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## September 10 Convocation Opens Thirty-Second Year

### Seume, Hammontree and Beckwith Will Lead Annual Fall Bible Conference October 15-20



Richard Seume, Paul Beckwith and Homer Hammontree.

Dr. Richard Seume, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church of Richmond, Virginia, and the musical team of Dr. Homer Hammontree of Greenback, Tennessee, and Paul Beckwith of Lansing, Michigan, will lead the thirty-first annual Bible conference to be held Sunday night through Friday, October 15-20. Dr. Seume is a repeat speaker from last year's conference by popular demand, and Messrs. Hammontree and Beckwith were last at the Bible conference in 1958. In addition, a number of alumni missionaries, including Kermit Zopfi, director of the German Bible Institute under Greater Europe Mission, will participate in the program.

Dr. Seume, who is a graduate of Wheaton College and Dallas Theological Seminary, is well known as a conference speaker. In addition to his ministry as pastor, he is president of the American Home Council of Africa Inland Mission, chairman of the U.S.A. Council of Regions Beyond Missionary Union, and member of the Council of Central American Mission and the United Indian Mission. He also serves as a member of the Board of Regents and Incorporate Members of Dallas Theological Seminary.

Dr. Hammontree, for many years a member of the Moody Bible Institute music faculty, is widely known as the singing evangelist. Mr. Beckwith, who is also both musician and evangelist, served 11 years with Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. This team maintains a continuous schedule of appointments in churches, schools, and conferences throughout the U. S.

Kermit Zopfi, a former Bryan student who graduated at Wheaton College and then returned to Bryan as Christian education teacher for four years, is now on furlough from his first term in Germany. Other Bryan alumni missionaries on furlough are also expected for the conference.

#### Alumni Homecoming

The eighth annual alumni homecoming is scheduled for October 13-15 to precede the Bible conference as a special incentive to alumni visitors who may be able to remain for part of the week's services. Registration will begin on Friday afternoon with special events planned for that evening and a full schedule of alumni activities on Saturday climaxed by the homecoming banquet.

Bryan College will begin its thirty-second academic year with a convocation on Sunday afternoon, September 10, at 3:00 P.M. in the college chapel. The convocation, which is primarily a religious service of dedication for the work of the year, will be led by Dr. Theodore C. Mercer, president of the college. This special opening will be preceded by busy days of the annual faculty workshop-retreat September 6-8, directed by the dean, Dr. Karl Keefer, the arrival of students on September 9, and an intense program of readying the buildings by a crew of early arrivers and staff. In the past few years the opening meeting of the college year has been scheduled on Sunday afternoon in order to provide the best opportunity for attendance by parents, families, and friends of the students and townspeople.

#### Degrees to be Conferred

An important feature of the convocation will be the conferring of the bachelor of science degree on four Rhea County teachers who completed their work in the summer sessions with a major in elementary education. They are: Pauline Dugger Euerard, Margie Lucille Morrison, Katherine Arnold Morgan, Jackie Lou Smith. Participating in this part of the service will be Dr. Mercer, Dr. Keefer, Dr. J. Furman Miller, the registrar and head of the department of education, and Prof. L. Donald Hill, the major professor of these candidates.

#### Evangelistic Meetings

Following the custom of last year, four nights, Monday through Thursday, September 11-14, will be devoted to evangelistic and spiritual life meetings led by Rev. Donald Graham, of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Mr. Graham assumed the pastorate this summer of Bethany Presbyterian Church after a tenure of several years



Donald Graham

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Russell V. Stansbury



Edward Payne



Pearl Wallace



Richard Cornelius



Donna Cornelius



Edward M. Steele

## New Faculty and Staff Appointments for 1961-62

Twelve new appointees, five to the teaching faculty and seven to the administrative staff are expected to strengthen the work of the college this year. The essential facts about them and what they will do are given below. Mention is also made of those whom the new members will replace and the place of service which now engages the former staff members.

MISS KATHRYN DANFORTH of Augusta, Georgia, comes to the position of dean of women from the personnel staff of Wheaton College, and replaces Miss Jimmie Woods of Dothan, Alabama, who is pursuing a full-time program of graduate work at the University of Chattanooga. Miss Danforth is a graduate of Columbia Bible College and is a widely-known worker in Christian education circles.

RUSSELL V. STANSBURY, a Rhea County native, replaces Robert G. Adams as business manager. Mr. Stansbury has been active in the work of the Rhea County advisory committee to the Board of Trustees and has served as business assistant for the past several months. Mr. Adams went to his new position as business manager at the University of Dubuque (Iowa) February 1. Mrs. Stansbury is a teacher of the third grade in the Dayton City School.

EDWARD (TED) PAYNE, '53, of New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, replaces Mrs. Doris Dorland in the Spanish department. Mrs. Dorland, who has retired from teaching, is now living in Mexico and assisting in a Christian literature ministry. Mr. Payne, the son of missionary parents, was reared in Argentina and has spent 23 years in Latin America. His service included two years with R. G. LeTourneau as project engineer in Peru and several years as design engineer for

a Pennsylvania firm. He is a licensed professional engineer and land surveyor in Pennsylvania. In addition to teaching, Mr. Payne will assist part-time in business management. Mrs. Payne, the former Josephine Jenkins, '49, will work part-time in an office position. The Paynes have three children, George, 11; Jobeth, 6; and Artie Joe, 3.

H. BLAIR BENTLEY, of Denver, Colorado, replaces Everett Boyce, '56, in history. Mr. Bentley, who holds a master's degree in history from the University of Denver, is also a minister. After a tenure as a military chaplain, Mr. Bentley became pastor of the Aurora Bible Church (IFCA) of Denver, from which he resigned to accept a position here. Mrs. Bentley, the former Louise Davis of Crestview, Florida, holds a master's degree in English from the University of Southern California. Mrs. Bentley will join the office staff on a part-time basis for this year. The Bentleys have three children.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce, '61, are under appointment to Manila, Philippines, by the Berean Mission to teach in Faith Academy, a school for the children of missionaries in the Philippines. They expect to sail shortly for their new post of service. The Boyces have two children, Mary Beth, 6, and Bryan, 4.

MISS PEARL WALLACE, who attended Bryan in 1946-48 and graduated from Wheaton in 1950, will direct the kindergarten and serve as dining room hostess. Besides her work at Bryan and Wheaton, Miss Wallace has completed approximately a year of postgraduate work, principally at the University of Florida. Her most recent appointment was at the Grace Livingston Hill Memorial School, where she directed the kindergarten for the past six years.

Appointments previously announced were those of MR. AND MRS. RICHARD CORNELIUS of Jacksonville, Florida, and Knoxville, Tennessee, who will teach in the department of English and music, respectively. Mrs. Cornelius is the former Donna Black of Englewood, Colorado.

Mr. Cornelius, who receives his master's degree in English at the University of Tennessee this summer, replaces Miss Lucy Sullivan, who resigned a year ago to accept a Fulbright position in Turkey. (Mrs. Sullivan continues to live in the Middle East and will teach at Beirut's College for Women this fall.) Mrs. Cornelius, a graduate of Colorado State College at Greeley, receives her master's degree in music education this summer from U. T. She will teach piano, organ, and assist in music education on a part-time basis.

EDWARD M. STEELE, of Grove City, Pennsylvania, joined the college staff in July as an administrative assistant. Mr. Steele will work in the area of public relations and office management. He was a co-founder and for seven years general director of the Source of Light Mission in Madison, Georgia. Most recently he served as an administrative assistant at the Highlands (N. C.) Hospital under Dr. C. Markham Berry. Mrs. Steele is the former Eleanor McFarland, of Grove City, Pennsylvania. The Steeles have six children.

ROBERT (BOB) CARIGON, Bryan track star from Michigan, will re-enroll at Bryan as a history major and part-time student assistant in athletics. Mrs. Carigon, the former Greta Sorrell, '60, of Erlanger, Kentucky, has been appointed to the office staff.

## Mercer Participates In Educational Forum

Dr. Mercer, Bryan's president, is one of seven Christian educators whose answers to selected questions form the basis for a special report in the September *Moody Monthly* on new emphases, re-appraisals, and changes in the Christian schools. Dr. Mercer was recently elected secretary of the Tri-State Educational Television Council, which is currently exploring the feasibility of establishing an ETV project in Chattanooga.

**Bryan College Concert Choir Recording, a professional 12" L.P. record produced by Edward Bruce Vogt '57, of the 1961 Bryan Concert Choir directed by Gerald L. Woughter, is now available. Orders accompanied by \$3.98 plus 35¢ postage should be sent to: Herald Recordings, Box 388, Sumter, S. C.**

# Honors Day Awards

Because the commencement exercises do not allow sufficient time for the awarding of all honors and prizes, an Honors Day Banquet and awards program was held on Friday, May 26, in what may well become a college tradition. At that time the faculty, staff, students, representatives of the trustees, and townspeople gathered for a banquet in the college dining room. A total of more than 100 awards, including scholarships, athletic letters, and certificates of recognition were handed out by members of the faculty.

## ACADEMIC HONORS

### Freshmen

Roland Fleck, 2.4; Judith Ann Frappier, 2.1; Kirby Heglar, 2.2; Diane Peck, 2.00; George Webber, 2.4; Shirley Whitener, 2.3.

### Sophomores

LeBron Bell, 2.6; Russell Llewellyn, 2.2; Robert Meadows, 2.3; \*Mrs. Mayme Shedd, 3.0; Sandra Sorrell, 2.7; Lois Taber, 2.3.

### Juniors

Grace Black, 2.0; Pat Brown, 2.5; Judell Engelman, 2.1; Judy Gilson, 2.0; Tseng-Min Hsu, 2.0; Reva Jenkins, 2.4; Louise Lason, 2.5; Ronald Lusher, 2.2; \*Mrs. Doris Morgan, 2.4; Kenneth Roden 2.0.

### Seniors

Mrs. Faith Boyce, 2.1; Roberta Lilley, 2.0; \*Mrs. Beatrice McMillen, 2.5; \*Mrs. Katherine Morgan, 2.4; \*Mrs. Margie Morrison, 2.0; Shelby Skinner, 2.1; \*Mrs. Jackie Smith, 2.1.

\*Part-time but enrolled as a regular student in a degree program.

## ATHLETIC AWARDS

### Intercollegiate

*Senior Letter*—Jerry Bauman, John Roden, John Rynders.

### Basketball

*First Letter*—LeBron Bell, Wayne Dixon, James Ramage.

*Other Lettermen*—Tom Beal, Glenn Heinrich, Bill Stanton.

### Baseball

*First Letter*—Tom Englesman, Roland Fleck, David Whitney.

*Other Lettermen*—Maurice Allen, Tom Beal, LeBron Bell, Dan Berry, Wayne Dixon, Larry Hutchinson, Pat Millard, Bill Stanton.

### Cross Country and Track

*First Letter*—Mack Estes, Everett Garmon, Robert Johnson, Ronald Morren, Walter Reichner, Stephen Snyder, Kenneth Utley, William Venable.

*Other Lettermen*—Robert Combs, Kent Juliard, Kenneth Roden.

## CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION

### "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities"

Pat Brown, Ronald Lusher, John Rynders, Theresa Rynders, Shelby Skinner.

### Citations of Merit

*"They went the second mile"*—Mrs. George West of Dayton, for "her gifts of flowers over three decades"; Rev. R. Paul Smith, pastor of Dayton's First Methodist Church, "in recognition of five years of mutually cordial friendship"; Mrs. George Russell, for "significant contribution in beautifying the campus"; Mrs. Johnnie L. Green for "cheerful and effective service beyond the call of duty as dietitian"; Gary Rhodes, for "outstanding service as a student assistant in the kitchen"; Walter Culbertson, for "unselfish gift of time and talent on special occasions for the college"; and Robert Meredith, for "artistic con-



Sister and brother Theresa and John Rynders, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, both graduates with the class of 1961, were among those cited for special honors at the commencement service.

tribution in decorating for special college events."

*"They served long and well"*—Dr. Willard L. Henning, professor of biology (5 years); Dr. John C. Anderson, professor of ancient languages, (6 years); Dr. Irving L. Jenson, professor of Bible, (7 years); Prof. (music) and Mrs. (botany) Gerald L. Woughter (10 years each); Dr. Alma F. Rader, instructor in Bible, (20 years); and Dr. Judson A. Rudd, President Emeritus and Treasurer (30 years).

## OTHER AWARDS

*P. A. Boyd Prizes*: Larry Hutchinson, junior; Sandra Sorrell, sophomore; and George Webber, freshman.

*Mathematics Achievement*: William Venable.

*Physics Achievement*: Kenneth Roden.

*Chemistry Achievement*: George Webber.

*Testimony and Influence Prize*: Lowell Martin.

*Tennessee Music Audition Award*: Fred Wimberly.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED FOR 1961-1962

Thomas Beal, LeBron Bell, Grace Black, Diane deRosset, Margaret Denner, Wayne Dixon, Judell Engelman, Roland Fleck, Judith Frappier, Carmelita Gray, Kirby Heglar, Tseng-Min Hsu, Reva Jenkins, Russell Llewellyn, Ronald Lusher, Kenzo Onishi, Rachel Paulson, Diane Peck, Chester Pelfrey, Juanita Pelfrey, Kenneth Roden, Lynette Rowe, Stephen Snyder, Sandra Sorrell, Leslie Stone, Lois Taber, Kenneth Utley, William Venable, Dennis Williams.

## COMMENCEMENT AWARDS

Only those awards specifically designated for seniors were reserved for graduation. These were:

*P. A. Boyd Prizes for Senior Man*, John Rynders, and *Senior Woman*, Shelby Skinner.

*Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Rogers Senior Awards in Bible and Music*: Malcolm Herndon, and John and Theresa Rynders.

### Faculty Prizes for

*Highest scholastic record achieved during period of attendance at Bryan*: Faith Boyce.

*Faithfulness and Loyalty*: John Roden.

*Progress during years at Bryan*: Grayce Green.

*Mrs. E. B. Arnold SNEA Award*: Theresa Rynders.

*Award for Highest Scores on Graduate Record Examination*: John Roden.

*Christian Herald Award for Christian Leadership*: Jerry Bauman.

*Evangelical Teacher Training Association Certificate*: Agnes Wood and Jean Foster.

# Bryan Representatives At CASC Workshop

The sixth annual summer workshop of the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges held at Lake Forest (Ill.) College August 14-17 had for its business a consideration of the campus or non-academic life of the student including student government, athletics, social activities, moral values, and related matters. The theme was "College Youth Speaks." Each participating college was represented by the president, the dean of students, and a representative of the student body.

Bryan representatives were Dr. Mercer, Dr. Keefer, and Miss Kirby Heglar, an honor student from Salisbury, North Carolina, who is secretary for the student council for next year.

Professional consultants for the conference in the area of personnel services included Dr. Walter F. Johnson, professor of education and chairman of guidance and personnel services, College of Education, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich., and director of the workshop; Dr. Arthur A. Hitchcock, executive director, American Personnel and Guidance Association; and Mr. Richard Gross, dean of men, Wheaton College.

The conference also featured as speakers Dwayne Orton, editor of *Think* of IBM Corporation; William F. Buckley, Jr., editor of the *National Review* and author of *God and Man at Yale*; and R. Sargent Shriver, director of the Peace Corps.

Bryan has been a member of CASC since 1957 and was represented at the original Chicago organization meeting in 1956.



Shown above are Dr. and Mrs. Duane Hurley and their daughter Kathryn at the Bryan picnic given in their honor on August 1. Dr. Hurley, president of Salem (W. Va.) College and president of the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges, visited Bryan campus as part of his nationwide summer tour at CASC colleges from West Virginia to California and from Texas to Kentucky.



Pictured above left to right are the four degree candidates who concluded their work at Bryan's summer school: Mrs. Amazon Morrison, Mrs. Harold Morgan, Mrs. Clyde Smith, and Mrs. Charles Euverard.

## Education Department Serves Community

The department of professional education offering preparation for both elementary and secondary level teachers has emerged as one of Bryan's chief means of community services.

The four September graduates are all Rhea County school teachers who have been aided in completing their work by the courses offered in the late afternoon and evening and in the summer sessions. They bring to 10 the total number of Rhea County teachers who have received degrees since the inauguration of an approved teacher education program in 1958.

The others who have received degrees are Mrs. Lee Taylor, '60, of Dayton, who teaches first grade in Dayton City School; Mrs. Widney Brown, '61, and Mrs. Walter Cheers, '60, also of Dayton, who teach the two sixth grades in the same school; Mrs. A. B. Brock of Spring City, who teaches in the elementary school there; Mrs. L. L. McMillen of Spring City, who teaches in the Wolf Creek community school; and Mrs. Clyde Fitzgerald, of Dayton, who teaches in Frazier school.

The education department reports that of the total teaching force of 131 in the schools of Rhea County, 27 have received part of their professional training at Bryan and of these 17 have received degrees. Those holding degrees in addition to teachers listed above are: Miss Juanita Pendergrass, '37; Ralph Green, '56; Richard Williamson, '60; Jerry Sisson, '59, and Wayne Funderburg, '60, who are returning to Dayton this fall for teaching positions; Laurel Hansen, '59; Malcolm Herndon, '61.

Dr. J. Furman Miller, who doubles as registrar, is the head of the education department. He holds his undergraduate degree from Dennison University, his master's from Ohio State, and his doctorate from the University of Georgia. Dr. Miller also completed all course requirements for the Ph.D. in English at Emory University. This background assures a balance of liberal arts and professional education emphasis in the department.

Dr. Miller is assisted by L. Donald Hill who is a graduate of Trevecca and George Peabody College for Teachers. Mr. Hill is enrolled in a doctoral program at Peabody and will be on leave of absence the second semester in order to give full time to pursue the doctorate.

## Alumni Chapters Report Meetings

Reports have been received from alumni meetings held this summer in Lansing, Michigan (Michigan chapter), July 21; in Denver (Rocky Mountain chapter), August 4; Cleveland, Ohio (Northern Ohio chapter) August 5; and Chicago (Greater Chicago chapter), August 11.

Bryan Gospel Messengers No. 1 attended the Michigan meeting; Alumni Secretary Rebecca Peck and Director of Admissions Zelfha Russell and Gospel Messengers No. 2 met with the Ohio alumni at Forest Hills Park in Cleveland; and Dr. Mercer was speaker for the Chicago meeting held at Moody Institute.

The Michigan chapter announces its next meeting for October 27 at 8:00 p.m. in Williamston in the annex of the First Baptist Church.

## OPENING CONVOCATION

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at Pensacola's McIlwain Presbyterian Church. A speaker at Bryan in past years, Mr. Graham is known for his effective work with young people. Besides preaching and counseling, he has presented musical sermons in 200 churches from coast to coast. He is a tenor and includes in his musical sermons a variety of sacred classics and oratorio as well as gospel songs and Negro spiritual music with a spoken continuity presenting some epic theme of Scripture. Mr. Graham is a graduate of Wheaton College and holds the Th.B. degree from Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

## Registration Week Activities

Registration and freshman week meetings will be held Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday with classes scheduled to begin on Thursday, September 14. Late afternoon and evening classes held on Monday and Thursday will begin September 18 and 21. The Bryan kindergarten will begin its sessions on September 18 also. Miss Pearl Wallace, a former Bryan student and a graduate of Wheaton College with 10 years of kindergarten experience, will direct the kindergarten this year. The opening week's activities will conclude with the annual formal reception given for the students by the faculty on Saturday evening.

## Enrollment Increase Expected

An enrollment increase of a minimum of 10 per cent over last fall's full-time equivalent is expected, according to reports by Dr. J. Furman Miller, the registrar, and Miss Zelfha Russell, the director of admissions. This is viewed as an encouraging factor in the light of Bryan's new and more rigid admission and retention standards.

Pre-enrollment figures indicate representatives from 21 states and six foreign countries. Those from foreign countries are Miss Sonia Sands of Nassau, Bahamas; Theophilus Patnaik, Calcutta, India; Wing-Keung Wong, Hong Kong; Kenzo Onishi, Japan; Tseng-Min Hsu, China; and the Misses Lois Taber and Diane deRosset, whose parents are missionaries in Central Africaine Republique.

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