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Commencement

Sixty-eight persons received degrees at Otterbein's eighty-third annual Commencement on June 12. Of these, forty-six degrees were Bachelors of Arts, eight Bachelors of Science, seven Bachelors of Music Education, and three Bachelors of Music. The remaining four were honorary: three Doctors of Divinity and one Doctor of Music. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon the Reverend Mr. Arthur B. Cox, Pastor of the First Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Newark, Ohio; the Reverend Mr. Lewis M. Hohn, A.B., B.D., Superintendent of the Miami Conference, Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Dayton, Ohio; the Reverend Mr. Porter Elmer Wright, Sr. Superintendent of the Southeast Ohio Conference, Church of the United Brethren in Christ, and Pastor of the Church at Lancaster, Ohio. The degree of Doctor of Music was con-

ferred upon Mr. Daniel Harris of the class of 1923, who has distinguished himself in the world of music by achieving the coveted laurel of membership in the Metropolitan Opera Company. Mr. Harris rendered two baritone solos during the Commencement ceremonials.

The Commencement address was delivered by Mr. Raymond Walters, LL.D., Litt.D., the President of the University of Cincinnati. President Walters for many years was the popular Dean at Swarthmore College prior to his promotion, and is known to educators everywhere as an authority on statistics relating to educational affairs. His subject at Otterbein's Commencement was "Liberal Education and Citizenship."

The Commencement address at Capital University in Columbus, was delivered by President Clippinger on June 13. His subject was "Democracy in Religion and Education."

We Salute . . .

Dr. Alexander C. Flick, State Historian of the State of New York since 1923, has announced his intention to retire from that position during the coming summer when he reaches the age of seventy. Dr. Flick was born in Galion, Ohio; graduated from Otterbein College in 1894; was a University Fellow in History at Columbia University in 1895 and 1896 and was Professor of European History in Syracuse University, until he became the New York State Historian in 1923. From the year 1916 to 1923, he was head of the Department of History and Political Science at that institution.

Dr. Flick has been active in promoting the cultural and intellectual activities of the state of New York during his incumbency as State Historian. He has been interested in the construction of the State Archives Building for New York State and the establishment of a model school of local history at Fort Niagara. Recently he was one of a group of historians to be invited to the White House when President Roosevelt sought advice for the construction of the half-million dollar fire-proof building on the Roosevelt estate at Hyde Park to house the Roosevelt papers.

Dr. Flick has contributed articles to historical publications and his published books include the following: *Short History of the State of New York*, *Rise of the Medieval Church*, *Recent World History*, *The Ameri-*

can Revolution in New York, *The Sullivan - Clinton Campaign*, and *Modern World History Since 1775*.

OTTERBEIN TOWERS congratulates Dr. Flick. He is one of Otterbein's Towers of achievement.

Edward B. Grimes, retired business man and poet of Dayton, Ohio, a member of the class of 1889, has recently celebrated his eightieth birthday. We want to add our good wishes to those of his many friends in Dayton.

The City of Columbus has recently secured one of Otterbein's assets in the person of Mr. Lawrence Replogle, class of 1919, who is now one of the superintendents in the public schools of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Shuck (Sally Beidleman) of the class of 1938, are the proud parents of William Clayton Shuck of the class of 1960. Mr. Shuck is also the proud possessor of an "A" grade in each course which he took in English Literature at Ohio State University this year. Congratulations for all, from all, to both.

Mr. Charles Burrows, class of 1931, has been appointed Vice-Consul in the Foreign Service of the United States at Havana, Cuba. Mr. Burrows was an extra-curricular leader during his student days at Otterbein — President of the Student Council and editor of the *Sibyl* — and has been in government service during most of the years since his graduation.

Indiana Alumni Dine

From Mrs. Harry E. Richer (Ethel Shupe) comes the news that the alumni of Northern Indiana held their annual dinner on Wednesday evening, May 12, at the Maconaquah Club at Peru, Indiana. Following the dinner, the Richers were host and hostess to the group at their residence. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schryver, the Reverend Mr. and Mrs. Alva H. Sholty, the Reverend Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Dill, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Kirakofe, all of Fort Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. Orval M. Huffman of Logansport; Mrs. Ermal Fishbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sanders of Warsaw; Miss Mary Chamberlin, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Miller of South Bend; the Reverend Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Risley of South Whitley; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Howe of North Manchester; Mr. Herbert Holmes, the Reverend Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Graves, and the Reverend Mr. and Mrs. Harry Richer of Peru.

Generosity From 1913

The class of 1913 has deposited with the Treasurer of Ottenbein College the sum of two thousand dollars to begin the establishment of a scholarship fund. The fund is in commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the graduation of this class, which was celebrated last year, when many of its members attended the Commencement ceremonies. OTTERBEIN TOWERS expresses its gratitude to 1913.

Election Returns

Officers of the Alumni Association for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Earl R. Hoover (1926); Vice-Presidents, Thomas E. Newell (1923), Verda Evans (1928), Arthur E. Roose (1923); Secretary, Olive Shisler Samuel (1931); Treasurer, Floyd J. Vance (1916); Member of the Alumni Council at Large, Lawrence Replogle (1919); Trustees, Philip Garver (1915), F. M. Pottenger, Sr. (1892).

Introducing . . .

Mr. Hoover

We salute our newly elected alumni president, Mr. Earl R. Hoover. He is a worthy recipient of the honor. Mr. Hoover has been practicing law in Cleveland, and recently was secretary of the committee which successfully piloted Howard Barkdull, Cleveland attorney, to the presidency of the Ohio State Bar Association. Mr. Hoover is also chairman of the Membership Committee of the same association and chairman of the Radio Program Committee of the Cleveland Bar Association. This weekly radio program may be heard over station WHK of Cleveland.

We congratulate Mr. Hoover on his first literary publication, to be found in the July issue of *The Ohio Motorist*. The article, entitled "Seeing Southwestern Superlatives," resulted from an eight-thousand-mile trip taken by Mr. and Mrs. Hoover in the Southwest. TOWERS thanks you, Mr. Hoover, for the mention of Otterbein in that article.

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Introducing . . .

Miss Hetzler, Mr. Riley

By action of the Board of Trustees, Miss Virginia Hetzler of the class of 1937 was appointed Director of Admissions for the College. Communications concerning prospective students should be sent to that office. Mr. Gerald Riley of the class of 1938 was appointed Director of Public Relations and will also serve as Alumni Secretary and editor of OTTERBEIN TOWERS.

Thanks and Congratulations

The Alumni Council wishes to express its gratitude to Miss Verda Evans of Cleveland, for her services in the editorship of the first issue of OTTERBEIN TOWERS. Miss Evans is on the staff at John Adams High School, Cleveland, Ohio. As director of the journalistic activity there, Miss Evans was recently awarded a key for "outstanding services in the field of journalism in secondary schools," by the Columbia University Scholastic Press Associa-

tion. She was one of five in the United States to receive this award. Also, the periodical for which she is the adviser was cited as "All-American Pace-Maker" by the National Scholastic Press of the University of Minnesota. This was one of twelve awards in the entire country and the only one in Ohio. The climax was achieved when Miss Evans was the recipient of orchids at a banquet in her honor in Cleveland at which the Superintendent of Schools participated in congratulations.

Mr. Judson Siddall is now the supervisor of all mathematics instruction in the public high schools of Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Siddall is on Otterbein's list of 1919.

Inauguration and Homecoming

The inauguration of Professor J. Ruskin Howe as President of Otterbein College will occur on the morning of Saturday, November fourth. For this day is also scheduled the annual autumn Homecoming with its usual festivities. Let no one omit this pilgrimage to Otterbein's Towers.

Obituary

The many friends of the Reverend Dr. Thomas C. Harper will be sorry to hear of his passing after a year's illness. Otterbein will miss his services as a Trustee and mourns the passing of a fine friend.

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