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William Jennings Bryan was a man who loved liberty, lived for humanity, and fought for justice. Again and again did the great silver-tongued orator come to the defense of humanity with his sound thinking. He loved the right, despised the wrong, and always was willing to defend his principles.

Bryan fought his last and greatest combat here at Dayton. It was here the fundamentalist Bryan poured out his heart and soul for a great cause. He fought for his Lord and Saviour, for the Bible which had been his guide. He died fighting—fighting to remove a boulder placed by atheists in the paths of the youth of this country.

How could we give more worthy praise than that which was given Bryan when he became known and recorded as the Great Commoner? And how could he have given a more acceptable testimony than going down in martyrdom in the defense of his God?

Bryan still lives. His words live for him. Why do they still live? Because he who spoke them loved mankind and God, upheld their ideals, and has gone down in history as one who lived his Christianity.

Is this not a challenge for us of America to defend the same principles for which he laid down his life?—S.D.H.
If you have a Bible in your hand, no one will offer you a cigarette... or ask you to dance," said Dr. Walter Lewis Wilson, of Kansas City, Mo., when he spoke at the local Methodist church last month under the auspices of the University.

Dr. Wilson took his congregation "out as far as Bethany" to show them the person of the Lord Jesus and the work he did there.

Following his principal talk, Dr. Wilson spoke to the ministerial groups and others who stayed. He advised the students: "The business of the preacher is to get Christ into the heart of the people... when you preach, be sure the people learn something".

In addition he gave a number of practical pointers as to arrangement of the service, personal work, and other work of the preacher.

Dr. Wilson came to Dayton from Cleveland, Tennessee, where he had been speaking at Bob Jones College. President Rudd drove him over from the sister college. After seeing the work that had progressed on the administration building since his visit here last year, Dr. Wilson was taken back to Cleveland by the Wonderlys.

WHAT KIND OF A CHRISTIAN AM I?

"This country today is full of intellectual Bolshevism... Christians should have convictions and stand for them," declared Dr. Arthur I. Brown, well-known preacher, author, and doctor of Vancouver, British Columbia, when he spoke at a special assembly period Wednesday afternoon, March 4.

Reading the sixth chapter of 1 Timothy, Dr. Brown commented on it verse by verse. Speaking on the difficulties confronting the Christian, Dr. Brown declared, "One of the most potent weapons of the Devil is ridicule; the man of God is going to have ridicule. Don't be discouraged—discouragement is one of the Devil's chief tools."

Dr. Brown discussed what he termed "Bryan University's unique position" among the colleges of the United States, and closed his address with an extended quotation from a speech of Dr. Bryan.

Besides a large number of Dayton friends, other visitors present were Dr. T. W. Calloway, pastor of the St. Elmo Baptist Church, and Brother Roy Austin, of the Chattanooga Bible Institute, who brought Dr. Brown to Dayton from Chattanooga, where he was holding a conference at the institute.

Dr. Brown and the other out-of-town visitors were dinner guests of the faculty at Cedar Hill.
NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

Within the past few days a number of new books have been placed in the library. Among these are, "God and You, the Wonders of the Human Body", by Dr. Arthur I. Brown; "Unveiling the Future", a collection by various Christian authors; and "Can God?", "Prove Me Now", "The Promise is to You", and "Times of Refreshing", by J. Edwin Orr. Mr. Orr's books are autographed copies.

Miss Yancey, librarian, advises progress is being made in cataloging the un-checked books of Bryan's 30,000 volume library, the work being done by students working under the National Youth Administration.

MINISTERIAL ACTIVITIES

At the weekly meeting of the George E. Guille Ministerial Association each Wednesday evening, Dr. Currens is teaching a course in Introduction to Homiletics. The remainder of the time at meetings is taken up with a discussion of the work of the ministerial students, requests for prayer, business, and so on. In line with the object of the Association to be of service to the school, the class in homiletics is open to any students who wish to sit in with the ministerial group.

Chapel programs given by the Association the last month have been varied by having two speakers outside the organization: Rev. H. M. Hawk, pastor of the local Methodist Church, who spoke on "The Atonement", and Webster Moody, a member of the Freshman class, whose topic was Matthew's account of the feeding of the five thousand.

Lewis Llewellyn, in his service asked the students to "Walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called".

Due to extremely cold weather not many outside appointments were made. Among the places at which students hold services are Iron Hill, Grandview, Montague, Norman's Chapel, Graysville, Sale Creek, Salem, Pennine, Dayton Methodist, Dayton Colored Baptist, Evensville, and Morgan Springs.

DEBATES PROVE INTERESTING

"Resolved, that Italy is justified in invading Ethiopia" was a hotly contested question in which the negative team, Harry Crew and Ralph Toliver, won a two to one decision.

The negative, this time represented by Carroll Colvin and Mary McPherson, again was victorious in debating the question, "Resolved, that the C.C.C. camps are more beneficial than detrimental."

The deliberate tactics of the victors withstood a more fiery onslaught from the affirmative, Ben Hall and Virginia Bargor.

Swinging back to humorous de-
bated topics, Emma Rea Bechtel and Bill Daugherty—both having successfully completed short courses in the subject—went down to inglorious defeat before the younger team of Vinton Fish and Lewis Llewellyn, at present enrolled in said subject. The subject? "Resolved, that Campusology should be an accredited course on the curriculum of Bryan University"—won by the negative.

VALENTINE PARTY

Students, faculty members, and office force were guests of the Octagon group for a Valentine party on February fourteenth. As master of ceremonies, Dean Ryther was assisted by others in keeping things well mixed. Among the interesting games of the evening was one in which the boys wrote brief characterizations of themselves, turning them in without other means of identification. The ladies were then invited to bid on the qualifications and "see what you got".

Mrs. McMurry, in charge of the decorations and refreshments, in keeping with the date and year, furnished the ladies with small top-hats and the gentlemen with cellophane bonnets. Vacancies in the guests were filled with vanilla ice cream, centered with a red heart, and white-iced cake, topped with candy hearts of red.

MOSES is DEAD

Moses, the man of God who gave the law to the Israelites, is dead. So says Scripture.

NOTE: We are sorry to be late with this item. So many people are trying to keep the Mosaic law to be saved, we thought it might be well to stress the fact that Moses is dead.

NOTE: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved."—Acts 16:31

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EASTER CANTATA

Arrangements have been made to present the Easter Cantata, "The Greatest Love," at the Dayton Methodist Church on the evening of Easter Sunday. On the preceding Sunday, April 5th, it will be presented at the Baptist Church in Graysville. It is hoped that it may also be sung in Spring City.

FRANCE! WAR! BRYAN!

Giving the second and final instalment of an address on "My Stay in France," Miss Beekman again appeared before an interested audience to tell of The University with stiff, backless benches and stairs with deep-worn steps, laundries at street corners, pastry shops and ice cream, Roman roads, and the French glacier that moves one inch every forty years.

"The Weapons of War" was the topic discussed by Dean Ryther. Mail planes that in eleven hours can be converted into veritable flying fortresses; gas, one drop of which will cover a city block, destroying both animal and vegetable life; bombs, filled with thermite (liquid fire) or disease germs to draw non-combatants into the dangers of war; flying tanks, which, under their own power, can outrun most pleasure cars—these are the playthings of Mars—nice, are they not?

Miss Yancey gave an illustrated talk on the past and present of Bryan University. Her illustration, a diagram of the original plans for the University, added materially to her talk on how God had changed the destiny of the institution from that of outward greatness, manifest by great buildings, to that of the exaltation of the Lord Jesus in our midst, as manifested by the Christian atmosphere and character of the institution.

Miss Yancey is one of the two original faculty members still with the school, the other being Dean Ryther, who has been here since the opening of school in 1930.

HODGES WINS CONTEST

The tribute to William Jennings Bryan appearing on the back of the cover page was written by S. D. Hedges, Jr., of Chattanooga, and was the winning essay of six contributed in a contest conducted by NEWSette. Presentation of the prize—a framed portrait of Mr. Bryan (the last portrait for which he posed)—was made in chapel Friday morning by Ralph Toliver. Others who competed were Edgerton Reid, James Morning, Mary McPherson, Lyndon Berry, and Lewis Llewellyn.

Be sure to read the obituary on page five—and the two notes.

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JUANITA UNDER KNIFE

On Monday, March 2, Juanita rendergrass underwent an operation for mastoid trouble, the surgeon being Dr. F. J. Hackney, whose hospital, in which Juanita is staying, is at 311 McCallie Avenue, Chattanooga. Prof. McMurry, Bryan doctor, reports after a visit, that she is resting well and has excellent chances of complete and prompt recovery.

Starting the day following the operation the members of the four classes wrote Juanita, assuring her of their prayers and best wishes for a speedy return to school.

COMMONER PROGRESSES

Under the direction of William Wonderly, editor-in-chief, progress is being made in getting out the 1936 edition of the "Commoner", the annual. Individual and group pictures are being taken, the former being made by the Phillips Studio of Dayton.

WONDERLEYS SAY GOODBYE

Friday morning saw Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Wonderly, Daniel and Carl Wonderly, pulling out for their home in Mountain Lake Park, Md., after a visit of several weeks with their oldest son William, a senior, who accompanied them to Norris Dam--the fourth largest in the world.

On the evening before leaving, Mrs. Wonderly spoke at the union prayer service in Graysville, and on the Wednesday preceding she talked at the mid-week service of the Salem Baptist Church.

MOORES ENTERTAIN

An interesting Washington Day social was given by the Ernest Moors for the members of the senior and freshman classes last month. Faculty members present were Mr. and Mrs. Rudd, the Misses Yancoy and Beekman, and Dean Ryther.

As Major Bowes, Mr. Rudd had charge of an amateur hour. Decorations and refreshments followed the cherry motif -- the kind that will not lie.

STATE GROUPS HOLD CHAPEL

It seems that these folks from the dozen different states represented in the Bryan student body never get tired of saying, "Now, in my home town..." At least, it is that way when the States' Chapel hour rolls around.

In charge of Lewis Llewellyn, the Pennsylvanians gave a program featuring Pennsylvania. Each one in the club told the unique facts true of his home town or section. The "Orphans" (a club of students from states having only one or two representatives in Bryan) gave a program varied and amusing to an extreme.

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I wonder what a certain lad from Dunellen was doing at Parson Hawk's with a certain lady from Dayton.

Three students, Janet Webb, Ben Hall, and Ralph Toliver attended a Baptist Training Union meeting at Spring City, where Ben led the devotional period opening the meeting.

Agnes Copeland and Johnny do were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Haynes, Dayton.

Annie Laurie's father visited her last week.

Col. and Mrs. D. W. Ryther, the Dean's parents, were recent visitors at Bryan. They were entertained by Mr. Rudd and Miss Yanney Wednesday night. Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Abol and Miss Lusk were out of the dormitory guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb and Janet, with the Wonderley family, enjoyed a picnic at Cumberland Springs recently.

President Rudd and the Dean were in Knoxville on business not long ago.

Mrs. R. P. Abol recently entertained the commercial students.

The Misses Bookman, Yaney, McAllister, Macoger, Francos and Elizabet Moore, Russell, Mrs. Rudd, Mr. and Mrs. Fish, and Messrs. Toliver, Fish, and Ryther visited Atlanta, Stone Mountain, and the Curons two weeks ago. They attended the meetings of J. Edwin Orr and Rev. W. Lamb, the former of Ireland, the latter of Australia.

Eugenia Floss recently had visitors from Georgia.

Miss McAllister recently went to Chattanooga to a meeting of the Moody Bible Institute Alumni of Chattanooga.

Virginia Barger and Ralph were guests at a surprise dinner in Graysville, honoring Rev. L. D. Phillips.

Names of those who have gone to Chattanooga to hear Dr. Arthur I. Brown and to see Juanita are too numerous to mention.

Mr. Fish was the judge of the declamation contests in Maigs county on the sixth.

Ruby Brimer had a birthday on the sixth—congratulations, Ruby. Dormitory girls gave her a party.

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WE ARE PRAYING FOR

1. A deeper fellowship in the Lord Jesus.
2. A more complete yielding to His will.
3. A reasonable expansion in our building program now and during the summer.

YOU PRAY TOO