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## BIBLE SCHOLAR TO GIVE LECTURE ON LARWILL FOUNDATION

Dr. Goodspeed to Talk on  
His Shortened Bible

Dr. Edgar J. Goodspeed, one of the foremost scholars in America, will give the first Larwill Lecture of the year Friday evening, December 15th. He has chosen to present an informal "Shop Talk."

Dr. Goodspeed recently published a new "Short Bible" in which the book of Amos takes the place of the book of Genesis.

"No such violent hands have been laid on the traditional text since Jerome made the Vulgate," declared Dr. W. P. Reeves who is most enthusiastic about the lecture, which he considers will be by far the most important of the 1933-34 Larwill Lectures.

Dr. Goodspeed, will explain in his "Shop Talk" how and why he made this "Short Bible," termed by Dr. Reeves an outstanding achievement for critical scholarship. Not only the fact that a man has the originality and ability to accomplish such a thing is significant to Dr. Reeves, but also the fact that he can publish his results with impunity. "One would hate to think what would have happened to any man in a 1000 years of history of the Bible who would make such a change."

Dr. Goodspeed is a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago, and a co-translator of the new English Version of the Bible, which was published several years ago.

## SOUTH LEONARD WINS SPEEDBALL CUP

Betas Win From Delts in  
Close Game

In a hard-fought game, South Leonard won the touch football playoffs from Middle Leonard by a score of 2-0, as a lone safety was the only score of the game. Both teams showed plenty of class, but they were too even. The cold weather made the passing game a little more difficult, but this was not the real reason for the lack of touchdowns. Actually, both defenses were too tough for the opposing offenses.

As touchball was the first intramural sport, the Betas and Delts are now leading the field in the standing for the participation trophy. Speedball is getting under way now, and should be completed before Christmas.

## OHIO DRAMA LEAGUE PRESENTS SECOND PLAY OF SEASON

"Springtime For Henry"  
Is Played

Considered Better Than  
The First Production

With a better play and a better cast, the Ohio Drama League made an even finer impression with their second production than they had with their first. Benn W. Levy's farce-comedy, "Springtime for Henry" was the play and Miss Virginia Weller was most of the improvement in the cast. The play was produced and directed under Howard Inches, and the complete cast is as follows:

Mr. Dewlip — Mr. John Rowe  
Mr. Jelliwell — Mr. Fred Sumner  
Mrs. Jelliwell — Miss Ruby Richard  
Miss Smith — Miss Virginia Weller  
Mr. Rowe is a member of the Cleveland Playhouse staff, and has played with Marie Dressler and May Robson, among others. Mr. Sumner just closed on Broadway in "Amourette." Played last season in "Another Language." Miss Richard will be remembered from the first Drama League production, "The First Mrs. Fraser."

Miss Weller has been with Jessie Bonstelle in Detroit and at the Provincetown Playhouse, and played "Strictly Dishonorable." She was excellent in the part of Miss Smith, whose temporarily successful reforming efforts form most of the action of the play. However, the strain of "the decent thing" is too much for poor Mr. Dewlip, and when he discovers that his angelic Miss Smith is a notorious French murderer he is all too willing to return to his normal ways and his affair with Mrs. Jelliwell.

## SWIMMING ADDED TO INTRAMURAL SPORTS

In a meeting held December 11, the Intramural Board decided to add swimming to the list of intramural sports. The plan is to hold a meet, consisting of preliminaries and finals, in the Y. M. C. A. pool in Mt. Vernon. There will be for or five events scheduled.

Basketball will be started after the holidays, and handball as well. Divisions are requested to get their handball entries in by the first Monday after we return to school in January. Also, each division is asked to select an All-Opponent Speedball team by the next board meeting.

## COMMONS SERVES CHRISTMAS DINNER

Turkey Dinner With Beer  
Served Last Wednesday

Wednesday night the annual Christmas Dinner was served at the Commons. Many members of the faculty attended. A very good turkey dinner was served, with beer as a beverage. This was a new departure, this beer, and it was well received by the students, who are looking forward to the next feast of sufficient importance to warrant its being served again.

With the Kenyon Singers as a nucleus, the singing sounded like old times. Christmas songs were sung, and then Kenyon songs. "That Old Time Religion" went the rounds of the guests with great gusto. The occasion was one very much enjoyed by all, and we wish to express our appreciation to Mrs. Trainor for her arrangements.

## BASKETBALL TEAM WINS FIRST GAME, DEFEATING FRANKLIN U., 42-32

## NAZI FOREIGN POLICY DISCUSSED

International Relations  
Club Hears Papers

At a meeting of the International Relations Club held December 8 the Nazi Foreign Policy was discussed. Papers were read by Thomas and Holmes on Hitler's life and the Nazi Policy, and then a general discussion and argument took place.

This matter is a very important one at this time, for Germany has certain very definite desires, internationally, that Hitler may well be preparing to satisfy, if necessary by force. In the first place, she wants armaments equal to those of nations around her. In the second place she wants action on some of her last territories, including the Polish Corridor, Alsace and Lorraine, and the Saar valley, which latter she will probably get by plebiscite, but not for two more years yet. The Corridor, in particular, occupies the minds of the German people and their new nationalistic government. This is a ticklish question, because Poland is very desirous of keeping her newly regained territory, and Poland is backed by France and the Little Entente; Rumania, Jugo-Slavia, and Czech-Slovakia. In fact, France enters into the picture on all sides, for she fears the loss of her security, which has been the keynote of her foreign policy for years. If Germany gets any of her demands. The possibility of war in the near future was discussed at the meeting, as well as the place of England in such an encounter, as in that country pro-German sympathies have not by any means been entirely wiped out by Hitler's unpopular anti-Semitic and other policies.

Season Started Off With  
Win at Columbus

Denison Is Next  
Opponent

Kenyon made an impressive start on its 1933-34 basketball schedule winning 42 to 32 over Franklin University at Columbus last week. It was the only non-conference game the Purple and White five will play this season.

Each team displayed an individual star. Van Hyde, Franklin center, nosed out Leonard Swanson for high point honors by one marker. He scored five baskets and six free throws to seven field goals and one gift point for the latter.

Kenyon won this game by virtue of better shooting from the field. The Evans-coached outfit got 17 baskets to 12 for the Columbus aggregation, while both teams tallied eight times from the foul line.

Daly and Clarke, forwards; Sutton, center, and Swanson and Page, guards, comprised the starting line-up. Every player in this group collected three or more points, indicating a balanced scoring combination. Swan got three baskets during the time he was in the game and Mueller added four points while replacing Clarke.

The next best scorer to Van Hyde in the losers line-up was Bretz, forward, with nine points.

Add summary:

Kenyon	G. F. P.
Daly, f	2 2 6
Clarke, f	2 1 5
Mueller, f	1 2 4
Sutton, c	4 1 3
Page, g	1 1 3
Swanson, g	7 1 15
Swan, g	3 0 6
Johnson, g	0 0 0

Totals 17 8 42

Franklin University	G. F. P.
Bretz, f	4 1 9
Maxwell, f	1 0 2
Van Hyde, c	5 6 16
Rochenspanger, g	0 0 9
Kabeal, g	1 1 3
Duffy, g	1 0 2
Crane, g	0 0 0

Totals 12 8 32

## PHI BETA KAPPA HOLDS INITIAL MEETING

Program for Coming Year Discussed

The Ohio Beta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa held a meeting in the Lounge of Peirce Hall December 6. Plans were discussed for the programs for the coming year. Mr. Adair was elected Secretary and Dr. Seitz and Mr. Mallett were appointed by President Peirce as a program committee.

## GRADING SYSTEM DISCUSSED

Almost everyone knows of many examples of unfair grading in various courses, where students got fair grades knowing very little, poor grades when they had done a good deal of work, but couldn't express themselves as well on tests as certain others, and so on. A little investigation usually shows that the Professor graded to the best of his knowledge of the student and what he thought the student knew about the course. Actually, the defects in a system of grading such as most colleges use are defects inherent in the idea of grading and are nobody's fault. There are certain students that have to work much

harder than others to produce any results. There are those who can make what knowledge they have look like more than it is, and there are also those who have difficulty in expressing in tests what they do know. No system of grading can hope to take all this into account successfully.

However, there is a more fundamental objection to grades than merely their inaccuracies. Too many students, often even better students, attach too much importance to them. There is a great tendency, among outsiders as well as

undergraduates, to use grades as the only means of estimating the value received in a college course. There can be too many differences between what a student knows, or how much he has developed, and the grades he makes to let this be a fair test. Also there are too many differences between individual professors to say nothing of the relative difficulties for each man of the various courses, to make grades satisfactory as comparison.

The objections made so far in this editorial are usually admitted by the average professor, but the answer (Continued on page 2)

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## GRADES

(Continued from Page One)

given is this, its the best we can do, there isn't any other way. It seems to us that another system can be worked out, on this assumption, that most of the difficulties in grading arise because two fine a distinction is attempted, as between a two and a one and a half. The system we would advocate for a small school like Kenyon is this:

On completion of a course, one of three reports is made by the professor. Either the student failed, in the estimation of the professor, to learn enough about the course to deserve credit, or he does, for one reason or another, deserve credit. In the small classes prevailing here that would not be hard to determine not nearly as hard to determine as grades.

However, that would not make any allowance for more brilliant students, who it would seem, deserve some recognition for superior work, if they do it. This could be arranged for by giving them credit with honors. Honors at graduation could be given to students who received honor credit, in say, four-fifths of their particular courses. No attempt at averages would be made, rather, separate honors lists would be made up for each course, and another list, perhaps, of all those receiving honors in all their courses.

Members of Phi Beta Kappa could easily be chosen by the faculty members, in a school as small as this, by considering individual cases. Rather than setting down a hard and fast criterion for membership, those men would be admitted who, in the estimation of the faculty members, have the mental ability and the intellectual maturity to deserve membership.

Admittedly, this system would not work as well in larger schools, particularly the big universities, but it is not impossible that it could be modified for such cases. In any event, this would not affect its desirability at Kenyon.

## FIND COLLEGE MEN LACK ADJUSTABILITY

New York, N. Y. (NSFA)—College education has proved largely unsuccessful in its major endeavor, that of making man the master of his environment, according to two speakers at a recent forum in the Women's City Club.

Dr. Lewis A. Wilson, Assistant State Commissioner of Education, said an examination of the applications for work received at city and State employment agencies showed it would be easier to get 100 college graduates than one skilled worker.

College graduates, he held, had been hardest hit by the depression because they had more difficulty in readjusting themselves and seeking new types of employment after their chosen course had been closed to them.

Jerome H. Bentley, executive director of the Adjustment Service, a vocational and avocational guidance unit established last March through a \$10,000 contribution by the Carnegie Corporation, announced that more than 7,000 persons had used the service in the last eight months. He urged that the service be made an integral part of our educational system.

"This should not affect any one's right to choose whatever course he pleases in college or out," Mr. Bentley added, "but, on the other hand, it would tend to cut down drastically the immense waste of time, money and effort now spent in mis-training in schools and colleges."

## MT. VERNON

Mt. Vernon is in a rather unusual position among towns. With respect to Kenyon, it enjoys many of the benefits of a college town without what is usually considered the disadvantage of a college town—the continued presence of the college students. This idea occurred to us the other day, and the more we think of it, the more we think that there are many advantages that can be shared by Kenyon and Mt. Vernon, and the more we think that perhaps these advantages are not fully realized or employed by either side.

In the first place, because Gambier is not a very good shopping center, the merchants of Mt. Vernon must be resorted to by Gambier people. Although perhaps few in number, Kenyon men represent a rather good potential buying power from which Mt. Vernon businesses could benefit a good deal, depending on how much they could attract this trade. This is particularly true of a very special business, the motion pictures. Anyone seeing much of either theater in Mt. Vernon will realize that both are well patronized by Kenyon students.

Another line of activity, one not purely business, that attracts the Kenyon student body and faculty to Mt. Vernon is represented by the Mt. Vernon Civic Concerts and the plays being presented this winter by the Ohio Drama League.

Naturally, as part of the student body, we know more about what Kenyon men do in Mt. Vernon than the reverse case. However, we feel sure that there are many ways in

which Mt. Vernon people should feel an interest in Kenyon, aside from the fact that many of our students come from that town. For example, we have noticed Mt. Vernon people in the audiences at Larwill Lectures, which are free to the public and represent exceptional opportunities to those who are interested. Another example is the concert given Kenyon each year by Frank H. Ginn, who has sent the String Quartet of the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra to Gambier every spring for several years. This, too, is free to the public and is a wonderful opportunity for music-lovers all over this part of Ohio.

It would seem, then, that there are many bonds of common interest between Mt. Vernon and Gambier. We wonder if they are all being realized.

## BEER

After observing for most of a semester the new regime, with beer permitted on the campus, the Collegian wishes to congratulate the College on having solved the problem better than any other school that we know of.

Cognizance has been taken of the fact that when things that are generally desired are prohibited it merely serves to make the desire keener. This is more or less of a rule in human nature, and is the basis for the failure of attempts to legislate morals.

Beer is a beverage. It is not some secret, interesting, sin, prohibited by those in power, and to be investigated by children in defiance of authority, like eight-year olds smoking cigarettes behind the barn.

Brought out in the open, beer takes on the significance that it should, that of a drink to be taken when so desired by those who desire it, much like any so-called "soft" drinks, or a milk-shake. The difference is not fundamental, or should not be. (Four per cent of alcohol isn't that important). The difference between beer and other beverages is one of occasion and preference. And this fact has been recognized by the school authorities in their action to permit the sale and possession of beer on the campus.

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In a statement issued by the Committee it is declared that "indignation among Columbia residents in being debarred from their rights has been widespread throughout the residence halls."

"As a result," the statement continues, "election officials are countering by challenging every student and many of the younger members of the Faculty, as soon as it is learned that they are connected in any way with Columbia."

The law provides that a citizen may neither gain nor lose the ballot "by attending at any seminary of learning."

(NSFA)—Four students at Miami University, Ohio, including the star quarterback of the football team, recently registered for a course in home economics, evidently fortifying themselves in advance for lean days after becoming benedicts. They will cook their own suppers at least one night a week, and will receive two hours credit for the course.

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## DRAMATIC CLUB AT WORK

The Kenyon Dramatic Society is planning its first presentation. Because of limitations of finance and space for production this first presentation will be of a slightly different form than the standard type play. The date and other details will be announced later.

## Kenyon Player On The Second Toledo All-Opponent Team

In all-opponent football teams picked by University of Toledo football players, the only Kenyon man to place was Critchfield, who was named guard on the second team. On the first team, John Carroll placed four men, Heidelberg and Otterbein each two, and Capital, Bowling Green and Defiance one each. Carroll placed four more on the second squad and Heidelberg got three more. Otterbein got two and Kenyon and Bowling Green each one.

The St. X. players also picked two squads, filled with players from Carnegie Tech, Indiana, Loyola, W. & J., Centre, and Haskell.

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## MARIETTA TIED IN FOOTBALL

### Season Closed With 7-7 Game at Marietta

Kenyon College finished the football season with a record of one victory and one tie in seven games. The Purple and White gridders outplayed Marietta College in their final contest Nov. 11 but were forced to be content with a 7 to 7 score.

With the exception of the 20 to 6 win over the University of Rochester, Kenyon displayed its best football against Marietta before a throng of 4000. The first half was waged mainly in Marietta territory.

Bill Meeks paved the way for the first touchdown of the game in the third period. On a sweeping end run, he advanced the ball 35 yards and was downed just yards short of the goal line. Then John Tritsch smashed over for the score and Mason kicked the seventh point from placement.

It looked like a Kenyon victory as the game drew to a close in the last quarter. But a pass from Hickel to Captain Dyer, gained 25 yards and a touchdown for Marietta. Miraben evened the score with a place-kick.

The week previous, Kenyon fell before the heavy Denison University team 19 to 0 in a re-natal of rivalry between the two schools. The nearest Kenyon came to scoring was in the third period when Bill Veeck intercepted a pass on the 10-yard line. But here, the Purple and White backs were repulsed. The punting of Campbell whose lengthy boots kept Kenyon shy of the scoring territory, was a feature of the contest. Lateral passes proved to be Kenyon's downfall. Foster ran 30 yards for the first score on a lateral. A pass, Spear to White, brought the second while Winborn got the other on a 25 yard trip. Kenyon outplayed Denison in the third period.

The other scores for the season were Xavier 33, Kenyon 0; Oberlin 21, Kenyon 0; Ashland 19, Kenyon 0, and Toledo 12, Kenyon 0.

## FRESHMEN LOSE BASKETBALL GAME

Using two complete teams, the Freshman Basketball team lost a very close game to the Buckeye Stages team of Mt. Vernon. After Helm had tied the score by two baskets in the last minutes, a Mt. Vernon player made two foul shots with only five seconds left in the game. The Frosh were ahead most of the way, but could not quite keep the lead when they needed it. The team composed of Stamm, Cadwell, Helm, Eustace, and MacDonald seemed to work best, although the other combination, of Davis, Diehl, Riebs, Morgan, and Crumrine was not far inferior. The final score was 34-32, after it had been tied at 32-all.

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## BASKETBALL TEAM WINS PRACTICE ENCOUNTER

In the first scrimmage of the season the Kenyon basketball squad displayed scoring power in defeating the Buckeye Stages quintet, of Mt. Vernon, 41 to 30, with Bill Daly heading the offense.

Daly, one of the five veterans on the roster, played a flashy floor game and was the high scorer of the game. He looped six field goals and collected three foul shots for a 15-point haul. Leonard Swanson was next with 9 counters.

The Purple and White cagers didn't get started until the second half and then turned the work-out into a rout. Coach Bud Evans used several combinations as he watched his men under their opening test of the year. Bruce Sutton and Phil Page alternated at center while Joe Swan and Justice Johnson saw service at guard along with Swanson. Steve Clarke, Bob Mueller, and Kinder Sherk divided the forward duties with Daly.

In Peugh, the Buckeyes had a giant center. He is six feet eight inches in height. Richards was the scoring star for the losers with 10 points.

Add summary:

Kenyon	G.	F.	Pt.
Daly, f.	6	3	15
Clarke, f.	1	5	7
Mueller, f.	0	0	0
Sherk, f.	0	0	0
Sutton, c.	1	0	2
Page, g.	0	0	0
Swanson, g.	3	3	9
Swan, g.	2	2	6
Johnson, g.	1	0	2
Totals	14	13	41
Buckeyes	G.	F.	Pt.
Masteler, f.	1	0	2

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D. Appleton, g.	0	0	0
J. Appleton, f.	2	0	4
Peugh, c.	2	0	4
Gaylord, f.	1	0	2
Totals	12	6	30

## ALL-STAR TOUCHBALL TEAM SELECTED

Coaches Kutler, Navin, and Evans had great difficulty in selecting an all-star aggregation comprising the entire Hill especially since only nine players are used on a team.

The nine they picked represent five divisions, which speaks well for the leagues as a whole. South Leonard placed three men on this mythical team, and Middle Leonard and West Wing were not far behind with two each. It is interesting to note that four men of the nine selected are Freshmen.

The team follows:

L. E. Daly, W. W.  
L. T. Kiriljan, S. L.  
C. Walton, E. W.  
R. T. Stead, S. L.  
R. E. Helm, M. L.  
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