

Dr. Howe Inaugurated as President of Otterbein



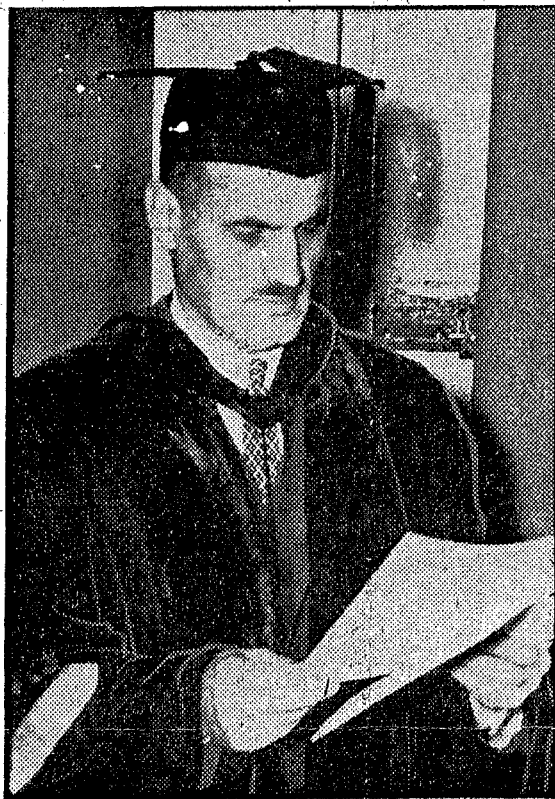
Dr. John Ruskin Howe, the new president of Otterbein college, is pictured at the left as he appeared at the inauguration.



It was a reunion of college presidents when the three men shown in the photograph above met at Otterbein college, Westerville, Saturday, on the occasion of the inauguration of the school's fourteenth president.

Left to right are Dr. Walter G. Clippinger, who retired as president Aug. 31, 1939, after serving 30 years; Dr. John Ruskin Howe, the new president, and Dr. T. J. Sanders, president of the school from 1891 to 1901.

The inaugural address at the ceremonies was delivered by Dr. A. H. Compton of the University of Chicago, shown at the right.



Saturday was a great day for John Howe, Jr., age 4, and Charles Howe, age 8, sons of the new president, as they sat in the

front row of the college church to listen to their father's inaugural speech. They are shown with their mother.

Dr. Howe Sees Important Role for Christian College; Dr. Compton Also Speaks.

By E. Marion Fosnaugh

If the need of tomorrow's world is a quality of character that is unselfish and sacrificial . . . then the Christian college has an increasingly strategic role to play in the years and the decades that lie ahead, Dr. John Ruskin Howe, 44-year-old educator, declared in his inaugural address following his induction into the presidency of Otterbein college at Westerville, Saturday.

Outlining the principles of "The Christian College and the World of Tomorrow," Dr. Howe contended that "our needs lies deeper than mere information."

"Our need," he said, "is for information plus the quality of motivation that sends young men and women out into the world with trained minds and warm hearts to make themselves the servants of some high cause that is greater than themselves and that holds them forever in happy allegiance."

Is Fourteenth President

The youthful-looking educator, Otterbein's fourteenth president, is a graduate of the school which he now heads.

"Not by mere cleverness of mind, but by dedication of all one's being, to high unselfish ends conceived in terms of cosmic obligation and obedience to the will and purpose of God—only so, I am persuaded, shall we arrive at anything approximating the brotherly and friendly world for which humanity has yearned and waited through the years," he told the capacity crowd which filled the college church.

The threats of totalitarian conquest and of internal social upheaval show that if freedom is to survive it can be only by the growth of the desire to work for

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