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## In Memoriam

Cheerful and kind, loving and exacting, understanding and sympathetic, devout and prayerful are characteristics which in a small way, described Mr. Harold Pollitt. The faculty, staff and students have experienced the acquaintance of a real man of God.

At fifty-two years of age, Mr. Harold Pollitt passed into the presence of his own Lord and Savior, Mr. Pollitt served as business manager of the college since September, 1962. He was also an active and faithful

member of First Missionary Church.

Mr. Pollitt's fellow workers and close acquaintances cannot express the void left by his untimely death. Mr. Pollitt was known for his cheerful outlook and deep Christcentered faith. He was sought not only in financial matters but also for spiritual guidance.

May we express the honor and respect we had for Mr. Pollitt by accepting his consistent life as a challenge to our lives. May we always be reminded of the love and faith characteristic of this servant of God.

## Learning by Doing

Each week Fort Wayne Bible College students assist pastors in upwards of 50 churches representing 16 denominations or serve with such organizations as the Salvation Army, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Fort Wayne Home and Rescue Mission, Fort Wayne State School, the Y.M.C.A., White's Institute at Wabash and Youth For Christ in Fort Wayne and Celina, Ohio. This year more than 275 workers are supplied from the student body each week.

Supervising this outreach is Miss Joy Gerig, Christian Service Director. She reports that last year students taught 2,293 Sunday School classes, directed or assisted in 672 children's church services, conducted 634 youth meetings, addressed 921 congregational services, presented special music in 1,675 services, and counseled with 273 individuals leading to spiritual conversion or dedication of their lives. Gospel teams traveled over 11,690 miles and conducted over 240 services singing nearly 1,000 songs.

Some comments by students regarding their

assignments are encouraging.
"I learned to show the joy that is in my heart because others don't know about it unless I show it."



## Walter Judd to Speak

Dr. Walter H. Judd, who has served ten terms as a member of Congress from Minnesota, will be Guest Lecturer on Wednesday, January 29 at 8:30 p.m. in Founders Memorial Auditorium. Friends are warmly invited to this free lecture. An offering will be received.

Having lived 10 years in China as a medical missionary, Dr. Judd is one of the relatively few Americans who can speak with personal knowledge of the sinister significance of what is happening in Asia and the Pacific. When he talks about Communism, it is from his personal experience of having worked in areas under its control as far back as 1930.

Among Dr. Judd's many accomplishments are proposals encouraging unification of Europe, providing impetus for the European Common Market; developing regional arrangements for self-defense, such as the North Atlantic Pact. He introduced legislation for a Pacific Pact, now SEATO.

This is a guest lecture that you won't want to pass up.

"Lesson aims have become important to me. There is no substitute for good, sound preparation."

"Patience...Love...Sacrifice...Trust...
I hope I have in general learned to be a more mature person."

"The greatest thing I learned was more dependence on the Lord."

<sup>&</sup>quot;It takes a lot of love to reach boys from broken homes."

<sup>&</sup>quot;Even though these people are mentally retarded they need Jesus Christ. They do know and feel love."



### What is Your Life

We are facing the New Year of 1964. We are about to step through the portals of a new year. For all of us, time is divided into three parts: the past, the present and the future. It was James who questioned, "What is your life?" We do well at this important time of the year to relate this question to these three divisions of time.

#### The Past

What is life for us in relation to the past, even this past year? Does it add up to regrets and disappointments and much that could best be forgotten? Has it been a life of sin, without regard for God, His Word, and His Son? Has it been a life of selfishness and disinterest in the needs and burdens of our fellow men? We need to take inventory of the past, to weigh 1963 in the balances, to break it down and examine it closely. Are its component parts named greed, dishonesty, selfishness, injustice, untruthfulness, immoderacy, impurity, hatred, distrust? Or would you find the fruits of righteousness, love, sympathy, helpfulness, fidelity, truth, purity, justice and kindness? What is our life in relation to the past? Ponder this at this turning point of a new year.

#### The Present

Take this thing of life in the present. We are going out to live today, to add moment by moment to the sum total of life. We are building upon the past, the foundations we have laid in the yesterdays. We must always remember that eternity is wrapped up in the present, and we must take each present moment and make it count for God. This brand new year of 1964 is God's reminder that we can start afresh, we can learn from our failures; we can have our confidence restored and our hopes renewed.

#### The Future

Life in the future, the unknown tomorrows, and on into eternity, will be meaningful and purposeful if it is lived for Jesus Christ. Time marches on with rapidity. The artist Crane, in a picture entitled "The Chariots of the Fleeting Hours," represents the hours being drawn by four wild horses and driven by remorseless youths who incessantly urge the horses on, lashing them to greater speed. Meanwhile sinks the sun, and the night hurries to meet the rushing chariots. The future of time will soon be swallowed up in the agelessness of eternity.

Are we prepared for this great future life when we shall meet God and be faced with the demands of eternal justice? Think with me about life, the rigid set of the past, the knocking opportunities and the flexible choices of the present, and the unrushing, inescapable appointments of the future.

Fort Wayne Bible College at the threshold of a new year is dedicated anew to influencing and training "lives" so that at least the present and the future of time will be affected morally and spiritually by these lives.

#### Around the campus ...

#### Students Purchase Station Wagon

The Student Association took on a project to raise \$2,000 toward purchase of a station wagon for the Christian Service Department. Through work calls students earned about \$1500 toward the project and the Student Council brought it up to \$2,000.

The Committee on Administration voted to add to this amount enough to purchase the vehicle.

A nine passenger Ford 1964 blue and white station wagon is on order from the Ford dealer in Edgerton, Ohio, who has made the purchase possible at a greatly reduced price.

#### Pastors Convene in January

The annual Pastors' Institute and Missionary Retreat will be held on campus Jan. 6-10. It is jointly sponsored by the Missionary Church Association, the Evangelical Mennonite Church and Fort Wayne Bible College.



#### Students Support Bible Reading Petition

The student body of Fort Wayne Bible College unanimously endorsed the "Return the Bible to Our Schools" campaign and petition.

Not only did all full-time students between 13 and 30 years of age sign the petition, but they carried petitions to their churches and areas of Christian service to secure more signatures.

The Indiana state chairman for the project is former student Larry L. Miller shown above pointing to petition while Julia Leas, Student Association secretary signs and Marilyn Dissinger, secretary to the Christian Service Director, and Roy Meyer, Student Association president, look on.



# World's Art Displayed in College Library

A display of art works from around the world are on display in the S.A.Lehman Memorial Library. These articles were gathered by Miss Mary Catherine Smeltzly and her late sister Eleanor as they traveled overseas 36 times and went on over 50 shorter trips throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

Examples of many cultures were bought to help illustrate their history teaching. Both sisters taught at what is now Central High School in Fort Wayne, and Mary Catherine, who retired in 1940, had as a high school pupil Dr. S.A. Witmer, former president of the Bible College.

The Smeltzly sisters began their travels in 1906. They visited every major country but India, and were within sight of land three times there but were prevented from disembarking because of plagues.

As early as 1929 Miss Smeltzly saw the coming trouble from Russia. She visited Russia in 1935. She says that in Moscow her guide was well dressed while others "dressed like despair." Though her guide said she was well dressed because she worked harder, Miss Smeltzly learned later that she was a stenographer for Stalin himself and took notes when Stalin met foreign leaders so that he could check up on his interpreters.

Miss Smeltzly's sister's weakness was cause for concern in Russia where they were forced to stay with the guide until the guide returned them to the hotel. If the guide was ordered to bring them back at six, she could not bring them a moment earlier.

One guide in Leningrad was so poorly dressed that those on the tour bought her a dress. "She cried and cried. 'Oh, I can't accept this,' she said. 'If I need more clothes I will just work harder.' But she was plainly afraid what they'd do to her if she accepted it."

Eleanor's weakness allowed one horrible glimpse at real life, as the two sisters fell behind the main group at a collective farm. They asked a farmer who had his farm confiscated by the communists if he liked this life. "Don't tell on me--they would kill me. None of us like it," he said. "They take all we have and make us work like galley slaves."

Miss Smeltzly and her sister thought that travel would do more to help them teach than advanced formal education. Each summer they would visit a new part of the world and bring back some items made by the people they visited. The collection originally was to be all brass work, but later they branched out to include curios of other materials.

Miss Smeltzly received her A.B. degree at Indiana University and studied at the University of Chicago, University of California, University of Cambridge, England and the University of Mexico. She is a charter member of the Allen County--Fort Wayne Historical Society, a life member of the Women's Club, the Fort Wayne Branch of the American Association of University Women, The Fort Wayne Art Association and the Indiana Historical Society.



# Joanne Bingham

Joanne Bingham, soprano, will present a Guest Artist Series recital on Saturday, February 29 at 8 p.m. in Founders Memorial Auditorium. You are invited to attend.

Miss Bingham teaches public school music in Rochester, New York and has given recitals in New York, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

A former student of Frank Bibb of Baltimore, Miss Bingham is a graduate of Houghton College and Peabody Conservatory of Music. She has participated in an opera workshop with Felix Brentano and is presently studying under Eldon Basney of Houghton College in Houghton, New York.



### At Spiritual Emphasis Week

The Rev. Harold J. Sutton, superintendent of the Western Pennsylvania District of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, will speak at Spiritual Emphasis Week, Feb.4-7.

A former pastor and evangelist, Mr. Sutton has a background in newspaper and radio work and contributes to religious periodicals and Sunday school publications. He is a member of the Commission on Schools for the Christian and Missionary Alliance and engages in ministers' seminars, summer conventions and conferences.

You will be welcome to come to any of the services, Tuesday through Friday at 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. in Founders Chapel.

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