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Girls and puppets who teach Bible stories in C. S. A. assignments are, left to right: the Good Samaritan, Shirley Smiley, Miriam, Donna Black and a priest.

SEASONAL FESTIVITIES PROVIDE SCHOOL WITH HOMELIKE ATMOSPHERE

Students away from home find that the activities of the larger family circle at Bryan help to make up for the traditional family fellowship they miss on Thanksgiving Day. This year students and staff shared in the singing of hymns and in offering individual testimonies of praise in a morning service held in the school chapel. Misses Kay Temple, Emma Gutosky, and Virginia Canady provided special instrumental music in the form of a flute trio and Miss Virginia Seguire, a graduate of '54 came from Mobile, Alabama, to offer praise in a vocal solo.

A bountiful thanksgiving meal in the evening was graced by special music and followed by a brief devotional talk. Later in the evening, the Christian Service Association sponsored the film showing of "Revolt in Berlin." The conflict of communism versus Christianity was depicted and scenes portraying the demonstrations of revolting East Berliners and the experiences of others fleeing communist terrors to West Berlin were shown.

The Mason-Dixon line separated the students for the sports program of the day, and the north and the South vied again in the afternoon football game. The southern team claiming the title of "Rebels" was led by Mickey Parks of Mobile, Alabama, as captain, and the "Northern Stars" were guided by Captain Dave Lunney of Port Huron, Michigan. A friendly truce marked the half-time when each side crowned its chosen queen.

Anticipating the Christmas season when most of the Bryan family is scattered, the Christmas banquet will be held December 6. Special speaker for the occasion will be the Rev. Paul R. Van Gorder, pastor of the Colonial Hills Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia.

STUDENT VOLUNTEERS GIVE GOOD SUPPORT TO CHRISTIAN SERVICE ASSOCIATION'S PROGRAM

An item of special interest on this year's school program is the puppet show put on by Donna Black and Shirley Smiley, both of Denver, Colorado. With breathless interest the school children follow the story of Baby Moses as enacted by the toy figures. The Christmas narrative and other Bible stories will be shown on later occasions.

Children in twenty-four schools of three counties welcomed back members of Bryan's George E. Guille Christian Service Association this fall. Approximately 3,600 children are participating in the Bible classes by memorizing Scripture verses, singing gospel choruses, and listening to Bible stories. Teaching is on a voluntary basis for Bryan students.

This year 177 students are serving under the C. S. A. as teachers, workers in open air services, hospitals, and homes. The largest phase is the conducting of Bible classes in the public schools on Monday mornings, where 104 Bryan students teach. Eighteen classes, made up of approximately 220 children, meet in homes mostly on Sunday afternoons under

the direction of 46 students.

Between 25 and 30 open air workers participate in services in 13 towns in the surrounding areas of Dayton. Meetings are also being held in two missions by ten Bryan young men and in the county jail on Sun-

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Gifts for the King Service



*A gift we shall be unwrapping
... throughout eternity.*

From My Heart to You

I have just read again the accounts in Matthew and Luke of the birth of our Lord. Once again the familiar old story has thrilled and blessed my soul. It came to me in new power how that the experiences and knowledge of our lives in this world cause us to look with increased hope and expectancy upon this One Who was God manifest in the flesh.



I cannot imagine what satisfaction one would find in reading this record, year after year, apart from the full realization of the royal person and saving work of the Lord Jesus Christ. One who is plagued with doubts concerning His deity surely would gain little inspiration from the account. The simple story of the birth of Jesus is the introduction to the most profound philosophy regarding the meaning of our lives and the possibilities of our future.

Here at Bryan University, we believe that all truth is God's truth. We believe that truth in the Biblical realm is consistent and that when there is a consistency of truth between the Biblical and other realms, a relevance and consistency of truth within all realms will be revealed. God, revealed in Christ, is the foundation of truth. Since He is the key to all wisdom and knowledge, it is apparent that our thoughts will be disordered until they find their center in the One by Whom all things consist (or hold together).

An incident in the construction of our administration building illustrates this principle.

Two workmen were dismantling sections of scaffolding from an area where the brickwork had been completed. Beside them the building rose tall and sure. It was solidly constructed upon a level foundation. Its perpendicular framework was plumb. With the sturdy construction and the accurate measurements, it was integrated to withstand the ravages of time and weather.

The scaffolding was also carefully placed upon a level foundation, and its light but sturdy steel pipes were plumb and braced. However, its security was insured by the small steel wires which were placed in the brick

wall at each level to anchor the scaffolding to the building.

As the men hastened to accomplish their work, they put their weight against the building in the effort to break loose the wire which bound the structures together. Their success astonished them as the wire gave way suddenly and the scaffolding was pushed over, giving the men a bad jolt and a fright.

Provisionally, these men were not hurt. But eternal harm will befall those who erect their scaffolds of speculative investigation and education without regard for the anchors which should bind them to the structure of truth. It is possible for finite men to erect beautiful intellectual structures, but when they try to push over the solidly accurate edifice of God's truth, it is obvious as to which will fall.

Pray for us in our efforts to help young people to integrate life and thought into the firm structure of God's truth as revealed in the Lord Jesus Whose birth we celebrate at this season of the year.

JUDSON A. RUDD
President

SCIENCE CLUB ORGANIZES, PLANS FOR ANNUAL MEETING

Helping to maintain the scientific principles and standards on which Bryan University was founded, the school's science club—Gamma Chi—met November 2 for its first meeting this year. Miss Halina Zebrowska, assistant professor of mathematics and physics, spoke on Europe's educational system in relation to sciences and engineering. She pointed out that a European high school education is equal to a partial college education. In the U. S. American high schools are considered to be preparatory to college, whereas European high schools tend to prepare the individual for technical schools.

The first fall issue of the club's paper—Gamma Chi Newsletter—was published November 2. It appears tri-weekly "in the interest of true science for God's glory." Listed in the issue are the officers of the science fellowship. They are: president **William Porter**, a junior from Winona Lake, Indiana; **James Barth**, a sophomore from Poland, Ohio, vice-president; and secretary-treasurer **Louise Kyker**, a senior from Telford,

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Bryan's Dorms, Classrooms, Offices Opened to Friends Representing Six States

Guests from six states—Georgia, Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, New York and Tennessee—attended Bryan University's Open House Sunday afternoon, November 7, from 2 to 5 p.m. Visitors from Tennessee included those from Athens, Chattanooga, Dayton, Knoxville, and Rockwood. Tours were made into the dormitories, classrooms, and offices.

The Octagon, lower floor of the chapel, and Addenda Hall in the Administration Building—men's dorms—and the third floor women's dorms were opened to about 100 friends, students' relatives, alumni, and trustees of the school.

The Bible department's program included the "talking Bible", a recording of entire books and passages of the Word of God and a panel discussion regarding various phases of the Bible department. English majors reviewed the three parts of their particular course—grammar, speech, and literature. The education department pointed out the values of education courses in the college program. Biblical languages and Spanish students contributed to the program with recordings and displays.

Special exhibits were furnished by the Christian Education, history, art, and sciences—physics, chemistry, and biology—departments. A machine was exhibited in the physics laboratory for registering the sound waves produced by the human voice, and guests tested it by speaking into it. The tours were concluded by the serving of refreshments in the school's dining hall.

SPRING CITY SENIORS VISIT

November 17 was "college day" for the Spring City High School seniors who visited Bryan from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The 58 students attended the morning chapel session and then sat in on classes during the remainder of the morning. A peek into the dormitories and lunch with the college students concluded the high school seniors' briefing on college life. The Rhea Central High School senior class will be invited to participate in a similar program later this year.



Assembled in the C. S. A. office with coordinator Kermit Zopfi, center, are council members, left to right: Ronald Bensinger, Richard Cornelius, James Gould, Rogers Havird, and Lawrence Schatz.

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day mornings by seven students. Another phase of work in C. S. A. is the ministry, where two ministers of music assist in services and four other young men hold pastorates. Concluding the list are four who hold services in the Agriculture Training School at Pikeville, Tennessee, and three in hospitals.

Mr. Kermit Zopfi, coordinator for C. S. A., is directing the activities of the association. James Gould is president this year. Assisting are Richard Cornelius, vice-president; Ronald Bensinger, secretary; Lawrence Schatz, treasurer; and Rogers Havird, program director.

Training classes have been held both for those who work with the children and youth, and also for those who do open air and visitation work. Professor Zopfi and 13 seniors who are majoring in Christian Education conducted the classes for those in the children and youth divisions during the recent Bible Conference, while Professor Butler taught classes for open air and visitation workers. The climax of this period of training was a Scripture Press film entitled "Stars in Your Crown."

Individuals and groups representing the Christian Service Association travel 1200 miles each month in the course of their ministries. Transportation and other costs amounting to approximately \$125 each month are subscribed by the students them-

selves and other Christians who are following the labors of these young people with their prayers.

SCIENCE CLUB ORGANIZES

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Tennessee. Alice White, Key West, Florida, a senior, serves as editor of the paper. Joy Ann Leslie, a junior from Massillon, Ohio, is associate-editor and Miss Lou Rouch, assistant professor of biological sciences, is sponsor.

With a record of three years attendance, members of Gamma Chi are again making plans for the meeting of the Collegiate Division of the Tennessee Academy of Sciences. This Fifth Annual session will be held on November 27 in Memphis, Tennessee. Of the 31 members and their guests who attended the meetings last year Dr. Claude S. Chadwick said, "We don't have to worry about Bryan, they'll have a good group, they always do."

Classes Announce Officers To Direct 1954-55 Activities

Members of Bryan's four classes have announced officers for the school year 1954-55. The senior class chose Milton Kier, of Marshfield, Wisconsin, to serve as president; Richard Cornelius, Jacksonville, Florida, for vice-president; LaJena Barker, of Darfork, Kentucky, as secretary; and Howard Park, of Mobile, Alabama, as treasurer. Mr. Kermit Zopfi, assistant professor of Christian Education, has been re-elected sponsor of the class of '55 for the fourth year.

Junior class officers are: Kenneth Campbell, of Ontario, Canada, president; Marlin Hall, of Wilton Minnesota, vice-president; Alice McLeod, of Hayward, Wisconsin, secretary; and Norbert Kier, of Marshfield, Wisconsin, treasurer. Charles Willoughby, of Venezuela, is chaplain, and Dr. Irving Jensen, head of the Bible department, was chosen sponsor.

The sophomore class announced the election of Rogers Havird, of Savannah, Georgia, as president and James Barth, of Poland, Ohio, as vice-president. Paul Romeis, from Wellington, Ohio, and Shirley Smiley, of Englewood, Colorado, were selected treasurer and secretary of the class in that order. Miss Ila Ruth Mahr, secretary to the executive vice-president and dean, is the class sponsor.

Freshmen officers were elected at one of the first meetings of the class. They are: president John Deal, of Birmingham, Alabama; vice-president Lindley Royston, Atlanta, Georgia; secretary Beverly Smith, also of Atlanta; and Lynwood Catron, treasurer, of Roanoke, Virginia. Mr. Gerald Woughter, assistant professor of music, is the class choice for sponsor.

Christian education at Bryan University provides opportunities for good investments both for time and eternity.

Please check below if you are interested in receiving information concerning:

- () The purchase of 5- or 10-year notes bearing 4% interest. Proceeds from the sale of these notes will be used to retire shorter term obligations.
- () Bryan's Annuity Plan which yields a return according to the age of the investor. Annuity funds are invested in faculty housing.

Clip and mail to: Dept. of Stewardship, Bryan University, Dayton, Tenn.

INTERCOLLEGIATE RIVALRY MARKS SPORTS PROGRAM

The Bryan all-star touch football team welcomed its rivals from Tennessee Temple Schools for the first game this fall held November 13. With a touchdown in the third quarter by Bryan's Jim Barth, the score was held to 6-0 in a hard fought game with well-matched competition.

A return match played at Warner Field in Chattanooga, November 22, resulted in a 12-12 tie.

December 7 has been set for another Temple-Bryan day when men and women students of both schools will meet on Temple's basketball floor, and the faculty men will vie for honors in volleyball.

The series of cross country meets on Bryan's schedule this fall was climaxed November 20 in the third annual invitational cross country meet in which five schools participated.

The University of the South from Sewanee captured team honors and the first place trophy with a score of 37. Berea's team captain, Larry Percy, led the runners by completing the course in 20:07, just 15 seconds over the record. Supporting Berea



Bryan's Jack Romeis closes in to tag a Temple player as he searches the field for a teammate to receive his pass.

College teammates from Kentucky gained a score of 62 for the second place trophy.

Dave Watson, Bryan freshman, finished second in the field of 33 with a time of 20:29. A team score of 66 gave the third place honors to the squad.

Tennessee Polytechnic Institute from Cookeville and Tusculum College from Greenville made good showings in the meet and brought the total number of runners to 33.

The Bryan team chose Alice McLeod, as its queen with Faith Boyce as assistant to present the team trophies and the ribbons to the first ten runners.

New Turn to Turnabout Day

Combining the traditional Bryan "Turn About Day" with Sadie Hawkins Day, November 13, students and staff attired themselves in typical "Dogpatch" style for an all-school party. Events were set off in the morning with a Sadie Hawkins race which resulted in the pairing off of most of the single people for the day's activities.

Calling for their beaux at the men's dormitories, the women "escorted" them to the party that took place in the partially completed new library area. Television skits in imitation of the "Grand Ole Opry," were climaxed with a scene from the story of the feuding Hatfields and McCoys. Judging costumes and serving refreshments ended the day's festivities. After a hard day of playing the part of the "stronger sex," the women returned their dates to the respective men's dorms.

October Gift Report

Operating Fund	\$1,882.11
Plant Fund	2,550.00
Total	4,432.11

STAFF LISTED TO PUBLISH '55 EDITION OF COMMONER

Preparation for the publication of the 1955 "Commoner" has begun with the selection of the new staff. **Lawrence Schatz** of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, was chosen as editor-in-chief by the junior class who produce the Bryan yearbook as a special project.

Work has been started in various departments, mainly in the photography department where individual portraits were taken by a local photographer. Pictures of student group activities will be taken during the course of the year.

Assisting on the staff are **Wilbur Pickering** of Bolivia, South America, assistant editor; and layout editor, **Lyle Hillegas** of Neenah, Wisconsin. **Dcnald Weltmer** of Altoona, Pennsylvania, is photograhly editor aided by **Joseph Ashenbach**, West Springfield, Massachusetts.

Also under the heading of layout are **Lois Frieswyk**, Detroit, Michigan, who will serve as copy editor, and her assistant, **Shirley Ardelean**, Wayne, Michigan. Art editor and assistant-art editor are positions that **Anita Myers** of Mount Joy, Pennsylvania, and **Georgia Ledbetter** of Liverpool, West Virginia, assume.

John Kramer of Tell City, Indiana, heads the business department as business manager, with **Russell Dubell**, Gloucester, New Jersey, and **James Reese**, Williamston, Michigan, acting as treasurer and circulation manager, respectively. Solicitors are **Ralph Green**, Dayton, Tennessee; **Everett Boyce**, Hixson, Tennessee; and **Ronald Bensinger** of Ionia, Michigan.

Concluding the list of staff members are **Roma Lantz** of Coatesville, Pennsylvania, secretary; and typists **Adrienne Kerr**, Hammond, Indiana; **Delores Yockey**, Worthington, Pennsylvania; **Marlene Beck**, Danville, Iowa; **Joanne Rankin**, Port Huron, Michigan; and **Pearl Rathbun**, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

CHRIST ABOVE ALL

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