

A portion of the building showing the entrance to the Dining Hall and Henry L. Jacobs Library.

Dedication Ceremony

JACOBS HALL

BRYANT COLLEGE of Business Administration Providence, Rhode Island June 7, 1958



ALUMNI HOMECOMING WEEK-END



DEDICATION PROGRAM

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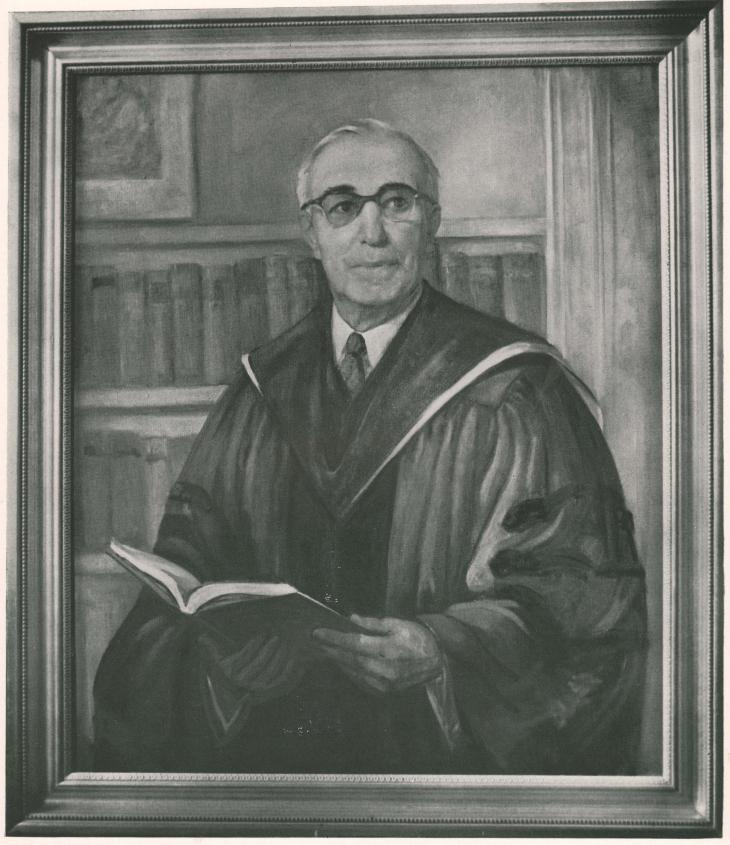
11:00 a.m., Saturday

June 7, 1958

Presiding Officer, E. GARDNER JACOBS, College Vice President

Musical Prelude
Invocation
Greetings From the Governor of Rhode Island The Honorable John A. Notte Secretary of State
Greetings From the Mayor of ProvidenceThe Honorable Edmund Wexler Majority Leader of the City Council
Naming of the Building
"Bless This House", Hymn
Presentation of Key
Dedicatory Address
Alma Mater Song
Benediction

Reception Following Program in Henry L. Jacobs Library



Henry L. Jacobs, President, M.S. in B.A.; D.B.A.; D.Sc.; D.Ed.; LL.D.

Painting by Evelyn Axelrod Rosen

Presented by the National Alumni Council, to be hung in the Henry L. Jacobs Library.

HENRY L. JACOBS

THE President of Bryant College is a man who has earned credit for a rare and noteworthy achievement. He has devoted more than a half century to the development of the unique institution of higher education for business known as Bryant College.

When he assumed the Presidency in 1907, Bryant, which had been in existence since the Civil War, was a modest school of business education. Through intelligence, foresight and diligent effort, he pioneered the cause of business education and brought this College to its present growth of more than 2100 students from 26 states and 8 foreign countries and to this significant milestone, the dedication of the twenty-sixth building on this beautiful New England campus.

Recognition of his efforts came early, when in 1916 the State of Rhode Island Legislature approved his two-year accelerated plan of study and empowered the College to grant Degrees. In 1949, Bryant was established as a non-profit institution by a special act of the legislature.

In spite of the heavy burden of administrative problems, he found time to engage in civic affairs. During World War I, he was treasurer of the Americanization Committee of the State of Rhode Island and later was appointed by the Governor to serve as a member and finally Chairman of the State Penal and Charitable Commission. He is a member of the Corporation of the Rhode Island and the Butler Hospitals, and a former president of the Eastern Business Teachers Association. Five institutions of higher education have seen fit to honor him with Doctor's degrees.

Dr. Jacobs has made his 51 years with Bryant College eventful with the nationally and internationally prominent men and women, who have accepted his invitation to become Honorary Alumni thereby demonstrating their faith in him and the unusual Bryant plan of education.

Through periods of wars, depressions and daily emergencies, he has nurtured and rigidly maintained high standards of business education that have sent thousands of young men and women into the business world equipped with Bachelors Degrees and the competence which has brought them not only a satisfactory livelihood but a meaningful way of life.

Dr. Jacobs, a native of Ohio, was educated in private schools and at the University of Michigan. Early in life he became Official Reporter for the Pennsylvania legislature. At the conclusion of his work there, he founded a business school now known as the Miami-Jacobs College in Dayton, Ohio.

His long and eventful career as a business educator parallels the phenomenal growth of our country and its emergence as a world economic power. His unshakable belief in young people is reflected in his Dedicatory Statement, "While we are assembled here to dedicate this new building, Bryant is far more dedicated to the building of human lives and to the development of the individual, who will contribute and preserve those rights and liberties which American enterprise has made possible."

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E. Gardner Jacobs, vice president of Bryant College, in charge of development, is responsible for the planning and supervision of this beautiful new building. Georgian Colonial in design it follows the traditional pattern of the other College buildings and the beautifully kept aristocratic mansions which surround the campus. This brick edifice with its gracious white doorways and entrances occupies the ground adjoining South Hall, a classroom building of similar design, and is located on the East Campus.

It was designed by Mr. Jacobs and executed from blue-prints by Mr. C. Richard Ortoleva and Anthony Viola, Contractor. It is a long, low building, two stories high, 146 feet long, and 60 feet wide. The reinforced concrete and steel construction has a brick facing.

The first floor contains the enlarged Henry L. Jacobs Library built to house 10,000 books and planned to accommodate easily and quickly the research and reading needs of students. There is an office for the College Librarian and a special stack room for storage and repairs. Three typewriting classrooms and one office machines room are on this floor. Each is equipped with the most up-to-date machinery, electric and manual. Ceilings throughout the building are sound-proof. Lighting is of the most modern, sight-saving and glare-proof design.

On the second floor is the Dining Hall, large enough to accommodate 450 students at one sitting. It has the friendly and lively spirit befitting a college social center and the colors are of delicate pinks and greens, sparked with maroon. The floor is of the terrazo type. Hanging fixtures throw diffused light to round out the overall beauty of the interior. The Faculty Dining Room seats 60 people. It is tastefully decorated in warm, yet restful tones of grey, yellow and blue and features a modern mural on one wall. Colonial brass fixtures give it a festive atmosphere. The furniture throughout the building is new and modified modern in style. The colors and the decoration were done under the direction of a professional decorator-architect, Mrs. Gretchen Nelson.



The Student Dining Hall



The Faculty Dining Room



One of the Typewriting Classrooms

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