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Thunder on Sycamore Street

The three act drama, **Thunder on Sycamore Street**, by Reginald Rose, portrays a neighborhood where respectable people forget Christ's admonition, "love one another." A new family moves in, but a past criminal record comes to light making them unwelcome. The neighbors decide to use social pressure and fear to drive them out.

It is the teenagers with a single adult who stem the tide of bitterness. The play with a cast of eight men and ten women presents a provocative question, "What would Christ expect of us in a similar situation?"

Thunder on Sycamore Street is sponsored by the department of communications and is directed by Mr. M. Elmer Soden, instructor in speech. It will be presented April 10 and 11 at 8 p.m. in Founders Memorial Auditorium. Tickets are \$1 for adults, \$.50 for students and children.



Business Manager

Mr. William L. Habegger has been named as business manager at the college filling a vacancy created by the death of the former business manager, Mr. Harold Pollitt.

Mr. Habegger has studied at Fort Wayne Bible College, Indiana Institute of Technology and Indiana University Extension.

For the past 14 years he has worked for the Kroger Company in Fort Wayne; most recently as supervisor in store construction and maintenance. He is treasurer of the Avalon Missionary Church, is married and has three teenage children.

The college is grateful to God for this answer to prayer, bringing us a man with such extensive experience and deep dedication to God.



Administrator Added

A new administrative post has been created at the college and Mr. Robert A. Ross, an alumnus of the college, has accepted an appointment to fill it. He started work the first part of January as assistant to the president in stewardship.

The new position has been established as a service agency to help friends of the college in estate planning, trust plans, insurance and annuity programs, and investor's agreement and endowment plans. Though interested in counseling those wishing to support F.W.B.C., his services will be open to others needing assistance in financial matters.

The stewardship office will also be responsible for stimulating local church subsidy and scholarship programs. Donor files will be maintained there and reports prepared for those needing such.

Bob Ross has pastored the Sterling Missionary Church (Kansas) and most recently worked as department manager for Gideons, International. His wife and four teenage children will join him in Fort Wayne as soon as he locates a home for his family.

The college feels that he will be a welcome addition to the family, and that his services will bear much fruit in days to come.

Personnel Needs

Secretary
Cashier

Bookkeeper
Nurse

Women's dormitory residence counselors
Receptionist (switchboard experience preferred)

These positions will be open starting this summer. If interested please write the college president.

From the President's Pen

Rev. Jared F. Gerig



The Eternal Word

The Gospel of John gives us the most vivid description of Jesus Christ. John begins at the high point by placing Christ at the beginning of things. When things began, He already was, so that He was not a created being. He was in eternity but more, He was with God, and He was God. To John His deity was never to be questioned and all that follows in the Gospel record provides John's proof of this claim. (John 20:31)

Christ, the Word of God

Jesus was in the world in several capacities. John uses four words to describe Him and His mission. First, He is called the *Word*, and as such, we find *God clearly expressed in Him*. He is the Logos, the Word, the clearest expression of the Father's person, love, and will. Jesus, in His own person, is God's message clearly and plainly spoken to the world. "God... hath in these last days spoken unto us in His son." (Hebrews 1:1, 2)

Christ, the Light From God

This leads directly to John's characterization of Jesus as the *Light*. Six times in John's introduction, Jesus is called the Light, and as such *He is God clearly revealed*. Read John's Gospel and you will find the reality of the truth of Jesus' claim when He boldly announced, "If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know Him, and have seen Him.... He that hath seen me hath seen the Father: and how sayest thou then, shew us the Father?" The way to God is through the Light of Life which is Jesus Christ.

Christ, the Grace of God

We have also the great word *Grace* applied to Jesus Christ, and in that word, we have *God favorably disposed*. Grace is the expression of God's love and the purpose for which Christ came. He was the fullness of grace, and of His fullness in this respect have all we received, even grace for grace, or continual grace. Grace simply means that God is compassionately moved, affected and motivated by the insistent needs and constant perils of men. It means that He set about the task of our redemption; and it is therefore by His grace that we are saved through faith: it is the gift of God: not of the works of men lest they should boast.

Christ, the Truth of God

The last word to characterize the Lord Jesus is *Truth*, and in it we have *God infallibly characterized*. If Christ is God, then He is truth; and if He is infallible Truth, then He is God. Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. The immortality of Christianity rests upon this indestructible foundation of truth as it was in Christ. Christ proclaimed, over against all the falsities, traditions, and vain reasonings of His day, "I am the Truth." No mere man, without being guilty of the blackest blasphemy, can make such claim as Christ's claim to be the very essence of truth.

It is this Christ Who has been "pre-eminent" in education at Fort Wayne Bible College for sixty years, 1904 to 1964. "Loyalty to Christ" becomes a watchword against all the powers and pressures that would mobilize to secularize all of education in our day. Pray for us as we stand firmly for Christ is this day of apostasy.

Around the campus...

Rene Frank's Complete Works

Thanks to a special gift from the parents of Pat Housden, the library now has seven volumes containing the complete works of Dr. Rene Frank, composed since 1946. These have been copied and bound as a permanent record of the musical genius of this gifted man of God.

There are about 40 works in these seven volumes, including orchestral music, choral works, piano and organ compositions, solo songs and chamber music.



Christian Service Station Wagon

The Student Association has purchased the above Ford 9-passenger station wagon for use by the Christian Service Department in the Gospel team ministry.

Students accepted odd jobs, donating their earnings to the project. To the \$1,500 thus earned, the Student Association added \$500, and the college assumed the difference.

Mr. Vic Miller of the Ford Motor Sales agency in Edgerton, Ohio, deserves our thanks for making his personal contribution toward its purchase.

Women's Auxiliary Meets

The Women's Auxiliary will hold its annual spring meeting Tuesday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Lounge.

Steinway Piano Purchased

The college has procured a very fine used seven-foot Steinway studio piano from one of the Fort Wayne radio stations at a very reasonable price. The piano is a very fine addition for use by a very capable pianist and piano instructor, Mr. Ken Mays.

Language Lab

Mr. Herb Beltz, father of the treasurer of Fort Wayne Bible College, has contributed language laboratory equipment valued at \$750 to the college. Manufactured by the Educational Division of the Edwards Company, this gift includes a master instructor's console and tape recorder and a student audio-active respond unit including a tape recorder.

The equipment will greatly enhance the modern language program of the college, enabling students to hear properly spoken speech and to record their attempts to duplicate it. By reviewing these tapes, deficiencies may be immediately noted and corrected.

Mr. Beltz has graciously contributed many hours of his time installing and repairing amplifiers for the public address systems at the college. He will set up and wire the language laboratory as soon as the college decides on placement, also without charge. It is impossible to calculate the savings to the college and the contribution to the Lord's service that is being given by Mr. Beltz. When rewards are given in Heaven, surely Mr. Beltz will gain much for his services to the kingdom of God on earth.



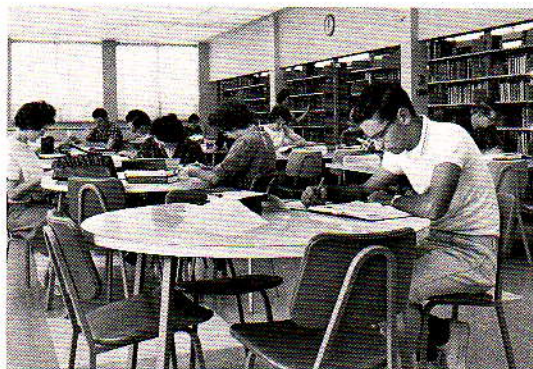
Operation Bookshelf

An appeal letter for your help filling empty shelves in the S.A. Lehman Memorial Library is proving very valuable. The college expresses a debt of gratitude to those who have contributed over \$2,700 toward the purchase of new books. This will help the college realize its goal of reaching 25,000 volumes by next year.

Individuals have contributed from \$5 to \$300 for books. Some have donated books instead of or in addition to cash gifts. In each book purchased with Operation Bookshelf funds there will be a bookplate honoring donors.

Presently there are almost 21,000 books in the library, an increase of 20% over the same date a year ago. The library also is currently receiving 235 periodicals.

If the average cost of a new book is \$5, in order to reach the goal set the library will have to have \$20,000 this year.



Library Report

If you are looking for a place where there is activity, drop in at the S.A. Lehman Memorial Library. If the use of the library at the beginning of this semester is any indication, this year will find the library the busiest place on campus.

There is not much you can improve in the library in the way of attractiveness because it is such a lovely building. But we are seeking to liven interest in books and to acquaint users with new books being regularly added by providing frequent changes in bulletin board and book displays. We are also utilizing the Browsing Corner for popular light reading such as fiction, poetry, biography, books of current interest and gift items of general interest. The round marble planter is always stocked with current popular reading material.

With the addition of a new picture mounting press in the Instructional Materials Center, we are now able to make attractive permanent mountings, laminations and transparencies for use in the projection of visuals in the classroom and for Christian service assignments.

Richard Elmer

With the rapid increase in enrollment and consequent need for expanded library services at the college, Mr. Richard M. Elmer, formerly director of the A Cappella Choir and vocal music teacher, has been assigned as readers' services librarian.

Mr. Elmer has had a continuing interest in library work for many years with two years of library experience before coming to Fort Wayne. Two years ago he established the Instructional Materials Center at the Bible College which houses school texts and related aids for use by students and faculty. During the past summer, Mr. Elmer received the Master of Library Science degree at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. He will now serve the library as a second full-time professional librarian.

The burden of the work is now divided, Miss Edith Ehlike being librarian in charge of all technical services such as acquisitions and cataloging, while Mr. Elmer is responsible for the circulation of library materials and reference works.

Musical Meditations

A new Sunday afternoon series of musical meditations started on Feb. 2 with a program of organ meditations presented by Mr. Harry E. Gudmundson, organist at Emmaus Lutheran Church. Mr. Ira Gerig studied under Gudmundson while on sabbatical leave last year.

On Sunday, March 8, at 3 p.m. the Houghton College Ensemble will present a program to which you are invited. The ensemble includes 16 voices and seven strings, directed by Mr. Eldon Basney of the Houghton College music faculty.

The final program of this series will include organ meditations by F.W.B.C. music students and faculty members. This will be presented at 3:30 p.m., Sunday, May 17.



The Fort Wayne Bible College Chorale

Home Concert, Sunday, April 12, 3 p.m.
Founders Memorial Auditorium

Youth Conference

Especially planned for youth, the Twenty-Fourth Annual Youth Conference will be held at Fort Wayne Bible College April 24-26 with the theme: **Consider Him**. Registration starts Friday afternoon with the first service on Friday evening.

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Choir Tour Schedule

The Fort Wayne Bible College Chorale under Mr. John Bechtelheimer, assistant professor of music, will tour westward during Easter week. Plan to hear them if they are in your area. Here is the schedule:

Chicago, Ill., Humboldt Park Gospel Tabernacle, March 22, 10:45 a.m.
Zion, Ill., Grace Missionary Church, March 22, 7 p.m.
Peoria, Ill., Mt. Olive Missionary Church, March 23, 7:30 p.m.
Milo, Ia., Milo Christian Union Church, March 24, 7:30 p.m.
Omaha, Neb., Omaha Gospel Tabernacle, March 25, 7:30 p.m.
Dodge City, Kansas, First Missionary Church, March 26, 7:30 p.m.
Kansas City, Mo., Southview C. & M.A., March 27, 7:30 p.m.
Mt. Pleasant, Ia., First Baptist Church, March 28, 7:30 p.m.
Mt. Pleasant, Ia., Youth Sunrise Service, March 29, 6 a.m.
Mooresville, Ind., Grace Missionary Church, March 29, 7:30 p.m.
Woodburn, Ind., Evangelical Mennonite Church, March 30, 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Carl "Kelly" Bihl, president of Youth For Christ, International, is guest speaker at all services. Other activities include a workshop on love, courtship and marriage, a humorous variety program about student life, and organized recreation.

For further information write to the Youth Conference Committee.

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