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The Upton Challenger

UPTON EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

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Pastor's Column

These have been hard and busy but happy days for your pastor in the work of His Kingdom. It is my hope and trust that they have also been such for you. I am at my desk early this Monday morning, July 9th, just before leaving for St. Marys where I am to guide the Intermediates from churches throughout the conference in a study concerning the work of the Commission on Evangelism and Stewardship for their Youth Fellowship work back home in their local churches. Three weeks ago I led a like Senior group through the same type of study. This took two weeks from my home schedule but it is the first time that I have given to this work for some four or five years and I feel that we too must share with others in this work. The youth were delightful. Eight from our church attended and we have a group of intermediates who left yesterday for this week.

Week before last we spent another week at St. Marys. The Annual Bible Conference and School of Music were held and all ministers were urged to attend together with as many laymen as possible. It would be fine if some of our laymen could plan their vacations to share in this enriching time. Board, room and registration around \$15-\$17 per person—no cooking, ladies, but swimming, boating, study, etc. etc. Then there has been excellent study and inspiration. Next year we must, if at all possible, have some of our people in the School of Music. Choral singing, lessons in directing, etc. (One will learn enough in one week to begin directing congregational or group singing) Mr. Hite of Findlay, Ohio, is doing the finest work in this field that I have ever seen or known.

During this same week the Annual Conference met in special session to consider for Sandusky Conference the plan and basis of union relative to the union with the Ohio Conference. The plan was approved by a vote of 160 yeas and no nos. If the plan is approved by the Ohio Conference there will be a uniting conference the last week of conference. A celebration and pronouncement will be held

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Auditing Of Books

All books of the various treasurers and secretaries of the church school should be in the hands of our Auditing Committee not later than August 5th.

All yearly reports of the Treasurers should be prepared for the Pastor not later than August 10th.

Among Our People

Our congratulations to the parents of three arrivals in our church family. Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Scherer have a new baby girl born on June 17th. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Brewington, a boy, who arrived on June 29th. Mr. and Mrs. Durell Orens, a girl, on July 10th.

Our congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Stock, nee Joyce Lane, who were married on June 12th. And to Sgt. and Mrs. Ernest Schillinger, the wedding was on July 7th. Also to Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Spitler, nee Clarice Hill, who were married on July 6.

Our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kanous in the passing of Mrs. Sarah Showalter on June 11th. She being the sister of Mr. Kanous and a member of Upton church. The Kanous' "Thanks" for the church's expression of sympathy has been received.

Mrs. Delbert Layman recently lost her mother. She had suffered a broken hip a few weeks previous. Our sympathy to the family.

We were happy for the return visit of Rev. Basil Campbell. On Sunday June 17th, both he and Rev. Virgil Turner were present and worshipped with us (Mrs. Turner and Deane also). Rev. Campbell brought the morning message on Sunday, June 24th speaking on "He Careth For You."

Mrs. Bertha Kuehn and Ruth have been enjoying a vacation and trip to sunny California. They are no doubt on their return trip by now, however.

Mrs. Vada Mark, who left Toledo last fall for the West—and remained during the winter—has returned home (Ohio and Indiana). She came via Florida and New York. We were happy to see her on Sunday, July 8th, as she attended worship.

"Thank Yous" have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sawade and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Betz for gifts to their new arrivals.

Kenneth McGuire also has sent his Thanks for his graduation remembrance.

Mrs. Corrine Shuler has again returned to Toledo Hospital. She has been very ill for several weeks. Her "Thanks for Flowers" has been received. Our prayers are for a speedy and complete recovery.

Dale Wagner has recently returned from Great Lakes Training school having attended a two weeks course.

Mrs. Robert Anteau has telephoned expressing her thanks for the gift to the new boy from the church.

Congregational And Council Of Administration Elections

Our yearly election of the Congregation and Council was held on Sunday morning, June 24th.

The following were elected:

Trustees—Homer E. Knisely, Frederick J. Leonard, Edward Riendeau.

Class leader—Mrs. Earl Hatfield; Ass't., Mrs. J. R. Costin.

Sunday School Superintendent—Edson McShane; Ass't., Ralph Lugibihl.

Associate Superintendent—Edward Riendeau; Ass't., Norman Koenigseker.

Sunday School Secretary—Mrs. Robert McCarthy.

Sunday School Treasurer—Miss Winifred Layman.

Council of Administration

Central Treasurer, F. J. Leonard; Current Treasurer, H. P. Vernier; Benevolent Treasurer, Fred Kolbe; Financial Secretary, Paul Leach; Vice Chairman of Council, Edward Riendeau; Secretary of Council, Mrs. O. E. Coder.

Music Committee, Homer E. Knisely, Edward Riendeau, L. V. Fletcher, From Choir, Mrs. J. R. Costin, O. D. Zoll; The President of Choral Group will be a member of Comm.

Otterbein Home Committee, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kolbe; Ass't. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Holliday; Communion Committee, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rodenhauser; Ass't., Mr. and Mrs. Homer Stock; Ushering Committee, George Kuehn, Jr., Paul Grimes, Jack Harbaugh.

Publicity Committee, Mrs. Robert McCarthy, Mrs. Robert Snyder, Mrs. O. E. Coder. Auditing Committee, Wm. J. Schmitt, Mrs. Robert Wibel, Joel Edmunds, Banking Committee, Mrs. Earl Hatfield, Mrs. O. L. Thomas, Mrs. Roy Summers, Mrs. Paul Leach.

Stewards for the coming year were selected by the Pastor and approved by the Council. They are: Roy Babcock, Horace Brannon, Mrs. Evelyn Braun, L. V. Fletcher, Mrs. Earl Hatfield, Paul Huffman, Mrs. Bertha Kuehn, George Kuehn, Norman Koenigseker, Homer Knisely, Norman Leach, Ralph Lugibihl, Edward Riendeau, Morris Sampsel, Mrs. O. L. Thomas and O. D. Zoll.

We have appreciated the loyalty of our council members who have attended our monthly meetings, month after month—prepared reports and given of their time in the various offices they hold.

H. Coder, Council Sec'y.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

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August 29th or 30th at Camp St. Marys in the afternoon and evening. Certainly some of our people will want to be present.

And so three weeks have been given to the work of the conference. They have been fruitful weeks and I'm sure Upton desires that we do our part.

During the coming two months there is so much to be done that I can see no spot as yet for a bit of vacation the need of which I am feeling keenly. A state of restlessness seems to hound me. There has been so much to do this year and I'm not so pleased with results. Finances have had to have extra attention and results here have been very good. There is now some where about \$12,000 in cash in the Church Erection Fund and some \$8,000 in assets that can be turned to cash. This fund must approach \$15,000-\$20,000 in cash by January 1st, next. If you have not given will you not make a gift now. And if you are not up to date in your payments, one-sixth of the three year pledge period was up on July 1st, will you endeavor to do so.

It also looks now that we will meet our Benevolence Quota in full but if we do we will need to do our best—everyone—for the remainder of the year, just four or five weeks left! And in that period some \$400 to \$500 to be raised.

But when attention is given so much here there are other things that cry aloud for attention. We need the cooperation of every last one of our people. How long since you invited some one to worship with you? How long since you have worshipped in your own church? Your church needs you. God needs you. And this pastor's heart yearns for each and every one of you. I have always said that a minister ought always to watch carefully the response of his people and should he discern that responsiveness is on the wane then there must be found a remedy even should it mean the relinquishing of precious ties and responsibilities to another who may do better. Upton is a great people and a great church. God has been good to her. Her continued greatness seems to me to be very much in the balance now and that at the point of a continued increase in loyalty at the divine services of a waning thereof.

And now lest anyone think that I think that attendance on Sunday morning is the chief end of our religious life let me say that such is not the case. But unless people gather together to worship when they can, at least in almost all instances they wane and die and the church dies with them. No wonder the apostle said "Not forsaking the assembling of our selves together, as the manner of some is." Heb. 10:25.

Now honestly, how long since you have been to church? How often do you attend? How much of your time and talents do you give to God, and the church, and his people? No, I'm not being caustic.

I'm really concerned. So much more could be done with just a little response.

Will you pray with me. Let us pray together for God's guidance and then let us do His Will.

I must not close without a genuine expression of those who have done their utmost during the year. Some because of illness have been unable to attend services but their loyalty and devotion is shown by their constant interest in the work. Some have had other deterring causes. I believe all mean well. I am not despairing of the church nor of myself nor of you if you walk with Him for He is more than adequate. I'm only anxious that we be earnest to do His Will.

O. E. J.

W. S. W. S.

A Potluck had been planned for the July W. S. W. S. meeting and reports from our Convention delegates were to replace the regular program. A very small group came out—but a nice luncheon was enjoyed—and the report of Mrs. Beachler, delegate, was a mighty good one—We are sure that she enjoyed attending—and too, she had never seen Camp St. Marys. Mrs. Knisely and Mrs. Kane were the other delegates attending from Upton. They could not be present, however, Mrs. Kane has given us the following in order that all of you might enjoy it. E. N.

It was my happy privilege to serve as one of the W. S. W. S. delegates to the Seventy-Fifth Annual Convention of the Sandusky Branch W. S. W. S. at Camp St. Marys from June 13th through the 15th.

Aside from listening to interesting reports from the various departments, recognitions and awards, we were fortunate to have as our speakers, Mr. Herbert Dymale, a young man from Germany, who now is a student at Bonebrake Seminary.

Miss Mary McLanachan, editor of our Evangel, and Mrs. F. W. Brandauer a returned Missionary from China, having come to the United States the first of this year, due to the Communists moving in on Central China—Rangling, where they were serving.

And then Dr. Carl Heinmiller, Executive Secretary of the Department of World Missions just come back from a tour of our Mission Fields, May 15th.

Mr. Dymale gave us a picture of conditions in Germany, entitled "Christ Calls," which showed us the efforts of the German women to establish Christian homes, and the organization of youth. He said, German Christian Youth spends two hours each day studying the Bible, and memorizing scripture, in order for them to have something to hold on to, in case they might be deprived of their freedom to worship. They are looking to us for ideas and ideals.

Thursday morning Mrs. Brandauer spoke on "Great is thy Faithfulness," which told us of efforts of missionaries and monies christian women have sent to China. China

has awakened but she is being overcome by a creeping shadow of communism. Satan has taken the opportunity out of our hands but we still can help her by prayer, which is the greatest force of all. Mrs. Brandauer told us of her and her husbands experiences when they were attacked and driven from the Mission Compound by the Communists. The years ahead will be a testing time for China Christians. She needs our prayers. The church of Jesus Christ will go on as we build resources through W. S. W. S. Don't close your purses, but build an account, to be used when the doors open again.

Miss Mary McLanachan presented the new plans for the Quadrennium, and led us in our worship at the opening of each session.

Dr. Heinmiller told us of conditions from all our Missionary Fields. Churches in Germany, Switzerland, and France are filled to capacity at each worship service. E. U. B. is active in all fields. The future is uncertain as it has always been, but under pressure Christians grow stronger. Perhaps these churches which are babes, will now grow up. Dr. Heinmiller made a statement—"All American Women Should Pray."

Morning watch on the island was a beautiful service. I am sure everyone felt the nearness of the presence of God.

The only disappointment we had at the convention, is when Upton's name was not called as one of the societies meeting the Missionary Standard. We did not receive any awards. I am sure we could have done so. Let's strive for that goal during the year we are in at present.

B. K.

Service Roll

The list of addresses of our men in service from Upton has been recently revised and is in the Service Directory in the vestibule of the church. As these boys are transferred to different camps or overseas we would ask that the families give the change of address to Mrs. Wolcott, Mrs. Hess or Mrs. Wagner.

While we at home are enjoying the many blessings that are ours, freedom and the right to worship God, let us not forget the boys of our church who are called to serve in the defense of America and the ideals for which we stand. The training they undergo is of necessity strenuous and demanding and their times of military service will be trying ones. These boys are far from home and homesick hours can be brightened by cheerful, informative letters from the home folk. This is a duty we all owe these brave boys. God make us worthy of their sacrifice.

Donald Harbaugh was home from Aberdeen, Md., on Sunday and in worship.

Committee—Mrs. Wolcott, Lu. 21424
Mrs. Hess, La. 8508
Mrs. Wagner, Ki. 31592

The following 8 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.

Barbara Beck To Say Vows With Milton L. Nolin On August 5

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beck, Findlay, Ohio, announces the approaching marriage of their daughter, Barbara Frances, to Milton L. Nolin, on Sunday, August 5, 1951, 4:30 p. m., at the First Evangelical United Brethren Church, Findlay, Ohio.

Members of Sandusky Conference are cordially invited to attend the marriage ceremony.

Miss Beck has served for the past year as Associate Director of Christian Education in Sandusky Conference. She has been in several of our local churches holding Christian Educational Clinics, and is therefore known personally by a great many of our church people as well as being personally acquainted with many of our young people through the summer camping program at Camp St. Marys.



Brotherhood Held Men's Congress At Camp St. Marys

A group of men from Sandusky Conference gathered at Camp St. Marys on Saturday afternoon, June 30, following the Bible Conference and School of Music. Although the attendance was not large, the program was of outstanding quality throughout with speakers such as Bishop Dennis, Dr. Montgomery, Dr. Heck and Hon. Robert F. Jones.

The opening address, given by Bishop F. L. Dennis, using as his subject, "Beyond Jordan," brought out some very challenging statements to enlist all men to step out and possess the land before them. Due to other engagements it was necessary for the Bishop to leave following the afternoon service.

Dr. Montgomery, Director of Adult and Brotherhood Work for the Denomination, was an outstanding personage of the Congress, bringing greeting from the General Board in the afternoon meeting and giving the evening address on the subject "The Lost One." Using as a Scripture background the story of the Lost Sheep, the Lost Piece of Silver and the Prodigal Son, Dr. Montgomery challenged each one to go back to the home church and make a checkup on the ones who are missing from time to time.

In the Sunday morning devotional message, Dr. Montgomery brought out that the benediction commonly used was a very

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75th Annual Branch Con- vention Of WMA Held

On June 13-15 at Camp St. Marys the 75th Annual Convention of the WMA and the 5th Annual Convention of the WSWWS was held.

On Wednesday afternoon the various committees met in preparation for the convention. The evening session began with a Youth Fellowship supper followed by a Youth Fellowship Rally. The Conference officers had various parts on the program. "Bing" Crosby from the Dayton Seminary conducted a 15-minute singspiration.

Herbert Dymale, a German student, also from the Seminary, spoke on the "Youth of Germany." He told how the German youth like to sing especially in groups. How their lives have been ruined thru the many bombings and now they have to live in the ruins. Many do not have jobs. In spite of this many are finding God thru the influence of the church and the youth camps very much as we have. The study of the Bible means much to the German youth.

Mrs. F. W. Brandauer, a missionary from China, talked on the "Youth of China." She says the youth of China are the greatest force in the world today. That China is awakening and that Christianity has been growing. As some Chinese Christians put it, may be God has permitted the outside church help to be taken away to see what they can do by themselves. Communism uses three

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August Youth Camp (For All Ages)

The August Camp at Camp St. Marys will be held August 13-18 for both the Intermediate and Senior young people. It is held for the benefit of young people who were unable to attend the June and July camps, for the Conference Board of Christian Education is desirous of giving

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SPECIAL NOTICE Annual Conference Reports

On August 28, 1951, we will meet in Annual Session of our conference, and one of the standing rules is that the pastor's annual report to the Conference Superintendent, Conference Treasurer and Statistician must be in their possession 14 days before the above date, which for this year will be the last mail on August 14th.

About July 15th you will receive your statistical report blanks, which will give you ample time to acquaint yourself with them, helping you to get monies credited in proper spaces. There are some additional items which you will recognize. The General Church Statistician is urging a full, complete and correct report from all of us, and the only way for me to give it is through your help in giving proper credits for all money.

Some of you may feel that the time is too long before the end of the year, but remember that after counting out two Sundays and the two days we must be in Board meetings, we have but 10 days left, which necessitates some of us working as much as 16 hours in one day. This is a short time for correcting and charting 156 reports, involving 27,000 members, distributed among all the different organizations, Benevolence Budget of more than \$100,000, Church property of more than \$2,000,000 and parsonage property of near one-half million. You can help me by being prompt and careful.

REMEMBER, three reports: Superintendent, Treasurer and Statistician.

Sincerely,

J. W. Shock, Conf. Statistician
Van Buren, Ohio

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Senior Young People At Camp

105 Senior Young People climaxed a most wonderful week of camping at Camp St. Marys with the consecration service on Friday evening, June 22nd. This service, in charge of the Commission on Evangelism and Stewardship, had but one end in view—to bring young people closer to Christ and it is a common feeling among the faculty and staff that this was definitely accomplished in many lives.

A singspiration opened the service, followed by scripture and prayer. The motion picture, "Beyond Our Own" took the place of an evangelistic message but served well its purpose of challenging everyone present with its Christian message of placing Christ first in one's life. Dr. V. H. Allman was asked to come forward to give the altar call and everyone present was given an opportunity to either accept Christ as their personal Saviour, dedicate their lives to full-time Christian service, or to draw a little closer to God through prayer and meditation. As Dr. Allman came forward, the screen used for the motion picture was raised, bringing into view a beautiful reproduction of Sallman's head of Christ which had been painted by a German war prisoner who had used only an old piece of canvas and common house paint. This lighted picture was placed just behind a small altar bearing a cross and two small candles.

With the chapel in complete darkness, save for the lighted altar and picture, the young people were challenged to do something about their Christian way of life. Without exception, every youth present responded to one of the three calls outlined above. Following a moment of prayer at the altar, the young people were free to seek one of the four counsel-

lors stationed in various parts of the Chapel or to go over to the Island Worship Center for further meditation and also counselling if desired.

It was your Youth Director's blessed privilege to be stationed on the Island with only the stars above and the peace of God which passeth all understanding all around. One by one many of the campers came for prayer and dedication. Two questions were prevalent upon their hearts and souls—first "How can we have communion with God day by day?" and secondly "How can we get their parents into Sunday School and Church?" The first question could be answered but the second one was rather difficult and it is doubtful if much constructive criticism was forthcoming, for in the final analysis the parents, alone with God, can reach that decision to be in God's house on the Sabbath Day.

Rev. Joe Grimm was the camp director and Miss Barbara Beck had charge of the Religious Education program. The entire camp was pictured as one big Youth Fellowship and every camper was assigned to one of the four Commissions. Each Commission convened for one hour each morning with an adult leader to help them discover just what that commission had to do in the local church. In the afternoon there were four interest groups. 1. A comparison of Protestantism, Roman Catholicism and Judaism; 2. The Life of Peter; 3. How to Read Scripture; and 4. Christian Symbolism—which also met for one hour of discussion.

Recreation under John Taylor's direction, included swimming—morning and afternoon—mass games, table tennis, shuffle-board, rowing, volley ball, badminton and softball. The evening activities included a get-acquainted hour, talent night, stunt night, camp fire and the consecration service. An added feature, which proved interesting, was the electing of a camp king and queen. Jerry Symonds and Nancy Hartigan, both of Findlay First Church, won this distinction, leading the balloting by a large majority.

The camp, though smaller than usual, proved to be one of the best camps, ever held in the Sandusky Conference. It helped emphasize the truth that smaller camps are more desirable because of a more personal contact. We praise God for the victories won.

Kenneth Stover, Youth Director

"Planned Education" A Success

The program of "Planned Education" which was launched in First Church, Fostoria, has been successful in raising a full budget for the coming year, Frank H. Kinker, Chairman of the Finance Committee announced to the congregation. A budget of over \$336.00 per week, including the benevolence budget and the local expenses, providing for the continuance of the weekly radio program over WFIN each Sunday morning at 10:20 was presented

to the congregation. Teams of workers called on the membership with the denominational turnover charts. The launching of the campaign was reported in the last issue of the Sandusky News. Although not all of the members have been seen because of the unusual working schedule of many of the members, the budget has gone over the top. The committee is laying plans to have the persons visited who have not yet been seen.

Daniel D. Corl

BROTHERHOOD HELD MEN'S CONGRESS AT ST. MARYS

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good beginning and substituted the word "graciousness" for "grace." During the message, emphasis was made that Life is to give and not to get. His closing emphasis was "The graciousness, beauty and charm of Jesus be with you all."

During the Sunday afternoon session, Dr. Montgomery installed the following officers: President, Noel Smith; Vice President, L. E. Johnson and M. C. Winer; Secretary, Geo. E. Gilt; Treasurer, F. H. Kinker; other members of the executive committee—Conference Superintendent, Dr. V. H. Allman; Chairman of Devotional Life, F. C. Grandey; Chairman of Christian Training, Zenas Newell; Chairman of Christian Service, Homer Knisely; Chairman of Christian Fellowship, E. T. Snyder; Chorister, Claude Partee; and Pianist, Dr. F. M. Bowman.

Another highlight in the Sunday Morning service was the message brought by Dr. J. A. Heck on the theme "The Witness of the Church," using the Scripture I Cor. 12:27. Dr. Heck pointed out that Christianity is characteristically a witnessing religion, stating further that the greatest need today is the restoration of the witnessing power of the church through both the individual and also as a corporate body.

At the 11:00 o'clock and 2:00 o'clock services, we were privileged to hear the Hon. Robert F. Jones of Washington D. C. who is a member of the Federal Communication System Committee. He admonished the conference to act as groups and individuals for better radio and T. V. programs since the greater percentage of programs are sponsored by liquor and tobacco companies.

Geo. E. Gilt, Sec'y.

JUST SUPPOSE

A Los Angeles pastor was being congratulated on the completion of sixteen years of ministry during which time the church membership had increased from 1,000 to 4,000. "Yes, it may be a good job, but—suppose that when the church had a thousand members I had been able to impress upon my people the duty and glorious privilege of winning others to Christ. Supposing that each of the 1,000 members had won another person to Christ during that year. Figure it out. If this were kept up for sixteen years, you will find that the number would have been not simply 4,000, but 65,000,000."—Selected.

News From The Churches

LIMA HIGH STREET

High Street Church has been observing numerous special days such as Mothers Day, Childrens Day, Fathers Day, etc., but among the unusual days observed have been Hospital Day on May 13th, and Baby Day on June 24th. Hospital Day was observed for the first time this year commemorating National Hospital Week which closed on May 13th. The service was observed on the Sunday evening of Mothers Day with an unusually good attendance. The nurses choir from Memorial Hospital under the direction of Mr. Wm. G. Tempel provided special music, and Mr. Harold B. Burr, Superintendent of Memorial Hospital spoke on the relation of the Hospital to the community and the church. Dr. Dwight Becker, a local physician, read the scripture lesson, and Dr. Ernest Holsted offered the evening prayer. Nurses in uniform served as ushers, and the Pastor spoke on the subject: "Christ the Healer." A wonderful spirit prevailed throughout the service, and the Hospital and its work were brought to the people in a new way.

"Baby Day" was observed on Sunday evening, June 24th, with Mrs. Homer Gottfried, Superintendent of the Cradle Roll Department, in charge of all arrangements. The church was appropriately decorated with crib, childrens chairs, balloons, and other baby equipment, and during the service the entire roll of the Cradle Roll Department was read and the parents and babies were introduced to the congregation. A service of baptism was held for infants, and the pastor preached on the subject: "An Unseen Guest in Every Home."

In addition to observing special days, the Pastor moved into the new parsonage on June 3rd, and is now living next door to the church. The former parsonage will be sold in the very near future, and the new parsonage is being improved for the use of the pastor and the church. The church is going forward with the plans for its summer camp at St. Marys during the week of July 22nd.

Frank R. Hamblen, Pastor

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LEESVILLE E. U. B. CHURCH

We would like to mention the achievements of the men of our church in working for God. Twelve men spent approximately 40 hours plowing and getting ready thirty acres of land for Soy Beans. There was \$135.00 given toward the purchase of the beans. The men have done a good job in their work and are trusting in God to give the increase.

On Sunday, June 10 a Junior Sunday School was organized by Mrs. Oyer and she is being assisted by the teachers of the children's classes. The children go directly to the basement upon their arrival at church and proceed with their own service.

June 24th was set aside for Children's Day. At which time the children of the

church presented a program. The Junior Choir offered special music under the direction of Mrs. Raymond Trash. The program was in charge of Mrs. Robert DeVore, Mrs. Richard Finney, Mrs. Halden Ashcroft, Mrs. Geo. Funk and Mrs. Ralph Oyer.

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WHARTON CHARGE

The work on the Wharton Charge for the past year has been progressing in some areas, faltering in others. The Big Oak Church has held a successful evangelistic service with the Rev. Howard Hammer doing the preaching, and with good attendance on almost all rights. Several folks have accepted Christ as their Saviour and as a result have joined the church or indicated their intentions to do so. We have had a good program of entertainment and worship over the last year. Thanks to the fine cooperation of the Sunday School, and its Superintendent, Myron Forney, and the Ladies' Aid has been active in preparing meals, and doing other work to benefit the church. On June 10th, we had the 1st anniversary service at Big Oak, with 172 counted present for the Sunday School and Church, and approximately the same number for the afternoon service. Rev. Don Bennet, former pastor of the church, was the speaker at the afternoon service; a chalk drawing was presented by Marion Forney; Herman Kear, local man who is now pastor of our church at Lykens, Ohio, presented the Sunday School lesson. Special musical numbers were featured during the whole day by local talent, and by Mrs. Herman Kear and Mrs. Walton.

Beech Grove has held a revival service this past winter, and has been doing some work in the way of advancement, but has been moving rather slowly. We are looking forward to a new program, and hope that progress will be made in the months to come.

The young women at Big Oak have formed a Christian Service Guild in the past couple months and are getting under headway with a missionary program for the church. They have only met in two sessions so far, but they are planning on a tithing program and to work in with the Conference work of the W.S.W.S.

J. L. A.

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VAN WERT

Sunday morning, June 3rd the Junior Choir under the direction of Mrs. Elmer Adams with Miss Roselyn Hattery at the organ sang for their anthem, "Joy Is In The Message" with Misses Audrey Springer, Barbara Hirn and Jerry Gribler singing a trio part.

The Children's Day program was presented in the evening to a large audience under the direction of Mrs. Willis Snyder, associate directoress of Children's Work. This is one of the finest programs we have had. June 10th was Baby Day, our Cradle Roll Superintendent, Mrs. Bertha Edwards presented a short program using a few beginners to show the interest the school has in the Cradle Roll members. Babies were

baptized at this service.

The evening of July 10th was Van Wert District Youth Rally with Rev. Harry Cole of the Celina Circuit Church of God as speaker. Rev. Argo Sudduth was host pastor.

Mrs. Basil Ainsworth, chairman; Miss Cleo Shaw and Mrs. Harold Cook were the committee for Father's Day. A Bible was given to the father having the largest family of living children. This was Mr. Earl Sherburn. A Bible also was given to another father, none other than our Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. Clifford Bell.

Walter Marks, Pastor

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HELENA W.S.W.S. MEET AT FREMONT MEMORIAL CHURCH

The May meeting of the W.S.W.S. of the Helena Church was held in the Fremont Memorial Church with almost all members present with their guests numbering 89. A banquet meal was served by the Fremont Church. The meeting was opened with Maryln Garn giving the invocation. Flowers were given to the honored mother, Mrs. Minnie Holcomb, and the honored daughter, Betty Colwell.

The following program was given:
Welcome Address by the President, Mrs. Mabel Smith

Response by Mrs. Widmer
Piano Solo, ably rendered by Barbara Nitischki

The Clock by Louise Copley
The Alarm by Alice Neberger
The Spring by Lois Scheondorff
The Hands by Maryln Ruth
The Fall by Mary Scheondorff
Duet, "Mother" was sung by Marlyn Ruth and Eva Williman

Mrs. Vandersall showed slides of their European Goodwill tour, accompanied by instructive talk. Especially beautiful were the tulip fields of Holland, the inspiring mountains and lakes of Switzerland. She showed slides of the devastation wrought by bombing of Germany, followed by pictures of the new churches being built and the old ones being reconstructed.

Louise Copley finished The Clock Reading with appropriate remarks.

The hymn "Blest Be The Tie" was sung by all assembled.

President, Mabel Smith
Secretary, Lavina Conrad

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SANDUSKY CHURCH NEWS

The W.S.W.S. held their Mother-Daughter banquet Tuesday evening, May 8th, with 50 persons enjoying the evening meal. The room was beautifully decorated with the May-pole theme.

The program consisted of special musical numbers and a playlette, "Angel at the Gate," presented by the members of the Youth Fellowship. Mrs. G. L. Fleming of Findlay, Ohio, was the guest speaker of the evening. Our thanks go to Mrs. Wm. Beamer, who was program chairman.

The Men's Brotherhood recently purchased a power mower for the church. Already it has been put to good use and has been a great help in keeping the church

lawn looking nicely.

Eighteen members of the Youth Fellowship spent an evening of fun and fellowship at Cedar Point Monday evening, June 25th. They all enjoyed an hour of swimming, followed by a picnic supper.

The Rev. and Mrs. Adolphus Pringle and sons visited us for a few days in June. Tuesday evening, June 19, they showed slides and spoke on their work in New Mexico. We were all happy to see the Pringles once again and to learn more about the mission work in New Mexico.

Our church cooperated with the Daily Vacation Bible School program held by the churches of the city. We joined the Presbyterian and Salem Evangelical United Brethren churches and held our sessions in the beautiful Hancock School building near our church. Mrs. Walter Smith, Mrs. Hubert Lowry, Mrs. G. R. Rotruck, and Mrs. Chas. Cooper helped on the teaching staff. Rev. and Mrs. Ricard were in charge of the music and recreation.

The ladies of the W.S.W.S. had charge of the morning worship service July 1st, in the absence of the pastor who attended the Brotherhood Convention at Camp St. Marys. We are thankful for the willingness of each one to help make the inspiring program possible.

The men of the church are starting to paint the exterior of the church, and we hope to have the two coats of paint applied before too long.

We are very thankful for the Lord is answering prayer and we sincerely thank everyone who has helped in any way. We encourage all to pray that the work here may progress according to God's plan and purpose.

Rev. Ronald Ricard, Pastor

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VAN BUREN CHURCH

The Van Buren E.U.B. Church has recently observed Mother's Day with a splendid program put on by the men of the church. A gift was given to E. C. Barnd for having been father the greatest number of years, while James Clemance received the award for being father the shortest length of time.

Father's Day was observed with the women in charge. Mrs. R. L. Clark delivered the morning message. Plants were given Mrs. Jennie Hartman for being mother the longest and Mrs. Louella Kline for having been mother the shortest length of time.

On Sunday, June 24, the children of the Junior Church and Beginner's Department gave a very interesting program. There were 62 children present to take part in the program.

The ladies of the church are in the midst of a remodeling project in the kitchen, and when finished will have a modern church kitchen.

The members of the Church Council met in the church basement for supper on Monday, June 18, and cleaned the basement having recently installed a new oil furnace. We are using the rotation system with janitors for this year, with various fam-

ilies volunteering to take care of the church for a two week period. The plan is working and our church is being cared for in fine shape.

Rev. Clark is doing a fine piece of work in Van Buren. There is a good spirit of fellowship in the church. We are planning our annual ice cream social for July 6.

Mrs. Ethel F. Hanna

Mrs. M. R. Ballinger Passes To Her Crowning

Mrs. M. R. Ballinger, wife of Dr. M. R. Ballinger former superintendent in Sandusky Conference for 12 years, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John W. Strange, of Olean, New York. Mrs. Ballinger was born near Mt. Victory, Ohio, July 10, 1872. She was graduated from the Mt. Victory High School in the class of 1890 and taught school in that district. On June 27, 1894 she was united in marriage with M. R. Ballinger. To this union five children were born, three whom died in infancy. Surviving are the daughter; a son, Allan H. Ballinger of Youngstown, Ohio; and a sister, Mrs. Mabel Oldham, of Marion, Ohio. Dr. Ballinger preceded her in death in 1935 at Burgoon, Ohio.

She was an honored member of the Findlay First Church, where for many years she taught the Bethany Sisters' Class of the Sunday School.

She passed away on May 30th at the home of her daughter in Olean, New York. Funeral services were conducted at West Mansfield, Ohio, in the Ballinger Funeral Home on June 2nd, at 2:00 o'clock. Ministers conducting the services were Dr. L. E. Ames. Chaplain Orr A. Jaynes, and Rev. Francis McCracken. Burial was made in the cemetery at York.

Mrs. J. Frank Miller Passes To Her Reward

Mrs. J. Frank Miller, widow of Rev. J. Frank Miller, for many years pastor of Sandusky Conference's larger churches, passed away at her home in Fostoria, Ohio, Sunday, June 10, 1951, at the age of 77 years. She had been in ill health for some time. She had sustained membership in our Fostoria First Church not only during the eleven years that she and her husband served the Fostoria church as pastor (from 1920 to 1931) but also during the past ten years when she with her husband moved to Fostoria to spend the remaining years of their lives in retirement. Her husband passed away in 1943.

Funeral services were held in our Fostoria First church, June 13, 1951, in charge of her pastor, Rev. Daniel D. Corl. Miss Marjorie Newhouse furnished appropriate organ music.

Interment was in Dunkirk, Ohio.

Corls To Observe Silver Wedding

Friday, August 17, we shall observe our Silver Wedding Anniversary with a service in First Church, Fostoria, at 8:00 P. M. Dr. V. H. Allman will preside. Following the service, there will be an informal reception. All of our friends of the church and of the conference are invited to be present, and we earnestly and sincerely ask that no presents be given. God has graciously spared us to live together for twenty-five years and serve the entire time in the ministry of the church, and we ask our friends to the celebration. Come if you can.

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel D. Corl

OVERCOMING DIFFICULTIES

Walking along a wooded path in the mountains of Switzerland I saw an interesting tree. On a steep slope a huge boulder was lodged underneath a tall pine, lifting the main trunk several feet from the ground. It was fairly sitting on top of the rock, yet it shot straight upward fifty feet. The roots of the tree had spread themselves over the rock and had gone down deep into the earth around, so that the boulder lodged at its very heart could not dislodge itself. Afflictions, sufferings, sorrows, and disappointments roll in upon us, but they cannot overwhelm us if our faith spreads itself out over them and sends its roots down deep into the rich soil of God's great eternal facts.

—Ruth Paxson.

Bits Of Wisdom

By Dr. J. H. Patterson, Toledo, Ohio

Honesty is more than a principle, it is also a policy.

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The weaker an argument, the stronger the words.

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Conscience warns us as a friend, before it punishes us as a judge.

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One should never be ashamed to own that he has been in the wrong, which is but saying that he is wiser than he was yesterday—Pope.

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When a pessimist comes to the forks of the road, he figures that both roads go wrong.

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A man in the right with God on his side is in the majority though he be alone.

—Beecher

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A rabbit foot is a poor substitute for horse sense.

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I have no fear. What is in store for me Shall find me ready for it, undismayed. God grant my only cowardice may be Afraid to be afraid.

—Edward Markham.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CORNER

By Barbara Beck
230 Mound St., Findlay, O.

MANY TIMES THIS YEAR

I have been introduced as Children's Director or Youth Director for the Conference, rather than as Associate Director. Always it is a time to make clear that the work of Christian Education in the church includes the adults in a very definite way. One of the strong points of our denomination, I feel, is that our Adult S. S. department at least equals and often exceeds our children's and youth departments. When a people come to look at Christian education and S. S. work as childish, it will follow that the adults will be immature Christians, for there is much to learn and do within the church after the age of 24.

ONE OF THE FINEST

examples of adults in action for Christ was presented to the Brotherhood on Camp St. Marys Pilgrimage Day in July. Our guest speaker, Mr. Robert Jones, Congressman born and raised in Cairo near Lima, told of the way the Commission on Federal Communication operates. He explained that the hands of the Commission are tied until public demand brings about action. Specifically he spoke of the granting of licenses to radio station operators who wished to ban atheistic programs. Until the public demands that such licenses be issued, our principled people cannot operate such stations. He suggested that a group of men, such as the Brotherhood, get behind the problem and see it through.

ANOTHER EXCELLENT EXAMPLE

of Christian adults in action for Christ is seen in the publication, Christian Economics. How many of us hold our cherished views of jobs, wages, ceiling prices, etc. up to the light of the teachings of Jesus? Here is a non-partisan publication which brings out the inconsistencies of our own points of view. We ought to have opinions on these subjects, but they ought to be well thought through before we come to any selfish conclusions.

BESIDES ALL THIS

I am becoming increasingly aware of the fact that adults have areas of life in which they have never grown up. Some people always want to be first (a Junior idea), some like praise without having worked for it, some accept responsibilities without having counted the cost, and then fail to "come through." All such action is immature. And it is sad to see it in grown persons. These people need to grow up unto the full stature of the measure of Christ. He who would follow Christ completely will face himself as he is, then ask Christ to point out other faults (not all at once, for we can't see ourselves that quickly), and ultimately to empower him with strength and steadfastness that come from beyond oneself.

Oh how we need mature adults at work in our churches today! Falling short of this is "missing the mark," and we have seen that this is sin.

GROWING IN GRACE AND KNOWLEDGE

of our Lord Jesus Christ is ever the Christian's task. Our adults need guidance and encouragement in the Way. This is the function of Christian Education for adults. The radio, television, and the newspaper are the chief means of adult education. These media are not producing a mature, balanced, Christian populace. It is still the Church's opportunity and God given privilege to lead out in this magnificent task. Are we?

AUGUST YOUTH CAMP

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every young person an opportunity of camping experience. Those who have had the opportunity of attending one of the other camps this summer and would like to come for a second week are welcome to attend the August Camp.

Total Cost	\$15.00
Preregistration	5.00
Balance due at camp	10.00

Campers may come on Sunday afternoon August 12, but they must either bring or buy their meals—this meal is not covered in the above cost of camp. Beds for Sunday night will be furnished at no extra cost.

Program of the day will be divided as follows:

Morning—Commission plans, worship, singing and swimming.

Afternoon—Interest groups, recreation, swimming and loafing.

Evening—Chapel (on the Island), and "Something Special" each night.

Send preregistration to: Rev. W. P. Alspach, 314 E. Lincoln Street, Findlay, O.
Camp Director Barbara Beck
Youth Director Kenneth Stover
Dean of August Camp E. S. Heckert

A MISTAKE, WE HOPE

Someone, in sending an obituary stated—among other things—"His loss is our gain." Of course, it was a slip of the pen—we hope.

Invest In America's Greatest Asset ... OUR YOUTH!

An Investment in Camp St. Marys is
an Investment in the Future of Our
Church

Remember it in Your Will

You Can Also Purchase An Annuity
and Receive a Life-long Income.

See Your Pastor or W. P. Alspach,
Conference Treasurer

YF Commission Communique

WORSHIP AND DEVOTIONAL LIFE

By Marilyn Ruth

During the month of August it is suggested that at least one program be planned in such a way that a worship service could be held along some creek or some place beneath the open sky with the beauty of nature all around. A study of the Life of Peter would make a wonderful background for such a worship service. The senior campers of this summer should be well-fitted to take over this service and lead out in a very interesting way. If it were possible to obtain a boat and some fishing equipment, a portion of Peter's life could be relived for a moment by those present, and make more real the interesting life of this disciple.

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MISSIONS AND SOCIAL ACTION

We are responsible, as Christians, to better social conditions. Maybe in your community there is an unwanted condition. Have you thought about doing anything about it as a Y. F. group?

Perhaps there is nothing for teenagers to do in the evenings. Why not campaign for a recreation center that would be truly Christian?

Or maybe it's the older people that haven't anything to do. Your Y. F. group could call on convalescent homes or the county home. Make it regular. Prepare a program and entertainment. Or, if you discover talent in that age group, sponsor a poetry contest or organize an orchestra, just for them.

Each community has its own problems, so your Y. F. should decide on a good project for their community and then work toward a satisfying goal.

(These projects could be sponsored by the County or Community Youth Movement.)

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EVANGELISM AND STEWARDSHIP

By Duane Beamer, Rt. 2, Fostoria, Ohio

I should like to suggest that for the remainder of this summer quarter, we concentrate our efforts in evangelism and stewardship on our "Spend-a-Day" projects. In this project through our offerings, we can hypothetically spend a day with a missionary of our choice in Africa, New Mexico, or the Philippines. This plan is fully outlined in pages 10-12 of The World Service Fund, which may be secured for 10c from the Otterbein Bookstore, 230 W. Fifth St., Dayton 2, Ohio.

LET US PRAY:

I am only a spark—make me a fire.
I am only a string—make me a lyre.
I am only a drop—make me a fountain.
I am only an ant hill—make me a mountain.
I am only a feather—make me a wing.
I am only a rag—make me a King!
—Amado Nervo.

Conference Treasurer's Report

FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1951

(Month ending July 7th)

W. F. Alspach, Treasurer

BENEVOLENCES

	Monthly Budget	Paid June 1st to 10th	Paid 10 Months	Sun. School Avg. Att.	Morning Wor. Attendance
BOWLING GREEN DIST.—					
Belmore	\$ 70	\$ 70	\$452	119	110
Center	25	25	238	35	35
Bowling Green	250	250	2500	368	*364
Custar	20	20	200	*46	*46
West Hope	42	42	420	*69	*65
Deshler	60	60	430		
Oakdale	90		900		
Hoytville	100	100	1000	110	68
Malinta	35	16	268	63	50
McClure	100	45.52	852.29	118	77
North Baltimore	125	25	675	147	70
Portage	35		320	61	54
Cloverdale	25	25	250	72	72
Mt. Zion	60	120	600	96	88
South Liberty	50	60	360	*72	70
Webster	40		348		
DEFIANCE DIST.—					
Bridgewater	45	37.12	431.24	*124	100
Bryan	160	160	1600	*197	*188
Center Ct.: Center	20	30	170		
Logan	20	5	90		
Mt. Olive	20	11	191		
Continental	50		180	50	64
Mt. Zion	40		128.74	48	56
Wisterman	20	20	200	32	29
Defiance	160	60	890	142	125
Hicksville	165		1475		
Montpelier	160	160	1600	179	162
Oakwood	60	60	600	160	92
Centenary	25	25	250	58	58
Prairie Chapel	25	25	250	60	60
DELTA DIST.—					
Delta	56	56	610	94	83
Zion	60	60	600	118	98
Liberty Chapel	40	40	344	97	93
Monclova	18	18	180		
Wauseon Ct.: Beulah	20	45	268	58	67
Mt. Pleasant	40	45	293	50	52
North Dover	50	40	334	61	66
FINDLAY DIST.—					
Bairdstown	21		170.88		
Bluffton Ct.: Olive Branch	30		148.08	30	33
Pleasant View	50		150	78	77
Dunkirk	65	65	650	80	76
Walnut Grove	100	100	1000	137	146
East Findlay Ct.: Bethlehem	90	90	900	113	113
Mt. Zion	45	45	450	53	53
Pleasant Grove	45	21	210	37	37
Salem	25	25	250	38	20
Findlay, First	312	312	3120	370	387
Leipsic	50	50	248	*105	79
Forest Grove	20		102	23	24
Kiefferville	20	9	90	50	51

Rawson	100		630		
Van Buren	100	50	900		
Vanlue	50		425		
Ark	30	30	277		
Union	30		270		
West Findlay Ct.: Pleasant Hill	35	250	280	*69	*57
Powell Memorial	42		150	*61	*57
Trinity	40	33	213	*74	*63
Zion	25		105	32	28
Wharton Ct.: Beech Grove	25	11	110	29	29
Big Oak	42		252	*110	108

FOSTORIA DIST.—

Bascom	65		585	95	*95
Bloomdale	70	70	630	130	79
Pleasant View	45	45	450	*61	*63
Burgoon	100	55	1055	135	109
Fostoria	280	280	2800	302	310
Fremont	100	100	1000	110	130
Helena	59	59	590	75	67
Kansas	15	8	80	30	32
Canaan	40	40	440	39	41
La Carne	17	17	170	*35	*47
Locust Point	17	17	170	*26	*28
Old Fort	100	300	1200	*157	120
Port Clinton	80	40	622	80	83
Riley Center	13		104	*21	*27
Rising Sun	45	45	367		
West Independence	100	100	1000	*236	*212
Woodville	160	160	1600	*208	*198

LIMA DIST.—

Blue Lick	25	25	250	50	50
Columbus Grove	150	100	1229.26	168	141
Cridersville	25	25	250	*49	29
Kemp	25	10	146	31	23
Elida	100	50	500	130	112
Marion	22	7	79	32	33
Lakeview	45	50	258	*68	50
Lima, First	231	231	2310	*275	239
Lima, High	205	205	2050	*230	224
Olive Branch	22	22	220		
Pasco	40	40	400		
Santa Fe	45	45	450	42	42
Sidney	90	77	887	*92	*110
St. Marys	90	90	900	*108	*104
Vaughnsville	75	100	400		

MARION DIST.—

Bucyrus	125	125	1250	*153	123
Cardington, Center	50		376	75	75
Fairview	22	22	220	31	35
Climax	10				
Hepburn	15	10	120	*21	26
Hopewell	16	16	160	14	14
Otterbein	30	30	284.20	*38	44
Lykens, Olive Branch	22	17	185.36	34	36
Marion	100	200	700	238	179
Mt. Zion	90	90	630	100	102
North Robinson	60	30	306	67	70
Liberty	33	21.50	177.65	58	56
New Winchester	35	13.64	179.59	40	34
Oceola	60	24	247	76	*78
Shauck, Johnsville	42	38	94	65	41
Pleasant Hill	22	25	61	21	20
Williamsport	40	16	184	58	60
Smithville	50	100	500	72	70
Mt. Zion	21		206	53	40
Sycamore	75	50	459	131	128
West Mansfield	12	12	120	22	27
York	50	50	500	53	50

TOLEDO DIST.—

Toledo, Colburn	160	160	1600	118	101
Toledo, East Broadway	190	110	1474	171	234
Toledo, First	250	150	1050	165	120
Toledo, Oakdale	170	130	1395	*300	241
Toledo, Point Place	75	75	731	*175	*149
Toledo, Somerset	170	170	1535.72	*179	*238
Toledo, Upton	250	350	2300	236	230
Walbridge	12	12	120	*53	*54
Hayes	10	10	100	48	*29

VAN WERT DIST.—

Delphos	75	50	536	134	124
Grand Lake Ct.: Bethel	15	15	150	28	28
Mt. Zion	45	90	450	*97	89
Old Town	16	16	160	40	30
Grover Hill Ct.: Blue Creek	30	11	36	28	43
Middle Creek	35	21	238	54	50
Mt. Zion	25	25	199	58	57
Mt. Pleasant & Harmony	80	55	550	133	133
Rockford	180	180	1640	251	201
Van Wert	105	105	1050	164	104
Willshire Ct.: Mt. Zion	15		90		
Union	35		175		
Wren	65	93	700	*108	*111
Bethel	25	25	250	46	*52
Wood Chapel	25	44	294	60	61

WILLARD DIST.—

Attica, Federated	20	20	200	*78	68
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Attica, Ct.: Richmond	35	50	504	61	69
Union Pisgah	40	98	374	61	61
Bloomville	45	45	450	60	40
Harmony	40	40	400	86	85
Biddle	15	15	150	30	33
Galion	80	80	800	162	187
Leesville	45	45	450	63	70
Mt. Carmel	100	75	750	123	130
Sandusky, First	22	22	220	48	49
Shelby	231	231	2310	229	195
South Reed	22		169	30	31
Tiro	90	84	873	104	114
Willard	285	285	2565	265	400

Totals\$9,236.78

\$89,089.51

Camp St. Marys—Paid in June McClure, \$25.00; Powell Memorial, \$50.00; Lykens, Olive Branch, \$5.00.

Contributions to Otterbein College, to date: Bryan, \$1; Columbus Grove, \$11; Defiance, \$10; East Findlay, Bethlehem, \$8; Fostoria, \$10; Grover Hill, Middle Creek, \$2; Hepburn, Hopewell, \$5; Lima, First, \$20; Montpelier, \$25; North Baltimore, \$2; Old Fort, \$6; Rockford, \$10; Toledo, First, \$25; Van Wert, \$72; Total \$212.

The above amounts passed through the Conference Treasurer's hands. Money sent direct to the College is not included.

Fostoria sent in \$52 this month for the Sandusky Church.

Youth Fellowship remittances for the month amount to \$111.66. 92.5% of the allocated budget for the ten months has been paid; there are yet six weeks in which to make it 100%. We can do it if we will.

Final report must be in by the 15th of August.

IT'S NOBODY'S BUSINESS!

It's nobody's business what a man thinks,
Nobody's business how much a man drinks,
It's nobody's business what I may do.
That sounds very well, but say, is it true?

Go ask the mother who's watching at home,
At midnight hour for her boy to come;
Night after night she will watch and pray,
Till her eyes grow dim and her hair turns gray.

Is it nothing to her that her innocent boy
Shall ruin his soul and his manhood
destroy?

Go ask the wife in her faded gown,
Who anxiously looks for her husband from town.

She knows that the money needed for bread

Has gone to the bar-keeper's till instead.
She knows that their garments are tattered and old,

She knows her home has been mortgaged and sold.

She knows the saloonkeeper's mansion so grand,

And its table of luxuries best in the land,
Are furnished by fathers whose own girls and boys

Have few of life's comforts and none of its joys.

Is it nothing to her that her children must die,

While her drink-crazed husband is deaf to their cry?

Go ask the children in school and in street,
Who are slighted and scoffed at by others they meet.

Is it nothing to them in the years to come,
That their father was killed by the drinking of rum?

Author Unknown

MY CHURCH

My church is such a friendly place—
It seems to reach out arms
To welcome me and hold me close
Against a warm and waiting heart;

As I go through the open door
I feel I am at home—

A healing Presence lingers near
To bless me when I pray;

My church could be most any church
Across this well-loved land,
A place to go and feel at peace
With self and all the world.

—Mrs. O. M. Bradbury, Salem, Oregon.

THE UNCHANGING

It fortifies my soul to know
That, though I perish, Truth is so;
That, howsoe'er I stray and range,
Whate'er I do, Thou dost not change.
I steadier step when I recall
That, if I slip, Thou dost not fall.

—A. H. Clough, in Watchman-Examiner

You can't trust a man who has no music in his soul, declared Woodrow C. Whitten, the author. A banker will ask how much security a man can give before he will trust him. But here's a new test of a man's character that is very good: "He may have on a greasy hat, and the seat of his trousers may be shiny, but if his children have their noses flattened against the windowpane a half hour before he is due home, he can be trusted."

GOD'S GIFT

God gave to mankind, roses,
With their colors, rich and rare,
Then breathed on them his fragrance
To remind man of his care.

But man, heedless, plucked the roses
And forgot his loving care—
And so, as a reminder,
He set the sharp thorns there.

—Rose Barricklow McCalmont,
Janesville, Wisc.

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

To husbands: If your wife laughs at your jokes, you can be sure of one of two things—either your jokes are good ones or you have a good wife.

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75th ANNUAL BRANCH CONVENTION OF WMA HELD

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distinct steps to get the youth and to mold their lives—deception, fear and instilling of hate. The real Christians rise above it all and become stronger Christians. She closed with this statement from the youth of China, "Please tell our Christian friends in America that we will always be true to Christ. Tell them to pray for us."

After the program, the film "In the Steps of the Witch Doctor" was shown.

The convention proper opened Thursday morning with a prelude by Mrs. John Searle, Jr. who was the convention organizer. Mrs. C. D. Wright, the president, declared the 75th Annual Convention of the WMA to be in session. She gave remarks on the Convention Theme "Christ Calls to Commitment," in which she said commitment means entrustment of our lives to Christ and this begins in prayer.

There were 76 locals, 7 CSG, and 4 GMG that answered roll call by giving the age of their society. Fostoria was the oldest. Mrs. Raymond Heter, president of the Ohio Branch, brought greetings from her Branch. There were 5 new locals, 4 CSG, and 1 GMG given recognition. The reports were given informally around a campfire. Mrs. Lester Inbody presented the special memberships and Mrs. C. E. Montague the awards to the societies which had completed the reading course 100%. Mrs. Wright presented the awards to the Honor societies which were Bethlehem, Defiance, Liberty Chapel, Lima First, Montpelier, Rawson, Rockford, and Willard and the Standard societies Bowling Green, Findlay, Fostoria, Leipsic, Mt. Carmel, North Baltimore, Old Fort, Pleasant Hill, Shelby, Toledo East Broadway, and Woodville.

Herbert Dymale brought greetings from the women of Germany. He said that after the war it was the women who first saw the need of establishing Christian homes. It was thru the Deaconess work that 20 hospitals, open to everyone, have been established. This work is carried on with the help of the American women.

The next was the Sandusky Conference period in which Rev. Roy Cramer brought greetings from the Conference. He said the mission work shall never die and the three secrets of keeping it alive are that we must feel that 1. People are worth thinking about and worth living for. 2. We are partners with God, and 3. We must dedicate our lives both at home and abroad. Communion thoughts were given by Dr. V. H. Allman. Rev. Fay Bowman led in the communion scriptures. During the communion Rev. John Searle, Sr. led in the singing of several of the communion hymns.

During the noon intermission on Thursday and Friday conference periods were conducted by the Branch officers of the different departments.

Thursday afternoon Miss Mary McLanachan, editor of the World Evangel, opened

the session with her first devotional message on "Christ Calls to Spiritual Living." She prefaced her talk with the hymn "Take My Life and Let It Be" followed by the parable of the Rich Young Ruler. She urged that we all put religion into our daily lives. That those of us in the church live a deeper spiritual life. She concluded by saying a Christian saint is willing to go deep into prayer and to do something for others.

The Memorial service was in charge of Miss Miriam Fritz of the Richmond CSG. She was assisted by Mrs. Willard Fritz.

Mrs. Brandauer then talked on "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." She told of their varied experiences on the mission field and as captives in the Philippines during World War II. After each experience they found God more wonderful and everything the Bible claims him to be.

At the close of the afternoon session there was an intercessory prayer period in charge of the district leaders. The women were divided into groups according to the picture of the missionary that had been given to them. In this way every missionary and mission field were prayed for at the same time.

The evening service was the high light of the convention when the 75th anniversary was celebrated. Mrs. W. E. Dupert was in charge. The program began by singing "The Church's One Foundation" followed by devotions by Mrs. John Searle, Sr.

Miss McLanachan talked on "Seventy-five Years Ago." She told how the missionary organization of the United Brethren church had been conceived by Lizzie Hoffman and how it had come into being. Mrs. Lester Inbody portrayed the part of Miss Hoffman. The remainder of the history was printed in the program.

Mrs. Willard Fritz sang a solo. Recognition was given to all the past and present officers. Miss Mabel Overholt gave a brief history of the Fostoria local from which 6 of the 10 presidents of the Branch have come.

Dr. Carl Heimiller, Executive Secretary of the Department of World Missions, gave the challenge on "Looking Ahead." He said the end of World War II marked the end of an epoch in missions and a new era has begun. Except in China our missionary staff has been strengthened and we have gone into new countries. Even in China without any missionaries the church is moving on. The years ahead will be a testing period for the church. To meet the challenge 1. it will be necessary to pool our resources and 2. we can pray. Nothing is beyond the power of prayer except that which is outside the will of God.

Friday at 8 A. M., Mrs. Parker Young conducted a morning watch on Chapel Island. It was such a perfect morning and the service so impressive that it gave everyone added inspiration of the day.

Again Miss McLanachan opened the morning session with devotions. She began her talk on "Christ Calls to Worship" with

the singing of the hymn "Oh, Worship the King." She raised the question can you worship God in a busy world and then answered it by saying God can be worshipped anywhere. She gave several instances where Jesus had given the example. It is possible to possess God anywhere thru daily prayer and Bible reading. In closing her talk Barbara Beck sang "Near to the Heart of God."

The various committees gave their reports. The registration committee reported 156 registered delegates with a total of 2,481 attending all sessions. No election was held at this session as it will be held at the merging session, September 6.

Miss McLanachan then gave the plans for the new quadrennium. One of the special projects is noon day hour of prayer for peace. She closed with this challenge "The women are to so live and so work that we may win the world for Christ." Barbara Beck then sang the "Lord's Prayer."

Mrs. Brandauer's next topic was "White Fields." She compared the mission fields to the growing of a tree. It takes a long time from the seed to the harvest. It has taken a long time in the mission field, but now the harvest is ready. Many are hungry for Jesus and many are accepting Him, even the Communists. The Chinese Christians are very devout and under pressure they grow stronger and stronger. The old era of missions is past and now is the time of harvest. We may share in that harvest thru prayer. The Chinese women request us to pray for them as never before.

Miss McLanachan opened the last session with her inspirational talk on "Christ Calls to Service." She prefaced this message with the singing of "Oh Master Let Me Walk with Thee." She says our service needs to be joyful service. We must get a glow from the inside for what we do. It is impossible to have outstanding service without having every day service and that must be for a life time. Christianity is like that, good thru eternity if used properly.

The Fremont WSWs gave the playlet "Two Masters." It was very well given.

Mrs. Brandauer's last topic was "Facing the Challenge." She opened her message with this statement "All the missionaries that come back from China now, come back to shake America awake." Our country is being challenged as no other country. The Communists are saying that we are greedy, aristocratic, proud, etc. and that we do not mean what we say, but will enslave those to whom we have given money. Communism is challenging Christianity. As these two forces cannot exist in the world, it must be one or the other. We are facing the kind of a challenge that we must be different from the crowd. A tremendous storm is going to break on Christianity. If we as a Christian church want to meet Communism, we must be 100 percent Christian. The convention closed with the benediction.

Mrs. Blake Partee, Secretary

Upton Aid

Tuesday evening, June 12, fifteen of our ladies met in the Keystone Room of the church for their monthly meeting. We were very happy for the "perked-up" attendance.

When the ladies were put to work sorting tax stamps, your reporter settled to the task in much the same frame of mind as a punctured blimp settles to earth. Mrs. Elsie Williams had been giving a glowing account of her recent trip to California, and she had just reached Zion Canyon when the tax stamps appeared on the horizon—bags and bags of the little green things! Please, folks, don't misunderstand us—we DO need the stamps and we ARE grateful for all the help that you have given us in this project—it is just that to our notion they do not belong in Zion Canyon!

This was THE month again—election of officers. The following ladies will be your Aid officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. Marie Thomas; Vice-President, Mrs. Nina Lombard; Treasurer, Mrs. Gladys Schmitt; Secretary and Chaplain, Mrs. Margaret Pfeiffer. At this time Mrs. Thomas wishes to express her thanks and appreciation to all the ladies who helped on the suppers, banquets, and other work during the past year; also, Mrs. Lombard, who was and still is in charge of wedding receptions, extends a most sincere "thank you" to all the ladies who have so kindly helped her with these. By the way, if our president should hand you a note written on the back of a slip that says "Savings Department, Toledo Trust Co." don't think any thing of it—she has NOT taken on another job, she only has a weakness for the little blue pads that they use at the bank!

You know, we feel just a little proud of ourselves. Despite the fact that at times the going has been a bit rough and our path has seemed to be in semi-darkness a good deal of the way, we have at last come out into the light. Our treasurer reports that to date we have paid into the Church Erection Fund \$600.00 on this year's pledge of \$1,000.00

In Romans 8:28 we find the statement "We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him." The thing itself may be evil in both content and source, but God works in that evil to turn it to good. When Jesus was criticised for eating with publicans and sinners he took that criticism and turned it into three of his most beautiful parables—the lost coin, the lost sheep, and the lost son. Sin and hate nailed Him to a Cross, but He used that Cross to show men love and to save them from sin. He turned into glorious light the world's darkest hour, for He took evil and made it redemptive.

In the fifth chapter of Acts the apostles are called upon to be judged before the Sanhedrin, and they are told not to speak the name of Jesus again or to tell concerning his teachings. Then they are

beaten and released, and they go rejoicing. When we reach the point where we can rejoice over an injustice done to us then we have made the worst become the best. The phrase "but God" is at the end of every injustice—the last word is always His. Every wrong, every sorrow, every bereavement, everything in life He can and will use to our good if we but let Him have His own way and work with Him. We are saved THROUGH trouble and evil, not FROM them.

M. P.

Sunday School

Our average Sunday School Attendance during the month of June was two hundred fifty-three as compared with two hundred fifty-six for last June. This is, of course, not as large an attendance as we would like to have during the summer months but we know that many of our people are attending other schools while enjoying their vacations. If you are one of those, be sure to bring back with you evidence that you attended elsewhere so that Mr. Ogle can give you proper credit as regards your pin.

Two groups of our young people attended Camp at St. Marys this summer. Those attending youth camp in June were—Janice Miller, Norma Sloan, Princess Johnson, Beverly Knisely, Sandra Jackson, Carol Jaynes, Shirley Hess and Duane Johnson. Gordon Johnson and Jim Coder drove down on Friday P. M. and stayed over night, returning as the group did on Saturday afternoon. Those attending Intermediate Camp in July were Pat Shreve, Sharon Jaynes, Janet Longanbach, Gloria Hess, Marilyn McShane, Patty Frantz and Janice Jackson. Our congratulations to all of these young people who took advantage of this grand opportunity of a week of fellowship, study and fun. This was made possible by the church, Sunday School and Christian Endeavor sharing most of the expense. Our thanks to Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Frantz, Fred Kolbe, Leslie Jaynes, Norman Koenigseker and Rev. Johnson who furnished transportation to and from the camp. Our special thanks goes to Mr. Koenigseker who had the full responsibility of all the details in connection with these young folks attending camp. However, we are very happy to do these things when we get reports like we did this year such as "we had a wonderful time," "one week is too short," "We wish it could last longer," etc.

As we continue throughout the summer to bring you the best program we can, will you try to be as loyal as possible to the services of your church? Will you fill that space made vacant by your fellow churchman while he is away on vacation just as he did for you while you were away? I am sure you will. Let's all attend every Sunday possible throughout the summer.

E. McShane, Supt.

Upton Choirs

Our Communion Day, June 3, anthem was "O Lamb of God, I Come."

On June 10th "The Twenty-third Psalm" was given. For the offertory special number "The Lord's Prayer" was sung by three girls namely, Marlene and Sandra Doolittle and Joyce Funk of Butler. These girls also brought a special number in the opening Sunday School service. They were friends of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn O. Knisely—and would be most welcome at Upton when they again come to Toledo to visit.

On June 17th, being Father's Day, the group sang "Faith of Our Fathers."

On the last Sunday, June 24th, the Youth Choir presented "Showers of Blessing." We appreciated them very much. They are to bring the anthem on one Sunday each month. Virginia Leonard brought the offertory number, "Let Not Your Heart be Troubled."

Vacation time brings difficulties in the choir. Our rehearsals are on Thursday evenings at 8:15 and 7:30 for the Youth. If you would like to become a part of the choir will you see Mrs. Rathke.

Two of our number, namely Richard Hess and Don McDole are now in the Korean fighting lines. Richard may return within the next two months. No word has been received from Don for the past several weeks.

Delores Wagner, reporter

Jack And Jill Class

The June meeting of the Jack and Jill class was held in the great outdoors of Willys Park on the 24th, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Richard Blade and Mrs. Emmett Beavers served as hostesses for the basket picnic prior to the meeting and a grand time was had by every one present.

There were twelve class members and ten children to enjoy the afternoon of fun. The men and older children participated in a game of soft ball and the women attended the smaller children and amused themselves talking on "Domestic Affairs and Problems."

Following a full afternoon the meeting was called to order by the president and current issues and business pertaining to the class were discussed and acted upon. By unanimous vote an ice cream social is to be sponsored by the class at a date to be announced later. Watch for it. We hope that you will plan to attend.

Norman Koenigseker, Sec'y.

New Members

On June 24th we were happy to receive Mr. and Mrs. Norman Koenigseker, 2039 Berkshire (Kl. 93234) into church membership. They have been attending at Upton for more than a year and, as you will note in other columns of the paper, are active in the Jack and Jill Sunday School class and in caring for the plans and arrangements of sending our youth to camp.

H. C.

Willing Workers Class

The June meeting of the Willing Workers Sunday School Class was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Coder on Friday evening June 29. Twenty-five members enjoyed the roast and potluck supper in their lovely yard.

After the table was cleared a business meeting was held. Plans were made to go to a cottage for our July meeting. Announcement regarding same will be made later.

The following officers have been elected for the coming conference year.

Teacher, Mr. Ralph Lugibihl; Ass't. Teacher, Mrs. O. E. Johnson; President, Mrs. C. B. Shaffer; Vice President, Mrs. Robert Snyder; Secretary, Mrs. J. E. Harbaugh; Ass't. Secretary, Mrs. Arthur Ostrander; Treasurer, Mrs. Earl Hatfield. Mrs. J. E. H., Reporter

NEW STARS, NEW FLAGS

By Jasper B. Sinclair

Hawaii and Alaska hope to be admitted to the Union as our forty-ninth and fiftieth States in the near future. Statehood for both of them, or for either one, will out-mode the present American flag.

A new arrangement for the stars in the blue field of our flag will be necessary whenever one or both of these Territories are admitted to statehood. This would mean a big boost in sales for the flag-makers of the nation.

The hundreds of thousands of flags that daily fly above our public and private buildings throughout the United States would all have to be replaced as soon as possible. So would the flags that float over military and navel installations around the world from Guam to Puerto Rico, and from Japan to Germany.

Every American vessel sailing the seven seas would have to discard its old flags and lay in a supply of the new national banner with its forty-nine or fifty stars. Every American consulate throughout the world would have to unfurl the new Stars and Stripes.

For that matter, every State document containing any reference to the forty-eight States of the Union would have to be re-written. So would most of our reference works and school text books.

The admission of a new State or States is not the simple matter most people imagine it to be. The event can be far-reaching in its consequences and effects, and of concern to every man, woman and child in the United States.

A radio broadcast could flash the news of a new Flag design around the world in a few minutes. But it would take much longer to manufacture the flag replacements and ship them around the country and wherever else they might be needed. It would take even longer to publish new editions of our school text books and such reference works as had to be newly edited and printed.

The present generation of Americans

has not had much experience in this sort of thing. Only three States, New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma, have been welcomed into the American Union in the twentieth century. It is already thirty-five years since the last of these, the baby State of Arizona, entered the Union.

Friends, July 8, 1951

IT HAPPENED TODAY—JULY 8

By Isabella C. Miller

Liberty Bell was First Rung for Independence

The first vote on the momentous decision to declare the colonies independent of England was taken by the new American Congress on July 2, 1773. Thomas Jefferson, Ben Franklin and John Adams were appointed to draw up the Declaration. On July 4, John Hancock, President of the Congress signed it. The other delegates signed later. The news was made public on July 6.

Two days later, the now famous Liberty Bell in the Pennsylvania State House in Philadelphia, known as Independence Hall, was rung to summon the people to hear a reading of the Declaration. Cannon were fired and racing horsemen carried the tidings far and wide.

The Liberty Bell had been imported from London in 1752, and cracked open later that year when first used. Charles Stow recast it twice, and John Pass recast it again in 1753 before the bell was considered satisfactory. On July 8, 1776 it again fulfilled its purpose of summoning the people to hear important news. Each year thereafter it was rung on the anniversary of the Declaration, until it was cracked in 1835 while tolling for the funeral of John Marshall, Justice of the Supreme Court. The bell can now be seen in the hallway of the old State House, an object of veneration.

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PERFECT MESS

By Alice Duch

The child on whom I heap affection
Never quite achieves perfection.
I dress her up in frills and bows,
She looks angelic; heaven knows,
And not the least bit troublesome,
And then—she pops her bubble gum!

Our Home, August, 1950

ALL IN THE GAME

By Edith Berven Eckblad

Here's a dish of frosting, Sonny;
I know there'll be a race
To see which one will get the most—
Your tummy, or your face!

Our Home, August, 1950

SHOE-ING GUM

By Dorothy Uncle

If you drop your gum upon the floor
And it disappears from view,
It almost always turns up
On the bottom of your shoe!

Our Home, August, 1950

YOUTHFUL PIRATE

By Grace V. Watkins

I tucked a batch of cookies in a jar
Today and put it high upon a shelf,
But all my careful planning failed to bar
The crafty reaches of a youthful elf
Of ten who traced the tantalizing tang
Of spice and raisins! In the still bright hours
Of sleepy August long ago, I sang
A vagrant tune, and slipping past the flowers
That reddened by the step, climbed on a stool
And bold as pirates of a bygone day,
Thrust my small hand within the spicy cool
Of that same crock. Remembering the way
Of ten-year-olds, I meditate no measure
To find the missing store of sugared treasure!

—Our Home

MUTINOUS MOTHER

By May Richstone

At the moment, I'm tired of that needed feeling,
Of being the hub of the household scene;
The capable role is far from appealing—
Fie on the whole domestic routine!

A tower of strength, come woe, come weal,
This is the task I was born to do—
But just for a change, I'd like to feel
Frivolous, cherished, and catered to!

—Our Home, July, 1949

SUMMER BOY

His bare feet dreaming down the dusty backroad,
The sun-skinned boy goes calling cattle home.
His clear and casual voice drifts up the hill
Toward the cool woods where ten cows drowse or roam.
"Co, boss! Co, boss!" he calls and laughs and climbs,
His plume-brushed dog gold-leaping at his knees,
and slowly on a gentle satin throat
a brazen bell comes ambling from the trees.
The dark eyes and the swaying flanks come after.
"Go on! Go home!" he cries to patient faces;
And breathing the end of a flowery day,
he follows
to fasten his calm friends in their evening places.

VENERABLE EXAMPLE?

By Virgie Evans Rogers

Mother: I'll bet old Grandpa Methuselah ate
All of the food that was put on his plate.
Small Son: The day I'm nine hundred sixty-nine
To celebrate I'll eat all on mine!
Our Home, August, 1950