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# ALUMNI NEWS

## OTTERBEIN COLLEGE

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### WINTER HOME-COMING

Otterbein College celebrated the annual winter Homecoming with a series of activities beginning on Friday evening, January 29, and lasting through Sunday, January 31. New among the ideas for this year's homecoming was that of a "Winter Princess" to reign over the events of the program. Chosen from among the senior women, Miss Marjorie McEntire, Buffalo, N. Y., was given the honor of being the first "Winter Princess" on Otterbein's campus. Her attendants were Miss Virginia Hetzler, Germantown, and Miss Lola Dell Jennings, Condit, Ohio.

Festivities began Friday evening with an all-campus party which was sponsored by the Student Council, and which consisted of games and an entertaining program in the Association building.

On Saturday night, before a large crowd of loyal, enthusiastic spectators, Otterbein's basketball squad played Denison for the second time this season and emerged with a second victory of 44-29. At the half-way mark, the score was tied, but in the second half, the Cardinals moved forward to a substantial lead over the Denison team.

This game leaves Otterbein still one of the undefeated teams among the colleges in the Ohio conference. The other two are Muskingum and Case School of Applied Science. The scores for the past games have been, Miami, 39-22; Denison, 41-38; Bow-

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### EDUCATION DAY, FEB. 14

Education Day, which is an annual event, will be observed in the churches throughout the United Brethren denomination, Sunday, February 14.

The day is observed for placing special emphasis upon the needs of Christian higher education, and especially Otterbein College, which is owned and controlled by the United Brethren Church.

Otterbein is a Liberal Arts College. That is, an institution which gives a broad cultural training. It is not an engineering school, a business college, nor a theological seminary. However, it has strong departments of music, art, physical education, teacher training, business administration, science, social service, social administration, public service, extension and correspondence, etc. Courses in Bible and religious education are part of the curriculum as are pre-medical, pre-law, pre-engineering and pre-theological.

The church school is the outgrowth of the ardent devotion of our religious leaders and is America's foremost training agency for Christian leadership and development of Christian character.

Offerings in the various churches during the day will be given toward the support of Otterbein College, one of the five colleges supported by the denomination.

Alumni are asked to support the local churches and assist the pastor in any way possible to make Education

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## ALUMNI DUES

Alumni dues for the year 1936-37 are due and the Alumni office would appreciate receiving the dues as soon as possible.

If it is not convenient to pay \$2.00 at once send \$1.00 now and another dollar later on.

Perhaps you would like to receive the Tan and Cardinal this year. If so, just add \$1.50 to your alumni dues and we will be glad to have your name placed on the Tan and Cardinal mailing list.

We are hoping that a larger number of Alumni will realize the importance of paying their dues. The response last year was not as good as it should have been and ought to be a lot better this year.

Don't put it off. Write a check out now and mail it to R. R. Ehrhart, Alumni Secretary, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio.

## EDUCATION DAY, FEB. 14

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Day a success. Groups of students and faculty will be going out to strategic points on that day. Consult your pastor and arrange for one of these groups or put on some special program using local alumni.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Trisler, (ex-'25 and ex-'26) and son Tommy have gone to Wiesbaden, Germany where Mr. Trisler will have charge of the carburetor division of the General Motors plant.

## PRESIDENT CLIPPINGER IN EAST

President Clippinger attended the meetings of the American College Association which were held in the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C. during the week of January 12 to 16. While in Washington President spoke to the alumni in a meeting at the Mayflower Hotel, Tuesday, January 12. He also attended meetings of alumni at Princeton, New Jersey, Friday night, January 15 and New York City, Saturday night, January 16. Mr. Camp Foltz, '13, is the newly elected president of the New York alumni group and Mrs. Bernice Norris Howard, '27, is the secretary.

## ALUMNUS MAKES GOOD AS DEBATE COACH

From a recent issue of the Philo-Duncan Falls News we give the following:

"Under the tutelage of Prof. C. R. Layton, (Otterbein, '13) Muskingum debate teams have emerged champions for seven of the past eleven Ohio Conference Tournaments. In the past 22 years, Dean Layton has coached more debate teams to victory than probably any other debate coach in the country. Layton came to Muskingum from Otterbein College. Having debated for three years in Bowling Green high school and for four years at Otterbein College, he had decided on a legal career and was studying graduate work at the University of Michigan when Muskingum unexpectedly solicited his services as speech instructor. Finding his work similar in many ways to the legal profession, Layton remained at Muskingum, becoming Dean of Speech in 1920 and has since made that department one of the outstanding speech departments among Ohio Colleges." Otterbein is proud of such men.

Leonard Perry, '24, is Superintendent of Schools at North Star, Ohio.

## DEATHS

Word has come to the alumni office of the death of W. L. Richer, '96, of 775 Plymouth Road, San Marino, California. Prof. Richer was deputy superintendent of schools in Los Angeles and had given 29 years of service in the city's school system. He first taught in Polytechnic High School and later became principal of John C. Fremont High School. Five years ago he was appointed assistant superintendent of schools and was promoted to deputy superintendent three years ago.

Rev. James Brenneman, '15, pastor of the United Brethren Church at Clay City, Indiana, passed away November 24, 1936. Rev. Brenneman finished his work at Otterbein in 1915 and then went to the Seminary. His studies there were interrupted by the World War, when he enlisted in Y. M. C. A. work. For a time he was assigned to camps in America, but later was sent to France. After the war he toured western Europe. When he returned home, he completed his theological course and was graduated from Bonebrake in 1921. He was buried at the old family burial ground, the Brenneman cemetery, Elida, Ohio.

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ling Green, 49-31; Heidelberg, 31-30; Wittenberg, 40-38; and Capital, 37-26. The games that the Cardinals have yet to play are Wooster, Mt. Union, Marietta, Kenyon, Wilmington, Capital, and Muskingum.

Outstanding among the Cardinal men are George "Sam" Loucks, Canal Winchester, and "Lou" Rutter, Toledo. Last year Loucks earned a place on the All-Ohio Conference mythical team, and Rutter was awarded a place on the second team.

The remainder of the Homecoming program was in charge of the sororities and fraternities who entertained in dormitories and fraternity houses.

## WEDDINGS

Dr. F. Dewitt Zuerner, '10, Superintendent of Schools of North Braddock, Penn., was married to Miss Alberta Zinn in the Third Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Wednesday, November 25, 1936. Dr. Zuerner received his M. A. from the University of Pittsburgh and honorary L. L. D. from Westminster College. Dr. and Mrs. Zuerner are living at 825 Bell Avenue, North Braddock, Penna.

Glenn Haueter, '35, and Miss Margaret Kirk, Peebles, Ohio, were united in marriage, September 5, at Ravenwood, West Virginia. They reside at Peebles, Ohio.

## GRAD DIRECTS FAMOUS CONCERT

Otterbein College students and faculty and about a thousand music lovers of Westerville and Columbus had a great treat Monday evening, January 25 when they listened to a magnificent concert by the Westminster Choir of Princeton, New Jersey under the direction of Dr. John Finley Williamson. Dr. and Mrs. Williamson are both graduates of Otterbein in the class of 1911.

The Westminster Choir is outstanding among the world's great choral organizations of today. Two recent European tours have won it the enthusiastic admiration of Continental critics. Its latest American tour included forty cities and drew such praise from press and public as to bear witness to its success both as popular entertainment and as a musical event. The choir is composed of thirty-six voices, under the direction of Dr. Williamson who founded the first Westminster Choir fifteen years ago. The choir takes its name from a church in Dayton, Ohio, and its musical standards from Dr. Williamson who, from small beginnings, has lifted it to the high place in the music world which it now occupies.

The chorus has been heard in 200 cities of the United States and has given more than 800 concerts in this country and Europe. The program of the choir includes the great choral music of the past, choral works of the moderns, and traditional and folk music. All selections are sung a capella and from memory. Following the concert the choir was given a reception in Cochran Hall, this was attended by the faculty, Boys' and Girls' Glee Clubs, the College Choirs, and the Westerville Music Club. We are deeply indebted to President Clippinger for his influence in bringing this great organization to the campus and also to "Jack" for his spirit of co-operation which made it possible.

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### NEW HOME ECONOMICS TEACHER

Mrs. Mabel Combs Joyce, 70 East Eighth Avenue, Columbus, has been chosen to succeed Miss Mae Hoerner the position of instructor of domestic science. Mrs. Joyce received her bachelor and master's degrees from Ohio State University. She has taught at Wilmington College and has been occupying the position of graduate assistant at Ohio State. She will take up her new duties at the beginning of the second semester, February 2.

Miss Hoerner will leave Otterbein to go as a missionary to Montevideo, South America.

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### PERSONALS

Jack Baker, '36, is employed in the laboratory for the Babcock-Wilson Co., Barberton, Ohio.

Dr. L. B. Harmon, '21, has been elected professor of Bible at Linderwood College, St. Charles, Missouri. He will begin his new duties February 1. He has been teaching at Parsons College, Fairfield, Iowa.

Miss Catherine E. Zimmerman, '30, is teaching in her home town High School at Connellsville, Pa. Their enrollment this year is over 1200.

### NEWS FROM THE PHILIPPINES

A letter to President Clippinger from Juan A. Rivera, ('23) reveals these interesting statements, "When I left Otterbein in 1923, and upon my arrival in the Philippines, I became connected with Manila City Y. M. C. A. as Religious and Social Secretary. I resigned after about a year and accepted the directorship of a private high school in my home town, San Fernando, La Union. In 1925 I was elected a Member of the Provincial Board (the Managing body of the government of the province) of my province. My term of office ended in 1928.

"In the meantime, I was able to organize the different Christian Endeavor Societies in the province into a Christian Endeavor Union, the first organization of its kind in the country. In fact our Union became the nucleus of the National Christian Endeavor Union.

"In 1932, I was able to finish a two year post graduate course in the University of the Philippines; this must be due to the thorough training I got at Otterbein.

"In 1934, as the candidate of the Democrata Party, I was elected governor of my province.

"This, Mr. President, is an account of what I have been doing since I left Otterbein. I have tried to be worthy of Otterbein and to you all who have done so much for me."

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### PERSONALS

Tom Brady, '36, is working for the Retail Credit Company of Dayton, Ohio.

Darwin Clupper, '36, has taken up his work at Bonebrake Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio.

Dr. D. R. Clippinger, '25, has been promoted to the rank of assistant professor at Ohio University.

Howard Carpenter, '25, is employed by the Wendt-Bristol Company in Columbus, Ohio.