

C. E. Leaders Here
This Week-End



Rev. J. Gordon Howard

WITH the Deshler - Wallick Hotel as headquarters, the Ohio Christian Endeavor Union is holding its annual conference for leaders this week-end. This year's theme is "Making the 'Enlist with Christ' Program Effective."

Two events are scheduled for Saturday, the first being a general session at 5 p. m. at the Deshler and the second a banquet at 7 p. m. at the Southern Hotel, with Rev. Harvey C. Hahn, Dayton, as toastmaster, and Rev. Darrell Linder, Findlay, guest speaker.

From 9:30 a. m. to 12 noon, Sunday, services for the delegates will be held in the W. 2nd Av Presbyterian Church, where Rev. Clair Beatty, state executive secretary, will teach the Sunday School lesson, and Rev. Harry W. Baumer, Cleveland, will deliver the sermon.

Conferences are scheduled from 2 to 5 p. m., Sunday, at the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, followed by a fellowship supper at 5:30 p. m. at Central Presbyterian Church.

Rev. J. Gordon Howard, president of Otterbein College and vice president of the International Society of Christian Endeavor, will speak at the evening worship service at the church at 7:30 p. m.

A sunrise service at 6:30 a. m., led by Rev. George Bernhard of Columbus on the south steps of City Hall, will open Monday's program.

Dr. J. Gordon Howard Accepts Office At Inaugural Ceremonies

Chairman Homer B. Kline Inducts President of Otterbein College

Dr. J. Gordon Howard, 45, was inaugurated as the fifteenth president of Otterbein college, Saturday, November 3. He was inducted by Homer B. Kline, chairman of the Board of Trustees, at 10 a. m. in the First United Brethren church.

Dr. Kenneth Irving Brown, president of Denison university, was the guest speaker for the occasion. Dr. W. G. Clippinger, president from 1909 to 1939, delivered the invocation and Dr. T. J. Sanders, president from 1891 to 1901 gave the benediction.

In accepting his charge Dr. Howard said: "I will strive to be humble, as I walk in the shadow of distinguished men, am associated with an outstanding institution and am the beneficiary of a rich institution."

"I will strive to think of office as an opportunity to serve my fellowmen and my God."

"I will strive to be teachable, for only he who is willing to be taught is himself worthy to teach."

"I will strive to remember the noble past, not as an idol to be worshipped but as a foundation on which to stand and reach toward a better future."

"I will strive to keep persons and their ultimate good foremost in planning and action."

"I will strive to make God's purpose the motivating force of life, and the extension of His kingdom the highest objective."

"These things I will strive to do, God being my helper. To the best of my ability, I accept the charge."

Speaking on the subject "Together Let Us See Otterbein," Dr. Howard said that often persons and objects are looked upon but not actually seen. He dwelt on six different subjects in his address:

Otterbein's buildings, students, faculty, Otterbein as an opportunity for young people to enjoy education, those who compose the constituency of the college as partners in a common cause, and Otterbein as holy ground.

He concluded his address by saying: "Finally, let our prayer, today and through the days to come, be this: O God of vision, clear our sight, help us really to see—to see Thy will at all times; and particularly Thy will for Otterbein may live and grow and serve, as we work, and give and pray that Otterbein may live and grow and serve, in Thy name, for the youth of our land and many lands, today and tomorrow and forevermore."

Other Monday events include a choir hour from 8 to 8:30 a. m., conferences from 8:30 to 10:30 a. m., at the Deshler, and the closing general assembly and consecration service from 10:30 to 11:30 a. m.

Other speakers for the three-day session include Rev. George Cole, director of the Ohio Christian Youth Council; John E. Morrison, president, Ohio Christian Endeavor Union; Phyllis Kike, Columbus; Melville Peck, Ohio Alumni superintendent, and Rev. Dan Packard, vice president of the Ohio C. E. Union.

Dr. Howard I New President O Otterbein College

Dr. J. Gordon Howard, educator, author and active civic leader of Dayton, Ohio, was named president of Otterbein College Thursday afternoon, succeeding Dr. J. Ruskin Howe who resigned last semester.

For the last six years, Dr. Howard has been editor of Sunday School Literature of the United Brethren Church. Earlier, for 1



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years, he was director of youth education in the general board of Christian Education. Still earlier, he was director of leadership education in the United Brethren Church.

Among books he has written are "The Successful Sunday School," "Catechism for Youth," and "When Youth Worships." He is the contributing editor of Christian Endeavor World and a member of the advisory board of the International Journal of Religious Education.

Heads Dayton Club

He is president of the Dayton Civitan Club, a member of the program committee of the Dayton YMCA, chairman of the group work division of the Dayton Council of Social Agencies, and a 32nd degree Mason, Scottish Rite.

His election was announced by Homer B. Kline, Pittsburgh, president of Otterbein's Board of Trustees, following the annual board of trustees' meeting. Prof. Royal F. Martin has been serving as acting president of the school.

Dr. Howard holds degrees from Otterbein, being a third generation Otterbein student, and from Bonebrake Theological Seminary and the New York University School of Education. He also studied in the school of education, Ohio State University.

The son of missionary parents, he spent the first 12 years of his

Life in Japan.