

# OTTERBEIN TOWERS



**HOMEcoming ISSUE, 1951**





## THE EDITOR'S CORNER

By authority of the Alumni Council, four issues of TOWERS will come to you again this year. This will make the tenth year your magazine has come to you in essentially the same format, in the same frequency, and with the same editor.

Please note that the masthead carries the name of Jean Unger Chase, '43, as associate editor. Having charge of records, mailing, and the countless details of a well-managed office, Mrs. Chase is a valuable asset to the alumni office. Her assistance in editing the magazine will be appreciated by alumni everywhere.

Your editor, who also serves as executive secretary of the Development Fund Board, takes this opportunity, on behalf of the board, to express appreciation for the splendid support alumni are giving to the needs of the college. In the short span of four years Otterbein alumni have taken their place among the leaders in Ohio in support of their alma mater.

Your alumni office stands ready to serve you when you come back for homecoming. Let us know your needs and we will do our best to make your visit an eventful one.

*Wade S. Miller*

### Homecoming Program

OCTOBER 25 - 28

#### THURSDAY

HOMECOMING PLAY—"The Miser" ..... 8:15 P.M.  
Cowan Hall

#### FRIDAY

DEDICATORY CONCERT—Westminster Choir ..... 8:15 P.M.  
Cowan Hall

#### SATURDAY

MEETING OF THE DEVELOPMENT FUND BOARD ..... 10:00 A.M.  
CROWNING OF THE QUEEN ..... 10:00 A.M.  
LUNCHEON—*Open to All Guests* ..... 11:00 - 12:30 P.M.  
Barlow Hall

SPECIAL LUNCHEONS ..... 11:30 A.M.  
Jonda ..... Cochran Dining Hall  
Annex Feast (Chicken and Gingerbread) ..... Fraternity House  
Talisman ..... Barlow Hall  
Onyx ..... 210 West Main Street  
Arbutus ..... Williams Grill  
Country Club ..... Fraternity House

PARADE ..... 1:30 P.M.  
GAME—Otterbein vs. Marietta ..... 2:15 P.M.  
GREENWICH OPEN HOUSE—Club Room ..... 4:30 P.M.  
OX ROAST (Price \$1.25) ..... 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.  
Barlow Hall

HOMECOMING PLAY—"The Miser" ..... 8:15 P.M.  
Cowan Hall

HOMECOMING DANCE ..... 9:00 - 12:00 P.M.  
Westerville Armory

#### SUNDAY

MORNING WORSHIP ..... 10:00 A.M.  
DEDICATION OF COWAN HALL ..... 3:00 P.M.





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## TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL FRIENDS

(Note to alumni: This issue of *Towers* is being distributed to the several hundred high school students on the campus on October 6.)

The more than five thousand living alumni and ex-students of Otterbein College join the editor of TOWERS in a word of welcome to all who are assembled on our campus for this annual High School Day. We shall be pleased if, after your visit today, you decide to choose Otterbein as your college.

We would have you know that we spent some of the most pleasant and profitable days of our lives on this very campus; our most intimate and cherished friends were made here; our preparation to live and to make a living has been of inestimable value; the ideals and motives engendered here were of the highest and best. We covet for you the same experiences we enjoyed as students of another generation.

Our magazine, OTTERBEIN TOWERS, was not prepared with you in mind. The purpose of our magazine is twofold: (1) to keep us who are scattered to the ends of the earth in touch with each other and (2) to keep us informed of the happenings and progress of our beloved alma mater. We believe, however, that you will be interested in seeing what some of our members are doing and what goes on normally on our campus. Perhaps you will some day join our ranks, and you will then know how much we look forward to this quarterly review.

Today you will not see the real Otterbein. You will see the campus, the buildings, the facilities, the students, the faculty—but not the real Otterbein.

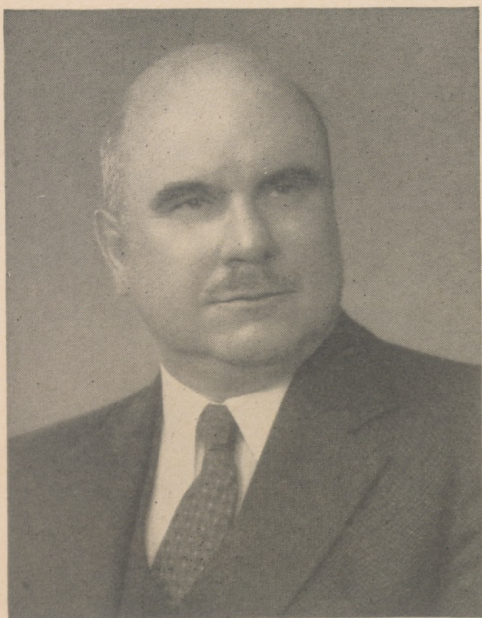
The real Otterbein is an intangible something we call the spirit of the campus—the things you feel and experience, not just what you see and touch. Our campus is democratic and friendly, with a home-like atmosphere. "The Otterbein Family" is a term commonly used. Here students know and trust each other; they value friendships; they enjoy life; they work hard for considerate, understanding, friendly professors.

You will have to live on our campus to understand what we mean. Note the words of an Otterbein song: "So, come on down to Otterbein, there you'll find a place to warm your heart and mine."

## The Cover Page

We proudly present a close-up of the front entrance to Cowan Memorial Hall, which will be dedicated officially on October 28. Pictures of the donor and the principals in the dedication ceremony appear on pages six and seven.





J. Gordon Howard, '22

Dear Friends:

A college year is like an ocean voyage. The Good Ship *Otterbein* after being moored all summer, pushed away from the dock on September 13 and is now heading across the interesting Sea of Life. The ship expects to arrive at the distant port of Commencement next June with all passengers and crew safe and sound. In the intervening months many miles will have been traveled, many lessons learned, and much experience gained. The Ship *Otterbein* is better equipped this year. Some new things have been added, and improvements have been made for the benefit of all passengers, crew, and visitors.

On September 17 the passenger list numbered 618. The officers in charge, sometimes called professors, number 38 full-time and 15 part-time. Administrative officers number 8 full-time and 3 part-time. Assistant Administrative Officers, 3. The crew to prepare meals, provide heat, and keep things shipshape numbers 26. The office staff numbers 9, plus part-time student assistants.

The freshman passengers who boarded ship for the first time number 171. Passengers returning from last year's voyage number 440. The total number of passengers is not so large as had been hoped. Many factors combined to reduce the total passenger list, even though many passenger agents worked hard and toured far all year to enlist as many as possible.

No doubt there will be some squalls ahead for those aboard the Ship *Otterbein*. No long voyage is complete without some rough weather. However, we hope no hurricanes will be encountered, and we believe the

## THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

ship can ride out any ordinary storm without mishap. Severe winds and high seas have been encountered before and have been surmounted safely.

The twin dangers which beset most college ships these days are the prominent shoals of high cost of operation and the shallow waters of financial income. It requires considerable skill in charting the course and navigating the ship to avoid running aground. It seems that there is no immediate possibility of removing the shoals, but a good strong tide of financial income will lift the ship high enough to sail smoothly.

We hope many former passengers will return to visit us en route this year. Homecoming will occur on October 27. It should be an unusually interesting and inspiring week-end, for on Friday, October 26, the world famous Westminster Choir will sing here under the direction of Dr. John Finley Williamson, and on October 28, the new Cowan Memorial Hall will be dedicated, with Bishop Emeritus G. D. Batdorf presiding.

Now lest we get our nautical terms mixed up with military vocabulary, we will drop our figures of speech and revert to straight English. We had scarcely opened school when it was announced that the 37th Division of the Ohio National Guard would be called to active duty about January 15. This upset the plans of a number of our students who belong to this military unit. The faculty has authorized plans whereby the National Guardsmen now in school can finish the equivalent of one semester's work before it is necessary for them to leave for camp.

Elsewhere in these pages appears the information that alumni contributors to the Development Fund have surpassed any previous record, and the total funds received have set a new record. Many thanks to the many friends who made this victory possible. It was necessary to close the past year with a deficit, the first of any size since war days. But because of loyal alumni support, plus outstanding coöperation from several annual conferences, the large deficit which faced us a year ago has been reduced by two-thirds.

Hope to see you at Homecoming, including the Westminster Choir concert and the dedication of Cowan Memorial Hall.

J. Gordon Howard

President

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Order your Westminster Choir concert tickets.  
See back page for reservation blank



## FROM OUR ALUMNI PREXY

Dear Friends:

Greetings to the Alumni and friends at the start of Otterbein's 105th year.

The turn of world affairs brings into sharp focus the opportunities of a Christian college. It is now even more imperative that we continue in our usual way, producing the kind of persons we ought to be in ANY times. Our national security is in international affairs and the stress of these times demands straight thinking. We need persons who are prepared for right living in terms of elemental integrity and decency. We must foster a base of general knowledge that ends in creating right attitudes toward both possessions and other people.

Thus, early in her second century, Otterbein faces this task of immediate importance. To accomplish this, the college will need a strong physical plant. The completion of a new chapel this year is one step in this direction. Other projected buildings will occupy our attention in the next several years. A second problem is the recruiting of students to maintain our goals in this respect. Added to these is the necessary matter of guaranteeing an adequate income for the college. For this task, the Administration and Alumni bear joint responsibility and have a coöperative opportunity.

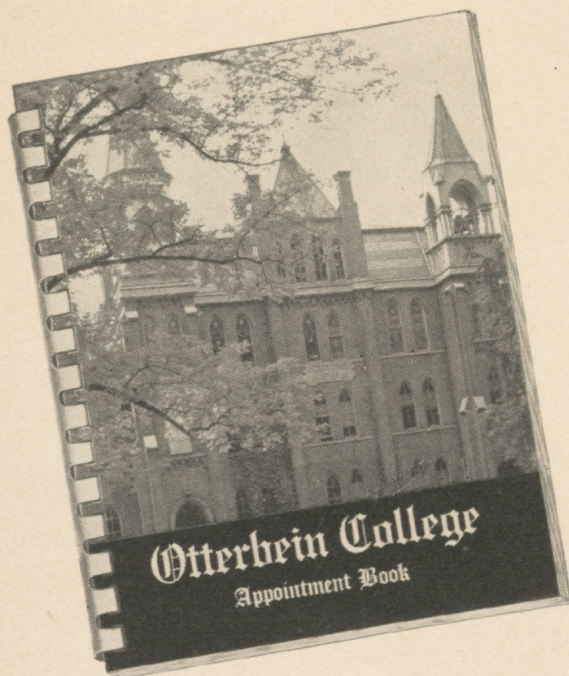


David W. Allaman, '30

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at homecoming. Your presence on the campus will remind you of many pleasant years.

DAVID W. ALLAMAN.

## An Otterbein Picture For Every Week Of The Year



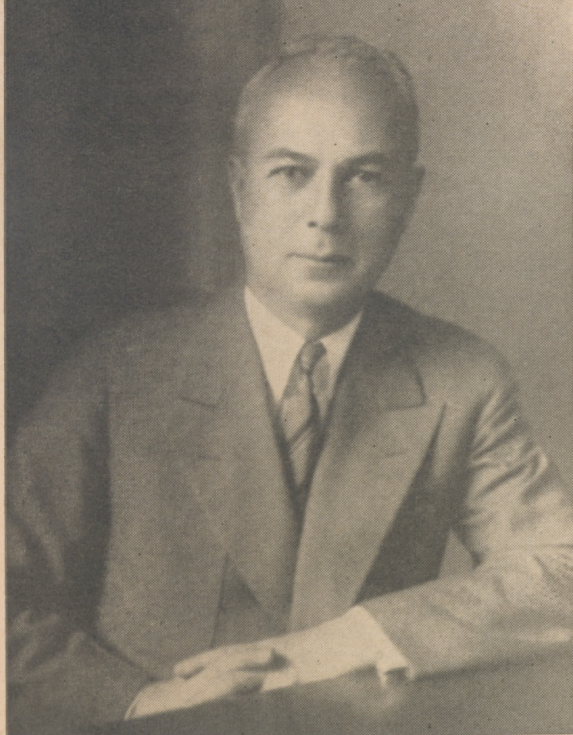
At the left you get a preview of the cover of the beautiful new calendar and appointment book for 1951. On each page opposite the weekly calendar will be found an interesting Otterbein picture. Thus, there are fifty-two pictures of buildings, campus scenes, organizations, and individuals.

The book will be  $6\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$  in size, printed in green with white spiral binding.

For your friends, especially your Otterbein friends, it will make a greatly appreciated Christmas gift. The price is \$1.10 if ordered by mail and \$1.00 if picked up at the office. Since shipment is expected just before homecoming, you can pick up your copies at that time. Incidentally, your credit is always good if you want to buy a quantity of them.

If you do not expect to be on the campus before Christmas, you can order your copies by mail. Use the handy form on the back cover of TOWERS.





Clyde E. Cowan, '04

## OTTERBEIN'S GREATEST BENEFACTOR

Young people for generations to come will benefit from the generosity of the late Dr. Clyde E. Cowan, '04, who by his gift of \$400,000 made possible the hall which bears his name. This gift is the largest ever received from a single source.

A clue to the character of the donor is seen in his desire that his identity should not be revealed during his lifetime.

He was not permitted to see the completion of the building, but he manifested great interest in the architectural drawings for the building. By a strange coincidence the contract for the erection of the building was awarded on the same day that he suffered a stroke, which a week later proved fatal.

Dr. Cowan was a shining example of a self-made man. Following his graduation from Otterbein and further study at Penn State, he became a leading figure in the coal industry. He became a consulting engineer for several large coal companies. Later he was made vice-president of the J. H. Weaver Coal Company, which operated mines in central Pennsylvania and West Virginia. A short time before his death he sold his mining interests and gave Otterbein the money which has made possible a building honoring his Otterbein teachers.

### A Fitting Tribute

At the lower left is the copy appearing on the plaque in the foyer of Cowan Memorial Hall, indicating for all time the tribute of a man to his teachers. It is a powerful and convincing testimony that the work of good and consecrated teachers does not go unappreciated.

### A Beautiful Building

Cowan Hall will have to be seen to be appreciated. The simplicity of architectural design adds to its beauty. The inside color combinations are most pleasing. The lighting is all indirect. It has a seating capacity of 1301, with 836 seats on the first floor and 465 in the balcony. Its well-equipped stage is large enough for any major dramatic or musical production the college may want to sponsor. The natural wood paneled foyer is covered with rubber tile. The vision from any seat is excellent. It will serve well the needs of Otterbein.

## COWAN MEMORIAL HALL

1950

This building was made possible by the generous gift of the late Dr. Clyde E. Cowan, '04, as a memorial to his Otterbein teachers. . . . It pays special tribute to the qualities of patience, tolerance, wisdom and vision which he saw exemplified in the faculty of Otterbein College.

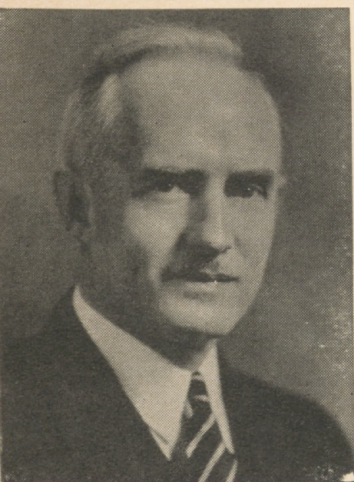




Mrs. Cowan was for many years secretary to Dr. Cowan and shared his industrial problems. She likewise shares his interest in Otterbein and will take part in the dedication ceremony.



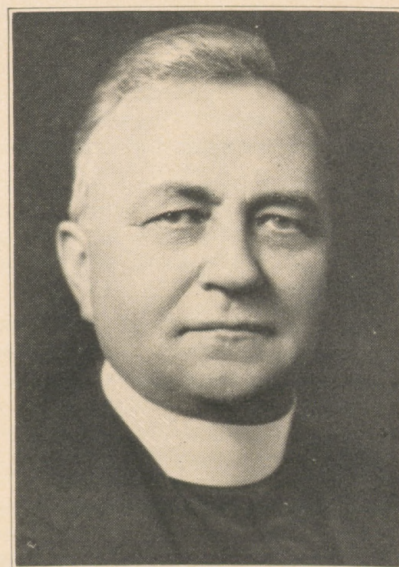
Vance E. Cribbs, '20, chairman of the board of trustees, will accept the building for the college.



Dr. John Finley Williamson, '11, will bring his world-famous choir to the campus for a dedicatory concert on Friday, October 26 at 8:15. Both Dr. and Mrs. Williamson (Rhea Parlette) were in the class of 1911 and will be observing the fortieth anniversary of their graduation.



Eugene T. Benham of the architectural firm of Benham, Richards and Armstrong is the college architect.



The Rev. Grant T. Batdorf, bishop emeritus of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, will deliver the dedicatory address and conduct the ritual of dedication. The bishop is an honorary alumnus of Otterbein and a long-time friend of the college.





## THE FOOTBALL OUTLOOK

It is too early in the year to determine how good or how bad the 1951 football team will be. Only one game has been played and that was with a scrappy Wilmington eleven.

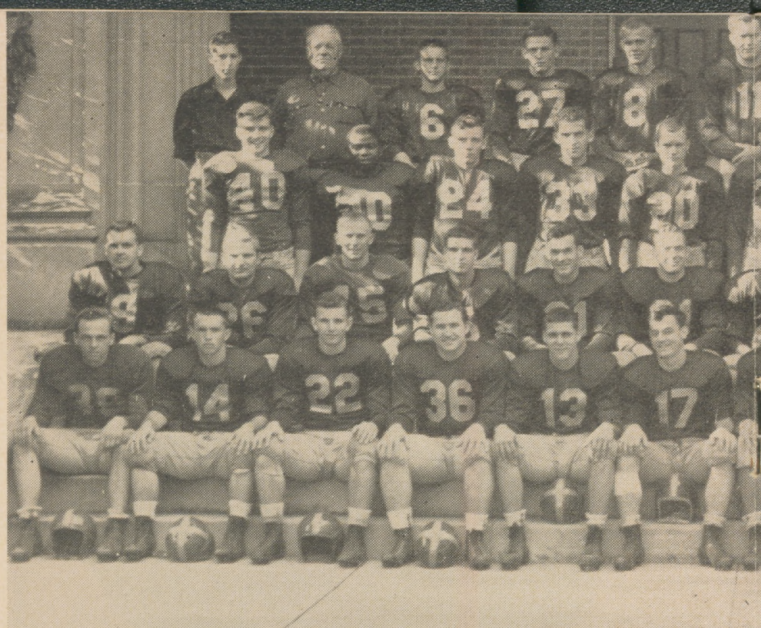
For three quarters the statistics were fairly even. Each team was inside the other's five-yard line but lacked the necessary punch to put over a touchdown.

Finally, in the last quarter, Wilmington scored and made good on the conversion to win 7-0. It was a disappointment to the team and to the fans but the defeat may serve a good purpose by convincing the team that much hard work must be done if we are to have the kind of season all of us want.

Coaches Ewing and West have a squad of forty-three players. Thirteen of the number are lettermen. On the squad are ten seniors, six juniors, sixteen sophomores, and eleven freshmen. All but seven on the squad are from Ohio. Freshmen are eligible for varsity competition.

The homecoming game is with Marietta College and should bring together two fairly even teams although Marietta is slightly larger in enrollment. At least it should be a very good game to watch.

From all indications, our rival down Columbus way will be stronger this year than for the past several seasons and the Otterbein-Capital trophy, now in Otterbein's possession, is in danger of taking a trip. All must work hard to see that this does not happen.

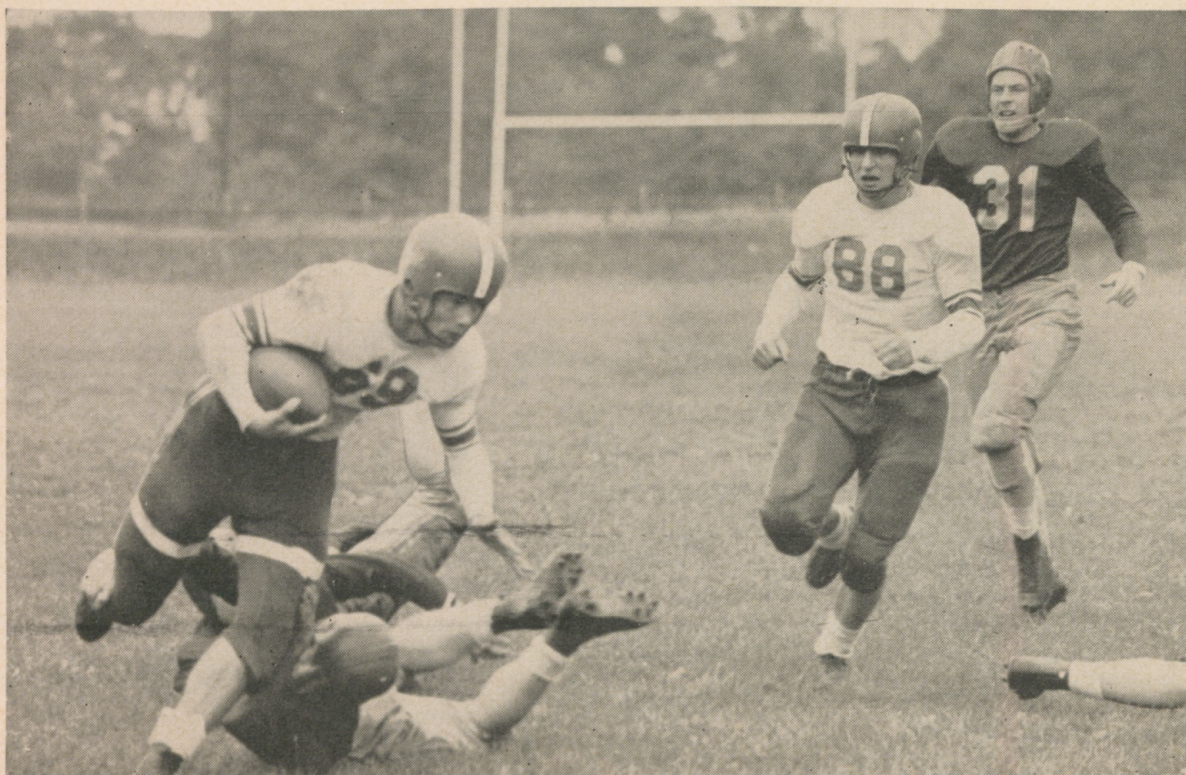


Front Row: Dick Horie, Larry Walburn, Robert Fowler, Wesley Belch, Mione, Gene Keel, Robert Blais, Lowell Foote.  
Second Row: John Wiggins, Glenn Miller, Richard Sauerman, George Jackson, Ed Rarey, Enar Anderson, Max Mickey, Paul Greene.  
Third Row: Lloyd Linkhorn, Lawrence Fields, Sheldon Bently, Harry Forsythe, Dale Rowell, Richard Ruh.  
Last Row: Don Myers, Mgr., Coach Ewing, Ed Axline, Ned Foreman, Ted Benadum, Coach West, Gregory Andrieckuck, Asst. Mgr.

## The Schedule

Sept. 22	Wilmington	Home
Sept. 29	Ohio Wesleyan	At Delaware
Oct. 6	Denison	Home
Oct. 13	Kenyon	At Gambier
Oct. 27	Marietta	Home
	(Homecoming)	
Nov. 3	Hiram	At Hiram
Nov. 10	Capital	Home
Nov. 17	Muskingum	At New Concord

Left halfback Favorite of Wilmington picked up nine yards on this play before being stopped by halfback Hans of Otterbein. No. 88 is Rush for Wilmington and No. 31 is Levering of Otterbein.







er, James Barkhoff, Joe Hans, William Young, Cletus Beam, Frank  
George Beachler, William Cole, Tex Levering, Charles Ferguson, Fred  
erry Howett, Gerald Obenauer, Philip Detamore, Ken Hollis, Leroy  
n, James Marshall, Dart Keech, Robert Schultz, Wendall Breithaupt,

## Football Coaches

With George Novotny on leave of absence, the head coaching job is back in the hands of Harry W. Ewing, Director of Athletics. Harry did his football playing at the University of Nebraska and has been at Otterbein since 1934.

During World War II, when the manpower shortage was most critical, he coached all sports at Otterbein with unusual success. Before coming to Otterbein, he coached at Ohio Wesleyan and Miami Universities.

Assisting Coach Ewing is Richard West, who learned his football at Springfield College. He came to Otterbein in 1947 to direct the intramural program. He recently received his Master's degree at Ohio State. With a few good breaks these capable coaches should turn out a winning team.

Coaches Ewing and West



## SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Joanne Vansant

In the women's department of physical education another busy year is getting under way. The two new hockey fields are ready for use this fall, and will be more or less "formally initiated" when the Central Ohio Field Hockey Association Tournament is held at Otterbein on November 3. Twelve or fourteen "top-notch" hockey players, representing seven schools in the Central Ohio area, will be competing for honors in order to represent this district in the Great Lakes Tournament, Nov. 10.

The Women's Athletic Association membership increased from 25 to 65 last year. A new lounge has been furnished in the basement of the Association Building for this organization.

One of the highlights of the fall season will be the appearance of the Scottish hockey team at Earlham College, Richmond, Indiana, on October 23. This team represents one of the best women's hockey teams in the world.

On October 5, Capital University will bring two hockey teams to Otterbein for a sports day, and on October 27, Otterbein and Capital will travel to Ohio State for hockey games there. November 2 is the date set aside for a hockey game at Denison.

The intramural program provides opportunities for both classes and sororities to compete against one another. Golf, field hockey, tennis, baseball, archery, volleyball, and basketball are offered on an inter-class basis, with bowling and volleyball an intersorority feature. Last year the freshmen won the class intramurals, Talisman sorority won the bowling trophy, and Tau Delta sorority annexed the volleyball trophy. We feel that a good intramural program is vital to the promotion of good sportsmanship, and there is also much to be gained in friendly competition with girls from other colleges.

Coaches Geis and Vansant







Left to right: Ilah C. Fellers, Alice Rheinheimer, Helen Mettler, Joy Gustin, Samuel I. Thackrey, George N. Hogue.

## CHANGES IN THE FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

More than the usual number of changes occurred in the faculty and administrative staff this year. The changes include one retirement: Dr. E. W. E. Schear, '07; thirteen resignations: Mrs. June Gravitt, Miss Grace Beckwith, James A. Brunner, Mrs. Vasa Canzani, Paul F. Bechtold, Paul R. Cone, Mrs. Elizabeth Pinar, Egon Schwarz, Mrs. Frances Van Pelt, Calvin Holtkamp, Maurice Gribler, Mrs. Dorothy Rankin, and Harry Hirt; and four leaves of absence: John A. Clippinger, L. William Steck, George W. Novotny, and Mrs. Junella T. Anderson.

In view of the decrease in enrollment, it was not necessary to replace all who retired or resigned. The new members of the staff are listed below.

### JOY GUSTIN

Art  
B.A., Otterbein College  
Graduate study at the Columbus Art School.

### ALICE RHEINHEIMER

Dietitian  
B.S., Ohio State University  
Experience: Eighteen years in institutional management.

### ILAH C. FELLERS

Director of Admissions  
B.A., Otterbein College  
Graduate study at Ohio State University  
Experience: Teacher and superintendent Ohio schools for 11 years; New Mex-

ico mission field, 3 years; Red Cross executive in World War II.

### GEORGE N. HOGUE

Business Administration  
B.A., Otterbein College  
Graduate study, Ohio State University  
(Mr. Hogue is teaching part-time in addition to his regular duties as college treasurer.)

### ROBERT E. POTTS

Psychology  
A.B., LL.B., Ohio State University  
Candidate for Ph.D. at Ohio State  
Experience: U.S. Navy; Substitute Teacher at Ohio State University.

### HELEN METTLER

Home Economics  
B.S. in Home Economics and M.A.,

Ohio State University  
Experience: Teacher in high schools; exchange teacher in England.

### MRS. MARJORIE CROSSLEY

Secretarial studies  
B.S. in Bus. Adm. and B.S. in Ed.,  
Ohio State University  
Experience: Instructor in accounting laboratory, Ohio State University.

### SAMUEL I. THACKREY

Journalism  
B.S., Kansas State College  
Experience: Colonel, U. S. Army (Retired); twenty years of newspaper work, Oklahoma City, Kansas City, Cleveland, New York, Fort Worth, Columbus.



# ALUMNI ESTABLISHING A NEW RECORD

Get on the Band Wagon

All previous records in giving to the Development Fund are being broken in 1951. In the first eight months of this year, a total of 1,226 grads and ex-students have made contributions totaling \$19,305.52. In the entire calendar year of 1950, a total of 1169 people gave \$15,559.91. With four months yet to go in 1951, the graduates of Otterbein should prove conclusively that they belong among the leaders in our state in support of their alma mater.

The record of giving up to September 1 is as follows:

<i>Source of Gifts</i>	<i>Number of Contributors</i>	<i>Percentage Contributing</i>	<i>Total Gifts</i>	<i>Average Gift</i>
Alumni	1,226	23.5%	\$19,305.52	\$ 15.74
Non-Alumni	73		7,839.00	107.38
Organizations	7		1,461.27	208.75
Bequests	1		19,050.00	
Churches (Special Gifts)			7,773.85	
			<hr/> \$55,429.64	

If there is a disappointing feature in the Otterbein record, it is in the percentage of contributors. The development fund board feels that a larger number can and should give something. At no time has the board suggested an amount that people should give. The slogan has been: "Give according to your ability." If you can spare only a dollar, give that—but give.

## Special Gifts Received And Appreciated

### The Rike Memorial Scholarship Fund

A gift of \$5,000 has been received from Mrs. Everett A. (Susanne Rike) MacDonald to create a scholarship fund in memory of the late David L. Rike, Salome Kumler Rike, and Frederick H. Rike, father, mother, and brother, respectively, of the donor. The money is to be used for needy and worthy students.

A memorial to the Rikes is most appropriate. David L. was chairman of the board of trustees from 1884-1895—the most critical years in the history of the college. His son Fred was a member of the board for over fifty years and served as chairman from 1906-1911—the period of the institution's greatest expansion.

Mrs. MacDonald, now living in California, taught music at Otterbein for one year. She is a worthy daughter of a great father and mother.

### A Pipe Organ

Vernon E. Fries, '11, has given to Otterbein the two manual Wurlitzer pipe organ which he used for a number of years in his Miami Valley Conservatory of Music. Since organs never wear out, this is a very

valuable gift and is greatly appreciated. It will be installed and used as a practice organ. Mrs. Fries was the former Mary Susan Sechirt, '09.

### Music

Lee Shackson, head of the music department, reports that Tom Brady, '36, has donated to the department of music a very useful collection of orchestra music. Some time ago, friend Tom gave a trombone; at another time he gave a sum of money for the upkeep of a music instrument; and now he makes a gift of music. The college is appreciative of these many remembrances.

### In Loving Remembrance

A check was received recently in the amount of \$57.50 from friends of the late Mrs. Homer Cassel, '15 (Opal Gilbert), who gave this amount to the college instead of sending flowers for her funeral. The money is to be used to purchase a cross for the altar in the new chapel-auditorium. This will forever perpetuate the memory of a wonderful Christian and loyal friend of Otterbein.

### THE CENTURION CLUB

There are now forty-nine people who are eligible for membership in the Centurion Club. This club is made up of persons who give \$100 or more to the support of the college and are, therefore, known as *Patrons of Higher Education*. The club will be organized officially after the close of the current calendar year when it will be known who the charter members are. Membership is still open.

### THE "BUCK-A-MONTH" CLUB

An alumnus wrote some time ago and enclosed a dollar bill. He said he believed he could send a dollar a month and not miss it. He suggested that there may be others who would like to join him in "A Buck-a-Month" Club. If you would like to join him, send a dollar and mark on your contribution card "Buck-a-Month." Give this plan a trial. You can begin or quit at any time.



**1901**—Dr. Frank Oldt, '01, member of the 50th anniversary class, has retired from active service in the mission field. He recently returned from China, where he was engaged in public health work.

**1910**—Professor and Mrs. John F. Smith, '10, (Catharine Barnes, '01) and Miss Ella Barnes, '07, spent their third summer at Linwood Park on Lake Erie, where Professor Smith served as director of religious education and camp pastor.

**1917**—Clarence L. Booth, '17, superintendent of schools for twenty-two years in Pasco, Washington, assumed new duties as the city school superintendent of Lewiston, Idaho, this fall. Mrs. Booth is the former Charlotte Kurtz, '18.

**1927**—Judith Whitney, '27, recently attended the Annual Convention of The Over-Seas Teachers' Association at Asheville, North Carolina. In 1948-49, Miss Whitney was a staff member of the University High School and Kadena Air Base College on Okinawa.

**1933**—Robert Short, '33, former principal of Johnstown High School, is now teaching mathematics in Westerville High School. His wife is Elsie Bennert, '35.

**1936**—The new city manager of Niagara Falls, New York, is Harold R. Cheek, '36. Mr. Cheek went to his new position from Lexington, Kentucky, where he served in a similar capacity. Mrs. Cheek is the former Anita Bundy, '36.

**1937**—Rev. William G. Kuhen, x'37, is the new moderator of the Columbus Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. In this position he assumes all administrative duties of a church area which includes fifty-two churches in Central Ohio. Travelling will be no problem for Mr. Kuhen, who has already set a record by having preached and lectured in forty-two of the forty-eight states and in twenty-one countries. Previous to his seminary work at Princeton, he traveled through Europe, Asia, and North Africa, spending four months in informal study in Palestine and other Biblical lands.

**1939**—Arthur Duhl, '39, pastor of the Wagner Memorial EUB Church in Columbus, has returned to a chaplaincy in the army.

**1940**—Ronald Beck, '40, a plastic engineer for the L. A. Darling Company of Coldwater, Michigan, has co-authored a textbook entitled "Applied Plastic Product Design." His book is used in various schools and has recently been published in Spanish. Mrs. Beck is the former Floribel Lambert, '39.

**1942**—Lester K. Halverson, '42, was sent by the Pan American Oil Company, Texas City, Texas, to New York during the week of September 3-8 to attend the meeting of the American Chemical Society.

**1947**—Edgar Daniels, '47, completed work this summer on his Ph.D. at Stanford University and is now an English instructor at Western Washington College of Education, Bellingham, Washington.

Dr. James C. Wood, '47, who graduated last June from Ohio State University's Dental School, has his new dental office in Columbus. Mrs. Wood is Otterbein Lois Smathers, '44.

## PROMOTED



Donald R. Clippinger, '25

Dr. Donald R. Clippinger, '25, professor of chemistry at Ohio University since 1941, has been promoted to the rank of Director of the Graduate College. Dr. Clippinger received both the master's degree and the doctor's degree from Ohio State University. From 1925 to 1928, he was assistant professor of chemistry at Otterbein, and since 1928, he has been on the Ohio University faculty.

Viola Senseman, '47, having completed her training at Good Samaritan Hospital in Dayton, took the state board examinations for the R.N. degree.

Mr. and Mrs. John Regenos, x'47 (Betty Rumbarger, '48) have moved to Cincinnati, where John announces the opening of his dental office. He, too, received his D.D.S. from Ohio State University last spring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilmer Sorrell, '47 (Marian McNaught, '46) have been "out to the ball game" this summer! "Gilly" coached the American Legion baseball team of Sandston, Virginia—boys under 17 years of age. His team won district, zone, and state titles—went on to become Regional Champs. They lost their chance for the Little World Series in a 17-inning game with Jacksonville, Florida, but nevertheless finished among the top 8 out of 16,300 teams in the nation.

**1947 and 1948**—Robert Arn, '48, and Edwin Roush, '47, are partners in Westerville's newest hardware store. Bob, who is married to Jacqueline Smathers, x'45, previously was sales representative for Hanna Paints. "Dubbs," who captained Otterbein's Ohio Conference Championship team in 1946, has been head football coach at Gahanna. Mrs. Roush is the former Mary Lou Harold, x'45.

**1948**—Roy W. Clare, '48, has been named director of the Buffalo, New York, Choral Club, a women's choral group founded approximately thirty years ago. Mrs. Clare is the former Jean Walden, x'49.

**1949**—Joan Shinew, '49, is the new Head of Circulation in the library of Western Washington College of Education.

Martha Troop, '49, is teaching speech in both junior college and senior high school at Eagle Grove, Iowa.

Phyllis Anthony, x'49, who completed basic training in the WACS at Camp Lee, Virginia, is now a medical technician at the West Point army hospital.

C. William Locke, x'49, was commissioned in May as a Presbyterian church worker in Santa Rosa, California. Mrs. Locke is the former Marian Thorpe, '47.

James Riley, '49, having been ordained at the EUB Miami Conference Session in June, is now serving the New Haven-Harrison Circuit.

**1950**—Elbert L. Sleeper, '50, is stationed in Tokyo, Japan, where he has been assigned to the Disbursing Office of Naval Headquarters.

William Crabbe, '50, is the new English teacher and assistant football coach at Gahanna.

Hugh Hodgden, '50, has accepted a position as research assistant with the engineering experiment station in the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wadlington, x'50 (Glendine Huggins, '50), are now living at McComb, where George is teaching vocational agriculture.

**1951**—An extended account of 1951 class members will appear in the next issue of TOWERS.



## Silver Star Awarded To Merritt Briggs

Word has been received (from the *Public Opinion*) that Lt. Col. Merritt Briggs, '39, was awarded the Silver Star medal for gallantry in action in Korea.

For organizing and leading a tank attack after two of his company positions had been overrun by the Chinese Communist forces, Col. Briggs, who commands the Second Chemical Mortar Battalion, was given the second-highest American decoration for gallantry.

The citation which accompanied the award cited Col. Briggs' outstanding leadership and conduct in leading the armored reconnaissance, which recovered the position lost in the enemy attack.

Col. Briggs is a veteran of World War II and before taking over command of the Second Mortar Battalion in Korea last September, he served at the Army Chemical Center, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland.

## Grads Receive Advanced Degrees

At the end of the summer, eight Otterbein graduates received advanced degrees as follows:

Kent State University: Paul M. Roby, '27, Master of Education; Frank J. Mraz, '29, Master of Education.

Ohio State University: Martha D. Troop, '49, Master of Arts; Calvin J. Holtkamp, '50, Master of Science; George Robinson, '34, Master of Arts; Marion Chase, '47, Master of Arts; Pauline Barton, '37, Master of Arts; Roy H. Bowen, '33, Doctor of Philosophy; James Kraner, '47, Master of Science; Stanley Schutz, '49, Bachelor of Science in Education.

University of Pittsburgh: Emily Wilson, '44, Master of Letters; Wallace Orlidge, '41, Master of Education.

Western Reserve: Richard Sellers, '50, Master of Science.



Sherman W. Bilsing, '12



Glenn Grant Grabill, '00

## WHO KNOWS — AND WHAT

Honors continue to come to Sherman Bilsing, '12, who will be listed in this fall's edition of *Who Knows and What*, published by A. N. Marquis and Company.

Dr. Bilsing received the M.A. degree from Ohio State University in 1913 and the same year went to Texas A & M as an instructor in the Department of Entomology. In 1918 he was made head of the department, which position he held until his retirement in 1946, with the exception of the years 1923-24, when he was a Fellow at Ohio State University and received the Ph.D. degree from that institution.

When he first went to A & M College, there were only sixty-five students enrolled in the Department of Entomology; however, in 1946 there were more than five hundred enrolled. During these years two hundred men were trained to be professional entomologists.

Texas A & M has just completed a new biology building at a cost of \$590,000, with new equipment valued at \$90,000. Former students of Dr. Bilsing have raised a fund to have an oil painting made of their revered professor. This painting is to be hung in the new building.

Dr. Bilsing is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, an honorary Life Fellow of the Texas Academy of Science, and a Fellow of the Entomological Society of America. In 1927 the Texas Pecan Growers' Association gave him the Distinguished Service Medal as a reward for the research work he did on pecan insects.

## WHO IS WHO IN MUSIC

The 1951 edition (mid-century) of *Who Is Who In Music*, listing more than 5,000 distinguished musicians in all countries of the world, carries a lengthy biographical sketch and picture of Glenn Grant Grabill, '00.

The publisher in his foreword to the book says: "*Who Is Who In Music* aims to supply the 'show window' for that art world (if we are pardoned for the vernacular) around which 'window shoppers' and 'buyers' assemble. It aims to present to the world the musical elect of the world."

Prof. Grabill is well known by every generation of Otterbein students from 1905, when he joined the Otterbein faculty, until 1948, the date of his retirement. For forty of his forty-three years on the Otterbein faculty, he was head of the music department, and during his administration the department was approved by the National Association of Schools of Music.

The popular Otterbein professor-emeritus studied under some of the world's finest teachers both in America and in Europe.

In 1918 he earned the degree of Associate in the American Guild of Organists (A.A.G.O.). Over the years he has concertized extensively as an organ recitalist. For many years he served Columbus churches as organist and choir director. Various Masonic bodies have claimed his services.

The Grabills have six children, four of whom graduated from Otterbein: Glenn Grant, Jr., '34; Dorothy, '35 (Mrs. James McNeer); Gladys, '40; and James R., '43.



# We Salute . . . . . MEN IN RESEARCH



Gerald A. Rosselot, '29

## DR. ROSSELOT

Gerald A. Rosselot, '29, is director of the State Engineering Experiment Station at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

The Institute recently enlarged and expanded its facilities, making it one of the outstanding research centers in the south. In 1940 there were only five full-time research workers and between fifteen and twenty part-time workers. Now there are 135 full-time workers and approximately 125 doing research on a part-time basis. It is expected that the number of full time workers will be increased to 175.

Approximately eighty research projects are carried on annually, with an operating budget of more than \$1,000,000. Some of the projects undertaken last year included the following: chemical research, fundamental battery studies, fine particles studies, vegetable oil studies, coatings research, wood and textile research, television research, in addition to many others.

Gerald, who received his Ph.D. at Ohio State, is the son of Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Rosselot, '05 (Eathel Young, x'09). Mrs. Gerald Rosselot is the former Gladys Dickey, '29. The Gerald Rosselots have a daughter, Lenore, who is a junior at Otterbein.

The three men featured on this page are typical of the scores of other Otterbein men and women who are engaged in research projects. These three were selected because Dr. Martin and Dr. Miller are serving in new positions and Dr. Rosselot is engaged in an expansion program.

It is known now that a number of Otterbein men were active in atomic research, and no doubt many are engaged now in new and secret research projects.

## DR. MILLER

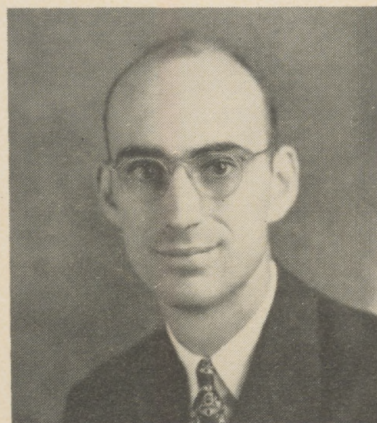
Verle A. Miller has a new position as head of the Synthetic Rubber and Polymer Section of the International Latex Corporation in Dover, Delaware.

Verle graduated from Otterbein in 1935 and received the Ph.D. degree from Ohio State University in 1938.

For nine years he was employed by the General Motors Research Laboratories in Detroit, Michigan, where he worked with Charles F. Kettering and the late Frank O. Clements, '96. His work there consisted of research in the study of reactions leading to the preparation of high octane fuels for use in internal combustion engines. As a result of this period of research, several patents were issued to him and a number of articles were published by him in chemical journals.

Dr. Miller's work then shifted to the field of synthetic rubber. He spent four years at the Physical and Chemical Research Laboratories of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in Akron, Ohio. Special study was made of the preparation and properties of polymers and latices developed for special application, such as the rubber latex in water base paints.

Mrs. Miller is the former Margaret Priest, '35.



Donald R. Martin, '37

## DR. MARTIN

The new head of the chemical metallurgy division of the Naval Research laboratory, Washington, D.C., is Dr. Donald R. Martin, '37.

Dr. Martin is especially well qualified for his new position, having served for several years as manager of the Western Reserve station of the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory.

In 1943 he went to the University of Illinois as instructor in chemistry. Three years later he was promoted to the rank of assistant professor.

His research interests at Illinois have centered around molecular compounds with the boron halides and fluorination of inorganic molecules by the use of hydrogen fluoride and antimony fluoride.

Donald is a very prolific writer of research articles and laboratory manuals. He is also co-author of a book entitled "Boron Trifluoride and Its Derivatives," published by John Wiley and Sons. He is now working on a book on Advanced Inorganic Chemistry.

Dr. Martin received the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Western Reserve University. He is the son of Vice-President and Mrs. R. F. Martin, '14 (Ferne Gelbaugh, '22). Mrs. Donald Martin is the former Katherine Newton, '37.





## STORK MARKET REPORT

**1935 and 1936**—Mr. and Mrs. William Wolfarth, '36 (Doris Frease, '35), daughter, Ada Diane, July 15.

**1938**—Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Riley, '38, son, Ronald David, August 23.

**1938 and 1950**—Mr. and Mrs. Walter King, x'50 (Dorothy Jones Fulton, x'38), daughter, Mary Teresa, July 17.

**1939**—Mr. and Mrs. Courtney J. Hoskins (Dorothy Beachler, x'39), son, Eugene Paul, July 8.

**1940**—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur MacKenzie (Alberta Engle, '40), daughter, Marilyn Ruth, July 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Lott, Jr. (Kathryn Deever, '40), daughter, Patricia Susan, June 8.

**1940 and 1943**—Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Anderegg, '40 (Lois Carman, '43), son, Douglas Frederick, August 7.

**1943**—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Benjamin (Anna Brooks, '43), son, John Frederick, August 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Lindee, Jr. (Margaret Wheelbarger, '43), son, Scott Allen, June 6.

**1943 and 1945**—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Metz, '43 (Doris Boston, '45), daughter, Barbara Jill, June 22.

**1943 and 1948**—Lt. and Mrs. Joseph L. Dixon, '43 (Margaret Pickering, x'48), daughter, Deborah Kae, July 22.

**1944**—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson, '44, (Faith Nabor, '44), daughter, Faith Ann, September 14.

**1944 and 1949**—Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fields, '49 (Doris Boyer, x'44), son, Charles Jeffery, September 19.

**1945 and 1946**—Mr. and Mrs. William Buckingham, '46 (Dorothy Allen, x'45), son, Michael William, August 3.

Mr. and Mrs. John Koda, x'46 (Helen Aydelotte, '45), daughter, Joy Elaine, August 17.

**1946 and 1947**—Mr. and Mrs. Richard Strang, '46 (Betty Jean Mansfield, '47), son, Denis Lee, July 20.

**1947**—Mr. and Mrs. Morris D. Bellware (Dorothy Henderson, '47), son, David Henderson, August 1.



## TOLL OF THE YEARS

**1917**—Rev. Guy Cheek, '17, of North Baltimore, died September 10, in a Toledo hospital.

**1926**—Herbert A. Stoughton, '26, died August 3, at his home in Madeira.

**1927**—Dalton Buell, x'27, died August 22, in Galena.

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Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Gebhardt, '47 (Wanda Boyles, '47), son, Paul Howard, September 18.

**1947 and 1950**—Mr. and Mrs. Roland Reece, '50 (Martha Good Reece, '47), son, Christopher Daniel, July 1.

**1948 and 1949**—Mr. and Mrs. Mark Himmelberger, '49 (Jeanette Moore, x'48), son, Kevin Moore, July 22.

**1948 and 1950**—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Spafford, '48 (Frieda Johnson, x'50), daughter, Barbara Lynn, September 8.

**1949**—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ranck, '49 (Mary Louise Ferguson, x'49), daughter, Carol Louise, July 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Zechman, Jr., '49, daughter, Jamie Ann, August 4.

**1949 and 1950**—Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence DeClark, '49 (Ruth Keister, x'50), son, Daniel Lawrence, July 25.

**1949 and 1951**—Mr. and Mrs. Lee Burchinal, '51 (Marian Pfeiffer, '49), daughter, Margaret Ruth, June 16.

**1950**—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Best (Alice Ann Bradrick, x'50), daughter, Carol Jean, May 27.

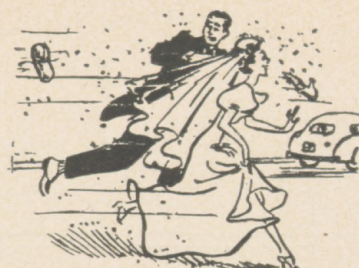
**1950 and 1951**—Rev. and Mrs. George Schreckengost, '50 (Virginia Bartlett, x'51), daughter, Ruth Margaret, August 27.

**1950 and 1952**—Mr. and Mrs. David Friest, x'50 (June Ware, x'52) daughter, Jenifer, August 19.

**1951**—Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Haines, '51, daughter, Susan Kay, July 12.

Mr. and Mrs. William Detamore, '51 (Shirley Adams, x'51), daughter, Diane Sue, February 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard McKinniss, '51, daughter, Deborah Louise, July 10.



## CUPID'S CAPERS

**1936**—Ruth Coblentz, '36, and Tom Brady, '36, July 6, in Seattle, Washington.

**1939**—Meredith Rosensteel, '39, and Robert Vickers, August 31, in Westerville.

**1947**—Harriet Manifold and Edgar Daniels, '47, September 8, in Stanford, California.

**1949**—Roselyn Dalcher, '49, and Donald Kohler, '49, June 10, in Cuyahoga Falls.

Patricia Jackson, '49, and Lt. Paul D. Fleming, Jr., '49, September 15, in Lima.

Anna Bale, '49 and Frederick Weber, August 18, near Westerville.

**1950**—Pauline McClusky, '50, and George Harold, '50, June 21, in Pensacola, Florida.

Eleanor Chapman, '50, and Robert Phelps, August 5, in Loch.

**1951**—Glenna Keeney, '51, and David Long, Jr., July 14, in Worthington.

Jean Young, '51, and George A. Young, '51, June 17, in Lima.

Joan Young, '51, and John E. Hicks, '51, June 17, in Lima.

Barbara Beck and Milton Nolin, '51, August 5, in Findlay.

Sue Hoffman, '51, and Richard A. Hunt, June 17, in Plymouth.

**1951 and 1952**—Kathryn Hancock, '52, and Milton Lang, '51, August 25, in Philipsburg, Pennsylvania.

**1952**—Nancy J. Shoop, x'52, and Bernard Kantor, x'52, May 20, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**1954**—Joanne R. Andreas and David McMillen, x'54, September 2 in Columbus.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Yohn, '51 (Olivetta McCoy Yohn, '51) daughter, Linda Jean, July 31.

**1951**—Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Whitman, '51, daughter, Vicky Lynn, July 29.

**1951 and 1952**—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martinelli, '51 (Ruth Williams, x'52), son, July 10.



## BULLETIN BOARD

### Homecoming

You will not want to miss homecoming this year. New buildings are not dedicated at every homecoming. So, come for the Westminster Choir concert on Friday night and stay for the formal dedication on Sunday.

### Class Reunions

It is not too soon to begin making plans for homecoming next June. The following classes will have reunions: 1902, 1912, 1922, 1927, 1932, and 1942.

### The Development Fund

Have you made your gift to the Development Fund for 1951? More than 1,200 names are on the honor roll. You still have time to be listed if you send your gift before December 31. A complete report will be in the next TOWERS.

### Pictorial Calendar

The pictorial calendar and appointments book will be available by homecoming. It contains a college view for every week in the year. Order a supply and give them as Christmas presents. The price is \$1.10 if ordered by mail.

### Reservations

Do you need housing when you come for homecoming? If so, request it in advance of your coming.

Would you like reservations for the Westminster Choir concert or the homecoming play? Make your reservations on the form below.

ALUMNI OFFICE  
OTTERBEIN COLLEGE  
WESTERVILLE, OHIO

Please reserve ..... pictorial calendars at \$1.10.  
Please reserve ..... tickets for the play at 75c.  
Please reserve ..... tickets for the choir, \$1.00....., \$1.50.....  
(First 12 rows on first floor and first 4 rows on balcony are \$1.50)  
Please reserve a single ..... a double ..... room for Friday .....  
Saturday ..... Sunday ..... night(s).

(It will save time if you send cash with your order.)

Name .....

Address .....

## ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

### 1951 - 52

Seniors .....	129
Juniors .....	130
Sophomores .....	181
Freshmen .....	171
Specials .....	7
Total .....	618

### One Year Ago

Seniors .....	158
Juniors .....	157
Sophomores .....	208
Freshmen .....	228
Specials .....	10
Total .....	761
Decrease in 1951 .....	143
	18.8%

## PRESIDENT HOWARD IN THE NEWS

President J. Gordon Howard is the author of a new book entitled "Christian Beliefs for Christian Youth." It is one of a series of books authorized by the Evangelical United Brethren Church for youth education.

Dr. Howard is the chairman of the newly organized Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges (described in the spring issue of TOWERS). The following nineteen Ohio colleges belong to this foundation: Antioch, Ashland, Bluffton, Capital, Wooster, Defiance, Denison, Findlay, Heidelberg, Hiram, Kenyon, Lake Erie, Muskingum, Notre Dame, Oberlin, Ohio Wesleyan, Otterbein, Western, and Mt. Union.

Professor Fred Hanawalt, '13, Head of the Biology Department, attended a four-week Educational Workshop at the University of Minnesota, highlighted by his meetings with artist Lee Jacques, illustrator of many natural history books, Stesan Hero, son-in-law of Jose Iturbi, and Otterbein's "Tink" Sanders and his family, who entertained him.