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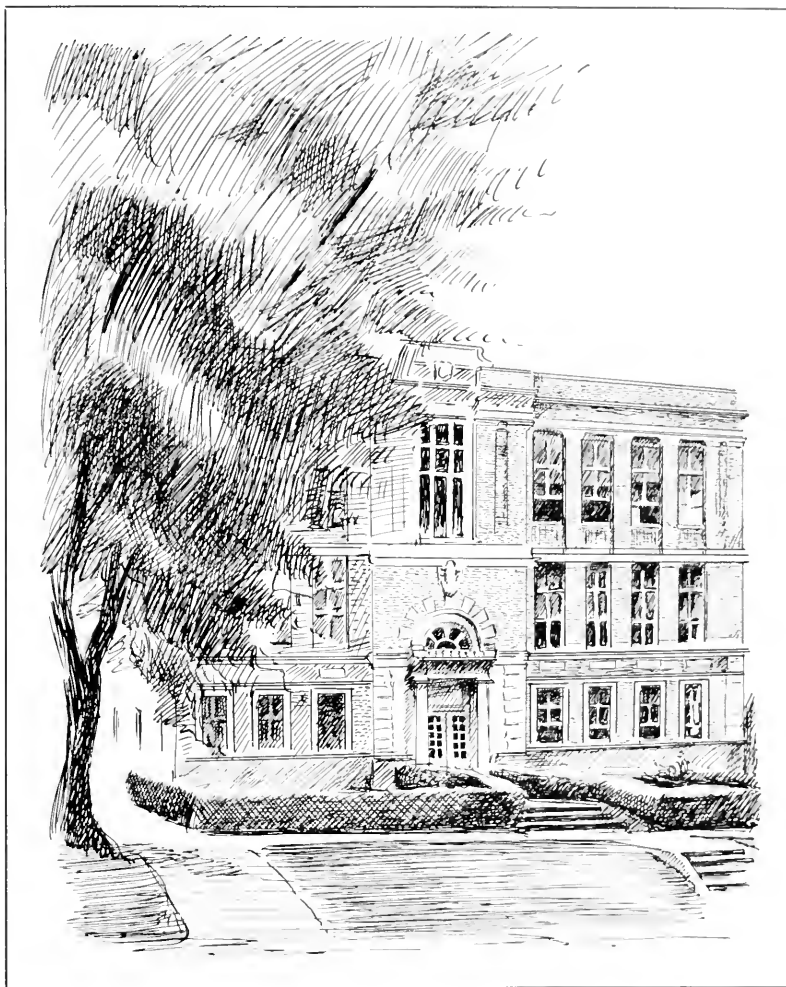
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Embryo Teachers Gain Classroom Experience

Period of Observation and Participation Under Eyes of Skilled Critic Is Required

By MARGARET PORTER, '35

OHIO UNIVERSITY in its management of student teaching and observation last college year offered facilities in its College of Education to approximately 515 students who taught classes under the direction of 56 supervising critic teachers. These supervising critic teachers are subsidized by the university for their assistance in training teachers.

Rufus Putnam, Athens Junior and Senior High Schools, and the schools at The Plains, and Mechanicsburg are all used for student teaching. The university operates a bus between Athens and The Plains for the service of teachers and students. Work in the elementary schools consists of observing and teaching for a half-day of every day during one semester, and each student has two conferences a week with the supervising critic teacher. Courses in methods and theory of teaching are required before an undergraduate is allowed to teach. Only seniors in the university are allowed to do student teaching in the high schools.

In the secondary schools, teaching and observation of the supervising critics in this work are each taken in separate semesters as a rule, and the work is done in one class room period daily.

All of the state institutions in Ohio give similar training to their students who are preparing for teaching. Ohio University has been among the leaders in offering a high type of student teaching since 1902, when the Normal School, now the College of Education was established.

The growth in the standards for teachers in recent years is indicative of the advantages given to children today by placing their education under the supervision of thoroughly competent teachers. A study made in schools of Ohio during 1929-30 revealed that about 80% of the high school teachers in this state had their Bachelor's degrees. Concurrent with this development in teacher preparation standards has been the improvement of facilities for student teaching in the colleges. In the school year of 1921-22 there were five supervising critic teachers in the John Hancock High School,



RUFUS PUTNAM SCHOOL

now replaced by the work in the Athens Junior and Senior High Schools, and only one of these teachers had a Master of Arts degree. In the elementary schools there were 12 critic teachers, five of whom had their Bachelor's degree, one a Master of Philosophy, and six no degree whatever, meaning that they had merely had two years of teaching preparation.

Today there are 20 supervising critic teachers in the elementary schools where student teaching is done in connection with Ohio University, and all of them have the Master of Arts degree. In the Athens High School almost all of the teachers have the Master's degree, and the others expect to have the advanced degree in a short time. At The Plains, all of the teachers have the Master's degree, and one of them a Doctor of Philosophy degree. This evidence of breadth of preparation indicates the quality of service which is being given to students of Ohio University who are preparing to teach.

The state now requires one year of preparation to teach in an elementary school. Ohio University requires two years for any diploma which qualifies the student to teach in the elementary schools. In the high schools, the state requirement is two years of preparatory study, but generally speaking, the Bachelor's degree, including a requisite amount of professional preparation, is required by the employing superintendents. Dean Thomas C. McCracken, of the College of Education, hopes soon to see the time when the requirement for both elementary and high school teachers will be the Bachelor's degree, thus raising still higher the standard for teaching in the schools of Ohio.

Dr. A. B. Sias is professor of School Administration and director of Teacher Training. Dr. Einar A. Hansen is professor of Elementary Education and director of Rufus Putnam (Training) School.

"I had rather earn my living by teaching than in any other way. I love to teach as a painter loves to paint, as a musician loves to play, as a singer loves to sing, as a strong man rejoices to run a race. Teaching is an art — an art so great and so difficult to master that a man or woman can spend a long life at it without realizing much more than his limitations and his mistakes, and his distance from the ideal. But the main aim of my happy days has been to become a good teacher, just as every good architect wishes to be a good architect, and every professional poet strives toward perfection."

—*William Lyon Phelps.*



DOCTORS SIAS AND
HANSEN

Graduation of Largest Class Will Mark 130th Anniversary

Deans from Harvard and Yale Universities To Have Prominent Parts in June Commencement Exercises

MORE beautiful than ever. The co-eds? Yes, but this time we mean Ohio University's campus. Each year brings added loveliness to scenes dear to the hearts of thousands of men and women whose happiest hours were spent among them. A bit of shrubbery here, a new planting there

But come back and see for yourself. June and Commencement call you to Athens where Alma Mater stands ever ready to welcome you. Homecoming has its rush and bustle and crowded stadium but Commencement has its slower-moving, more leisurely throng of reunionists who just want to visit quietly and feast their eyes and souls on the scenes and experiences of other days.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

JUNE 2, 3, 4, 1934

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

- 9:00 A. M. Alumni and Alumnae Golf Tournaments -- Athens Country Club
- 10:00 A. M. Meeting of Board of Trustees
- 2:00 P. M.—Phi Beta Kappa Meeting — Mezzanine Floor, Alumni Memorial Auditorium
- 2:00 P. M. Exhibits, Art Departments and Ohio University Museum — Ellis Hall (3rd Floor), Chubb Library (Art Gallery), and Agriculture Building (2nd Floor)
- 4:00 P. M. Registration of Alumni—Lobby, Alumni Memorial Auditorium
- 4:30 P. M. Business Meeting, Alumni Association — Auditorium, Rhys D. Evans, '09, presiding
- 5:30 P. M. Commencement Picnic — Under the Elms
- 7:45 P. M. Commencement Play—"Romeo and Juliet" — Auditorium

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

- 10:30 A. M. Baccalaureate Address—Alumni Memorial Auditorium—Luther Allan Weigle, Ph. D., D. D., Litt. D., Dean, Divinity School, Yale University
- 2:00 P. M. Exhibits, Art Departments and Ohio University Museum—Ellis Hall (3rd Floor), Chubb Library (Art Gallery), and Agriculture Building (2nd Floor)
- 4:00 P. M. The President's Reception—Garden, President's Home
- 5:30 P. M. Cresset Dinner—The Colonial Torch Dinner
- 8:00 P. M. Concert — Alumni Memorial Auditorium—Ohio University Band

MONDAY, JUNE 4

- 9:30 A. M. Academic Procession—Front Campus
- 10:00 A. M. Graduating Exercises—Alumni Memorial Auditorium—Address, Clinton Poston Biddle, M. B. A., Professor of Investment Banking and Director of the Division of Research and Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University. Conferring of Degrees, President Elmer Burritt Bryan

Coming a little earlier than usual, the Commencement dates have been set for June 2, 3, and 4, the customary three-day period. On the latter date Ohio University will complete its 130th year by graduating the largest class in its history, a class exceeding by 32 members the record-breaking class of last year.

Baccalaureate degrees will be conferred upon 319 persons while the master's degree will be awarded to nine candidates. Two-year diplomas will be received by 80 persons, the number in this group having decreased from 106 for last year.

Departing from the custom of recent years of securing a single speaker for both the baccalaureate and commencement addresses, two speakers have been invited to the campus this year, one from Harvard University, the other from Yale University.

On Sunday morning, June 3, the baccalaureate address will be given by Luther Allan Weigle, Ph. D., D. D., Litt. D., dean of the Divinity School of Yale University. Doctor Weigle was for five years dean of Carleton College, Northfield, Minn., and has been a member of the Yale faculty for eighteen years. He is an author and lecturer of note.

For the Commencement address on June 4, Ohio University is calling back one of its own sons, Clinton Poston Biddle, a member of the Class of 1917. Mr. Biddle is professor of Investment Banking, director of the Division of Research, and associate dean of the Graduate School of Business Administration of Harvard University. After a period of World War



DR. LUTHER ALLAN WEIGLE

service Dean Biddle entered the Harvard Business School from which he graduated "with distinction" in 1920.

As is shown by the accompanying program the events of June 2 will be opened with the golf tournaments for both men and women to be played at the Athens Country Club, Southern Ohio's finest golf course. No entry fee will be charged. Entries are to be made with the "pro" at the club on the morning of the tournaments.

The annual meeting of the Alumni Association will be held in the Alumni Memorial Auditorium at 4:30 o'clock. Rhys D. Evans, '09, Akron, will be the presiding officer.

One of the most enjoyable and delightful events of the commencement season is always the picnic which is served free to alumni, seniors, and other university guests under the wide-spreading branches of the famous McCuffey Elms. Although free, the box lunches will be served only to ticket holders. The tickets may be secured by alumni by writing to or calling at the Alumni Office, second floor, East Wing.

Because of the enthusiastic reception accorded the Shakespearean play "Hamlet," last year, the department of Speech and Dramatic Art has selected another of the great English playwright's dramas, "Romeo and Juliet," for its 1934 production. The price of tickets will be thirty-five cents.

On Sunday afternoon President and Mrs. Bryan will be pleased to re-

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Editorial Comment . . .

IF YOU are back for commencement next month, and we hope you will be, make it a point to attend the annual meeting of the Alumni Association which will be held in the Auditorium at 4:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, just preceding the picnic. The meeting will be a brief but important one. Rhys D. Evans, '09, director of physical research for the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, will preside.

WON'T YOU, if you can? Repeatedly have appeals been made to members of the association who have failed to send in their checks covering the membership fee for the current year. We have almost arrived at the end of our fiscal period and the treasurer tells us that the few dollars in his possession will go only a little way in meeting the obligations of the association. The situation is a serious one for the officers of the organization and should be so regarded by the alumni at large. There is no reserve fund out of which to square existing accounts and the association cannot borrow money at the banks except as the officers are willing and able to put up personally-owned securities.

The unbalanced state of the budget has not resulted from carelessness or unwise spending on the part of the officers. In estimating the receipts for the year conservative judgment was used and the figure reduced from that of the preceding year. Failure of an unprecedentedly large number of members to renew their memberships is what has brought the balance to the wrong side of the ledger and that situation, we feel, was unpredictable.

Letters have been received from some members explaining their own situations frankly and indicating that

"until the sun shines again" they cannot pay their dues however much they desire to do so.

There are many others, however, from whom there has been no word at all and whose failure to support the alumni program this year has been due simply to neglect and procrastination. It is to these good folks that we earnestly direct this last appeal. There are enough of these membership accounts outstanding that, if paid, practically all of the association's bills could be cleaned up. Our supply of "collection" ideas is exhausted. If your "sales resistance" remains unbroken the cause is lost and we give up.

But . . . well, . . . PLEASE.

PROF. VICTOR D. HILL, chairman of the Dafydd J. Evans Latin Prize Fund committee, tells us that \$24.66 is needed to round out that fund so that it will yield an income sufficient to provide first and second prizes of exactly \$25.00 and \$12.50 each.

The fund was established as a memorial to Dr. D. J. Evans who was for almost half a century a professor of classical languages at Ohio University. The prize awards are made annually on a competitive basis varying somewhat according to the will of the committee.

If five alumni will give five dollars each, or if twenty-five alumni will give one dollar each, the cap-stone will be placed on a monument to a teacher who will be remembered by hundreds as one of Ohio University's "grand old men." Contributions may be made through the Alumni Office. The fund is on deposit in the state treasury.

Another fund, a gift to which would be appropriate and appreciated, is the one which admirers of Dean Irma E. Voigt are raising to pay for the services of an outstanding artist who is to paint a portrait of the women's dean. The portrait is to remain at Ohio University and is to be painted at this time in recognition of the completion by the dean of twenty years of distinguished service on the Ohio campus.

Contributions to the portrait fund are being made by students and alumnae of the University. Gifts should be sent to Miss Mary Helen Fretts, Howard Hall, Athens, Ohio. Miss Fretts is head of Howard Hall and assistant professor of English.

The universities are now the residuary legatees of many of the spiritual values which were guarded by the church three centuries ago. Our responsibilities are correspondingly increased and our ideals must be clearly defined. If future generations are to have that high regard for the achievements of the human mind which is essential to civilization, there must be a true reverence for learning in the community. It is not sufficient to train investigators and scholars, no matter how brilliant they may be; a large body of influential citizens must have a passionate interest in the growth of human knowledge.

—PRESIDENT CONANT, Harvard University.

On and About the Campus . . .

ONE of the most colorful and elaborate programs ever staged on the Ohio University campus was held May 5 when nearly 3,000 high school students, mothers, and guests came to Athens to join in the festivities of the day. The ninth annual Mothers' Day program attracted several hundred parents of undergraduates, the district high school scholarship contest brought nearly 1,000 students here, and the first annual Ohio University Relays found more than 400 track athletes and a crowd of nearly 4,000 at Ohio Stadium in the afternoon.

Since next year will see the tenth annual Mothers' Day celebration and a good precedent having been set in the Relays, plans are already going ahead for a bigger and better program in 1935.

THE Delta Sigma Pi active chapter led the campus Greek-letter organizations in scholarship during the first semester, according to a report recently released by Registrar Dillely and Dean of Men Johnston. The Phi Epsilon Pi pledge group ranked highest on the campus among the pledges.

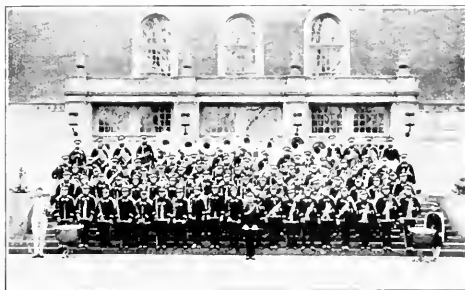
Scholarship among the men has shown a consistently upward trend over a period of several semesters. The active chapters of seven fraternities and the pledge groups of four fraternities ranked higher scholastically than the all-men's average.

DR. JAMES P. PORTER, head of the department of Psychology and newly elected president of the Ohio Academy of Science, was presented with the distinguished service award by Sigma Delta Chi, Ohio University's journalism fraternity, at its annual Gridiron banquet, May 1.

CHI OMEGA sorority won the Rotary Club sing recently in Memorial Auditorium, while Delta Tau Delta fraternity was named the winner of the Torch Sing, May 11, in front of Lindley Hall. Alpha Xi Delta took second place in the sorority group and Phi Delta Theta in the fraternity sing.

THE picture of the Ohio University Band appearing on this page was snapped following their annual concert on the campus last month. This group will present the annual Commencement concert in Memorial Auditorium this year on Sunday night, June 3.

THE Ohio University Vested Choir of more than 50 voices presented its annual spring concert in Memorial Auditorium Sunday night, May 13. The program was the same as the one which the group will give May 20 at the First Methodist Church in Parkersburg, W. Va. A



THE OHIO UNIVERSITY BAND

series of appearances in Southern Ohio has been made by the group this spring and the Choir expects to travel to Columbus later. Enthusiastic audiences have greeted the group in each of the cities where it has sung.

THE Ohio University Women's Glee Club won second prize in the twelfth annual Eisteddfod at Jackson recently, going on to Columbus the next week to sing over Station WOSU. Dean T. C. McCracken of the College of Education was literary adjudicator of the great Welsh festival. Miss Florence Harper, Jackson, freshman and winner of several honors for oratory, won the poetry recitation contest.

ELEVEN members of the Ohio University Symphony Orchestra were selected to play in the All Ohio Intercollegiate Orchestra Festival to be held at Kent State College, May 12. The group was directed in a con-

cert by Dr. Howard Hanson, director of the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. Y., which was broadcast over a national network from WTAM, Cleveland. Prof. D. Forest W. Ingerham is director of the University orchestra.

CAMPUS officers for the coming year were announced recently by the selection board. Dorothy Robbin, West New York, N. J., and Martha White, Portsmouth, will head the Women's League and Y. W. C. A., respectively. Katherine Beverstock, Mansfield, was elected vice-president of the League and Phyllis Teller, Cleveland, was named secretary. The vice-presidency of the Y. W. C. A. went to Beulah Scheffel, Dayton, while Martha Hitchcock, Athens, and Marian Baesel, Lowell, are the new treasurer and secretary, respectively, of the organization.

Ralph Arnold, Logan, has been named to head the Senior Class next year, while Eugene Batten, Parkersburg, W. Va., is the new president of the Men's Union. Forest Hopkins, Wellsville, N. Y., is the new Junior Class president and Alvin Merendino, Clarksburg, W. Va., Junior Prom chairman.

ELABORATE settings have been constructed and intensive rehearsals are being held by the University Department of Speech and Dramatic Art in preparation for the first presentation of Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" to be given in Memorial Auditorium, Wednesday night, May 23. The play will be repeated at Commencement.

Prof. W. H. Cooper, director of the production, and Vincent Jukes, technical director, predict that the play will be a new dramatic milestone for student work on the campus.

A number of Ohio University's outstanding student dramatists will complete their collegiate stage careers with the "greatest love story ever told." Delia Dorsey, Athens senior, has the role of Juliet and Clifton Coleman, Bremen, plays Romeo.

Two New Chapters and Record Attendance at Annual Reunions Feature Current Report

Erie and Mansfield To Have Alumni Groups; Dinners, Dances, Bridge, Theatre Parties, and Just Good Old-Fashioned Talk Fests Provide Entertainment

THE organization of two new chapters and record and near-record attendances at annual reunions are features of the report of alumni activities for April and May. Despite the depression and the legislature never in the history of many of the chapters have such enthusiastic and successful parties been held as this spring.

Brief accounts of all meetings thus far unreported are given in the following paragraphs.

LIMA. The Lima chapter held its final meeting of the year on April 13. The party, in the form of a dinner-bridge, was held at the Tower Tea Room and was attended by fifty-three Ohioans and their guests. Roses and spring flowers were used as table decorations while other appointments were in green and white. Mildred Evans, '27, 2-yr., and Francis Nearon, were high scorers in the play which followed the dinner.

In a brief business session a resolution expressing the pleasure and satisfaction of the group in the decision of Coach Peden to remain at Ohio University was ordered drafted, and officers for the coming year were elected. The new leaders: President, Inez Agerter, '24; vice-president, Don Yant, '29x; secretary-treasurer, Edith Ridenour, '30. The retiring officers were Howard G. Danford, '28, president, and Verna Williams, '24, 2-yr., secretary.

Committees were appointed to aid in the work of contacting seniors in each of the Lima high schools.

Arrangements for the first fall meeting of the chapter will be in charge of a committee composed of Mildred Evans, Ethel Asher, and Francis Nearon.

ERIE. Auspicious, indeed, was the initial meeting of Ohio University alumni in Erie, Pa., April 17, at which the Erie chapter was formally organized. Nineteen persons were present and affixed their signatures to the chapter constitution thus becoming charter members of the new uni-

versity outpost. The business meeting followed a delightful dinner at the Pussy Willow Tea Room. An informal program was concluded with reminiscent remarks from all present.

To lead the Erie chapter during the coming year the following were elected: President, John W. Ray, '14; vice-president, George W. Benedict, '33; secretary-treasurer, Magdalene Pfeil, '33; and correspondent, John F. Klinder, '29. Mr. Ray is principal of one of Erie's largest high schools.

The committee to whom credit is due for calling the Erie clan together, and for the dinner arrangements, was composed of George W. Benedict, chairman, Hilda A. Meyer, '33, Magdalene Pfeil, and John Klinder.

EASTERN OHIO. The sixteenth annual reunion of the Eastern Ohio chapter was held at the Methodist Protestant Church in Steubenville on April 20. Fifty-two members were in attendance. Cleverly designed souvenir programs and menu booklets were placed at each plate, adding to the attractiveness of the tables.

Florence Coates, '29, president, assumed charge of the after dinner program and presented Dorothy and Margaret Sloop who offered some piano and harmony selections in the "modern" manner. These numbers, together with university songs, comprised an enjoyable musical program which was followed by a word of greeting from the Alumni Secretary and an address by Dr. Einar A. Hansen of the University faculty.

Following a motion offered by Mrs. Annette Francis, unanimously endorsed by the women of the chapter, a committee was appointed to plan a reception to be tendered the young women of the senior class of Wells (Steubenville) High School.

New officers: President, Harold Bach, '26; vice-president, Virginia Baker, '29, 2-yr.; secretary, Mary Elinor Worstall, '32, 2-yr.; and treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Francis (Annette Higgins, '11, 2-yr.). Old officers: President, Florence Coates; vice-presi-

dent, Mrs. Frank P. May (Mabel Cunningham, '15, 2-yr.); secretary, Isabelle Turner, '30; and treasurer, Andrew Fenske, '30.

MAHONING VALLEY. A spacious hall in Youngstown College's beautiful new building was the scene of the dinner and dance with which 110 members of the Mahoning Valley chapter celebrated their annual reunion on April 21 at Youngstown.

Delbert L. Kehl, '32, capably presided as master of ceremonies, guiding the program to the point where it was taken over by an excellent 7-piece orchestra. The speech making was limited to a brief contribution by the Alumni Secretary and the feature address by Doctor Hansen. Group singing concluded the first part of the evening's entertainment. The dancing which followed continued until after midnight.

Officers in charge of the 1934 party were: Delbert Kehl, president, and Mrs. M. E. Palisin (Maxine Miller, '28), secretary. Those who were elected to succeed them were: C. V. Thompson, '20, president, and Ida Cohen, '27, secretary.

CHICAGO. In spite of their disappointment over the inability of the Alumni Office to send a campus representative to their meeting this year twenty members were seated at the table in the new De Mets Restaurant on North LaSalle Street, Chicago, when President Beck and Secretary Werkman called the roll of the Chicago chapter on the evening of April 21.

"In the absence of a formal address a series of reminiscences was climaxed by a picturesque and historically accurate description, by Prof. John E. Snow, '92, of the 'evolution' of the Ohio University campus over a long span of years."

As successors to James L. Beck, '19, and Mrs. J. D. Werkman (Mary Reichelderfer, '21), Mrs. K. O. English (Marzuela Richards, '19), and Clara Border, '26, were elected pres-

ident and secretary, respectively, of the Chicago chapter.

COLUMBUS. After a somewhat quiescent period of two or three years the Columbus chapter renewed activities on April 28 with an enthusiasm that augurs well for the success of future reunions.

Overflowing a large dining room in the Y. W. C. A., on Fourth Street, 153 Franklin county alumni foregathered for a party that was marked by real "pep" and spontaneity. Opening with as fine an exhibition of group singing as the Alumni Secretary has witnessed in a long time the evening got under way in a lively fashion and the tempo was maintained until the closing notes of "Alma Mater, Ohio."

Serving as toast-master was J. G. Collicott, superintendent of the Columbus schools and a trustee of Ohio University. The speakers who responded to his call were Clark E. Williams, Coach Don C. Peden, and Dean Edwin Watts Chubb. Two recitations were given by the 14-year-old daughter of J. G. Chase, '13, and Mrs. Chase.

A resolution, similar to the one passed at the Lima meeting, expressing the satisfaction of the group in Coach Peden's decision to remain at Ohio University was offered by John W. Galbreath, '20, and was adopted by a rising vote.

Herbert W. Bash, '17, who owns and operates the Berwick Golf Course on the outskirts of Columbus invited the Columbus chapter to use his course and grounds for a picnic to be held some time this summer.

The committee responsible in large measure for the success of the reunion was composed of Robert E. Rucker, '14, chairman, Mrs. J. Kerwood Martin (Clara Blume, '23), and Earl C. Shively, '21. These persons were given splendid cooperation by a number of sub-committees whose effective work should also be recognized. Mr. Rucker was elected president and Mrs. Martin, secretary for the coming year.

RUFUS PUTNAM. A record crowd of 104 alumni and friends of Ohio University was present at The Tea Room, 306 Putnam Street, Marietta, on April 30, to greet Dr. Hiram Roy Wilson, '96, guest speaker, and to renew allegiance to alma mater.

Doctor Wilson was introduced by Judge David H. Thomas, a classmate and a member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University.

Among the guests of the Rufus Putnam Chapter were President Parsons of Marietta College, and Mrs. Parsons, and Mr. and Mrs. Kaiser. Mr. Kaiser is a trustee of Ohio State University. Another guest specially recognized by the president, Verner E. Metcalf, '17x, was Mrs. Frank Hardy (Betty Greene, '23), of Watertown, Mass., a former member and officer of the chapter who holds a perfect record for attending the annual reunions.

Musical contributions to the program were made by a trio of instrumentalists and a group of high school singers under the direction of Gertrude Morgan, '23, 2-yr. Attractive souvenir programs, with wood block covers, were the work of Florence Hennis, '25.

Fred B. Goddard, '15, was elected to succeed Mr. Metcalf as president, while H. L. Sullivan, '19, superintendent of the Marietta schools will continue as secretary for next year.

The meeting concluded with a theatre party at the Hippodrome Theatre.

MANSFIELD. The call for a rally of Mansfield and Richland county alumni on May 19 has been sounded by "Bob" Richards, '29, and Irl Fisher, '23. Dean Chubb will be the guest speaker. It is expected that a permanent chapter organization will be effected at this meeting.

All Right, Girls! Who Wants To Spend Two Years in Africa

THOMAS E. BYRNE, '31, member of the editorial staff of the *Athens Messenger*, has recently received a letter from W. Logan Fry, '31, which is released to the *Ohio Alumnus* for publication. Logan, a friend and classmate of Tom, is located in Monrovia, Liberia, on the west coast of Africa, where he is cashier of the United States Trading Co., a banking institution affiliated with the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.

The letter, in part, follows:
Hello, Tom:

I am here in Monrovia, in Liberia, cashier in the only bank in the country. The staff consists of a manager and myself (white men), five clerks and three messengers. It is a good job and on mail boat days we are pretty busy.

The climate—and it is our summer here now—is great. The temperature runs about 80 or 90 in the heat of the day. When the rains come I suppose

it will be pretty wet but now we have not had rain for two months.

Last Saturday we went out on an English ship for dinner and on Sunday to a Dutch boat for breakfast and dinner. Yesterday we went out on the English Mail to bring off one of the boys' wife. (By the way, I am taking applications from girls who would like to spend two years in the tropics and have a trip abroad.)

Once every month we have fresh meats, butter, vegetables, cheese, and potatoes sent down from Liverpool. Yesterday they came in on the mail and we really had a feast for supper. You can't imagine how good food from temperate climates can be until you have had tropical foods.

We have no shows and radios are not a success until late at night because of the static, a west coast condition at all times of the year.

Upon the plantation there are about fourteen Americans, five of whom have wives. Here in town there are forty white men of various nationalities, eight of whom have wives.

I have three boys: a cook, a steward and valet, and a yard boy and messenger. It is funny to hear the other boys say "Yes, sir" to my number one boy. I was walking past the president's mansion the other day with one of my boys when a guard motioned us back. I kept on but my boy started for the other side of the street, saying "Massa, you can't go there." I think he meant he couldn't pass, because he was barefooted. I had no trouble.

Sincerely,
LOGAN

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ceive all alumni, faculty members, and seniors and their guests, in the garden of the president's home on East Union Street.

The concert on Sunday evening will be presented this year by the Ohio University Band under the direction of Prof. Curtis W. Janssen. Those who were present when the band packed the Auditorium for its annual spring concert will need no second invitation to return to hear this high class musical organization.

Formal graduation exercises, the concluding event of the season, will take place Monday morning when the commencement address will be given by Dean Biddle and degrees will be conferred by President Bryan

First Place in Track and Second Place in Baseball Seem Possible in Buckeye Race

By C. A. DENSMORE, '32

ALTHOUGH dropping their second game of the Buckeye Conference season on the playing trip in southwestern Ohio, the Bobcats are still clinging to second place in the league standing.

Five straight victories, despite two serious setbacks by injuries, had been achieved before the Ohio diamond squad succumbed to the Miami attack on the Oxford field. A three-run rally in the ninth inning fell one short of the advantage Miami had built up in the earlier stages and the Redskins evened the games this season, 5-4.

Coach Peden's men found the deliveries of Cincinnati hurlers more to their liking on the following day and defeated the University of Cincinnati, 9-4. This was the second victory over the Queen City aggregation. Wolfe was on the mound in the Bearcat game, while "Lefty" Galabow faced Miami. Wolfe limited his rivals to eight hits, which he was able to keep ineffective save for two innings.

Added to the injury Marty Londergan suffered to his pitching hand, Bill Schreiber, Bridgeport, Conn., senior, has been forced from the game because of sinus trouble. Bill has played first base throughout the season and has starred at the plate. It is still uncertain as to whether he will be able to enter the game with Ohio State at Columbus, May 22, or the conference finale with Marshall College here the following day.

Although Ohio's fielding has been erratic at times this year, the 1934 nine is one of the heaviest hitting teams to represent the school in several years. Six of the Bobcat regulars are batting over the .300 mark. The Ohio batsmen fattened their averages by defeating Marietta 10-2 and 29-3 in two one-sided affairs.

The Bobcats have hoosted their standing in the Buckeye Conference by defeating Ohio Wesleyan here, 7-5; Cincinnati, 13-8; and Miami, 6-4. The hitting of Rapp, Schreiber, and Nelson has featured the season. The encounters in Columbus and Athens which will bring the 1934 season to a close are expected to attract large crowds. Ohio State fell before the Bobcats on the Athens diamond last month and will try to even the count. The Pedenmen lost a 10-inning fracas in Huntington and will pit everything against Marshall here.

COACH BILL HERBERT'S track squad will compete in its final dual meet of the season Saturday, May 19, when the Green and White tracksters oppose the University of Cincinnati in a night meet at Nippert Stadium. The Cincinnati meet will be the first of its kind for the Buckeye Conference champions.

The "elements" have been against the Bobcat squad this season. Although beautiful days have greeted high

school runners on both occasions they have visited Athens, Ohio University has yet to have a warm day (or night) for a dual encounter. After winning a decisive victory over Ohio Wesleyan, the Bobcats were nosed out by Miami and the meet with Marshall was cancelled.

The upset scored at Ohio Stadium by Miami was due largely to the colored sophomore flash, Amsden Oliver, sensational hurdler and sprinter. A recent report from Oxford tells of the injury suffered by Oliver in practice. Although the colored flash did not race against Butler, Saturday, May 12, reports that he will be unable to compete in the Buckeye meet at Delaware, May 25-26, cannot be confirmed until that week-end.

Coach Herbert will be looking for his capable squad of field men to support Ohio's stand for the Buckeye title. Carl Dupler, star distance runner, has been steadily improving and should be out in front in both the mile and two-mile runs. Whether James Gilmore can retain his crown in the half-mile race, and the number of points which Berny Newcome can capture are problematical.



SCENE AT OHIO FIELD

MORE than 800 high school track athletes have competed on the Ohio Stadium track this spring in the first annual Ohio University Relays and the district high school meet. Each event found a number brilliant youngsters displaying their wares. The bulk of trophies

and medals in the Relays were captured by Toledo DeVilbiss in Class A, and Rome, Athens County, in Class B. Dayton Roosevelt, Chillicothe, Marietta, and Euclid Shore also won a large number of points, as did Belpre, West Alexandria, and Terrace Park, Cincinnati, in Class B. In the annual district meet, May 12, the crack Wheelersburg squad upset Rome in Class B competition and Chillicothe retained its title in Class A. Marietta and Portsmouth finished behind the Ross County athletes.

GRADUATION is about to thin the ranks of Ohio University's athletic squads. Although many of them have been named before, we wish to use this space to honor them again. Those graduating include: Football—Kenneth E. Bennett, Newcomerstown; James Mazzei, Shinnston, W. Va.; Charles F. Jeffrey, Toledo; Clayton Kessler, Dover; Francis Laczko, Grand River; Ralph Robiette, McArthur; Larry Saltis, Lore City; William Snyder, London; Robert Hilbert, Piqua; Al Miller, Cleveland. Baseball—Vic Bartell, Toledo; Sam Galabow, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Doyne Dudgeon, Amsterdam; Vern Wolfe, Athens; Alex Pike, Wellesley, Mass.; Irving Seigel, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Frank Ruzicka, Columbus. Track—Bernard Newcome, Athens; Eugene Gordon, Mineral City; William Westervelt, Coolville.

Here and There Among the Alumni

One of the officers of the newly-formed Ohio High School Football Coaches Association is Marion "Mike" Hagely, '21, 2-yr., popular and successful coach at North High School, largest of the senior high schools in Columbus. The association hopes to bring about a closer affiliation with the national collegiate coaches association.

Edmund W. Harvey, South Zanesville, husband of the former Miss Lucy Cranmer, '13, and brother of Mrs. J. L. Pickering (Luella Harvey, '75x), Athens, died at his home April 9, 1934. Mrs. Harvey is dean of girls in Lash High School, Zanesville.

Natalie Ann will come more than half way to meet you. Creeping along in the



NATALIE ANN

accompanying picture is the robust young daughter of Mr. Norman Lewis, '33x, and Mrs. Lewis (Rachel Wells, '31), Coshocton. The young lady first saw the light of an interesting world on Oct. 2, 1933. Her daddy has a position on the office staff of the American Art Works, the country's largest and foremost makers of art calendars.

Mother of a prospective, although not actual student of Ohio University, Mrs. George Evans (Etta Ayers, '12), Gambier, was an interested visitor on the campus of her alma mater during the recent Reunion of Ohio University Mothers. She was accompanied by her daughter Miss Kathryn.

Before returning to his home in Athens at the close of the school year, Darrell Herron, '24, member of the Hillside, N. J., high school faculty, will have as his guests in the East his mother and a sister, Ruth Herron, '30. Visits will be made to Philadelphia and New York City.

E. N. Ridgeway, '58x, believed to be the oldest man in Southern Ohio, is in a precarious condition at his home near Bidwell from a stroke of paralysis. He was 100 years of age six months ago. Loss of speech and the use of his left arm have resulted from the stroke.

Hjalmar Olson, son of Thor Olson, '27, Ohio University's wrestling coach and trainer, captured the state junior 165-pound wrestling championship in a tournament held in Columbus last month. Arch Keller, member of Ohio University's mat team, won the 135-pound crown in the senior division. Young Olson is a senior in Athens High School.

Dr. W. Lewis Brown, '26, Gallipolis, has recently been named coroner of Gallia County by the commissioners of that county. Another appointment in medical circles is that of Dr. Walter L. Cruise, '23, Zanesville, to the position of examining physician for the United States Employees Compensation Commission. Doctor Cruise spent nine months of last year in study abroad, chiefly in Vienna.

Mrs. Robert M. Glessner (Alberta Roby, '32), paid a hasty visit to the Alumni Office early this month. She came in to make a long-delayed announcement of her marriage to Mr. Glessner, an alumnus of Wittenberg College, on Aug. 28, 1932, and to report her present activities. Mr. and Mrs. Glessner are located in San Antonio, Texas, where they operate a museum, art shop, and restaurant, "El Nido," at 210 Matagorda Street. Mr. Glessner is also the founder of the Junior Archaeological Society which carries on explorations near San Antonio, at Comanche Look-out, and in the Big Bend country. Mr. Glessner, who has had five years experience as a geologist and explorer in Mexico, was a member of the staff which has recently been engaged in reconstructing the famous San Jose Mission and clearing up the grounds surrounding the Alamo.

P. F. Good, '26, manager of the Lawhead Press, Athens, is a member of the Regional Code Administration Committee for the graphic arts industries. The committee has jurisdiction in eighteen counties of central and southeastern Ohio.

Among the speakers at the recent Home Economics Conference sponsored by the "Home Ec" Department at Ohio University was Pauline Fierce, '30, whose subject was "What I Enjoy Most in Teaching Home Economics." Miss Fierce is an instructor in the high school at Ashland.

Parke L. Boneysteel, '31, is now residing in Paris. From the French capital he travels all over Europe for the American Bitumuls Co., with which he holds a managerial position. The company is a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Co., manufacturing road building materials. His address is: 10 rue Albert de Lapparent, Paris, France.

Howard G. Danford, '28, director of physical education and recreation in the Lima public schools, was chairman of the State Volley Ball Tournament Committee, a committee composed of outstanding physical education supervisors in public schools and universities of the state. The tournament was sponsored by the Ohio Recreation Association for any volley ball team in the state that has played a regular schedule during the winter. There were eight district tournaments with a final tournament at Ohio State University on March 24. Mr. Danford is well known throughout the state for his successful supervision of athletics and recreational activities in Lima.

Mary L. Mercer, '30, a member of the psychological staff at the Ohio Bureau of Juvenile Research for several years, has opened a private office at 683 East Broad St., Columbus. Her work consists of the individual study of the problems of psychological maladjustment in children and adults. Miss Mercer holds a Master of Arts degree from Ohio State University and is continuing her studies under the direction of Dr. H. H. Goddard.

Harry C. Beckley, '10, 2-yr., clothing merchant and one-time Bobcat basketball player, was recently elected president of the Athens Retail Merchants Association.

Beverly Joan, thirteen month old daughter of Arno Reuter, '32, and Mrs. Reuter (Virginia Larimer, '32), Richmond Hills, L. I., N. Y., died April 24, 1934, at the home of her parents in the East. The body was brought to Athens for burial.

An editorial "Fannies and Health," written by Thomas E. Byrne, '31, for the Athens Messenger on Dec. 10, 1933, was judged the best Christmas Health Seal editorial carried by any daily paper in Ohio last winter and won its writer the first prize of \$50 offered by the Ohio Public Health Association. Mr. Byrne is a member of the editorial staff of the Athens newspaper.

Slated for elevation to the presidency of the Youngstown Ohio University Women's Club in the election to be held at the guest day meeting on May 19 is Mrs. G. E. Roudsbush (Mabel Haight, '16, 2-yr), wife of Youngstown's superintendent of schools. Mrs. Roudsbush is a former secretary of the Columbus alumni chapter.



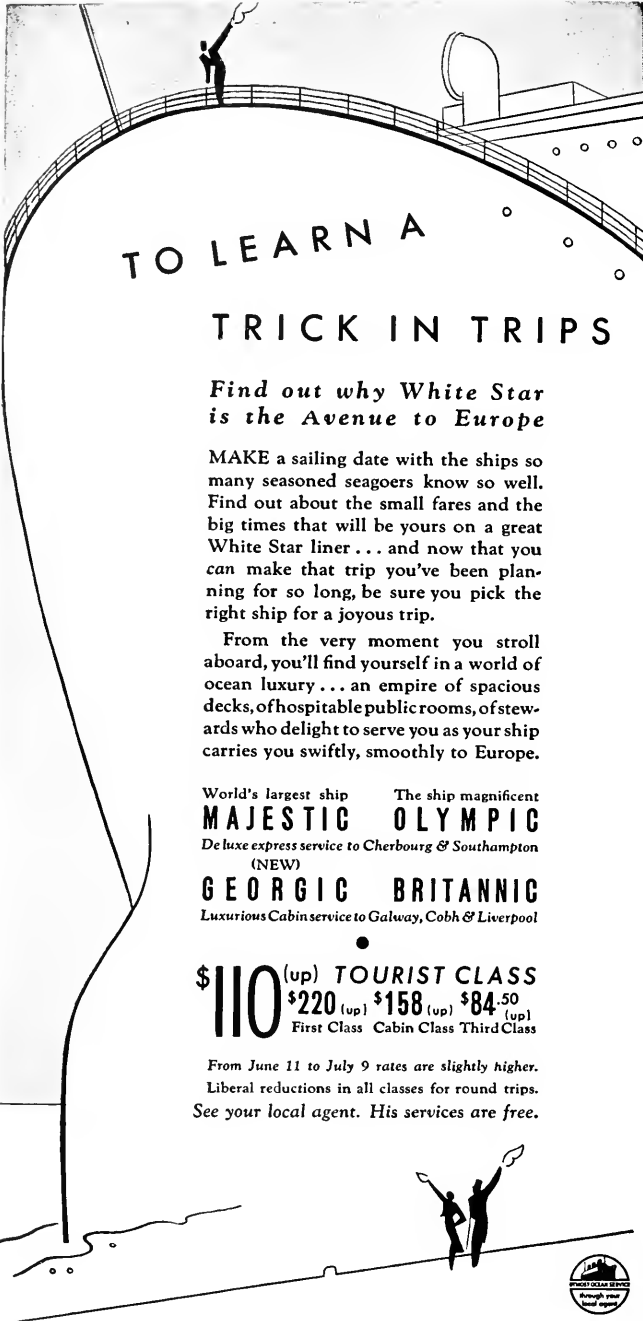
MRS. ROUDBUSH

School administration is not the only interest of H. S. Floyd, '15, superintendent of schools at Struthers, Near London, Ohio. Mr. Floyd owns a farm on which he raises some of the finest Percheron and Belgian draft horses in the country.

In Ironton Sceno Shafer, '28, former Bobcat football star and now assistant coach at Ironton High School, is recognized as a hero. Columns of praise in Ironton newspapers attest the fact. On April 24, as he was going to school, a terrific explosion wrecked an Ironton home. While others hesitated in confusion Sceno plunged into the home and led the owner, his wife, and a maid to safety. Other rescuers under Shafer's direction removed three young sons from the debris.

C. T. Buell, '14, known on the lecture platform as "Machine Gun Pete" will deliver a series of lectures in Athens County during the second week in May under the auspices of the Ohio Unemployed League. Mr. Buell was a machine gunner during the World War and is the author of the book, "The Great World War and Americans on the Field of Battle." Proceeds of the lectures will be given to the local units of the league for the care of sick and needy members.

John E. Brammer, '30, former four-sports athlete at Ohio University, has been named football coach at Lash High School, Zanesville, according to a recent announcement. "Red" has been a successful coach at Watson for several years. He was captain of the Bobcat football team in 1929 and of the basketball squad in 1930. He was named on All-Buckeye teams in both sports.



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MARRIAGES

MILLER-PALISIN—Miss Maxine E. Miller, '28, Youngstown, to Mr. M. E. Palisin, '29, Struthers, Nov. 24, 1932, at Mt. Lebanon, Pa. Mrs. Palisin was for four years an instructor in commercial subjects in Chaney High School, Youngstown. Mr. Palisin is teaching zoology and botany in one of the Youngstown high schools. He is also engaged in some special work in the metallurgy department of the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. At home: Youngstown.

WEBSTER-CORE—Miss Dorothy Webster, '31, Bellefontaine, to Mr. Edward K. Core, also of Bellefontaine, April 16, 1933, at Wellsburg, W. Va. Mr. Core is a graduate of Ohio Northern University and is a civil engineer in Logan County. At home: Bellefontaine.

CUNNINGHAM-BUCHTMAN—Miss Elizabeth Cunningham, '27, to Mr. W. W. Buchtman, Cincinnati, June 24, 1933. Mrs. Buchtman is teaching in the kindergarten of Lomond School, Shaker Heights. After a honeymoon cruise to Nova Scotia Mr. and Mrs. Buchtman established a home at 2836 E. 130th Street, Cleveland.

VOLLMER - PARKER — Miss Marjorie Vollmer, '30, Chillicothe, to Mr. Hoyt M. Parker, Sept. 1933. Mrs. Parker is a Smith-Hughes home economics teacher in the Rio Grande public schools. Mr. Parker is an employee of the Spetnagel Hardware Company, Chillicothe. At home: 534 Laurel Street, Chillicothe.

VESTER-KIBLER — Miss Laura Vester, '30, Chillicothe, to Mr. Racman A. Kibler, Akron, April 1, 1933. Mrs. Kibler is a former student of the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and was for two years a music supervisor in the Washington County schools. She is a sister of Miss Clara E. Vester, '17, Chillicothe. Mr. Kibler, a former student of Akron University, holds a supervisory position with the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company. At home, 997 Baird Street, Akron.

CLEMENT-SPRAGUE—Miss Virginia Clement, Glen Ellyn, Ill., to Dr. Lindley V. Sprague, '21, Madison, Wis., May 8, 1932. Doctor Sprague is engaged in the private practice of medicine in Madison and is also a member of the faculty of the University of Wisconsin from which he graduated with the medical degree. He is a brother of Miss Floride Sprague, '31, Chauncey, and of Dr. Lenore Sprague Stack, '18, Columbus.

WILSON-WRIGHT — Miss Dorothy B. Wilson, '29, Newark, to Mr. Frederick F. Wright, also of Newark, Sept. 24, 1933, at the Newark Second Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Wright is a former teacher in her home schools. Mr. Wright is connected with a Newark bank.

KENNEDY-KELCH—Miss Mac Geraldine Kennedy, '33x, Old Washington, to Mr. Russell V. Kelch, '31 (M. A., '33), Logan, in August, at Winterset. Mrs. Kelch was for two years a teacher in the Guernsey county schools. Mr. Kelch received the master's degree at Ohio University in June. He is now a member of the teaching staff of Dartmouth College. At home: Hanover, N. H.

At the meeting last fall of the Eastern Ohio Teachers Association a resolution containing the ultimatum "No Pay, No Work" was defeated. Supt. H. L. Sullivan, '19, of the Marietta schools, was elected president of the association for the ensuing year.

BIRTHS

WILLIAMS To Mr. Dwight E. Williams, '22, and Mrs. Williams (Opal Cooley, '23), Jackson, Mississippi, a son, Jack, May 3, 1934. The new arrival has two sisters, June and Georgia.

MARDIS To Mr. Harold C. Mardis, '17, and Mrs. Mardis (Marie Swaim, '15, 2-yr.), Lincoln, Nebr., a son, Hall Kennedy Swaim, April 4, 1934. Mr. Mardis is principal of Lincoln Senior High School. The Mardises have two daughters, Marilyn and Gloria.

VERMILION To Mr. Monroe Vermilion, '27, and Mrs. Vermilion (Bertha Brigner, '30), Athens, a son, Arthur Guale, April 6, 1934. Mr. Vermilion is instructor in Civic Biology and Botany at Ohio University.

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DEATHS

METZ—Raymond H. Metz, '28, since graduation from Ohio University an instructor and coach in the high school at Carrollton, died April 25, 1934, of cancer of the liver. He had continued to teach until about three months prior to his death. Mr. Metz is survived by his parents and four sisters.

FRIDLEY—Paul E. Fridley, '27, died April 29, 1934, at his home in Sidney as the result of injuries received in an automobile accident. Mr. Fridley will be remembered by many of his campus contemporaries as a member of Chase's Collegians, a dance orchestra composed of Ohio University students.

PETERS Frank M. Peters, '03x, Cincinnati, president of the Federal Union Life Insurance Company, died May 2, 1934, at his home. The brief news dispatch did not give the cause of death.

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