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1525 Whipple Ave. S.W.
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Re: E.L. Weinland Biography -

Phone 477-7211
Area Code 216

April 4, 1966

Dr. Lynn W. Turner, Pres.
Otterbein College
Westerville, Ohio

Dear Dr. Turner:

A few days ago I received a copy of the story furnished to you by my Sisters giving a short biography of our Father, Edgar L. Weinland.

In general I think they have done an excellent job but on Page 1 they refer to the naming of a park and school for him and state that it is in a predominately Negro section.

I don't think this was true at the time the honor was bestowed on him since at that time it was a middle class section. Subsequently it has become a Negro area but I believe in the interests of truth it might be well to simply delete the reference to "a predominately Negro section".

Sincerely yours,

Robert A. Weinland
Robert A. Weinland

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April 6, 1966

Mr. Robert A. Weinland
Fulfab, Inc.
1515 Whipple Avenue, S. W.
Canton, Ohio 44708

Dear Mr. Weinland:

Thank you for your letter of April 4 in reference to the biography of your father. I have just read the sketch prepared by Mrs. Heath, and I think it is very good. Perhaps you'll be interested in my reply to your sisters, so I'll enclose a copy.

(The point you made about Weinland Park is well taken. As stated, the sentence could easily be misinterpreted. I shall pass on your letter to Mrs. Bale and Dr. Price who are editing and preserving these papers.)

Cordially yours,

Lynn W. Turner
President

837 Arbutus Drive
Columbia, S. C. 29205
February 9, 1966

Weinland, Edgar L.

Dr. Lynn W. Turner, President
Otterbein College
Westerville, Ohio, 43081

Dear Dr. Turner:

You wrote in December to my sister, Mrs. W. L. Brooker, asking that she prepare a biographical sketch of our father, Edgar L. Weinland. She has asked me to help her with it. This is a most happy assignment, as our Dad was certainly a favorite topic for us at any time.

We have collected a good bit of the information available to us, but would very much appreciate having anything the college has available. You mention the fact that Mr. Smith left some material which he had been gathering. This we would like to have, together with anything else which you might know, especially in regard to his work as a Trustee for many years, or other activities in connection with the college.

We think this is a most interesting project you are planning, and feel most inadequate to present a picture of our father, but will surely try to do our best.

Sincerely,

Ellen W Heath

(Mrs. C. N. Heath)

April 6, 1966

Mrs. Wilfred L. Brooker, Jr.
1007 Henderson Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Brooker and Mrs. Heath:

I hope that you will not object to my writing to both of you in connection with the biographical sketch of your father, Dr. Edgar Weinland, since both of you were concerned in bringing it to completion. I just received the manuscript today from you, Mrs. Brooker, and I want to thank you for seeing that it was done and for sending it to me.

I understand that you, Mrs. Heath, actually wrote the biography. It is an excellent piece of writing and brings back vividly to my own mind the lively figure of your father as I knew him when I first came to Otterbein. He was indeed a remarkable man in many, many ways, and I felt honored to have been his friend and to have been asked to serve as a pall-bearer at his funeral.

Thank you both, so very much, for this fine piece of work. We shall deposit it in the college archives where it will serve to help keep alive the thrilling story of Otterbein's past.

Very sincerely yours,

Lynn W. Turner
President

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CC: Robert Weinland
Dr. Price
Mrs. Evelyn Bale (Biography enclosed)

February 12, 1966

Mrs. C. N. Heath
837 Arbutus Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29205

Dear Mrs. Heath:

I am pleased to know from your letter of February 9 that you and your sister, Mrs. Brooker, are going ahead with the preparation of a biographical sketch of your father for our archives. Your father was still secretary of the board of trustees when I became president of Otterbein College and I certainly remember with genuine appreciation his fine sense of humor and the service which he rendered to the college as secretary of the board. I also remember taking him into Columbus once or twice for meetings of the Columbus Torch Club.

The material which Mr. Ralph Smith collected for his proposed biographical sketches is now deposited in our archives, the Otterbein Room. I do not remember whether there was anything in reference to your father in this collection. At any rate, I am sending a copy of your letter to Dr. Robert Price, Professor of English on our faculty, and curator of the Otterbein Room. If there is any material there, I am sure that he will make some arrangements for having it copied and sent to you.

I am sure that there would be a great deal of material relevant to your father's activities in the Minutes of our board of trustees, but it would be impractical for anyone here to try to search this out and make copies of it for you. I would suggest that you or your sister try to visit the campus, if at all possible, to search for this material or authorize someone here to act as your agent in this respect. It would be unfortunate if we were not able to make use of this source of information.

You might also write to Mrs. Evelyn Bale, who is now editing our Alumni magazine, "Towers", and see if she can offer any further suggestions. I will send her a copy of this letter also.

Best wishes to you as you carry on this very interesting task.

Sincerely yours,

lwt
CC: Dr. Price, Mrs. Bale

Lynn W. Turner
President