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GROUP HOLDS MEETING



Virgil Sorge.

Alumni interest at "home" in Tennessee is reaching a new high. January eighth was the night when the Tennesseers came to meeting just brim full of ideas. The meeting was held in the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Payne, which is located in the Administration Building.

This spot was ideal to create the right atmosphere for considering the needs of our dear old Alma Mater—we did not have to theorize about what is needed—we could see. However, before we could do much with all the "light bulbs" which were flashing around the room, an election had to be held. The outcome? Virgil Sorge ('44) who is now residing in Chattanooga became our president for the coming year; so, the business moved along.

Our first major decision was that of changing our chapter name from the East Tennessee Alumni Association to the TENNESSEE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. In this way the few who are scattered across the State may find shelter with us and thereby be a part of the greater association in a more intimate way.

This next action you might like to fit into your chapter to accelerate the carrying-on of business. We have decided that whatever number we have at the Tennessee Alumni meetings shall constitute a quorum so that matters which need immediate attention may be taken care of.

The suggestion was made that an agenda for alumni meetings be sent out ahead of time so that those who wish to vote can plan to be

present. This practice was recommended for the national association as well as individual chapters. It is felt that those attending will have been able to consider and pray about the matters for discussion prior to the meetings, as well as being able to bend every effort to be present and to have a voice in action which is of particular interest to them.

'54 PROJECT DISCUSSED;

Needless to say, various and sundry projects were presented for discussion and in turn referred to the Project Committee under the chairmanship of Paul Levengood. Enclosed with this Bryanette you will find a ballot by which you may make known your personal wishes in the matter. It is your chance to put over what you think is best for Bryan. Be compelled in your own heart to send your ballot in without delay. Most of this year has already gone and it means we'll have to do double duty to complete our project for '54. Certainly we all feel that we cannot possibly allow one year to pass by in which we did not do something concrete for the betterment of Bryan—either by way of a piece of needed physical equipment or by lending our support to the educational department.



Let's have 100% ballot return PROMPTLY, please. Remember, **TEMPUS FUGIT!!**

ALUMNI NOTES AND QUOTES

CAMPUS VISITORS

Helen Henning ('56) who is now in training at the Swedish Covenant School of Nursing in Chicago, Illinois.

Ruth Sutton ('51) who is now working in the public schools in Kentucky under the Kentucky Scripture Memory Mt. Mission.

Beverly Kampf ('56) and Ralph Samuelson ('56) visited January 5. Beverly is nursing in Miami, Florida.

Randy ('52) and Evelyn (Marks '53) May-cumber stopped by to say "hello" on their return to Grace Seminary.

Pvt. Carl Benedum ('54) who is now at Fort Jackson, S. C., spent a two-week Christmas leave at Bryan with his wife, Grace (Coventry '52) Benedum.

David Monroe ('54) stopped by on the way to his home on furlough from Ft. Knox, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. (Vivian McBride '48) Ervin Walvatne on their honeymoon en route from Florida to New Jersey where they will make their home.

Richard Shaffer ('53) who has been doing house-to-house visitation work and teaching grade school in Salyersville, Kentucky.

LETTERS

Janet Webb ('39) Oliverea, New York

"I enjoyed attending a Conservative Baptist Mission Conference at Oneonta this fall with others from our church. One man who told his experience previous to withdrawal from China...said he had known Ralph ('37) and Rebecca (Haeger '38) Toliver through correspondence."

Ernest ('52) and Lois (Cartwright '54) Lee, Winona Lake, Indiana.

"Lois and I are both going to school this year. I work about 25 hours per week, teach a Sunday School class and have charge of the Gospel team work at a nursing home besides going to school. Lord willing we want to go

to Wycliffe this summer. Thelma Andrews ('52) is planning on going with us.

Norma Konves ('49) Ontario, California

"I am teaching the fifth grade out here. The kids have vim, vigor and vitality--something which a school teacher in California loses rapidly."

Paul and Dorothy (White '40) Wilson, McCoy, Colorado.

"McCoy is a small store, tiny post office, stone community church, consolidated school, and a country hotel beside a creek. Paul is teaching French, history, civics, English and coaching basketball. The youngsters really are growing up. Nancy is almost 1, Robert is past 2, Alice past 3, Joyce is 6, and Irene will be 10 in June."

William ('49) and Rosalie (Ziemer '49) Bishop, Decatur, Michigan

"I am now pastoring the Decatur Bible Church. We pray often concerning the University and its needs.

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Grace (Smith '53) and Dean ('53) Koontz, Denver, Colorado.

Dean has accepted the pastorate of the Berean Baptist Church in Denver. Grace is teaching at the Englewood Baptist Day School.

Bob Norris ('54) Dayton, Tennessee

Bob won both of the high honors in the graduating class of The University of Tennessee School of Pharmacy with an average of 96.56.

Janet Norczyk ('50) Escanaba, Michigan

Janet has been working in Michigan under the Hiawatha Land Independent Baptist Missions as office secretary.

Mrs. Floy Meredith ('55) Seattle, Washington, is working as secretary at the King's Press where they print literature for missionaries in seven languages. Bob has recovered from injuries from a fall from a tall fir tree.

Alumni Scattered Abroad

In Memoriam

Dorothea Nicholson ('51) was called to be with the Lord as she served on the mission field in N. Nigeria, Africa.

Bob ('52) and Evelyn Yunker, Tokyo, Japan

"Uniting their prayers, hearts and minds 143 members of TEAM's Japan family met in Karuizawa September 1-10 for the annual field conference.

"The first day of the conference was given to prayer and testimony, and one by one missionaries gave spontaneous expressions of praise for the revival which has been experienced in many hearts."

Robin ('52) and Willene ('53) McLeroy

have already sailed for Japan, where they are to be associated with the Far Eastern Gospel Crusade.

June (Bell '51) and Ian Hay ('50) Nigera, Africa.

"Ian is preparing a message for tomorrow morning. He is to preach the morning message. It is a joy to have enough of the language to do a little speaking, anyway. We have both passed out first language exam and I'm so glad it's out of the way, for I do little studying now."

Ellsworth Balzer ('51) Chicago, Illinois.

"We are so happy and thankful to be quite directly headed for Africa again after this period of waiting. The Lord has made provision for Stephen and we shall be leaving him in most loving hands, here in the States. We shall miss him greatly, but are assured of the Lord's presence with him and of the Lord's grace for us. We are grateful for our happy little girl, Priscilla Kay who will be going with us."

Iola Baker ('49) Bukava, Congo Belge, Africa

"The dispensary work is growing in interest. We have been promised state aid in the supply of "free" medicine if we get a brick dispensary built in 1954. Make this a matter of prayer, as we can reach many more if they are not required to pay. We now charge a small fee, but cannot do otherwise.

The Lindquists asked me to accompany them to a conference in Ruanda Urundi where a number of different missions had joined for a conference. We lived in round grass huts that had been erected for that occasion, and ate in a large dining room. We had a wonderful time of relaxation and spiritual refreshing."

Bessie Degerman ('53) Bemidji, Minnesota

"I have just returned home from a five-weeks trip of giving my testimony and future plans to several groups

"My plans for getting to Japan by spring seem to be materializing. God is supplying needs everyday. It is thrilling to see Him lead."

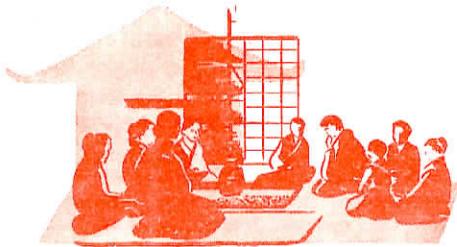
Jean Neff ('44) Culpeper, Virginia

"The privilege is again ours to be presenting the Word of God to boys and girls in classrooms in some areas of three counties this fall. To tell you of the thrill that is ours as we give the Bible stories and present the memory work would be most impossible.

"The students from the first grade up are taking an unusual interest in the memory program. The Bible Correspondence Course is receiving very good response from former campers. Pray for them."

FLASH!

Word has been received that Lyman ('49) and Helen (Parden '48) Goetting were able to get their required support and left by plane for Brazil on January 20.



Wanda Lautzenheiser ('49) Yokohama, Japan

"The red letter day marked above is just a reminder to me and to you folk of the marvelous grace of our blessed Lord during this past year in Japan. Your concern for me when going before the Throne of Grace in prayer may of course still include the language study. As I mentioned before it is much easier to understand it than to use it, so I trust that as the Lord is pleased to answer, there will be evident freedom in speaking this difficult language."

Hazel (Waller '43) Carlson (on furlough)

"I will be visiting Bryan Hill sometime in the early part of February I think. The mission is sending me to St. Petersburg, Florida, and I will visit Bryan on my way back to the North.

"Orville leaves in two days for Canada. He will do deputation work in the East a-while and then he is going out to British Columbia. The mission has set a sailing date in May for us and we are now eager to return to the field."

George ('49) and Marjory (Morgan '49) Westrom, Honolulu, Hawaii.

"George is very busy every day at Jackson College. There are about 160 students enrolled with nearly half of them servicemen from the Marine and Navy bases. Over 35 of the students who enrolled without the knowledge of God have come to know Jesus Christ. Our prayer is that we will be able to give them the best possible education with a solid anchor in Jesus Christ."

APOLOGY: In the last issue of Bryanette we omitted the name of Ruth Ella Williams' husband, Mr. William Elmer Johnson.

Wanda Burcham ('49) Deccan, India

"You will rejoice with me that my Brahman teacher has professed to be completely trusting Jesus as Saviour now.

"In January there is to be a Youth for Christ tent meeting in the nearby city of Secunderbad. Pray much that the college students of the city may be reached with the Gospel. Many have the label of Christian but lack the power of Christ."

Betty (Hanna '51) and Charles Taber ('51) French Equatorial Africa.

"The most interesting and thrilling thing so far was the workers' conference we held just last week. The whole week was a mountain-top experience. It also put in our hearts a real burden for our African fellow workers."



Congratulations to Earl ('49) and Lillian (Borgard '45) Peck upon the arrival of a daughter, Rebecca Jane on December 6.

Mr. and Mrs. (Faith Ann Ferrell '55) Bert Nicely announce the arrival of Ietha Carolyn on December 13.

Dale Jay arrived on July 26 to Rod ('50) and Faith (Shively '52) Patefield.

Another New Home

The wedding of Vivian McBride ('48) and Ervin Walvatne took place in the Grace Brethren Church at Mansfield, Ohio on November 28.

News has been received of the marriage of Barbara Humphrey ('54) to Rev. Don Dye last July 1953. Barbara is completing her work at Wesleyan College in Buckhannon, West Virginia.