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The Upton Challenger

UPTON EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

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Board Of Trustees

The Trustees extend a hearty greeting to one and all. We note with pride the renewed activities and enthusiasm shown in the various groups and societies. Is it the interesting programs or might it be the crisp autumn air that tends to stimulate us?

Were you on hand anniversary day to see the committees in action to help make that day another memorable occasion? Plenty to eat, lots of that good old Upton friendship and spirit prevailing which can only mean a wonderful time for everybody. And what a privilege was ours to hear our Bishop Dennis, a first time for most of us, and to have him remain with us for a week of meetings, which are in progress as this item goes to press.

Did you say the Church auditorium needs redecorating? Well, there is no person or persons who feel this more keenly than your Trustee Board, but the lack of funds prevents us from doing this work at the moment. However, we wish all to know that this is one of the firsts on our agenda for the coming year and we are not forgetting the generosity of our good brother Ted Ziegler, who has promised to donate the paint and for this we extend to him our most sincere thanks.

Speaking of activities we would say a word for our sporting department. Much enthusiasm is shown in our Bowling League and the competition is very keen. Our Dart Ball team is holding its own in the Church League, and needless to say that every player is interested and on hand each playing night.

In closing I want to remind each one of their Erection Fund pledge. Most pledges are paid up to date, of course, but there are many delinquents. If we are to build in 1954 it means, not just a few pledges, but ALL pledges, be paid in full and renewed. Please remember that in any machine every little cog must work to insure smooth running, and in Our machine with God the Chauffeur, it cannot be otherwise.

C. Hoel

New Arrivals

Four baby girls arrived in our church homes since our last issue. They belong to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hatfield, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Callahan, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Leininger, nee Mary Lee Riendeau, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sickles. (Mrs. Withrow is the happy and proud grandmother of the Sickles baby.)

Our congratulations to each of these parents.

Every Member Canvass November 30th

Congregational Meeting December 14th

W. S. W. S.

"We Give Thanks For the Living Word" was the topic of the November meeting of the W. S. W. S.

A fine group was again in attendance. Meeting was opened with hymn singing and prayer by the president, Mrs. Kuehnl. Reports were heard from the various secretaries. It was agreed that the sale of Christmas cards would now close. This has been a very successful project, some \$50.00 having been realized. The plastic party also was very worthwhile-thus allowing the group to make another good payment into the Church Erection Fund. Mrs. Gifford had charge of the devotions, reading from the New Testament 105 Psalm 1-7 verses. Mrs. Rathke sang "Give Thanks and Sing" with Mrs. French at the piano. Mrs. Hoel directed the playlet "The Thank-offering Boxes Speak". Ten persons participated, namely: Mrs. Frantz as Spirit of Thank-offering Boxes. carried a box representing our T. O. Box which showed two globes on the front representing all the countries of the world and at the bottom of the box the verse from the Book of John, "That The World May Know." The others were Mrs. Tressler, Mrs. Mearl Main, Jr., Mrs. French, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Neil Stock, Mrs. Mark, Mrs. McShane, Mrs. Hatcher and Mrs. Lugibihl. Each carried a thank-offering box which had a woman's face on the front showing the kind of a person who had been possessor of them (each box) for the year. The faces were Disgust, Discourage, Haughty, Courageous, Happy, Cheerful, Quiet, Sad and Sincere. (All this fine artistry was done by Mrs. Johnson and on very short notice.) Members were given opportunity to tell of their reasons for being thankful.

At the conclusion of the meeting Thankoffering boxes were dedicated and "Praise
God From Whom All Blessings Flow" was
sung. Refreshments of very lovely cookies, nuts, tea and coffee were served by
the group in charge.

All women of the church are most welcome at these meetings and we hope you will come if you are not already doing so—and soon become a member.

HC

(For Mrs. Nelson who was ill)

Pastor's Column

October, the second month of our conference year will read well in the year's record. Sunday School averaged 282 and worship 262 in average attendance. World Wide Holy Communion was observed on the first Sunday with two services both of which were well attended. On the 19th we observed Men's day with men of the Mr. Claude Arnold, church in charge. Pres. of the men's work of the church presided. Mr. Robert Davis read the Scripture using the new Revised Standard Version Bible and Mr. Ralph Lugibihl led in the morning prayer with the pastor bringing the message. Reformation Sunday was observed on October 26th.

Pastor's report shows 71 calls, four baptisms, six new members, one funeral, five sermons, 128 hours in the study and office, 38 meetings attended. The pastor taught in the Toledo Group School of Religion and was the guest minister giving the invocation at the North Western Ohio Teachers' meeting held in the Doerman Theater at Toledo University. It has been a busy but a very good month.

December will be a great and good month with more than usual in activity. Christmas will, of course, high-light the Sunday activities. Sunday morning, Dec. 21, Worship will be at 9:30 with Sunday School at 10:40. Santa will come at 11:15. Everyone is cordially invited to share. REMEMBER THE CHANGE IN THE HOURS OF SERVICE.

In addition you will remember the Brotherhood and Youth Fellowship meeting of the Toledo Group to be held in First Church Sunday evening, Dec. 7th. Luncheon hour five to seven and then the youth meeting, women's meeting the men's business session at 6:30 with the evening service at 7:30. Dr. H. W. Kaebnick from Dayton, Ohio, reputed to be one of the truly great preachers of the denomination, is to be the preacher. Everyone is cordially invited and the luncheon is without charge.

December is also-beginning the last of November-Every Member Canvass month. This will be the time when we will be taking our pledges to the support of the Lord's work for the coming year-exclusive of the Church Erection. We will be giving to Current expense, Missions and Benevolences, and Trustee Fund but our pledge will be for a total amount to cover all these items a percentage of our giving to go to each of these funds. This percentage will be set by the official family of the church and will be made known at the time of the canvass. We feel that this will simplify matters for you and it will lessen the work of our banking committee and the financial (Continued on Page 12)

Rev. And Mrs. Johnson Honored By Congregation

A surprise reception was held last Sunday for Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Johnson and family, in honor of their approaching 18th year at Upton Evangelical United Brethren Church.

Early Sunday morning a florist delivered a box containing corsages for Mrs. Johnson and daughters, Princess, Phyllis and Cheryl, and boutonnieres for Rev. Johnson, and sons, Duane and Gordon. Enclosed was an invitation for the family to be guests at the church services that day.

Sunday School session opened with Mrs. Cordella Treece playing selections on the xylophone. Joel Mosley offered the prayer. The junior choir, under the direction of Mrs. Paulina Withrow, sang "The Pilgrim's Journey," Mrs. Norris Kane gave a talk on "The Responsibilities and Duties a Minister's Wife Has To Contend With." Edson McShane, Sunday School superintendent, spoke on "Our Appreciation in Having the Johnson Family at Upton Church."

Homer Knisely, general chairman, presided at the worship service. He introduced the guest speaker, Rev. John Searle, from First E. U. B. Church of Bowling Green, who spoke on: "Christian Stewardship." Miss Ardis Brown sang "The Lord's Prayer," accompanied by the adult choir, under the direction of Mrs. Mary Rathke, director.

At the close of the service Mr. Knisely expressed his thanks to all those who made the day a success. He also welcomed Rev. Johnson and family back for another year and presented them with a gift check from members of the church. Rev. Johnson thanked Mr. Knisely, the congregation, and Rev. Searle, in behalf of himself and family. During his pastorate the membership has increased from 202 to 832 members.

Our Appreciation

Something new has been added. Yes, a new day which was proclaimed as "Johnson Day" has been added to the Upton calendar of this year. And what a glorious day it was for all the Johnson family, large and small.

Beautiful corsages arrived early Sunday morning, November the second, for Princess, Phyllis and myself and even a darling tiny one for Cheryl Kay, boutonnieres for the pastor and Gordon, together with an announcement of the new day and an invitation to be the honor guests at Sunday School and Worship Services.

The special music on the vibra harp by Mrs. Robert Treece playing a medley of the good old hymns started the program off with a grand lift. The special welcomes by Mrs. Norris Kane and Mr. Edson Mc-Shane might have served to inflate our ego but rather made us feel very humble indeed.

Given a special pew for worship and being allowed the privilege of sitting together for a service in our own church is

indeed something new. On the altar was a huge beautiful bouquet, a bronze basket filled with the giant bronze and yellow cushion mums.

The speaker also was kept a secret until we saw him come in during the processional. How very pleased we were when we saw Rev. John Searle, Sr., a very good personal friend of the pastor, occupying the pulpit for the service. The choir singing "Sanctus", a favorite anthem of ours, really were at their best and the hymns chosen for the day were favorites of the pastor. Following the stirring and inspirational message the pastor and I were called to the rostrum, and presented with a very substantial check by the delegate and chairman of the day, Mr. H. E. Knisely. While you needed not to have done this, the day itself being a joyous blessing, vet we did appreciate it to the fullest and are very grateful.

The surprises were not yet over. Duane and Norma had been delegated to see that dinner went smoothly at home with the children all together. Reservations had been made at the lovely Northwood Inn and together with Rev. and Mrs. Searle, Mr. and Mrs. Knisely, your pastor and I enjoyed a super turkey dinner. Everything was perfect.

"We want to thank you for the things that you have done for us

To bring us joy and help us build a fine and brighter trust

For all your friendships in the past as well as for today

And every time you add a smile to help us on our way

Perhaps you do not know it but the very thought of you

Is helping us in everything we undertake to do

We keep your kindness in our minds and when the road is long

We follow your encouragement and life is like a song

And every time we mark a mile or gain another grade

We think of you and thank you for the progress that's been made.

The flowers that day were beautiful, the program very new,

And we are very grateful for the friends we've found in you."

Mrs. O. E. Johnson

Sunday School

Our average Sunday School attendance during October was two hundred and eighty-two as compared with two hundred and fifty-seven for last October. This increase of twenty-five per Sunday is a good indication that we will have a wonderful year in our Sunday School.

For the past several weeks we have been collecting canned fruit and vegetables, also used clothing for our Otterbein Home. This project is directed and cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kolbe. First, we wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Kolbe for the good job they do year after year. Then we thank all of you for your response in making

sure you have done your part by bringing in your donation. As Christmas approaches we again think of our Otterbein Home. Each year we give one cash offering to the Home, that being our Christmas offering. A generous offering from each of our churches makes possible those otherwise homeless boys and girls and old people being cared for. Will you plan now to do your share to make a good offering from our Church? If you wish, there will be Christmas stockings and folders furnished for your convenience in saving your contribution.

On Christmas Sunday evening, our boys and girls will again favor us with an hour of entertainment. The program will be directed by Mrs. Leonard Hendrickson and Mrs. Paulina Withrow. The program was so well accepted last year that I know you will not want to miss this one. Plans are now just getting under way, further announcements as to time, etc will be made.

By the time this Challenger reaches you, Anniversary Day will be over and our Bishop will have spent a week with us. We are all looking forward to a week of spiritual enrichment. I know his visit with us will enable us to do a greater service for our Church and our Lord.

E. McShane, Supt.

Ladies Aid

We had a nice number of ladies at our last meeting of November 10th. There were twenty-five present, including a visitor, Mrs. Helen Rigby, who, we hope to see often, and our pastor, Rev. Johnson. Everyone is welcome, and we are always happy to see new faces with us.

Mrs. Elsie Williams, our vice president, was in charge, and also led in devotions. Her topic was on the 23rd Psalm.

We are having a Christmas party on our next meeting night. There will be a one dollar gift exchange.

There is to be a new president for the Aid, and we are all looking for one. Our nominating committee, Mrs. Rigby, chairman, and Mrs. Stock and Mrs. Holliday, would be happy for any suggestions. Yes, our faithful president, Mrs. Marie Thomas, is leaving us. She has had the job for ten years, and it will be very hard to find someone to take her place. Marie and Clyde are leaving Toledo November 20th for about a five month trip to California.

The best of wishes go with you, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas. May you have a wonderful trip. We will miss you and think of you often. Good luck, and hurry back.

Should you know anyone who would come to our dinners if they were sent a card as a reminder, please contact anyone in the Aid.

Mrs. Stock served refreshments, assisted by Mrs. Shreves, Mrs. Kolbe, and Mrs. Rigby.

G. W.

HAVE YOU TAKEN CARE OF YOUR CHALLENGER SUBSCRIPTION PAY-MENT? IF NOT—WE URGE YOU TO DO SO.

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Findlay First Church Dedicates New Edifice



Auditorium During Morning Worship

The new Findlay First Church was dedicated October 19 by Bishop Fred L. Dennis, with Dr. V. H. Allman assisting. The week long services included sermons by Rev. Don Hochstettler and Bishop Emeritus A. R. Clippinger, concerts by the Church Chancel Choir, Findlay High School Choir, Findlay College, and the Organ Dedicatory service with Miss Marilyn Mason.

The actual beginning of the new church edifice was on a cold day, February 19, 1950. After appropriate services at the old church. during which Bishop A. R. Clippinger gave the message, and Rev. W. P. Alspach gave the church history, Bishop Clippinger led a large group to the site of the new church. Rev. G. L. Fleming, pastor, and Rev. L. E. Ames, immediate past pastor of the church, turned the first shovel of earth. Dr. V. H. Allman was in charge of a ceremony in which administrative officers, Sunday School, W. S. W. S. groups, Boy Scouts, the choir, and the Primary Department were represented in the ground breaking ceremonies.

Work progressed until on July 30, 1950, the corner stone was laid. Bishop A. R. Clippinger officiated, with Dr. V. H. Allman, Conference Superintendent, Dr. L. E. Ames, former pastor, Rev. W. P. Alspach, church historian and conference treasurer, A. N. Hochstettler, president of the board of trustees; Boyd G. Martin, architect; Harold Dodson, general contractor; Thomas Finn, chief mason; Rev. G. L. Fleming, pastor. Chromium plated and engraved trowels, emblematic of the occasion were presented to Bishop Clippinger, Dr. Allman, Dr. Ames, Rev. Alspach, Rev. Fleming and Mr. Hochstettler by W. Perry Miles.

The church as you see it today is con-(Continued on page 4)

Evangelistic Retreat

A high day of inspiration and challenge was experienced by the good number of ministers and laymen of Ohio Sandusky Conference in the conference-wide Evangelistic Retreat which was held in Findlay on Monday, October 20. It was very gratifying that most of our conference ministers were in attendance to receive the spiritual uplift which it pleased God to

Following an opening devotional period led by H. V. Falor, the conference Executive Secretary of Evangelism; Dr. O. T. Deever, Executive Secretary of our Denominational Board of Evangelism brought an enlightening message on "The Larger Evangelism" plan, as it is being promoted so helpfully in numerous annual conferences of our General Church. The advantages, comprehensiveness, and unusual fruitfulness of the plan were made evident. In these days when God's work calls forth our best in winning man to Christ and establishing them in ways of steadfast and fruitful Christian living, we all should use this larger plan to make more effective the outreach and efficiency of our churches.

To conclude the morning program Dr. J. Allan Ranck, our General Church Director of Young People's Work brought a heartsearching Gospel message, and directed all present in a period of penitence and volunteer prayers.

Dinner was served in the spacious basement of the beautiful new First Church. Because a funeral was to be held at First Church in the afternoon, the second and concluding session of the retreat was held

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Funeral Service Held For Mrs. W. W. Freshlev

Virginia Ruth Freshley, wife of the Rev. W. W. Freshley, pastor at Perrysburg, suddenly passed to her crowning, following a severe attack of polio, October 30, 1952. The funeral service was held 1:30 P. M. Monday, November 3, in the Perrysburg Evangelical United Brethren church with Rev. O. E. Johnson, Group Leader, and Rev. F. A. Firestone, North District Superintendent, officiating. The Rev. H. M. Shadle, pastor of Toledo Zion Church, read the Scripture Lesson and voiced a prayer. Mrs. Clifford Hite, soloist from Findlay First Curch, sang two selections. Internment was made in the Fort Meigs Cemetery.

Mrs. Freshley, daughter of Hiram C. and Mary Emma (Maffett) Farley of Stockton, Illinois, was 30 years of age and the youngest of a family of six chilldren. She was a child of the church and as a Christian became a member of the church at the tender age of eight years. Upon completion of her primary and secondary public schools she was privileged to continue her education in colleges of the denomination of her choice, completing two years at Westmar College, Lamars, Iowa, and then continuing at North Central College at Naperville, Illinois, where she graduated in 1942.

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Thanksgiving YF Retreat

Findlay, Ohio First Church November 28-29

Friday

8:00-9:30 Registration .. 9:30 Opening Assembly ... James Strouse, President of Conference YF, Presiding John Searle, Director of Music

Shelomith Corl, Director of Worship Joe Brobst, President of 1st Church YF Address-"That I might Know Him Better Through My Personal Devotional Life"-

Rev. Paul Walter

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Film-"He Who Is Greatest"

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Rev. Paul Watson Happy In Church Fellowship

The Evangelical United Brethren Church opened to me new avenues for service at their last conference. For sixteen years I served as pastor in the Churches of God. It was my privilege to pastor the mother church of that denomination for a period of five years, and that in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Then, upon coming to Findlay, Ohio as Professor of Practical Theology in the Winebrenner Graduate School of Divinity, I was privileged to accept speaking engagements which took me into many churches of the major denominations.

In accepting a pastoral responsibility with the Evangelical United Brethren Churches, it is a return to the church of my childhood days. The memory of seeing father go to an altar of prayer at an evangelistic service being conducted in an old converted saloon, in Indianapolis, Indiana; is a scene not to be easily forgotten. I amvery happy in my new ecclesiastic fellowship.

The Vaughnsville Union Church has received us very cordially. The circumstances are rather unusual in that it is a union church. They are able to manifest the true Christian fellowship taught by our Lord, that of all being One Body. In the united fellowship thus maintained, it is not possible to detect the presence of different communions.

They are a working people. They are a sincere and conscientious people. They realize there is much to be desired. They have set their faces to the accomplishment of the task before them. Definite plans are being made for winter evangelistic services, Christmas programs, service to the shut-ins, home and personal evangelism, Pre-Easter evangelism, and general Christian fellowship in the church and community. They have also attached the much needed material

Christ Calls Us To Stewardship

By this time you have heard that the theme of our denomination this year is "Christ Calls To Stewardship." Many people have a negative response to the word "stewardship" when it is mentioned. They surmise that this is the streamlined approach of the church to secure more money. These people are to be pitied. For some reason their understanding of stewardship has been distorted. They need to be educated and instructed. They need to have a new appreciation of the meaning of stewardship, looking upon it as something deeply spiritual.

No better time to educate our members is afforded us than right NOW. There are several things your church can begin doing immediately to bring this to pass.

1. See to it that each member of the Council of Administration has placed in his hands the complete packet, "Opportunity Aids," and the booklet entitled, "Stewardship Nuggets." If this stewardship emphasis is to have meaning and life, it is imperative that our leaders set the example.

2. Make a practical use of the study book, "Christ Calls To Stewardship." It may be the basis of a series of discussions in regular meetings of the organized groups of the local church; such as the W. S. W. S., the Christian Service Guild, the Brotherhood, the Youth Fellowship, and the prayer meeting.

3. By use of audio-visual aids. The new sound film, "More For Peace," is the story of a congregation as it demonstrated stewardship. The film points up more brother-hood, evangelism, Christ-centered lives, and tithing FOR PEACE. This is our latest denominational stewardship film.

New Addresses

Rev. O. O. Ortt 234 W. Third Street Mansfield, Ohio

Rev. F. A. Firestone, Supt. 235 Sand Ridge Road Bowling Green, Ohio

improvement program. They have already purchased a new piano for the church, and are raising money for other church improvements. They are doing extensive work at the parsonage which we shall report at a later date. At the time of this writing we have not moved into the parsonage, but anticipate doing so just as soon as the repairs are completed.

The church has not heretofore responded to the monthly budget program. But our understanding is that they have always paid their benevolences in full. The financial status of the church is good, however improvement is desired. The attendance is approximately fifty percent of the membership as recorded on the roll.

The average Sunday School attendance for September and October was 129; the average church attendance for the same period was 144.

FINDLAY FIRST CHURCH (Continued from page 3)

structed of Golden Tone Variegated Briar Hill Sandstone. The contrasting stone trim is Bedford Select Indiana Limestone. In all, three hundred and fifty ton of stone was used for the exterior alone. The church is one hundred and forty six feet in length, and one hundred and twenty six feet in width. The beautiful tower, seventy feet in height eternally points the way to God, and provides the main entrance. There are separate entrances for the chapel, basement, pastor's study and church offices, nursery, and an additional entrance on the south side of the church opening on the spacious parking lot.

The auditorium, with a total seating capacity of about one thousand, including overflow, is especially beautiful. The chancel is the worship centered type, with a choir loft on either side. The pulpit dominates the north side of the chancel, being massive and impressive in both heighth and size. Lighting is entirely indirect.

At the rear of the auditorium is the nursery, completely equipped to care for the children's physical and spiritual needs during church school and worship services. A nurse is always in charge during these services.

The second floor is comprised of assembly rooms and class rooms. It is spacious, being one hundred and twenty six feet by forty feet, not including the balcony above the auditorium. It has fourteen rooms, including an office for church school.

The basement has an auditorium fortytwo feet in width, one hundred and seven feet in length with a large stage at the west end. Glazed tile is used throughout the basement from floor to ceiling. A room for choir assembly is at the east end, beneath the chancel, with access to the chancel from either side.

The kitchen and dining room facilities are equipped with splendid electric ovens and grills. Built-in cupboards give adequate storage facilities.

A separate room for the Scout groups is in the southwest corner, with completely separate facilities.

The heating plant is placed in the northwest corner. Natural gas is used, and the radiant heating is in the floor. It is estimated by the heating engineer that 24,132 feet (26 ton) of pipe was used (about 4½ miles), 700 pounds of welding rod, 215 tanks of acetylene, 505 tanks of oxygen, 1,500 pounds of lead, besides 600 feet of copper pipe.

With such a beautiful edifice so adequately equipped and the splendid spirit of a congregation that has triumphed in seeing a glorious vision become reality, Findlay First Church faces the challenge of a grand and noble future, dedicated to God and to the salvation and nurture of souls.

THEY DIE YOUNG

A government report says that the life of a dollar bill is only seven or eight months. Can't prove it by us, for they don't even reach middle age in our pocket.

News from the Churches

TOLEDO CALVARY WELCOMES PASTOR

A reception was held on Friday, October 10, for Rev. Gerald H. Coen, the new pastor at Calvary Evangelical United Brethren church, Jackman Rd. and Sylvania Ave., Toledo, Ohio.

The members and friends of the church gathered together for a potluck supper at 6:30 P. M. in the church parlor. Rev. Coen and his family were presented a beautiful floral bouquet in honor of the occasion.

The Senior and Intermediate Youth Fellowships had charge of the program which was both humorous and entertaining. Mrs. J. H. Oberst gave the official welcome for the pastor and his family. Both Rev. and Mrs. Coen assured the congregation of their utmost in devotion and service in the future.

Mr. Robert Jones of the Builder's Class had charge of the devotions. The service was closed with the singing of a verse from the "Old Rugged Cross" and a closing prayer by Mr. Jones.

Mrs. Richard Miller, Reporter

UNION CENTER EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

The Union Center Evangelical United Brethren Church of the Van Wert Circuit have started another year under the leadership of Rev. W. A. Lydick. In order to show their appreciation for the fine work Rev. and Mrs. Lydick are doing a pound party was held in their honor in the social rooms of the church. They were presented gifts of food, having a value of around thirty dollars.

The men of the church met and graded and seeded the yard around the church. They also poured cement walks and a curb around the church yard and placed the outside bulletin board in a desirable place. After this was done a landscape gardener was called in and the church grounds were planted with various types of evergreens numbering around thirty. We are looking forward to having a beautiful setting for our rural church.

Our annual Rally and Homecoming day was held on the 19th of October. Promotions to the various classes were made during the Sunday School hour. This being Men's Day the Pastor gave an appropriate message for the occasion. The attendance numbered around 100. A basket dinner was held in the social rooms of the church basement at noon. After the noon meal a service was held in the sanctuary. Rev. C. P. Maas of the Trinity Church in Van Wert was the speaker for this service and gave an inspiring message, admonishing us that Christians should never be satisfied until the community is won for Christ. Several special numbers in music were given by the "Sons of Harmony" a male quartette from Van Wert. Other special musical numbers were rendered by Mrs. Richard Harris, Mrs. Maynard Ramsey, Mrs. Marion Rolston and

Mrs. Lester Thomas. The offerings for the day totaled two hundred and fifty seven dollars

Mrs. Wayne Rowe, Reporter

BLOOMDALE REVIVAL

A very successful revival was held at the Bloomdale Church beginning October 13 through October 26th. Rev. and Mrs. George D. Reep of Green Springs, Ohio opened the revival on Monday evening with an inspirational song service and an equally inspiring message from the Word. On Tuesday evening October 14th, the scheduled evangelistic party for our meeting arrived and conducted the successful meetings nightly. Mr. Arthur S. Flick of Hamilton, Ohio, an exceptionally talented musician presided at the piano and also brought special selections on the organ and his special type Sleigh Bells. He also conducted the children's services held at 4 o'clock each afternoon in the church. He taught by means of the flannelgraph linking it with Biblical stories. He also taught new choruses, many of which he composed.

Rev. Mabel Rife of Columbus, Ohio, was our evangelist whom God has given a wonderful talent and brought messages that stirred the hearts of sinners, back-sliders, and believers as well. There were six persons who found Christ as Saviour and many moved forward to acknowledge that they were going to walk closer to the Master's side.

On Saturday evening October 25th, Rev. Mabel Rife showed pictures of her recent trip to the Holy Land. She also displayed and explained some of the articles brought back from her trip. Visitors from neighboring churches were present nightly. A goodly number were present from the Harmony Church on the Bloomville charge and the Mount Carmel church. The orchestra from the latter church was present on Friday evening, October 24th. and gave a half hour concert which was greatly appreciated. Mt. Carmel had 53 present this night. The local church is appreciative for the cooperation and attendance of the Pleasant View church. Rev. Loyd Rife is pastor of the Bloomdale charge and he and Mrs. Rife and son, Loyd Jr. have a successful start on this charge, and with the spirit of revival carrying on through out the year great things can be accomplished and are contemplated at Bloomdale.

"If God be for us who can be against us."
Mrs. Avery Kepp—Reporter

* * * PASCO CHURCH

The Pasco congregation demonstrated what can be done when each person acts as a personal ambassador by inviting friends and neighbors to church. On Rally Day, October 19, the Sunday School attendance jumped to 111 and the Worship Service went over the top with 125.

The Ladies Aid Society has been working diligently by serving a chicken supper and serving meals at farm sales, in order to dig a well at the church. This improvement has been needed for several years, and once again the Ladies Aid has come to the

rescue.

Many plans are underway for vitalizing the ministry of this church.

Joseph R. Graham, pastor

* * * VAN WERT SOUTH CHARGE

Rally Day and Homecoming was held at the Wood Chapel Church on Sunday, Oct. 19, with Rev. Don Hochstetler, Conference Director of Christian Education as the guest speaker. The attendance at Sunday School reached 69 and at the afternoon service there were 109. The special offering for the day was given for the parsonage fund, and amounted to \$124.

The Rally and Homecoming was held at St. Peters Church on Sunday, October 26. Rev. C. P. Maas of the Trinity Church in Van Wert was our guest speaker. The morning attendance was 35 and the afternoon attendance was 50. A special feature of both morning and afternoon programs was the reading of original poems sent by Mrs. Bertha Michael Harmount, a former member, who is confined to her home in Bryan, Ohio.

Rev. Albert N. Straley, Pastor

RECEPTION AT LIMA, OHIO, FIRST CHURCH

After a pastorate of eight years Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Coen were transferred to the Calvary Church at Toledo, Ohio and Rev. Sullivan and family were transferred from Shelby to Lima First church by the recent Annual Conference.

The pastor and family of the Lima First church were invited to the church for the evening of September 26. A very fine attendance of members and friends were present to welcome them. The very inspiring program was directed by Mr. Russell Orchard, who is the Superintendent of the Adult department of the Sunday School. The program consisted of very beautiful musical numbers, address of welcome by the emcee, responses by the pastor and wife.

Mrs. Sullivan and Marjorie were each presented a very beautiful orchid, compliments of the Dr. Parents, while the pastor was presented a very substantial check from the church.

The program in the sanctuary was followed by a very fine social hour in the church parlors. Refreshments were served by the Christian Service Class of the Sunday School, supported by the entire Sunday School. The people of Lima First are a fine Christian Family and have done everything possible to make the new pastor and family as one of them. The church at Shelby from where the Sullivans came presented them a beautiful Westinghouse Roaster upon their leaving the Shelby Church.

IMPROVEMENTS MADE AT KELLEYS ISLAND CHURCH

On October 25, Saturday, eight men gathered at the Kelleys Island church to pour cement for a pair of concrete steps and a sidewalk for the parsonage. Also a catchbasin was made to catch and take away roof water from both the church and the

A foundation was laid for a parsonage. bulletin board which will be erected later. All this was done in one afternoon. The forms had been made and placed in the forenoon. The preacher and his wife rejoice that this much needed work has been

C. M. Moorhead, Pastor

JOHNSON DAY — TOLEDO UPTON

Members and friends of the Sunday School and Church filled Upton Church on Sunday morning, November 2nd, in the Sunday School and Worship hours honoring Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Johnson and family. This was decreed "Johnson Day" and came as a surprise to them-and in lieu of the regular yearly reception.

Many extra features were brought in the Sunday School period. Rev. John C. Searle of Bowling Green, Ohio. A good friend of the Johnsons, was guest speaker in the worship hour and spoke on Christian Steward-

A beautiful basket of autumn flowers graced the communion table. Corsages and boutionniers had been sent the Johnsons early Sunday morning with an enclosed invitation to be Upton's guests that day.

A check was presented to the family by Mr. Homer E. Knisely, general chairman, as a token of appreciation for the Johnsons' many labors in the Upton church. They are beginning their eighteenth year. Plans are now in the making for the completion of the church building in its entirety.

H. Coder. Reporter

* * * SPECIAL MEETINGS AT EDGERTON

The Trinity church of Edgerton reports a very successful meeting with the evangelist Rev. Garl E. Brand, Ashley, Indiana, his wife and family. The services occurred in a period of November second through the ninth with eight great days of inspiration. The overwhelming consensus is a regret that the program had not been scheduled for a longer period of time, as the enthusiasm, interest, and attendance increased with each service. The climatic meeting of Sunday the 9th saw a filled church and a very high spirit of re-dedication to Christ and the program of personal evangelism in a "Larger Evangelism" effort. An unusual number of individuals expressed their spiritual development as a result of the dynamic, thought provoking, and pointed sermons of Rev. Brand who preached as one directly inspired of God. Highlighting the services were vocal duets, trios, and solos by Rev. Garl and Mrs. Jean Brand, Jimmy and Judy who are the young children of the Brands. Mrs. Brand, too, displayed outstanding talent in playing the hymns of the church on the musical sleigh bells and the piano.

Foodstuffs and finances were abundantly provided by the dedicated friends who climaxed their generosity by a love gift of \$195.72. The Ladies' Aid of the church presented, through a ceremony lead by Mrs. Martha Engler the oldest member of the congregation, roses to Mrs. Brand, a gift of money for Rev. Brand, and gifts for the

children.

The churches of the community were represented in the services by the attendance of the friends. God's Holy Spirit was pleased to bless the "Larger Evangelism" effort of systematic visitation, prayer, and the preaching mission.

David E. Weinzierl, Pastor

WEST MANSFIELD CHURCH WEL-COMES PASTOR

The West Mansfield Exangelical United Brethren Church welcomed their pastor and family back fo rtheir sixth year with a pound shower of many good things. Rev. and Mrs. Francis McCracken, and their two daughters and two sons, are held in high esteem by the fine folk who loyally support the program of the church.

The first week of December, Rev. Mc-Cracken will speak over the radio each morning at 7:45 A. M. from High Point 1350 Bellefontaine, Ohio.

HOYTVILLE GIVES RECEPTION FOR PASTOR AND FAMILY

The Hoytville E. U. B. church gave a reception for Re7, and Mrs. Lynn H. Harris and family on the evening of October 10th, with Miss Louis Van Dorn in charge of the program. Responses were given by Rev. and Mrs. Harris and also the older daughter, Mary Lynn, A girls choir, formed especially for the occasion, sang along with the E. U. B. Trio and group singing. Delightful refreshments were served after the Harris family were presented with a set of dishes consisting of service for eight.

The church has just finished with a Rally Endeavor calling it Loyalty Month. Each Sunday was give, over to special emphasis, with talent from Ft. Wayne and Lima augmenting each Sunday program. The average attendance was one hundred forty-one.

The new parsonage, consisting of eight large rooms with all modern conveniences and an automatic oil-fired hot water heating plant, is now completed. The dedicatory service will soon be held as soon as the landscaping is finished.

Rev. Lynn Harris

PORT CLINTON CELEBRATE PASTOR'S FOURTH YEAR

The dining hall of the Port Clinton E. U. B. Church was Will filled with diners early monday evening, October 27, honoring the return of Rev. J. V. Bigelow and family to their fourth year with the church.

Clarence Streeter was the master of ceremonies and gave the welcoming address. Frank Kastor led in prayer and Rev. Bigelow directed the group singing with Mrs. Morton Everett at the piano.

Decorations in Leeping with the Hallowe'en theme adornel the tables. A "grocery store" filled with a variety of groceries and complete with cash register was set up on the stage and prisented as a Hallowe'en surprise to the Bigelow family.

IMPROVEMENTS MADE AT CARDING-TON CHARGE

Center church of the Cardington charge

is a much nicer place in which to worship since improvements planned more than a year ago have been completed. The work at the Fairview Church is not quite finished, but Center Church was able to complete work and hold a dedicatory service October 5th, with Dr. V. H. Allman officiating and bringing the sermon.

The church was also observing the annuar Homecoming and both old and new friends were present and delighted at the improved appearance of the auditorium and vestibule.

A great deal of the work had been done by members of the congregation, and it was a real victory to accomplish more than had been planned with every obligation met. Tiling had been laid in the vestibule, a hard wood floor in the auditorium, pews, altar, pulpit, pulpit chairs and carpeting were complete, and had all been installed with no interruption to the regular services of the church.

A beautiful organ had been installed for the day, by courtesy of the Heaton Music Store, and a concert by Mrs. Marilyn Hailey added so much to th occasion that the organ was presented to the congregation as a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry and Mr. and Mrs. Mason Henry.

A new garage was built at the parsonage earlier in the year, and the church has shown a real spirit of wanting to grow.

An appreciation reception was held for Rev. and Mrs. Robert Hochstettler, October 17th, at which time they were presented with a chair by the Sunday School and many individual gifts by members of the congregation.

SOUTH REED CHURCH HOMECOMING

The South Reed Church held Homecoming services on the last Sunday in September. The day began at 9:30 A. M. with the Church School under the superintendency of Mr. Wayne Vogel, followed by the Worship Service by the pastor speaking on the new version of the Bible.

At the noon hour a very delicious potluck lunch was served and enjoyed by many people. The afternoon program began at 2:15 with special musical numbers. The Rev. Paul Walter of our Galion First Church gave a very splendid message.

Wayne Vogel, Supt., has achieved the award of Star Farmer of America. He is a young man who is making a success of farming, and he is active in the program of the church. For the above award, he received from the Future Farmers of America Foundation a check of \$1000.00.

This church by the side of the road is doing a good job. To date all finances are paid in full. The church trustees have had the interior of the church redecorated by the help of donations from the members and others.

-C. J. Ludwick, pastor

RECEPTION OF PASTOR AT BRIDGE-WATER

October 22 was reception night at Bridgewater, with most of the church people turning out to welcome the new pastor and family, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph L. Phillips, Judy and Linday Gay.

After a delicious potluck supper, the pastor and family were presented with gifts of food and money.

With the help of Gerald Waterstone. Lloyd Wisman, Hodge Cryer, and Floyd Priest a splendid job has been done in building new linen cupboards, remodeling bathroom and building repairs at the parsonage. The Ladies Aid furnished paint to redecorate the entire home. All of this support and hard work has been greatly appreciated. * * *

RALLY DAY AT GRAND VICTORY

The Grand Victory E. U. B. church held their Rally Day on Sunday September 28th. The morning services began with Sunday School with John Foust, superintendent in charge. The chancel choir was directed by J. E. Foust, with Mrs. J. E. Foust at the organ and piano. Delmer and Betty Adams played a trumpet duet for the offertory. The pastor, Rev. W. A. Lydick delivered the message of the morning worship hour.

A carry-in dinner was served at noon. This was the birthday of our pastor's wife and a table had been prepared for the Lydicks and their children, who were guests.

The afternoon services were at 1:45. Many friends and former members were present. Testimonies were given and special numbers in song were presented by the "Calvary Four" of Van Wert. Betty Adams played a trumpet solo for the offertory. Rev. E. J. Haldeman of Wapakoneta was the guest speaker. His message was "The Bible in Our Lives." This was a very inspiring message on the new Revised Bible. Rev. Walter Marks pronounced the benediction.

Dorothea Ludwig, reporter * * *

VAN WERT CALVARY

Rally Day was held Sunday, October 12th under the direction of Earl Sherburn, Clarence Hertel and Miss Roselyn Hattery, the chairman of the committee. The Junior Choir sang for their anthem, "Speak, Work and Live for Christ". Mr. and Mrs. Willis Snyder sang a duet, "He Can Save Me Too". The pastor spoke on the subject, "Emblems of Jesus." Mrs. Harold Gribler sang, "The Stranger of the Galilean Shore" at the close of the service. For the evening service, Gene Wollenhaupt and his Accordion Band presented a concert of gospel music. The Council of Administration appointed Mrs. C. D. Hertel, Mrs. Harold Gribler and Mr. Willis Snyder, chairman, as a committee to supply the pulpit during the absence of the pastor who entered surgery in Van Wert hospital, October 14th.

On October 19th, Men's Day, the Brotherhood under the leadership of the president, Mr. Eugene Mumma had full charge of the

morning worship.

On October 26th our W. S. W S. and Christian Service Guild had charge of the service with Mrs. Basil Ainsworth, president of the W. S. W. S. presiding. Speaker was Miss Gladys Ward, our missionary to China. Basket dinner was served at noon and Miss Ward spoke again at an afternoon service. Religious films were shown in the

EVANGELISTIC RETREAT

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in St. Paul's E. U. B. Church, four blocks from First Church.

Dr. J. Allan Ranck opened the afternoon meeting with an inspiring message which directed our thinking along the line of what God is trying to do. Rev. Roy Cramer, president of the Conference Board of Evangelism, who presided over the services of the day, then presented many of the details of the plan for promoting a conference-wide, simultaneous launching of "The Larger Evangelism" program which will be promoted in Ohio Sandusky Conference beginning in September of 1953. It was made clear that any congregations who will, should use any or all parts of the plan during this conference year. A brief but helpful period of general discussion followed Brother Cramer's presentation.

Dr. O. T. Deever gave the closing message with a wonderful, God-honored challenge and appeal for all of us to give ourselves in abandonment and diligence to the sacred and holy task of winning the lost to Christ and building them up in the faith. He concluded by calling all in attendance about the church altar for a closing period of re-dedication and prayer. We thank God that in those concluding moments He especially came upon us. Hearts were melted,-tears were shed, and there was in evidence gladness and rejoicing in the privilege which we have in being co-laborers with Christ in the grand work of building the Kingdom. We are expecting that this visitation of God's blessing and power will be a foretaste and prophecy of His gracious movings in our various churches throughout the conference during this year, that the fruitage of our evangelistic efforts may indeed be bountiful and lasting.

TOO MUCH CONFIDENCE

It's all right to believe the best of everthing, but a cautious cook does not break an egg directly into the skillet.

evening services by Mr. Jerry Gribler and Willis Snyder.

For the service November 2nd the committee secured Mr. David H. Jones our local Y. M. C. A. secretary. For the evening service Rev. Howard Hill, missionary under appointment of the Oriental Missionary Society, having served both China and Japan and soon to leave for Brazil will bring the message.

The pastor wishes to express his appreciation to the Council of Administration in the appointment of the pulpit committee, to the W. S. W. S. and Christian Service Guild, Brotherhood, to Mrs. Harold Gribler handling correspondence and making worship folder each week and to all the members and friends of the Church for their fine spirit of cooperation. For the many Calls, cards, flowers, and gifts that denoted an expression of friendship. The Lord reward you greatly.

_Walter Marks

Church Pews And Panel Railing For Sale

The following used church furnishings are for sale:

1 ten foot used church pew

2 twelve foot used church pews

1 sixteen foot solid oak panel railing in very good condition. Contact Mr. Huffman, 653 South Street, Toledo 9, Ohio. Telephone: MAin 9752.

Found! A Pair Of Men's Gloves.

Rev. Milton Ryerson has found a pair of tar leather men's gloves at Findlay, on the day of the Conference Evangelistic Retreat. Since they were found across the street from St. Paul's Church, he wonders whether someone attending the retreat lost them. If they are yours, contact Rev. Ryerson, R. F. D. 2, Bowling Breen, Ohio.

Christmas Offering

In just a few short weeks from now, on December 21st, our churches will be taking an offering for our benevolent homes. In the Ohio Sandusky Conference, it will be taken for the Otterbein and Flat Rock Homes.

Last year the Otterbein Home Offering fell far short of enough to meet the requirements. Ohio Sandusky Conference fell short of around \$1,400.00 under the previous year, and expenses have gone much higher than a year ago. Many people do not realize what it takes to run such institutions as our benevolent homes. For instance, at Otterbein Home the hospital and medical care alone last year cost nearly \$23,000.00, laundry over \$6,000.00, housekeeping \$137,000.00 to say nothing of maintenance, salaries and other expenses.

ON DECEMBER 21st, it is hoped that each church will try to make the goal of \$1.00 per member a minimum instead of the

PASTORS AND CHURCH TREASUR-ERS-as soon as you are sure that the Offering has all come in, send immediately to the Conference Treasurer. Get your Christmas supplies now if you do not have

THE NEW MOVIE FILMS that are in the process of making will be ready for use soon. As soon as they are ready, they will be announced.

Mrs. G. F. Brubaker, Aux. Pres. Ohio Sandusky Conference

Bits Of Wisdom

By Rev. J. H. Patterson

People who throw mud will have dirty hands.

What is more tiresome than a long sermon? Two long ones. * * *

"Evil communications corrupt good manners." Bible.

The grandest wish: "May you live all the days of your life."

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THANKSGIVING RETREAT

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Toastmaster, Mr. Elwyn Falor Music, Otterbein College Speaker, Rev. Darrell Linder Mrs. Corl, Director of Music

Saturday

Assembly 9:00

Jack Stowell, Director of Music
Shelomith Corl, Director of Worship

Address—"That I Might Know Him Better
Through My Personal Choices", Rev.
Wendell Freshley

Buzz Session

Business Session

Director of Music, Rev. Edwin Griswold Address—"That I Might Know Him Better Through My Christian Witness" by Mrs. Leona Hanson

Buzz Session

Installation Service, directed by Rev. Walter and Rev. Freshley

Service of Dedication

Buffet Lunch 4:00

The THANKSGIVING RETREAT, which is the mid-year gathering for the young people of the Ohio Sandusky Conference, will meet at Findlay First Church on Friday and Saturday, November 28-29. The cost, including meals, lodging, and registration will be \$4.50. The first session opens at 9:30 on Friday morning and the retreat closes with an early supper on Saturday. Registration, 8 to 9:30.

The THANKSGIVING RETREAT is for all young people of the conference. In order, however, that there be fair and equal participation in the business sessions (the retreat is the annual business meeting of the conference YF) of the retreat, the Youth Fellowship of each church is asked to select two delegates as their official representatives. In order that these delegates might feel their responsibility and that representation from each church in the conference be assured, it is suggested that the local YF pay all or a part of their expenses to the retreat. The registration card enclosed should be filled out and returned as soon as possible. Be sure to include the names of the delegates as well as the estimated number of other young people who will attend from your group. There are no restrictions on the number of young people that may come from any church. Indeed, pastors and youth directors are urged to encourage as many of their youth to attend as possible.

There is also included on the program a workshop for adult leaders of youth. One section of the workshop will be directed by the Conference Youth Directors for the Directors of Youth in the local church. This will deal with methods, program, procedures and suggestions relevant to the local youth program. The other section will be supervised by Mrs. Leona Hansen of the Dayton office for WSWS Secretaries of Young Peoples Work. This section will study the relationship of the WSWS to the YF and the total missionary program of the Youth Fellowship. Adult leaders for

local youth groups should plan to attend by all means.

The THANKSGIVING RETREAT is designed to promote fellowship and provide inspiration for youth on a conference-wide basis; to strengthen the organization of the conference YF; to assist local groups, through their representatives, to strengthen their YF program; and to transact the business relative to the conference YF.

FUNERAL SERVICE HELD

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She was united in marriage to Rev. Wendell W. Freshley, June 5, 1943, and thus began a walk particularly blessed of God for in a few short years there was given these two blessed happiness, constant usefulness and abundant fruitage. Their home was blessed with two precious children, Dorcas 7, and Mark 11 months.

While at Naperville, Mrs. Freshley served for a period of two years as the private secretary of Bishop George E. Epp and later as the private secretary to Dr. H. R. Heininger, President of The Evangelical Theological Seminary. She was the organist and the choir director at the seminary during her husband's senior year at the school.

She and her husband served as pastor and wife at the Eldena Kingdom Charge, in the Illinois Conference, for one year; three months as assistant pastor and wife at the Calvary Church in the Ohio Conference, Marion, Ohio; three years as pastor and wife at Moline, Ohio, and were in the sixth year of their labors of love together in the Grace church of Perrysburg when her summons came. She was a member of Grace Church in The Evangelical United Brethren communion and gave herself to its on going in a good and gracious ministry, which shall continue in power and influence and fruitage through coming years. In the work of the local church where she gave herself in so many little known and unseen ministries of a pastor's wife, she also served in the official capacities in her own right as assistant organist, four years as senior choir director, teacher and youth counsellor and at the time of her death was junior choir director and adult counsellor of the Youth Fellowship.

Beyond the call of the local church, she and her husband heard and answered the call to added service in active duty in the youth work of their annual conference. For three years she served as secretary of young people's work of the former Ohio Conference of the Evangelical Church. For six years she served as co-camp director with her husband in the youth camp work at Linwood Park, Vermillion, Ohio. In the Ohio Sandusky Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, she was sharing as the silent partner of her husband who serves as the Youth Director of the conference.

For all these tasks, Mrs. Freshley was advantageously qualified by her early Christian background in family and church, and by her later schooling and by the secre-

tarial positions associating her with leaders of the denomination. Yet it is not in particular for this that she will be remembered. She will rather be remembered by those who knew her for the unassuming, natural and kindly way in which she went so efficiently about her Master's business. She will be remembered not as one who forced her way into or upon the lives of others but as one whose graciousness invited all and in particular caused the youth to come and share their lives and seek her counsel which she so quietly gave in wisdom and in love. By those of the locar churches where she served, she will not be remembered so much because she could and did fill positions well but because her chief aim and joy was to find and train others to fill those positions which she must hold only until others be made available. Hers was an able and judicious life of a pastor's companion whose life was never allowed to overshadow but always made to enhance and enlarge the endeavors of her minister husband.

But able and well as Mrs. Freshley served in public life, she was at her best in the home. She was at her finest and highest as wife and mother, stamping deeply and indelibly her Christian influence and character imprint upon those closest and dearest to her. She made home not only a haven of rest from the storm but a renewing and empowering station from which people emerged encouraged to face the further storms of life. Her husband and her children, and a host of others, shall rise up to call her blessed.

Speaking this memorial tribute to her, Rev. O. E. Johnson said, "I will not say that she leaves to mourn or that there survive her. Knowing her I must say that she leaves to carry on until they are summoned to join her in the triumph that is hers this day by Christ Jesus her loving husband, faithful and able servant of God in the Gospel Ministry, Wendell W. Freshley; daughter, Dorcas; infant son, Mark; mother, Mrs. Mary Emma (Maffett) Farley; brothers, the Rev. Paul Farley, Reddick, Ill.; Walter, Ames, Iowa; Dr. Dean Farley, Riverside, Ill.; Melvin, Lincoln, Neb., and a sister, Mrs. Margaret Heidenreich, Stockton, Ill.; other relatives and a host of friends."

An Expression Of Deep Appreciation

We wish to express our deep appreciation to all the ministers and families of the Ohio Sandusky Conference for their prayers, words of encouragement, and helpfulness during our period of bereavement.

I can say sincerely that there is no fellowship like the ministry of the church to undergird and give spiritual counsel at such a time. I praise God for His faithfulness and goodness, and I trust Him for the working out of His larger purposes.

Sincerely,

Rev. W. W. Freshley

La. 9453

Upon Church Membership

We have had a few inquiries from time to time about a church roll. We have not made a new one for our church folks for two or three years and even after one is a few months old it is no longer correct. In the next few issues of the Challenger we will attempt to give you the complete roll as nearly correct as possible.

Adams. Fremont, O. Marie, Mrs. Adams, La. 5897 1944 Talbot Robert Helen, Mrs. Jan Ahrens, Wa. 7554 2424Wayne St. Fred Helen, Mrs. Alcorn, Temperance, Mich. Anderson, La. 3415

Helen, Mrs.

Anteau, Em. 2470
428 Bronson
Robert

Arnold, Ga. 1002
840 Frederick
Alice, Mrs.

Arnold, Wa. 9260
302 Somerset

23 Crawford

Paul

Claude
Sarah, Mrs.

Aubry,
1948 Mansfield
Ruth, Mrs.

Babcock,
1302 Thatcher
Roy
Edith, Mrs.

Bacome,
Jo. 4752

Edith, Mrs.

Bacome,
2018 Joffre
Susan, Miss

Bader,
635 Toronto
Wm.

Bagley,
5710 Gay
Franklin
Alice, Mrs.

Bailey,
La. 6682

Marguerite, Mrs.

Baker, Em. 6935
724 Bartley
Bernice, Miss

Baker, La. 3162
1758 Wychwood
Marvelle, Mrs.

3829 Jackman

Barbara, Miss

Marvelle, Mrs.

Ball, Po. 2424
5848 Lakeside
Bette, Mrs.

Ballard,
2556 Kress

Batey, Ki. 6041

1941 Mansfield

Mabel, Mrs.

Beachler, Jo. 8677

2435 W. Bancroft

Gladys

Arland
Beall,
528 Faurot, Lima, O.
Betty, Mrs.
Bearrs,

3001 Pemberton

Beachler,

Metamora, O. Francis, Jr. Norrine, Mrs. Beaubien, Phoenix, Ariz.

Phoenix, Ariz.
Harold
Verna, Mrs.
Beaubien,
Statesville Rd.

Richard Eleanor, Mrs. avers, 914 Brinton

Emmett Jean, Mrs. Beck, 3514 Torrence

Alice, Mrs.

Beck,

1147 Birch, Maumee, O.

Emma, Mrs.

Emma, Mrs.

Becker, La. 6894

1804 Wychwood

Evelyn, Mrs.

Bennet, La. 6979

Ki. 7314

La. 1583

3931 Seckinger Janeva, Mrs. Berman, 2348 Orchard Rd.

Mary, Mrs.

Betz,

1816 Mansfield

Chas.

Dorothy, Mrs.

Betz,
2034 Hogarth
Harry
Margaret, Mrs.

Bevens,
1929 Talbot

Jo. 8457

La. 2578

Lloyd
Hazel, Mrs.
Bible,
La. 3126
Basil
Bernice, Mrs.

Bernice, Mrs.

Bible,

4829 Vineyard Rd.

Lavon

Binkley,

3933 Berkley

Grace, Mrs.

La. 4889

Ki. 7968

Blaine, 2141 Loxley Sally Blake.

2029 Berkshire Richard Helen, Mrs.

Bliss, Jean Block,

1922 Bigelow Roy Velma, Mrs.

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Telescope-Messenger

Do You Receive Our Church Paper?

The Telescope-Messenger brings you news that cannot be found in any other publication. This consists of news of our denomination, from units large and small. near and far; together with news of interdenominational agencies with which we cooperate; also news of other denominations insofar as this information may prove instructive and stimulating to us. That important combination of news can not be found in any other publication either within or without our fellowship. If you want to be an informed and cooperative member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, then reading The Telescope-Messenger is a "must."

The Telescope-Messenger is clean and constructive. It seeks to carry out the objective set by our Discipline: "to spread the knowledge of God and the gospel of Jesus Christ, to foster the interests of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, and to promote the kingdom of God." Stories, sermons, and other articles which appear are for the interest and edification of Christians. News is solicited and edited for its constructive values. Wherein there are expressed differences of opinions-and there are—it is required that contributors be brotherly in the genuinely Christian sense. While always realistic, your Telescope-Messenger refuses to become one of those periodicals which major in faultfinding and a confusion of issues. It you want things clear, clean, and straight, read The Telescope-Messenger every week.

Renewals and new subscriptions will be gladly taken. The price is \$3.00 per year, Jan. 1st—Dec. 31st. See Mrs. Coder, La 0936.

Jack And Jill Class

The October meeting of the Jack and Jill class was held at the home of Margine and Clyde Kolbe with 16 adults and 6 children in attendance.

The class is selling candy again this year and all members will be glad to take orders. Peanut brittle and hard candy will be 3lbs for \$1, or 35c per lb. Chocolate assortment will be \$1 per lb. We are sure all who bought candy last year will want to place their orders. Fred Papenfuss and Clyde Kolbe are in charge.

Our members would like to extend a welcome to all those who should be in our class, to come and share our fellowship.

All those who have useable toys they would care to donate to the nursery, please contact Margine Kolbe at Jo. 5352 or Mrs. Knisely at Lu. 2-2834. All toys will be greatly appreciated for there is a great need for them in the nursery.

M. K.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

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secretary by three fourths.

We trust that you will pray for the canvass. Our emphasis for some two or three years has been upon the Church Erection but we must now turn our attention to these other items or our program will suffer. Treasuries are low and some items that need attention are even now being left go for lack of funds. Costs are up for the church as well as for each of us individually. Certainly there ought to be increased giving to these funds on the part of many for the coming year. Pray about that. Some have not increased this part of their giving for quite some time although there has been increased income for many. We know that you will give the matter your prayerful attention and that you will play fair. CANVASSERS WILL BE CALLING UPON YOU.

Elections will be held during the month and reorganization completed with new officers taking office on the first of January except where the Discipline requires otherwise. Let each department make sure that this is being cared for in its own case. CONGREGATIONAL MEETING with ANNUAL ELECTIONS will be held Sunday morning, December 14th, 9:30 to 12:00 noon. Let each set this date aside and be present.

Pray much. The church needs your prayers, your attendance, your support financially and your goodwill. We are in the great business of making Christ known at home and abroad. The most that we can do will be none too much and I assure you that nothing will be so awarding as that which we invest in the Kingdom of God.

O. E. J.

HAVE YOU TAKEN CARE OF YOUR CHALLENGER SUBSCRIPTION PAYMENT? IF NOT—WE URGE YOU TO DO SO.

Otterbein Home

The collection of fruits, vegetables, jams and jellies has been completed, packed, and delivered to First Church where it was picked up by a truck from the Home.

We are happy to report a very fine collection of 308 containers of same, plus several boxes of clothing, consisting of men's suits, ladies' coats, dresses, boys' suits, shirts, girls' dresses, blouses, several pairs of shoes and many other articles of wearing apparel too numerous to mention. Our thanks to each of you for your fine cooperation in making this possible, to Mrs. Main and Mr. McShane for their announcements from week to week, to our co-workers Mr. and Mrs. Holliday for their splendid help in packing, the Van Gunten paint store for the cartons in which to pack same, and to Mr. Stock and Clyde Kolbe

for their help in transporting it over to First Church. We would like especially to thank the boys and girls of the primary Sunday School for their contributions.

And now as we approach the holiday season we would like to call to your attention the Christmas offering, the one cash offering taken each year at Christmas time to take care of the needs of those at the Home for the coming year.

Your contributions in years past have been very good, and we trust that each of you will again be very generous in your giving, making possible one of the best offerings we have ever had.

For the boys and girls there will again be those red stockings and coin folders that we have had in past years. If you do not have one ask your S. S. teachers and they will get you one.

Let's make this year's offering the best ever.

Mr. and Mrs. Kolbe

Have A Little Talk With Jesus

Have a little talk with Jesus As you journey day by day; Ask Him for His grace and comfort To sustain you on your way.

Chorus
Have a little talk with Jesus
As did Daniel long ago;
He will give you strength and courage
To meet and conquer each foe.

Have a little talk with Jesus, Every morning, noon and night; Tell your brother of the Savior Who will help him win the fight.

Have a little talk with Jesus; It will brighten all the day As you travel on your journey In the straight and narrow way.

Have you had that talk with Jesus Since the morning sun arose? Have you thanked Him for your safety And a blessed night's repose?

Have you thanked Him for His blessings Daily showered in every way? Have you asked Him e'er to lead you In all that you do and say?

Yes, a little talk with Jesus Daily gives the strength we need; Settles doubt and gives us purpose And sustains us in our need. This poem was written by Leon L. Gif-

ford and presented to the pastor who includes it in the Challenger.

Friendship Guild

Friendship Guild held a Hallowe'en party at the Parish House on October 22, 1952. The story was read by Judy Givens and enacted by Pat Siders. Janet Longanbach directed the games we played and assisted Sharon Slater in serving refreshments.

Pat Siders

A Glorious Partnership To A Priceless Fellowship With Christ!

Redemptive service begins when we become yoke-fellows with Jesus Christ. He invites us to be yoked together with Him as we seek to bear one another's burdens. With cords of love He draws us nigh unto Himself. This Christ of ours does not call down to us: "Be Righteous! Be Forgiving! Forget Self!" Instead He joins us in the dusty road where our lives are lived in struggle and weariness, saying . . .

"Come! Learn of Me. We shall bear life's burdens together. Be My partner in service and we shall keep pace together. I'll keep you on the side of right. When you slip I'll be at your side to strengthen you in protection and forgiveness. While we are pulling together, I will help you to forget self in the joy of Kingdom service.

"Take My Yoke Upon You and Learn of Me. My yoke is easy and My burden is light. We shall wear the yoke together. When the pulling is hard I will lift the yoke forward to cool your laboring neck, and you will find rest for your soul."

Are You Vitally Yoked with Christ in the Church?

My Heart A Temple

Our God, against whom I have sinned, for Love's sake, appeals to me to present my body unto Him a living sacrifice. God made me and owns me. He could have commanded, but instead, He entreats me to willingly present my body—my whole being—my thoughts, my feelings, my talents, my material possessions under the Spirit's control, by the renewing of the mind, that even my memory be cleansed of all unclean and sinful recollections.

My life is a sacred trust and my body a living temple of God. The Spirit of God dwells within me. In Him I live and move and do my conscious thinking. I am born of God and of other lives. My fellowmen and I are mutually dependent, each helping the other. Material and natural values are important only as they serve to maintain my life at its highest level.

Our Lord Jesus Christ gave Himself for my sins, that He might deliver me out of this present evil age, that I be transformed into His image. All the grace and beauty of Christ belong to me as I become a new creature by faith, to the end that I might know the Love of Christ, and be filled with all the fullness of God. I will glorify God in my body. I belong to God.

Is Your Heart a Temple wherein God Dwells Supreme or Is Your Heart a Castle Defended from Within?

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