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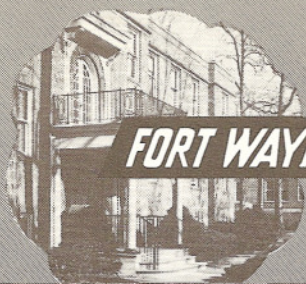


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M.M. Rupp With the Lord

Maurice M. Rupp, 55, president and co-founder of Brotherhood Mutual Life Insurance Company of Fort Wayne and secretary of the Executive Committee of Fort Wayne Bible College, died unexpectedly while addressing the Gideon International Convention in Little Rock, Arkansas on April 27. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

The college feels a deep sense of loss at the passing of this true friend and faithful co-worker.



Dr. Robert Cook

Dr. Robert A. Cook, new president of The King's College, New York, has accepted an invitation from the senior class to speak at Commencement. Exercises will be held in Founders Memorial Auditorium at 10:30 a.m. Monday, May 27.

A graduate of Moody Bible Institute, Wheaton College and Eastern Baptist Seminary, Dr. Cook has served in pastorates, as president of Youth For Christ International and as vice president of Scripture Press.

A prolific writer for the Christian press, Dr. Cook has authored five books and conducted evangelism crusades and Bible conferences throughout the world. He is currently president of the National Association of Evangelicals and a member of the board of directors of the National Sunday School Association, of the Evangelical Alliance Mission and Youth For Christ International.



Two \$100 scholarships were given by the Fort Wayne Bible College Women's Auxiliary during chapel on March 12. Shown here are Mrs. William Cox, president of the Auxiliary and her prayer daughter, Betty Campbell of Barneveld, Wisconsin; Mrs. Grant C. Hoatson who presented the scholarships; Tim Eyearitt of Toledo, Ohio and his prayer mother Mrs. M.M. Rupp, chairman of the scholarship committee.

Commencement Calendar

Commencement week-end is the capstone for 40 seniors who will receive degrees this year. The festivities start off with the Alumni Spring Banquet on Friday, May 24 at 6:15 p.m. in the First Methodist Church, 326 E. Wayne Street. Seniors will be honored guests at the banquet. If you wish to attend send in reservations no later than Friday, May 17. (\$1.75 for adults, \$1 for children under 12.)

Friday evening at 8:30 p.m. the A Cappella Choir under Prof. Richard Elmer will perform the oratorio, "St. Paul" by Mendelssohn. There is no admission charge, so plan to be on hand.

Saturday, May 25 at 8 p.m. there will be a reception for seniors and parents in Founders Memorial Lounge.

Sunday, May 26 at 3 p.m. Dr. Edward Simpson will address the graduating class and guests at Baccalaureate. Visitors are warmly welcome.

Monday, May 27, at 10:30 a.m. the graduates will receive their degrees after a commencement address by Dr. Robert Cook, president of The King's College.

There will be 10 seniors graduating in missions programs, five in pastoral training, eight in Christian education, four in music and 14 in education. (One is graduating with a double major.)

From the President's Pen

Rev. Jared F. Gerig



First Things First

"Sir, my business is the extension of Christ's kingdom, and I only make shoes to pay expenses." All will recognize these as the words of that noble missionary-pioneer to India, William Carey. They are the expression of a heart which has learned the value of the kingdom of God in its relation to other things. Wherever we put the emphasis in living, there we will either strike the gold ore of true and noble realities in the will of God, or we will miss the first things of value as they relate to the kingdom of God.

On the basis of these things, it is therefore evident that man in general, and we are sorry to say, too many Christians in particular, are making out of life little more than a misemphasis, a misplacing of faith and religion and eternal values. First things have been made secondary, and the gleam of another world has been over-shadowed by the present world with its perils and problems.

Jesus was not silent on this important matter of first things first. He exhorted, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." It would appear that the main concern of a Christian's life is to make his first business the extension of the kingdom of God.

Our Subjection to Him

The kingdom of God is put first in our subjection to Him. The kingdom idea implies that there is a king and there are subjects who are yielded, submissive, and obedient. Since God is King in this kingdom, then man must be the subject. Our absolute obedience to Him therefore puts Him first and foremost. It can be no other way for the true Christian.

Our Sanctification Through Him

The kingdom of God is put first in our sanctification through Him. We are to seek first the kingdom of God and *His righteousness*. Let the righteousness of God displace the sinfulness of man. God is first when His righteousness dominates and characterizes us.

Our Service For Him

The kingdom of God is first in our service for Him. The extension of the kingdom and the furtherance of the Gospel demand priority and take precedence over every other work. Nothing dare supplant it or crowd it out of first place in the lives of believers.

It is the order of the day that we seek first the kingdom of God, that we put God first by a subjection to Him, by a saintliness like Him, and by a service for Him.

Fort Wayne Bible College believes in these things and desires that every graduate shall find the true meaning of *first things first*.

Around the campus...

Piano and Organ Donated

Mr. Fred Myers of the Fred Myers Piano Co. of Fort Wayne has donated a new studio upright Wurlitzer piano and an Estes practice organ to the department of music.

The beautiful walnut Wurlitzer piano is used in Mr. Elmer's studio for accompanying those studying voice. The Estes organ is installed in a practice room for use by those studying organ.

Mr. Myers also purchased space at the Seventeenth Annual Fort Wayne JayCee Home Show in which the Bible College put a display emphasizing keeping Christ as the center of the home. Walter King and J. Harlan Wright designed the display.

Henderson-Dowdy Recital

A senior student recital will be given by Mrs. Bonnie Henderson and Donald Dowdy on Friday, May 11 in Founders Memorial Auditorium.

Don Dowdy will direct a 28-voice ensemble singing his own compositions. Included are: *Call Unto Me*, *The Secret of the Lord*, *A Song of David*, *Stopping By Woods on a Snowy Evening* and *Eastersong*.

Mrs. Henderson will present the following piano selections: *English Suite No. 2* by Bach, *Sonata Pathetique* by Beethoven and *Concertino* by Franais. On the final number Mrs. Leon Gerig will assist Mrs. Henderson at a second piano.

New S.C.D. Committee Members

Two new members of the South Campus Development Committee were appointed by the Governing Board. They are Mr. Marion Lochner, formerly vice-president of Food Marketing Corporation and Dr. Edward Simpson, Dean of Education.

"Operation Bookshelf"

A special mailing has gone out inviting you to help Fort Wayne Bible College buy books for the library. There is a plan presented to meet every budget.

If you haven't sent in your contribution yet, won't you do it now? Then the students will have the added advantage of the wisdom of great men of God to help them prepare to do the work of Christ.

Financial Support Given

Three Fort Wayne firms have given financial support to the college in recent weeks. Fort Wayne National Bank, Sears Roebuck and Co., and the G.C. Murphy Company.

The president of Fort Wayne National Bank, Mr. W.D. Laycock, in announcing the gift of \$10,000 for south campus development, said, "In support of the very fine plans of Fort Wayne Bible College for further advancement and development, we are indeed pleased to honor the request of the Governing Board of the college for our financial support of your objective."

Mr. R.L. Daly, manager of the Sears store in Fort Wayne, announced that Fort Wayne Bible College was the only college in this area to receive a portion of \$900,000 distributed by the Sears Foundation. This gift was for \$300 and follows a \$1,000 gift from the local store for unrestricted use.

Commenting on the Sears program, Mr. Daly noted that corporate giving to private higher education must increase from its current annual level of \$200 million to \$500 million by the end of this decade if private schools are properly to discharge their educational obligations to American society.

The G.C. Murphy Co. has made a gift of \$800 for South Campus Development.



Dorm Planned

The college went before the Fort Wayne Board of Zoning Appeals in February to ask permission to construct four smaller dorms on South Campus, each to house 38 students. Work was to begin on two this spring if approval was forthcoming.

A small group of residents appeared to protest the request. For various reasons the Board of Zoning Appeals refused permission to build these smaller dorms.

Since the college was making application for buildings not included in the original South Campus plans, the decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals in no way affects plans previously approved for the six major buildings. The decision allowing this basic expansion on South Campus was upheld by the Allen County Court of Appeals and the Indiana Appellate Court with the final decision made in 1960. There is no further appeal possible on that original decision.

The South Campus Development Committee has instructed the architect to proceed with

detailed plans in preparation for construction of the larger dormitory for girls. Meanwhile, investigation is being made to determine if sufficient financial resources are available to proceed. The Executive Committee of the Governing Board will make the final decision this spring. If approval is given the college will ask for a building permit and probably break ground before summer is over.

B.C. Student With Teen Team

Roger Vorholzer, a freshman in the Bachelor of Sacred Music program at F.W.B.C., has been chosen to travel around the world with Youth For Christ International's Teen Team. Chosen by Wendy Collins after auditions in December, Roger is one of seven in his team directed by Jim Wilson, Director of the Toronto Youth For Christ.

The team left Fort Wayne in February for Ontario, thence to Beirut and on through Thailand, Malaya, Korea, Indonesia and other countries of the Far East.

College Composers Acclaimed

When two compositions by Fort Wayne Bible College composers were performed recently by the International Society for Contemporary Music in Chicago it was well worthy of note. Then the performers voted that they wished to repeat the two works by B.C. composers on May 17. This vote of confidence adds to the stature of an already highly praised music program and faculty at the college.

The compositions are *Psalm of Praise and Judgment* based on Psalm 96 by Dr. Rene Frank, Chairman of the Department of Music and *Lord of All Being* based on a poem by Oliver Wendell Holmes composed by Torrey Gray Barcanic while he was a student of Dr. Frank in 1961. The compositions are being performed by the Northwestern University A Cappella Choir under William Ballard and the Chicago Chamber Music Ensemble under Ray Papai with Richard Boldry at the organ.

On May 2-3 Houghton College, Houghton, N.Y., honored Dr. Frank at their music festival. Dr. Frank lectured and played the piano and Houghton musicians and groups performed the following works:

Psalm of Praise and of Judgment
Christ Comes in Majesty
The Great Invitation
Benediction
Fantasy for Piano
Five Psalms
Music for Brass Instruments
Six Hymn Preludes for Organ
Pilgrim Variations

Other performances of Dr. Frank's works are being given this spring by Concordia Senior College and on a recording by Bela B. Nagy entitled "Music by Hoosier Composers" using Dr. Frank's *Fantasy for Piano*.

The Buffalo Bible Institute A Cappella Choir under F.W.B.C. graduate Larry Eicher, is using a composition by Don Dowdy, presently a student at the college, entitled: *The Secret of the Lord*.

F.W.B.C. Will Apply For North Central Candidacy

Fort Wayne Bible College will apply immediately for candidate status in the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The decision to go ahead and seek such recognition was made in joint action by the faculty and Governing Board.

The college has been in continuous self study for a number of years in an attempt to improve standards to meet conditions for approval by the N.C.A. When a vote was taken of the faculty on whether to proceed for full accreditation or for candidate status the decision was split evenly. This reflected the optimism that the faculty feel in regard to achieving accreditation, as well as the conservatism that we should proceed slowly with sure steps.

The Governing Board took full cognizance of faculty views in its meeting of March 19 and recommended to the faculty that immediate application should be made for candidate status, and that application for full membership be postponed for one year in order to add strength to those areas deemed most in need of such. The Board in effect gave the faculty the final decision on the step to be taken, reflecting the confidence it has in those chosen to teach our young people. The faculty concurred with the board recommendation with a unanimous vote.

Areas which need strengthening before application for full accreditation is sought are: faculty salaries, library holdings and additional dormitory facilities.

A recent mailing has gone out to seek an increase in the number of books in the library; the Board took action with the prospect of having a dormitory under construction within the year and it gave significant increases in faculty salaries, with hopes that a further increase will be forthcoming next year.

Faculty salary scale for full time teachers has ranged from \$3,400 to \$5,600 per year. The new scale which will go into

effect in the fall ranges from \$3,600 to \$6,400 per year. This does not bring F.W.B.C. average salaries up to the national median which is about \$5,700 but it does raise the base and sets the pace for future increases in years to come.

Mindful of Missions

Mindful of the imperatives of the Gospel about proclaiming the Word to the ends of the earth, the Student Missionary Fellowship has assumed two large projects in addition to their continuing support of Miss Florence Cavendar in Colombia and Mrs. Arthur Hall in Jamaica. Students have donated \$850 for construction of a dormitory building for African students at the Wesleyan Methodist Temne Bible School in Bendembu, Sierra Leone.

The school, especially crowded in housing, lacked funds for building the dorm. They did supply the land and F.W.B.C. student gifts will provide the four-room building which will house national Missionary Church Association students who attend.

The gift was received by Rev. Eugene Ponchot, former M.C.A. Sierra Leone missionary field chairman. Frank Conteh, an F.W.B.C. student from Sierra Leone, took part in the service.

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The formal presentation of the S.M.F. gift will be made on Friday, May 10.

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