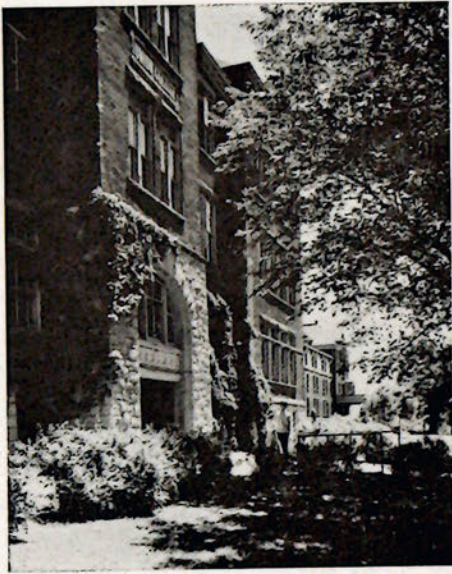




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When nostalgic reminiscence grips the sons and daughters of Union College, it is such scenes as this that haunt the memory.

It is noonday, and the gentle rays of the spring sunshine delicately tip the leaves, the ivy embracing the walls, and the face of the masonry which makes the portal of Union College.

From this doorway have valiantly stepped into the service of mankind unnumbered hosts of young men and women. Thousands of them have found their useful niche in the homeland; nearly six hundred have dedicated their lives to the work beyond the seven seas.

Each year brings through this portal other hundreds of youthful spirits to obtain an education and to gain an inspiration from

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

In this issue of the **CLOCK TOWER** you will catch a glimpse of life at Union College, but you cannot begin to realize the possibilities that await you here until you become part of that life.

Union prepares young men and women for living by offering a type of education which is itself a part of life. It will give purpose and direction to your living; it will make you a constructive member of society; it will give you an education that is grounded in religious faith, a firm belief in God, and an understanding of spiritual values which will endure the acid test of experience; it will help you build a fuller and richer life in every way.

Union College is forward looking in its plans and policies. The board of managers and the college faculty have joined hearts and hands in a program greatly strengthening every department and activity of the institution.

Union College is ready for you.

A. J. Rossetine.



CLASS
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'29

A YEAR OF ACHIEVEMENT

It is the opinion of many who have been intimately associated with Union College for the past few decades that signs of progress and evidences of achievement have, except for the initial years of great up-building, never been so noticeable as during the school year just ended. Much of the credit for the present degree of advancement is due to those who in years past laid for the institution such a sturdy foundation; and to those leaders and student bodies who blazed the trail we render honor and heartfelt gratitude.

Let us glance briefly at a few of the outstanding phases of the year's work.

ENROLLMENT

Never since the days when Union College included in its curricula the large German, Swedish and Danish-Norwegian departments—that is, before 1909—has the enrollment of 1944-45 been approached. Until the past year, the highest enrollment reached was 607, the figure for 1893, and that included all the grade-school pupils. With 578 (495 in college and 83 in the academy) the enrollment for 1944-45 can, therefore, be recognized as the highest in history. And this number does not include the 273 registered for the summer session. It might be noted here that in an endeavor to protect the constituent academies, registration in the high-school grades at Union is practically limited to young people residing in Lincoln.

THE CLOCK TOWER

Since the year 1941-42, when the circulation of the school paper reached a peak of 1,300, it has progressed with enormous strides. The following year paid circulation reached a total of 1,800; in 1943-44, 2,500; and in the past year the almost unbelievable total of 3,400—or 6½ for every student enrolled. In no previous campaign for the school publication had there been a greater display of fervent, sincere school spirit.

HARVEST INGATHERING

Despite the fact that territory available to Union College students for Harvest Ingathering is limited to a comparatively few small, far-flung country towns, great success rewarded the efforts of the school group on their field day. After traveling for great distances and thus being able to spend only a few hours in actual work, the various bands solicited on the one day a total of over \$2,000.

BUILDING FUND CAMPAIGN

It has frequently been remarked since that no greater campaign has ever been launched by any of our student groups than that sent on its way in April, 1945. With a desire to provide more adequate recreational facilities and to help equip the new music hall, the students set about to raise the sum of \$12,500 in six weeks. On the closing date of the campaign, as a result of the valiant work of the students and the generosity of many friends, the amazing total of \$17,887.16 had been collected, \$15,416 of it in cash.

WRITING CONTESTS

Taking first place in both the **Instructor** College Pen League and the **Signs of the Times** Talent Search, Union established another record. Sub-

mitting to the **Youth's Instructor** 39 of a total of 339 papers by 11 colleges—or 11%, Union College won 43% of the award money. The prizes were as follows:

- 2 out of 3 first prizes,
- 3 out of 6 seconds,
- 2 out of 9 thirds,
- 4 honorable mentions.

Award money received by U. C. students totaled \$94. The next highest obtained by any other of the eleven participating colleges was \$35.

Results in the **Signs** contest were similar. A Union College student won the only first award of \$25, three obtained second prizes, and one obtained a fourth.

BUILDINGS

The past year witnessed the turf-breaking ceremony for the \$100,000 science building, and as we go to press it is rapidly nearing completion. Contractors are working hard to make it ready for use in the Autumn. The addition of this building to the rapidly-expanding facilities at the college will render even more efficient the work in the departments of natural and physical science.

Partly as a result of the student building fund campaign, the swimming pool is also nearing completion. At the time of writing, the red brick walls and glass roof are completed, and workmen are installing the plumbing and laying the cement floors surrounding the pool.

In process of erection also is a commodious warehouse for the storage of materials used in the furniture and broom factories. It will adjoin the Don Love Industrial Building.

SPIRITUAL STATUS

Achievement in the foregoing spheres of activity as well as in other matters is attributable to the spirit of reverence and the dependence upon Divine guidance which has characterized the last school year. Much appreciated by the student body were the two weeks of spiritual emphasis conducted by Elder Robbins of St. Louis and Dr. Yost of Washington, D. C., as well as the series of devotional lectures given by Elder McGuire. Outstanding in the memory of the students, too, are the Friday vesper services in the chapel where, with the tranquility of evening broken only by sweet strains of soft music, the young people have dedicated their lives to the service of God. Yes, in spiritual things the school year, 1944-45, has been a year of growth and achievement.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

In the words of our great-hearted, progressive president, "Union College is forward looking in its plans and policies. The board of managers and the college faculty have joined hearts and hands in a program greatly strengthening every department and activity of the institution."

We cannot begin to record here the plans for the future, but many of them are already under way. With the help of God and with such a group of men and women as control the policies and welfare of Union College, nothing but advancement can result. Union will continue to grow. Founded by men of vision, it will ever give its sons and daughters a view of the needs of a troubled world.



There is probably no individual piece of architecture on denominational property which stirs up so many fond memories in so many souls as the old Clock Tower. A landmark on the highest eminence in the Lincoln vicinity for over 50 years, it is increasingly symbolic of the vision of the founders of the college.

Faithfully the photographer has caught the scene in every detail: the students on the famed rock-pile, the lush green lawns, the gently swaying branches, and Old Glory jauntily waving at the tip of her slender shaft. But what he cannot and never will capture is the heart-throb which this scene engenders in the thousands of men and women who have strolled across these lawns, thronged these portals, studied in these classrooms, worshiped in the chapel—and heard the bell toll the parting of another day.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

1944-45



Edwin B. Ogden, Ph.D.
Mathematics



Frank L. Marsh, Ph.D.
Biology



Guy C. Jorgensen, Ph.D.
Chemistry



Robert W. Woods, Ph.D.
Physics



Harry G. Reinmuth, Ph.D.
Modern and Biblical
Languages



Anne Dunn, M.Sc.
Home Economics



I. F. Blue, Ph.D.
Religion



Malcolm Hause, Ph.D.
History



W. Fletcher Tarr, M.A.
English, Speech, Journalism



Ray W. Fowler, M.S.
Business Administration
and Economics



A. R. M. Lauritzen, M.Mus.
Music

The CLOCK TOWER Spends a Day With Two Typical Union College Students

Many of the subscribers to the CLOCK TOWER have been reading the paper for years and have thus gained some insight into the varied, interesting life at Union College, but still they may not have had the opportunity of visiting the campus and viewing first-hand the way the students go about their study, worship, work and play. It is difficult to judge the true character of a school and to appreciate the value of its numerous activities unless they can be seen. And it is hard to appraise the product of that school unless one can spend some time among the young people while in the process of preparation for service.

For the benefit of those of our readers who have not yet visited the College—as well as to refresh the memory of those who have—the CLOCK TOWER portrays on the following pages a typical day in the life of two typical students.

These two young persons were selected by the CLOCK TOWER reporter, not because of photogenic qualities or popularity, but rather because they are representative of the 580 other young men and women at the college. And in following each through his day, the reporter has caught the real spirit of Union College.

First we introduce Harold Burr, theological senior, of Wichita, Kansas.

Like many of his fellow seniors, Harold is married and lives in College View. A graduate of Wichita High School East, Harold is in his fourth year at Union. His favorite pastime is gathering material for the extensive files he plans to use in his ministerial work. He is 23 years old, 5 feet 11 inches tall, and as the pictures clearly show, fair and comely. Harold married Ravilla Burgess in 1942, and in addition to financing his own way through college, has earned many honors during his years in school. He has occupied such responsible extra-curricular offices as secretary and superintendent of the Sabbath school, leader of the Ministerial Band, and member of the Student

Faculty Council. His name appears in **Who's Who in American Colleges, 1944-45.**

In the tradition of Union College students, he has also had experience in the colporteur work and plans to spend part of the present summer selling religious books in Omaha. He believes this to be an important part of his preparation for a ministerial career, whether he remains in the homeland or is accepted for mission service. With an eye on India as his chosen field, both he and his wife have been studying Urdu at Union College.

Typical freshman girl (see page 12) Margaret Jane Sorenson—"Jane" to her many friends—was born in Abyssinia 17 years ago. She is 5 feet 2½ inches tall, pale brunette with hazel eyes, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sorenson, remembered by so many for their years of service in the country of "The Lion of the Tribe of Judah". Like many others of the children of missionaries at Union, she has traveled extensively. She was in Addis Ababa at the time of the entry of Italian troops into that city, though for six months previously she had been in Egypt. Subsequently she has spent four years in Jamaica and has traveled in Italy, Switzerland, Germany, France, England and Denmark, the homeland of her parents.

In her unsophistication and with her engaging, naive personality, Jane is representative of the young women attending Union College. Her ambition is to become a missionary. At present she has no particular mission field in mind, and is willing to go anywhere she is called. In preparation for the life she has chosen, she plans to take the nurses' course and is now a member of the large pre-nursing group at the college.

Since she is a reader, one of her hobbies is collecting poems and readings, but she spends many a pleasant hour studying the native birds of Nebraska and adding to her large collection of postage stamps.



A DAY WITH HAROLD BURR

Strolling with a friend through one of the archways presented to the College as a class gift by the Class of '29, Mr. Burr is on his way to his first morning class. The tall spirea bordering this part of the serpentine walk leading to the administration building, the freshly mown lawns, the tall heavily-leaved elms, oaks, honey-locusts and other trees shading President Cossentine's home at the corner of 48th and Stockwell—these are characteristic of College View and help to distinguish this section of the city as Lincoln's most attractive suburb.

Lower left. Seated in the front row, second from the left, Harold hears friendly, scholarly, ex-Borneo-Missionary Rowland, associate professor of religion, discuss the results of a test in *New Testament Epistles*. Others in the front row are (l. to r.) James Mershon, Iowa; and Joe Barnes, Colorado.

Below. Illustrating the practicality of his preparation for the gospel ministry, Mr. Burr takes advantage of a free period to go over his lecture on the prophecy of Daniel 2.



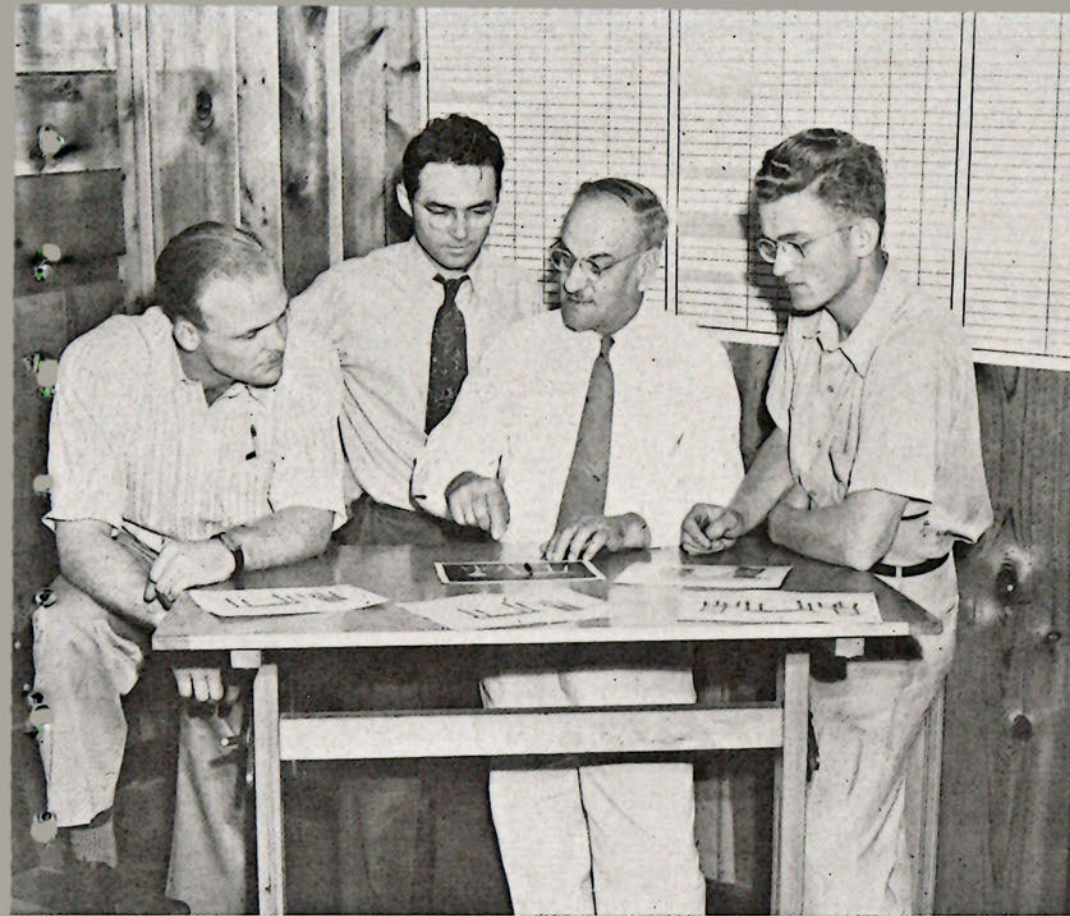


Above. Elder J. L. McElhany addresses the chapel assembly. Seated on the platform are the following professors (l. to r.): Hause, Reinmuth, President Cossentine (partly hidden), Woods, Cadwallader, Welsh, Ogden, Isaac. The arrow indicates Harold Burr.

Above right. In the fifteen minutes that remain before chapel, Harold practises a speech before the microphone. A recording is made in an adjoining studio.

Right. In the Rees Browsing Room of the library, to which Harold has resorted for a last minute check-up on a history topic, the photographer catches Eugene Taylor, sophomore of Nebraska, as he characteristically commences a harangue on the necessity of relaxation. Librarian's assistant Mildred Christiansen unconcernedly replaces a book on the shelves.





Early afternoon finds him in council with other officials at the College Furniture Factory, where he is assembly foreman. He is one of over 40 workers employed in this large college industry. Others in the picture are Don Van Syoc, general foreman; Mr. J. T. DeVice, superintendent; Ivan Pierson, mill foreman, also a student from Kansas.

"All work and no play . . ." For relaxation after work Harold enjoys a game of shuffleboard with tall (6' 4") Dorsett (Texas) Feyen in the spacious recreation hall.

In their 48th Street apartment Mr. and Mrs. Burr chat at day's end. Divan cover was designed and hand-woven from hand-carded yarn over 100 years ago by Mrs. Burr's great grandmother in Kentucky.







JANE'S DAY AT COLLEGE

Down the steps of North Hall and off to classes, Jane Sorenson (left) with Norma Housel of Oklahoma, commences her day. The photographer does not follow her through her school hours as he did Mr. Burr, but dogs her footsteps through the rest of the day.

After dinner in the cafeteria (lower left) at which she happens to sit at same table with Arthur Sutton, 17, son of British Guiana missionaries, she spends a few moments (lower right) by the rose arbour in North Hall park. With her is Jacquelyn Fauscher, 17, freshman, from Dallas, Texas.

It is such picturesque scenes as this, multiplied many times, that make Union's campus the beauty spot of Lincoln.





But Jane has work to do. As one of Miss Rees' clerks, she receives North Hall visitors, and notes arrivals and departures of the girls. Here she checks out first-comer Marjorie Jones, preceptress at Broadview Academy, taking a refresher course at Union. In background is Elise Joudry of Panama.



With spring in evidence everywhere, Arthur calls at North Hall to take Jane skating in the gymnasium.



After which, with permission of the deans, he enjoys her company and a malt at Cavinness', just across from the campus, a favorite resort of Unionites. Others in the fountain are Clyda Armour (Arkansas), Palma Hughes (Tex.), unidentified person, and Mrs. Cavinness.



Just before worship, motherly Miss Rees counsels with her dormitory assistants in the parlor. In the picture are Miss Rees, dean of women; Senior Coramae Thomas, English major, of Texas; Jane; Summer Senior Virginia Pate, English major and late dean of girls at Campion Academy; and Selma Bird of Nebraska.

Below. With 250-odd other young women from 32 states, Hawaii, and eight foreign countries, Jane attends evening devotions in the worship room.

Worship over, in the few minutes remaining before study hour Jane enjoys a friendly chat in the parlor with Mildred Christiansen, sophomore, of Medellin, Columbia, where her parents are still missionaries.

It's already been a strenuous day, but still there's Pre-Nursing Club! With studies out of the way, roommate Palma Hughes, English major from Houston, helps Jane look her best for the meeting. Afterwards to bed.



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