

The President's Paragraphs

Dr. J. D. O'Donnell



The philosophy of education in America has been that every young person must get a college education. It overlooks the fact that many students are not endowed academically to take college training. It also fails to consider the fact that many would prefer to enter vocations that do not require formal training. The end result of this philosophy is now being reaped. Colleges are filled with rowdy students who are disinterested in academic pursuits. The resulting riots and campus disorder are traceable in large part to this philosophy.

It is most interesting to compare what Jesus did. He did not make mass appeals for disciples (learners or students). Rather He chose a small band of men to train in His teachings and to carry on His work when He left them. By giving His attention to a small group and carefully training them, all but one became effective apostles.

Oklahoma Bible College is naturally interested in having a large number of students. However, we are not interested in students just for number's sake alone.

We are desirous of students who are interested in the standards we maintain and the type of educational program we have to offer. Two main characteristics are desired in students who attend Oklahoma Bible College. The first is consecration to Jesus Christ. No student will ever fit into the educational program at the College unless he is devoted to Christ. The second characteristic is dedication to the task of Christianity. It is the philosophy of OBC that every believer is to relate himself to the task of the church and to prepare himself to serve through whatever his vocation is in life. Our readers are asked to encourage students with such characteristics to come to OBC for their further training. Pastors, Sunday school teachers and other Christian workers should encourage all the youth with whom they work to further their education in a Christian atmosphere. When Christian young people take their training in purely secular schools, there are many spiritual casualties that result. This is why our Christian colleges such as OBC have been established.

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NO INCREASE IN TUITION GETS BOARD APPROVAL FOR 1970-71

Tuition at Oklahoma Bible College for the academic year 1970-71 will not be increased! The publication of the new College catalog in early May officially announced this action which was approved by the Board of Trustees in a late winter meeting.

It is the desire of the administration and the Board that by not raising the tuition more students will be better able to attend OBC. The tuition charge will remain at

\$150.00 per semester for a full load of twelve to sixteen hours. Tuition for part-time students is \$15.00 per hour.

In spite of rising food costs and operational expenses, the prices for room and board will also remain the same as for the past school year. The room will be \$125.00 and the board will be \$225.00 per semester. All rooms are designed for two or more occupants.

The decision to maintain college expenses and fees at the current level comes when most private and public institutions of higher learning are increasing their tuition and other expenses. This is particularly true of three private colleges in the Oklahoma City area where tuition expenses are now double that of OBC. But since the goal of OBC is to increase the number of the student body for the fall semester, this action demonstrates the desire of College officials to take the initiative in recruiting additional students by "holding the line" on college expenses. They are appealing to returning students to join with them in recruiting new students even as a similar appeal was given to the friends of the College during the recent "College Day '70" drive. The need to increase the student enrollment was emphasized as a part of the dual theme of that campaign.

Graduate Honored With Four Awards

A graduating sophomore was honored four times for her outstanding contributions to college life at Oklahoma Bible College with the presentation of appropriate medals during the awards ceremonies of the 1970 Commencement exercises. The recipient was Miss Sue Mullins of Alma, Oklahoma.

Miss Mullins, who was presented the Editor's Medal for her service as editor of the college yearbook, was selected by the College faculty to receive the Most Outstanding Student Award. The award is presented annually by the faculty to the individual who, because

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Role Of Christian College Told Graduates

Nine graduating sophomores heard Dr. W. R. Corvin, president of Oklahoma City Southwestern College, ably discuss the role of a Christian college in today's educational world during Oklahoma Bible College's Commencement exercises Friday night, May 15. The graduating group, who were presented their Associate in Arts degrees by OBC President J. D. O'Donnell, becomes the fourth class to be awarded their junior college degrees from this Free Will Baptist institution of higher education.

Awards For 1969-70 School Year

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MULLINS PEARCY

of "academic ability, leadership ability, attitude, and general achievement in the area of relationship in regard to the faculty and other students" merits such distinction.

Andy Percy, Hackett, Arkansas, and Miss Mullins were selected by the student body as the Best All-Around Students for 1969-70 college year. The award is based on a student's contributions to all phases of college life.

The Key Award, annually presented to the sophomore who has maintained the highest grade point average for the year, also went to Miss Mullins. The Freshman Academic Award, presented for the first time this year, went to Mrs. Janie O'Donnell, Norman, Oklahoma. Mrs. O'Donnell had the highest grade point average for the freshmen class.

Mr. Ken Sluder, Garden Grove, California, was recognized for his service as the 1969-70 Student Body President.

Members of the departing sophomore class, including the non-graduates were asked to share their future plans and/or a brief testimony with NEWSLETTER readers. Here is a sampling:

Sue Mullins: Plans--Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee. "I recommend OBC because it is a wonderful place to really learn of Christ. I wouldn't trade these past two years of my life for anything this world could offer."

Vickie Ross: Plans--work. "I recommend OBC because it prepares students to meet life's challenges and problems with set standards and values developed through Christian training."

Gloria Followwill: Plans--marriage and work. "One of the values I gained while at OBC was that of Christian friendship. Christian friends can never be forgotten . . . and friendship doesn't have a value that can be determined in money."

Barbara Martin: Plans--work. "I recommend OBC because here you have a Christian fellowship and fun that is so different from any other school. Instead of riots you have prayer . . . there are others to pray with you."

Roger DePriest: Plans--probably FWBBC in Nashville.

Paul Meyer: Plans--pastor the Free Will Baptist mission in Austin, Texas.

Lorraine Schreiner: Plans--attend Central State College, Edmond.

Ken Sluder: Plans--marriage and attend FWBBC in Nashville.

Andrew Percy: Plans--attend FWBBC, Nashville. "The spiritual guidance and growth I experienced at OBC cannot be measured; but a person's faith in and love for the Master will be more after two years in this wonderful place."

Tom Hampton: Plans--California Christian College, Fresno, California.

Dan O'Donnell: Plans--FWBBC, Nashville.

Jeri Rutledge: Plans--CCC, Fresno.

Monthly Gifts

Okla. Cooperative Giving	.....\$655.32
Designated Giving by Associations:	
Arkansas Valley	.....10.00
Canadian	.....116.00
Center	.....541.48
Dibble	.....215.22
First Mission	.....847.48
First Oklahoma	.....1,397.99
Gaines Creek	.....75.05
Hopewell #2	.....154.91
Poteau River Valley	.....81.79
Progressive	.....100.00
Southeast	.....35.91
South Grand River	.....343.84
Union	.....147.21
State Woman's Auxiliary	.....142.08
Misc. Oklahoma	.....10.00
Foreign Fields	.....100.00
Home Mission Fields	.....15.00
Other States	.....1,414.75
Total Giving for April, '70	..\$6,404.03

Gifts needed each month to meet current budget	.....\$7,750.00
Total gifts rec'd. for April	..\$6,404.03
Gift Deficit	.....\$1,345.97

News Of Alumni

Arilla Wode ('69) will be serving as a summer missionary in Ivory Coast, West Africa, under the auspices of the National Foreign Missions Board. Miss Wode, whose home is Collinsville, Okla., will begin her senior year at Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee, next fall.

Receiving Bachelor of Arts degrees in Religion from Bethany Nazarene College, Bethany, Okla., on May 18, 1970, were: Dale Smith ('68), McAlester, Okla.; Edwin Bowden ('68), Booneville, Ark.; and Donald Bryan ('67-'68), Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

A total of \$530.93 was received for the Alumni Library Project which was concluded at the annual meeting, May 8.

NEWS BRIEFS

During a recent "student day" program presented by members of the 1969-70 yearbook staff, the dedication of the 1970 yearbook was made to Academic Dean Clarence Hearron. In the absence of a completed yearbook, Editor Sue Mullins presented Mr. Hearron with copies of the original pages submitted to the printing firm to help him "fondly" recall his experiences as yearbook advisor this year. Delivery of the finished "Harvester" is expected about June 1.

The Academic Committee of the Oklahoma Bible College Board of Trustees met in session with President J. D. O'Donnell Tuesday, May 19. The committee considered faculty positions for the upcoming year and discussed academic goals. Serving on this committee are board members O. T. Dixon, Bailey Thompson, and Jack Richev

Honor Roll Released

One student maintained a straight "A" average throughout the second semester of classwork at Oklahoma Bible College and has thus earned the right to be admitted to the President's List.

Eight other students maintained a 3.0 grade point average and have been placed on the Dean's List.

PRESIDENT'S LIST:

Robert Hartley, Sp.....Denver, Colo.

DEAN'S LIST:

Bobby Bookout, Fr.....Blackwell
Bill Haynes, So.....Tulsa
Martha Hearron, Fr.....Moore
Ruby Horaney, Sp.....Moore
Paul Meyer, So...Corpus Christi, Texas
Sue Mullins, So.....Alma
Janie O'Donnell, Fr.....Norman
Vickie Ross, So.....Oklahoma City