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Bible Vísión

March, 195.

Summer Term Opens June 16

Plans are already under way for the six-week summer session, to be held on the campus June 16 to July 25.

Courses approved for offering in the summer term include a two-hour exposition of the prophecy of Ezekiel; a three-hour course in Luke's Gospel; a three-hour study of the Life and Letters of Paul; a two-hour theology course in Eschatology; and two practical courses of two hours each, one in Methods in Christian Radio, and the other in Photography, particularly as it is of value to missionaries.

All courses count for regular credit. A student may take a load of from four to six hours.

Tentative appointments to the teaching staff of the summer session include Mr. Neuenschwander, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Farr, and Mr. Gerig.

STAFF UNDERTAKES STUDY OF CRITERIA

Teachers and staff members recently began a co-operative study of the Criteria of the Collegiate Division of the Accrediting Association to which this school belongs. Small committees or study groups have been assigned the various parts of the Criteria, which include standards for the total operation of a school—educational program, faculty, administration, library, physical plant, finances, student personnel services, and public relations.

In addition to serving as a criticism of the newly formulated Criteria, it is hoped this study will disclose the strong and the weak areas in the college. Reports on the various sections will be given in the bi-weekly Faculty-Staff meetings during the next two months.

NOTED BARITONE IS HEARD IN RECITAL

Raymond McAfee, well known baritone soloist of Chicago, presented a concert in the college chapel Thursday evening, Feb. 28. His selections included both sacred and classical numbers.

Mr. McAfee began professional singing in 1944, and devotes himself to oratorios and concerts, with a repertoire of all standard works and concert literature. He was bass soloist in the rendition of Handel's "Messiah" at the college in 1949.

Accompanist for his concert here was one of his instructors, Blanche Branche.

CRUSADER QUARTET IN FIELD THIS SUMMER

The College has just announced that the Crusader Quartet composed of Leon Gerig, Tom Zehr, Eddie Widmark, and Joe Grabill will be in the field this summer to represent the College. During half or more of the summer they will be teamed with Mr. Gerald Gerig, youth evangelist.

The quartet includes two pianists in Eddie Widmark and Joe Grabill, and a capable song leader in Tom Zehr. Arrangements for the summer are now being made, and those who are interested in engaging
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Choir to Make Eastern Tour



The A Cappella Choir will make its first personal appearance on April 4, as it faces eastward on the start of its annual spring tour. Extending through Ohio and Pennsylvania into Maryland, the itinerary will end with a home concert in Founders Memorial Sunday evening, April 20. Short trips for two week ends following the tour have also been arranged.

As always, the repertoire of the choir consists of all sacred numbers. This year it includes three compositions by Prof. Rene Frank, who joined the music faculty last fall. Prof. Oliver E. Steiner directs the choral group, which consists of forty-one voices.

Following is the list of scheduled appearances of the choir:

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| Apr. 4—Christian Congregational,
West Liberty, O. | (P.M.)—Methodist, Joppa,
Md. |
| Apr. 5—Y.F.C., Dayton, O. | Apr. 14—Methodist, Savage, Md. |
| Apr. 6—(A.M.)—Calvary Mission-
ary, Hamilton, O. | Apr. 15—Sideling Hill Congregation-
al, Harrisonville, Pa. |
| (P.M.)—E.U.B., Chillicothe
Ohio. | Apr. 16—C. & M. A., New Castle, Pa. |
| Apr. 7—Oceola, O. | Apr. 17—Baptist—Sewickley, Pa. |
| Apr. 8—E.U.B., Bucyrus, O. | Apr. 18—Brooklyn Missionary,
Cleveland, O. |
| Apr. 9—Presbyterian, New Salem,
Pa. | Apr. 19—Missionary, Clyde, O. |
| Apr. 10—C. & M. A.—Weirton, W.
Va. | Apr. 20—(A.M.)—Christian Union,
Edon, O. |
| Apr. 11—Methodist, Hampstead, Md. | (P.M.)—Founders Memor-
ial, Ft. Wayne Missionary |
| Apr. 12—Methodist, Brentwood, Md. | |
| Apr. 13—(A.M.)—Methodist, Cowen-
ton, Md. | |

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Honor Students Are Named

Forty-nine students earned semester honors under a new honors-system recently inaugurated. Recognition is given to those students who have a point average of 2.35 or more for the semester—an equivalent of an average grade of B plus. Honors will also be conferred at graduation upon the seniors who have high point averages. Those with an index of 2.35 will be graduated Cum Laude; those with a 2.65 average, Magna Cum Laude; and a 2.95 index will merit Summa Cum Laude.

The honor roll for the first semester includes: Owen Haifley, Mayme Hodges, John Nichols, Lila Sinn, Mary Carolyn Steiner, Beth Cornell, William Shanebeck, George Nantz, Esther Lehman, Donelda Coy, Walter McCoy, Adriana Boender, Virginia Miller, Kathleen Collins, Harry Huffman, Ruth Inniger, Beulah Minnig, Rosine Corey, Mary Kirk, Paul Essex, Eleanor Rich, Grant Shattuck, Rose Marie Hudson, Harold Basehore, Margaret Makino, Mary Howard, Ruth Huntington, Harry Spaeth, Barbara Fowler, Ruth Harrold, Gladys Wunker, Florence Birkey, Edith Fenby, Joyce Leonard, Zuma Roberts, Emily Figuly, Joe Grabill, Jeanette Kemp, Loella Chafin, Molly Williams, Ruth Becker, Janice Chen, Jo Ann Benham, Bud Henderson, Ernest Bellella, Levene Shattuck, Nancy Shell, Joan Clauser, Jack Lowe.

Choir Tour

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Churches cooperating.

- May 3—Y.F.C., Lima, Ohio
May 4—(A.M.)—Missionary, Ottawa, O.
(P.M.)—Missionary, Pandora, O.
May 10—V.C.Y., Detroit, Mich.
May 11—(A.M.)—Tentative
(P.M.)—Missionary, Royal Oak, Mich.

SECOND TERM BRINGS NEW STUDENTS

Second semester figures show a total enrollment of 323 students, among whom are 41 who entered at the start of this term. In addition, a number of auditors have signed up for the Tuesday evening class in the Early Minor Prophets, taught by Dr. S. A. Witmer.

The total enrollment for the year is 360—the highest in the history of the College. This compares with a total of 319 last year, and 328 the year before. The mean average annual enrollment for the first four decades and the past eight years are as follows:

1. 1904-1914	57
2. 1914-1924	75
3. 1924-1934	117
4. 1934-1944	175
5. 1944-1952	321

Growth by periods is as follows:

Increase of 2nd decade over 1st, 32%
Increase of 3rd decade over 2nd, 55%
Increase of 4th decade over 3rd, 50%
Increase of 5th period over 4th, 83%

It is obvious that the College had a steady growth, and that the increase in student enrollment during the past eight years marks a substantially larger growth than in any preceding period.

Quartet in Field

Mr. Gerig and the quartet for a night or a week end of meetings are asked to write immediately to the office of the President.

Patron's Day Announced for May 2

The second annual Patron's Day will be held on Friday, May 2, it has just been announced by the Committee on Administration. It will follow somewhat the pattern set last year, when over three hundred patrons visited

the College and made it an inspiring success. Parents of students, pastors and their young people, alumni, and friends are invited to be the guests of the College. It is intended as an opportunity for friends to see the school in action and to become better acquainted with its program.

DR. SCOTT BRINGS CHALLENGE IN THREE NOTABLE ADDRESSES

Dr. Charles E. Scott, veteran Presbyterian missionary to China, historian and student of Lincoln, distinguished author and preacher, and father of the heroine, Betty Stam, gave three never-to-be-forgotten addresses in the second week of February.

The spiritual emphasis the week before through the heart-searching ministry of J. S. Carroll of Australia, conditioned the hearts of students and faculty for the memorable message which followed on Monday, February 12, when Dr. Scott for the second time in his life told the story of the miraculous rescue of the two-month old babe, Helen Priscilla, following the execution of her parents by Communists in 1934. Dr. Scott followed with two other addresses—one on the nature of the missionary call, and the other on the Christian heroism of Chinese Christians in the face of Communist persecutions. This man of cast in a large mould—physically, intellectually, and spiritually—exemplified the rugged virtues that he advocated in terms of unconditional consecration. His ministry was made a rich blessing to the whole school and to numbers who came to hear him in special chapel services.

A faculty-student steering committee has been appointed to give over-all direction to the event. It is composed of President Witmer, Chairman; Mrs. Fitch, Dean of Women; Richard Gerig, Director of Radio; Charles Kauffman, President of the Students' Council; and one other student to be appointed by the Council.

Further announcements regarding the program will be made later.

GERALD GERIG IN YOUTH REVIVALS

Mr. Gerald Gerig, youth revivalist representing the College, concluded a seven-week itinerary in California and Arizona on February 17 at Denair, California. In several churches of the Pacific West there were evidences of genuine revival. In most places a few days were too short a time to reap the potential harvest, but even so there were scores of seekers.

Mr. Gerig became ill upon his return from the West, and was unable to take some services in Tennessee. However, through several days rest and the Lord's faithfulness he enjoyed a definite recovery, and resumed his schedule at the Auburn

From



the President

"Grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." Growth is relevant to all Christians because growth is a characteristic of life. Only in this case, it is unique in that it never stops. The usual cycle from the cradle to the grave is overcome by the resurrection life of Christ. The life that is the very essence of Christian experience knows nothing senility. It is not only possible but it is God's will that a Christian keep on growing in the graces of the Spirit and in a fuller experiential knowledge of Christ until he comes to the end of his earthly pilgrimage. And even in heaven, life will not be static. Since faith and hope are abiding virtues, there must be a continuous advance into new vistas of spiritual experience.

But growth has special meaning for the Christian worker, for his own personal growth in grace and in knowledge is a "must" if he is to become increasingly effective as a missionary, a pastor, an evangelist, or a Bible teacher. Growth has double meaning for him—in terms of his private, spiritual life and his public life as a servant of God.

The best that a training school can do for a Christian worker is to encourage and set the pattern for growth. His development toward maturity, his growth as a person, his progress as a Christian student, are more important than the grades he makes and the factual knowledge

that he acquires. It is the student that keeps on growing after he receives his diploma who makes good in Christian service. The student that shows no spiritual and intellectual progress while in school, even though he may make passing grades, has not even begun to prepare himself for Christian service. He is either in the wrong place or else there is something deep within that is out of harmony with the will of God.

The problem of continuous growth is the A-1 problem for the Christian worker. Growth requires time for creative study and prayer. It takes self-discipline, for if a Christian worker is a slave to his work, or his hobby, or his wife, or a habit, or an unsanctified desire, his growth in grace and in knowledge will be inhibited. Whereas Christian workers need to be among the most self-disciplined of all Christians, yet it is probable that some of the least disciplined individuals are found among them.

Growth is also conditional upon a life of continuous obedience to the leadership of the Holy Spirit. All cases of arrested spiritual development can be traced to some form of disobedience to "the still small voice."

May God help us above everything else to learn the art of growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Tribulation

BY LAURENCE M. FARR

Questions regarding the close of the age were of interest to the disciples, and still are to the followers of Jesus. With the end of the age Jesus' followers rightly connected His coming to reign, and the immediately preceding destruction of Jerusalem. If we were willing to consider *all the factors* which contribute to the significance of the last years of this disgracefully deteriorating period of the world's history, we, too, will find these two interests of theirs of great importance.

Definition. The basic guide in the identification of the period is the fact that a final "seven" (week, A. V.) is prophesied for the Jewish history in the land. In God's outline as presented in Daniel 9, sixty-nine of the "sevens" would take up to the time of the Messiah's reconciliation for iniquity, after which the city and sanctuary would be destroyed and there would be war and desolations up to the time of the very end, the remaining "seven." An agreement covering this number of years will be made by many of the people with a ruler whose rise, character, and conduct are amply described in chapters 8 and 11. Pretending friendship for them, he arranges for them to reinstitute the temple worship and the sacrifices. But in the midst of the period he breaks his covenant and begins to persecute them and seek to destroy them, until he succeeds in scattering the power of the holy people (12:7). The details of his wicked, bloody, willful reign, stated repeatedly as being, from the time that he abolishes the sacrifices and requires himself to be worshiped

as God, forty-two months or twelve hundred and sixty days or times and times and half a time, are amply related in Daniel 7, 8, 11, and 12, II Thess. 2, and Rev. 13. Satan's deliberate part in it is vividly portrayed in Rev. 12. The tribulation is therefore, to begin with, the last seven years of Israel's history in unbelief and rejection, the most bitter of all their history, called by Jeremiah "the time of Jacob's trouble" (30:7). The chief point in regard to this feature is that it is culminated with *success*: after this final punishment Israel is no more rebellious, the veil is lifted from the heart, the Messiah is acknowledged, "and so all Israel shall be saved" (Rom. 11:26). A weeping people recognize the wounds in the hands of their Rescuer, as He appears above Jerusalem, as those of their own inflicting, and in full repentance cry out, "My God!" And the heart of God, at last satisfied, no more to be grieved with rebellion and inappreciation, responds, "My people" (Zech. 13:6-9).

The Church During the Tribulation. It would be difficult to find anywhere in Scripture a command more explicit than that given by Jesus at the end of His terrifying description of the tribulation: "But watch at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of man" (Luke 21:36). Escaping the horrors of the tribulation is one of the most merciful features of the blessed redemption awaiting the followers of Christ (v. 28). Sixty-five years later, to John on Patmos, the same One

who had uttered the Olivet Discourse made a specific promise to the church which remains true to His word: "Because you have kept my word stedfastly, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell upon the earth" (Rev. 3:10). The church is here exhorted to hold fast so as to not lose the crown—the glorious crown which is to be awarded when the Chief Shepherd appears (I Peter 5:4). No wonder that we find Christ's followers, kings now crowned, priests now fully robed and ministering, in the immediate presence of God at the majestic moment when the Lamb is given the title to become the Lion of Judah and begin the preparations to sit on David's throne (Rev. 4:4, 10, 11; 5:8, 9). During the horrors of the unfolding events in chapter 6 and the frightful judgments of chapters 8, 9, and 16, the church is safely away enjoying the glories of her Lord and preparing for the marriage; while the beastly man of sin is filling the earth with violence and inviting demons to work wide-spread havoc among mankind (ch. 13), those who suffered reproach for Christ's sake here are yonder preparing to reign with Him. It is, in fact, at the moment when the church is removed out of the world that lawlessness, no longer restrained, bursts forth in an orgy of bloodshed and impurity and spiritism such as this world has never known. Thank God, *we will not be here.*

The Tribulation for the Nations.

Two great nations, Egypt and Assyria, had persecuted Irsael and defied God during the career of the chosen people, the one early in its history, the other toward the end of its existence as an independent nation. But when Nebuchadnezzar, in 606 B.C., took Judah's monarch a captive to Babylon, the age of the Gentiles set in. His wide rule was

succeeded by others of still wider scope. But the deterioration and collapse of the fourth, a ruthlessly destroying iron kingdom as described by Daniel, even though it has not for these many hundreds of years been followed by a power embracing the bulk of the governments of the world, does not mean that the six Jew-hating, God-defying governments will not be followed by a seventh. The six-headed monster is not out and gone for good. The healing of the wound of the beast is going to be all the more marvelous to a world which has turned away the truth and laid itself open to deception and the believing of a lie. When the apparent death stroke of the mighty world power of Rome is seen to be healed, many will think that man is now at long last going to be successful, and that the golden age is just about to set in.

It is not, however, alone in these seven great governments that man's failure in government is to be found. In all parts of the world and in all centuries man's inability to govern has been amply demonstrated. Whether democracy, aristocracy, monarchy, republic, or dictatorship has been in the form, waste, selfishness, bloodshed, international ill will, wickedness, corruption, and decay are ever to be found. Panaceas are constantly offered to the diseased, tottering patient, but he fails to show any signs of improvement. When a contemptible person by his smooth talk persuades the heads of ten governments that to unite under him will mean international freedom of trade and prosperity, many will hail this most alluring of all plans as the solution. When it assumes full control in the economic field, and finally when its unprincipled ruler declares himself God and demands that he be worshiped, a huge share of mankind will still be sub-

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THE CHANGELESS ONE

Enters the World of Change

"God"—says the Westminster Shorter Catechism—"is a spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth." Such a being, is indeed, quite different from this physical, material universe or anything within it; for here everything is finite—set within prescribed limits, is temporal—having been originated and not being self-existent, and changing—participating in the constant cycle of replacement and conversion and age which operates in every sphere.

But the mighty, unoriginated "blessed and only Sovereign, who alone has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light" (I Tim. 6:15, 16), says of Himself, "I, Jehovah, change not" (Mal. 3:6). This great pronouncement represents the Almighty as different from the created universe in two important respects: (1) He is *being*, Who-is-and-who-was-and-who-is-to-come, the great I AM; (2) He does *not change*. These two characteristics stand in vivid contrast to the world of mortals which is always *becoming*, constantly *changing*. This unfixedness and lack of finality is, indeed, the basic reason for skepticism and despair for those who try to find satisfaction in the material and human universe. Solomon's experience is but typical of that of a host of unhappy seekers who have turned to science, pleasure, materialism, or philosophy.

It is precisely here that the central, basic marvel of redemption took place. The Word became flesh: the eternal I AM, original source of life

and light for all men, agent of creation, very God of very God, subjected Himself to *becoming*. Independent, self-existent *being* reduced to all the limitation, annoyance, vexation, wearisome reiteration, of this cycling, changing, hum-drum world! And it was the weakest, least enduring, most painful, most highly mortal substance of the universe of which the Eternal One partook, human flesh itself. John's four-word sentence sets forth our Lord's unbounded condescension: the Author of life entered the mortal realm; the eternal Word subjected Himself to time; the omnipotent Creator became a creature; the true Light penetrated into deep darkness; the I Am started to become; Deity clothed itself in flesh; the Changeless One entered the world of change.

This profound truth is sustained by the declaration of the glorified Son of man when He spoke with John on the Island of Patmos. The vision of His glory was so magnificent that John may have questioned whether this was the man of Galilee with whom he had walked sixty-five years before. But any possible doubt was removed by the reference to an event which John had seen with his own eyes: "I am the Living One, and I became a dead man, and behold I am alive forevermore." John had been at the cross when the God-man uttered His last cry and His head dropped, and had seen the soldier pierce the side from which the blood and water flowed. To become a dead man was the final act of the career of God's Son in this world of

change, disappointment, woe, and sin.

Thank God, the Son of His love not only *entered* the world of change, but He *overcame* it. After becoming a dead man, He took to Himself His life again, the life which He had voluntarily laid down, and behold He is alive forever more! Because of that mighty deed of His, He delivers you and me from all the limitations of this world of mortality and change, and incorporates us into the kingdom of immortality and light.

The Tribulation

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ject to his rule. Then a final great project seizes the mind of the Satan-driven beastly ruler. He will assemble a huge army to wipe out the Jewish people and plunder Palestine, and this will put an end to the age-long myth that God's appointed Messiah will rule. The nations roll together tumultuously throughout the length of Palestine and even into

Arabia, obsessed by this great project.

But the One sitting in the heavens laughs at the vain thing they are attempting. He declares, 'I have set my king upon my holy hill of Zion, and I have given him the nations of the world to rule.' He sends forth the Anointed One, His own Son, to meet them in fury. The beastly leader is destroyed, the army annihilated. Thus the Age of the Gentiles and its governments come to an end, and the opposers of God's rule over man are destroyed.

Will Anyone Be Saved During the Tribulation? The wide-spread sin and the fierceness of God's wrath do not mean that grace will not be offered to mankind. Chosen witnesses (Rev. 7) will be instrumental in bringing a vast, innumerable multitude from all over the world to follow the Lamb. In a final gesture to a headlong race, God sends from heaven angels. Some heed, but the most do not. Yet even in this awful, final wrath, God remembers mercy.

SLATES OF F.W.B.C. EVANGELIST-ASSOCIATES

- Rev. and Mrs. Blanchard E. Amstutz, Pandora, Ohio:
- March 23—April 6 Mt. Olive Missionary, Peoria, Ill.
 - April 8-20 Bethany Missionary, E. Peoria, Ill.
 - April 22-May 4 Missionary, Ottawa, O.
 - May 7-18 First Missionary, Cleveland, O.
- Mr. Gerald I. Gerig, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne 6, Ind.:
- March 18-23 Missionary, Angola, Ind.
 - March 25-30 Missionary, Sylvania, O.
 - April 1-6 Missionary, Elbing, Kan.
 - April 8-13 Missionary, Sterling, Kan.
 - April 15-20 Missionary, Concord, Kan.
 - April 22-27 Missionary, Dodge City, Kan.
- Rev. Robert C. Strubhar, 417 South Broadway, Sterling, Kan.:
- March 18-30 Eastlawn Missionary, Detroit, Mich.
 - April-July Mid-Western District

FAITH'S KINDLING LIGHT

"And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the world."

Mr. Roy Birkey, chairman of the Missions Department, came to Ft. Wayne Bible College in 1949 after first serving the Lord in China.

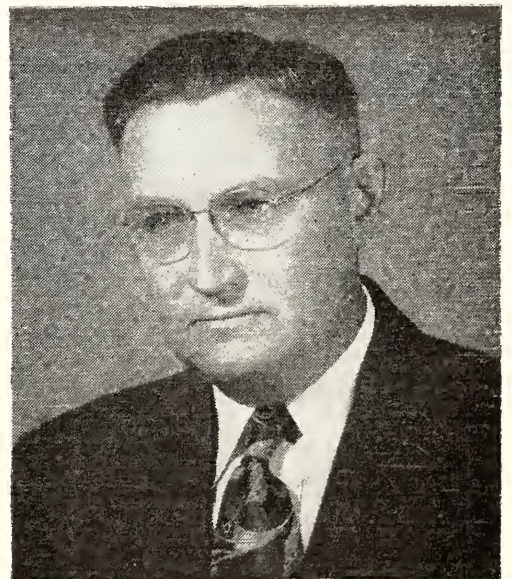
While ministering in the Missionary Church Association, a young man received the call to special missionary service in Africa. The way never opened to reach the field; but when he was forty years of age, God led his family to China. This one, who then labored fifteen years among China's idolatrous millions, was the father of Professor Birkey.

In this missionary family the children early learned of saving grace. While yet six years of age, Mr. Birkey found new life in Christ, and as a boy was bold to speak for the Saviour. Faith was kindled while as a young convert the Lord used him in witnessing. One incident profoundly influencing his life occurred when he was fourteen. Mr. Paul Bartel and his brother, childhood friends of Mr. Birkey, were one evening reading from a newly purchased New Testament when he came to read the crucifixion story for them. While the Holy Spirit convicted of sin, Mr. Birkey asked them, "Would you boys like to become Christians?" As they knelt in prayer, he called his parents to assist them; and at twelve and thirteen years respectively, the brothers were saved and later called into missionary service. Loyal Bartel was placed in charge of a Bible School in China. Paul entered pioneer work. With this remarkable experience childhood faith was stimulated.

Accepted as full-time missionaries two years before coming home, both Mr. Birkey and his sister were anxious to go to those waiting for the first time to hear of Jesus Christ. The Lord led in formal schooling, allowing correspondence courses to aid in completing high school requirements. In 1923 he was graduated from our Bible School and later from the University of Indiana.

Returning in 1918, he labored for nineteen years in North, Central, and West China. Along with Paul Bartel the Lord used him in pioneer work. As he puts it, "The greatest joy and satisfaction I have ever known was in this unique work. Even in this heathen possessed land, my Father gave grace and glory. A life wholly surrendered to the Lord Jesus Christ knows the greatest joy, peace, and restfulness."

"But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me . . ."



Fellowship

Circle

Alumni Gathering in Hollywood:

The second annual F. W. B. C. alumni banquet of the Los Angeles area was held on Tuesday evening, January 29th, at 7 o'clock at the Tick Tock banquet room in Hollywood, California.

There were 34 members present and a very profitable evening was spent in reminiscing. The program was in charge of our president, Rev. Jared Gerig, and we were privileged to have Gerald Gerig with us to bring latest reports from our "alma mater." He gave us some comparisons of the cost of running the school from its beginning until 1951—also the growth of the student body during the same years.

He also told us of the outpouring of God's Spirit upon the student body. We were all greatly encouraged to hear of God's blessing upon our beloved school. A few interesting side lights about our teachers and workers were given, and the Patrons' Council was explained.

Edgar Neuenschwander sang one of Elton Roth's songs. (Mr. Roth ('14) was at our last year's banquet but went home to be with the Lord recently.) Ira Gerig favored us with a piano solo and also a vocal solo.

We had election of officers for the coming year with the following results: Eddie Habegger, Pres; Lyn-dell Cash, V. Pres.; Mabel Dawe, Sec.; Earle Dickenson, Treas.

The following persons were present: Mr. ('50 & '51) and Mrs. ('45) Gerald Gerig, Ft. Wayne; Rev. ('29)

and Mrs. ('28) J. F. Gerig, Azusa; Mr. ('23) and Mrs. ('21-'23) Herbert Diller, Van Nuys; Rev. ('32) and Mrs. ('33) Edison Habegger, Van Nuys; Prof. Ira Gerig, Covina; Dr. ('19-'20 & '22-'23) and Mrs. G. E. Ramseyer, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dickenson ('49) Van Nuys; Mr. and Mrs. (Shirlee Dozier) Ollie Pankrats, Van Nuys; Mr. and Mrs. Lyn-dell Cash, ('46) Van Nuys; Irene Walker ('47) Garvery; Mr. ('17-'19) and Mrs. Gilbert Bixler, Van Nuys; Rev. ('45) and Mrs. ('41-'43) Edgar Neuenschwander, Compton; Mrs. Lucy Lauby, ('15-'16, '18-'20) Van Nuys; Sophie Kliever ('18) Glendale; Mr. and Mrs. (Helen Hyde '47) Arthur Hall, Pasadena; Gertrude Stockhausen, ('14-'15) Alhambra; Mr. ('47) and Mrs. ('44-'46) Wm. C. Wiehl, Orange; Mr. and Mrs. (Mabel Wittwer '32) Elvet T. Dawe, N. Hollywood; Dorothy Ball ('36-'38), Ft. Wayne; and Josephine Still ('32) (home on furlough from Honduras, C. America).

Sent in by Mabel (Wittwer) Dawe

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. (Theresa Keifer '43-'44) James L. Wills who were married on December 12, 1951. Rev. Carl Bennett, pastor of the C. & M. A. Church in Dayton and also a former student of the Bible College officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Congratulations to Mr. ('49) and Mrs. ('44-'46) Dean Freed upon the arrival of Dennis Devon, 7 lb. 12 oz. He was born January 13th.

Missionary News—John ('45), Helen ('45), Danny, and Mark Blosser have again arrived on the field of their calling, India. After a year of furlough they rejoiced to arrive in time for the Christmas celebrations. They rejoiced too, in the growth of the work since their arrival in '45. The people were now friends instead of strangers; welcome programs were

given at four different stations instead of one; and, best of all, they were able to converse with them. This is their touring season and they ask that we pray for their touring parties as they spread the good news of salvation.

Harold ('45-'48) and Eileen ('46), (Nee Bossard) Crall arrived in Nigeria the day after Christmas and then on their station on Jan. 3. They had an enjoyable trip and they have been thrilled at the way many of the natives who are Christians walk in the light that comes to them. Their present assignment is to learn the language. Shall we pray for all our new missionaries and old alike that many who hear shall accept the Lord.

Class of '48 share class letter:

"... I am still at the Mennonite Church as pastor of a moderate size congregation. My wife and I, along with son Philip, are kept rather busy. I thank God for F. W. B. C. and the training I received there. May we all back our Alma Mater with our prayers, our publicity, and our pennies.—*Curtis Bedsworth, Phila., Pa.*

"We are enjoying every minute of our work for the Neighborhood Church of San Jose. Leroy is choir director and I am organist. . . . We have two precious babies to love and cherish for the Lord, David Roy, 21 months, and Diana Rose, 2 weeks."

Ruth Caddy, San Jose, Calif.

"... I am working in war work at the Westclox factory in Peru, Ill. and drive 29 miles to work. I get homesick for some of the spiritual atmosphere of one of the days of prayer at F. W. B. C."—*Emily Coddington, Wyand, Ill.*

"... We are now fifty miles north of Ft. Wayne at Orland, Indiana. We have just one church now, and still there is as much to do as with three.

—*Kenny Culver*

"... I'm still in Detroit and working with an Intermediate-age Youth Group besides teaching a Sunday School class."—*Gladys Cate*

"We are at Edon, Ohio, and the Lord is blessing our efforts. Let us keep Christ pre-eminent in all of our lives."—*Howard and Ruth Dunlap.*

"... This fall Paul is busy acting as principal of the Lake Cicott elementary school, playing with clay, etc., in his final course for an M.S. in Ed. from I. U., and continuing as supply pastor of the rural Presbyterian parish in Cass Co. In another year we hope to be numbered with the foreign missionaries, as we have applied to the M.C.A. for such service."—*Paul and Chloetta Erdel, Lake Cicott, Ind.*

"... Our church is located in the thriving metropolis of South Whitley. It is the First Baptist Church. Our attendance seldom exceeds 600. To be more serious I am attempting with the help of the Lord, to complete my first year of schooling at Northern Baptist Seminary in Chicago. I have been broadcasting the last few months over WKAM, Warsaw, Indiana."—*Mr. and Mrs. Thaine Ford and Mark.*

"Since Don graduated from Taylor University last June, we have moved to a town familiar to you all—Berne. He is teaching music and English in the Hartford Twp. High School. We are attending the West Berne Missionary Church where Don has charge of the Young People's music."—*Don and Donna Gerig.*

"At the present time I am at Cook Co. Hospital studying Communicable Diseases and Psychiatry. We miss the Christian fellowship which we have at Covenant."—*Geraldine Gerig*

"In this moment while writing this letter, I am wondering how many of you are enjoying the blessings of service as we have here in Limones. General interest has increased in

the Gospel and the two priests previously stationed here have left for lack of support."—*Truman Gottschalk, Limones, Esmeraldas.*

"We have recently begun our second year of ministry here at the Ottawa Missionary Church and as never before we are seeing the hand of God upon His work here. Prayer requests are coming from various sections of the city—even from unknown homes. How we rejoice for the revival fires lately set burning."

—*Joan and Paul Grabill.*

". . . I never knew it could be quite so enjoyable working as a 'Queen in man's kitchen.' The above really constitutes a full time job, but just to keep out of mischief in what spare time I might find, I am engaged as a stenographer 40 hours a week in the office of a Candy Mfg. plant. In order to keep up musically, I have organized a few groups (Jr. Choir, Ladies' Chorus, Mixed Ensemble, etc.) in our Church and am thoroughly enjoying the work. I manage to spend a few hours giving piano lessons."—*June (Swaback) Harrison.*

"We are still in school. We expect to graduate some day if we don't die of old-age first. We have a lot of opportunities to serve the Lord in various places. Shirley is working five days a week in an office. I am working in a garage."—*Shirley and Paul Henry.*

". . . For the past year I have been living and helping in the Women's Shelter, a home for fallen and homeless girls and women. I also work five days a week."—*Esther Krueger, Chicago, Ill.*

"We're now living in LaPorte, Indiana, which is the third place during the last 4½ months. We're beginning construction on a new 75 by 34 foot brick church with a 58 ft. steeple. We have no church work here in the city so will be starting

from the bottom up."—*Nila Bossard Mast.*

"Clarke and I are both students at the Bible Institute of Los Angeles this year. Clarke will finish his aviation training this year too. We hope soon to be ready and accepted by the Sudan Interior Mission for work in Nigeria, Africa—Clarke as pilot-mechanic and I in the medical work. I graduated from the School of Missionary Medicine at Biola last June."

—*Betty Morris Masters.*

"Since the fall of 1948, I have been working with the Christian Union Missionary Board of Ohio. On Oct. 8, 1950, I started preaching and teaching in a small Community Church at Union Station south of Granville, Ohio."—*Sarah Mathews, Thornville, Ohio.*

". . . During the first 5 months at Esmeraldas, God wonderfully helped. Once Mildred Wanner and I almost drowned; then we had a fire, but God sent the Christians to help move many of our things before the fire took our headquarters building. Your prayers will be appreciated as I struggle with Spanish, and the powers of darkness."—*Pauline Muselman.*

(The remaining letters will follow in next issue.)

Early graduate passes: Mrs. Mary Atla Albro Greider passed away from her home in Phoenix, Arizona, January 31, 1952, at the age of 67. She graduated with the class of 1917. After graduation she moved, with her husband, to Phoenix where he became pastor of the First Missionary Church. The remainder of her life was spent in Phoenix with the exception of four years when her husband was pastor of the Denair Missionary Church, and one year when he was in evangelistic work in Fort Wayne.

C O U R A G E

Go forth in this thy might,

The Master sendeth thee;

Depend on Him alone

To keep thee strong and free.

And what if waves of sin

Assail thy fragile bark?

The Lord is at the helm,

He guides thee through the dark!

With Him, thy source of strength,

Now win the victory,

And go into the fray,

The Lord will pilot thee!

—*Frieda Martini Buchen*

From *Hymnal for Joyous Youth*, Fillmore Music House

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Praise is given to God for the following contributions that have come in lately for the purchase of the "Wiebke Property." The goal is to complete the project by Oct. 1, 1952.

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February 14	124	2.00
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February 15	126	60.00
February 16	127	5.00
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February 18	130	15.00
February 18	131	5.00
February 19	132	5.00
February 20	133	25.00
February 21	134	50.00
February 21	135	10.00
February 23	136	20.00
February 25	137	1.00
February 25	138	5.00
February 25	139	6.00
February 25	140	10.00
February 25	141	50.00
February 26	142	25.00
February 26	143	100.00
February 27	145	5.00
February 27	146	10.00
February 27	147	10.00
February 27	148	25.00
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