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Your pastor has been in thirty-two local church, made sixty-eight personal calls, read one book, cared for administrative work of the church and sought to carry the fair share of inter-church work for self and Upton church in the Conference. General church and the Interdenominational work of the city. I can say without any equivocation that these items have called for more than twelve hours a day seven days a week. The splendid cooperation of the people of Upton is appreciated more than words can express. Without the prayers and the help thus given the work would be too much but with these and the continued blessing of God we can yet say that this is the greatest business on earth and together we share it.

November holds great things. Sunday, November 4th is Church Literature Sunday. Do you take and read the Church Literature thus becoming increasingly informed as to the purpose and work of your church? The pastor will be speaking upon the subject "That Thou Readest."

November 11th is Armistice Sunday with the Pastor speaking upon "Are You One of the People?"

November 15th will be Anniversary Day with Bishop F. L. Dennis, D. D. of Dayton engaged to be preacher for the day. Emphasis will be the moving forward to the day of the completion of our Church building. Church Erection Offering will be received for those who have pledges on the three year basis we would encourage the payment of at least one-third of that pledge. Any pledge or who have no pledge we would urge a generous giving to the Church Erection Fund all of which is used for Church Erection purposes and expenses thereof. To date there is some $13,500 in this fund. Surely this should approach the $17,000 or $18,000 mark on that day. (There is to be added to this amount the assets of the Parish house which is debt free.)

November 25th is Home Mission Church Erection Day with an opportunity to share in the establishing of new churches to the Glory of God. The pastor will speak "For This Cause Came I to This Hour."

Two great inter-city interdenominational activities also come during this month in which many will want to share. The Reformation Day services will be held Sunday, November 4th at 4 P.M. in the Collingwood Presbyterian Church with the Very Rev. J. J. Weaver, Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral (Episcopal) of Detroit preaching. Mark this as a must on your calendar.

Beginning Sunday Eve. Nov. 18th and continuing through Friday, Nov. 23rd nightly, the Interdenominational Preaching Mission will be held in Collingwood Presbyterian church. This ought to find many of our people sharing nightly in this city-wide evangelism endeavor. The preacher will be Dr. Alan Walker from Sydney, Australia.

Then I could go on and speak of departmental meetings but they will be announced elsewhere in this paper. Note them all. Together let us "expect great things from God and attempt great things for God." If we continue to give ourselves God will bless and great things will come. Then pray and be at your post and help. Your Pastor.

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Homer E. Kinsley, Pres., Reporting.

Upton Aid

September marked the beginning again of the regular yearly "project" of the Aid—the monthly suppers. Your patronage, either as a "paying" guest in the dining room or a "helping" guest in the kitchen, will be greatly appreciated by the ladies. Prices are still the same—$1.25 for adults and 75c for children.

The sewing days have been pretty well attended. However, there is still quite a bit to be done in preparation for the bazaar which is being planned for November. Your help here will also be gratefully accepted.

Jesus offered us the greatest challenge of life when He said, "Follow me." If you follow Him you must believe on Him, and if you believe on Him you must obey His laws and commandments.

To love God with all our hearts, our souls, and our minds means more than just giving Him lip-service on Sunday or other special occasions. It means putting "him first on Monday, and on all the other days of the week, and so conducting ourselves in our homes and businesses that we are conscious of His presence within us. It means keeping ourselves free of the degenerating forces of evil—jealousy, hate, envy, lust, and greed.

Loving God with all our hearts and souls leaves no room for the craving of great power through money or the possession of material things. This doesn't mean that God does not want us to have the desire for better things. He does, but He wants us to seek after the things of the spirit first. This seeking and finding and learning gives us a power which is greater than anything figured in dollars and cents and which ultimately leads us to the best things in life. A heart and soul which puts God first is patient, kind, gentle, and sympathetic. Selfishness and callousness have no place in a God-centered heart.

Mentally putting God first brings our minds to a higher level of thinking. We are no longer content to go along in our narrow prejudiced rut of thought; instead, we become more understanding of the ways of those who are different from us in race, color, or creed, and who differ with us in opinion. We are willing to listen to both sides of a situation instead of immediately coming to a conclusion that is flavored with only one set of facts. We ask ourselves the question "What would Jesus do?" when we find ourselves face-to-face with a baffling problem.

Loving our neighbor as ourselves, the second great commandment is apt to be a sore spot with most of us at one time or another. We have too much self-respect to do some of the things that our neighbor does. The man next door borrowed our pruning shears along in the spring, but he is just too shiftless to return them; it has just been an oversight on our part that his spade is in amongst our garden tools. That family down the street seems to be sort of stand-offish, but that doesn’t bother us; we will just ignore them until they speak first. The clerk who waited on us short-changed herself a couple cents, why should we worry if she cannot add right.

These are just petty things, it’s true—the petty things that cause heartaches, disappointments, and bad feelings between one another; the petty things that can grow until they blossom into a burst of shell-fire on a battlefield. And all because we failed to have the same respect for our neighbors and friends, and failed to have the same understanding and to make the same allowances for their mistakes and shortcomings that we have and do for ourselves. If you love God you have to love and respect yourself because the Spirit of God dwells within you, and if this is true, you will see in your neighbor a like dwelling place of God and love and respect him accordingly.

Margaret Pfeiffer

Youth Attending College

This is an attempt on our part to inform you of our church youth who are attending universities. We would appreciate your help if there are names that should appear other than the following: Ann Fryharger, Martha Cuthbert, Bowling Green Betty Jean Thornton, Ohio State Carolyn Tompkins, Kenneth McGuire, Duane and Gordon Johnson, and Jim Coder, Toledo University.

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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.

MARION FIRST CHURCH TO DEDICATE NEW BUILDING NOVEMBER II

The final finishing touches are being put on the First Church in Marion in order to complete the building for dedication which will be held in the morning of November 11. Bishop Dennis and superintendents Allman and Firestone will be present for the occasion.

The church building at Marion has been under construction for more than two years and is the largest building project in the conference during the last two decades. The cost, including lots will exceed $200,000.

The structure is of hand hewn limestone exterior with cut stone trim with a roof of smoked red Ludowici tile. The building is 110X37 and is modified Gothic in design. The interior of the building is finished with cloistered side-aisles which are separated from the nave by a series of cut limestone arches. The ceiling is dark stained and is supported by huge scissor trusses which divide the building into 7 bays. The light texture plastered walls are in pleasing contrast with the dark ceiling and the golden oak tones of the furnishings. The floor is gray mastic tile except for the maroon carpet in the chancel and center aisle.

The chancel is divided in arrangement with the choir antiphonal.

There are twenty stained glass windows lining the sides of the sanctuary grouped in pairs which include symbols depicting the life story of our Lord. The entire sanctuary is dominated by the “Window of the Trinity” which is directly over the Altar and includes symbols of the Father and the Holy Spirit on either side of it.

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Schedule For Fall Institutes In October

Ohio Sandusky Branch Women’s Society of World Service, and Christian Service Guilds will hold their fall missionary institutes, October 22-30th. Miss Gladys Ward of our South China Mission, will be the missionary speaker. There will be evening sessions to accommodate the youth groups and all others who are not privileged to attend the daytime sessions. The day sessions will begin at 10 o’clock A. M. and the evening sessions at 7:45 P. M. Fellowship suppers for the young people will precede the evening sessions. All women are urged to attend their respective group institutes since this will be our first institute as an Ohio Sandusky Branch. It will be a fine opportunity to make new acquaintances and to meet our new Branch officers. The success of our institutes depends on each local member!

Dates and places of institutes are as follows:

Oct. 22, Sandusky and Willard groups at Bellevue.
Oct. 23, Bucyrus and Marion groups at Upper Sandusky.
Oct. 24, Lima and St. Marys groups at Lima High St.
Oct. 25, Bryan and Van Wert groups at Defiance.
Oct. 26, Bowling Green and Napoleon groups at Bowling Green.
Oct. 29, Findlay and Fostoria groups at Findlay First.
Oct. 30, Fremont and Toledo groups at Woodville.

These institutes are for everyone: local (Continued on page 7)

Youth Activities In Ohio Sandusky Conference

“Christ Calls” is the arresting command to youth as well as the other age groups of our church. He calls young people to a year of challenging activity in their local churches, in their conference and beyond to state-wide participation.

In the Local Church

Young people have a real share in the total program of the church. They are the energetic spirit that helps to keep the minister young and the entire church “buzzing” with activity. They need organization and leadership. The Youth Fellowship, set up on the four-commission basis, provides a varied and well-rounded program that should help every young person to become a vital part of the church. Already your youth program is underway, and it is hoped that you have held a planning retreat to set the organizational machinery in motion. Your youth program needs leadership. An interested member elected by the W. S. W. S. is the associate director of youth work and should give counsel along with the director of youth work, elected by the Council of Administration, to bring the missionary emphasis into the youth program. The Program Guide, prepared by the General Youth Fellowship, is the suggested guide for your youth program. Also with the use of “Friends” and “Builders” for Intermediates and Seniors respectively you have competent helps for your topics. These materials, along with the booklet, “Christ Calls Youth,” which contains worship suggestions especially helpful in missionary pro- (Continued on Page 10)
if we have omitted mention of others through lack of knowledge. Let us intercede at the throne of grace for all these and others in affliction of any kind. In this group we include all of our lay members for we recognize that they too have their dark and trying days and experiences.

The arrival of a precious baby has graced and gladdened the home of Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Ricard, Sandusky. We rejoice with the parents over this beautiful gift of God.

Congratulations and commendation are in order for the following: Bowling Green for their achievement in rebuilding the Church chancel and installation of new furniture, redecoration and other improvements. Broadway, Toledo, in the celebration of their fiftieth anniversary. Monclova and Sandusky Columbus Avenue in the purchase of new parsonages. Portage, now engaged in building a new parsonage. Millbury, presently proceeding in enlarging and remodeling their church building. Colburn, Toledo, now carrying out an extensive improvement program. Williams Center for the securing of a house and necessary improvement for a parsonage. Other churches are contemplating necessary enlargement and improvement of church property, including parsonages. All of this is commendable and merits a word of appreciation. Caring for church property is essential. As a writer recently has pointed out, the preservation and beautifying of the building which houses the family of the servant of God reflects our faith in God and our sincerity as believers in Christ.

For a closing word we adopt the language of St. Paul, writing to a Church long ago, "Peace be to the brethren... Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."

Superintendent's Column

Northern District

From all reports received the work on the district is starting off well and the forecast is for a very good year. Our wish and prayer is that it will be an exceptional one in every respect under the blessing of God. The Larger Evangelism designates the emphasis and program set up for us by the General Board of Evangelism and the emphasis which will in turn be promoted by the Conference Board. The three major points are Educational, Visitation and Preaching evangelism. Let us, by prayer, planning and practice, make evangelism a vital reality. Leading people to Christ for salvation and to a full commitment to him, and then to continuous growth in grace must be our goal.

We plan to have copies of the booklet, "The Larger Evangelism", for distribution to all pastors. This was voted by the Board of Evangelism in a meeting October 4. We will have more to pass on to you after a meeting late in November with Bishop Dennis, Dr. R. H. Mueller and Dr. L. L. Baughman at Marion.

Some members of our ministerial family are now going through deep waters and are in need of our prayer. Mrs. M. W. George, wife of our pastor at Toledo Calvary, is in the hospital having undergone surgery. Rev. D. D. Corl, pastor at Fostoria First Church, has gone to an eye clinic in Marshalltown, Iowa, for consultation and surgery either now or later in the year. Mrs. John Hosier, wife of our young pastor at Green Springs, is recovering from an attack of polio. We rejoice that she is regaining health again. The daughter of Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Johnson, Toledo, Upton, and the son of Rev. and Mrs. Shephard, Benton Ridge, were also hospitalized but are now at home. Sorry

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Southern District

On August 29th at 3:00 P. M. Sandusky Conference was adjourned sine die, thus closing one hundred and nineteen years of history. Our early pioneer ministers coming in over the Great Lakes started the United Brethren church near the city of Fremont, Ohio, on the Sandusky River. The course of this river was followed and our first churches established nearby this water course. This humble beginning with three or four small rural congregations continued its growth and spread until our churches dotted twenty-eight counties in Northwestern Ohio; one hundred and fifty-four in all with a membership of 27,242 and property valued at $5,220,603. An achievement that both ministers and lay leaders can justly be proud of.

On that historic afternoon of August 29th the one hundred and fifty-four churches of the Sandusky Conference were joined with fifty-four of the Ohio, twelve of the Indiana and seven of the Michigan Conference to form the Ohio Sandusky Conference. A total of 299 churches.

The membership of the Ohio Conference churches (I do not have this year's statistics) is approximately 9,600, the Indiana Conference 1,800, and the Michigan Conference 500, added to the membership of the Sandusky Conference churches, gives the new Conference a membership of a little over three thousand.

The New Conference with its larger membership, charged with a new zeal to go forward, will undoubtedly make a fine record. At least that is my prophecy, even though I do not claim that gift.

The first great event following Conference was the merging convention of the Women's Society of World Service (W. S. W. S.). More than one thousand people filled the First Methodist church of Findlay to capacity for the event. It was a beautiful and impressive service well done. Congratulations ladies. Great Kingdom projects will by you be built.

Sunday, October 7th I spent with Rev. Clarence Carnahan, and his good people at North Robinson. It was Homecoming day and the dedication of their new Hammond organ. This congregation is moving in the right direction. In the last few years they have added a new basement, improved the auditorium, increased their attendance and are now busy remodeling the parsonage. Perhaps soon they will be asking for an undivided time of their pastor. Congratulations pastor and people of North Robinson.

October 16th offered an unusual and unique experience, the first of its kind in the new conference. Our two churches in the village of Johnsville, Ohio, united to form one congregation. Rev. John Osborn, Jr., had done a superb job of planning for the day. The new congregation was completely organized and is off to a good start. Congratulations pastor and people, we know we shall hear from you another day and learn of good work well done.

Belleville Circuit was organized by the New Conference and is made up of Trinity and Mt. Zion churches detached from the former Johnsville charge of the Ohio Conference and the Pleasant Hill church from the Shawick charge of the Sandusky Conference. This new charge chose the evening of October 16th for their organization meeting. The new pastor Jay Holoway was well received. The charge voted to pay the minimum salary set by the conference and are now planning to purchase a house in Belleville as a home for the pastor.

October 23rd was a great day for Bowling Green and its efficient and beloved pastor and wife. The Rev. John Searles. The day of celebration marked the completion of an extensive remodeling program and the dedication of the new Hammond organ. Bishop A. R. Clippinger, Dr. F. A. Fiextone, superintendent of the Northern District, and myself together with Rev. O. E. Johnson and Dr. F. M. Bowman of Toledo shared the day's program. Bowling Green is a great church doing a truly great work. Congratulations.

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News of the Churches

SANDUSKY COLUMBUS AVE. E. U. B.

We are proud to welcome a new member to our Congregation in the person of Mary Ann born to Rev. and Mrs. Ricard Wednesday, September 10th. Her mother and daughter are doing fine. The ladies of the church held a shower for Mrs. Ricard Friday evening, September 7th. Many fine gifts were received and a good evening of fellowship was enjoyed, topped with light refreshments.

We welcome our Pastor back from Conference and pray that the Lord through him will lead us to many victories in the coming year.

At the August meeting of the W. S. W. S. Mrs. R. E. Bressler, Missionary from the Philippine Islands addressed the ladies and also the Men of the Brotherhood in a very inspirational message. We would pray for these people who have devoted their entire life to God's work. The Rev. and Mrs. Bressler were enroute the following morning for a return to the Islands and may God speed them.

Thirty members of our Sunday School were recently presented with small crosses for perfect attendance records for the months of July and August. We are glad to report that through the summer months our Sunday School rooms upstairs have been newly painted and papered and have taken on a much brighter atmosphere.

Our Youth Fellowship has held its election for the new year and new commission leaders appointed, and we trust for a good year. Recently the group held an outing at East Harbor across the Bay where swimming and fishing were enjoyed along with a nice picnic lunch.

We are glad to announce that our Parsonage Dedication ceremonies will be held October 21st, and we extend an invitation to any and all Conference Members.

Mrs. Wilma R. Beamer

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RECEPTION AT FOSTORIA FIRST

Tuesday evening, September 11, the members and friends of First Church, Fostoria, met in the church dining room to welcome the pastor, Rev. Daniel D. Corl, and his family, who were returned by the recent annual conference to begin their sixth year. George Schmidt, the delegate to the conference, appointed Mrs. Robert Smith as mistress of ceremonies. She planned a good evening of fun and fellowship, which followed a sumptuous pot-luck supper, serving of which was supervised by Mrs. C. J. Mericle.

A bountiful pot-luck dinner was served in the church basement. The tables were beautifully decorated with roses and fall flowers. After the dinner and social hour everyone re-assembled in the church auditorium where the various departments of the church presented the following program with Martha Rhodes presiding:

Duet—"It Is No Secret", Shirley Huffman and Arlene Ruble; Poem, "Be Thankful," Joyce Deitash; Puppet Act presented by Connie Rhodes, Hubert Elchenauer and Tommy Ransbottom, representing Mrs. Stover's and Mrs. Ransbottom's classes; Piano Duet, DeVota and Loretta Graham. Reading, Alvina Kimmel; Piano and Organ Duet, Jeannette Hoffines and Willma Berto; Reading, Leon Moody; Trio, Horace Bowes, DeVota Graham and Wilma Ralston; Duet, "Now Is the Hour".

Elaine Strober and Nancy Rhoades.

Remarks were made by Rev. Garrison Roebuck, and in behalf of the Church he presented the Mericles with a base rocker, table lamps, a silver tray with sugar bowl, creamer, and salt and pepper shakers. Words of appreciation were expressed by Rev. and Mrs. Mericle.

A group of girls sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," after which all wished Rev. and Mrs. Mericle joy and success in their new field of labor.

Rev. Roebuck pronounced the benediction.

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WOODVILLE CHURCH NEWS

On September 14 the Woodville Church held a reception for minister and family. A well prepared program of games was led by Donald Sattler and enjoyed by both children and adults. Tom Wooding sang a solo, after which Sanford Price presented to the Minister and wife a fine gift of Irish linen for the table and two sheets and pillow cases. Refreshments of ice cream and cookies concluded the party which was well attended.

Attendance during September has been very good. On Sept. 23 eight children were presented for baptism with never a dissenting voice. About $55.00 was given in the Education Day offering.

Plans are being made to make use of the Conference Visual Aids in a program of strengthening the Sunday School through better training for teachers.

F. C. Young, Minister

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RALLY DAY AT SYCAMORE

Rally Day in the Sycamore Evangelical United Brethren church Sunday October 7th was well attended, both in the morning and afternoon services.

The morning program included a song by the Junior Sunday school; welcome, Janet Swerline; Young People's quartet, Pauline Fadley, Corabel Kaufman, Chester Geary, James McGinnis sang, "How Much I Owe."

During the worship hour the Pastor, Rev. T. Welsenborn preached on "The Good Things of Life," and Mrs. Elwood Smith and Mrs. Glenn Geary sang a duet, "Tell Me More About Jesus."

Holy Communion was observed during the closing part of the service.

About one hundred partook of the fine dinner served at noon.

The afternoon service at 2 p. m. opened with the congregation singing "We're Marching to Zion." Special numbers were duet, Carol and Wirt Brown, "Peace Wonderful Peace"; dialogue, "Rally for Jesus," Carolyn and James McGinnis; reading, "What's the Matter with Sycamore" by Della Oberlander; duet, trumpet and cornet, "Whispering Hope," James McGinnis and Edson Smith.

An interesting history of the local church was prepared and given by Mrs. Lloyd Keller and recognition given to Mrs. Louise Lundy who has been a continuous member for 75 years and Charles Riedel.
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and Della Oberlander for 50 years. Rev. Truman A. Hiatt of Hepburn charged delivered an inspiring message on "The Old Time Religion," which was appreciated by all.

A large amount of canned fruits and vegetables were brought in for the Otterbein Home.

FAREWELL AT COLBURN FOR THE REV. AND MRS. BEVIS

On September 12, friends gathered in the parsonage in the afternoon and evening to bid farewell to Rev. and Mrs. N. D. Bevis.

In presenting a token of their love and friendship to the Bevises, Mrs. Elliot, speaking for the group, said: "This is just a slight expression of the deep appreciation and high esteem in which you are held by your friends at Colburn. Our prayers and well wishes go with you. May God Bless You." A purse containing one hundred and thirty-seven dollars was presented. The church also gave them a beautiful all-wool blanket.

Rev. and Mrs. Bevis expressed their appreciation for all the nice things said and the very splendid gifts.

TOLEDO DISTRICT MINISTERIAL GROUP BIDS THE BEVISES FAREWELL

A farewell party for Rev. and Mrs. N. D. Bevis was held in the Upton Avenue Church on Tuesday evening, September 11. All the ministers and their wives, of the former Sandusky group, were present to wish the Bevises God's blessings as they leave Toledo to go to the Wren Church.

A short devotional service was led by the Rev. Walter Meikley, of Walbridge. The Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Hockett, of Point Place, directed games, after which Mrs. O. E. Johnson and Mrs. F. M. Bowman served refreshments.

The Rev. O. E. Johnson, of the host church, expressed the sentiments of the group in wishing the Bevises success on their new field of labor. The Rev. Dale Emrick, of Oakdale, presented in behalf of the Toledo District, a beautiful luncheon cloth and napkins to Mrs. Bevis, and a desk pen and pencil set to Rev. Bevis. The Bevises responded with words of thanks and appreciation.

RILEY CENTER HAS SUCCESSFUL FALL FESTIVAL

The Riley Center Evangelical United Brethren church held its annual Fall Festival, September 22, which included a pet show beginning at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Mrs. James Huston and Mrs. Person were awarded blue ribbons for fancy work. A large variety of fruit, vegetables and farm produce, baked goods and fancy work were auctioned by Harry Hussin.

The committee in charge of the festival were: Mrs. Person, Mrs. Cobb and Mrs. Huston.

VAN WERT CALVARY

The new conference year is off to a good start. Mr. Clifford Bell, alternate representative and our Sunday School Superintendent, attended the sessions of the annual conference. Mr. Bell, a very faithful layman of the church, was a supervisor at Market Foundation, carried much of his clerical work to conference, and at rest periods between sessions he was out under a tree in the shade working on his books. This type of spirit is manifested in the splendid cooperation throughout the church.

Our Boy Scout troop 33 of the church sponsored by the Brotherhood has for their display at the county fair, a board with 33 different knots and a fort made by one of its troop members, Bill Johns, which won first prize. This troop is under the leadership of Robert Hoffman assistant scoutmaster and Elmer Woods, Scoutmaster.

A reception was held for the pastor and family on Wednesday, September 19th. Over 100 were in attendance. Mr. Clifford Bell, our Lay Representative was toastmaster. Potluck supper arranged by the Board of Trustees and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shimp; Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Shaw; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kilgore; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gribler; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bigham; Mr. and Mrs. Willis Snyder, Mrs. Merrill Baer; Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Springer, Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Frank Mills and family were guests with Rev. Mills bringing a devotional message. The Mills, are of the First Baptist church and neighbors to the church.

Mr. Harold Coos, General Director of the Board of Christian Education spoke of the splendid cooperation of pastor and people in the total program of the church and in his closing remarks introduced the "new preacher."

Mrs. Ralph Gallapoo recently returning from Europe gave in a most splendid manner her travels.

Mr. Martin Kilgore presented in behalf of the church and in a token of appreciation a set of "New Princess China." The response and benediction were voiced by the pastor.

At our Quarterly Conference the pastor was hired as per the asking of the conference for $75.00 per week with the church voting an additional $50.00 per week traveling expense. Our Rally Day is set for October 14th and we have secured the "Minute Men Quartet" of Auburn, Indiana for morning services, and an all musical program of "Barber Shop" and Instrumental at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Walter Marks, Pastor

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Attention Otterbein Home Leaders And Pastors

The Otterbein Home Truck will come to Ohio Sandusky Conference to pick up canned goods on November 12th and 13th. All kinds of fruit and vegetables, jams, jellies, pickles and relishes, also fruit juice are needed. They have quite a lot of pears, but peaches are badly needed. Soap and used clothing can also be sent.

Take your canned articles to the place nearest you, mentioned below, but please do not take advantage of the church or place any longer than is necessary. Take it as near to the above date, so as not to intrude on their good will and not encumber any one.

Owing to the merger there have been many changes in Ohio Sandusky Conference. There are now 14 groups, formerly districts, instead of 10. The change has come too late to make any change in our Auxiliary work. The District Directors will carry on until further notice.

It takes 50 qt. or so of fruit for one meal at the Home. Without our help they would have to go without much of this essential food. If each family can supply 1 or more cans, the need can be taken care of.

The truck will stop at the following places:

Lima First Church—Lima, Ohio.

Van Wert Church Parsonage Garage, 223 So Wall St., Van Wert, Ohio.

Bryan E. U. B. Church—Bryan, Ohio.

Delta E. U. B. Church—Delta, Ohio.

Toledo First Church, Bancroft & Rosedale Ave.—Toledo, Ohio.

Postoria E. U. B. Church—Postoria, Ohio.

Willard E. U. B. Church—Willard, Ohio.

Bucyrus E. U. B. Church—Bucyrus, Ohio.

The Findlay and Bowling Green Districts are to contact Mrs. W. P. Alspaugh, 314 E. Lincoln St., Findlay, Ohio. A truck will leave from there at a different date, unless otherwise notified.

Mrs. G. F. Brubaker,
Pres. Otterbein Home Aux.
A Letter Of Thanks

Dear Friends:

I know it is a little late, but I trust you will forgive me for the delay in expressing my feelings of appreciation. However, I do sincerely appreciate your generous gifts and the spirit in which they were given, and express my most heartfelt thanks to every individual and church who made a contribution. They proved to be an undisguised blessing in a time of real crisis and need.

I wish to thank Dr. Allman for his hours spent at the hospital; he not only is a great preacher and superintendent but a good nurse. I also acknowledge my debt to Dr. Allman and Rev. Coen for their thoughtful appeal, as well as to acknowledge my debt to other ministers and friends for their many visits and prayers on my behalf.

My sincere prayer is that I may always prove to be worthy of your confidence and respect, and prove it in the service of our mutual Savior. May God richly bless all of you.

Please accept my most sincere thanks, and believe me, when I say that your generosity shall always be gratefully remembered.

Gratefully yours,

Harry Trounker

DISCIPLINE

The cup Thou gavest me, Shall I not drink it, Lord? Bitter and vile it be. From Stygian waters poured; Cruel as Golgotha With thorns and nails and sword. And drinking it shall I, Like Thee be lifted up? No other deaths to die, No more the burning cup. Prepared to live am I— Lord, I thank Thee for my cup. —Alma Jeffries Stull.

HANDS

By Irene Morgan Phillips

A hand can be a most revealing thing. I like to notice hands, hear what they tell. Sometimes a hand will whisper, often sing. And speak of us to others ill or well. Hands that serve, that shun no call of duty. Though old and worn with toil, are always fair. Open hands are always hands of beauty. And those that wrestle with the Lord in prayer. Unively are the hands that grasp and clutch Not only what is honest, right and just, But all that comes within their greedy touch, Forgetting that all things are held in trust.

Oh, Thou, whose hands made stars and seas and lands. Grant to us praying, giving, serving hands.

—The Church Woman

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THE MODERN WOMAN

The word modern is in mixed repute these days. To some it is a sort of password into every desirable quarter, a stamp of approval which admits anyone and everyone into good society. To others it is like the skull and crossbones on the label of a bottle, indicating that the contents are poison. Maybe it doesn't mean one to the exclusion of the other in this paraphrase which appeared in the Free Methodist under the signature of Mrs. A. J. Twiss in a current number:

Who can find a modern woman, for the cost of supporting her is very great? The mind of her husband is continually distressed, because he hath need of much more than he is able to earn. She will keep him in debt all the days of her life. She seeketh parties and shows and dances, and shuffles cards with her hands. She is restless as the troubled sea; she traveleth far and near. She dresseth also when it is night, and goeth out to play bridge, and considereth not her children. She considereth a car of her own; and buyeth it; and with her hands she steereth it.

She putteth on paint and lipstick, and cutteth off her hair. She readeth novels when she is at home, so that her candle goeth not out until morning. She smoketh cigarettes, and her hands holdeth a glass of beer. She thinketh not of the poor, and careth not for the needy.

She is not afraid of setting a wrong example before her family, and feels no responsibility for her household. She buyeth her garments ready made; her clothing is scant of material. Her husband is known downtown where he sitteth among his club members. She makesth herself an abomination to God by wearing men's clothing, which He hath forbidden her to do (Deuteronomy 22:5).

Strength and honor are strangers to her: and she shall reap in time to come. She openeth her mouth to gossip, and in her tongue are words of foolishness. She cooketh as little as possible for her family; and eateth bread from the bakery. Her children are scarcely acquainted with her: her husband also seeth her seldom.

Many women have done virtuously, but thou hast found a different way. Favor and beauty she may possess, but because she feareth not the Lord she is rejected of Him. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her works condemn her in the Judgment.

The tree and noble way to banish a foe is not to destroy him. You, with kindness, may so change him that he shall cease to be a foe, and then you will have conquered him."—Aleyen, English historian.

A SHORT, SHORT STORY

A short story entitled "Three Generations." Granfather had a farm. Father had a garden. Son had a can opener.

SCHEDULE FOR FALL INSTITUTES IN OCTOBER

(Continued from page 3)

W. S. W. S. and Christian Service Guild members, Pastors, Youth Fellowship members, Girls' Missionary Guild members, and all visitors are welcome!

Mrs. Raymond Heter

WAITING FOR JUDAS

There is a traditional story of Jesus which has come down through the centuries: It pictures the time when the sons of men had been gathered into the heavenly Father's house. There was great joy among those present. One among the buoyant multitude, however, was both restless and unsatisfied. It was Jesus. Standing at the gate which led into the home of happiness, his eyes were fastened on the distant spaces. His loving face showed a look of yearning and longing. One who watched him asked, "Master, are you waiting for someone?" Without turning his gaze from that far horizon he replied, "Yes, I am waiting for Judas." We know that he would forgive even those who had wronged him. G. Ray Jordan in "We Believe!" Abingdon-Cokesbury Press.

—The Church Woman

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**Conference Treasurer's Report**

**FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1951**

(Month ending October 6th)

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**SANDUSKY GROUP**

| **BELLEVOUE** | 138       | 2         | 37.85         |            |                                  |               |
| **FLAT ROCK** | 74        |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **KELLEY'S ISLAND** | 17        | 17        | 5.35 *35 *40  |            |                                  |               |
| **LA CARNE** | 17        | 18         | 7.85          | 19.08      |                                  |               |
| **LOCUST POINT** | 17        | 17        | 7.85          | 19.08      |                                  |               |
| **MT. CARMEL** |          | 75        | 48.61         | 19.08      |                                  |               |
| **PORT CLINTON** | 80        | 60         | 7.85          | 19.08      |                                  |               |
| **SANDUSKY** |            | 22        | 26.40 *75 *49 |            |                                  |               |
| **SANDUSKY** |            | 22        | 26.40 *75 *49 |            |                                  |               |

**TOLEDO GROUP**

| **ELLSTON** | 73        |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **MILLBURY** | 25        |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **MOLINE** | 55        |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **PERRYSBURG** | 65        |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **ROCKY RIDGE** | 13        |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **TOLEDO** |            | 145.09     | 6145          | 240        |                                  |               |
| **CALVARY** |            | 145.09     | 6145          | 240        |                                  |               |
| **COBURN** |            | 160        | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **E. BRO'DWAY** |          | 224       | 22.50         | 17         | 189                                | 231           |
| **FIRST** |            | 250        | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **OAKDALE** |            | 170        | 23.50         | 30         |                                  |               |
| **POIN T PLACE** |          | 186       | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **SALEM** |            | 60         | 60            |            |                                  |               |
| **SOMERSET** |            | 186        | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **UPTON** |            | 250        | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **ZION** |            | 188        | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **WALBRIDGE** |          | 12         | 18            |            |                                  |               |
| **HAYES** |            | 10         | 18            |            |                                  |               |
| **SOUTHERN DISTRICT** |          |            |               |            |                                  |               |

| **BUCYRUS GROUP** | Bellville Circuit: |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **BELLEVUE** | 29         |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **PLEAS. GROVE** | 14         |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **PLEAS. HILL** | 18         |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **BROKENWOOD** | 21         |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **LYKENS** | 41        |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **PLEAS. HOME** | 18         |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **BUCYRUS CIRCUIT** |            |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **HARMONY** | 33         | 2          | 20            | 48         | 42                                |               |
| **ZION** |            | 30         | 2             | 40         | 42                                |               |
| **BUCEYRUS** |            | 33         | 2             | 40         | 42                                |               |
| **BUCEYRUS, FIRST** | 125        | 24         | 132           | 129        |                                  |               |
| **GRACE** |            | 250        | 2             | 40.81       | 180                                | 162           |
| **GALLOW** |            | 80         | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **JOHNSONVILLE** | 87         | 97         | 2             | 169        | 178                                |               |
| **MT. ZION** |            | 90         | 18            | 32.39       | 110                                | 111           |
| **N. ROBINSON** | 60         | 77         | 18.50         | 78         | 77                                |               |
| **LIBERTY CHP** | 23         | 18.50      | 789           | 77         |                                  |               |
| **OCELA** |            | 60         | 60            |            |                                  |               |
| **OLIVE BRANCH** | 22         |            |               |            |                                  |               |
| **SMITHVILLE** | 50         | 50         | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **MT. ZION** |            | 50         | 50            |            |                                  |               |
| **SYCAMORE** | 75         | 37         | 24            |            |                                  |               |
| **UPPER SANDSKY** | 128        | 14         | 103           | 223        | 251                                |               |
### Upper Sandusky Circuit:
- Salem: 62 68
- Belle Vernon: 36 39

### Upper Sandusky Circuit:
- Trinity: 40 40
- Pleasant Hill: 35

### Bluffton Circuit:
- Bethelsa: 14
- Liberty Chpl: 15
- Olive Branch: 30
- Bethlehem: 50
- Carey: 91 184 92

### Findlay Group:
- Bairdstown: 21
- Benton Ridge: 60 36 33
- Calvary: 107 98

### Benton Ridge Circuit:
- Trinity: 40
- Pleasant Hill: 35

### Bluffton Circuit:
- Bethesda: 24
- Liberty Chpl: 7.41
- Olive Branch: 9.86
- Carson: 10
- Mt. Zion: 4

### Findlay Group:
- First: 312 312 24 *356 *378
- St. Paul: 223 223.09 6 267.70 393 339
- West Park: 28 27.50 8 57 26
- Salem: 13
- Leipsic: 50
- Foret Grove: 20
- Kieferville: 9
- Mt. Cory: 40 40 8 65.50 23 86
- Peas. View: 50
- Rawson: 100 80 24 128 110

### South Findlay Circuit:
- Salem: 23 22.50 24.88 38 34
- Pleas. Grove: 25 10
- Van Buren: 100 24 124 85
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  - St. Paul: 19 20
  - Union: 20 30

### West Findlay Circuit:
- Zion: 25
- Powell Meml: 42

### Wharton Circuit:
- Beech Grove: 25 11
- Big Oak: 42

### Lima Group:
- Blue Lick: 25 25
- Colmhs Grove: 125
- Crieksville: 25 19
- Kemp: 25 20
- Delphos: 75
- Dunkirk: 65
- Walnut Grove: 100
- Elida: 100
- Lakeview: 45
- Lima, First: 251
- Lima, High St.: 205
- Marion (Elida): 22
- Santa Fe: 45
- Vaughnsville: 75

### Marion Group:
- Cardington:
  - Center: 50
  - Fairview: 22
- Climax: 10
- Hepburn: 15
- Hopewell: 16
- Otterbein: 30

### Marion:
- Calvary: 195
- First: 100
- Oakland: 148 148 148 2
- Greenwood: 92
- Salem: 27
- New Winchester: 10,50 11.73
- Peoria: 7
- Mt. Zion: 4

### Findlay:
- Bethel: 15
- Celina, Bethany: 153
- Celina Circuit:
  - Hope: 44
  - Mt. Carmel: 22

### Fort Recovery:
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- Old Town: 16 16
- Olive Branch: 22 22
- Paso: 40 40

### Van Wert:
- Bethel-Mt. Zion Co.:
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  - Mt. Zion: 15
  - Continental: 50
  - Mt. Zion: 40

### Grover Hill Circuit:
- Blue Creek: 30
- Middle Creek: 35

### Van Wert Circuit:
- Colmhs Grove: 153
- Centenay: 25
- Prairie Chpl: 25
- Rockford: 200

### Willard Group:
- Attica:
  - Federated: 20
  - Richmond: 50
- Union Pisgah: 40

### Willard:
- Trinity: 143
- Willshire, Union: 35
- Wren: 65
- Wood Chapel: 25

### Willard Group:
- Attica:
  - Bloomville: 45
  - Harmony: 40
- Leeville: 45
- Republic: 30

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- Biddle: 15
- Bloomville: 45
- Harmony: 40
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### Willard Group:
- Totals: 62,369.73 $2,099.16 $1,920.51 $2,434.74
  - Camp St. Marys pledges paid this month: Fostoria, $50; Marion, First, $20; Oakwood, $6; Walnut Grove, $26; Columbus Grove, $50. Gifts to Camp: A. E. McVaney, $25; The Vinaroffs, $50. Total camp St. Marys, $217. Celina, Bethany contribute $250 towards the support of Elizabeth Stuck; and the Fostoria, First Church to the Sandrsky Mission Church, $34.
  - The asterisk (*) in the attendance columns indicates a 5% increase over last year.
THE UPTON CHALLENGER

YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN OHIO
SANDUSKY CONFERENCE

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grams, should provide adequate tools for your Youth Fellowship program. If the Conference Youth Director, or his associate, the Rev. Paul Walter, can be of any assistance in helping your youth program, we will do our best to help you.

In the Board of Christian Education meeting October 4 at St. Mary's, it was suggested that the young people join in two group rallies along with the men and women, one to be held Sunday, November 25, and the other to be held on Sunday, February 17. All other group activity is to be determined by the group Youth Fellowship officers along with their counselors.

The first real opportunity for youth to get together will be the Fall Institutes. These Institutes, set up by the W. S. W. S., have reserved the evening service for youth. The young people will have the privilege of hearing the missionary speakers, Miss Gladys Ward, of our South China Mission. There will also be a period for the promotion of Youth Fellowship work. A fellowship supper will precede the evening service.

Conference Activity

Looking forward to the St. Mary's Youth Camp program, the following information with schedule of dates and directors will be of interest to you:

Senior Youth Camp—June 15-21—Director, Paul Walter.
Intermediate Camp—June 29-July 6—Director, Kenneth Stover.
Denominational Youth Convention—July 16-20.

One of the highlights of youth activity in the conference is the Mid-Winter Institute, this year to be held at First Church, Marion, Ohio, the Rev. Don Hochstetler, host. The dates are December 26-28. Plan now to send at least one representative to this institute designed for information, inspiration and challenge.

State Youth Activity

The “Call to United Youth Action” is to be promoted in a big way at Columbus, November 23-25. Young people of the Evangelical United Brethren Church are invited and urged to be present at the Ohio Christian Youth Movement Rally. At this Columbus Rally to be held on Thanksgiving week end, it is hoped that there will be 500 youth from the Evangelical United Brethren Churches throughout the state, and 3000 youth in all, including representatives of twenty-seven denominations.

The theme for the rally is “God’s Power—Our Strength”. The rally will begin registration on Friday, November 23, a mass meeting on Friday evening, and on Saturday morning “The Call” will be presented when speakers will hear the plea for one million youth and one million dollars for Christ and His cause here and abroad.

On Saturday afternoon and evening each denomination will have its own rally. The Evangelical United Brethren rally will be

held at Fifth Avenue Church from 2:15 to 4:15 p.m. and the banquet at the Y. M. C. A. in downtown Columbus at 5:15. The evening service will climax the day at 8 p.m. The speakers will include Dr. Henry Smith Lieper, Dr. Howard Foster Lowry, the Rev. A. Wilson Cheek, with Ross Page Welch as soloist and song leader.

Plan now to rally your young people to this all-important gathering for youth. Our conference has already designated four official delegates who will participate in the program. “On to Columbus, November 23-25!”

Wendell W. Fressley, Youth Director
Paul Walter, Associate Youth Director

MARION FIRST CHURCH TO DEDICATE NEW BUILDING

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This magnificent central panel of Jesus in the attitude of “Come Unto Me.”

The basement includes an assembly room and class rooms for a Church School of 450, a social room, nursery, stage and small kitchen. The basement is finished in shades of cream, brown and green.

Dedication activities will commence on the morning of Nov. 4 with a memorial service when various memorials will be presented. The evening service will be a congregational consecration service preparatory to the dedication service the following Sunday.

On Tuesday night the men of the church will present a program of sacred music by the Serenaders of Marion with Esther Hale, soloist. Wednesday evening service will be a family church right service with an evening of fellowship. Thursday the women of the church will arrange the service and on Friday the Marion County Ministerial Association will present the service for a “Christian Community Night.” Rev. Ashley Booth, president of the association will bring the message for this service with other members of the association assisting in the service.

Bishop Dennis will preach the dedicatory sermon on Sunday morning with Dr. Allman and Rev. Finestone participating in the service.

During the afternoon from 1:30 to 4:00 P. M. open house in the church for those who wish to inspect the building. At 4:00 Mr. Robert Campbell of the Conn Instrument Company will play a dedicatory recital on the Connsonata organ. Rev. Edward Griswold and Rev. John Searle will be guest soloists on the day of dedication.

Marion First Church extends to all a hearty and cordial invitation to attend the services of dedication for their church building.

Don Hochstetler, Pastor

MRS. L. D. REYNOLDS HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. L. D. Reynolds, wife of our pastor at Vaughnsville, Ohio, has returned to her home from a severe but successful operation in the Memorial Hospital in Lima, O. She is now making a very rapid recovery.

SUPERINTENDENT’S COLUMN
SOUTHERN DISTRICT

October 30th.—The morning service was given to our East Broadway Congregation in Toledo. The occasion was the celebration of fifty years of service, a Golden Jubilee well planned by the efficient and thoughtful pastor, the Rev. Roy Cramer, and his corps of fine leaders. This growing congregation is planning so that the second half of the century shall be marked by the enlargement of the membership, relocation and the building of a new church.

Immediately after lunch I hurried to Tiffin where I joined Bishop Dennis, Pastor Porterfield and our fine congregation of this beautiful city in the celebration of seventy-five years of historical service. This Diamond Jubilee well done, was marked by the announcement of plans for a new church edifice. This congregation has the most spacious and perhaps the most beautiful location for a new church of any congregation in the conference. Pastor Porterfield and his committee showed unusual wisdom and foresight in the purchase of this location for the new church. The Tiffin congregation has a fine historical record covering the past seventy-five years but there is dawning a more glorious seventy-five years—ON! on, my friends, to victory with prayers and congratulations we speed your way.

For Sale


Bits Of Wisdom

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

“The repudiation of aggression will not be sufficient to make peace lasting. Peace must be built upon a moral basis, as found in the teachings of Christ and the Bible.”—Chiang-Kai-Shek.

Faith does not eliminate foresight.

“Try praising your wife, even if it frightens her at first.” Billy Sunday.

“Success is not measured by the heights one attains, but by the obstacles one overcomes in its attainment.” Booker T. Washington.

A synonym is a word to use when you can not spell the other word.

Heaven is a place prepared for those who are prepared for it.

“Killing time is one way to murder opportunities.” Stephen Martino.

Sitting on the fence may be a good way for a suitor to get the go.

The chains of habit are generally too small to be felt until they are too strong to be broken.
A MISUNDERSTOOD VIRTUE

What would you include in a list of the most essential virtues? Socrates declared there was only one. That is wisdom. Experience, however, demonstrates the limitation of the truth of the saying, “knowledge is power.” The Greek thinkers who followed Socrates listed four virtues: wisdom, courage, temperance, and justice. Our Lord took these and gave them new depth and dimension and Paul counselled Timothy to follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, and sound mind. Certainly these five we would include in our lists, but the sixth raises a question. It is Meekness.

Have you ever admired, applauded, or congratulated a man for his meekness? It might be said that we seldom have the chance! That is rather a sad commentary on life, and the more important question is, “Am I as meek as I ought to be?”

Certain analogies are used to describe meekness. It has been said, “he is as meek as a mouse,” or “as meek as a lamb”. Mice and sheep are not attractive to us in this way, neither are the Uriah Heep like characters whom the world calls “meek.” In fact, meekness is directly opposite of our ideas of a successful, happy life. We teach our children to have self-assurance, to assert their rights and not let others run over them. We feel we will be crowded out, unless we stand up for ourselves. The meek may get to heaven, but they cannot expect to have anything in this world. Yet, strangely enough, it is in this world that they will get their reward. “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.”

There is no single English word which precisely expresses the Biblical idea back of the word translated, “meek.” The Hebrew word used connotates, “being molded.” In other words, the meek are God-molded and those who have submitted to the divine will, and are patterned after God’s purpose. The pushing arrogant evildoers may seem to succeed, but those whose minds are surrendered to the Lord will eventually occupy the land where the wicked once were.

There are many fine examples of “the meek” in this sense in the Holy Scripture. Recall Moses who was no weak creature by nature, yet was put under God’s hand and the record is: “The man Moses was very meek about all the men which were upon the face of the earth.” Even when confronted by insurrection, he was under cool control. Meekness is not lack of spirit, or weakness, or timidity—rather it is power blended with gentleness. It is the soul in the majesty of self-possession, lifted above impulsiveness and animal-like natures man is given to in times of distress. Constantly we ought to strive for that state of meekness whose functions are surrendered to the will of the divine Master.

Several years ago a New York Museum decorated a room as it appears to a small boy. In this room the chairs were even so high, the tables higher, the pictures on the wall even higher, and the ceiling far beyond imagination of height. We may assume that dimensions do not appear to a child as they do to an adult, because of the difference in height. May it not be so that God’s dimensions are different than our concepts? He is the Great Architect of the Universe, who knows things as they really are, while we with our little minds do not grasp them completely. Ought we not to correct some of our concepts of strength?

When we stand before a mighty waterfall, a majestic mountain, a roaring volcano, we are awed by the power of God. But when Jesus sought to impress his hearers with divine power or strength at its best, he bade them to consider the fowls of the air, the lilies of the field, and the little child in their midst. When God’s power restrains itself, then it is demonstrated in its highest form.

This is true of the truly great characters of history. Gentleness is a test of their gianthood. Supreme in this regard stands Jesus of Nazareth. It was the gentleness of power under superb control. These are His words, “I lay down my life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again.” He was not crucified because of His weakness. Paul preached Christ crucified as the “power of God, and wisdom of God.”

It is hard for us of this power era to appreciate gentleness as the mark of gianthood, and more in an atmosphere of power and yet, we have not conquered the world by it. In the long run, the figures that most firmly hold the hearts of men are the rulers of the spirit. Far above all others is Jesus who ever calls—“Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden for I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for I AM MEEK, and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.”

Somebody made the remark sometime, somewhere, that man is an irrational creature who is always looking for home atmosphere at a hotel and hotel service at home.

Otterbein Home

By the time this item comes to you we will again have launched our annual campaign at Upton, to gather fruits and vegetables, jams and jellies, to help to supply a portion of the needs of the folks at our Otterbein Home.

In past years we have always had a good collection to send and we are again asking that each one of you bring at least one can which will make a fine collection.

Also at this time if there are some of you who have used clothing, clean and in good repair, that you would like to send to the Home, will you bring it to the basement of the church and we will be glad to send it at this time.

Can we count on you concerning this matter?

Mr. Kolbe
Among Our People

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Zorecki, Nee Juanita Spencer, who were married in Upton church on Saturday evening, Sept. 29th. Also to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hall, nee Barbara Pagley, on the arrival of a baby girl some two weeks ago.

Our sympathy to the family of Mr. Clement Chrismer who passed away the middle of September at Cridersville, Ohio. Services and interment were at that place. Mr. Chrismer was a member of Upton for many years. He lived with a daughter here a part of each year and was in worship whenever his health permitted. Acknowledgment of the church's expression of sympathy has been received.

Thank You notes have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Durell Orens and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Waggar for the remembrances of the church to their recent new arrival.

Mrs. Vesta Huttinger has joined First Congregational church. Our best wishes to her in her new fellowship.

W. S. W. S.

Just a simple lily bulb but what a beautiful flower blooms from it. Comparing this plain simple lily bulb to our missionary society was shown to us at our meeting on Friday evening, Oct. 5th, in the Parish House, by Mr. Duffy. We could see what a society could do by this very impressive chalk talk. Mr. Duffy started with the drawing of just a plain earthen pot with some dirt and the bulb planted in it. Then as he talked we saw the lily break forth and grow into this beautiful Easter lily. A missionary society can bloom forth with beauty just as the flower. The more we put into our society in work and effort the greater the society will be. We should pray for our missionaries and with love and truth we can help to build God's kingdom. Mr. Duffy told us how everyday workers can be missionaries right here at home. The bread man that sells bread at our doors brings the staff of life to us. The insurance man can sell insurance for the soul by telling the people of the blood of Jesus shed for our sins. Even we housewives can keep our homes ready and prepared at all times for the coming of our Lord and Saviour. He closed with this challenge for us to build God's kingdom.

Friendship Guild

Our Friendship Guild meeting was held at the Parish House from 7 to 8 o'clock Wednesday, September 19. We opened our meeting by singing hymns and praying the Lord's Prayer. Our secretary read the report of the last meeting. Then our treasurer gave her report. Mrs. Frantz began a serial flannelgraph story about a boy in Africa. After that we sang some more hymns. Refreshments were then served. Then we made candy dolls and dressed them in crepe paper and ribbon. Our meeting was then adjourned.

Scribe,
Linda Van Gunten

Appreciation And Introduction

I would like to express my appreciation of the services of Mrs. Ruth Moseley, who has given such a worthwhile contribution to the music of Upton church. As our organist and accompanist, we have appreciated her work here, but any word I may say can not repay her for her gracious, kindly way, nor recognize her real musical ability. We are sorry to lose her but extend our heartfelt good wishes to her as she goes to her larger field as organist of First Congregational church.

While I am sorry to lose Mrs. Moseley, I am equally happy to greet her successor, Mrs. Glen Withrow, whom I have known since 1923. To the Callenders she's just Pauline, but to you readers of the Challenger, I'd like to introduce her as the organist for the past five or six years of Second Baptist church and as the director of the music department of the North Toledo Community House. She and her husband, Mr. Glen Withrow, are from a long line of musical Evangelical United Brethren and I bespeak for the family a real welcome to Upton church. I would also like to express my thanks to Rondel Jones, who acted as supply organist until Mrs. Withrow was free to take over Mrs. Moseley's duties. We were indeed fortunate to be able to secure such an excellent substitute in short notice.

Thanks to Mrs. Mary Rathke, a very competent director, we enjoy good music in our church, but the congregation can not expect the director, the organist, and the choir to do all the work that instills real worship in the services of God's house. We must all do our share.

Col. 3:16 says, "Let each word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." Yea, let ALL the people sing.

Sincerely,
Ruth Moseley

Our Sick

A goodly number of our people are ill and in the hospital. They are: Mr. O. D. Zoll, in Parkview; Mrs. Wm. Buckhill, in Riverside; Mr. Robert Haefner, in Wm. Roche, and Mrs. Haefner, in Maumee Valley; Wm. Hatfield, in St. Vincents and Norma Sloan in Mercy.

Mrs. Alice Beck's name should have appeared in our Sick List of September. She is now at home from a hospital visit. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to each of these folk.

Bonebrake Seminary, Dayton 6, Ohio

October 5, 1951

Dear Friend:

You are cordially invited to attend the Services of Laying the Cornerstone of the Library Building and the Installation of Dean J. Bruce Behney, Dr. Arthur C. Core, Professor Wayne E. Barr and Professor Calvin H. Reber, Jr. The Cornerstone Service will be held at the Seminary at 10:00 A. M. and the Installation Service at the Euclid Avenue Evangelical United Brethren Church at 2:30 P. M. November 2, 1951.

Most cordially,
Walter N. Roberts, President

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