "New social clubs responsible for S.N.O. on campus", "WCBC goes disco ••••" and "Pronti will replace campus minister." It is difficult for this writer to grasp how Christian students and faculty sponsors could allow this insensitive and irreverent paper to be published.

Brethren, we must do our best at all times and in all ways to encourage and exhort another to more dedicated service to God. All such actions such as this are allowed to go unmentioned. The only result can be the thought that these things are somewhat accepted when in fact they are not.

There is no intent in this letter to legislate morality or impose ideas on anyone. However, it is felt that in some cases a determination of right and wrong may be made. Brothers and sisters, there is no doubt that the publication that prompted this letter is wrong. I pray that all can make a sincere and honest appraisal of the situation to see what it really means to them. Are they allowing to prosper, that which is evil. If so, they are responsible for the actions and vote with your pen to give glory to your Father who is in heaven." I beg that the situation be corrected.

In Christian love and service,
Gary Frazer
Class Representative
Eta Class of CCP

Mail to box 1192

Alumni Field. I would like to take this means to thank all the Harding students who helped with this event and to say how very, very proud I made me feel. I would like to recall this event to the students and individuals who participate.

Next year do yourself a favor and attend the Special Olympics, either as a spectator or a helper. You will be glad you did.

Sincerely,
Gail Cleveenger

Applications for movie reviewer will be accepted till Monday

Levity is the soul of wit

Boo Mitchell

Spring Sing has arrived; appreciations extended

It's that time again . . . Spring Sing has landed once more on the Harding runway, bringing with it all the razzle and dazzle, all the happy tradition and has been a drawing card for the school's purpose well in attracting future students to its doors and has landed once more on the Harding runway, bringing with it all the razzle and dazzle, all the happy tradition and has been a drawing card for the school's
Petit Jean, Bison awarded at national convention

by Julia Brant

The Harding University Petit Jean placed third in overall excellence in the publication competition held during the biannual convention of the Society for Collegiate Journalists in Springfield, Mo., this past weekend.

The Petit Jean also placed in the category of "editor for the Bison," placed third in overall "features," and finally tied for third in "college column." The Petit Jean also placed in "coverage of the year." The other speaker was Jon Lowell, anchorman for NBC's "Meet the Press." His topic was "America: America's greatest century.

Howard to address graduates

by Jimmy Allen

With the coming of spring break, spring fever and ultimately Spring Sing, one's mind naturally begins to drift toward places other than good ole William and Mary. Howard by saying, "He feels there ought to be a Pulitzer Press," "Cable News Available. He says a big news available. He says a big

Howard feels that Reagan was because of his "Legal and Ethical issues for the College Press," "Future of Television," "Avoiding Journalistic Malpractice" and "Advertising and Marketing: The Great Zamboni," along with many more. The keynote speaker for the convention was Bill Monroe, and Lowell were "The Futures of the delegates from Harding."

The speeches were good, she commented by Boo Mitchell, one of the delegates from Harding. Betty Ulrey, sponsor of Harding's SCJ chapter, said that the workshops were informative, and the speeches were good, she hopes the members can attend the biannual convention in the spring of '81 at William and Mary College in Williamsburg, Va. "Looking forward to the next convention will hopefully inspire and improve the University publications and the broadcast programming," said Mrs. Ulrey.

Howard, son of Harding alumna V. E. Howard who has been a preacher for 49 years, comes from Texarkana, Tex. He is the brother of Jasper Howard, a member of the President's Development Council. Although previously a businessman with the Howard's Discount chain, Howard has directed most of his efforts now into the field of politics.

President Ganus described Howard by saying, "He is a member of the church and a graduate of Abilene Christian. Mr. Howard is just a fine Christian man."

The Sunday, May 10 ceremonies will begin at 2:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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Girigirl Rhapsody

April 17, 1981
A day for smiles and triumph

A half dozen athletes in shorts and T-shirts bearing the names of their teams are taking their places on the track, waiting for the race to begin. A whistle is blown and they take their marks. Then a gun sounds, and the race is on.

Six young strong bodies run the 50 yards as they have been training for weeks. But this time it is for real. The crowd in the grandstands cheers and claps and screams and encourages the runners. The winner breaks the tape, the others cross the finish line, and they are congratulated, embraced, elated.

The race is one of the many sports events at the Special Olympics. A lot of people come to the field, the softball throw is going on. Two boys are competing and win, and the world is theirs for a day.

Two adolescent girls race each other. One, who is crippled, lags far behind the first. Students who are clowns for the day run alongside her, urging her along. When she crosses the finish line with a bursting grin of triumph, she walks haltingly over to the winner and throws her arms around her neck in a hug of congratulation and happiness.

Another race has begun. It is slow for a 50-yard dash, but the crowd is cheering more loudly than ever. A middle-aged man in a wheelchair is rolling towards the finish line backwards, propelling himself with one foot. As he breaks the tape, a shout of approval swells up from people moved by the poignant struggle. "When it starts getting like this it's..." says one Harding student to another, unable to find a word that conveys the weight of her feelings.

A few minutes later, the man is on the victory block, sitting crookedly on the first place position while a blue ribbon is pinned to his jersey. His wide smile lasts for hours.

Over at the high jump area some teenage girls are jumping. A freckled girl with curly red hair is preparing to jump. She sucks in her breath and runs, but balks at the last second. She walks back to try again. "C'mon, Belinda! We're gonna go to state!" a friend says to encourage her. She runs again, this time determinedly leaving the ground and just clearing the bar. "All right!" her friend cheers. "We're gonna go to state — then to the nation!"

The teenage boys are jumping now. A short compactly muscled youth named Tennison has just tangled himself with the bar in an unsuccessful jump. But he gets another chance. A student prompts him, "Remember what I told you about going with this leg first." He grins, nods in concentration, and goes at it again. With an unorthodox little hop at the last second, he springs up and clears the bar. A tall gangling boy with dark hair is preparing to jump. She walks back to try again. "C'mon, Belinda! We're gonna go to state!" a friend says to encourage her. She runs again, this time determinedly leaving the ground and just clearing the bar. "All right!" her friend cheers. "We're gonna go to state — then to the nation!"

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Moments later the two are on the victory block, being pinned with first and second place ribbons. Daniel's lovely brown eyes survey the crowd applauding for him. With one patient smile he seems to acknowledge the compassion of humanity. In his time of glory he is learning what others have learned on this day. He is loved. He can achieve. He is somebody.

Daniel is first. His best throw goes about 15 feet, and afterwards his deep brown eyes look off into the distance shining from an inner spiritual peace.

The second boy takes his turn. He throws the softball down just a few feet in front of him; after each toss he looks excitedly at the faces around him and shouts, "Ball!" triumphantly. "Ball!"

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Alpha Tau, King’s Men capture titles
by Ron Norwood

The “Cinderella” Chi Sigs “A” team leaped, dove and finally fell against an experienced Alpha Tau squad last Friday night in the final game of the large club softball tournament.

Sparked by a two-run single by David Isenberg, Chi Sigs climbed on top, 4-3, in the first. Alpha Tau came storming back to tie the game in the bottom half of the inning on the strength of Tim Webb’s home run blast. With Alpha Tau ahead 4-3 in the third, Chi Sigs’ Steve Bible ripped a single to right center to up their lead to 6-4.

After Ralph Rowand’s two-out single by Ron Norwood’s pop-up to left center was dropped, allowing Kevin Largent to score from first base, Don Skinner singled to knot the game up at six apiece. With Mike Rivas on third and Isenberg at second, Alex Alexander grounded out and Alpha Tau celebrated an 8-7 win and the championship.

Matt Johnson shut down the Knights’ hitting attack as King’s Men ruled to a 10-0 win and the small club “A” team title last week.

With a 1-0 lead in the third, Darrell Webb led off with a single. Larry Belt singled, but a series of throwing allowed Webb to score and Belt to go to third base and then score on Johnson’s fly out. After Al Dargan lashed a triple down the first base line, Dan Cuts drove him in with a single to right.

Defense dominated until the seventh when the men in blue and gold exploded for six runs to seal the victory. In small club “b” team action, King’s Men overcame Knights, 12-7.

Golfers place second behind OBU

After two rounds of play in Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference golf Harding and Ouachita are tied for the number one spot.

In round two last Tuesday at Rebsaman Park in Little Rock, the Tigers edged the Bisons by seven strokes 282 to 289 to move into a tie. Harding had won the first round of play in Hot Springs on March 27.

John Kinley of OBU took medalist honors Tuesday with a 67 but Bison senior Phil Garnett was only two strokes back at 69.

Round three ‘a’ team action, the home course for two of Ouachita’s players and they really made the most of it.”

For Garnett the 69 was his all-time best in AIC play. The Hereford, Texas native turned the course with one under on the front nine and one under on the back nine.

“Phil played a good, steady round of golf. He’s off to a real fine start and he should have an outstanding senior season,” Watkins said.

Round three of AIC play is set for April 14 at the North Hills Country Club in Little Rock.

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Tennis team victorious

Harding continued its winning ways on the tennis court with a 7-3 victory over Ouachita Baptist University here last Thursday.

The win upped its season record to 14-3, since it was not University here last Thursday.

Bobby match, the Bisons Arkansas number one singles spot, shutout and freshman Nat Malone came OBU's back to defeat Mark Cushman.

The win upped its season

The Bisonettes in hitting with a perfect all-star team against UAM. She finished with seven hits and eight at bats for the two games.

"By the time we started the second game, we had it all together," Altman said. "When our kids went to the plate it was to hit the ball."

The Bisonettes will play again April 16 in Magnolia. Southern Arkansas, Arkansas Tech, University of Central Arkansas, and Harding will participate in a one-day tournament.

Athletes chosen for all-star team

Two Harding athletes, Tim Flatt and Flatt, have been named to the 1980-81 Academic All-America Basketball-College Division fourth team, co-sponsored by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) and the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Members of CoSIDA voted for the academic all-gar team as 41 men qualified for the national ballot following preliminary competition in eight districts throughout the United States and the District of Columbia.

Flatt, a four-year Bison starter, completed his collegiate career with 1,448 points to rank fourth among Harding all-time scorers. A 6-4, 172 pounder, he carried a 3.06 grade point average on a 4.0 scale while majoring in business.

A native of Memphis and a graduate of Wooddale High School, Flatt has been selected to participate in the eighth annual All-Arkansas Classic at Arkadelphia, Ark., April 6. A two-year starter, Smith has recorded a 3.57 grade point average while majoring in physical education. In two seasons Smith has scored 690 points. During the 1980-81 season he established a single season assist record with 210. In addition, he has won All-Arkansas Intercollegiate honors in golf.

Also a native of Memphis, he is a graduate of Harding Academy of Memphis.