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Members of the Bryan University 1952 graduating class are, left to right: Row 1: Richard Malone, Charles Koontz, Randall Maycumber, Ronald Mezner, Richard McIntosh, Clifford Hanham, Joseph Cox, Glen Crumley, Ernest Schwenk, and Allen Jewett. Row 2: Joyce Cooper, Margarete Friedrich, Lucy Williams, Thelma Andrews, Grace Coventry, Iona Harris, Ruth Bunch, Doris Bunch, Rebecca Manuel, Ruth Marie Landrum, Dolores Bushart, and Margaret Haight. Row 3: Paul Wyland, Wymam Firebaugh, Robert Yunker, Robert Williams, Wallace Sidback, Ernest Lee, Albert Levensgood, Jack Lacey, Jack Stange, Bruce Harrison, David Naff and Robert Bryant.

FMF MEMBERS ATTEND REGIONAL CONFERENCE

"The Living Word for a Dying World" was the theme for the Southeastern Regional Spring Conference of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship and the Student Foreign Missions Fellowship April 18-20.

The Rev. Paris W. Reidhead, Jr., deputation secretary for the Sudan Interior Mission in the Southeastern District, and the Rev. Peter Deyneka, founder and general director of the Slavic Gospel Association, were speakers for the conference.

Nine mission representatives from seven missions with work in various parts of the world were available for consultation and were in charge of mission prayer groups. Included among these was the Rev. Ralph Toliver, a Bryan graduate, who represented the China Inland Mission.

Several members of the Bryan group attended the conference, which was again held at the Lake Louise Conference Grounds in Toccoa, Georgia.

Thirty-four Seniors Complete Bryan Training; Sixteen Plan to Spend Lives on Mission Field

Following the Nineteenth Annual Commencement June 4, 34 young people will leave Bryan University prepared to meet life with a thorough, Christ-centered college education.

The class of '52 is a rather cosmopolitan group since the 22 young men and 12 young ladies have their homes in 15 different states.

For at least 16 seniors, Bryan is

CLASS OF '52 KEEPS SENIOR DAY TRADITION

Beginning with a chapel service in the morning and ending with a humorous skit that evening, the senior class will carry out the traditional senior day theme April 26.

Based in their struggles and accomplishments during their four years at Bryan University, the chapel program will include past experiences and anticipate future service. The skit in the evening was a climax for the activities of the day.

serving as a stepping-stone to graduate work, and next fall will find some 12 of these enrolled in some seminary. Others are not certain what they will be doing next year.

Bryan's curriculum has fitted these students for various fields of service as ten will be graduated with a major in Christian Education, eight in English, five in Bible, four in history, four in French, two in biology, and one in mathematics.

The fact that most of the members of the graduating class plan to spend their lives in full-time Christian service, with 16 headed for the mission field, four looking forward to youth work, and several more to the ministry, proves that life in a Christ-centered atmosphere not only molds the present but also affects the future experiences of young people.

From My Heart to You

A most amazing story entitled "The Battling Boyd," which appeared in the March CHRISTIAN LIFE magazine, has stirred my soul beyond words to describe.

Although the battling Boyd, a 2,100-ton destroyer, was in the Okinawa campaign, the war's costliest operation for ships, "from the time the first shot was fired until the sound of the last had died away, she came through unscathed and without a man wounded. She was the only ship to survive the deadly Kamikaze planes at Radar Picket 15, considered by most to be the hottest spot on the line. Small wonder, then, that the crew and correspondents called her the 'miracle ship.'

"And, strangely enough, though the Boyd was in the most severe fighting the Navy saw in the Pacific and suffered considerable damage and casualties before Mark Levengood came aboard, from the moment he set foot on her at Ulithi until he got off at Mare Island at the close of the war, the destroyer was not even scratched by enemy action and not a single man was killed or wounded."

Mark Levengood, who graduated from Bryan University in the 1942 class of eight seniors, is the hero of the CHRISTIAN LIFE story of "The Battling Boyd." God so mightily used Mark and his testimony for Christ that the miracles of spiritual deliverance were just as wonderful as the miracles of physical deliverance. I remember receiving a letter from him shortly before he left for the Pacific which gave evidence that he had fully presented himself a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God. Therefore, the story of God's protecting care in answer to Mark's prayers is all the more meaningful to me.

Ten years have passed since Mark graduated, and he is now serving as a missionary in South Africa. His brother Albert is a member of this year's senior class numbering thirty-four as compared to eight when Mark graduated. I hope none of this year's class has to go through such an experience as Mark on the battling Boyd, but I am sure there are other heroes for Christ among this year's seniors.

I wish that each one of you would read all of the thrilling story, "The Battling Boyd." Perhaps later on we can distribute reprints. Surely such a story challenges us to pray and give sacrificially so that Bryan University may never need turn away such consecrated young people.

JUDSON A. RUDD, President

Five More Schools Open to Chapel Services; Total 26; CSA Contacts 3,009 Pupils Weekly

The outstanding progress in the Christian Service Association for the second quarter was made in the addition of five public schools to the 21 schools in which chapel services were already regularly held. There are 3,009 pupils contacted in these public schools each Monday by 104 Bryan students. Some of the teams travel as far as 50 miles round trip to their schools.

One of the special attractions that the C.S.A. sends out to the different schools is Max Dunlap and his dummy, "Sunny Green." Max thanks the Lord that he can use his ventriloquistic ability in this way since "Sunny Green" has a unique

ART ENTHUSIASTS START FIRST BRYAN ART CLUB

Bryan art amateurs have at last found an organized outlet for their talents. The youngest of clubs on the campus, the Art Club was organized January 28 with 16 students as charter members. Mrs. Earl Williamson, supervisor of printing and mailing, is sponsoring the club.

For their first project, the students chose to make charcoal sketches of a bust of William Jennings Bryan. These were exhibited in the school lounge the evening of the Bryan banquet, March 10. Spring's beauty attracted the artists for the next project — that of drawing outdoor campus scenes. The students chose their own mediums and were encouraged to develop original approaches. The members are planning an exhibit during the latter part of May to display the results of their efforts.

EARLY RISERS WATCH EASTER DAWN AS DR. MASHBURN SPEAKS

At the break of day Easter Sunday morning, the members of the Bryan University family gathered in the old chapel for the annual sunrise service.

Dr. Robert Mashburn, professor of homiletics at the Southeastern Baptist Seminary in Chattanooga, was speaker for the early morning service, which was sponsored by the Pastors Fellowship. The sophomore choir and a saxophone duet presented special Easter numbers.

way of attracting the attention of young folk and thus can be used effectively to tell the Gospel story.

With the coming of spring, more youngsters are coming out to the six child evangelism classes that are held in and around Dayton. Approximately 70 boys and girls are taught under the direction of 13 teachers.

The 20 fellows that give of their Sunday afternoons to go on street meetings report that many contacts have been made with encouraging results.

Bryan students have been called on frequently to provide special music for the Tennessee Valley Youth for Christ. The association holds meetings each Saturday night in churches of the Rhea County area.

During the last quarter, 187 workers reached 39,150 people with the gospel and traveled 11,000 miles.

FOUR CONCERTS GIVEN DURING FINAL QUARTER

Gerald Woughter and R. Rice Nutting, instructors in the music department, will present a vocal and piano recital in the Memorial Chapel May 8. Mr. Woughter is voice instructor, and Mr. Nutting is piano and organ instructor.

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A concert of ensemble singing was presented by the Lansing Quartet of Chicago April 18. Director of the quartet is Robert Lansing, noted choral conductor and former Metropolitan Opera singer. The group was to appear November 16, but found it necessary to postpone the program.

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A Russian-born Hebrew Christian, Mrs. Rhea Marie Gershon, presented a sacred recital March 29. Mrs. Gershon came to the United States at the end of World War I and accepted Christ after several years in the opera and concert field.

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The Marianne Kneisel String Quartet presented a concert of chamber music March 28. The quartet, one of the foremost women's string quartet groups, also appeared on Bryan Hill two years ago. Miss Marianne Kneisel is director and first violinist for the group.

FOUR CLASSES COMPETE FOR FORENSIC LAURELS

With the change to interclass forensic contests this spring it seems that the old Scarlet-Gold system of intramural competition has breathed its last. The increased size of the student body makes the new setup essential in order that more students might participate.

Representatives of the freshman and sophomore classes competed in after-dinner speeches April 12, and all four classes contested for spelling and serious dramatic reading honors. Junior and senior orators and four extemporaneous speakers vied for laurels April 14.

Reviews of Winston Churchill's "The Grand Alliance" and Whittaker Chambers' current series, "I Was a Witness" were given together with the impromptu speeches, and the posters for the forensic activities were judged April 17. "Resolved: That the Federal Government should adopt a permanent program of wage and price controls" was the topic of debate for the juniors and seniors April 28.

The freshmen and sophomores will climax the forensic activities with the presentation of humorous programs May 17.

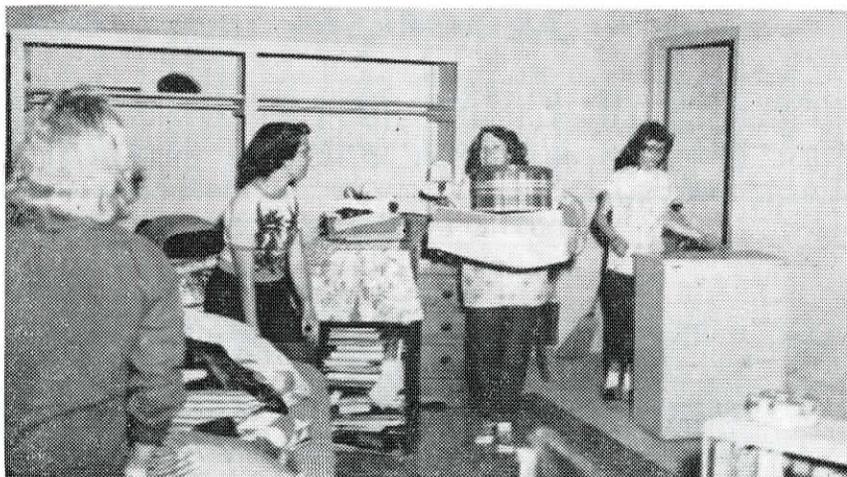
SPRING FEVER SPAWNS A PROFUSION OF PICNICS

With the coming of spring, hikes, outings and picnics began to dot the school activities calendar as classes, organizations, clubs, and departments welcomed the warmer weather.

Members of the freshman class took an afternoon hike March 31 up Richland Gulch at the head of Richland Creek near Morgantown that ended with a weiner roast in the rain. The following Monday, however, was a cloudless day for the sophomores, who forsook their studies to enjoy an outing at Watts Bar Dam, and the juniors who skipped out to go to Fall Creek Falls State Park.

Other April outings were scheduled by the French Club, the Spanish Club, the girl's dormitory, and Trailerville.

Picnics to be held during May include a freshman-sophomore outing May 5, the boarding department picnic at Cumberland State Park, and the Pastors Fellowship picnic May 7.



Georgene Pederson, Naomi Hildebrand, Evelyn Marks, and Dolores Bushart are shown moving into the new section of the girl's dormitory.

116 Dormitory Girls Now Living on Top Floor; Freshmen Purchase Blinds for Dining Hall

Monday, April 14, was moving day for more than sixty young women as they transferred from their temporary dormitories on the main floor of the Memorial Building to the south end of the top floor. Finishing of this section has been progressing throughout the school year. The 116 dormitory girls are now occupying the entire second floor which has a capacity for 140.

The apartment for Miss Kathleen Cowan, dean of women, will be located between the two sections of the dormitory as soon as the interior work can be finished. The asphalt tile flooring has been laid, and partitions for the apartment are being built.

An indication of construction pro-

gress on the building is the completion of the facing brick on most of the front of the building and the dismantling of the scaffolding.

Through the contribution of the freshman class the venetian blinds, long anticipated by those eating in the dining hall, have become a reality. The class adopted the purchasing of the blinds as a two-year project.

GAMMA CHI PLANS PAPER FOR SCIENCE ACADEMY

Gamma Chi, commonly known as the science club, is becoming the focal point of Bryan's scientific outreach. The club has renewed membership with the Collegiate Division of the Tennessee Academy of Science. The present increase in membership and a deeper interest in research makes it probable that the group will present another paper at the fall meeting of the academy to be held at the University of Chattanooga.

The prospective site for research projects is a cave through which a creek passes that drains Grassy Cove Community. The stream supposedly flows beneath the Cumberland lands to an obvious outlet in Sequatchie Valley to the south.

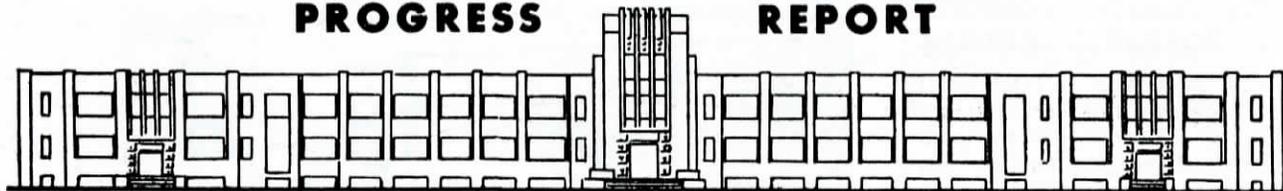
Several science-minded students are looking forward to another annual series of spring floral tours in the Great Smoky Mountains conducted by the University of Tennessee.

SHEFFIELD WINS HONORS FOR WINTER QUARTER

Topping the Dean's List for the second quarter was Martha Sheffield of St. Louis, Missouri. Closely following her were Nadine Schick of Wichita, Kansas, and Janice Brown of Randolph, New York.

Ranking in the upper ten per cent of the student body to comprise the Honor List were Paul Wyland, Joseph Henry, Grace Coventry, Ronald Meznar, Thelma Andrews, Loretta Craig, Clifford Hanham, Richard McIntosh, William Lanning, Verena Bender, Faith Ann Conner, Rebecca Manuel, Suzanne Royer, Ernest Lee, Grace Smith, Lowell Harris, June Hively, Lucy Williams, and Gerald Manuel.

PROGRESS REPORT



TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF BUILDING \$409,500



BRYAN LIONS SECOND IN TRIANGULAR MEET

The thinclads of Bryan met the Berry Schools and Emory University April 12 in their first track meet of the year. Though not one first place was taken by the Bryan tracksters, they found themselves ahead of Berry Schools by 18 points at the end of the day. Emory University, where the meet was held, was found too strong for the Bryan lads as they amassed 83 points for the leading score. The final standings were as follows: Emory University 83, Bryan University 49, and Berry Schools 31.

The leading scorer for Bryan was Donald Barth, freshman, who accounted for 10½ of the Lions' points by placing second in the 220 yard dash, and third in five other events. Bill Monn, junior, scored 9 points for the Lions.

Along with the track meets for this spring season, Coach Walkwitz has started an annual invitational cross-country meet. The first one will be held next fall and already letters are being sent to 38 schools inviting them to participate.



An Emory man and Bryan's Max Boise stretch to clear the high hurdles in the Emory, Berry, Bryan meet.

HANHAM TELLS WHAT BRYAN UNIVERSITY MEANS TO SENIOR PRESIDENT

Upon first arrival on the campus of Bryan University as a new student, I was somewhat surprised to see older students running around apparently very happy to be back. At that time I could hardly understand why anyone would be so excited about beginning another year of college work. I wondered if they really meant it.



However, I hadn't been at Bryan very long until I, too, began to feel the same way. Why, I ask myself, should this school have come to mean so much in my life and the lives of other students. Is it because of the wonderful fellowship with faculty and students? Is it because of the many spiritual blessings? Is it because our studies are centered in Christ and are therefore more meaningful? Is it the friendly student body working and praying together in the building program? Is it the beautiful campus?

The reason the school means so much to me is not because of any one of those things, but because of them all. I praise God for Bryan University and the molding power it has been in my life. My sincere desire is that Bryan will never change, but will continue to be a place to which students delight to return.

CLIFFORD HANHAM

March Financial Report

Operating\$ 2,326.39
Building 1,463.93

Total March Gifts\$ 3,790.32
FISCAL YEAR TOTALS
(June 1, 1951 to April 1, 1952)

Operating
(Budget \$40,000)\$23,529.43
Building 39,816.72

Total Gifts to April 1\$63,346.15

SOPHS PRODUCE PLAY

In the Christ of the cross is the answer to every problem in life.

Stressing this theme, the sophomores presented the play, "The Challenge of the Cross" for the regular vesper service Sunday afternoon, April 20.

Using the loud-speaker system, a voice in the background served as a thought-provoker to would-be disciples. Each disciple came offering his own particular goodness, and each failed in his path of bearing a cross for Christ, until the last recognized his own insufficiency and Christ's all-sufficiency.

More than 30 sophomores took part in the production, which included 8 characters in the play itself, as well as 12 members of the choir, and other students for special musical numbers and readings.

Christ Above All

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