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The Upton Challenger

UPTON EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

VOLUME IV

SEPTEMBER, 1949

NUMBER 1

Pastor's Column

Conference is over and yesterday we were in the Upton pulpit for the first Sunday of this Conference year. There were a few empty seats at the front of the Church but chairs were placed at the rear of the sanctuary. If those seated on chairs had been seated in the pews I am certain that every seat of the church would have been taken. This is a good beginning for the new year. It is good to be assigned as Pastor to this church for another year.

In keeping with the emphasis of the whole body of Protestantism for the coming year the Upton church will give special emphasis on Evangelism. There will be emphasis in the Sunday school upon attendance and the importance of the acceptance of and consecration to Jesus Christ as the Saviour and Lord of one's individual life. There will be an attendance campaign for Worship with two morning worship services. There will be a cultivation program through Home visitation. There will be a Home visitation evangelistic endeavor. During the Easter season opportunity will be given for the dedication and consecration of life to Christ's call. We earnestly seek the prayers of each and every one to these ends as these will be major points of emphasis.

More immediately our attention is directed to the busy month of October. World-Wide Communion service will be held on the first Sunday of the month, October 2. Two worship services, 8:15 A. M. and 10:30 A. M. will be held with Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. Everyone who loves our Lord should be present for this holy occasion. Absence from this service breaks the fellowship. Plan now to come prayerfully and without reserve to this service of introspection, repentance and dedication.

October is also the month of Every Member Canvass. We have appreciated more than we can tell the increasingly ready response of our people. Year after year a smaller and smaller percentage of our people have to be called upon for their annual pledge. When you receive the literature do not delay but return your card at once and help those in charge of the canvass.

Our Fall Institutes meet at Woodville this year on Monday, October 10th. There should be representation from every department of the church present as this is the time when proposed program for the conference year is presented. Will the leaders of the various departments take note and act accordingly.

I urge you to look up the August issue of the Upton Challenger and read carefully (Continued on page 2)

ANNOUNCING

Anniversary Day of founding of Upton Church will be observed on Sunday, November 20th. Bishop A. R. Clippinger, D. D. will be our speaker for the occasion. Watch for further announcements.

Basil R. Campbell Ordained

Conference Sunday, Sept. 4th, will hold more than ordinary significance for Upton Church and for the Reverend Basil R. Campbell for on this date Rev. Campbell was ordained to the gospel ministry. He was the first to be ordained from Upton Church during the twenty years of her history. It is our prayers that this will be but the beginning of the giving of sons and daughters to the work of the Kingdom in the realms of the church.

Another of our young men, Virgil Turner is in preparation for ordination at Bonebrake Seminary.

It was the special privilege of the writer to assist Bishop A. R. Clippinger and Dr. V. H. Allman in the ordination. Five other young men were also ordained in this service. We hope and trust, and pray that Basil may be mightly used of God.

For the coming year Basil will be active as a teacher in a private Boy's School, located on the Hudson River, about nineteen miles from the heart of New York City. It is possible that he may eventually be appointed Chaplain of the School, the constituency of which is comprised of Jewish, Catholic and Protestant boys. Such would certainly be fraught with challenge and opportunity. Duties of teaching will begin Friday, Sept. 16th. Already Basil has left for New York being driven thru by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell both of whom are members of Upton.

We bid them a safe and enjoyable journey and to Basil a great and good and profitable year.

O. E. J.

Challenger Subscriptions

With your September issue of the Challenger we begin our fourth year as Editor of a church paper. We have endeavored to bring you news and plans of your church.

As August closed we had not had much response to the appeal for payment of subscriptions—however, the two Sundays in September brought several \$1 bills for this project. We hope that each of you will note your name label and if you are not paid to date you will care for the matter within the month—Please.

Upton Choir

The month of August was definitely Ardis Brown's month. On the 7th she did the solo work in "The God of Mercy," followed by "The Lord is My Strength" on the 14th. She sang the very lovely "Spirit of God" on the 21st and ended the month on the 28th by taking the solo part in the appealing new anthem "O Lamb of God, I Come." It isn't one bit hard to listen to her sing for she has a quality in her voice that isn't to be found every day.

Generally speaking, there was a pretty good turnout at all the practices despite the heat and vacations. Mrs. Vada Mark was out while atending the Bible Conference at Winona Lake, Indiana, and Mrs. Mosely, our faithful organist, had a well-earned two weeks' vacation in Alabama. Our thanks to Tom Powless for pinch-hitting for us while Mrs. Mosely was away.

On Friday evening, August 26th, Mrs. Eleanor Beubien honored Mommy-to-be Wenonah Faulk and "Junior" at a shower. Folks, if you think your choir ladies are a sedate group of starched white collars and black robes, you should have seen the girls bedecked in crepe-paper bibs and bonnets of blue, pink, and white—this also included Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Callender, and Mrs. Woolcott, no less bedecked!

Among the very lovely as well as useful gifts Mommy and Junior received was a pair of pale blue overalls made by Bea (Mrs. Corwin) Degener. Hereby hangs a tale—it seems "Pa" Faulk was bewailing the fact that no one had given his youngster-to-be a pair of overalls. Bea promptly responded with the cutest little pair you ever saw—all tied up in a pretty package and addressed to Ralph. "Pa" should now be happy, for Junior should really be the cat's whiskers in them!

Have you made your selection yet for the Festival? If you haven't, the choir would like you to do so as soon as possible. You'll find the anthem list, a large box, paper, and a pencil in the vestibule—we did what we could to make it easy for you, so won't you please make the planning of the program easy for us?

-M. P.

Winter Schedule

We will again resume our winter schedule of services on October 2nd. Holy Communion service at 8:15 and 10:30 A. M. with Sunday School coming at the regular hour of 9:30 A. M.

The man, who bowes his head and says, "I can't," is usually right about it.

Sunday School

On behalf of our Sunday School, I wish to extend our congratulations and good wishes to Rev. and Mrs. Johnson and family upon their return to us for another year. Words of encouragement will, I am sure, be welcomed by them. However, I feel that they will appreciate more our cooperation with them in the coming year's program of our School and Church. If we accept our responsibilities as we see them it will certainly make our Pastor's work less difficult and more enjoyable. It will do more for us. It will give us the satisfaction that, in our small way we are able to serve God through our service in our church. With all of us working together unselfishly for a common causerighteousness-I know we can make this a banner year at Upton.

Now for a few highlights of our accomplishments during the Conference year just ended. Our Sunday School offering for Anniversary Day in November (1948) totalled \$174.58. On November 7th, 1948, the Nelson Attendance Crusade was launched in our School, lasting for a thirteen week period. Through the efforts of Mr. Cletus Hoel and his assistants who were in charge, our attendance increased noticeably.

Our Sunday School's gift to the Otterbein Home included many cans of fruits and vegetables as well as \$151.45 at Christmas time.

During our ten percent Membership Increase campaign beginning February 20 and ending on Easter Sunday, April 17, we added forty new members to our rolls giving us an increase of eight percent. Our Easter offering totalled \$641.68 which was \$141.68 over the goal previously set. Of this amount \$152.23 was given on Easter Sunday. Our attendance on Easter Sunday was four hundred and thirty.

During June eighteen of our boys and girls attended Camp St. Marys. The expense of their stay at Camp was shared by the Sunday School, church, Christian Endeavor and those attending.

During the Conference year just ended, our average attendance was two hundred and fifty six—an increase of sixteen per Sunday over the previous year and the largest on record of our Sunday School.

In closing I wish to thank you all for the splendid cooperation you have given me during these past years that I have served as your Sunday School Superintendent, it has certainly been appreciated.

May the Lord's blessing be upon us as we serve and work together for Him during the year ahead.

E. McShane

Among Our People

First, our sympathy to the family of Mrs. Lulu VanLandingham who recently passed away in Robinwood Hospital. Services were conducted by your pastor in the Ira Garner Mortuary with burial in Woodlawn cemetery.

A sincere note of thanks has been

received from Mariam and Virgil Turner for the baby gift sent them for Diare by the Jack and Jill Class and the church.

Mrs. Floyd Robison is now in Riverside Hospital having undergone surgery during the past week. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Troy Seger has again been hospitalized at Nercy Hospital. This is the third time since early spring. We sincerely hope that he shall soon be able to return to his lome.

We are glad to see Mr. Kurtz ir our worship service quite regularly again after his illness. Also Mrs. Fowler and Esther and Sharon.

Have you noticed the many, nany beautiful bouquets of flowers on our Communion table during worship this sumner? These indeed have been beautiful and much appreciated. Our thanks to Mr and Mrs. C. L. Williams of Sylvania Ave., who have raised them and brought them most every Sunday that the church might be more beautiful.

Pastor's Column

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the article concerning the Bonebrake Seminary campaign. Certainly the proposals are for much needed facilities. Uptor has two young men who are or have been students of Bonebrake. Rev. Basi R. Campbell has completed his work for ordination and was ordained at this last session of our Annual Conference. Rev. Virgil Turner is in his middle year of study at Bonebrake. We thus have close and warm ties with the school. All will want to share in the program. The tentative proposal is that we place this itemour share will be about \$640.00 in our Benevolence Budget and pay it during the ensuing period of sixteen months. Pray with us concerning this item. One Sunday a month may be set aside for incrased giving to this budget for this period.

Some time after the first of the year we expect to be ready to bring proposas to the church concerning the completion of our church structure. Specifications are now being drawn up. These will have to be submitted to the Conference Board and to the Home Mission Board of the clurch for their O. K. Then will come the matter of financing. The sharing and expression of each of our people will be imperative to success. The time for determining the future draws nigh. Pray and plan now. Further information will be forth coning.

And now we would pray God's ble sing upon each of you. Your courage, your acceptance of the program of the chirch, your dedication to the call of service is ever and always a challenge and colifort to your pastor. Sometimes our program looms so large and the demands so e acting that but for the prayers and the loyalty of our people and the confidence that God is with us we could not confidence that God is with us we could not confidence to the confidence of the confidence of

Your Past

Reformation Sunday

Protestant Churches of Toledo will join in a great Rally commemorating the Reformation Sunday, October 30th, at 4 P. M. in the First Congregational Church on Collingwood Ave.

Speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Ralph Loew of Buffalo, N. Y. All churches are cordially invited to attend. Clergy will be robed and seated together as a group. Special music will be rendered by the Choir of the Host Church.

This should be a great service in Toledo. The program is under the auspices of the Toledo Council of Churches. No one should miss it. Plan accordingly. Your pastor is chairman of committee in charge.

O. E. J.

Kitchen Kapers

We are again bringing you some recipes in order that you might try them and use them to help fill your fruit cupboard—

SANDWICH SPREAD

- 12 Green Tomatoes
- 12 Red Mangoes
- 12 Green Mangoes 6 Onions
- 6 Carrots

Grind the above and add one-half bunch of diced celery. Then mix the following and add to vegetables: 1 cup prepared mustard, 1 cup vinegar, two cups sugar, 2 tablespoons flour and 3 tablespoons salt. Cook for twenty minutes, add one quart of salad dressing and can. This is fine used alone or with ground meat or chopped eggs.

PEACH MARMALADE

5 lb. sliced peaches

3 lb. sugar

1 small bottle red Maraschino Cherries, chopped. Cook peaches, sugar and juice from cherries until just tender, add cherries and pour into hot sterilized jars.

Ladies. Haven't some of you a recipe that you would like to share, if so, let us have it.

Birthday Calendar

For some little time the Jack and Jill Class (Young Married People) of the Sunday School have been working on a project by which means they hope to increase their support to the church. It is a Birthday Calendar. The plans are nearing a climax and printing of same will soon begin. However, there is yet time to pay your dime and have your name and birthdate put on the calendar—and your contribution will help. Some space yet remains for "Business" advertising also. Fred Papenfus is in charge, however, all members of the class are working and you may contact them.

The following 6 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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The Conference Council of Administration

E. S. HECKERT . . . EDITOR

Sandusky Conference Institute

(Fortieth Year) OCTOBER 10-14, 1949

Theme:

"We Press On... In a Fellowship of Widening Horizons" Woodville—October 10 Findlay—October 11 Bucyrus—October 12 Lima First—October 13 Bryan—October 14

NOTE: Please observe the dates printed here instead of what appears on Conference Calendar.

10:00 A. M.

Host District Leader presiding Hymn—

"The Church's One Foundation" Scripture and Prayer—

Visiting District Leader Devotional Message—

Dr. Charles W. Shoop

Special Music

Offering

Panel of Conference Departments—

Announcements Dr. V. H. Allman

Closing Prayer

1:00 P. M.

Group Meetings:

Otterbein Home Seminary Auxiliary Children's Workers

Young People's Directors 1:30 P. M.

Host W. S. W. S. District Leader presiding Devotions Mrs. Parker Young Roll Call

Address—"The Church of China"

Dr. C. W. Shoop

Special Music

Offering

Exploring New Trails

Children's Work Mrs. Roy Cramer Awards and Question Period

Closing Prayer

6:30 P. M. th Fellowship S

Youth Fellowship Supper 7:45 P. M.

Youth Fellowship

Host District Leader presiding

Devotions

Roll Call

Special Music Offering Motion Pictures Benediction

Notes

Each person is requested to bring two sandwiches and a covered dish for the

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Highlights of the 117th Session of Sandusky Conference

Held At Camp St. Marys, August 31 To Sept. 4

The one-hundred-seventeenth annual session of the Sandusky Conference, third session of the united church, was called to order by Bishop A. R. Clippinger, Wednesday morning, August 31st, in the beautiful sanctuary of Camp St. Marys.

The conference secretary, Rev. L. E. Ames, called the roll, to which 97 ministers and 62 lay delegates responded. Guests from the Miami and Southeast Ohio conferences were introduced.

Highlighting the morning session was the annual report of the Conference Superintendent, Rev. V. H. Allman, D. D. In his eleventh annual report, the Rev. Allman said: "We close our books today and give them to God and history to seal for good or bad. Some of the records look good, some look bad; 61 pastors report above all losses a gain in membership of 467; 29 pastors report, above all gains, a loss in membership totaling 298. Six pastors reported no conversions, and three reported no accessions."

Reporting as General Director of the Board of Education, Dr. Allman indicated that the "Board of Education is taking advantage of the facilities of Camp St. Marys to enlarge its program and scope of influence. We now have four camps for children and youth. These camps are well attended and undoubtedly the attendance will increase in years to come. Hundreds of young people are given Christian guidance, and more than one hundred this year have found Christ as Lord and Savior of life. Fifty or more have signifi-

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Recommendations And Goals From Report of

From Report of Dr. V. H. Allman

The recommendations and goals have been presented in detail to the proper committees and will be presented by them to the conference in proper order.

- 1. A Sunday School Attendance campaign to run for the year, class and teacher centered, showing at least a 5% increase, month by month reports to district leaders, and published in the Sandusky News with District centered competition for the highest percentage of increase.
- 2. That a delinquent membership list be prepared for each church with pastor and Administrative Council attempting to win back to active fellowship

the entire list. That this program be put on the monthly agenda of the Council and that a report be given of the work accomplished.

In order that each charge may show a membership gain the last two years prior to Conference union, it is recommended:

- 3. That each pastor present a prospective membership list to the Administrative Council of his church, or churches, at the October meeting together with a well rounded program for the winning of these persons to Christ and the church. Monthly reports of the progress of this work shall be given.
- It is recommended that pastors make this program and that of the delinquent membership list a part of their monthly district report, and that a monthly check, church by church be made by the district leader in order to determine the success of this program and to give pastors mutual aid and encouragement.
- 4. That pastors and churches make every effort possible to reach the goal of eight dollars per member for Camp St. Marys by Conference time in 1952.
- 5. The Sandusky News subscription month be November.

Notes from the Otterbein Home Auxiliary

Canning-

Our canning slogan is "CAN a CAN for the OTTERBEIN HOME." The Home needs both fruit and vegetables except corn. They need berries, cherries, pears,

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The Conference Superintendent Writes A Letter*

Dear Brother:

When I returned to my desk today I found your letter in which you protest the removal of your pastor by the annual conference last week. You certainly have every right to regret his leaving, for he is a young man of sterling quality and much promise. We are glad when our laymen can regard our pastors so highly that they want them to remain in their appointments. You could have paid your pastor few higher compliments. If I were in your place I too would regret his loss.

But please consider with me some of the factors involved. Your pastor was a beginner, sent to you three yars ago to prove his mettle. He was untried, and like an unbroken horse his capabilities were quite unknown. Since that time he has proven himself able and willing. If he is properly handled by the conference administration, and by the congregations he serves, he may even prove to be one of the greatest among our pastors in this, or even in any generation. If you love him as you say you do, surely you will not object to his being sent to a new field where a whole new set of problems, and people and opportunities will broaden his experience and heighten his future.

Your letter indicates very clearly that you were long associated with a sister denomination which uses a different system in the placement of its ministers. Against that denomination I have no complaint. In fact I regard it highly, since I served in it for a year during my own seminary days. But now you and I both belong to and serve in a denomination which traditionally employs the itinerant system. As long as that is true, doesn't it behoove us both to follow it, support it, and promote

it? Someone has said, "The itinerant system is no longer on trial." It has withstood the rigors of a century and a half in the Evangelical United Brethren Church, and even longer than that in other denominations. While sister communions constantly have hundreds and even thousands of churches without ministers, and ministers without pulpits, the Evangelical United Brethren Church has vitally none! There are many other advantages, but we didn't begin a defense of the itinerant system; that is not the main issue.

In your letter you speak of the dictatorship that has grown up in the annual conference whereby a beloved pastor can be removed without consultation with the congregation. But let me remind you that you and other church members like you elected delegates to that conference. Those delegates chose my associate and myself to serve on a committee together with the bishop, to make the assignment of ministers to their fields. Even the bishop was chosen by the same democratic procedure. I am sure that I speak the sentiment of my colleague, and even of the bishop, when I say that if we are ever found to be dictatorial beyond the limits required of us by the church, if we are ever found prejudiced or unfair, or even just plain incompetent, we hope and pray that the same democratic process shall remove us from office.

Another factor to be considered is this. We must conserve our ministerial forces in such a way that the greatest amount of service can be rendered to all the churches of our conference. Your congregation is fortunate in being so located that you have the full-time service of one pastor. You know of course that our very serious shortage of ministers has forced many neighboring churches to share the services of their pastor. This causes a heavy burden to fall on the pastors involved. Your pastor was young and strong and vigorous. Would it have been right for us to continue him there, while men who have given their lives down to the last few years, continue to drive great distances between Sunday morning services, and shorten their serviceable lives in other ways? I'm sure that as a reasonable man you would not want it so.

You ask, "What can a congregation do to keep a pastor they like?" One of the things that will go the farthest in that direction is total cooperation with that pastor and his program. You know, of course, that your pastor has not always had that from his congregation. Many a forward looking proposal was rejected, and his heart was often heavy because his congregation was more deeply interested in other things. In spite of this he loved you all sincerely. I merely mention this to serve as a guide in dealing with future ministers.

And speaking of future ministers, your new pastor is a good man! He has held many positions of trust and responsibility in the conference. His consecration is unusually deep, and his ability is above the average. I feel sure that I can count on you to give him your support, your prayers, and your heartiest cooperation.

Please feel free to write, or contact me whenever you have a matter on your heart. May God richly bless you and your family in your service to his church.

Prayerfully,
Conference Superintendent.
—The Telescope Messenger
*Because of the personal character of
the situation all names are withheld,
though this is an actual letter.

Marion District Brotherhood

The Marion District Brotherhood was held at the Cardington School House Sunday Evening, August 14, with President Clifford Hoover in charge.

In the business meeting, the Treasurer, O. P. Miller, reported a balance of \$199.01. Rev. Strawser made some remarks and suggestions on how to improve the Brotherhood. Mr. Noel Smith, Conference President, was present and gave a short talk. A motion was made and approved to send \$100.00 to the Sandusky Church to help in remodeling the parsonage.

The Mass meeting was opened by singing "Jesus is All the World to Me." Kenneth Hack read the Scripture from Psalm 107 and Matthew 8. Rev. Rice led in prayer. Mr. Pittman had charge of the attendance count, and North Robinson was victorious with 43 present. The total attendance was 241.

Mr. and Mrs. Donaugh of Marion were present and favored with several musical numbers. The guest speaker was Rev. Mills, of Columbus. He ably spoke on "Why Don't We Have a Modern Joshua." He pointed out that the greatest weakness is in the present day Home. There must be a rebuilding of the family altar in the home. The Church School and Nation can not take the place of the home in the lives of present day young people. A look at our nation's bills for beer, liquor and tobacco shows that billions are spent for that which is not Bread.

Thanks to Rev. Mills for the fine spiritual message.

The next meeting will be held November 20th in the Sycamore Church.

-Raymond Harter, Sec.

Stoker For Sale

Upton Church, Toledo, Ohio has a good 55 lb. used Findlay stoker for sale (about \$100.00). Anyone interested can communicate with Mr. Homer E. Knisely, 5800 Alexis Rd., Sylvania, Ohio or the Pastor, O. E. Johnson, 3619 Upton Ave., Toledo, Ohio. Phone Kingswood 4700.

"If you wish to know the true character of a man, note the things that make him laugh."

Financial	Stater	nent	of the	Conference
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	ances Receipts		Balances
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Undesignated Benevolences\$ 4,38	8.64 \$ 50,542.10	\$ 24,369.07	\$ 2,768.12
Designated Benevolences:	207.00	207 00	
Foreign Missions	207.00 62.00	207.00 62.00	
Home Missions	94.25	94.25	
	45.00 452.67	497.67	
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Budget Allotment	19,500.00	12,500.00	
Camp St. Marys Account	30,859.36	58,647.46	
	1.41 17,874.75	4,237.99)	524.30
Same (Transfers)		15,713.87*)	
	2.66 1,700.00*		711.06
Budget Allotment	2,508.40	*	
	1,070.45*	480.45*	
Conference Christian Ed 1,33		3,243.17	1,433.15
Budget Allotment	209.03*		
Youth Fellowship	1,981.93	1,981.28)	
	94 61 9 940 00	9.00)	
Conference Preachers' Aid 1,7	24.61 2,240.00 8.50) 3,126.87
Churches 3%	5,801.95		
Ministers Ass't	1,028,00	,	
Budget Allotment	2,006.81*		
Kingdom Advance Program	28,088.35	28,088.35	
Seminary Project	100.00		100.00
	16.00 31,748.67	31,733.51	31.16
Same (Special)	52.75	52.75	
Denom. Preacher Pension	489.36	489.36	
Miscellaneous	32.40 143.00	168.56)	
		36.84*)	
Galion Church, Offerings for	1,785.87	1,785.87	
Seminary Auxiliary	12.50 36.88	12.50 36.88	
American Bible Society	2,041.95	2,041.95	
Otterbein Brotherhood	18,270.00*		
Conference Budget	20,210100	20,210.00	
Totals\$15,98	7.07 \$265,581.18	\$262,418.23	\$19,100.02
Less Transfers (*)	64,536.98*	64.536.98*	
Actual Cash Transactions	\$201,044.20	\$197,881.25	
Bank Reconcilement:			
Outstanding Checks			5,155.96
			201.055.00
			\$24,255.98
Less Deposits			1,057.50
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Contributions By Churches

	Benevolences			Otter-	Grand	Total
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CHURCH Re	mit-	Quota	12 Mo.	Home	K. A. P.	Camp
tan	ce				St	. Marys
Attica, Federated\$26	1.30	\$11	\$132.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 56.00	\$140.65
Attica, South Reed 223	3.70	11	132.00	15.00	80.70	129.00
Attica Ct., Richmond 91	4.00	31	372.00	184.40	374.20	198.40
Attica, Union Pisgah 51	3.73	21	252.00	86.00	250.10	187.31
	0.75	26	337.00*	315.00	414.00	1201.00
Bascom, West Independence 155	3.03	32	414.00*	346.00	502.80	1199.00
Belmore	2.45	17	204.00	140.00	288.87	1427.50
Belmore, Center 37	4.00	12	144.00	73.00	198.10	234.00
Bloomdale	7.99	21	272.00*	335.75	363.37	1669.50
Bloomdale, Pleasant View 103	3.87	21	272.00*	148.64	660.12	757.96
Bloomville	1.72	16	207.00*	140.00	46.00	588.86
Bloomville, Harmony 46	7.63	11	137.75*	167.00	162.00	867.00
Bloomville, Olive Branch 29	1.00	9	116.00*	60.00	65.00	411.00
Blue Lick	6.04	11	132.00	91.40	150.00	557.20
Bowling Green	3.15	115	1392.00	835.97	1850.00	3285.00
Bryan	6.78	53	636.00	433.00	897.64	1332.00
Bucyrus	7.40	47	564.00	402.00	860.00	1333.00
Burgoon149	0.96	37	444.00	257.00	523.60	1725.00
Cardington 66	1.81	16	192.00	42.98	228.90	667.25
Cardington, Climax	3.20	5		3.20	8.00	
Cardington, Fairview 288	5.27	11	132.00	25.00	86.25	242.90
Center Ct., Center 310	0,85	9	108.00	29.00	51.00	186.50

Center, Logan 246.82	6	72.00	19.00	12.00	256.00
Center, Mt. Olive 253.68	8	96.00	38.00	46.00	273.50
					1999.94
Columbus Grove1505.27	47	560.00*	128.67	825.00	
Continental 553.60	. 14	168.00	144.00	20.00	401.00
Continental, Mt. Zion 550.00	9	108.00	253.00	12.00	381.00
Continental, Wisterman 365.20	7	84.00	180.00	54.00	163.00
		160.00			33,00
Cridersville 355.98	13		109.00	53.00	
Cridersville, Kemp 129.06	13	79.00	8.50	60.55	15.25
Custar 364.20	10	120.00	80.00		314.10
Custar, Malinta 289.95	10	120.00	31.37	17.00	570.90
					280.88
Custar, West Hope 593.08	10	120.00	257.60	40.00	
Defiance1892.47	53	636.00	402.00	271.25	651.50
Delphos 802.70	26	312.00	150.00	149.75	816.00
Delta 949.38	26	436.00	165.00	291.00	623.00
Delta, Zion1053.97	26	343.72	306.19	475.33	901.17
Deshler 715.43	21	252.00	150.00	360.00	494.98
Deshler, Oakdale 827.53	26	313.00	105.00	355.00	913.10
Dunkirk 881.88	21	251.10	213.50	210.00	682.60
					2246.00
Dunkirk, Walnut Grove1895.40	32	352.00	393.00	473.00	2246.00
East Findlay Ct:					
E. Find., Bethlehem1303.01	32	384.00	475.80	86.00	1857.53
E. Find., Mt. Zion 702.84	23	276.00	60.00	12.60	664.00
	21	252.00		132.00	147.80
E. Find., Pleasant Grove 368.67			60.87		
E. Find., Salem 623.17	14	168.00	129.82	35.00	713.00
Elida 676.77	21	252.00	222.00	74.09	569.10
Elida, Marion 123.16	7	84.00	18.00		70.00
Findlay, First 8444.78	235	2820.00	1200.40	4461.37	5229.85
Fostoria	210	2520.00	939.00	2832.05	3944.81
Fremont1233.78	42	504.00	237.00	735.35	215.00
Fremont, Riley Center 213.00	6	72.00	51.00	90.00	11.00
	75	900.00	334.00	158.85	196.10
Grand Lake, Bethel 152.68	9	108.00	31.00	100.00	100.00
Grand Lake, Mt. Zion 432.45	13	158.00	111.49	173.26	36.60
Grand Lake, Old Town 217.22	9	103.00	54.22	47.00	87.00
Grover Hill, Blue Creek 339.00	12	105.00	130.00	426.50	321.00
Grover Hill, Middle Creek 347.50	14	182.00	78.00	197.00	584.00
Grover Hill, Mt. Zion 198.00	9	123.00*	23.00	82.00	90.00
Helena1094.69	32	414.00*	305.00	173.00	915.59
Hepburn	7	84.00	12.00	8.75	54.05
Hepburn, Hopewell 220.15	9	140.00*	11.00	81.50	112.55
Hepburn, Otterbein 292.75	11	132.00	441.76	60.00	158.63
Hicksville2275.85	53	636.00	234.00	1408.45	2137.83
	32	419.00*	137.25	576.00	1064.32
Hoytville1402.24					
Hoytville, South Librety 916.04	21	252.00	150.00	317.00	811.00
Kansas 156.90	4	48.00	58.40	54.00	14.00
Kansas, Canaan 357.99	11	132.00	130.91	180.08	333.50
La Carne 261.58	11	132.00	72.00	5.00	130.00
		102.00		0.00	
La Carne, Locust Point 28.35	11		23.35		41.00
Lakeview 377.25	11	132.00	60.00	67.00	469.25
Lakeview, Santa Fe 436.87	11	132.00	88.00	120.00	353.17
Leesville 490.32	17	204.00	70.00	242.80	234.30
				32.75	25.00
Leesville, Biddle 252.98	11	132.00	81.00		
Leipsic 878.02	16	207.00*	150.40	300.20	581.09
Leipsic, Forest Grove 491.84	9	116.00*	46.00	142.00	478.11
Leipsic, Kieferville 501.00	9	116.00*	44.00	144.00	328.00
				78.00	
Liberty 527.60	14	204.00*	68.00		50.00
Lima, First 3597.17	80	960.00	785.00	1359.00	4066.27
Lima, High Street3663.57	. 65	780.00	914.00	2718.50	2962.26
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Middlepoint, Bethel 129.70	5	60.00	20.00		180.00
Middlepoint, Fairview					
Middlepoint, Harmony 210.85	9	108.00	51.00		296.00
Middlepoint, Mt. Pleasant 845.88	30	360.00	189.00	76.00	606.00
				26.00	
Monclova 291.86	14	144.00	85.50		41.00
Montpelier2987.34	53	636.00	342.00	1019.65	2511.77
Montpelier Ct:, Liberty 306.04	9	124.00*	80.00	54.00	67.16
Mont. Ct., Pleasant Grove 34.00	5	24.00	6.00	19.00	5.95
Mt. Carmel2103.88	37	444.00	553.00	683.44	1565.00
The Carrier				812.51	1501.00
North Baltimore1512.98	47	517.00	310.00		
North Robinson 435.43	18	187.00	85.00	36.10	305.52
North Robinson, Liberty 320.80	11	130.00	59.00	16.65	208.15
N. Rob'son, New Winchester 360.20	16	180.00	75.00	15.60	345.28
	21	283.00		279.00	1280.86
Oakwood1274.88			235.00		
Oakwood, Centenary657.27	11	132.00	50.30	180.00	688.30
Oakwood, Prairie Chapel 208.19	8	96.00	25.00	126.00	156.24
Oceola 472.19	11	132.00	131.00	110.00	377.23
Oceola, Mt. Zion 694.28	21	252.00	110.00	330.00	1422.50
Old Fort1812.46	37	444.00	300.72	640.50	1750.85
Olive Branch 314.45	9	114.00*	10.85	90.00	294.44
Pasco 538.00	9	108.00	106.00	201.00	559.50
Portage 692.75	21	252.00	125.15	376.00	789.50
Portage, Cloverdale 350.68	10	120.00	133.30	180.00	990.15
Portage, Mt. Zion 905.04	21	252.00	169.00	360.00	805.00
Port Clinton 626.29	30	360.00	70.91	91.86	228.60
Rawson	47	564.00	280.00	601.25	1419.04
Rawson, Olive Branch 588.28	15	180.00	233.00	264.60	261.00
Rawson, Pleasant View1901.44	21	252.00	1223.00	335.25	916.80
Rising Sun 476.73	15	145.00			
			75.00	118.07	602.00
Rockford1763.90	70	840.00	407.00	162.75	3538.12
Sandusky 295.64	11	132.00	5.00	25.05	81.00
Shauck, Johnsville 245.48					
	16	17,8.00	46.00	43.00	250.00
Shauck, Pleasant Hill 112.00	6	90.00	22.00		50.00

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Smithville, Mt. Zion 662.92	9	120.00	108.61	65.53	412.00	W
Sycamore	26	312.00	177.50	454.00	973.75	W
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Coledo, Colburn2519.40	80	960.00	791.96	1399.00	374.55	W
Coledo, East Broadway2845.01	80	960.00	1043.44	733.80	2541.05	W
Toledo, First	50	600.00	216.24	810.25	1150.50	W
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Toledo, Point Place 631.50	65	780.00	303.00	941.00	804.81	W
Coledo, Somerset1915.23	65	795.00	540.00	1012.95	1358.85	W
Foledo, Upton	32	384.00	141.67	465.84	949.14	
Van Buren	9	108.00	39.25	94.26	399.00	in
Van Buren, Bairdstown 273.53	21	252.00	171.40	360.00	235.67	
Vanlue 788.02	16	192.00	70.00	270.00	81.00	al
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Vanlue, Union 492.21	53	636.00	319.46	604.99	1,972.44	W
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Vaughnsville 533.89	12	144.00	59.00	61.06	78.00	
Walbridge 299.43	10	120.00	25.00	79.61	45.80	
Walbridge, Hayes 218.53	11	132.00	85.00	76.00	99.00	
Wauseon, Beulah 306.14	14	182.00	152.00	146.25	163.40	· a
Wauseon, Mt. Pleasant 414.16		216.00	185.00	270.00	126.00	
Wauseon, North Dover 679.00 Webster 469.84	17		100.00	215.00	310.00	
	14	168.00	100.00	210.00	910.00	

W. Findlay Ct., Pleasant Hill 417.24	13	156.00	40.00	222.00	493.40
W. Find. Powell Memorial 573.91	13	156.00	79.28	231.00	276.00
West Findlay Ct., Trinity 496.46	13	156.00	51.46	231.86	315.51
West Findlay Ct., Zion 332.78	13	130.00	100.55	226.75	90.00
West Mansfield 196.68	5	60.00	21.50	72.00	53.50
West York 336.19	14	168.00	55.79	48.50	31.25
Wharton, Beech Grove 463.38	11	142.00*	137.86	157.23	638.53
Wharton, Union Bethel 711.10	19	246.00*	204.94	334.00	600.00
Willard7474.67	200	2400.00	1000.00	3173.00	1902.50
Willshire, Mt. Zion 166.25	6	66.00	10.00	90.00	11.00
Willshire, Union 374.38	16	160.00	36.00	131.60	553.46
Woodville3472.77	75	983.90	1138.00	1970.72	3170.85
Wren1071.10	22	264.00	138.00	141.42	1874.00
Wren, Bethel 322.45	12	144.00	68.00	74.75	268.00
Wren, Wood Chapel 332.48	12	144.00	77.00	125.28	259.00
NOTE-The amounts in the Bene	evolence	e column.	marked	by an ast	erick (*)

iclude the belated reports on last year's quotas

The amounts in columns reporting K. A. P. and Camp St. Marys payments, re the total amounts contributed to these projects from their inception to late. The K. A. P. amounts include the contributions sent through the W. S. W. S. and Youth Fellowship societies, that have been reported to the conference reasurer, making the Grand Total of credits to K. A. P. fund \$59,810.93.

The Grand Total of contributions to Camp St. Marys is \$141,036.90.

The Christmas Offering to Otterbein Home amounts to \$31,733.51.

N. B.—The Conference Treasurer's report includes remittances received to

and including August 22, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

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†Willard ...

W. P. Alspach, Treasurer

.... Palmer Manson

Sandusky Annual Conference Stationing Committee Report

A. R. Clippinger, D. D., LL. D., Bishop; V. H. Allman, D. D., Supt.

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†Bowling Green John Searle
Belmore E. W. Goings
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*Deshler Emerson Iles
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.... Marion Hanover Williams Center Delta District

†Delta	W.	A.	Lydick
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*Rawson O. C. Metzker
*Van Buren R. L. Clark
Vanlue
West Findlay Ralph Cornell
Wharton Don B. Bennett
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Bloomdale	Howard McCracken H. J. Grimm
*Burgoon	T. W. Bennett
†Fostoria	D. D. Corl

Helena	Robert Williman
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Kansas	Edwin Griswold
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Old Fort	S. G. Sherriff
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*Port Clinton	. Vaughn Bigelow
Riley Center	
Rising Sun	D. L. Williams
Woodville	P. C. Young
Lima Dist	

Blue Lick	Joseph Graham
*Columbus Grove	L. E. Ames
*Cridersville	C. D. Moore
Elida	F. I. Mumford
Lakeview	E. E. Rousch
†Lima, First	Gerald Coen
Lima, High St.	Frank Hamblen
*Olive Branch	Dale Girtin
Pasco	Robert Breese
Sidney	F. B. Esterly
St. Marys	Paul Strouse
*Vaughnsville	L. D. Reynolds

Marion District

Man	OII DISTIFICE
Bucyrus	Mahlon Wenger
*Cardington	C. J. Ludwick
Climax	H. W. Brooks
Hepburn	R. P. Ricard
Marion	D. H. Hochstettler
*North Robinson .	
†Oceola	C. S. Strawser
Shauck	C. C. Nichols
Smithville	Herman Kear
Sycamore	T. H. Weisenborn
West Mansfield	Francis McCracken

Toledo District

*Toledo,	Colburn St N. D. Bevis
Toledo,	East Broadway Roy Cramer
Toledo,	First F. M. Bowman
Toledo,	Oakdale D. L. Emrick
Toledo,	Point Place Eustace Heckert
Toledo,	Somerset M. R. Frey
†Toledo,	Upton O. E. Johnson
Walbrid	lge Roy Davis

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Delphos	Paul Zimmerman
	W. R. Fausey
Grover Hill	Donald Oakiey
	Elwood Botkin
	C. J. Mericle
Van Wert	Walter Marks
Willshire	James Angel

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Attica Charles Miller
Attica Circuit A. J. Myrice
Bloomville L. G. Crew
Galion Paul Walter
Leesville
Mount Carmel Loyd Rife
*Sandusky Vanus Smith
Shelby V. I. Sullivan

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The names marked with † indicate District Leaders.

The names marked with * indicate Pastoral changes.

Vaughnsville Church Making Improvements

The Rev. V. E. Smith reports that the improvement program at the Vaughnsville Union Church includes 5 new S. S. rooms, 2 rest rooms, kitchen, 2 oil furnaces, acoustical ceiling, new lights, art glass windows and redecoration of main auditorium. The approximate cost is \$16,000. The improvements are expected to be completed by November 1.

How much better off most of us would be if we practiced the fine art of doing a little more than is expected of us. There is no surer rule for business success, and no truer compass for the seas of friendship. It is the key that makes almost any door spring open.

REPORT OF THE

Conference Board of Trustees

The Conference Board of Trustees met several times during the year and transacted a great deal of business both as a Board of Trustees and as a Board of Missions.

As a Board of Trustees, the greater part of business was concerned with Camp St. Marys. During the year we have sold four pre-fabricated cottages and built six new cottages, all divided into rooms, and divided the two dormitories into rooms, have done a great deal of grading, seeding, landscaping, all of which have made the camp a beautiful place. The Peninsula north of the auditorium is now complete and will soon be ready to be surveyed into building lots. The water lines have been extended along the cottages, and the cottages along the south drive are all supplied with water.

The island has been graded and a beautiful outdoor worship center has been constructed with pulpit, lecturn and altar of rough stone and a sixteen-foot cross back of the altar.

The Youth Fellowship of the Finday church has presented altar paraments, consisting of velvet dossal, faille altar cloth and frontal, pulpit and lecturn antopendia, 30-inch brass cross and a pair of three-branch candelabra at the cost of \$250, for which the Board wishes to express its great appreciation.

We have expended to date in the construction of the camp a total of \$279,172. Our indebtedness stands at \$106,000. This would leave a balance over indebtedness of \$173,000. However, there are other considerations which greatly alter this situation. Many thousands of dollars have been saved by purchases from the War Assets Administration, by the use of donated equipment and donated labor, so that the Board feels that we have a total value here which may be conservatively estimated at not less than \$450,000.

The Bowersock property northwest of the auditorium was offered for sale this spring. In order to keep this within our power, Dr. Allman purchased the property for the Board for \$5,000, advancing the money himself. One of the cottages has already been sold for \$1,500.

Too much credit cannot be given to the Conference Superintendent for his diligent labor, his exercise of wise and sound business judgment, and his Christian zeal in working for the Camp far beyond that required in the line of duty.

We recommend that the abandoned Pleasant Grove church building be given to the Liberty church; that the furnishings be given to the E. U. B. church at West Unity, Ohio.

We present the following resolution for

Be it resolved, by the Board of Trustees of the Sandusky Annual Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church: That the Conference Superintendent and the President and the Secretary or Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, acting together, shall have the power and authority to determine on the sale and leasing of any lands or real estate belonging to said Conference, which has come under the authority of the Board of Trustees, and upon the approval of the Board of Trustees, they shall have the authority to execute and deliver all instruments, whether deed or leasehold, necessary to carry out and complete such transactions.

Respectfully submitted, Conference Board of Trustees.

OTTERBEIN AUXILIARY HOME

(Concluded from page 3) fruit juice, jams, jellies, pickes and relishes.

If you need empty cans to fill or to replace cans already used, you may have same by sending a post card to Otterbein Home, Lebanon, Ohio, saying how many cans wanted, your name and address, and where they are to be sent. They will be shipped prepaid.

Scholarship Fund

The Auxiliary (of which all women of our churches are automatically members) are sponsoring a scholarship fund for a boy or a girl or both at the Home who upon graduation from High School and have met the scholastic requirements of the Board. The Auxiliary is trying to help them to further their education so that they might be equipped to meet the world and its problems in a better way and to help them to become more useful and better citizens.

This year there are two, a boy and a girl. They are worthy young people and very deserving, and will need our help. If any one individual or organization can give an offering it will be greatly appreciated. Send money to our Treasurer Mrs. Oscar Richards, 633 Wallace Ave., Bowling Green, Ohio. Thanks.

Sympathy-

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Oscar Richards our Treasurer and family, in the loss of her husband Mr. Oscar Richards whose death occurred Tuesday, August 30th, 1949, in his home in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Defiance District Attention-

Defiance District is still without a District Director for the Auxiliary, and until some one can be appointed, please write me if any information is desired.

Mrs. G. F. Brubaker, No. 3 Charlevoix Ct., Toledo, 7 Ohio President Sandusky Conference Otterbein Home Auxiliary.

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cooperative meals.

Dr. V. H. Allman will meet the ministers of the Districts immediately after the noonday meal.

Awards for all officers present and largest percentage of W. S. W. S. locals.

At Mother's Knee

By Rev. D. C. Hollinger

It is light at evening time, And you say "How can that be"? It's because I met my Jesus, Long ago at mother's knee.

'Tis evening by the lamp light, O'er the earth the shadows creep, I said kneeling by my mother, "Now I lay me down to sleep."

I was kneeling in my nightie, Once again my mother spake, "Say this after me my darling, If I die before I wake."

Then my eyes were growing heavy. And, my bed I soon must take, But repeated after mother, "Pray the Lord my soul to take."

In a quiet country church yard, Mother waits that last great day, I ne'er shall forget that hour, When she taught me how to pray.

In the same old country church yard, Lies my precious father too, We shall meet in that blest country, Where all things are ever new.

I give credit to my mother, For the light I now can see, It began on that one evening I first knelt at mother's knee.

Sandusky News Quota Winners

The following charges were quota winners, having one subscription to The Sandusky News for every nine members, for the last conference year: Attica Circuit, Delphos, Delta, Fostoria, Helena, Lima First, Malinta, Monclova, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Old Fort, Pasco, Port Clinton, Rockford, Toledo Colburn, Toledo Upton, Vanlue, Van Wert, Webster, West Findlay

The church having the largest number of subscriptions is Lima First with 242.

November is designated as Sandusky News Month. It is hoped that many churches will take this month, or some other month more adapted for the local program, and make a conserted drive for subscriptions. The editor will gladly supply sample copies to any church requesting them.

JUST SUPPOSE

JUST SUPPOSE the Lord would begin tomorrow to make people as sick as they claim to be on Sunday;

JUST SUPPOSE the Lord should take away the child whom the parents use as an excuse for staying away from church;

JUST SUPPOSE the Lord would make people as poor as they claim to be when asked to help finance His program.

JUST SUPPOSE—and THEN go forth and live and serve as if Christ were soon coming.

HIGHLIGHTS OF SANDUSKY CONF.

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ed their intentions to give themselves to full time Christian service. The camping program is the recruiting station for our ministry and missionary work."

Some other important statistics in the superintendent's report were: conversions, 1286; accessions, 1500; membership increase, 467; weddings, 550; funerals, 739; adult baptisms, 438; children baptisms, 881; and pastors salary increase total, \$29,300.

The Conference Treasurer, Rev. W. P. Alspach, gave his annual report, which revealed total receipts of \$201,044.20 and disbursements of \$197,881.25.

The Wednesday afternoon session included the Memorial Services, and the following eulogies of the deceased minister and ministers' wives were spoken: Rev. T. C. Biddle, by Rev. Fred B. Esterly; Mrs. C. N. Crabbs, by Dr. J. S. Engle; and Mrs. C. B. Fletcher by Rev. F. M. Bowman. The Rev. C. E. Miller gave a memorial message, using the ninth verse of Psalm 56 as his text. "The Christian man," he said, "should be able to say with the Psalmist, 'I know that God is for me, and some day I shall be like Him.'"

Dr. Raymond M. Veh addressed the Conference on the "Board of Publications." "Religion is news," he said. "What are we doing to make religion a vital part of the lives of people over the world?" he asked. In concluding his address, Dr. Veh presented to the Conference Treasurer two checks totaling \$2,803, as dividend upon the churches business with the Publishing Houses during the last year. He presented a check for \$5 to Rev. S. B. Sherriff, a personal award for subscriptions to the Telescope-Messenger.

The Rev. Curt Emmons and his Evangelistic Party offered several musical numbers during the Wednesday evening session. Dr. S. G. Ziegler addressed the Conference using as his theme, "This World in Which we Live." He said that the Kingdom Advance Program Quota of the Church would soon be filled.

An early morning Communion Service was held Thursday at 7:00 A. M. Many attended this service, beginning the day in Holy Communion with God.

The Rev. Richard Leger, one of the Superintendents of the South Germany Conference, was introduced. This is his fourth visit to America. The Rev. Leger spoke of the Christian Church in Germany, and how in the life of the Church many thousands of young people have been converted to Christ. He brought thanks to the Churches of America from the people in the Churches of Germany for the help that has been sent them.

Professor Maurice Gribler represented Otterbein College, who distributed papers containing questions about the college, and led in a helpful discussion period. President J. Gordon Howard spoke of the high scholastic rating of Otterbein College.

Professor D. H. Gilliatt, from Bonebrake Theological Seminary in Dayton, brought the interest of the Seminary. He spoke that this year will see the largest incoming class of students in the history of the Seminary. The financial campaign to raise \$450,000 for improvements, which will include a new chapel and a library, was presented.

The Rev. Carl Ayres, member of Sandusky Conference and a missionary to West Africa, spoke to a large group of young people, Thursday evening. He spoke of what the church was doing to bring hope, health and light to the people of Africa. A challenge was presented to the Young People to pray and support the work of the Church in Africa.

The Rev. G. L. Fleming was introduced as the new Youth Director.

Bringing the devotions for the Friday morning session, Dr. D. H. Gilliatt, of Bonebrake Seminary, said to the ministers, "We are the keepers of the mysteries of God," and we are to be faithful, trustworthy in handling these mysteries.

The Friday Evening session was in charge of Rev. Stanley B. Sherriff, Chairman of the Town and Country Church Committee. Mr. Clyde N. Rogers, Town and Country Church Department of the Ohio Council of Churches, was the speaker.

Dr. J. H. Ness addressed the conference Saturday morning on "Preacher Pension." He stressed the need of the churches paying the 3% to the pension fund in order to pay the retired ministers.

Representing the Ohio Council of Churches was Dr. B. F. Lamb, who spoke Saturday afternoon in the interest of The Temple of Good Will.

The Rev. C. J. Mericle directed the Audio Visual Service Saturday evening using as his theme, "Projected still and Motion Pictures in the Church." Films, "A New Testament Study" and "Simon Peter, the Fisherman" were shown.

The large auditorium was well filled Sunday morning as Laymen and friends from many of the churches came for the closing day of the conference. Dr. J. S. Engle taught the Sunday School Lesson at 9:30 A. M. At the close of the lesson period, Rev. and Mrs. James Angel presented their baby for dedication to the Lord by Dr. V. H. Allman. Dr. Allman presided at the 10:30 Worship Service. The sermon, "The Christian Message for Today" from Jeremiah 37:17, "Is there any word from the Lord?" was delivered by Bishop A. R. Clippinger.

In the Ordination Service, the following were ordained: Clarence Carnahan, Robert Breese, Palmer Manson, Basil Campbell, Mahlon Wenger and Barbara Beck.

The following young men were presented Probationers Liscense: Jay C. Halloway, Allen C. Jennings, Jack R. Stowell, Milton L. Nolan, Henry W. Brooks, Jr., and David S. Yohn.

Concluding the Sunday morning session, Bishop A. R. Clippinger read the Stationing Committee's Report.

Missionary Program

On Conference Sunday afternoon a missionary program was held at Camp St.

Marys with Parker Young, former missionary and now pastor at Woodville, as chairman.

Ronald Ricard of the Hepburn charge, had charge of the song service. Edwin and Mrs. Griswold of the Kansas Charge brought a fine duet and Freeman Whetstone of the Bridgewater charge led in prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Fellows gave an inspiring message concerning the work that they were engaged in, under the Sudan Interior Mission operating in Ethiopia, in East Africa. Mr. Fellows' home is in Australia, and Mrs. Fellows is a former member of the St. Marys E. U. B. church.

Carl and Mrs. Ayres then produced a little skit showing some of their neighbors with whom they worked at Moyamba, Sierra Leone, West Africa. It was well done and gave us a better idea of life in Africa.

Dr. Walter Schutz, Supt. of the West Africa Mission in Sierra Leone then brought a challenge of the work yet to be done in the mission fields of the world.

Many expressed their thanks for such a service. An offering of fifty-two dollars was set aside toward the building of a missionary cottage at Camp St. Marys, for use of the missionaries on furlough. This is a worthy project which will receive the interest of many. Contributions toward this should be sent to the Conference Treasurer or Dr. Allman.

LORD, HELP US, TOO

All night long the storm had tossed the boat. Sections of the sail were torn; parts of the ship threatened to give way; the disciples were exhausted and sore afraid. Then in the last watch of the night they saw a man who walked on the sea as one whom the waves could not buffet. Such a sight was more than human control could stand and they cried aloud in their fear.

Then he said to him, "It is I; be not afraid." Though the storm continued, fear left them at once, for Christ was near. In utter confdence Peter leaped from the boat and, behold, he too became master of the waves; they but rolled beneath him. When he looked away from Jesus, however, he began to sink.

But Jesus caught him, drove away his fear and put the storm beneath his feet. "Wherefore did you doubt?" he asked.

We too are caught in a rough sea. Our ship of civilization has been badly battered and fear has caused some to become discouraged and to cry out. But he is near; his message is: "Behold me and my way; be not afraid."

If we will keep our eyes on him and direct our actions after his pattern we need not fear. When we let them rest only on the height of the tempest around us we become afraid and lose ourselves in the storm.

It is the fourth watch of the night; our danger is still great; only he can save us. Let us look upon him.—D, W. B., in Gospel Messenger,

W. S. W. S.

August and September

In August our Women's Society of World Service met in the church basement, rather than in the parish house, to try to avoid the heat of the season. Our routine business was quickly dispatched, the only matter of new interest being the introduction of five new books recently purchased for us by our Secretary of Missionary Education.

Mrs. Callendar led our devotional program. The theme for the month was Literature and Literacy, and of course the one great person to come to mind at such a time is Dr. Frank Laubach, and our leader reviewed for us his literacy campaign throughout the world. She discussed our need as Christians and church members to read, and mentioned the various publications which we ought to read regularly. Well informed in such matters, Mrs. Callender was able to point out that our E. U. B. publications are well edited and attractively set up.

To dramatize our own reading course, Mrs. Callender presented five of our members in brief reviews of books they had recently read. Mrs. Johnson made the greatest impression here, appearing as a most attractive woman of Mexico.

The meeting closed with the collection of a Free Literature Offering, \$3.20, which goes to help our central offices to send us certain free leaflets, and particularly to send free material to help new societies.

Our hostesses, Mrs. Stock and Mrs. Miley, served us refreshments to accompany the friendly talk which always follows our meetings.

On September 9 we accepted Mrs. Kane's invitation to bring our families to a pot luck wiener supper at her home in Metamora. We enjoyed a bountiful supper with hostesses Kane and Leonard seeing to it that all were properly served.

Afterwards the men and children went to Mrs. Barrs' home to enjoy television while our society went on with its affairs.

At the business session arrangements were announced and money voted to send postcards to members to remind us of each meeting.

It was announced that the Fall Institute of the Council of Toledo Church Women will be held September 20. It will be an all-day meeting, and luncheon reservations should be made with Mrs. Coder.

Our devotions centered about the topic "Stewardship," and Mrs. Papenfuss led us in our study. She told us how the great Stewardship hymn, "Take My Life and Let It Be" came to be written. The Scripture reading, taken from Romans 12, emphasized that we should make "our bodies a living sacrifice" to our Master.

We discussed briefly the question: How can I best use the twenty-four hours God has given me?

Mrs. Papenfuss told us how in 1812 a Quaker reformer was heckled by a listener who said, "Well, stranger, if all the world was of your mind, I would turn and follow after." The Quaker replied, "So thou hast a mind to be the last man in the world to be good. I have a mind to be one of the first."

When our meeting adjourned we went on to enjoy each other's good company in conversation, only regretting that too many had been unable to attend.

Frances Miller

Ladies Aid

Twelve ladies and a large fan sweltered through the regular Aid meeting Tuesday evening, August 9th, in the church Sccial Rooms. Despite the heat and hum-i-dity the girls were quite perky.

Mrs. Hatfield reported that the Sales Tax Stamps have been counted again and the Aid "kitty" is due for another "square meal." So folks, our thanks to you for bringing in those little green pieces of paper, and we do hope that you will continue to give them to us for they do help so much. The Aid president's little granddaughter is one of the most faithful contributors—she picks up all the stamps she sees for "Grammy"!

Well, ladies, here it is—your golden opportunity to get rid of Pop's old suit, Susie's "Sloppy Joe" sweater, and Junior's out-grown jacket—the Aid is going to have a Rummage Sale in October. Now is the time to get your things together—when the family is too worn out from the heat to offer much protest. Any and all articles of clothing and knick-knacks will be much appreciated.

The ladies are still sewing for the bazaar and they can use all who can come to help them. They have big hopes for this project and they do need YOU.

Devotions were brought by your secretary from the June issue of "Christian Herad." The article used was the sermon-of-themonth "Concerning What you Cannot Have" by Ralph S. Meadowcroft.

For each of us there is something that we cannot have—something that is really necessary to the happiness and fulfillment of our lives. It seems to be almost a law of nature that this is so—the child that is denied a couple, the wife that must be confined to an institution for the insane, the fine woman who felt that she would be more of a hindrance than a help to the man she loved—all of these, necessities to someone's happiness, yet denied to him.

When we suffer a denial of this sort we are wont to forget our remaining blessings. Our thoughts become centered upon what we cannot have, and in the agony of our loss we are apt to become bitter.

What can we do about the things we are denied?

There are three attitudes we may take—
(1) that of Judas. More than anything else he wanted to be his nation's secretary of the treasury. When he saw that Jesus' kingdom was not of this world, and that he therefore would never attain his ambi-

tion, he began to hate-first Jesus, whom he betrayed, then the apostles, then the priests who had aided him in the betrayal, and finally life and himself. He committed suicide—a victim of Hate. (2) the Rich Young Ruler wanted to attain eternal life and wanted to know God. But when Jesus told him the price—that he must give up everything and follow Him-it was too much to pay. So he lost interest in everything-he just lived from day to day without interest in anything-a victim of Passive Submission. (3) Paul was afflicted with what he termed "a thorn in the flesh." Time after time he prayed to God to relieve him of this affliction so that he might better serve Him. But each time God denied his request, but He always told him that His grace would be sufficient for him to bear this trial. Paul's reaction was one neither of hate nor of passivityinstead, he used the denial for greater discipleship for God. The years found him more compassionate, more tolerant, and more sensitive to the heartaches and troubles of others. Through life's "no" he became a finer character and lived more effectively.

How are you and I using life's "no"? Which attitude is yours—that of Judas, the Rich Young Ruler, or Paul? It isn't what happens to us, but the way we measure up to it that shows our real worth. If we stand firm in our faith in the shadows as well as in the sunshine, and give our greatest service to God and our fellowmen we shall always find that His grace is sufficient for us.

A social hour followed with refreshments served by Mrs. Nina Kohl.

-Margaret Pfeiffer

GROWING TOWARD GOD

". . . now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; and the greatest of these is love" (I Corinthians 13:13).

As we have said, everything which lives must grow: it is how we grow that counts. It is well to develop our own powers, to be strong and healthy, mentally alert and emotionally self-reliant. But while growing within ourselves may make us well-balanced individuals, it cannot make us complete persons. Persons are individuals living in relationships. We need sound and wholesome relationships with other people; more than that, we need a vital relationship with God, for we are spiritual beings.

God is Love, and it follows that if we want to know him we must be responsive to love and strive to express it in our own lives. If we love God we must prove it by the way we live; we will be strengthened and transformed; we will be forgiving as God is forgiving, and enlivened with a power greater than our own. So while we're growing, we must think how far we have to go to reach God's image of us.

From "Our Home"

Beginners Church

"Gladly the little children went to Jesus, when he held out his hands in welcome and smiled at them. Even the littlest ones were not afraid and left their mothers to go to Jesus who took them in his arms and loved them. When he had talked to them, he put his hands on their heads, as he asked the Heavenly Father to be with the children and keep them safe and good. They knew they would never forget this kind friend, who loves all little children."

How interesting the Bible stories can be made to the little ones in Beginner's church, and how they learn to appreciate the church and God's care, the home, their parents, teachers and friends when they are told stories that meet their particular needs and help to guide their character development and spiritual growth.

Our programs for beginner's church during these summer months have been simple but effective. Children's hymns and choruses are used in the opening service followed by a child's worship prayer. Then comes the Bible story. These have been taken from the Book of Genesis, starting from the Creation. During the short period of relaxation and play which follows, handiwork is sometimes done and a fruit drink with a cookie or a cracker is served. Of course the three to sixers look forward to this. Following this a story that interprets Christianity in terms a little child can understand and follow, and make right conduct interesting and worthwhile. Yet these are the kind of stories which bring forth the constant urge for "another story, please," teacher.

What we help them to become is vastly more important than what we teach them to know.

We have been very well pleased with the work of several of our girls who have helped to carry out this program for the summer. They are: Lois Grey, Betty Reighard, Princess Johnson, Joan Kerr, Beverly Knisely, and Carol Jaynes.

Mrs. O. E. J., Reporter

Otterbein Home

WANTED: Canned vegetables, berries, cherries, and pears. For the first time in five years our pear shelves are empty. (This is part of an article in the last issue of Otterbein Home News and tells of their needs at the Home in the way of Canned goods.)

Have you already put up those extra cans of fruit or vegetables? If not, why not do it now? Fruit juices and jams and jellies will also be acceptable and appreciated.

By the time that this comes to your attention, we shall be starting to collect the same for shipment to the Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Kolbe

"A 'shady' business never yields a sunny life."—Alabama Christian Advocate.

STEWARDSHIP

Many people throughout the world have been thrilled with the music which has been produced by Fritz Kreisler, the world famous violinist. He used his talents so unsparingly during the war for the entertainment of soldiers and now is again entertaining vast crowds of civilians. We have heard him several times and have marveled at his skill. In an Indian paper, "The Indian Witness," which was sent to us by a missionary friend, dated January 22, 1948, we read the following about Mr. Kreisler, which was told by Dr. W. L. Stidger:

"One of the exciting adventures of my life has been my contact with the great and the near-great of this earth in my experience as a magazine interviewer. Out of that experience I have discovered something which few churchmen suspect, and that is, that many of the great of the earth have a deep spiritual sense of Stewardship. They feel that the talent they have received is a gift of God, and that they must give an accounting of it to Him.

"Several years ago I happened to sail to Germany on the same ship with Mr. Fritz Kreisler. My stateroom was next door to his on the top deck. I sent him a note asking for an interview but also stating that if he were too tired from his long concert tour, or if he just wanted to be let alone: 'I shall still continue to be one of your Seven Best Listeners.' That sentence did the trick and in ten minutes I was seated in his stateroom for an intimate chat with him and Mrs. Kreisler. Later on that same trip I had luncheon in their home in Grunewald.

"That day in his home we got to talking about Stewardship of talent, time and money. He said to me: 'My talent is a gift of God and I look upon it as such. Therefore I dare not claim any of the rewards of income which come from my playing as belonging exclusively to me. Y am merely the steward of both talent and money. I was born with music in my soul. I knew musical scores before I knew my ABC's. It was a gift of God. I did not acquire it. So I do not even deserve thanks for my music. I never look upon the money I get as my own. It is public money, merely a fund entrusted to my care for proper disbursement. My beloved wife feels exactly the same way about this stewardship of money as I do. In all these years of my so-called public success, we have not built for ourselves a home. Indeed we have never had any settled home; always rented quarters. We have not built ourselves a costly home because that would stand between us and all the homeless of the world.'

"Then Mr. Kreisler added: 'People do not seem to understand just why we do not feel that we have any right to spend money carelessly. They do not understand the spiritual philosophy that is back of it. It is very simple: We feel that we are

stewards of both my talent and of the money that comes to us from that talent. It is God's gift and we are its stewards. It is as simple as that. Do you Americans not understand that all things belong to God and that we are only His stewards?"

-The World Evangel, July-Aug., '48

WHO IS JESUS?

It is almost trite to say that at the heart of the Christian religion is a person, and that person is Jesus, the Christ. All that the Christian religion is and means centers in him. That being the case, it is quite important to have the right conception concerning the person of Jesus.

It is easy to say that Jesus was the son of Mary and Joseph, but that is a very limited designation of his person. Regardless of any controversial doctrinal elements involved, we, as those conscious of salvation from sin, must have some fuller explanation of the person of Jesus than just the son of Mary and Joseph. Matthew safeguards the person of Jesus, in his table of genealogy, by refusing to call him the son of Joseph. Legally, Joseph was doubtless always considered the father of Jesus, but biologically he was not, and he knew he was not.

The term Son of Man as applied to Jesus in the New Testament means more than the offspring of human parents. Whatever else may be designated by the term, it sets Jesus as the only representative of true humanity. Ideal humanity is something far beyond what we ordinarily call the ideal man. The ideal man is one who measures up to what we think a man ought to be, but the true representative of ideal humanity, and only Jesus was that, is one who measures up to what God wants man to be.

I trust I shall never be guilty of calling Jesus a (using the indefinite article) son of God. He was and is THE Son of God. The "only begotten" Son of God. This makes him very God; and nothing short of that completes the plan of redemption. Who Jesus was and is gives special significance to all he did and does. Our conception of who Jesus was while here in the flesh is far more important than our conception of what he did, as we ordinarily look upon works.

One can never properly appraise his own sinful life as well as the marvels of his salvation from sin until he has the proper conception of what his salvation has cost. One can never measure the cost of his redemption simply from a human standpoint. It is measured only in the light of who the One was who died for our sins and arose for our justification. You tell me what you think of Jesus and I will tell you how you evaluate your faith.

—Editorial—Everett E. Harris The Telescope-Messenger 1-29-49

"Of all acts, is not for a man repentance the most divine? The greatest of faults is to be conscious of none." Thomas Carlyle.