PROGRESS ON EDIFICE INCLUDES ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING CHANGES

“We're getting out of the ground,” said Harold Hardin when asked recently about progress in the summer's building effort. He then explained that “getting out of the ground” entailed laying of foundations, some demolition, laying of pipes and conduit for steam and electricity and other fundamental processes necessary to the construction which will follow.

Plans for the summer include the completion of all exterior masonry and finishing the interior of the library and the main lobby. A kitchen extension, 12 by 82 feet, will be added to the rear of the building to provide a buffer pantry, cold storage and freezing space, and a garbage room. A foundation now outlines this area.

At present, the south area has been finished from the foundation to the first floor level and the north end to the second floor. Steel window sash have been placed in what formerly served as faculty offices on the first floor.

A new 200-foot underground telephone and electric service will give the school a more compact and serviceable system and will eliminate unsightly poles and wires near the main building. Under the direction of Cal Jaynes, supervisor of maintenance, the heating and plumbing of the building is being permanently installed and under John McCain, a former student, the electrical system is being unified.

The work in early July was pressed in spite of unusually high temperatures and the building was ready for the masons who came in larger numbers toward the end of the month. After some delay due to the late arrival of brick ordered some time previously, the brickwork proceeded at full speed. It is expected that a large portion of the building will have been completed by the time school opens in September.

Rhea Scholarship Awarded

Mrs. Chloe Dorsey of Dayton, Tennessee, has been awarded the Rhea County Scholarship for 1954, and will take up her studies at the university this fall. The one-year tuition-free scholarship is awarded annually to the graduate who in the estimate of the high school faculty would profit most by the educational opportunities available at Bryan.

GOSPEL MESSENGER TEAMS COVER LARGE AREA; DISCOVER KEEN INTEREST IN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

After visiting 21 states up to the end of July, the Gospel Messenger teams from Bryan University reported a good reception for their messages and a friendly interest in the school. The women's quartet, directed by Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jewett, has traveled in the eastern states, proceeding from North and South Carolina, through Virginia and Maryland, to the Pennsylvania and New Jersey area. Considerable time was spent in the eastern section of the states, including a week at the North Mountain Bible Conference at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. A number of alumni and students welcomed the group and some new friends were contacted.

Miss Beatrice Batson, Roger Walkwitz Return to Bryan

Bryan classes this fall will see two former teachers, Miss Beatrice Batson and Roger W. Walkwitz, returning to their posts on the faculty.

Miss Batson, associate professor of English, has been on a leave of absence to complete her residence work for her Ph. D. at George Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee. She expects to have fulfilled this requirement by the time school begins in September, and will take up her regular duties in the English department.

Mr. Walkwitz served as instructor in chemistry and track coach during the 1951-52 school year, and then was taken (Continued on Page 4)
From My Heart to You

From all over America, and from abroad as well, we have received letters from our friends in which they rejoice with us in the $100,000 gift to be used toward the completion of our main college structure. It seems that this gift means almost as much to our friends who are at a distance as it does to us here on Bryan Hill. Doubtless this is because they have been praying and trusting with us for the accomplishment of the task.

It does my heart good to see my brethren thus encouraged and strengthened in their faith. It is my sincere prayer that all the church may praise God for this demonstration of His wisdom and power.

At a look from my window upon the grandeur and magnificence of the local scene, I realize that the large and stately edifice will not be out of place. Its appropriate hill-top setting overlooks a portion of the famous Tennessee Valley and Lake Chickamauga. Walden's Ridge of the Cumberland Mountains towers to the west. Beyond the eastern hills are the shadowy forms of the Smoky Mountains. The Creator has well endowed the Bryan campus with a most beautiful natural setting.

There will be six different entrances to the building, including the entrance to the H. A. Ironside Memorial Library, each of which will offer an attractive setting for pictures to grace the college annual. Next month, the Lord willing, we should be able to include some new pictures of the building in the Newslette and perhaps include one of the entrances now being built.

I am most thankful for this provision as I think of the young people who will be sent to us for their training this fall. We have come far since those times when it was necessary to warn new students not to expect too much in the way of buildings. My sincere prayer is that we may be able to build up our scholastic offerings in the same measure as our building and that we may always be able to preserve those spiritual values which have made Bryan a blessing to those who have attended herefore.

JUDSON A. RUDD
President.

CHRIST ABOVE ALL

Faculty Members Return
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into the armed forces where after some specialized instruction he was assigned to the quarterly operations division of the Petroleum Products Laboratory. Having finished his time of service, he will take up the same position he formerly had at Bryan.

Betty-Joy Rankin and Reita Hall, two of Bryan's 1954 graduates, will be joining the faculty and staff this fall. A major in botany who received the bachelor of science degree, Miss Rankin will assist in the biology department. Miss Hall will serve as assistant to the women's counselor in overseeing the girls' dormitory and counseling with students. Other faculty members from the university are profitably using the summer months in training and service. Morton A. Brown is continuing his research at Harvard University where he is preparing his dissertation for a Ph. D. in the social science field. Miss Lou Rouch is also doing research for her Ph. D. in the science field. David Heydenburk has completed his thesis for an M.A. degree in music at the University of Indiana. Miss Mary Alice Grieder is studying at the University of Wisconsin looking forward to an M.A. degree.

Faculty members who are on Bryan Hill during the summer include D. W. Ryther, Miss Lois Weyhe, Robert A. Marston and Garver E. Hoyt. Kermit Zopfi has been occupied with camp work and Miss Bonniedell Barrows has been studying privately at St. Louis.

BRYAN UNIVERSITY THANKS ITS FRIENDS

The report of gift income which appears in this issue of Newslette shows the response for the month of June and also summarizes the fiscal year which ended June 30. The combined totals of both funds reach a figure slightly above the previous record for gift income set in the 1950-51 fiscal year.

The school, through its administration, wishes to thank every individual or organization who had a part in the support of this ministry during these past 12 months. It is felt that in many ways this has been one of the most blessed years in the history of the school, and that the Lord is even now preparing to lead out in new and unusual ways for His own glory and for the prosperity of His people.

The timely arrival of a check for $50,000 (representing one-half of the promised anonymous contribution of $100,000 toward the completion of the main building) raised the building fund total over the budget expectation for the year. The appeal for $18,000 to repay current obligations due from past building efforts brought just over $3,000 during June. Other gifts for this purpose are expected to come later.

The operations income fell short of budget expectations by nearly $17,000. An end-of-the-year letter which asked for $12,000 to enable the full and prompt payment of all salaries and other expenses for the fiscal period brought in one-third of the amount needed. The net result of this deficiency in income for operations will be a tightening of the belt in all operations, and doing without certain things which were thought to be necessary to the progress of the school's program.

It is the sincere conviction of many people that the dollar is made to do its utmost on Bryan Hill. In spite of the most rigid economies, both on the part of the school, and on the part of the people who gain their subsistence from it, there is a minimum of expense which cannot be wholly covered by tuition charges to the students. If the education of our Christian young people is to be kept at a figure they can afford to pay, then Christian men and women will have to contribute generously to the support of those institutions which provide the means for such training. To supplement the tuition charges for each young person who takes four years of training at Bryan, $800 in gift income is needed.

With this in mind, William Jennings Bryan University, a distinctly Christian, liberal arts college, calls upon its friends to accept the challenge of the times and put this work on their budgets for regular and generous contributions. The prayers of all believers are sincerely coveted for the needs, both financial and spiritual, of this great cause.

GIFT REPORT

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