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Trustees Launch Endowment Drive

The inauguration of a financial campaign to raise \$150,000 for the college endowment fund headed the list of actions at the October 5 meeting of the Bryan Board of Trustees. The sum of \$150,000 is needed to bring the present endowment of that amount up to \$300,000, the minimum level required to make an institution eligible to apply for membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Putting feet to their plans, three trustees subscribed \$10,000 each on the spot, with indications of additional gifts to come from other trustees. Since the board meeting two additional gifts of \$5,000 each for endowment have been subscribed.

An endowment committee of five was appointed by Dr. H. D. Long, chairman of the Board. They are Chancellor Glenn W. Woodlee, Dayton, chairman; Charles H. Dentler, DeLand, Fla.; Harry Johnson, Athens, Tenn.; Miss Ruth Huston, Hyden, Ky., and Coatesville, Pa.; and Dr. J. Wesley McKinney, Memphis, Tenn.

Alumni Homecoming Honors Class of '34

Seventy-five Bryan graduates and former students along with prospective students and other friends were guests of the students and faculty at the homecoming banquet on Oct. 24, climaxing homecoming activities. The theme of the occasion was "Portraits of the Past."

Special guests of honor, three of the six living members of the class of 1934 celebrating their 25th anniversary, were Miss Sybil Lusk, federal employee of the Tennessee Valley Authority in Chattanooga; Mrs. Harriet Dunlap Treher, postal inspection official in Chattanooga; and W. Logan Rector, director of the Rector Oil Company in Dyersburg, Tenn. Mr. Rector was also accorded the honor of Alumnus of the Year for 1959 in recognition of his leadership ability, his continuing interest in Bryan College, and his outstanding Christian character and testimony.

After recognizing these honorees and the members of the classes of 1949 and 1954 on their tenth and fifth anniversaries respectively, President John Rathbun called the roll of classes in which it was found that nineteen of the twenty-six graduating classes were represented at the banquet.

In bringing the banquet address, Thomas Taylor '54, professor at Faith Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa., used the Scripture setting describing the experiences of the Israelites who returned to their homeland after the Babylonian captivity in order to rebuild the temple. From the problems and attitudes that hindered them in

their work, Mr. Taylor drew applications to present a challenge to both students and alumni to forget the glories of the past, the hesitations of the present, and the uncertainties of the future in order to press on to accomplish God's purpose by His strength in each individual life and in the work at Bryan College.

At the annual business meeting there was a hearty spirit of enthusiasm in the reports brought from several chap-

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It is the plan to reach the minimum endowment by the October board meeting of next year, in order to make it possible for the college to submit a self-study to the Southern Association by October 15. If the self-study is accepted at the annual December meeting of the Association, the College would then be approved for a visitation early in 1961, with membership in the Association becoming a possibility by the annual Association meeting in December of 1961.

Other actions of the Board include

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Pictured above left to right are President Emeritus Judson A. Rudd and Alumni President John Rathbun '54 greeting Miss Sybil Lusk, W. Logan Rector —Alumnus of the Year for 1959—and Mrs. Harriet Dunlap Treher, three of the six living members of the class of 1934 who attended the homecoming banquet.



Shown above are 18 of the 20 Bryan trustees who attended the October 5 meeting of the Board at the College. In the back row, left to right, are F. R. Rogers, Dayton; Charles Dentler, Deland, Fla.; Widney Brown, Dayton; William R. Hardin, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. J. S. Frazier, Dayton; Mrs. E. B. Arnold, Dayton; Miss Ruth Huston, Hyden, Ky.; Mrs. Harris H. Gregg, Chattanooga; Edward Wagner, Atlanta, Ga.; The Rev. Roy Clark, Cleveland, Ohio; and Jack C. Oates, Sweetwater, Tenn. Seated, left to right are Harry Johnson, Athens, Tenn.; R. L. Bryan, Bartow, Fla.; Chancellor Glenn Woodlee, Dayton; Dr. H. D. Long, Chattanooga; Dr. J. Wesley McKinney, Memphis; Clarence E. Mason, Sr., Atlanta, Ga.; and the Rev. Mark Senter, Greenville, S. C. Not pictured but attending the meeting were Roy Adams of Sale Creek, Tenn., and Dr. A. M. Morgan, Sr., Dayton. The six trustees not attending the meeting were C. Robert Bell, Asheville, N. C.; Gettys Guille, Salisbury, N. C.; Russell T. Hitt, Merion Station, Pa.; Horace Houston, Memphis, Tenn.; Dr. Herman Hoyt, Winona Lake, Ind.; and D. Lewis Llewellyn, Sebring, Fla.

Alumni Homecoming

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ters by their representatives including the revived Northeastern chapter in the Philadelphia-New York area, the newly reorganized Greater Chicago chapter, the Michigan chapter, a prospective Florida chapter, the Dallas chapter, and the two Tennessee chapters—Upper East Tennessee in Knoxville and Tri-State in Chattanooga.

Following a presentation by Dr. Mercer of the trustee plan to raise the endowment during the coming year to the Southern Association standard, the alumni association accepted the challenge to raise \$10,000 as its next project. This action represents a bold advance from previous alumni projects but it was unanimously agreed upon by the members present at the session as being a reasonable decision in order to aid the college in its efforts toward securing regional accreditation. It was pointed out that it would be necessary for only 500 or one-third of Bryan's total alumni of over 1500 to each contribute \$10 and then to be responsible for securing another \$10 in order to achieve the goal. Representatives from each of the chapters supported the plan to carry the responsibility for a substantial share of the goal and to promote the program in their respective areas.

Officers for the alumni association were elected by ballot and announced at the meeting as follows: John Rathbun '54, president (for the second term); Everett Boyce '56, vice president, Dayton; Reita Hall '54, secretary, Asheville, N. C.; and Ralph Green, treasurer, Dayton. Rebecca Peck '40, is continuing in the alumni office at the college as executive secretary.

Local Drive Reaches Goal

As this issue of *Newsette* goes to press, the Advisory Committee to the board of Trustees is concluding its successful drive to raise \$15,000 for the operating fund of the college. The chief public phase of the campaign centered about a "Buy for Bryan" merchants' drive in late September sponsored by eighty Dayton business firms. During this special week the college faculty and students used silver dollars in making local purchases. This repeated the "silver dollar payroll" idea successfully used some years ago.

Officers of the Advisory Committee are C. P. Swafford, attorney, chairman; Russell V. Stansbury, vice chairman; and William Shaver, executive vice president of the Dayton Bank and Trust Co., secretary. Nearly one hundred persons actively participated in the work of the campaign.

STUDENT AID FUNDS INCREASE

An increase of more than \$25,000 in scholarships and student loan funds over the past year was reported at the recent meeting of the trustees by F. R. Rogers of Dayton, chairman of the trustee committee on student aid. This includes the Walter Williamson Memorial Loan Fund of \$10,000 previously announced. The outlay of money for the student aid program the first semester totals some \$26,000—\$16,000 in loans from twelve funds and \$10,000 in scholarships.

The loan program includes \$4,000 in funds secured under the National Defense Education Act of 1958. Of the ten older loan funds totaling \$11,000, two showed an increase in capitalization—the E. B. Arnold Memorial by \$500 and the Memorial Loan Fund, sponsored by the trustees, by \$1,000.

The scholarships of \$10,000 are divided almost equally between the college-sponsored goodwill and honor grants and the endowed scholarships. The latter group includes the Dayton Rotary Scholarship (\$400); Suburban Appliance (\$400); Richard Scully Revolving Fund (\$700); Trustee scholarships (\$3,000); and nine other small grants (\$670). Most of the endowed scholarships represent entirely new money. Forty-three students are being assisted through scholarships and fifty-eight through loans, Mr. Rogers said.

CHAPEL SPEAKERS

- Sept. 28—Rev. R. I. Humberd, Flora, Ind., Bible teacher
- Oct. 18-26—29th Fall Bible Conference
 Dr. Herman Hoyt, dean of Grace Theological Seminary, Winona Lake, Ind., Oct. 18-24
 Rev. Arthur Glasser, assistant home director of the China Inland Mission, Philadelphia, Pa.; Oct. 23
 Dr. Robert Smith, philosophy professor of Bethel college, St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 23
 Miss Wanda Burcham '49, missionary to India under the International Missions, Oct. 20
 Miss Bessie Degerman '53, missionary to Japan with The Evangelical Alliance Mission, Oct. 21
 Rev. George S. Birch '48, missionary to Nigeria under Sudan Interior Mission, Oct. 22
- Oct. 31—Rev. and Mrs. Ford Canfield, China Inland Mission
- Nov. 3—"Pa" Byus, The Country Preacher, Charleston, W. Va.
- Nov. 4—Walter Fricke and Charles Roub, representatives of Conservative Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, Wheaton, Ill.
- Nov. 5—Rev. Ralph Mount, Jr., Teaching Tracts, Inc., Mansfield, Ohio
- Nov. 9—Mr. and Mrs. Larry Maze, Bolivia Indian Mission
- Nov. 11—First Semester Day of Prayer
- Dec. 7—Dr. Vincent Brushwyler, General Director of Conservative Baptist Foreign Missionary Society
- Jan. 11—Taped program, "The Open Door," by Betty Hudson, missionary in Japan under the Women's Missionary Union



Shown above is a part of the parade through downtown Dayton on September 19 for the second annual Advisory Committee fund drive. Coed Linda Lidberg, freshman from Dallas, Texas is riding the hood. Bryan students representing different phases of college life, faculty, and local civic leaders participated in the parade, which was several blocks in length. The Rhea Central High School band directed by Harold Wilmoth led the parade which ended on the courthouse lawn with a band concert and short speeches by campaign leaders launching the drive.

Enrollment Shows Wide Range States, Denominations

The final enrollment of 254 for the fall semester represents an increase of 12 registrations over last fall's enrollment of 242. This year's figure, however, represents a substantial increase over last year in the number of individual full-time students and consequently in the full-time equivalent enrollment. Late afternoon and evening classes continued to attract a good number this semester.

Of the thirty states represented, Tennessee with its 65 representatives has increased its lead to slightly over one-fourth of the student body. Second on the list is Michigan with 34 students; Ohio and Pennsylvania rank closely for the third and fourth places with 20 and 19 students each; Texas rates fifth with 14 students; and in close succession Florida has 12; Georgia, 11; and Indiana, 10.

Other states considered as home to Bryan students are Illinois, West Virginia, and Wisconsin each with 7; New Jersey and North Carolina each having 6; Virginia, 5; New York, 4; Kentucky and South Carolina, 3 each; Maryland, Minnesota, and Oklahoma, 2 each; and Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Washington D. C., Missouri, Nebraska, and New Mexico each having one representative.

The six foreign students represent Free China, India, Japan, Korea, Jordan, and Canada.

This cosmopolitan quality of Bryan students is also revealed in their religious affiliations. Approximately one-

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the election to the trusteeship of Jack C. Oates, Jr., of Sweetwater, Tenn.; an increase in the tuition and required general fee to \$500 per year beginning next fall; and a land exchange with Mrs. E. B. Arnold, Dayton trustee, who plans to develop a housing area for married students.

half of the student body belongs to various Baptist groups including American, Southern, Conservative, General Association of Regular Baptists, and Independent Baptist churches. Second on the list are the Methodists with 25; Presbyterians, 18, including Cumberland, Southern, United and Independent; the Independent Fundamental Churches of America and various other independent and non-denominational groups claim approximately 50 adherents.

Other denominations represented are Episcopal, Christian and Missionary Alliance, Reformed, Dutch Reformed, Lutheran, Mennonite, Evangelical United Brethren, Grace Brethren, Church of the Brethren, Plymouth Brethren, Evangelical Free Church, Pentecostal Holiness, and Seventh Day Adventist.

The widespread geographical representation as well as the variety in religious background serves to bring a rich cultural heritage to the college. Denominational differences are of no major consequence when students meet together to study the Word of God in the classroom or hear messages in the daily chapel service from many well-known evangelical Bible teachers and missionaries.



The Rev. James Reese '56, pastor of the Moline (Mich.) Baptist Church, is shown as he leads the singing at one of the 29th Bryan Bible Conference sessions at the Rhea Central High School auditorium.

High Schoolers To Be Guests On Valentine Week End

The second annual high school guest week is planned for Feb. 12-14, according to the Admissions Director, Miss Ursula Luetgens. Last year's experiment when the college entertained student prospects for the current year was so successful that the project is being repeated for next year, Miss Luetgens said.

The tentative program includes a concert by pianist George Riabikoff, an intercollegiate basketball game with Martin College, a Valentine banquet, and a spiritual challenge on Sunday afternoon at vespers.

Parents, pastors, alumni, and other friends are encouraged to help prospective students of their acquaintance to make plans to come for this week end. Preference will be given to those who will be ready to enter college in September 1960, but prospects for later years may also come if accommodations are available.

The college will provide lodging and meals without charge to prospective students during the time of the visit, but each guest will be responsible for his own transportation.

Off-Campus Conferences

The following is a list of conferences which Bryan students and faculty have attended away from the college campus:

Southeastern Regional Foreign Missions Fellowship Conference, Lake Louise, Toccoa, Ga., attended by 25 Bryan students, Oct. 30—Nov. 1.

East Tennessee Educational Association, Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 29-30, attended by 6 faculty and 8 students. Dr. Mercer served as chairman of the Bible section this year.

National Sunday School Association and Evangelical Teacher Training Association Convention, Atlanta, Ga., attended by one faculty and five students.

Wheaton Centennial and Christian Writers' Conference, Oct. 21-23, attended by Prof. Lucy Sullivan.

Young Life Leadership Conference, Maryville, Tenn., Oct. 30—Nov. 1, one faculty and four student representatives.

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Assembled on a stairway in the picture above are a portion of the alumni who attended the annual homecoming activities of Oct. 23-25. Nineteen of the twenty-six graduating classes were represented at the homecoming banquet by seventy-five alumni members.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 29—*Thanksgiving Day, Annual North-South Football game and Thanksgiving dinner*

Dec. 13—*Christmas Vespers (Messiah)*

Dec. 18—*Christmas vacation begins*

Jan. 4—*Classes resume*

Feb. 1—*Second semester begins*

Mar. 17—*Day of Prayer*

Mar. 19—*Bryan Centenary Banquet*

Mar. 20—*Founders' Day Commemoration*

June 5—*Baccalaureate Service (Dr. William Kerr '39, speaker)*

June 7—*27th Annual Commencement*

Handel's Messiah Featured At Gifts For King Service

Handel's *Messiah* will be sung as the program for the annual Gifts-for-the-King Christmas service to be held in the college chapel on Sunday afternoon, December 13. A forty-voice choir including students, student wives, faculty members, faculty wives and townspeople is being trained for this performance by Gerald Woughter, head of the music department.

This traditional service at Bryan climaxes the annual pre-Christmas appeal in which friends are invited to contribute to the operating expenses of the school for the benefit of the young persons receiving their college education in the wholesome Christian atmosphere at Bryan and as a tribute to the King of Kings for His "unspeakable gift."

Fall Sports

Pacers Take Strong Lead In First Cross Country Meet

In its first cross country meet of the season, Bryan's pacers ran an outstanding low score of 18 (15 is a perfect score) against Tennessee Polytechnic Institute with its score of 40 on Bryan's 4-mile course. Led by Bob Carigon, a sophomore from Grand Rapids, Mich., who finished 300 yards ahead of second place Bob Combs, sophomore of West Alexandria, Ohio, Bryan's men took four of the first five places at the finish line.

A big event for the cross country team is the annual Bryan Invitational scheduled this year for Nov. 19. Five college teams have already accepted the invitation to enter the meet and others may still reply. The rival colleges listed thus far are Snead College, Boaz, Ala.; Troy (Ala.) State; University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.; Morehead (Ky.) State Teachers College; and Tennessee Polytechnic Institute, Cookeville, Tenn.

Lions Trounce Tigers

Touch football has been confined mainly to the intramural series this fall but included two games with Tennessee Temple College of Chattanooga. The first game was played at Bryan for the alumni homecoming on Oct. 24 when the Bryan Lions trounced the Temple Tigers for a 13-0 victory. In the return game in Chattanooga on Oct. 31, the Lions and Tigers tussled on a muddy field for a scoreless tie.

Basketball Schedule

The Bryan Lions in their first year of membership in the Dixie College Conference have the following schedule of intercollegiate basketball games for the winter season:

Nov. 24—Hiwassee College	Away
28—Toccoa Falls Institute	Home
Dec. 5—Southeastern Bible College ..	Home
8—Cumberland University*	Home
14—Southern Union College*	Home
Jan. 6—Snead College*	Away
9—Walker College*	Home
15—Cumberland University	Away
16—Martin College*	Away
23—Temple College*	Away
30—Marion Institute*	Home
Feb. 1—Southern Union College*	Away
2—Walker College*	Away
6—Hiwassee College	Home
8—Toccoa Falls Institute	Away
13—Martin College*	Home
16—Temple College*	Home
20—Snead College*	Home
26—Southeastern Bible College ..	Away
27—Marion Institute*	Away

* Members of the Dixie College Conference