

EXPENDITURES INCREASE WITH STEPPED-UP CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Over one hundred thousand dollars have been put into the construction of the Memorial Building in the last six months as compared with a similar amount invested in the building program during the preceding two years," stated President Judson A. Rudd recently. The increase, as Dr. Rudd pointed out is partly due to the stepped-up construction program begun in June of 1951. The total amount invested in the building is approximately \$327,000, or \$82,500 short of the estimated cost of finishing the building.

In view of the goal to finish the building by the early fall of 1952, hopes are that the second or upper floor of the south section can be completed very soon after the Christmas vacation so that the whole top floor might be used as dormitory space for the young women students.

The concrete slab for the third floor of the central tower section was poured in December, making possible the placing of structural steel for the third floor. With the completion of this section the entire building will be enclosed.

NEW IRONSIDE LIBRARY RECEIVES MORE BOOKS

An additional 200 books have recently been added to the Ironside Memorial Library from the late Dr. H. A. Ironside's personal library. These, plus the books sent to the university early in the summer, bring the total number received to over one thousand volumes. Dr. Ironside willed his entire library to his son, the Rev. John S. Ironside, who has selected the books which were sent to Bryan as a personal gift.

Dr. Ironside was a trustee of the university for 20 years and spoke here a number of times. As a result of action taken by the trustees last fall, it was decided to name the new university library in honor of this outstanding Christian leader.



The A Cappella Choir, under the direction of Gerald L. Woughter, made its first concert appearance December 9, 1951.

A Cappella Choir Presents Christmas Concert; Gifts-for-the-King Climaxes Seasonal Activities

"Come Now to Save Mankind," a Christmas cantata by Bach presented Sunday evening, December 9, concluded the first concert appearance of the Bryan University A Cappella Choir.

Directed by Gerald Woughter, assistant professor of music, the concert also included folk melodies, a Latin group, and general a cappella numbers with solos by Harriette Stahnke and Virginia Seguire. Soloists for the cantata, which was composed of recitatives and arias with opening and closing choral numbers, were Nathan T'ung, Stuart Meissner, Harry Goehring, and Mrs. Ryland Rock. The choir presented a repeat performance of the concert in the First Methodist Church in Dayton, Sunday evening, December 16.

300 ATTEND BANQUET

Recalling the Star of Bethlehem that announced the birth of the Saviour, the theme of the formal Christmas banquet Monday evening, December 10, was "The Star." Contrary to the usual yuletide color scheme the dining hall took on a silver-and-blue look for the occasion

as blue lights and clusters of glistening stars emphasized the decorations. As toastmaster for the occasion, Gerald Woughter directed the 300 banqueters in carol singing.

Between courses of the dinner, musical entertainment was provided by several students. The Rev. Henry Geiger, director of the Children's Gospel Hour broadcast, brought a timely message on the Star.

UNIVERSITY RECEIVES GIFTS

The Gifts-for-the-King program held in the Memorial Chapel December 16 concluded the pre-holiday activities. Gifts of "gold" from Bryan friends, trustees, alumni, and parents of students were offered to President Rudd by a representative from each group. In behalf of the university Dr. Rudd acknowledged these gifts, as well as the "frankincense and myrrh," which consisted of testimonies, greetings, and scripture portions. These were read "radio-fashion" by several students. The combined gifts of the faculty and staff were presented by Miss Lois Weyhe, registrar, whereas the president of each class delivered the gifts of his classmates.

From My Heart to You

So that you will know the burden of my heart these days, I am sharing with you a letter which was written recently to one who was very close to William Jennings Bryan and who is vitally interested in the school founded in his memory.

Dear _____:

It is just a year ago that my father went to be with the Lord. You will remember that as I returned from the funeral in Colorado I stopped by to give you a report of our progress here at Bryan University.

I am sure that you have rejoiced in all that has been accomplished on Bryan Hill since I saw you a year ago. Surely it must have thrilled you to see the picture of the building in the December issue of the *NEWSLETTE*. The academic recognition of all four years of our work by the University of Tennessee has meant much to us. Another nice increase in our student body is an additional evidence that Bryan University is an up-and-coming school.

Did I show you a Summary Report of Fifteen Years of Financial Progress? Our annual operating income in this period increased from less than seventeen thousand dollars to nearly one hundred ninety-five thousand dollars. Gifts for the building brought last year's total income to more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars. Our net investment in buildings and equipment increased by more than one hundred thousand dollars during this fifteen-year period.

As good as the record is for this fifteen-year period, it does not compare with more recent progress. During the two years between June 1, 1949, when construction was expedited, and June 1, 1951, we invested more than one hundred thousand dollars in the building. But in the six months since the first of last June, we have invested over a hundred thousand dollars more. It is wonderful to have the building so nearly completed after these long years of effort since the school was established.

Many of our friends, realizing the necessity of having the entire building under a permanent roof, have helped immeasurably with their loans to the university. Even though we have such a good financial record behind us and have borrowed only a fraction of our total assets, we do not want to borrow a bit more than absolutely necessary. Thus, we are expecting gifts to provide most of the balance necessary to finish the building by the opening of school in September of 1952.

I am sorry that another year has passed and still you have not been able to visit Bryan. Because of your great interest in the school, I believe you would like to know of the special needs now facing us. Compared to the amount already invested, just a little help would mean so much now. The ceilings are being plastered for the girl's dormitory rooms on the top floor at the



Frazier Grammar School pupils who presented the chapel program December 6 are shown with their teachers, Mrs. J. C. Roberts and Miss Juanita Pendergrass.

Frazier School Children Hold Chapel Service

In exchange for the chapel services that Bryan students have been holding at their school since the beginning of the school year, two teachers and some sixty boys and girls from the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades at Frazier Grammar School took charge of the university's daily chapel program December 6.

Mrs. J. C. Roberts, principal of the school, told something of what it means to her to teach in a public school where most of the boys and girls are Christians. Miss Juanita Pendergrass, a Bryan graduate, had charge of the program, which consisted of choruses, recitation of

south end of the building. This will cost four or five thousand dollars. Most of the roof is completed, with the steel roof decking in place for the roofing in the center of the building around the tower. Between five and six thousand dollars is urgently needed to pay for the part of the roof recently finished and the remainder soon to be finished.

Another special need is the new steam boiler, costing nearly three thousand dollars, which we expect to be delivered and installed during the Christmas holidays. You will better understand how critical this need is when I tell you that I recently stayed up all night to be sure that the old boiler was sufficiently patched to furnish heat the next day.

We appreciate very much the help you have already given us this year. If you are not in position to make a further contribution at this time, perhaps you have funds that you could lend us, or perhaps you can indicate what you will be able to do after the first of the year.

I trust that you are continuing in good health and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Gratefully yours,
JUDSON A. RUDD

Bible verses, and special numbers by a girls' trio.

Frazier school is typical of the 21 public schools in Rhea and Hamilton counties where 84 Bryan students have the privilege of giving out the Gospel to over 2500 children every Monday morning. These schools vary in size from Spring City's 16-room plant, which accommodates 540 pupils to the one-room structure at St. Clair, where 36 children are receiving their education.

In the various schools the teachers give the messengers from Bryan half an hour to forty-five minutes to lead the children in singing and tell them Bible stories. Thus the seed is sown each week, and the local churches, Youth for Christ, and other such organizations reap the harvest. In many of the schools the Word of God is read daily in all of the classrooms, and some of the teachers even drill the children on their memory verses.

In order to make the work more uniform in all the schools, Bryan students will start using graded lessons at the beginning of the second quarter. This will enable the Christian Service Association to know what is being taught by each group that goes out, and will provide a system on which to build in future years. To aid in reaching the children on their own level, the Christian education department is offering evening teacher training classes for those working in the schools.

The C. S. A. Council recently set up an accumulative record file in which each Bryan student who participates in the Christian service program will have a printed form on which his service activities will be recorded each week.

MISSIONARIES TO SPEAK AT FMF CONFERENCE

The Bryan chapter of the Foreign Missions Fellowship will sponsor its fifth annual missionary conference January 18-20. The purpose of the conference is to present the spiritual and physical needs of the foreign mission field and to challenge young people to dedicate their lives for the work of the Lord in foreign lands.

Mrs. Bess Cornell of the European Evangelistic Crusade, Mrs. Nina Gimnal Van Vleck of the China Inland Mission, and the Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Pudney of the Unevangelized Fields Mission have been invited to represent the needs of their particular fields. The F.M.F. hopes to have as additional speakers the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Toliver, Bryan graduates who recently returned from China.

In addition to the regular morning chapel services and evening meetings there will be an open forum Saturday afternoon, January 19.

As an official representative of the university, John Meisel was chosen by the Student Council to attend the third International Student Missionary Convention at the University of Illinois December 27-31. Sufficient money to cover conference expenses was raised by the student body.

PASTORS FELLOWSHIP AIDS YOUNG MINISTERS

Bryan's Student Pastors Fellowship admits to its membership those young men who have dedicated themselves to the Lord for full-time service and who believe that the Lord is leading them into the ministry. It is the purpose of the fellowship to supply its members with information that will prepare them to meet the problems of the ministry and such information that they would probably not get in other phases of the university life.

The meetings for the first quarter were aimed at the pastor's personal life—his relationship to God, his relationship to the Word, and his relationship to prayer. The second quarter's meetings are to be formulated so as to aid the young pastors in preparing messages, whereas the meetings of the third quarter will deal with various methods of spreading the Gospel.

The group meets every other Wednesday evening. Richard McIntosh is president of the group, and Kermit Zopf is the faculty advisor.



Upperclassmen elected to Who's Who Among Students are Richard McIntosh, Lucy Williams, Randall Maycumber, Thelma Andrews, and Clifford Hanham, all seniors, and Janice Brown, a junior.

SIX STUDENTS TO HAVE NAMES IN WHO'S WHO

"Clifford Hanham, Randall Maycumber, Richard McIntosh, Thelma Andrews, Janice Brown, and Lucy Williams have been elected to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," announced D. W. Ryther, executive vice-president and dean, in a recent chapel program.

These six students were selected by the Bryan faculty to have their names printed in the volume which is the yearly publication of Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges. This organization requires that its members be distinguished by scholar-

Bryan Graduate Tells of Work In Peru; International CEF Speakers Challenge Students

Miss Florence Monck, a Bryan graduate and former teacher who is on furlough after two and one-half years in Peru under Mid-missions, presented highlights of the needs on the field to the student body and various organizations on the campus during a recent stay.

The Rev. V. F. Anderson, superintendent of the Child Evangelism Fellowship of Australasia was chapel speaker December 5. In presenting the effectiveness of children's work, Mr. Anderson pointed out that 85% of the Christians are saved before the age of 15.

As Child Evangelism director for the Virgin Islands, Miss Virginia Lockett presented the challenge of her work in a chapel program December 10.

ship, character, leadership, and potentiality for future usefulness in business and society. Students chosen for this honor at Bryan must also possess a consistent Christian testimony.

Thelma Andrews, a French major from Uhrichville, Ohio, has been president of the Child Evangelism Fellowship and has represented her class on the Student Council. Majoring in Christian education, Janice Brown, from Randolph, New York, is on the Commoner staff and has been a Student Council representative.

Senior class president, Clifford Hanham, from South Gate, California, is majoring in Christian education and has consistently held a place on the Dean's List. Randall Maycumber, also a Christian education major and one of Bryan's outstanding track men, is from West Salem, Ohio.

An English major, Richard McIntosh, from Norwalk, Ohio, is president of the Christian Service Association and the Student Pastors Fellowship. Lucy Williams, from Newport, Kentucky, is on the Student Council and is majoring in English.

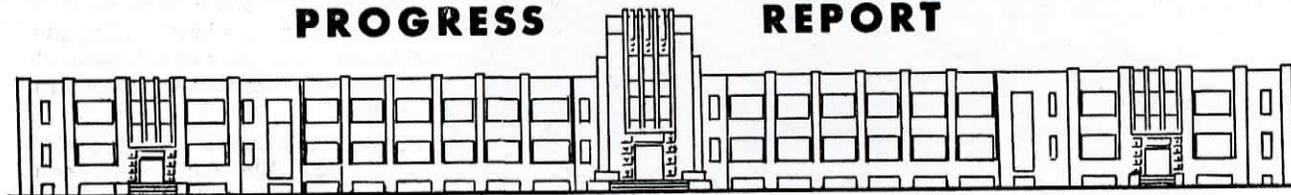
ALUMNI TO CONTINUE STEEL DOOR PROJECT

As its project for another year the alumni association chose to continue last year's project of raising money to purchase steel doors for rooms in the Memorial Building. Last year the alumni presented a check for more than \$1,600 to the university for the purchase of 46 steel doors.

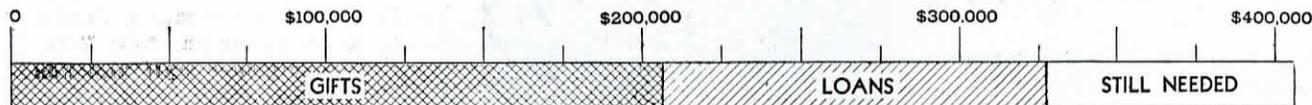
To strengthen the work of the Bryan alumni, the organization of an alumni office is now in its formative stages. Plans include making up a complete directory of the association for the convenience of the alumni. Miss Rebecca Peck, executive secretary pro tem of the association, is compiling the directory.

Past and present students gathered for several district fellowship meetings during the month of December. A gathering was held at Winona Lake, Indiana, December 15; two Ohio meetings, one in Greenwich and the other in Cleveland, were scheduled for December 28; alumni in the Altoona, Pennsylvania, and Orlando, Florida, areas planned gatherings for December 29; and Denver, Colorado, alumni chose December 27 for a fellowship evening.

PROGRESS REPORT



TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF BUILDING \$409,500



Student Affairs Council Organized; Three Members added to Administrative Council

To co-ordinate student activities with the administrative program of Bryan University, the Student Affairs Council was organized during the fall quarter. Chairman of

the council is the dean of the university, D. W. Ryther. Other members are Norman H. Uphouse, dean of men; Miss Kathleen Cowan, dean of women; Earl Williamson, acting business manager; and a representative of the public relations division.

TOLIVERS COME HOME FROM CHINA; OTHER ALUMNI RETURN TO FIELD

Last year at Christmas time there was much concern for two Bryan graduates, the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Toliver, then still confined in China with their children. Mr. Toliver, who was assistant superintendent of China Inland Mission activities in Szechwan Province, later sent his family to Hong Kong while he remained behind to help evacuate C.I.M. missionaries from the country.

With the choice of either leaving Chungking, China, or being imprisoned by the Chinese Communists, Mr. Toliver was forced to leave his missionary post and return for a short furlough. The Tolivers were the first foreign missionaries from among Bryan graduates.

Alumni expecting to return to the field soon are the Rev. and Mrs. Albert Wyllie and family, who are going to Africa for a second term, and the Rev. and Mrs. John de Rossett and family, who expect to engage in language study in France on their way to Africa under Missions.

Another graduate, Miss Laurine Kolderup, has returned to her station among the Indians in Mexico, where she is working with the Wycliffe translators.

President Judson A. Rudd, in announcing the creation of the new council during a recent chapel program, further stated that the chairmen of faculty committees involving student life are also included. These are: discipline committee, D. W. Ryther; Christian life and service committee, Miss Beatrice Batson; athletic committee, William D. Green; music committee, Gerald L. Woughter; health committee, Norman H. Uphouse; and social committee, Mrs. Earl Williamson.

The faculty advisors of student organizations and the Christian Service Association co-ordinator may meet with the council when their interests are involved.

Another organizational change is the addition of Mr. Uphouse, dean of men; Miss Cowan, dean of women; and Miss Lois Weyhe, registrar, to the Administrative Council. The council already included President Rudd, Dean Ryther, Mr. Williamson and Willard L. Archer, public relations director.

To facilitate inter-office communication and to provide better connections with the outside telephone system, an automatic telephone switchboard was installed in December.

November Financial Report

Operating	\$ 2,783.60
Building	2,383.32

Total November gifts\$5,166.92

FISCAL YEAR TOTALS

(June 1, 1951 to Dec. 1, 1951)

Operating	
(Budget \$24,000)	\$10,755.78
Building	26,388.81

Total gifts to Dec. 1.....\$37,144.59

Total gifts same period

in 1950\$32,780.44

BRYAN LIONS COMPLETE SUCCESSFUL SEASON

After two years of hard work, Bryan's distance runners realized a rewarding season. The cross-country season started with a 23-29 loss to Maryville College, but the squad bounced back to trounce the University of the South in two meets 22-33 and 18-40. In a return meet November 14, the Lions upset Maryville 27-28.

On Thanksgiving Day, Bryan's little David faced the Goliaths of the North in the Shamrock Club's thirty-third Amateur Athletic Union cross-country run at Shawnee Park in Louisville, Kentucky. Bryan placed four men, Maycumber, Walker, Meissner, and Goehring, in a field of over one hundred entries from eight colleges and five high schools to take third place behind Berea College and the University of Kentucky.

Christ Above All

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