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## DR. DeWEERD TO BRING SPRING REVIVAL MESSAGES

### SUMMER SCHOOL IS ABANDONED FOR '54

During the last two or three years, enrollment in the summer session has been decreasing. Last summer there were only 18 full-time and 33 part-time students enrolled. This means that the session was conducted at some financial loss to the institution.

Recently the students were asked to register their interests and needs relative to a summer session in 1954. In light of the response indicated by reports to the dean's office, the Administrative Council has voted to discontinue the summer school program, at least temporarily. Should increased enrollments suggest a different trend in the future, the matter will be reconsidered when such facts are available.

An effort will be made to work out mutually satisfactory programs with those seniors who plan to graduate in August, and who were depending on summer offerings here.

### Pogue to Be Heard in Lyceum Convocation

Barton Rees Pogue, well-loved Taylor alumnus and Hoosier humorist, will be featured in a morning convocation on February 12, sponsored by the Lyceum committee. The program will begin at 9:28 in Shreiner Auditorium.

Pogue is the author of six books: *Songs of the Soil*, *Fortunes in Friendship*, *The Lifter of Laughter*, *Way-side Windows*, *The Omnibus*, and *Half Street*. Formerly professor of speech here at Taylor, he is now "Mayor" of Upland and constantly in demand for his evenings of entertainment or semi-humorous lectures. His appearances at his alma mater are usually limited to Alumni Day by his busy schedule, but the Lyceum committee felt that the students should have a chance to enjoy his homespun philosophy and humor.



Dr. DeWeerd

Dr. James DeWeerd, pastor of Cadle Tabernacle in Indianapolis, will bring the messages in Taylor's Spring Revival, to be held February 15 through 21. Dr. DeWeerd was graduated from Taylor in 1937, and since then has had an active ministry in several fields. His duties at Cadle Tabernacle include speaking over WLW in Cincinnati daily and on WLW-TV on Saturday each week.

A native of Fairmount, Indiana, Dr. DeWeerd is the editor of *The Christian Witness*, published monthly at Fairmount, and is the president of the Board of Trustees of Bethany Orphanage at Bethany, Kentucky. He was formerly president of Kletzing College, now Chicago Evangelistic Institute, at University Park, Iowa, and was listed in "Who's Who in American Education" in the 1949-50 and 1950-51 editions. His name also appears in the 1952 edition of "Who's Who in the Middlewest." It was "Captain" DeWeerd in World War II, when he served as Chaplain in the U. S. Army, was wounded and decorated for gallantry in action in Northern France.

Those of the Taylor campus family are looking forward to a time of spiritual refreshment under Dr. DeWeerd's ministry.

### PLANS FOR ANNUAL YOUTH CONFERENCE NEAR COMPLETION

April 2, 3 and 4 are the dates to remember for the 21st annual Youth Conference on Taylor's campus. This year's theme is "Time for Christ." Miss Dorothy Keeler, a second semester freshman from Milwaukee, Wis., wrote the music for the winning chorus, with the words written by Dick Cesler, a sophomore from Cincinnati. Barbara Gordinier and John Wheeler, co-chairmen, have announced that Dr. Bob Cook, president of Youth for Christ International, and Rev. Newman LeShana, father of last year's co-chairman, Dave LeShana, will be the conference speakers. Rev. LeShana was a missionary in India for several years. Pray for this significant weekend.

### Taylor Friends Respond to Christmas Seal Program

Many Taylor alumni and friends have expressed interest in the Christmas seal program which was begun in 1952. The 1953 mailing was increased over the original number, with a total of about 50,000 letters and seals sent out. Even with the additional expense of an enlarged mailing, the response was greater than in 1952. We wish to thank all of you who participated in this program, and we would appreciate any comments you would like to make.

#### FLASH!

Coach Don J. Odle was awarded the State of Indiana Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award for 1953 on January 30 in Indianapolis. The citation from the National Jaycees was for: "Outstanding community Service. Through his loyal, faithful and unselfish efforts he has made a great contribution to his community, state and nation."



# Taylor Looks Ahead

With the beginning of the new year, Taylor University casts a backward glance to express deep appreciation to God, to its faculty and students, and to the larger Taylor family all over the world for what has been a good year. The blessings of Taylor have been many and we trust that these blessings will continue to be shared by ever larger segments of people across the world in the years to come. Although the way has not always been easy, we do wish to register our genuine feeling of advance during this last calendar year. God has been good to us and we do pause to count our many blessings at this time. To any and all of you who have had any part in advancing the program at Taylor University, we at Taylor say, "Many thanks and God bless you!"

However, the end is not yet. There are many challenging things that face us, and in the future we want Taylor to be stronger than she has ever been. Our Board of Directors is now giving serious consideration to an advance program concerning which you will hear more in the future. Educational statisticians are indicating to us that in about ten years' time the number of young people who will knock at the doors of our colleges will probably be double that of this year. The implication of such a prediction is that all colleges must accommodate more students and that new colleges will have to be established. Taylor must face her responsibility in this area as well. We are not in any sense predicating a large institution. However, we do feel that we should share our just portion of responsibility in training more students. We want Taylor's program to be as sound educationally as we can make it, but we do not wish to compromise its evangelical environment and persuasion.

In order to meet the challenge that will no doubt face us, very careful planning must be undertaken. The Board of Directors is cognizant of this fact and already plans are being undertaken to survey our potential and to indicate what desirable program should be set up to best enable us to face the future. We are calling upon every friend of Taylor University to pray that God will grant wisdom for such planning and that that which we do will be a great blessing to our God and to our world in producing leadership of sound Christian calibre. This task calls not for the interest and concern of a few, but for the combined efforts of all of us. As we face the tomorrows, we do it with a keen realization that success can be ours only as we put our hands into the strong hand of God for guidance, and put our collective efforts to work hard to make and execute effective plans and programs. May God grant to us one of the most useful and effective years that Taylor has ever known.

*Evan H. Bergwall*  
President

## DR. CROSS ATTENDS READING CLINIC

In preparation for the establishment of a remedial reading program at Taylor in September, Dr. Hildreth Cross, associate professor of psychology and education, was named a delegate to the Annual Reading Institute at Temple University in Philadelphia. This Institute was held January 25 through 29, and is an



**Dr. Cross**

annual event, this year under the theme of "Differentiated Guidance in Reading." It included discussions, demonstrations, and laboratory experiences on several topics. A feature of the Institute was the informal banquet, at which Dr. Leland Jacobs, Professor of Education at the Teachers College of Columbia University, spoke on "The Individual and the World of Books."

Dr. Cross states that her primary objective in attending the clinic was to get information and instruction in remedial methods most effective in dealing with poor readers who enter college. She is planning to follow up this orientation in the remedial reading field with summer school work.

The remedial reading program that Taylor will set up is to be on a voluntary basis consisting mainly of individual conferences, guidance and direction.

Dr. Cross received her M.A. from University of Michigan and her Ph.D. from University of Iowa.

She has previously taught four years in the High School at Fairhope, Alabama, one year at Atlanta University, seventeen years at Asbury College, and is now in her sixth year at Taylor University.

Dr. Cross served on various committees at Taylor and this year is a member of the Personnel Services Committee and the Faculty Council.

She was the III prize winner of the Zondervan Textbook Contest, 1950, with a text on *General Psychology*.

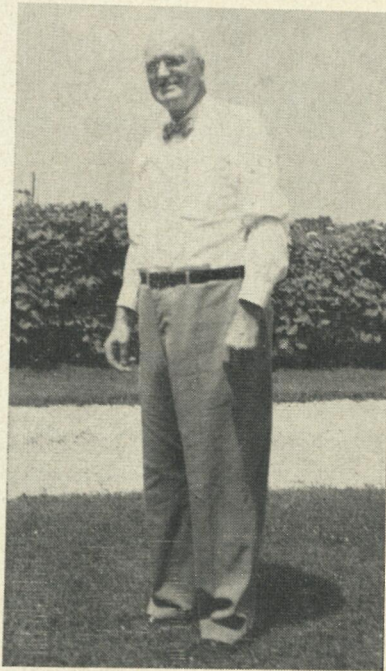


# Member of Taylor's Board of Directors Killed in Accident

The Taylor family was grieved when it received the report recently of the tragic death of Dr. Grover Van Duyn, one of the members of the Board of Directors of Taylor University. Along with three other passengers and a minister's wife, Dr. Van Duyn was involved in an auto-truck accident in Illinois which took the life of Dr. Van Duyn, and two other Nazarene ministers, and the wife of a fourth minister who was critically injured in the accident. This was indeed a tragic accident, and a great host of people were sorrowed by this experience.

Dr. Van Duyn has served in many important capacities such as the presidency of Olivet Nazarene College and was for a long time Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction in Indianapolis. At the time of his death he was serving as Director of Social Relations at the Churchmen's Life Insurance Company of Indianapolis. Dr. Van Duyn, who has been on the Board of Directors of Taylor University for the past two years, was rendering a very valuable service to the institution. This is the second time that he has served on the Board, having given many years of service about 25 years ago.

The Board of Directors of Taylor University, the faculty, and students, upon hearing of this tragic news immediately sent condolences to the Van Duyn family, and made the families of the other victims of the accident the subject of much prayer.



Dr. Van Duyn

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*It is felt that a fitting memorial at Taylor University ought to be set up in memory of Dr. Van Duyn for his service to our school. Therefore, there will be established at Taylor a Grover Van Duyn Scholarship Fund*

which will be used to help worthy and qualified students in obtaining their education at Taylor University. Those friends of Dr. Van Duyn and of Taylor University who wish to join in this program of creating this fitting memorial are asked to send their contributions to Taylor, designated as going to the Van Duyn Scholarship Fund. Many friends wished to send flowers to the funeral, but since the request was that flowers be omitted, it is hoped that these will want to share in this scholarship fund.

## How Long Has It Been?

Reunions are already being planned by several classes who expect to get together after five, ten, twenty, or fifty years since their graduation from Taylor. Alumni Day this year is Monday, June 7. Mark your calendar now and plan your trip to T. U. Special reunion classes this year and their presidents are:

- 1953—Jerry Close, 710 N. Lake Shore Drive, Evanston, Ill.
- 1949—Wilbur Cleveland, 1905 Bailey Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn.
- 1944—Paul Clasper, 143 St. John's Road, Rangoon, Burma
- 1939—Milo A. Rediger, Taylor University, Upland, Ind.
- 1934—Marvin Schilling, Wausau, Wisconsin
- 1929—Wilson Paul, Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich.
- 1924—Lester M. Bonner, 317 Second Ave., Elizabeth, Penna.
- 1919—D. Joseph Imler, 36 Bellevue Road, Belmont, Mass.

Several members of earlier classes are planning to return. The class of 1904 which celebrates its fiftieth anniversary this year has seven living members, and from the class of 1909 there are eight members.

## 1/2 of the time; 1/4 of the goal

By the end of the month of December Taylor alumni had contributed almost \$10,000 in the current alumni fund drive for \$40,000. Gifts to the college have come from over 300 alumni totaling \$8679.50. Christmas seal contributions and alumni dues account for over \$1300 more. The current fund drive will continue the rest of the fiscal year until June 30, 1954. All contributions to Taylor from alumni for any purpose will be counted toward the goal.

The alumni fund begun this year is planned as an annual program to help meet the financial needs at Taylor. Mr. Kenyon S. Campbell, director for funds of the American Alumni Council, stated after the 1952 survey of annual giving at 270 colleges and universities that the survey "shows that more and more alumni and friends are reaffirming, with their gifts, their faith in higher education." The program of annual giving by alumni has become one of the most important sources of revenue for all types of colleges and universities.

A recent letter from the alumni office speculated on the possibilities open to Taylor through the tithing practices of former students. The letter mentioned the fact that if 2000 alumni with an average annual income of \$3000 were to give one tenth of the tithe it would mean alumni support with \$60,000. *They Went To College*, a book giving the results of a survey made in 1947 of college graduates, says the median annual income (half made more, half made less) for college graduates at the time of the survey was \$5386. At the same time the median annual income for non-college men was \$2200.

A copy of the new Taylor Alumni Directory has been sent to all alumni who contributed during the past two years. Any who have not received a copy but would like to have one may secure the directory by writing to the Alumni Office. The directory contains 128 pages of addresses for 2622 Taylor alumni listed alphabetically and geographically. Maiden names and class membership are indicated in the alphabetical list.

## SAMMY MORRIS FILM FOOTAGE COMPLETED

The footage for the Sammy Morris film has been completed this past month. Missions Visualized brought the work print to the campus February 1 for a preview by the Film Committee of the Board of Directors. With the prayer and financial support this film deserves of those who are familiar with the story of Sammy's life, this film can reach hundreds with a fresh and vitalized challenge for missions. PRAY! GIVE!

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# LOOKING TOWARD 1970

If you are a pastor in Indiana this year and have six young people of college age, you will have eleven in 1970—an increase of 89%. If you are the principal of a high school in Michigan and have thirty seniors this year, in 1970 you will have 58, an increase of 97%. The per cent of increase in Ohio by 1970 will be 97 and in Illinois, 76. These percentages were taken from a survey made by the American Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers. The survey deals with college age population trends from 1940 through 1970 and was published in August of this past year. Perhaps the basic fact behind these enormous increases could best be pointed out in the differential between births and deaths. This year's college freshmen were born in 1935. In that year there were 2,200,000 births and 1,300,000 deaths. In 1952 there were 3,800,000 births, and 1,500,000 deaths. That gives us an increased college age potential of 1,400,000 young people. In the light of these facts it is no wonder that the directors of our educational systems are concerned over the future educational opportunities for this tremendous increase of students.

## Two Factors Cause Increase

It has been a combination of two principle factors that has led to these challenging circumstances. The nation's birth rate jumped from 2,250,000 in 1939 to 3,700,000 in 1947 and then went on to establish a new high with 3,800,000 births in 1952. There is no doubt that World War II and the ensuing Korean conflict are the prime factors for this increase. With this increase however the death rate has remained nearly the same. In 1939 1,300,000 died while in 1952 only an additional

300,000 deaths occurred. Probably the fact that even through the war years the death rate did not increase more than this can be directly attributed to the increased medical research brought about by the war and its resulting increase of life expectancy.

## Taylor's Part

Perhaps you have been wondering what all this has to do with Taylor. As President Bergwall pointed out in the editorial in this issue, we are wondering much the same thing. Knowing that there will be in this increased college age group a larger number of Christian young people, it is our desire and the desire of leaders of other Christian schools to try to determine what part God would have these institutions play in the enlarged educational program that must be carried out within the next twenty years. In Taylor's situation the following facts should provide food for thought. We have at the present time 430 students. Within this number there are 144 from Indiana, 66 from Ohio, 55 from Michigan and 22 from Illinois. In other words these four states provide 287 of the 430 students on our campus. Using the percentages we mentioned before and not allowing for any increase or decrease in our student promotion program we should have in 1970, 272 from Indiana, 130 from Ohio, 108 from Michigan, and 38 from Illinois. In other words these four states alone which comprise two thirds of our present student body will in 1970 send 548 students to Taylor. If our present ratio still exists that would mean our student body would total 822 students. Thus the obligations for not only the faculty, staff, and students at Taylor are going to increase as we

approach 1970 but we shall need even greater support from our friends and alumni. We need your support in prayer that we might know the will of God; and we need your support financially that we might carry out His will. Each and every one of us needs to realize the important part Taylor and similar schools are playing in the vast educational system of the United States.

## President Eisenhower Urges Support of Schools

President Eisenhower made the following statement in an address last October that should awaken a response within us that will enable Taylor to do her part: "The chief bulwark of our heritage against any such decay has been, and is and will be, the American school system—from the one-room red brick building at a country crossroads to the largest of our large universities. . . . Our school system is more important than it was before, because the job of being an American citizen is more complex than ever before in our history. Knowledge and understanding and vision, beyond the demands of yesterday, are required of tomorrow's citizens. Our schools—all our schools—in consequence must have a continuing priority in our concern for community and national welfare.

"In our school system an important place is filled by the small, often church-related, liberal arts colleges.

"These institutions, for generations in the van of higher education, have covered our lands. They have brought the advantages of college training to thousands upon thousands who, except for the existence of these institutions, could never have enjoyed this privilege."

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