92nd Commencement:
James Conzelman, Father Elbert, Col. Drysdale

MAY • 1942
Dear Alumnus:

May we call your attention to a letter we received last week from Ralph Werner '38. You all remember “Pesky.” His letter is on page 5 of this issue. Note that he says, “All this is for people like Tim Wholey and many more like him.”

Tim Wholey graduated in 1936. He and Pesky were teammates (both were ends) on fine Flyer football squads. Both were reserve officers. Pesky is flying for the Navy, stationed in Florida. Tim was sent to the Philippines. He battled gloriously in northern Luzon. That is where he was when last heard from. It was thought he had escaped to Corregidor. Then came the fall. Now Lt. Tim Wholey has been reported “missing.”

Pesky didn’t know about this latter fact when he wrote his letter to us but now his words have even deeper significance, “All this is for people like Tim Wholey and many more like him.”

The “For God and Country” alumni membership drive is entering its second month. One hundred and twenty-five loyal alumni have contributed $625.75 thus far. We know that many more are filling their stamp albums with war savings stamps; that still others plan sending cash contributions that the University can convert into bonds. Additional albums will be sent on request.

Have you made your contribution as yet? Perhaps it has slipped your mind. We know you will not disregard the appeal entirely. Too much is at stake. In these days when your University is facing increased costs co-incidentally with decreased enrollment, your help is more than ever needed.

Names of contributors will be printed in the June issue of the Alumni. You’ll want your name to appear. Just as you would be proud to have your name on our “In the Service” honor roll, so also may you be justly proud at having your name on our “For God and Country” honor roll.

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ORDAINED—

Thomas Phillip Ryan, C.S.V., acting head of the department of political science at the University from 1940 to September, 1941, was ordained into the priesthood, May 26, 1942, at the Abbey church, St. Meinrad, Ind. Father Ryan celebrated his first mass at St. Francis de Paulla church, Chicago, May 31.

While on the University faculty, Father Ryan, then Bro. Ryan, instituted the Selective Service bureau of information which was lavishly complimented by Selective Service officials and generally conceded by them to be the first of its kind among all the colleges and universities of the country. Bro. G. W. Nagel, S.M., is now in charge of the bureau of information.

92nd Commencement
Held on May 10th

137 Degrees Are
Granted; 21 Commissions

Front cover, left to right: James G. Conzelman, commencement speaker; Father Elbert, and Col. Walter S. Drysdale who presented commissions to cadet officers.

Complying with the government's request for an acceleration of college curricula, the University commencement was held, Sunday, May 10, a full month ahead of schedule. Lengthening of class hours and an intensifying of class work made the program possible.

One hundred and thirty-seven degrees were granted and commissions were bestowed upon 21 graduating R.O.T.C. students.

Rev. George J. Renneker, dean of the University, preached the baccalaureate sermon in the chapel during morning ceremonies, Charles W. Whalen, jr., Dayton, was valedictorian for the class, Col. Walter S. Drysdale, Ft. Benj. Harrison, Ind., presented commissions.

Commencement speaker was James G. Conzelman, vice-president and coach of the Chicago Cardinals professional football team, Mr. Conzelman, a lecturer of wide renown, has been regular contributor to the Saturday Evening Post, has been a feature writer for the St. Louis Post Dispatch and International News Service. His inspiring message to the graduates centered upon the thought that "you have been taught to build; now you must learn to destroy." "The nation's problem," he said, "is to toughen up the mind as well as the body of the young man in combat service . . . Cultivate an acquaintance with violence, challenge it . . . meet it . . . laugh at it!"

Mr. Conzelman's speech has been printed up in book form by the National Professional football league and made available for general public distribution.

In honor of the impending Golden Jubilee of Dr. William Wohlleben, August 28, 1942, members of the sophomore, junior and senior classes of the chemical engineering department were hosts at a "lab party" on May 4. A "spread" and informal speaking program highlighted the affair.

Herbert Morris, senior, Dayton, was the toastmaster and John Schuler, senior, Marion, presented Dr. Wohlleben with a substantial cash gift from the students in the department. "Voices from the past" was a most unusual part of the affair, consisting of observations from former students of the department. The ghostly voices coming from the laboratory's public address system were authored by Bro. Vincent Wottle, assistant to Dr. Wohlleben.

The honored guest reminisced to the group concerning early days of the department, of the great forward strides made since the origin of the laboratory in 1909. Dean Mathias Haas was likewise present as a guest of the students.

Dr. Wohlleben entered the Society of Mary, July 27, 1889, and professed first vows on August 28, 1892. He founded the chemical department at the University in the summer of 1909.

PRESIDENT AT U.C.

Rev. John A. Elbert, president of the University, gave the baccalaureate address at the 64th Commencement of the University of Cincinnati, May 31. Father Elbert received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Cincinnati.
LIKES "MOOT" MEETINGS

Dear Jim:

Bill Collins and I certainly appreciate receiving the Alumnus. Just like a letter from home.

We see John Ladner occasionally and have gone to one of the "Moots" Wednesday evening meetings. John had some movies of Pearl Harbor and another on a different subject that was equally exciting. The lunch that Mrs. Ladner gave us after the "serious" business was over is rivaled only by the Chi Alpha Phi spreads at Mrs. B's. Do you boys still get together? Or are there any left to get together, outside of the "free" outing Uncle Sam is furnishing?

Attached is a check. Note my change of address. It may change soon again if Uncle Sam does what I think he is going to do about my previous military training.

Cordially yours,

Bob Foust '34
Standard Register Co.
Chicago, Ill.

STATIONED AT FT. BRADY

Dear Jim:

I am always grateful to receive the Alumnus. I have been in the army since June and each month my mother forwards the Alumnus to me. I have just recently been transferred to Fort Brady, Saulte Ste. Marie, Mich.

My former stations were in Texas and Tennessee. At present I am on special duty with the Military Police as clerk. It is very interesting and exciting work.

Words can't express the feeling one gets when you read the Alumnus—to see such names again as Baujan, Payne, etc. It really brings back happy moments spent at good old U. of D.

Regards to all and the best of luck in the world to U. of D. Remember me to the fellows from the class of '34.

Yours,
Pvt. Joe Curran '34
Anti-Tank Co., 131 Inf.
Fort Brady, Mich.

WANTS EXTRA COPIES

Dear Jim:

We would like to have, if you can spare them, about 50 copies of the February issue of the Alumnus.

We wish to circulate our sales force with this issue, because of the personal story on Merle P. Smith.

We wish to congratulate you on this particular issue and the very fine tribute paid our very good friend, Merle.

Very truly yours,

Huston Brown '20
Joyce-Cridland Co.
Dayton, Ohio

THANKS, DICK!

Dear Jim:

It is a pleasure to receive the monthly publication of the University of Dayton Alumnus and to be able to follow the activities of University of Dayton men in your "Letters from the Alumni" and the articles under "Class Notes."

Kindest regards to you and congratulations on continuing to do such a good job on this U. of D. publication which is enjoyed so much.

Sincerely yours,
Lt. G. R. Gottschalk '35
War Department
Office of the Chief of Ordnance
Washington, D.C.

SPECIAL TO '22, '23, '24

Dear Jim:

I have just finished reading the March issue of the University of Dayton Alumnus and I want to compliment you on the fine make-up.

Reading about some of my old friends only makes me wonder about others. If at all possible, could you relay the idea that I would like to hear from some of the old timers I knew so well back in '22, '23 and '24? I certainly would like to hear from Mat Keller, "Fats" Hollerman, Joseph Fernandez, Bill Schneider and any of the others.

I've been places and back again, and it would be great to hear from "that old gang" again.

So the old school has gone co-ed! What we missed in the good old days.

As ever,
Corp. J. Carl Leiningen '24
Co. C, 725th MP Bn. (ZI)
Fort Jackson, S.C.

ENTERS SERVICE

Dear Father Renneker:

It appears now that I'll be off for the army within the next fortnight as the bucket of privates in the nearest of ranks.

Since I left U.D. at the close of the 1932 term, I've had a rather checkered career, including short periods of employment as a mining engineer's helper, coal loader, truck driver, forest fire spotter and a few other odd jobs.

For the past eight years, however, I have been employed by both the local papers, first as a reporter, then copyreader, telegraph editor and finally (after the boss received a commission in Army Intelligence) as managing editor of the morning paper.

All of which, I believe you will agree, bears out Dr. Wohlleben's judgment, pronounced over me after he surveyed my record in quantitative chemistry, that I lacked the "manual dexterity" ever to amount to much as a man of science. Since then I've religiously eschewed the scientific and I hope, have attained some material success.

Incidentally, give my regards to Dr. Wohlleben, please, I am enclosing my check for dues in the Alumni Association and would appreciate your handing it to the secretary. I hope this letter finds you in the best of health and spirits.

Yours sincerely,
John Bridge '34 (almost)
Editor, Beckley Post-Herald
Beckley, W. Va.

LIKES ALBUM IDEA

Dear Brownie:

Received the war stamp album this morning and it was most welcome as I was just planning on get-
THE ACCOMPANYING PHOTO, TAKEN FIFTY YEARS AGO THIS MONTH—JUNE, 1892—WAS PRESENTED TO THE ALUMNUS BY MICHAEL J. GIBBONS '05, DAYTON. This group was the “senior division” boarding students. The graduating class of 1892 came from the group. Graduates were Richard P. Burkhardt, William Tancred and John M. Ward, Dayton; Oscar C. Miller and Joseph Windbiel, Chicago; Joseph Redmond, Cincinnati; Dallas Wert, South Milford, Ind.

Here’s a challenge to the “old boys.” How many of the blades in the picture do YOU recognize? The Alumnus would like to have the picture identified in its entirety.

Give my regards to Harry and all my friends on the faculty. Tell Harry to keep his slogan, “Never quit fighting!” You are never beaten ‘till the last whistle blows. That final whistle is a long way off. The game has just started.

Sincerely,
Ralph (Pesky) Werner ’38
U. S. Naval Air Station
Jacksonville, Fla.

1942 GRID SKED

The Flyers' 1942 football schedule was released recently by Harry C. Baujan, head coach and athletic director. The home schedule contains 7 games, largest in history. Just three games will be played away. Newcomers are Western Michigan and Chattanooga, Tennessee is once more on the schedule, the game to be played in Knoxville, October 10.

The complete card follows:

Fri. night, Sept. 18, Findlay
Fri. night, Sept. 25, W. Mich.
Fri. night, Oct. 2, Heidelberg
Sat. aft., Oct. 10 at Tennessee
Sat. aft., Oct. 17 at Miami
Sat. aft., Oct. 24, Xavier
Sat. aft., Oct. 31, Marshall
Sat. aft., Nov. 7, Chattanooga
Sat. aft., Nov. 14, Cincinnati
Thanksgiving, Nov. 26, Ohio U.
**IN THE SERVICE**  
*(Continued from April issue)*

Since publication of our "In the Service" honor roll in the April Alumnus, the names of 70 additional alumni who are serving the armed forces of our country have come to our attention. They are carried in this issue. Readers are urged to compare this list with the one carried last month. If you know of someone who is serving the armed forces and whose name is not carried in either listing, please drop us a note calling the matter to our attention. List name, class, branch of service, rank and address, where known. As mentioned before we are eager to bring the complete roster up to date as soon as possible for the permanent "Honor Roll" to be mounted in the main corridor of St. Mary hall.

(Editor's note: Correction of the April listing. "L. C. Markley" should be L. W. Makley, 1927. "John Schoen" should be Edward J. Schoen, 1932. Lt. Leo Glaser, 1934, has not yet been called to active duty.)

The following 70 men have but recently come to our attention:

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Attends Chicago Meeting

Dr. Mathias Haas, S. M., dean of the college of Engineering, was guest of the Chicago chapter of the alumni association at the meeting of the group held on Wednesday, May 27, at 711 Armitage avenue. Dr. Haas addressed the members regarding progress at the University, enrollment, prospects for the future, the new secretarial and home economics departments, effects of the acceleration program and general news.

President Carl Geppert conducted the meeting. Among those present were John J. Ladner, Joseph Holischer, Arthur Schlitt, Al Kemper, Ed Blumenthal, Leonard Sieben, Carl Geppert, Herb Hart and Herb's father.

All U.D. Project

We are indebted to Bro. Bernard Schad, former head of the department of Civil Engineering and present Inspector of the Eastern Province of the Society of Mary, for the following "believe it or not" news note picked up on a recent trip to Hawaii.

It seems that George Houghtailing '29, designed an elaborate sewer system for the city of Honolulu. George Freitas '29, was the man who contracted for and constructed the job. Sam Hipa '28, was the city inspector who passed on the installation.

Scott and Swank are entering medical school and will later be transferred to the medical corps.

Of the 21 men receiving commissions, nine are on active duty, the balance to be given orders in July. Air corps appointees include Butler, Sacramento, Cal.; Linsker, Moffett Field, Cal.; Stalzer and Hirt, Tampa, Fla. Signal corps appointees include Zimmerman and Dodt, Ft. Monmouth, N. J.; Rechtien, Drew Field, Tampa, Fla. Chemical warfare appointees are High and McEwan, Edgewood Arsenal, Md. Infantry men are Drury, Forsthoff, Scheu and Quinn, Ft. Benning, Ga. Reporting to Quartermaster’s school at Ft. Francis E. Warren, Wyo., are Higgins, Kinzeler, Murphy, Waltz, Woeste and Bischof.

Class Notes

Edward Bleicher, alumnus of the University, arranged the presentation of a De Soto chassis, complete in every respect, to the mechanical engineering department recently. Bleicher, general manager of the De Soto plant in Detroit, was a former student of Bro. Adam Hofmann, head of the M. E. department.

The chassis, installed in the M. E. laboratory, will be used for testing purposes and for the study of automotive manufacturing, functioning and vibrations.

1882—Joseph Hinterscheid, Columbus, departed this life on November 18, 1941.

1885—Frank J. Dimmer, Detroit, departed this life on October 16, 1941.

1891—A. T. Volz, Detroit, departed this life within the past few months.

1899—Al J. Ward, Burlingame, Calif., city judge, wrote some personal reminiscences of happy days in Dayton for a Dayton paper recently.

1909—Francis Canny, Dayton, has been elected a member of the board of directors of the Dayton Bicycle Club.

1912—Al H. Mahrt, Chillicothe, has been elected treasurer of the G. H. Mead Pulp and Paper Co.

1922—Frank Elardo, Dayton, has been elected treasurer of the Miami Valley Chapter of Credit Unions. (H. S.) C. F. (Mike) O’Grady resides at 635 Andover Road, Columbus.

1926—Herbert Eikenberry, Dayton, is a candidate in the August primaries for common pleas judge. Pvt. John T. Krick, Parkersburg, W. Va., is in the army air corps at Perrin Field, Texas. (H. S.) Nelson H. Booth, Jr., Marietta, is in the army.

1929—Michael F. Moran, Dayton, president of the Moran Paint Company, was slightly injured in a $10,000 explosion and fire at his factory recently. Joseph E. Keller, Washington, D. C., recently spoke before the ways and means committee of the national house of representatives. Major Francis Kohler is stationed at Wright Field, Dayton, (Hon.) Anne O’Hare McCormick recently received one of the National Institute of Social Sciences’ 1942 gold medals for “distinguished services to humanity.”

1930—Lt. Howard H. Kane, Dayton, is on active duty at Ft. Benning, Ga. Pvt. Lawrence F. Henders is stationed at Randolph Field, Texas. Capt. James P. Cassidy is on duty in Australia. Walter P. Reese, Dayton, is entering Red Cross administrative work school.

1931—Major Blaire Froehle is at Camp Lee, Va., John H. Tierney, army flying school, Lubbock, Texas, has been promoted to captain, Corp. Thomas Dempsey is stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss. Capt. Eugene Cropper is with the 109th Observation Sq., Ft. Knox, Ky. Joseph Goetz, Cincinnati, has been appointed lieutenant in the Air Service Command, his duties beginning June 8. Judge Wm. H. Wolff, Dayton, and Mrs. Wolff (’41) became the parents of a son, May 19.

1932—William Hoefer is with the 1st Finance Training Bn., Ft. Benj. Harrison, Ind. Lt. Francis Pfister is at Camp Claiborne, La. Edward J. Schoen is a 2nd Lt. in the Q. M. C. at the Chicago Quartermaster Depot. Dr. James Schumacher is stationed at the Marine hospital, San Francisco, Calif.

1933—Lt. Carl M. Rodberg is on active duty at Ft. Benning, Ga.

(See CLASS NOTES page 8)
Class Notes
(Continued from page 7)

Capt. Cornelius Smedebush is stationed at Clover, N. J. Robert Martin has been promoted to captain. Capt. Daniel Adams, Ft. Bragg, N. C., was married on May 16 to Lorena Montesanti of Pinehurst, N. C. (H. S.) Pvt. Henry Hauck is stationed at Ft. Sill, Okla.


1935—Roland Duell is stationed at Ft. Benning, Ga. Major Walter J. Haberer, Ft. Sill, Okla., was a campus visitor on May 6. Michael Usas is in officers' training school at Camp Lee, Va. Floyd Leichtle, Dayton, became the father of a son, Floyd David, April 19. Charles Dugan has been promoted to captain and is on duty in the Pacific war zone. Lt. Michael S. Genter is with the signal corps at Camp Crowder, Mo. Capt. G. Richard Gottschalk, office of chief of ordnance, Washington, D. C., became the father of a baby girl, Nancy Elizabeth, April 10. Lt. George Walther, Jr., Ft. Benning, Ga., was recently in Dayton on leave. Pvt. Philip Tanis is stationed at Patterson Field, Dayton.

1936—Daniel V. Halligan is stationed at Camp Crowder, Mo. Francis Duell is working at Wright Field, Dayton. Lt. Wm. J. Ryan, Ozone Park, L. I., N. Y., is serving overseas. Lt. James Darrell Apple, M.D., Dayton, has been assigned to the Chico Army Air base, Chico, Calif.

1937—Pvt. Robert J. Connelly has enlisted at Patterson Field, Dayton.

1938—Lt. George Duell is stationed with the 136th Inf. at Camp Forrest, Tenn. Lt. Webster C. Smyers, M.D., Dayton, is believed to have been on Corregidor when it fell to the Japs. (Ex.) Pvt. John F. Pohlabel is on duty in Iceland.


1940—Robert Kaiser, Cleveland, is being married on July 4. Lt. Anthony Furst, Ft. Benning, Ga., was a campus visitor, May 8. Albert Rato has been commissioned an ensign in the U.S.N.R., Pensacola, Fla. Henry J. Buehler, St. Louis, is stationed at Edgewood Arsenal, Md. Ernest Spegele, Charleston, S. C., was a campus visitor, May 11. Donald E. Bootes, Dayton, has been commissioned an ensign in the navy at Noroton Heights, Conn. Adrian C. Dailey was married to Dorothy Day in Dayton, May 5. (Ex.) Frank Zavakos is in England, flying with the R.A.F.


1942—Lt. Eugene Stalzer is residing at the Hotel Floridan, Fla. (Ex.) E. R. Giesman, Jr., Dayton, is an aviation cadet at Turner Field, Albany, Ga. Charles Whalen has been appointed to a special 16 months business administration course at Harvard, leading to a Master's degree and a commission in the U. S. Army.

1943—(Ex.) William Gauvey, Jr. New Lebanon, Ohio, was recently appointed a naval aviation cadet at Pensacola, Fla.

Correction Corner . . .

We know you don't want to miss any issues of the Alumnus, and accordingly, we are doing everything in our power to keep our mailing list up to date. We'll need your cooperation in this. If you have moved or plan to move, please notify us at once so we can make the necessary changes in our records. Thanks a lot!

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