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Quotes from Coach Odle

“I just returned from a prison meeting with about 350 convicts. Almost 100 of them accepted Christ.”

“Yesterday I spoke to about 2,000 Air Force men. The Lord was really in that service as we saw about 300 indicate their desire to live for Jesus Christ.”

“Last night we played in a stadium where 4,500 soldiers and cadets crowded in to see us play two teams, and we beat both pretty badly. About 200 were saved in our evening service.”

“Communism is powerful and more rice and more guns will never stop it. Only the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ can overcome the devil, and Communism is Anti-Christ from the beginning.”

The graduates that have left the halls of Taylor have not left alone, nor have they lived alone. Always there has been the Eternal One to guide them, always there has been the task to be completed, always there have been the strains of the Taylor Song vibrating within the soul far from home. Taylor alumni have left the campus with a conscious realization that though the night seemed fearfully dark, the mountain forbiddingly high, there was One who would go with them all the way.

They have not wept, worked, studied or prayed in vain. The life they possessed was not their own, nor were they to live it themselves. It belonged to something bigger than finite beings—it belonged to God who had given, cleansed, and called it into the service of an infinite battle. Down through the ages the conflict has raged—Satan on one hand, God on the other. In the midst of it, Taylor alumni have been wielding the Sword of the Lord, using it effectively to counteract the cunning devices that Satan has introduced into the world.

The battle has not always been fought on friendly territory. The chords of our Taylor Song have pierced through the jungles of Africa, rambled along the dusty road of India, echoed through the swamps of South America and rung through the cities of the United States. Today in far-off Formosa the song is ringing again. Singing a strain of freedom from oppression, sin and Communism. In that tiny bastille of Christianity, through the efforts of Taylor's Venture for Victory, men are learning anew of “Taylor and her purpose grand.”

DID YOU KNOW?
Taylor's Educational Plant is valued at one and one-half million dollars.
With the Faculty This Summer

Dr. Bart W. Ayres, for whom our Ayres Memorial Library is named, completed 45 years of teaching in the classrooms of Taylor University, having retired relation of Vice President Emeritus since 1946. He has been actively engaged in “domestic science and property maintenance at his home” during these summer months. Included among various other activities is a garden and some yard work.

In the field of Education and Psychology we find Hildreth Marie Cross who has just finished her fourth year at T. U. Dr. Cross has just finished writing a book “Introduction to Psychology” which she hopes will be ready for publication in August.

Prof. Charles Oswald, a newcomer on the campus this past year, has been Head Counselor at Bethany Camp, Winona Lake, Indiana, this summer. Prof. Oswald received his B. S. in Education at Olivet Nazarene College, and his M. S. from Indiana University.

Miss Maude Felter who has been teaching summer school, left for her home at Fayette, Iowa, July 19. During the last week of August she plans to be at the Peniel Camp Meeting (Covenant Church) at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Jennie Elizabeth Andrews, also in the Education Department and new on our campus last year, has been spending the summer at her home in Charles City, Iowa.

Theodora Bothwell, in the Fine Arts Department at Taylor University, has spent 29 years teaching here, and has also been on the staff this summer. Miss Bothwell received her Music B. M. at Chicago Conservatory and Mus. B. at Syracuse University.

Ruth Bixel has been attending summer school at Syracuse University where she has been studying organ under Arthur Poitier. Miss Bixel has just completed her first year at Taylor University. (Continued on page 4)

From the Dean’s Desk

We returned to the Taylor campus on July 1 and are already engaged in the work of the Dean’s office. We feel that Taylor has a unique ministry in the field of Christian higher education and are approaching our work with that conviction.

I am convinced that the Taylor program must be both vigorously intellectual and effectively Christian and that these are not mutually exclusive but rather mutually inter-dependent.

It is my intention to contribute whatever I can to the development of such a program and to provide whatever safeguards are necessary to insure both aspects of it. I am strongly in sympathy with the basic educational aims of Taylor University and am glad to have a part in the effort to achieve those aims.

My family and I have been happy to renew our acquaintances on the campus and are looking forward to a good 1952-53 school year. We trust that many of you will be able to return to the campus on October 17 and 18 for the inauguration of the new president and for homecoming. It will also be good to see you on other occasions during the school year.

Inaugural News

OCTOBER 17 will be the Inauguration of President Evan H. Bergwall. Mr. Samuel L. Ham, of Christian Education at New York University, will bring the address entitled “The Christian College in the Crisis Era.”

Chapel Has Variety Of Speakers

Chapel speakers this summer included the following from the administration and faculty: President Bergwall, Dean Rediger, Dr. Bushey, Dr. Charbonnier, Miss Felter, Mr. Joiner, Dean Thomas, Miss Olson, Miss Bixel and Dr. Yoder. Visiting chapel speakers were Rev. Wallace Harless of the Gas City Baptist Church, Rev. Elmer Polk of the Fairmount Methodist Church, Rev. Charles Rhodes of the Highland Avenue Methodist Church of Marion, Rev. Joseph Gibson of the Matthews Methodist Church and Rev. Robert Morgan of the Marion Church of God. Two summer school students also spoke: Ray Comstock and Neil McDowell.

Outlook for Fall Registration Good

The office of the Registrar reports that prospects there indicate a full registration for Taylor in the coming fall semester. Applications of entering students are coming from all parts of the United States as well as from overseas. Many of these new students have been referred to Taylor by alumni.

OPENING CALENDAR

First Semester 1952-1953

Sept. 6—Faculty Workshop
Sept. 8-13—Freshman days and registration
Sept. 26—Matriculation Day
Sept. 28-Oct. 5—Religious Emphasis
Oct. 17-18—President’s inauguration and Homecoming
At the fall meeting of the Building and Ground Committee of the Board of Directors of the William Taylor Foundation, several campus improvements have been scheduled for this summer.

Most of these fall into the category of redecoration and repair. The Campbell-Magee-Wisconsin Dormitory is to be the scene of most of the work. According to scheduled plans the corridors in Magee-Campbell, as well as the rest rooms are to be redecorated. The roofs on the porches are to be resurfaced and the porches are to be repaired and painted. The pillars and the facings are to be painted, as well as the trim on some of the other campus buildings.

The gymnasium floor has already been cleaned and sealed. The exterior trim and the pillars as well are to receive a coat of paint.

The art department is to be moved into the administration building from its present location in the education building. The expanding business department will occupy the area left vacant by the department of art. Each division will then be centrally located in one building.

The faculty homes that are in the greatest need of repair are to receive a coat of paint as time permits. The material for the above repairs has largely been donated. Paint for the corridors is to be furnished by Mr. Elmer Seagley. The paint for the rest rooms and the gymnasium is being donated by Mr. Orville Odle. The Johnson Machine Company and the Bontrager Construction Company are to furnish a quantity of outside white paint.

The heating plant is undergoing a complete check. The heat lines are being inspected and repaired in an effort to eliminate the pounding pipes that have awakened dormitory residents for the past several years. Installation of a new 20 H.P. water heater in the kitchen is part of the overall program, to free the heating plant from operating except when the buildings require heat. This installation will also provide a more adequate hot water supply for the dormitory. In this connection, several water heaters have been placed in homes where the hot water was previously furnished by the heating plant.

A new mixer is to be placed in the kitchen before the opening of school. This ought to help the quality of the mashed potatoes. The College Grill, under the management of Tammer Saliba, has already been rearranged and equipped. The installation of a new meat and produce display case has been the greatest addition in equipment. The rearrangement of shelves and counter space which is planned should make it easier for students to be served during the rush hours.

Also on the agenda are hopes to have a new supply of items in the book store, part of which will be minor ready-to-wear apparel.

It is hoped that these improvements will make for a more pleasant and efficient environment on the campus this fall.
According to the latest report available before the Bulletin went to press, summer vacations must be costing Taylor's alumni more than they had planned. During the first two weeks in July, contributions from alumni amounted to only $305. Alumni and friends should take note of the new ruling by Congress by which citizens may deduct up to 20% from their income for contributions when figuring 1952 income tax.

News has been coming in much more generously. As gracious as the Lord has been to some of the grads in hiding the number of years it has been since they were in college, your alumni secretary thinks it would be a fine gesture if some would testify to His grace by sending in pictures showing how young they really are.

Here are some gleanings from the file:

Rev. A. C. Hoover '13, R.R. 4, Greenfield, Indiana, is pastor of the Philadelphia Methodist Church. To date he has spent 44 years in the Methodist ministry including the years that he spent as a Chaplain during World War I.

Mrs. Catherine (Biesecker) Smith, who was a student with the class of 1924, is in Kenya Colony, British East Africa. She has written regularly for the Call to Prayer and the Missionary Messenger. The Smiths did pioneer work for the Holiness Missionary Society in Kenya Colony. They have four children; two of them are now in the United States.

The activities of a housewife occupy the attention of Althea (Osborne) Callin '29. The Callins have a girl nine years old, and twins, a boy and a girl, five.

Joseph Brothers, a freshman with the class of '36, lives at 306 S. Richmond, Hartford City, Indiana.

Mrs. Carol (Severn) Klein '31 is a missionary under the Christian and Missionary Alliance working in French Equatorial Africa. The Kleins have a daughter fourteen years old.

Luther Patton '38 is pastor of the Calvary Methodist Church of Latham, New York. His street address is 204 Old Loudon Road. Luther was a chaplain in the Pacific Area during World War II.

Recent visitors to the campus were Mr. and Mrs. William Hoke (Mary Hess) of the class of 1939. They are home on furlough after six and a half years serving a Brethren in Christ Mission in the province of Bilhar, India. "Bill" has just been appointed superintendent of the work in that area. Their address while in the States is Box 142, Pleasant Hill, Ohio.

On graduate duty at Coleman Hospital is Helene (Dixon) McClure, a student at Taylor in '44, 2224 N. Alabama, Indianapolis. Her husband is a dental student at U. of Medical Center. From Share via Jebba, Nigeria, West Africa, John Bontrager, '42 and '49 writes, "We enjoy hearing Taylor news and have been praying for God's blessing upon the school. John is principal of the Nupe Bible School in Nigeria. Lyle Russell '41 is a partner of the firm Walker and Russell, Certified Public Accountants of Traverse City, Michigan. The Russells and their four children live at 502 Sixth Street.

John Siner '45 is doing rural pastoral work in the heart of Nebraska at Arcadia.