BIBLE CONFERENCE BEGINS OCTOBER 13

The 27th annual Bible conference will begin on Sunday afternoon, October 13, with a 3:00 p.m. missionary rally in Dayton’s Rhea Central High School auditorium, featuring alumnus Solon Hoyt, missionary to Argentina, as the speaker. Bryan alumni, including former students, will be honor guests at the meeting.

Heading the list of conference speakers is Dr. L. P. McClenny, pastor of Calvary Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, N. C., and former pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth, Texas. Dr. McClenny, a graduate of Wheaton College and of Dallas Theological Seminary, will speak each evening, October 14-20, except on Saturday.

Dr. George S. Schuler, of Orlando, Florida, composer of sacred music and vice president of the Door of Hope Mission, will speak and conduct a sacred music clinic the last three days of the conference. Dr. Schuler was on the Moody Bible Institute staff for a number of years. He is the composer of such well-known musical compositions as “Make Me A Blessing” and “Overshadowed.”

Solon Hoyt ’43, a graduate of Grace Theological Seminary, Winona Lake, Indiana, is the missionary speaker. Mr. Hoyt has served two terms on the mission field under the Grace Brethren Foreign Mission Society. His wife is the former Kathryn Hirschy ’43, daughter of the Rev. Norman Hirschy of Evans City, Pennsylvania. They have two children. A brother, Dr. Herman Hoyt, dean of Grace Theological Seminary, is a Bryan trustee. Mr. Hoyt’s theme will be “Argentina—Land of Revolutions, Religions, and Responsibility.”

The music of the conference will be under the direction of Dr. and Mrs. Loren Jones of Greenville, South Carolina, who have worked together in evangelistic music since the days of Billy Sunday—he as song leader and she as pianist. The Joneses are close personal friends of Mrs. H. A. Ironside of Thomaston, Georgia, where they lived for many years.

This year, the beginning of the Bible conference coincides with the close of the annual fall Alumni Homecoming, October 11-13, a plan expected to make it possible for alumni to participate in both events.

Beginning Monday, October 14, and continuing through Friday, October 18, three services will be held daily in the Memorial Chapel on Bryan Hill. The Saturday evening service will be held in Rhea Central auditorium in cooperation with the Dayton Youth for Christ committee. Dr. Schuler will speak at this meeting. No services are scheduled to be held during the daytime on Saturday.

On the closing Sunday (October 20), a music festival featuring the music of Dr. Schuler will be presented at three o’clock, and the final service of the conference will be held at 7:45 with Dr. McClenny as the speaker.

BRYAN BECOMES MEMBER OF CASC

Drs. Nixon, Keefer, Mercer, Rudd, and Mr. Adams represented Bryan University at the national workshop of the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges (CASC) held at Milligan College, Johnson City, Tennessee, August 10-17.

Bryan University did not become a member until this summer, although R. G. Adams, the business manager, attended the original meeting of the Council when it was organized in Chicago, April, 1956, as a voluntary group dedicated to the improvement of independent colleges of arts and sciences. These colleges are officially committed to an active program to gain acceptance into their regional associations. The stated purposes of the Council include the conservation of existing educational resources, the fostering in member institutions for programs for critical self-evaluation and improvement, the promotion of understanding and support of member institutions by their natural constituencies and the preservation and extension of the unique contribution which each institution has to make, and the establishment of an effective liaison with the various regional associations.

Members of the Council are four-year liberal arts colleges which have every type of academic recognition and approval except regional accreditation.

Short as life is, we make it still shorter by the careless waste of time.

Victor Hugo
Knoxville alumni chapter presents
library with Bell and Howell projector

The college dining hall was completely filled on Tuesday, September 3, at 5:45 p.m., when the new students with their parents and friends were guests of the faculty at the first official meal of the school year. Following the meal, Freshman Week was initiated with a special assembly in the chapel, at which each new student introduced himself and his guest. Wednesday and Thursday were devoted to the freshman testing program under the direction of Dr. Nixon and the registering of transfer students. Friday and Saturday were devoted to registration and various orientation meetings. On Wednesday evening, the student council was host to the new students in an inspirational service, and on Friday night the Big Brother-Big Sister organization entertained the new students with a party in the dining room. The events of the opening week concluded with a formal reception on Saturday evening, when members of the faculty, faculty wives, and trustees received the entire student body. Refreshments and the traditional greetings from a member of each class followed.

Outdoor faculty-staff supper holds spotlight at Bryan

Dr. Theodore C. Mercer, President of the University, presiding

Organ Prelude—Fantasia on "Duke Street" Ralph Kuider
Dr. Karl E. Keefer, organist

*Hymn 70, "A Mighty Fortress Is our God"

*Invocation—Rev. John C. Anderson Professor of Ancient Languages

Instrumental Ensemble—"He Lives" Ackley
Brass Trio with Piano, Gospel Messengers, Number Two

Scripture Lesson—John 15:1-16
Dr. Judson A. Rudd, President Emeritus

Violin Solo—"Jesus, Rose of Sharon" Gabriel
Jimmie Woods, Dean of Women

Welcome to the Students
The Board of Trustees, Harry C. Johnson, Athens, Tenn.
The Faculty, Dr. Irving L. Jensen, Professor of Bible
The Student Council, Gary Perdue, Student Council President
The Alumni Association, Franklin Hanley '57, Knoxville, Tenn.
Presentation of East Tennessee Chapter gift
The City of Dayton, George Barnard, City Commissioner

Vocal Quartet—"Showers of Blessings" McGranahan
Gospel Messengers, Number Two Arr. Lorenz

Remarks—"A Look Both Ways" Dr. Mercer

Faculty Trio—"Praise Ye" from Attilla Verdi
Ruth S. Bartlett, Gerald Woughter, John Bartlett

Faculty, staff gather for first official meeting of school year

BWA plans get under way
Service Program
September 5, 1957

Service of Consecration

Commitment—Representatives of the Trustees, Faculty, Student Body, and Alumni Association.

*Declaration

*Words of Dedication
(Audience will give the response)

O God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our Father:
To Thee we dedicate ourselves to do these things.

Son of God, the Only Begotten of the Father, Head over all things to the Church, which is Thy Body:
Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, and King of Thy people:
To Thee we dedicate ourselves to do these things.

God the Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son, our Teacher, Sanctifier, and Comforter:
To Thee we dedicate ourselves to do these things.

Eternal, Holy, and Glorious Trinity, three Persons, One God:
To Thee we dedicate ourselves to do these things.

Prayer of Dedication—Rev. B. Allen Reed
Professor of Christian Education

*Gloria Patri

* Benediction—Harold J. Franz, Professor of Philosophy

Postlude—"The Heavens are Telling"—Beethoven
David Pates, pianist

Freshman testing program in process

The President Speaks...

Because this is an abbreviated issue of the Newsette, I shall also make my remarks brief this time.

May I thank you for your support during the summer months. Everything worked out so much better than we even hoped. We should not be surprised at such developments, for they are strictly according to Bible promise of the "above all that we ask or think." A number of factors working together brought us to the end of the fiscal year on June 30, with last year's budgeted deficit of $28,000 reduced to less than $1,000. At the same time we were able to reduce other indebtedness by some $26,000. In addition, all regular obligations of the summer were met on schedule, a seeming impossibility earlier in the summer. Among the faculty and staff here this summer was an unexcelled spirit of unity and cooperation. We are, of course, disappointed that our enrollment for the fall did not reach our expectations or the earlier indications, although the number of applications was the highest in five years.

This will be another year when you will be hearing about Bryan's financial needs, and I solicit your earnest prayer regarding this matter. Right now, I should like to ask each of you to do your very best for the fall appeal which will go out shortly. All money received from this appeal—unless otherwise designated—will be used to retire the indebtedness on the library furniture. This sum amounts to nearly $10,000. Plan now a gift for Bryan, won't you? May the Lord bless you each one!

Big brothers, big sisters entertain new students
Appointed to Faculty-Staff

Shown above are members of the Bryan staff whose pictures have not previously appeared in the Newsette. Appointments not yet announced through the Newsette are those of Miss Jimmie Woods, Harold J. Franz, Jacques Metzs, and Miss Sieglinde Cierpke.

Miss Woods, who comes to Bryan from the Washington Bible College, Washington, D.C., has been appointed as dean of women. Miss Woods holds her B.A. and M.A. degrees in music from Bob Jones University and will teach violin part time in addition to her other administrative duties. Her sister, Judy, has enrolled at Bryan this fall as a freshman.

Appointed to the department of philosophy and history is Harold J. Franz. Mr. Franz holds his B.A. from Wheaton, his M.A. from the University of Pennsylvania, and his S.T.B. from Harvard Divinity School.

Jacques Metzs, who came to us as assistant director of maintenance, will be appointed director of the department, effective upon the termination of Mr. Karr’s employment about October 1. Mr. Metzs was for 12 years associated with the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the Department of the Interior, and most recently was employed as superintendent of buildings and grounds at the Frenchburg School, Frenchburg, Ky.

Another addition to the teaching faculty is Miss Sieglinde Cierpke, part-time instructor in German. Miss Cierpke, a native of Berlin, Germany, has recently graduated from Tennessee Temple Schools, where she studied Bible. Miss Cierpke will commute from her home in Chattanooga to Dayton three times a week for classes.

Also added to the staff as part-time assistants to Mr. Mareton are Mrs. Warwick and Mrs. Van Meeveren, both with professional library experience.

Mrs. Metzs is assisting in the print shop, and Mrs. Reed is directing the Bible-teaching program in the public schools.

BRYAN WOMEN FORM BWA

The Bryan Women’s Auxiliary (BWA) has made improvements in the women’s lounge on the third floor at an expenditure of several hundred dollars. The auxiliary is an informal organization of women faculty, faculty wives, trustees and wives of trustees, and other women of the Bryan family and of Dayton.

Alumni News

By Rebecca Peck

The fifth annual fall Alumni Homecoming has been set for October 11-13 as a tie-in with the Bible conference the following week. A fellowship hour on Friday night, preceded by a music recital, will initiate the retreat.

A full schedule of alumni activities is planned for Saturday. The annual business meeting will be held after a 9:30 a.m. breakfast, which is to be an outdoor affair on Johnson’s Bluff. Alumni are planning a short program at the evening dinner hour for the students, and will conduct installation of officers at a later service. The final event of the weekend will coincide with the opening Bible conference session on Sunday afternoon, when several alumni will participate in the program of music and testimonies.

Alumni who spend a few days on Bryan Hill with classmates and other former students will be able to get a fresh view of what is being accomplished under God at their alma mater.

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