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*Into a Second Century*

**OTTERBEIN COLLEGE BULLETIN**

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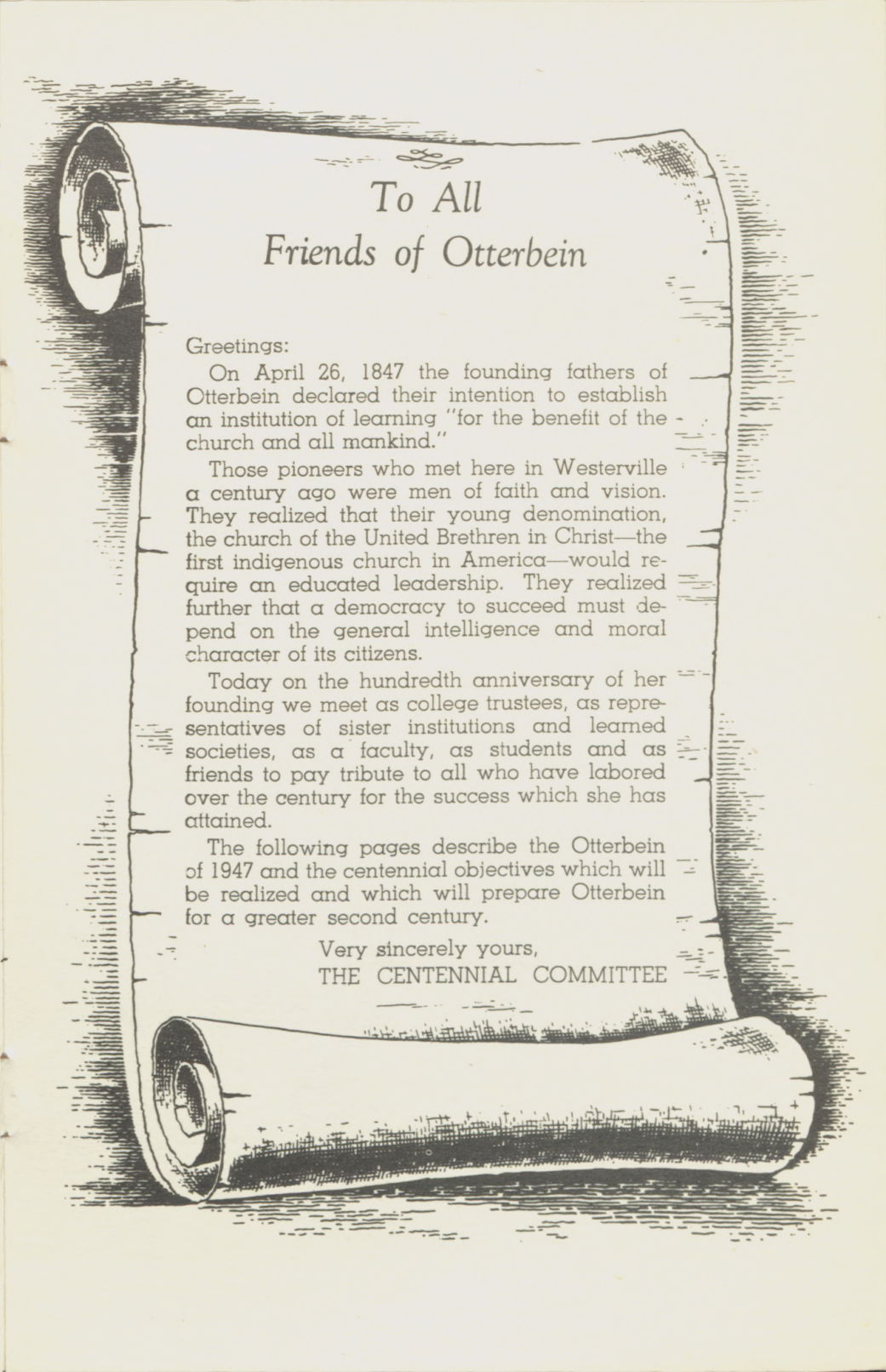
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## To All Friends of Otterbein

Greetings:

On April 26, 1847 the founding fathers of Otterbein declared their intention to establish an institution of learning "for the benefit of the church and all mankind."

Those pioneers who met here in Westerville a century ago were men of faith and vision. They realized that their young denomination, the church of the United Brethren in Christ—the first indigenous church in America—would require an educated leadership. They realized further that a democracy to succeed must depend on the general intelligence and moral character of its citizens.

Today on the hundredth anniversary of her founding we meet as college trustees, as representatives of sister institutions and learned societies, as a faculty, as students and as friends to pay tribute to all who have labored over the century for the success which she has attained.

The following pages describe the Otterbein of 1947 and the centennial objectives which will be realized and which will prepare Otterbein for a greater second century.

Very sincerely yours,  
THE CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

# FACTS ABOUT OTTERBEIN

**TYPE OF COLLEGE**—Otterbein is a coeducational church-related college of Liberal Arts and Sciences. It was founded in 1847 and at the close of its first century is one of America's outstanding Liberal Arts Colleges.

**LOCATION**—The college is located twelve miles north of Columbus in Westerville, Ohio, a progressive town with a population of 3,500.

**ACCREDITATION**—Otterbein is approved by all major accrediting agencies including the Ohio College Association, the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the Association of American Colleges, the Association of American Universities, the American Association of University Women, and the National Association of Schools of Music.

**DEGREES OFFERED**—The degrees offered by Otterbein are: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Education, Bachelor of Music, and Bachelor of Music Education.



# - A CENTURY-OLD COLLEGE

**ENROLLMENT**—The present enrollment is 921. This is considered an absolute maximum. Of this number 390 are veterans.

**THE PHYSICAL PLANT**—Over the century the plant has increased from two modest buildings, valued at \$1300, to a modern plant of sixteen buildings valued at over a million dollars. The present assets are over two and one-half millions of dollars.

**COURSES OFFERED**—In addition to the general liberal arts courses, the college offers pre-professional courses in law, medicine, dentistry, nursing, engineering, business administration, dietetics, journalism, medical technology, social service and theology.

**TEACHER TRAINING**—Otterbein prepares teachers for elementary and high schools. In addition to the regular high school subjects, Otterbein prepares teachers of physical education, home economics, art, music, speech and dramatics.

**SPORTS**—Otterbein is a member of the Ohio Conference in athletics and participates in intercollegiate football, basketball, baseball, track and tennis.



# OTTERBEIN LOOKS AHEAD

## THE CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

Otterbein College has served well the church and state for a century. Our heritage is a noble one. But, as glorious as is our past, we must not be content to rest on our laurels. The Board of Trustees are men and women of faith and vision and they have planned wisely for the future. These planners of Otterbein's destiny have adopted and carried almost to completion a five-fold Centennial Program.

This comprehensive program is as follows:

1. The Spiritual and Social Program
2. The Academic Program
3. The Financial Program
4. The Observance Program
5. The Publicity Program

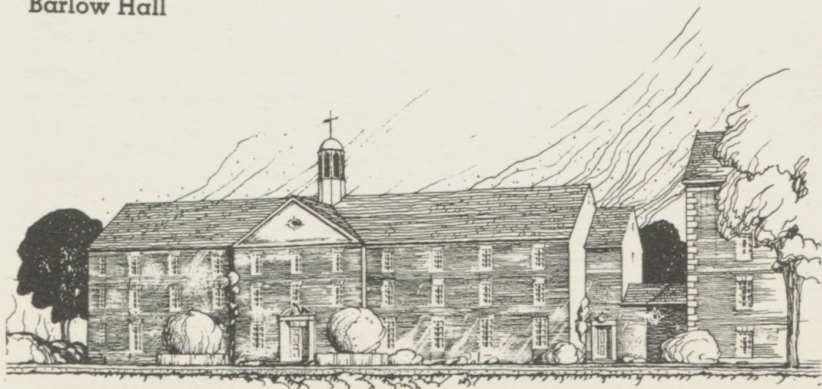
It is confidently expected that these programs and goals will be reached by June 1, 1947 and Otterbein will begin its second century with greater vision, renewed confidence, and with better facilities.

## THE FINANCIAL GOAL

The total financial goal is \$640,000. The churches of Otterbein's cooperating territory accepted goals totaling \$330,000 and the balance, or \$310,000, is the goal of alumni and friends.

To date a total of \$560,126 has been pledged or underwritten. This amount does not include the bequest of \$240,000 received from the estate of the late Shauck E. Barlow. Thus, the total amount of \$880,000 will be added to the assets of the college by next June. \$250,000 of this amount will be added to the endowment fund and the balance will be used for improvements and new buildings as described on the next page.

Barlow Hall



# INTO A SECOND CENTURY

## BARLOW HALL

The amount received from the Barlow bequest—\$240,000—has been designated for a new girls' dormitory and dining room. The dormitory as pictured below at the left will be built on the lot to the east of and immediately adjacent to Cochran Hall. The new dining room will extend south from Barlow Hall and will have a capacity of 600 students. For many years a dining room of such proportions has been one of Otterbein's greatest needs and it is hoped that it can soon be built.

## THE CENTENNIAL LIBRARY

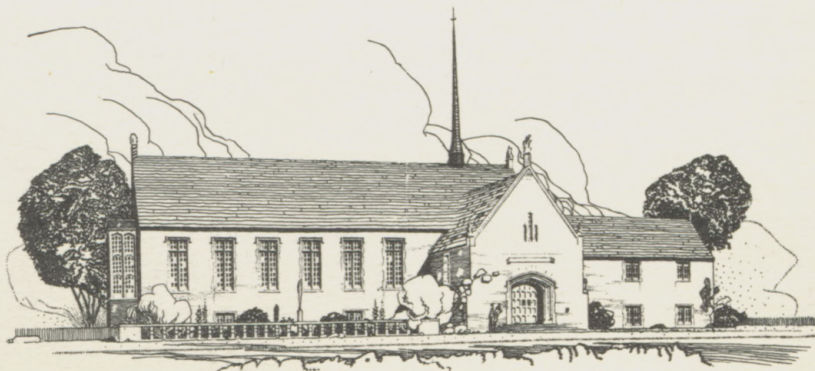
The larger student body, the increased number of books, and the new honors system make a more adequate library a necessity. The present library will be converted into an administrative center making possible more class rooms in the present administration building.

The library is to be built by the gifts of one hundred persons of one thousand dollars each. The names of these one hundred great friends of Otterbein will appear on a plaque in the lobby of the library. Many people are giving their gifts in memory of loved ones; others in appreciation of friends. Eighty-five of these gifts have been received. Pledges are accepted payable over several years.

## THE MEMORIAL STADIUM

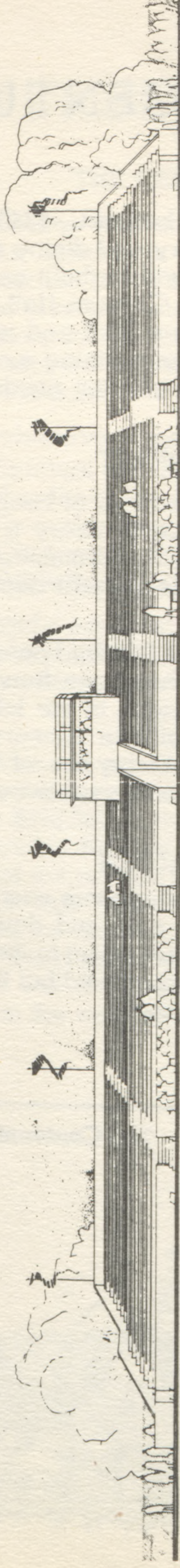
Thirteen men and one woman made the supreme sacrifice in the last war. Otterbein's memorial to these sons and daughter is to be a memorial stadium. The slogan is "Buy a seat in the Memorial Stadium for \$20.00". To date 1,700 have been sold but the stadium must have a minimum capacity of 2,000 seats.

The Centennial Library





## Another Centennial Objective—



*Otterbein Stadium*

*Designed by Richard S. Armstrong - Architects*

*1914-15*

## THE OTTERBEIN COLLEGE MEMORIAL STADIUM

Our soldier dead, for themselves, need no memorial, and none we could erect would add one iota to the glory which is theirs in their own right. We need the memorial for ourselves. We need to keep reminding ourselves that the way of life we accept so nonchalantly has been recently and dearly rebought; that its price has been the life blood of a million young Americans—fourteen from our Otterbein family. It is eminently fitting that Otterbein's memorial should be placed on her athletic field. The clean play which the men of Otterbein's teams have always exhibited is symbolic of the clean freedom which some members of those same teams have just died to preserve.