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BULLETIN

● NEWS FROM TAYLOR UNIVERSITY, UPLAND, INDIANA

MAY 1957

Alumnus of the Year



Bishop Ralph E. Dodge

Dr. Ralph E. Dodge, a graduate of the Class of '31 was named "Alumnus of the Year," for 1957 by the Taylor University Alumni Association. Dr. Dodge, who this year was elected Bishop by the African Central Conference of the Methodist Church, was selected to receive this honor in recognition of his outstanding achievements as a Christian statesman.

The award will be presented at the Alumni Banquet, the evening of June 7. In the absence of Bishop Dodge who has assumed his administrative duties in Africa, his son Ed, a senior at Taylor, will accept the award on behalf of his father.

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NEW RECORD SET BY TAYLOR ALUMNI IN FUND GIVING

On May 7, a gift from the 800th Alumnus this year lifted alumni participation to 30.5 per cent, surpassing last year's record high of 30.4%. With gifts from 247 more alumni by June 30 the Alumni Fund goal of 40% participation will be reached.

BUILDING CONTRACTS AWARDED

Commencement and Alumni Day Plans Set

The climax of Taylor's 111th year will be celebrated June 8, when 97 seniors will receive diplomas at colorful Commencement activities to be staged in Maytag Gymnasium at 9:30 a.m.

Lieutenant General William K. Harrison will bring the Commencement address.

The round of Alumni Day Festivities will begin on Friday, June 7, with luncheon reunions of classes which graduated at five year intervals dating back from 1957.

The Alumni Business Meeting will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. in Shreiner Auditorium, followed by an Alumni-faculty mixer in Magee Campbell parlors at 3:15.

The Annual Alumni Banquet will
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Work Begins on Dining Hall, Food Service Center

The Taylor University Trustees, at a special session, awarded contracts for the construction of a men's dormitory and food service center.

The general contract was given to the Bowman Construction Company of Marion, Ind., for \$462,330.00, the lowest of five bids.

The plumbing, heating and ventilating contract was awarded to Linger's, also of Marion, for \$98,980.00. Other contracts were awarded to the McKay Electrical Company of Fort Wayne, for \$36,319.00, and to Hillman's of Fort Wayne, on a bid of \$39,500.00 for kitchen equipment.

This project is the first major step in a five million dollar development program, Harold Camp, Vice President in Charge of Development, stated.



College development officials and the general building contractor check the exact location of the new dormitory—food service center prior to the launching of construction activities. From left to right: Orus Eash, architect, Ira J. Bowman, Paul Keller, V. Robert Dicken, construction engineer, Harold Camp, and President Evan H. Bergwall.

The day has come again when a building program gets under way on Taylor's campus. The contractors and the government engineers, together with the architect, staked out the new dormitory and food service center, and supplies are now being delivered, and soon a great dream will start coming to reality. For Taylor University this is a great venture, for the great Taylor family this becomes also a tremendous challenge.

We approach this hour of new construction with much prayer and with much deliberate planning. The Board of Trustees has been joined by the Administration, faculty and the students of Taylor in studying hard and planning carefully for the future of our college. All the planning has been undergirded with much prayer. We feel therefore that as we start building we are doing so, with God's approval and blessing. It must be so, or we cannot achieve the victory that we feel God has set up before us.

This is not only a great challenge for Taylor, but it is a great responsibility. All opportunity spells responsibility! With the privilege of building and adding to the facilities of our college, means its proportionate share of responsibility. It is growing in many ways, not only on campus, but in its outreach, and in its pres-

tige, and in its effectiveness for God. The building program and the advance planning is necessary, if we are to achieve as we feel God is challenging. In a very real sense we feel Taylor University is marching, and the marching orders are from on high!

This means that many, many people must be involved! The students, faculty, staff, the administration, trustees, parents, the alumni and the friends of Taylor, must all be involved in this. First of all, we ask you to join with us as we have asked those on campus, in a prayer covenant, that daily you will pray that God will open the necessary doors to bring this building program to its completion on a victorious level. Unless this is well undergirded with prayer, we will not achieve what we know God wants us to do. Further we need your support. No great thing has been done for God without human participation. We ask you to back up your prayers with this financial support. There are many whom we feel would be happy to share in this project. You may know many such folk, and we urge each friend of Taylor to help in the realization of this great goal that is just before us.

There will be many opportunities for memorial gifts in the new build-

ing. A room could be memorialized. The furnishings of a room, or a lounge, or even one of the buildings. If you have a loved one whose name you would like to memorialize, contact us at Taylor and we will give you the details. If you know other people who would like to honor their loved ones who have gone on before, by establishing a memorial, we would be happy to call upon such people at your direction.

To date these are "Name-less" buildings. The dormitory will be given a name, and the food service center will be given a name. We are holding in reservation the names in the hope that someone would like to perpetuate the name of a loved one through a memorial gift. This is a great challenge and a great opportunity, and we invite you to help us to find those that would like to share in this building program, and thus honor those who have gone on before.

We are looking forward to great days of progress and achievement ahead. Do pray for those on the campus that we might do the effective work for God that He intends on Taylor's campus.

Your friend in Christ,
Evan H. Bergwall,
President

Dr. Paton Yoder Receives Economics Fellowship

Dr. Paton Yoder, Head of the Department of Political Science, was one of 50 college professors awarded a fellowship to the "Economics in Action" program at Case Institute of Technology, at Cleveland, Ohio, from June 15-July 13.

The program is sponsored by the Republic Steel Corporation for the purpose of acquainting college teachers of Economics and Social Science with industry and its operations by providing opportunities for study and observation and for discussion between leading economic thinkers, industrial and business leaders, and college teachers.

Speech Contest Winner Is Announced

The Bishop William Taylor Speech Contest, held April 30 in Shreiner Auditorium, was won by freshman Loretta Gruver of Elkhart, Ind. The title of her oration was "A Flaming Torch." The other finalist was Bob Rapson, a junior from Bad Axe, Mich.

The purpose of the contest is to present a missionary challenge through ten minute orations dealing with the life of Bishop Taylor. A prize of \$25.00, from the Etta Bash fund, was awarded the winner.

Both finalists plan to enter missionary work, Miss Gruver as a nurse, and Mr. Rapson as a teacher.

Fine Arts Festival Held

The annual Taylor University Fine Arts Festival, featuring programs of music, art and drama, was held on campus May 2-4.

The festival began with three motion picture studies of literature and art subjects. A program of fine choral music, under the direction of Dr. Albert Schroer and Prof. Burton Mahle, featured "Spring" from Haydn's oratorio, "The Seasons."

Mary Alice Goodridge, concert pianist and former Taylor student, presented several classical selections.

The concluding program was the stage production, "Our Town," presented in Maytag Gymnasium by the Trojan Players, student dramatic group.

An exhibit of oil, watercolor and pastel paintings by Taylor students was on display during the festival.

New Members Named To Honor Society

Seniors elected to the Taylor University scholastic honor society Chi Alpha Omega are Ray Isely, Sarah Greiner, Ruth Unkenholz, Joyce Kauffman, Mary Masser, Janet Benning, Virginia Pugsley, Robert Gilkison and John Chapin.

Dr. B. W. Ayres was elected an honorary member.

The society is developing a scholarship program which is to become effective as soon as income from gifts and membership dues provides sufficient funds.

Atomic Scientist Gives Series of Lectures

Capt. Charles W. Shilling, deputy director of the division of biology and medicine of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, delivered six lectures on Monday and Tuesday, April 22 and 23, on Taylor's campus.



Shilling

Capt. Shilling was born in Up-land in 1901 and lived here until he was 21. His father was at one time acting president of Taylor, and his mother a member of the faculty.

He attended Taylor for three years from 1920-22, and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree from Taylor in 1954, for his outstanding role in scientific research.

During his stay on campus the atomic research expert spoke to classes in the natural sciences, psychology and education. He discussed various phases of life connected with atomic energy. His final lecture, entitled "Everybody's Business," was concerned with atomic-bomb tests and the effects of radiation tests.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



Lt. Gen. W. K. Harrison

Commencement speaker for Taylor's graduation ceremonies, scheduled for Saturday, June 8, will be Lieutenant General William K. Harrison.

General Harrison entered military life during World War I. He served briefly in France and Spain after which he served at various posts in this country.

He was promoted to captain in 1920, major in 1932, colonel in 1941, then brigadier general, major general and finally lieutenant general in 1952.

In 1951 he was appointed Deputy Commander of the Eighth Army in Korea, where he rose to the position of Chief of Staff of Far East and United Nations Commands.

He was appointed chief UNC delegate to the Military Armistice Conference at Panmunjom on May 21, 1952. In charge of negotiations with the Communists, which resulted in the armistice and cease-fire in Korea on July 27, 1953, he signed the armistice document for the United Nations.

General Harrison has long been known for his Christian leadership. Throughout his years of military service, he exerted a spiritual influence over his men, both by private counsel and public speaking in army chapels.

After 40 years of army duty, he has accepted a significant position of Christian service as executive director of the Evangelical Welfare Agency, an organization sponsored by the National Association of Evangelicals.

DEAN ADDRESSES COMMENCEMENTS

Dr. Milo Rediger, Dean, spoke at the convocation of the scholastic honor society of Alderson-Broadus College at Philippi, West Virginia, on May 10.

He will also deliver the commencement address at St. Paul Bible College on May 29.

Quartet Announces Summer Schedule

The Varsity Quartet now have their summer itinerary outlined as listed below. Those interested in scheduling the group should contact the college Public Relations Office.

SUMMER TOUR SCHEDULE

June 12—Park Ave. Methodist, Minneapolis
 June 13-23—North Dakota Camp Meeting (booked)
 June 23-30—Minnesota—North Dakota
 July 1-7—South Dakota—Nebraska
 July 8-14—Iowa—Kansas
 July 15-19 — Missouri—Illinois—Northern Indiana
 July 20—Rockford, Illinois—Youth for Christ (booked)
 July 21-23—Northern Illinois
 July 24—Brooklyn, Michigan—Rev. D. Ray Morlan (booked)
 July 25-26—Northern Ohio
 July 27 — Erie, Pennsylvania—Youth for Christ (booked)
 July 28—Erie, Pennsylvania
 July 29-4—Northern Pennsylvania — Northern New York—Connecticut
 Aug. 5-10—New York City—Philadelphia—New Jersey
 Aug. 11 — Philadelphia, Pennsylvania—(morning) Rev. Robert Neely (booked)
 Aug. 11—Brooklyn, New York—(evening) Rev. M. J. Veltrus (booked)
 Aug. 12-16 — Maryland—Virginia—West Virginia—Kentucky—Southern Ohio
 Aug. 17-18—Cincinnati, Ohio
 Aug. 19-23 — Southern Ohio—Indiana—Northern Ohio
 Aug. 24-25—Wauseon, Ohio—Rev. Myron M. Kottke (booked)
 Aug. 26-27—Northern Michigan
 Aug. 28-29-30—Alanson, Michigan (booked)
 Aug. 31 — Southern Michigan—Northern Indiana

Taylor Broadcast Reaches South Pacific

Taylor's weekly radio program, "Chapel Meditations," is now being broadcast to the South Pacific via Ecuador, South America. Transcriptions of the broadcast which originates on the Taylor campus are sent to station HCJB at Quito, Ecuador, which beams the program to Australia and New Zealand.

"Chapel Meditations," also heard weekly over several radio stations in Northern and Central Indiana, (see radio log) features musical talent from the college with a five minute devotional message by Rev. David Le Shana, college evangelist and public relations official.

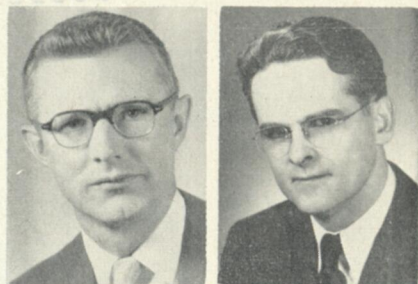
HCJB is a 50,000 watt missionary short wave station with world wide coverage. Operating twenty-four hours daily, the station broadcasts over 2,400 religious programs each month in nine major languages including English, Russian, Swedish, German, Portuguese, Ukrainian and French.

The Taylor broadcast is transmitted at 2:30 a.m. Central Standard Time, or 8:30 a.m. Greenwich Mean Time.

In exchange for broadcast time, Taylor will grant a scholarship to a qualifying Ecuadorian student, or member of a missionary family recommended by the officials of HCJB.

Safety First.—The safety of our sons and daughters as they go out on the streets this very night is due to the influence of the preachers

Appreciation Awards Winners Named



Sherman Spear Hugh Freese

Appreciation Awards are to be presented at the Alumni Banquet, Friday evening, June 7, to Sherman Spear of Waverly, Iowa, and to Hugh Freese and the Freese Printing Company of Upland.

Sherman Spear graduated from Taylor in 1940, and served as Alumni Secretary from 1948 to 1950. This year he developed for Taylor the "Investment In Youth" blueprint brochure. Currently he is assisting the college in the development of academic folders.

From 1950-52 Spear was Director of Public Relations at the University of Dubuque, and for the past five years has been advertising manager for the Lutheran Mutual Life Insurance Company where he produces advertising and promotional material.

For two successive years, brochures which he created won awards at the annual conventions of the Life Insurance Advertisers Association.

He was featured in *Life Magazine* in April 1955 for his leadership in securing housing for a Negro army air officer and his family, by arousing community patriotism.

Hugh Freese and the Freese Printing Company have played a strategic role in the Taylor program, printing the college publications and a wide variety of other materials for Taylor for more than a generation. In addition, Hugh, with his brother, Virgil, and brother-in-law, Walter Getschman, who operate the plant, all have given valuable guidance to the college by serving on committees.

Hugh attended Taylor from 1927-29. He is editor of Contest Magazine and the Upland Courier. He is an executive of the Grant County Council of Churches, is a lay delegate, associate district lay leader and member of the Indiana area committee of public relations of the Methodist Church, and has been a Sunday school teacher and youth counsellor for 30 years.

He is a past president of the Upland Lions Club, is serving his second term as a member of the Taylor Alumni Board, and is a member of Taylor's building committee.

rather than to policemen and law-makers. The safety of our nation, including all groups, depends on Christian education. — Roger Babson

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Student Body President Lauds Taylor



Ray Isely

As I am about to leave the Taylor campus for the last time as a student, I can look back to four eventful, happy and productive years of growth in a stimulating Christian atmosphere. I owe a great deal to the influence of Taylor, for it was here that God began to direct me in regard to my life-work. Here it was that the process of broadening and liberation began in soul, mind, and body. Fellowship in close surroundings with students of many varying backgrounds taught me in a significant way the meaning of the phrase "all one in Christ Jesus."

I must list my blessings, many of which were not mine before I came here: close Christian friends, a meaningful relationship to Jesus Christ, a purpose for life, an understanding of myself and my family, an appreciation for people, for art, and for the good things of life and, most of all, a knowledge that God really loves me and cares for my very life. This last factor had been no more than just words before I came here; now it is a personal reality.

This last year, as I have served in the capacity of student body president, has been one of the most significant of all. I was greatly surprised to have been elected, but I am appreciative for the opportunity of growth and development, it has been. I know that God has been with me in this area.

I now look forward to more school—in medical school at Washington University in St. Louis with a future, as God directs, eventually in medical missions. I am already under tentative acceptance by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, but in the next four to seven years God will continue to reveal His will as He has these past four. At this point now I have never been so happy, never so contented to do God's will, never so desirous of knowledge, never so sensitive to my need for more truth, never so aware of my ignorance yet never so aware of God's sufficiency in Christ, as now. It is my desire to

What They Think of Their College Education

The education-minded General Electric Company compiled a 24-page report recently, listing the significant results of a survey of the opinions of 13,586 college graduate employees of G-E. The group was asked to evaluate its own college experiences as preparation for career success.

The foremost fact emerging from the comprehensive study was that the respondents, both engineering and non-engineering graduates, valued the broad liberal arts background for personal and career development. Specialization, it was generally felt, should occur at the graduate level.

"The prime purpose of the undergraduate education is not the dequisition of specialized information and operational techniques," the report stated. The "whole man" concept seems quite strong in the thoughts of this group of employees.

The ability to get along well with others is a factor that the respondents felt should be stressed in the college curriculum. It was also felt that the college should develop within the individual "a burning desire to associate himself with religious, social, community and civic drives."

It is interesting to note that 90% of the respondents earned some portion of their college expenses, with over two-thirds earning at least half.

Commencement

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The presentation of the "Alumnus of the Year" award and the Appreciation Awards will be a feature of the banquet program.

Rev. Hazen Sparks will be Master of ceremonies.

The Alumni Program will begin at 8:00 p.m. in Maytag Gymnasium.

The occasion will be a dramatic "This Is Your Life" tribute to Dr. Ayres. The script is being prepared by Barton Rees Pogue and will be narrated by Chaplain John Shilling.

The Baccalaureate service will be held on June 2, at 7:30 p.m. with President Evan Bergwall bringing the address.

be loyal to Him above all else but I trust that I shall represent Taylor well in addition.

—Ray Isely

New Engineering and Law Programs Announced

Two new affiliation programs with state universities have been announced in the new Taylor catalog.

A pre-engineering affiliation program has been arranged with Purdue. Students in this program will take three years of work at Taylor and will spend approximately two years on the Purdue campus. Upon completion of the course at Purdue, students will receive engineering degrees from Purdue and A.B. degrees from Taylor.

An affiliation program with the Indiana University School of Law also is being offered. In this new curriculum, students may be accepted for admission to Indiana University after completing three years of work at Taylor, provided that a cumulative scholastic index of at least 1.6 has been maintained. Upon completion of the first year in law school, students will be eligible to receive the A.B. degree from Taylor.

This unique program combines the advantages of liberal arts training in a Christian college with specialized training, leading to graduate engineering and law degrees.

Taylor also offers an affiliate nursing program with the Methodist Hospital of Indianapolis.

Alumnus of the Year

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Dr. Dodge went to Africa in 1936 as a missionary and was assigned to Angola, a Portuguese overseas province on the continent's southwestern coast. In two five-year terms, Dr. Dodge administered work on three districts, was legal representative in Angola of the Board of Missions and twice acted as interim secretary of the Angola Alliance of Protestant Missions.

During his last few years in Angola, Dr. Dodge opened mission work in the Dembos district, a forest region in the northern section, where thousands of African tribesmen have become Christians.

In 1950 Dr. Dodge was elected administrative secretary for Africa and Europe of the Division of World Missions of the Board of Missions and had responsibility for all Methodist work on both continents.

The Dodges have four children.