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The Upton Challenger

UPTON EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

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Pastor's Column

Annual Conferences convening at our newly acquired and developing Camp grounds at Lake St. Marys, Ohio, is over and past. There were twenty-eight changes in pastors assigned with two more charges without pastors due to a shortage of preachers.

We were glad for those of our church who were able to be present at the Conference for at least a part of the sessions. The delegate, Mr. N. E. Kane together with Mrs. Kane were in attendance for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday sessions of the Conference. The church owes much to them for so doing as the interests and prestige of the church are served and enhanced by the presence of the lay representative.

It was at this session of the annual conference that your pastor was assigned to the Upton Church to begin the thirteenth year in the present pastorate. Many changes have taken place during those 12 years past. We begin this year as church and pastor with no debt. We began twelve years ago with a church debt of some \$32,000 and with a deficit in the current operating debt for the year previous. We began that year in the midst of economic difficulties that seemed insurmountable. We began twelve years ago with questions and hesitancy. We begin this with courage and positiveness.

People have been loyal and courageous. They have given of time, money, and energy. They have loved the Christ and his church. God has blessed the efforts and the love. There has been remarkable growth in the strength and ministry of the church. There has also been growth of individual Christian character that is basic in the strength of any church.

Much remains yet, very much to be done. There are needy people in our world, people who will starve or freeze to death if we do not help to feed and clothe them. This is true in the physical and spiritual. "Man shall not live by bread alone (bread, yes. But not bread alone.) but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

The Evangelical United Brethren Church is in the process of raising two million dollars by 1950 in a Kingdom Advance Program. The money will be used to feed the hungry and clothe the naked in the devastated areas of the world and to establish and reestablish missions where the destruction of the war ravished the territories. We cannot shut up our bowels

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Calendar

On October 5th we will again resume our Winter Schedule of services with Sunday school at 9:30 A. M. and Worship at 10:30 A. M.

Sunday, 6:30 P. M., Christian Endeavor

Monday, 7:30 P. M., Boy Scouts

Tuesday, 7:00 P. M., Young People's Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 8:00 P. M., Choir Rehearsal

First Tuesday, 1:30 P. M., Ladies' Aid

First Tuesday, 8:00 P. M., Official Board

First Friday, 8:00 P. M.—Women's Society of World Service.

Second Wednesday, 8:00 P. M., Otterbein Guild

Third Sunday Evening, Jack & Jill class meeting.

Third Tuesday, 8:00 P. M., Trustee Board

Third Wednesday, 5-7:30 P. M. Public Supper

Third Wednesday, 7:00 P. M. Friendship Guild.

Third Friday, Otterbein Class Meeting

Fourth Tuesday, 8:00 P. M. S. S. Board.

Fourth Wednesday, 8:00 P. M. Willing workers class.

SPECIAL DATES —

October 5th—World-Wide Communion and Reception of Members.

October, 7th—All Church Institute—Oakdale church. See details under "All Church Institute."

October 19th—Every Member Canvass

October 25th and 26th—National Brotherhood Congress, Dayton, Ohio.

October 26th—Reformation Sunday.

National Brotherhood Congress

The Brotherhood of the Evangelical United Brethren church will hold their first combined Nation-wide Congress at Dayton, Ohio on Saturday and Sunday, October 25th and 26th.

Last year the Evangelicals alone had some four or five hundred men in attendance at the Saturday Evening Banquet and the Sunday morning worship service. This year it is expected that this meeting shall be much greater. The meeting will be for men only. Those attending this service may have credit in their church by notifying the Sunday School Superintendent of such. We trust that some of our men will be able to be present. It is a time set apart for inspirational and spiritual development.

Report Of Conference Delegate

First of all I should like to thank the church for selecting me as Delegate to the Sandusky Conference. It is a distinct privilege to associate with the Bishop, the Conference Superintendent, Conference officials of the church, ministers and their wives and the Christian people who attend the Sandusky Conference.

All of our people wanted our pastor to be returned to us and our Bishop and Conference Superintendent were also in agreement on that point which helped this delegate enjoy the Conference the more. All of the delegates and ministers were not as fortunate as we.

The Conference was unique and different than usual in as much as it was held for the first time on our own Camp site. It is not yet completed and there is yet much work to be done but most people were surprised as well as your delegate to find the work as far along as it is in so short a time. The Camp looks promising and merits our support I am sure.

We received lots of good comments from delegates throughout the Conference such as—"You are the going church of the Conference" and "You have the best preacher in the Conference" etc. But, we were very much disappointed when on Brotherhood night not any of our men were present and again on Young People's night which I think was the biggest single session, only our own Rev. Basil Campbell was there. The Young People's groups marched in carrying banners denoting their Districts and we didn't see any from our Toledo District. Since we are the going church in the Conference would it not have been nice to have had a group of our young people carrying our banner on Thursday night? And too, to have had Upton represented on Brotherhood night?

Let us resolve to help complete the Camp project and next Conference time to show the Conference that Upton Ave. is the GROWING—GOING church of the Conference.

Many inspiring addresses together with the dedication of the Conference Camp Grounds to Young People's Christian Education highlighted the Conference sessions.

N. E. Kane, Lay Delegate

FOR THE VACATION SEASON

I do not know, I do not care,
How far it is to anywhere.
I only know that where I'm not
Is always an alluring spot.

Sunday School

On behalf of the Sunday School, I wish to welcome Rev. and Mrs. Johnson and family on their return to us for another year. I am sure that we appreciate the great work they have done here. We hope that they enjoy coming to us again as much as we enjoy having them.

Our average Sunday school attendance of 162 during August has been somewhat below normal. However, with vacation period over and our children back in school, we now feel that we can again settle down to normal living. In the August issue of the Challenger you noted that in the year just terminated we enjoyed the largest average attendance we ever had. This record we are very appreciative of—but it also presents a challenge for us this year. I believe that with each cooperating to give his best, it is not at all impossible to register another gain this year. A gain in attendance means much more than figures for our files. The paramount importance of it is that more boys and girls, young people and old are coming to listen to the teachings of Jesus Christ. I venture to say that a great majority of these new persons who come do not come without first being invited. Someone, sometime has personally contacted them and invited them to come and share the services of our church with us. The instruction they receive and the fellowship they enjoy will mean a great deal more to their lives than their presence will mean to the church rolls. So let's not pass up an opportunity to invite people to our church if we find they do not have a church home.

Again, I wish to remind our teaching staff of the Teachers' Training period from 7:00 to 8:00 P. M. each Thursday night.

On Tuesday, Sept. 23, at 8 P. M. shall again resume the monthly meetings of our Sunday School Board. These meetings are of great importance to our school. If you are a member of this board will you do your best to attend regularly?

E. McShane, Supt.

Young People's Choir

The Young People's Choir is studying the choruses from the Holy City and will combine with the Senior choir in presenting this great work.

In this choir we learn to read the notes and to find our own notes when the parts are divided. This Younger group has worked hard and I am very well pleased with their work. Some of these young folk have progressed so well that they are now working with the regular choir. They feel that their time working in the younger group has been well spent.

On August 1st this choir sang "Look to the Lighthouse" by Benson which was presented very well.

We rehearse each Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Rathke, Director

World Wide Communion

We will observe World-Wide Communion on Sunday, October 5th when throughout the world Protestantism sets aside a time when it is hoped that all Christians will commune together. What a mighty host WILL sit together at the Lord's table day. Certainly all Christians should set reverencing and praising their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ at Communion on that day. Certainly all Christians should set this day aside now.

In the early church it was customary to give a love offering at the communion for the purpose of the needy in the church. There are many needy even to the point of starving and freezing, throughout the world, within the church today. The old custom is being revived. Churches all over the world will be receiving love offering for the needy in body and in spirit of the world.

Our own Evangelical United Brethren church is engaged in raising two million dollars between now and Jan. 1st, 1950 for the purpose of feeding and clothing the naked and hungry and for the purpose of establishing and re-establishing missions throughout the world.

We are asking for this great cause that our offering goal for Holy Communion Sunday be \$1.00 per member. Can we close our eyes to the need, our ears to the call and our hearts to the desperate plea of our friends and brothers?

Let me tell you a story of a pastor in the Orient. When war broke out the pastor of the church was called to war. After the war he returned expecting to take up his pastorate but he found his city bombed and in ruins. His church was laid in ashes. His home was gone and his children and wife missing. He sought to go to work again but the stress was too much. Today he is a patient in a mental institution. The other day a young pastor just leaving the school where Dr. Shively had taught wrote Dr. Shively saying, "Do you remember that church where the pastor returned from war and found city, church and parsonage and his wife and sons all gone by the ravishing of war? Well, I am going down to see what I can do in the name of Jesus". Can we do less? We have it in our hands to help. \$7000.00 will rebuild the church. \$2,500.00 will build the parsonage, \$9,500 for BOTH a parsonage and church. How fortunate we in America are with our own homes and churches and dollars that can do so much elsewhere.

Pray and share in this great task of the Kingdom.

O. E. J.

Stan—"What do you mean, your grades are under water?"

* * *

Dan—"They're below 'C' level."

"He who does not look forward remains behind."

Missionary Meeting

The August meeting of the Upton Branch of the W. S. W. S. met in the home of Mrs. Helen Coder.

Mrs. Barbara Leonard was leader. Her topic was "Churches In Europe". She discussed the merger of the Evangelical and United Brethren churches, and also of the missions founded by the Evangelical side of this merger. Mention was also made of the necessity for reestablishing those missions which suffered during the recent war—both in Germany and Nazi-occupied countries.

Our missionary group is sponsoring a project for sending clothing to the Philippines. All classes and organizations of the church are urged to share in this by bringing whatever clothing they can to the church for packing and shipping. Mrs. Vada Mark is in charge of this.

The meeting was closed by a prayer led by Mrs. Callander.

A social hour followed with refreshments served by Mrs. Eleanor Beaubien and Mrs. Rathke.

There are two future dates that should be brought to your attention at this time. One is the Kingdom Advance Program (KAP) which is for the purpose of raising money for the continuance of our mission work in foreign fields. Mrs. Costain is urging us as members of the Missionary Society to lead the church by being the first group to make contributions to this worthy cause. This is not a debt to be paid and then "wiped off the slate." It is to help us remember that there are others who are just as much Christians as we, but who are not so fortunate as we. Don't condemn a man because his eyes slant or because he speaks with an accent—he is still your brother in the sight of God. Give whatever you can when the time comes, and it will be most appreciated.

The other date is the October meeting. It will be held at Mrs. Kane's at Metamora. Plan to meet at the church at 7:00 P. M., and don't feel that you can't come because of transportation difficulties. We assure you that you will not have to hitch-hike—adequate transportation will be provided for all!

We are glad to see many of our old members back, and we are looking forward to having many new ones this next year. All ladies are most welcome.

Margaret Pfeiffer

"Did you have the car out last night, son?"

"Yeah, Dad. I drove several of the fellows downtown."

"Well, tell the fellows, one of them left his little lace hanky in the front seat."

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Waiter—"Would you like some black coffee?"

Sweet young thing—"What other colors have you?"

The following 4 pages contain all articles and news from our Sandusky Conference as compiled and edited for the Sandusky News by the staff thereof. A splendid opportunity to become acquainted with a great conference.

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Report Of The Board Of Trustees Of Camp St. Marys

To the Annual Conference,
Dear Brethren:

A year ago this board reported to the Conference the securing of a tract of land fronting the south shore of Lake St. Mary's to be developed as a camp site. This was approved by appropriate action of the Conference and the Board of Trustees was instructed to proceed with the development of the site for camp purposes and to raise moneys for the financing of such development. At this time we wish to make a somewhat detailed report of our stewardship in this matter.

I. The Title. We received from Mr. John I. Young a warranty deed without restrictions or reservations for the consideration of "One Dollar and other good and valuable considerations received to his full satisfaction from the Board of Trustees of the Sandusky Annual Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ." The grantee named in the deed is "The Board of Trustees of the Sandusky Annual Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, a Corporation." The deed was accompanied by three abstracts of title covering different parts of the land, all showing a complete chain of title from the government to us. A part of the consideration for this deed, but not mentioned in the deed itself is a contract between Mr. John I. Young and the Conference Board of Trustees, wherein the Conference Treasurer will pay to Mr. Young on the fifth day of every month for the term of his natural life, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). It is specifically stated in this contract that upon Mr. Young's death the payments immediately cease, and that the conference shall be free and quit forever from any further claims under this contract. A further statement concerning the matter of title will be made later in this report.

II. Grounds Development.

When we secured the land, it was essentially undeveloped. At some time in the past parts of the land had been farmed. But for the most part, it had not been used, and a great deal of underbrush had grown up, and in the parts which were undrained, there was a considerable amount of swamp vegetation. Since that time a great deal of work has been done on the land itself which evidences itself to anyone who will look.

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Congratulations Sandusky Conference

Our congratulations to Sandusky Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church which yesterday officially dedicated to the glory of God and His Service Camp St. Marys, established primarily for the youth of the church. St. Marians shared in the pride which members of this denomination felt at the dedication service for this newly constructed camp, built on land which but a short time ago was overgrown with weeds and underbrush, much of it swampland.

The men of vision who conceived the camp at the southeast corner of Lake St. Marys should have derived a great satisfaction out of seeing the two dormitories and cottages, and dining hall, and the spacious tabernacle on land which less than a year ago was barren of buildings. Although Camp St. Marys construction was undertaken not quite a year ago and has been carried on under extreme handicap, the weather conditions being far from conducive to building, great progress has been made.

The Board of Trustees in their report to conference yesterday stated that slightly more than \$90,000 has been spent to date on the camp. Some of this money has been spent for materials still to be used in the completion of the buildings erected but not finished as far as sanitary facilities are concerned so that when conference attendants return to the camp another year they should see some big improvements. The camp is still in its infancy. Rome was not built in a night, neither can Camp St. Marys be. Its improvements will be continued as funds are made available until ultimately the Evangelical United Brethren church and St. Marians hope to see it one of the finest church camps to be found anywhere. Sandusky Conference is wisely building for the future, providing a camp with recreational facilities for its young people as they receive spiritual training. Big dividends should accrue as time goes along not only to the Evangelical United Brethren church but to this community and the world at large because our youth of today will be tomorrow's citizens, and in them we build foundations for tomorrow's world.

Our congratulations and best wishes to Dr. V. H. Allman, superintendent, and to Sandusky Conference in their program for the young people, in the development of Camp St. Marys and its facilities not only for that denomination but for others who

Report Of The Council Of Administration

The Council wishes to submit the following recommendations:

1. That in the fall institutes the period customarily given to the Conference and General Church interests be carried in the form of a panel discussion under the direction of the Conference Superintendent and that this go into detail in the matter of Camp St. Mary's.

2. That the reports dealing with Camp St. Mary's be printed in the September issue of the Sandusky News: that sufficient copies be printed for distribution at the fall institutes.

3. That a campaign of solicitation be authorized and carried on in every church until every member shall have been given an opportunity to give.

4. That the Board of Trustees secure a sufficient supply of pledge envelopes for use in the Conference after the Conference Session.

5. That Mothers' Day shall be set as the day for an annual appeal for Camp St. Mary's. That offering envelopes and pledge cards shall be furnished to every pastor.

6. In view of the fact that the uniting General Conference asked the Conferences of the former United Brethren Church to make an advance in their askings on funds for conference purposes, and the delegation from Sandusky Conference in response to this request added to our askings an amount for Camp St. Mary's, to be placed in the regular conference funds, and in view of the fact that we have met all the askings of the General Church and various conference boards, we recommend that we transfer \$6000.00 to the Conference Board of Trustees for Camp St. Mary's at the Treasurer's discretion.

7. That the Conference Board of Trustees employ one or two solicitors for the purpose of raising funds for Camp St. Mary's for three months beginning September 15th.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerald H. Coen, Secretary.

care to arrange for its use. Your church people have availed themselves of the camp facilities several weeks this year, next year we hope to see many more of you at the camp and in St. Marys.

K. C.

The Evening Leader, St. Marys, Ohio
September 6, 1947

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Editorial**A NEW TASK**

I am entering into a new experience in accepting a new task and facing its responsibilities. The challenge is great, but the experience is humbling when I am aware of others more competent. Yet when the call comes and the challenge is clear, I find it almost impossible to refuse without showing lack of faith in God and my fellowman. It is with this experience that I accept the new task as editor of The Sandusky News and face the challenge with the assurance of God's help and the confidence of the loyal cooperation of my fellow-pastors and laymen.

More than the honor, I look upon the responsibility and challenge of the task. At this writing, there is only one promise that I feel capable of making. It is not that the Sandusky News will be made better, nor even continue at its present status. The only promise that I can make to you is this: "I will do my best." Feeling assured that you, pastors and laymen of the local churches, will in like manner respond to your new tasks, I am confident that together we will succeed in this important phase of the Lord's work for the Kingdom. In words of Dorothea Brande, let us "act as if it were impossible to fail."

I feel deeply the significance of these words of Jesus as the responsibility of a new task begins: "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." There is urgency in these words; there is a challenge in our tasks.

To you I pledge the very best that is in me, and from you I feel assured your best in cooperation. E. S. H.

**Sandusky Conference
All Church Institute**

(Thirty Eighth Year)

October 6 to 16, 1947

Theme—We Press On in a Fellowship
World-Wide

Defiance, Monday, October 6
Oakdale Toledo, Tuesday, October 7
Bowling Green, Wednesday, October 8
Burgoon, Thursday, October 9
Willard, Friday, October 10
Rockford, Monday, October 13
Vaughnsville, Tuesday, October 14
Mt. Zion Oceola Ct., Wednesday, October 15
Rawson, Thursday, October 16
10:00 A. M.

District Leader presiding (pastor)
Devotions Pastor Host

Song
10:20 Inspirational Address, Rev. Parker Young
11:00 Special Music
Offering
11:10 Denominational Conference Interests, Dr. Allman
11:45 Roll Call of Churches
Announcements
12:00 O'clock noon
1:00 to 1:30 Group Meetings:
Otterbein Home
Seminary Auxiliary
Childrens' Workers
Young Peoples' Directors
1:30 P. M.

District Leader presiding (WSWS)
1:30 to 1:45 Devotions
1:45 to 2:15 Kingdom Advance, Rev. Parker Young.
Offering
Music
2:30 to 3:00 Women and Children in Africa, Mrs. Parker Young
Hymn
Ministers' group meeting
3:00 "For such a day as this", Playlet
Question Period
4:00 Adjournment
Supper 6:30 promptly
Young Peoples' Evening, 8 O'clock
District President presiding
8 to 8:20 Devotions
8:20 to 8:30 Roll Call
8:30 to 8:40 Youth Fellowship in the New Church, Rev. Don Hochstetler
Music
8:45 Address, Youth in Africa, Mrs. Parker Young
Offering
Closing

NOTES

Tureen meals.

Each local church should have a representative from the S. S. Brotherhood, Youths dept., Women's Society of World Service and Service Guilds and Girls Missionary Guild.

Awards for largest percentage attendance in W. S. W. S. and milage awards in

FELLOWSHIP CORNER

Shelby District Summer Rally—On August 10 the young people of the Shelby District met in Richmond Church for their Summer Rally. Skits were provided by Shelby and Galion at 4:00 P. M. followed by games directed by Rev. Bryan. The games and skits and also a 5:30 Basket Lunch were held on the church lawn. At 7:00 P. M. in the church, Roger Cole led a singspiration. Miriam Fritz, district president, presided during the evening session. New officers for next year are: Pres., Miriam Fritz; vice pres., David Wright; secretary, Irene Cole; treasurer, Ruth Miller; Pastor-counselor, Rev. Bryan. Devotions were led by Willard. Offering was taken by Rev. Nichols with a special offertory selection by Leesville-Biddle church. Willard won the attendance plaque. A vocal solo was given by Bernadine Workman of Shelby. The film "Thy Will Be Done" was shown. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Roop.

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Toledo District Youth Picnic—On Aug. 12 the Toledo District EVUB Youth Fellowship held a picnic in Ottawa Park, starting at 6:30 P. M. This social affair included Y. F. members from both halves of our new church. Games were led by Rev. Adams of Toledo and Rev. Freshley of Perrysburg. Refreshments included watermelon, orange aid, hot dogs, and potato chips.

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Change of Address—I would like to announce a change of address to all those sending news items. My new address is 314 Decatur St., Toledo 9, Ohio. Also I would like to have more news items. Please write and tell us what your youth group is doing.

Yours truly, Bob Leon.

Notice Please!

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youth groups for the evening. Young people arrange to arrive if possible by 6:15 so evening meal may be served at 6:30 promptly.

Guild Counselors meet with Young People's Secretaries and Youth Directors of local church groups.

Come with your questions and someone will endeavor to make the new plans clear.

Report Of The Board Of Trustees Of Camp St. Marys

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A power saw was purchased, and the underbrush cut out. After much delay, part of it caused by difficulty in getting the dredge, and much more by the unusually wet spring, the cutting of channels has progressed quite rapidly. The earth taken from the channel has been spread over a great deal of the low-lands, raising the general level of a great deal of the land above the high-water mark. This indicates what will be accomplished when the rest of the land is channeled. After considerable negotiation permission was obtained from the state and county authorities, and an easement from the landowners served by the ditch across the road from the camp, for putting a tile under the road and draining the land adjacent to the road into this ditch. Since this has been put through there has been no serious trouble even in time of exceedingly wet weather. Roads have been laid out and improved; many loads of cinders and crushed stone have been used. Electric lights and fixtures have been purchased for some time to light the grounds, but delivery has been slow. Considering the delays caused by the unusually wet weather, the Board feels that the change in the grounds during the past year is very gratifying.

III. Buildings on The Grounds at The Time of Purchase.

There are of course a number of buildings on ground which had been sold by Mr. Young prior to our securing of the site. Most of these we cannot secure now.

Adjacent to the auditorium is the home of Mr. Bowersock; the two story house sided with roofing. The Board has entered into a land contract with Mr. and Mrs. Bowersock, exchanging their lot for a lake-front lot, deeds to follow with the following stipulated restrictions to hold for a period of 99 years:

1. In the event that this land is offered for sale, it shall be first offered to the grantor.
2. No alcoholic liquors, malt, fermented or spiritous shall be sold or offered for sale.

3. No dance pavilion or other floor for dancing shall be erected on this property.
4. No gambling shall be permitted.

As soon as the proper dredging can be done, the house now standing east of the auditorium will be moved and absolute title passed.

The lot and cottage at the entrance was deeded to Dr. Allman by Mr. Young before the conveyance to us was made. This was an entirely separate transaction. In the work that has been done on this cottage, a careful check has been made of materials and labor and Dr. Allman has completely reimbursed the Conference Board of Trustees in the matter.

It is the plan of the Board of Trustees

to move the other small cottages from the main entrance as soon as they are no longer needed to house laborers.

IV. New Construction.

At the last session of Conference the Stationing Committee assigned C. H. Lilly and W. A. Lydick to the camp as builders. The first item in necessary construction was the building of homes for these men. Accordingly two homes have been built, suitable for year-round occupancy. They are now complete except for the siding. They are good homes, possibly nearly meeting the standard of the parsonages occupied by the average man in the conference, but no better. These will be available later for camp manager and custodian, two year-round employees who will some day be needed.

Two dormitories having a capacity of 78 each have been constructed. These are well-built buildings of concrete block construction. They should stand for many years. Two others are proposed, the date of their construction to depend somewhat on the financial situation, which will be discussed later in this report.

A dining hall, 40×100 has been constructed, equipped with two large "bottle gas" ranges, a very large refrigerator complete with electrical refrigeration unit; serving table, dish washing equipment, the necessary table service etc., for serving as many as are likely to be in attendance at our meetings.

A summer auditorium is nearly complete, 84×140 feet, seating 2000 people. This will provide far greater seating capacity for various Conference gatherings than any of our large churches. When complete this building will be a handsome structure, comparing well with others built in other camps for the same purpose.

The sewers and sanitary facilities have been installed in both dormitories for some time awaiting the convenience of the State Inspectors, without whose approval they cannot be put into operation. Under construction are a large septic tank, and a large central utility building to provide ample sanitary facilities for any gathering, however large.

A water system has been installed, with an electric pump system and a 750 gallon tank. The water has been piped to the dormitories, dining hall and the permanent homes occupied by Lilly and Lydick. Water has not yet been piped to the auditorium or the cottages which were there when we purchased the land.

We purchased and erected 14 prefabricated cottages for temporary housing of camps and conferences until the construction of sufficient dormitories has been accomplished. One of these has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Clemens for the use of their working force in serving the meals at camps and conventions, etc.

V. War Assets Administration Purchases.

After a long period of negotiations, consuming a great deal of time and effort, and many hundreds of miles of driving on the part of the Conference

Superintendent and the President of this Board, we secured priority number and symbol from the government for the purchase of war surplus goods. Too much cannot be said for the work of the Conference Superintendent, and his unwillingness to be discouraged in this effort. We are the only conference in the denomination to date which has secured this recognition. This rating has enabled us to obtain:

650 beds @ \$3.00; 450 mattresses @ \$2.90; 1000 Navy Wool blankets @ \$1.90 500 mattress covers @ \$1.15; 600 pillows @ 20c; a Chevrolet dump truck for \$93.00; a Dodge dump truck for \$315.00; a refrigerator, 12×9×7½ ft.; \$450; a refrigerator unit \$525; kitchen equipment \$175.00; 400 knives, forks and spoons @ 5c; 1000 stainless steel mess trays @ 3c; 3 stainless steel coffee urns, 10 gallon capacity @ 50c each; electric wire that would have cost 70c per foot, 9½ cents; 30 new urinals, \$3.50 each; 11 urinals with fixtures, used, \$2.75; 4 urinals, large, with fixtures, used \$5.00; 28 stools, with fixtures and seats, used \$6.70 each; 5 large industrial wash fountains, new \$4.00 each; 16 large industrial showers with fixtures, \$2.50 each.

To attempt to determine the savings on all of this would take more time than has been at our disposal. However, the mess trays may serve as an example of the savings made by these purchases; they cost the government \$2.00 per tray; they were sold to us for 3 cents per tray. They are brand new, never unpacked before our purchase.

VI. Finances

The financial program for the camp will come from the Council of Administration.

Detailed Statement of Receipts and

Expenditures.

Materials used in construction work at Camp St. Marys	\$23,167.45
Labor	13,976.31
432 mattresses	\$ 1,296.00
600 pillows	180.00
1000 Blankets	1,900.00
2 Pipe Wrenches	4.00
Materials	264.50
10 Boats	220.00
325 beds	
583 mattress covers	2,696.00
2 tents	100.00
Pipe and etc.	264.50
Equipment from Government Surplus	12,500.47
2 utility buildings	\$ 2,353.00
Oil Furnace, Supplies	585.43
Furnace & installation	623.58
32 windows (aud.)	556.80
Sears Roebuck and Co.	\$ 4,517.57
2 ranges from Hogens	579.56
Water system from Kirbys	787.00
New truck	1,403.70
Cottages and Lumber from Tilton	7,115.19
Tools & machinery	574.77

Plumbing	114.62
Payment on Dorm and Mess hall	18,000.00
To Home Equity Exchange	
A. E. Peterson, Ex-	
tras on same	3,623.85
Ditching	94.50
Freight & Hauling ..	158.40
Repairs—Truck	186.89
Repairs—Dredge	98.82
Rent (Lydick)	60.00
Insurance, Bldgs.	656.04
Ins. Trucks & Licenses	319.00
Electrical service	104.50
Gas & oil	418.19
Taxes	24.86
Printing	160.00
Expenses of Board	565.40
John Young Annuity ..	1,300.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$90,547.42

About the first of December we negotiated a loan of \$25,000 from the Department of Home Missions and Church Erection, on a five year basis, \$5,000 to be paid each year.

We have borrowed from Rev. Carl E. Ayers \$1,000 and from Mrs. J. O. Rhodes, \$700 at 4% interest.

After consulting with the various districts in district meetings, we were assured that it was the well-nigh unanimous opinion that the Board should go ahead and complete the first phase of the camp development according to the opportunity of purchasing war surplus materials before they were gone. In order to do this it was necessary to borrow quite a considerable sum of money.

The Board entered into negotiations with the Metropolitan Bank of Lima for the borrowing of \$50,000. The Secretary sent the title deed and abstracts of title to the bank; their attorney went into the matter very carefully; their entire board of directors went over, on foot, the entire grounds owned by the Conference. The result was that they agreed to loan to the Conference Board of Trustees on a mortgage on the camp property, the sum of \$50,000. During the time that must elapse before the mortgage can go through the court for the necessary authority to encumber, the bank has advanced to the Board the sum of \$18,000 and has given us the assurance that we could draw up to the entire \$50,000 at any time, even prior to the signing of the mortgage. The Board feels that this action of the Metropolitan Bank, accepting this site and title as a basis for a loan of \$50,000 should forever quiet any doubts that people may have either as to the title or as to the value of the property.

VII. The Name, "Camp St. Mary's."

The Conference Board of Trustees went quite carefully into the question of the name to be given the camp. The names of our conferences have been quite uniformly indicative of geographical location. Sandusky Conference was organized in the valley of the Sandusky River, Auglaise Conference in the valley of the Auglaise, Miami in the Miami Valley, etc..

To name the camp after the city of St. Mary's, which is immediately contiguous, was a natural thing to do. St. Mary's is named after the St. Mary's River which takes its rise near the city. The St. Mary's River joins with the St. Joseph at Ft. Wayne to form the Maumee River. To name our camp, Camp St. Mary's, is as natural as that St. Joseph Conference should take its name from the St. Joseph River.

We believe also that the name Camp St. Mary's will get us a great deal of good will in the city of St. Mary's which may be translated into tangible good will as the years go on.

As evidence of this let me quote a letter from the Mayor of the City of St. Mary's:

"My heart was made glad a few weeks ago when I learned of the proposed camp site your conference was planning to establish and promote on the John Young place at the southeast corner of Lake St. Mary's, Ohio. I read with interest the article carried in our local paper, and I have been watching for further developments. I was overjoyed when I learned that the Board of Conference Trustees had officially named the camp after the name of our city.

"Of one thing I am certain and that is, the world cannot build an enduring peace structure unless we help build it on Christian principles. Religious instruction indicates belief in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man. These basic religious concepts are not intuitive; they must be learned; to be learned they must be taught.

"I feel sure that I am expressing the sentiment of our citizens when I say we all appreciate the fine piece of work you are doing for YOUTH, and rejoice to know you have chosen the location you have. We are with you one hundred percent.

Most sincerely yours,

George K. Loshier, Mayor."

We might say further that we are not willing to admit the right of any sectarian group, however large, to make an unchallenged claim to traditions which belong to the entire Christian Church.

VIII. Acknowledgements

The Board of Trustees wish to acknowledge the careful and skillful work of Rev. C. H. Lilly and Rev. W. A. Lydick in designing buildings, in carefully checking on delivery of lumber and other building materials.

Dr. Allman has traveled thousands and thousands of miles; far beyond anything required of a Conference Superintendent. Without his untiring efforts the project would have cost many thousands of dollars beyond the present cost. He has very unwillingly submitted statements covering this great travel expense; several hundreds of dollars for such things as long distance telephone calls, and other expense which would have cost the Conference thousands of dollars had it been necessary to employ a man solely for that purpose.

The Conference last year relieved the

Superintendent of the necessity of holding quarterly conferences in person except in emergency situations that he might have time free for this work. He has held nearly all of these, this board believes in many cases where they are purely routine. He has attended the various district meetings regularly, and yet has done all this work for the camp far beyond the line of duty usually considered incumbent upon a Conference Superintendent. The Conference Board of Trustees wish in this public way to express their appreciation of his indefatigable efforts. We wish also to express our feeling that the policy of releasing the Conference Superintendent from the necessity of attending routine quarterly conferences be continued during the necessity imposed by camp construction.

We wish to express our appreciation of the assistance of the State of Ohio in the matter of dredging, lengthening and building the entrance drive, and in many other ways helping us in the development of the camp.

Time would fail us to mention all of the many pastors and laymen who have helped with their own efforts; the many who have contributed of their means. To all of them is owed a debt of gratitude which will be paid by future generations as they continue to expand the work and get the benefit of the labors that are being performed now.

IX The Future

For the present the Board is looking forward to the completion of the buildings as they now stand; the completion of the present channel construction; leveling and grading the grounds; removing the small cottages from their position in the park near the entrance, and putting things generally into such shape that the holding of the various conference gatherings may be a joy. As to further developments, the Conference Board of Trustees awaits the pleasure and directions of the Annual Conference.

Respectfully submitted

The Conference Board of Trustees
Fay M. Bowman, Secretary.

Point Place Dedicates Memorial

A Chime-amplifying System was installed and dedicated to the honor of the five gold star boys on the honor roll of Point Place Evangelical United Brethren Church by the parents, friends and citizens of the community. The names of the five boys are: George Sutton, John Heidler, Charles Burgess, Donald Hall and Howard Wanki.

The chimes have been played every evening at 6:30 o'clock for fifteen minutes with favorable response by the people of the community. On Sunday morning, they are played fifteen minutes before the Church School, a few minutes during intermission from Church School and the Worship service, and fifteen minutes at the close of the Morning Worship.

Among Our People

Billy Katschke is now in Toledo Hospital suffering from pneumonia and must remain for some little time.

Larry St. Aubin is now home from a hospital stay.

Jimmy James is now on crutches having received a broken leg some two weeks ago.

Mr. H. P. Vernier has returned to his home after several weeks in the hospital during mid-summer. A "Thank You" has been received from Mr. Vernier for remembrances of our church folks.

Mrs. John Lawrence of Ottawa Lake, Mich., who has been ill in her home during the summer fell and broke an arm a few weeks ago.

Mr. M. N. Webb, 1736 Balkan, remains quite ill in his home.

If there are rooms available for rent we would be glad to have you notify us. There are often calls for rooms, either with or without meals. Call Ki. 4700.

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Fletcher who celebrated their Twenty-fifth Wedding anniversary on Sept. 6th.

We received word during the month from Mr. Goodman thanking all of our church for remembrances to Mrs. Goodman during her hospital stay. It will be two or three months before she will be able to get around and would like visitors. They are now living at 330 Lakeshore.

WANTED—A room for an elderly man.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Turner have moved into their "New Home" on Clifton Blvd. We wish them Good Luck and hope that they soon will be able to attend Church at Upton.

Ladies' Aid News

The August meeting of the Upton Aid was held at the church on Tuesday evening.

It was opened by our president. Mrs. Riendeau led the devotions. All reports were read and approved.

Mrs. Mehan's jello was received, and most of it sold during the evening.

There will be a picnic for the September meeting, at which time the new officers will be installed.

In conjunction with the Missionary Society, the Aid is sending clothing to the Philippines for distribution to needy folks. Mrs. Welty is chairman of this and will be glad for any and all contributions.

Ladies—have you any old socks, shoes, shirts, shorts, slacks, gloves, hats, coats? If so, don't forget the Rummage Sale, October 28. Any and all articles will be received gladly.

The first church supper is September 17. Plan to attend, and let's get the year off to a good start.

We are still hopefully looking for new members for the Aid. You will be most welcome, we assure you.

Margaret Pfeiffer.

Corrections For Your Church Directory

Beaubien, Richard—R. No. 8, Box 128 C.

Birchhill, Wm.—914 South St.

Campbell, Mrs. Cynthia—914 South St.

Fisher, Russell—424 Frank St. Phone Ma. 3981.

Ladd, Russell—305 Broadway.

Turner, Wm.—628 Clifton Blvd. Phone Jo. 1191.

In order that our church people might have a complete check on all corrections and additions made to our Church Directory within the past year we have made a list covering these which will soon be available. These sheets may be used as a part of your directory or noted by pencil in their proper place. Changes are constantly being made, however, we hope to keep you properly informed. YOU can help us if you will notify the Secretary, La. 0936, if you have a change in address or telephone number.

Weddings

Several weddings took place in Upton Church during the months of July and August. Dr. C. O. Callender officiated at the wedding of Mr. Richard E. Haefner and Miss Bernice Floering, also that of William Covrett and Dorothy Meranda.

Mr. Richard Butz and Miss Nelda O'Neil were married August 16th. Mr. Francis Bearss and Miss Norrine Kane, August 20th; Richard Badman and Mary Jane Davis on August 22d; Richard Harbaugh and Shirley Cain on August 29th; Stanley Wnorowski and Jacqueline Gray on August 30th; and Thomas Hayes and Jeanne Hood on Sept. 5th.

(Malcolm Snyder and Miss Jean Farquhar were married on August 29th in Collingwood Presbyterian Church.)

Congratulations and best wishes to these young couples.

(Note—If full write-up is desired and space is available we will be glad to print same if it is given us.)

All Church Institute

All Church Institute of the Toledo District will be held this year on October 7th in the Oakdale church with morning, afternoon and evening sessions. Potluck luncheon at the noon hour and a carry-in supper for the Youth Fellowship at 6:30 P. M. by the Young people.

The morning session will deal with various items of the general church program. The afternoon session will largely be in the interests of the W. S. W. S. The evening session, while open to the entire church, will major in Youth work.

We hope that a good number will be able to attend and in particular we feel that leaders of the various departments of the church should be present.

Every Member Canvass

October is the month of our Every Member Canvass. This is the time when we plan together with God for the effort that we are to make for the coming year.

Everyone can pledge if they really desire to do so. A pledge is not a note, nor is it a mortgage. It is an estimate of what one honestly intends to give during the year. The pledge card says that the terms or the amount of the pledge can be changed as unforeseen occasions arise. It may then seem unimportant to pledge but such is not the case. Your pledge helps your officials to know how to arrange and plan for the future.

Details will come later by mail. Pray about this matter and then share in the regular program of giving along with others. By so doing you will benefit by giving God a place—a first place—in considering your anticipated earnings. The church will benefit by being able to proceed in a more business like manner and in the security that comes from knowing that her people are trusting and venturing forth with God.

Pledge cards will be on hand in the near future and will be received in an act of public worship on October 19th in the morning Worship hour.

O. E. J.

Senior Choir

The Senior Choir rehearses each Thursday evening at 8 P. M. We are working on Gaul's "Holy City" and are making fine progress. We have sung some of the numbers during the summer months and we hope to sing the complete work at the Christmas season.

The choir sang "Oh, Come Lord Jesus" by Rogers on August 3; on August 10th we sang a number from "The Holy City"—"For Thee, Oh Dear, Dear Country" with women and men choruses and the choir combining to sing chorus parts. The anthem "They That Sow in Tears" also from this work, which the choir sang on August 17th, is one of the difficult numbers in the Oratorio. Mr. Virgil Turner sang the solo part in the Anthem "Seek Ye the Lord" by Roberts. On August 24th the choir sang "The Twenty-Third Psalm" by Wilson and the duet taken from "The Holy City"—"They Shall Hunger No More" was sung by Mrs. Mary Rathke, soprano and Mrs. Eleanor Beaubien, contralto. Both of these numbers were in keeping with the Communion Service on August 31st.

Mrs. Wenonah Anteau Faulk was present and sang with the group on August 31st. Old members are always welcome. Mrs. Mary Rathke, Director.

Clerk—Now, son, there's a sweater that fits you like a glove!

Boy Customer—Er, yes, I see what you mean; the sleeves cover my hands!

Pastor's Column

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of compassion and lose the open doors to this opportunity in the Cause and Name of Christ. World Wide Communion Service of October 5th will give opportunity for a love offering in this great and worthy ministry. The asking is for \$1.00 per member on World Wide Communion Sunday. Pray and Give.

Our effort does not cease with this one phase of our great work. We will remember our youth in our conference and denominational program. We have eight colleges, three seminaries besides many, many summer camps. One point of continued major emphasis in behalf of our youth will be the further development of our own Camp St. Marys.

Children and aged unable to further care for themselves are cared for in ten homes of the denomination. Our major support will continue in the Otterbein Home.

People in our local community are looking for and asking by their increased interest, for an enlargement of our own local ministry. This means that we must bend every effort to the completion of our church plant. At the same time we must increase the passion and quality of our ministering in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Before us then is the call to go into all the world and preach the gospel—by word and deed. We dare not fail. We will not fail.

Onward Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before!
Christ the royal Master,
Leads against the foe,
Forward into battle
See His banners go!

Crowns and thrones may perish,
Kingdoms rise and wane,
But the Church of Jesus
Constant will remain,
Gates of hell can never
'Gainst the church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise,
And that cannot fail.

Onward, then, ye people,
Join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices,
In the triumph song;
Glory, laud and honor,
Unto Christ, the King,
This through countless ages
Men and angels sing.

Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.

We would willingly have others perfect
and yet we amend not our own faults.—
Thomas a Kempis.

My Creed

I have to live with myself and so—

I want to be fit for myself to know.

I want to be able as the days go by
Always to look myself straight in the eye;
I don't want to stand with the setting sun
And hate myself for the things I've done.

I want to go with my head erect
I want to deserve all men's respect,
But here in the struggle for fame and pelf
I want to be able to like myself.
I don't want to look at myself and know
That I'm bluster and bluff and empty show.

I never can hide myself from me,
I see what others may never see,
I know what others may never know—
I never can fool myself—and so
Whatever happens I want to be
Self-respecting and conscience free.

This poem, by an unknown author, was given to us by Mrs. Marks, who taught our class on August 24th, in the absence of Mr. Mosely. We thought it would be well to share it with you. It is a creed we all might well adopt.

We've another member in our class, Mrs. Jacqueline Fruckey who has come to Toledo to make her home with her father, Mr. Vernier. We extend a hearty welcome, and trust she will make many new friends at Upton.

When you were on your vacation, did you attend a worship service of any kind? We really should avail ourselves of the opportunity to fellowship with Christians wherever we find them. Please tell us of your experiences as they may prove interesting to others. We have had reports from Mr. and Mrs. Falor who visited a Baptist church; Rev. and Mrs. Johnson visited a U. B. church in Van Wert and also in Fostoria, and a Methodist church in Sault Ste. Marie; Mrs. Coder attended a Methodist church in Newman, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. McShane were in Chatham, Ontario when Sunday school time came around. They picked a church at random, and were surprised to meet an old friend whom they never expected to see. This surprise meeting turned out to be one of the high-lights of their vacation. How many of us have missed such a blessing because we stayed away from church!

The Riendeaus attended a religious service around a camp fire high up in the Smoky Mountains. It was beautiful in its simplicity—attended by people of many faiths, but bound together by one common bond—the love of God and the call to worship on His day.

We will meet you in the Green Room on Sunday.

Pearl Riendeau, Scribe.

"Common sense is the knack of seeing things as they are, and doing things as they ought to be done."

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"Coarse slang is like a hot iron, it leaves a mark on everything it touches."

Otterbein Home

As the school bells peal out their message, reminding the children, that vacation time is o'er, and that the time has come when they must face the more serious, and perhaps the less pleasant tasks, of books and lessons, likewise we too, are reminded that we must redouble our efforts, in the school of "Christian Living," by preparing to carry on the work of the Master, in the year which lies just ahead.

Seed time has passed, and harvest time draws near. The Lord has been gracious unto us, by providing an abundant harvest of both fruits and vegetables. Our government has seen fit to release sugar from rationing, thus enabling us for the first time, since before the war, to secure as much as we need for canning purposes. In view of these facts it would now seem, that this is the opportune time for each and every one of us to express our thanks, by contributing, generously, of the canned goods, on the shelves, of our well filled cupboards. Thus, the worthy work of Otterbein Home may continue on and progress as it has in years gone by. Organized S. S. classes, looking for a worthy project might see fit to purchase a case or more of commercially packed fruit or vegetables, as their share of the offering. S. S. Teachers should encourage their classes to bring at least one can per member.

We are all familiar with this annual event, in the work of our church, and it seems to me that very little urging need be done, in order that Upton carry her share of this work.

Won't you please bring your "Goodwill Offering" for the Home, to the church, as soon as possible, thus facilitating the work for all concerned.

Gladys Schmitt

Our Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Mr. Frank Berndt and family in the death of Mrs. Christine Berndt who was 101 years old on June 4th. Mrs. Berndt was the mother of Mrs. Eddinger, now deceased, who was a member of Upton church.

Also to the family of Mr. George Herbst of Trilby in the death of wife and mother. Mr. Herbst is a brother of Jess and father of Mrs. Georgetta Schutt. This is the twelfth death in the immediate family in the last seven months, including the loss of both father and mother of Mr. Herbst.

Your Pastor officiated at both of these funerals during the month of August.

In this world the one thing supremely worth having is the opportunity, coupled with the capacity, to do well and worthily a piece of work, the doing of which is of vital consequence to the welfare of mankind.—Roosevelt.