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May Day Festivities Lure Alumni

"The Passing of the Third Floor Back"

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Violets—winding of the May Pole—strawberries—crowning of the Queen—May Morning Breakfast—alumni—gayety and laughter—these announce the arrival of May Day and all its festivities Saturday, May 4.

This is the day when all loyal Otterbeinites take a holiday, return to their alma mater to greet former classmates, and renew acquaintances with old friends and professors.

No one wants to miss the May Morning Breakfast at Cochran Hall where the four classes vie for honors in decorating the tables and where nosegays of violets, picked and arranged by the freshmen girls, are for sale. At 9:30 the College Band will give a concert in front of the "Ad" Building as a prelude to the crowning ceremonies,

and at 10:00 the trumpets will announce the approach of the Queen and her court.

After lunch the visitors may choose their favorite sport and cheer Otterbein on to victory. The sports events will be as follows: Track — Cedarville; tennis — Capital; and baseball—Kenyon.

In the evening the Junior Class will present "The Passing of the Third Floor Back" by Jerome K. Jerome. The leading role of "The Stranger," played by the King of Jump Week, Lewis Carlock from Greenville, slightly resembles the character of "Cambreau" in "Strange Cargo." Professor Smith and his cast have been working night and day on this production and it promises to be one of the best plays ever given at Otterbein.

The "Towers" say, "Come On Down to Otterbein."

FROM YEAR TO YEAR

Class of 1887—Daniel E. Kumber, who for nearly 40 years has been managing editor of The Dayton Daily News, passed away on March 16, 1940, at Sarasota, Florida, where he and Mrs. Kumber were enjoying a vacation.

Ellwood P. Morey, who was a 33rd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, passed away at his home in Washington, D.C. Mr. Morey has been practicing law in the District of Columbia since 1899.

Class of 1905—Mr. Harry Williams was one of six Dayton men recently honored by the National Association of Manufacturers. They were named as modern pioneers in industry, and their selection was made on a basis of the number of patents issued to each candidate. Mr. Williams has been associated with scientific and industrial research at the National Cash Register Company.

Class of 1912—Mrs. Camp Foltz (Irene Staub, ex '12) passed away at her home in New York City. The Otterbein Alumni offer deepest sympathy to Mr. Foltz, class of 1913.

Class of 1914—Mrs. F. O. Pansing (Lucille Coppock, ex '14) was elected to head the Dayton Music Club. We congratulate the new president.

Class of 1922—Dr. J. Gordon Howard was named one of the editors of Sunday School literature for the United Brethren Church.

He has been Director of Young People's work for several years.

Class of 1927—Perry Laukhuff, who has been vice-consul at Milan, Italy, was transferred to Berlin, Germany.

Dr. Margaret E. Baker, head pathologist at the Children's Hospital in Akron, was elected as president of the Akron Otterbein Women's Club.

Class of 1932—Carl C. Byers, principal of Gallia Academy High School at Gallipolis, Ohio, has been invited to participate in the "Workshop" at Ohio State University this summer. The Colleges of Education in the five State Universities have united to conduct a joint workshop on the problems of teacher education in Ohio. Mr. Byers will be teaching assistant in the area of guidance and counseling, and will do further work toward his doctor's degree. He is President of the Gallipolis Rotary Club, and has had two articles on "Guidance" published in the "Ohio Schools."

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Yohn (Alice Schear) are proud to announce the birth of their son, Lawrence, on February 25.

Class of 1933—Jean Weekley, who attended Otterbein in 1933-34 and was graduated from W. Virginia University, was married on March 30 to Charles F. Martin of Salem, W. Va.

Class of 1934—Mrs. Arlene

WITH THE ALUMNI

Noyes Thompson is now serving in a new position at Mid-Pacific Institute, Honolulu, where she has been school nurse for the past four years. She is now Dean of Girls, having under her charge 90 girls and 9 women teachers.

Class of 1935 — Richard E. Caulker was married at an impressive wedding ceremony in Free-town, Africa, to Miss Olivette Hannah Farquhar Stuart. Otterbein sends her congratulations and best wishes to this young couple.

Class of 1936—Miss Ruth Hunt, who served as Director of Children's Work for our church since her graduation from Otterbein, is now working with the American Friends Service Committee. Miss Hunt is in the Peace Section of the Service Committee, and is principally engaged in preparing peace literature for college students.

Class of 1937—Rev. and Mrs. Arndt of Lancaster, Pa., announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth to Habet M. Khelghatian of Baghdad, Iraq. Mr. Khelghatian is a student at Franklin and Marshall College.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Kathleen Norris to Mr. Gerald Figgins of Columbus. The marriage took place at Gettysburg, Ohio, on November 26, 1938.

Class of 1939 and 1940—The wedding of Ethel Lenore Lawyer, former nurse at Otterbein, who left

with the class of '39, and Joseph Ayer, class of '40, took place in Branford, Connecticut on April 4. Miss Marjorie Bartholomew, also of the class of '40, was one of the attendants.

ALUMNETTES

Westerville—The new home of Dr. and Mrs. F. O. Clements provided the lovely setting for a musical tea enjoyed by members of the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club and their friends Saturday afternoon, April 20. Profit on the sale of tickets will augment the Scholarship Fund with which the club furnishes aid to several Otterbein students each year.

Mrs. S. W. Keister received the good wishes of all when Mrs. C. S. Pilkington as spokesman for the club presented her with a bouquet of red roses honoring her 90th birthday. She responded in her characteristic lively manner.

The musical program was planned by Mrs. R. K. Edler. Pouring tea were Miss Mary Alkire, president of the club, and Mrs. Robert Wilson, Mrs. C. O. Altman was chairman of the hostesses.

Canton—Mrs. L. S. Hert, president of the Canton Otterbein Women's Club, writes that their club held a rummage sale and made \$15.50 which will be used for scholarship loans.

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Seniors Recognized

Members of the class of 1940, who will soon join the ranks of the alumni, donned their caps and gown for the first time at the combined Senior Recognition Day and Founders' Day service in the college chapel Tuesday morning, April 23.

The guest speaker, President Ralph Hutchison of Washington and Jefferson College, gave a challenging interpretation of the subject "Democracy." Washington and Jefferson honored Otterbein in a special way many years ago by bestowing an honorary degree upon our first president, Dr. Lewis Davis.

Attention Alumni

The new addressing machine still welcomes information regarding all address changes. May we urge that you cooperate with the office in keeping our mailing lists up-to-date.

A new Alumni Register is in the process of being compiled. From

time to time you will receive questionnaires—please be sure to return these at once.

Glee Club Entertained

To many college students the word "alumnus" merely means someone to shake hands with at Homecoming, whose name must be memorized for fraternity initiation, or who pays for the new studio couch, but I am sure that for the members of the Women's Glee Club the word has taken on an entirely new and greater significance for it was this group that was responsible for much of the delightful entertainment enjoyed by the girls on their Spring tour.

In Detroit the alumni group had planned quite an unusual trip to Greenfield Village at Dearborn, Michigan. Here the Club had the opportunity of presenting several numbers at the morning chapel program which Henry Ford himself attended. They were then taken on a tour of the village and were shown through many buildings not open to the general public. After this delightful experience they were guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Joe Eschbach for a lovely buffet luncheon.

Although this was the only organized tour planned for the Club, we are sure the alumni in the other cities visited played quite a large part in making the 1940 tour one of the most successful and enjoyable this organization has ever had.

—Janet Scanland, '42.

Alumni are urged to send items concerning their own activities and those of their friends to OTTERBEIN TOWERS, Westerville, Ohio