

Well, we are not saying that students are unimportant now. We could not do without them and they are really the only reason we have the school. But in the early days of Biblical they took on other roles that made them more important in the life of the institution..more vitally necessary for our welfare and progress. This was due to the fact that some of the matters now handled by the administration could not be so administered in our earlier days..we were very young, had very little in the way of resources and had to make use of a number of methods that have been eliminated in time for the more smooth operation of the whole.

Consider the dining hall. During our first year of operation we did not have the availability of the cafeteria. It had not yet been finally decided in the school district who would be able to buy this "old landmark". Our bid was accepted early in the spring term of our first year and we began to claim the whole building for our operation. The dining hall was cleaned, the kitchen opened and the grease traps rejuvenated while the school began to think of serving meals to its students, staff, and any vagrants that might wander in off the street. As we were planning to use some of the second floor rooms for dormitories, it seemed more necessary than ever that we utilize the dining hall. The kitchen, etc., had been modernized and renovated about 1965 and there were plenty of dishes and the stuff that goes with them.

The problem was that there was no cook. To meet this situation student Jack ("Blackjack")McCullough was invited to be cook. He had a food service background and had served on the staff as such at a midwestern university. He was a large and muscular fellow and everything about him indicated that he liked to eat and persons who like to eat usually make good cooks. With his record and his aptitude he became the Seminary chef for the major meals of the day and an overseer on other kitchen operations as well.