BRYAN REALIZING TWENTY-YEAR VISION

Fall Enrollment Prospects Good

If present trends continue, there are good prospects for a record enrollment at Bryan this fall, according to D. W. Ryther, executive vice-president and dean.

CSA Chooses Council; Groups Elect Officers

At a spring meeting of the Christian Service Association, Richard McIntosh, Norwalk, Ohio, and Mary Grover, Willoughby, Ohio, were chosen to represent the student body at large on the 1951-52 CSA Council.

The council is the coordinating organ for practical Christian work. Other council members are elected by the constituent organizations of the association—the Foreign Missions Fellowship, the Pastors Fellowship, and the Lay Ambassadors Fellowship.

Council members from FMF are Jacob Imhof and Joann Enyart. Donald Walker and Lewis Richards (Continued on page 4)

Progress Climaxes Early Days of Struggle

Construction activity now moving at a quickened pace on the Memorial Building of Bryan University recalls the difficult days in the early history of the school.

William Jennings Bryan died in 1925, expressing the hope that a school might be built on one of the beautiful hills near Dayton. Within a few months admirers of the Great Commoner had conceived the idea of building a university to honor his memory.

Yet, it was not until 1928 that the first concrete was poured for the foundation. Then came the depression to abort the new building almost before it was started.

Few people in those days ever expected the school to get under way, but its hardy founders directed the opening of the first classes in a borrowed building in the fall of 1930.

By 1931 an office for the president had been erected in one corner of the incomplete structure, but it wasn't until 1935 that classes began on Bryan Hill. Strong student sentiment influenced administrative officials to move the school into a few rooms on the (Continued on page 4)

Fraternity Selects Uphouse To National Honor Society

Norman H. Uphouse, dean of men and professor of Bible and education at Bryan University, was elected to the membership of the Knoxville Chapter of the national professional educational fraternity, Phi Delta Kappa. Membership is gained by invitation only and has a requirement that there shall be a display of scholarship acceptable for admission to candidacy for a graduate degree. Mr. Uphouse is enrolled in the Graduate School of School Administration at the University of Tennessee and is working on a doctoral program.
ENVISIONING the complete erection by the opening of school, a crew of over 50 workmen (see all-out effort to meet the fall goal). Forms for the huge concrete floor slabs (see lower left).

Masons laying the face bricks which were hard at work on the tower.

Welding and steam-bending progress. Other stages of the interior finishes, ceilings of the second-story rooms which was begun early in August, wardrobes for the girls’ dormitory, second, or upper, floor.
The closure of the Memorial Building at Bryan University is forging ahead in an accelerated program set by the trustees in June.

Workers are now making quick progress on the foundation beams which support the floors at upper right. Later, concrete is poured for the foundation of the building at upper right.

Workers right) help mark interior work include plastering the walls in the north end of the building muscle walls which will occupy most of the
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basement level. The courageous souls of those days submitted to the hardships of unheated rooms and a diet made up too largely of sweet potatoes.

In 1938 the present dining hall and kitchen were enclosed and the dormitory rooms made ready for occupancy on the south end of the main floor. Despite the handicaps, the Bryan family was growing, and the skeptics who thought Bryan would have to close its doors did not see this come to pass.

By 1943 all of the ground floor and the south half of the main floor of the Memorial Building were occupied but the structure, still far from complete, looked like it had been partially destroyed by fire.

The student body continued to grow and gift income increased from year to year to encourage the administrative officials that they were doing the will of God in sticking it out, and waiting for their day of deliverance.

After 20 years of scrimping and stretching pennies, the administration had succeeded in investing $83,493.18 in the partly completed building. It seemed as though the building operation would stretch out forever.

But on June 1, 1949, a new era began. On that day the present drive to complete the building was launched. In the last two years, the two upper stories in the north end of the building have been added and by early fall of 1951 it appears that all the rest of the Memorial Building will be under roof.

To those interested in figures, up to August 6 $170,787.20 had been invested in the building since that important June 1 in 1949—better than twice the sum spent for construction in the previous 20 years.

By the end of 1951 the Memorial Building will be fully occupied, although there will be interior work to be completed in the months ahead.

Apparently the sweet potato days are over at Bryan. At last, the heart desires of the University's many friends are being realized. Maybe it's because many have ceased their wishful thinking and pitched in with help to make the vision a reality.

Hanham, Maycumber
To Head Class of '52

Class elections for the coming year were held before the close of the school term. Chosen president of the class of '52 was Clifford Hanham, of South Gate, California. Leading this year's junior class will be Charles Thornton, of Wesco, Missouri, and president of the sophomore class is Alton Witter, Columbiana, Ohio.

Other senior class officers will be Randall Maycumber, vice-president; Grace Coventry, secretary; Jack Stange, treasurer; Ernest Schwenk, chaplain; and Paul Wylund and Ruth Marie Landrum, sports captains. Professor William D. Green was retained as class advisor.

Junior officers also include Peter Rock, vice-president; Norma Sweeney, secretary; Kenneth Moeller, treasurer; Dean Piper, chaplain; and Miss Carol Halloin, advisor.

Donald Walker is vice-president of the sophomore class; Audrey Mayer, secretary; William Hawk, treasurer; Francis Neddo, chaplain; and Joe Brison and Virginia Seguine, sports captains. The class voted to retain Miss Beatrice Batson as advisor.

JULY FINANCIAL REPORT

OPERATING .......... $ 2,234.19
BUILDING .......... 8,198.28

Total July gifts .......... $10,432.47

FISCAL YEAR TOTALS (June 1, 1951 to Aug. 1, 1951)

OPERATING (Budget $8,000.00) .......... $ 4,264.83
BUILDING .......... 10,732.18

Total gifts to Aug. 1 .......... $14,997.01

CSA Elections
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will represent the Pastors Fellowship, and Charles Thornton and Joe Brison the Lay Ambassadors Fellowship. Richard McIntosh was re-elected chairman of the council and Joann Enyart was elected secretary.

Heading the Foreign Missions Fellowship for the coming year is Joseph Cox, Trenton, New Jersey. Other officers are Luman Gesford, vice-president; Doris Bunch, secretary-treasurer; Bessie Degerman, correspondence secretary; and William Hawk, prayer chairman.

Richard McIntosh was elected president of the Pastors Fellowship, and Donald Walker, vice-president. Secretary-treasurer is Kenneth Moeller, and William D. Green is advisor.

Lay Ambassadors Fellowship officers are Charles Thornton, president; Joe Brison, vice-president; Rebecca Craig, secretary-treasurer; and Miss Carol Halloin, advisor.

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