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# TAYLOR UNIVERSITY BULLETIN

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## SCHOOL OPENS SEPTEMBER 16

Prospects Bright for Largest Incoming  
Class in History of School

### Taylor University's Academic Rating

J. ARTHUR HOWARD, *Dean.*

These are times when there is much attention and value given to standards. Various criteria are used as a measure for industries and for institutions. The theory of success by quantity has so dominated the material world that there is danger of insisting too much on this measure for spiritual values also. But to quote Robert L. Kelley: "The liberal arts colleges still aspire to qualitative achievement and recognize that by this measure their work ultimately will be estimated." Both men and material equipment are necessary for a college to accomplish its purpose, but the qualitative criterion must be foremost and an increased insight into the capacities and interests of the students must be synthesized with those principles and ideals which are of utmost worth in human relations and in establishing one's relationship to his God.

Taylor University has been endeavoring to meet the criteria of qualitative achievement and is much gratified at having met definite standards of attainment. Taylor University is a standard college of Liberal Arts. This rating was given by the State Board of Education in February, 1930. Indiana State Board of Education has but one rating, and Taylor University has the same rating any other college accredited by this Board may have. This data may be verified by reference to the Bulletin No. 19 of Accredited Higher Institutions from the Office of Education of the Department of the Interior.

Indiana University also recognizes Taylor University as a standard college. We quote from a letter from E. S. Stout, Dean of the university, of the date of April 15, 1931: "Taylor University is recognized by Indiana University as a standard college. Its graduates are accepted into our graduate school on the same basis as graduates of other first class colleges in the state."

It is generally the policy of universities of other states to accord the same rating to an institution as is given it by the university of its own

state. Just this summer a university of another state replied to one of our students, who is planning on graduate work, that it would "be governed by whatever rating Indiana University gives." Thus our standing with Indiana University is a splendid asset and is very much appreciated.

We have just recently received communication from Doctor Dukes, Dean of the Graduate School of Purdue University, which emphasizes largely the technical phases of graduate work, stating: "We are willing to admit to graduate standing students who have completed your regular four-years course where a fair amount of science has been included in the course." This gratifying expression comes unsolicited on our part and is a recognition of the standard quality of work Taylor University is doing.

The college enjoys full certification privileges accorded by law to any college in the state. Students who desire to enter the teaching profession may meet the requirements of the state for teacher's license and be fully certificated for teaching in secondary schools. This may be done while pursuing work toward a bachelor's degree. Graduates from Taylor University are teaching in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and other states.

Taylor University is favored with a conscientious faculty, well prepared for their work and efficient in technique of instruction. Her students are earnest, faithful to task, and cooperate splendidly with the faculty. This creates a splendid atmosphere in which a young person may pursue his college course.

#### INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT

Keep in mind the inauguration of Dr. R. L. Stuart as president of Taylor University. This will take place in October and should be a day of great advance in every respect. Pray to this end.



### LIFTED BY THE POWER OF UNITED PRAYER

Never could Taylor afford to exchange the volume of prayer which ascends on her behalf from the hearts of God's trusting children for any material gift no matter how large. Only God knows the real enormity of the part which prayer has had in her history.

Would it not be a glorious thing if we could know that somewhere, even if in remote portions of the earth, there was prayer being offered for Taylor every hour of the day? Knowledge of this would be of great encouragement to those who carry administrative burdens and would be of untold blessing.

If you desire to have a part in this Prayer League won't you write us and tell us just when your prayer for God's blessing upon Taylor will be made?

ANOTHER BOND RETURNED TO TAYLOR UNIVERSITY. A friend in Texas returns bond and also sends in names of prospective students. Here is a paragraph from the letter:

"In answer to your letter stating the condition of things at Taylor University, I want to say that I am returning my bond and interest coupons and if possible would like for it to be applied on some Christian boy or girl who is preparing for some definite Christian work. If that cannot be done I am donating bond and interest to the school."

YOUR GIFTS ARE HELPING TAYLOR TAKE ITS GREAT PLACE IN THE BUILDING OF A NEW WORLD. WHAT A WORK TAYLOR IS DOING! LOOK AT THE RETURN ON INVESTMENTS IN TAYLOR. SEND YOUR GIFTS TO TAYLOR WHERE YOUR DOLLARS WILL BEAR ETERNAL DIVIDENDS. WHILE TAYLOR'S NEED WAS NEVER GREATER THAN NOW, HER GLORIOUS OPPORTUNITY WAS ALSO NEVER GREATER.

After spending the summer in close contact with Dr. Stuart I can say that no one could have given more ardent effort to any cause than he has to Taylor University. All his time and energy have been spent in the interest of the school. Without vacation he has been speaking, traveling, praying, working, planning night and day for Taylor University. Pray that God may supply him with the necessary physical strength and the daring and encouragement of soul which his task demands.

GEORGE FENSTERMACHER.

### NEW STUDENT PROSPECTS FOR 1931-32

The interest which our friends have had in the Student Promotion work which has been carried on this summer has been great. Many have helped us in a very real way, others have been unable to aid, but have been anxious to hear of the results because of their deep and sincere interest in Taylor's welfare.

Naturally it is very difficult, especially in a time of financial uncertainty, to accurately prophesy the size of the incoming class. However, it is the honest belief of those who have been in close contact with the work, that the freshman class this fall, will be the largest in the history of Taylor University. Of this there seems to be no doubt.

This fact should be of great encouragement, because this increase has been obtained in one of the most difficult times. The financial depression which has swept not only our own country, but Europe as well, is sure to leave its effect upon the enrollment of colleges throughout the country. Throughout the summer our representatives have constantly met with young people who, under normal financial conditions, would be enjoying the benefits of a college course, but who will be compelled to withdraw from school and remain idle because of the absolute lack of financial resources.

At the time that this article is printed, there have been one hundred and sixty-five new students who have signed the application blank for entrance to Taylor. Out of this group there are a few whose college work will begin a year from this time. Subtracting these, and after allowing for the shrinkage which occurs each year, the result is gratifying.

Preparations are now being made to acquaint these new students with one another, and with the faculty, on the day preceding registration. Dr. Furbay has this in charge, and has arranged a large mass meeting, banquet and games which no new student can afford to miss.

Although the new school year is soon to begin, our work of Student Promotion goes right on. We have already many names of people who have expressed a very definite intention of coming to Taylor a year from this fall. We have a file of students who are now in High School, but who at the end of their High School course will be looking forward to our institution for their college work. All these will be cultivated, as well as many more throughout the winter months. As friends of the school, please do not feel that your interest and help in this matter of Student Promotion can afford to cease. Constantly keep in touch with us, and send us new prospects. In this way you will be aiding us, and helping send Taylor's influence into the lives of many more young people.



# TAYLOR'S WORLD-WIDE FAMILY

IN THE MISSION FIELDS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD THE GOSPEL WORK IS BEING DARINGLY PUSHED FORWARD BY HEROIC MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE COME FROM THE HALLS OF TAYLOR UNIVERSITY.

## FROM FAR OFF CHINA

The following paragraphs have been taken from a letter from Dr. Robert Brown of the Wuhu General Hospital of Wuhu, China. The letter is addressed to Dr. R. L. Stuart.

Dear Dr. Stuart:

My copy of the "Alumni News" and the "Taylor Bulletin" brought me the information of your election as President of the old school. Even though you may not remember me, I wish to send you congratulations and best wishes for your every success in the great work you are undertaking.

I came to Taylor in 1905 and remember you very well as a dignified senior when I was a little freshman. I remember the commencement time and your graduation at the end of that year. It looked a long ways ahead to me at that time. I have heard of you occasionally during the years that have passed, and the words that came to me were always good words about your work in the west.

After finishing college and teaching at Taylor for four years, I studied medicine at Ann Arbor and have now been in China thirteen years. The work here has been a great joy, and the opportunities and responsibilities for establishing the Kingdom in this great land are really overwhelming. In addition to the Christian demonstration of the medical work, one of our greatest opportunities lies in the friendships we make out here. The Chinese people believe in friendships and such relationships go far in producing international understanding and good will.

The country is again this year plunged into civil strife and Communist activity. Our great Yangtze valley is also suffering as it has not for twenty years, because of floods. The great river has broken its dikes in several places and the country about here is flooded for miles around. Most of the streets of our city are covered with water—in some places four or five feet deep. This makes it impossible for the ordinary sanitary work to be done and the flood waters are becoming more contaminated every day. We are certain to have a large amount of sickness before the summer is over.

The desperation of the poor people who have been deprived of their means of livelihood is seen in the large increase in banditry. We at present have a number of bandit victims suffering from gunshot wounds or severe burns. People in the

country who are still thought to have any money are being attacked by their less fortunate neighbors and when they are unable or unwilling to reveal the hiding place of their money, a fire is built on the floor of their home and the victims are swung over the fire. They are often burned to unconsciousness and brought to us in a pitiful condition.

The following poem was written for the Mission Hospital at Wuhu, China, by H. S. Watters.

### *The Mission Hospital Speaks*

I stand by the side of a river  
That carries its freight to the sea.  
There's never a port of any sort  
But sends her sons to me.  
To me from the ships on the river  
They come to be eased of their pain.  
But when they at length regain their strength  
They're off to the ships again.

I stand by the side of a current  
That's deeper by far than the sea.  
And storm-beaten craft of every draft  
Come in to be healed by me.  
But some have more sin than fever,  
And some have more grief than pain.  
God help me make whole both body and soul  
Before they go out again.

Taylor University is constantly preparing young people to meet the needs of the world in God's own way.

## AFRICA'S HERO JOHN WENGATZ BACK HOME

What a story he has to tell! Taylor wants to know his story and that of his precious wife.

In a recent letter from Mr. Wengatz written just a year after the tragic death of Mrs. Wengatz and as Mr. Wengatz was preparing to leave Africa for his furlough, are the following paragraphs:

This has been a long year for me. The loneliness and sadness can not be expressed. It was not only the taking of one from the home, but tearing out a part of my very self and life. I have tried to thrust myself into the gap and carry on the work, as far as possible, that both of us had been doing. My fellow missionaries from Quessua have been a great help and comfort to me. They are real grown-ups when it comes to facing an emergency, as they always are in their own daily routine jobs.

The dear Lord has been most blessed and precious to me all this past year. From various parts of the world comes word that people are praying for this poor crushed and weakened spirit



and body of mine, as well as for the work in general. This I could feel within myself before they wrote it. God is in a wonderful way giving me strength and health to carry on. I love the work of the Kingdom in this land more than ever, and have greater hopes for its future than I have had. We had thought possibly it might be necessary to close some parts of the work because of the break in our ranks, but God has given extra strength and all the work is going on strongly and we have no more mind to surrender or retreat.

Mr. Wengatz has now landed in the United States and is looking forward to visiting Taylor his Alma Mater.

Soon the Taylor University Bulletin will be giving something of the wonderful story of Susan Talbot Wengatz who gave her life for Africa.

#### HIRAIDE OF JAPAN A GRADUATE OF TAYLOR

The Beulah Beach Bible Conference was the scene of a recent dramatic moment. During the course of one of the services the work of Keitsu Hiraide, the great Bible school worker of Japan, had been described and given the great praise which it deserves. Immediately afterward, Dr. R. L. Stuart, Taylor's new president, was introduced. A most pleasing and cordial reception was given him. However, imagine the interest and enthusiasm of the audience when the next speaker arose and made the following statement, "And Hiraide came from Taylor University."

AS LONG AS TAYLOR UNIVERSITY SENDS OUT SUCH MISSIONARIES THE SPIRIT OF BISHOP WILLIAM TAYLOR WILL NOT DIE.

#### RECEPTION OF NEW STUDENTS

On Tuesday afternoon and evening, September 15, the day before registration there are exercises planned for the reception of new students which will make the most lonely one feel perfectly at home. The faculty, seniors and quartets are to be the hosts of the occasion. No new student can afford to miss this.

In the midst of the materialistic thinking of our age, Taylor sounds forth a clear and certain note of positive faith in spiritual realities.

Did you actually do that good thing which you intended to do for Taylor University or have you delayed and then forgotten? Do it now. Thank you.

#### HEARTENING RESPONSES TO OUR AUGUST BULLETIN APPEAL

Pownal, Vt.

"Enclosed please find a check for \$50.00 for the work. I like a straight sound gospel, one that never lets down the old Truth. We do not have any more prayer meetings for it is not popular. I am getting hungry for the old time salvation, so I am praying you will hold high His gospel banner, 'it must not suffer loss.'"

Bruin, Pa.

"Paul said: We know that all things work together for good to them that are the called according to His purpose. Certainly Taylor's financial condition is included in the all things. Do we believe it? Let us believe God will make a way through if He means for Taylor to continue."

Kalamazoo, Michigan.

"I am a member of a large Sunday school class of mothers of high school students so I am trying to do a bit of broadcasting. Taylor must carry on. How else can we save our children's faith and still give them higher education? My son Richard graduates next year and all his life has been looking forward to Taylor. We have seen young people whom we worked long to bring to Christ lose interest and grow cold in church colleges, so we build all our hopes upon Taylor."

Marine City, Michigan.

"The August issue of the Bulletin came last evening and I read it before sunrise this morning. My heart goes out to God with praise and thanksgiving for such a fine Christian college for our young people. Many people have advised me to send my boy to a greater . . . school. He has a scholarship for . . . but we are sending him to Taylor. Wife and I feel we can trust our boy's training to the best Christian college only. We believe by the grace of God he will come out a good witness for Jesus. Your appeal for a loan fund for needy students struck me. God has made it clear to me that I shall give all I have in my tithe box for that worthy cause. So here is the first installment, \$50.00. By His grace I'll send more later."

Long Beach, California.

"For a number of years I have been interested in Taylor University and made some contributions. I cannot now help financially but wish you to know that you can count on me for prayer. I noted the request for prayer pledges in the last Bulletin. More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

Allendale, New Jersey.

"Enclosed find check for five dollars. I wish it could be more but it can't, so I hope this small bit will help. Your August Bulletin helped me to give this. Keep up the good work."