FOUNDEES' DAY TO BE CELEBRATED WITH FULL WEEKEND OF ACTIVITIES

United States Senator Albert Gore of Tennessee will deliver an address on Sunday afternoon, March 16, commemorating Bryan's observance of Founders' Day. The special ceremonies will include an academic procession, the address by Senator Gore and the unveiling of two memorial plaques, erected one on either side of the main entrance to the Memorial Building. One of these will honor the incorporators of the University and the predecessor corporation, the Bryan Memorial University Association; the other will commemorate those entitled to be known as founders of the college.

A complete list of those honored in the dedication of the plaques, and the details of the program will be published in the next issue of the Newsse.

Other activities include the annual Bryan Birthday Banquet on Saturday evening, March 15, and the college Artist and Concert Series program of religious poetry and drama by Bill Fegan. Mr. Fegan will include in his program an adaptation for his role in Charles Rann Kennedy's Good Friday play, "The Terrible Meek."

FLORIDA! ATTENTION!

Bryan University has engaged the services of George S. Schuler (the preaching musician, long-time faculty member of the Moody Bible Institute, composer of "Make Me A Blessing" and "Overshadowed") to represent Bryan in the form of refresher services. While this type of service embraces evangelistic and Bible conference meetings, a refresher service takes the form of an all-purpose inspirational meeting.

Dr. Schuler will follow a Florida schedule starting after Easter. Should you, your pastor or some neighborhood pastor be interested, make contact with us at once. These services may be for one or two days, or all or part of a week. The commitment for such services is most modest. Inquire.

Bryan Represented at CASC

On January 6 and 7, Dr. Mercer attended the annual business meeting of the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges held in Miami Beach, Florida. At this meeting plans were formulated for the winter workshop to be held in February at Goddard College in Vermont and the summer workshop in August, tentatively scheduled for Michigan State University. Plans were announced for the cooperative effort to raise $3 million in the next three years for the 63 small colleges in the 32 states represented by CASC. Each college is to raise $5,000 on its own; and CASC, through its national organization, will approach 165 foundations and 165 corporations for matching five-thousand-dollar gifts each. This money is to be used for improvement of faculty salaries. Theme of the Miami Beach meeting was "How the Small College Meets the Challenge."

Musical Program Presented

The Promethean Society presented a musical program of Christmas carols and hymns at its regular monthly meeting, to which everyone was invited. Membership in the club, which was organized with the purpose of stimulating interest in current affairs and in items of a literary nature, is open to the public. Mrs. Mercer is sponsor of the club.

A New Year's Prayer

By Olive B. Stephens

To know on earth Thy righteous will,
To do that will each day;
To fill the place assigned to me,
These blessings, Lord, I pray.

And should the way before me lead
Up "Difficulty's Hill,"
Help me, dear Lord, in faith to climb,
Glad to fulfill Thy will.

Editor's note: Mrs. Stephens, now eighty-four years old, is a supporter of Bryan. Her poems have appeared in a number of religious papers.
THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

In the years when solicitation of funds was being made for the founding of Bryan, certain commitments were made in which it was promised that those making a substantial contribution in the establishment of the school would be properly commemorated by the erection of a founders' memorial. This commitment will be fulfilled next March 16 when two special occasions will be unveiled in special ceremonies as described elsewhere in this issue. One of these plaques will memorialize the incorporators of the Bryan Memorial University Association of 1925 and the William Jennings Bryan University of 1930; the other will contain a list of those individuals entitled to be known as founders. These bronze plaques are to be erected on either side of the main entrance to the Memorial Building.

In a speech on her recent visit to the United States, Queen Elizabeth said that there are times when we all find life to be a petty, dull round of routine but that there are also times when we participate in events which reveal to us clearly the basic foundations of our society and the worth of the work that we do. The unveiling of these memorial plaques should be such an occasion.

It is important that, in its efforts to forge ahead, Bryan not forget its beginnings and that we continue to live by those basic principles bequeathed to us by the men and women of character whose support has made this school possible. In seeking for some poetic expression of this thought, words from the pen of Wesley come to mind:

"To serve the present age,
My calling to fulfill;
O may it all my powers engage,
To do my Master's will!
Help me to watch and pray
And on Thyself rely,
Assured, if I my trust betray,
I shall forever die."

The easiest way to reach the top is to go to the bottom of things.

CHAPEL SPEAKERS

The printing of the Bryan chapel objectives and policies and the listing of the speakers in the last issue evoked considerable interest. The schedule through March follows:

November 25
November 27
December 4-5
December 11
December 12-13
December 16
December 17
December 19
January 7
January 16
January 20
January 21
January 22
January 23
January 24
January 25-February 1
February 6
February 20-21
February 25-26
February 26-March 2
March 3-7
March 13
March 21-22

R. I. Humberd, author and publisher
Mrs. Evelyn McClusky, founder and director of Miracle Book Club
Patrick Arnold, deputation secretary of the West Indies Mission
Sandy Cue '55, Brazil candidate for Unevangelized Fields Mission
Glenn P. LaRue, southern regional secretary of the China Inland Mission
Miss Ruth Huston, associated with the Scripture Memory Mountain Mission
Paul Levengood '42, Tennessee Mountain Mission
Miss Emma Mackay, Child Evangelism director, Dayton, Ohio
Walter White, evangelist, Belfast, Ireland
J. Irving Reese, director of Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions
John H. Jesburg, TEAM missionary to France
J. Allen Blair, evangelist, director of Glad Tidings broadcast, St. Louis, Mo.
Paul Van Gorder, pastor of Colonial Hills Baptist Church, East Point, Ga.
Reed Jepson, pastor, Charleston, W. Va.
Donald Grey Barnhouse, radio preacher and editor of Eternity magazine
Jack Wyztzen, director of Word of Life Fellowship
J. Park McCallie of McCallie School, Chattanooga
Noel Lyons, Greater Europe Mission home director
Paul Lecter, pastor of Colonial Hills Baptist Church, East Point, Ga.
J. Irving Reese, director of Fellowship of Baptists for Home Missions
Mrs. Evelyn McClusky, founder and director of Miracle Book Club
Paul Zimmerman, director of Cedine Bible Mission
Southeastern regional conference of the Evangelical Theological Society, Alfred Clerpke, president.

THANKS . . .

... to Mrs. Harris H. Gregg of Lookout Mountain, Tenn., for her recent gift of 571 volumes from the library of her late husband, Dr. Harris H. Gregg. Dr. Gregg, a well-known Bible teacher, was professor of Bible at Bryan from 1939 to 1943. Mrs. Gregg is a member of the board of trustees.

... to Mrs. J. H. Summers of Nacogdoches, Texas, for an autographed copy of William Jennings Bryan's speeches, published in 1894, which he had presented to his mother-in-law. The preface to the book was written by Mrs. Summers' father.

... to the many friends who responded so generously to the Gifts-for-the-King appeal. A total of $13,213.34 has been received, the smallest gift being 25 cents, the largest, $5,000—a bouquet to each of you! Last year the goal of $8,200 was reached at the Gifts-for-the-King service, and later gifts pushed the total beyond $8,000.

... to the Upper East Tennessee Alumni Chapter for a special gift of $66 presented at the annual Gifts-for-the-King service on December 15. Representing the chapter were alumni Martha King '57, Mark Davis '56 and Marvin ex '58 and Frances Donchow '55 Brannon.

... to Dr. Merrill F. Unger, Professor of Old Testament Studies at Dallas Theological Seminary, for the copy of his new book, UNGER'S BIBLE DICTIONARY.

... to Mrs. Olive B. Stephens of Wheeling, Va., for her prayer poem, which appears elsewhere in this issue.

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By Mary Alice Greider
Assistant Professor of Spanish

Did you know that in only a few minutes' time it is possible to pass from our American culture to one that is entirely different? We usually think of ourselves as being separated by great distances from foreign lands, but two of the Spanish-speaking countries, Cuba and Mexico, are just next door to us.

Since teaching at Bryan, I have had the opportunity to visit these two countries. Knowing the language is of practical value, and travel becomes a very rewarding experience.

Living with a Mexican family in Mexico City was a wonderful opportunity to become acquainted with the people in their daily life. The family spoke no English. Two of the students who accompanied me on the trip knew no Spanish. Put the two together, and what have you! Often comical situations arose when attempts were made to communicate. One such event occurred when one of my friends, who had been coached on what to say when leaving the table, used the expression compromiso. Compromiso (engagement) and permiso (excuse me), hurradly spoken, sound very similar.

Mexico has a cultural heritage from the Mayas and Aztecs which can be seen and appreciated today. The ancient pyramids of the sun and moon, the castle of Chapultepec, which contains the National Museum of History, and the University of Mexico were points of interest that we visited. In the National Palace in Mexico City we viewed the murals of the great Mexican artist, Diego Rivera. In some he has depicted the history of Mexico from the time of the conquest down to today; in others, the customs; and still others show his communist ideas.

The rate of exchange in Mexico made us seem rich. For one dollar in American money we received $12.50 (pesos) and we did not find it difficult to have full wallets. Gas cost about twenty cents a gallon, but the shock came when we saw the figure go up to $25.00 (pesos), which is two dollars in our money.

In contrast to the Mexican trip, my trip to Cuba was planned with the intention of visiting the Clifford Hanhams, Bryan graduates who are serving as missionaries with the Berman Mission.

The Latin American countries have not had as calm and peaceful a political life as we enjoy in America. In fact, Cuba has been in a turmoil for some time. I arrived in Havana only three days after the revolutionaries had tried to enter President Batista's palace in an attempt to kill him. The damage caused by bullets and grenades was in evidence in the walls and windows of surrounding buildings. And what a feeling—on the way to Oriente province—to be stopped for inspection by soldiers with their guns pointed right at the ear! The thought suddenly occurred to me, "What will happen if the brakes fail?"

Many of the people in Havana speak English. Farther from the capital, however, only Spanish is spoken.

I stayed with the Hanhams for a week and shared with them their interest in the spiritual welfare of the Cubans. I was able to speak in Spanish to several groups while I was there, including the students in the Bible institute.

Staying in the girls' dormitory afforded further opportunity for utilizing my Spanish as I so much wanted to do. But to show how strong the pull of the familiar is, I cite this incident. One evening several excited girls came to the Hanhams' house to report a snake in the dorm. In the quietness that followed, after the tension and hysteria had somewhat subsided, as we talked of the Lord's care for us, a ping-pong ball fell from the table. You can imagine the start it caused. In an effort to keep the situation calm, I said, "Don't worry, it's just a ping-pong ball." I laughed when I realized that I had most naturally reverted to my own familiar English and not a word of what I said had been understood.

Editor's note: Miss Greider is a graduate of Wheaton College and holds her master's degree from the University of Wisconsin. She joined the Bryan faculty in 1953.
Winona Lake area chapter lists a new slate of officers who were elected at its December meeting. President is Charles Thornton '53, who will be assisted by Kenneth Moeller '54, vice president; Lois Ringler '57, secretary; Janice Baer Thornton '55, social chairman; and Harry Goehring '57, area representative.

Northern Ohio alumni gathered for a banquet at the Oberlin Inn on December 28, with Max Boise ex '53, regional chapter president, acting as master of ceremonies. Hugo Gingrich '51 and Herbert Carlson ex '52 provided instrumental and vocal solos, and Robert Collitt ex '50 gave the inspirational message. Greetings and news from Bryan Hill were brought to the group by Dr. Judson A. Rudd, president emeritus of Bryan, and Rebecca Peck '40, executive alumni secretary. Forty-five were present at the evening's fellowship.

Upper East Tennessee alumni celebrated their first anniversary as an organized chapter with a birthday dinner at the Mansfield Coffee Shop in Dayton, January 18. This chapter was represented by Martha King '57 in making a special offering at the Gifts-for-the-King service in December.

Three first-term missionaries left the United States from California in December, bound for the Philippines—Naomi (Hildebrand '55) and Roger Walkwitz (former chemistry teacher and athletic coach), flew to Japan to spend Christmas Day in Tokyo en route, and Margaret McKinnon was booked for a flight leaving December 28. The Walkwitzes, who studied at Columbia Bible College after leaving Bryan, are serving under the Far Eastern Gospel Crusade and expect to do language translation work in the Philippines. Miss McKinnon, a registered nurse of some years' experience, will be missionary nurse at the Bethany Children's Home on the island of Mindinao, assisting Miss Louise Lynip.

Churches Cooperate in Bryan Day

December 29 was set aside as Bryan Day among alumni, with the suggestion that wherever possible some part of the Sunday service be devoted to recognition of Bryan University and its alumni representatives attending that service. The school supplied catalogues, yearbooks, and other literature for display, as well as specially designed programs to be used as church bulletins. Churches cooperating, and their pastors were:

- Interlakes Baptist, Delton, Mich.—H. Honeywell
- Bethlehem Baptist, Cleveland, Ohio—Roy J. Clark '51
- Morgan Township Bible, Valparaiso, Ind.—Robert E. Murphey '50
- Congregational Christian, Tippecanoe, Ind.—Richard T. McIntosh '52
- North Solon Baptist, Solon, Ohio—William Joseph Cox
- First Baptist, Phoenicia, N. Y.—Ernest Estes
- Galilee Baptist, Saranac, Mich.—D. L. Walker '55
- Walden's Ridge Community, Chattanooha, Tenn.—Everett R. Boyce '56
- Community Bible, Whiting, Ind.—Virgil Sorge '44

With ordinary talent and extraordinary determination all things are obtainable.