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# OTTERBEIN TOWERS



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## "SHE EVER GIVES A WELCOME"

As the few remaining summer days pass quickly from our grasp and we ruefully think of the hundreds of books we did not read, the friends we did not visit, the picnics we have not had, our thoughts turn again in anticipation to the college campus which is beginning to show the current signs of hurry and bustle which spell September and the opening of another year of college activities.

Freshman caps — hair ribbons — teas — receptions — banquets — entrance examinations — bon fires — picnics — schedules all are combined in one grand whirl as Otterbein welcomes another great freshman class to her halls. The freshman enrollment at present is hovering close to the 140 mark, a good number when defense jobs, conscription and other pathways are being opened to potential college students. Included in this number are approximately 70 girls and 70 boys, which again is a ratio to be proud of in view of present world conditions.

In addition to this group of 150

new students, Otterbein opens her doors to four new faculty members. Francis Babione comes as assistant to Professor Troop in the department of business administration; Geraldine Arnold, a graduate of the class of '36 comes to replace Martha Fippin as Miss Bryant's assistant in the women's physical education department; Kenneth Barrick will have Miss Walther's work in the department of fine arts while she takes a year's leave of absence to work on her doctorate at Ohio State University. Miss Yarnell, the college nurse, has accepted a position in Cleveland and her position will be refilled. Dr. Pendleton and Prof. Mills, returning after a year's leave of absence, will again be in the English and language departments respectively.

The description that one erstwhile Sibyl writer gave the campus a few years ago, "A group of edifices connected by steam pipes under the ground and campus above the ground," will be more than ever appropriate this year as

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## "Cupid Items"

Among the Otterbein graduates who exchanged wedding vows during the summer months are Ronald Lane, '37, who was married to Maxine Holschuh of Middletown on August 2; Helen Cheek, ex '42, who became the bride of Robert Eugene Haines in the Westerville U. B. Church on August 9; Gifford Landon, '39, who was married to Julia Arthur of Columbus in July; Virgil Hinton, '37, who married Charlotte Fuller of Canton on June 21; Lois McLeod, ex '34, who became the bride of C. Ross Bloomquist on August 10; Mary Dixon, '40, who became the bride of Elmer Schear, '41, on August 31 at Londonderry, Ohio; and Alfreda Gantz, '30, who became the bride of Frederick William Wieland on August 30 at the home of the bride.

## "Crib Notes"

Newcomers to whom the freshman period will be an important occasion in 1960 are Cornelius Howe O'Brien II whose arrival on August 14 is being announced by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. O'Brien, '37; Jo Ann Norris, who was born to Dr. and Mrs. Louis Norris, '28, on August 10; David Michael Cheek, the new son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cheek, 'ex '32 (Mary Sue Weekly, ex '32), born on August 2; Kathleen Messmer, whose arrival on July 27 is being announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Messmer, '40 (Kathleen O'Brien, '40); the new daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Fincher (Helen Harsha, '35); Virginia Elizabeth Barnes, whose arrival on July 3 is being announced

by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barnes, '34; and the new daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Axline (Ilajeau Wales, '32).

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\$30,000.00 is being used for remodeling the heating plant, for the installing of new boilers and the construction of an imposing 100-foot smokestack—another tower to be scaled and labeled by enthusiastic fraternity men on the eve of Homecoming. The money for this enterprise is being raised through the United Brethren churches of the conferences which cooperate in the support of Otterbein—another fine example of the loyalty of a group of people who support a Christian college for the education of their youth.

And again at this season of the falling leaves our thoughts turn to the north end of our campus where, on Saturday afternoons, we gather to lend support to a team of eleven men who are in there "fighting" for Otterbein. Coach Selby is expecting to have a squad of around 33 to 35 men to work with—22 Sophomores, 8 Juniors, and 3 Seniors. Of this number, ten are returning lettermen. On October 25 Otterbein meets Marietta in the Homecoming clash and we take this opportunity to extend an advance invitation to all alumni and friends to be present for this week-end of activities.

Although only a few days remain to wind up a summer of vacationing, they must be filled with planning for another great year which will be added to Otterbein's past 94.





## A Tribute to Bob Whipp

One of the sincerest tributes paid Bob Whipp, Otterbein's Director of Newspaper Publicity, who died at his home in Westerville on June 24, was the newspaper article by his co-worker, Monroe Courtright, '40.

### "NOT BAD, FELLA",

By MONROE COURTRIGHT

Bob Whipp was a newspaperman. And Tuesday night he weakly scrawled a big "30" to his last page of copy and turned in the story of his life. Bob Whipp is dead.

I have always marveled at Bob Whipp. Ever since I first saw him two years ago, slowly walking toward the college campus with the help of two canes and a smiling face, I have often wondered at what made the man tick in the personality pattern that he had. And after two years of close association with him, I can no better tell you today, but I do know that he has provided me with probably the most outstanding example of uncomplaining suffering that I shall ever see, and somehow, I feel very humble indeed when I realize this fact.

Surely, if any person had a just cause to be bitter towards fate. Bob Whipp was that person. He had just gotten a good start in life, so to speak, four years ago and then one day, to put it in his words: "The old legs just wouldn't work any more." But he hastened to add: "But what the heck, a guy can get along just so long as they keep on making canes, crutches, and wheelchairs.

However, Bob couldn't get along. Slower and slower, the deadly nerve disease destroyed his body and he became weaker and weaker. But he still could talk, and in answer to the oft-repeated queries of "How d'ya feel?" or "How's it going, Bob?" his answer was always the same: "Not bad fella, not bad at all."

I'm going to miss Bob Whipp. Not only because he was a friend, but I'm going to miss the bits of advice and help which he handed me from time to time. And most of all, I'm going to miss that cheery, "Not bad fella," reply when I called 482 and asked, "How's it goin', Bob?"

Somehow or other I like to think that when Bob Whipp's earthly body breathed its last on Tuesday evening, the real Bob got up and started on a journey to better places; and this time he was walking—without his canes, crutches, or wheelchair . . . things which he won't miss at all. Several help-mates who will miss him, however, are his wife, Ruth, and little Nancy and Jimmy, but even their sorrow at his absence is lessened by knowing that he is again well.

I sincerely hope that I shall see

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## NEWS: MOSTLY ABOUT ALUMNI

●'40 Members of the class of 1940 who have accepted new teaching positions for the coming year are Gwen Cousins, who will go from Doylestown to Canfield; Kathryn Deever, from Canal Fulton to Dayton; Gladys Grabill, from Old Fort to Mount Sterling; Don Hanawalt, from graduate study at Ohio State University to a teaching position at Eaton; Jean Cook Hammond, from Plain City to Westerville High School.

Ronald Beck, who taught at Summit Station last year, has accepted a position at the Elwood Ordnance plant near Joilet, Ill. He will be Assistant Inspector of Explosives. Having completed the course in chemistry of explosives held at Ohio State University this summer, he will take an additional six week's training at Dover, N. Y., before going to Elwood.

●'40 A. W. Pringle of Johnstown, Pa., was selected president of the Pennsylvania Youth's Temperance Council at its recent convention. Active in the work of the council, he has served as vice president and Evangelistic Director.

●'ex '39 Bill Holzwarth, Canton tennis champion who was holder of the men's singles title in 1935-36 and 1937 and of the Akron city crown in 1939-40, regained the Canton title at the annual city tournament this summer.

●'39 Meredith Rosenteel, who has been teaching at Kent, Ohio, will go to Leetsdale, Pa., to teach Latin, French, and English during the coming year.

●'39 Bernice Molesworth, who formerly taught at Zanesville, has accepted a position teaching music in the Columbus public schools.

●'39 Wilma Mosholder was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science in Library Science by the Carnegie Library School at the commencement exercises of the Carnegie Institute of Technology in June. Miss Mosholder, who was first in her class, has accepted a position at the Polytechnic Institute in San Germain, Puerto Rico.

●'37 Dr. John A. Smith, who received his degree in medicine at Ohio State University on June 16, sailed on the "Christobal" on June 19 for the Panama Canal Zone, where he will begin a year's internship in medicine at Gorgas Hospital, a United States Government hospital. Dr. Smith is preparing himself for medical missionary practice in Africa.

●'37 Pauline Barton, who taught at Bliss Business College in Columbus during the summer months, has accepted a position teaching commercial subjects at Sunbury for the coming year. Miss Barton formerly taught at New Waterford.

●'37 Marian Trevorow, who was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science in Library Science by the Carnegie Library School in June, has accepted a position in the public library system of Cleveland Heights. Miss Trevorow received her degree with honor.

●'37 Pauline Bowman was conferred her Master of Arts degree from



Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City on June 3.

●'37 Carol Beachler, who studied Spanish language and literature at the Univeraidad Nacional in Mexico City in the winter of 1940-41, will be instructor of French and Spanish at Gulf Park College for Women in Gulfport, Mississippi, during the coming year. Miss Beachler received her M.A. degree in French from Wellesley in 1940.

●'35 Robert Holmes was guest conductor and judge of the band review at the Tulip Festival in Holland, Michigan.

●'34 Glenn Grabill, who formerly taught at Navarre, will be teaching at Canal Winchester during the coming year.

●'34 Raymond Schick, who has been coach at Pataskala High School for the past two years and has a two-year unexpired contract there, was recently chosen from a large group of applicants to fill the position of athletic director at McKinley Junior High School in Middletown.

●'34 Gordon Shaw is now a radio announcer with station WJR at Detroit. He comes on with news at 6 p.m. each evening. Mr. Shaw was formerly with station WWJ at Detroit.

●'33 Sam Andrews, who was formerly coach at Strasburg High School, has accepted a position as head coach at Wilbur-Wright High School in Dayton.

●'31 R. L. Pounds, now superintendent of York Township Rural Schools in Union County, will be assistant director of the Adult

Evening School at Ohio State University when it opens Oct. 6. Since leaving Otterbein, Mr. Pounds has held positions in Willis High School at Delaware and Ostrander High School. He received his master of arts degree at Ohio State University in 1936, and at present is working on a doctor of philosophy degree in education.

●'31 Dorothy Sowers has accepted a position in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she will teach music in the Manual School, a boarding high school for Spanish-speaking Americans. Besides attending the summer session of Ohio State University, Miss Sowers has represented the Foreign Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church as a leader in summer camps and conferences.

●'30 Ruth Frees, who formerly taught at Lima, has accepted a position at Deerfield in Portage County.

●'30 Dr. Fred Miller was recently appointed Associate Professor of Music and Director of the Conservatory at Mount Union College.

●'29 Virgil L. Raver, formerly at Nova, has been appointed superintendent of Rushville Union schools in Fairfield County.

●'27 Elward M. Caldwell has been elected Dean of Missouri Valley College, at Marshall, Missouri, where he has recently taken up his residence, along with Mrs. Caldwell (Jeanne D. Bromeley), and sons Maurice and Bruce. Dr. Caldwell took his doctorate at the University of Texas in 1935. During the last two years he taught His-

tory and Political Science at Trinity University.

●26 Byron Wilson has accepted a position as teacher of Spanish at Norwood High School.

●24 Rev. Charles M. Bowman, pastor of the First United Brethren Church at Portsmouth, Ohio, has been elected Conference Superintendent of the Southeast Ohio Conference of the church.

●21 Russell Ehrhart, who has been teaching in the Sylvania schools, has accepted a full time position with the Lakeside Association. He will be one of the Assistant Managers of the Association.

●ex '18 Word has been received of the sudden death of Dr. Harold A. Bunger, head of the Chemical Engineering Department and Engineering Experiment Station at the Georgia School of Technology, at the home of an associate in Minneapolis, Minn. Dr. Bunger died on August 15.

●16 We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of William A. Kline, retired principal of Westerville High School, who died at his home on Aug. 8 after an illness of five years.

●13 We extend sympathy to Rev. Carl Roop of Marion, Ohio, in the loss of his father who died this summer.

●91 E. L. Weinland, who is secretary of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the College, has been elected National president of the Torch Club.

●78 We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Jessie Zent Zuck who died at the home of her son in Philadelphia on July 27. Mrs.

Zuck was the widow of the late Dr. W. J. Zuck, former professor of English literature at Otterbein who built the home at 98 W. Home St., now known as the Thomas Cottage for college women.

### *Positions for the Class of '41*

Far from their native haunts, the members of the class of 1941 will be found in various positions during the coming year. Their names and positions are Richard Wagner, chemistry research, Carbide and Carbon Chemical Corporation, South Charleston, W. Va.; Frank Van Sickle, meteorology course, Boeing School of Aeronautics, Oakland Municipal Airport, Oakland, Calif.; John Guillermin, Sears and Roebuck, Buffalo, N.Y.; Howard Depew, Personnel Dept., Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio; Ralph Beiner, office, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio; Mary Garver, Nursing School, Western Reserve University; Donald Williams, Bonebrake Seminary, Dayton; John Clippinger, Bonebrake Seminary, Dayton; Lloyd Lewis, Bonebrake Seminary Dayton; Jeon McCloy, teaching second grade, Dayton, Ohio; Mary Lou Plymale, teaching English, Fairfield High School, Hamilton; John Stephens, assisting in surgery, Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devans, Massachusetts; Louise Gleim, teaching in Urbana City Schools; William Johns, Frigidaire, Dayton; Rosemary McGee, teaching, Upper Sandusky; Milford Ater, Bonebrake Seminary, Dayton; Ruth Clifford, O.S.U. Graduate School, Social Service work; Paul Jefferis, Bonebrake Seminary, Dayton; Leslie Meck-



stroth, Graduate work in Veterinary Medicine, Columbus; Nathalie Noyes, City Playground work, Dayton; Dwight Spessard, Scholarship in Chemistry, Cleveland; Stanley Taylor, Medical School, University of Virginia; Catharine Ward, Clerk, National Cash Register; Maurice Permut, Advanced work in Chemistry, Ohio State University; Howard Elliott, Diebold Safe and Lock Company, Canton; Ted Neff, National Cash Register, Dayton; Rita Kohlepp, teaching history, English, and head librarian, Gibsonburg High School; Virginia Jeremiah, teaching elementary physical education, Dayton Public Schools; Mary Margaret Evans, teaching home economics, Marion Township Schools, Franklin County; Maurice Smith, Bonebrake Seminary, Dayton; George Needham, teaching music and English, Alexandria; Robert Wagner, teaching social science, Marysville, Ohio; Philip Hartwell, Barney-Cheney Engineering Company, Columbus; Jean Mayne, teaching general science, biology and English Sparta; Oliver Osterwise, National Cash Register, Dayton; Elmer Schear, Jefferson Twp. High School, Jefferson, Ohio; George Unterburger, Reference Dept., Dayton Public Library.

### *"Alumni Abroad"*

The alumni organization of Hawaii is becoming quite active with five graduates being located in Honolulu. They are Mary K. Runk, '36, Music Instructor Mid-Pacific Institute; Arlene Noyes Thompson, '35, Dean of Girls Mid-Pacific Institute; Mary Otsuki, '36,

Director Religious Education Harris Memorial Church; and Mr. and Mrs. John Shively (Beulah Feighner Shively, '33) '34.

### *"In the Army Now"*

Following is a list of the names and addresses of the Otterbein graduates and former students who are now serving in the United States Army. They will receive the "Towers" and "T and C" from the College, and they will appreciate hearing from you. They are Private Charles D. Ashcraft, Co. D, 90th Inf. Trng. Batt., Camp Roberts, California; Private Harold Augspurger, Co. A, 87th Inf. Trng. Batt., Camp Roberts, California; Private Henry Bailey, Camp Roberts, California; Private Mellinger Calihan, Camp Croft, Spartanburg, South Carolina; Private James Carter, Camp Roberts, California; Private Wm. Cover, Camp Wheeler, Georgia; Private George Curry, 2nd Platoon, Co. C, 90th Inf. Trng. Batt., Camp Roberts, California; Private Carlton K. Gamble, 4th Hq. and Hq. Squadron, 4th Air Depot Group, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio; Private Mack A. Grimes, Hq. and Hq. Squadron, 4th Air Depot Group, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio; Lieut. John Hendrix, Air Corps, San Francisco, California; Private Harold Holzworth, Camp Lee, Virginia; Private Fred Long, Camp Roberts, California; Private Robert M. Penn, Hq. and Hq. Squadron, 31 Air Base Group, Tucson, Arizona; Private Robert Stevens, Camp Roberts, California; Private John D. Stone, Co. C, Bu. 6, A.F.R.T.C., Fort Knox, Kentucky;



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Bob Whipp again someday. If I'm ever fortunate enough to have St. Peter register me in his big book, one of the first things I want to do is look around for Bob because when I see him my words will be, "How's it going, Bob?" And just as sure as I sit here and write this, he will reply, "Not bad fella, not bad at all."

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

## CHRISTMAS CARDS BY CRAFTS GUILD

The Crafts Guild, Otterbein's student industry, will this year offer for sale beautiful and distinctive Christmas cards. These cards will be sold in box form—16 assorted cards to a box. They are manufactured in the modern Crafts Guild shop by needy students at Otterbein.

The price of these cards is \$1.00 per box of 16 cards. Send in your order for one or more boxes and all orders will be shipped promptly after October 1, 1941. Your patronage will be greatly appreciated. If you know of someone or an organization that would be interested in selling these cards on a commission basis have them contact us immediately. Send all orders, suggestions, and inquiries to Crafts Guild, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio.

## 1941 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept 27	Heidelberg
Oct. 4	at Kenyon
Oct. 11	at Oberlin
Oct. 18	at Bluffton
Oct. 25	Marietta
(Homecoming)	
Nov. 1	Capital
Nov. 8	Transylvania
Nov. 15	Ashland

All home games at 2:15 P.M.