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The Upton Challenger

UPTON EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

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Pastor's Column

It is Monday morning. (Nov. 12th) I am delighted and pleased with the number who were present in worship yesterday. For some weeks our attendance has been far too low—so low in fact that your Pastor has felt embarrassed and ashamed. People have been saying that soon they would be back but visiting, cottages, extra work, etc., etc., seemingly ad infinitum, kept the attendance at low ebb. Then came yesterday and there were but a very few vacant spots. This is as it should be. Such encourages everyone, members of the congregation, visitors, pastor and methinks God himself must be pleased. Then there was such good attention and responsiveness—an atmosphere of reverence and worship prevailed. It was good to be there.

And now may I seek your presence. It is needed to the ongoing of the work to the enrichment of others and the development of your own life. Your unnecessary absence robs all, yourself, others and God. The Psalmist knew much, very much, when he said, "I was glad when they said unto me, Come, let us go unto the House of the Lord." It is my increasing conviction that next to, if not equal to, moral behavior church attendance is the most important evidence of one's actual Christian Faith. A person who does not gather together in worship certainly is giving witness to his home, his family, his neighbor, his church, his world, that he has not the love of either the Fellowship or of God to do so. And so we are this day encouraged by the evidenced love of the Fellowship and of God on yesterday.

December will be a great month in Upton church. In addition to the regular morning hours of service the choir will present the Messiah on Dec. 16th at 7:30 P. M. No one should miss this presentation exalting our Lord. Mrs. Mary Rathke is in charge.

Then on Sunday evening, Dec. 23rd, our boys and girls will present a musical program at 7:30 P. M. This will be new in our church. You will not want to miss it. Mrs. Pauline Withrow is in charge of this event.

It is hoped that once again our Choral groups will send their music to our community via the tower speakers of the church.

Sunday morning, December 23rd, services will be reversed with Worship at 9:30 and Sunday School at 10:30. Santa Claus will be present following S. S. classes.

You will keep in mind as is customary at Christmas time those who are less fortunate than we. Old people, boys and

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Church Calendar

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:25 A. M.

A Class for Everyone

Come and enjoy the splendid lessons presented by our capable teachers.

WORSHIP 10:30

Attendance at Worship each Sunday should come naturally. You are missing much as well as breaking the Fellowship by your absence.

NOVEMBER 27

Federation of E. U. B. church women will meet at noon in Upton Church.

DECEMBER 16

7:30 P. M.

Presentation of "The Messiah" by Choral Group

DECEMBER 23

Worship at 9:30 A. M.

Sunday School at 10:30 A. M.

Musical Program by S. S. Group

7:30 P. M.

Thanks For Harvest

Yellow the pumpkins lie, and plump,
Brown the nuts on the browner bough,
Yellow the corn on brittle stalk,
Brown the soil awaiting the plow.

God of harvest, accept our thanks—
Thanks for shelter and thanks for food.
Humbly now we offer to thee,
Hearts filled with love and gratitude.

—By Inez Clark Thorson

Board Of Trustees

Here we are one day past Armistice Day with most places of business closed as well as banks and government offices. We heard a great sermon yesterday (Sunday). The topic was "Are You Really for Peace?"

Our government tells us we must prepare for war while we seek peace. It is all very confusing. We know the only way we can have real peace is to seek after and follow the Prince of Peace.

Before you receive the November Challenger and read this article we will have celebrated our Anniversary Day once more. We are expecting another great day and hope to catch up on our pledges to the Church Erection Fund on that day. Things are moving along well and while it may seem to some that we have just been coasting along we are fast approaching the place now where we hope to be able to make plans which can be seen and you will see that we have been working all

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Reception

It was a most delightful affair, the welcome home for the Johnson family.

Sixteen fruitful years of pastoral service and the prospect of a seventeenth surpassing all the others, would naturally cause any loyal congregation to show its high regard for its minister and his dear ones. That was the reason for the delightful fellowship supper planned by the trustees of Upton church when the new conference year began.

With Glenn Knisely as a most genial master of ceremonies, entertainment by musicians from outside our membership, lovely decorations, splendidly planned table service, a most delectable menu, Mrs. Norris Kane's gracious welcome, a short address by Rev. John Ansberg, former pastor of second Baptist church, and the gift of a large mantel mirror, it is no wonder that chairman Homer Knisely and his Board of Trustees felt that the whole affair was a great success. It is to be hoped that our next sixteen years of working harmoniously together will in no wise diminish our zeal in serving the cause of the kingdom nor lessen the high regard for each other now held by both Pastor and people. Upton church is proud to know that as leader of the Toledo group of the Evangelical United Brethren ministerium and as a valued member serving on various conference and civic committees and boards, her Pastor is also the president of the Toledo Council of Churches and we trust that we may all continue to work together for good.

Mrs. C. O. C.

Primary Sunday School

Attendance pins for perfect attendance by our little boys and girls of the Primary Department were given during September and October to the following:

Four Year—Roger Van Gunten

Three Year—Frances McCarthy

One year—Cheryl Johnson

Nine month—Rebecca Blake, Linda Beavers, Emmett Beavers, Jr., Dennis Main, Cathy Blake, Billy Blake.

Six month—Mrs. Katschke, Karen Tressler, Richard Karam, Beth Katschke.

Three month—Phyllis Johnson, John Wendt, James Babcock, Mrs. Baker, Yvonne Leonard, Barbara Wibel, Lynn McKay.

Our attendance has been very good and the youngsters have been bringing in their share of the gifts of canned goods for the Otterbein Home.

Frances Dotson, Sec'y.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

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girls who have no home but that which we furnish and keep will be looking to us for help at Otterbein Home. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kolbe are in charge. How much we appreciate their devotion and consecration in this work. They deserve your every help. Let each one give largely. There should be many, many gifts from \$5.00 to \$50.00. After all this is but once a year and it is to one of our boys or one of our girls or to one of our fathers or mothers. We know that you will think of them as of being a part of our very own.

When this reaches you Anniversary Day will be over and gone. We anticipate a good day. We hope that each will do what is possible to boost the Church Erection Fund. The response has to date been splendid but we must keep in mind that by January 4 one third of our pledge period will be gone. Payment now not only lifts future loads but encourages all in adding to present progress. On hand at present in this fund is some \$14,000 in cash and some \$8000 in property that can be realized in cash. How good if by Jan. 1st this total could go to \$25,000. I believe that it will.

And now may God's blessing be with you each and every one. May He keep you in His good pleasure and may you keep yourself in the love of God. As I go about I find so much of sickness and burdens and difficulties. No less than a dozen of our people have been hospitalized during the past month. But again and again I hear words of joy and praise from the life of God's children as they realize His loving care toward them. Just this morning I have a letter from one of our boys from the hospital ship where he is recovering from wounds received in Korea, and more, much more, he has to say about the goodness of God, the love for his church than about his difficulties or wounds. I was reminded of that text, "He will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee." Isa. 26:3. And so I say, "Keep yourselves in the love of God." Jude 1:21.

O. E. J.

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along the way.

You will notice the church has been painted (outside trim) the parsonage and Parish House painted; new steps added and shrubbery planted at the parsonage. All of these things must be done to preserve our property and to make it attractive to those who pass our way.

Will you be with us in the days that lie ahead in Sunday School and the Worship Service as often as possible. As Rev. Johnson said in his sermon of Sunday—if we are to have peace it will have to start in each of us, in our families, in our church, in our city, our state and our nation, with the hope that it will spread to all the world. Will you help us?

N. E. Kane, Sec'y.

Among Our People

Our sympathy to the family of Mr. Wm. Birchhill who passed away the middle of October, (just a year after the passing of Mrs. Birchhill). Mr. Birchhill was a member of Upton church. Your Pastor was in charge of the services. Acknowledgement of the church's expression of sympathy and the kindness of Rev. Johnson has been received from Mrs. Rodd, a daughter.

Our sympathy also to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Tompkins in the loss of Mrs. Tompkin's father recently. Mrs. Tompkins has sent her thanks for Upton folks' expressions of sympathy to her.

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dreher, nee Henrietta Sautter, who were recently married in Upton church. Also to Mr. and Mrs. Chudzinski nee Helen Lanker. (This should have appeared in October issue—my apologies.)

Miss Betty Jean Thornton who is a student at Ohio University (correction from last month) was home some two weeks ago and in worship on Sunday morning. It was fine to have her.

Wm. T. Schmitt is now home for several days having completed his training at Biloxi, Miss. He has been selected as an instructor in Radar and may go to the West Coast upon completing his leave. Our congratulations.

Mrs. Mable Butz has had an operation upon an eye for removal of a cataract. She is progressing nicely—and we hope for a complete and quick recovery.

Mrs. LeRoy Dillon is in St. Vincents.

A. D. Zoll has now returned to his home after a hospital visit at Parkview for several weeks.

Chester Lewton is now convalescing at his home.

Mrs. Daisy Winters had the misfortune of breaking a limb last week. She is now in Robinwood.

Wm. Hoefner is yet at Wm. Roche.

Mrs. Hoefner has returned home.

Our prayers are for a good recovery on the part of all our sick folks.

Mrs. Mary Rathke spent a few days at Upper Sandusky helping to celebrate the birthday of her grandson Ricky Faulk who was two years old November 1. Ricky is preparing himself to be a drum major in his father's high school band.

Mrs. Bessie Wolcott has returned from attending the 34th Annual National Convention of Service Star Legion, Inc., which was held at Lorain, Ohio. She was elected and installed as a National Director. Serving as National chairman of the Buddy Boy program of the Legion the past six years, means being mother to boys in service "Boys who have no folks," remembering them in battle, the wounded in the hospitals over the nation with letters, cards, and gifts of things of which we have so much, by the members of this national organization of World Wars I and II, and now Korea.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer E. Knisely attended the Men's Congress which was held in Harrisburg, October 26-28. Mr. Knisely is

District President of the Otterbein Brotherhood. Fine and inspiring messages were their privilege to hear, as well as making the acquaintance of our denominational leaders.

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The following will be of interest to many of the people at Upton. (It was recalled by Mrs. Callender that Mildred was the first bride married in Upton church.)

Mildred Meyer

Mrs. Mildred Hollinger Meyer, 44, daughter of the Rev. D. C. Hollinger, a former Toledo minister, died Saturday in the Hollywood (Calif.) Presbyterian Hospital after suffering a stroke seven weeks ago.

Mrs. Meyer, a native of Toledo, was the wife of Dr. W. S. Meyer, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles. Her father, Mr. Hollinger, once was pastor of the Upton Avenue Evangelical United Brethren Church, Toledo. He now is retired and lives in Bryan, Ohio.

Mrs. Meyer was a graduate of Wooster College. Before her marriage, she taught in the high schools at Waterville and Delta.

Also surviving are a daughter, Margaret Ann, and son, Richard, both at home; sister, Virginia Hollinger, librarian at Waite High School, and Raymond K. Hollinger, minister of music of the First Presbyterian church, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Services and burial will be Wednesday afternoon in Los Angeles.

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Should you know of changes that ought to be made will you call Mrs. Coder, La. 0936. — Please.

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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.

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E. S. HECKERT . . . EDITOR



Sandusky Columbus Avenue Dedicates Parsonage

October was a busy month with preparation for the dedication of the parsonage on the 21st. Dr. V. H. Allman, Superintendent of the Southern District, was with us for all the services of the day. To begin the day, the Men's Brotherhood met in the upper rooms of the church for a ham and egg breakfast at 7:00. A fine meal was prepared and enjoyed by the men with Walter Smith as chief chef.

The men of the church took charge of the morning worship service and Dr. Allman challenged us with an inspiring Men's Day message.

Following the worship service a potluck dinner was enjoyed by the members and friends of the church.

The parsonage dedication service was held in the afternoon at 2:30 with Dr. Allman officiating. The members of the church pledged to raise \$1,000 this year over and above the regular monthly payments on our parsonage debt. We trust that it will not be too long until the debt will be liquidated.

Following is the history of the parsonage that was read during the dedication service by Wm. Beamer, president of the board of trustees:

"In this busy city and hustle-bustle age of 1951, when diesel trucks and passenger cars have head-on collisions, snuffing out lives in a matter of seconds; when cars fail to observe the stop light at the corner of Perkins and Columbus Ave., causing great destruction, it is difficult to realize that only a short span of 100 years ago all of this territory as far north as Scott street was a dense forest, and that one of the neighborhood's relatives taught the three R's in what is now the People's Loan and Savings Co. Bank, and was com-

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Ohio Sandusky Conference Minutes

The entire copy for the Ohio Sandusky Conference Journal is now on the presses, the work being done as in former years by The Otterbein Press. Galley sheets will be submitted shortly for proofing and then paged proof sheets, to be accompanied by the indices and mailing lists. The work this year is different in many particulars and has required very detailed and painstaking labor. It is the judgment of your secretaries that delivery will be made in December.

On Nov. 2 Secretaries Ames and Adams attended a meeting of the Otterbein Press with Mr. John B. Lyter, Secretary Wilson of the Ohio Southeast Conference and Secretary Deininger of the Ohio East Conference. The purpose of the meeting was to exchange ideas as well as to organize and correlate materials in order to attain a basic unity in the books. Minor differences will occur, but the major difference will be in the amounts of material contained in the different journals.

The journal of the Ohio Sandusky Conference will be a beautiful and historic book, much thicker than usual. The contents of the journal will be as follows: cover and title page; conference **officiary**, boards, commissions and committees; ministerial roll (including dates of licensure, ordination, and telephone numbers); lay members roll; rules of order and special rules; secretary's minutes, **conference reports** and statistical charts. Five Conference sessions will be reported as follows: the sessions of the Ohio Sandusky Confer-

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Notice To All Unassigned Elders

At the first session of the Ohio Sandusky Conference Bishop Fred L. Dennis appointed a continuing committee to study the ministerial roll and to make recommendations for its revision to the next session to the annual Conference. The committee plans to meet during the first two weeks of January by which time the Conference minutes should be in our hands. All ministers whose standing may be affected by action of this committee are invited to present their desires and wishes in writing by January 1st. The attention of all ministers is especially called to Paragraphs 319-328, and 162-166 of the discipline. From these paragraphs the following observations have been gleaned:

1. No minister may remain in the active itineracy over two years without assignment (Paragraph 163).

2. The Super-numerary Itinerant Eldership is a temporary classification based upon impaired health or other sufficient reason (Paragraph 321).

3. Only active Itinerant Elders have the right to vote in the active Conference (Paragraph 323).

Paragraphs 162 and 166 are especially important to ministers serving in other work than the active itinerant relationship.

The names of all Super-numerary Itinerant Elders and all Active Itinerant Elders not assigned to fields of labor will be discussed by the committee. Any facts you wish the committee to consider should be clearly stated in writing for the guidance of the committee. Any and all requests will be carefully considered.

Frank R. Hamblen, Chairman
220 N. Cole Street
Lima, Ohio.

Christmas Offering

Each year during the month of December we are reminded that it is time to think of our Benevolent Homes for our Old People and Children.

The General Budget does not provide any money for the upkeep of these institutions, so an offering must be taken throughout our churches during December to help maintain these homes with the necessities of food, clothing and shelter, as well as to provide for a balanced social and religious life. Some of these homes also have a hospital in connection, which all in all requires quite a sum of money.

The General Conference asks that each church strive to have an average of \$1.00 per member. Expenses have greatly in-

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The North District

Rev. F. A. Firestone, Superintendent

Among the happy and undergirding experiences during the month of October were the privileges of association and fellowship with several of our churches in special services—rally and homecoming, and in celebration of achievements—with, we hope, the impartation of some spiritual gift. These churches were: Rural Chapel on the Defiance Circuit, C. W. Wallmer, pastor; Liberty Chapel, Charles Rex, pastor; Malinta, P. W. Lutz, pastor; Fostoria First, D. D. Corl, pastor. It was a pleasure also to speak in the rally for men and their families in the Hoytville church, sponsored by the Brotherhood of the Bowling Green Group. Earlier in the month we had the opportunity to meet with laymen and ministers of the Toledo Group, planning for a great rally and also organization in the very near future. These and other promotional activities point up the fact that many of our men are on the march to bigger and better things in men's work. We are reassured too by the growing spirit of unity and oneness.

EVANGELISM—"Evangelism is a year-round responsibility." "The Evangelical United Brethren Church is in a great Evangelistic Advance." These quotations are from a rousing and illuminating booklet entitled, "The Larger Evangelism," published by our General Board of Evangelism. It sets forth our major emphasis and lays out an evangelistic program of the local church.

The use of this little book along with the denominational study book on evangelism, "Christ Calls to Commitment," will help immensely toward revitalizing our churches and girding them for soul-winning.

This is our release to this date. On November 26 and 27 there will be a "Central

Area Workshop" in Marion Calvary church under the direction of our Bishop Fred L. Dennis. Dr. R. H. Mæller and Dr. L. L. Baughman, with Bishop Dennis, will be the resource leaders. Our Conference Board of Evangelism will hold its second meeting of the year very soon after the Marion meeting, and further information will be forthcoming. Just another reminder at this point. "Evangelism Emphasis Sunday" on January 13 and "Youth Evangelism Month"—January. Plan and pray!

On October 23 it was your Secretary's privilege to attend the meeting of the department of evangelism of the Ohio Council of Churches. It was encouraging to note the tone of concern manifest there by different denomination leaders. The feeling is that we need a revival regardless of what name it goes by locally.

It is a joy to report that Mrs. M. W. George is at home after being hospitalized, Rev. D. D. Corl has returned from Marshalltown, Iowa, after a successful operation on one eye, although he will again enter the hospital for surgery on the other eye, and that Rev. H. M. Maurer is at home recovering from surgery also. "The Lord bless thee and keep thee" is our prayer for these and all others who are in affliction.

The South District

Dr. V. H. Allman, Superintendent

The men of the Evangelical United Brethren Church are on the march. More than two thousand of the Brotherhood gathered on October 27-28 at Harrisburg, Pa., to celebrate the victories of the past four years and plan the work of the coming quadrennium. The immediate goal is forty thousand dollars for a new church in the city of St. Petersburg, Fla. It will soon be proven that our men are no less missionary minded than our women. The men of our own conference are now working with our missions at Sandusky and Toledo, Hays Station. Besides this work they expect next year to undertake the education of a foreign student committed to full time Christian service.

The Board of Pensions held its annual meeting in Harrisburg Monday following the Men's Congress. I count it an unusual privilege to be a member of that Board and render what assistance I may to the building of a living subsistence for our aged ministers and their widows. The funds of this Board are growing and the amount given is increased this quadrennium.

The second Sunday of the month was indeed a busy one for this Supt. At 10 A. M. I was at Fostoria First Church for the morning worship service and at 11:30 I was at Republic preaching for them in their service of Homecoming and Rally. At the noon hour we had an important Quarterly or Local Conference and another service at 2:00 P. M. At the close of the afternoon message I undertook the raising of \$1900 for a new electric organ. The response was generous. Now a beautiful new organ is ready to assist this

small congregation to enlarge its borders. Great things may be expected under the leadership of its new pastor the Rev. Donald Martin. At 4:00 P. M. I was back in Fostoria for a meeting of the Executive officers of the Conference Brotherhood, and at 8:00 P. M., was at Powell Memorial church on West Findlay for a Local Conference and the hiring of the new pastor, the Rev. Robert Baumgarner. Fine reports are coming from West Findlay.

The Third Sunday I was with our Mission Church at Sandusky, Ohio. Rev. Ronald Ricard and his wife are leading this congregation to new heights. The occasion was their annual Homecoming and the dedication of the new parsonage.

I am glad to report that Rev. Delbert Cress is slowly recovering from an extended illness. It is to be hoped he will soon be able to assume all of his pastoral duties. Rev. Dale Girtin and family who were so seriously ill at Conference with polio are slowly recovering. The baby is doing quite well, Mrs. Girtin is walking with the aid of crutches, Dale is still in the Crippled Children's Hospital of Toledo and will likely have to remain in bed for another month.

Mrs. L. D. Reynolds of Vaughnsville underwent a serious operation at Memorial Hospital, Lima, and has recovered her health to the extent that she is again busy with her church work.

The stork left a bundle from Heaven in the home of Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Adams of Bucyrus, Ohio, Tuesday morning, Oct. 23rd. The new daughter was christened Marla Joan. To the proud parents we offer our congratulations.

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created for them as they have for ourselves. So let us give liberally so that our homes can be kept on a high standard.

No cause is more worthy of our support than when we are helping to care for some one who can not care for themselves. Since the merger the combined groups will have two homes to consider, the Otterbein Home and the Flatrock Home. Each church will take their offering as usual, and the offerings will be allocated accordingly.

Pastors should have a card to fill out for their Christmas supplies. If you have not done so please do so at once, so that they will be ready for distribution by the first Sunday in December. There are several hundred churches for the office to take care of and with a limited staff it will help greatly if you order early.

If you are sending Christmas gifts, please do not wrap, but send the wrapping with the gift. If you should wrap them, put on the package whether it is for a boy or girl and for what age, and what it contains.

Mrs. G. F. Brubaker

The average Sunday School attendance last month for Sidney Church should have been 87 instead of the reported 37.

News of the Churches



LEESVILLE CHURCH LAYS CORNERSTONE FOR NEW PARSONAGE

On October 7th, Dr. V. H. Allman was the guest speaker and officiated in the ceremony of the laying of the cornerstone of the new parsonage which is being built by the members of the Leesville E. U. B. Church. Using as his text from Psalm 118:20th verse "This gate of the Lord, into which the righteous shall enter." The First Epistle of Peter, 2nd chapter, 17th verse, "Honor all men, love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the King. He stated we should remember four things, honor all men, love thy brother, fear God, and be a servant clear of conscience to God and man. The cornerstone we're rejecting is our self wills. The cornerstone we should lay is Jesus Christ, a foundation on which we can build our lives.

The choir sang as their special number "Bless This House."

A fellowship lunch was served in the basement of the church following the ceremony.

Chairmen named for the building program are Edgar DeVore responsible for obtaining the carpenter, George Funk and Oliver Eckert to purchase electrical appliances, Arthur Hoover to take care of the heating system, Robert DeVore in charge of plumbing, Richard Finney and Lee Neumann in charge of the basement and drainage. Mrs. Edgar DeVore is secretary of the building committee.

The entire congregation is working on the project.

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RECEPTION HONORS REV. MILLER AT DEFIANCE

Rev. C. Elmer Miller, pastor of the Ev. United Brethren church, was honored by members and friends at a reception in the church parlors Wednesday, October 17, in observance of the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the Christian ministry, the event also celebrating the beginning of his fifth year as pastor of the Defiance church.

Greetings by church organization lead-

ers were followed by an informal program with Karl H. Weaner, Jr., presiding. The choir, under the direction of Marvin Blanchard, sang two numbers: "Onward Christian Soldiers" (a Waring arrangement), and "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" (Negro spiritual), with Mrs. Harold Osborn, pianist.

A vocal duet, "The 23rd Psalm" (Smart), was sung by Mrs. Basil Winners and Mrs. Harold Osborn with Martin Lasson, piano accompanist.

Rev. O. E. Johnson, pastor of Upton EUB church, Toledo, related incidents of fellowship, both Christian and personal, with Rev. Miller whom he has known more than 20 years.

After expressing remarks of appreciation, Rev. Mr. Miller introduced out-of-town guests: Mr. and Mrs. Edgar L. Haines, Bridgeport, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Parent; Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Arnold, Toledo; Mr. and Mrs. Earl D. Beyer and Susan of Lima; also Mrs. O. E. Johnson, wife of Rev. Mr. Johnson; and Mayor and Mrs. Ronald B. Earinger.

Following these introductions, the program concluded with a slide trombone solo, an intricate arrangement of "My Old Kentucky Home" with variations by Marvin Blanchard, accompanied by Mrs. Martin Lasson.

In behalf of the congregation, Mr. Weaner presented a sterling silver gift to both Rev. and Mrs. Miller.

—Mrs. Nelson Noffsinger

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BRYAN CHURCH HONORS PASTOR

A large crowd was present at the Family Night Party October 17 at the Bryan EUB church, given in honor of Rev. Victor Roebuck and family. The occasion was prompted by his return as pastor of the church for the tenth year.

After a bountiful carry-in supper, colored slides were shown in the auditorium by Mr. Walter Robrock, with narrations by Mrs. Robrock, being pictures taken by them on their recent European trip. Mr. and Mrs. Robrock are instructors in the

Bryan schools.

Talks were given by Mr. Howard Maneval, Rev. D. C. Hollinger, Rev. and Mrs. Roebuck and Mrs. Delber Long who presented the pastor and family a beautiful gift, to which Mrs. Roebuck graciously responded.

Mr. Maneval expressed appreciation to the Robrocks for the showing of their beautiful pictures and the able way in which the narrations were made, which brought to mind much ancient history.

With Mr. Robrock at the piano, the audience sang "Blest Be the Tie," and Rev. Hollinger pronounced the benediction.

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VAN WERT: CALVARY—

Rally Day was held on October 14th. The "Minute Men Quartet" of Auburn, Ind., appeared in all of the services. Basket dinner at noon in the basement of the church. An all musical program at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The offering for the day was placed in the improvement fund.

Men's Day was observed on the 21st with Robert Hoffman, president of the Brotherhood presiding. Harold Cook at the chimes and Willis Snyder at the organ.

Also in connection with this day, the traditional "PUMPKIN" was placed in the front of the church to receive the dollars to purchase fruit for Otterbein Home under the leadership of our representative of the home, Mrs. J. E. Gribler.

Our director of Visual Education, Mr. Willis Snyder presented his program Sunday evening, Oct. 28, to an audience of 176 with the latest film presenting Colleen Townsend, the converted movie actress, in "Great Discovery." This was one of the finest programs we have had in this field.

Walter Marks, Pastor

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SIDNEY HAS 50th ANNIVERSARY

The 50th anniversary of the Memorial Evangelical United Brethren Church in Sidney was held on Sunday, October 21.

Although this was a 50th anniversary celebration, E. U. B. history in Sidney actually goes back in years even farther than 1901, say the records. As early as Sept. 1, 1894, a Sunday school group was organized as a United Brethren body, even without a church program in connection with it. W. W. Lucas was the superintendent of this earliest Sunday school which began in the old Dunkard church in Sidney.

When a church was organized that same year, the Rev. E. E. Swords became the first pastor. He was followed by L. C. Reed in 1895 at which time the transfer was made from the Dunkard church to the Goode building. Services were held there for two years. During that time, however, the oldest section of the present church was erected as a "Sunday school room" at a cost of \$3,500. It was Rev. J. W. Lower, who served in Sidney in 1898 and 1899, who first conceived the idea of the Ella Schenck Memorial Church which later became a reality.

Through cooperation between the conference and the local congregation this

Memorial United Brethren church was completed during the pastorate of W. Z. Roberts and it is this main building which bears the cornerstone date of 1901. The cost of the original brick structure was \$9,000.

There are in the present congregation several members whose years of service in the church date back to 1900 or earlier. The names of Mrs. F. F. Miller, E. P. Dunn, Mrs. Valeria Crumby and Mayor Clarence Harp appear on the very early records. This means that they, like the church, have given at least 50 years of service to the local congregation.

Mayor Harp was part of the Sunday school in its first year and his church membership also dates well back. Mrs. Miller joined the local church in 1895. Her husband was Sunday school superintendent for nine years in the early part of the century.

E. P. Dunn was a member of the original Sunday school organized in 1894. He joined the church in his early teens. Mrs. Crumby has held membership in the E. U. B. church here since 1895.

The anniversary offering taken on this Sunday amounted to over \$600. This will be placed in our Improvement Fund and used to pay for the present remodeling job.

J. C. Searle, Jr, Pastor
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OCTOBER WAS RALLY MONTH FOR BETHANY CHURCH, CELINA

The month of October was designated as Rally Month by the Council of Administration of the Bethany Evangelical United Brethren Church of Celina, Ohio. It was also decided by the Council that the Tithes and Offerings brought to the church thru October should flow into the Building Fund. Each member was urged to bring the tithe to the church for the Building Fund.

The average Sunday school attendance for the month was 233. The amount received into the Building Fund was \$3297.67.

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PORT CLINTON—The month of October has been full of activity in the Port Clinton EUB Church. Several fine programs of worship in keeping with the Conference Calendar of special days have been enjoyed. October 14th was observed with a beautiful service of Harvest Festival. The service had been well planned in advance. Offerings of fruit, candy and cash were laid before the altar by the adult department and also the Sunday school. 128 cans of fruit, 150 bars of candy and \$24 in cash were arranged in a beautiful display before the altar by Mrs. Caroline Rider and Mrs. Hildreth Hephner.

Men's Day was observed on Sunday, Oct. 21. A chorus of 16 men furnished the music for the morning service and sang for their special anthem, "Hallelujah! What a Savior." The chorus was directed by Rev. Bigelow. Mrs. Morton Everett presided at the organ. Albert Beutel, a lay member of the church, residing in Toledo, gave the morning address, using for

his theme, "Men of Faith." The offering totalled \$19.

Members and friends of the Port Clinton EUB church enjoyed a potluck supper and Family Night service in the dining room of the church on Oct. 25, and also to welcome the return of the pastor, Rev. J. V. Bigelow and family. Ted Selgo, one of our youth whose ambition is to become a minister, was master of ceremonies.

Mrs. Ruth Wilson, Reporter
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VAN WERT: TRINITY — Three years ago we were stationed at Van Wert, Trinity, by the Indiana Conference (Ev.). This year we find ourselves a part of the Ohio Sandusky Conference. Trinity church was a new experience, for we did not know anyone here when we came as minister. The people are very friendly and gave us a wonderful reception at Trinity.

After spending 47 years in Indiana, I am now beginning 47 years in Ohio. Dr. Allman, our friendly superintendent, Rev. Marks and his Calvary people have all made our coming very pleasant and helpful. With a new Bishop a new Superintendent and a new Gro. Leader things have started off for a good year. Trinity church has been very fine in increasing the salary several times and in addition to all these things gave us a brand new automobile. This is the first time this has happened to me in 47 years. Keep on preaching Brethren, after 47 years you too may draw a new car. We hope so.

One of the secrets to success at Trinity church is the Thursday night prayer meetings. We have from 60 to 90 in attendance the year around. Last Thursday night there were 70 present. Our Sunday school averages 200, morning worship 190 and Sunday evening 110. There are so few churches open on Sunday nights that we try hard to have services every Sunday night of the year. With the help of Dr. Allman, Rev. Marks and others we hope to soon line up with the Ohio Sandusky Conference. The Ohio Sandusky News is something new at Trinity church but we will try to secure many subscriptions here soon.

Rev. C. P. Maas, Minister
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HOME COMING AND RALLY DAY HELD AT UNION CENTER

Union Center church on the Van Wert Circuit held its annual Homecoming and Rally Day on October 7. There were 82 in attendance for Sunday school and the morning worship service which followed. Since this was World Wide Communion Sunday, Rev. W. A. Lydick, pastor, and the guest minister, Rev. H. H. Hazenfield, had charge of communion service. Rev. Hazenfield is from Dayton and is associate editor of Sunday School Literature. He gave an appropriate message for the occasion.

A bountiful basket dinner was served at noon in the church dining room.

The afternoon service was more or less informal in nature.

Rev. Hazenfield again gave us a stirring and challenging message on the subject,

"Selling Out for Christ." Mr. Harley Shisler of Oakwood, gave an illustrated sermonette and the afternoon session was brought to a close by Rev. J. C. Swain of the Grover Hill charge pronouncing the Benediction.

Two of our shut in members, Mrs. Virgie Purk and Mrs. Zoa Jellison, were remembered with the Altar flowers which were potted orchid mums.

Mrs. Wayne Rowe, Reporter
R. R. No. 1, Convoy.
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DELTA CHURCH NEWS

The First Evangelical United Brethren Church of Delta has had a very full schedule so far in this new conference year. On the evening of October 1st a family night was held which included a reception for our minister and his family. Mr. Mert Galbraith, principal of schools, gave a very inspirational talk on "What We Should Teach Our Children."

On October 14 we observed Harvest Home Sunday. The church was beautifully decorated by Mrs. Kenneth Russell and Mrs. Leslie McQuillin.

On October 28 Men's Day was observed with Kenneth Russell and Wilbur Kleck in charge of the program. An inspirational message was given by the pastor and special numbers, including a reading by Daryl Kleck, instrumental number by several members of the Junior Choir, and a selection by the Men's Quartet, gave us a fine program for the day.

Christine Ruple, Reporter
E. W. Goings, Pastor
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RURAL CHAPEL CHURCH: Defiance Circuit: Rural Chapel Church observed Homecoming and Rally Day October 14. Rev. F. A. Firestone, Conference Superintendent of the North District was the guest speaker in the morning service. A basket dinner was enjoyed by a fine group of people at the noon hour.

The afternoon program consisted of special instrumental and vocal numbers. Rural Chapel is one of our smaller rural churches, but is hopefully looking forward to a great year. The revival will be held December 3rd to 16th with Brother Garrison Roebuck as evangelist. Brethren, pray for us.

MT. CALVARY CHURCH: Defiance Circuit: Mt. Calvary observed Homecoming and Rally Day on World Wide Communion Sunday, October 7. The pastor preached the sermon and conducted the communion service in the morning worship. A large group gathered for the basket dinner at the noon hour. Rev. Cleo Roth, leader of the Bryan group was the guest speaker in the afternoon and brought a very challenging message to an appreciative audience. Mt. Calvary is a strictly rural church and is hopefully looking forward to a great revival. Revival fires were especially kindled on the altar Sunday evening, October 28, as two young men bowed at the altar in receiving a definite experience of Christ's Saving Grace.

HALLOWEEN PARTY AT UNION CHURCH, WILLSHIRE CHARGE

The Young People's Class of Union Evangelical United Brethren Sunday school near Willshire, Ohio, taught by Mrs. Charles Myers, had a Halloween party at the E. U. B. parsonage on Thursday, Nov. 1. They invited the church members and friends to join in the fun. There were 80 in attendance. Many of them came masked and prizes were given to the fattest, homeliest, ugliest and prettiest. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hamrick took movie pictures of them before and after they unmasked. Everyone was then conducted through the House of Horrors which the class had arranged in the basement. Conversation and a game occupied their time until the call to the kitchen was given. Cider and doughnuts were in abundance to which all did justice. They departed to their homes after thanking the class for the enjoyable evening and expressing their desire to have some more get-togethers.

Rev. H. L. Smith, Pastor

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DUNKIRK CHARGE

DUNKIRK E. U. B.—The work at Dunkirk is going along nicely in this new conference year with the benevolences paid in full for the first two months. There have been some repairs made on the church roof, and plans and money are coming together for repairs of the ceiling decorations. Fruit for the Otterbein Home contributed as follows: 53 quarts of fruits and vegetables, 4 bars laundry soap, 5 bars toilet soap and \$10 in cash to purchase fresh fruit.

WALNUT GROVE E. U. B.—When the pastor returned from conference he found our carpenters and helpers had the new building addition nearly ready for roof. At this writing, it is under roof and ready for plastering. This new addition is 16 ft. by 54 ft. with an 8 ft. by 10 ft. vestibule including basement and rooms above. More will be reported later when building is completed. Benevolences paid in full for the first two months, and this church accepted her share of the "Fair Salary" increase. Fruit for the Otterbein Home was contributed as follows: 83 quarts fruits, 33 cans of fruit, 29 quarts vegetables, 34 quarts jams and butters, 2 cans of fruit juice and 6 boxes soap. The above articles were delivered to the Lima District by Robert and Mrs. Price and the pastor and wife.

Rev. C. H. Lilly, Pastor

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RALLY DAY AT GRAND VICTORY

Rally Day in the Grand Victory Evangelical United Brethren Church was well attended for both the morning and afternoon services on October 14.

The morning worship service included congregational hymn singing. An accordion duet of sacred music was presented by Donnie and Dennis Ashton. Dr. Ralph Holdeman of Dayton, Ohio, delivered the message in the morning, followed by the Sunday school session in charge of John Foust, superintendent.

A bountiful carry-in dinner was served at noon. The afternoon service at 2 o'clock opened with congregation singing "Launch Out."

Another inspirational message was delivered by Dr. Holdeman.

On Wednesday evening following, the young people held a Youth Rally, with Mrs. Datha Baker as advisor.

The Parsonage Dedication ceremonies were held on Sunday, Nov. 4. Special services were at the Scott-Haviland Methodist church where Rev. R. Daniels is pastor. The program opened with the singing of "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder." Rev. W. A. Lydick, pastor, gave the address of welcome, followed by prayer offered by Rev. R. S. Daniels. Rev. J. C. Swain, pastor at Groverhill, read the Scripture lesson. The Grand Victory choir sang, "Come Unto Me." Dr. V. H. Allman, Conference Superintendent of the Southern District, delivered a challenging message. The service was closed with prayer offered by Rev. Walter Marks, pastor at Van Wert Calvary.

Following the service at the church, the congregation assembled at the parsonage where the dedicatory service was completed. Remarks were made by Dr. Allman in behalf of the conference. Mr. Wm. Eddy of Union Center Church, presented the keys to the parsonage to Dr. Allman, who in turn gave them to Rev. Lydick. Rev. Marks pronounced the benediction. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served by the ladies of the churches. Other guests present were: Rev. and Mrs. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lydick and daughter Kathy of Oeola, Ohio.

Mrs. Burnell Ludwig

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REV. R. E. WILLIMAN WELCOMED AT ROCKFORD

Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Williman and family were honored guests at a reception given them Tuesday, Oct. 23, by the Rockford church. At 8 P. M. a program was presented in the main auditorium, after which refreshments were served in the church basement.

All members present gave Rev. Williman and family a hearty welcome and pledged their whole-hearted support in furthering Christ's cause in our church and community during the coming year.

Mrs. Wilbur Graham

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RILEY CENTER CHURCH DEDICATES NEW OIL FURNACE

The Riley Center Church dedicated a new oil furnace which was presented as a gift by the Ladies Aid Society on Nov. 4. The Rev. F. A. Firestone, Conference Superintendent of the Northern District, delivered the sermon and presided at the dedicatory service.

Following the service of dedication, the congregation presented to Rev. Javan Corl, pastor, an individual communion set as a gift of appreciation.

A recreational program called "Radio Party" was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Oliver. Master of ceremonies was

Mr. Person.

—Bernice Tuhan

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BURGOON CHURCH HOST TO BI-COUNTY REVIVAL

A Bi-County Revival will be held at the Burgoon Church from November 19 to December 2, with Prof. and Mrs. J. Roy MacMurray directing the music and the Rev. Dale Emrick preaching. The Rev. T. W. Bennett is host pastor.

The MacMurrays are radio and television evangelists from Union City, Pa. Mr. MacMurray plays 17 musical instruments and is a composer of many hymns and songs. He is a renowned cornetist and trumpeter as well as a vibraharp and cathedral chime artist.

Mrs. MacMurray assists her husband as an accompanist on various instruments and singing duets with either vibraharp or guitar accompaniment.

The Rev. Dale Emrick, pastor of Toledo Oakdale Evangelical United Brethren Church, is a dynamic preacher, a student of the Bible and a fluent speaker. The will bring the Bible messages each evening of the revival.

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SOUTH LIBERTY—On September 14 the South Liberty church was presented with tower chimes by the Richard Crocker family in memory of Richard Crocker and the son, John, who was killed in World War II. They were both faithful members in our church.

The Ladies Aid presented the church with an outside Bulletin Board.

The church honored Mr. Joseph Herringshaw for the completion of 38 years of faithful service as Sunday School Superintendent. He was presented with a gift and a certificate.

Special tribute was also made to Vern Crocker who has served 34 years as a Sunday school teacher.

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FAREWELL GIVEN TO REV. AND MRS. PURDY AT BLUFFTON CHARGE

Pleasant View and Olive Branch churches gave a farewell Oct. 13 for Rev. and Mrs. Walter Purdy at the Pleasant View church.

A social hour was enjoyed in the church basement which was gaily decorated in keeping with the harvest and Halloween season. Refreshments were served by the social committee of the Ladies Harmony Circle.

The six years Rev. Purdy was with us have shown marked improvements not only spiritually but materially. During the first four years, which also included the present Rawson Charge, he remodeled the garage belonging with the parsonage and directed the general improvement and shingling of both the church and parsonage. He built and donated new pulpit and lectern at Pleasant View. A basement was constructed under the Pleasant View Church which has permitted many additional activities. Some of these included our first Father and Son Banquet, extra S. S. class rooms, and the Junior Church,

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Conference Treasurer's Report

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1951
(Month ending Nov. 6th)

W. P. Alspach, Treasurer

Monthly Budget	Paid October	Paid 2 Months	Group Ins. Paid October	College and Seminary Off'ng.	Sunday School Avg. Att.	Morning Worship Avg. Att.
NORTHERN DISTRICT						
BOWLING GREEN GROUP						
Belmore\$70	\$ 38	\$ 92	\$ 7.50	\$	135	85
Center 25	18	48				30
Bethel 25	70.26	70.26		6.07	*57	48
Townwood ... 21	61.50	61.50	8	4.50	*25	*25
Bwlng. Green 250	250	500	6	27	343	304
Custar 20	20	40	6		*51	*49
West Hope ... 42	42	84			*66	*64
Deshler 60	60	120	6	10		116
Oakdale 90	180	270				101
Hoytville100						95
Lucky 50	100	100		34	*96	*116
N. Baltimore ..100	200	200	12	3	178	120
Portage 35						
Mt. Zion 60	60	120				
S. Liberty 50	40	70			68	65
Mt. Hermon 17	18	34			40	32
Tontogany 17	50	50				
Pleas. View 6						
Webster 30	21	41			42	*45
Cloverdale .. 20	20	40			62	62
BRYAN GROUP						
Bridgewater ... 45	45	90	6	5	92	75
Bryan160	160	320	6		201	194
Center Circuit:						
Center 20	20	40	6	2	41	31
Logan 10	30	30		2		*27
Mt. Olive ... 20	10	20			26	30
Defiance, First 160	75	235			140	130
Defiance Circuit:						
Mt. Calvary 33	33	66	6			63
Rural Chapel 17	17	17		7		51
Edgerton 20	20	40	24		*75	*74
Hicksville165	165	330			*247	201
Montpelier160	160	320	6		*185	*162
W. Unity 19	19	38	30		39	*39
Ebenezer 19	19	38			50	51
Salem 5	5	10			10	10
FOSTORIA GROUP						
Bascom 65	78	156	12		95	93
Bettsville 36	36	108	6		78	47
Trinity 45		139.34			*117	*122
Bloomdale 70	70	140	6			
Fostoria:						
Bethel 58		177	6		122	88
First280	280	840	6	5	299	288
Kansas 10	10	20				
Canaan 40	40	120				
Pleas. View ... 45	90	90		28.46		
Rising Sun ... 45	75.24	75.24			*91	77
W. Indep'dence 75	75	150	6		*235	*216
FREMONT GROUP						
Burgcon100	100	300	6		144	119
Fremont:						
Memorial100	100	200	6		116	*120
Trinity192	375.03	375.03	10	81.80	283	223
Gibsonburg 64			6	30	164	124
Green Springs 56	56	56	10			
Helena 59	59	118	6			
Lindsey130	130	260			*232	*155
Old Fort100	100	200	12	121	*198	*170
Riley Center.... 13	13	26		1	*20	*26

Woodville160	160	320	6		*220	*220
NAPOLEON GROUP						
Ai 40						
Lebanon 10	10	20				
Mt. Pleasant 40						
Delta 56	65	121	24		109	86
Zion 60	60	120		10	110	95
Liberty Center 35	35	70			88	84
Malinta 30	35	60			*50	43
McClure100	128.62	200			120	91
Monclova 18	18	36			45	35
Wilkins 14	28	28	30		40	45
Napoleon 83	42	150	6		21.95	*153
Wauseon, First 40	40	80			78	61
Wauseon Circuit:						
Beulah 20	20	40			55	62
North Dover 50	35.54	85.54			73	75
Whitehouse ... 59	59	177	6		*133	96
SANDUSKY GROUP						
Bellevue138	650	650			235	178
Flat Rock 74						
Kelley's Island 26						
La Carne 17	17	34			33	38
Locust Point ... 17	17	34			*32	*33
Mt. Carmel100	75	150	6		108	112
Pt. Clinton 80	94	154	6		81	78
Sandusky:						
Clmbus. Av. 22	22	44	6		*71	*50
Salem 68			13.50	22.46	85	72
TOLEDO GROUP						
Elliston 73						
Millbury 25						
Moline 55	110	110			31.07	112
Perrysburg 65					10.10	100
Rocky Ridge.... 13						
Toledo:						
Calvary145	145	290.09	2			
Colburn160	160	320	6		124	134
E. Br'dway 190	253	477			173	219
First250	250	500	6	5	210	160
Oakdale170	170	340				
Point Place... 75	75	150	6		17	168
Salem 60	60	120	6		46.50	91
Somerset170	186	372	6		10	180
Upton250	250	500	6			258
Zion158	320	480	8		84.04	174
Walbridge 12	12	24	12			140
Hayes 10	10	20				
SOUTHERN DISTRICT						
BUCYRUS GROUP						
Belleville Circuit:						
Pleas. Grove 14						
Pleas. Hill... 22						
Trinity 29						
Brokensword.... 21	123	123	8			
Lykens 41	140	140				
Pleas. Home 18	37.26	37.26				
Bucyrus Circuit:						
Harmony 30	60	93	6		47	48
Zion 30	60	93			69	71
Bucyrus:						
First125		125	6		145	*143
Grace125	125	250	6		*217	*215
Galion 80	80	160	6		34	169
Johnsville 97	97	194	6		30.59	143
Mt. Zion 90						140
Nrth. Robinson 60	77	77	30		77	80
Lib. Chapel 33	23	23			57	64
Oceola 60	40	100			*110	*103
Olive Branch .. 22	20	20			34	30
Smithville 50	50	100				
Mt. Zion 21	37.96	56.09				
Sycamore 75	50	87	6		120	102
Upper Sndsky 128	255.50	383.25			261	219

Upper Sandusky Circuit:														
Belle Vernon	11		6	8	40	40		W. Mansfield	12	12	24	6	26	*25
Salem	30	60	60	31	67	86		York	50	50	100		55	52
Williamsport	40	40	80	21.80	87	87		ST. MARYS GRUP						
FINDLAY GROUP														
Bairdstown	21	42	42		45	36		Bethel	15	15	30		28	27
Benton Ridge	60	60	180	10	131	118		Celina	153	153	306	6	233	200
Benton Ridge Circuit														
Pleasant Hill	35							Celina Circuit						
Trinity	40	21	61		60	60		Hope	44	44	88		60	74
Bluffton Circuit:														
Bethesda	14			6	23	28		Mt. Carmel	22	22	22		77	72
Lbty. Chapel	17	15	30		26	27		Fort Recovery						
Olive Branch	30				43	61		Bethel	18	18	36	6	*45	42
Carey	91	92	276	6	27.37	207	149	Mt. Zion	45	45	90	6	102	97
East Findlay Circuit:														
Ark	30	30	60		39	42		Old Town	16	16	32		37	35
Mt. Zion	45	23	46		45	*59		Olive Branch	22	22	44			
Findlay:														
First	312	312	624	6	354	*396		Pasco	40	40	80	6	45	49
St. Paul	223	223	446.09	2	390	304		Sidney	90	90	180	6	*112	*112
West Park	28	27.50	65	6	1	51	25	St. Marys	90	90	180	6	*116	*100
Salem	13	7.25	7.25	2	21	21		Wapakoneta	48	96	96	12	114	101
Bethlehem	50	50	100	6	80	80		VAN WERT GROUP						
Leipsic	50	50	50	6	98	72		Bethel-Mt. Zion						
Forest Grove	20				23	22		Bethel	25	25	50	6	51	*57
Kieferville	20	9	18		43	45		Mt. Zion	15	10	20		*47	*48
Mt. Cory	40	40	80	6	91	78		Continental	50			6	46	50
Pleas. View	50				81	76		Mt. Zion	40				43	43
Rawson	100	80	160	6	96	100		Wisterman	25				29	29
South Findlay Circuit:														
Pleas. Grove	25	10	20		36	36		Grover Hill Circuit:						
Salem	25				29	28		Blue Creek	30	30	30		37	40
Van Buren	100	100	200	6	124	76		Middle Creek	35	15	30		46	41
Vanlue	50	50	100	24	74	74		Mt. Zion	25	25	50		58	55
Vanlue Circuit:														
St. Paul	19	20	40		65	65		Mt. Pleasant	80	50	100	6	89	90
Union	30	30	60		43	61		& Harmony		10	20		27	27
West Findlay Circuit:														
Powell Mem.	42	50	50		62	62		Oakwood	50	40	100		10	*110
Zion	25				34	34		Oakwood Circuit:						*103
Wharton Circuit:														
Beech Grove	25	11	22	30	39	39		Centenary	25	25	50	6	52	52
Big Oak	42	42	84		*75	*75		Prairie Chpl.	25	25	50		61	56
LIMA GROUP														
Blue Lick	25	25	50	6	49	52		Rockford	200	200	400	6	273	228
Col. Grove	150	125	250	6				Van Wert:						
Cridersville	25	17	36	6	44	25		Calvary	105	105	210	6	183	166
Kemp	25	4	24		*35	*44		Trinity	143	143	286	6	215	198
Delphos	75	75	150	6	142	134		Van Wert Circuit:						
Dunkirk	65	65	130	6	78	91		Gnd. Victory	44	48	88	6	90	90
Walnut Grove	100	100	200		135	133		Union Cntr.	25	25	50		67	67
Elida	100	50	100	21				Wren	65	65	130	12	*32	*45
Lakeview	45	52	52		*70	43		Wood Chapel	25	25	50	6	60	56
Lima, First	231	231	462	6	290	210		St. Peter's	12	12	24		14	21
Lima, High	205	205	410	6	230	235		W'shire, Union	35	35	70	6	84	79
Marion (Elida)	22							WILLARD GROUP						
Santa Fe	45	25	55					Attica, Fed.	20	20	40	6	*71	65
Vaughnsville	75			6				Attica Circuit:						
MARION GROUP														
Cardington	50	50	84	6	93	95		Richmond	50	70	150	16.50	62	62
Fairview	22	22	44		30	31		Union Pisgah	40	38	96		60	60
Climax	10				28	28		Biddle	15	30	30	6	32	35
Hepburn	15	15	30		*43	*29		Bloomville	45	45	90	6	75	55
Hopewell	16		16		10.50	15	*16	Harmony	40	40	80		86	80
Otterbein	30	30	60		13.20	37	*43	Leesville	45	45	90			
Marion:														
Calvary	195	195	585	6	302	256		Republic	30	30	60	6	*61	50
First	100							Pietist					108	110
Greenwood	92	275.52	275.52	8	49.40	*210	*114	Shelby	231	231	462		242	222
Oakland	148	148	296	6	271	160		South Reed	22	22	44		36	32
Salem	27	25	69	8	32	*122	113	Tiffin	75		150			
N. Winchester	25	15	25.50	12	40	40		Tiro	90	90	180	6.66	108	120
Peoria	7	7	14		36	26		Willard	285	311	622	30	220	325
Mt. Zion	4	4	8		12	12		Totals				\$14433.23	\$890.16	
												\$28,792.47	\$938.79	

Late, on last year's budget: Bethel-Townwood, \$43.92; Brokensword, Pleasant Home, \$18; Defiance Ct., Rural Chapel, \$17; Fremont, Trinity, \$175; Green Springs, \$24.25; Moline, \$28.53; Toledo, Zion, \$160; Upper Sandusky, Salem, 30, a total of \$ 496.70

Grand Total for the Month \$14929.93

Corrections on September Report in the Ohio Sandusky News: By inadvertance the following remittances were omitted: (Continued on Page 10)

COLUMBUS AVE. DEDICATION

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pensated for his labor and knowledge with the payment of the sum of 5 cents per pupil per week. If he were so fortunate as to have 20 pupils for a whole week he received the tidy sum of \$1.00 for his week's work. Or, imagine about 50 years ago, Mr. Wm. Bauman, then a resident of what is now our parsonage, hurrying to board the street car to go down to the railway station to see the boys off to the Spanish-American War!

The house which is now our parsonage, formerly was on the corner of Perkins and Columbus avenues. This grounds was platted in 1888 and made an addition to the City of Sandusky, the plats being signed by James Flynn, Wm. Gilcher, George and J. L. Dewitt and Chas. A. Judson. The lot on the corner of Col's. and Perkins was purchased by Jacob Kuebler of the Kuebler and Stang Brewery. In those days it was the custom of the breweries to buy up lots and lease or rent them for the sale of their products.

As nearly as record can be had, the present house was built about 1903. From the Kuebler family the house was sold to Wm. Bauman, whose widow now lives at 603 Wayne street, and at the age of 85 can give interesting accounts of life in that day, how the chicken lot was to the north of the house (between what is now the church building and their house), back of the house was the barn which sheltered the horses and other livestock. The Henrietta Dercks purchased it in 1915, Chas. Graefe in 1916, Mary Ireland in 1918, Julian Christiansen in 1919, James French and Vergn Pasco in 1920 and 14 days later to James and Florence Allen. At this date Mr. Allen being a carpenter, it underwent extensive repairs and renovations. The sleeping porch was put on the back and at this time the present stairway was built in the house. In 1923 it was sold to Julian Sommers, and from the Sommers' family it was deeded to Robert Stickinger in 1943. In 1946 it was sold to George Hazlett, and a month later to the Cleveland Trust Co. At this time there was talk of making Perkins Ave. an eight lane highway from Cleveland Rd. west, and the Trust Co. was negotiating for Standard Oil Co., who wanted that corner in case those plans materialized. In February of 1947 the deed was transferred to the National City Bank from whom the trustees of the Columbus Avenue EUB Church purchased the house in December of the same year.

The house was moved to its present site in the spring of '49. After a great many hours of labor, much perspiration, many aching muscles, and much planning, the

first tenants, Rev. and Mrs. Vanus Smith and family moved into the parsonage in November of the same year. Since that date, it has had more repairs, a couple of coats of paint, storm windows, lawn seeding, some landscaping, and eaves spouting is on its way . . . and so are we!"

R. P. Ricard, Pastor

OHIO CONFERENCE MINUTES

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ence, the special session of Sandusky Conference; the special and final sessions of the Ohio Conference and the final session of the Sandusky Conference.

The price of the book this year will remain at 50c, definitely but a fraction of the cost of publication. Every minister and lay member should own a copy; also local church officials, and there should be a very wide distribution of this historic record among the membership in the Conference. Pastors should manifest a bit of faith in their asking for copies, and the number desired should be reported at once to the secretary, Rev. L. E. Ames, Columbus Grove, Ohio.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

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which was conducted by Mrs. Purdy. Their leadership, devotion, and spiritual counsel will be greatly missed. Our prayers go with them in their new work at Marysville.

Mrs. J. W. H., reporter
* * *RECEPTION FOR PASTOR AT
DESHLER-OAKDALE CHURCH

Saturday evening, Oct. 13, the Oakdale E. U. B. church gave a reception for Rev. Emerson Iles and family in the church basement. A program of special singing and readings were given.

Gifts were presented to the pastor by Mrs. Bertha Swinehart, for which Rev. and Mrs. Iles responded. A fine lunch was prepared by the ladies and served to 75 people.

Rev. Iles is beginning his third year on this charge, and the condition of the church is good. The attendance in Sunday school averages 100, and the Worship services and the Youth Fellowship are well attended. Mrs. Bertha Swinehart

Board Of Ministerial
Training

The Board of Ministerial Training will meet on Friday, December 27th at 10:00 A. M. in First Church, Marion, Ohio. All parties interested may appear before the Board at that time or send written requests or statements.

Frank R. Hamblen, Chairman

Required Offerings

Through General Conference and Annual Conference action the following are the special offerings for this conference year:

1. COLLEGE-SEMINARY DAY. (This should have been received Sept. 16).
2. MEN'S DAY offering for Conference Brotherhood. (Should have been received October 21).
3. MISSIONS DAY offering—the last Sunday in November.
4. CHRISTMAS offering for Homes.
 1. Former United Brethren Churches lift offering for Otterbein Home.
 2. Former Evangelical Churches lift offering for Flat Rock Home.
5. WORLD SERVICE DAY. This day is to be sponsored by the W. S. W. S. the first Sunday in February.
6. MOTHER'S DAY. This special offering pertains to the former Evangelical Churches and is for the support of Haven Hubbard Home.

Besides the above required offerings, each local Sunday School is urged to receive a quarterly offering for the purpose of establishing new missions within the Ohio Sandusky Conference. An excellent time for this is the last Sunday of the months wherein there are five Sundays.

NOTE: Local treasurers are to send EACH of the above offerings to the Conference Treasurer, REV. W. P. ALSPACH, 314 E. LINCOLN ST., FINDLAY. Please observe this procedure for the sake of uniformity. DO NOT send offerings direct to Otterbein Home, Flat Rock Home or Haven Hubbard Home.

Bits Of Wisdom

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

Today (NOW) is the day of salvation.

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If you can not think of a way to flatter a man, tell him he is the kind of a man that can not be flattered.

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Interest is what a preacher wants from his audience. It is creative.

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Critics are people who go places and boo things.

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Words are like leaves: and where they most abound,
Much fruit of sense beneath is rarely found.

—Alexander Pope

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By all means have a train of thoughts.
But be sure you have a terminal too.

—Bowker

Budget payments, Bascom, \$78, Santa Fe, \$30. College-Seminary Offerings, Bascom, \$10.91, Walnut Grove, \$50, Mt. Pleasant, \$18, Willshire, Union, \$14, Cardington, Center gave \$18 instead of \$8. Group Insurance premium, Marion, Calvary, \$8.

To insure recognition in the reports to the "NEWS," it is most important that the pastors' remittances be in the hands of the Conference Treasurer on the third (3rd) of the month. Please do not wait until the last day to send your reports.

Since it has become an added duty of the treasurer to list the average Sunday School and Morning Worship Attendance, do not fail to enter these items on the yellow sheet report. Not a few pastors failed on this item, and of course this will account for some blank spaces in the Treasurer's report.

May I suggest that pastors be careful to pay their Group Insurance premiums regularly, each month. "Better be safe than sorry."

W. S. W. S.

Rom. 12:1-2. I beseech you, therefore, brethren by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable and perfect will of God.

The above scripture was the text of Mrs. Miekley of Walbridge as she spoke to the missionary group on Friday evening, Nov. 2nd. Our early snow storm was just getting under way that evening and it did not help in the attendance at our meeting. Those who were present were inspired and challenged by Mrs. Miekley as she spoke on "Thanks Be Unto God"—or, "Be Ye Thankful." Of the many many wonderful thoughts she presented the one which seemed most important was that—"As we, as Christians, receive and enjoy all the many blessings of God we are quite apt to feel that WE SHOULD DO something about them—and if we are truly thankful—WE WILL."

Mrs. Rathke sang "Give Thanks and Sing," with Mrs. French at the piano. Thank offering boxes were brought since this is the Thank Offering month. It was agreed that \$100 would be given on the Church Erection Fund Pledge on Anniversary Day. (There will have been some \$180 paid then on the \$500 pledge.) It was also agreed that a \$5. membership be paid into the Bonebrake Seminary Auxiliary Fund.

Mrs. Kuehn gave us the Hi-lights of the Fall Institute held at Woodville on Oct. 30th. Mesdames A. J. Snyder, Theo. Ziegler, C. B. Shaffer and Cletus Hoel had attended with Mrs. Kuehn. Other matters of regular business were cared for. Some \$24.00 was reported as proceeds of the Silver Tea. Mesdames Reams and Stock served pumpkin pie and coffee.

H. C. (In absence of Mrs. Nelson)

Sunday School

During October, our Sunday School attendance averaged two-hundred and fifty-seven as compared with two-hundred and seventy-four last October. While we regret to report this loss in attendance still we are hopeful that this will not continue.

We are working on a plan which we believe will be of interest to our people. Sunday, Dec. 2nd will mark the beginning of a thirteen week Attendance Campaign. Prior to that date, attendance cards together with a letter of explanation will be sent to all those whose names we have on rolls. To receive proper credit it will be necessary to have your card punched each Sunday. Some recognition will be given all those completing the thirteen Sundays of perfect attendance. If you have been regular in attendance, will you continue to come even on the Sundays when your class will be well attended and

you feel you might not be missed anyway? If you are not regular in attendance, will you promise, secretly, to yourself that you will be in attendance during the thirteen Sundays whenever practicable? If we would all do this, I'm sure we would have the greatest rally our Sunday School has ever known.

On Sunday evening, December 23, our Sunday School will present an evening of entertainment in our Church Basement. There will be no admission charge, but we will ask that you bring along your Christmas offering for the Otterbein Home at that time. We are hoping for a good offering this year because of the increased costs on the things the home has to buy. Also, as you know, this is the only time of the year we are called upon for a cash offering for the Otterbein Home.

E. McShane, Supt.

Ladies Aid

Folks, this column is going to be a little different—we would like to pause for just a minute and give a boost where we feel it is not only deserved, but also needed. Maybe you don't realize it, but the Upton Aid is a group of hard-working ladies. In the nearly-five years that we have been with them there have not been very many new faces to help carry the load, but the "faithfuls" have never failed to do the job that was set before them. They have met challenges and cleared away obstacles when both spirits and hopes were at a mighty low ebb.

These ladies put on public suppers from September through May, they get together for sewing days whenever possible, they try to make the day more memorable for the brides who ask them to take charge of their wedding receptions, and for the families and friends of folks who have died, they try to ease the strain a little by preparing a dinner for them. In between times while they are "resting" they sort and count tax stamps and are available any time for church work. We, for one, have come to the conclusion that Marie Thomas and her group had better adopt the slogan "The impossible we do immediately, the miraculous takes a little longer!"

Seriously, though, whether you come to the monthly suppers or only drop a few tax stamps into the glass jar in the vestibule you are helping a group that is deserving of your whole-hearted support and cooperation. They are grand women and fine workers and they need YOU behind them. Incidentally, don't forget the yearly bazaar coming in December along with the regular supper. Watch for the date in your bulletin—you may be able to escape some of the horrors of downtown Christmas shopping here.

In the eighth chapter of Romans, verses 38 and 39, Paul tells the people that there is nothing that can separate them from the love of God, neither death, life, powers, principalities, things present, nor things to come. Dr. Dale Ihrie of Detroit in an

article entitled "The Guarantee of God's Grace" points out that though we are threatened by all these things today our destiny is yet assured by the love of God.

The world is still smarting under the sting of two total wars and is continually harassed by the threat of another one. We as a nation can no longer feel secure with the idea that in case of war we are "out of reach." The advance of aeronautical warfare and the atom bomb have made us as susceptible to attack as our overseas neighbors. There are also other changes which have caused us to lose our position of isolation—changes which will give the other peoples of the world a share in wealth and industry that once were exclusively ours.

In spite of all of these upheavals and changes one thing remains constant—the love of God, and on this love is our real happiness in life based. On one side of the book is Christ offering the grace of God; on the other are the material things that soon pass away—wealth, ease, prosperity, pleasantness. But our destiny does not hang on our success, or safety, or our survival on this planet. We are dependent solely on God's grace from the first beat of our pulse to the last. Our one great necessity is His love, for "what shall it profit a man if he gains the whole world and lose his own soul!"

It is a Biblical truth that there are things in this life which will disturb our way of living. But of one thing we can always be assured—none of these things will ever separate us from His divine love. When we accept Jesus we not only receive the true blessings of this life, but we are also able to partake of God's forgiving mercy and of His pardon for our sins.

In closing we would leave Paul's words with you for the days that lie ahead—"For I am persuaded that nothing shall be able to separate us from the love of God . . ."

Margaret Pfeiffer

CULMINATION

By Florence Jansson

God opened spring; I saw it grow, expand,
And reach its green, compelling fingers out;
I saw its touch caressing all the land
And in my heart it touched away the doubt.
God ripened spring to summer's matchless
glow,

And brought to life the seed beneath the
soil;

This miracle is one I truly know
Because I shared its wonder through my
toil.

As summer spent itself God shaped the
days,

In rich design, to autumn's splendid mold;
He marked her lines with ample harvest
ways

And gave her all the wealth her fields
would hold.

The spring and summer prophesied, and
now

The autumn brings fulfillment's laden
bough.

Worship Attendance

I should like to say a word about our Worship Service Attendance. Over sixteen years ago Rev. Johnson accepted the assignment to a church with a debt that would seem impossible to ever liquidate. At that time, Rev. Johnson, said that he would lay down his life for the work at Upton church if the people of the church would stand by him. I think you will agree that throughout all these years he has done just that. I am sure I need not enumerate the many things that have been accomplished under his leadership. We all know that there is no phase of the church work or any organization of the church, whose welfare he is not vitally interested in. I am sure that we all agree that he has, through the years and is still giving his best to Upton church. The question arises, "Are we still giving him our support?" Are we attending worship service each Sunday morning as we know we should or are we coming when it is convenient? These questions, only we, as individuals, can answer. With the membership we have, our minister should never have to preach to any empty seats on Sunday morning, yet have you ever heard him complain? I haven't. I believe that if our church is going to continue to grow and progress as it has in the past, we must now pledge our loyalty anew, especially to the worship service, which, after all is the center of the whole program. Elsewhere, I have asked you to attend Sunday School for thirteen consecutive Sundays beginning Dec. 2nd. Will you do the same for your Church? If you do I promise you that you would not feel right staying away the fourteenth Sunday. You have nothing to lose and your being with us will do yourself and all of us an awfully lot of good. Won't you try?

E. McS.

Junior Worship

Sunday, October seventh, Junior church resumed again. We are studying lessons on the "Forgiving Christ." They are presented in flannelgraph and based on the understanding level for junior age. We also are learning scripture in a new way. Choice Bible verse which has been set to music, and then used in symbols of flannel graph. We have had a good number each graph. We have had a good number each graph, and each one has shown keen interest in their worship hour. We do hope other boys and girls who have not joined us will come. We need you.

Mrs. N. E. Kane,
Director of Jr. Worship.

Our Boys In Service

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A. P. O. 354 % P M.,
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3745 Ing. Sqd. Ft. 1488
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PRELUDE TO SNOW

By Christie Jeffries

This ashen sunlight whispers, "Snow, to-day."

The gold is pale,
Sunken in vague encroaching gray.
The barren swale
Of autumn bleaches from brown to umber
And brittle leaves
Float slowly along the path to slumber
Under white sheaves.

Even in sunlight, this premonition
Strikes deep and chill.
Snow is coming in quick transition
To crown the hill.
Where now the pallid sunrays quiver
In fading gold,
Soon all the white-robed land will shiver,
Manacled with cold.

Soon all the somber world I see
Will yield to frost;
And in this white immensity,
Warmth will seem lost.
But sunken deep in leaf-filled hollow,
The flame of spring
Will hide till April's frail blooms follow
Snow vanishing.

PRAYER FOR VISION

By Anobel Armour

Lord, let my eyes look wider on the world
So that there is no limiting by space:
The smallest child may hold a seashell
curved
In coral beauty and hear seas. Your face
May be reflected in a face grown old
In gentle service, offered in your name.
Not sun-strong but in shining quiet gold
A votive candle lifts its steady flame,
And oftentimes a pair of hands can be
Work-worn and veined, yet years of
tenderness
Are time-scrolled there for everyone to see
How hands like these are shaped to love
and bless:
Let me have vision then and words to sing
With equal joy for each created thing!