The following story was written by Staff Sergeant Donald A. Hallman, Sr., a Marine Corps Combat Correspondent of 51-01 39th Avenue, Long Island City, New York:

"Tomik Plantation, Rein Bay, New Britain. — (Delayed) — A Japanese respondent of 51-01 39th Avenue, listened well enough as Marines advanced along the northern New Britain coast near Rein Bay.

"So silently did the Marine patrol under Second Lieutenant Charles Shirley, Saltsburg, Penna., move that the enemy were caught thirty feet from their weapons. A radio was in operation. The men were grouped under the floor of a well-built native shack.

"The Marines closed in with orders for surrender. Three of the Japs attempted to dive for their rifles. They didn't reach them.

"Another pulled a hand grenade. He was killed before he could strike the percussion cap. The others surrendered.

"They revealed the usual story of hardships in the retreat from Cape Gloucester, fifty miles back. No supplies, little food, worn-out clothing, illness, wounds, and a growing belief that something had gone sour with the war. All became extremely servile once their fear of death had passed.

"Lieutenant Shirley, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Shirley, Saltsburg, Penna., is a graduate of William Jennings Bryan University. He joined the Marines in August, 1941."

FORMER BRYAN STUDENT CITED

Mary Frances Rudd

President and Mrs. Judson A. Rudd are receiving congratulations on the birth of their 7½ pound daughter, Mary Frances, on the night of March 29th. NEWSSETTE extends sincere wishes to the proud parents and a hearty welcome to little Mary Frances. May she grow continually in the knowledge and grace of the Lord.

BRYAN BIRTHDAY BANQUET

One of the most outstanding social events of the year is the annual spring banquet, commemorating the birthday anniversary of William Jennings Bryan. On Saturday evening, March 18, this formal banquet was held in the University dining hall. As the students entered, they were impressed by the beautiful decorations, carrying out the theme of important events in the life of William Jennings Bryan.

Dr. Rudd introduced Professor Lloyd E. Fish who was toastmaster for the evening. Dr. E. C. Haskell, a dentist of Chattnooga, was the main speaker and centered his thoughts around "Vitamins." He stressed that while vitamins were necessary for the sustenance of physical health, of most importance is the life-giving vitamin of Christ in His redemptive work on the cross.

Scripture was read by Robert St. John. A unique speech was given by Ward Tressler on "The Explanation of Bryan." Our knowledge of the life of Bryan was deepened by a series of short talks on "Hidden Signposts of Bryan's Life," by Miriam Levengood, Joyce Brubaker, Lester Pifer, and Virgil Sorge.

Special music for the evening was rendered by Eugene Rosenau and Clyde Brogan. Mr. Rosenau sang a baritone solo "O Night of Love," by Spier, and Mr. Brogan sang a tenor solo "Where E'er You Walk," by Handel.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of a lovely set of chimes...
TO YOU . . .

Congratulations! May the Lord bless you!

BIRTHS—
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Ford, March 11, a son Jerald Milton in Richmond, Va.
Born to Lt. and Mrs. S. D. Hodges, January 25, a daughter Carolyn Elizabeth in Chattanooga, Tenn.
Born to Rev. and Mrs. Edgerton H. Reid, February 13, a daughter, Elizabeth Joy, in Akron, Ohio.

PROMOTIONS—
Warren Lee Oliff to pastor of Oak Grove Baptist Church in Peoria, Ill.
William Kerr to moderator of Baptist Association in Burnettville, Ind.

WELCOME—
Campus visitors: Rev. T. Perry Brannon, Chattanooga, Tenn., and Rev. Joe Parsons, Spindale, N. C.; Kenneth Kennard, Ptt., Charleston, S. C.; Kenneth Marken, Ph M 3/c, Quantico, Va.; Dr. and Mrs. Louis Bauman, Long Beach, Calif.; Mark Levengood, So M 2/c, Key West, Fla.; George Birch, Pvt., Amarillo, Tex.; Dr. E. Ralph Hooper, Toccoa Falls, Ga.; Gladys Hoover, Rittman, O.; Mrs. J. S. Henderson and Mrs. H. J. St. John, New Castle, Penna.; Peter Stam, Ill., Wheaton, Ill., and student representatives from Columbia Bible College, Toccoa Falls Institute, Atlanta Bible Institute and Ben Lippen Boys' School to the Southeastern Regional Conference of the Foreign Missions Fellowship.

"If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible our country will go on prospering and to prosper; but if we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury our glory in profound obscurity."—Daniel Webster.

PICTURE POSTERS READY

Attractive two-color picture posters, portraying students and faculty in their various activities, both in and out of the classroom, are now ready for distribution.

These posters, planned primarily for church or school bulletin boards, will help to acquaint young people who are ready for college with the life and opportunities at Bryan University.

The University will be happy to send one of these posters to any pastor, school official, or other friend who will place it where it can be seen and read by young people.

DID YOU KNOW THAT?

The Bryan Bible School of the Grace Gospel Church, East 146th Street, near Boston Road, The Bronx, New York, was named for William Jennings Bryan. Dr. H. A. Bate is the pastor of the church.

A literary society in the Bob Jones College of Cleveland, Tennessee, is named for William Jennings Bryan. The Featherstone Triplets, born in Miami, Florida, were named William, Jennings, and Bryan.

A Junior High School in Mount, Florida, was named for William Jennings Bryan.

From the Mail Bag

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

"Last year I missed the joy of sharing in the Bryan Birthday gift. Press of work, I suppose, caused my overlooking it. That must not happen again. So, enclosed find my check, which I should be glad to have applied to the debt reduction. Debt is such a drain in the life of any individual or institution that it should not be tolerated one moment longer than necessary. I hope other friends of Bryan may feel as keenly about this thing as I do and may come to the fore in substantial gifts to wiping out existing obligations entirely."

Toronto, Canada

"I have been going to write and say 'thanks' for the NEWSETTE which you send so faithfully each month. I follow with keen interest all the doings of the University and I praise the Lord for the way He has ministered to your needs."

Akon, Ohio

"Because I believe Bryan University is filling a need by giving opportunity for college education to young people of moderate means who want to be taught the whole truth, I am showing my interest by this gift."

Bryan University
Class of 1944

BEATRICE BATSON

If no other name were on the Dean's List, Bea's would still be there, clutching that 95 average we have seen all year. Her main interest and greatest capability is speaking and debate. Hailing from Charlotte, Tennessee, Beatrice has shown us in her four years at Bryan not only a creditable record in her studies, but also her much more important zeal for the Lord in her work at Hartpin Curve Chapel.

A member of the Student Council and secretary of her class all four years, Bea has been selected for membership in "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities." Evidence of her quick thinking and ready wit is noted in Forensic Union, where she serves as circulation manager of NEWSETTE, the school annual. She is secretary of the Forensic Union and has served faithfully in many activities and organizations on the campus, and we admire him for his good disposition, good sense of humor, and good common sense.—M. B. R.

CLYDE W. BROGAN

Clyde W. Brogan, of North Benton, Ohio, is a leader both spiritually and socially on the campus. He is president of Child Evangelism Fellowship and Pastor's Fellowship. Clyde has used his talent as a singer to the glory of the Lord, serving in the choir and Men's Quartet. At the beginning of the year, he had the distinction of being chosen for "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." He has served faithfully in many activities and organizations on the campus, and we admire him for his good disposition, good sense of humor, and good common sense.—M. B. R.

Scientist Prays

"Excuse me," said a student coming upon Louis Pasteur bending low over his microscope, "I thought you were praying." "I was," replied the scientist, turning back to his microscope.

The Newsette

ANITA GRAHAM

Anita Graham, talented singer and pianist, entered Bryan as a freshman from Jacksonville, Florida. During her school career, she has been a member of the choir, Forensic Union, Foreign Missions Fellowship, Rifle Club, and other organizations. Her musical and speaking ability have made her a valuable asset to all activities in which she has had a part.

Anita is an attractive girl, both in appearance and personality. Her jolly, carefree manner makes her a favorite among her friends.

Students have enjoyed the entertainment and inspiration which Anita has given from time to time on the keyboard, and our best wishes go with her for great success in the use of her talent.—C. W. B.

ERNESTINE HEALAN

Have you gained a vision of those millions dying without Christ in foreign lands? Ernestine Healan, from Winter Garden, Florida, has seen that vision. Ernestine knows that her calling is to Africa. Mission blanks have been filled out, and she is awaiting further doors to open as He leads the way. We might also mention that her fiancé, Eugene Rosenau is awaiting the Lord's will also as to their going together to the foreign field. Ernestine is known for her cheerful disposition, willingness to accept responsibility, and ability to cook. Her favorite verse is Phil. 3:10. She is a member of Foreign Missions Fellowship, Child Evangelism, and other organizations, and has majored in English.—F. R.

"If Jesus Christ be God and died for me, then no sacrifice can be too great for me to make for him."—C. T. Studd.

PEGE HEGE

Peg Hege came to us from Medina, Ohio, as a quiet little freshman, and for four years has continued to win the hearts of students and faculty members alike.

Peg has been a valuable helper in the office, and has learned to do her work with careful exactness. She is a co-operative and cheerful person with whom to work, study, and play.

For three years Peg has been circulation manager of NEWSETTE. Her helpful assistance has been much appreciated by other members of the staff. In her junior year, Peg was circulation manager of COMMONER, the school annual. She is secretary of the Forensic Union.

As a scholar, she has been above average; as a worker, always willing to put her best foot forward; as a friend, she is sympathetic in sorrows and joys; as a Christian, she is dedicated to Him and wants His best in her life.—J. L. H.

Campus Clean-Up and Kampus Kleen-Up

Well, the annual spring campus clean-up has rolled around again, when students and staff alike "pitch in" to rid the campus of the drab coating of winter and to give the glorious greens of spring a chance to be seen. Although the campus almost overnight took on a fresh, clean appearance in place of faded leaves and debris, the workers, in the contrary, soon acquired a haggard, bedraggled appearance, augmented by sunburn and a generous sprinkling of freckles. But in spite of these tribulations, hardships and bruises were forgotten in the satisfaction of seeing a job well done.

One would think that one campus clean-up would be sufficient, but the Journalism Club seized the opportunity to publish the first edition of "Kampus Kleen-up," a school paper dealing with news of activities and happenings, actual and fancied, around school. Both campus clean-up and KAMPUS KLEEN-UP might be classed under the same general heading of "dirt gatherers." The threat that the paper is to be published periodically has been met with much enthusiasm by the students.
PROGRESS ON DEBT FUND

At the beginning of the Fiscal year, June 1, 1943, our outstanding debts stood at a little more than $16,000. This was somewhat less than half of the total ten years ago.

It seemed like a large undertaking to attempt the liquidation of the balance in one year. Progress has been made but the task remains just as large, considering that only two months remain in this fiscal year. But we have not given up "our hope."

Of regular undesignated gift income, we will have around fourteen hundred dollars to apply on debts, assuming that we keep up our record of giving for April and May. Between eight and nine hundred dollars has been received, specially designated for debts. Thus it seems certain that we will have not less than $2,300 to apply on debts this year. This is only a fraction of the amount needed, but it is a good start and God can move His stewards to provide the balance.

There are indications of an increased interest in the payment of debts. A friend writes that he likes the idea of working on the debts from both ends and that he will give next to the last $70 on the first $2,000. Who will follow him, giving the third to the last $70 on the first $2,000 of specially designated funds for debts?

Sam's Summary

Dear Folks:

For the fourth time this fiscal year the black line has climbed high to bring the monthly average very near to the $2,000 set up as a goal.

And believe me, the students and staff here at Bryan are indeed grateful to all of you good friends who are making it possible.

Praise God.......

Gratefully yours,

Sam