Terrazzo Poured In Library And Lobby Areas

Last month saw another large stride in the progress being made towards the completion of the new library, main lobby, and business office areas in the administration building on Bryan Hill. The Wallace Tile Company of Chattanooga has completed the pouring of the floors, and grinding and finishing are now in progress. Plasterers have also moved in and will promptly be followed by the electricians and the ceiling crews.

Workers took advantage of the spring vacation period to clear out the business office partitions and to lay the new floor in that area. In the meantime, the business center of operations has been situated in one of the smaller rooms. The glass and aluminum doors for the library, lobby, and lounge are in Atlanta awaiting shipment at the most favorable time for installation.

Bids are being sought for library equipment in hope that funds will be available and purchases can be made in time to put the library into use during the current year, thereby alleviating the crowded situation in the present library area and enabling many students to have the advantages of better study conditions.

RIABI KOFF PLAYS

On March 29 it was the pleasure of the Bryan students and staff to hear the brilliant piano playing of George Riabikoff, well known pianist of Shepherdstown, West Virginia. Mr. Riabikoff's playing, in the light of past history, is hardly short of the miraculous. During the world war he was most active in assisting refugee Jews to escape the Nazis, but was finally, himself, caught and brutally tortured because he would not divulge the hiding place of his friends. As a result, the Nazis determined he would never again play the piano, drove nails through his hands, crushed his fingers, and broke both wrists. Only through months and months of special exercising and practice has Mr. Riabikoff been able to overcome this harsh treatment. His concert showed only the complete mastery of the keyboard as he played to the delighted audience Moussorgsky's Pictures At An Exhibition, Chopin's Nocturne In C Sharp Minor, Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12, and other greatly loved numbers.

WE APOLOGIZE

The letter of the month for last month's issue was from Jean Pulkin, graduate of '49.

GOSPEL MESSENGERS TRAVEL

Two groups of Gospel Messengers will leave Dayton shortly after the conclusion of the school year.

The ladies' trio and James Reese, baritone and trombone soloist, with Barbara Ridder as accompanist, will begin their travels with a short jump over into western South Carolina. From there they will move on up through Virginia into western New York and Pennsylvania, then on across the state of Ohio, into Indiana and on up to conclude their travels with a number of stops in Michigan. Membership in the trio includes the Misses Lois Ringler, Johnstown, Pa., first soprano; Norma Jenkins, New Castle, Pa., second soprano; and Pearl Rathbun, Glen Ellyn, Ill., alto. Miss Ridder is from Lansing, Ill.; James Reese, from Williamson, Mich.

The male quartet group, together with Don Weltmer, Altoona, Pa., trumpet soloist, and Lyle Hillegas, Neenah, Wis., accompanist, will start their trip through Georgia, into Alabama and western Florida, through Louisiana and Mississippi into Texas, then on up through Oklahoma, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, and on into Wisconsin. The quartet is composed of Mark Davis, Red Jacket, W. Va., first tenor; Howard Park, Mobile, Ala., second tenor; Kenneth Campbell, Ajax, Ontario, baritone; and Wilbur Pickering, Sao Alto, Brazil, bass.

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MEET THE SENIORS

(This group concludes the review of the Class of 1956. Abbreviations used are as follows: C.S.A.—Christian Service Association; F.M.F.—Foreign Missions Fellowship; M.B.C.—Miracle Book Club.)

Lyile Hillegas: Social committee, C.S.A., M.B.C., Pastor's Fellowship, Gospel Messengers, choir assistant pianist, Commoner staff, art club—these are just some of Lyile's interests. Coming from Neenah, Wis., he has majored in English.

Adrienne Kerr: Hammond, Ind., is her home. Sports, C.S.A., M.B.C., Student Council, Commoner staff—these have been Adrienne's fields of interest. Her major field of study has been history.

Norbert Kier: "Nobby" has chosen English as his major field of study. Outside he has been active in Spanish Club, F.M.F., Art Club, C.S.A., Child Evangelism, and working on the Commoner staff. Marshfield, Wis., is his home.

John Kramer: Assistant bookkeeper for the University, John has yet found time for other interests, such as C.S.A., Pastor's Fellowship, and the Commoner. He has been a student pastor and has also been mayor of his present home—Trailerville. His major? History and New Testament Greek.

Georgie Ledbetter: Georgie has majored in Christian Education, at the same time holding membership in the Art Club, Child Evangelism Fellowship, F.M.F., and the Forensic Society. She came to Bryan from Liverpool, W. Va.

Joy Ann Leslie: Joy has majored in biology, serving as a lab assistant in the department. From Massillon, Ohio, she has also been interested in sports, M.B.C., the Spanish Club, and Science Club.

Charles Marvin: Entered Bryan from the Baptist Bible Seminary. His major is history. C.S.A., sports, and choir have been other interests on Bryan Hill. His home is in Gary, Ind.

Alice McLeod: Alice is a history major from Hayward, Wis. She has been busy with her work in the C.S.A., Child Evangelism, F.M.F., Art Club, and M.B.C. Sports have taken part of her time, too, as has the responsibility of being Dormitory Prayer Chairman.

Arthur McManus: As a resident of Trailerville, Art hails from Dayton, Tenn. Along with a major in Bible, he has been on the track team and has held membership in the C.S.A. and French Club.

Stuart Meissner: From Mt. Prospect, Ill., "Stu" finished in December, having been active in the choir, cross country, track, Gospel Messengers, sports, and the duties of class treasurer. His major was in music—voice.

Anita Myers: Add student council membership, Art Club, social committee, M.B.C., C.S.A., the Commoner, and sports together, and you have Anita's interests at Bryan, or part of them. An English major, she came to Bryan from Mount Joy, Pa.

Ramon Palmer: Backus, Minn., his home; history his major. Ramon has found time for serving in jail work, song leading, F.M.F., and the intramural sports program. He is now a married student and lives in Trailer-ville.

Wilbur Pickering: Son of missionary parents, Wilbur claims Bolivia as home. His activities have been numerous, including C.S.A., choir, sports, forensics, Pastor's Fellowship, Science Club, Spanish Club, track, Gospel Messengers, and the Commoner.

Sonja Rasmussen: Having graduated from Philadelphia Bible Institute, "Sandy" headed Bryanward and has continued her education with an English major, with outside interests including Science Club, F.M.F., C.S.A., and sports. Her home? West Belmar, N.J.

Pearl Rathbun: Pearl has majored in Spanish, sung in the choir and the Gospel Messengers, and worked in the F.M.F., Spanish Club, Commoner staff, and sports. She is from Glen Ellyn, Ill. She has served as piano or organ accompanist for many occasions.

James Reese: His trombone and his baritone voice have kept Jim busy at Bryan and in the local Baptist Church. Other interests—C.S.A., F.M.F., cross country, Gospel Messengers, and sports. His major field has been English, and he came to Bryan from Williamston, Mich.

Charles Russell: Charles entered Bryan from Grand Rapids, Mich., and began working on a history major. In addition to having been treasurer for the 1955 Commoner he is now class treasurer. Sports have occupied much of his spare time.

Lawrence Schatz: Johnstown, Pa.,
is his home; history, his major. “Bud” has had time for C.S.A., Pastor’s Fellowship, editing the 1955 Commoner, and being a student pastor. He has also been active in the field of sports and in the Student Council.

Herbert Sierk: Originally from Fort Worth, Texas, but now from Trailerville on Bryan Hill, “Herb” is majoring in Bible. He has been lab assistant in the botany department. His family life and work have kept him busy and his study has kept him on the Dean’s List.

Theodora Smellers: They call him “Ted” and think of him in connection with Pastor’s Fellowship, Child Evangelism, and street meeting work. His home is in Chicago, and his major field of study has been history.

Charles Smith: Transferring from Memphis State College. “Chuck” is a history major who has found time for C.S.A., Pastor’s Fellowship, forensics, Science Club, and work on the Commoner. His home is in Somerville, Tenn.

Marianna Speer: Conneaut, Ohio, her home, Christian Education, her major, Spanish Club, Science Club, the dorm council, C.S.A., Child Evangelism work—all of these have kept Mariam with plenty to do.

Marilyn Steinberger: In addition to her interest in piano, Marilyn has found time for sports, Science Club, forensics, C.S.A., Child Evangelism, and F.M.F. Her major is Bible. Marilyn is a Pennsylvanian from Everett.

Duane Taylor: A history major from Glendale, Ariz., Duane has had four years as an open air worker in the C.S.A. He has also been a member of the Pastor’s Fellowship and a dorm counselor.

Nancy Thomas: C.S.A., F.M.F., Child Evangelism, M.B.C., the Commoner, and participation in intramural sports—all of these have been a part of Nancy’s life on Bryan Hill. She is an English major from Covington, Virginia.

Charlene Watkins: Charlene has Sparta, Mich., as her home. She is a Christian Education major who found time in addition to classes for child evangelism classes, M.B.C., Spanish Club, and forensic activities.

Donald Wellmer: Though Don’s ability with a trumpet might have led to a music major, English is his chosen field of study. Gospel Messengers (director for the summer of 1955), Camera Club, Commoner and sports are included in his activities. He comes from Altoona, Pa.

Charles Willoughby: A graduate of Moody Bible Institute, “Spud” is majoring in Christian Education. Student Council, Regional Vice-Chairman of the Southeastern F.M.F. and class presidency have kept him busy. His home? Trailerville, Dayton, Tenn.

Delores Yockey: Coming from Worthington, Pa., and majoring in Christian Education, “Dee” has been interested in the C.S.A. and F.M.F. She was a member of the 1955 Commoner staff.

Robert Young: Port Huron, Mich., is his home; Bible is his major. Sports and C.S.A. have occupied his out-of-class time. Bob is also a graduate of the Philadelphia Bible Institute.

Carl Benedum: From Jane Lew, W. Va., Carl came to Bryan, went into the service, married a Bryanite, and is now back seeking a history major. Sports, choir, Child Evangelism, and forensic activities have given him plenty to do on Bryan Hill.

FROM MY HEART TO YOU

A Supreme Court decision has focused national attention on racial integration. Undoubtedly many of our friends have wondered how this will affect Bryan University.

Perhaps this is a time when, in discussing this subject, I should remind the readers that I am writing this column as President Emeritus, rather than officially as the president of the University. To me the problem of racial integration affords another opportunity for us to manifest a Christ-like spirit, keeping our main objectives before us as a definitely Christian liberal arts college, seeking to accomplish these objectives and to avoid anything that threatens to put us on a side track.

Bryan University was established at Dayton, Tennessee, “as a testimony to the supreme glory of the Lord Jesus Christ, and to the Divine inspiration and infallibility of the Bible.” The constitution of the State of Tennessee is so specific in requiring racial segregation that any interpretation of it by the courts would be redundant. The Supreme Court decision pertained to tax-supported schools, so Bryan University is still subject to the laws and customs of

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GOSPEL MESSENGERS TRAVEL
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of these groups should write to the
University at once. Though the line
of travel is not definitely fixed, the
routes given will be followed in
general. In so far as possible requests
will be filled.

FROM MY HEART TO YOU
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Tennessee. I don't know what the
future holds, but I firmly believe
that we should continue our God-
given ministry and trust Him for
the future and the final outcome.

Having attended schools with Ne-
groes in Kansas and Colorado, and
then having lived in the South for
nearly thirty years, I know some-
thing of both sides of the race ques-
tion. I am certain that racial inte-
gration is not going to be accomplish-
ed easily and quickly. This was the
position taken by Theodore Roose-
evlt forty years ago, his reasons be-
ing so apropos that I am including
a quotation recently brought to my
attention in a bulletin of the "Com-
mittee For Constitutional Govern-
ment, Inc."

"In 1916, after ex-President Roose-
evlt had refused to accept the nom-
ination of the Progressive Party,
groups of Progressives called upon
him to plead that he keep the Pro-
gressive Party alive so that, free from
the antagonism of the Republican
name, an opposition party could op-
erate in the South, and help solve
the Negro problem. He declined say-
ing:

'The viewpoints that you have
presented are based on theoretical
reasoning; but I have had first-hand
experience with the problem. First,
I invited Booker T. Washington
to dine with me at the White House,
in order to do honor to the achieve-
ment of a great Negro. The result
of the publicity was a demand of
Negroes generally for immediate
social equality and an outburst of
mass emotion against them.

'Later, at Brownville, Texas, the
privates in a Negro regiment stood
against their officers to protect mis-
deeds of members of their race. After
patient effort to have the problem
solved, I had no other course than
to dismiss the regiment. Then, another
outburst of mass feeling arose, and
and white men took this as an occa-
sion to push every Negro into the

‘The Lord put the Negro into
Africa and the white man on other
continents, and I am not going to
waste the remaining years of my
life attempting to solve quickly a
problem that only time, probably
generations, can solve.'"

Much has been accomplished by
and for the Negro Race in forty
tears, but I believe that Theodore
Roosevelt's conclusion still holds
true, especially since many believe
today that inter-marriage is also in-
cluded in racial integration. Every-
one of us would like to do some-
thing to clarify issues and forward
the cause of Christ throughout the
world, but as finite beings we are
limited in what we can do. As Chris-
tians we should be much in prayer.
As the Spirit of God works in the
hearts of real Christians, white and
black, the love of Christ will be
manifested supernaturally to bring
about understanding and good will.

'Ve have a nation-wide constitu-
cy. Trustees, faculty members,
students, donors, and prayer sup-
porters have divergent views on the
race question. We have students and
graduates working with Negroes in
this country. What happens here in
the United States is a matter of con-
cern to our graduates on the mission-
fields of the world, particularly in
Africa. Our student enrollment, par-
cularly from the southern states, is
related to the outcome of the present
effort to enforce the ruling of the
Supreme Court.

On the race question, and every
other problem that will ever face
Bryan University, I am sure that the
trustees of the University and every-
one else associated in the Lord's work
here want God's will done. I urge
each of you to pray that we will
keep God's main objectives for us
ever at the forefront and all other
more or less related questions in pro-
per perspective and relation.

Sincerely yours,
Judson A. Rudd
President Emeritus

Bryan and Temple
Take Two Each

The traditional annual basketball
games between Bryan University
and Tennessee Temple Schools of
Chattanooga saw the Bryanites take
two in an upset over the once-defeat-
ed men of Temple to a score of
56-50 and over the Temple girls by a
score of 32-31.

In the men's game Bryan led at
the end of each quarter, but there
was more than one time during the
game when the score was separated
by only one point. Smith and Dow
for Bryan and Gaddy and Gates
for Temple were high point scorers.

In the girl's game, another that
showed the keen rivalry between the
two schools, the Bryan ladies
tailed by one point at the end of
the first and of the second quarters,
but rallied to lead by one point for
each of the other quarters. Barnes,
who sank eight out of ten foul at-
tempts, led the field with 16 points
for Bryan. For Temple, Prince, with
15, and Martin, with 14 points each
were high scorers.

In Chattanooga the story rever-
sed itself, as the Temple men, led by
Gates with a total of 26 points, saw
their thirteen point lead late in the
game dwindle to a single goal, with
the game ending 71-69 in favor of
Temple. Smith was again leading
point maker for Bryan, with a total
of 22 points.

For the girls, Temple found the
road somewhat smoother to travel
then they had in the Dayton game.
Despite the close guarding of Elve
and Oberman, Temple's Martin and
Heidrick chalked up 14 and 10 points
respectively to enable the Chatta-
noogans to finish with a 29-19 victo-
ry.

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