IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS TO REMEMBER

THE SECOND SEMESTER

The second semester will begin on January fifteenth, which is earlier than usual. Arrangements can be made for students to enter later if necessary. Alumni are invited to send the names of young people who should enter college at mid-year.

WINTER HOMECOMING

Otterbein has not failed to observe the special days and observances which have become traditional. While not attended as largely as in pre-war years, everyone is agreed that such days as homecoming should not be discontinued. February 10th has been designated as Winter Homecoming. To date the queen has not been elected but there will be a queen—and a game with Wittenberg. So —

"Come on down to Otterbein
You'll find a place to warm your heart and mine."

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

The highest governing body in the Church of the United Brethren in Christ is the General Conference which meets quadrennially. On May 15, 1945, some 350 delegates and hundreds of visitors from all over the United States will convene on the Otterbein campus and remain for a ten-day period during which time general denominational officers will be elected and legislation passed for the next quadrennium.

The particular reason for meeting on the Otterbein campus is that just one hundred years ago the General Conference of 1845 meeting at Circleville, Ohio, approved the founding of a college. Two years later Otterbein opened her doors, making her the oldest college in the denomination.

It is appropriate, therefore, that this General Conference should meet at Otterbein for the Centennial of Otterbein College is also the Centennial of higher education in the Church of the United Brethren in Christ—the first indigenous American church.

The college calendar has had to be revised and the year slightly shortened in order to accommodate the delegates. Commencement this school year will be on May 7. In order to close on this early date, the school year began one week earlier in September and the Thanksgiving and spring vacations have been eliminated.

MAY DAY

Since Commencement this year is to be on May 7 with examinations the preceding week, there will be some difficulty in staging a May Day program. There is a strong possibility, however, that May Day will be on Saturday, May 5, which will also be Alumni Day. Definite announcements will be made in the March issue of the TOWERS.

ALUMNI DAY AND COMMENCEMENT

Alumni Day will be Saturday, May 5, with all the old-time traditions plus the possible May Day activities. There will be a banquet as usual and a play to follow.

May 6 will be Baccalaureate Sunday. Commencement will be the following day, May 7, which will certainly make a big week-end. Perhaps this earlier date will make it possible for a larger number to attend as it will not conflict with other school commencements.

CLASS REUNIONS

The following classes will have reunions on Alumni Day, May fifth: '85, '95, '05, '15, '20, '25, '35. Presidents or secretaries of these classes should contact their members soon and make plans for a reunion. Your alumni office will be glad to furnish names and addresses to class secretaries if desired.

DUES

Last year we received $1,455.50 from alumni and ex-students in dues. To date we have received $1,458.50 on this year's dues. This is very commendable and indicates that you do appreciate the TOWERS and other services of your association. If you have not sent your dues for 1944-45, do so immediately before you forget it—two dollars per person or three dollars if both man and wife are Otterbeinites.

INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS

Gifts

A controversy over the simplified income tax law passed May 29 has led some people to assume that the new law does not provide the possibility of income tax deductions for gifts to charitable institutions, at least not to those with a moderate income. It is true that if gifts total ten per cent or less of the income, no notation concerning them need be made on the report. If they are greater than ten per cent, however, they can and should be recorded. The new law is in some respects more liberal than the old concerning possible deductions for gifts, since the fifteen per cent possible deduction can now be figured before interest, taxes, and other deductions are subtracted, whereas previously it had to be figured after the subtraction was made. For some tax payers this will make possible considerably more total gift deduction than the previous law.

CHILDREN IN COLLEGE

A recent modification of the definition of a dependent makes it possible for parents to claim exemption for a son or daughter in college, irrespective of age.
Like the relentless tides of the ocean, so follows the regularity of the years. How quickly the past three hundred sixty-five days have gone by! Nineteen hundred forty-four is just a memory. Doubtless all of us have similar emotions as we contemplate the past; the knowledge of the worth-while experiences and the awareness of time not wisely invested. But we can do nothing with the past except to use its experiences in a profitable way in order to construct a more glorious future.

As you face the New Year I would like to add my personal good wishes to the many others you have received. May you have a challenging, abundant and profitable New Year. May it be a year of growth and attainment in all the areas of your life. If it were possible I would wish you a year of peace and a new enlightened fellowship with your fellowmen, but we are still at war. May you unite with other Otterbeinites in praying to our God who is love that peace may soon be realized and our young people freed from the carnage of war.

It is so easy to be discouraged and downcast if we persist in living in the past. But how radiant is life if we face the future with courage and the conviction that by the grace of God we shall throw ourselves into the future with a new determination to construct the kind of a world that will bring peace and happiness to all people.
Dear Fellow-Alumni and Friends of Otterbein:

As your current TOWERS is being prepared for the press I have recently returned from an exceedingly interesting and profitable visit among our alumni in many of the eastern and northeastern centers. It would be impossible for me to exaggerate the inspiration which came to Mrs. Howe, the Trio girls and me as we met and mingled with the loyal graduates of Otterbein in formal and informal meetings in more than a dozen places.

Alumni and ex-students with their families and friends, church groups, prospective students and a wide circle of friends of Otterbein and of Otterbein persons met in a variety of gatherings numbering from fifteen to fifty, to see the college “movies,” to enjoy the Trio's lovely singing, to fellowship, to reminisce and to bring themselves up-to-date on Otterbein, her program, her Centennial, her Ohio Conference Championship football team and all things pertaining to the past, present and future of our beloved college. One could not help but find new faith in and new enthusiasm for Otterbein College in the presence and the inspiring witness of almost three hundred loyal and interested supporters present at these meetings.

Home from the strenuous but enjoyable trek through the east we plunged immediately into the Centennial financial campaign in the Columbus area. At this writing our workers are turning in excellent reports with the likelihood that the original quota assigned by the general committee will be almost doubled. Already more cash and pledges have been received than in any previous campaign in this territory. After Westerville’s great record in almost trebling her assigned quota, Columbus is falling in line to set a fast pace for the alumni in other areas, as and when we get around to the more distant centers. The help of Doctor Wade Miller and Mrs. W. G. Bale in directing the work of the campaign has been invaluable.

It is an inspiration to work with loyal leaders like E. L. Weinland and L. K. Replogle, our co-captains in the Columbus area, and with the dozens of enthusiastic workers who came out on a very stormy night for the “kick-off” meeting of this campaign. As most of our people know, we are promoting this great Centennial undertaking “just among ourselves” with no highly-paid professional agency to direct the campaign. I think you like it that way. The spirit of our workers and contributors indicates that they appreciate knowing that the college will receive and keep all of their contributions except the barest expenses of the campaign. Otterbein has never before undertaken a campaign of this size without paying a commission to a commercial money-raising agency to direct the work. With the splendid spirit and cooperation of our people we believe we can not only meet but surpass our goals, while keeping the money, without deduction, for the purposes of Otterbein and her future program.

This will come a bit late for holiday greetings but we are wishing all of you the very best kind of New Year that can come in a stricken world like ours. We are already planning toward the return of hundreds of our boys. Our housing committee is arranging for apartments where married veterans can live comfortably and economically while they complete their college studies. A special letter has gone to all veterans, reviewing the ‘G.I.’ educational provisions and telling of our plans for “after the war.”

We earnestly solicit your cooperation in pointing our way all worthy students including those veterans whom you know but whom we do not know because they went to war before they got started to college. A blank from Mr. Allton’s office will reach you soon. One of the best things you can do for Otterbein is to fill it out and return it to us promptly. With more than four hundred students in this war year, Otterbein stood third among all the colleges of the state in percentage of increase in enrollment. With your help we can put our Alma Mater at the head of the list for the years to come.

Faithfully yours,

J. Ruskin Howe
NEWS OF OTTERBEIN'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The destiny of Otterbein College rests in the hands of fifty men and women—trustees of the institution who control her policies and her program. To know these men and women is to be assured that the college is in wise and safe hands. These individuals—ministers, educators, doctors, lawyers, bankers, business executives and others give sacrificially of their time and energies that Otterbein may remain in the forefront of American colleges. Otterbein owes much to these men and women.

ANDREW TIMBERMAN, '87 F. O. CLEMENTS, '96

Last June two members of the Otterbein College Board of Trustees asked to be relieved of active duties as members of the board. After some deliberation their resignations were accepted but because of long and valued services they were made Honorary Trustees.

Dr. F. O. Clements, formerly Director of the General Motors Research Laboratories, has been a member of the board since 1918, serving as chairman for eleven years of that time. It will be remembered that he is responsible for the Crafts Guild at Otterbein which enabled many students to earn their way through college.

Dr. Andrew Timberman became a member of the board in 1915 and of the executive committee in 1920, and has served faithfully since that date. Otterbein is greatly indebted to both of these men.

AVRA N. PERSHING, JR. ARDEN E. FIRESTONE

Two Otterbein Trustees, Avra N. Pershing, Jr., and Arden E. Firestone, both lawyers, are serving their country in specialized activities.

Captain Pershing, a graduate of Lafayette and the University of Pittsburgh, entered the service October 1, 1942. His assignments were first at Hamilton Field, California, with the Air Courier Service and later as Port Control Officer of the Second Airport Embarkation of the Air Transport Command. He is now at San Francisco with the West Coast Wing of the Air Transport Command. Lt. (j.g.) Arden E. Firestone graduated from the University of Akron and from the Michigan Law School. He received his commission in April, 1944 and was sent to Fort Schuyler, New York, for special training. Later he was sent to the Harvard Naval School for study as Communications and Signal Officer. He is now at Norfolk, Virginia.

'HOMECOMING' FOR 'MOTHER' RESLER

Another of Otterbein's immortals has been gathered home. Late Thursday on November 2 as alumni and friends from far and near were preparing to turn their faces back toward the beloved campus for another memorable Homecoming, Mrs. F. J. ("Mother") Resler slipped quietly away, at St. Francis Hospital, Columbus, after a brief illness.

"Mother" Resler and her husband, the late Frank J. ("Dad") Resler, were staunch and enthusiastic alumni and friends of Otterbein all their days. They were active, officially or unofficially, in every forward movement of the college during their lives. To the last week of her life "Mother" Resler was busy about the interests of her beloved Otterbein.

As Homecomers gathered for the game and the banquet and for recollections of "Auld Lang Syne" they learned that a quiet radiant spirit had gone out from among us. "Mother" Resler had been called to the Great Homecoming to be with those whom she had "loved long since and lost awhile."

This picture, the last one she had taken, is dated 1923. We use it here because this is as she looked to the grads who knew her in other years. Editor.

MRS. F. J. RESLER, '93
FIRST CENTENNIAL PROJECT COMPLETED

Completion of Heating Plant Fund Marks Achievement of First Objective

Centennial Goal Set at $625,000.00

By HOMER B. KLINE, '15
Chairman, Centennial Program

Overnight, Ensign Donald Francis Mason of the United States Navy achieved fame with his now historic message, “sighted sub—sank same.” In less dramatic fashion but with real significance for every alumnus and friend of Otterbein College, “In full and On Time” announces the completion of the first Centennial financial objective—the $30,000 Heating Plant Fund paid in full. This phase of the financial program was part of the responsibility accepted by the church constituency of the college.

With the formal inauguration of the Centennial Program in January, 1944, the Heating Plant Fund was included as part of the financial goal and these loyal constituents set out to complete this initial objective before the close of the year. Every one of the Ten Annual Conferences which cooperate with Otterbein passed this first milestone in the Centennial Certificate Campaign in November and all are well on the way to the successful completion of the major phase of their Centennial effort. Their enthusiastic spirit and early success augur well for a continuation of the schedule—“in full and on time”—and testify in no uncertain terms to their interest in and devotion to Otterbein College.

The renovated heating plant is virtually a new plant. While housed in the old building, it consists of two new Brownell boilers, automatic stokers, and appropriate auxiliary equipment and controls. It is dominated by a one hundred-foot smoke stack which dwarfs the former steel stack into total insignificance. Surmounted with the regulation warning lights for air traffic, this tall structure of substantial red brick is an outstanding landmark of the campus and surrounding countryside both day and night. The Women’s Campus Committee, under the chairmanship of Mrs. F. O. Clements of Westerville, has greatly improved the architectural appearance from the main campus approach by erecting brick flanking walls with grilled iron gates and with appropriate planting.

The capacity of the renovated plant has been designed to provide adequately for the future growth of the college. Thus it rightfully takes its place as a part of the Centennial Program. A central heating plant is not a romantic or beautiful building. It lacks the appeal of classic design or ivy-decked walls, but it is as necessary to a growing college as a furnace is to a modern home. This basic essential for Otterbein’s second century has now been provided. Plans for her physical growth will not be handicapped by lack of this important utility.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found reports of progress in the various phases of the total Centennial Program. Each indicates commendable advances toward the specific objectives involved. The United Westerville Campaign in October met with enthusiastic response which had a beneficial and stimulating effect on all of the remaining financial campaigns comprising the financial program as a whole with its total objective of $625,000. To date more than $52,000 has been subscribed by Westerville citizens. Now the successful completion of the Heating Plant Fund with the full objective of $30,000 paid in lends inspiration and encouragement to every alumnus, ex-student, church constituent, and friend of the college. Otterbein looks forward, because of these early successes, with full confidence to the victorious completion of her five-fold Centennial Program, whose basic purpose is to prepare her for her next one hundred years of service.
PROGRESS MADE IN SEPARATE CAMPAIGNS

THE CENTENNIAL LIBRARY CAMPAIGN

No general effort has been made to secure library gifts outside of the Westerville area. On the next page are the pictures of the library givers during the United Westerville Campaign. As alumni solicitation is carried on in the various sections of the state and elsewhere, special effort will be made to solicit library gifts. It will be noted that Westerville citizens furnished ten per cent of the required number of library gifts.

A number of friends outside of Westerville have made library gifts without being solicited and their gifts will be announced in the TOWERS at a later date. One half of the Westerville library contributions were memorial gifts indicating that people consider this as an appropriate way to memorialize their loved ones.

THE STATE OF OHIO CAMPAIGN

The State of Ohio Campaign is just beginning. The first area to be solicited is the one closest home—the Columbus area—which is being worked as the TOWERS goes to press. Early reports indicate that the goal will be over subscribed. Mr. E. L. Weinland, Assistant Attorney General of Ohio and Mr. Laurence K. Replogle, Assistant Superintendent of Schools of Columbus, are serving as co-chairmen of the Columbus Campaign.

Beginning early in the new year alumni in other sections of Ohio will be solicited. There are over 1,500 alumni and ex-students in the state and these have been grouped into areas for special visitation. According to present plans no alumnus or ex-student is to be missed or denied the privilege of giving to his alma mater.

THE CENTENNIAL CERTIFICATE CAMPAIGN

The Centennial Certificate Campaign is off to a good start. The ten cooperating church conferences have accepted quotas totaling $330,000, a little over half of the total Centennial goal.

On December first the ten conferences had raised a total of $43,232.77. Allegheny Conference with $9,922.22 paid leads all other conferences with Southeast Ohio, Sandusky, and Miami following closely.

The question has been raised as to what alumni who are members of United Brethren churches should do about pledging. The answer is that they should give their proportionate share of their local church quota. Many, however, should give to Otterbein more than their share of their church quota and they will be given the opportunity during the alumni campaign.

THE UNITED WESTERVILLE CAMPAIGN

When the last TOWERS went to press the United Westerville Campaign was in progress. It was reported then that the goal of $15,000 had been more than trebled. At the present time the Westerville giving amounts to more than $52,000 with additional amounts still being given.

Mr. Charles R. Bennett, 15, General Director for Westerville, and his corps of workers deserve special praise for the way the campaign was conducted, and the citizens who made this splendid report possible are assured of the appreciation of the college and of its Centennial Committee.

Never can there be any doubt that the faculty, students and townspeople appreciate their college. This has always been true for during the century Westerville people have been most loyal to their college.
WESTERVILLE'S LIBRARY GIVERS OF $1,000 EACH

The Centennial Library is to be financed by the gifts of one hundred persons of $1,000 each—one for each year of the college's existence. The names of these persons will appear on a plaque in the main foyer of the library. Gifts may be made in memory of a friend or loved one.

At the top of the page are pictures of five Westerville men who have given $1,000 each. Below are the pictures of individuals for whom memorial gifts have been made by their survivors. All ten gifts were made during the Westerville campaign.

F. N. THOMAS

Mrs. Thomas and Mary give their gift in memory of Mr. Thomas who loved books and who gave $1,000 to the college library shortly before his death in 1925 as a memorial to his mother, Mary Chadwick Thomas.

J. H. BEACHLER

Mrs. Beachler has made her donation in memory of her husband who was one of Ohio's most noted educators. At the time of his death he was principal of the Martin Boehm Academy and head of the Department of Education at Otterbein.

DR. AND MRS. C. W. WHITNEY

In memory of their father and mother, Eleanor and Judith Whitney have provided a library gift. Doctor Whitney, a Westerville physician, occupied the chair of Biology and Geology at Otterbein and was one of the early librarians of the college.

MR. AND MRS. J. P. WEST

The family and friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. West have given a library gift. Mr. West was connected with Otterbein for twenty-eight years as teacher of history, mathematics, and English, and college treasurer until his death.

J. R. KING

In memory of Doctor King, a library gift is given by Mrs. King, who resides across the street from the dormitory which bears their name and which was made possible by a large gift from the Kings.

LIBRARY GIFTS ARE IN MEMORY OF THESE MEN

F. N. THOMAS  J. H. BEACHLER  C. W. WHITNEY  J. P. WEST  J. R. KING
Edwin M. Hursh, Professor of Sociology at Otterbein since 1922, will retire from active duties as head of Sociology Department at the end of the school year. This retirement relations request has been granted with regrets by the Board of Trustees.

Prof. Hursh graduated from Otterbein in 1905 with the A.B. degree. In 1912 he received the A.M. degree from the University of Chicago. Additional graduate work was done at the Universities of Cincinnati, Ohio State, Duke, and North Carolina.

Prior to his coming to Otterbein he taught in Albert Academy, Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa, for sixteen years.

The Rev. J. Neely Boyer, Otterbein College Chaplain and pastor of the Westerville church for the past four years, will take over Prof. Hursh's department of Sociology next September.

Mr. Boyer earned the A.B. degree from Otterbein, the B.D. degree from Bonebrake Theological Seminary, and the M.A. degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He has completed all residence work for the Ph.D. degree at the last-named institution. During the current year Mr. Boyer is taking more specialized work in Sociology at the Ohio State University.

Mr. Boyer is serving his second successive year as President of the Otterbein Alumni Association.

COLLEGE WHO'S WHO LISTS TEN OTTERBEIN STUDENTS

Left to right: Janet Shipley, Dayton; Maurice Gribler, Van Wert; Anne Jeanette Hovermale, Dayton; Ray Good, Johnstown, Pa.; Richard Strang, Toledo; Phyllis Brown, Dayton; DeWitt Kirk, Latrobe, Pa.; Shirley Server, Dayton; Esther Smoot, Dayton; and Jane Bentley, Altoona, Pa.
CONGRATULATIONS TEAM — COACH

Champions! Ohio Conference football champions! Here they are — pictured at the right. And, just below is the man who guided their destiny through an undefeated season of conference games. Our heartiest congratulations to both team and Coach Harry W. Ewing for giving to Otterbein a championship and title which she has never had before in football. The record is no phony one. Weak teams were not selected. In fact, Otterbein played every non-service college team in the conference and asked for more. Victory was doubly sweet for we defeated the teams we most like to defeat — Muskingum, Kenyon, Capital. How do you like those Capital scores? Say, grads, it was perfect — Capital came here for homecoming and we went there for their homecomning. In two games they were unable to score a point. Ah, victory was sweet for we remember all too well that 1942 season. Another war-time football season has come and gone and Otterbein is proud to have carried on. It seems that those on our small squads the last two years have fought all the harder for the sake of the boys who ought to be here but fight on other fields. May they be back for our squad next year for they are all — ALL AMERICANS.

As the TOWERS goes to press it is announced that February 10—Homecoming will be observed as CARROLL WIDDOES DAY.

HARRY W. EWING

Meet the Ohio Co.

Front Row: Croake, Bale, Engle, Wintringham
Second Row: Hollman, Gilmour, Morris, Grib
Third Row: Wagner, Canfield, Davis, Sorrell, J
Fourth Row: Coach Ewing, Wood, Evans, Vor
Not in Picture: Burkham, Lonjack.

FOOTBALL

Otterbein......34 Kenyon .................13
Otterbein......12 Wayne University ..27
Otterbein......12 Muskingum ........... 7

Two games cancelled by opponents—

BASKETBALL

Last year's team won 12, lost 5. This year with four varsity men back we should have a better record. The schedule is as follows:

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*Home Games.

FLASH: OTTERBEIN 48 — HEIDELBERG 38.
THE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Annually the Varsity "O" selects one of its former outstanding players for special recognition on Homecoming Day. This year the selection went to Ensign James Eby, '43. James, or "Jigger" as he was called by his fellow students, was a star athlete from 1939 to 1943, during which time he earned a total of eight letters in football, baseball, and track. In 1942 Jim was an All-State end. In 1942 and 1943 he won the Ohio Conference Javelin Throw, and is the present college record holder in this event. In 1943 he was awarded the Augspurger-Ballenger Cup for excellence and sportsmanship in athletics. During his senior year Jim enlisted in the V-5 naval aviation program and was sent to Wooster, later to Ohio State and then to Iowa for his naval training. As an Iowa Seahawk, Jim won the Javelin Throw at the Drake Relays in 1944. "Jigger" is now flying a Helldiver in final training at Pensacola, Florida. Jim was unable to be present for the festivities but sent in part the following telegram: "Doctor Howe, faculty and students—it is with deep regret that I cannot be present to personally accept the honor bestowed upon me. Nothing would give me greater pleasure than to witness this year's homecoming gridiron classic. Best of luck!"

R. JAMES EBY, '43

HOCKEY

Not all the honors go to the boys this year for the girls' hockey team has done well by itself in defeating both Ohio State and Capital Universities. The first game was played with Capital on the Cardinal field with the Otter gals taking the Lutherans by the score of 4-1. For the only other game of the season the team traveled to Ohio State to come out again on top by the same score, 4-1.

These hockey games are in the nature of play days and the visitors are entertained at dinner following the games. The Otterbein girls report that they were royally received at both schools. Congratulations, girls and Coach Arnold.
DONALD S. HOWARD

Member of a distinguished Otterbein family, Dr. Donald S. Howard, '25, has crowded his years since graduation with an unusual measure of significant achievement. As a Denver minister and social worker, as a social science graduate with the Ph. D. degree from the University of Chicago and as Asst. Director of the Charity Organization with the Russell Sage Foundation at New York, he has brought distinction to himself and credit to Otterbein.

Doctor Howard is now on leave from the Russell Sage Foundation, serving under former Governor Lehman in the UNRRA program as research expert in the welfare division. He is at present in London in that capacity and will visit other capitals of the United Nations and liberated countries in the course of his duties. Shortly following his arrival in London by plane he was present at a V-2 bombing incident within a few minutes of its occurrence.

LAURENCE K. REPLOGLE

Assistant Superintendent of Schools in the city of Columbus and Co-Chairman of Otterbein’s Centennial Campaign in that area, “Larry” Replogle has double claim on the interest and appreciation of Otterbein alumni. Following his graduation from Otterbein in 1919, he did graduate work in education at Columbia University, receiving his Master’s degree in 1924. After teaching for some years in the Dayton and Montgomery County schools he was appointed Assistant Principal at Roosevelt High School, Dayton. Mr. Replogle was called from this position to be Principal of the Grandview High School in Columbus and in 1936 became assistant Superintendent of Schools in Columbus.

E. L. WEINLAND

Associated officially with Otterbein’s program almost from his day of graduation, as trustee, as secretary of the Board for more than forty years and as a member of the Executive Committee for decades, Dr. E. L. Weinland (he’s modest about that LL.D.!) is numbered among those “elder statesmen” to whom Otterbein owes much and whose active labors for the college have inspired and humbled many of us down through the years.

M. CHANNING WAGNER

In Otterbein from 1908 to 1911 Mr. Wagner completed his A.B. degree at Columbia and taught and coached in leading high schools and at Culver Military Academy before being called as High School Principal at Wilmington, Delaware. Since 1929 he has been Assistant Superintendent of Schools there. Professor Wagner has three sons in the country’s service, one of them recently reported missing in the Aleutians.
SALUTES...

CLARENCE M. HULETT

First Lieutenant Clarence M. Hulett, ex '44, has served two years in the army air corps and was recently awarded a second Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal earlier received. "Mac" received his wings and commission at Turner Field, Georgia. After further combat training he was assigned to the European zone where he has flown thirty-two missions over the continent and has participated in bombing attacks on the principal military targets of Germany. He is now co-pilot on a B-24 Liberator bomber. Mrs. Hulett (Jane Sturgis, '45) is a student in Otterbein. "Mac's" father, Lt. Col. C. T. Hulett, is in Belgium.

JAMES J. CORBETT

Captain "Jim" Corbett, ex '42, was one of the earliest Otterbein boys to answer the country's call to war. During twenty months of service in the South Pacific area as pilot of a P-38 Lightning fighter plane he accomplished more than seventy missions, shot down two Japanese "Zeros" and received the Air Medal and six Oak Leaf Clusters. He is now stationed at Santa Ana, Calif., awaiting reassignment.

HAROLD W. PRICE

Sergeant Price, ex '45, was inducted into the U. S. Army on Feb. 2, 1942, and received instructions at amphibious training camps in Massachusetts and Florida. He went overseas in May, 1944. Active in several major engagements in the Netherlands East Indies, he has participated in five invasions. During the last of these Sergeant Price received major burns and injuries and he has been hospitalized in New Guinea for a number of weeks. His condition is so improved at this time that it is hoped he may be able to be returned to his home in Westerville soon.

ENS. DENTON W. ELLIOTT

Graduating from Otterbein in 1937 with an excellent record athletically as well as academically, "Denny" Elliott served as coach and teacher in several central Ohio high schools until he enlisted in the U. S. Navy in August, 1943. His training was at Cornell University. Receiving his commission on November 24, 1943, he was assigned to the U.S.S. Woodworth, DD, for duty in the South Pacific. Ensign Elliott was fortunate recently to have a leave while his ship was undergoing repairs and camouflage at a west coast port. Since that time he has been transferred to the U.S.S. Stafford, DE 411. The TOWERS salutes Ensign Elliott on behalf of his many Otterbein friends. Mrs. Elliott (Louise Bowser, '37), formerly Secretary to the President, is now Secretary to the Dean of Women at Ohio State University.
OTTERBEIN FACULTY CONTRIBUTES TO WAR EFFORT

Otterbein has not only furnished her share of the fighting officers and men but she has released more than her share of faculty members who are doing specialized work in many areas. Faculty pictured below, left to right, are in the same order as the descriptive write-ups which follow.

CHARLES W. BONTS—

Captain Charles W. Botts was transferred about a year ago from Fort Benjamin Harrison to Camp Frederick, Maryland, where he was assigned to research work. He has recently gone to Pascagoula, Mississippi, to install a new laboratory for military research.

PAUL E. PENDLETON—

Lt. Paul E. Pendleton, professor of English at Otterbein until his enlistment for army service, was teaching in the Preflight Training School of the Santa Ana Army Air Base, Santa Ana, California, until his recent assignment to Personal Affairs work there.

GEORGE E. McCRAKEN—

Leaving Otterbein in the spring of 1942, Dr. George E. McCracken is a first lieutenant in the Signal Corps with offices in Washington, D.C. He and his wife and family are residing in Arlington, Virginia.

JOHN E. WENRICK—

Dr. John E. Wenrick, on leave of absence from the philosophy department, is a Disaster Staff Representative of the American Red Cross. Connected with the Eastern Area his headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia. He will return to Otterbein in September, 1945.

JAMES H. McCLOY—

Professor J. H. McCloy, on leave of absence from Otterbein, has been teaching physics in the Navy V-12 program at Denison University since July 1, 1943. At the request of the Board of Trustees he will return to his teaching duties at Otterbein next September.

W. KENNETH BUNCE—

Head of the Areas Studies Department of the School of Military Government at Princeton University, Lt. W. Kenneth Bunce has the interesting experience of instructing Commanders, Navy Captains and Army Colonels in his classes. He was Dean at Otterbein until his enlistment.

RACHEL BRYANT—

"Somewhere in Italy" is the present address of Miss Rachel Bryant, who is assigned by the American Red Cross to supervise recreation in American hospitals abroad. A recent letter describes the opening of a recreation hall for wounded soldiers and the organization of an eighteen-piece band.

L. WILLIAM STECK—

Sgt. L. William Steck is employed by the United States Army in a confidential capacity and has been assigned to the Indianapolis, Indiana, area for the past nine months. He has been on leave of absence since June, 1942.

SAMUEL T. SELBY—

Lt. Comdr. Samuel T. Selby, physical training officer with the Atlantic Fleet Air Force, is stationed at Lakehurst, New Jersey. Responsible for the operational program there and at other detachments along the coast, he commutes by air from Lakehurst to South Weymouth, Massachusetts, and Glynco, Georgia.
NEWS OF OTTERBEIN SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

1917 Lt. A. H. Sholty, '17, recently reported for duty in the Troop Movement Division at Headquarters of the San Francisco Port of Embarkation, Fort Mason. For ten months before going to the San Francisco Port Lt. Sholty served as a language officer in Alaska and the Aleutians.

1928 On his way "somewhere in the Pacific" is Lt. (j.g.) Donald J. Borror. He was recently detached from the U.S. Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, N.C., where he was Malaria Control Officer.

1936 Sam R. Ziegler, '36, has recently been promoted to the rank of Captain. He is stationed at Robins Field, Ga., in the Medical Air Corps.

1938 Sgt. John Kundert, ex '38, is back in the United States after serving two and one half years in the Southwest Pacific.

1939 John F. Winkle, in France since shortly after "D" Day, is doing Personnel classification work with headquarters close to the front.

1943 Using German stationery, Lt. Chalmers Wylie, ex '43, wrote from the basement of a German officer's home with the enemy only 1000 yards away. His job is that of Assistant Battalion Surgeon in an Aid Station.

Lt. Norman Dohn, who graduated from Officers Candidate School in November, is now stationed at Northington Hospital, Tuscaloosa, Ala., as Educational Officer of the Reconditioning Service. It is his duty to provide daily educational and recreational programs for the 1800 wounded officers, enlisted men, WACS, and nurses being cared for at the hospital.

Prof. and Mrs. G. G. Grabill, '00, have received word that their son, Pfc. James Grabill, '43, is again in the hospital ill with yellow jaundice. Previously wounded, he had been back on the fighting front for several months.

1944 Pfc. James D. Hodgden, U.S.M.C., is now on the island of Pelelui 500 miles east of the Philippines. He watched "D" Day from aboard his transport and described it as "very much like a gigantic 4th of July celebration."

1945 Ens. Waid Vance, ex '45, received his commission at the University of Notre Dame in October and is now in Hawaii with the amphibious forces.

Pvt. Robert Pollock, ex '45, reports that he's learning to know our allies quite well, for in his camp in India are Indian, Chinese, and American troops.

CORRECTION

Lt. Richard C. Himes, ex '44, is a pilot on a B-17, instead of being a recent graduate of Medical School as was reported in the last TOWERS.

RELIGION IN LIFE WEEK

The annual Religion in Life Week was observed from December 11-14 with Dr. Harold Case of Scranton, Pennsylvania, as the guest leader.

DR. HAROLD CASE
Scranton, Penna.

HELP WANTED

May we ask your favor again? Will you send us the names of choice young people who should be in Otterbein next year? Will you help us to enlist them?

Your help has been greatly appreciated in the last few years. Without it we never could have had the fine enrollment we have during these last two war years.

Do you know that last year we had an increase of 21.4% over the year before and that only two colleges in Ohio had a better record? You helped to make that record possible. We are counting on you again. Blanks have been sent to all alumni asking for names. Fill out yours while the thought is fresh in your mind.
A SAILOR WITHOUT A SHIP
ENSIGN FLOYD MOODY ON ILL-FATED CARRIER

You have read Edward Everett Hale’s story of “The Man Without a Country.” Well, here is a story of a sailor — an Otterbein sailor — without a ship. How does it happen? Like this — Ensign Floyd Moody’s ship, the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Princeton, is at the bottom of the Pacific, the victim of a Japanese bomb.

Let us hear him tell the story as he was interviewed by your TOWERS editor. The seasoned seaman, veteran of many attacks, was a little reluctant to talk about his ship and its engagements but did give the following information.

How long were you a member of the crew of the Princeton?
“Just five months to the day. I reported on the Princeton on May 24 and she was sunk October 24.”

Can you tell us where you were operating?
“I think it’d be better not. I can say, however, we were in the Pacific striking at the enemy again and again.”

Were you in any major engagements before the fatal one?
“Yes, we participated in ‘every major engagement’ in the Pacific area since the first of the year. We were in on most of those historic landing operations but not close enough to see any shore action.”

Did you have any close calls before the fatal engagement?
“The Princeton safely underwent attack by planes several times while I was aboard and also previously.”

What was your last mission when the carrier was sunk?
“We were with the Third Fleet in the ‘Battle of the Philippines’ and we were headed north in hopes of meeting the Japanese fleet.”

Just how was the carrier sunk?
“Actually the carrier was sunk by the guns and torpedoes of our own ships standing by, after all survivors had been rescued and the hope of saving the ship had been abandoned. You see, one Jap plane got through our defenses some way and dropped a bomb which exploded through the after end of the flight deck. The space filled rapidly with smoke and had to be abandoned. Battle lanterns could not penetrate more than six inches of the blackness. The ship was fatally damaged internally and had to be sunk.”

AIRCRAFT CARRIER SENT TO THE BOTTOM — VICTIM OF A JAP PLANE
TWO MORE BOYS MAKE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE

Our Honored Dead

1. C. DWIGHT ASHCRAFT
2. RALPH N. CASPER
3. GEORGE D. METZGER
4. JOHN A. WAGNER, JR.
5. J. CHARLES HOPPER
6. D. RICHARD LE BLANC

J. CHARLES HOPPER, ex '44
D. RICHARD LeBLANC, ex '42

Since the last issue of the TOWERS another Otterbein boy — Richard LeBlanc, has sacrificed his life on the altar of war. This brings our total up to six. Lt. Hopper’s death was announced in the last issue without details.

LT. J. CHARLES HOPPER, ex '44

“Chuck” after receiving his commission was sent to West Africa and then on to China. His last flight was an important bombing mission in southeastern China. His plane was shot down by enemy fire and was observed to crash into a group of trees. The only survivor stated that Lt. Hopper was killed instantly.

F-O DALE RICHARD LeBLANC, ex '42

Flight Officer Dale Richard LeBlanc, three other officers and four enlisted men were killed instantly on November 16 when their four-motored bomber crashed about 30 miles from the Tonopah army air field in Nevada. The plane was on a routine combat training mission when it went down. Dick had been a flight officer since last March.

AFTER THE WAR

Without doubt many service men will go to college following the war under the provisions of the G. I. Bill or under provision of Public Law No. 16 which provides training for veterans who sustained service-incurred disabilities.

As Otterbein boys are discharged we invite them to return to our quiet, peaceful village and to our friendly campus. Service men are urged to recruit their buddies for Otterbein. Alumni should speak to discharged men about the advantages offered here.

AN APPROPRIATE MEMORIAL

The time is at hand when we should be thinking of an appropriate memorial to the services rendered by our more than six hundred boys and girls on the battlefields of the world, and in memory of those who gave their all. What should it be? A stadium? A swimming pool? A dormitory? A chapel? These are among Otterbein’s needs and any one would make a worthy memorial to these gallant boys and girls who gave up peaceful pursuits and everything dear to them to answer their country’s call. Pass along your suggestions.

Flash: As the TOWERS goes to press word is received that Second Lieutenant Philip Morgan, a pilot of a B-26 Marauder group, is missing in action in the European Area since November 19.
1901—Mr. James G. Sanders, '01, was a recent visitor to Westerville. He has just returned from Peru where he was in government work, and is soon to leave for Persia on another government assignment.

1914—At the August commencement of Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pa., the address was delivered by Dr. Joseph R. Miller, '14, Superintendent of Schools in Beaver Falls. His subject was "The Educational Challenge of the Future."

1919—Dr. Lyle J. Michael, '19, chairman of Otterbein's department of chemistry, attended the third biennial National Chemical Exposition and the National Chemical Conference which were held in Chicago in November.

1924—Mrs. J. Ruskin Howe (Mary Elizabeth Brewbaker, '24) was recently elected a national trustee of the Women's Missionary Association Board of the United Brethren Church. Mrs. Howe, who has long been active in the denomination's field of missionary education, succeeds her mother as a member of the Board.

1926—Prof. Zane Wilson, '26, who last year was on the faculty of Bowling Green University, is now teaching mathematics at Columbia University.

Mr. Earl Hoover, '26, has just been appointed chairman of the Public Relations Committee of the Ohio State Bar Association.

1927—The Oct. 25 issue of Christian Century carries an article by Dr. Roy A. Burkhart, '27, entitled "The Church and the Returning Soldier." Doctor Burkhart is pastor of First Community Church, Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. C. O. Lambert, '27, has moved from Lincoln, Neb., where he was Physical Director of the Y.M.C.A., to Cincinnati, Ohio, and has taken on the duties of Executive Secretary at the Columbia Parkway Branch Y.M.C.A.

1928—Mr. J. Robert Knight, '28, has been promoted from Program Secretary to Executive Secretary of the Toledo Branch Y.M.C.A.

Mrs. Earl R. Hoover (Alice Propst, '28) was elected for a second annual term as President of the Cleveland Dietetics Association. Recently Mrs. Hoover spoke at the Food Service Directors' national conference, leading the discussion on industrial feeding.

Dr. George M. Moore, '28, resigned as Assistant Professor of Biology at William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va., to accept a position as Associate Professor of Zoology at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, N. H.

Mr. Otho Schott, '28, has returned to Westerville after being employed for a year and a half in Panama by the U. S. Corps of Engineers. While in Panama he was in charge of shops and transportation in that area, including 350 trucks and 20 boats.

1932 and 1934—Clipper and steamer will this month carry Rev. and Mrs. Parker Young, '34, (Helen Cole, '32) back to Sierra Leone, West Africa, where they will continue their work in the mission field.

1933—Miss Lavelle Rosselot, '33, received an honorable mention for her reproduction of the painting, "After a Day's Toil" by Vincent Dizens, which was displayed at the annual Outdoor Art Fair in Washington, D. C.

1941—Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Neff, '41, (Almena Innerst, '42) are both teaching in a school for mentally retarded children in Lafayette, R. I. Mrs. Neff teaches 85 girls and Mr. Neff 200 boys.

1943—Mrs. Eldon Shauck (Leora Ludwick, '43) started work Dec. 1st as secretary in Otterbein's Public Relations Office.

1944—Miss Martha Belle Blanks, '44, is a teacher in the Murrie School of Music in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Mr. John Zezech, '44, is now announcing over radio station WIZE in Springfield, Ohio.

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SISTERS GIVE MEMORIAL GIFTS

Otterbein accepts with gratitude the "Sara B. Mauger Memorial Scholarship Fund" of $9,270 set up jointly by Mrs. J. Bren Bovey (Ida Mauger, '96) and Mrs. Stephen C. Markley (Mary B. Mauger, '95) in memory of their sister Sara B. Mauger, '95.

A second joint scholarship fund to be known as the "Rev. J. Bren and Ida B. Mauger Bovey Scholarship Fund" and the "Rev. Jacob L. and Elizabeth B. Mauger Memorial Fund was established by Mrs. Bovey. The amount of this fund is $2,000 to be increased later.

These funds are gifts to the Centennial and are at present trust funds. Later the income will be available to students in the form of scholarships or loans.
**COACH CARROLL C. WIDDOES WINS NATIONAL FAME**

When your editor printed the picture and story last June in the TOWERS of Carroll Widdoes he had no doubts that "Wid" would carry on the fine work which his boss had begun at Ohio State. However, he was scarcely optimistic enough to believe that in his first year as head coach at a great university he would skyrocket to fame by winning nine straight games and the Big Ten Championship with an all-civilian team playing the country's toughest opposition.

Carroll Widdoes is a familiar name to the sports-loving world. He is the idol on every vacant lot in America where kids gather to play football. His magnificent record has won for him the acclaim of sports writers everywhere and the selection of him as "Coach of the Year" is the highest honor that can come to any coach.

Carroll, the son of missionary parents (now interned in the Philippines) came to Otterbein College in 1922 and graduated four years later with the A.B. degree and with a fine record in four sports. He won three letters in basketball, three in track as a pole vaulter and hurdler, two in football as a halfback, and one in baseball. In 1926 he received mention as an All-Ohio basketball player.

Widdoes went to Massillon, Ohio, in 1926 where he taught and coached all sports at Longfellow Junior High School. In 1934 he became football assistant to Paul Brown at Washington Senior High School in addition to being made basketball coach.

Serving as backfield coach, he aided Brown in compiling Massillon's great football record of 67 wins against two defeats and one tie from 1934-1940. When Brown came to Ohio State in 1941 it was only natural that Widdoes should come with him.

When Brown went to Great Lakes he recommended Carroll as his successor and he has not been disappointed except when Ohio State beat Great Lakes 26-6.

Congratulations, Carroll! Every Otterbeinite is proud of you.

**PRESIDENT HOWE AND PARTY VISIT ALUMNI GROUPS**

Meeting with all major alumni groups in the east, President and Mrs. Howe, accompanied by the Otterbein Girls' Trio, spent November 10-26 in a Pittsburgh-Washington-New York-Boston tour bringing the story of the college year and the Centennial to three hundred alumni, ex-students and friends in formal and informal gatherings at more than a dozen points. The Trio obliged with a splendid program at each stop, the college movies were shown to nostalgic alumni and a glorious time was had by all in the spirit of Otterbein and days of old.

Opening the tour at a large gathering in Wilkinsburg for the Pittsburgh district on Friday evening, November 10, the party then met on Saturday evening with a fine group at Greensburg where Walter Maring was elected president, Harold Darling, vice president and Helen Albright, secretary-treasurer of a new alumni club covering a wide area in that vicinity. Sunday was spent in Johnstown in the United Brethren churches and in informal meetings after which the party continued to Hagerstown and Washington. At the latter place the largest gathering of the trip was held. Later formal meetings were at Philadelphia, Easton, at Princeton where the Trio sang for the Westminster Choir School, at New York City, at New Haven, at Boston, at Pittsfield and at Latrobe, Pa. where the morning service at the United Brethren Church was devoted to Otterbein and the Centennial. A fine interest in the college program was manifested at every point.
STORK MARKET REPORT

1929—A son, Robert Reist, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Reist, '38, (Lorena Kundert, '37) announce the birth of Robert Lee on Oct. 27.

1930—Capt. and Mrs. Irwin H. Gilbert (Marie Wainwright, ex '30) announce the birth of Robert Lee on Oct. 9.

1933—A daughter, Martha Lou, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Zeller Henry, '33, on Oct. 27.

1935—Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Hohn, '35, (Kathryn Moore, '36) announce the birth of a son on Oct. 24.

1936—Craig Barnes is the name of the new son of Mr. and Mrs. James Toedtman (Ella B. Smith, '36). The boy was born Nov. 22.

1937—On Nov. 9 Richard Allen was born to Rev. and Mrs. Robert Ryder, '37.

From Dr. and Mrs. Donald R. Martin, '37, (Katherine Newton, '37) comes the announcement of the arrival of a son, Tommy Newton, on Nov. 15.

Nathalie Suzanne is the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bungard, '37, (Catherine Parcher, '36). She was born Oct. 2.

Ens. and Mrs. Roderick Eley, ex '38, (Lorena Kundert, '37) announce the birth of a second son, Donald Bruce, Sept. 21.

1938—A son, David Scott, was born Nov. 29 to Mr. and Mrs. William Calihan, '38 (Sarah Aydelotte, '38).

1939—To Pfc. and Mrs. William Burch (Catherine Burton, '39) a daughter, Linda Grace, was born on Nov. 6.

A son, David Louis, was born on Nov. 7 to CPL. and Mrs. Dwight Ballenger, '39, (Betty Rosensteile, '42).

Sgt. and Mrs. Curtis Schick, ex '39, are the parents of little Donald Curtis, born Oct. 31.

1940—A son, Glenn Randall, has arrived at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Randall O. Campbell, '40, (Catherine Ward, '40). The baby was born Nov. 10.

1941—On Dec. 2 a second daughter Diane Kay, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rule, '42.

1942—On Dec. 2 a second daughter Diane Kay, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rule, '42.

1943—Mr. and Mrs. Everett Sodders (Thelma Hooks, ex '43) announce the birth of a daughter on Oct. 12. They have named her Carol Diane.

On Dec. 4 a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Resler Calihan, '43.

1944—It is a boy for Lt. and Mrs. William Barr, ex '44, (Virginia Andrus, ex '44). Young William Andrus was born Nov. 26.

Carrying on his father's name is the young son of Rev. and Mrs. Robert Merle DeMass, '44. Junior was born Nov. 25.

TOLL OF THE YEARS

1928—Burial was in Westerville for Daniel Ward, '28, whose death was announced in the last issue of this journal.

1932—Rev. J. D. Good, '13, performed the ceremony which united in marriage his daughter, Miss Lora K. Good, '38, and Mr. O. Blair McGraw on Nov. 12 in Johnstown, Pa.


1934—The marriage of Y 2/c Evelyn Markel, WAVE, ex '45, and FC 2/c John C. Shultz, Jr., USN, was performed in Washington, D. C., on July 15.

HERE COME THE BRIDES

1929—On Sept. 13 in Indianapolis, Ind., Sgt. and Mrs. Cenate Long, '29, were married. The bride was formerly Claire Louise Burks.

1932—Miss Ruth Melvin, '32, and Mr. Frederick Allen were married last April 8 in the Presbyterian Church at Wellston, Ohio.

1938—Miss Ruth Melvin, '32, and Mr. Frederick Allen were married last April 8 in the Presbyterian Church at Wellston, Ohio.

1941—Two members of the class of '41, Miss Mary Garver and Mr. John Chippering, took their wedding vows on June 30, in Strasburg, Ohio.

SANITY TAKES A HOLIDAY

The boys of Otterbein, in honor of all men in the service, staged a variety show recently entitled "Sanity Takes a Holiday." Admission was by war stamps and a total of one hundred and twenty-five dollars was raised for the Sixth War Loan drive. The show, written and directed by Bob Koehler, a college sophomore, was a follow-up of the past year's presentation "The Saum Hall Follies". The boys are to be commended for this effort to help in a worthy cause.