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Trustees Discuss Problems, Formulate Plans
At Fall Meeting: Set Aside Day of Prayer

To consider current problems and to formulate plans for the future, the university board of trustees met on Bryan Hill September 28.

In view of the present spiritual

WOUGHTER GETS POSITION IN MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Gerald Louis Woughter of Binghamton, New York, was added to the Bryan University faculty shortly before the present term began. Mr. Woughter, who is assistant professor of music, is instructor in voice and teacher of several music classes. He also directs the University A Cappella Choir and the Dayton Community Band.

Mr. Woughter received his B.M. from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey, in 1949, and his M.M. from the same college in 1950. Before accepting his position at Bryan, Mr. Woughter was private voice instructor and music teacher at Houghton College.

With an eye to the future, the trustees authorized President Rudd to obtain a mortgage loan or to issue mortgage bonds up to $200,000 to take care of the present short term loans, to supplement building fund gifts, and to assure the completion of the entire administration building by the time school opens in the fall of 1952.

Other matters acted upon were the resignation of the Rev. J. B. Thornton, who has served on the board for the past 16 years, and the nomination of new trustees.

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From My Heart to You

I am reminded by the opening of another school year that it was twenty years ago that Mrs. Rudd and I came to William Jennings Bryan University. We would have hesitated to come had we not known that decision twenty years ago. I can truthfully say that it has been worth far more than all the sacrifices and trials just to know Pastor J. B. Thornton. He is a man of God, rich in wisdom as a result of twenty-five years' experience as a missionary, and an even longer experience as the pastor of Hope Congregational Church in St. Louis.

In presenting his resignation as a trustee of the university, I read two of Brother Thornton's letters to the board in a recent meeting. The trustees were so deeply moved by his testimony that they asked me to share his letters with the readers of NEWSETTE. I am glad to do this because it will help our friends to better understand how real the fellowship with Christ is in the lives of such men of God.

"My Reformed Brother,"

You have been daily in my prayers for I have realized how great have been your troubles, and for every day. While I am sure your heart is glad over the progress made on the Hill, still I know the road must have been, and still is, very great.

I am deeply grateful to our Lord for the blessed fellowship you have had over the years. How rich I am in the love of Christ, and all the dear people! This is very real to me, too, now that I can no longer get about outside. My left leg is quite undependable. It is palsy in that member. As for the rest of me I am quite well and can get about the house, and with artificial human help, can walk. And as my right leg is still good I can drive the car when I get into it.

But frankly, all this means very, very little to me. Bound but yet free; I have never known the peace, joy and victory that is new mine. I used to preach about Paul's affliction and how he gloried in it and only prayed three times it might be removed—and how he knew the grace of the Lord Jesus for it. Yes, I preached about it—now I know something—yes more than I ever knew—about what that grace really means. And Eke Him, I can speak of 'my peace' and 'my joy' as never before. And oh, what His Presence does mean. As David said, 'My meditation of Him is sweet.'

I will miss not seeing Bryan again and the sweetness of my days with you and the brethren—but not too much. True fellowship in Christ is like love—it can never be destroyed. Floods cannot drown it and circumstances and even death only interrupt it for a time, because it is eternal.

As ever yours,

J. B. Thornton

"To the Board of Trustees of Bryan University"

Beloved Brethren:

After twenty years of fellowship and delightful service at Bryan, I find it necessary because of physical infirmity to request that you accept my resignation from the board of trustees—a position I have held with deep appreciation. I am fully persuaded that the all essential and constant need of Bryan, far beyond buildings, equipment, or worldly recognition, is Christ Jesus. Not only as above all but under all and in all; for He is All and in All.

So in the words of another man who stepped aside—moreover as for me God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you—and Bryan.

Finally, to you who have great responsibility, I give you the words of Hudson Taylor: God's work done in God's way and time will have God's support.

Yours because Christ's,

J. B. Thornton.

When most of our friends receive this issue of NEWSETTE we will be in the midst of our Twenty-first Annual Bible Conference. We ask each one of you to pray that all of our students, as well as staff members, will profit richly as our conference speakers minister the Word.

JUDSON A. RUDD, President

STUDENT BODY, ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY, ...
HOME MEETS BEGIN CROSS-COUNTRY SEASON

"Okay boys, stretch 'em out a little, only three miles to go," says Coach Roger Walkwitz. Yes, the time of year has come when Bryan's big, husky men suddenly go lame. It's cross-country time at the university.

Several of last year's distance aces are back again; namely, Randy Mcumber, Dick Malone, Dean Koonlx, and Don Walker. Along with these are a few newcomers who are trying their best to step on the heels of the big boys. They are Charles Harrison, Stuart Meissner, Lanning, Harry Goehring, and Willie Farmer.

Four meets have been scheduled and Coach Walkwitz hopes to add a few more to this list. The season started with Maryville College at Bryan October 20. Coming up is a home meet with the University of the South November 3. Following are return meets with these schools, the University of the South at Sewanee November 9, and at Maryville College November 21.

it is anticipated that the entire Memorial building will be completed.

"New library equipment and improved reading rooms, as well as the increase in the number of volumes, will certainly strengthen our position in meeting the standards for full accreditation," stated D. W. Ryther, executive vice-president and dean. Librarian Robert Mansion enumerated further advantages to the students in the added space which will make books more accessible and in the new location which will provide a "quiet" zone for study.

The university administration earlier had planned to locate the library in the main floor rooms on the east side of the building. The main reading room was to have been in the center of the building, with other rooms flanking it to the north and south. This arrangement was abandoned after library experts pointed out the desirability of locating the library in the south end of the structure.

Dr. Ironside, a trustee of Bryan from 1931-1951, was a frequent visitor to the university campus. He attended the June 1950 meeting of the board of trustees and many present students of the university last heard him speak at the commencement service during that visit.
DONEHOO CHOSEN HEAD OF STUDENT COUNCIL; FROSH ELECT OFFICERS

Heading the Student Council for 1951-52 is Fred Donehoo, a junior of Atlanta, Georgia. Vice-president of the council is Shelby Johnson, sophomore of Roanoke, Virginia, was chosen president, and Earl Hamilton of Youngstown, Ohio, was made vice-president. Other officers elected were Rocky Hitchcock of Springfield, Missouri, secretary; Stuart Meisner of Mt. Prospect, Illinois, treasurer, and Robert Mashburn of Tucson, Arizona, sports captain.

Bryan's Trailerville, which this year has 29 families, recently elected Bruce Harrison of Bay Head, New Jersey, mayor for 1951-52 and Ernest Francis of Griffith, Indiana, and Francis Noddo of South Bend, Indiana, councilmen. There are 34 students in the total of 80 people living in Trailerville.

VIOLINIST GIVES CONCERT: QUARTET TO APPEAR

Longfellow once said that music is the universal language. To speak to those on Bryan Hill by means of this language came Claire Wellman, violinist, October 15.

Having made her debut at Kimball Hall and Orchestra Hall, Miss Wellman has traveled thousands of miles in the United States and Canada giving concerts. She has also appeared as a soloist with many symphony orchestras. Since the age of 12 Miss Wellman has studied under the renowned teacher, Leon Sametini.

Under the direction of Robert Lansing, the Lansing Quartet is scheduled to appear November 16. The group is composed of Fred Nesbit, Lee Davis, George Van Gorden, and Robert Lansing. Each of these artists is an opera and concert soloist in his own field.

FRESHMEN ENDURE INITIATION TRIALS

With due pomp and circumstance, the freshman class of 1951 was given a hearty welcome to the Bryan campus in the form of an initiation by the sophomores October 2-4.

Proper apparel was required for all freshmen for the first day, which was entitled "Rainy Day." "Kiddie Day" was the theme October 3 as the "children" re-enacted their childhood scenes. Routed out of their bunks at 5:30 a.m., they were given ample opportunity to work up an appetite for breakfast as they pulled weeds from the tennis court, cleaned the campus, and did their morning exercises.

A parade down the main street of Dayton the last afternoon proved beneficial for the local car owners, who had their hub caps polished by the willing newcomers to Bryan Hill.

Emceed by the sophomore class, an all-freshman program climaxed the three days of initiation.