

**Carl D. Light Named Fiftieth Anniversary Building Fund Head**

Mr. Carl D. Light, well known Fort Wayne businessman, has been named to head the forth-coming building fund program to be launched soon and to extend throughout the Fiftieth Anniversary of the College. Mr. Light has been active in the civic and business life of Fort Wayne for many years, and is well known to many friends of Fort Wayne Bible College. He is personally acquainted with the college and its growth.



Light

While further announcements concerning the building program will be made during the coming months, plans of the building committee call for an administrative-educational unit to be built on the new south campus, a half block west of the present college site. Fund-raising for the building will extend through the Jubilee school year observance of 1954-55.

**A Cappella Choir to Tour South for Spring Concerts**

The Fort Wayne Bible College A Cappella Choir will tour into the southland for the major portion of its spring concert tour, it is announced by Prof. Oliver Steiner, director of the group. The choir will leave Fort Wayne on Friday, April 9, to return for its annual home concert in Founders Memorial auditorium on Sunday, April 25.

Traveling by bus, the forty-voice group will appear in such cities as Indianapolis, Indiana; Humboldt, Tennessee; Philadelphia, Mississippi; (Continued on Page 4)



Stan Leonard, Student Council president, shows several Hawaiian students a copy of the letter sent to Congressmen urging Hawaiian statehood. Left to right, seated: Leonard, Ann Nishihara, Harry Tam, Sumiko Iha, and Evelyn Hamamoto; standing; Noboru Ayabe, Ruth Huntington, and Abraham Williams.

**Student Body Petitions for Hawaiian Statehood**

Acting on behalf of some fifteen Fort Wayne Bible College students from the Hawaiian Islands, the student council of the college sent a letter of recommendation to Indiana congressmen in Washington urging that Hawaii be granted statehood. Stan Leonard, president of the council, states that the letter, while signed only by the executive officers of the council, represents the combined petition of the council and the entire student body.

**Accrediting Experts Visit Campus in Survey**

Dr. Enoch Dyrness, registrar of Wheaton College, and Mr. James E. Phillips, former comptroller of Wheaton, visited the campus February 15-17 to examine the school as part of the survey being conducted by the Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges of its member schools.

At the request of the Accrediting Association, the two men are evaluating all areas of school operation of some twenty charter-member schools of the Association. The present survey is designed to validate standards of the schools and to stimulate a proficient level of operation within the schools.

Fort Wayne Bible College is accredited as a collegiate institution by the Association.

The letter reads in part: "We are doing this through the conviction that the Hawaiians are entirely deserving of statehood; that this full recognition of American citizenship is in accord with the American principles of the essential quality and dignity of all men, and in appreciation of the high quality and Christian character of fifteen Hawaiian students in our school, who are fully accepted by students and the surrounding community." The letter was sent to Representative Ross Adair and Senators Homer Capehart and William Jenner.

Hawaiian students attending the college are: Harold and Noboru Ayabe, Yoshina Higa, Lawai, Kauai; Evelyn Hamamoto, Conchita Los Banos, Kalaheo, Kauai; Ruth Huntington, Kilouea, Kauai; Sumiko Iha, Ann Nishihara, Koloa, Kauai; Harry Tam, Sue Yamamoto, Honolulu, Hawaii; and Abraham and Ethel Williams, Gaylord Williams, and Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Williams, Anahola, Kauai.

## The Beginning of an Education

*with the president . . .*

Dr. S. A. Witmer



One of the profoundest statements ever uttered is found in the world's first book of wisdom: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge" (Prov. 1:7). Reverence for God, therefore, is the basic part of an education.

And that is what is impressive about early education in America. The educational pioneers of our country were God-fearing men. They believed in the moral authority of the Bible. They recognized the voice of God above all other voices. To them it would have been utterly inconceivable that worthy education could have been built on self-interest, personal desires, and impulses. Today "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge" has been replaced by the axiom, "The stimulation of desire is the beginning of self-development."

To see how far we have come, let us cite the announcement which appeared in New York newspapers in 1754 announcing the opening of King's College, which later became Columbia University—one of the largest universities in the world: "The chief thing that is aimed at in this college, is, to teach and engage the Children to know God in Jesus Christ, and to love and serve him in all Sobriety, Godliness, and Richness of Life, with a perfect heart and a willing mind."

Mark the change 200 years later in the middle of the twentieth century. Some time ago a graduate student at Columbia, whom I know, found himself as a Bible-believing Christian in disagreement with one of his professors. In discussing the point, this student made some reference to the Bible. The professor was horrified. He exclaimed, "Is it possible that there is a single student in Columbia University who still believes the Bible?"

Certainly this generation is not noted for its reverence. In educational circles little is known of the fear of God. It certainly is not the principal part of knowledge in our day. But we do have skepticism. We have cynicism and frustration. This generation is educated in scientific facts but it has no frame of reference in which to put those facts. As a consequence, there is no meaning and no purpose to science. There is no meaning and no purpose to life itself. Until godless colleges and universities get back to the fear of the Lord as the beginning of wisdom, they will find no answer for questioning youth and no solution to the critical problems of our time.

May God strengthen the hand of every school, every college, every teacher and educator who still believe with conviction that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. We believe wholeheartedly that schools like Fort Wayne Bible College have come to the kingdom for such a time as this. Here in an atmosphere that is vibrant with faith and warm with Christian fellowship, a strong, Bible-centered program of education can be carried out.

## Former Faculty Members Write Books

Two former faculty members of Fort Wayne Bible College have recently written books for use in Christian education.

Mrs. Bertha Howland, former instructor in Christian Education and history at the college, is now writing Sunday School literature, including quarterlies for the Light and Life Press of Winona Lake, Indiana. Mrs. Howland recently visited the college.

Mr. Loyal Ringenberg, former instructor in Bible and now editor for Higley Press in Butler, Indiana, recently completed a new textbook designed for a course in basic Bible study. The book is entitled *The Word of God in History*, and is published by Higley Press.

## PLACEMENT SERVICE

### Positions Open

*Young man*, to help in vacation Bible school work and Gospel preaching for the summer of 1954 in Southern Missouri.

*Summer workers*, with Marine Medical Mission to conduct vacation Bible schools in villages along the west coast of Canada.

*Summer workers*, in Cedar Lake Bible Conference. Openings for workers in dining room, office, life-guards and soda fountain.

*D.V.B.S. workers*, in various areas. Calls are beginning to come in from churches for schools this summer.

### Positions Wanted

*Pastor* of independent church is looking for change, preferably in middle west. Has had 26 years experience.

*Pastor* desires work in non-denominational church. Has had 7 years experience.

*Pastor* with family of three children desires change of field, either in another pastorate or in promotional work for Christian organization. Has had experience in both areas.

A number of fine young people are graduating in this year's class. If you have openings for music directors, youth workers, assistant pastors, etc., write to C. H. Eicher, Director of Placement, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne 6, Ind.

### "Sunrise Chapel" on WFUR

"Sunrise Chapel", morning devotional broadcast of the college, is again heard on WFUR in Grand Rapids, Michigan, each Sunday morning. The series began March 7.

## First Semester Honor Students Named

Honor students for the first semester have been announced by the registrar's office. To be listed on the honor roll, a student must maintain a grade average for the semester of B plus or higher.

Those named in the order of their scholastic rank are: Harry Huffman, Mrs. Rosine Long, Joe Grabill, Mrs. Mayme Hodges, Ruby McKee, George Nantz, Sarah Roush, Lois Stucky, Mrs. Faythe Rohrs, Levene Shattuck, Mrs. Mary Birkey, Joanne Weddle, Martha Overmyer, John Nichols, Arlene Smith, Anna Lou Boehr, John Burke, Darrell Gerig, Marian Haffner, Donna Harvey, Ralph Ogden, Clay Sloan, Mary Lauby, Harry Spaeth, Noboru Ayabe, William Mueller, Glen Schade, Harriet Fields, Arlene Gerig, Ruth Huntington, and Don Rohrs.

### Commencement Speaker Named

Dr. W. Robert Smith, Professor of Philosophy of Bethel College, St. Paul, Minnesota, has been named speaker for this year's commencement exercises on Thursday, June 3. Further announcements about graduation events will follow in later issues.



Ambassador line-up—Left to right, kneeling: J. Grabill, S. Leonard, D. Erickson, L. Randall, and N. Grabill; standing: L. Gerig, D. Conner, G. Steiner, Coach Elmer Neuenschwander, Manager Tom Branks, J. McManus, and L. Harter.

## Ambassadors Face Moody Bible Institute In Main Event of Four-Game Schedule

Two games of a four-game basketball schedule remain to be played this month by the Fort Wayne Bible College Ambassadors, with a home game against Moody Bible Institute of Chicago scheduled for Friday, March 12 in the Central High School gymnasium at 7:30 P.M. The other game is with the Fort Wayne Center of Purdue University at the

Purdue Center on March 17.

Ten players make up this year's team, with Joe Grabill and Lonnie Randall co-captains. The other players are: Jack McManus, Don Erickson, Noel Grabill, Larry Harter, Leon Gerig, Stan Leonard, Don Conner, and Gus Steiner. Elmer Neuenschwander, dean of students, is coach and Tom Branks is manager.

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## Alumni Notes

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETS

Your Board of Directors met on February 22 at the Bible College. It is impossible in the space allowed here to report in full on the business cared for.

#### Come and Dine

Of course, the first item of business concerned the annual meeting. Stop right here, find that beautiful Bible College calendar (any poor imitation will serve) and put a circle around the date, June 2. That's the date of our annual meeting. Be prepared when a letter arrives in a few weeks with a reservation blank for the banquet. The necessary committees were appointed to make and execute the plans for this meeting.

#### Get Set for the Project

We discussed this year's Alumni project at some length. It is our belief that the accepted project will serve the best interests of our Alma Mater. I'll not let you in on it here, but you'll hear from the project committee in the near future.

#### A Dollar, Please!

The inevitable problem of finances for our operation expenses reared its unpopular head. Our treasurer's report showed \$32.61 on hand. We aren't broke, but we are bending. It was decided to come to you with the need and request that every alumnus contribute at least \$1.00 to the Alumni Association for current expenses. This isn't much, yet if each one helps the need will be met. You take this as your invitation to help.

Be watching for the mail man. He'll have letters from us from time to time. We're needing your prayer and your help.

—J. Harlan Wright, *President, Alumni Association.*

#### Personnel . . .

Mrs. William Donahoo, '51, (nee Carla Parker) is teaching the fourth grade at Lambert School, Waterford Township, near Pontiac, Michigan. She is also taking evening classes at Wayne University Extension. Her husband is a Laboratory Assistant at Wilson Foundry.

Bobette Osborn, '53, is working as secretary to the editor of *Missionary Herald*, a publication of the Brethren Church, Winona Lake, Indiana.

Walter McCoy and Grant Shattuck, '53, are enrolled as Juniors in the Grace Seminary, Winona Lake, Indiana.

#### Wedding Bells . . .

Bonnie Shoup, '50-'53, was married to Clarence Henderson, '51-'53, on January 30 at the First Brethren Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

#### In the Cradle . . .

A girl, Lovella Joy, to Mr., '50-'54, and Mrs., '40, Earl Fuller (nee Lydia Fiedler) on December 10, 1953.

A girl, Martha Roselle, to Harlan, '50, and Helen Wright on February 10, 1954.

A girl, Debora Lee, to Donavon and LaDonna Gerig, both '48, on February 14, 1954.

Address alumni notices to Miss Ruth Zollner, Secretary, Alumni Association, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

### Serenaders Here for March 10 Concert



The Serenaders Male Quartet, of Chicago radio and TV fame, will present a concert in Founders Memorial auditorium at the college on Wednesday, March 10, at 8:30 P.M., under the sponsorship of the School of Music.

The Serenaders have appeared as a quartet on outstanding radio and television productions, and individually on nearly every network program emanating from Chicago.

General admission is \$1.00, and students 75c. Proceeds will be used to secure added facilities for the School of Music.

#### CHOIR—

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Mobile, Alabama; Pensacola, Florida; and others. The complete itinerary will be announced next month.

Several dates are still open on the itinerary. Churches in Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, or Florida who should like to book the choir for a concert should write immediately to the college.

### School of Music Schedules Recitals

Student recitals are scheduled by the School of Music, featuring piano, voice, and organ students, during Friday, March 5, and Friday, March 19.

A senior recital on Friday, April 2, will present Joan Gerig, piano student of Mr. Rene Frank, and Ed Widmark, voice student of Mr. Oliver Steiner. The recital will be held in Founders Memorial auditorium at 8:00 P.M.

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