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Dr. B. W. Ayres Dies After Brief Illness

Dr. B. W. Ayres, beloved Dean Emeritus of Taylor University, passed away January 26 at Marion, Indiana, General Hospital, where he had been a patient for several weeks. He observed his 92nd birthday anniversary on December 29.

Funeral services were held January 29 in the Upland Methodist Church with President Evan Bergwall in charge, assisted by Rev. Robert Gorrell, pastor of the church. The burial was in the I.O.O.F. cemetery in Montpelier, Indiana.

Dr. Ayres served Taylor University in several capacities for 45 years after joining the school faculty in 1897. During his more than four decades at Taylor he served as vice-president, dean, professor and as acting president on two different occasions.

He was born in Hartford City and graduated from Hartford City High School in 1884. Dr. Ayres received all his degrees from Taylor. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1889, Master of Arts in 1900 (Continued on page 2)

Twenty-Fifth Youth Conference Set

The 25th annual Youth Conference at Taylor will be held April 18-20 with Rev. Paris Reidhead and Rev. Dick Hillis as guest speakers. Youth Conference, the leading event of the year on the Taylor campus, is headed this year by co-chairmen Bob Cotner, a senior from Kendallville, Indiana, and Ruth Ralston, a senior from Clinton, Indiana. Faculty sponsors are Professor Fred Luthy and Miss Elizabeth Poe.

"Walk the Way" taken from Isaiah 30:21 has been chosen as the conference theme for 1958.

Paris Reidhead is pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle Church near Times Square, New York. For eight years he has been engaged in Bible Conference and Evangelistic Conference work throughout the United States and Canada. Rev. Reidhead served one term as a missionary in Africa in the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan where he was engaged in pioneer language survey work among 10 unevangelized tribes of primitive culture. He comes to Taylor with a background of 20 years experience as pastor-missionary and Bible teacher.

Over one hundred helpful discussion groups are scheduled dealing with practical problems of "Christian faith for youth."

After nearly 20 years of mission (Continued on page 3)

Taylor Begins Weekly Educational Telecast

On January 27 Taylor became one of the first Christian colleges to produce a regularly scheduled educational television program over a commercial station.

Taylor has accepted an offer to stage a weekly program over the Muncie television station WLEC-TV, channel 49 each Monday evening from 4:30 to 5:00 C.S.T.

The program, titled Focus, is produced and directed by Rev. David LeShana, College evangelist, who has (Continued on page 3)

Pictured is the Youth Conference Cabinet which has been engaged in months of advanced preparation to insure the most fruitful conference possible.

Seated in the front row are: Sponsors Fred Luthy and Elizabeth Poe; Conference Co-chairmen Ruth Ralston and Bob Cotner; Marlene Foura, Secretary; Irv Thompson, Treasurer; and Adolf Hansen, Chorister.
The annual Spring Revival scheduled for February 16-23, will be led by Dr. Andrew Gallman, pastor of West Park Methodist Church in Jackson, Mississippi. Dr. Gallman is a member of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Church and has served as chairman of the Board of Evangelism of the Conference for four years. During this period three full time evangelistic workers were employed through this board for work in the Conference. The largest budget for Conference wide evangelistic work in Methodism was then in operation in Mississippi. Previously Dr. Gallman served the Broad Street Methodist Church in Hattiesburg, Mississippi for nine years. While there the church broadcast its Sunday night evangelistic services locally. The church developed the largest youth choir in the conference and broadcast a Saturday night program for several years. Fifteen young men entered the ministry during this pastorate.

In addition to his pastoral duties he served as director of the Hattiesburg Youth for Christ Rally in the south at one time. The Junior Chamber of Commerce of that city elected him Outstanding Citizen in 1946 because of his success with the Youth for Christ rallies.

He is a member of the board of trustees of Asbury Theological Seminary where he received the B.D. degree in 1942 and the Doctor of Divinity degree in 1951. He also received the M.A. degree from the Graduate School of Mississippi Southern College. He often speaks in youth camps, camp meetings, church revivals, and college revivals across the nation.

He is in his fifth year as pastor of the West Park Methodist Church in Jackson and has recently completed a large annex that will accommodate 1000 in Sunday School.
MEN'S NEW DORMITORY NOW ENCLOSED

The latest construction shot of the men's new dormitory taken January 17 shows that all four floors of the building are completely enclosed. The building is now heated through the central heating plant to permit interior finishing work to be carried on during the winter months.

Taylor Student Heads Christian College Group

Martin Hess recently accepted the presidency of the Association of Evangelical Students, a newly organized association established to deal with problems of student government and student life on Christian college campuses.

The first preliminary conference of the organization was held at Wheaton College last year to discuss mutual problems of Christian colleges, to gain Christian fellowship among Christian colleges, and to study the need of establishing such an association. A committee was set up to plan a conference for this year of which Martin Hess and John Cole from Wheaton were members. They have been working toward a constitution which has been sent to various schools for final ratification.

About 30 schools are represented in the organization. They include the three types of Christian higher education—Bible schools, Christian Liberal Arts colleges, and Bible colleges. They are divided into five regions, with a head from each region to act as executive committee.

EDUCATIONAL TELECAST

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been broadcasting Taylor University's radio program, "Chapel Meditations" for two years, a total of 100 programs. Bob Cotner, a senior from Kendallville, Indiana will be assistant student director.

The telecast will be under the supervision of the Radio and TV Committee of the college in cooperation with the Speech and Public Relations Departments.

The series will feature numerous personnel of the college in panel discussions, lectures, science demonstrations, travelogues, and musical programs. In addition, foreign students will take part and the programs will be presented by various academic departments of the college.

Broadcast time is being given to Taylor by the station as a public service. Arrangements have been made through Mr. Max Jones, administrative assistant of the station.

COMING EVENTS

Feb. 16-23 Spring Revival
Feb. 26 Davies of Canada - Lyceum
April 18-20 Youth Conference
May 1-2 Fine Arts Festival
May 31 Baccalaureate
June 6 Alumni Day
June 7 Commencement

TWENTY-FIFTH YOUTH CONFERENCE SET (continued from page 1)

ary service in inland China with the China Inland Mission, Dr. Dick Hillis was one of hundreds of missionaries driven out when the Chinese Communists came into power. In 1950, he and Ellsworth Culver responded to the urgent appeal of Madame Chiang Kai-Shek for evangelists to present God's Word to thousands of defeated war-weary Chinese Nationalist soldiers on the island fortress of Formosa. At that time, these men had no idea that the program of Systematic Evangelism and Bible study follow-up would soon result in the beginning of Orient Crusades as a missionary society.

Orient Crusades has had the privilege for several years of assisting Coach Don Odle of Taylor University in scheduling the Venture for Victory basketball teams throughout the Orient.

Registration will be limited to 1,000 young people between the ages of 14 and 23. The total cost for the weekend is $6.00, which includes registration fee, room for two nights and five meals.

For your convenience a registration blank is included on page 4 of this bulletin.

Chamber of Commerce Backs Private Colleges

Businessmen and citizens in general have an appeal from the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce to "give liberal financial support to private colleges."

Glen W. Thompson of Columbus, chamber president, said recently: "If Indiana's private and church-related colleges and universities are to remain strong and are to continue accepting and educating approximately 50 per cent of the state's college enrollment they must have increased financial support."

A study by the chamber of Indiana's 31 privately supported schools showed a 15 per cent decrease in purchasing power in average college teachers' salaries from 1940 to 1955. The average public school teacher's purchasing power increased 60% in the same period.

The chamber said 9,000 more teachers will be needed by 1970 to handle expected enrollment increases in all Indiana colleges and universities.
Not only is Taylor growing in size but in efficiency. As funds are available, the school is replacing old equipment and adding new equipment and facilities in order to train students more effectively.

Pictured above is a section of the new Fairlane Courts consisting of 39 units which are providing additional housing facilities for married students.

Four education annexes have been erected where Sammy Morris Hall formerly stood. These buildings house the Business and Foreign Language Departments in addition to several other classrooms and faculty offices.

A new modern language laboratory is now under construction and will include three new Revere T 11-100 tape recorders.

Five electric typewriters have been added to the Commerce Department.

An electric spirit duplicator and a copying machine have been added to the Mailing and Duplicating Dept.

In addition to two electric typewriters for the Autotype machine and a new IBM electric typewriter, a Stenorette dictation machine is being added.

A reading room for the education department is being installed in the large room that previously housed the commerce department.

Magee-Campbell parlors have been remodeled and to give more privacy to faculty members.

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