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## GIFTS-FOR-KING BLESSINGS



Leonard Mezner, President of Student Council, makes the presentation. Left to right: D Oakley (seated), L. Mezner, L. Williams, Mary F. Rudd; Mrs. Rudd, President Rudd.

In appreciation of over eighteen years of untiring and devoted service to Bryan University, the Bryan Family presented President Judson A. Rudd with a Telechron electric mantel clock. Mrs. Rudd was presented with a box of red roses in recognition of her faithful assistance to the president.

Rev. J. B. Thornton of St. Louis, a friend of the president and a member of the Board of Trustees for many years, delivered a message on Psalm 40, in which he demonstrated the manner in which God delivers Christians from the pit of trying experiences. He applied this particularly to the hard places Dr. Rudd had undergone during his many years at Bryan. During the service, several of the president's favorite hymns were sung. Members of the Board of Trustees and friends from Dayton were present.

To the many who sent gifts of Frankincense, Myrrh, and Gold and in that way shared in the Gifts for the King Service held last month, we would like to extend our sincere thanks. May the Lord bless you greatly as you have in these gifts manifested your love for Him.

Though it would not be possible, for the paper would not begin to have space sufficient for all, to include in this issue all the expressions of interest in and love for His work on Bryan Hill, we do want to share with our readers some of our "gifts," trusting the Lord will encourage their hearts as He has ours through their ministry.

### From Our Friends

#### Alabama

I thank the Lord for the great work He has done and is doing through you. May your work continue in the Lord.

#### Delaware

Greetings and prayers for God's continued blessing upon Bryan University. "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." II Tim. 1:7.

#### Florida

This Lord God who bindeth up wounds, who counts the stars, and names each one, this God who laid down His life for me. Such wonderful news. Psalm 147:3-4.

#### Georgia

Regret I cannot be at the service. The active life of William J. Bryan is and was an inspiration to all Christians.

**We rejoice that Our Blessed Lord has blessed the University both spiritually and financially in answer to prayer.**

Though I have been unable to make a gift of money for some months, I have not forgotten to pray for the school and the work there.

#### Illinois

Go to the deeps of God's promise and claim whatsoever ye will. The blessing of God will not fail you. His word He will surely fulfill.

**We praise God for His unspeakable gift in sending His Son. He is truly an all-sufficient Lord and Saviour. Gal. 4:4.**

Praise God for His most wonderful gift of all—the Lord Jesus.

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## DEAN'S LIST

Dean's List honors for the Fall quarter have gone to four students, a place on the list requiring a quarterly average of not less than 2.5. Heading the list is Donald Oakley, of Mishawaka, Indiana, with an average of 2.676. He is closely followed by Ian Hay, of Dayton, Tennessee, with 2.666. Both are members of the senior class, and both have recently been elected to membership in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

The remaining two Dean's List winners are members of the freshman class: Howard Addleman, of Curwensville, Pennsylvania, with an average of 2.562; and Janice Brown, of Randolph, New York, whose average was 2.500.

The Honor List, which includes those on the Dean's List, is made up of those students whose standing has placed them in the top 10% of the entire student body. The list includes the following: Paul Wyland, Ernest Lee Lester Farrington, Harold Goehring, Carl Wonderly, Glen Schwenk, Charles Kirtley, Lamar Modert, Warren Purdy, Thelma Andrews, Charles Riley, Janet Norczyk, Charles Taber Ardelle Costley, Jacquelyn Oakley, Dean Koontz, and Richard McIntosh.

## Missionary Leaves



Helen Gow, alumna of the class of '48, sailed for Belgium January 5, to begin the course of study required by the Belgian government prior to missionary work in the Congo. She will be associated with the Berean Mission with headquarters in St. Louis.

NEWSLETTE and the Bryan University Family rejoice with Helen in her final departure, after many months of waiting, and our prayers go with her as she takes up her work for the Lord in foreign fields.

### FRIENDS *Continued*

#### Kansas

Thanks ever be to God for Bryan University and the spirit manifested there. The Bryan NEWSLETTS—a most welcome visitor each month. Jesus means more to me each day.

How much I enjoy the NEWSLETTE and the pictures of the fine young people attending Bryan University.

May the Lord bless you in your good work. I wish that I were able to do more, but we have many obligations.

#### Kentucky

"Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift." II Cor. 9:15.

I do not want to miss this opportunity to add my voice with those at Bryan in praise to God for giving to us the wonderful gift of His Son, and through Him manifold blessings here, and eternal life here and hereafter. I praise God for a school which stands true to the Word, a place where young people can prepare for His service. Yours, loving His appearing.

I am happy in the Service of the King—He has and is doing great things for us, whereof we are glad. I do praise Him for leading me into His great vineyard, to labor for our Lord.

Greetings to your large family. Keep looking up. The upward look is the conquering attitude of the soul! Mississippi

We are interested in the school because of its background and what it stands for—knowing full well the students will carry on for Christ in this modern age.

#### Missouri

Many of us here would like to attend Gifts for King service. We are very grateful for copies of NEWSLETTE you send us and thank you. May God's richest blessings abide always and forever upon the work is our constant prayer.

#### New Jersey

May the Lord bless you and guide you in your wonderful work.

## VETSVILLE

### POPULATION 86

On Bryan Hill is a town complete with mayor, councilmen, and fire department. Founded four years ago to accommodate GI students and their families, Vetsville is composed of thirty-one trailers.

Of this number, twelve living units plus a shower trailer are a gift of the Public Housing Administration, and a fourteenth was given by Prof. L. J. Dixon of the faculty. The rest are owned by students. The city on wheels, situated behind the administration building, affords a very scenic view of Lake Chickamauga and the surrounding countryside. Each trailer has its own water supply and drainage system.

An election is held each year for town officials. Elected mayor for the '49-'50 school year is Lester Farrington, a senior at Bryan. Edward Greenwood and Edwin Cockrill were installed as councilmen for the same term.

For many years the Lord Jesus Christ has been my Lord and Saviour and I rejoice that I am His forever. "All things were made by Him and for Him." Col. 1:16.

#### New York

You are daily in our thoughts and prayers. We rejoice with you in the progress that is being made.

Remember hearing your group sing and testify.

For the past several years I have received the NEWSLETTE and other Bryan literature. My position in life has not permitted me to give. I have prayed. I once was master of ceremonies for Mr. Bryan. He was one of God's giants.

To me, the most wonderful words in the Bible are "Heaven and earth shall pass away but MY WORD shall not pass away." Matt. 24:35. Why? Because it is God's promise to all believers in Him that eternal life can be theirs—IF—born again!

"It is only life that produces life." Evolution contains no reason on its "Theoretic Climb" but true science, plus the Bible, will coincide—all the time! I Tim. 6:20.

One of my favorite scripture verses is: Phil. 4:6, 7, 9—here you have "the peace of God" and "the God of peace" all in one. Sorry I can't be with you in person but will be in SPIRIT!

#### Ohio

I have been interested in Bryan since before its beginning. I've prayed for its success and its progress has brought happiness to me. I am grateful for its good influence and teaching and I thank God for all of you.

Thanking God for the young people yielded for life service and for Bryan to train them.

It was a great inspiration to be with Mr. and Mrs. Bryan. I pray that memory will linger with us and Bryan University

## STUDENT AND STAFF TESTIMONIALS

Praise the Lord for bringing me to Bryan. I am again rededicating my body to His service to be used where He wills.

Praise the Lord for what He has done for me at Bryan. I'm so happy to be back here and to see how He is continuing work on our building.

We are grateful to God for our fellowship in the Saviour here at Bryan. II Cor. 4:15.

"Blessed be the Lord who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our Salvation." Psalm 68:19. It has been wonderful to see the Lord working on Bryan Hill.

"The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage!" Psalm 16:6.

God has kept us safely through another year for which we are grateful. II Tim. 2:19.

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:5, 6.

"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich." II Cor. 8:9.

"Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift. II Cor. 9:15.

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:6, 7.

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:19.

will continue to grow and have more outstanding leaders.

#### I thank God for "Bryan."

I thank the Lord that He saved me, and for all the happy times I have had in His service.

#### Oklahoma

After having lived in our State University town several years, I appreciate the value of giving our young people thorough Bible teaching.

#### Pennsylvania

Having had some of your girls in my home recently, I want to praise Him for calling and keeping such fine young people.

Greetings in "His" name. I praise God for Bryan which teaches the Word of God in all its fullness.

I am a shut-in. Can't take one step. Please read Romans 8:18. This is my comfort. Also Romans 8:28.

How much I would like to be there. Since I cannot, am sending a substitute, with an almost daily prayer for God's blessing on the ministry by the staff and students. The time is short for all of us! In Christ's love.

I wish this might be a substantial gift but you are on my prayer list and Bryan is on my heart.

#### Tennessee

My prayer is that God may continue to bless you in your great work.

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## A BETTER BIBLE?

The Bible is either the Word of God or the work of man. Those who regard it as a man-made book should be challenged to put their theory to the test. If man made the Bible, he is, unless he has degenerated, able to make as good a book today.

Judged by human standards, man is far better prepared to write a Bible now than he was when our Bible was written. The characters whose words and deeds are recorded in the Bible were members of a single race; they lived among the hills of Palestine in a territory scarcely larger than one of our counties. They did not have printing presses and they lacked the learning of the schools; they had no great libraries to consult, no steamships to carry them around the world and make them acquainted with the various centers of ancient civilization they had no telegraph wires to bring the news from the ends of the earth, and no newspapers to spread before them each morning the doings of the day before. Science had not unlocked nature's door and revealed the secrets of rocks below and stars above. From what a scantily supplied storehouse of knowledge they had to draw, compared with the unlimited wealth of information at man's command today! And yet these Bible characters grappled with every problem that confronts mankind, from the creation of the world to eternal life beyond the tomb. They gave us a diagram of man's existence from the cradle to the grave, and set up warning signs at every dangerous point.

Let the atheists and the materialists produce a better Bible than ours, if they can. Let them collect the best of their school to be found among the graduates of universities—as many as they please and from every land. Let the members of this selected group travel where they will, consult such libraries as they like, and employ every modern means of swift communication. Let them glean in the field of geology, botany, astronomy, biology and zoology, and then roam at will wherever science has opened a way; let them take advantage of all the progress in art and in literature, in oratory and in history—let them use to the full every instrumentality that is employed in modern civilization; and when they have exhausted every source, let them embody the results of their best intelligence in a book and offer it to the world as a substitute for this Bible of ours.

## STUDENTS DO PRACTICAL WORK

Bryan students are engaged in various types of practical Christian work such as holding jail services, leading chapel services in public schools, preaching as country churches and street meetings, and teaching child evangelism classes.

Seven young men serve as pastors in nearby country churches. Chapel services conducted in sixteen public schools by 72 students reach over 1250 children weekly, and 40 students contact 200 more children through child evangelism classes. In the city jail, two services are held each week-end.

Students who have been holding street meetings throughout the area have worked in Spring City, Graysville, Pikeville, Rockwood, Morgantown, Soddy, Daisy, and Crossville so far this year.—D.M.

### FRIENDS *Continued*

**Let's not give up, for God in His goodness will supply our needs. Let's always be found faithful. "Moreover it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful." I Cor. 4:2.**

I praise God for the Bryan students. They have been such a blessing to our church in Sale Creek.

May this Christmas season be a time of rich blessing to each Bryanite; and a time of great rejoicing in the Lord for what He is doing for our school.

#### Texas

John 15:7 "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

#### Virginia

I pray that the Lord will continue to bless your school.

**My wish for the entire faculty and student body is that you continue to grow in His service. God bless you all.**

The only hands that Christ has are our hands.

Material gifts can never express how grateful I am for the blessings I received at Bryan University, where my Saviour was made more real and precious to me. I Cor. 15:58.

#### Wisconsin.

II Cor. 9:15. Best wishes to all our friends at Bryan. Our prayers for your financial needs are with you.

The scripture verses that constitute my message to Bryan as a university, as a family, and as individuals are Phil. 1:3-6.

#### British Columbia

May God bless you with His presence and power. I wish this could be more.

#### Canada

May God bless you all in Jesus name.

#### New York

I praise the Lord for the Bryan faculty and especially President Rudd who has meant much to me as a student, teacher, and friend.

## ECHOES FROM FORMER STUDENTS AND GRADUATES

### Florida

"...but first gave their own selves to the Lord." II Cor. 8:15. We give gifts this day. We give to Him whose birthday we celebrate. We give ourselves to Him. This we do in simple faith and with earnest desire. Having done this, we have also thought of bringing someone else to Jesus. Thus we give Him the best gifts in our power—ourselves and others.

**I John 4:4 can mean much to you, particularly after you leave Bryan and its wonderful Christian atmosphere. It has been a great help to me at the office where, during the Christmas rush period, tempers occasionally flare and the spirit of Christmas is pushed aside while the Christmas business is made to seem all important.**

### Indiana

I want to express something of what the Lord has made Bryan mean to me. He has drawn me closer to Him and shown me what my service for Him should be. I will never be able to express the joy in my being from attending there for two short years. Some very lasting impressions were made on me for which I praise His Name. My thanks are to Him and to a God-fearing and God-obeying faculty and student body for all this. No one knows what Bryan means to me. My recent visit gave it some more meaning. May God bless each of you as you worship our wonderful Saviour and King and also as many of you will be traveling soon to loved ones and friends. My prayer is that the Lord will give you your goal and that He will there train many for His service.

### New Jersey

As I look back over my four years at Bryan, I know what made the hard places easy—the wonderful love of our Lord, and the love of God manifesting itself through each student and staff and faculty member. Love can do more than anything else.

### Pennsylvania

At this time of giving of gifts may we remember God's perfect Gift to us and praise Him continually for Him.

### South Carolina

A great work—the teaching of young people in a Christian institution. God always blesses His work!

"He it is that doth go before thee; He will be with thee, He will not fail thee neither forsake thee, Fear not, neither be dismayed." Deut. 31:8.

**My interest in Bryan University stems from the gratitude that I have in my heart toward God for raising up Bryan. I spent last year in a modernistic university in New Brunswick and almost had my soul suffocated on evolution and modernistic philosophy. By God's help and grace, I made my "break" in March and later the Lord led me down here to attend this Christian school. With my background, you can understand that I have no patience with the petty criticisms one hears on the part of students from one Christian school against another. I praise God for the testimony of Bryan University. God bless you and guide you by His Holy Spirit as you prepare for a great year ahead.**

**New Jersey**

It is a blessed privilege to send our "Gifts for the King." We appreciate being able to share in the life and growth of Bryan.

**New York**

All three gifts are sent gladly in His name and may the service gladden your hearts.

**Ohio**

May our Saviour continue to prepare and use the young people who place themselves in the care of Bryan University.

**THE PRAYER CLOSET**

*Praise ye the Lord: for it is good to sing praises unto our God, for it is pleasant; and praise is comely.*

Beginning with the first of June, salaries have been paid in full through December. The \$1,000.00 gift which came from an un-named donor and was designated for salaries was a definite answer to prayer, confirming the decision to increase payments from 90% to 100% and encouraging us for the future.

Reinforcing and steel joists were ordered on faith. God answered our prayers through our friends in Rhea County, who have paid the \$4,685.63 invoice in full. \$1,685 since Jan. 1.

As we think and pray for material things let us remember the ultimate objectives and that we wrestle not against flesh and blood.

**SPECIAL GIFTS RECEIVED**

A \$1000.00 check sent by the Immanuel Baptist Church of Wilmington, Delaware, in behalf of an un-named donor and designated for salaries helped to make the December gift income the largest since last April, when a \$10,000.00 bequest was received. Undesignated gift income was more than sufficient to bring us up to date on the \$3000.00 gifts needed monthly for operation. As a result of the \$1,000.00 gift designated for salaries, the balance of gift income left in the Operating Fund stands at \$22,000.00, rather than at \$21,000.00, through December.

Friends in Rhea County, through Dr. F. R. Rogers, Treasurer, paid \$3,000.00 on the bill for reinforcing steel. This, plus other gifts, more than doubled the amount for the Building Fund received since the beginning of the fiscal year on June 1st. Truly, we have cause for rejoicing and thanksgiving.

*Christ Above All*

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An unusual gift was made as part of the Gift-to-the-King Service when the Misses Virginia and Connie Wyckoff, nieces of Mrs. Volney P. Kinne, formerly of Buffalo, N. Y., gave to the University a part of Mrs. Kinne's personal library. Numbering approximately 200 volumes, the books included many of value as reference material for the new Christian Education major.

Mrs. Kinne was during her lifetime very active as a children's worker and as a teacher of Bible in the Chattanooga schools.

**ECHOES FROM PARENTS OF PRESENT AND FORMER STUDENTS**

**Indiana**

How we do praise the Lord daily for Bryan University.

**Iowa**

I thank God that there is a school like Bryan where young people grow spiritually as well as mentally.

**Kentucky**

We are deeply thankful for Bryan University and for your unwavering stand on the eternal Word of God in these days of skepticism. May the Lord continue to prosper you.

**New Jersey**

Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift. God bless Bryan, all the faculty and every student and the work as it is carried on.

**Ohio**

"... for all things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee." II Chron. 29:14.

**Pennsylvania**

We thank the Lord for Bryan University and for our boy's two years there, and are praying for you.

**Virginia**

We endeavor to daily remember to the Lord in prayer the teachers, student body and financial needs at Bryan.

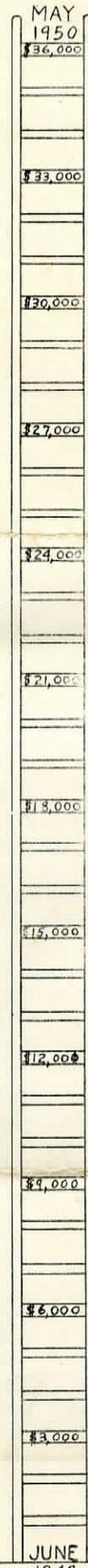
When I think what He did for me on Calvary and that my boy is in your school, truly my cup runneth over, and no gold, frankincense, or myrrh could ever repay the debt I owe to Him. Psalm 37:4.

**Wisconsin**

The wonderful time I had at Bryan last spring convinced me the nation needs Bryan. We are praying for you. God hearts and answers prayer. We know.

**DECEMBER REPORT**

Undesignated:	
MSM .....	\$ 379.04
Gifts for the King .....	\$ 2,379.14
(Students \$231.04)	
Other .....	\$ 2,109.30
Designated:	
For Salaries .....	\$ 1,000.00
For Plant Fund .....	\$ 3,713.00
(MSM \$2.00)	
(Rhea County for Steel \$3,000.00)	
Total Gifts for December	\$ 9,580.48
(Subtract \$2.00 error in November)	
Grand Total (7 months) ..	\$29,918.95



OPERATING FUND	1949	BUILDING FUND
\$3000 Monthly Operating Budget		
EACH COIN REPRESENTS \$250.00		

Winona Lake, Indiana  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Miller