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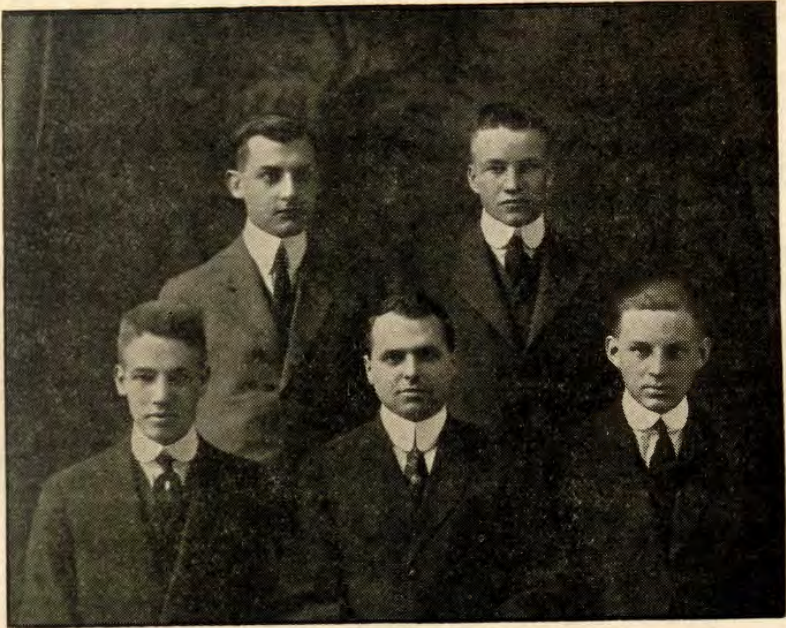
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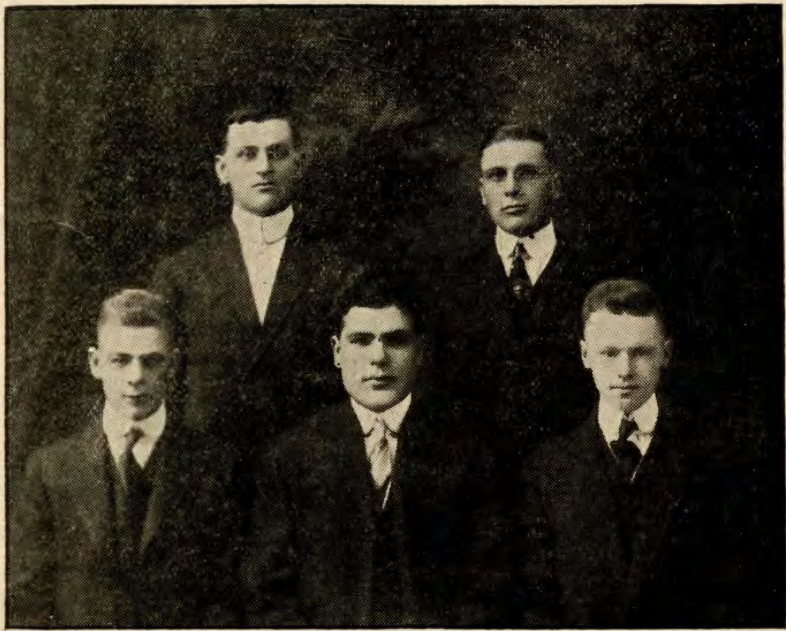
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The Spirit of Greatness

By W. E. Roush, '15.

ALL history is the story of a few great lives. For almost a half century, much of the history of our country is the biography of one man. That man was the Great Compromiser, the matchless statesman and leader of his time, Henry Clay. That man, who stood head and shoulders above most of the statesmen of his day, was compelled to stand aside and see one after another of these mediocre men advanced over him and placed in the presidency. Clay longed for the honor. For thirty years as each campaign approached, he hoped that this time he might secure the coveted prize.

We first see him in the famous campaign of 1824, refusing to make the bargain with the friends of Jackson, which might have made him Jackson's political friend and successor. When he refused to make any political alliances but supported John Quincy Adams as a matter of principle, all the other candidates immediately raised the cry of bargain.

But as great a man as Clay fell a victim to his ambition. In 1844, he wrote the famous Alabama Letter in which he attempted to stand on both sides of the then troublesome question of the annexation of Texas. This one letter cost him the support of the Anti-Slavery Whigs and, by writing it, he forfeited his claim to the presidency. The broken hearted old man lived to regret this one act and to utter the cry, "I would rather be right

than be president." Today, we must admire the man who refused to equivocate in six campaigns but we look with pity and contempt upon the one time when ambition rose above principle and the great statesman of his time stooped to play politics.

Many of our greatest statesmen have never reached the presidency. Such men as Webster, Blaine or Bryan have had very few equals even among so illustrious a company as the successors of Washington have been. But, we must all realize the truth of what Russell Conwell loves so much to say, "Greatness consists not in holding an office. Greatness really consists in doing great deeds with little means, in the accomplishment of vast purposes. It is something more than office, something more than genius. It is the great heartedness that encloses those in need, reaches down to those below, and lifts them up."

It is a most worthy ambition to win some high honor. It is a worthy ambition to win in the game of life, if over and above that ambition stands the determination to do nothing unfair to secure the victory. It is indeed a worthy ambition to win, if it is subordinated to the principle that it is better to lose honestly than win dishonestly.

But history records a long list of names of men whose one ambition was to win. There is a long roll from Alexander the Great, whose one aim

was to conquer worlds to the time of other rulers whose supreme ambition is now the same thing. A mere mention of Caesar and the Triumvirate, Napoleon and Aaron Burr is sufficient, but it would be the height of folly to think that only such men have made victory their supreme aim and have not hesitated to use unfair means to secure power. In our own time, we have seen a Lorimer and a Stephenson buy their way to the United States Senate. We see a Murphy, a Taggart and a Penrose unscrupulously controlling the elections in their respective states, while in our own state, a governor has recently been chosen for but one reason and that was because he refused to stand for anything.

This spirit may be found not only in the political realm but in every walk of life. The story is told of Elihu Root, who has come to be known as the greatest corporation lawyer of his time, that as a young attorney he so faithfully defended "Boss Tweed" that the judge called him to answer the charge of contempt of court. The venerable judge said to the young attorney, "Remember that however good a thing it may be to be known as successful and great lawyers, it is even a better thing to be known as honest men." But that very young man, who has since served in the cabinets of two presidents as well as a term in the United States Senate, is now in the evening of life. As he looks back through the years and remembers the advice of the old judge, he must feel that to have been a great lawyer is a very empty thing when he cannot feel that he has been a genuinely honest man.

Besides the profession of law, we find the same spirit in medicine, teaching and indeed every other vocation

which could be named. Even ministers have made the meetings of General Conferences merely the occasions for political wire-pulling. "Win at any cost" is the secret motive of so many lives.

This venomous viper is even gnawing at the very vitals of the college life of our land. Many coaches and athletes, professors and students deliberately scheme to unfairly defeat their opponents in inter-collegiate activities. Within the walls of many of these institutions, political machines rivaling those of Murphy, Penrose or Taggart have grown up to dictate the distribution of offices and honors. We do not hesitate to use unfair means to secure good grades in examinations. We bluff we cheat, we scheme. Indeed we do anything necessary to secure the results which we ourselves desire.

But, as we look down the long vista of history, we are inspired by the sight of a few men who stand like beacon lights in the midst of the darkness. These were the men who at all times held before themselves the principle of right. We see John Quincy Adams, when he was asked whether he intended to do nothing to make himself the successor of Monroe, stand forth in his might and say that he would "do absolutely nothing." Then, after his election he refused to turn out of office the men who had opposed him simply to make way for his political friends. In fact, "He stood on his merits, asked no favors and granted none." It is true that the next election brought his defeat, but mere defeat could not daunt a man whose aim was service rather than honor. He soon thereafter accepted a seat in the House of Representatives, where he remained the champion of freedom until stricken by death in the very hall

where he had so often stood almost alone for the cause of right.

We see that splendid Christian statesman, William McKinley, rise in a Republican convention and plead that his friends refrain from voting for him because he was pledged to the support of another candidate.

Lastly, we see the Silver-Tongue! Orator of the Platte stand before a great national convention and hurl defiance into the faces of the corrupt party leaders. We see him sway that convention until it nominates a man who has shown himself to be one of the greatest of our presidents, Woodrow Wilson.

Indeed, in every walk of life, men are rising to their privileges, subordinating personal ambition to honesty and truth. At this time as never before, the challenge comes to the college men and women of our land to stand for right and and frown upon any unfair means of securing success. The challenge come to **me**. It comes to **you**.

How did you win? Did you allow the glittering prize of honor or success to dethrone the highest ideals of your manhood or your womanhood? Did ambition secure sway over principle? Did you use dishonorable means to win?

Let us remember the life of the great Henry Clay. Let us beware lest, although we try to be fair and do succeed in most instances, we, too, may allow ambition to secure sway in our lives. Let us make the words of Clay, not a mere statement but the real dominating principle of our lives. May we ever say, "I would rather be right than be president."

Let us remember that,
 "True dignity abides with him alone
 Who, in the patient hours of silent
 thought,
 Can still respect and still revere himself."

Let us stand as firm as the rock of Gibraltar for truth, honesty and right, going forth into the game of life determined to win but to win by honorable means. Let us carry with us the spirit expressed by Pontius,

"'Tis not in mortals to command success,
 but we'll do more,
 Semproneous; we'll deserve it."

Then if the world's honor does not come to us, we may still have a conscious realization that,

"Truth forever on the scaffold,
 Wrong forever on the throne,—
 Yet that scaffold sways the future, and
 behind the dim unknown,
 Standeth God within the shadow,
 keeping watch above his own."



Places For Three

By Ina E. Fulton, '15.

"O mother, how lovely—its just what I wanted for my birthday—and have you opened the package at your plate?—Isn't it lovely, mother that we can celebrate our birthdays together? It's so odd our having the same birthday—the fourteenth of April. For a long time, twenty-two years, you had to celebrate alone, didn't you, then one birthday I was your present and now I'm eighteen and you're forty. And I'm your namesake Eleanor Stevens, the same names and the same birthdays." Thus Eleanor Stevens chattered on to her mother that sunny April morning.

Eleanor Stevens had just this morning attained the dignity of eighteen years. She was a young maid, winsome and sweet and charming; and many were the young friends who flocked to Eleanor's home. Perhaps the attraction was in part due to the gracious hospitality of her widowed mother, Mrs. Eleanor Stevens, a matron of forty whose years sat lightly upon her. The daughter was a replica of her mother and both might have been eighteen instead of one being forty and the other so much younger, so completely sympathetically did Eleanor Stevens enter into every phase of her namesake daughter's life.

"Mother" continued Eleanor the younger, "I love you. You are so sweet and dear and loving, it's the biggest wonder to me that you never married again after papa went away. Of course, you loved daddy completely and no one else could come between you but honestly, mummy dear, if I were a man I would just pick you up and carry you off, so that I could have you all to my very own self and—but I'm

so glad that no one did that for then I'd be all alone and—"

"Dear, go to the door, someone is ringing. It's a little boy. Go see what he wants."

A moment later Eleanor re-appeared carrying a box of flowers. "Oh mother, a box of yellow roses, oh, aren't they grand—so fragrant, just smell them—for me, they're addressed "Eleanor Stevens." Why my goodness, maybe they're for you mother—that's your name too."

"Pshaw! Surely they're for you child. No one would send an old woman like me flowers. Isn't there a card?"

"No—oh yes there is—here—a little tiny note—'For old times' sake and your birthday. May I come this evening and help you celebrate. Answer by the honey locust post!" O, I know who that's from, Everett Custer. Isn't it dear of him to think of my birthday and my favorite flowers and our old tree where we used to put letters to each other when we were just youngsters. O mother, I can have him come and we'll have a little party this evening—just us three—you and Everett and me. I'll go and write my answer right away. We'll have a cake with candles on it—forty and eighteen are fiftyeight, fiftyeight candles on it for both and—oh it will be lovely, lovely—lovely" sang the girl dancing around with sheer joy of being alive, "And mother, isn't it romantic getting flowers from a young man I haven't seen for so long and writing letters and putting them in that honey locust tree. Yellow roses! I could just live on them."

"Eleanor, you are very extravagant

in your—”

“Now, muddy dear, don’t scold me today. Besides, you know you are as glad as I am down in your heart. O what’s wrong? — mother — there are tears in your eyes. Did I hurt you? You must be thinking of some happy time before I was. Did anything like this ever come to you? O I know now. I remember you told me once that when you were eighteen someone gave you some flowers—yellow roses, why it was Everett’s father sent them— you and he were sweethearts then. Say mother, did you ever think about it, Everett and his father have the same name—there is Everett Custer, Sr., and Everett Custer, Jr., Mother why didn’t you and Mr. Custer?”—

“Hush dear. We quarreled and we believed that we weren’t suited to— but I loved your father, child sincerely and deeply, and I revered him and no one could have been more— Eleanor you were a love child, never fear.”

“Mother, its sweet of you to trust me with your heart secret—but don’t tell me anymore. I—I don’t want to hear. But mother was Mr. Custer romantic like you?”

“Dear, just as romantic as Everett—we put notes in the very same tree where you will put yours today. That was our trysting place. Now go—”

“Mother, Everett has no mother now does he? I wonder if his father still—”

“Eleanor, go and write your note. What kind of cake do you want for your party, dear?”

That afternoon a middle aged gentleman came across the meadow and walked straight to the honey locust tree. “I suppose it was foolish sending these flowers without a card—and that note—. But Eleanor isn’t the Eleanor of old that I knew if she doesn’t

understand and take it all—flowers and note in the old way. She used to like extraordinary things—just to be different—and then she thought it was romantic not to send letters by the regular post but to have a little office unbeknownst to anyone. It was a pretty idea—I’ll have to tell Everett about it when he gets a little older. Of course he’d hardly understand yet, he’s a mere boy—bless my soul, he’ll soon be twentyfour. I wonder if she answered—”

Hesitatingly he turned to the tree groped about in the little hollow-space in it and drew out Eleanor’s note. “I declare I’m almost too excited to open this. Well, now for it. ‘Everett, I thank you a thousand times for the sweet and beautiful surprise. Yes indeed, do come, I shall be ever so glad to see you—and we will reminisce about the old times,’” he read, for so Miss Eleanor had written to Everett, Jr. Talk about old times, will we? We’ll bring them back just as they were. Eleanor my—” mused Everett Custer, Sr., as he walked briskly away toward the avenue.

That afternoon in a downtown office a young man well built, square-jawed, clear-eyed, leaned back in his chair. “Oh my” he yawned, “this is a tiresome grind on a day like this. And it won’t be much better this evening. Father usually goes out and I—loaf around, read and then sleep into the next day’s round. It used to be different when mother was here—. Hello, why there’s—no it isn’t either. That girl gave me quite a start she reminded me so much of Eleanor—Eleanor,— Jove this is her birthday—April 14— she’s just like the month—‘April— April laugh thy girlish laughter. Then a moment after weep thy girlish tears’—I sort of wonder—now why

shouldn't I go up to her place this evening. I might call her up—no I won't either—I'll just drop in suddenly. I could put a note in the old tree—no, she never thinks to go down there anymore since we—pshaw this dreaming won't get me anywhere."

"Mother I'm so excited. I feel as though something wonderful is going to happen. I guess it is only my being glad about my, I mean our, party. I just want to run like a little youngster and sing," and singing, "O it will be lovely, lovely," she ran out toward the meadow and the old honey locust.

"Don't go too far, honey," called her mother. "Your company will soon be here."

Just as the girl reached the tree Everett, Jr., came up from the opposite direction. "Good evening, Eleanor," he said. "Good evening Everett. I had no idea that you'd come this way or I'd have waited at the house. O I must—I want to tha—"

"Then you felt in your bones—by the pricking of my thumbs, someone evil this way comes—did you."

"Why Everett, I knew you were coming. They are so sweet, I adore them and oh I thank you so, so much."

"Yes? Then? What?"

"O, old tease, now pretend that you don't know."

"Well I don't know, and how you knew I was coming is—"

"Of course, it's more than you can understand. Your flowers, your note, your—"

"Mine? Why I haven't seen a florist or note paper for—"

"Everett, don't you think you've gone far enough now with the joke? The very fact that you came to this tree proves that you know. My note is gone too, so of course you know I wanted—"

"Eleanor, honestly I don't understand a word you're talking about. Tell me the whole story."

"If you'll have it so then—. Today is my birthday—"

"Yes, I remember," broke in Everett.

"And," she continued, "a box of flowers, yellow roses came for me this morning. There was no card, only this little note—but from the writing and and the romanticness of it I knew you were—"

"Let me see that note. My dear girl I never wrote that—why it's my father's hand."

"Everett, what have I done?" she breathed panic-stricken. "Oh—oh your father sent those roses to my mother, it's her birthday too,—and I selfish pig, because it just said Eleanor Stevens—with no Miss or Mrs. on the address, took them for myself and I answered that note and told you to come and your father got it and—and—"

"And he'll come to your mother and I came to you. You wrote and told me to come—O my little girl you, you wanted me to come—want me to come," he repeated, "Do you Eleanor?"

But the conversation was thence forward carried on in whispers and only those two heard what was said.

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Meanwhile Mrs. Stevens had watched Eleanor till she disappeared and then went indoors to see that all was in perfect readiness for the little party. "That dear youngster, she's quite excited over this little party and now she's run away and"—as the doorbell rang—"there's Everett now." And it was Everett Custer, but Everett Sr. who greeted her.

"Why this is indeed a surprise," she said extending her hand.

"Surprise?" he echoed. "Why I

thot—of course its been some time since we—but you knew I was”

“Indeed, Mr. Custer, I don’t quite understand—but I’m glad you’ve come. Your son will be quite surprised too.”

“My son? Is Everett here?”

“Not yet, but he’s coming. He sent Eleanor some flowers and asked if he might come this evening. She sent him word to come, she’d have a little—”

“Then you didn’t get my flowers?”

“No, did you send some too for her?”

“For her, no,” he shouted, “I sent some yellow roses for you and an unsigned note asking to come and you understood for you put your answer in our old honey locust—I got it and—”

“O Everett, such a mix up. We got those flowers, and as they were addressed to Eleanor Stevens, of course we thot they were for Eleanor—and she answered that note thinking the roses came from your son—in the old way. That tree is their trysting place too.”

“Eleanor, then you were having a

party with places for three and I wasn’t the third party. Weren’t you—honest now—thinking of times that used to be?”

“No—yes—no, the third party was to be your son but—”

“Well, Eleanor can’t you set an extra place tonight but hereafter lay places for three,—you and Eleanor and Everett—not my son, but me?”

“Mother, we’ll have to lay an extra place—it was Everett’s father who sent those flowers and he’ll come to the party—oh he’s here now—and here’s Everett and oh mother we’ll have to set places for three all the time now for Everett—for I—for we,—Everett you tell her— oh mother—”

“You are mistaken Eleanor girl. you and your mother will each have to set an extra place, because in this mix up neither one received the guest she invited. But hereafter—there will be extra places for just guests—nor places for three—but regular places for your—us four.”

THE POET’S PRAYER.

If there be some weaker one,
 Give me strength to help him on;
 If a blinder soul there be,
 Let me guide him nearer thee;
 Make my mortal dreams come true
 With the work I fain would do;
 Clothe with life the weak intent,
 Let me be the thing I meant;
 Let me find in Thy employ,
 Peace that dearer is than joy;
 Out of self to love be led,
 And to Heaven acclimated,
 Unto all things sweet and good
 Seem my natural habitude.

—Whittier.

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GREETINGS

With this number of the Aegis, the new staff assumes its duties. It is not without some feeling of hesitancy that we take up this work, knowing as we do the responsibility connected therewith. On the other hand we are somewhat eager for the fray, because we feel that the Aegis can be made to contribute, in its own way, to the success of Otterbein.

The policy of the paper, in general, will remain unchanged. It has always been the aim of the Aegis to represent, as truly as possible, Otterbein, especially the literary Otterbein. To this function there has been added the one of binding together the alumni and friends of the institution. It is the intention of the present staff to carry out, to the best of its ability, these aims and ideals of the Aegis.

However, no matter how hard the staff may strive to accomplish these ends, it will find itself baffled at every turn if the co-operation of the student body can not be enlisted. If the college journal serves to bind together the alumni and friends of the institution, how much more should it unite the student body as a whole. In the paper are found records of all important events of the school year, as well as literary productions of the students themselves. The staff is not infallible, far from it in fact, but their constant aim will be to reflect Otterbein ideals, Otterbein life, and Otterbein work.

Therefore, the incoming staff of the Aegis extends most hearty greetings to all, and earnestly desires of everyone their support and co-operation in making the Aegis truly Otterbein in spirit.

The title 'Alumna' is written in a large, elegant, cursive script. To the left of the 'A' is a globe showing latitude and longitude lines, surrounded by a decorative, cloud-like border. To the right of the 'a' is a quill pen, also surrounded by a decorative, cloud-like border. The entire title is set against a light, textured background.

The Annual Banquet of the Miami Valley Alumna Association of Otterbein University was held in the Rike-Kumler Building, Dayton, Ohio, April 5, 1915.

A royal time was had by all the seventy-seven guests who gathered round the banquet tables. An excellent menu was followed by a program of song and toasts that inspired everyone present to a deeper devotion to the college.

Mr. F. H. Rike, '88 presided as toastmaster. Those who responded to toasts were: Mrs. W. L. Mattis, '11, S. D. Kelley, Ex. '12; Miss Ruth Fries, '18, Roscoe Brentlinger, '18, and Dr. W. G. Clippinger. Mr. T. H. Nelson, '13, says of the two Freshmen speakers, "They gave interesting talks and they would have done credit to Seniors." Mr. J. F. Williams, '11, gave several songs and was royally received.

Enjoyable extemporaneous talks were given by several of the guests. "Daddy" Resler, '93, and Professor L. H. McFadden, '74, being two of the speakers.

Much of the success of the banquet was due to the work of the officers of the association. Rev. I. D. Warner, '11, of the Oak Street U. B. Church is President and Mr. C. R. Hall is Secretary. Plans are being made for regular monthly or semi-monthly meetings in order to boost the college affairs.

'12. Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lambert, (Lucile Morrison, '10) on March 28, 1915, a fine seven-and-three-quarter pound son. This is a remarkable boy for several reasons. First, his name is Homer Parent, Jr., Secondly, he was a birthday gift to H. P. Sr., Thirdly, he is a real "Cupidi." The Aegis extends congratulations.

'13. Prof. C. R. Layton of the Department of Oratory and Debate of Muskingum College, New Concord, O., accompanied his affirmative team to Westerville, March 26, to debate with the Otterbein Negative Team, the subject of Compulsory Arbitration of all Labor Disputes in Ohio. Muskingum won. Prof. Layton has had a very successful year, his debate teams having won every contest.

'86. Mr. Seymour B. Kelly of Dayton, Ohio, has been appointed by Governor Willis as one of the two assessors of Montgomery County.

'92. Mr. Nolan R. Best, Editor of the "Continent," New York City, visited in Westerville, March 7, 1915.

'05. Rev. E. J. Pace, Missionary of the United Brethren Church to the Philippine Islands, is now on his way home on furlough. Rev. Pace's life is a strenuous one and his health has been undermined. We hope that a few months of life in Ohio will restore him to complete health once more. In

addition to his regular work with the native Filipinos, Rev. Pace has been preaching mighty sermons to the people of the United States thru his timely cartoons in the Telescope, and others of our church papers.

'92. Miss Lela Guitner, Foreign Secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association, with headquarters at Madras, India and now in the United States on furlough, is travelling in the Southern States in the interest of the Association work.

'98. Hon. E. G. Lloyd of Westerville, State Senator from Franklin County, has presented the College Library with a set of the Ohio Laws for 1914. Mr. Lloyd is regarded as one of the most active members of the Senate, one who attempts to represent the best interests of his constituency.

'11, '14. Mr. B. F. Richer, '11, and Mr. H. E. Richer, '14, have organized an evangelistic party, and will begin to hold meetings soon. They will be assisted by Mrs. H. E. Richer (Ethel Shupe, '14), whose command of the violin and piano will help make the music a valuable part of the work. Those who are acquainted with the members of this party and know the ability of each one, have confidence in their success, and wish them God speed in their work.

'12. Miss Helen Converse, who has been studying German in Cassel, Germany, has returned to Westerville. She sailed from Copenhagen, Feb. 23, and arrived in New York, March 16.

'07. Prof. E. W. E. Schear, M. A., of the Department of Biology of Otterbein University was, at a recent meet-

ing of the Association of Ohio Teachers of Mathematics and Science, elected president of the Association for the coming year. Professor Schear is making a record for himself throuout Ohio. The Aegis extends congratulations.

'13. Miss Evelyn Young, of Westerville, O., who has been spending the winter with friends in Willoughby, Ohio, is at home again.

'13. Mr. Camp W. Foltz, who has been studying music in Boston has been touring the country giving piano-forte recitals. He found time to come back to Westerville to shake hands all around. He is the same as in other days and is making good in the world of music.

'06. The vision which has inspired the members of the local United Brethren Church for many years was objectified for the first time, when on March 29, Rev. E. E. Burtner, '06, assisted by Mrs. F. P. Sanders and Mr. J. W. Everal turned the first sod for the new Church House which is being erected this summer. Dr. W. O. Fries of Dayton made the address.

'83, '94. Mrs. C. L. Bogle (Jessie Fremont Thompson) of Yellow Springs, Ohio, and Dr. Louis A. Thompson, National Soldiers Home, Virginia, accompanied their father, Dr. H. A. Thompson, a former president of Otterbein, and their sister, Mrs. Clara Crandall, to Westerville, April 9, to witness the burial of their mother in the Otterbein Cemetery.

Mr. J. F. Nave was recently elected to the Superintendency of the schools of Circleville, Ohio.

Ex. '14. Miss Katherine Seneff of Conemaugh, Pa., visited relatives and friends in Westerville, recently.

Among those who spent the Easter vacation in Westerville, were the following: Miss Mildred Cook, '14, Miss Katherine Karg, '14, Miss Hazel Cornetet, '14, Mr. J. R. Miller, '14, Mr. I. D. Sechrist, '14, Mr. F. W. Hanawalt, '13, Mr. A. D. Cook, '12, and Mr. G. C. Muthersbaugh, '11.

Mrs. Harriett Copeland Thompson was born in Genoa Township, Delaware County in the year 1835, and died in Dayton at the age of nearly eighty years. She was married to Dr. H. A. Thompson about fifty-three years ago, and they went to housekeeping in Westerville.

She was of a quiet, retiring nature, avoiding society, and devoted very much of her time to the study and practice of art. She was a talented portrait painter, and painted the portraits of many of the leading men of Otterbein University and the United Brethren Church. Many of the portraits adorning the walls of the College Library are the work of her hands, while others are in the Bonebrake Seminary Building, The United Brethren Publishing House, and in many private homes. During the long term of her husband as president of Otterbein, she was at the head of the School of Art.

In 1893, Dr. Thompson moved to Dayton, where Mrs. Thompson continued to teach for a few years, but her later years were spent quietly.

She leaves to mourn their loss, a faithful husband, two daughters, a son, and a host of friends thruout the United Brethren Church.

We, who are now of Otterbein,

pause for a moment to think of the influence of such a life upon our own lives and to thank God that so rich an heritage of service is ours.

'13. Warren H. Hayes who is now attending The Princeton Theological Seminary at Princeton, N. J., will preach in British Columbia the coming summer.

'94. Dr. Chas. Snavely of the Department of History and Economics of Otterbein, has recently been bereft of his mother. The Aegis extends sympathy to Dr. Snavely in his sorrow.

'94. As the Aegis goes to press, we learn with sorrow of the death of Rev. B. L. Seneff of Westerville, O. Rev. Seneff had been a patient sufferer for many years, and finally found rest, April 19, 1915. The Aegis extends its sympathy to the bereaved family in its hour of sorrow and mourns with it its loss. A full account of Rev. Seneff's life will be given in the May issue.



Mrs. Hill and daughter Ethel were guests of Mrs. Carey for the St. Patrick's luncheon. The dining room was festive in dainty green and white appointments commemorating the good saint.

Mesdames Beck, McCally and Harley, of Dayton, were week end guests at the Hall after the Junior play.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bercaw were Sunday guests March 21.

Misses Charlotte Kurtz, Margaret Marshall and Ethel Garn entertained Messrs. Booth, Schnake and Bailey March 28.

Misses Catharine Metzler, of Colum-

bus, Esther Jones and Fern Sapp were week end guests at the Hall.

Misses Cora Bower and Clara Kreiling were Sunday guests at the Luttrell club.

Miss Dorothy Bright and Mrs. Don Stringfellow, of Findlay, were Hall guests for several days.

Miss Norma McCally entertained Miss Bessie Keck for Sunday dinner.

We are very sorry to hear that Stella

Lilly has boils (Boyles) under her thumb.

Mrs. Winterhalter has been called from Dayton to care for her daughter Myrtle, who is seriously sick with pneumonia.

Minnie Dietz has been ill several days with a severe attack of tonsilitis.

Miss Orpha Mills entertained with a sewing party for her guest, Miss Bonnie Butler of Earlham College, Richmond, Indiana.



P. A. Garver has been chosen to lead the baseball nine of the season of 1915. The team is certainly to be congratulated on having such a splendid and efficient general. His excellent work on the Varsity during the past years has won the admiration of all, and his interest in the welfare of the team and the management in general is to be commended. We regret very much that this is "Phil's" last year with us.

The Outlook.

Athletics at Otterbein are certainly booming this spring. Everyone who has any ability and "pep" whatever seems to be out and working. Altho the early outside practice was greatly hindered by the cold, inclement weather, "work-outs" were started early in the gymnasium, in preparation for the spring contests. But the weather soon warmed, and more material than was expected soon appeared for the outside practices. Not only in baseball was this early appearance noticed,



Capt. P. A. Garver, '15.

but also in track and tennis. There is a great deal of new material this year, especially for baseball and track, which bids fair for better and stronger teams than ever before. With so many candidates in the field, it makes it much more doubtful just who the picked men will be, and everyone is working and trying hard to land a place on one of the various Varsity teams. We are indeed proud that athletics at Otterbein have reached the standard that they have, and we cannot help but predict a bright future and great success for the approaching season.

Baseball.

Especially, of our baseball squad are we to be proud this year. With the exception of one man, the entire nine are back again, and with the abundance of new material on hand we cannot help having a winning team. We certainly do appreciate the spirit of the new men who have come out for baseball this season, and it is quite probable they will all be given an opportunity to show themselves before we complete the hard schedule which we have before us this year.

Watts is one of our new men. He has played a great deal on the local high school team, and has quite a baseball reputation. He is a fast infielder and a hard hitter.

Another new man who is a strong bidder for a Varsity position is Ream. He comes to us with a great deal of baseball repute, and he has already shown us that he is not new at the game, but steady and sure, and a good batter.

Haller, another of our new recruits has shown surprising ability. He is both a catcher and a pitcher, and will be a most valuable aid to the team.

Another valuable man, Weirman, has appeared on the diamond this spring. His position is in the outfield. He is especially fast in the fielding art, and a good hitter.

Two others whom we recognize as being old Otterbein men, Bale and Richey, are on the ground to help us out again. They both have had considerable baseball experience and come back to us stronger than ever this year.

We have a hard season before us, but with such strong material, and thru the kindness of "Bobby" Quinn, of the Columbus Senators, in sending out a coach from his team, we can scarcely expect anything else but a bunch of victories and a cleaner baseball record than in many previous years.

Track.

The outlook for a good track team is very promising this spring. Practice was begun early, both inside the "gym", and on cross-country sprints. The weak places of last year's team are fast being filled and everything points toward a well-rounded team this season. The pole-vault record was broken early in the spring practice by Peden and he awaits anxiously the first intercollegiate meet, hoping to win for himself a varsity "O".

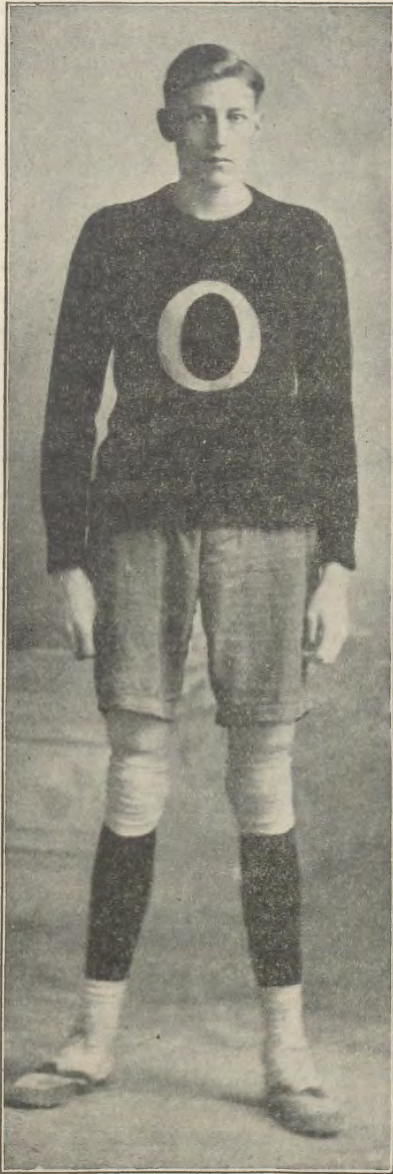
Manager Zuerner has been working hard, trying to persuade new men to come out, and in getting a track schedule prepared. The schedule is as follows:

April 24—Ohio at Westerville.

May 1—Denison at Westerville.

May 22—West Lafayette College at West Lafayette.

Meets are also expected to be arranged with Marietta and Ohio Northern,



C. W. Schnake, '16.

Schnake has been elected to Captain the basketball team of next year. He has been a Varsity man from the start, and has proven himself an able and efficient player, and worthy of the honor bestowed upon him. We wish him much success, and a winning team.

Tennis.

The prospects for tennis this season are very encouraging. Much interest is being shown in this line of athletics this spring, and a great deal of material, both old and new, is appearing on the courts. It has been very poor tennis weather, but the Varsity men have been taking advantage of the few warm days in getting ready for the first match with Ohio State on April 17th. Manager Ross is planning to fix up the old tennis court on the north side of the campus, which when completed will be the Varsity court.

He is to be commended for arranging such a splendid schedule. It consists of seven games, and two more with Ohio Northern are expected to be added. The tennis schedule is as follows:

April 17—O. S. U. at Westerville.

May 8—Capital at Westerville.

May 14—Muskingum at New Concord.

May 21—Wittenberg at Westerville.

May 22—Capital at Columbus.

May 29—Wittenberg at Springfield.

June 4—Wooster at Westerville.

FORENSIC NEWS

Within a period covering the four years preceding this, Otterbein has been represented in nineteen inter-collegiate debates. Fourteen of these were won against five lost. We take just pride in this record which we believe has seldom been surpassed if even equalled by any college in our class.

Last year we were so unfortunate as to lose five of our six regulars thru graduation, thus making it necessary to develop practically two new teams. Yet in spite of this severe handicap,

two strong teams were developed to which just credit is due for the splendid victory which was won by the affirmative team and the strong debates which the negative team pitted against their opponents.

A five point league, including Wittenburg, Mount Union, Muskingum, Ohio Northern and Otterbein had been originally planned, but Wittenberg for some reason withdrew from the league, thus making it necessary to change the arrangements. Plans were finally agreed upon for a four point debate on the evening of March twenty-second and a two-point contest on the evening of March twenty-sixth.

Otterbein's schedule was as follows:

March 22.

Ohio Northern negative against Otterbein affirmative at Westerville.

Otterbein negative against Mount Union affirmative at Alliance.

March 26.

Otterbein negative against Muskingum affirmative at Westerville.

Muskingum negative against Otterbein affirmative at New Concord.

The question for debate this year was: Resolved that a state board of arbitration with compulsory power should be established in Ohio to settle all disputes between employers and employees.

Debates of March 22.

The first home debate in which Ohio Northern's negative team pitted themselves against Otterbein's affirmative squad resulted in an easily won victory for Otterbein.

Otterbein's affirmative team consisted of I. M. Ward, E. L. Baxter, and C. F. Bronson, Captain, while the opposing team from Ohio Northern consisted of G. C. Imhoff, S. S. Beard, and

F. S. Rowe. The judges chosen for this debate were Rev. Darling, of Columbus, State S. S. Secretary, Prof. McKnight of O. S. U., and Prof. Fox of Capital College. Dr. Clippinger of Otterbein presided.

Mr. Ward in an effective manner showed that strikes and lockouts were very destructive and a nuisance to the public because they embarrass capital, place undue burdens on the public and withhold commodities from the public. Since present laws settle but one-tenth of the strikes he maintained that the public was justified in demanding a change of laws for the settlement of labor disputes.

Mr. Imhoff stated that the negative did not uphold strikes and were opposed to compulsory arbitration because it is un-American, impracticable, unjust, paternalistic and that there is no public demand for it.

He suggested conciliation and industrial arbitration as a solution of the labor question. Mr. Baxter further emphasized the evils of strikes and in a very forceful manner presented the affirmative plan, which has been in force in Canada for some time and further stated that strikes and lockouts should be made illegal.

Mr. Beard contended that the system proposed by the affirmative was not compulsory arbitration but compulsory investigation. He also maintained that a board such as the affirmative suggested would be subject to monetary influence, would be insufficiently informed, would be unjust to the employer and could not be enforced.

Mr. Bronson by a number of well chosen comparisons and parallel instances clearly showed that the Canadian system would be applicable to Ohio and that the coal strike in southeast

Ohio could be settled by this plan.

Mr. Rowe contended that the Canadian plan could not be enforced and maintained that settlement of labor disputes should be made by common agreement of the two parties.

The rebuttals were given with a degree of enthusiasm but were marked by too many concessions and a lack of real argument and throughout the debate the expressions "We believe" and "We think" were too noticeable, especially in the speeches of the negative.

The vote of the judges resulted in a two to one decision in favor of the affirmative.

Otterbein Versus Mount Union.

The debate between Otterbein's negative and Mount Union's affirmative team proved to be a well balanced contest and both teams put up an excellent debate.

Our team consisted of J. B. Garver, W. E. Roush, Captain and A. W. Neally.

D. E. Roberts, F. M. Coburn and P. E. Hollingshead composed the Mount Union team.

Professors C. E. Gooddell of Denison University, J. A. Shawan, Superintendent of Schools, Columbus, and L. T. Beman of East High School, Cleveland acted as judges.

Mr. Roberts in his constructive argument showed that strikes are undesirable and that a change of laws for the settlement of labor disputes is necessary. He proposed compulsory arbitration as the logical solution.

The next affirmative speaker, Mr. Coburn maintained that the general public as the third party to the dispute has a right to demand some means of settlement.

Mr. Hollingshead contended that

compulsory arbitration has been successful in New Zealand and elsewhere and that it would be applicable to Ohio.

Mr. Garver of the negative in a very able manner maintained that labor legislation to be successful must remove the causes of strikes and lockouts and not seek to remedy the affair after the trouble has begun. He contended that compulsory arbitration does not do this.

Mr. Roush very effectively maintained that a law to be successful must be backed by public opinion but that compulsory arbitration was not so supported. He suggested collective bargaining as the ideal solution.

Mr. Neally in an especially keen manner emphasized the fact that the cause of strikes and not the effects must be dealt with and in addition presented a practical plan consisting of collective bargaining and proper legislation to settle disputes.

The constructive argument of both teams was exceptionally strong. Nevertheless our team had made good, but despite the fact that all of our men did excellent work the opposing team came back very strong in rebuttal with the result that the judges decided by a two to one vote in favor of the affirmative.

Debates of March 26.

Otterbein's negative team met Muskingum's affirmative squad in a strong and hotly contested debate. This was our second debate upon the home floor, and while we could not claim victory as ours, yet we take just pride in the fact that our team in this debate won from Muskingum the only judge's vote which they lost throughout the whole season.

The Muskingum team consisted of

E. E. Gilloghy, J. S. Gray and G. R. Johnson. The judges were Superintendent Hawkins of Newark, J. H. Newman, State Librarian and Hon. C. B. Galbreath of Columbus. Dr. E. A. Jones of Otterbein presided.

Mr. Gilloghy as first speaker of the affirmative introduced the question and maintained that a state board of arbitration with compulsory powers was a necessity for the settlement of labor disputes.

Mr. Gray, the second speaker of the affirmative maintained that compulsory arbitration was successful where it had been tried and gave references from New Zealand to prove this contention. He outlined the affirmative's plan for the settlement of labor disputes, which was in the main, a board of arbitration with compulsory powers.

Mr. Johnson contended that since four successful institutions can be found at present in our government which are parallel to a board of arbitration with compulsory powers, their plan was a wise and safe policy. The institutions mentioned were, The Interstate Commerce Commission, The Judicial Court, The Minimum Wage Law and The Workmen's Compensation Law.

Otterbein's team, in a very forceful manner presented practically the same line of constructive argument as that given in the Mount Union debate. However Muskingum showed that bull dog tenacity which holds on till the end, and while our team presented a masterly debate thruout, yet the judges gave Muskingum the decision by a two to one vote.

On the same evening our affirmative team met Muskingum's negative team at New Concord. J. P. Sturgeon, S. W. Martin and J. W. Tenner repre-

sented the opposing team. The judges were Attorney J. Ward Clutch of Columbus, Attorney Adams of Wheeling, W. Va. and Professor R. I. West of Zanesville. Dr. Montgomery of Muskingum presided.

Our team presented the line of argument given in the Ohio Northern debate and while it was given in a very effective manner, the opposing team presented practically the same plan for the settlement of labor disputes. Furthermore they sustained their interpretation of the question by a great number of letters from prominent men, and while the judges decided unanimously in favor of the negative team, yet our team did not lose through inability to debate effectively, but through their failure to sustain their interpretation of the question.

The girls' debate teams are being coached into condition for their debates, which will take place on the evening of April 30.

A triangle has been arranged for the girls' team of Denison, Muskingum and Otterbein. Following is the schedule:

Otterbein negative against Muskingum affirmative at Westerville.

Denison negative against Otterbein's affirmative at Granville.

Muskingum negative against Denison affirmative at New Concord.

Because of the fact that A. W. Neally has been debarred from the State Oratorical Contest, A. S. Wolfe will represent Otterbein in that contest which will take place in Columbus on April 30.

LOCAL EVENTS.

Sophomore-Senior Banquet.

On Wednesday evening, April 14, the Sophomore class gave a sumptuous banquet to their Senior friends. Outside of a few minor incidents, all went off smoothly and well. Following is the menu and program:

Program.

- Toastmaster—Stanton W. B. Wood
 Welcome . . . J. B. Garver, '17
 Response . . . E. B. Learish, '15
 Vocal Solo with Violin Obligato—
 For All Eternity . . . Mascheroni
 Olive McFarland, '15, H. C. Plott, '15
 "Our Faculty" . . . R. W. Gifford, '17
 "Our Students" . . . Dr. E. A. Jones
 Piano Duet—Selection from "Il
 Trovatore" . . . Verdi
 Ruth Engle, '15, Ruth Brundage, '15
 Poem—"Fancies"
 . . . Flossie Broughton, '17
 Violin Solo—Andantino . . . Kreisler
 H. C. Plott
 "Good Night" . . . A. W. Neally, '17
 Orchestra

Menu

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| Grape Fruit | |
| Pickles | Olives |
| Creamed Chicken | |
| | Escalloped Potatoes |
| | Pea Patties |
| Brown Bread | White Bread |
| | Fruit Salad |
| | Tid Bits |
| Ice Cream | Cake |
| Nuts | Coffee |
| | Mints |

Archie Wolfe recently spoke highly of the President and his efficient corps of professors.

The following program was given at the meeting of the Science Club,

March 29:

- Manufacture of Coke and Fuel Gas
 . . . Miss Marguerite George
 Electric Devices in Modern Warfare
 . . . J. B. Smith
 Color Photography
 . . . Miss Nettie Lee Roth

Three new members were taken into the club at this meeting. The interest in the club is very high and the outlook is fine.

On Monday, March 29 at 8:35 A. M. a large crowd gathered on the site of the new church to witness the breaking of ground for the construction of the new building. Reverend W. O. Fries, D. D. of Dayton, had charge of the service. The college chapel exercises were abandoned in honor of this event.

The Otterbein Glee Club and College Quartette left Westerville April 3, for a six days' concert tour through Pennsylvania. They sang at Wilmerding, Wilkinsburg, Greensburg and Johnstown. From all reports that have come to us, the efforts of the club were highly appreciated. The general concensus of opinion seems to be that the Club this year surpasses those of former years in many ways. Students and friends of Otterbein are looking forward to a treat when the Home Concert is given.

The Sibyl has gone to press at last and proof has already been returned for correction. The time for ordering a copy will soon be past. Take care that you do not regret your inaction.

Sunday evening, March 28, the College Choir gave the Easter Cantata

"The Resurrection" by Charles F. Manney. The choir is to be congratulated for their splendid work. A large and appreciative audience was present.

Prof. Spessard (in an after dinner speech, while in Pa.)—"I want you to understand that we intend to go into the concert with all that is in us."

On the evening of March 19, the Junior class staged in the college chapel, "At the End of the Rainbow." It was a beautiful three act play and was admirably rendered. The use of local jokes gave added spice to the play.

Cast.

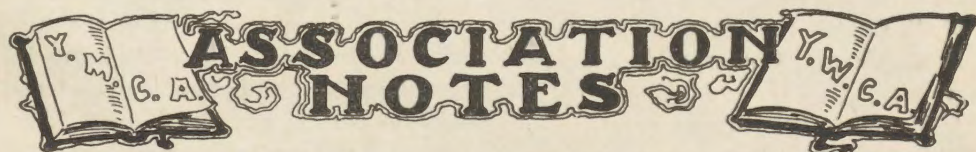
Robert Preston, a lawyer
 Henry Bercaw
 Douglas Brown, a football player
 Stanley Ross
 Dick Preston, the groom
 Rodney Huber
 Stanley Palmer, "Hawkins," the
 butler Clifford Schnake
 Ted Whitney, captain of the var-
 sity team Don Weber
 Jack Austin, Preston's secretary
 Joe Goughnour
 Marion Dayton, a ward of Preston
 Helen Byrer
 Nellie Preston, a bride Dona Beck
 Louise Ross, known as Miss Gray-
 son Ermal Noel

Phyllis Lane, a football enthusiast
 Lydia Garver
 Kathleen Knox, chairman of the rush-
 ing committee . . . Helen Moses
 The Imp, a Freshman
 Norma McCally
 Jane, a maid with a taste for liter-
 ature Ethel Garn
 Mrs. Brown, step-mother of Douglas
 Brown Estella Reese
 Polly Price Mary Pore
 Emily Elliott May Baker
 Elsa Ernest Edna Bright
 Molly Bruce Rowena Thompson

On Wednesday evening, March 24, the Otterbein band gave a concert in the college chapel. This was the first college band concert which has been given at Otterbein for many years, and was highly appreciated by the faculty, students and patrons generally. It was a great success and the future of the band is assured.

Archie Wolfe, in Literary Society gave for his authority, common sense, whereupon Joe Goughnour asked if the gentleman had his authority with him.

Ina Fulton (speaking in Philophron-ean open session)—"This is the first opportunity I have ever had to say, 'This is so sudden!' "
 Speak up Joe.



Y. M. C. A.

Definition of a Gentleman.

On March 18, Mr. C. R. Bennett, of the class of '15, spoke to the association on the subject, "A true gentleman," according to biblical standards.

Among the many characteristics that were suggested as belonging to a true Christian gentleman were, long-

suffering and kindness. A gentleman will respect his superiors and never slight those beneath him. Evil speaking is never the mark of a Christian gentleman. Instead of criticizing and knocking his fellows he finds something good to say of them. College is a good place to practice these principles and thus prepare to meet the

more difficult problems of future life. Straightforward honesty is another requisite for a gentleman. Righteous indignation may in some instances be pardoned—but swearing never!

Installation of Officers.

March 25, marked the close of another administration in the history of the Y. M. C. A. The new officers have taken up their duties and work. The retiring president, E. B. Learish, read his final report in which he told of the work which had been accomplished during the past year.

President Clippinger spoke of the importance of holding offices, whether great or small. He spoke of the calls of Saul, Gideon and Isaiah in which he emphasized the attitude of humility as predominant in each case. No man should look down upon his family or community; nor should hesitate because he is from a humble home or of humble parentage. Each one should take a fair inventory of his life and possibilities. Be faithful in small duties and greater opportunities will not be lacking.

After a few remarks to the new cabinet the following officers were installed:

E. L. Boyles—President.

C. D. LaRue—Vice President.

M. S. Czatt—Recording Secretary.

E. R. Turner, Corresponding Secretary.

J. M. Shumaker—Treasurer.

The new president announced the following committee chairmen for the new cabinet:

Devotional—H. D. Cassel.

Bible Study—J. O. Todd.

Missionary—G. T. Rosselot.

Membership—H. D. Bercau.

Finance—J. M. Shumaker.

Social—W. R. Huber.

Music—L. B. Mignery.

Employment—C. D. LaRue.

House—J. B. Garver.

Intercollegiate—E. R. Turner.

Deputation Work—V. L. Phillips.

Hand Book—A. W. Neally.

God-Approved Workmen.

God-approved workmen was the subject discussed by Prof. Cornetet, April 8, 1915.

He spoke of the opportunities of making good, afforded by this age. Great movements are on foot, and great men are needed to meet the requirements of modern efficiency standards. We should not only be good, but be good for something. A God-approved workman must have, Talent, Time, Tenacity and Tact. The words of the hymn "Take Time to be Holy," are worthy of our careful consideration. Tact is the right method of contact.

Two large fields are open to God-approved workmen, namely, teaching and leading. In teaching one has great opportunities to influence lives and mould characters. For leading, initiative and inspiration are essential. Study your relation to God, be on good terms with all and then your life will count for something.

The new cabinet is planning to make some needed improvements in the Association Building. Better lighting is greatly needed and better equipped association parlors greatly desired. The policies of the various committees will be presented at the next cabinet meeting.

Y. W. C. A.

March 23.

"Is It Catching?" was the subject of the meeting Tuesday evening led by Norma McCally.



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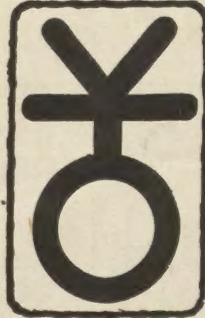
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