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I WAS AT CEDARVILLE

by Dr. Carl M. Sweazy

During the second week of November it was my very great privilege to live at Cedarville College, where the fellowship of Regular Baptist Churches has a school of liberal arts. Throughout the history of our fellowship of Bible-believing Baptist churches the pressing need of just such a school, in the very heart of our constituency, has been definitely recognized by some of our leaders. Through the grace and goodness of God that school is now a reality.

Upon my arrival at the college I was received with the most cordial welcome on the part of both faculty and students. Expressions of appreciation of my humble ministry were genuine, and during the entire week I had a definite sense of belonging.

I was greatly impressed by the progress of the college, both in the matter of property improvement and in the organization and administration of the school. At present a lovely new dormitory for young women, which will care for sixty-two girls,



Dr. Carl M. Sweazy

is in the process of construction. An earnest and aggressive faculty is giving instruction in the liberal arts to students from all parts of the country.

I sat in classes, attended lectures, ate with the students, studied in their excellent library, visited with students and others at their snack bar, and watched a basketball game in their gym. Everywhere a genuine Christian atmosphere was in evidence. It was eas-

ily observable; this school through all its personnel has a sense of mission.

I spent a happy, profitable week at Cedarville and left feeling that here is a school which merits the fullest prayer and financial support of all our people.

(Editor's note: Dr. Carl M. Sweazy, the writer of this article, is the president of the Los Angeles Baptist Theological Seminary. There is a happy relationship between Cedarville College and this Seminary. Pray for our schools as we prepare young people to serve the Lord as teachers, laymen, pastors, missionaries, etc.)

Is It A Worthwhile Investment?

by Registrar Robert Underwood



Robert Underwood

As many of you who read the Bulletin know, we have been unable to receive certification by the state of Ohio for our teacher-education program. We have not been discouraged by this, but we have continued to offer courses in education to some of our students who are interested in teaching in public and private schools. We are glad to report that some of our students—in fact, all who have made an effort—are now teaching. Out of last year's graduating class, we have four students who are teaching, three in the state of Michigan and one in Pennsylvania.

We thought perhaps the readers of the Bulletin might be interested in the personal testimonies of these teachers in regard to how one can serve Christ in teaching and in the value of attending Cedarville College.

Roy Shelpman, teaching in Grand Rapids, Michigan, says, "The intimate contact which a teacher has with his students, his life as a constant living epistle before them, and their constant and critical surveil-

lance of him are reasons I think a teacher can serve Christ. I thrill within my soul when I walk into a building and a gang of kids of all ages rush up and want to walk and talk with me." Roy continues by saying, "When I'm asked of my Alma Mater, my head is held high and I proudly reply: Cedarville College, a dynamic new school in Cedarville, Ohio, a Baptist college of liberal arts dedicated to high scholarship and sound doctrine."

James Hartman, who teaches in Martinsburg, Pennsylvania, has this to say: "This job is very interesting, and teaching is a wonderful opportunity to serve the Lord in the untangling of the confused minds of youth." He goes on to say, "I wish I could still have the atmosphere of Cedarville College ever around me instead of fond memories. I am very proud of my school and training, and particularly the show of the Lord's greatness."

Shirley Shirley, one of our fine young ladies, is teaching in Ellsworth, Michigan, and she said, "There is certainly a wide range of service in teaching. There are so many kids that really look up to someone who takes an interest in them not just as a student but as a person. I certainly pray that the Lord will use me and every other Christian teacher to bring glory to Himself." In regard to Cedarville she states, "I don't believe I'd trade any of the sound teaching, wonderful Christian fellowship and activities for all the accreditation."

Wendell Capron, another of our graduates who is teaching in Grand Rapids, Michigan, says, "I believe that there is a real opportunity to serve the Lord in the public schools." Wendell continues by saying, "All the time that I was at Cedarville I never once doubted that God had led

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THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Friends:

As we approach this Christmas season we are reminded once again of the reasons why Christ came to this earth. There are many statements in Scripture which clearly set forth God's purpose in sending His Son among men. It is clearly stated that He came "to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." (Luke 1:79).

It would seem that the world has tried almost every remedy to cure its bad case of nerves, but it is more nervous and jittery than ever. God's remedy has not been tried, for Christ came "to guide our feet into the way of peace." Thank God, we can have peace with God through the work of Christ (Romans 5:1) and we can possess the peace of God through obedience to Christ (Philippians 4:6, 7).

In behalf of our trustees, faculty, and students I wish to express best wishes to our readers for a Christ-honoring Christmas and a spiritually fruitful 1958. May His peace be yours every hour of each day during the coming year.

We have many reasons to lift our hearts to the Lord in thanksgiving as we consider the many ways He has blessed us during this college year. For the past two months offerings to the general fund have totaled almost \$5,000 per month (October, \$4791.69; November, \$4875.27). This is about \$1,000 above the monthly average. Another reason for praise to God is evident in the way our students are going out to serve the Lord in the churches, Bible clubs, jails, etc. It is most encouraging to hear them testify of decisions for Christ as they participate in this spiritual ministry. We are grateful also for the progress being made in our building projects. The addition to the gym has been completed, and now the men are spending all their time on the new dormitory. Thirty-six churches have INCREASED their giving to the college during the past year; so, again, we have reason to be thankful.

It does not take profound thinking to conclude that our college can do a

better job of training our young people if we have the necessary funds for the purpose. Yes, our gifts have increased during the past two months, but still we must bring our monthly receipts to \$6,000 or else face a two-fold problem: either we will have a deficit or else we shall of necessity eliminate sections of our program which are essential to the best training of our young people.

You ask, "How can I help?" Well first of all you can pray—that is the most important thing you can do. Then, you can bring the needs of the college to the attention of your pastor and church. Perhaps you can contribute ONE DOLLAR each month to help meet this need. If you wish to contribute in this manner, write to the college for a special package of envelopes which can be used for this purpose. You will also help the college if you direct students to us.

Thank you so very much for your prayers and gifts.

Sincerely in Christ,
James T. Jeremiah

ENVELOPES

A number of individuals interested in the financial welfare of the college have been giving ONE DOLLAR each month to support the school. Special envelopes have been prepared for this purpose and will be mailed to anyone requesting them. By using these envelopes you can give through your church or send your gifts directly to the college. Send for your envelopes today so that we can mail them to you by the first of the year.

THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO DOLLARS AND NINETY CENTS

Yes, it will take \$322.90 to furnish one of the rooms in the new dormitory. Will you, your church, Sunday school class, missionary society or young people's group adopt this as a project for a better Cedarville College? Remember, you may have TWO YEARS to complete it.

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Our Graduates Serve On The Mission Field

God has blessed our college and the Baptist Bible Institute of Cleveland, which became a part of the college in 1953, by calling and using many of our graduates as foreign missionaries.

Rev. Vernon Webber ('51) and his wife, Edith Spieth Webber ('51) are home on furlough now after having served for four years in the Dominican Republic under Baptist Mid-Missions. The Webbers are presently living in Bellefontaine, Ohio, where Vernon is serving as an assistant pastor to Rev. James Rosner of the Calvary Baptist Church.

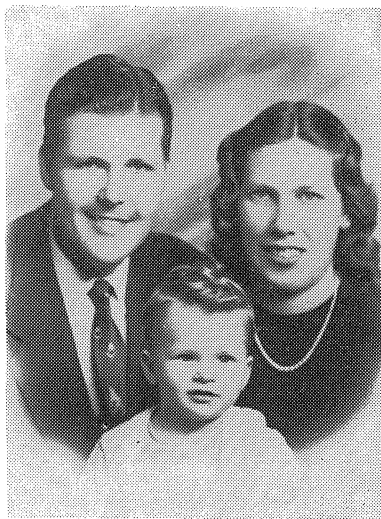
In a special message prepared for our college Bulletin, the Webbers give the following report of their missionary work. We urge our readers to pray for these young people as they look forward to another term of missionary service.

"Today many refer to the Dominican Republic as the most historical little country in the Carribean Sea. Thousands of visitors come to its capital city each year to view the remains of Christopher Columbus in the oldest cathedral in the western hemisphere. They see the New World's first church and hospital, and the 'Universidad de Santo Domingo,' the first western university built many years ago.

"This tropical country is charming and beautiful to the eyes of the tourist in its unique historical setting, but the eyes of the missionary, God's ambassador of the cross, see a far different picture—a people lost in sin for whom Christ died. His heart is moved, as was the heart of the Lord Jesus, for the multitude who need Him as Saviour.

"Edith and I are happy to serve the Lord in this land, as His 'sent ones,' and after spending four years on the field are now home for furlough and even now preparing to return for our second term.

"We have three major stations on the eastern end of the island: Hato Mayor, interior, where our work began; Ciudad Trujillo, the capital city, where we worked most of our term; and La Romana, on the southeastern



Rev. and Mrs. Vernon Webber

coast which is our newest work. At present we have one married couple on each station and two single girls serving also in Hato Mayor, with two couples in the states on furlough. Of course, there are many out-stations and preaching points, but these are reached by nationals with the help of the missionaries.

"We thank God for all those who have been saved by the preaching of the gospel in the Dominican Republic today. There are many precious brethren of yours, young and old alike.

"We miss them and long to go back again. I hope to be able to do extensive open-air country work my next term. Pray for this ministry that many might come to Him."

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me there, and I have had no occasion to doubt it since."

I don't know about you friends, but such statements by our graduates make me feel that all the money and effort spent to make Cedarville College what it is today and what it can be in the future, are a worthwhile investment. Won't you continue to pray for Cedarville College?