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Unusual Program

"The white race has not treated the Latin American Indians fairly," said Mr. Frank E. Ackerman in a timely talk on South America in the Bryan University auditorium January 15. He urged that we try to change the present standing of white men with the Indians. The Bryan students, some of whom are preparing for missionary work in South America, were urged to be considerate to the tribes to whom they would be sent.

A technicolor moving picture proved the cities of Latin America to be unusually beautiful and picturesque. One of the most interesting parts of these old Spanish cities is the public square, systematically laid out and crossed by park-paths lined with rows of tropical flowers. Many of the cities contain Spanish cathedrals and shrines built by the conquistadores who first explored the country and settled there.

Every town has its own militia, and they vie with each other in the brilliance of their uniforms. Long columns of men in gaudy hues swung their white-gloved hands in exact military precision as they marched down the palm-lined street. Badly lacking in mechanized equipment, although rich in manpower, the army had only two pieces of modern equipment, an anti-aircraft truck bearing two fifty-caliber machine guns, and an ambulance.

One tribe of natives still wear clothes from the Elizabethan period—over three hundred years ago! A Spanish galleon, loaded with magnificent clothes for the ladies of the Spanish Main, was piled up on the rocks along an undiscovered part of the coast. Indians massacred the crew and carried the clothing back to the tribe. The women discarded their own articles of dress and began to wear those from the wrecked ship. They never did return to their old style clothes, for when the stock of clothes taken from the ship was gone, the natives continued using the same pattern to fashion their gowns.

Ackerman displayed one of these dresses, modeled by June Lykens, a

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Miss Louise Post,
c/o Y.W.C.A.

N. Carolina & Pacific Avenues
Dayton, Ohio



Winter Comes to Bryan Hill

Commoner Staff Busy

Promising bigger and better things, Bryan University's 1942 Commoner Staff has gone into action. Members of the staff include: Jesse Humberd, Editor; John Harper, Assistant Editor; Leonard Winstead, Business Manager; Kathryn Hirschy, Art Editor; Manford Cain, Photograph Editor; Eileen Hartschuh, Circulation Manager; and Richard Langford, Advertising Manager.

The staff has announced that anyone wishing to have his name or those of his friends placed on the complimentary subscription page may do so for one dollar, sent to "The Commoner."

The annual is published by the Junior class and will be sold for two dollars per copy.

SNOW FUN

The first snowfall of the year is exciting to anyone; but when four or five inches of light, fluffy snow falls in one afternoon, Bryan students say it means a vacation.

Floridians who had never seen snow before greeted it with shouts of delight, which, however, were no more animated than the cries of Northerners.

About thirty students and faculty members donned heavy clothing and started off early in the afternoon for

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Clifford Lewis Visits

Recent visitors to the University were Evangelist and Mrs. Clifford Lewis and their small daughter, Carolyn. Mr. Lewis, well-known youth leader and world traveler, is affiliated with the Gospel Fellowship Association, with headquarters at Cleveland, Tennessee.

In his Friday morning chapel message on January 16, Mr. Lewis presented his motto, "True to Christ," and then offered suggestions for a fruit-bearing life. "Prayer that Reaches Heaven" was his subject Friday evening. In the chapel service Saturday morning Mr. Lewis spoke of the "All-Sufficient Christ," showing him to be our all-sufficient Savior, Keeper, Conqueror and Sustainer—sufficient for every need.

Mr. Lewis spoke at the street meetings conducted by University students on Saturday afternoon and evening, and also at the Sunday morning and evening services of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Dayton. Two accepted Christ in an early Sunday evening service at the Hairpin Curve Chapel and one was saved in the evening meeting at the Presbyterian Church.

Titus 3:7. "That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life."

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—God Above All—

Remember Calvary

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. II Chronicles 7:14.

Among a number of tracts enclosed in a recent letter from a friend in New York State was a sheet of paper on which was printed in large letters the words "Remember Calvary." This friend has the right idea.

We would not minimize the national emergency now existing, nor the imperative need for "all-out" military production and action. Many measures being taken now should have been taken long ago, and there are some things we should have been doing all along. The United States did not become a strong nation by limiting production and loafing on the job, nor by wasting resources. We never did and never will strengthen our man-power by drunken brawls and attendant immoralities. The "Pearl Harbor" incident may serve to awaken us somewhat to our condition as a nation, but it did not of itself change our fundamental character as a nation, nor did it change the primary needs of our nation. We should not be satisfied to be simply the best nation, however good that nation is.

Neither does "Pearl Harbor" change our fundamental standing before God, nor our responsibilities to Him. As great as our responsibilities are to our beloved nation, they are greater to our Maker and our Redeemer. There should be—there must be no conflict in our responsibilities to God and country. As Christians, our responsibilities are all the greater to our country. The righteousness which exalteth a nation must first and primarily be the righteousness of the people who know God, and we can expect victory for our nation if and

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February Prayer Letter

Dear Friends of Bryan University:

We are not worrying, but we are trying to be ready—as nearly ready as we can—for the uncertain future. The William Jennings Bryan University is more than buildings. It is more than trustees, staff-members, and students. There would be no Bryan University but for the thousands of subscribing and praying friends. All of us must be ready to fulfill our responsibility for the ongoing of this important work in this time of national emergency.

Students and staff members are facing the present emergency in a splendid way. Do you, a contributor and prayer supporter, want to know WHAT YOU CAN DO? Do you want to know what your responsibility may be? If so, it may be better to answer that question NOW, while it CAN be answered. The way things are going we may be limited as to paper and other materials used in communicating with our friends.

We have never considered expense when it came to acknowledging gifts and communications from our friends. We have considered it a God-given responsibility and privilege to keep our friends informed of His blessings on the work here. It has been a blessing to us here at the University to have our friends far and near rejoice together with us. Undoubtedly, reports of blessings received do stimulate prayer interest. Undoubtedly, our communications do serve as reminders to contributing friends. Nevertheless, we have tried to be saving and to avoid sending too many pieces of mail to individual friends. A number of times we have included prayer letters or the equivalent in the NEWSLETTE, thus saving greatly on paper, postage, and labor. Even when sending out the prayer letter in the mimeographed form, we do not generally send it to the entire NEWSLETTE list.

Perhaps it may surprise many of our friends to know the size of our mailing list. This is a young school and yet at the present time the NEWSLETTE is going to some nine thousand friends, the mimeographed Sunday School Lessons to more than two thousand, and, ordinarily, the Prayer Letter to around four thousand. The postage alone, not including first-class mail, amounts to nearly one hundred dollars monthly. We can get along with less paper, and in other ways reduce expenses, but we don't want to. However, we gladly cooperate in the emergency even when we want to enlarge our circle of contributing friends. It costs us money to have friends, and we are ready to pay the price of friendship. Such is not a sacrifice, but a privilege.

You ask, "WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT IT?" Simply this. Be faithful in your gifts and with your prayers even when you fail to get the news. Already expenses are mounting, and there has been no proportionate increase in gifts. We take this as an opportunity for more prayer, not only for the work here but for the many missionaries in distant lands, who are altogether cut off from friends and supporters.

Yours in the Faith,

JUDSON A. RUDD, President.

No Appeasement!

PASTOR NYE J. LANGMADE, Salina, Kansas

This is not the day of appeasement. In this dispensation we are called to a militant aggressive warfare for our Lord Jesus Christ. We are to put forth a positive dynamic gospel message that meets the need of broken homes and broken hearts. Some fundamentalists today say they believe the great fundamental doctrines of the Word of God, but they are always talking about getting along and being peaceful with all men in the ministry. They are willing to compromise and have fellowship with those who deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us look at God's precious Word on this question of appeasement. I want to

refer you to God's Word as given in II Corinthians 6:14-17, "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the

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January Gift Receipts

1161	\$ 1.00	1221	.50
1162	10.00	1222	1.00
1163	2.00	1223	1.00
1164	1.00	1224	5.00
1165	10.00	1225	15.00
1166	1.00	1226	2.00
1167	2.00	1227	1.00
1168	2.00	1228	5.00
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1170	2.00	1230	5.00
1171	10.72	1231	1.00
1172	4.00	1232	1.00
1173	5.00	1233	3.00
1174	20.00	1234	2.00
1175	2.00	1235	1.00
1176	1.00	1236	3.00
1177	5.00	1237	1.00
1178	15.00	1238	5.00
1179	5.00	1239	5.00
1180	1.00	1240	5.00
1181	3.00	1241	5.00
1182	5.00	1242	5.00
1183	10.00	1243	1.00
1184	.50	1244	5.00
1185	10.00	1245	2.00
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1187	3.00	1247	5.00
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1192	1.00	1252	2.00
1193	1.00	1253	5.00
1194	5.00	1254	25.00
1195	10.00	1255	1.00
1196	1.00	1256	1.00
1197	10.00	1257	2.00
1198	5.00	1258	5.00
1199	5.00	1259	5.00
1200	2.00	1260	5.00
1201	3.00	1261	2.00
1202	40.00	1262	50.00
1203	1.00	1263	50.00
1204	1.00	1264	75.00
1205	3.00	1265	100.00
1206	1.00	1266	100.00
1207	1.00	1267	100.00
1208	.50	1268	25.00
1209	1.00	1269	5.00
1210	2.00	1270	5.00
1211	.75	1271	5.00
1212	1.00	1272	5.00
1213	5.00	1273	2.50
1214	5.00	1274	10.00
1215	1.00	1275	5.00
1216	1.00	1276	10.00
1217	1.00	1277	3.00
1218	20.00	1278	1.00
1219	2.00	1279	3.00
1220	2.00	1280	5.00

Our Friends Write

"I am most glad to have a part in this fine work, though it is so small. I have it on my heart. Please find enclosed money order to help Sam make another mile or so. I enjoy the NEWSSETTE." Arkansas.

"Just a small gift to help in your fine work. Will ever remember with pleasure some of your students who have been in our home." New Jersey.

"I trust that Bryan may have the most prosperous year of its existence and that thousands may add their dollars to help carry on." Ohio.

Pray About Pearl Harbor

1281	5.00	1306	1.00
1282	50.00	1307	1.00
1283	2.50	1308	10.00
1284	1.00	1309	5.00
1285	1.00	1310	1.00
1286	1.00	1311	1.00
1287	1.00	1312	5.00
1288	2.00	1313	5.00
1289	5.00	1314	2.00
1290	1.00	1315	1.00
1291	1.00	1316	1.00
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1294	5.00	1319	2.00
1295	3.00	1320	1.00
1296	10.00	1321	1.00
1297	1.00	1322	1.00
1298	1.00	1323	1.00
1299	25.00	1324	2.00
1300	1.00	1325	10.00
1301	1.00	1326	5.00
1302	2.00	1327	5.00
1303	2.00	1328	1.00
1304	1.00	Total.....\$1,243.54	
1305	1.00		

Receipts to January 31.....\$9,563.53

Sam Sends a Message

Dear Friends:

All day long I've been singing that little chorus, "I'm on the homeward trail." Remember it? And it's a mighty long homeward trail, and it means a lot of fast, hard driving to get there—nearly sixteen thousand miles to cover by the end of May. Whew! That's four thousand a month, and this month I made less than thirteen hundred miles. Guess it just has to be done: this is no time to be fooling along in the Lord's work, when there are so many fac-ing eternity, so great a need for real, God-fearing leaders.

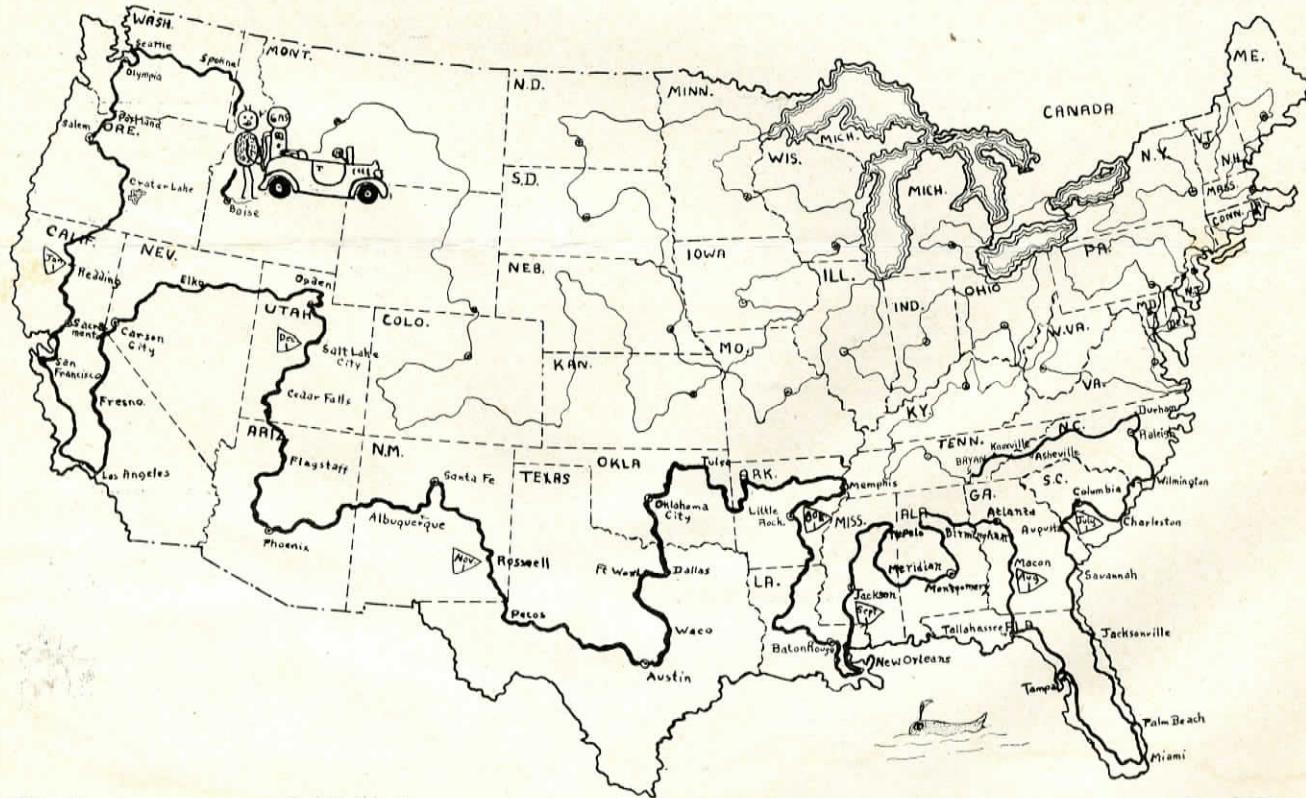
Yes, it's going to mean more and more sacrifice, more giving, and—most of all—more praying. We have a man's job to do; as the English say—"Let's get on with it!" Every dollar that comes in means one more mile behind me, one fewer yet to travel.

Sam

REMEMBER CALVARY

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when our people who know Him really turn to Him for help. We wait only for born-again Christians to turn to God. It will be only when we "Remember Calvary" that we will turn to God from our sins. But how much chastening will be necessary before we "Remember Calvary"?"



NO APPEASEMENT!

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Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you." Then also, II Timothy 3:5, "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." You will notice in both of these passages that we are called to separate from those that deny the deity of our blessed Lord and the religious groups that deny the power of the gospel.

Again in II John, verses 7 through 11, "For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an anti-Christ. Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed; For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds." In this passage of scripture the Word of God is very clear on what our attitude ought to be toward the apostates who deny the great fundamental doctrines of the church. We are first told to come out from among them. We are to have no fellowship with them, neither are we to bid them God speed, for if we do, we become a partaker of their evil deeds.

It is our business to earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. Our message should be the definite, positive Word of God without any apology or compromise. We are to preach the Word. We are to hold forth the Word of life, the Word of truth. The best answer to all the isms, including so-called Modernism, is the straightforward declaration of the eternal truth of the inspired Word of God. God give us grace to sweetly and yet firmly take our stand and contend earnestly for the faith once delivered unto the saints. Although preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness, unto us that are saved it is the power of God unto salvation. Therefore, we need no apology nor compromise in our ministry for God.

We never win by attacking personalities or organizations. Our weapons are not carnal but mighty even to the tearing down of the devil's strong-

TREASON

Typical of the attitude of the American people is that of more than one liquor store which in a brazen display of "patriotism" blazes across the sky in flashing neon a replica of Old Glory, only that the attention might be called to a word which symbolizes the height of treason—LIQUOR. Must the standard which has so many years represented all that has been clean and brave and splendid be publicly displayed with the greatest demoralizer of public welfare and health, the greatest destroyer of personal and group morale that has yet visited our country? Must it keep constant company with that which will deprive and is permitted by the government to deprive our soldiers of the very skills upon which the liberty of our people is so dependent? Must we spend countless fortunes to clear our nation of enemy aliens and traitors, yet leave the greatest to ply his trade?

How natural that a people whose morals have been so lowered by this same liquor should idly stand by and sanction such an insult to their flag!

God bless America! Yes, and most fervently, may we add, God help America and return to us a sense of decency and of right such as may restore our powers to recognize insult and disgrace when we see them.

UNUSUAL PROGRAM

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freshman at Bryan. Other models of Indian types of dress were displayed by Leonard Winstead, Richard Mowrey, Anita Graham, Helen Harrison, Grace Levengood, and Anna Kettnering, all students at the University.

Students and faculty were unanimous in their praise of the program, which was one of the most interesting and informative ever presented at the University.

holds. The mightiest weapon that God has ever placed in the hands of human beings is the Sword of the Spirit. There is nothing that the devil fears more than a praying man who speaks the Word of God with authority under the power and direction of the Holy Ghost. "And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it; but I found none" (Ezek. 22:30). In this day of spiritual declension, apostasy, disintegration of sound governments, and moral decay, God is looking for men to stand in the gap!

SNOW FUN

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a nearby hill, where "fox and geese" rings were quickly marked out. Slippery paths made the geese an easy prey for the fox. Boys evidently took special pleasure in washing the girls' faces in the snow, though the girls seemed to hold their own, and the fellows had plenty of snow coming their way.

Although most of the snow was gone several days later, a group of hikers to Laurel Falls found traces of it in the mounains. Scaling ice-covered rocks, climbing a tree, and eating lunch atop a high bluff were interesting features of the hike.

SCARLET VS. GOLD

With a team of four veterans and one freshman, the Golds clashed with the Scarlets Saturday night and recorded a victory for their color in the first of a five-game basketball series. The Scarlets had only two veteran cagers on the floor, though the freshmen are promising and present an outlook of no easy conflicts.

At the close of a thrilling first-quarter the Scarlets had an edge of 9-8, but the Golds swiftly retaliated, constantly gaining, until they had finally won a margin of 41-16.

High scorers for the Golds were Bob Harper and Jesse Humberd. Many of the Scarlets' points were made on foul shots.

Each basketball victory counts five points toward winning the loving cup awarded to the winning group at the end of the year.

SHOOTERS ORGANIZE

Archery and rifle fans will soon be having their spring work-out. The clubs reorganized January 20, and made plans for the new season.

Leonard Winstead (Arkansas) was elected president of the archery club and Jean Neff (Pennsylvania) secretary-treasurer. Plans were made for the purchasing of more equipment—and a new site for the range was selected.

The rifle club elected Richard Langford (West Virginia) president of their organization. James Doud (Pennsylvania) was chosen vice-president and Helen Harrison (Tennessee) secretary-treasurer. The club voted to make needed improvements, including enlarging of the rifle range.

Rom. 4:25. "Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification."