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## MEMORIES OF OGDEN FACULTY OF 1902

By Silas Bent

Every year, when the maples around old Ogden had come to full foliage and the blue grass of the campus was at its bluest green, Major William A. Oberchain, who was president of the college in those days, was moved to tell his class a story, just as though he had never told it before. It was a story about one of those happy generals who took command of the Army of the Potomac before Grant's accession. I forget now which one it was, but he announced that until the rebels were whipped his headquarters would be in the saddle. The word leaked through to the Confederate ranks and a buck private observed that it was funny the general was going to have his headquarters where his hindquarters ought to be.

We always laughed dutifully at that story, even as a thrice-told tale. It had no bearing on mathematics or political economy or whatever it was the Major happened to be trying at that moment to drill into our heads, but it was just as much a part of our education as the Major learned exposition of the "elastic clause" of the Constitution for it was a rebel faculty. The Major was the last survivor of General Lee's personal staff and Gen. Willis F. Perry had commanded a Confederate brigade.

It is only fair to say that we loved Gen. Perry best of the faculty. Perhaps he was the least learned of the group, as far as booklearning goes; but he sought to teach us something that can't be gotten out of books, something of reverence for our Creator and respect for ourselves.

The General was a believer in corporal punishment. Not infrequently he threatened to knobble us, and sometimes he did it. In those days I supposed knobble was a word of his own devising, conjured up to express his peculiar method of punishment. The General knobbled you by resting his thumb lightly atop of your head and then bang down his knuckles smartly. I can testify it hurt. And the General would just as leave knobble a Senior as a Freshman. We were all children to the old gentleman, all sons; and he exercised a fatherly authority over us, an authority justified by his love for us and his interest in us.

Major Oberchain didn't believe in corporal punishment. He was  
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## TRIBUTE PAID TO THE LATE GEN. W. F. PERRY

By Col. W. P. Bettison

On the night of the dedication of Perry Snell Hall the Park City Daily News published a special supplement. In this supplement were numerous articles by old Ogden graduates. We reprint three of these in the hope that they will bring back many pleasant memories to the alumni.

The other day I was going through the Gettysburg National Park, and when I came to the monument of Perry's Alabama Brigade, I forgot where I was, and was carried back to Ogden, where I saw again the old General with his white hair, his tremendous chest, and his kindly eyes twinkling behind his spectacles, telling us about Pickett's charge.

Will any of us older Ogden men ever forget how, when we had an especially hard lesson under General Perry, we used to try to get him talking about the Civil War, for we knew that if we could only get him started, we would escape a recitation. Certainly I never will.

We missed lots of recitations, but the history we learned in these talks without our knowing that we were learning anything, has stayed with me much better than anything I learned out of my textbooks, and these memories are among the most precious I have of Ogden.

I do not believe that any man went through Ogden under General Perry without being profoundly influenced for better by him. His vigorous personality, virile masculinity  
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## AMONG OGDEN COLLEGE ALUMNI

Rev. Samuel S. Daughtry, who for years has been pastor of the largest Presbyterian church in Kentucky, namely, the Presbyterian church of Ashland, Ky., has accepted a call from the Old First Reformed Church of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. Charles W. Welch, pastor of the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church of Louisville, Ky., has received a call from the First Presbyterian Church of St. Louis. This church is the oldest Protestant church west of the Mississippi River. Rev. Welch, however, will remain in Louisville as he likes his work there so much.

Mr. Presley M. Perkins, who graduated from Ogden a few

## MEMORIES OF EARLIER DAYS RECALLED BY MAX B. NAHM

Many years ago—so long that it might be a confession—Ogden College stood alone on the crest of what was then Vinegar Hill. Deep ravines cut long furrows in the brow of the hill, furrows red with clay and flanked with dark green cedars. Down in these furrows rabbits held high carnival, disturbed at times by students playing euchre in these hiding places between classes, now and then during classes.

There were no organized athletics then, just a game of town ball or baseball during recess or at evenings after classes. On rainy days, a favorite sport was to choose up for sides and throw wet cobs. All the country boys rode on horseback, brought the feed in sacks thrown over the saddle, and corncobs were plentiful. A wet cob was a fearful missile, and many a black eye or swollen jaw bore testimony of the sport.

Ogden then as now was an earnest, hardworking, small college where real education was attained. The great colleges have many advantages, but lack that individual attention to the student which no class of over forty can possibly realize. The development of each student down the line of his bent and the correction of his shortcomings are impossible in large classes. This is why so many great men of this country have come from small institutions. This holds doubly true of Ogden. Always a small band of earnest young men, they usually hit high in after life, for they stand on the shoulders of much that has gone before.

years ago is attending Harvard University at Cambridge, Mass., completing his Ph. D. work. After his graduation from Ogden Mr. Perkins attended Vanderbilt University and there received his M. A. degree.

Mr. J. G. Self, a former student of Ogden has recently announced himself as a candidate for Representative in the Kentucky Legislature from this district. Mr. Frank L. Strange, the present representative, has announced himself for re-election. This means that Ogden will have at least two candidates for the Legislature. Mr. Self entered Ogden in 1886 and Mr. Strange in 1878.

## PLANS UNDER WAY FOR GRIDIRON GAME

If plans now under way materialize, Bowling Green will participate in an intersectional gridiron contest rivaling in interest that of the famed Tournament of Roses or the newer Tournament of Orange Blossoms. The game now being planned for next fall will be between Bowling Green High School, coached by Douglas Smith and Marianna, Florida High School which is coached by Jack Smith. The date has not been set but it is thought that it will be either Thanksgiving Day or December 3. Jack Smith, the elder of the two brothers, graduated from Ogden two years ago and immediately accepted the position as principal of the Marianna school and as coach of the athletic teams representing the school. Last year he was made head of all athletics for the county, in which Marianna is located. Dong Smith graduated from Ogden last spring and took the position as coach at Bowling Green High School. Following their own triumphs as athletes both brothers have developed championship aggregations and a game between their teams would be close and hard fought.

## HONOR ROLL FOR MARCH

### Collegiate Department

John L. Rose	94.4
Paul R. Hampton	94.25
Raleigh Shelton, Jr.	93
Thomas Daugherty	92
Henry Johnson	90
John S. Welles	90
Randolph Carmichael	89.8
Parks Callis	89
H. B. Lucas	88.8
Billie B. Amos	87

### Academic Department

Frank P. Hays	97.5
McDaniel Ewing	94.3
Louis Williams	92.6
William D. McElroy, Jr.	92.1
Jake Stagner	89
Boadley Howell	87.2

## OGDEN MAN AT NORMAL

Bailey M. Wade arrived from Bloomington, Indiana last week to accept a position at the Teachers College as instructor. He entered his duties at the beginning of the Spring term, and has classes in Latin and Mathematics.

After Mr. Wade's graduation from Ogden he was immediately admitted to the graduate school of the University of Indiana and after completing the work for his Master's degree has been teaching in that institution. We wish Mr. Wade the best of success in his new position.



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## MORALS IMPROVING

"Co-education is being tested by this generation, and very rapidly our old conventions are giving way to a readjustment of the new custom and morals," said James W. Armstrong, dean of men at Northwestern University, at the recent dinner of the Alumni Club conference delegates.

His subject was "Morale and Morals of the Present College Generation." "The modern student," he pointed out, "is dissatisfied with present conditions and eagerly seeking a solution of his problems. My knowledge and acquaintance with national fraternities leads me to say there is a constantly growing move to stamp out drinking and loose living."

### Students Against Drinking

"The cause of this attitude is not fear of punishment from the university, but the fact that the boys have found out that they cannot run a fraternity with drunkards. Popularity speaking, they are against drinking."

Dean Armstrong also cited another situation which concerns the general awakening of the student body to a responsibility of its own affairs. "The present student body," he said, "has been demanding a voice in the management of its own affairs. We have just recently granted membership to four students on the highest faculty board for the supervision of student activities."

### Students Turn Serious Thing

"At the time the petitions were handed in, the committee conferring with the students told them they would not be given voting power unless they were willing to assume responsibility for student conduct. They accepted."

He also pointed out that readjustment on the part of the student is a reaction to the war period. "The period immediately following the war demanded larger scale education, and today the students are finding an interest in more serious things."

—Exchange.

## SENIOR RINGS

At last Ogden is to have a standard ring. The first ring arrived last week and is a trial ring. With due respect to all the rings that various classes have ordered, we wish to state that we think it is the prettiest ring any senior class has ever had. The ring was made by Bailey, Biddle & Banks, nationally known manufacturers, who make the rings for all of the larger schools in the country. With a beautiful sardonyx, the seal of the state of Kentucky, and the seal of Ogden College, what could be prettier?

It is probably the largest ring ever ordered from Ogden, except "Bump" Hudson's prep ring last year. Ogden has signed a four year contract with this company stating "that the Senior class of Ogden College shall buy, if they buy any rings at all, the ring which the class of this year has bought. A different stone may be used." All the classes agreed to the contract and they should and will be satisfied now that they have seen the ring. The four-year contract enabled us to purchase the ring at a substantial reduction.

### DO YOU NEED THIS?

At the age of forty-six, Henry Snyder Harrison, the author of "Queed" and of other popular novels, has become a "cub" reporter for the New York World. To explain his action he stated that he felt the need of a "shake-up" to reawaken his interest in his work as a writer.

Suppose that a senior who felt that he had lost his interest in his work at school and that he was becoming too slack should enroll again as a freshman. How strange—that would be considered! Yet this is no more unusual than for a noted novelist to become a "cub" reporter. Perhaps such a "shake-up" might actually be good for some of us.

—Lewis & Clark Journal.

## LOCAL NEWS

Col. Robert Allen Burton received a message from Frank Smith, secretary of the American Chemical Society, New York City, stating that out of the 113 papers submitted from the State of Kentucky, the one adjudged second best was that of Franklin Pierce Hays. Hays is a senior prep and his subject was "The Relation of Chemistry to Agriculture."

On Tuesday, April 5, two papers were given in chapel, one on John C. Breckenridge, and the other on John J. Crittenden, by Arthur R. Kasey and William O. Carson, respectively. Both of these essays showed exhaustive research and were well delivered.

Friday, April 1, was Founder's Day, and no academic work was conducted on that date, in honor of the occasion. An article on the life of Robert W. Ogden appeared in the last issue of the Cardinal.

On Thursday, April 7, Paul R. Hampton delivered an address on "Noted Confederate Officers from Kentucky," and John L. Rose one on "The Life of Henry Clay." Mr. Hampton's was especially interesting because of the fact that Bowling Green was often occupied by officers of the Confederate army during the course of the war. Mr. Rose's address was exceptionally well delivered and contained some very interesting facts.

Col. R. A. Burton recently made the announcement that the regular literary societies would be suspended, but that each Wednesday four speakers from the College Department (two from each of the old societies) would be on the program. These programs are to be arranged by Dr. Lewis and Dr. Minks.

The long hoped for baseball game between the College Freshmen and the Preps had to be postponed Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the past week of April 4-8, because of rain or wet grounds.

During National Fire Prevention Week, the latter part of last month, Mr. Grey, representing this organization, made a five minute talk in chapel on fire prevention. He was introduced by Mr. Grover Galloway, a prominent insurance man of this city.

Ennis: Do you think that clothes make the man?

Bill Hill: It all depends on who makes them.

Funk: I miss the old cuspidor since it is gone.

Janitor: You missed it before. That's why it is gone.



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## HIGHLIGHTS AMONG OGDEN'S OWN



## JOKES

Ed: Prof, I need a little light on this subject.

Prof. Johnson: Might I suggest a little reflection?

Sheik Julius says if he got eight hours of sleep a night he would die of sleeping sickness.

Didja ever see monkeys grow on vines?

Sure, gra-apes.

Zig: My dad is a great man—he's a trustee at a university.

Zag: Shucks, my dad is a trusty at the state penitentiary.

She was only the janitor's daughter, but she swept him off his feet.

Coach J.: All mail boys will be boys.

Frank: You must be one of Arthur: Wadaye mean, channel swimmers?

Frank: You go so far—then stop.

John R.: The co-ed is really looking for an education or she wouldn't spent so much time with the boy friend.

Col.: Causie, what are the chief products of Italy?

Causie: Wine, ruins and immigrants.

Funk: What did Franklin say when he discovered electricity in lightning?

Dr. Minks: Nothing, he was too shocked.

Doc: Neck's always in fashion. Paul: Yes, sir, he's so up to date he takes spring fever in November.

Jeff: Tomorrow is our second anniversary; hadn't we better kill a chicken?

Wife: Why punish the chicken for what happened two years ago?

Julius: How do you earn your living? Do you pick pockets?

Johnny W.: No, sir; I take them as they come.

## PERRY SNELL LITERARY SOCIETY

April 20, 1927

Devotional—C. Hanretty.

Current Events—F. Hays.

Debate: Resolved, that the privilege of the people to recall their judges should be generally adopted in the United States.

Affirmative—McElroy, Greer, Gorin.

Negative—Howard, Parks, Aspley.

Value of Lumbering to the U. S.—Heath.

History of Texas—Runner.

Funk: "Too bad about Pompeii, isn't it? They say he died of an eruption."

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**MEMORIES**

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too dignified and he had methods more effective. Once when I was at the blackboard trying to do a difficult problem (I was a dub in mathematics and found the Major's fond phrase of "a very pretty problem" extremely irritating) I tried to cheat, and got caught.

"Mr. Bent, said the Major, "Have you a paper in your hand?" I turned from the blackboard. "Yes, sir," I admitted. "That," said the Major, "is very bad form."

He didn't expel me. He didn't even suspend me. I had been sufficiently disciplined.

Colonel Malcolm H. Crump used sarcasm on us. The Colonel taught the natural sciences, but he knew also the science of removing the cuticle of a student with a tongue lashing. A sentence was enough, sometimes merely a word. I could hardly get my mind on the test tubes, what with staring at the Colonel's gleaming cheeks. He always shaved with great care of a morning, and his face shone. It glistened ruddily. I wondered why the devil he didn't dust a little talcum on it.

To my way of thinking the best educator of the lot was J. H. Claggett. He taught both English and History, but it was to the teaching of English literature that his exceptional equipment was best suited. He was not one of those take it or leave it professors. He was an evangelist. There was a messianic order in the message he tried to give his dull and too often unresponsive classes.

One brilliant afternoon when I met Mr. Claggett emerging from the college he smiled gaily at me. "This day is a benison," he said.

Years afterward, in writing a headline for a New York newspaper I spoke of charity benefaction as a benison; and then I got a little note from the managing editor, asking me not to use rare words in headlines. I was amazed. The word benison had been to me since that chance meeting with Mr. Claggett one of the most common and most useful words in the language.

When I started to write this I thought that I would tell about the student life in those days; about the fearful hazing we got, and the rival debating societies, and the rock fights on Ogden Hill, when Toofie Hines and his gang got at the top of a morning and tried to keep the rest of us, with well directed stones, from coming up to the college gate. (Once Toofie threw a walnut over the Methodist Church steeple. That's how well he could throw).

From the nethermost recesses

**HARD-EARNED WAGES.**

An artist, who was employed to renovate and retouch the great oil paintings in an old church in Belgium, rendered a bill for \$67.30 for his services. The church warden, however, required an itemized bill, and the following was duly presented, audited and paid:

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For touching up Purgatory and restoring lost souls ..	3.06
For brightening up the flames of Hell, putting a new tail on the Devil and doing odd jobs for the damned ....	7.14
For putting a new stone in David's sling, enlarging head of Goliath .....	6.13
For mending shirt of Prodigal Son and cleaning his ears .....	3.39
For embellishing Pontius Pilate and putting a new ribbon on his bonnet .....	3.02
For putting a new tail and comb on St. Peter's rooster .....	2.20
For re-plumbing and regilding left wing of the Guarding Angel .....	5.18
For Washing the servant of High Priest and putting carmine on his cheek ....	5.02
For taking the spots off the son of Tobias .....	10.30
For putting earrings on Sarah's ears .....	5.26
For decorating Noah's Ark and new head on Chem....	4.31

Total ..... \$67.30  
—The Chronicle.

Fitch says that people who live in glass houses should dress in the cellar.

**GEN. W. P. PERRY**

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linity, deep religious feeling and thoroughly sympathetic understanding of the problems of young men, made him an influence for good in the life of ever one of his pupils.

What higher tribute can be paid to a teacher than to say that he stood for all that was good, and that he influenced all of his pupils toward the best of both mental and moral life.

Of a closet I have just unearthed my Ogden diploma. J. G. Covington was president of the Board of Trustees in 1902, I find. The other members were John B. Rodes, Max B. Nahm, Thomas W. Thomas and D. Webb Wright, Regent.

A great school, Ogden! And, by all accounts, greater as the years roll by.

**JOKES**

The short skirts women are wearing are beyond me, sadly murmured the near sighted man, as he fidgeted with his glasses.

Years ago the girls never thought of doing the things they do nowadays. That's why they didn't do them.

I want to buy a pencil.  
Hard or soft?  
Hard, it's for a stiff exam.

"Rastus, how is it that you have given up going to church," asked Pastor Brown.

"Well sah," replied Rastus, "It's d's way: I like to take an active part an' I used to pass de collection basket, but dey's give the job to Brother Green who has just returned from ovah thaiah."

"In recognition of his heroic service, I suppose?"

"No, sah, I reckon he got dat job in recognition of his having lost one of his hands."

Necky B.: "I can't swim."  
Johnnie: "Why?"  
H. N. B.: "I ain't in the water."

Casey Reed: Yesiree, I bought this hat two years ago, had it cleaned twice, exchanged it in a restaurant once, and it still looks as good as new.

They say Neal McGown uses barbed wire for his radio aerial so sparrows won't sit on it.

Renfrew: Do you like the songs in Johnny Burton's Frolics?

Lucas: Not the verses, but the chorus was pretty nice.

Prof. Lee: What is helium gas used for?

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