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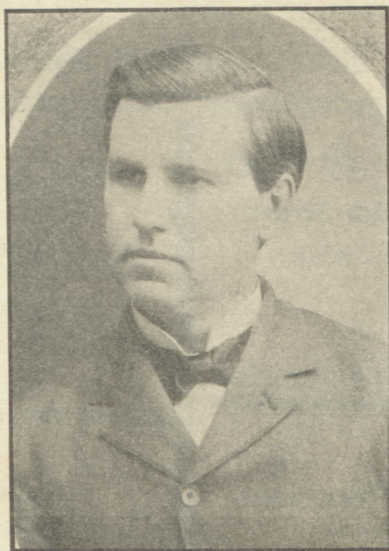
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## Greek Language and Literature in Otterbein University

N. E. CORNETET, A. M.

This language and department present the literature of Philosophy, Oratory, Tragedy and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

It has been well said, "The Greeks are the most remarkable people who have existed. Aside from Christianity, they were the *beginners* of nearly everything of which the modern world can boast." They alone, by their own unaided exertions, emerged from barbarism. They originated political freedom and first produced an historical literature. It is among them that we find the "father of history."

They also rose to eminence in oratory, poetry, philosophy, sculpture and architecture. They are, in an important sense, the founders of mathematics, physical science, political science and the philosophy of human nature and life. They bestowed freedom of thought on ages to come. Even if it be said they received the rudiments of these attainments from eastern nations, yet a *new* and original character was impressed on these.

The language and literature of such a people have always had a large place in the curriculum of Otterbein. Even in this period of turning from the humanities, this cultural and useful study holds its own in our college.

The Greek student in Otterbein is led to appreciate the study for what it is in itself. Then he has not gone far until he sees its bearing on many subjects. Also its value in giving intellectual acu-

men and keen insight. To the one who has not learned "to use his eyes to see with," a better exercise could not be offered.

During the first year, the aim is to drill pupils on words, forms and constructions, until they have a fair mastery of the elements of the language. Also, in the spring term of this year, the student is introduced to Greek literature as found in the historic novel, "The Story of Cyrus." Thus he sees the elements in living associations.

The work of the second year consists in reading from Xenophon's *Anabasis* and about five books of Homer's *Iliad*. In connection with this major work, practice in composition and reading Greek at sight are considered important collateral studies. In the study of the *Iliad* touch is given with the prince of Epic poets and the model of all Epic poetry. The simplicity of Homer is his charm and his imagery cannot be surpassed.

The third year's work is history, tragedy and oratory. In these studies the spirit of the "father of history", Herodotus, the founders of the drama, Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides, also the spirit and diction of the world's orator, Demosthenes are breathed. Thus the pupil knows masters.

"Every time a student carefully and appreciatively examines a sentence left on record by a thoughtful writer of antiquity,



he gets a lesson in vigorous and systematic thinking. If he recognizes the psychological kinship between his own mind and the mind that speaks to him from the written page out of the remote depths of the past, and through the agency of a foreign idiom, he must be dull indeed if the discovery does not delight his soul, cultivate his intellect, and enlarge his mental horizon." In this way inspiration comes for the mastery.

The elective Greek deals with Platonic ethics, Socratic philosophy, lyric poetry, a systematic study of the history of Greek literature, Septuagint Version of the Old Testament and the reading of a considerable part of the New Testament in the Greek. In this year independent research is most stimulated by informal lectures, theses, also exegesis. Now a broad

vision is attained of the important place the Greek has and will ever have because of its fundamentalness. This course leads the *earnest* student into a larger life in every sense of the expression. It is seen that technical and scientific terminology, in our own language, would be poor indeed but for Greek. Precision in expression, elegance in diction are resultants of this work. The statesmen Gladstone and our own late Senator Hoar are great witnesses of the practical benefit of this study.

What nobler thoughts can you find in literature than this of Socrates: "It is not proper to consider it a question of life or death when a man does a deed, but whether he does just or unjust things, and also whether the deeds of a good or bad man."



## Labor and Success

A. L. BORING, '05.

"The heights by great men reached and kept,  
Were not attained by sudden flight,  
But they, while their companions slept,  
Were toiling upward in the night."

When we look back over the pages of history resplendent with the names of men who have attained greatness in this life, we are led to inquire, how was it accomplished, what led to their success?

"Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them."

Ah, yes, in the vast army of men whom we can call great how few have been born into that greatness, and men, who have been raised from low and obscure posi-

tions in life and immediately thrust upward to the highest pinnacles of fame, are numbered with the minority of truly great men. If but few men are born great and if such a small number have had greatness thrust upon them, how did so large a number attain such marked success in this life. Some would say by "Luck."

Is there in existence that which we can call luck? A careful investigation and thoughtful consideration must lead us to admit that luck does not exist but is simply an imaginary creation of the mind. Among the Greeks and Romans luck was worshipped as a goddess. But even in that age of childish superstition and scien-



tific darkness wise men saw the folly of worshipping what we ourselves, and we can still hear these words coming from that dark age as the echo of our own thought:

"Nullum numen habes, si sit prudentia;  
nos te,  
Nos facimus, Fortuna, deam caeloque  
locamus."

Life is full of golden chances, but only wisdom sees them and only labor reaps their reward. If we admit of luck we must also say that it is the offspring of wisdom and labor.

"Diligence is the mother of good fortune," says Cervantes. Genuine sons of good fortune always trace their beginning from a life of diligence. Let us consider a few of the examples.

From the obscurity of doubtful birth and life in a cabin, Abraham Lincoln rose to the highest place in human power and fame. Fortune was ever by his side to make or mar him. He took her gently by the hand and made her his servant. What Clay and Webster, what Chase and Seward, what Everett and Douglas, could not accomplish was done by this humble rail-splitter. The same opportunities came to them all but Lincoln seized them and held them with such wisdom and power that he seemed to almost create them. His career was guided by unerring wisdom. He was no accident. In him were embodied the two great characteristics of success—wisdom and labor. "Labor conquers all things," says the poet Vergil. This we see exemplified by Lincoln when he, anxious to secure knowledge, found it not surrounded by the luxuries of a modern palace, but before the flickering fire of the open hearth in a log-cabin in the back-woods. Forging ahead by his persistency and unerring wisdom he mounted fame's ladder, round by round, till from the lowly cottage he passed to the grandest gift a great nation could bestow upon her worthy offspring.

"Seest thou a man diligent in business, he shall stand before kings." Franklin read these words of Solomon and, making them his motto, pushed on from an obscure printer to an honored place among the nation's great men. We might find many such men who were not "born with a silver spoon in their mouth" but won their success by hard labor with hands and brain. Looking at these examples we are led to exclaim surely,

"Nil sine magno  
Vita labore dedit mortalibus."

The attainment of success in life involves "singleness of aim," "concentration of powers." "Jack of all trades and master of none," is even more true in this age of specialization and competition than ever before. There is a power in concentration which cannot be measured by any mechanical device.

Observe the little drops of rain as they fall on the mountain top, small and insignificant in themselves. Gradually they are collected into rivulets which enlarge and concentrate till they form the rushing torrent of the mountain stream. Dashing down the mountain side it goes, bearing all obstacles before it. A thrilling sight! And as you look you say that stream will surely, with such power, bear much good to the people in the valley. But, after rushing with the fresh force of youth from its mountain birth-place it spreads itself out upon the low-lying lands. The shores were insufficient to curb the native energy and the rich plains, which it should have opened to the service of mankind are turned into pestilent marshes.

With a force perhaps less joyous and less abounding, another stream starts from the same source. When it reaches the plain it is held in bounds and the vigor of its current, undissipated, bears easily onward any obstacle which might come in its path. Its full and steady flood becomes the feeder of great cities, the high-



way of enlightenment and progress. In this we see that not only is concentration necessary in the beginning but also along the whole course of life.

Again, the sunlight of a winter's day may stream down upon us ever so copiously and yet perhaps not raise by the fraction of a degree the temperature of the flesh exposed to it. But let these diffused rays gather themselves into the focus of a convex glass. The result is significant. In a few moments it will scorch the flesh. The power of concentration.

As we contemplate the noble life of the Apostle Paul, we are filled and thrilled with admiration at the greatness of his life. Wherein lies the secret of his powers? Listen, "This one thing I do—singleness of aim—forgetting the things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before I press toward the mark———" There were other apostles of the Christ but this singleness of aim of Saul of Tarsus led him "to labor more abundantly than they all" and to press on in his chosen channel of life, with the result that his influence over the thought of the Christian world today is greater than that of any other man that ever lived save the Christ, whom he served so gloriously. Seeing then that singleness of aim with concentration of powers and diligent labors mean success, we cannot take too much pains to cultivate these requisites.

"Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you that you should go and bear fruit ———" are the words of Jesus himself and in these words we may read that God in his divine wisdom has chosen a path in which each should walk and must walk if we wish a life of success. He has chosen us and sent us forth to fill some particular niche in life and expects us to bring forth fruits of success, thus honoring him and making our own lives happy, for no man can be happier in life than when fulfilling the

highest aim for which God placed him in the world. There is a task for every one in life. No lucky throw of the dice will ever win the golden apples in the garden of Hesperides. Only the toil of a Hercules can gain them. Let us find our place in life, set our standards high and then as Paul "press toward the mark for the prize."

"Let us then be up and doing,  
With a heart for any fate;  
Still achieving, still pursuing,  
Learn to labor and to wait."

Always keeping in mind that

"Heaven is not gained by a single bound,  
But we build the ladder by which we  
rise,  
From the lowly earth to the vaulted  
skies  
And mount to its summit, round by  
round."

## Public Sentiment

ORA BALE, '06.

Over every nation, whether a republic, a monarchy or despotism, there rules a power greater than president, king or emperor. It is a power unseen, secretly working upon the intellect of man.

Its sovereignty is not only felt in public but also in private life, for it controls manners, customs and fashions. The ordinary machinery of law, government and of justice is tributary to this power. It cannot be set aside but must and will assert itself.

Armies may be defeated, and kings overthrown but this power is never subdued. It gives force to the very constitution of the United States and to the governments of all other nations.

This power is "Public Sentiment." Its significance lies in the fact that common thought can be so well understood and so easily carried out. Public sentiment has its origin in ideas which penetrate men's minds and sway their lives, finally making



their united opinion, one of the strongest and most irresistible things in the world. Everywhere it exercises a great and overpowering influence on policy and legislation. Rulers and legislators have constantly to ask what public sentiment will sanction and bear and what it will condemn.

We have all heard the saying, *Vox populi vox dei*, the voice of the people is the voice of God.

Now public sentiment is nothing more than the agreement of individual opinion on matters of general interest. This expression should always result from right and reason; but things are not always what they should be and it has sadly happened many times that the voice of the people, that is, the general public sentiment, was very far from being the voice of God. Individual and therefore public sentiment is governed too often by selfishness, hatred, fear and desire, whereas it should rise above personal and selfish interests and should have in mind, good and glory for the nation.

It is pleasant to be on the popular side, but many thinking they are leaders of lic sentiment, are mere slaves to public opinion and many cater to what they believe is public opinion without first consulting their own reason whether that opinion is right or wrong. Others who think and judge rightly have not force of character enough to place themselves in opposition to the will of the majority even if that will favors wrong-doing. The crowd who cast palm branches before Jesus, crying "Hosanna, Hosanna," was essentially the same that split the air with venomous shouts of "Crucify him," "Crucify him," a few days later. And Pilate washing his hands before the people with the declaration, "I am innocent of the blood of this just person," has come down through the ages as a type of the weakling, a follower, where he should have been a leader. The fact is that the

public conscience is not easily roused and public sentiment does not readily find a voice when civic or moral reforms are in question.

The straight and narrow way of truth, purity and righteousness is as hard for the public as for the individual to follow and from many conflicting interests it is hard to unite public opinion.

For over a hundred years, slavery cursed a republic that began its Declaration of Independence, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal," and only after the blood of its sons flowed like water and the president of the people had set his hand and seal to that other immortal document, the Emancipation Proclamation, did the sentiment of the nation crystallize.

The struggle for temperance reform, halts and hesitates, flinches and falters because the Christian people cannot bring themselves to work unitedly for its success.

Because this force has such tremendous power, another need arises; it must be educated and trained since public sentiment wrongly exercised may lead to acts of injustice and cruelty. This was seen during the French revolution when wagon-loads of victims were daily sent to the guillotine, and it may be seen in our day when law and order give way to mob violence, resulting in horrible scenes of lynching.

Since the individual makes up the national character, let each one see to it that his aims are high and his ideals noble, that public sentiment may accord with virtue and purity in the national life; convincing men that it is better to be poor with honor than rich with shame, and also that man is not merely a money-making and food-consuming machine.

The destiny of our nation rests on public sentiment; it needs real true patriotism and good, honest public opinions. It



needs better balloting and better literature.

The masses should be taught honesty, independence, and self-respect, and with these three qualifications success is sure, for God never gave and never will give final triumph over a virtuous and brave people.

Let us then be practical, judging with calmness and deliberation, and since ignorance is a guarantee of bondage, let us cultivate our thoughts and perfect our conceptions before giving them to the world, thus helping to form a public sentiment of integrity and virtue.

Let us turn from the bad to the good, let us be true to ourselves and to our Lord, that his voice may be the voice of the people.

### **The Importance of the Spiritual**

REV. W. G. STIVERSON, College Pastor.

It is an excellent thing for young men and women to gain mental discipline and power. Nothing great can be achieved without it. It is a good thing to acquire social culture and to make one's self agreeable and attractive in society. The one who adds to his powers social grace and charm will find additional opportunity in any calling. It is a good thing to acquire financial skill and ability, for that will play an important part in any profession or trade. It is quite desirable to be versed in literature and in history. It is well to know the first principles of as many of the sciences as

possible, for there is always power in the right kind of knowledge. It is important to know men and to be familiar with methods of business.

In the busy, rushing, complex life of this age, one needs all the knowledge he can command and all the attainments he can acquire. But there is one attainment high over all. A man may possess mental discipline, social culture, financial skill, liberal knowledge of literature and the sciences, knowledge of human nature and shrewdness in business, and yet be incomplete or even base. Such an one is only a *natural* man, and he needs life as truly as a blind man lacks sight.

"What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul, or what shall a man give in exchange for his life?" "He that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption, and he that soweth to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting."

The highest attainment and the most abiding inheritance of man is spiritual or eternal life in Christ.

It is wisdom to build not for the present only but for the future, for man's days are swifter than a shuttle. Joseph Cook said "There are three things that make life here and hereafter—God, conscience and one's record." Happy is the man now and forever who possesses rightness with God, a good conscience and a clean record. May all who read these lines seek the spiritual and abiding! And may we all in the special campaign this year, for spiritual life, light and love, do our best to seek the highest.



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# EDITORIAL

Friends of the *Aegis* will confer a favor upon the publishers by patronizing the business firms whose advertisements we carry, and when you make your purchases do not fail to make it known that you hail from Otterbein.

It is hard, conscientious, painstaking, persevering study that adds volumes to our column of assets in college. The moments are freighted with boundless opportunities, with the rarest of privileges, for the shaping of character, for the developing of correct and wholesome habits. Our destiny lies in our hands in very

large measure, and what we shall be in later life depends on what we make ourselves now. Fortunate is the student who has a passion for hard work.

We learn with profound regret of the demolition of the Administration Building of Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa., which was totally destroyed by fire, on the night of December 24th. This is indeed a sore loss for our esteemed sister college, and we extend to all friends of that worthy institution our profound sympathy and express the hope that out of the ashes of the ruined structure may arise another soon, surpassing the old one in magnificence.

Inter-collegiate contests in athletics have usually met with enthusiastic support in Otterbein, but somehow in intellectual bouts, the enthusiasm is almost a minus quantity. There should be far more interest in inter-collegiate debates and oratorical contests among students of Otterbein University than there is, for in no other sphere is an ambition to excel more commendable than in the intellectual.

Under the present arrangement those who plead lack of time as an adequate excuse for their non-participation, may have to the credit the hours they devote to the preparation for the debates. In many ways will the time spent in such preparation be highly profitable. There is no sphere in life wherein an ability to hold one's own in argument, may not come into good play, and this utilitarian view of the matter alone would justify



the time spent in preparation for debates. Again, pride in our college should nerve us to uphold the tan and cardinal on the platform as well as on the gridiron and base ball diamond. We ought to have more competitors for places on the teams than there are, and we can not but express the hope that this department of college activity be more heartily supported with the loyal enthusiasm of the student body.

Before this number of the *Aegis* reaches its readers we will be in the midst of special evangelistic services, and in view of this it seems opportune to speak somewhat concerning our attitude toward the cause of Him in whose name the meetings are held. In the multiplicity of duties and activities which engross the attention of students and teachers, by no means the least important are those duties we owe to our Lord. Indeed the divine order is "the kingdom first"—then "all these things," but with how many of us the latter obtain the preference. It is only for a short time that efforts such as these are put forth, and while they last every Christian should join in a concerted movement to reach every unsaved student in Otterbein. The most of us need something like a January thaw to melt some of the chilly icicles that cling to our religion. We are endangered now-a-days by the tendency toward a cool, respectable, intellectual religion, that feels nothing but antipathy for fervent enthusiasm. We doubt whether a religion that does not feel is not a misnomer, for religion is love, fervent heart-melting love for God and man, and is bound to show itself in

the emotions. We do not plead for an emotional religion which is not governed by reason but we do plead for less of the stiff, formal, cold, conservative counterfeit that passes muster these days for respectable religion.

"He that is not with me is against me; he that gathereth not with me, scattereth."

On the morning of January 10th the college community was shrouded in deep gloom over the death of little Winifred Miller, only daughter of Prof. F. E. Miller.

The event came as a shock to everybody and the sorrow was keen and intense. She had been ill only a few days and hardly anybody realized that she was dangerously ill until the sad news of her death came to us. She was a favorite with everybody, and loved by all who knew her, and we believe nothing could have happened here that would have called forth more expressions of regret and sorrow.

To Prof. and Mrs. Miller, who of all feel most keenly the irreparable loss, we assure the sincere and deep sympathy of everybody in Otterbein, for we all loved and admired little Winifred.

We can not understand God's ways, but He is good and this is our consolation, our balm of comfort.



# LOCAL ITEMS.

A new year and a new term.

Work and more of it.

We are glad to welcome the many new students that have come among us at the beginning of the new year.

Now sayeth Dr. Scott to his Latin Freshmen, "Let the riders crack their whips."

A number of old students have returned again to Otterbein University. Among whom we notice the faces of Wm. Hae-begger and Sager Tryon.

Friday night, December 6th, the Van Cafe boys and the "Flicker's Nest" in their respective retreats formally opened the term with their annual "Bake."

Messrs. Hager, editor of last year's Annual, and "Mose" Bryant, who are attending the University of Michigan, spent a few days of the opening term visiting with old college friends here. They left on the 9th for Ann Harbor where Mr. Hager is specializing in Language, and Mr. Bryant is studying medicine.

Coach Keene spent the major part of his holiday vacation at Westerville, the guest of his many friends here.

Last came and last did go the treasurer of the Athletic Association.

We learn with regret that Messrs. Ira Clymer and Alvin Whistler of football fame, will not be in school for the remainder of the year. We hope that they

can return next year and if possible bring some husky lads with them.

Due to the persistent correspondence of Secretary O. E. Offenhour a debate has been arranged with Wooster in which our second team is to meet Wooster's second team.

The contestants for places on the debating teams met Tuesday afternoon, January 10th, with Dr. Snively, and outlined plans for the preliminary contest, which is to be held some time in February.

The Student's Restaurant, owned and run by Messrs. Ira and Irwin Clymer and Alvin Whistler, has gone out of commission.

Dr. W. R. Funk, of Dayton, paid Otterbein a visit at the opening of the term. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Adrienne, who will spend the remainder of the year at Otterbein.

You should take a more active interest in debating and oratorical contests. I mean YOU.

On Saturday, January 7th, the usual opening reception to new students was given by the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. in the Association parlors. The reception was one in which general good will and fellowship prevailed. The large attendance and the hearty enthusiasm indicated a strong and growing college spirit at Otterbein.

"Stuck at last."—McDonald.



We need a little more class spirit. The good old-time "pushes" seem almost obsolete, at least they bid fair to become so if some classmen do not bestir themselves.

Sleighing seems to be the order of the day.

On December 16th occurred at the Allen homestead an event, novel because it was new. This was the "First Annual Dinner to the Faculty," given by the members of the Van Cafe. For this event the Van Cafe boys had everything carefully prepared. An elegant nine-course supper was served. Toasts were offered by various members of the faculty and club. Mr. J. H. Pershing gave the address of welcome, to which Dr. Snavelly responded in behalf of the faculty. A poem, prepared by C. H. Bell especially for the occasion was read. Professor Meyer and Messrs. Hewitt and Anderson furnished the company with some excellent music. While the event was something new in the history of the college, it was nevertheless a decided success, and the Van Cafe boys can congratulate themselves on their successful venture.

The following persons were present:

Faculty—Dr. Bookwalter, Prof. Barnes, Prof. Cornet, Prof. Durrant, Prof. Flick, Dr. Garst, Prof. Guitner, Dr. Haywood, Prof. McFadden, Dr. Meyer, Dr. Miller, Dr. Sanders, Dr. and Mrs. Scott, Dr. Sherrick, Dr. Snavelly, Prof. Wagoner.

Van Cafe—R. C. Anderson, F. J. Ash, C. H. Bell, C. G. Eckstine, L. K. Funkhouser, J. H. Kirkbride, T. A. Kleinfelter, L. C. Mong, J. H. Pershing, L. C. Sexauer, R. K. Staley, C. M. Starkey, F. O. Van Sickle.

H. K. Shaft, formerly employed in the T. & O. C. ticket office at Columbus, O., was the first of the year appointed private secretary to Moulton Houck, general passenger agent of T. & O. C. railroads, at Toledo, Ohio.

A sleighing party composed of the Misses Markley, Rowley, McFadden, Hewitt, Clifton, and Messrs. Kirkbride, Anderson, Hewitt, Keene and Mong, took supper at Hotel Worthington on Monday night, January 9th.

The Philomathean boys took advantage of the holiday recess to completely refurnish and retouch their hall.

The funeral of Raymond Matoon, the youngest child of our janitor, was held in college chapel, Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Matoon have the sympathy of the student body in their sorrow.

Don't fail to read the advertisements.

### ORIGINAL POEM.

C. H. BELL.

Perhaps I might as well confess  
It fills me with dismay  
To speak upon the spirit of the noisy Van  
Cafe.  
I've thought on it a trifle and I've seen  
the subject grow  
'Till I've wished to do it justice, that we  
had old Cicero.  
Of course it is apparent that the Van Cafe  
has spirit.  
Here's the question now before us—is  
there any merit in it.  
Or is spirit detrimental—should our noise  
be all suppressed.  
Is not enthusiasm needed to give our college  
life its zest.  
Would a college town be better if it never  
heard a noise  
And never saw a smile upon the faces of  
the boys.  
When we spend the days in studying and  
on lessons concentrate,  
To relax and yell a little will do much  
to stimulate.  
May the spirit of the Van Cafe be far  
from rowdyism  
But may it never fail to show its noisy  
patriotism.  
We know we have a faculty of whom we  
may be proud.  
Here goes the official ripple boys,—give it  
good and loud.



# ALUMNAL

H. M. WILLIAMS, '05.

J. G. Sanders, '01, of Ohio State University, has been appointed to a position in the bureau of entomology of the department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C. Mr. Sanders left December 28th, to take up his work.

S. F. Beard, '99, of the Bluffton, Ohio, schools, received a common school life certificate at the recent meeting of the state school examiners.

H. K. Schaff, a graduate of the Otterbein Business Department, has been promoted to the position of private secretary to the General Passenger Agent of the Ohio Central Lines at Toledo.

F. O. Clements, '96, of Omaha, Neb., stopped for a short time on his return from Pittsburg, Pa.

C. M. Good, '04, is a student in the Yale Divinity School.

O. W. Burtner, '98, of Yale, spent the Christmas vacation at the home of his father-in-law, President Bookwalter.

Miss Grace Lloyd, '04, of Sugar Grove, Pa., and W. E. Lloyd, '02, of O. M. U., spent the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. Daisy Custer Shoemaker, '95, of Pittsburg, Pa., is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. N. Custer.

Miss Edna Moore, '04, of Westfield College, spent the vacation at her home.

W. F. Coover, '00, and Miss Effie Richer, '00, were married, Wednesday, December 28th, at the home of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Coover will reside in Ames, Iowa.

R. A. Callender, '04, of Angola, Ind., visited friends at Otterbein at the opening of the new term.

D. F. Bennert, '01, and Miss Olive Robertson, '02, music, were married at the bride's home at Mt. Liberty, Ohio, January 3rd. Mr. and Mrs. Bennert will reside for a time in Philadelphia, Pa.

B. O. Barnes, '00, and wife, Marguerite Lambert Barnes, '03, have been visiting at the home of the former's parents in Westerville.

E. A. Sanders, '02, will take the place left vacant at O. S. U. by J. G. Sanders, '01.

H. V. Bear, '03, Germantown, O., made a short visit to Otterbein friends during vacation.

W. A. Zehring, '98, professor of Mathematics at Campbell College, called on Otterbein friends during vacation.





## Basket Ball

The basket-ball season is opening with considerable enthusiasm on the part of new material, which is showing up very creditably in the regular practices. The team, this year, will be made up, entirely, of new men, as there have been none of the old men, as yet, on the floor. Some of the new men however showed good form last season as second team men—and we think, under the efficient direction of our coach they ought to develop into a strong team.

Several games have been secured by Manager Ditmer. The exact schedule is not known; however, games have been arranged with Denison, Wittenberg, O. S. U., Kenyon, and other teams of less note.

With the assistance of a coach and with the same loyal support the student body has hitherto given basket-ball, we can justly predict a successful season for our new team.

## Constitution of the Otterbein Athletic Association.

Previous to this time the rules governing our athletic management have not been printed and many of us have been ignorant of how things in our athletics were conducted.

We have secured permission to publish the constitution of the Association in full, and we hope all will find it profitable reading, especially the newly-elected captains, managers, and the two boards.

### Constitution.

#### Article 1.

The name of this organization shall be the Otterbein Athletic Association.

#### Article 2.

Section 1.—The officers of this association shall be four in number: President, vice-president, secretary and treasurer.

Section 2.—It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all meetings of the Association, to countersign all orders on the treasury, appoint all necessary committees and perform such other duties as may be necessary.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the vice-president to preside in the absence of the president.

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the secretary to issue all orders on the treasury and keep a record of all business transacted by the Association; also to record all records made by Otterbein athletes in both local and State Field Meets, and thirty days before the local field day he shall make a list of the highest records made by our athletes in both local and state field meets and present the same to Official Board for use in getting out program for local field day; also, to keep a record of each local and state field meet.

Section 5.—It shall be the duty of the treasurer to act as custodian of all moneys belonging to the Association and to collect all subscriptions; to honor all orders is-



sued by the secretary and countersigned by the president; to keep an itemized account of all receipts and expenditures, which account shall be submitted at the expiration of his term of office to a committee provided for the purpose of examination and approval after which it shall be recorded in a book provided for that purpose.

### Article 3.

Section 1.—There shall be an Official Board consisting of six persons of which the president of the Association shall be chairman, ex-officio; the vice president, secretary and treasurer of the Association and two other members elected by the Association all of whom shall be members of the college classes and no three of whom shall be members of the Senior Class.

Section 2.—(a) It shall be the duty of the Official Board to meet not later than the first Friday after the second Monday in February to elect a manager of all athletics who shall be an alumnus of Otterbein University; such election to be subject to the approval of the Advisory Board. The term of office of the graduate manager to begin March 1st and continue for one year.

Section 2.—(b) It shall be the duty of the graduate manager to superintend the management of all athletics, to sign all bills before presentation to the Official Board, and to offer such advice as he may see fit in the employment of coaches for all athletics and a physical instructor.

Section 2.—(c) He shall submit a report to the secretary of the Advisory Board at least ten days prior to the expiration of his term of office.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the Official Board at the end of each foot-ball season to elect a student manager of the foot-ball team for the ensuing year; and at the beginning of the fall term to elect a student base-ball manager, a student

basket-ball manager whose terms of office shall continue through the college year in which they were elected, and at the same time elect a student captain and manager for the ensuing college year.

Section 3.—(b) The Official Board shall approve accounts and reports submitted by such managers signed by the graduate manager.

Section 3.—(c) It shall be the duty of such student managers to have in charge the care of the athletic field and athletic goods of their respective departments, to arrange the schedule of games or meets for their respective teams and to assist in the correspondence for such games or meets and make financial report of same not later than five days after the games or meet. All his action shall be under the direction and subject to the approval of the graduate manager.

Section 3.—(d) Such student managers shall have charge of their respective teams both at home and abroad.

### Article 4.

Section 1.—(a) There shall be an advisory board consisting of six persons, two of whom shall represent the Alumni, two the Faculty and two the Association.

Section 1.—(b) This board shall meet at least once each college year and as many other times as it sees fit.

Section 1.—(c) It shall be the duty of this board to approve the election of the graduate manager and the financial report of the official board for the entire year.

Section 1.—(d) To propose, advise, or outline any course they may see fit tending toward the promotion of athletics.

### Article 5.

Section 1.—(a) All male students of the University, in good standing, may be active members of the Association.



Section 1.—(b) All active members shall have a vote in the election of officers.

Section 1.—(c) Any person not in attendance at Otterbein may become an associate member of the Association by the payment of five dollars annually.

#### Article 6.

Section 1.—(a) The Official Board shall constitute a board of appeals and their decision shall be final.

Section 1.—(b) They shall have the power to suspend either captain or student manager of any of the respective teams and in case of manager to elect another to fill the place.

Section 1.—(c) They may prohibit any person from playing on the representative Otterbein athletic teams for sufficient reasons.

#### Article 7.

Section 1.—The Association shall hold an annual field day during the spring term.

Section 2.—(a) The order of events for the local field day shall be the same as that given in the rules governing the inter-collegiate associations of Ohio.

Section 2.—(b) The number of events shall be left to the discretion of the graduate manager, the student manager and captain of the track team.

Section 2.—(c) There shall be at least seven contestants.

#### Article 8.

Section 1.—The captains of the foot-ball, base-ball and basket-ball teams shall be elected by the members of the respective teams, for the ensuing year, who have played in at least two full halves of

an inter-collegiate foot-ball or basket-ball game or one regular inter-collegiate base-ball game.

Section 2.—(a) Student managers of their respective teams shall preside at such elections of captains and shall have the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Section 2.—(b) Said elections shall take place after the last game of the season and before the close of the school term.

#### Article 9.

Section 1.—In order to assist in the promotion of interest in athletics, the eleven foot-ball players who have participated in the greatest number of full halves, and the nine base-ball players who have participated in the greatest number of full games, and the five basket-ball players who have participated in the greatest number of full halves, and athletes winning at least five points in an inter-collegiate track meet, shall be entitled to wear an insignia of honor.

Section 2.—(a) Such insignia shall be the "Varsity O."

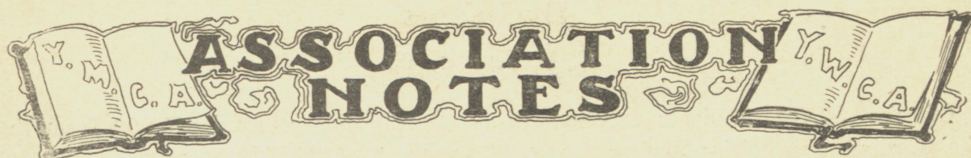
Section 2.—(b) The "Varsity O" shall be cardinal in color and its dimensions six by seven inches for foot-ball and five by six for base-ball, track athletics and basket-ball.

Section 3.—The "Varsity Sweater" shall be tan in color and it is the sense of the Association that the "Varsity O" must be worn on none but the "Varsity Sweater".

#### Article 10.

Section 1.—This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Association.





## Y. M. C. A.

E. E. BURTNER, '06.

There have come to Otterbein this term a number of splendid men. Most of them have joined the Association and others, when once they have seen the value of such a connection, will, we believe, join with us.

The meeting of January 5th was one which we will long remember. L. W. Warson was the leader. The topic was, "Looking Forward". Seldom are such clear, ringing testimonies presented. There was expressed by each and all a desire to live in this year a deeper life and one more vitally united to Christ. But this is not all. There was manifest a sincere desire to make the Association tell for God on the lives of those men with whom we mingle. There is an anxious looking-forward to the coming evangelistic effort. Men are ready, they say, to enter this work heartily to do what they can. This is hopeful.

The coming Bible Conference is something in which we are interested keenly. These meetings have, in years past, been a great feast and this year will be no exception. A strong program has been prepared. This issue goes to the press before the conference occurs and therefore a report of the meeting cannot be given in this number of the *Ægis*.

If there is one thing above another about which the Association ought to be anxious just now, it is the revival which begins the 15th of January. Some will be indifferent about it while others will work in it faithfully. Let us think for a moment.

There are two things to consider before

we decide our attitude to this work. The first one is our responsibility. What do we owe to our unsaved fellows? This much is sure. If we neglect to try to point them to Christ our "blood," saith His Word, "will I require at thy hand." If we as Christian men do not attend these services, how can we expect our unsaved fellows to go? If we do not go the probability that they will become Christians is, and it will be our fault, too, much less.

But some one says, "I do not believe Christ requires me to attend these services." Well, suppose He does not. Are we going to do only those things which He requires us to do? That looks like we are trying to earn admission into heaven. That is not the spirit which prompted Christ to leave the bosom of the Father and tread that awful path through a human life to Calvary, and save us by being "made sin for us." There was no reason in all the realm of duty or justice why He should have redeemed us. But He did it because He loved us. In the light of this love which He bears to you, decide whether you will make a sacrifice for Him in these few weeks. Say, Christian, do you love Him so little that you mean to do only what He requires?

The next thing to consider is the opportunity. What a privilege it brings! If we could only get a vision of what it means to have some part, however small, in leading such men to Christ as those who accepted Him a year ago we would not hesitate long about doing this work. We have those here now who need Him just as much as those who found last year. Yes, it is a glorious privilege that this opportunity brings to us.



## Exchanges

E. M. HURSH, '05.

Of the 37,692 students enrolled in the German universities during the last term, 3,093 were foreigners, 986 of them Russians. Women numbered 1,314.

The Supreme Court of the United States has declared that twenty colleges are to be entitled to the residuary legacies bequeathed them by the late D. S. Fayerweather. The total amount to be distributed is about \$3,500,000.

Our newest exchange is *The Moccasin*, of Mansfield high school. It has a beautiful cover, and the contents are very artistically arranged. It contains several good literary numbers and is full of life and interest.

The December *Blue and Gold* contains several good Christmas stories.

The upper classmen of the University of Minnesota refuse to take off their hats to co-eds. They argue that, owing to the increase in number of girls in the university, it requires one to keep his headgear off all the time and hence it is a menace to health. In retaliation to this "anti-hat-lifting league," the co-eds have formed an "anti-smile association". The girls say: By medical authority smiles cause wrinkles; also, that in cold weather they cannot afford to give away warm smiles.

Purdue has received \$15,000 from the president of the Big Four, to go toward building a monument to those foot-ball men who were in the wreck last year. When the fund reaches \$50,000 the faculty will double it.

The first college paper in America was issued by Dartmouth College. Daniel Webster was the editor-in-chief.—Ex.

Lovely maiden! Flowers, verses,  
Candy, trinkets, empty purses,  
'Nother fellow! quarrel, worse,  
Solar plexus, nurses, hearse.

—Ex.

"What did the deacon say when you sent him the brandied peaches?"

"He said he didn't care for the peaches but he liked the spirit in which they were sent."—Ex.

Prof.—"A fool can ask questions which a wise man can not answer."

Voice from rear of the room.—"I suppose that is why so many of us flunk exams."—Ex.

Perhaps these jokes are old  
And should be on the shelf,  
If you can do it better  
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—Ex.



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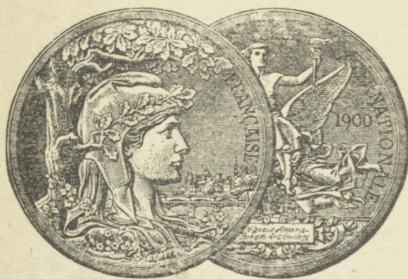
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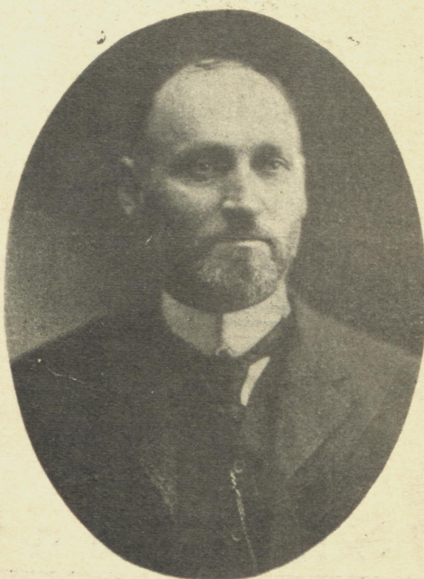
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