

“The souls of honor, and of truth, a friend to age, a guide to youth, a Christian gentleman.”

-1898 Gem

Thaddeus C. Reade

1891-1902 President

When the Board of Trustees considered closing the campus, Reade personally took on the cost of maintaining the school.

In 1893, Reade accepted an offer to move the University to Upland, Indiana and raised \$25,000 for the construction of the first building. By 1898, the school became completely debt free largely from the sale of Reade's published works. Even with no institutional debt, Reade refused any salary more than the standard faculty salary of \$600. Reade dedicated himself to Taylor University until his death in 1902, in his sister's home where Swallow Robin Hall now stands. He was laid to rest on the university's campus and a memorial tablet was placed at the gravesite to honor him.



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