Student Penny Campaign Reaches Million Mark

Bryan's million penny drive was successful! The student body met their goal one day before the deadline of November 16 and late returns swelled the total to well over $11,000.

The concentrated efforts of the penny drive took place during October and November. At the opening of the school year the penny drive treasury contained a little over $3,000.

Almost $1,500 was raised in the campus copper collecting campaign. Four teams of fellows, girls, Trailerville, and faculty competed with each other. The losing team, the fellows, had the task of counting the pennies the day after the drive officially concluded. The faculty placed first, followed by the girls. Trailerville captured the third spot in the contest. The team positions were determined by the amount of money gained per person.

Inter-dorm competition among the men showed Chapel first, Octagon second, and Addenda Hall third.

Approximately $6,500 was received from friends of Bryan in response to two mail appeals and personal contacts this fall. The million penny drive was entirely a student project, originated by the student council, which appointed a special committee to work on the project last year. The committee designed a brochure and other literature to be sent out to friends of Bryan.

Traditional Christmas Program Features Gifts for the King

Bryan University's annual Gifts for the King service, featuring Christmas music and readings, was held Sunday afternoon, December 9, at 3:30 in the Memorial Chapel. The total amount for the gifts received at the time of the service was $3,343.88. Contributions are still being received toward this fund in the hope that the budget requirement of $8,200 may be met by the end of 1956. As the Lord reminds you of this need, will you pray for His direction and provision to meet it.

A special ensemble sang "A Christmas Fantasy," and the a cappella choir presented three numbers. These were "I Wonder As I Wander," arranged by John Jacob Niles; "Beautiful Saviour," arranged by Christianson; and "Almighty God of Our Fathers," by Will James. A ladies' trio and a trumpet trio also were featured. Darryl Bradley, sophomore, presented a vocal solo, "Peace on Earth."

Lin Royston, junior, read the scripture of the Christmas story. Miss Lois Weyhe, faculty member, and Miss Nola Jahneke, junior, gave poetry readings.
A blessed Christmas season to all of you who read this column! My prayer is that all of us in the Bryan family—faculty, students, alumni, and friends—may through the events of this time of the year experience a deepening of our spiritual lives to the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ whose birth we now celebrate.

There are two matters I wish to mention in this column this month.

Both are in the nature of requests—one concerning prospective students and the other concerning prospective funds for Bryan University.

As I have announced previously, we are going to make (and are already making) an all-out effort to secure a student body of 350 for next September. This we can do without adding faculty members other than those who must be added anyway, and a student body of this size (as against 235 this quarter) would measurably increase the operational income beyond any overhead it would add. On my recent trip to Dallas, I garnered an impressive list of prospects, the alumni are sending in names, and the admissions office here is securing lists from high schools in this area. We are finding the processing of these names a real challenge, but we want more names. Many of you who read this will instantly think of young people you know who would profit from a Christian education at Bryan and who might become interested in attending here next year. Send me those names and addresses today, won't you?

The correspondence of recent months has made me aware of some interesting developments in our constituency of Christian friends. It seems that through old age, retirement and consequent reduction of income many people who have supported Bryan with their gifts in the past can no longer do so. Many of the earlier friends of the school are slipping away one by one to be with the Lord. We need not only to replace these friends, but to enlarge the scope of our evangelical constituency. This can be done with your cooperation. If you will send me the names of any of your Christian friends you would like to see become interested in Bryan University, I will write each one a personal get-acquainted letter. Names will not be added indiscriminately to the mailing list, but only after the person I have written indicates his or her willingness to continue on the list of those to receive information about Bryan. I assure you that any contact you give me will be handled in an ethical manner.

**Ironside Library Additions**

A number of additional books from the late Dr. H. A. Ironside's personal library were donated by his son, John S. Ironside, to Bryan's new Ironside Memorial Library shortly before the dedication this fall.

Some of the outstanding books include a 36-volume set of the complete works of Shakespeare and a 34-volume set of The Collected Writings of Darby, who was an outstanding Biblical scholar. Breeches Bible, a rare translation of the Bible which was published in 1609, was also among the recent additions to the library.

Many song books were listed in the recent donation, including those by Sankey and also by Rodeheaver.

**Opportunities for War Orphans**

Recently the 84th Congress passed the "War Orphans' Educational Assistance Act of 1956." This is called Public Law 634 and offers educational assistance to children whose parents died in World War I, World War II or in the Korean action from diseases or injuries resulting from their military service.

Any young people between 18 and 23 years of age who think they might qualify under this program and are interested in attending Bryan University are requested to write to Mr. R. G. Adams, Business Manager of Bryan University.

**IN HIS PRESENCE**

"To be with Christ is far better" became a reality to Ramon Palmer, Bryan graduate of 1956, when he and his father were drowned in Minnesota on November 20.

Ramon and his wife, Dorene, were under appointment by the Central American Mission for Panama and expected to enter language school in Costa Rica in January. Mrs. Palmer plans to go on with language training to prepare for reassignment since only couples are being sent to the Panama field.
CHORUS PLANS SPRING TOUR; CAMPAIGNS FOR NEW ROBES

The choir will make its annual spring tour March 16 to 25. Current itinerary plans are for a tour in the south—Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, and possibly Alabama.

In anticipation of the tour, the choir is sponsoring a campaign to secure new robes and shares its hopes in the following letter from a choir member to last year's president:

Bryan University
Dayton, Tennessee
December 3, 1954

Dear Banny,

We certainly miss you in choir this year. You would be thrilled to hear all the new songs we are working on. Mr. Woughter is working very hard to make this year the best year.

Something has happened around here since I wrote you last. There is a stir, at least among the choir members, some talk about "new robes" for the choir this year. We have even ordered a样本 — a beautiful light-weight blue material—and everyone is impressed with its attractiveness. I believe the Lord would have us have new robes, since we are not only representing the university, but, to a greater extent, we are representing Him.

At first it seemed like a dream as we discussed it with Mr. Woughter. Remember how the four maroon robes kept coming apart when about thirty guests from the community joined the faculty and staff for the festive occasion. An unusual opening for the program was the unwrapping of a life-size gift in which their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. George was carried away.

We have faith that the Lord will provide the money especially for the robes, since we operate on a "pay-as-you-go" basis. The interest in raising the funds for at least fifty new robes at $50.00 each has really been tremendous here on Bryan Hill. I believe others would help if they only knew our need. Some of the choir members themselves have taken extra jobs to earn at least part of the cost of their robe.

So you see, we want you to pray with us that on this spring tour we will be an honor for the Lord, not only in our singing and our lives, but also in our appearance. Tell the need to those who you know will be interested and who may feel led to help us.

"But my God shall supply all your NEED according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

Yours in His name,

Lola

Friends who would be interested in helping the choir are invited to write the University concerning this matter and any who wish to make a gift for the robes should send it properly designated.

Three Senior Men Awarded Collegiate Honor

Three Bryan seniors, Willis Brownlee, Harry Goehring, and Franklin Henley, were named to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Willis Brownlee is a married student from Toledo, Ohio, whose major is English. Each year during college he has been active in the Christian Service Association and the Pastor's Fellowship and president of the Vets Club during the past two years at Bryan; and as a senior, he is also president of the Promethean Society.

Goehring; and a piano solo, "The Pastor's Symphony" from Handel's "Messiah," by Miss Florence Miller, dean of women.

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C. S. A., dormitory head, and membership on the academic committee are among his responsibilities during his last year at Bryan. As a freshman he was vice president of his class and active in Gospel Messengers. As a junior he served as student athletic director and track and cross-country coach. He was also captain of the cross-country runners this fall. Not to be overlooked is his efficient service in the college kitchen where he is one of the head cooks.

The third senior, Franklin Henley, of Knoxville, Tennessee, was the editor-in-chief of the Commoner as a junior and is now president of the student council. While pursuing his major course of study in history, he has maintained an honor list standing. Franklin was a member of the forensic society as a sophomore and junior and the Promethean society as a junior and senior. He has shown proficiency also as an assistant to the printer in the school's print shop.

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BASKETBALL SQUAD YIELDS TO MARTIN IN OPENING GAME

Adding basketball to its former dual-phase intercollegiate athletic program of cross-country running and track, Bryan's team is being booked by Coach Jim Quinn for a winter schedule of basketball games. The series was initiated November 16 as the Bryan Lions met Martin College in Dayton. The winter season will include a return game at Martin College, January 26; two games to be scheduled with Tennessee Temple College early in the new year; and others which are still in the planning stage.

Bryan dropped its first intercollegiate basketball test to Martin at the Rhea High School gymnasium, 114-97.

John Calhoun paced the losers with 25 points, Doyle Fultz dumped in 19, while Paul Shepherd was responsible for 17. Both teams made a high percentage of their foul shots, Bryan hitting for 80 per cent and the opponents for 84 per cent.

The Bryan Lions were behind 87-56 at the end of the third quarter and chopped the lead to 17 points when the final buzzer sounded. Bryan trailed 31-21 after the first quarter and 63-42 after the initial half.

The Bryan cagers scored as follows: Shepherd 17, Hughes 0, Calhoun 25, McKinley 8, Smith 12, Richards 1, Fultz 19, Wick 0, Terpstra 4, Dow 11, and Barth 0.

College Calendar Lists Events For Winter and Spring Seasons

Second Quarter Calendar
Jan. 2—Registration
Jan. 3—Classes begin
Jan. 18-20—F.M.F. Conference
Jan. 2—Bryan Birthday Banquet
Mar. 2—Bryan Birthday Banquet
Mar. 11-15—Quarter Examinations
Mar. 15—Last day of quarter
Mar. 15-27—Spring choir tour

Third Quarter Calendar
Mar. 25—Registration
Mar. 26—Classes begin
Apr. 13—Senior Day
May 7-9—Senior Seminar Exams
May 20—June 1—Quarter Exams
June 2—Baccalaureate
June 3—Senior Vespers
June 4—Twenty-fourth Annual Commencement

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