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RADIO STAFF TOURS TO WEST COAST TO TRANSCRIBE BROADCASTS ENROUTE

The "Sunrise Chapel" radio staff of Fort Wayne Bible College left the college campus on Friday, May 29, and is now on a deputation tour of twenty programs, which will take them through fourteen western states. The group is presenting programs in such cities as St. Louis, Missouri; Dodge City, Kansas; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Phoenix, Arizona; in cities of the

Los Angeles area; and Modesto, California. On the return trip the group will also appear in Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, and Peoria, Illinois.

Besides the musical portions of their programs, the group is transcribing actual "Sunrise Chapel" broadcasts during the services for release on the air on WKJG in Fort Wayne a few days later. Twenty members of the regular staff are making the tour, including seventeen students, with Dr. S. A. Witmer, president of the college, Mr. John Wilson, music director of the program, and Richard Gerig, director of radio.

The tour is being conducted in order to extend the evangelistic ministry of the college and to promote the educational program of the college in western church areas. Programs are being given in several churches of the Missionary Church Association, along with other church

The group is traveling in four automobiles, and will return to Fort Wayne on Wednesday, June 17. The complete itinerary for the tour, together with the locations of the programs, is given on page 3 of this issue.

President Witmer Fills Speaking Engagements

Dr. Witmer, who has just recently appeared as speaker before several Christian education conferences, has accepted invitations to speak at two sessions during June and July.

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On June 24, he will address a dinner meeting at Wheaton College during the Intersession meetings of Bible school educators. His topic will concern a basic philosophy of Christian higher education.

On July 27, he will speak at the workshop of the Parish School Com-

Oliver Steiner to Join YFC Team to Japan

Mr. Oliver Steiner, director of the School of Music of Fort Wayne Bible College, has accepted an invitation to join a Youth for Christ evangelistic campaign in Japan during the month of August.

He will leave the United States on August 3 on a special Youth for Christ airplane. During his ministry there, he will attend the YFC World Congress in Tokyo, August 9-16. During the remainder of the month, he will team up with other workers and will go into various parts of the Japanese Islands in evangelization. He will participate primarily as

a song leader and trombonist.

Mr. Steiner's invitation was received from Edmund Mills, former student of Fort Wayne Bible College and now Youth for Christ director in Tokyo. The Students' Mission Band, led by its president, Dick Leever, is providing Mr. Steiner's traveling expenses as a missionary project. He will return to Fort Wayne the first of September.

mission of the Missouri Synod of the Lutheran Church, meeting at Concordia Teachers College in Lake Forest, Illinois. He has been asked to discuss the significance of the Bible institute-Bible college move-

Other recent engagements of Dr. Witmer include the annual convention of the National Association of Evangelicals in Cincinnati in April 1, when he spoke before two Christian education groups. He also addressed the main session of the National Holiness Association on April 30 on the topic "Educational Strategy for Youth's Loyalties."

Professor C. A. Gerber Retires with Forty-Two Years Teaching Service

The veteran instructor on the faculty of Fort Wayne Bible College retires at the close of this school year with forty-two years of teaching service.

Mr. C. A. Gerber, an instructor in the School of Music, has been with the school since 1911. During his first twenty years, he taught all of the voice students and also classes



in music theory, notation, and hymn singing. For many years, he organized and directed men's and women's choruses, each year touring with them into various cities and states to give concerts. At the same time, he also organized special concert choruses for performances during commencement week events. Continuing to the present, he has been active as an instructor in voice and music theory.

During Mr. Gerber's early years with the school his studio was located in what is now Schultz Hall, and the school was then known as the Bible Training School. He recalls that at that time the entire student body was required to spend one hour a week in a special hymn singing class. For twelve years Mr. Gerber taught this class.

Several of Mr. Gerber's students became well known for their musical ability following their graduation from the school. One who is outstanding in the field of gospel song-

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with the president ...

Dr. S. A. Witmer



How can a Christian college be kept vitally and truly Christian? That is a question that concerns everyone—constituency, alumni, trustees, teachers, students, patrons, and friends. In view of the spiritual declension and apostacy of many church established colleges that were originally sound, it is a sobering question to face. But it is a challenging question as well, for colleges that are dynamically Christian and true to that faith are centers of spiritual power that

radiate blessing to the ends of the earth.

The first condition is the quality of teachers. Members of the faculty must themselves be Christian in spirit and in truth. They must not only be prepared to signature a doctrinal statement, but they must have an experience and a life that embody what they teach. If they counsel students to pray and to exercise faith, they too should actively pray and believe. Perhaps in a lesser degree, but none the less important, is the influence of non-teaching members of the staff. Even the wives of teachers have a significant contribution to make by their influence and example.

The second condition is maintaining a Christian community by limiting admissions to students who are genuinely Christian. The proportion of non-Christians and nominal Christians must be kept below the level of assimilation. Some Christian colleges started decline by admitting more non-Christian with secular interests than

they could assimilate. Result: compromise and subversion.

The third condition is that of maintaining objectives that are

entirely consistent with evangelical Christianity.

The fourth condition is that of maintaining programs of study that build Christian faith and nourish spiritual life. This means a definite place given to teaching the Word of God. Taking Christianity for granted is not enough. College youth need to be grounded in the faith, and for that end thorough Bible study is indispensable. It means, too, that all of learning—sciences, humanities, and arts—will be related to Christian faith. In a Christian college the "liberal arts" will always be secondary in value and function to Christian principles and verities. For the Christian educator "liberal arts" cannot have the same meaning as for the secular educator. For the latter it means liberalizing the mind through the arts. For the Christian educator the first liberation needed is freedom from sin through servitude to Jesus Christ. "Whom the Son makes free, is free indeed."

The fifth condition is to make room for God's presence in the program of a college through devotional periods and special services.

The sixth condition is the believing faith of a school's constituency. Prayer is indispensable to spiritual life and integrity. Recently a call went out from our College urging prayer for its needs. A number of definite answers since confirms us in the conviction that what is needed is prayer and more prayer. On the campus a prayer fellowship—the Campus Crusade—meets on Saturday evenings. We would be delighted to hear of alumni, family, and church groups who have taken the College on their hearts in definite prayer.

Three Appointments to Faculty Announced

New appointments to the college faculty for the 1953-54 school year are appounced.

Mr. Timothy Warner, of Davenport, Iowa, has been engaged to assume the position of Dean of Men and instructor in Bible and Greek. He is a graduate of Taylor University where he received the A.B. degree, and this spring concludes his study at the Biblical Seminary in New York with the degree Bachelor of Sacred Theology.

Miss Betty Stanley of Chicago will join the faculty of the School of Music as instructor in voice and music theory. Miss Stanley is a graduate of Wheaton College where she majored in music and received the B.S. degree. She took graduate study at Northwestern University in the fields of education and guidance. During this year she has continued her voice study in Pennsylvania and only recently appeared in a voice recital with other participants in New York's Carnegie Hall.

Mr. Ira Gerig, former instructor of Fort Wayne Bible College, returns to the school to resume his position on the music faculty. Mr. Gerig, a graduate of Baldwin Wallace College and Northwestern University, has been on the faculty of Pacific Bible College during the past three years. Prior to that he was also guest instructor at Moody Bible Institute during his study in Chicago.

Schultz Hall to Get New Face-Lifting Job

The oldest landmark on the college campus is up for a real facelifting this summer. Now known as Schultz Hall, the building has housed nearly every activity of the campus in the history of the college.

For the first time in its 49 years of existence, the appearance of the building will undergo major changes. The lofty north and south porches will be completely removed and the front porch will be remodeled to provide for a grade entrance. The snack bar, now located in the building, will be moved to a room adjacent to the new student lounge in Founders Memorial. The present snack area and trunk room will be made into a science laboratory. Mr. Kenneth Hutchins will supervise the renovations.

A change in Bethany Hall will provide for a new Multigraph-Addressograph work room in what is now class room 3.

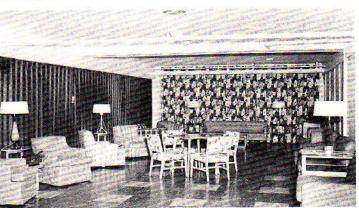
RADIO STAFF WESTERN ITINERARY

May 29—Friday, p.mY	outh for Christ, Shelbyville, Illinois
	Youth for Christ, St. Louis, Missouri
May 31-Sunday, p.mFredonia 1	Mennonite Church, Fredonia, Kansas
June 1-Monday, p.mFirst Mis	sionary Church, Dodge City, Kansas
June 2-Tuesday, p.mTrinity Ta	bernacle, Albuquerque, New Mexico
	lissionary Church, Phoenix, Arizona
June 4-Thursday, p.mFaith Con	munity Church, Pamona, California
June 5-Friday, p.mLyn-Ton	Village Chapel, Lynwood, California
June 6-Saturday, p.mYout	h for Christ, Long Beach, California
	onary Church, Van Nuys, California
	venant Church, Pasadena, California
	ry Church, Santa Barbara, California
June 9-Tuesday, p.mBeulah Co	ovenant Church, Turlock, California
June 10-Wednesday, p.mFirst Mis	sionary Church, Modesto, California
June 11—Thursday	No meeting
June 12—Firday and	NAME OF THE PARTY
June 13—Saturday, p.m	Union meeting, Wauneta, Nebraska
June 14—Sunday, a.mMis	sionary Church, Wauneta, Nebraska
p.mEvangelical	Mission Church, Loomis, Nebraska
June 15-Monday, p.m	Area Youth Rally, Chariton, Iowa
June 16—Tuesday, p.mMount Oliv	e Missionary Church, Peoria, Illinois

NEW STUDENT LOUNGE NOW COMPLETE

Here are two views of the new student lounge which is now ready for use. It is located adjacent to the dining hall on the lower floor of Founders Memorial. Included in the furnishings are new modern folding doors between the two areas, along with sofas, lounge chairs, tables, and lamps. Be sure to visit the lounge on your next visit to the campus.





Summer Session to Begin June 15

A six-week summer session is scheduled on the college campus beginning Monday, June 15 and concluding Friday, July 24. Courses which will be offered are as follows:

Exposition of John, 2 hours credit. Exposition of General Epistles, 3 hours credit.

Doctrine of Last Things, 2 hours credit.

Educational Psychology, 2 hours credit.

Public Speaking, 2 hours credit.

The total cost of tuition, board, room, library, and general service fees for the entire session is approximately \$110. Living accommodations are provided on the campus.

Anyone desiring to attend the summer sessions should make application immediately. Write to the Registrar, Fort Wayne Bible College, 800 West Rudisill Boulevard, Fort Wayne 6, Indiana.

Dedicate New Property

The new campus area located just west of the college on Rudisill Boulevard was formally dedicated on Sunday afternoon, May 24, as one of the activities of the Forty-Fifth Annual Commencement events of the college.

Dr. S. A. Witmer presided over the dedicatory service, with various members of the Governing Board participating. The A Cappella Choir sang several selections, and a large group of people attended.

The new tract will provide for new buildings and campus space in the growing program of the college.

PLACEMENT SERVICE

Positions Open:

Accountant for service in foreign mission field.

Houseparent, Christian lady to work in denominational home for children. Some nursing experience would be asset.

Music Teacher in small town consolidated school. Both vocal and instrumental. Opportunity for Christian service in local church with additional remuneration.

Positions Wanted:

Graduates available as pastors, assistant pastors, Sunday School workers, musicians, church secretaries, etc.

Address all inquiries to C. H. Eicher, Director of Placement, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne 6, Indiana.

Here and There

Alumni Notes

DETROIT ALUMNI . . .

Former students and alumni in the Detroit area met on Saturday, May 23, for an alumni banquet at the Berean Baptist Church in Detroit. Rev. George Agin, pastor of the Eastlawn Missionary Church, is president of the Detroit group and presided at the banquet. Violet Lucks is secretary. Music for the occasion was arranged by Kathleen and Wally Henkel. Mrs. Gaylord Lehman of Royal Oak was soloist, and selections were presented by a brass trio composed of Darrel Gerig, Wally Henkel, and Mrs. George Agin.

Genevieve Smith, '46, writes of the revival among missionaries in Japan, with words of praise for God's blessing on the ministry there. She has just left Japan to return home for a furlough, and she says she is looking forward to seeing her friends here in the states again.

IN THE CRADLE .

A girl, Joy Ann, born to Wayne, '49, and JoAnn Caulkins (nee JoAnn Hauser) on April 24, in Milo, Iowa.

A girl, Sandra Lynn, born to Darrell, '47, and Shirlee Williams on

April 21, in Bryant, Illinois.

A boy, Timothy Lee, born to Harold and Dorcas Sutherland (nee Dorcas Lehman) on February 28. The parents are both graduates in the class of '51. NOTES . . .

At the time this is written, the alumni banquet has not yet been held. However, every prospect for the event, scheduled May 27 here on the campus, points to a history making occasion. We trust that at the time you read this, new strides for a strong alumni association will be underway. Pray for the new alumni officers and for the college, and ask yourself how you, as a former student or alumnus, can help to promote the interests and ministry of the college.

PROJECT .

If you attended the banquet, you saw the beautiful new folding doors between the dining hall and the new Student Lounge. The doors are the result of our 1952-53 alumni project. Thanks for your part in contributing to this project. (But . . . in case you still haven't sent your investment, do it right away!)

WANTED . . . NEWS!

We want alumni news . . . about you, and your family. What are you doing? Any weddings? New children? Send the news along. Others want to know about you!

Christian Service Office Concludes Active Year

Mr. Cyril H. Eicher, director of Christian service, reports that his department has had an active year in the evangelistic ministry of the college.

Approximately nineteen gospel teams conducted a total of 469 services, singing 2,091 songs and giving 1,091 testimonies. The teams piled up a total of approximately 19,000 miles of travel.

Nearly 40 students taught Sunday School classes, and about the same number assisted in child evangelism ministry. About 25 students were either student pastors or assistants.

During the year the gospel teams reported approximately 40 persons who accepted Christ as Saviour, and many others were challenged to live consecrated Christian lives.

Forty-Five Seniors Graduate: Honors Announced

Forty-five seniors received diplomas and degrees at the forty-fifth commencement exercises of the col-lege held on Thursday morning, May 28. Twenty-one seniors gradu-ated from three-year courses and twenty-four from degree courses. Dr. V. Raymond Edman, president of Wheaton College, was the commencement speaker.

Those who graduated with the Magna Cum Laude honors are: Beth Gerig, Molly Williams, Gladys Wunker, Donelda Peterson, and Grant Shattuck. Lorene Nantz received the Cum Laude distinction. Beth Gerig was highest in the scholastic grade

point average.

Couple Needed

The College is in need of an older Christian couple to live and work in one of the College buildings. The man would be engaged as a care-taker and his wife would have parttime employment in the food service department. An apartment would be furnished. Anyone interested is invited to write to the President, Fort Wayne Bible College, 800 W. Rudisill Blvd., Fort Wayne 6, Ind.

GERBER . . . (Continued from Page 1) writing is the late Elton Roth, composer of such hymns as "In My Heart There Rings a Melody" and "How Can I Help But Love Him?"

At this year's School of Music concert, which was given on Tues-day, May 26, Mr. Gerber was presented with two gifts on the occasion of his retirement. One was given by the Governing Board of the college with an official resolution of commendation for his faithful and noteworthy service. The other was presented by his fellow-workers of the college faculty and staff. The entire school joins in expressing gratitude for his devoted ministry and faithful leadership, and in wishing him and Mrs. Gerber God's continued blessing on their lives.

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