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CAMPAIGN DRIVE GOES OVER \$100,000 MARK

Louisiana Leads In Contributions

The first of two drives to raise a \$2,000,000 Building and Endowment Fund for Southwestern is well under way.

Mid-October reports from the four Synods showed that more than \$140,000 of the first \$1,000,000 had been raised, even though the campaign in the Synods was not to begin officially until October 29.

T. Walker Lewis, of Memphis, general chairman of the campaign, has been greatly encouraged by the enthusiasm of the workers and the response of the churches generally. He pointed out that quotas have been accepted, Presbytery meetings conducted, church campaign committees organized, and everything set in readiness for the "big push" just ahead.

Louisiana took the lead as drives in other states had hardly been started. The October 1 total was \$50,015. Alabama was next highest, with \$28,218. Many war bonds have been received as gifts.

The second drive will be a Memphis campaign.

Night Courses Popular

Southwestern's Division of Adult Education has attracted 140 night students.

This program meets a rising demand for adult courses which has been noted by educators throughout the nation.

Southwestern's adult education classes are standard college courses taught by regular faculty members in Southwestern classrooms.

Ninety women and fifty men, twenty-six from military installations in Memphis, attend classes Monday through Friday nights. The most popular courses are Public Speaking, Elementary Spanish, English Composition, and Plato and Aristotle. All classes have more enrollees than was anticipated.

Many of the night students are working toward degrees. Others are college graduates who are taking advantage of the new program to fill in gaps in their college education. It is the aim of the college to widen its services to both groups.

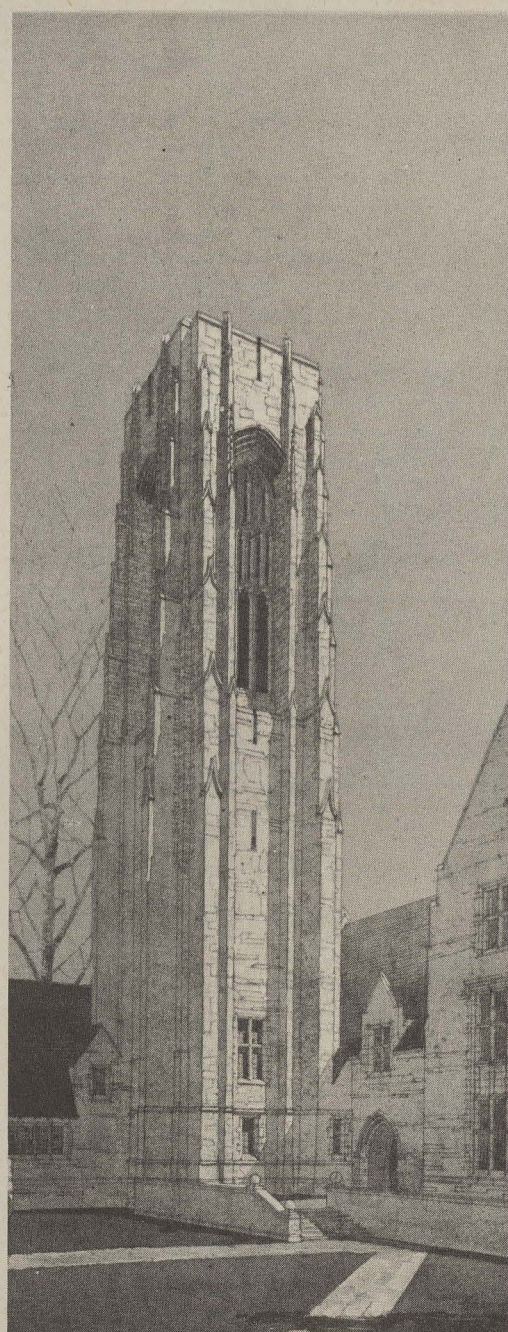
Commenting on recent interest in adult education, Professor John Osman, director of the Division of Adult Education, points out that "people have seen how easy it is for demagogues to rise. It's because people don't think straight."

It is the aim of Southwestern and all other colleges which offer adult education classes

to help the great mass of people to think straight—to keep them intellectually alive.

Just as a physician must read and study constantly to keep abreast of new discoveries in medicine, we as citizens must continue to read and study and **think** if we're to build a future for our nation and for the world.

So feel America's educators. So, increasingly, feel the people.



Proposed Southwestern tower to be erected west of Palmer Hall—symbol of the Greater Southwestern.

COEDS TAKE OVER MEN'S DORMS

Robb, Calvin, Stewart Fall to Superior Forces

The old grad, returning to his alma mater this November, would be shocked to his toes at the sight of attractive coeds by the score walking leisurely in and out of Robb and Calvin Halls, long the habitats of Southwestern men.

It was bound to happen, sooner or later. As the male population of Southwestern diminished year after year, the hopes of the girls rose correspondingly. But then came the cadets. Members of the Thirteenth College Training Detachment, Army Air Forces, occupied Robb and Calvin from March, 1943, until June 30 of this year. With the closing of the detachment came the great news—the dormitory women were to take over both halls.

During the summer the rooms were redecorated. The girls can't tell you about the **before**, but they've seen the **after**, and they're willing to bet that the old grads wouldn't know the men's dorms now! What with painting and slipcovering and redecorating of social rooms, Robb and Calvin have had their faces lifted.

It was expected that these two halls would more than take care of all the out-of-town girls who might want to come to Southwestern. But when in late summer the last room was reserved, it became necessary to open an additional dormitory for women and that brought about the most complete transformation of all. Stewart Hall, traditionally the home of those high priests of masculinity, the football men, now houses twelve girls!

The men—all fifteen of them—occupy one wing of Evergreen Hall.

The increase of women at the college is shown in the following table:

Women In College Men In College		
1917	0	128
1924	46	129
1925	107	299
1936	192	310
1940	202	291
1941	205	253
1943	262	109
1944	280	65

Mrs. J. C. Rice, of Mason, Tenn., is new resident head of Robb Hall, freshman women's dormitory.

Mrs. India Rutland, resident head when the girls lived in Evergreen, now heads Calvin Hall.

Mrs. Rice and Mrs. Rutland, together with Mrs. C. L. Townsend, dean of women, and Miss Helen Gordon, '35, associate dean of women, have in their charge the largest number of women ever enrolled at Southwestern.

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CHURCH ATTENDANCE

The talk printed below was made by President Charles E. Diehl at chapel service on Saturday, September 23, 1944.

The kind of education to which Southwestern has dedicated itself is the education which is appropriate for human beings. That is to say, reasonable beings, who are made in the image of God, beings who are created by Him, dependent upon Him, and accountable to Him. There are two fundamental postulates upon which democracy is built. The first is Aristotle's famous dictum that man is a reasonable being, with which dictum Thomas Aquinas heartily concurs. This view of man does not grow out of a naive unawareness that he is influenced by other drives, such as pride, greed, desire, love, fear and hate. It is, instead, an assumption that despite these pulls man is capable of reasoning ultimately to truth. The second great postulate upon which democracy is built is the dignity, the potential capacities for good or evil, and in consequence the infinite worth of the individual.

To be sure, we have what we might term an animal base, but human beings have unique endowments and obligations, and have need of a different sort of education from that of the mere animal, whose horizon is bounded only by the present. Bishop Berkeley attacked the sort of education designed for thriving earthworms. An earthworm who wanted to thrive would seek health, wealth and recreation. An education appropriate to man should have somewhat higher aims. It should, since our horizons are not bounded by this present world, be based upon a true standard of values, a standard which realizes that money, however, desirable, is not the most important thing in the world, that the spiritual transcends the material, and that sound moral character and a disciplined intelligence, or, as Cicero put it, "wisdom and virtue," are our definite goals.

A year or more ago Julian Huxley, a distinguished scientist, published a book on evolution, in which he asserted that speech and conceptual thought, which are found only in man, form the basis of man's biological dominance, that man's unique capacity for tradition accounts for his increasing control over nature, and that his gains in the future must be sought in the fundamental basis of human dominance, the feeling, thinking brain. Huxley raises the question whether our aim as human beings should not be to let the mammal die within us, so as the more effectually to permit the man to live. Certain it is that true human progress consists in increase of aesthetic, intellectual and spiritual experience and satisfac-

tion. Huxley concludes, "The future of man, if it is to be progress and not merely a standstill or a degeneration, must be guided by a deliberate purpose. And this human purpose can be formulated only in terms of the new attributes achieved by life in becoming human."

The development of these new attributes requires an education which cultivates the habitual vision of greatness and which is characterized by persistent, painstaking effort. Now and then we find those who from the first seem to appreciate great music, but for most people the cheap jingles are at first more desirable. Later they learn to recognize and appreciate the worth of that music which has endured. This is true also of great literature. The moral and the spiritual are in the same category as the aesthetic and the intellectual. Education is needed for depth, for understanding and appreciation.

The Psalmist said, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Comparatively few, it seems, can honestly say that today. Before the Psalmist could say this, it is certain that he had had experience which came as a result of education, and which enabled him to understand and appreciate at least some of the things which "the house of the Lord" stands for. Worship is something about which we must learn. It is the highest exercise of the human, as distinguished from the earthworm or the mammal.

Here at Southwestern we desire and expect every student to attend each Sunday the morning service (that is, the chief worship service, which, in the Protestant churches, is usually held about eleven o'clock) of his or her own church, or the church which the student deliberately selects and designates as his or her own church for this purpose. We know from long experience that this is an excellent habit to form, and we have sound reasons for believing that this practice, as well as the daily chapel service, is an important part of the education which is appropriate for human beings who are more than animals.

DENOMINATIONAL MEMBERSHIP
OF THE STUDENT BODY

Presbyterian	104	34%
Methodist	82	25%
Protestant Episcopal	39	12%
Baptist	37	11%
Roman Catholic	22	7%
Jewish	13	4%
Christian	10	3%
Lutheran	5	1%
Church of Christ	3	.9%
Christian Science	3	.9%
Evangelical	1	.3%
Christian Assembly	1	.3%
Pentecostal	1	.3%
Unitarian	1	.3%
None	1	.3%

TOTAL 328 Students

(Sixteen additional students have registered since the calculations above were made.)



Professor W. R. Cooper

Professor Cooper Begins
History of Southwestern

Professor W. R. Cooper is writing a complete and authoritative history of Southwestern.

Those who know Professor Cooper will not be surprised to learn that the finished work will be, not a dry chronicle of dates and administrations and courses, but an intimate and human—and at times humorous—account of life at the college during its ninety-six years of existence.

He went to Clarksville, Tennessee, in mid-summer to begin his research and almost immediately discovered a wealth of interesting facts and anecdotes in the *Leaf Chronicle*, a Clarksville paper dating back to 1808. Old books, magazines and other papers soon opened up vividly for him the academic life of a day long past, which he will attempt to bring to life in the pages of his history.

For the alumni Professor Cooper prepared a "preview" of his history. We pass it on to you in two installments, the second to be run in the next issue of the *Southwestern News*:

I imagine that few alumni realize that for the very beginnings of Southwestern we must go back to the early thirties of the nineteenth century when Tennessee was still a frontier state of the far West and before Memphis had even been established. At that time a "log-college" existed on the grounds which long afterwards became the site of the Southwestern Presbyterian University. Such outstanding frontiersmen as the Reverend Consider Parish, who "was decidedly a considerable teacher" and the Reverend Abner W. Kilpatrick, whom the students always called "the old man," ruled with a heavy hand until in 1848 the "log-college" became the Masonic College of Tennessee. Both Parish and Kilpatrick were firm in their belief that "flogging a boy loosened up his hide and enabled him to grow."

Many of the traditions still revered at Southwestern can be traced back to the Masonic College. One of its Presidents, Wm. M. Stewart, for whom Stewart College and the present Stewart Hall were named, was among the outstanding scientists of his day. He was

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Louisa McLean, New Alumni Secretary

Louisa McLean, '44, is the new Alumni Secretary.

After a year at Queens College, Charlotte, N. C., Miss McLean transferred to Southwestern for her work in the upper classes and soon became very active in campus activities. Well-known among the younger alumni, she is a welcome addition to Southwestern's staff.

She succeeds **Harriett Hollis**, '41, who held the position for two years. Miss Hollis did a superlatively fine piece of work, and the college was reluctant to give her up. But Miss McLean is expected to carry on in a most capable manner.

Prof. Cooper Begins History

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one of the founders of the Philadelphia Academy of Science, a friend and associate of the famed Matthew Maury, and perhaps the most distinguished Professor of Science in America in his day. He was as devoted to the words "genuine" and "thorough" as is our present President of Southwestern.

When the Masonic College became a Presbyterian College in 1855, its name was changed to Stewart College, in honor of the beloved Professor Stewart. Another renowned name connected with both the Masonic College and Stewart College is that of Professor Forbes, who was chiefly responsible for the fact that when Tennessee seceded from the Union, every student at Stewart College, except two whose homes were outside the bounds of the Confederacy, marched off to war. As Colonel of his regiment, Professor Forbes lost his life at the second battle of Bull Run. Only nine of the students who left Stewart College with him survived the war.

There was also the colorful President of Stewart College, Dr. McMullen, who resented very much the taking over of his home in the Castle Building by the Federal Officers, after the fall of Ft. Donelson, and especially their stealing his kitchen stove and using his parlor for their kitchen; but who was willing to nurse these same soldiers when the dreaded small-pox broke out in their hospital, and who sacrificed his own life as a result.

The name of Alfred Robb, the brilliant young lawyer and statesman, who later became the hero of Ft. Donelson, is preserved in our Robb Hall. It was this Alfred Robb, who made possible the building of the first dormitory at Stewart College, by his generous gift in 1859.

Something resembling Southwestern's famed tutorial system was used by at least one of the early Stewart College professors. Dr. Wardlaw, a graduate of King's College, Belfast, established the custom of inviting his students to his home where for hours they would read together the classics "with a zest before unknown to the students," often concluding their reading with a refreshing midnight supper.

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WITH THE ALUMNI



Class of 1913

Dr. John O. Moseley was inaugurated on October 12, 1944, as President of the University of Nevada. He is one of the nation's leading educators, having served as President of Central State Teachers College, Edmond, Oklahoma, and Dean of Students at the University of Tennessee.

Class of 1928

Mary Parker is teaching in the art department of Colby Junior College, New London, New Hampshire. She received her master's degree from Western Reserve University and has done advanced work in the Cleveland Art School.

Class of 1929

Mrs. C. J. Farquharson (Eleanor Beckham) is Physical Education Director of Women at Southwestern.

Class of 1930

Born to **Lt. and Mrs. Oscar B. Bell (Amelia Monogue x'40)** a daughter on August 11, 1944.

Class of 1933

Born to **Lt. Col. and Mrs. Eldon Bolton (Carolyn McKellar)** a son on August 3, 1944.

Jane Lucille Pinaire was married to **Lt. Col. Charles C. Workman, Jr.**, in Washington on Aug. 19, 1944.

Nell Sanders is the Fourth Vice-President of the National Association of Women Lawyers. This is the first time a Tennessean has ever been elected to a national office. She was also the only American woman lawyer who attended the Canadian Bar Association Convention at Toronto in August.

Harriet Otis Storms is now in Philadelphia, Pa. She is associated with the legal firm of Ballard, Stahr, Andrews and Ingersoll.

Mrs. Ben Waller (Virginia Finch) will be general chairman of the annual membership campaign of the Memphis Symphony Society. She is also the new president of Les Passees.

Class of 1934

Louis Nicholas is a teacher of voice and Assistant Professor of music at Peabody College in Nashville, Tenn.

Born to **Mr. and Mrs. James Tipler Wadlington** a son, **James Tipler Wadlington, Jr.**, on August 26, 1944.

Class of 1935

Master Sergeant Thomas Jones of Corinth, Mississippi, now stationed in England, has been awarded the Legion of Merit for outstanding service.

Class of 1936

Born to **Lt. Marion R. Cobb** and **Mrs. Cobb**, a son, **Marion R. Cobb, Jr.**, on June 1, 1944.

Born to **Ens. and Mrs. Allen Gary (Mary Churchill x'40)** a son, **Sam Churchill Gary**, Aug. 14, 1944.

Born to **Pvt. and Mrs. Hilliard Earl Jordan** a son, **Hilliard Earl Jordan, Jr.**, Feb. 6, 1944.

Born to **Master Sergeant Early Maxwell** and **Mrs. Maxwell (Ethel Taylor)**, a daughter, Aug. 9, 1944.

Class of 1937

Born to **Mr. and Mrs. H. Lynn Broadfoot (Catherine Ramsey x'41)** a son, on August 8, 1944.

Rudy Gartside, who played basketball and football while attending Southwestern, will assist with coaching duties at Tech High in Memphis during the 1944 football season.

John Herbert McMinn, Jr., is teaching chemistry and sciences in the Cordell, Ga., High School.

Class of 1938

Joe Bell was heard over CBS in July. Mr. Bell sang with WREC in Memphis until about four years ago when he went to Juilliard, following that with a year's study in Vienna.

Mary Dorothy Naigle was married to **Lt. J. McKay Boswell, Jr.**, Aug. 22, 1944, in Wickford, Rhode Island.

Class of 1939

Born to **Capt. and Mrs. Joe Ellis Lee, Jr.**, a son, **Joe Ellis Lee III**, July 19, 1944.

Flying Officer Eugene Ayres Poulton of the Royal Canadian Air Force was married Sept. 15, 1944, to **Stella Louise Christie**, a Nursing Sister of the RCAF in Winnipeg.

Shirley Wynn was married to **Capt. James A. Westerfield** on June 28, 1944 in Merigold, Mississippi.

Class of 1940

Born to **Lt. Oscar B. Bell x'30** and **Mrs. Bell (Amelia Monogue)** a daughter on August 11, 1944.

Born to **Ens. Allen Gary x'36** and **Mrs. Gary (Mary Churchill)** a son, **Sam Churchill Gary**, August 14, 1944.

Born to **Mr. Dodd Thompson** and **Mrs. Thompson** a son on August 22, 1944.

Born to **Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Worthington (Ruth Johnston x'40)** a daughter, **Diane**, July 31, 1944.

Born to **Major John P. K. Cavendar** and **Mrs. Cavendar (Katherine Farnsworth x'41)** a daughter, August 27, 1944.

Major Alec Cortner, formerly reported missing over France, is now a prisoner of war. Major Cortner was in command of the 23rd Fighter Bomber Squadron of the 36th Bomber Group, and piloted a Thunderbolt.

Class of 1941

Born to **Mr. H. Lynn Broadfoot x'37** and **Mrs. Broadfoot (Catherine Ramsey)** a son on August 8, 1944.

Born to **Major John P. K. Cavendar '40** and **Mrs. Cavendar (Katherine Farnsworth)** a daughter on August 27, 1944.

Ruth Helene Lee was married to **George**

Baxter Peuncey '44 on August 8, 1944, in Memphis.

Born to **Lt. (j.g.) Elder Shearon** '42 and **Mrs. Shearon (Mary Elizabeth Harsh)** a son, **Elder Shearon III**, on Sept. 19, 1944.

Born to **Lt. (j.g.) and Mrs. William Fleming Willien (Margaret Moyer)** a daughter on July 26, 1944. She was born in the Naval Hospital at Corpus Christi, where her father is stationed.

Class of 1942

Born to **Lt. and Mrs. Joseph Eugene Russell (Laurette Ralph)** a daughter, **Josephine Laurette Ralph**, December 2, 1943.

Jean Flynn was married to **Lt. Joseph Harold Michael**, August 15, 1944, in Memphis.

Born to **Lt. (j.g.) Elder Shearon and Mrs. Shearon (Mary Elizabeth Harsh** '41) on Sept. 19, 1944, a son, **Elder Shearon, III**.

Caroline Jenkins of New Jersey was married to **James H. Sparks** in July, 1944.

Class of 1943

Ann Webb Campbell was married to **David Jere Klyce** in Memphis on August 19, 1944.

Dorothy South, field representative of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, has been in Memphis directing a survey of what families are paying for food, clothing, household textiles, and rents.

Class of 1944

Born to **Lt. (j.g.) and Mrs. Norman Blake (Corinne Burch)** a daughter, **Barbara Burch Blake**, August 9, 1944.

Ruth Crumley, a sergeant in the Marines, was married to **The Rev. Tom Fuhr**, Sept. 16, 1944, in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mabel Francis was married to **Ens. William Pitts Caldwell** on Sept. 25, 1944 in Memphis, Tennessee.

Virginia Hughes is working at the Hotel Soaper in Henderson, Kentucky.

Ruth Helene Lee '41 was married to **George Baxter Pouncey** in Memphis, Tennessee, on August 8, 1944.

Millard (Mike) Miller has been elected

president of the Junior Class at the Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia.

Class of 1945

Margaret Gunther won the medal in the Memphis Women's City Golf Tournament on September 11 just as she did last year.

Helen Sturgeon was married to **Lt. Jack Simonton** on Sept. 2, 1944.

Class of 1946

Martha Winifred Hunter was married to **Flight Officer James Charles Romer** of Holly, Colorado, on September 15, 1944.

Class of 1947

Elsie Elizabeth Hunter was married to **Ennis Edward Moss** on June 24, 1944, in Hernando, Mississippi.

Bettie Lee Roe was married to **Pfc. John Edburn Clouse, Jr.** on Sept. 17, 1944, in Memphis, Tennessee.

Eloise Smith was married to **Pfc. Alfars Lamar Allen**, August 11, 1944, at Gulfport, Mississippi.

NECROLOGY

David Chalmers Kennedy, who attended Southwestern from 1880 to 1882, died in Cornersville, Tennessee, on May 11, 1944. Mr. Kennedy was born in Greenville, Tennessee and later moved to Cornersville where he attended high school. He was Cashier of the Farmers' Bank of Cornersville and later elected President. He was active in this capacity until his retirement in 1940. Mr. Kennedy served as an Elder in the Cornersville Presbyterian Church.

Herman M. Davis, who attended Southwestern from 1933 to 1938, died from pneumonia at Grace Hospital in New Haven, Conn., on August 24, 1944. He was a resident of Memphis, Tenn., and enlisted in the Merchant Marines in March 1944.

Second Lt. William Richard Chauncey, who graduated from Southwestern in 1939, has been reported killed in the European theater of operations. Lt. Chauncey was born in Memphis, Tenn., and graduated from Messick High School. He entered the A.A.F. in February 1943 and was commissioned last March. He was based in England with the Eighth Air Force as a bombardier.

WOUNDED IN ACTION

Cpl. Charles Louis Leroy x'45 was wounded while serving with the infantry in France on August 26, 1944. He was a graduate of Gulf Coast Military Academy and was attending Southwestern when he entered the army in March 1943. He sailed for England in June.

Student Body Totals 344

The student body of Southwestern now stands at 344, which is considered very good in view of the absence of military personnel and the scarcity of men students. The number above does not include the night school, which would swell the total to 484. A breakdown of attendance by classes shows the following interesting figures:

	Men	Women	Total
Seniors	2	32	34
Juniors	5	51	56
Sophomores	13	76	89
Freshmen	37	106	142
Special Students	8	15	23
Totals	65	280	344

PLAYERS TO GIVE "TAMING OF SHREW"

Southwestern will see a student production of Shakespeare this fall.

The dramatic department, spearheaded by the Southwestern Players, and directed by the college's enthusiastic new professor of speech and dramatics, **Professor George F. Totten**, will present "The Taming of the Shrew."

Last year, in addition to his regular duties as physical training director for the men students, **Coach Al Clemens** worked with the cadets of the 13th College Training Detachment.

This year he also has an additional chore. Each Tuesday at 9 a.m. he meets a large gym class—of women.



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