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# ALUMNI NEWS

## OTTERBEIN COLLEGE

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### ALUMNUS IN GEOLOGY

Dr. George W. White, '21, head of the department of geology, University of New Hampshire, spent the past summer studying the geology of Russia, on the occasion of the Seventeenth International Geological Congress at Moscow. For three weeks before the Congress sessions Dr. White, under the guidance of Russian geologists, studied the geology of the Caucasus Mountains, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, and Abkhazia, reaching Mt. Ararat on the Persian and Turkish borders.

During the ten days of the Congress sessions in Moscow and Leningrad, Dr. White was a member of the Council of the Congress, being the New England representative. Council members were tendered special courtesies, banquets, receptions, and functions.

After the Congress sessions Dr. White took part in a four weeks excursion to the Arctic, making 12 landings on and sailing completely around the arctic islands of Novaya Zemlya, the northern one of which is covered by an ice cap. The party reached latitude 77 degrees, 08 feet, 740 miles from the North Pole.

On the return from the U. S. S. R. three days were spent in studying the geology of southern Finland with Dr. Arne Laitakari, director of the Geological Survey of Finland.

After graduating from Otterbein, Dr. White studied at Ohio State for his doctor's degree. After teaching

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### IN MEMORIAM

Otterbein College mourns the death of Dr. George Scott, Flickinger professor emeritus of classical languages and literature. Dr. Scott passed away on April 1 at the age of 89 years, and was buried from the Westerville United Brethren Church on April 3.

Professor Scott was born in New York state on May 10, 1849. He received his A.B. degree from Alfred University in 1877 and taught classical languages in that institution from 1878 to 1888. In the autumn of the latter year he first came to Westerville as a member of the faculty, and he devoted his life during the half-century which followed to the interests of Otterbein College.

He secured a leave of absence to study at Yale University where he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1890. He traveled in Europe in connection with his studies in that year, studying Greek at the University of Athens, and in 1910 he studied Latin at the University of Rome. From 1901 to 1904 he was president of Otterbein College, and up to the year of his retirement in 1931, he was the Flickinger professor of classical languages and literatures.

Dr. Scott was an authority on classical languages. He was the author of "Preposition in Horace" and wrote numerous articles for classical and other journals. He was a member of the National Institute of Efficiency, several classical clubs and so-

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## A SECOND APPEAL

Again we are printing a blank for information for the Alumni files. The response which we received from that which appeared in the March issue of the Alumni News was good but the number received is still far from including all the alumni of Otterbein College.

Will you please cooperate with us and send us this information if you have not already done so.

## NEW YORK ALUMNI

Members of the "Greater New York" Otterbein alumni and ex-students met in annual banquet at the Parkside Hotel in New York City on the evening of April 2. C. W. Foltz, '13, president of the group arranged the program for the evening. Daniel Harris, '23, now a member of the New York Metropolitan Opera Company, sang several songs, among which was "Darling Nellie Gray", and Wendell H. Camp, '25, spoke briefly on his recent exploration trip into southern Mexico for rare plant specimens. The evening was rounded off by the college movies showing campus scenes and activities.

In the business that followed the dinner, Donald S. Howard, '25, was elected president for the coming year, and Alice G. Sanders, '26, was elected secretary.

## PERSONALS

Rev. and Mrs. E. Mowbray Tate (Josephine Albert, '25) will sail for Siam in August to resume their work at Bangkok Christian College, Bangkok, Siam where Dr. Tate has recently been elected to the presidency as announced by the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions in New York. On their way they will make stops in both Japan and the Philippine Islands to study educational institutions.

Dr. Tate comes from Portland, Oregon. He received his A.B. from Whitman College, Walla Walla, Washington, his M.A. and B.D. degrees from San Francisco Theological Seminary, and on the alumni fellowship of his seminary he studied for three years at Columbia University, receiving the Ph.D. degree in 1932.

Mrs. Tate, who is also a member of the staff of Bangkok Christian College, has had graduate work at Northwestern University since her graduation from Otterbein. She has been associate director of young people's work for the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. They have one daughter, Mary Carolyn, born in Bangkok in 1935.

Bangkok College in its present form dates from 1891 and has an enrollment of 400 young men, including the elementary and secondary departments. Dr. Tate will be its fifth president.

Alfred H. Weitkamp, '04, has been one of the five medical directors for Los Angeles county (Calif.) since 1935. There are about two million people in the county.

Elvin H. Cavanagh, '26, business secretary in the Y. M. C. A., Wilmington, Del., is planning a trip to the Holy Lands and Europe for eight weeks this summer. He will leave June 11 on the Italian liner S. S. Rex, and will return August 8 on the Queen Mary.

## MAY DAY

Otterbein College again extends an invitation to all alumni and friends of the college to attend the annual May Day festivities which will be held on the campus, Saturday, May 7.

The program of the day will begin with the May Morning Breakfast in Cochran Hall from 7:30 to 9 a. m. At 10 a. m. will be the coronation of the May Queen and the May Day program presented by the girls in the physical education classes. In the evening, the senior class will present the play "Fashion".

The College hopes that many of the alumni will be able to join in the festivities and meet both old and new friends.

## PERSONALS

The Philaethean Literary Society has recently presented the Otterbein College with two sets of valuable reference books. They are the *Dictionary of National Biography*, 24 volumes, and the *Cambridge Mediaeval History*, 8 volumes.

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one year at the University of Tennessee, he went to the University of New Hampshire, at Durham in 1926. At New Hampshire, the largest state University in New England, Dr. White organized the work in geology as a separate department in 1928. At present the staff in geology is made up of three full time and three part time members, and has about 350 students. Graduates have gone to graduate schools from Harvard to Arizona, and are now scattered from New Hampshire to Nevada in colleges, mines, and oil fields.

Dr. White's research interest is in glacial geology and physiography of Ohio and New England. Over a dozen papers on the results of his investigations have been published in various scientific journals.

## COLLEGE CALENDAR

The ninety-first anniversary of the founding of Otterbein College will be celebrated at a program in chapel on April 26. Dr. R. E. Offenbauer, '05, president of Bowling Green State University, will be the speaker.

On May 4, the annual Senior Recognition Day will be observed in the college chapel. Judge C. V. Weygandt, chief justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio will be the speaker for the morning.

## BIRTHS

A daughter, Nancy Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Barton, '35, on February 14 at Navarre, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Buckingham (Helen Cover, '28) announce the birth of a daughter, Isla Rachel, on March 15, at Burbank, O.

## PERSONALS

Sol B. Harris, '28, attorney in Clarion, Pa., has been appointed relief administrator for Clarion county.

Word comes to the Alumni office to the effect that one of the oldest ex-students of Otterbein, Mrs. Ida Burtner Mickey, has moved from Germantown to 1276 Giel Ave., Lakewood, O. She attended Otterbein from the years 1884 to 1886.

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cieties, social clubs, and the United Brethren Church.

In speaking about his death, President Clippinger has said, "Otterbein College has lost not only a scholar, but a gentleman and a friend. He contributed not only his learning, but also kindly solicitation and warm hospitality. Because of his presence, the experience at Otterbein was made more rich and memorable to scores of the students who knew him."



## INFORMATION FOR ALUMNI FILES

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Employed by \_\_\_\_\_

Date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Record of Graduate work:

**Institution Attended**

**Date**

**Degree**

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Date and place of marriage: \_\_\_\_\_

To whom married: \_\_\_\_\_

Names and birth dates of children \_\_\_\_\_

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If woman, occupation of husband \_\_\_\_\_

Publications \_\_\_\_\_

Record of positions held:

**Position**

**Employer**

**Date**

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