Christmas Greetings
To All Who Love Him Who Was Born in Bethlehem's Manger:

As we approach another Christmas, with all the lighthearted frivolity and exchanging of gifts, we do well to remember that the flight of Mary and Joseph into Egypt to save the life of the baby Jesus is a very important part of the Christmas Story. Death by cruel hands and the glorious resurrection terminated our Lord's earthly pilgrimage, but not the terrific opposition to a supernatural Christ. So it is that today many, many who celebrate Christmas despise Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

In this day of modern inventions William Jennings Bryan was, without doubt, the outstanding champion of the Christian Faith. Through him Dayton, Tennessee, became the focal point for Bible believers to express their faith in the Word of God and in the Lord Jesus Christ, so it is only to be expected that Satan has done his utmost in opposition to the William Jennings Bryan University. But, in spite of this, some of us have pressed on in the conflict, never accepting defeat.

Now, at this Christmas season we can think of no better present to give to the Lord Jesus than an expression of our unwavering faith in Him and His precious Word. We desire with all our hearts a completed building on Bryan Hill, a testimony of Bible believers to their love of Christ, so, we are asking our friends to make generous Christmas gifts to the Building Fund. Please make such a gift in the name of Christ a matter of prayer, rather than a part of the “Christmas rush.”

Judson Rudd, President

C. E. F. MEETS THE “TATER” FAMILY

The Child Evangelism Fellowship meets every Friday evening for a practical, scriptural, and inspirational time together. A course of study in Teacher's Training and a surprise object lesson are prepared and presented each week. For example, one evening Dick Tater, Agi Tater, Spec Tater, Hess Tater, Imi Tater, Common Tater (the little fellow who tells the rest of the potato family what he learned about Jesus in school) not only brought enjoyment through their painted, expressive faces and crepe paper clothes, but also a pointed message of a child’s bubbling enthusiasm for the Lord Jesus Christ and his influence in the home. A child is a choice commentator of His Word.

The Tater family and other object lessons do not stop just for an evening meeting. These lessons and others travel to Sunday school and weekday classes with students who are going (Continued on Page 4)

What Was That?

When the atomic age began on July 16, 1945, men were fearful before what they had released. Many scientists refused to cooperate with the government in atomic experiments. Dr. Smyth said, “Initially, many scientists could and did hope that some principle would emerge which would prove that the atomic bombs were inherently impossible. This hope gradually faded. Should a scheme be devised for converting to energy even as much as a few percent of the matter of some common material, civilization would have a means to commit suicide at will.”

So hesitant were the scientists to explode the first monster-bomb that a soldier was stationed at a switch in New Mexico to attempt to stop the detonation. But no order came to stop it. A huge multi-colored surging ball of fire boiled to an altitude of 40,000 feet. There was a flash of light brighter than a dozen noon-tide suns. A blind girl in Albuquerque, before the explosion could be heard, cried, “What was that?”

I have a book before me marked 1942... In it C. Theodore Schwarze (Continued on Page 3)

NEW TABLES

Recent arrival and installation of the dining room tables have added much to the appearance of the room and to the convenience of serving the students. Made of solid oak, each table seats eight individuals. Chairs to match were purchased quite some time ago, though it will not be until an additional order is filled that seating can be uniform throughout the dining hall.

Merry Christmas
God Above All

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A LETTER WITH A MESSAGE

Detroit, Michigan

My Dear Brother Rudd:

Just a line in His fragrant Name to send you the enclosed small gift—with the fervent prayer that God will stir the hearts of His stewards to send in their gifts for the building and support of this God-honored institution. I do pray for you every day, and enjoy that word in Matthew 8:13, “And Jesus said unto the centurion, ‘Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee.’ And the servant was healed in the selfsame hour.” I very much fear that a lot of us are unbelieving believers.

The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who weighs the moments in scales and the hills in a balance, says to us in Jeremiah 33:3, “Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.” And, if you’ll read the context, this word has to do with the building of houses. “I will build them as at the houses.”—Verse 7. “And it shall be to every one who waits upon the Lord, that he shall inherit the earth.”—Verse 9. Paul said in Acts 13:1: “He shall have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.”

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OPEN HOUSE

Just how “the other half lives” was recently determined by both men and women students in the University, when Open House was celebrated, giving opportunity for the young men to see what kind of housekeepers the ladies were, the young ladies a chance to see how and where the “house-husbands” worked. One gentleman was heard to remark that he always swept under the bed—everything, in fact.

Following the room visits, a program of music and reading was topped off with delicious ice cream and cakes, was held in the recreation room.

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ONLY THE YIELDED HEART

FRANCES JOHNSON ROBERTS

Only the yielded heart can know
The peace of glad surrender;
The calm obedience to H’s Commands, both stern and tender.
One holy purpose, one desire—
To do His perfect will;
These are the charms that keep the heart
Both satisfied and still.
These are the things that make the home
A quiet, restful haven;
Make service sweet and duty gay,
And fit the soul for Heaven.

J. C. Beattie

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THE THANKSGIVING DINNER

The soft light of glowing candles, attractively decorated tables, and enticing odors from the kitchen silently but effectively invited the Bryan family and guests into the dining hall to attractively decorated tables, and entice the Bryan family, Dean Ryther welcomed all to worship and feast together in the place where one "hangs his hat:"

After taking their places at the tables, the students sang "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" (printed elsewhere), Our Lord Jesus Christ. After the Thanksgiving greeting, one "hangs his hat;" but that home is where in this issue); Merle Parson's trumpet solo, "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come," provided entertainment and blessing with a realization again that at Bryan "God IS Above All."

In his Thanksgiving greeting, Dean Ryther brought to the remembrance of all that home is not only the place where one "hangs his hat or his heart," but that home is where Christ is. Therefore, because Christ is present, and because Christians are His family, Dean Ryther welcomed all to worship and feast together in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glenn Schwenk, presiding as master of ceremonies, presented these students taking part in the program.

Lee Moreland's solo, "Down From His Glory," accompanied on the vibra-harp by Carol Williamson; Angie Garber's presentation of her original "Thanksgiving Prayer" (printed elsewhere in this issue); Merle Parsen's trumpet solo, "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come," provided entertainment and blessing with a realization again that at Bryan "God IS Above All."

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Angie Garber

Eternal God, we have no right nor merit to come to Thee, unworthy of Thy love, yet we do come in the blest name of One Who stands in holiness before Thy throne—Thy own dear Son. And coming thus in Him we can adore Thee, for we in Beloved are then approved. We give Thee thanks, and yet cannot express all the joy, the love, the hope we find in Thee. Creator, Who hath the world's foundation, Thou Who hath given life, and joy, and song, we thank Thee, not alone for blessings given, but for the tears and heartaches which were sweetened when we had found the shelter of Thy arms.

For fellowship with friends in Christ we praise Thee, and for communion sweet we have with Thee. O, may that Gift supreme, our Lord and Savior, be ever unto us our dearest treasure, and life in Him our glorious victory.

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Already, as this paper goes to press, students can be seen with more than usual seriousness in their eyes, as they anticipate the approach of the final examination for the Fall Quarter. Exams will begin on December 16th and conclude on the afternoon of the 19th. Most students are planning to be home for Christmas holidays, though it is expected that some will find it more convenient to join the University Christmas family and spend their vacation period helping with the work on Bryan Hill.

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THE UNIVERSITY CHRISTMAS FAMILY

The university family rejoiced at the receipt of the following telegraph application for 1964 and extends hearty congratulations to Johnny ('45) and Wilda (ex '45) Quimby of Elyria, Ohio.

"EIGHT POUND JUDY ANN DESIRES TO REGISTER FOR SEPTEMBER 1964 HAVING DETERMINED DATE OF BIRTH AS NOVEMBER 24.

THANKSGIVING GREETINGS."

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THE STARTER

For some months large-scale construction, towards the completion of the Memorial Building, has been delayed pending an initial $50,000 Cash Building Fund. Many, desiring to help start the work, have sent in smaller gifts, but we need larger gifts. Three friends who are vitally interested make the following propositions:

1. I offer $500.00 on condition that twenty others will do the same.
2. You may count on me for $500.00, whenever you are ready to proceed with the building which has been started.
3. I will be one of fifty to give $1,000 apiece, or of a hundred to give $500.00 apiece.

What will you do to help get construction started?

Will you pray? Will you give? Will you speak to others?

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Sam's Summary

Dear Folks:

Do you see it! I'm climbing upward!

I'm looking for a Merry Christmas month, this December, and how I do want to keep climbing without a let-up, from now till June. You see, these folks on Bryan Hill want to make this the best year yet and to be ready for an additional hundred young people next September.

Yours, for Christian higher education, Sam

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