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The Revival And The School

Taylor University will have an overflowing quota of clean-souled students crowding its campus and halls when this Bulletin reaches its readers. It may sound mercurial to some when we say that this school lives on camp meetings and revivals. If America had not had a camp meeting or witnessed an old fashioned revival in any churches within the last two years the halls of Taylor might be as lonely as a fashionable city church at the full moon in August. Not that we are here for nine months of singing and shouting. We are here to prove that Christian scholarship is safe and sound and strong. We are here to carry away degrees as honestly earned and as strong in their content as any that the college world offers.

Phariseeism is not inculcated in the chapel or encouraged in the literature of Taylor. It is only the cool truth when we say that people to whom all schools look alike do not patronize Taylor University, neither do they invest in the buildings and endowment which make possible the school's permanency.

Some creatures can see in the dark. So there are some clear-eyed people, even sinners, who can see in Taylor a heritage of ideals that make for the safety of their sons and daughters; but the majority of us are so constituted that we are only awake to spiritual dangers for our children when we are under the touch of revival power or in an atmosphere clarified by a mighty spirit of evangelism keyed upon the plane of Scriptural holiness. We would not have to drift much from the fresh glory of a pentecostal baptism till we would begin to make geographical locations or larger laboratories or the acclaim of the neighborhood our guide, in choosing a college to patronize and support. Let us be thankful therefore for the class of revivals that get men so close to God as to enable the Holy Spirit to forbid their tarrying in Asia and, instead, to turn their attention to the outstretched hands in Macedonia. I am sure the reader can translate the figurative utterance.

"But," says one, "would you disparage the other schools of higher learning? Would you leave in desolation and poverty every school that admitted dissipation and worldliness and refused to foster a Biblical evangelism?" This is not the point. Every type of college has its clientele, a patronage and financial backing entirely out of reach of another type of college. Were this patronage not served a multitude of respectable men and women would go without their training and there would be an untold aggregate of loss to civ... (Continued on page 2)
This is the Building Committee authorized by the Legal Hundred, whose hearts and minds are now burdened with Taylor’s next great need. They are: E. O. Rice, Chairman, H. C. Miller, a talented contractor who is contributing some of his valuable time; Edgar C. Cox; John A. Duryea, and John Paul, President of Taylor University.

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ilization and national life. Only fools are described in the poetic utterance,

“An iron bedstead they have fetch’d
To try our hopes upon,
And if too short, we must be stretched,
Cut off if we’re too long.”

We are only pleading for OUR clientele. If only those who believe the Bible to be the word of God, who favor an education in an atmosphere of faith, and who know that full gospel evangelism alone can conserve faith and keep us from being either mossbacks or mountebanks - if only those will invest their dollars and patronage accordingly, Taylor University, which is a “live-and-let-live” school, will be able to measure arms with the strongest of the world’s institutions, and turn out men and women so stalwart in spiritual strength as to furnish the cue for a better world. You may count on the other crowd following its convictions. Idolators seldom “backslide” from their gods. (Jeremiah 2:11.) It is the grim irony of this evil world that only those who stand for the things purest and most divine forsake their pristine loyalty and tamper with compromises. The old fashioned revival, more than anything else, locates the logical citizens of Taylor University, somewhat as a strong magnet finds the steel filings in a box of sawdust.

THE LIFE OF BISHOP WILLIAM TAYLOR

The undersigned feels a call to write a volume on the life of the famous namesake of Taylor University, Bishop Taylor’s only living son and a number of his bosom friends, including Bishop Oldham, have extended us generous encouragement or assistance. Two extensive chapters are now complete, covering respectively his early life and first ministry, and his seven years in California. Any persons having volumes, clippings or other data that we should be permitted to examine will do a service by mailing them to us as a loan. Those desiring notice when the book is ready should drop me a card for filing. It will probably be ready by late spring, 1925. A season spent in the study of that remarkable man convinces me that he was the typical evangelist, missionary and apostle of the nineteenth century, with scarcely any one else even nominated as his parallel in world wide service.

John Paul

TAYLOR’S DISTINCTION

A distinction of Taylor University among schools emphasizing the message of holiness is that it specializes in higher education to the virtual exclusion of secondary grade work, which the other schools of the movement are handling so efficiently. In order to do this we have seven professors whose training is equivalent to that which is presupposed for the degree of doctor of philosophy, besides several others well above the master’s degree in their training. Every professor is highly experienced in his line, and a large nucleus of them have grown great as educators in this one field. Three are listed in Who’s Who. Four or five are eminent as authors. A few pulpit peers are in the number. Every one has a living faith in God and His word and a passion to propagate the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

OLDHAM AUDITORIUM

Bishop William F. Oldham, spiritual son of Bishop Taylor, and the outstanding world-apostle of Methodism today, has taken special interest in the Department of Missions that is being projected at Taylor University and has consented for his name to be attached to the auditorium that will be built for the camp meeting and missionary conference at Taylor University. It is intended that this shall be a well equipped auditorium, providing a missionary museum of great educational value where Gospel missionaries from all over the world may deposit their collections of illustrative material.

We intend to make Taylor University a Mecca for missionaries, a favorite watering place for their souls and a place of physical restfulness in their sojourns. The date for the camp meeting and missionary conference next year is June 5-14, just preceding the commencement exercises. The Taylor campus, a veritable paradise, with its lavatories and exhaustless water supply, is an ideal place for camp meetings. The talent already engaged for this feast of tabernacles next June includes Rev. Wm. H. Huff, Rev. Thomas Clark Henderson, Rev. Guy Wilson, and Rev. John Thomas.
PERSONALS

Dr. John Paul, our President, reports the greatest camp meeting season of his life. He has been in a line of the leading camp meetings of all sections; and in some of them the conviction and results at the altar exceeded anything in many years. He will probably not be out for more than two evangelistic campaigns during the school year.

Dr. John F. Owen, our Director of Theology, has experienced signal honors in the blessing of God upon his camp meeting ministry this season. While training young preachers at Taylor, he will continue his great ministry in the Tabernacle at Detroit on the Sabbath.

Dr. B. W. Ayres, our Vice President, has done considerable of the President's office duties this season and also busied himself in raising a special fund for erecting another section of the famous T. U. greenhouse, which will be ready this fall.

Professors Nunvar (Music) and Boggs (Education) are among the new additions to Taylor's faculty this year. The former is Bohemian and the latter American. They are both celebrated teachers, graduates of Europe's greatest schools, and in love with the ideals of Taylor University.

Dr. George Evans, of our faculty, happily married last July, becomes Registrar. His habits of accuracy and his experience as a former school principal make him peculiarly fitted for this office. He is a man of clean convictions and princely soul.

Dr. Myron E. Taylor, our Director of Evangelism, has moved to Upland, residing in the property of Mr. M. H. Stephens, between the college and town. Brother Stephens occupies a flat in the postoffice building. The subscription is moving forward under Dr. Taylor's direction for the Wisconsin Memorial.

Mr. John A. Duryea has just completed an active season in the field with one of the male quartettes of Taylor University.

Rev. R. B. Cramer, one of our field secretaries who always make friends for Taylor, will probably have part in the leadership of the new Department of Missions when it reaches its due proportions.

Dr. Joseph Owen will reach his new post as vice president of John Fletcher College in October. The President, Dr. John L. Brasher, is greatly improved in health, and they are having a gracious opening.

Asbury College is rallying splendidly from its misfortunes and has the Crawford wing of its new dormitory ready for the fall opening.

Rev. and Mrs. John Wengatz are two of the choicest missionaries having gone out from Taylor. They have just concluded a well-earned furlough after fourteen years with the Methodist Mission in Africa and are now back in the field. Their seraphic testimonies were felt in many states while at home, and nowhere more than in Taylor University.

HIGH STANDARDS AND HARMONY

High spiritual standards often beget clamorous convictions, which may react in division and strife if people are not wise and forbearing. Such is the by-product, so long as we have these treasures in earthen vessels. Such has come as a disastrous windfall in many organizations and institutions featuring the message and testimony of holiness; and short sighted people have charged it up to holiness.

In a few periods of its three-quarters of a century of history the college now known as Taylor University has marked time for want of aggressive leadership, but we may say to the credit of all its leaders that it has never been rent by outbursts of fanatical factionalism. Today the great old school combines aggressiveness with harmony. It has no feuds or stenches or factions, but blessed harmony and good understanding in its faculty and student body, and united purpose in its Legal Hundred, every one of whom has a voice in the affairs of the school without intimidation and without fearing that a few selfish or heady directors will take the bits in their teeth.

Prof. F. A. Nunvar who comes to our music department for the new school year has back of him an extensive and successful career as a teacher. He is typical of the kind of teachers Taylor University is adding to its staff.
Encouraging Echoes From Everywhere

The many readers of this Bulletin who are interested in Taylor's world service will enjoy the following typical expressions which we quote from letters arriving constantly from all points of the compass.

A Michigan Friend Writes:
"Enclosed find draft for $5.00 the amount subscribed by me. It gives me great pleasure to do this. I only wish it were possible for me to make it $500 or more. I have a warm spot in my heart for Taylor and all those connected with the school."

A Grandmother's Heart.
From the Great Northwest, she writes: "I hope and pray your new building will soon be finished. I wish I had money to help, perhaps I may sometime. How I hope some if not all of my grandchildren can attend Taylor University, a school where dancing and card playing are not allowed."

There's No Pocket In A Shroud

Use your money while you're living,
Do not hoard it to be proud;
You can never take it with you—
There's no pocket in a shroud.

God can help you on no farther
Than the graveyard where you lie,
And, though you are rich while living,
You're a pauper when you die.

Use it then some lives to brighten,
As through life they weary plod;
Place your bank account in heaven
And grow rich toward your God.

Use it wisely, use it freely,
Do not hoard it to be proud;
You can never take it with you—
There's no pocket in a shroud.

—Author Unknown.

OTHER STUDENTS COMING

Taylor is never so full but that we have room for those who ought to come. The three terms open September 24, December 31 and March 25, respectively and we shall be pleased to send Catalogue and help provide suitable quarters for any who wish to come.

The question for each man to settle is not what he would do if he had means, time, influence and educational advantage, but what he will do with the things he has.

—Hamilton Wright Mabie.

Nine tenths with God's blessing is better than ten tenths without it.

T. U. IN PLACE OF THEIR TOMBSTONE

A man and his wife write as follows: "We promised to give one hundred dollars to Taylor University, and I am enclosing a money order for that amount to you. We are past seventy, and have nothing but my husband's small wages, when he is working. We secured a burial lot in the cemetery and decided to put the money for a stone in God's work where the needs are felt. We don't need a stone. I wish I could give more to the school. God bless the work and keep it going till Jesus comes."

"It has been on my heart to help a little with the girls dormitory which is now building at Taylor. I realize this small amount will not help a great deal, however, I want to help. So please accept the $10 which you will find enclosed with my prayer for the growth and spiritual deepening of every student and officer of the school."

THE REVIVAL

Old Taylor is filling up, "good and full," with the finest young people from all sections as this goes to the mails. As soon as they get acquainted and the school is organized, a series of rich and snappy and restful revival services will begin. Dr. John F. Owen, the Director of Theology, will preach every evening at 8 o'clock, and Dr. John Paul, the President, will preach every morning in chapel. A great spiritual bill of fare is promised the inhabitants of Taylor this year, including visits from a number of the best and safest evangelists and pastors in the field.

BEFORE YOU GO HENCE

Providence has given the signal for us to go forward on the new building. The work has begun, with twenty to thirty thousand dollars in cash needed, with scores of young people either looking this way or else hanging on by their finger tips. Our fair proposition is, go to your knees and pray, and then act as your illuminated judgment prompts you. Gifts are the best of all, but if this is not practical with you, you might invest a few thousand or a few hundred of your savings on the annuity plan, let it support you with a semi-annual interest while you live, and go to this great cause when God calls you home. This investment will be well secured. The bond we give you is non-taxable, and should cause not a moment of worry the balance of your life. We also have some regular bonds with first mortgage protection, bearing 6%, which you could purchase and help the cause. If interested, address our Business Manager and Treasurer, Mr. E. O. Rice, Upland, Indiana.