

## AYECEE JOINS NEW LEAGUE

### John Mason Brown Here October 18

On Thursday, October 18, A.C. students will have the opportunity to hear John Mason Brown, distinguished drama critic and author, speak in the McDowell Auditorium.

Mr. Brown is a former native of Louisville, Kentucky. It was in Louisville that he started his career on the Louisville Courier Journal.

Since this time, he has been a teacher of History of Theatre and Shakespeare, drama critic, lecturer, author, and associate editor of a number of magazines and newspapers throughout the country.

He holds an A.B. degree from Harvard University; Doctor of Letters of Humanity from Williams College; and the Doctor of Literature from the University of Montana.

He was a Lieutenant in the U.S.N.R., serving on the staff of Vice Admiral Alan G. Kirk. He participated in both the Sicilian and Normandy invasions, and was awarded the Bronze Star for services during the latter.

At the present time, Mr. Brown is Associate Editor and drama critic of the Saturday Review of Literature. If you have had the opportunity to read his column, "Seeing Things," you could see his ability both as a writer and critic.

In his column, Saturday Review of Literature, October 2, he gives his criticism of the film version of "Hamlet" which is directed by Laurence Olivier, who also plays the role of the Prince of Denmark. He believes some of the great language has been sacrificed for meaningless pantomime, and that too much scenery and too many camera angles have been emphasized, cutting out some of the key speeches, characters and scenes. He thinks Mr. Olivier's production is meant for the "groundlings." He says, "For such an audience Mr. Olivier's Hamlet is certain to be an eye-opener as well as an experience."

To hear John Mason Brown speak is to know him, and to know him is the privilege of Ashland College students on the 2nd Concert-Lecture Series program, October 18, at McDowell Auditorium.

### Musicalia Club To Sponsor Concert

Miss Elizabeth Pastor, a local pianist who has an excellent reputation for her fine playing, will give a concert in McDowell Auditorium November 23, 1948, at 8:30. Miss Pastor has had many fine instructors and has given concerts over the air, in New York and other cities. Plans for this concert which is sponsored by the Musicalia club are well underway. It is very seldom that Ashland College students have the opportunity to hear such a fine pianist.

Proceeds will go to buy a new piano for the music home.

### Golden Anniversary

*When to the sessions of sweet, silent thought*

*I summon the voice of the past,*

*It brings to my soul the notes of a song*

*That will sing in my heart to the last.*



*The song that I love is of thee, beloved Ashland,*

*On thy shrine my heart I lay;*

*And I pledge anew the fealty due*

*My Alma Mater's majesty.*

*The beacon tower, the whispering pines,*

*The ivy walls, the cloistered halls,*

*Hold a magic charm and a mystic spell*

*Over youth whom learning calls.*

*The passing years mark a jubilant role*

*We'll joyfully praise with lusty lays,*

*'Till the Purple morn and the Golden eve*

*Shall fulfill thy balcyon days.*

—Mrs. J. Allen Miller

### Prizes Offered For New Cover Ideas

In order to promote interest in the Pine Whispers and to get more ideas for covers, the Pine Whispers staff is offering three prizes for cover ideas for the 1949 annual.

Prizes of five, three, and two dollars are being offered for original ideas with accompanying sketches. Anyone wishing to enter an idea may follow these instructions:

- 1) Type idea for cover in not over 200 words.
- 2) Sketch idea on white paper using ink or pencil (artistic ability is not a deciding factor.)
- 3) Type name and address on separate slip of paper.
- 4) Do not include name on item 1 or 2.
- 5) Enclose items 1, 2, and 3 in an envelope addressed to Pine Whispers Cover Contest.
- 6) Leave your entry in the Publications Room, third floor Founders Hall.
- 7) Contest closes November 19, 1948, at 5:00 P. M.
- 8) Judges decision is final.

The judges for this contest are Mrs. Snook, art instructor, Edward Nalezinek, art editor of the Pine Whispers, and Dick Rosen, editor of the Pine Whispers.

Any student of Ashland College is eligible to enter, including members of the Pine Whispers staff, with the exception of the judges.

### Sigler To Take Senior's Pictures

At the senior class meeting held last Wednesday, October 27, the class voted to have Dave Sigler take the senior class pictures. Members not present at the class meeting should consult the bulletin board for appointment notices, Swindaman stated.

Seniors wishing to take the graduate record examination in February were told to inform Mr. Petit immediately. This examination is required by many universities offering graduate study.

Committees were appointed to take care of invitations, sneak day, class gift, and class pictures. Plans for selling refreshments at the remaining three home games were discussed.

### Ashlander Speaks At Wed. Chapel

On Wednesday, October 23, Reverend Paul Frees spoke to the student body at Chapel. Reverend Frees is the Minister of the First Evangelical United Brethren Church at the corner of Washington and Center Streets in Ashland. He is also president of the Ashland Ministerial Association.

In his humorous and inspiring sermon, Reverend Frees said that people were divided into two groups by society—those who succeed and those who don't succeed.

He said, "Instead of society making those distinctions they should divide them into those who are cheerful and those who aren't cheerful."

Reverend Frees presented this ladder on which to climb to everyday cheerfulness and happiness. He said we should have first the ability to grow and learn new ideas. Second, we should build a philosophy of life that would stand up under rough going and third, and most important, we should have a lasting contact with God.

### Donges Elected First President

Ashland College is in a new era in athletics.

The Hilltop College, which had been under the whip of a large-school dominated Ohio Conference since 1932 will be a charter member of the Mid-Ohio League, starting in 1949.

The MOL was set up at a recent meeting of five Ohio small colleges in Marion (O.) as a new league which will offer competitive contests in six athletic events. Included are football, basketball, baseball, track and field, tennis and golf.

Ashland Coach George Donges, instigator of the MOL, plans after Ashland's withdrawal from the over-crowded Ohio Conference last June, was elected as the league's first president.

The new league will be composed of five colleges of relatively the same size, on approval of the various faculty committees. They are Ashland, Bluffton, Cedarville, Defiance and Findlay Colleges.

Forty-one athletic events will be played under the rules of the new league. Home and home series will be played in all events with the exception of track which will see one major track meet a year.

### Ashland Symphony To Be Reorganized

The Ashland Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Louis E. Pete, will be reorganized this year. The practices which are to take place in the music room at the high school, will begin soon after the football season.

All college students should notify Mr. Rogers if they are competent string players and would like to be in this organization. Mr. Rogers, who will take the position of assistant conductor of the orchestra will conduct a workshop for all college students interested. This workshop, besides being a lot of fun, will give students a good chance to brush up on their musicianship.

If the student does not have an instrument, either the college or the high school will furnish one.

The symphony will give at least one concert this year; however, the date for it has not yet been set.

The rehearsals for the whole orchestra will probably be held on a Monday night; however, this is not definite. The workshop date is also yet to be set.

In past years the Ashland Symphony Orchestra has played a large part in the lives of Ashland's music-lovers. Because of the war and other reasons, it was necessary to discontinue this organization. Since it is being reorganized this year, you won't want to miss the enjoyment and thrill of playing in it.