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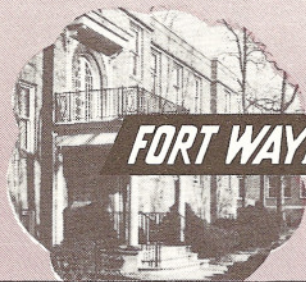


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Blind Medical Typist

A Chicago newspaper recently featured a story about former student Roselynn (Smith) McHugh, who attended the college between 1947 and 1950, even though completely blind. She is now one of the most efficient and popular medical typists at the medical records library of the University of Illinois hospitals.

After leaving the Bible College she received additional training at Chicago's Lighthouse for the Blind.

The most unique thing about Roselynn's work is the technical dictionary of medical terms she is building in braille.

Harlan Wright Named Field Representative

Rev. J. Harlan Wright, pastor of the Pandora Missionary Church, has been appointed as the first full-time field representative for the college, starting September 1. His work will mainly be in personal contacts in Indiana, Ohio, Michigan and Illinois.

Wright will represent the college to the cooperating churches, alumni, students' parents and interested individuals and organizations. He will aid in student procurement, but his particular attention will be given to financial interests, including South Campus Development, Living Endowment, annuities, investor's agreements, estate planning, and other gifts to the Lord's work at Fort Wayne Bible College.

Wright was editor of *Vision* in 1958 while continuing his pastoral ministry. Now he will devote his full efforts to this new position. He graduated from the college in 1950 and has served as president of the Alumni Association for two years.

Dr. Gerig says, "It is a genuine opportunity for service through personal contact with God's people. This is the Lord's work and those engaging in it look to Him for guidance and help just as earnestly as professors in the classroom."

Alumni Support FWBC

The Alumni Association has given Fort Wayne Bible College almost \$10,000 over the past reporting year it was announced at the annual spring reunion. A total of 521 alumni gave \$9968.55 to either the Living Endowment Program or South Campus Development fund.

The Alumni-Living Endowment program has been continuing for the past few years, while the South Campus Development program is a recent innovation.

There were 466, or 17.5 per cent of all living alumni who gave to Living Endowment a total of \$6048.55. There were 103, or 3.8 per cent of living alumni who gave \$3920 to the South Campus Development drive during the year 1960.

This does not include most of the alumni giving through the "Decade of Development" program since that started in November of 1960 at the end of the reporting period.

Nineteen per cent participated, which is only slightly lower than the national average and is up significantly over last year's 15.8 per cent who gave. The average gift this year was \$19.12 as compared with the average gift last year of only \$15.38.

It is heart-warming to see how well the alumni are standing behind their alma mater. Many have volunteered their services in the current fund-raising campaign, and many have given sacrificially, recognizing the importance of a strong educational background in preparation for Christian service.

One graduate in France, preparing to go into the Republic of Niger as a missionary, said that she was looking at a page in a magazine which showed a couple deciding to send a gift back to their college--to the place where they received their start.

She said, "We were made to think too, of the place where we received our real start in serving the Lord. We are sending this check for \$100.00 to be used in the building program. Along with the check I send heartfelt appreciation for how the Lord has used F.W.B.C. in calling and preparing me for Africa."

From the President's Pen

Rev. Jared F. Gerig



The Lost Power

For Service

The need of the hour is the need for power. It has been aptly said that there is little happening in our modern churches which cannot be explained by natural causes. Strong leadership, dynamic personalities, a well-formulated program, thorough organization, aggressive advertising, etc., will answer for what is accomplished in most churches. A student made this striking observation, "The further we go into the Book of Acts, the wider the gap becomes between what the church then was and what it is today."

We have lost the heart out of our religion, the fire out of our service, and the spiritual genius out of our living. That heart and fire and genius is the blessed Holy Spirit, the Comforter and the third Person of the Trinity.

The coming of the Holy Spirit must take on meaning to every child of God. He came dispensationally; He must come to each individually. He came to earth; He must come to you. Pentecost was an event in the yesterdays; it must become an experience in the todays.

The Holy Spirit is a *GIFT* to be received and valued. (John 14:17) God's gift to the sinner is His only Son; His gift to the believer is His Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is a *GUEST* to be recognized and fellow-shipped. He is a person Who can be unpardonably sinned against, slighted, grieved, and quenched. He is the source of the believer's greatest joy, power, and glory.

The Holy Spirit is a *GUIDE* to be revered and followed. (1 Cor. 6:19) "Holy Spirit, faithful Guide, Ever by the Christian's side; Gently lead me by the hand, Pilgrim through this desert land." He is in the world to gather out the Bride of Christ, but what if she be not willing to follow Him (Genesis 24:5)? That question of old is still to be answered by the Christian to this divine Guide and Paraclete.

On the day of Pentecost it was said that "the promise (of the Holy Spirit) is unto you (Jews), and to your children, and to all them that are afar off (the Gentiles), even as many as the Lord our God shall call." All who are called of God are potential heirs of this grace, regardless of time, race, or place. The whole church of Jesus Christ is faced with this blessed privilege, this glorious heritage, this magnanimous legacy from heaven.

The Heavenly Father gives the Holy Spirit to them that ask for Him, and the reception of Him in all His fullness is a personal act performed intelligently and consciously.

It is our prayer that the church may rediscover this mighty Person of power, the blessed Holy Spirit sent from heaven.

around campus

Six voted to Delta Epsilon Chi

Two graduates and four seniors were voted to membership in the Delta Epsilon Chi honor society. The graduates honored were Dr. S. A. Witmer, Executive Director of the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges and Rev. Quinton J. Everest, pastor of the Gospel Center United Missionary Church of South Bend. Students elected were Larry Eicher, Rachel Morris, Gail Horrocks and Luella Burley.

Dr. Witmer graduated in 1922. He holds his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He served as Instructor, Dean and President of the Bible College.

Rev. Quinton J. Everest graduated in 1928. He answered a call to the Gospel Center Church in South Bend in 1943. Under his ministry this church has seen phenomenal growth and now has an attendance of over 600.

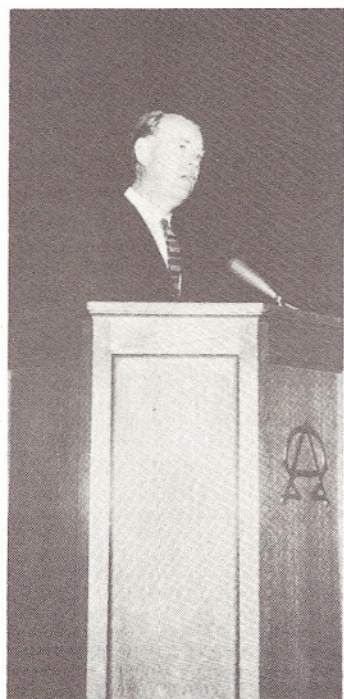
Honors and Prizes Awarded

At honors convocation jackets, letters, and plaques were awarded to intercollegiate and intramural athletics team members and cheerleaders.

Cash awards were given to winners of the Wiswell Speech Contest and the winner of the Greek contest. Harry McCrum and Bonnie Deason both won \$25 and Paul Mays and Bob Wheat both won \$12.50 for their speeches in the Wiswell Speech Contest. Paul DeMerchant won \$25 for the best expository sermon prepared by a student of Greek, based on the Greek New Testament text.

Letter awards to students who maintained an A average in Greek were given by the Alpha Kappa Greek Club to Paul Mays, Morris Jacobsen, Arlan Birkery and Dortha Onstott.

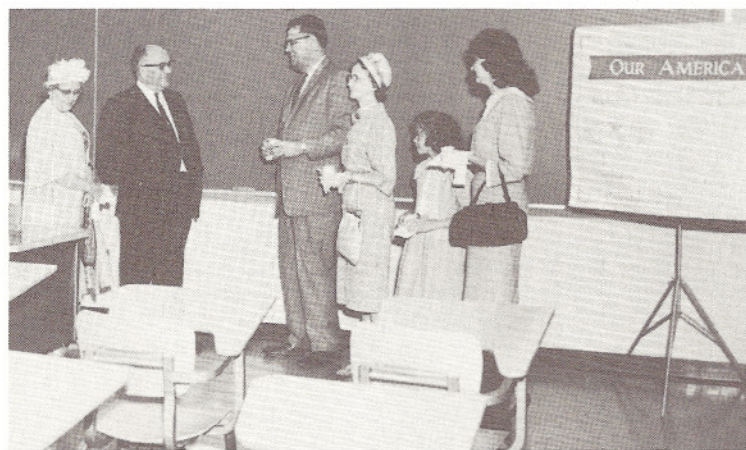
Camera Club awards were given to Paul Culp for first prize in both color and black and white contests, Mrs. Stanley Leonard for second prize in the color contest and Joe Boekel for second prize in the black and white contest.



S. A. Lehman

Memorial Library

Dedicated - May 27





Development Fund Drive - "A Success"

Dr. Gerig has called the first six months of the current fund drive a success with a total of \$290,000 in cash or pledges being contributed to the South Campus Development Fund. The campaign has been under way for the past seven months without fanfare as part of the college's "Decade of Development" program.

The goal of the present drive is \$1 million by 1962. More than half of the total currently pledged resulted from a challenge gift-pledge by a prominent Fort Wayne business man. He offered \$15,000 provided that ten others would match the gift.

The second phase of the "Decade of Development" program calls for construction of the Administration-Education unit which will cost about \$750,000 including furnishings. Rev. Walter King, Assistant to the President in Development says that the college hopes to begin this building within the next 16 months.

Dr. Gerig says, "I am confident that the college will succeed in reaching its goal." He added, however, "larger gifts from business and friends will be needed if the envisioned program for this year is to succeed in its entirety."

55 Graduate, 25 Feel Called To Missions

On May 28, 55 seniors received their degree or diploma at Commencement as Dr. Clyde Taylor spoke of the needs for well trained Christian leaders in our decaying world. He asked them to be willing to be a minority of one and to stand firm in the Word of God and the call of Christ on their lives.

There were 19 men and 36 women who graduated, two in the standard Bible course and 53 receiving degrees. Eight of these received the Evangelical Teacher Training Association's teacher's diploma.

When asked their plans for the future, 17 seniors indicated that they plan on further education. The occupations the graduates hope to enter are as follows:

- 5 - Pastoral ministry
- 16 - Teaching, some as missionaries
- 5 - Christian education
- 9 - Nursing, most as missionaries
- 4 - Music
- 25 - Missionaries including some as noted above.

We praise the Lord that 45.5 per cent of the class of 1961 have definite plans for missionary service.

There were three third generation students receiving degrees.--Paul DeMerchant, Larry Eicher and Bill Gerig. Honors graduates included June Baker and Luella Burley. High honors went to Gretchen Gallagher and Rachel Morris. Highest honors went to Larry Eicher and, at the head of the class, Gail Horrocks.

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