THE BRYANETTE

Alumni News Sheet

The Major Says: "Hello!"

"The Cook's Tour, as my brother would express it, is ended, and what a tour it turned out to be: The Eastern Coast, with stops here, there, and everywhere the breakers, swells, flying fish, and dolphins of the Atlantic; the sunny skies and rugged peaks of Scotland; historic and ancient England with evidences of Rome, Druidism, and literatures; the mud-swamped fields of Normandy and shattered St Lo; smiling faces and cheery 'Goodbye's' in lovely Belgium; spick and span Holland's "Chiminggum"; worse shattered Germany, with sullen faces, inviting smiles, and broken swastikas. Yes, the 'Cook's Tour' is over, and, Praise the Lord!, I'm back on Bryan Hill once again to put a somewhat older if no less willing shoulder to the wheel. And I'm counting on you folks to help. Promises for the present session are far beyond my fondest dream--what are we going to do about it? Eighty-one fine young people looking to Bryan for the same thing she gave you in past years--what are you doing to help make this service possible? Let's get on the ball, Bryanites. It's high time we pushed it around a bit, before the moss takes over, and we lose the chance.

What say?

Do we push?"

WELCOME TO BRYAN HILL
MAJOR RYTHER!!

The hearty welcome of the Bryan family to Maj. Rytther was confirmed by the Board of Trustees as they reelected him Vice President and Dean of the University.
Cpl. Clair Brickel, (ex-'46) En route USA  
"I think of the Bryan family there on the hill very often. ... Martha is planning very much of her last year there. She certainly has enjoyed her years there at Bryan with the rest of the Bryan family. ..."

"Now that the war is over here on this side of the world, things have become pretty quiet, and we have settled down to the job of occupying Germany and keeping law and order. ... My unit is located northeast of Munich in a small town by the name of Fruising. One of our jobs is guarding war criminals that are kept in a stockade in our camp. Trials are also held here and some have already been tried and sentenced for murders of allied airmen. ..."

"I have been receiving the Newslette and other literature you have sent me. Thanks a lot! My prayers are with Bryan, for her growth and continued giving of blessings, education, and spiritual growth to all those who attend her halls."

Cecil Hanson (ex-'44), Fresno, Calif.  
"You may see me again at Christmas. Since my discharge I have just rested—however I am a little restless now, so plan on working until Christmas. ... I thoroughly enjoy the news of former classmates and friends from Bryan Hill."

Jean Clark, c/n, (ex-'45) is now at Kennedy General Hospital, Memphis, Tenn.  
Pfc. George Birch, (ex-'45), PACIFIC  
"We were to have gone straight to Tinian but refrigerator failure has caused us to put in at Pearl Harbor. We have been deposited at Schofield Barracks, 13th Replacement Depot, on Isle of Oahu. ... Chaplain was best I've heard on an army post for a long, long time. If anybody there didn't know Christ, he had an opportunity to this morning. ... Our group is alerted for shipment, had influenza shots."

Pfc. Kenneth Kennard (ex-'45) Charleston, S. C., found a few days to visit at Bryan again and to give his word of commendation and greeting to new students and old friends.

Lester Hartschuh, (ex-'43) Akron, Ohio, was released from the Army after many months of service in the European theater of war. He has been reemployed by the Ohio Bell Telephone Company in his home town where he has rejoined his waiting bride.

Pvt. Clyde Simmons, (ex-'47), GERMANY  
"This morning we had the regular weekly inspections and then saw a film made by the British to help their soldiers to better understand Americans. ..."

"Classes went good today. Now I am taking German from 9 to 10, piano from 10 to 11, and English 11 to 12. ..."

"I finished reading the book of John for the seventh time. My goal is 50 times. It is wonderful to have His Word with us!"
Mark W. Levengood, So II 2/c (142)

From a detailed narration of Mark's recent experiences in the Pacific, we quote some outstanding excerpts:

"For two weeks we aided the two conquest, adding our bit by bombardment support as radio-directed from the Marines. The day we left Iwo we had been firing all night before and were relieved the next morning at 8:00 a.m. by another destroyer. Five minutes later the destroyer which had taken our place was hit by an 8" shell in the engine room, causing considerable damage to the ship and many casualties to the crew..."

On another occasion we were on "Yan Picket 15" and had been under continuous air attack all night long, which was often the case, and had successfully defended ourselves. For some unaccountable reason the destroyer which relieved us, relieved us that particular morning at 4:30 a.m., which was several hours prior to what we had hoped or expected. In less than an hour after we were relieved the destroyer which took our place was on the bottom of the ocean, being the victim of two suicide planes. This incident had a sobering effect on us all, and I had many opportunities to put in a word for Christ during those days which I trust will bear fruit for eternity."

Recent word from Mark tells of his safe arrival in the States. He is resting in California now and expects to be traveling homeward in a few weeks.

Lt. (j.g.) Jesse Humbard (143) with Laurabelle (ex '43) and their daughter, Luchora Ann, surprised the Bryan family as well as Jesse's sister, Esther (Bryan Fresh), when they drove from Ohio for a brief visit. In his remarks in chapel Jesse told something about Navy life which for him has included activity in the Pacific war areas. Lt. Humbard has now been called to Great Lakes Naval Training Center to assume certain authority in the separation center.

Konnoth Marken, M.R.O.T.C., (ex '46), Charlottesville, Virginia

"Although I haven't kept in very close contact with my school by personal letters, you can know I've eagerly read the Newsette, and have been remembering the school and its needs before His Throne. The impressions made on my spiritual life at Bryan have caused me to turn everything over to Him, so how could I ever forget such a place."

"The Lord has been blessing and leading my Navy career. At the present time I have the leadership of the Inter-varsity chapter on the campus. We have a good group of about 25 and He has been blessing as we meet for study every Saturday night, and as some of us meet for daily prayer.

"I am very interested to know about student plans for the '46-147 school year, as, the Lord willing, I will finish up then with you."

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Hazel Waller, (’43), Toronto, Canada

"Now that I am situated far away in the Northland, I fear that the paper I love to get will not reach me here. My reputation for being a poor correspondent is well established I am afraid; yet there is not one of the alumni who enjoys this paper more than I.

"Formerly I had planned to enter nurses' training in a hospital in my own city, Lancaster, Pa. The Lord definitely closed the door in that field for reasons I couldn't understand at first. However, after the war was over the China Inland Mission again opened its doors to receive candidates.

"Two weeks before this school opened its fall term the Lord made His will plain to me about entering this fall. I made a speedy application and got a way. The school is called the Missionary Medical Institute. We have lectures for a period of nine months, five afternoons a week. After two months lectures we may start our practical training in various hospitals throughout Toronto if we desire. We have the privilege of waiting until the lectures are over however, thus extending our training into the summer and fall months of next year.

"I am so thankful that my life is in the hands of the Master. I make plans for my life, but His plans work out far more effectively in my life than mine ever could. Perhaps next year at this time I will be on my way to China or will be making preparations to go there.

"If the weather permits flying, Leonard Winstead may be in Toronto this next weekend. (Ed. note--Did he get there, Hazel?) Bryan reunions are always wonderful, aren't they? I will remember when Al Myllie and I stood facing each other when he opened an elevator door in New York City last summer.

"With many happy memories of Bryan...

Margaret Ann McKinnon, (ex’43) Cleveland

"I guess you are aware of the fact that Harjorie Miller (ex’47) is here at Lutheran Hospital as a student nurse. I almost fell over when Miss Bauer introduced her to me. ... I see her very seldom. ... I am hoping to start a nurses' Christian fellowship here before I leave in October, so maybe that will be a good opening for more mutual companionship for that class."

Paul and Leona Theobald, (ex’43 & ’42)
St. Paul, Minnesota

"How I do appreciate the Newslette and Bryanette. The only reason I don't like reading them is that they make me homesick for my dear Alma Mater.

"As you probably know, Paul has started his course at the University to be better fitted for whatever the Lord has.

"We are still working in a little Independent Church...each have a S.S. class."
The Bryan Staff is glad to welcome a former student, Robert Shirley (ex'55), who comes as instructor for chemistry, physics, and mathematics. His wife has been appointed assistant to the dietitian. They have two sons, Willis and Frank, who join the children of Bryan staff and students to make a total of eleven children.

Emily McMurtry Owensby ('37), Dayton, accepted the opportunity to fill a vacancy in the teaching staff of Spring City High School and is now instructor in Commercial subjects.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hill who have been Fullbrook Hills Bible Conference during the past summer write:

"We plan to live in Lancaster... We will be associated with the work at Calvary Church, (Rev. Frank Torrey, pastor.) We will go around Nov. 1.

"We hope to meet all our Bryanites again some day!"

Bibli Arnold Walker ('40) visited at her home in Dayton for several days with her 8-month old son, David, and included a brief greeting to the Bryan family before returning to her home in Fradent, Tenn.

Of Alfred Paul Wells, (ex '40), fireman 1/c, the Dayton Herald says that he has been serving with the 85th Naval Construction Bn. at Pearl Harbor climaxing a long period of duty that began in the Aleutians.

Ben S. White, ('40), on route to Mexico.

"I'm finally actually on my way! I came this far (Brownsville, Texas on Sept. 20) by train but leave at six in the morning by plane for Mexico City. After a visit there I fly to Guatemala City, visit a couple of nights and then fly to Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Will write more later when I have time."

Dorothy Bennett, (ex '43) Washington, D. C.

"Jean told Peg she is beginning to see what she means. I guess you heard Peg Nega ('44) is here with me and am I ever glad to have her. She took Jean's place at the bank, so she works with me and rooms with me.

"We hadn't seen each other for four years, so you know we did some talking when she first came. We still do plenty of it, and if we want to get something done we go into another room.

"Peg and I had a pleasant surprise about 9:15 Friday evening when we had a phone call from Major Ryther. He was at the Union Station, so he came out for one-half hour—he had to make a 11 o'clock for Providence. He promised us a visit on his way back to Bryan. It was good to see him.

"I more than enjoy the alumni news... it really is a good idea.

"We see Ed Wade every now and then. He is still the same old Ed, but a little more talkative."

"I am again home, probably to stay until 'Johnny comes marching home.' Bryan now seems so encouraging. ... A building fund which means there will be more building... Just before leaving San Francisco Jesus and Laurabelle came in to see me. Jesus's ship came in a few days after John's left... It did me good to see some Bryanites again... I still get homesick for everyone and everything. I just heard that Irna O'Neal of Summerville is going to graduate this fall. I'd like to pack my bags and go along! A neighbor followed Mark Cook (ex'46) out in Honolulu at the Navigators' home one day."

"The door has opened to teach Child Evangelism classes in the schools around Lakeview, Oregon. One hour a week is designated by the state to be used for religious training. It is possible that I will not need every day for this work and the school in Lakeview has asked me to get a teacher's certificate to do substitute teaching... affords joyful service for our Lord. I rejoice to note the size of the student body and the increased staff. Surely, He is blessing."

Calvin Miller, ('44), Lancaster, Penna.

"I am now preaching. At our annual conference of the United Brethren Church the district superintendent gave me a small country church about 12 miles from Lancaster."

Ruho Rudd Pringle, (ex'44) Tribune, Kansas

"All summer I have planned to write to you and tell you how happy I am to be on the Bryanette list. It has really been grand reading about so many of those I know so well, and hear of so seldom. I do want you to keep me on the mailing list, and I am enclosing my check for a small amount that may help buy stamps."

"I really don't know what to tell you about 'Ruho.' Of course you know that I graduated from Ottawa University last May, majoring in Economics and Commerce. My two years there were good ones, and I am missing school now."

"Did you know that I am teaching in my home town? Yes, I am the commerce teacher in the high school, and I do like it. Of course, I know all of the 'kids' so well that I am just plain 'Ruho' to them. They completely ignore the dignity of 'Mrs. Pringle!' I teach typing, shorthand, and bookkeeping. I'd like to be able to tell Mrs. Coutts how much I am remembering that I learned from her."

Jean Hoff, ('44) Elkton, Virginia

"I arrived in Elkton only to find that the co-worker who was to have been with me decided that she could better work alone, so off she went to Florida. Here I am... if a co-worker is to be here one will come I am sure."

"Our actual teaching begins on Tuesday. The new group of colored schools is to be ours... You already know that Milton Murphy (ex'44), Page, and I were the first guests at Sam's and Anna's. How happy they are."

Annual Bible Conference - Oct. 28-Nov. 4
Sam and Anna Homburger, (44 and '45)
Philadelphia, Penna. (Writes Anna:) "...My days at Bryan were happy ones and the Lord came to mean much to me while there, and I know that is the experience of others.

"It was just great having so many of the Bryan students at the wedding and especially some of the faculty and Dr. Rudd.

"We are pretty well settled in our apartment and the Lord has helped us in many ways. Sam started to Seminary, so from now on he is going to be kept busy. I hope to find a job soon.

(Adds Sammy:)"

"No use having a secretary if you don't use her. Appreciate your letter and your teaching and HELP while at Bryan has already meant much. 'Twas well worth waiting for--Whoo! May we ever serve Him in joy and faithfulness is our prayer for all on the Hill and for ourselves. God's blessings to all."

Numbered among the Chapel Singers of Dallas Theological Seminary, Clyde Brogan ('44) shares in the weekly radio program which originates in the seminary lounge.

Ralph Gibson, (ex'42) returned to Bryan this year to finish his college work. His wife of Binghamton, N. Y. and little Ardith have also joined the Bryan family.

Sumner Womp, (ex'45), Dallas, Texas
"Wimpy" writes to one of the present Bryan students:

"It was grand to hear from you again and to hear about Bryan. My, even I am homesick for the place...How I would like to visit there now.

"Well, I am not leaving here in Nov. as I once had half way planned. Since my credits would be cut down if I transfer from Seminary, I will stay on here and finish, then later go on and finish college.

"You should have been here last week! Bill Pass and I had a young people's prayer meeting for our church. Well, I asked him to talk on "Believing" and just what it is to believe in Christ. He talked for one solid hour and the kids were spell-bound...People don't know that Christ has made God propitious, or favorably disposed to the unsaved because He took away sins, all sins...How people need to know this. Believing is the only way!"

"Tell all Bryanites 'Hello!'"

Delbert Baker, (ex'47), Kittanning, Pa.
"I suppose you are off to a busy now year's work, as I am. I'm teaching this year here at home. Giving out assignments is much easier than doing them...I find. I'm hoping the best of everything for you, I miss you all a great deal."

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John S. Quimby, ('45), Elyria, Ohio

"You stated that my entering the profession of teaching was a mild surprise to you, well to me it's more than just a surprise, but a dream. ... I'll have to admit though that I really enjoy it! I never imagined that teaching, though not easy, is pleasant work. What if more I am the commercial teacher out at Elyria High School, teaching not only typing and bookkeeping, but also geography, general business, and sophomore English.

"Besides that, ... I am on the faculty of the Elyria Bible Institute, teaching Biblical Introduction to a class of about 34 students, most of which are years older than I; but here again I enjoy the teaching, although it is even more difficult than the high school teaching. Even with this it seems that people think I don't have enough to do, and so have given me a Sunday school class at the Baptist church, and put me in charge of a meeting out at the County Prison Farm every fourth Sunday, and made me song leader for Sunday school, besides drafting me into the choir... Anything else they can find... "Got Johnny."

"Be assured that my heart is in Bryan in several ways, and I am pulling for Bryan, ... and trusting that Bryan will surge ahead and be a real lighthouse for Christ."

Beatrice Morgan, ('45) Roselle Park, N. J.

"... My very own twin is married! Roy couldn't get leave until January so they decided not to wait. I can hardly believe it yet myself. ... Dot and Roy are renting a little brick home in Bay View Heights, just outside Pensacola, Florida. They have bought furniture and other furnishings to make their five rooms cozy and comfortable while he is stationed there... Dot writes of Royal, 'He has changed completely. He's the most domestic, homeloving person!' She also admits she's a wonderful cook...

"We attended the great Youth for Christ Rally at Madison Square Garden on Saturday night... At 5:00 p.m. we had to hurry down to 49th St. to the Garden if we wanted to get a seat because by 7:00 that huge auditorium was jammed with more than 25,000 people. It was a thrilling sight!"

Gwen Hay, ('45), Waverly, Iowa

"How goes school? Haven't heard from anyone--would like to know who's there too.

"We're expecting to sail next month still. I'm a British subject so they are working on my passport. Hope they don't run into any difficulty.

"Al is in New Orleans just now--will probably be at Bryan the middle of the month."

Cablegram: Sylvia Carol Toliver greeted her parents, Ralph and Rebecca Toliver, on October 10, in Suifu, China.