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# The Upton Challenger

UPTON EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

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# **Pastor's Column**

A week ago yesterday we returned from the sessions of the Annual Conference to begin our eighteenth year in the pastoral relations with the Upton Church. In that period of just one week I have made 20 calls, sent out 10 pieces of personal mail and in connection with the church, held three consultations amounting to more than four hours total, attended eight meetings in connection with the work of the church, preached once and spent a total of forty hours in the study. It has been a good and busy beginning. We are trying to get started on one of the finest years ever for the Upton Church. We shall need your prayers, best wishes and loyalty in the varied interests of the program.

Some Ways You Can Help:

When there is illness or specific need you can help by notifying the pastor of the same. We do not always know when people are ill or when there are needs. We are not offended or think you queer or childish when you inform the pastor of your needs even your very own. In fact we are very grateful for your help. One of a pastor's most trying and difficult situations is that where people take for granted that he knows and then are offended because he doesn't respond when in reality he doesn't know. How could he? -We are thankful that these cases rarely happen any more at Upton for the People seem to feel free to call. This call is a real help to the pastor.

You can help by finding your way into the various organizations of the church and helping there. If you need help in knowing concerning these organizations then call the pastor.

You can help by loyal attendance at the morning services on Sunday. Our Sunday School needs you and the people need your help and fellowship in worship, your pastor needs your presence and the community and God's cause. Your presence will enrich your own life and the lives of others. You can help by being present.

You can help by honest, sacrificial, systematic giving of your money. Everything we buy now costs more money than of a year or two ago. Incomes for many are more than of two to five years ago. Have you taken care of the increased need on the part of your church?

You can help by constantly being a good witness for Christ and your Church in every day life. Live as Christ wants you to live. Do not magnify the faults and weaknesses of your church or of your fellows rather dwell upon Him and send forth the good news of Him and His. Look

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# WINTER SCHEDULE

begins on

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:25 A. M. WORSHIP AT 10:30 A. M.

RALLY DAY — SEPT. 28th in our S. S.

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY in our Worship Hour

WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY

**OCTOBER** 5th

8:30 & 10:30 A. M.

Sunday School 9:25 A. M.

If, according to the data on the label, your subscription is due the enclosed envelope is for your convenience.

We trust that you will give this matter your prompt attention. If there are any questions please call

Mrs. Coder, La. 0936.

# World-Wide Holy Communion

Set aside Sunday, October 5th for Holy Communion with Christians throughout the world. There will be two services for this day. The first service will be at 8:30 and will be of forty minutes duration . . . a brief but sacred service. The second will be at 10:30 with Sunday School at 9:25. Plan now to be at the Communion and at the Sunday School session. The whole world needs your presence. There will be a love offering for the day in order that each may share in His great Spirit of love and sacrifice.

# **Among Our People**

Our sympathy to the family of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Chatfield in the recent and sudden passing of Mrs. Chatfield's mother, Mrs. Kavanaugh. Mr. and Mrs. Kavanaugh were once members of Upton Church and were known to many of our people. After moving to the East side they transferred to our Oakdale Church.

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ello Turner who were recently married. Mrs. Turner was the former Mrs. Evelyn Fain.

Our congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Swisher who were married in Upton church on Saturday evening, August 24th. Mrs. Swisher is the former Norma Dotson. They are now residing at 1332 Nebraska Ave.

We have a "Thank You" note from Rev. and Mrs. Dale Girton which reads— Dear Friends of the Upton Church: In humility and with gratefulness we wish to thank you for your prayers during our illness and for your gracious love offering you so kindly gave.

### Sincerely,

Thelma and Dale Girton (It will be remembered that these folks together with their little son were stricken with Polio last Fall—only the boy has recovered while Rev. and Mrs. Girton are having numerous operations which are benefiting them somewhat.)

Mr. John Mehan who is now convalescing in his home from a broken limb sends his thanks for the church's remembrance to him and to everyone who remembered him with cards and calls.

Since our last Challenger four new arrivals have made their appearance in our Church Folks' homes: Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Deacon have a new son, born August 12th. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cox, a baby girl, named Sally Jane, arrived on August 21st. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Sawade, a baby girl on Sept. 4 making them a boy and a girl. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fuller have a baby girl born Sept. 5th. Our congratulations to each of these families.

We are happy to inform our people that Joann Kerr is attending Otterbein College. We are glad that her ambition has been fulfilled. Our very best to her.

Rev. Basil Campbell is now vacationing here with his parents. It was good to have him in worship at Upton again,

Mrs. Zelma Katschke sends a belated "Thank You" to the church and all her kind friends who remembered her in her illness.

Paul Holliday has returned home from Toledo Hospital, having suffered a heart attack. He has expressed his appreciation for the many kindnesses of the church folks.

### PASTOR'S COLUMN (Continued from page 1)

about you there are many who are waiting for a word of invitation to share with you in the work of the Church and the good things of God.

You can help by prayer and Bible study. Enrich your own life and remember that God hears and answers prayer. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." Your prayers will help. You can help by words of encouragement. Tell your teacher or your department leader, or your pupil, or a member of your society, etc., etc., of the good they are doing and the contribution that they are making. You can help.

There are so many ways that YOU CAN HELP! I have just begun to enumerate them. I am sure that you will want to help. After all the great satisfaction in life is found only by those who give themselves to being helpful. It has been a joy unspeakable to note the desire at this point in this church. I speak all the above not in the spirit of rebuke but in the hope and the confidence that this great spirit may be even more manifest to the glory of God.

The theme of this year for the entire E. U. B. church is, "God's Call to Christian Stewardship." That is just what I have been talking about. Let us each and everyone arouse himself to the high calling of God. If we hear and heed a bit more than before we have ahead greater and better things for our lives and our church.

Your Pastor.

# W. S. W. S.

Your reporter wishes that she could write down in this report every word that was said at our September meetings as it was one of our best meetings in quite some time. We had forty women and children, and Rev. Johnson and Duane in attendance. I am sure the Program committee and your President felt proud and very rewarded by this good turn out. This was our first meeting of our new program and if they all prove as interesting and full of inspiration as this one, we shall see the growth of our society in many ways.

The usual business was conducted with the various reports given. The President made special mention of our new programs that you should have in your hands by this time. Please consult the programs as every member of our Society has been placed on a program. Contact the chairman of the program and find out what she is planning for that month. Our new envelope system was introduced and it proved quite successful from the treasurer's report. The Christmas Cards were on display for the ladies to inspect and place their orders. Please try and see this lovely display of cards and wrappings and place your order with the society as every order helps. Several ways of making money were discussed and tabled until a further meeting.

The program was one that will not be forgotten for quite sometime and Mrs. Beachler and her committee for the evening deserve a very hearty thank you for this enjoyable program. Mrs. Beachler conducted the program in her usual easy manner and so well given way. The members of the program committee for that evening were asked to give their favorite hymn and the ladies sang it. It was not the newer hymns that were chosen but the older ones which seem to hold more meaning and greater likeness. "Holy, Holy, Holy," "Jesus Is All The World To Me" "Beautiful Words Of Life", and "Sweet Hour of Prayer". (The ladies enjoyed the singing of these hymns so very much, future programs could have more of them, the ladies seemed to request them).

Mrs. Beachler asked us to remember the three T's, Time, Talent and Things, and apply these to our daily living. She then turned the rest of the meeting over to our guest speaker for the evening, Miss Norma Freer, Missionary to India, home on furlough after six years in India. She is from the Friends Church or Quaker church. She showed us the way they dress in India using a piece of cloth about a yard wide and six or nine yards in length. This is wrapped around their bodies and she even explained the ladies play tennis in this apparel (some of us ladies wondered how this could possibly be done). She told of the anklet bracelets the ladies of India wear around their ankles. As one native explained to other native women after receiving Christ as her Saviour, when asked what did you get for accepting this new Christ, "Well", she said, "I took my bracelets off from around my ankles and now I am free." This still didn't satisfy the women so they asked for further explanation. "See that tree", she said, "I will run you a race and see who wins." "We cannot run with these bracelets around our ankles". "That is what I mean by accepting Christ, you see he took my sins away and now I am free, just like when I removed my anklet bracelets I am free."

Miss Freer showed us movies of the village where she is stationed and we saw the nurses in the hospitals and the other missionaries in the field. The wonderful things these missionaries are doing and to hear of the hardships and the many inconveniences they must suffer made us feel that the missionary work needs all the support that we can possibly give them. To sit back and have the modern every day means of living and then to see what is still going on in far off places I think we should thank God for these men and women and help them in their work. The meeting came to a close all too soon as Miss Freer held us in complete attention with her talk. We do wish her Godspeed as she returns to her work next month.

September, 1952

We wish to thank the committee for their program and for their delightful refreshments they served. The program committee were as follows: Mrs. Gladys Beachler, chairman; Mrs. Elenore Beaubien, Mrs. Elsie Brannon, Mrs. Sybl Brown, Mrs. Luella Botz, Mrs. Norrine Bearss, Mrs. Roberta Callender and Mrs. Helen Coder. Thank You, Ladies!

E. N.

# Council Of Administration and S. S. Executive Council

Our first council session was called on Tuesday evening, Sept. 2. This should have been called under name of Local Conference since the contract of our Pastor was the business at hand. However, the same group makes up both the Council and Local Conference.

We had a fine group present—seventeen members—and two visitors, namely Mrs. Callender and Mrs. Harbaugh. We were happy for them—visitors are welcome at any session.

Mr. Kolbe opened our meeting with prayer. Rev. Johnson, Mr. Knisely as delegate and Mr. Kane as alternate each gave us some high lights and interesting happenings of Conference. Mr. Knisely was appointed to two committees—one on Evangelism, the other Christian Education. Each committee met several times during the week. Rev. Johnson was elected to Conference Board of Trustees.

Council meetings will again be held on first Tuesday evening of each month. This includes both Council of Administration and Sunday School Executive Council. The meetings will be called at 7:30 P. M. promptly. The groups alternating in meeting in first session, which is to conclude at 8:30. The second group session then will be called—no set closing time was decided upon, since this would allow additional time for extra matters that may come up to be cared for in each group.

Those attending Council of Administration were: Mrs. Braun, Dr. Callender, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. French, Mrs. Hatfield, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Kane, Mr. Knisely, Mr. Kolbe, Mrs. Kuehnl, Mr. Lugibihl, Miss Layman, Mr. McShane, Mrs. Schmitt, Mrs. C. Thomas, Mrs. Ziegler, Pastor and Secretary. Those excused were Mr. Riendeau, G. Johnson and K. McGuire.

Those absent were: Mr. Arnold, Mr. Babcock, Mr. Brannon, Mrs. Costin, Mr. Degener, Mr. Hoel, Mr. Huffman, Princess Johnson, Mr. Koenigseker, Mr. Kuehnl, N. Leach, P. Leach, Mr. Leonard, Mrs. Main, Mr. Sampsel, Pat Shreves, Mrs. O. Thomas, Mr. Van Gunten, Mr. Vernier, Mr. and Mrs. Wagner and Mr. Zoll.

The Sunday School Executive Council met immediately following and was in charge of Mr. McShane.

H. Coder, Sec'y.

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.

# **Missionary Institutes** to be held October 6-14

The Ohio Sandusky Branch W. S. W. S. will hold its fall missionary institutes October 6-14. Miss Lucille Esbenshade, a missionary teacher from the Philippines, will be the speaker. GROUPS, TIMES and PLACES are as follows:

October 6-Willard, Bucyrus and Marion groups at Bucyrus Grace.

October 7-Findlay group at Rawson.

October 8-Lima, St. Marys and Van Wert groups at Van Wert Trinity.

October 9-Napoleon and Bryan groups at Napoleon.

October 13-Fremont, Sandusky and Fostoria groups at Fremont Trinity.

October 14-Toledo and Bowling Green groups at Toledo East Broadway.

The institute program is as follows: 9:30 A. M.

Group Leader Presiding 9:30 Hymn, "Jesus Calls Us" Devotions

	Miss Lucile Esbe	nghad
10:00	Presentation of Conference	Inter
	ests	
11:00	Offering (special music)	
11:15	"Information Please"	
	12:00 Noon Meal	

1:30 Hymn

1:35 Departmental workshops 2:15 Roll Call Recheck Special music

Missionary address Offering

Benediction

6:30 Youth Fellowship Supper 7:30 Hymn Devotions Preview of Y. F. of 1952-53 Offering

Special music Missionary Address ..... Miss Lucille Esbenshade Benediction

Awards will be given to all local societies having seven out of nine of their elected officers present.

### Sincerely,

Mrs. Raymond Heter

# **Editor's Note**

This issue of The Sandusky News carries important sections of reports adopted at the recent Annual Conference. These reports are not printed in their entirety. For a detail coverage of the 1952 Annual Conference, consult the Conference Journal which will be printed later.

# **Report Of The Rural Life Committee**

The Rural Life Commission is naturally very much interested in the strengthening of the rural churches. We are aware of the fact that statistics show that there are nearly 10,000 communities in the United States with no church, and many other communities where there are several small Protestant churches and none of them able to carry on an effective ministry. Steps must be taken to correct this situation. In our Conference there are many cases such as are described above.

Therefore for the promotion of the Kingdom of God as a whole we recommend that where at all possible one of the following courses be pursued as the case may warrant. The rearrangement of charges, the federation of churches, the union of churches, the assuming of the full responsibility of a minister by churches able to do so, and in some cases even the closing of churches. The particular course taken to be determined only after careful and prayerful consideration of each situation.

Since such moves are not unique to our denomination, but a part of the program of every major denomination, we recommend and encourage cooperation with their agencies to the fullest extent that the end goal may be achieved. This cooperation to be encouraged at denominational, conference, district, and local levels.

Be it further resolved that we as a Commission on Rural Life offer our service in regard to the surveying of any rural community, and any other aid that we can render so as to make intelligent and progressive moves in the direction of strengthening the rural work. The areas to be surveyed or given other special attention by our Commission to be determined by the Conference Council of Administration.

Whereas, we, as a commission, feel the need of keeping the importance of the ministry of the rural church before our people, and, inasmuch, as that history shows that the rural church is the greatest feeder to the city churches, and the greatest source of Christian workers; therefore, be it resolved that each church in the conference observe Rural Life Sunday which comes on May 17th., at which time in an appropriate way present the need of better equipment and churchees in the rural community and the importance of their ministry.

Respectfully submitted by

E. T. Shepherd, Chairman E. W. Goings, Secretary Donald Bartow Argo Suddith and S. G. Sheriff

# **Board** Of Publication

The Conference Council of Administration

E. S. HECKERT . . . EDITOR

# **O. S. Annual Conference** Stationing Committee Report

F. L. Dennis, D. D., L. L. D., Bishop Dr. V. H. Allman and Rev. F. A. Firestone, Superintendents

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	Bascom Jack Stowell Bettsville Charles Cory
	Bloomdale Lloyd Rife
X	Bloomdale Bloyd Line

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# Standing Rule Changes

Ministers' Expenses. It shall be the policy of the conference that each local church or charge bear the expenses of the pastor of such basic bills as telephone, water, postage, stationery, and pulpit supply during vacation; and all utilities and salary inducements given by the church or subsidiary organizations shall be listed in the ministers' expense allowance in the Statistical Report; the conference to defray like expenses of the conference superintendents.

Employing Evangelists. Any pastor responsible for securing the services of evangelists not holding membership in the denomination without permission of his Conference Superintendent shall be delinquent.

Minimum Salary. The minimum salary for pastors for full time service shall be \$65.00 per week for 52 weeks and the parsonage. The conference shall also establish a minimum salary schedule for each charge of the Conference. Pastors re-

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# **Report Of Committee On** Stewardship

Kagawa has said, "I read in a book that a man called Christ went about doing good. It is very disconcerting to me that I am so easily satisfied with just going about." If a great steward of God like Kagawa felt thus disturbed for evading his stewardship responsibility, how much more ought we to sense our condemnation. Most of us have squandered so much of that with which God has so richly endowed us in irresponsible and selfish living, and have so often brought but mere fragments of our plenty to Him. Stewardship challenges us, in fulfillment of a noble resolve formed on some peak of spiritual dedication, to give back to God, for His glory and the blessing of our fellowmen, that which He has so lavishly given to us. Our own characters are beautified with Divine grace, and our personal needs are wonderfully met thru following out the thrilling discovery that we have something which God can use. And it is not enough that we come to the actual practice of stewardship ourselves. To spread the evangel of stewardship everywhere, beginning in our own local churches, is a most vital part of our Christian World Mission. The pastor is the key man in this important adventure.

Every local church ought to have an active stewardship committee. Every member who has stood before our altars and promised to support the church with his prayers, presence, gifts and service, and to study to know his duty as a Christian steward, ought to be challenged with his responsibilities thru an annual every member enlistment. No Pastor or official group should be complacent with maintaining the "status quo", and stopping at merely paying the necessary bills. We often lack in effort and concern for definitely and systematically enlisting more of our inactive members. That is the key in enabling our people to pay increasingly more to Kingdom activities beyond the confines of our local parishes, as we ought to do. A great many more of our people should accept the obligations and blessings of tith-The stewardship light that really ing. shines, burns not only the oil of God, but the wick of self. There is surely much more that we can and will do once we catch the vision that Christ is yearning to impart to us in this needy generation of wideopen opportunity and appalling need. We do greatly appreciate the faithfulness of our small nucleus of loyal, sacrificing people; but we are condemned by the great host of our soft, easy-going, unproductive constituency, and are humbled by the vast reservoirs of our untapped resources. We must aim at, and by God's grace achieve, that greater efficiency in practical dedication to Christ, for which Christian stewardship calls.

During this second year of our quadrennium, our General Evangelical United Brethren Church is joining with many other leading Protestant Denominations in stressing stewardship in an intensive way. Our

Denominational theme for this year is: "CHRIST CALLS TO STEWARDSHIP". The aim is "to answer Christ's call by dedicating to his service our total resources of discipleship". Let us then not fail to give Christian stewardship a very prominent place, and a very diligent emphasis in all our local church programs thruout the year ahead.

Incorporated in our Ohio Sandusky Conference Stewardship Program for the coming year are numerous suggestions which have come out of the office of our General Secretary of Stewardship, Dr. L. L. Baugh-Our recommended program which man. follows is divided into Three periods, with a listing of several points toward which we all should strive during each period.

- I. PERIOD OF STEWARDSHIP EDU-CATION - October thru December, 1952
  - A. An active committee on stewardship in each local congregation to study with the pastor stewardship needs of the whole membership, especially with the aim of enlisting the greatest rumber possible in their individual responsibility to the program of Christ and the church. (See Discipline, page 170, paragraph 572.)
  - B. Each local council of administration responsible for placing in the hands of each council member the complete packet, "Opportunity Aids", and the 32 page booklet, "Stewardship Nuggets", these excellent, recent Denominational stewardship materials to be discussed in the council of administration session as to utilization in a round-the-year local church stewardship emphasis.
  - C. Each congregation placing a copy of the study book for this year, "Christ Calls to Stewardship", in each home, with a planned program of home reading, followed by a planned program of study and discussion in the church.
  - D. Each church showing the Denominational stewardship sound films, "A Wonderful Life", (unless already shown) and the new film, "More For Peace". It is urged also that other of our good Denominational audio visual aids on stewardship be widely utilized.
- II. PERIOD OF ENLISTMENT AND DEDICATION-January thru March, 1953.
  - A. The distribution of selected stewardship literature as a preparation to commitments, thru signing of cards.
  - B. The promotion of and enlistment in the Tither's Fellowship in every church. Consider promoting a Tithing Festival during the

Lenten period.

- C. Emphasis up "The Immortality of Christian Influence," using a stewardship leaflet by this title, giving educational emphasis to remembering God thru wills, annuities, memorials and special gifts. Solicit selected persons for this type of enlistments.
- D. Especially during Lent-place stress upon increased local church giving for missions and benevolences, with the ultimate goal of raising one dollar for missions and benevolences to match every dollar of local expenditures.
- E. Strive to make the whole program of stewardship enlistments on a spiritual level, with the purpose of enriching Christian character and glorifying Christ.
- III. PERIOD OF ACTION-April thru June, 1953.
  - A. Use the time from Easter to Pentecost as an opportunity for special stewardship emphasis thru projects, displays, dramatic presentations, discussion groups and preaching.
  - B. Set up a budget for the coming conference year in each local church.
  - C. Let every church, where deemed advisable, accept the unified budget plan, and the use of the single offering envelope.
  - D. Aim to get every church member to contribute proportionately and systematically to the local church program thru a carefully planned and executed every member enlistment, using the materials in the "Opportunity Aids" kit and the "Every Member Canvass Kit". Respectfully submitted.

Dr. V. H. Allman, Chairman H. V. Falor, Secretary

# **College Library And Seminary Project**

Be it resolved:

"That the former Evangelical Churches in the Ohio Sandusky Conference accept their quota of \$26,910.00 for the Library Project at North Central College and the Evangelical Theological Seminary, Naperville. Illinois."

Be it therefore resolved that the Ohio Sandusky Conference approve the resolution and direct in accordance therewith that the sum of \$26,910.00 be apportioned to the above named churches, according to the membership thereof and that because of the manifested interest in this project by the entire conference, we recommend that all other churches of the Conference not in the compact of North Central College and Evangelical Theological Seminary be given an opportunity to participate in (Continued on page 7)

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- Green Springs ..... John Hoover Helena ..... L. C. Toepfer Lindsey ..... J. Paul Jones, Jr. Old Fort ..... E. H. Daubert
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	Flat Rock D. L. Williams
	Kelley's Island C. M. Moorehead
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	Port Clinton J. V. Bigelow
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	TOLEDO GROUP
	Elliston Clyde Huther
	Moline Edwin L. Endicott
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	Rocky Ridge Jesse Frey
x	Toledo Calvary Gerald Coen
	Toledo Coburn C. J. Mericle
	Toledo East Broadway Roy Cramer
	Toledo First F. M. Bowman
	Toledo Oakdale D. F. Emerick
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	Toledo Salem
	Toledo Somerset M. R. Frey
*	Toledo Upton O. E. Johnson
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- x Lima First ..... V. I. Sullivan \* Lima High Street ..... Frank Hamblen x Santa Fe ..... Calvin Wise
- x Vaughnsville ..... Paul Watson MARION GROUP
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- East Bethel ..... Argo Sudduth x Celina, Bethany ..... M. W. George x Celina Circuit ..... Javan Corl Fort Recovery-Bethel .. Charles Adams
- Celina, Mt. Zion ...... Argo Sudduth Celina, Old Town ..... Charles Adams x Olive Branch ...... Walter Gunther
- Pasco ..... Joseph Graham \* St. Marys ..... Paul Strause Sidney ..... John Searle, Jr. Wapakoneta ..... E. J. Haldeman

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# Report Of The Conference Board Of Evangelism

Since Evangelism is the heart and soul of the church, the Board of Evangelism wish to make the following recommendations for the Conference year 1952-1953.

1. That the goal of ten-win-one be continued in both the area of converts and securing of new church members.

2. That each church provide for a local committee on Evangelism which shall be held responsible for program of Evangelism in each local church, either visitation, public meeting or both. See discipline paragraphs 1893, 1895.

3. That every pastor use evangelists from the Evangelical United Brethren Church where it is possible, and where an evangelist is not recognized by our church and is desired for meetings the pastor Must comply with Par. 1877 and 372 of the Discipline. Failure to observe this rule the pastor will be referred to the committee on Delinquencies.

4. That every evangelist of the Conference recognized as an evangelist must file the proper reports at the close of the conference year with the Board of Evangelism as per Discipline, Paragraph 1879. This does not refer to ministers who have been assigned by conference to charges and do evangelistic work in other churches because of desire to serve the Lord.

5. That the Ohio Sandusky Conference promote through the Board of Evangelism the Larger Evangelism Program as outlined by our denomination and as presented to the Board by Dr. O. T. Deever of the General Board of Evangelism. Such a program would be as follows:

a. Organize in such a fashion that seven of the fourteen groups of the conference will carry on the program and the other half of the groups furnish ministers for group leaders. (Four to six months for the Project).

b. On October 20th, 1952 in Findlay a day of Penitence and Prayer will be held in the interest of the program of the Larger Evangelism. Dr. Deever and Dr. Mueller will present the program. Attendance of all pastors is required and if possible a layman from each church.

c. Definite working of the plan.

1. Men from Dayton will train a group evangelistic leader (and a layman also if available) who will serve as trainer for the ministers and guest leaders of each group. Time for the training will be set by the Board of Evangelism in cooperation with the General Board and the Conference officers.

2. On the field work shall consist of five steps.

a. Set up meeting of ministers in group for purposes of organization; publicity, prayer periods and other activities connected with the planning of this program.

b. Week of training of pastors and laymen who will carry that program back to the people in the evening meetings in the local churches. This includes a self-analysis of the Sunday School to determine where the Sunday School needs to be strengthened and where visitation is needed, etc.

c. Launching of the Strengthening of the Sunday School Program and following up with three or four months of visitation. This also may include Church membership as well as Sunday School.

d. Check up meeting, when the campaign is about two months in length. On this day, plans for further visitation and preaching services may be discussed.

e. Close the venture by having a guest minister or evangelist conduct with the pastor a preaching mission of one week or more.

We recommend that this program be started in 1952 by prayerful consideration and study of Sunday School Program Packet and be so organized that in October, 1953 we may launch this Larger Evangelism Program for the entire Conference. Respectfully submitted,

The Ohio Sandusky Conference Board of Evangelism

Rev. F. A. Firestone, Secretary Rev. Roy Cramer, Chairman Rev. E. T. Shepard, Cor-Sec'y

## Annual Report Of The Board Of Missions

1. Organization. At the Conference session of 1951, the Board of Missions organized by electing the following officers: President, John C. Searle, Sr.; Vice President, C. P. Maas; Secretary, C. D. Osborn.

Those elected to serve as the Executive Committee were: Chairman, J. C. Searle, Sr.; Secretary, C. D. Osborn; V. H. Allman, F. A. Firestone, W. P. Alspach.

Miscellaneous Actions Of The Board

1. Approval of Projects. The attention of ministers and lay representatives of the Conference is called to the provision in the Discipline, Paragraph 892, which reads, "The Conference Board of Missions shall examine all projects for the construction or remodeling of congregational properties involving a maximum cost of more than twenty percent of the total amount of money raised by the congregation for all purposes during the previous Conference year; the Annual Conference, however, shall have the right to lower this percentage at its discretion. This examination shall include: (1) the need for such projects; (2) the maximum cost; (3) the architectural design; (4) the plan for the liquidation of the indebtedness."

(As an illustration, if the total amount of money raised in any one year be \$10,-000, then any projects of construction or remodeling of congregational property with a maximum cost of \$2,000 or more, must be submitted to the Board of Missions for approval before any work is begun.)

2. The Board desires to emphasize the fact and importance of missionary work. Missions should mean extension and vast areas where new residences are being erected should be entered by our conference. Several churches are handicapped at the present time by larger attendance than can be adequately cared for. Unless new churches are built or sizeable additions made, people will go to other churches where available room for instruction and worship is provided.

The Board of Missions

3. (1) Although much of the aid now given is "Token Assistance", the Discipline plainly states, Paragraph 74, that "A charge that receives aid in the form of missionary appropriation from the annual conference or from the Board of Missions, is a mission."

(2) We wish to call attention to the following special rule adopted by the last annual conference, Rule No. 8, p. 14, 1951 Journal: "Churches receiving appropriations from the Board of Missions shall liquidate them by reducing thee amount appropriated by \$50 a year."

4. Church Extension Fund. Pursuant to Conference order, on October 2, 1951, action was taken to create a revolving loan fund, to be known as the CHURCH EX-TENSION FUND OF THE OHIO SAN-DUSKY CONFERENCE OF THE EVAN-GELICAL UN I-TED BRETHREN CHURCH. A copy of the By-Laws is appended to this report. To this date, \$15,-000 has been borrowed from the Otterbein Home permanent funds, at 4%, to make this fund operative. Loans to churches are to bear  $4\frac{1}{2}$ %, the additional  $\frac{1}{2}$ % to cover operating cost.

### Recommendations

A. We recommend that the Budget for the Board of Missions for the year 1952-53, shall be \$19,000.00.

B. We recommend that special consideration be given at this session to peculiar situations at Kelly's Island, Hayes Station and West Unity Charge.

C. Whereas the Attica Federated Church situation was presented to this Board, and consideration was given at several sessions, we recommend that certain features of the problem involving property be referred to the Conference Board of Trustees for consideration, before this Board can take any action.

# Committee On Resolutions And Courtesies Gave To Dr. L. E. Ames

Our appreciation for his 22 years of untiring efforts as the conference secretary. "We wish to extend to him our hope and prayer that his future years will be as productive as have been the years he has so unselfishly given to his job as secretary."

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the gathering of these funds by a free will offering.

That these funds be collected within a period of two years from this present Conference and in the event that there be a surplus in the total gathering of these funds, the same shall be turned into the Board of Christian Education to be used in Student Aid Funds.

Conference Treasurer's Report FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1952 (Month ending September 5th) W. P. Alspach, Treasurer

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*Custar	20		240			
* West Hope	42		504			
*Deshler	60	120	720			
* Oakdale Hoytville			1080			
*Luckey			840 600			
*North Baltimore		100	1200			
*Portage	35	35	420			
* Mt. Zion			720			
South Liberty	50	140	447			
*Tontogany	17		195 199			
Webster	30		266			
Cloverdale	20		220			
BRYAN GROUP:						
Bridgewater	45		495			
*Bryan			1920			
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*Logan Mt. Olive	10	00	120			
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* Mt. Calvary	33		396			
* Rural Chapel	17		204			
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*Kansas	10	10	120	297	308	
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*Helena	59	59	708			
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*Delta			672		
* Zion			720		
*Liberty Center	35		420		
*Malinta	30		360		
*McClure			1200	x122	74
*Monclova	18	36	216	52	20
* Wilkins	14	56	168	50	40
*Napoleon	83	128.95	1077.95		
*Wauseon, First	40		480		
*Wauseon Ct.: Beulah	20	40	240		
* North Dover	50	132.25	601		
*Whitehouse	59		767	121	92
SANDUSKY GROUP:					
*Bellevue	190		1005 50		
*Flat Rock			1807.50		
*Kelley's Island		74	959		
*La Carne	20	17	309		
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*Millbury	25		299		
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* Pleasant Home	18		253.49	50	52
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* Zion	30		393	58	64
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*Johnsville	97		1201	124	125
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* Powell Memorial		10	504			
* Zion		40	300			
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* Big Oak	44	44	504	92	80	
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LIMA GROUP:						
*Blue Lick	25	25	300	x38	x31	
*Columbus Grove		175	1800	165	140	
*Cridersville	25		300	38	x28	
Kemp	25	10	155	x37	x37	
*Delphos		75	900			
*Dunkirk		65	780	54	54	
*Walnut Grove	100	100	1200	125	125	
Elida		50	600			
Lakeview	45	45	444	67	50	
*Lima, First			2772			
*Lima, High St.			2460			
*Marion (Elida)			264			
*Santa Fe		90	480			
*Vaughnsville	75	800	900			
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* Fairview	22	22	264	31	35	
*Climax	10		120			
*Hepburn	15		180	14	16	
* Hopewell			192	14	16	
*Otterbein	30	30	360	45	49	
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*Mt. Zion	45	45			
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* Bethel	25	25	300	58	.47
* Mt. Zion	15	70	180	x48	32
Continental	40		250		
Mt. Zion	35		180		
* Wisterman	15		180		
Grover Hill Circuit:					
Blue Creek			192		
* Middle Creek			420		
*Mt. Zion Mt. Pleasant			300		
& Harmony	80		600		
*Oakwood	50	50	120 600	94	94
Oakwood Circuit:		90	600	94	94
* Centenary	95		300		
* Prairie Chapel	25		300		
*Rockford	200		2400	235	192
*Van Wert, Calvary	105		1250	200	101
Van Wert Circuit:			100		
* Grand Victory	44	44	528		
* Union Center		25	300		
*Van Wert, Trinity	143	143	1716	169	148
*Willshire, Union			432		
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*Biddle	15	15	180		
*Bloomville	10	10	540		
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NOTE: 179 churches, indicated \*, paid full budgets; 21 of these were former Ev. churches that paid in addition, the August 1951 apportionment. A few churches have paid in advance the September, 1952, budget apportionment, which will be reported in the regular September statement.

The August attendance record is incomplete, owing to the fact that many churches had paid full budgets in July, and had no need for a report.

Additions to the Girton Fund this month: Lindsey, \$75.10; Monclova, \$12; Toledo, Upton, \$91; Wharton, Big Oak, \$18; Wilkins, \$28; Perrysburg, \$5, a total of \$229.10; Grand total, \$5,622.77.

# Committee On Social Action

In view of the need for positive action in this very important area of our total church program, your committee submits the following recommendations:

I. We reaffirm our position on the separation of church and state, and express our beliefs as set forth in the first amendment to the constitution of the United States. We believe that the church and the state should hold each other in high esteem and cooperate for the high ends of moral purposes; but we do not favor the state's granting any preferment to any church or religion. We reaffirm our opposition to the appointment of a representative of the United States to the Vatican. and recommend that when necessary this action be transmitted to the President and to our legislators, the secretary of this conference being authorized to do this. We further urge our people individually to send letters of protest to the President and to their congressmen in the event that any action of this nature seems pending.

II. We reaffirm our opposition to Universal Military Training, and should a bill embodying such a measure be introduced into congress, we hereby recommend that the secretary of this conference be authorized to transmit this action to the proper officials.

III. Whereas the general committee on Christian Social Action has submitted a clear, discerning outline of Christian practices in various areas of our common life, as set forth in paragraphs 1906-1941 of the Discipline and in the pamphlet, "The Church and Social Issues" put out by the general council of administration of our church we hereby recommend the following:

1. That our pastors be urged to offer vigorous, wise, and constructive leadership in removing the forces of evil which are laying waste so many lives, namely, gambling, narcotics and the criminal element.

2. That we further urge our pastors to enlist their congregations in the study of their respective communities to discern evils, and ways and means of outlawing such evils.

IV. We recommend the renewing of efforts of the church to control and outlaw alcoholic beverages....

We further recommend that our pastors give special attention to the needs of alcoholics, with specific consideration being given to the field of personal counseling as it relates to the alcoholic. We also recommend that our pastors cooperate whenever and in whatever way possible with the Alcoholic Anonymous organization.

We further recommend that the first Sunday in March, set aside as Temperance Sunday by the general committee on Christian Social Action, be observed as such by every church in our conference, and that full use be made of all opportunities for bringing this very important matter before our people in an effective manner.

V. We recommend that every church of

our conference adopt the emphasis, "Christ Calls to the Stewardship of Christian Family Life", and seek to make it effective and meaningful. We urge the use of all promotional material provided by our denomination for the observance of National Family Week, the Family Altar, and other related emphases, and the increased use of Audio-visual materials in this field.

# Report Of Committee On Christian Education

The committe on Christian Education submits the following recommendations:

1. That every church, in so far as possible, organize its educational program with officers and offices as specified in the Discipline.

2. That every church arrange for at least one visit by the Director and that his services be utilized in the way deemed most effective by the local pastor.

3. That the Educational Program of the Conference comply in objectives and promotion with the program of the general church with emphasis placed upon the theme for this year, "Christ Calls to Stewardship" as it relates to the ten areas comprising the scope of Christian Education activities.

4. That all camps begin with a Sunday afternoon registration with a Sunday evening program under the supervision of the general director.

That there be two one-week periods of children's camps and two one-week periods of intermediate camps to accommodate the growing number of campers in these two groups.

That there be included in the camping program a camp for Young Adults and a Family camp.

That every church in the conference be represented in each camp.

5. That the Mid-winter Convention be held for two days and one night on the Friday and Saturday following Thanksgiving.

6. That there be included in the program for next summer a Conference Convention on Christian Education at St. Marys with a program planned to be of assistance to each age and each interest group in the field of Christian Education as it is related to the local church.

7. That every available means be used to assist with the "Strengthen The Sunday School" Campaign.

8. That all churches observe the publication celebration of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible and use the occasion to quicken people's interest in the Bible.

9. That we commend the pastors who have loyally and cooperatively supported our Church Colleges and Seminaries, and we urge every disciplinary action be taken to direct every pastor to encourage the youth of our church to enter and support our schools.

We highly commend the local churches that are giving financial support to students in our denominational schools, and we encourage other churches to do the same.

> J. S. Engle, Chairman E. S. Heckert, Secretary

# **Report Of The Board Of Pensions And Insurance**

At the 1951 Annual Conference Session of the Ohio-Sandusky Conference the following men were elected to the Board of Pensions and Insurance: O. E. Johnson, Gerald H. Coen, George Schmidt, D. D. Corl, C. J. Mericle, A. E. McVey, C. W. Walmer, and Howard N. Porterfield.

The Board of Pensions and Insurance met at the time of the Annual Conference Session and organized with the following results. O. E. Johnson, Chairman; Gerald H. Coen, Vice Chairman; and Howard N. Porterfield, Secretary. The work of the Board was divided into four departments with O. E. Johnson and Howard N. Porterfield looking after the interest of the Group Hospitalization Insurance; A. E. McVey and George Schmidt, the Group Life Insurance; C. J. Mericle and D. D. Corl, the Pension Interests; and Gerald H. Coen and C. W. Walmer, the Burial Benefits. group was to study his particular department so that he would be in a position to make, if necessary, any recommendation in that particular interest.

The year's expenditures total: \$14,204.23 for premiums on insurance; \$824.69 maternity benefits; \$900.00 burial benefits; and \$1,166.85 operating expense. The Board received a total of \$11,940.00 in premiums for group life and hospital and burial benefits.

In the light of study during the year we are here submitting for ratification the following recommendations.

I. That all men who have served in a mission field of our denomination and still held membership in either of the uniting conferences now forming the Ohio-Sandusky Conference, and are as of now members of the Ohio-Sandusky Conference, that all such years of service be added and credited as being served in the Conference where the membership was held.

II. That the By-Laws and Constitution of the Ohio-Sandusky Conference Pension and Insurance as hereto attached and rewritten be accepted as the By-Laws and Constitution for the coming year or until further need for change is presented to the Annual Conference in the manner as stated in the By-Laws and Constitution of the Pension and Insurance of the Ohio-Sandusky Conference.

III. That payment of grants be upon the same basis as last year if at all possible.

O. E. Johnson, Chairman Howard N. Porterfield, Secretary

Date for 1953 Annual Conference Was set for August 12-16 at Camp St. Marys.

## **Upton Aid**

### Hello Folks:

By the time you read this the girls will have started another year—a year of sewing for the Fall bazaar, a year of public monthly suppers, a year filled with all the various jobs which the "Aiders" find to do and are given to do. They will need a lot of help for all this so if YOU haven't offered them your services they'll be glad to have you help whenever you can. They would like to see you at their regular meetings, too, on the second Tuesday of each month. There's a time of fellowship to be had for all so why not join them they'll be glad to see you.

The church kitchen has had its "face" lifted—it's wearing that well-scrubbed look this year—cupboards both inside and out, ceiling and sidewalls. Pots, pans, dishes, silver, and what have-you have all been washed, wiped, scrubbed, scoured, and stacked away ready for use. The girls started the ceiling and walls and the men finished the job in the evening. Our most sincere thanks and appreciation go to this group! This was one time when the ladies were really aided!

In the sixth chapter of Hebrews, verses one through three Paul is exhorting the people not to lay again the foundations of Christian faith, but to go forward and build their spiritual lives upon these foundations. This exhortation may be compared to building a house-when the foundation has been laid we don't stop there nor do we continue to put one foundation upon another. We go on with our building until the house is finished. So it is with our Christian life for after the basic principles have been absorbed we should continue to build our lives upon these principles.

If we sincerely try to build our everyday lives upon this foundation of Christ we find ourselves taking a different view of things. We are not content to "follow the crowd" willy-nilly, we reason things out and if a thing is wrong according to the teachings of Jesus we take and keep a stand against it. We are not so quick to look for the "mote" in our brother's eye as we are to cast out the "beam" in our own eye for we have come to know that we too "fall short of the glory of God." In the home, the shop, the factory, the office, the school, and the church we take our stand on the side of Christ and we walk according to His teachings, even if it means walking alone.

As we continue to build on our spiritual foundations we come to the realization that our "house" is incomplete until we have fully surrendered our lives to the will of God. We can no longer say, "Thy will be done IF or WHEN or AS LONG AS". We MUST say, "Thy will be done" and say it with no restraint, no reservation, no withholding of our time, our talents, or our very lives if necessary. This is the peak of our spiritual building —our full and complete surrender to the will of God to be used when and where and how He sees fit. When we have reached this point where we can live the way of the Master as well as talk His way then our foundation and our building are nearly completed. The final pieces will be put into place on the day we meet our Lord and enter into our eternal home with Him.

Margaret Pfeiffer

## Trustees

We are now well on our second year with our Church Erection Fund and find that our people are doing very well with their pledges. At the end of August we have a total of \$24,191.70 in cash plus other properties.

We feel that in the near future we will be able to move to the completion of our church and we are now getting in sight of our goal.

We also have had the church parsonage kitchen remodelled for Rev. Johnson and family and it sure is a beautiful piece of workmanship and planning by Rev. Johnson and his wife.

They have beautiful natural finish cupboards with yellow vitrol plastic work tops and plenty of drawers and cupboards for dishes, etc.; a new double sink with fluorescent lighting; and a red and gray rubber tile floor. There is a large shadow box on the end wall in which Mrs. Johnson has tastefully arranged many lovely figurines.

Rev. and Mrs. Johnson are very much pleased with this new kitchen and they are well deserving of it after so many faithful years with us.

Our thanks to Rev. Johnson for all the work which he did in remodelling the kitchen. He did the painting, shellacing, took out the old window and built in the shadow box, did all the plumbing and laying the rubber tile on the floor, as well as all the carpenter work and removing the partition.

This saved a great deal of money in the way of labor. We are very proud that our pastor is so capable and did such a beautiful job.

W. C. VanGunten, Trustee

# Jesus, Friend Of All

Once Jesus lived on earth and walked and talked with people. Selfish men thought Jesus came to earth just for grown ups. Jesus said: "Let the little ones come unto Me." There was much work to be done by Jesus because there were many bad folks and Jesus came to make people good. So great was His love that He died for the bad people so they would not need to die. The Bible calls this sacrificial Love. Cruel men nailed Jesus to the Cross. The friends of Jesus were very sad and laid His body in the tomb. On the first Easter morning Jesus arose. Then a strange miracle occurred.

The spirit of Jesus entered the hearts of all who loved Him. Faithless men now became faithful followers of Jesus. They who were unbelieving and afraid before the Resurrection were now changed. Their evil thoughts and sinful deeds were gone out of their lives. They became new persons. They began to love folks whom they hated before. They were now willing to go into foreign lands and tell people about their wonderful Savior. They said this change in their lives had come through the risen Jesus, and from Jesus alone.

They now belonged to God as His dear children. They remembered all Jesus had taught them and wanted to show forth His great kindness to others, even to their enemies. This new experience was as a gift which they received by believing in Jesus with all their minds—God's gift through Jesus Christ and His precious blood which He shed on the Cross for them.

For the remainder of their lives they went about telling everybody—people of every nation—that anybody can have this great salvation in the same way, even boys and girls. Their hearts were strangely warmed because they were saved through Jesus in His blood by Faith and they wanted everybody to share in God's wonderful Love.

# The Christian Community

When a Samaritan woman stepped out into the mid-day sun to draw water from a wayside well, and instead, drank of that Fountain of Living Water, a way was opened resulting in a world-wide Christian Community.

No longer need Jew and Gentile live on two sides of a man-made boundary and remain apart. A Jewish Rabbi and a Samaritan woman discovered a common need and together they drank from that ancient well, as though it were the well at the gate of their respective homesteads.

The Gospel is the power of God to all mankind. Christians in all lands are citizens of a great historical community, extending across national boundaries and transcending race and language. The borders of this Christian Community were lengthened when two Presbyterian congregations united, recently, in San Francisco—one was white and the other Negro.

Amidst starvation, disease and loss of earthly possession, bands of Korean Christians rise at dawn for prayer and praise, agonizing for the salvation of millions of their countrymen—all this in spite of being routed from their homes and tortured. The Korean Christian Community is growing in spite of Communist terror.

And again—Trustees of the Southern Baptist Seminaries and some colleges open the ministry of these institutions to all persons, who are qualified to take advantage of it, regardless of race.

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### THE UPTON CHALLENGER

# Rally Day And Back To Church Sunday

Sunday, September 28 will be Rally Day among the churches of our denomination. Each and every class should see to it that they have a banner attendance for the day. Call every pupil and every prospective pupil. A personal call by some member of the class would be yet better. See that everyone feels wanted and needed. LET'S NOT MISS A ONE.

This is also back to Church Sunday. Last year we had a hard time getting Worship Attendance under way. This year is much better but let this day add yet further to a good year. Every pupil in worship on this day.

Remember the hours. Sunday School at 9:25 and Worship at 10:30. This with your help by merely being present can be the beginning of our greatest year. We shall look for you.

# **Sunday School**

Having closed another successful conference year we are now in the midst of a new year just filled with possibilities for our Sunday School and Church. The one thing I believe we can be very thankful for is that we do not have to begin with a new minister. We are very fortunate to have Rev. Johnson with us for this, his eighteenth year. This being the longest pastorate in Sandusky conference speaks well not only for the pastor alone, but it speaks well for the people too. They have shown their willingness to work together year after year that under his leadership our church might prosper. During his stay with us, we have outgrown our church, enlarged it once, outgrown that, purchased our Parish house-and outgrown that. Now, we can scarcely wait until we will begin the completion of our church plant. During the last year, our average Sunday school attendance was two-hundred and fifty-two. This was slightly better than the previous year.

The first important day of the new conference year is Sunday, Sept. 28th. This is RALLY DAY when we will endeavor to have at least THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY in our Sunday School. Also, on that Sunday we will begin again our winter schedule. SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:25 A. M. WORSHIP at 10:30 A. M. For Rally Day we are giving every one a very special invitation to attend. We would like to have as nearly 100% of our membership present as possible. As you read this, won't you, by your presence, help to make this one of the greatest days in our school.

May God bless our efforts as we carry on the great work of His Kingdom throughout this year. May our church be the medium through which many may come to know God and all of us may come to know Him better.

E. McShane, Supt.

### **Otterbein Home**

We have again come to the season of of the year when canning is the order of the day in most homes, so if that is the case in your home we would like to remind you of the needs of Otterbein Home for fruits, vegetables, jams, jellies and pickles to take care of their needs for the coming winter.

We are told they require around 18,000 quarts of same to supply their needs.

We shall be soliciting your contributions at a later date to be announced in your Church Bulletin, and trust we shall have the same fine response as in past years. Of course, commercial canned goods are welcomed too.

If any of you folks have articles of used clothing, clean and in good repair, that you would like to send to the Home, bring them in at that time.

We are reminded of the words of the Lord Jesus when he sail: "In as much as ye did it to one of the least of these my

little ones ye did it also to me." Mr. and Mrs. Kolbe

# Service Roll

We have two letters of thanks from two of our service men who were happy to receive letters from our church folks. They are as follows:

Sunday, July 27th, 1952 Alaska

Dear Rev. Johnson:

I want to write this letter in appreciation and thanks to all of the people of the Upton church. I received several letters some from acquaintances and others from folks I did not know. It would take quite a while to answer all of them so would you thank them for me.

I am getting along ine and I like it better at Ladd but I still don't like Alaska. I have eight more months to do up here then I can go back to the good old U. S. for discharge. Right now it is a little cool but sunny. The nights are getting darker, so I think we are having our fall weather. They say it starts snowing in September up here. I am hearing about your hot weather. I also read in the Blade, as I get it every day, that Toledo lost their Ball Cub. It is too bad that Toledo couldn't hold on to it.

I haven't any news so thanks again. Tell everyone "Hello" for me. I need your prayers.

Your friend,

Bob Hummon

July 29, 1952 Rivers Barracks Giessen, Germany

Dear members and friends:

I'm writing a few lines to you as I've received letters from different ones and have not answered them. I would like to thank Rev. Johnson for his nice letter to me, also my thanks to Mrs. Paulina Withrow, Mrs. C. Kanous, Mrs. B. Wolcott. and Mrs. Wm. J. Schmitt for their letters. A fellow in the service always looks forward to a letter from home. Every little bit of news is always something good to read.

We have a very small church here at Rivers Barracks at present, but in the near future we hope to have our new church completed. We are nearly finished but the rest will go slow as it is hard to get the necessary material.

Again I want to thank everyone for their kindness, and now may God bless us and keep us all.

Your friend,

Cpl. Robert Ogle

# Bring Them In!

To win children for Christ and to enlist them in service for Christ is the most worthy goal of every home. Worship is not something we do only on Sunday, but is the whole of life. Our greatest task is that of bringing boys and girls into comradeship with Jesus Christ—to help them interpret life for themselves, and to guide them, so that they grow like the boy Jesus: physically, intellectually, socially and religiously.

Luke 2:52

Children are among the first casualties of unsettled times. They never cease to be the responsibility of the home and the church. We have dramatized the parable of The Good Shepherd, let us begin to personalize it.

Children of today will have to rebuild a broken world.

### MOTHER'S GONE A-VISITING By James E. Bathgate

Dollies in the kitchen, wagons on the stair, blocks upon the mantelpiece, diapers on the chair. Heigh-ho! Heigh-ho! Mother's gone a-visiting— Daddy is in charge.

Heigh-ho! Heigh-ho! Wendy is at large.

Rubbers by the telephone, ribbons on the floor, milk upon the carpet, toast behind the door!

Heigh-ho! Heigh-ho! Mother's still a-visiting— Daddy's on the run. Heigh-ho! Heigh-ho! The day has just begun.

Dishes on the table, panties in the hall, socks upon the window sill, marks upon the wall!

Heigh-ho! Heigh-ho! Mother's come home at last! Wendy is in bed. Sh! Sh! Daddy's almost dead!