Centennial Program Will Help Materially in
MEETING TAYLOR'S POST-WAR NEEDS

The New Library Building and Increased Endowment -- Two of Taylor's Most Urgent Needs
to Meet Highest Educational Requirements

$26,387.48 ALREADY ON HAND FOR LIBRARY

Centennial goals must be reached if Taylor University is
to meet the demands of the post-war world. This pro-
gram was set up by joint action of the
Board of Directors of the William Tay-
lor Foundation and the Alumni Associa-
tion. The first unit, the
Ayres-Alumni Library, is a pro-
ject primarily of the Alumni Association,
and the plan is that not only will the
name of Dr. Ayres
be preserved on the
outside in stone, but a permanent rec-
ord will be placed in the building as a
memorial to the alumni of the institu-
tion. Every alumnus, former student,
friend and parent who puts $100.00 in-
to the Library fund will have a place
in this Roll of Honor.

The original thought was that $75,000
would be used for the erection of the
building, and $25,000 for equipment
and additional books.

This united action of both the Alum-
ni and Directors of the William Taylor
Foundation came about because there
was absolute unanimity of opinion by
both bodies and all others concerned
that the library was the most urgent
and acute need of Taylor University in
an adequate educational program. Ere-
cction of the library would release some of
the large rooms on the main floor of the
Administration Building, for classes, so
that the whole educational program
could be carried on more efficiently.

Along with raising the funds for the
library building, the endowment must
be increased. With this accomplished,
teachers' salaries, which have been so
inadequate, could be raised, making it
possible to obtain outstanding teachers,
who would have some incentive to re-
main on the staff.

The William Taylor Foundation mem-
berships are a vital cog in the endow-
ment program, for every Foundation
membership becomes at least $200.00
worth of potential endowment; in fact,
in educational circles the living endow-
ment today is considered even more
vital to the continuance of an institu-
tion than endowment in stocks, bonds
and other investments. However, in or-
der for this to be effective, membership
pledges must be definitely signed and
paid regularly. There are many friends
who are giving not only $10.00 a year,
but $25.00, $50.00 and $100.00, and
some of them $500.00 a year, and all
this can be used to carry on the work of
“an effective Christian college.”

This list must be increased rapidly
until the institution will have a solid,
dependable constituency, giving defi-
nite amounts right
through the years,
and backing these
gifts by prayers.

It will take defi-
nite and concerted
action by all friends
of an “effective
Christian college”
to reach these goals.
When this program
was set up, it was
declared:

“Dr. Burt Wilmot
Ayres, the Vice
President and for-
mer Dean of the
University, has for
more than forty
years been connect-
ne Taylor University. He is the con-
necting link in the school’s history be-
tween the present and the past and has
a host of former students and friends
who are proud to call him their friend.
We can think of no one for whom this
new building could be more fittingly
named. He is a scholar, a Christian
philosopher, a man of God, a gentle-
man loved and respected by all.

“No other name catches fire with the
Alumni like the name of Dr. B. W.
Ayres. No other single personality
connected with Taylor University is
loved and honored around the world
more than he.”

Alumni and friends want this first
unit pushed to completion as quickly
as possible so that this great Christian
scholar who has invested his life in
Taylor may see and enjoy the Library.
Dr. Ayres will be seventy-nine years
old December 29. Will you not make it
possible, on his birthday, for the goal
of the library fund to be realized, so
that he may be assured of the comple-
tion of this fitting memorial? Sign
your pledges and send them in.
WHAT CONSTITUTES An Effective Christian College?

By DR. CORNELIUS JAARSMA, DEAN

To justify our very existence and continuation as a college in the complexity of modern educational facilities, we must be clear and sound in our pronouncements. In these pronouncements we must indicate a philosophy of life and education which is distinctive.

We are first of all Christian. But the designation of Christian may cover a variety of conflicting principles and beliefs in our day. We must qualify this description. A Christian college must also be a college in the full sense of the word. Because we are and want to be Christian in our educational program, we may not in any way reduce the academic quality of our courses of study. A Christian college is an institution of undergraduate, higher learning, devoted to the study of the arts and sciences from a distinctive, Christian point of view.

However, a Christian college is more than a secular college, plus a chapel worship period, a prayer meeting, and some Bible study. The Christian life knows of no such dualism.

The essence of an effective Christian college is expressed very well in the dictum of Johannes Sturm, great educator of the Reformation, "Sapiens atque eloquens pietas." Freely translated this dictum says "True piety, organically united with sound knowledge and genuine culture." This statement is wholly in accord with educational ideals we gather from Holy Writ in such passages as the following: Job 28:28; Prov. 1:7a; Prov. 3:6; Micah 8:8; 1 Cor. II (the entire chapter); II Tim. 3:16, 17.

True piety is intellectual and experimental. By faith we accept the veracity and authority of the Holy Scriptures as the complete, infallible, supernatural revelation of God to man. Denominationally we may differ in lesser details of interpretation. But in so far as we are Bible-believing Christians, we accept the great doctrines as held by the Christian Church through the ages. Our thinking is guided by that faith.

But this faith may be no more than an intellectual, philosophical assumption, unless it is vitalized by a personal relationship to the God of revelation, the God of our salvation. This is the experiential phase of true piety. This vital relationship finds expression first of all in a staff composed of consecrated Christians, men and women who know God experientially as well as intellectually. It finds expression progressively in a student body that is gradually maturing in spirituality, as well as in the intellectual and social qualities.

True piety, as here defined, gives the Christian college an atmosphere which is conducive to the development of Christian character. It promotes the virtues that should characterize a man and woman born again, transformed by the Spirit of God in the image of our Creator and Redeemer. Furthermore, true piety gives all instruction and research a specific point of departure, the thought of God as revealed to us infallibly in the Scripture. The phenomena of nature and of the works of man's creative genius must be interpreted in the light of our knowledge of God and His great work in creation and in redemption if they are to be known in truth.

Sound knowledge has reference to a true understanding of and, within finite limitations, a manipulation or prediction of the facts of an objective world. This world is God's world. He knows His creation in a perfect sense. If we would have some understanding of this universe, we must adopt the prospective of God's revelation to man. The human mind, darkened by sin and limited by its finite nature, cannot comprehend the great mysteries of God's handiwork. Our vision is obscured. We need the light of God's Word to open to us the true meaning of this world. The same holds true of the creative work of human genius in philosophy, literature, art, social institutions, etc. The criteria for their evaluation come in the final analysis from God's Word.

Only in an effective, distinctive Christian college can we develop sound knowledge. Our knowledge is God-centered, and, therefore, true and authoritative. Allowing for all the fallacies of human error in interpretation, we have the promise of God that if we acknowledge Him in all our ways, He will direct our paths. We take this promise seriously intellectually, academically, as well as morally in a Christian college.

Genuine culture refers to refinement of our intellectual, emotional and social life. A Christian culture is not a veneer, an addition, an accretion. It is a refinement that springs from the inner resources of a transformed life. Only an education that promotes the right motives for living can be truly cultural. An education without the motivation coming from a spiritual life born of God fails to make culture real and lasting.

When knowledge and culture are organically related to true piety; when, in other words, our educational pursuits are permeated by a God-centered, God-motivated, and God-glorying purpose, we have an effective, distinctive, Christian education. Only colleges so organized are truly Christian colleges. May Taylor University always be effectively Christian in its total educational program.

But why confine this concept of Christian education to the college level only? Why should not this be our challenge as Christians for all levels of schooling, beginning with the kindergarten? How long will Christians remain content with our Godless education today? Unless we do something soon, the outlook for Christianity is, humanly speaking, dark indeed.

Thank God for Revival

The Rev. J. M. Hames led the Fall revival. God gave us a blessed meeting. A large number of students were gloriously converted; others were reclaimed and others sought and received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. There were many others who received their life call, and are determined to take the marvelous full Gospel out to the ends of the earth.

There was a good group on the campus during the last week-end for the Spiritual Life Convocation, and a number of these received blessed spiritual victories. Students who have not answered God's call for full-time Christian service.

SECOND SEMESTER OPENS JANUARY 17. SEND FOR CATALOGUE.
NEW LIBRARY WAS MISS GUILER’S DREAM

A Great Christian Goes To Her Reward

Miss Guiler went to Heaven Friday, October 13. The staff, student body and church vied with each other in trying adequately to pay tribute to this great Christian.

Miss Guiler was an efficient librarian, a beautiful and attractive Christian, faithful and loyal to her Christ and her task to the end.

October 13th, 1944

"Dear Dr. and Mrs. Stuart:

A telegram just came stating that dear Miss Guiler has gone home. You may remember that I said last year 'The death of Miss Guiler would seem to me to be the greatest single loss since I have been at Taylor,' I feel that to be true. Every Christian college must have a few like Miss Guiler who have deep convictions, quiet spirits, deep loyalty and true devotion to daily tasks. We have suffered a genuine loss in her departure. After receiving the telegram, I knelt in renewed consecration and devotion to the cause of Christian Education.

I am not sending flowers, but count on me for sending ten dollars toward the library fund. I had hoped that the new library would come in Dr. Ayres' and Miss Guiler's day. Miss Guiler loved her library and she never spared herself in seeking to render all the help possible to every faculty member and each student. She will be missed in school, community and church. She loved the students. We all loved her for her devotion to the Master and to His Kingdom." —ETHEL L. FOUST

Leaves $1,000 to Taylor For Library Fund

Miss Guiler showed her love and interest in the new library by leaving $1,000.00 to the college for this purpose. Why can't one of the most beautiful sections of this building be set aside as a memorial to Miss Guiler and ten or fifteen thousand dollars be added to her gift so that a suite of offices, or some other appropriate section of the library may stand as a tribute to her memory?

Send your gifts and suggestions.

Rev. Charles P. Culver and Mr. Paul Hawkes, former students, have sent their $100.00 for the Centennial Fund, A Kansas friend sends a $100.00 gift for the library. She pays a very beautiful tribute to Dr. Ayres, saying he is such a wonderfully good man and so humble, and that he is sacrificing his life for Taylor.

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TAYLOR UNIVERSITY

CENTENNIAL GOAL - $500,000

$100 UNIT

$1.00 for each year of Taylor’s history

Because of my vital interest in the continued growth and future usefulness of Taylor University as an effective Christian College, and in consideration of others subscribing to the Centennial Fund of said school (first unit to be the Ayres-Alumni Memorial Library Building), and for value received, I subscribe and promise to pay to The William Taylor Foundation, Upland, Indiana:

The sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00) on the following terms:

$.............. cash; the remainder to be paid as follows: ( ) $.............. monthly;
( ) $........... quarterly; ( ) $........ semi-annually; ( ) $........ annually;
or as follows:

Name ...........................................
Street ...........................................
City .................................................

PERMANENT MEMORIAL RECORD IN NEW LIBRARY BUILDING FOR EACH DONOR OF $100
(From Pennysylvania Friend)

The wife of a Pennsylvania friend who has been a great contributor to Taylor, sends $100.00 for the library in memory of her husband.

Why not, before you lay this paper down, sign the pledge below, and send it to us, telling the institution what it may depend upon you to do?

F rom Pennsylvania Friend

The wife of a Pennsylvania friend who has been a great contributor to Taylor, sends $100.00 for the library in memory of her husband.
May This Prayer Be Answered

“I am enclosing $5 for the Centennial Fund, and I pray the Lord will bless your every effort in this splendid Christian school. It may be that another Moody or Wesley will come from Taylor, and through them, we will have a much needed revival.”

Rachel Edge

FROM THE SOUTH PACIFIC

“I see Chaplain Jones quite often and attend many of his services. He truly is a grand Christian, and I love him. He has been much help to me as well as others. Although we are in different outfits, we manage to have fellowship often. Praise God for his Christian character.”

Pfc. Matthew Diachenko
A.P.O. San Francisco

Dear Dr. Stuart:

“Enclosed is a small gift for you to use where most needed. I sincerely wish Taylor, under your leadership, a year of great advancement spiritually, and physically.”

Mary Kathryn Myers
Class of ’38

JOIN TAYLOR'S TWENTY-FOUR-HOUR PRAYER LEAGUE

This has been in existence for a number of years. It is hoped that every hour of the day and night, somewhere in the world, individuals or groups will be on their knees before God, pleading for His blessing on Taylor University. Write us the hour when you will be remembering Taylor definitely in prayer.

WILLS AND ANNUITIES

Although you may not be able to do anything in a financial way now, you may be able to help Taylor later on by wills and annuities. Make the beneficiary "Taylor University of the William Taylor Foundation, a corporation inGrant Co., Upland, Indiana."

THE MARCH OF FAITH

The new booklet by Lindley J. Baldwin, Class of 1886, entitled “The March of Faith,” centering around the life of Samuel Morris, or Sammy Morris as he is more generally called, is having a great sale. Send for your copy, read it, and pass it on to someone else that it may bless him. The price is twenty-five cents postpaid.

Second Semester opens January 17, 1945. Registrations are already coming in. Send in your application, along with your room deposit, so that a room may be selected and reserved for you.