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COMMENCEMENT BEST IN YEARS

Brilliant and Witty Address Given
By William Lyon Phelps

June 15, 1931 occurred the 75th annual commencement. The day was ideal and the campus, as usual, was beautiful. The day was well begun by numerous class breakfasts where the members with their families met and renewed the friendships of other years and planned for larger reunions the next time.

The business session of the Alumni Association was held in the "Y" building at 10:00 o'clock. This was the best attended business session in many years, not only was the number in attendance satisfactory but the representative character of those present gave cause for pleasure. They ranged from Mrs. L. R. Harford of the class of '72 to "Sparky" Schear of '29, and geographically from many states. Dr. James H. Weaver, '07, president of the Association presided with Mrs. Helen Ensor Smith, '18, secretary. After "a getting acquainted period" during which each one present was introduced, president Weaver called on Secretary L. W. Warson for the report of the year's work. After discussion it was decided that the Alumni Association would make a special effort this year to increase the number of active members.

Almost 300 sat down to the Alumni Luncheon in the U. B. Church at 11:30. As the commencement was to take place at 2:00 p. m. no formal program was given. There was the roll of classes and reading of greetings from the oldest alumna, introduction of some of those who had not been back for many years followed by adjournment to the auditorium.

The crowd at commencement was great—many not able to be seated. President W. G. Clippinger presided. The speaker for the occasion was Dr. William Lyon Phelps of Yale University.
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MORE MEMBERSHIPS NECESSARY

Enclosed you will find a membership slip. If you have not already enrolled please fill out this blank and return to this office.

It is essential that the Alumni keep its organization up to the highest level of efficiency for the next few years if we are to help the college push ahead in this period of competition and economic stress. The administration asks it; the Board of Trustees endorses it; 300 alumni at commencement approved it. There should be a goodly number of sustaining members. Now, altogether, let's set a new high record for this year.

OUR HOMECOMING October 17, 1931

Everybody who can, should plan to return to the Fall Homecoming. These Homecoming days are growing in popularity and rival commencement in attendance and interest. This year Homecoming will occur on Saturday, October 17, with a football game between Capital University and Otterbein. There is a great deal of friendly rivalry between these neighboring schools and it is migration day for the visiting school. Plans are already under way for a great day. Mark the day on your calendar NOW and plan to enjoy the game and the crowd.

Our old friend, F. O. VanSickle is planning a feast of some kind for those athletes of the period from 1900 to 1910. If any other friends of other years want to meet the friends of their school period, other meetings can be arranged.

REMEMBER THE DATE.

ALUMNI SECRETARY REPORTS CONDITION

The report of the Alumni Secretary, at the business session on Monday, June 15, was well received and although the financial report was disappointing it was the unanimous opinion that the work should be carried on with each one working for a larger active membership for the year 1931-32.

The report again emphasized the general aims of the Alumni Association through the Alumni Council and secretary which are:

To secure more active cooperation of the Alumni with the college and the Board of Trustees, thus advancing the interests of the institution.

To keep in touch with the undergraduates' interests and activities, and encourage the highest standards.

To assist in publicity and in interesting students in attendance at Otterbein.

To assist in organizing and maintaining the organization of local Alumni Groups.

To assist in raising funds from time to time for the various college uses.

The following are a few excerpts from the report:

Group meetings were held in many places on Otterbein Night. At various times during the year other meetings of the alumni were held. Reports of these meetings were sent to the alumni office with a list of officers elected and the activities of the club.

As publicity director almost daily conferences have been held when on the campus with the student correspondents on matters of publicity. Pictures and cuts were secured, and this material was then sent to papers throughout Ohio and to the Associated Press. Probably more newspaper publicity was secured this year than in any recent year.

As Director of the Bureau of Appointments the spring months are filled with conferences with seniors when on the campus. Much correspondence.
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FINE SET OF OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

The result of the election of officers for the Association resulted in the following:

President	
James H Weaver	1908
Vice Presidents	
Marshall B. Fanning	1894
Vance E. Cribbs	1920
Alva D. Cook	1912
Secretary	
Helen Ensor Smith	1918
Treasurer	
James Porter West	1897
Trustees	
Frank O. Clements	1896
Perley H. Kilbourne	1902

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sity. Dr. Phelps was happy in his remarks and held his audience every minute. The class of 1931 and the administration are to be congratulated on the success of this occasion. After the awarding of the diplomas the recessional took the class and participants to the steps of the Association Building where, after singing the Otterbein Love Song and Taps had been blown, President Clippinger declared the 75th Commencement at an end.

The ceremonies at the "Y" are very impressive and many complimentary remarks were heard by visitors and alumni on this fact.

After the dismissal some time was spent in visitation under the trees on the campus and as we left it was with a feeling that the 75th Commencement was one of the best which the college has ever held.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Starr (Lottie Faye Mendenhall) of Tampa, Florida, announce the birth of a son, Ralph Waldo, June 16, 1931. Mrs. Starr graduated in 1924.

Mr. and Mrs. Philipp Charles, '29-Ex, announce the birth of a son, Richard Henry, July 21, 1931. Mr. and Mrs. Charles live in Washington, D. C. where Mr. Charles is in government work.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bay, '23-'25, were bereaved by the loss of one of the twin boys who were born to them in June. Mr. and Mrs. Bay live in Nova, Ohio, where Mr. Bay is superintendent of the schools.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Webner (Lucile Lambert) a son, Rodney Lambert, on May 30. Mrs. Webner graduated in 1925. Mr. and Mrs.

WEDDINGS

Mr. Lawrence Hicks '28, was married Saturday, June 27th to Miss Thyra Jane BeVier of Amburg, N. Y. Mr. Hicks is a member of the faculty of the Department of Botany at Ohio State University and he is also State Ornithologist for Ohio.

Miss Edna Hayes '29, who has been teaching in Knoxville, Tenn. was married June 13 to Mr. Hans Schroder. The wedding took place at Cincinnati, Ohio. The couple will be at home in Knoxville, Tenn.

Miss Florence Howard '28, and Mr. Louis Norris '28, were married June 4, in the First United Brethren Church, Dayton, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Norris sailed for Europe where Mr. Norris will study the coming year.

Miss Oma Moomaw was married to Howard Bradley on June 26, at Sugar-creek, Ohio. Mr. Bradley is connected with the American Rolling Mills Company at Middletown. Mrs. Bradley has been teaching at Middletown since her graduation in 1926.

Miss Margaret Widdoes '26, was married to Mr. Melvin Laub, of Holgate, Ohio, June 6. The couple will reside in Bridgeport, Ohio, where Mr. Laub taught the past year. Mrs. Laub has been doing community work in North Canton since her graduation.

Miss LaVonne Steel of Strongsville, Ohio, and Mr. Byron A. Wilson of Westerville, '27-'26, were married June 18. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson left immediately for Mexico where Mr. Wilson attended the University of Mexico. They will locate at St. David Arizona, Where Mr. Wilson has taught for several years.

Professor W. O. Lambert '00, was married to Mrs. Ethel Brown of Hamilton, Ohio, on June 30, at the home of the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. J. H. Harris, Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Lambert is a teacher at South High School, Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. Bruce LaPorte was married to Louise Wigton on June 15, at Wooster, Ohio. Mr. LaPorte attended Otterbein College. He is connected with the Squire, Sanders and Dempsey Law Firm, Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. LaPorte will live at 2753 Euclid Heights Blvd., Cleveland

GREETINGS TO ALUMNI FROM THE OLDEST MEMBER

Miss Urilla H. Guitner, class of 1865, the oldest living graduate who now has the honor of keeping the Alumni Canë sent a greeting which was read at the Alumni Luncheon, June 15. Miss Guitner lives in Washington, D. C., at 2101 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W.:

"While I cannot be with you in person, I shall be with you in thought and shall feel that, in spirit, I am among my old college friends. I wish most earnestly that the meeting may be successful in everyway."

Accompanying the latter was the following beautiful poem:

TO THE ALUMNI OF OTTERBEIN COLLEGE

To all the sons and daughters, fine,
Who comprise the alumni of Otterbein,

I send a message from far away
To greet you on this festal day.
Of all the graduates who now survive
I am the earliest, and shall strive
To speak words of welcome to all that are here

Who have followed me from College
from year to year.

Many have passed me on the way,
Having risen to fame in life's hard fray.

I do not envy, but shout acclaim
For those who have succeeded in making a name

That will ring down the ages and proudly proclaim
The glories of Otterbein, so dear to us all,

From whose high estate she can never fall.
While her students fail not to hear calls of distress,

And eagerly respond from their hearts tenderness.
Success to the students who go far and wide,

Success to the alumni in whom bravery and kindness ever abide,
And success, unmeasured, to Otterbein College,

Than which, no school instills more God given knowledge.
Urilla H. Guitner.

By action of the Board of Trustees the Greek and Latin departments were combined under the head of Department of Classics with Dr. N. E. Cornetet as its head.

Miss Ruth Mendel, M. A. of Portsmouth, Ohio, has been employed as an assistant to teach Latin.

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L. W. Warson Editor

WHY SHOULD I BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER?

One of the beautiful things in life is the loyalty and love which an alumnus always keeps for his Alma Mater. Most grads after a four years residence on the campus of some college—inspired by contact with great teachers—having made some great life friendships and become, in fact, a part of the institution itself are always interested in the progress and purpose of that institution.

On leaving school their budgets contains some contribution to be given annually to show their interest and loyalty. This takes the form of Living Endowment which is to be used by the Alumni Association in promulgating publicity and for occasional gifts to the institution to be used where most needed. These contributions are made through the association as dues varying from a few dollars to thousands in some colleges. In fact the number of active members in an association is a good barometer of the interest of the alumni in the success and service of their institution.

Institutions differ in their methods of handling the Alumni Activities. Some are financed entirely by the college or university and some entirely by the Alumni, the others varying between these extremes. In some, all graduates become members automatically with no dues, and raise their endowment through gifts. Some have voting members only. Annual dues vary from two to five dollars.

The following is part of a comparative study of Alumni activities covering 138 colleges in the United States, made about two years ago by the University of Wisconsin.

A list of a few colleges of about the same enrollment as Otterbein are quoted for information.

INSTITUTION	No. of Degree Holders	No. Grads Holding Membership in Alumni Association	Annual Dues	Amount of University Subsidy	Other Sources of Income
Adelphi	1900	300	\$2.00		
Univ. of Akron	1500	1400	\$2.00	\$1300	\$2000
Allegheny College	2552	All	\$1.00 or more	Alumni office maintained by college	\$600 year in dues
Baldwin-Wallace College	1568	All	\$2.00 voting members	All alumni expense except cost of mag. and minor expenses paid by college	
Baylor College	1500	500	\$5.00 \$3.00 non-grads	Part of salary of alumni secretary	
Dayton Univ.	2000	250	\$5.00	For present financed by the University	
Denison Univ.	2500	1200	\$3.00	\$2250	\$5100 dues \$2500 from sustaining memberships
Earlham College	1940	All membership automatic	\$1.00	Services of alumni sec'y., clerical service, postage, etc.	Dues—\$500
Heidelberg College	1308	All	None	\$1500	\$1500 from living endowment fund
Otterbein College	1834	304	\$2.00	\$2000	\$1100 dues
Wittenberg	2100	All	None	\$2500	none
College of Wooster	3150	2055	\$3.00	\$7500	\$7500

The plan of the Alumni Council (composed of President W. G. Clippinger, Dean F. J. Vance, Dr. J. H. Weaver, president of the association, Mrs. R. W. Smith, secretary of the association and three members elected at large—now being Miss Otis Flook, Dr. N. E. Cornetet and Mrs. F. J. Resler) to increase the membership includes the following:

To have a membership secretary in each of the organized groups and to have class membership secretaries.

In each Alumni News published during the year will be given the number of paid members by groups and classes. It will be interesting to note whether the percentage of members will be higher or lower in the recent classes as compared with the older classes.

The Membership by classes for the year 1931-32 up to July 15, (the year is counted from June 1 to May 31) is here given:

Class	No. Living Grad.	No. Membership	Percentage
'72	6	2	33
'73	1	0	0
'74	4	0	0
'75	7	0	0

'76	4	1	25
'77	4	2	50
'78	11	2	18
'79	2	0	0
'80	5	0	0
'81	7	0	0
'82	5	1	20
'83	14	1	7
'84	2	0	0
'85	9	1	11
'86	5	1	20
'87	10	0	0
'88	10	1	10
'89	6	0	0
'90	6	1	17
'91	8	2	25
'92	20	1	5
'93	12	1	8
'94	29	1	4
'95	15	3	20
'96	19	4	21
'97	30	2	7
'98	23	2	9
'99	21	0	0
'00	15	1	7
'01	30	3	10
'02	23	0	0
'03	17	0	0
'04	20	2	10
'05	26	4	15
'06	34	2	3
'07	31	1	3
'08	26	1	4
'09	32	2	6
'10	45	1	2
'11	54	0	0

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ATHLETICS

The outlook for material for our teams for the coming season is good. If the eligible players return Coach Edler can not complain of lack of material. Most of the regulars on last year's football team will return and there are some very promising youngsters from last year's Freshman class who will get their first taste of college football this year. Among the new men are Albright and Garrett from Dayton Stivers, Miller from Arcanum, Schott and Hinton from Canton McKinley, Schick from Westerville, Kneppshild from Middletown, Maibach from Sterling, in fact, several candidates for every position. There will be strong competition for a place on the team. If it is true that a team is as strong as its substitutes we may look for a successful season.

The following hard schedule for 1931 finds some new teams which should make the season one of the best in recent years:

1931 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 26—Cedarville at Westerville
Oct. 3—Hiram at Westerville
Oct. 10—Heidelberg at Tiffin
Oct. 17—Capital at Westerville,
HOMECOMING
Oct. 24—Ohio Northern at Ada
Oct. 31—Marietta at Marietta
Nov. 7. Kenyon at Westerville
Nov. 14—Kent State College at Kent
No. 21—John Carroll at Cleveland

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'12	39	1	3
'13	53	4	8
'14	39	4	10
'15	60	4	7
'16	46	3	7
'17	49	4	8
'18	33	0	0
'19	44	4	9
'20	25	0	0
'21	61	2	3
'22	59	0	0
'23	86	1	1
'24	81	0	0
'25	93	1	1
'26	92	5	5
'27	100	1	1
'28	97	2	2
'29	73	1	1
'30	89	1	1
'31	73	3	3
Ex		5	3

Total Membership .. 92
July 22, 1931.

Head coach R. K. Edler is doing his interne work in Saint Francis Hospital, Columbus. Coach Edler will

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pondence work is done with superintendents and principals in order that positions may be secured for those seniors who are prepared to teach, and for the alumni who wish to use the office for this purpose. The local alumni group finished paying for the furniture in the alumni office and the Canton Women's Club gave a large mirror for the Alumni office.

The financial report showed that the association entered the year with a deficit of \$278.27.

Receipts for fiscal year ending May 31, 1931, from all sources except the college .. \$1162.70
College appropriation 2000.00

Total receipts \$3162.70
Disbursements—Salary, clerical help, Postage, Stationery, Printing, Publications, Tan and Cardinal and Miscellaneous \$3491.94
Leaving a cash overdraft, May 31, 1931 of 607.51.

This overdraft was due to the fact that many who had been active members in the past failed to send in their annual dues.

Plans are being made to have a much larger number feel the responsibility of being actively in the work of the Association in its effort to promote the welfare and steady progress of the college.

ALUMNI NEWS

The Canton Otterbein Club held its annual summer picnic on July 22. This is always an enjoyable affair.

The class of 1921 held its reunion on Monday, June 15. Fourteen members of the class were present with their wives and families.

The Otterbein Club of Dayton, Ohio, officered and directed by Herman Lehman, Esther Harley Phillippi and John Lehman, is making plans for a picnic of all Otterbeinites in and around Dayton. Every person who ever attended Otterbein is invited.

Miss Thelma Hook, '28, who has so efficiently taken care of President Clippinger's office work during the past year has resigned and is leaving the first of September to join her parents who have moved to California. She is leaving New York on September 1st.

The Cleveland Woman's Club is planning big things for the coming year. They have just finished paying one hundred dollars towards the showers in the girls gymnasium. Mrs. Gladys West Shaw is president assisted by Mrs. R. C. Hummell, treasurer and Mrs. Marguerite Banner Koons, secretary.

Miss Helena Baer, '29, assistant Dean of Women and College Nurse has resigned to accept a two year scholarship at Syracuse University in the Deans' Training School, Syracuse, New York.

WEDDINGS

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Mr. Donald Borror '28, and Miss Elizabeth Killworth, of Columbus, were united in marriage on June 17. Mr. Borror is a member of the faculty at Ohio State University.

The wedding of Mr. John L. Crawford, Ex '28, of San Francisco, Calif. and Miss Josephine Drury '28, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. P. W. Drury, of Ponce, Porto Rico, took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Knight, Massillon, Ohio, Friday, June 12. Mrs. Crawford has been teaching since her graduation and Mr. Crawford is a senior in the medical department of Indiana University.

Miss Nelle Glover '28, was united in marriage to Mr. William Stewart on June 9. Mr. Stewart is employed in the office of Forage Crops and Diseases, U. S. D. A. and the couple will reside at Willard, N. C.

Miss Dorothy Schrader and Mr. Russell Norris '31-'24, were married June 24 in the United Brethren Church. Mr. and Mrs. Norris will be at home at 51 West Main street.

On June 17, Mr. Louis A. Weinland '30 and Miss Hazel Schott were united in marriage. Mr. Weinland has been studying at Ohio State University since his graduation from Otterbein.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Beulah Winegate '29, Dayton, Ohio to Dr. Dwight Fritz at Newport, Ky., May 28, 1930. Dr. Fritz is practicing in Dayton, Ohio. Mrs. Fritz has taught since her graduation.