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THE OUTCOME

In a race against time our gift income took a spurt towards the end of May, and for a while it looked like we would reach our goal of \$2,000 per month, or \$24,000 cash gift income for the fiscal year. It did seem too bad to fall just \$728.91 short of our objective, but Statistical Sam, with his usual penchant for accuracy, would not wait a minute after midnight of May 31st, and our total gift income amounted to \$23,271.09 according to his figures. Of this, \$100.00 had been designated for building construction and \$1,141.36 for payment of debts.

Had we included discounts allowed in the cash settlements of debts, we would have gone beyond our goal by two or three thousand dollars. Also a good many of our friends sent gifts expecting that they would reach us in time to be counted. The Postal Card Report, sent out, was slow in reaching our friends and a good many did not receive the May Newsette until after the first of June. The gifts that reached us too late for last year make a good start on this coming fiscal year.

During the 1943-44 fiscal year debts were reduced from more than \$16,000 to less than \$10,000. Had

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THE ELEVENTH COMMENCEMENT

Because of war-time traveling conditions, many parents and friends were unable to be present at Bryan's eleventh annual commencement week. For this reason, perhaps you would enjoy a day-by-day description of the activities at Bryan during Commencement week, June 2nd to 7th.

A beautiful and impressive recital of voice and piano students under the direction of Professor J. W. Hartman officially opened Commencement week activities on June 2nd. On June 3rd, the alumni, faculty, and Senior class enjoyed the traditional Alumni Banquet at Dayton's Hotel Aqua. Theme for the banquet was "Love" with the evening address "Love of God," being delivered by Rev. A. J. Levengood, professor of Bible. Those assuming responsibility as officers for the ensuing year were President, Lloyd E. Fish, '35; Vice-President, Ruth Toliver, '40; Secretary-Treasurer, Helen Harrison, '42.

Local churches dismissed their Sunday evening services so that all might attend the Baccalaureate service on June 4th, with Dr. Clifford Lewis bringing the message. The class motto, "His" was beautifully emblazoned in large gold letters against the dark curtain on the stage, and fresh spring flowers were artistically arranged. The message, "The Wisdom of God" inspired and blessed all in attendance.

The next stop in our trip through Commencement week was a very delightful one, carrying us into the University chapel for an evening of musical entertainment on June 5th. Beautiful and unique stage decoration added to our enjoyment of the recital. An added point of interest to the activities of June 5th was the annual reception held by President and Mrs. Judson A. Rudd for the graduates, their visiting friends, and relatives. An interesting and varied program was planned for their enjoyment.

One of the most inspirational and heart-searching pauses in the week's activities came on Tuesday night, June



Frederick R. Sacher

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL MEETING

President Rudd and the Treasurer-Business Manager, Mr. Lloyd E. Fish, had most encouraging reports to render the Trustees in their annual meeting on Tuesday, June 6. The financial reports rendered are summarized elsewhere in the Newsette. Academic and spiritual accomplishments were comparable and also most encouraging despite war-time obstacles.

Tribute was paid to the faithful and sacrificial service of every staff member by President Rudd, each one being mentioned in his report. Students were also highly commended for their initiative in worthwhile activities and improvements. With only a slight reduction in student enrollment during the past year, it is expected that a larger number of students, with a predominance of girls, will be enrolled for next year. The Trustees all expressed the hope that the balance of debts would be retired during the coming year.

6th, when all gathered together as one large family and had an evening of testimony and praise to God. No definite program was planned but

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—God Above All—

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FROM OUR EX-DEAN

Dear Dr. Rudd:

I suppose it is only natural that my mind must continue to turn Bryanward from time to time and that I must wonder how the testing time of war is making itself felt on the Hill. Surely, it is no less natural that I rejoice and praise Him for His watch-care over the school, as I return to find that the work is going on, just as surely and just as effectively as ever. To me, it is another sign of His approval and of His desire that the testimony shall continue.

When I left the University to don a uniform, back in September of 1942, there was yet quite a portion of the basement floor unenclosed and unusable. Of course, letters from teachers and students have mentioned this work or that work, but even so I was delightfully surprised to find what progress had been made. Especially did I rejoice in the evidence of the material interest the students have taken in the development of the school.

The new folder in the print shop—I would mention that, for my shoulders ache at the thought of the countless hours spent in folding Newsette—that is a real labor and money saver. When the new automatic press finally is obtained, that, too, will help to fill in the vacancies left by men in uniform.

Of course, the prayer room had been completed when I last visited the Hill. Just how much of the more recent progress is the result of prayers ascending from that room, He, alone, knows. This, however, we do know—"that because He listens, we know He hears us."

Recreation has long been a problem at Bryan, and the nice roomy recreation room will help to solve that problem in a way that will provide a healthful and wholesome social life at the school. As a former dean, I must recognize that this room, as well as

others, can be misused—but that is why we have a Bryan University, to train young men and women to live in a way that is pleasing to Him. I have faith enough in my young friends at Bryan to feel you will have very few who fall short. Perhaps some friends of the University will want to send other games to provide further recreation from work.

As I remember the little two-room building we have called a laundry—it was once my garage, you know, until we added to it, put in a floor, and made it much more useful in its present purpose—when I remember that building, I praise Him for the prospects of a larger room in the north end of the main building. With that and such equipment as war conditions permit, the task of keeping the school well dressed and clean should be easier.

And, then, I might mention the new lights in the library, modern fluorescent lights that provide ample light for studying eyes. The seniors have chosen well in their gift to the school, and many who follow in their academic footsteps will add thanks to those already expressed. Nor have I forgotten the lovely chimes in the dining hall. How much nicer to anticipate an announcement with a musical introduction than to be abruptly halted in your conversation by the jangling bell of other days.

I might go on. I might tell you just what it means to come home to a group of honest Christian young people, to hear them sing the hymns our fathers loved, and the choruses of youthful praise to our Lord—that is, I might tell you, if I could. Some things, you know, just don't "speak," they just, well, they just sort of feel. Imagine a student at the average college greeting his former dean with the news that on that student's last trip home, his father and mother had accepted Christ; or telling you that Gladys or John, to whom you, yourself, had at one time given the Word, had recently been saved. That sort of greeting comes only from God's own, Dr. Rudd.

How I praise Him that I have been, yes, even now, *am*, a part of such a work! Oh, that others might know of what is being done on the Hill for young people, of what awaits others who seek a God-honoring education. Gifts and students would pour in, and prayers would rush from overflowing hearts to the Throne of Grace. And our Lord would answer those prayers,

TO YOU . . .

Congratulations! We rejoice with you and pray for the Lord's richest blessings upon you!



Joseph D. Sullivan and Alberta Henderson on June 12, in New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Robert St. John and Alice Tucker on June 16, in Ashland, Ohio.



"Lo, Children are an heritage of the Lord . . ."

Born to T/Sgt. and Mrs. Paul E. Wilson, June 6, a daughter Irene Elizabeth, in Medina, Ohio.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Theobold, May 13, a son Douglas Allen, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Born to Ensign and Mrs. Jesse D. Humberd, May 29, a daughter Lenora Ann, in Springfield, Ohio.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Solon Hoyt, May 18, a daughter Rita Dorene, in Winona Lake, Indiana.

**SPECIAL
COMMENDATION TO**

Miss Beatrice Batson who graduated *cum laude*, having the highest scholastic average in the graduating class of 1944.

Mr. Howard Kee, '40, on his recent graduation from Dallas Theological Seminary, *magna cum laude*.

Mr. Lowell Hoyt, '42, who is now enrolled in Grace Theological Seminary, who was recently elected pastor of the Firestone Park Brethren Church, Akron, Ohio.

Mr. James G. Furman, '41, who was recently ordained to the gospel ministry and is now pastor of two Baptist churches near Tyler, Penna.

would use those gifts, would guide these students to His glory and to our blessing.

In His blessed fellowship,
Major Ryther.

Bryan University

Class of 1944

VIRGIL SORGE

The untiring efforts and perseverance of Virgil have proven an inspiration to many. Virgil has done commendable Christian Service work at the County jail, the Reform School, and several mission points where he has served during his four years at Bryan.

Serving as Assistant Editor of the NEWSETTE for one year and Editor for this past year, his services have been appreciated by students, faculty and friends of the University. As President of the Journalism Club, he is responsible for the variety of subjects discussed in NEWSETTE. He was also Assistant Editor of the 1943 yearbook, the COMMONER. As Print Shop foreman, Virgil has rendered invaluable aid, working far into the night to get printed matter out on schedule.

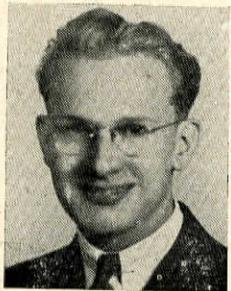
His ever-ready wit and originality are characteristics which endear him to the hearts of his classmates. Dallas Theological Seminary is the school of his choice for further training for service.

NELLIE STOVER

Nellie Stover from Wapato, Washington is living proof of the fact that beauty and brains will mix if carefully prepared with a spiritual life. Nellie's attractiveness and genuine sweetness won her the honor of May Queen this year and her appearance in Who's Who demonstrates the high quality of her extra and curricular activities.

She is credited with many intellectual achievements, one of which is her scholastic rank as second highest in the Senior Class. In view of her hope to enter foreign missionary service, Nellie has been a faithful member of the F. M. F., at one time holding the position of secretary-treasurer.

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Nellie's ardent desire to remain in the center of God's will has been well expressed in her day by day walk and life among her fellow students.

JOSEPH D. SULLIVAN

Joe is the sort of person who can see humor in any prank or joke, even if he happens to be on the receiving end. His care-free, cheerful manner and witty "cracks" help to make him a favorite among the students.

Our admiration for his excellent Christian Service activities is well deserved and he is leaving many friends in the surrounding communities whose lives were touched by his ministry. A thirst for a deeper knowledge of the Word and a consistent, prevailing prayer life are responsible for his close walk with the Lord as manifested by his testimony before his fellow students.

After Joe's marriage to Miss Alberta Henderson on June 12, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sullivan left for Dallas, Texas, where he will enroll as a student in the Dallas Theological Seminary.



ALBERT FINLEY WYLLIE

A pleasant smile, a cheerful manner, and a friendly greeting is expected when one meets Albert. His versatility has made him much in demand in numerous campus activities. He has served as debate manager, President of the Journalism Club, business manager of the Commoner, Newsette Editor and proof reader, sports captain, and president of the Foreign Missions Fellowship. At the beginning of the year, Albert had the distinction of being chosen for "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

After further training, Albert looks forward to a life on the African Mission field, winning the lost to the One Who is first in his life. Albert hails from New Orleans, Louisiana, and is now a student at Grace Theological Seminary of Winona Lake, Indiana.



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each left feeling that God had blessed in a special way all who had attended.

Wednesday morning, June 7th, found us all in the chapel eagerly awaiting the academic procession of faculty and graduates. The long line formed at the Octagon and marched down in full view of the audience in the chapel. Frederick R. Sacher, New York State President of The Gideons, delivered the Commencement address, "Four Principles of Success." His challenging remarks inspired us to set higher and greater goals of service for our Lord.

At the close of the message, President Rudd made announcements of honors and prizes to be awarded. The P. A. Boyd prize for the Senior man whose influence as a Christian example was greatest among his fellows was awarded to Samuel Hemberger. An award placed at the disposal of the student body by Dr. R. W. Hambrook, to be presented to the faculty member who had the greatest influence and had been of the greatest help to the students during the current year, was presented to Professor Lloyd E. Fish by the president of the student body, Samuel Hemberger. Fourteen graduates, representing eight states and one foreign country, received degrees.

Favorable weather, interesting visitors, and a gracious Lord all contributed to making this eleventh Commencement one of the best in Bryan's history.

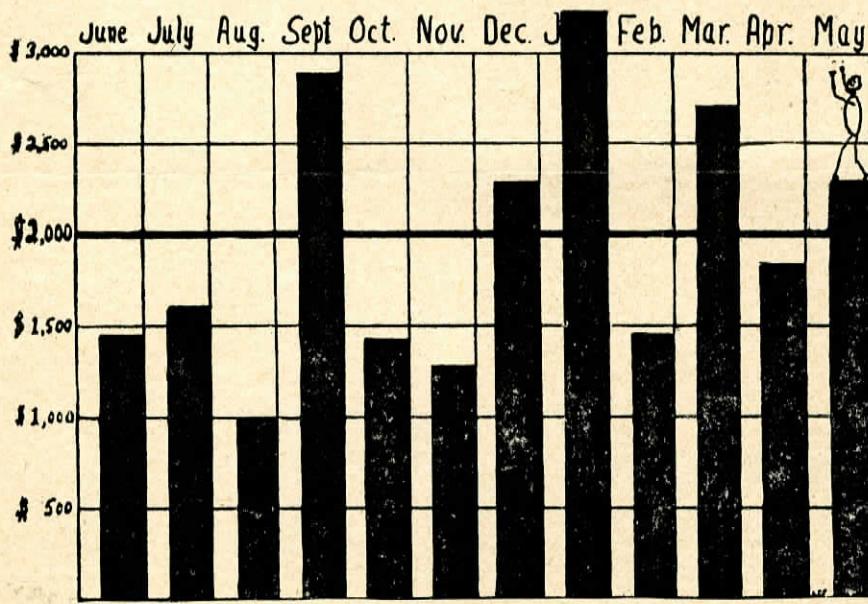
SCHOLASTIC AVERAGES

	Senior
Beatrice Batson	95.22
Virgil Sorge	93.34
Junior	
Bethel Smith	93.81
Alice Northrup	93.50
Sophomore	
Mildred Baldwin	93.91
Betty Birch	91.83
Freshmen	
Marjorie Miller	93.81
Elaine Kennard	92.58

Gal. 3:24. "Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ that we might be justified by faith."

May Gift Receipts

2365	\$ 14.50	2426	5.00	2487	1.00	2548	38.00
2366	1.00	2427	5.00	2488	3.00	2549	1.00
2367	1.00	2428	50.00	2489	1.00	2550	1.00
2368	1.00	2429	3.00	2490	1.00	2551	2.00
2369	1.00	2430	4.00	2491	1.00	2552	10.00
2370	2.00	2431	5.00	2492	1.00	2553	3.00
2371	1.00	2432	5.00	2493	1.00	2554	5.00
2372	1.00	2433	15.00	2494	1.00	2555	7.00
2373	1.00	2434	16.67	2495	20.00	2556	10.60
2374	1.00	2435	1.00	2496	5.00	2557	1.00
2375	1.00	2436	5.00	2497	2.00	2558	5.00
2376	1.00	2437	10.00	2498	1.00	2559	5.00
2377	1.00	2438	5.00	2499	2.00	2560	5.00
2378	1.00	2439	5.00	2500	2.00	2561	10.00
2379	2.00	2440	5.00	2501	5.00	2562	10.00
2380	2.00	2441	5.00	2502	10.00	2563	2.00
2381	1.00	2442	5.00	2503	5.00	2564	2.00
2382	5.00	2443	1.00	2504	20.00	2565	1.00
2383	1.00	2444	10.00	2505	5.00	2566	1.00
2384	1.00	2445	10.00	2506	5.00	2567	1.00
2385	2.00	2446	1.00	2507	21.04	2568	3.00
2386	1.00	2447	1.00	2508	5.15	2569	2.00
2387	1.00	2448	10.00	2509	2.00	2570	1.00
2388	3.00	2449	5.00	2510	1.00	2571	5.00
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2390	1.00	2451	25.00	2512	5.00	2573	5.00
2391	1.00	2452	10.00	2513	5.00	2574	5.00
2392	1.00	2453	1.00	2514	25.00	2575	5.00
2393	1.00	2454	2.00	2515	5.00	2576	6.00
2394	5.00	2455	1.00	2516	20.00	2577	15.00
2395	2.00	2456	1.00	2517	5.00	2578	5.00
2396	20.00	2457	10.00	2518	1.00	2579	25.00
2397	10.00	2458	5.00	2519	15.00	2580	3.00
2398	10.00	2459	10.00	2520	3.00	2581	1.00
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2401	5.00	2462	10.00	2523	2.00	2584	2.50
2402	65.00	2463	100.00	2524	5.00	2585	5.00
2403	1.00	2464	2.00	2525	50.00	2586	3.00
2404	2.00	2465	20.00	2526	5.00	2587	2.00
2405	7.00	2466	10.00	2527	25.00	2588	5.00
2406	2.00	2467	1.00	2528	5.00	2589	2.00
2407	25.00	2468	16.65	2529	2.00	2590	5.00
2408	1.00	2469	2.00	2530	5.00	2591	5.00
2409	2.00	2470	1.00	2531	5.00	2592	7.55
2410	5.00	2471	3.00	2532	3.17	2593	75.00
2411	5.00	2472	1.00	2533	35.00	2594	10.00
2412	5.00	2473	1.00	2534	60.00	2595	10.00
2413	5.00	2474	2.00	2535	2.50	2596	2.00
2414	20.00	2475	2.00	2536	5.00	2597	1.00
2415	1.00	2476	2.00	2537	40.00	2598	5.00
2416	5.00	2477	1.00	2538	25.00	2599	5.00
2417	1.00	2478	5.00	2539	1.00	2600	5.00
2418	1.00	2479	5.00	2540	5.00	2601	5.00
2419	5.00	2480	3.00	2541	5.00	2602	25.00
2420	1.00	2481	5.00	2542	1.00	2603	5.00
2421	1.00	2482	1.00	2543	20.00	2604	10.00
2422	5.00	2483	5.00	2544	5.00	2605	5.00
2423	1.00	2484	1.00	2545	25.00	2606	5.00
2424	10.00	2485	25.00	2546	25.00	2607	.10
2425	5.00	2486	10.00	2547	1.00	2608	1.00



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more cash been available for Debt Reduction, the year's record would have been even better because our creditors have all been favorably disposed. Of undesignated gift income, \$1,620.29 was available for the payment of debts under our sliding-scale budget plan. This, with the \$1,141.36 of designated gifts, made a total of \$2,761.65 available for Debt Reduction. This cash enabled us to settle more than \$5,000 in debts. With outright gifts of creditor accounts of about another thousand dollars, our obligations stand at six thousand dollars less than a year ago. At the same time, we were able to pay staff members about fourteen hundred dollars more cash than last year. During the year, about twenty-four hundred dollars in cash was invested in buildings and equipment.

2609	.....	1.00	2636	.....	20.00
2610	.....	5.00	2637	.....	10.00
2611	.....	1.00	2638	.....	1.00
2612	.....	22.36	2639	.....	25.00
2613	.....	5.00	2640	.....	2.00
2614	.....	7.68	2641	.....	1.00
2615	.....	5.00	2642	.....	2.00
2616	.....	1.00	2643	.....	3.00
2617	.....	1.00	2644	.....	2.00
2618	.....	5.00	2645	.....	25.00
2619	.....	1.00	2646	.....	3.00
2620	.....	5.00	2647	.....	1.00
2621	.....	5.00	2648	.....	5.00
2622	.....	5.00	2649	.....	10.00
2623	.....	30.00	2650	.....	1.00
2624	.....	5.00	2651	.....	25.00
2625	.....	5.00	2652	.....	1.00
2626	.....	3.00	2653	.....	2.00
2627	.....	2.00	2654	.....	20.00
2628	.....	25.00	2655	.....	5.00
2629	.....	5.00	2656	.....	2.50
2630	.....	20.00	2657	.....	1.00
2631	.....	25.00	2658	.....	10.00
2632	.....	10.00	2659	.....	10.00
2633	.....	4.00	2660	.....
2634	.....	5.00	2661	.....
2635	.....	1.00	Total	.....	\$2,221.37

Sam's Summary

Dear Folks

Well, here you see me at the end of another school year. We very nearly reached the \$24,000 goal—so nearly that the disappointment of "not quite" is overshadowed by the rejoicing at how graciously the Lord has moved His people to generosity in meeting the needs here at Bryan University.

And as we start another year, we are prayerfully but confidently asking Him to do "exceeding abundantly."

Thank you, one and all . . .

Cordially,

Sam