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# The High Street Witness

HIGH STREET EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

VOLUME I

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## Mothers Day

*Honor Mother's God by Attending Church  
on Mother's Day*

### Pastor's Message

These lines are prepared immediately after Easter when the joy of the Holy Week atmosphere is still very fresh in our hearts. God was very near to us in this wonderful season, and we can not easily forget its blessings. Easter day has already been described in another place, but certainly Palm Sunday and the Thursday communion service did not go unmentioned. A total of 405 persons were present in our two Palm Sunday morning worship services, and on Sunday evening the choir presented a marvelous oratorio, "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Dubois. The communion service on Thursday evening was by candle light, and the old hymns of the church provided the music setting. Surely these special events added much to our worship during this time of meditation and thought.

On Monday morning after Palm Sunday the Pastor spoke at the South High School student gathering which precedes the regular class hour. On Monday evening he spoke at the community service sponsored by the four churches of Columbus Grove, Ohio. On Friday your Pastor spoke at the Good Friday Union Service at the South Side Church of Christ at the 12:00 o'clock hour.

Our Revival meeting closed on March 28th when Evangelist B. F. Richer presented the final message in his series. Those who attended our Revival meeting were greatly blessed by the sermons brought by Brother Richer, and many have spoken of a deepening in their spiritual living through this meeting. Our average attendance for week night services was 53, and the Sunday attendance has already been reported through our church bulletins. An offering of \$165.00 was given to Brother Richer in the love offering envelopes presented for that purpose.

There seems to be a more spiritual trend observed in the worship services of our church. More people seem to be carrying their Bibles, and there is a deep spirit of devotion and prayer that is very clear to your Pastor. Surely this is a good sign,

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### Coming Events

- May 4—Beginning of Christian Family Week. In the Sunday evening service the Pastor expects to have with us all the couples whom he has married who are able to come. Don't miss this very important and vital service.
- May 9th—Mother and Daughter Banquet in the Church dining room. Tickets are \$1.00 each, and all women and girls of the Church are invited.
- May 11—Mother's Day. Honor mother's God by being in Church on Mother's Day.
- May 18th—The Bluffton College Girls' Gospel Team will provide the evening service. You will want to hear this fine group of girls as they present the Gospel to our Church.
- May 22nd—Probable date of our annual Congregational meeting.
- May 25th—Evening service—the sound film, "For Good or Evil", will be presented. This is a fine stewardship film you will not want to miss.

We hope you will keep these coming events in mind and will take advantage of them to the full.

### Summer Camp

Many of our young people are already inquiring about summer camps to be held at Camp St. Marys. For your information we give you the following schedule: Young people of Senior age (Sr. High School from 15 years of age up) will go to Camp St. Marys from June 16th-21st.

Intermediate camp for young people of Junior High age (12 to 14 years) will attend camp from June 30th-July 5th.

Children's camp will be held from July 28th-August 2nd for children of ages from 9 to 11.

All of these camps will cost \$15.00 for the week, and will begin on noon on Monday and close at noon on Saturday. Further information will be given out from time to time, but plan to attend now in or-

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### Easter Report

The outstanding Sunday of the entire church year is always Easter Sunday, and 1952 is in line with this established custom. Our attendance on Easter Sunday was as follows: Sunrise service, 73; Sunday School, 365; morning worship-8:30 A. M., 278; morning worship-10:30 A. M., 257; evening service, 119. The total in morning worship was 535.

In spite of the very rainy day we equaled and surpassed our attendance of one year ago. In 1951 there were at our sunrise meeting, 62. Sunday School, 336; 8:30 worship, 231; 10:30 worship, 290; evening, 164. If rain had not been so steady doubtless we would have equaled and surpassed all records known at High Street for all services. Our Sunday School increase is very gratifying, and our morning worship increase is not large over one year ago but at least it is a step in the right direction. In view of the constantly increasing attendance at all services we feel grateful that we have maintained this trend on a rainy Easter Sunday.

Our offerings for Easter Sunday were as follows: Regular offering, \$512.82; Easter and Lenten offering, \$1022.04; making a total of \$1534.86 for the day's offerings. Our total offerings one year ago were \$2384.61 which means that we had quite a decrease in our total Easter offering this year as against last year. Perhaps we should explain that our total picture is much brighter than these figures would indicate, for our offerings week by week have been decidedly larger this year than they were one year ago. In view of our special Easter offering we will probably make an extra payment of \$1000.00 on our building debt at this time. Since we are paying 5% interest on our church debt this will mean a large savings in money paid out for interest over a period of several years.

Easter was indeed a joyful day, and the excitement of the occasion plus the inspiring music of the choir and the fellowship of many people made it indeed an event of great joy. We met many new friends on Easter Sunday, and we rejoice that the in-

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**PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

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and we trust it will lead to greater blessings in the future. At least our Revival meeting has called to our attention these facts, and we trust that they will continue to bear fruit long after the occasion that brought them to our attention has slipped away from us.

One of the services of the church to which more members should go is the Prayer service on Thursday evening. Mr. Clarence Long is our class leader, and is in full charge of our prayer meeting each week. Different people are asked to give the Bible talk at every meeting, and many of these Bible messages are very helpful and useful. Your Pastor would like to suggest that you come to the mid-week service on Thursday evening and discover its blessing for yourself. Many people are afraid they will be asked to pray in public if they come to a prayer meeting. No one is ever embarrassed in our prayer meeting, and we believe that those who will try it will find it useful and a blessing.

The High Street Witness continues to grow each month. Remember your loved ones and friends as you send in subscriptions and be sure to correctly address any subscriptions you send in. Let us be loyal to the work and program of our Church in the weeks which lie ahead.

Faithfully yours,

Frank R. Hamblen

**EASTER REPORT**

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Interest in High Street Church is increasing year by year. Pray for your church, and pray that the many friends who look to our church for instruction in the word of God may have their needs met by its ministry and fellowship.

**SUMMER CAMP**

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Remember that you may be ready to go when the time comes.

Many of our boys and girls are again inquiring about a camp for High Street young people. Such a camp may yet be arranged in August, if plans can be worked out properly in advance. The Pastor will notify all of our young people if such arrangements can be made, and the date will probably be about the third week of August. Plans are yet uncertain, so please do not take this statement as final.

**Items Of General Interest**

Among our friends who have been in Memorial Hospital since our last edition are: Mrs. Mabel Williams, Mrs. Kenneth Hughes, Mrs. Pearl Mumaugh and Mrs. Virgil Lauck, Jr. Among our friends in St. Rita's Hospital were: Mr. Clyde Garden, Mrs. Maida Weber and Mrs. Iva Wildt. All of these friends have now returned home as these lines are prepared with the exception of Mrs. Wildt who is greatly improved and hopes to be home very soon. Pray for all of our sick ones

each day for we can thus share one another's burdens.

In addition to those who have been in the Hospital many others have been ill at home. Old man "flu" has been busy on every hand, and at least half of our friends seem to have had it at some time during the winter. We have been well blessed in attendance in spite of all the sickness, and trust that better health is in store for everyone who has suffered during the winter months.

New coat racks have been purchased by the Board of Trustees for our new building. The racks are made of steel, and each one is quite adequate to hold a good number of coats and hats. Two are placed upstairs near the Sunday School desk; and one is kept in the basement hallway.

The installation of the Tower Chimes and Public Address system in our Church building is complete at this writing. The entire task of installation was done by Mr. John Moyer of our Church in consultation with Mr. Ward Jackson. We are deeply grateful for this fine new system which serves our Church and community so well. Work will soon begin on the system for our new building since materials are on hand for this work.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Soddors have given to the Church a fine vibra-harp in use for our services. The Church is deeply grateful for this useful and helpful instrument, and trust that there will be several young people who will aspire to play it for our services.

Mrs. Martha East has given a record player for use in our Nursery Department, and new Bible Story Records have been purchased for use with the children. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Clemans have given one record player and purchased another for the use of the Church. One of these record players will be kept for Audio-Visual Educational work, and the other can be used for class meetings, banquets, and other such functions as records are provided.

The new tile floor in the large room adjoining the Sanctuary is an Easter gift from Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Frail. The tile was provided by them and installed by workmen under Mr. Frail's direction.

The cabinet for our amplifying system with its fine compartment for record albums was constructed by John W. Frail. It is fully adequate for all of our needs.

Misses Mary Helen and Dorothy Kempher nearly suffered a serious accident on Saturday, April 12th, near Findlay, Ohio. Their car was struck by a partially intoxicated driver, and turned end over end several times after going off of the road. The girls escaped unhurt, which seems almost a miracle in view of the seriousness of the accident. We are grateful to God for sparing their lives. Alcohol is a dangerous thing on the highways.

A local clergyman upon hearing that liberalism was creeping into the churches, remarked, "If that is true, I hope it will soon strike the contribution box."

**Records For Tower Chimes**

It is a joy indeed to hear the old hymns of the Church once more being played by our Tower Chimes. Almost all of the recordings that once were used in our previous system were well worn out and had to be discarded, and a number of new records have been purchased by thoughtful friends and members of the Church. The following recordings had been provided at the time this paper went to press a few days after Easter:

Mr. and Mrs. David Carey—"Welcome Happy Morning", and "Beautiful Savior."

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Summers—"All Glory, Laud, and Honor," and "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty."

Miss Betty Cox—"The Palms", and "Hosanna."

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Rinehart—"The Old Rugged Cross", and "One Sweetly Solemn Thought;" "God Be With You Till We Meet Again", and "In The Garden."

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schubert—"The Day of Resurrection", and "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth."

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Bowers—"The Strife is O'er", and "Low In The Grave He Lay."

Rev. and Mrs. Frank R. Hamblen—"America," and "Battle Hymn Of The Republic."

The Dorcas Class—"Christ The Lord Is Risen Today" and "Come Ye Faithful Raise The Strain;" "America The Beautiful."

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Vandemark in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Vandemark and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Goodyear—"What A Friend We Have In Jesus", and "I Need Thee Every Hour."

Many other records are available for our Chimes, and a list of numbers that can be provided is on the Bulletin Board of the Church in the new building. Anyone who would like to provide a record for this purpose should choose one from the list available, and notify the Pastor of your intentions. These records cost \$2.50 each, and are especially made for this purpose. Only chime recordings of high quality can be used on our Tower System.

In addition to the records for our Tower Chimes other records are being provided for church use by interested friends. A number of records suitable for use in the children's nursery have been provided, and are now in use for this purpose. Other records that would be usable in this way would be gladly accepted if there are friends who would like to provide them. Also a good number of sacred records is desired for general use at various times. The Church now has several record players, and sacred recordings could be used for background music on many occasions. If you would like to give a sacred record to the Church, bring them to the Office at any time and they will be gladly received.

Give a pig and a boy everything they want. You'll get a good pig and a bad boy.—Catholic Digest.

The following 8 pages contain all articles and news from our Sandusky Conference as compiled and edited for the Sandusky News by the staff thereof. A splendid opportunity to become acquainted with a great conference.

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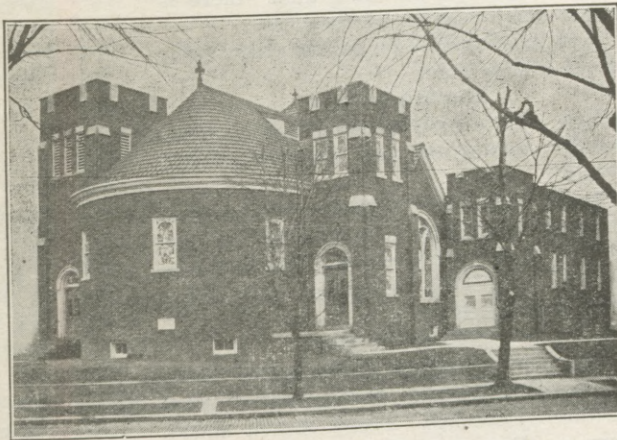
## Fiftieth Anniversary Of Grace Church, Bucyrus, Ohio

March 26th was the 50th anniversary of the founding of Grace Evangelical United Brethren Church, Bucyrus, Ohio. This date marked the beginning of more than two weeks of services and programs commemorating the event. The initial program took the form of an Anniversary Fellowship supper on which occasion five of the original eighteen charter members were present. These persons, Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Brown, Mrs. E. E. Class and Mr. T. Clinton Kiess of Bucyrus, and Mrs. Albert Drexel of Bellevue, were recognized and duly honored. A comprehensive sketch of the history of the church and Sunday school was presented; this was further supplemented by projected pictures of events, organizational activities, catechism classes, pastors and other personalities in the life of the church. Letters and telegrams were read as greetings from former pastors and others unable to attend the observance. Two former pastors, Rev. P. E. Smoke and Rev. C. D. Osborn and family were present and shared in the program. Rev. and Mrs. John Osborn and children conducted family devotions to conclude this first portion of the anniversary observance.

March 30th was "Anniversary Sunday" with charter members participating in the special Sunday School worship. Bishop F. L. Dennis and Dr. V. H. Allman were guest ministers for the morning and evening services respectively. Bishop Dennis used as his theme, "The Divine Imperative"; he also shared with the pastor in the reception of new members, some on Confession of Faith and others by letter. An original poem, written by F. S. Barrett, a member of the church, and titled "Jubilee" was a feature of this service. Dr. Allman effectively portrayed "God's Gardens" in his sermon making for an appropriate climax to the day's experiences of worship and fellowship—enjoyed by an aggregate of 755 persons.

An attractive anniversary brochure of twelve pages was prepared and distributed to all persons present, and was likewise mailed to former members and friends. In all the services and programs the church choir added immeasurably in the rendition of great choral music, solos, trios and quartet arrangements.

"Golden Jubilee" evangelistic services continued through Easter Day with the pastor, Rev. Harry L. Adams, bringing the messages each evening except Palm Sunday when Rev. John Osborn was guest



minister. Using the denominational theme "Christ Calls to Commitment", Decision Day was observed Palm Sunday morning. This 50th Anniversary experience has proved to be a real means of spiritual enrichment, providing a time for evaluating the "past" and making commitments for the "future".

## Stewardship Corner

Your conference stewardship committee has asked, thru correspondence to all pastors, that each of our congregations, following Easter, conduct study classes in various departments of the Sunday School and all auxiliaries of the church, using as a basis the manual, "Answering Christ's Call". Denominational stewardship tracts to meet the needs, and fit the age levels of all our people, should be carefully distributed. Thus the way will be prepared for more wide-spread and intelligent signing of commitment cards in early June. On either the first or second Sunday of June commitments are to be sought equivalent in number to at least 20% of the local church membership.

During June, preferably in the first half of the month, the local church council of administration is asked to develop a church budget for the coming conference year. This budget should be underwritten by weekly giving, subscribed thru an every member enlistment program. Definite plans should be made to meet all obligations of the budget on the monthly basis.

The practical dedication to God for which Christian stewardship calls, will enable us to be joyous, regular givers of those tithes and offerings to God's great cause, which will adequately cover our needs for His work, and equip us to meet all our budget items promptly as the months pass by.

H. V. Falor,

Conference Secretary of Stewardship

## A Letter From Our Bishop

Members of Ohio Sandusky,  
Greetings!

Many of you have noted the announcement of several denominational meetings to be held at Camp St. Mary's next July. The General Convention of Christian Education and Evangelism, with an attendance of 1400 people, will be guests of the Camp July 16-20. The denominational Board of Evangelism precedes, and the Board of Christian Education follows the General Convention. All active Bishops of the Church will attend Board meetings and the Convention.

I am certain that all of you will help to provide a welcome to our guests from all parts of the United States and Canada. This welcome should manifest itself in adequate housing—lodging and meeting places for some twenty groups for discussions. Obviously, as of the present, we do not have sufficient accommodations at the Camp. Arrangements must be made in St. Mary's and in the surrounding communities to house hundreds of our guests.

Fortunately, Dr. V. H. Allman, the Camp Director, has favorable contacts with the Chamber of Commerce, educational leaders, and the civic officials of St. Mary's. No one knows better than he, however, how continuous will be the hours of labor that will be required to discover, classify, and assign the facilities for the use of the Convention. It is apparent to all that Dr. Allman cannot serve effectively as Camp Director unless he is relieved temporarily of some other responsibilities.

I am writing this message to the Ohio Sandusky Conference in my dual capacity of (1) Chairman of the Board of Christian Education of our denomination; and (2) Chairman of the Ohio Sandusky Conference, by virtue of my office of Resident Bishop. In the latter capacity, I herewith appeal to pastors and parishes of Dr. Allman's district to free him from routine duties in order that he may give himself vigorously to the completion of preparations for our Board meetings, and especially for the General Convention. I have asked Dr. Allman to make such adjustment of his schedule as will leave time to carry the extra duties at the Camp, while he cares for every case of real need on his district.

As Chairman of the Board of Christian Education, I solicit your prayerful interest on behalf of the Convention. We have some remarkable talent under contract. Evening sessions will be popular in nature—you should plan to attend.

Very cordially yours,

Fred L. Dennis, Bishop

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## Vacation Church School News

CHRISTIAN FAMILY WEEK  
CHILDREN'S DAY

Miss Helen White, Children's Director  
"Gather the people together, men and women and children and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear and that they may learn and fear the Lord, your God, and observe to do all the words of this Law; and that their children, which have not known anything, may hear and learn to fear the Lord, your God."—Deuteronomy 31:12-13.

### What is a Vacation Church School?

It is a daily school in religion conducted by a congregation during the summer vacation period. It is the summertime unit in the year-round educational work of the Church. It is a school that capitalizes on children's leisure time to advance Christian education.

Its lessons are based on the Bible.

### Aims of the Vacation Church School

To supplement the work done by other agencies of religious education in a congregation.

To teach the Christian fundamentals, sin and grace, with a view to a saving faith in Christ, holy living, Christian service, and eternal salvation of the individual.

To provide activities that develop Christian attitudes and give training in the Christian way of life.

To develop acquaintance with the Bible, also skills and habits in the use of it, for personal benefit and for the benefit of others.

To give training in worship.

To exert a wholesome influence on the home, the congregation, and the community.

Advantages of the Vacation Church School  
The summer vacation period makes pos-

sible longer sessions than are available for some of the other agencies of religious education. The Vacation Church School can practically double the amount of time given to religious education by congregations having only a Sunday School.

During the summer months boys and girls are not busy with schoolwork and other activities; consequently there is less competition for their time than there is during other seasons of the year.

It trains the children in the constructive use of leisure time.

### Getting a Start

It is not too soon to begin making plans for the opening of your Vacation Church School.

Every Church in the Conference needs to appoint a committee to work with the Pastor and Children's Director, to enlist teachers and decide the program and study courses to be used.

### Theme for 1952

"Learning to Know God" is the theme suggested for our Evangelical United Brethren Churches. Every church should have a "Program Guide in Children's Work". This can be ordered from either of our bookstores. Price 20c a copy. Other suggested courses are as follows:

#### For Kindergartens

God's Plan for Happy Homes-72 pages.60c

The World About Us-96 pages.....50c

#### For Primary

Learning More About God-80 pages..60c

#### For Junior

Finding God Through Work and

Worship—Pupil's Book .....40c

Worshipping God-80 pages .....60c

#### For Intermediates

I Find God-94 pages .....60c

O Come and Let Us Worship-94 pages.50c

#### Christian Family Week

The first full week of May, May 4 to 11 in 1952, is Christian Family Week. More about this later on.

Plan for Children's Day to be held the second Sunday of June or on another Sunday which may more conveniently fit your Church Program. Give due recognition to the children and those who faithfully serve as leaders and teachers throughout the year.

## Observes 84th Birthday Anniversary

Mr. William H. McCracken, father of Rev. Howard W. McCracken of West Independence, and Francis J. McCracken of West Mansfield, celebrated his 84th birthday Sunday, March 9th, with a late dinner at their home in Iberia, O.

The entire family was present, the mother, 4 daughters and the two sons and 11 grandchildren.

Mr. McCracken has been a U. B. all his life. He joined the Mt. Zion church under the pastorate of Rev. F. E. Fitzwater. He has given two sons to the ministry of Sandusky Conference

Six years ago, Mr. and Mrs. McCracken celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

## Christian Education and Evangelism

All eyes are centered on Camp St. Marys, Ohio, for the Second General Convention of Christian Education and Evangelism scheduled here for July 16-20. Evangelical United Brethren young people and adults interested in the educational and evangelistic activities of the Church will come from Boston to Los Angeles, from Houston to Winnipeg, to participate in the great gathering.

Due to housing facilities, registration must be limited to 1,300 people. Seven bishops, many of the general church officers, presidents of the church colleges and seminaries, the directors of Christian Education and the secretaries of Evangelism in each annual conference will be in attendance. Ministers and laymen and youth from every conference will be among the delegates. The Quadrennial Youth Fellowship Convention will bring 600 young people to share in the YF business meeting and convention program.

On Wednesday evening, July 16, the first great mass meeting will convene with General Secretary Reuben H. Mueller giving the address.

Then will follow four days of conferences, addresses and fellowship activities under expert leadership. Thursday afternoon and evening, Rev. Charles Templeton, renowned evangelist of the National Council of Churches of Christ, is to speak. Other evenings will bring equally prominent leaders.

Sunday morning's convention sermon will be delivered by Dr. Carl Heinmiller of the Department of World Missions. Missionaries on furlough will occupy the platform Sunday afternoon, while in the evening a nationally-famous speaker will climax the convention.

Bible studies each morning will be in charge of professors from our three seminaries. General YF elections and events will take place during the several days.

The Christian education and evangelism forces of the Church are coming to Camp St. Marys in July. As all Conferences have specific quotas assigned, consult with your Conference Director of Christian Education and Conference Secretary of Evangelism on a place in the delegation from your Conference.

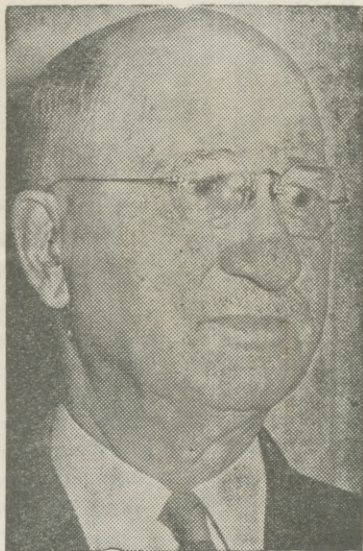
## Van Wert Group Meeting April 27th

The Van Wert Group Rally will be held Sunday evening, April 27th in the Union Center School. Basket Supper at 5:30 P. M. Groups of the following will meet, W. S. W. S.; Brotherhood; Youth Fellowship; Christian Education; Evangelism will meet at 6:30 P. M. The mass meeting will be at 7:30 with the Reverend E. J. Haldeman bringing the message.

The entire auditorium will be filled with table space for 400. Let us plan NOW to attend.

## Dr. J. Harmon Dutton

John Harmon Dutton was born in Mercer County, Ohio, on September 2, 1878, one of the seven sons and two daughters of Elizabeth and John Dutton.



His early years were spent on the farm and in school in the vicinity of Mercer County.

On Christmas Eve in the year 1899 he was married to Maude Mae Ingle of West Milton, Ohio. Of this union two children were born—Dale Defoe, who was born in March, 1901, and Weaver Monroe, who was born February 8, 1908, and passed away in March, 1912.

In the year 1906 he graduated from Bonebrake Theological Seminary and in 1911 from Northwestern University. His earlier active years in the ministry covered a circuit in Southern Illinois, pastor of the Weaver Memorial Church in Chicago and of the East Dayton United Brethren Church in Dayton, Ohio. In Dayton he served in the years 1913 and 1914 as Religious Work Director of the Dayton, Ohio Y. M. C. A. For five years he was the Superintendent of Miami Conference, a conference consisting of 104 churches.

Other pastorates include the Fairview United Brethren Church of Dayton and for ten years the pastor of the United Brethren Church of Akron, Ohio. Also, five years as pastor of the United Brethren Church in Coshockton, Ohio. Prior to his retirement three years ago, he had spent six years as the pastor of the High Street Evangelical United Brethren Church in Lima, Ohio, which was his last full-time pastorate.

In 1948, at the time of his retirement, he and his wife came east and lived in Rehoboth, Mass. From the place of his retirement he rendered valuable service to parishes in that vicinity of the state and was for many months Chaplain of the Tubercular Hospital in Attleboro, Mass.

He was a 32nd degree Mason and on several occasions directed Masonic tours to the Holy Land.

After an illness of the past several

months he made the transition Christmas Eve to that land where the years go unnumbered.

Committal services will be held at Riverside Cemetery, W. Milton, Ohio, on Saturday, May 3, at 3 P. M. Ministers of the Conference who can come are invited to do so.

## North District

Rev. F. A. Firestone, Superintendent

### Greetings

In the name of our risen and conquering Lord. Grace, mercy and peace to you through Him.

### Mechanics Plus Dynamic

When you read this we will be past Easter day and on our way to Pentecost, June 1. Lately I turned to read again a book, "The Way to Pentecost". Among many thought-provoking sentences I found this: "It is possible to excell in mechanics (organization, boards, meetings, plans, programs, records) and fail in dynamic." I recalled, too, that Jesus said "Ye shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you and ye shall be witnesses." Also that He commanded, "Wait until ye are clothed with power from on high."

Easter is wonderful in its recurring reminder of resurrection power and glory. Pentecost, the baptism of the Holy Spirit, is also essential and absolutely necessary if we are to be effective demonstrators and proclaimers of the joyous Easter message. Too many of us have neglected Pentecost, the anniversary of the coming of the Holy Spirit in a new sense, and the birthday of the Church. It should be made one of the most significant events on the Church calendar.

I have just received from the General Board of Evangelism a copy of an "Easter to Pentecost Program" put out by Dr. Jesse Bader of the Department of Evangelism, National Council of Churches. The pamphlet costs 6c and may be ordered in quantities from Dr. Bader, Joint Dept. of Evangelism, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y. It is interesting, helpful and merits distribution. It also calls attention to a series of studies for Easter to Pentecost, "The First Fine Careless Rapture", by Halford Luccock. Make Easter to Pentecost equally important as the Lenten season!

### And Stewardship

"Christ Calls to Stewardship". You recognize this as the denominational theme for this year. Paul wrote, "Ye are not your own . . . ye are bought with a price; therefore glorify God." In the redemptive giving of Jesus on the Cross sinful man, alienated from God and lost, was "bought back" in order that man may be "brought back" into fellowship with God. About a group of liberal people Paul wrote, "they first gave themselves to the Lord". We need a revival of Christian stewardship—of ability, time, things—that begins at this point and goes on in practical demonstration, including the "fellowship of tithing".

## W. S. W. S. Branch Convention

The first session of the Ohio Sandusky Branch of the Women's Society of World Service will be held June 11-13th at Camp St. Marys, St. Marys, Ohio. Registration will be on Wednesday afternoon, June 11th at 3:00 P. M. Committees will also meet at that hour. The Convention will open with the Wednesday evening service. Delegates should plan to be present at this first session as this is not the Youth Fellowship Night. The Youth Fellowship Service will be Friday evening.

Our missionaries are Rev. Robert Bruns of Japan, and Dr. Walter Schutz of Africa. Rev. Bruns is a young man who has served in Japan and is about to return to that country. He will be graduated from the Seminary at Naperville this spring. Dr. Schutz has been stationed at Rotifunk, Taitama and Jaiana in Sierra Leone, West Africa. He served as general superintendent of the West Africa Mission. He is now on a leave of absence.

The staff member from the Dayton office is Mrs. Leona Hansen, who is Secretary of Missionary Education for Children. The Council member is Miss Ruth Dietzel, who is Chairman of Christian Service Guild. Miss Dietzel will bring the devotional messages.

Each society is to be represented by two delegates but any number of visitors may come and are most welcome.

The complete program will be printed in the next issue of the "Ohio Sandusky News".

Let us pray that this first convention of our Ohio Sandusky Branch will be an inspiration to all who come and that we may have a rich experience of fellowship.

Mrs. C. D. Wright, President

May we here remind ourselves that one of the primary duties of Stewards is to "promote the practice of Christian stewardship, systematic and proportionate giving, with emphasis on tithing, among the members and friends of the Church". (See The Discipline, page 60, paragraph 65.) Let's put Christian stewardship teaching and promotion on our program as a MUST. By this we'll solve a lot of our financial and spiritual problems. Use and distribute the packet, "Opportunity Aids for the Local Church," and the booklet, "Christ Calls to Stewardship". Secure them from the General Council of Administration, Dayton, Ohio.

### Lending Library

Dr. O. T. Deever, Gen. Secy. of Evangelism, informs us that the General Board of Evangelism decided to promote more vigorously the use of the Lending Library on Evangelism. Evangelism is also a MUST, moving hand in hand with stewardship. Pastors and laymen, LET'S EVANGELIZE, using the lending library to aid us. Send to Dr. Deever for catalog and additional sheet listing, "New Books Added".

## News from the Churches

### TOLEDO FIRST CHURCH

The building renovation program at Toledo First Church is progressing satisfactorily. The redecoration has been completed; new fluorescent lighting and new drapes in the basement. The chancel has been remodeled. The pulpit level was widened three feet, and the first step level pushed forward accordingly. The center panels of both rails were removed, and steps built in, so that the center aisle leads directly to the Holy Table. New carpet has been installed in the chancel. A new octagonal pulpit to match the other furniture is on order and will be installed as soon as completed.

Elaborate Holy Week and Easter services have been planned. On Palm Sunday a class of young people was received into church membership. On Wednesday evening the service featured the film "Journey into Faith". Thursday evening the Holy Communion was celebrated, using the ritual as found in The Book of Ritual of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, (A new book just off the press). On Good Friday the service was featured by the Cantata, "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Sir John Stainer, under the direction of Mr. Clifford E. Steele. At the early Easter service Miss Margery Mayer, who has recently spent considerable time in the Far East was the speaker.

Financially the church has been doing very well. We have paid \$1000 to the Otterbein Home, have paid our quota for Men's Day, went over the quota of \$325 for the Toledo Council of Churches by more than \$50, \$1500 on the Benevolence Budget and over \$300 as a gift to Rev. and Mrs. Dale Girton. All of the work done on the church building has been paid out of funds in the treasury with no appeal to the congregation for extra funds.

There is a great satisfaction in serving a church so co-operative and enthusiastic in all departments of its endeavor. The pastor has greatly appreciated all the experiences in serving this great congregation.

F. M. B.

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### IMPROVEMENTS AT LEIPSIC CHURCH

The young people of the Leipsic Church have accepted the challenge of their church and purchased a new consonata organ. This little electronic organ compactly built with two self-contained speakers, a single manual splits for two manual performance, is a beautiful instrument with plenty volume for a small church. The music department has taken some very definite steps forward in the past year. Mr. Kenneth Butler is head of the music department, and Mr. O. Thompson is youth director.

A new communion table has been given by the Woodell children as a memorial to their father and mother, deceased mem-

bers of the church. The table was made by Mr. Youngman, contractor at Deshler, Ohio, at a cost of \$115.00. It is made of birch to match the interior of the church.

Rev. Claude Chivington, Pastor

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### COLUMBUS AVENUE CHURCH

The Brotherhood recently held their annual Father and Son Banquet with 64 men and boys present. The W. S. W. S. served a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Mr. Ed Fanning, boy scout executive of this area, brought a challenging talk concerning the relationship between the church and men and boys. Several films were shown by Mr. Bert Decker on hunting and fishing in Wyoming, Michigan and Pennsylvania.

We have just recently organized a Boy Scout Troop with 14 charter members. The response has been gratifying, and we trust this is just the beginning of greater opportunities of service to the youth of our community.

Ronald Ricard, Pastor

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### WHITEHOUSE ZION CHURCH

A very soul inspiring Evangelistic Campaign was held in the Zion Evangelical United Brethren Church in Whitehouse, Ohio, March 16th to March 30th, with our pastor, Rev. R. A. Gallagher, as the Evangelist. Several new hearts were washed clean for Christ and many old hearts were made new again, one night each week was set aside as entire consecration night and many went to the altar to make their consecration. There was an average attendance of 64 through the two weeks.

We had special music every night coming from North Baltimore, Milbury, Waterville, and Toledo along with local specials. We feel that God was in every meeting and was blessing in a great way. On the last Sunday night of the meetings a love feast was held.

Bradley Lewis

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### OAKWOOD CIRCUIT

The evangelistic services in our Prairie Chapel church began Feb. 15 and continued to Mar. 5.

The Rev. H. L. Smith of the Union Church near Willshire served as evangelist. The Spirit of God was with us in great power and many of our prayers were answered from night to night as souls knelt at the altar to give themselves to the Master.

Our attendance was good during the services and we have noticed an increase in our regular services since the meeting closed. This has been very encouraging to us. During the services twenty-one souls came forward for an experience with Christ. We have much to thank God for when we consider how He has strengthened the church during those services.

The prayer is that this revival Spirit be carried with us throughout the year and I'm sure it can be done.

Our Centenary church is now in the midst of a very stirring revival and we have every reason to believe that a great

work is being done there.

The Rev. Garrison Roebuck is bringing the messages. We ask an interest in your prayers that we might do what we can to enlighten the souls in that community.

The Rev. Rea Book, Pastor

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### HARMONY E. U. B. CHURCH

The Harmony church on the old Middlepoint charge just recently redecored the entire interior of their Sanctuary and installed drapes and venetian blinds to all the windows.

The extra good seats from the Bethel church, now closed on the same charge, were secured and placed in the Harmony church, making it now a very neat little rural church. Much of the work was done by the members. The above work of this church was done just prior to our revival service in this church. The Pastor was assisted by the JOY BELLS of Logan, Ohio, who rendered us good service in song and music and personal work. We recommend these two young women to anyone wanting good, consecrated workers in your revival services.

The revival resulted in a great Spiritual uplift to the church and five conversions. Some will be added to the church during Holy Week.

Rev. Elwood Botkin, Pastor

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### VAN WERT CALVARY

A newly organized youth choir made their first appearance on Sunday evening, March 2nd, singing for their anthem, "O Lord, Speak Now Within Me", under the direction of Mr. Paul Sherman.

The Van Wert High School 90 voice A Capella Choir appeared in our Church Sunday evening, March 9th, with 286 to hear them.

The Beginner Church, organized March 2nd under the leadership of our Children's Directress, Mrs. Harold Gribler and co-workers, Mrs. Dallas Walchle, Mrs. Ralph Watson and Mrs. Paul Sherman, have an increase in the attendance. From the little tots and including the third grade of Public School we have had a record of 34 in attendance for the month.

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### LEESVILLE E. U. B. CHURCH

The Leesville Church has been a busy church since our last report of Laying the Corner Stone for the new Parsonage on Oct. 7, 1951, when Dr. V. H. Allman was present. The Pastor and wife moved into the parsonage just before Christmas. The excavating was done by the men of the church. The wiring, plumbing and interior decorating were all donated by the members of the church. We appreciate the services given us by the lumber company and the contractor, also the unlimited efforts put forth by them to complete our home. On January 27th, Rev. Oyer and wife had open house for all the members and friends of the church. Those who have been in this home, know that truly Christ dwells within. It takes Love and Christ to make a house a home.

Our special services were held from Feb-

ruary 5th, to 17th, with a Polish musician "Joey Bachench" from Elkart, Indiana, who is a converted Roman Catholic. He is telling to the world what Christ has done for him. The Pastor gave the messages each evening. There was much Soul searching among the people, we are sure.

We are now looking forward to our Easter services. We are having Lenten Services each Thursday night. Our choir under the direction of Mrs. Raymond Trash will have a cantata Palm Sunday night, "Memories of Easter Morn" and pageant "Crosses of Fine Linen". The Youth Fellowship will have charge of the Sunrise Services at 6:30 and the Friendship Class is again planning the breakfast which follows. This is the third year for these services.

So far we feel that we have had a fine year and the Lord has truly been with us.

Rev. Oyer, Pastor  
Genevieve Long, Reporter

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### REDEDICATION OF BETHLEHEM

Bishop Dennis Speaks

Formal rededication services were held at the Bethlehem E. U. B. Church, 3 miles southeast of Findlay, Ohio, Sunday, March 23, marking the completion of the new annex and the remodeled sanctuary.

Bishop Fred L. Dennis brought the morning message to a crowd of approximately 250 people present at the morning worship service. Speaking on "Trophies of Faith" he emphasized that faith in God is the only substantial thing left in this world and that faith overcomes the enemies of happiness—sin, suffering, and death.

Speaking again in the afternoon rededication service to a near capacity crowd of 300 people, Bishop Dennis took his text from Paul's defense before Felix, The Acts 24:14-16. He said everyone worships at some shrine. It may be the shrine of appetite, the shrine of passion, the shrine of business, or even the shrine of home. But the true Christian worships at the shrine of God and takes his position of belief in the word of God.

Churches from the surrounding communities contributed to the program by giving special numbers for both the morning and afternoon services. Dr. V. H. Allman, Superintendent of the Southern District of the Ohio Sandusky Conference, and Rev. G. L. Fleming, pastor of the First E. U. B. Church, Findlay, also took part in the exercises. Rev. Donald Bartow, pastor, expressed the appreciation and thanks of the congregation to the many churches and individuals having a part in the day's program.

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### MT. CARMEL CHURCH

The old fashioned Kentucky Corn-bread and Bean Supper which was held in the Community House was enjoyed immensely. There were 63 present. The menu was corn-bread, soup beans, blueberry pie, boiled potatoes, slaw and coffee. The program for the evening consisted of special music, excerpts on our Kentucky Missions and a play "The New Minister Arrives." Old

fashioned oil lamps, newspapers on the tables and little log-cabins were the decorations.

Our W. S. W. S. had a share in the World Day of Prayer Service on Feb. 29 with the Flat Rock and Fireside Churches.

This church just closed one of the most soul-stirring revivals in the four years that our pastor, Rev. L. M. Rife, has been with us. There were 14 conversions, 37 reclaimed and nearly everyone who attended re-consecrated themselves for His service. Rev. Mable Rife of Columbus, Ohio, a sister of our pastor was the Evangelist. There were 25 who did not miss one service, and were given recognitions. A fine spirit was manifested throughout the meetings and it was felt that the church gained new spiritual ground in this endeavor.

Mary Folk, Reporter

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### YOUTH ACTIVE AT YORK CHURCH

York Center Young People's Fellowship celebrated Young People's Anniversary Day by taking charge of the Sunday School and the evening service. Special numbers were furnished by the group and two young people did the preaching. A large audience enjoyed the service.

The day was considered a very successful day from the standpoint of Young People's work. This is a very fine group of loyal young people.

The young people of the York Church attended the Marion District Rallies sufficient number of times to win one of the plaque's awarded to the districts by Sandusky Conference.

At a youth rally it was voted to give the plaque to York young people permanently; but to date they do not have possession of the plaque. However, it is being held by some one of the former Marion district U. B. young people's group.

The York Church has given two young men into the ministry of Sandusky Conference.

The pastor was an associate director of young people's work of the former Nebraska U. B. Conference, and has helped young men in other denominations to go into training for the ministry.

The York Church is now in the midst of their revival with Rev. Garrison Roebuck, evangelist of Rockford, and Mr. B. K. Hill, song leader of Marion.

On March 23rd the West Mansfield Church will open their revival with Rev. Claude Forsythe of Peoria, as evangelist.

These churches are moving forward with new heating plants.

Reporter

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### REVIVAL AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

A great revival was held in Findlay St. Paul's Church for three weeks, closing February 24, 1952. Evangelist Mrs. Irene Falor of Marion, Ohio, did the preaching, and Miss Gertrude Cooper of Findlay First Church was the song leader and soloist.

There was a total of 50 conversions and reclamations. Seventeen young people came forward to dedicate their lives in Christian service, if God should call. Quite

a number came for the filling of the Holy Spirit. Scores of people, members and others, were stirred by the messages, singing and testimonies. The gospel fire spread into homes in the city and for miles around bringing many to straighten up crooked paths and receive the blessing of God in their lives.

Each evening service was begun with a trio composed of Miss Cooper, Mrs. Morton Dorsey and Miss Bonnie Osborn, singing "Search Me, O God". With Miss Kathryn Benson, Benton Ridge E. U. B., at the organ, Mrs. Morton Dorsey or Mrs. W. C. Pifer, at the piano, the pastor, Rev. C. D. Osborn playing the trumpet, and Miss Cooper leading the singing, the song services were unusually spirited. Miss Cooper used the Scene-O-Felt method of illustrating her solos. She also played the accordion.

Mrs. Falor preached the Word without fear or favor, which brought deep conviction and decision to many. The members, aided by those coming from First Church and the other churches of the community, worked and prayed together to bring in the unchurched and those who needed spiritual help. Mrs. Falor said, "I felt an unusual lift of prayer in this congregation".

Rev. B. L. Lee, assistant pastor, rendered invaluable service in helping prepare the people for the revival as well as during the meetings. Each night differed. Sunday School classes and organizations were present in groups to add their interest. There was a total of over 6,000 people present with an average attendance of 269.

Mrs. Falor gave an hour's Bible study on weekday mornings on "The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit". These were times of great spiritual enrichment to those attending. Miss Cooper conducted services in the children's department each Sunday morning.

For the Sunday services Mrs. James Shafer, church organist, Miss Wanda Slocum, assistant, presided at the organ, and the church choir sang under the direction of Alvin Burkholder. Several young people and the two male quartettes of the church helped with special music.

In preparing for the revival, under the direction of Rev. C. D. Osborn, pastor, the city was divided into fifteen districts with a leader and secretary in each. Prayer meetings were held in each group and many calls were made on members and prospects. This is also a valuable way of following up and keeping in contact with the new converts since the close of the revival.

Reporter

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### SANDUSKY, SALEM

One week of special evangelistic services were held in Salem Church at the beginning of the Lenten season with Rev. Harold Dutt of Westgate Church in Columbus, Ohio, as the evangelist. Rev. Ronald Ricard of the Columbus Ave. Church in Sandusky, was in charge of special music,

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## Conference Treasurer's Report

FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1952

(Month ending April 7th)

W. P. Alspach, Treasurer

## BENEVOLENCES

	Monthly Budget	Paid March	Paid 7 Months	Sunday School Avg. Att. February	Morning Wor. Avg. Att. February
NORTHERN DISTRICT					
BOWLING GREEN GROUP:					
Belmore	\$70	\$70	\$327	126	85
Center	25	25	168	20	20
Bethel-Townwood					
Bethel	25	23	185.26	19	22
Townwood	21	21	168.50	42	48
Bowling Green	250	250	1750	346	319
Custar	20	20	140	*43	*43
West Hope	42	42	294	*68	*67
Deshler	60	60	420	81	91
Oakdale	90	180	720	99	85
Hoytville	100			106	79
Luckey	50	50	350	89	110
North Baltimore	100	100	700	160	107
Portage	35	70	245	69	70
Mt. Zion	60	60	420	85	45
South Liberty	50	17	232		
Mt. Hermon	17		83		
Tontogany	17		100		
Webster	30	40	171	46	37
Cloverdale	20	40	140	52	55
BRYAN GROUP:					
Bridgewater	45	45	315	105	90
Bryan	160	160	1120	236	227
Center Circuit:					
Center	20	15	135	37	26
Logan	10	10	80		30
Mt. Olive	20	10	70	20	21
Defiance, First	160	140	843	*174	*162
Defiance Circuit:					
Mt. Calvary	33	33	231	64	61
Rural Chapel	17	17	102	30	32
Edgerton	20	20	140	90	88
Hicksville	165	330	1155	*151	154
Montpelier	160	160	1120	179	167
West Unity, Immanuel	19	19	133		
Ebenezer	19	19	133		
Salem	5		15		
FOSTORIA GROUP:					
Bascom	65	78	546	84	85
Bettsville, Salem	36	36	288	78	63
Trinity	45	50	289.34	104	111
Bloomdale	70	70	490	115	84
Fostoria, Bethel	58		468	115	97
Fostoria, First	280	280	2240	302	311
Kansas	10	10	70	35	35
Canaan	40	40	320	38	38
Pleasant View	45	45	315	50	48
Rising Sun	45	44.40	309.82	88	*73
West Independence	75	75	525	195	187
FREMONT GROUP:					
Burgoon	100	140	770	118	98
Fremont, Memorial	100	100	700	120	140
Fremont, Trinity	192	184	1293.75	242	222
Gibsonburg	64	127.08	217	136	110
Green Springs	56		176.41	107	88
Helena	59	59	413	71	64
Lindsey	130	130	910	*209	*162
Old Fort	100	100	700	178	119
Riley Center	13	13	91	10	18
Woodville	160	160	1120	202	212

## NAPOLEON GROUP:

Ai	40	11	52	48	30
Lebanon	10	10	90	23	22
Mt. Pleasant	40	40	261	43	46
Delta	56	56	392	92	71
Zion	60	60	420	119	110
Liberty Center	35	35	245	75	70
Malinta	30	25	205	52	48
McClure	100	69	635	114	85
Monclova	18	18	126	50	29
Wilkins	14	42	112	60	52
Napoleon	83	75	562	146	93
Wauseon, First	40	40	280	69	52
Wauseon Circuit:					
Beulah	20	20	140	62	55
North Dover	50	50.92	306	72	72
Whitehouse	59	59	472	*147	*109

## SANDUSKY GROUP:

Bellevue	138		1300	250	206
Flat Rock	74		443		
Kelley's Island	26	150	150		
La Carne	17	17	119	31	36
Locust Point	17	17	119	30	32
Mt. Carmel	100		450	113	118
Port Clinton	80	110	560	74	75
Sandusky, Columbus Ave.	22	22	154	74	50
Sandusky, Salem	68	65	372	77	76

## TOLEDO GROUP:

Elliston	73		250		
Millbury	25		175	85	80
Moline	55	79.12	364.44		
Perrysburg	65		457.94		
Rocky Ridge	13		100	19	21
Toledo, Calvary	145	145	1015.09	246	167
Toledo, Colburn	160	160	1120	137	134
Toledo, East Broadway	190	183	1426	192	254
Toledo, First	250	250	1500	200	165
Toledo, Oakdale	170	170	1190	327	254
Toledo, Point Place	75	75	525	153	105
Toledo, Salem	60	65.04	425.04	95	112
Toledo, Somerset	170	232	1302	178	238
Toledo, Upton	250	250	1800	267	261
Toledo, Zion	158	160	1120	*264	236
Walbridge	12	12	84	56	46
Hayes	10	10	70	43	28

## SOUTHERN DISTRICT

## BUCYRUS GROUP:

Belleville Circuit:					
Pleasant Grove	14		67.50		
Pleasant Hill	22		30		
Trinity	29				
Brokensword Circuit:					
Emanuel	21	123	246	*29	*24
Lykens	41		280	*91	*85
Pleasant Home	18	32.49	143.43	*41	*40
Bucyrus Circuit:					
Harmony	30	30	243	50	50
Zion	30	30	243	61	61
Bucyrus, First	125		625	132	124
Bucyrus, Grace	125	125	875	191	156
Galion	80	80	560	172	156
Johnsville	97		582		
Mt. Zion	90		90		
North Robinson	60	36	252.17	65	73
Liberty Chapel	33	18	154.15	53	53
Oceola	60	48	333.46	*84	66
Olive Branch	22	22	72	29	36
Smithville	50	100	350		
Mt. Zion	21		151.74		
Sycamore	75	42	391	100	90
Upper Sandusky	128	128	1022.50	263	233
Upper Sandusky Ct.:					
Belle Vernon	11			39	34
Salem	30	30	210	60	65

Williamsport	40	215		
<b>FINDLAY GROUP:</b>				
Bairdstown	21	42	126	45 50
Benton Ridge, Calvary	60	60	480	115 108
<b>Benton Ridge Circuit:</b>				
Pleasant Hill	35	25	75	46 46
Trinity	40	60	203	52 56
<b>Bluffton Circuit:</b>				
Bethesda	14		81	24 25
Liberty Chapel	17	15	105	27 28
Olive Branch	30		90	29 29
Bethlehem	50	100	400	137 142
Carey	91	91	733	
<b>East Findlay Circuit:</b>				
Ark	30	30	210	37 40
Mt. Zion	45	23	161	47 48
Findlay, First	312	312	2184	333 400
Findlay, St. Paul's	223	223	1561.09	396 325
Findlay, West Park	28	55	202.50	58 23
Salem	13		14.25	24 21
Leipsic	50		86	*115 84
Forest Grove	20			20 21
Kieferville	20	9	63	45 46
Mt. Cory, Zion	40	40	280	89 77
Pleasant View	50			61 62
Rawson	100	80	565	114 97
<b>South Findlay Circuit:</b>				
Pleasant Grove	25	10	70	41 39
Salem	25			28 30
Van Buren	100	100	600	124 94
Vanlue	50	50	350	85 87
<b>Vanlue Circuit:</b>				
St. Paul	19	20	140	58 57
Union	30	30	210	34 35
<b>West Findlay Circuit:</b>				
Powell Memorial	42		185	68 68
Zion	25	15	105	34 34
<b>Wharton Circuit:</b>				
Beech Grove	25	11	77	28 28
Big Oak	42	42	294	76 76
<b>LIMA GROUP:</b>				
Blue Lick	25	50	175	40 41
Columbus Grove	125	125	875	158 120
Cridersville	25	25	175	36 24
Kemp	25	21	84	35 34
Delphos	75	75	525	131 107
Dunkirk	65	65	455	80 84
Walnut Grove	100	100	700	138 130
Elida	100	50	350	116 112
Lakeview	45	60	229	73 59
Lima, First	231	231	1617	293 249
Lima, High St.	205	205	1435	246 241
Marion (Elida)	22	40	172	21 21
Santa Fe	45	20	180	33 34
Vaughnsville	75			135 135
<b>MARION GROUP:</b>				
Cardington, Center	50	50	286	98 99
Fairview	22	22	154	26 26
Climax	10	10	60	26 26
Hepburn	15		90	12 15
Hopewell	16	16	112	15 13
Otterbein	30	30	210	48 44
Marion, Calvary	195	390	1560	310 234
Marion, First	100		400	
Marion, Greenwood	92	92	735.52	172 86
Marion, Oakland	148	148	1036	270 172
Marion, Salem	27	57	209	104 100
New Winchester	25	17.70	96.51	31 31
Peoria	7		42	
Mt. Zion	4		24	
West Mansfield	12	12	84	18 19
York	50	50	350	*58 *58
<b>ST. MARYS GROUP:</b>				
Bethel	15	15	105	26 27
Celina, Bethany	153	153	1071	255 220

<b>Celina Circuit:</b>				
Hope	44		264	60 50
Mt. Carmel	22	44	154	66 57
Ft. Recovery, Bethel	18	18	124	34 27
Mt. Zion	45	45	315	101 109
Old Town	16	16	112	41 44
Olive Branch	22	22	154	31 32
Pasco	40	40	280	46 46
Sidney	90	90	630	95 95
St. Marys	90	90	630	*113 110
Wapakoneta	48		288	
<b>VAN WERT GROUP:</b>				
<b>Bethel-Mt. Zion Circuit:</b>				
Bethel	25	25	175	*66 *53
Mt. Zion	15	10	70	*48 *45
Continental	50		100	43 43
Mt. Zion	40		90	48 46
Wisterman	15	30	60	21 23
<b>Grover Hill Circuit:</b>				
Blue Creek	30	12	72	21 22
Middle Creek	35	45	237	35 35
Mt. Zion	25	25	175	48 46
Mt. Pleasant	80	50	350	94
& Harmony		10	70	59 62
Oakwood	50	50	350	123 123
<b>Oakwood Circuit:</b>				
Centenary	25	25	175	*54 *57
Prairie Chapel	25	25	175	*63 *63
Rockford	200	200	1400	250 212
Van Wert, Calvary	105	105	735	191 202
<b>Van Wert Circuit:</b>				
Grand Victory	44	44	308	73 73
Union Center	25	25	175	71 71
Van Wert, Trinity	143	143	1001	243 191
Wren	65		390	87 85
Wood Chapel	25	25	175	48 46
Bethel	25			
St. Peter's	12	12	84	18 18
Willshire, Union	35	35	245	*76 *72
<b>WILLARD GROUP:</b>				
Attica, Federated	20	20	140	73 67
<b>Attica Circuit:</b>				
Richmond	50		263	57 58
Union Pisgah	40	40	291	50 50
Biddle	15	15	105	25 25
Bloomville	45	45.84	315.84	77 40
Harmony	40	27	267	86 70
Leesville	45	45	315	68 75
Republic	30	30	210	47 55
Pietist				96 96
Shelby	231	231	1617	217 201
South Reed	22	22	154	27 25
Tiffin	75	75	600	201 137
Tiro	90	90	630	97 103
Willard	285	311	2177	325 410
<b>Totals</b>				
		\$13,200.59		
		\$95,252.46		

The (\*) denotes a 5% increase in attendance over last year.

Additional Christmas offerings this month: For Flat Rock Home, from Rural Chapel on Defiance Circuit, \$6.00; for Otterbein Home: Climax, \$10; Hicksville, \$50; Marion, First, \$5; Smithville, \$39.18; Toledo, First, \$5.50; West Findlay, Zion, \$30; Wharton, Beech Grove, \$8, making the grand total for the Otterbein Home, \$27,289.12—an average of a little more than \$1.00 per member.

Contributions to "One Great Hour of Sharing": Attica, Pisgah, \$63.25; Defiance, Mt. Calvary, \$24; Findlay, St. Paul's, \$181.84; Lima, First, \$71; Marion, Greenwood, \$15.12; Montpelier, \$60; Riley Center, \$5.50; Sidney, \$12.86; St. Marys, \$1; Upper Sandusky, \$108.63; Upper Sandusky Ct., Salem, \$14.48; Belleverson, \$6.50; Van Buren, \$19; Van Wert, Trinity, \$80; Wauseon, \$27.84; Woodville, \$35—a total of \$725.96.

## South District

Dr. V. H. Allman, Superintendent

The period from Easter to Pentecost is the time for the church to conserve the results of the evangelistic season. Over this Easter period thousands of new Christians will become members of the church. These should not only be welcomed into the fellowship of the congregation but should be acquainted as well with the activity and program of the Church. They should be helped to assume the obligations and responsibilities of the Christian life and church membership.

The task of assimilating the new members is even more difficult than getting them to accept Christ and membership in His church. Our loss each year is terrific and most of it may be accounted for in our lack of proper procedure and program of assimilation. I trust we shall do a better job this year. Pastors and churches should use every known method. New techniques should be developed.

It is the business of the Congregation to develop the new members in Christian life and growth. This can be done only by personal effort and a well rounded program. Help them to cultivate:

1. The habit of daily devotions.
2. The habit of daily prayers.
3. The habit of daily Bible reading.
4. The habit and art of public worship.
5. The habit and art of systematic giving ("upon the first day of the week")
6. The habit and art of soul winning. ("Ye are My witnesses—Go ye")

Certainly the least that we can do for these new members is to acquaint them with the Church.

1. Its creed. What we believe and why.
2. Its government. The discipline:
  - The General Conference
  - The Annual Conference
  - The Local Conference
  - The Auxiliary Organizations

Activate them into the life of the church. Real Christian life and growth begins only when the new member finds himself or herself busy in the life and work of the church, from the point of personal devotions on through public worship, systematic giving, organizational activity and personal witness. It is the business of the Church to find a place in which the new member can work and to keep him busy.

Here then are four things every pastor and congregation can and should be doing from Easter to Pentecost—then on through the year:

1. Assimilate Your New Members
2. Develop Them in the Christian Life
3. Acquaint Them with the Church
4. Activate Them in the Life of the Church

Congratulations go this month to Rev. Don Bartow and the Bethlehem church on their fine program of remodeling and enlarging of their church building to meet the needs of the growing congregation. Yours is one country church where the people instead of leaving and going to the town leave the town and go to the coun-

try. You are doing a fine work. Keep it up.

Congratulations Trinity church Van Wert it was a great celebration you gave your pastor on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his entrance into the Christian ministry. The new car you gave last Conference time and the new golden deluxe anniversary Crosley shelvador refrigerator given on the anniversary are ample proof of your love and esteem for your pastor and his wife. March 30th was a great day, a great program and a great crowd. I am certain it was most gratifying to Rev. and Mrs. Maus to have people from former parishes present in numbers, Celina, Decatur, Berne, Ft. Wayne and Indianapolis. The love manifested by these people gave evidence of the effective ministry of pastor Maus. Fifty years is a long time in the Christian ministry but Brother Maus finished it with flying colors and entered the second fifty going strong—serving a large congregation and loved equally well by young and old. Congratulations Brother Maus you have set for the rest of us a worthy example.

Congratulations Pastor H. L. Adams and Grace Church, Bucyrus. Your 50 years of history is indeed a fine record of growth. Very best wishes for the second half of your century.

## Important Dates To Remember at Camp St. Marys

- April 25-26-27—W. M. & Y. W. C. A. College retreat
- June 8—Evening—Chimes Hour
- June 11-12-13—Women's Society of World Service Convention.
- June 14-15—Youth Camp Seniors and older youth.
- June 16-21—Senior Youth Camp.
- June 23-29—Bible Conference and school of music.
- June 28-29—Men's Congress.
- June 29—Annual Pilgrimage Day.
- June 30-July 5—Intermediate Youth Camp.
- July 7-12—Portland District—Children's camp.
- July 14-15—Denomination Board of Evangelism.
- July 16-20—Denominational Youth Fellowship Convention.
- July 21-22—Denominational Board of Education.
- July 28 to Aug. 2—Children's Camp.
- August 4-10—Apostolic Christian Church.
- August 11-24—Open.
- August 27-31—Ohio Sandusky Annual Conference.
- September 9-14—Bowling Green University—Student Christian Fellowship Retreat.

## 1950 Camp Pictures Lost

The 1950 Camp Pictures taken at the Youth Assemblies at Camp St. Marys have been lost. If you have them, or information concerning them, will you please notify Rev. Kenneth Stover, 1130 Hamlin, Fremont, Ohio.

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

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bringing inspiration and blessing with solos each evening.

Deeply spiritual and revitalizing messages were brought from night to night and the Church was greatly helped. Thru the inspiration and influence of these meetings and a Pastor's class in the Sunday School, six young people were brought to accept Jesus Christ as their Savior and to unite with the Church.

Services have been held each Wednesday evening during Lent with a brother pastor from a neighboring Evangelical United Brethren Church bringing the message.

On April 3rd, the Churches of Sandusky and Erie county joined in a Men's Lenten Rally which brought together 350 men in the Junior High School for a supper and an address by Mr. Roy Stetler, Publisher of the Telescope Messenger. Mr. Stetler challenged all present with the theme "Compromise or Commitment." The undersigned was the chairman of the committee on arrangements for this interdenominational gathering. About 45 of the men present were from the three Evangelical United Brethren Churches of the County.

Wilbur D. Ramsey

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## ST. PETERS CHURCH REDEDICATES

On Sunday afternoon, February 24, the newly decorated sanctuary of St. Peters Evangelical United Brethren Church on the Wood Chapel Circuit, Van Wert, Ohio, was rededicated. Dr. V. H. Allman, Superintendent of the South District was the speaker for the occasion. His challenging address stirred the assembled members and friends to face the uncertain future with confidence in God.

Dr. Allman also conducted the service of rededication in the name of the Conference and the Church at large. The improvements include the refinishing of the entire interior with Chrome-Tex in colors of rose and green, and the sanding and varnishing of the floors.

An illuminated Cross above the pulpit was also dedicated, it being the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Remagen in memory of their son, William, who was drowned while swimming several years ago. These improvements have added a new sense of reverence to the worship at St. Peters Church. This small group has demonstrated the invincible power of faithfulness. Rev. Albert N. Straley is the pastor.

## Bits Of Wisdom

Dr. J. H. Patterson, Toledo, O.

Love your enemies. You helped to make them.

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A good enemy is worth more than a bad friend.

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Some one said, "When the elevator is out of order, try the stairs."

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The more you lean on somebody else, the less chance for success.

## New Arrivals

Our Sunday School Superintendent and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Richer, Jr., of 1180 Rice Avenue, are the proud parents of a daughter, Miss Deborah Kay, born Friday, March 21, 1952 at Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maxwell, 627 W. Murphy Street, are the proud parents of a son, Michael Robert, born Friday, March 28, 1952, at Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stimson, 647 Courtland Street, are the proud parents of a daughter, Barbara Ann, born April 3, 1952, at St. Rita's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stearley, 1607 N. West Street, are the proud parents of a daughter, Janet Kay, born April 4, 1952, at St. Rita's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Brown, R. R. 2, Ada, Ohio, are the parents of twin sons, James Aaron and Michael Allen, born April 11, 1952, at Memorial Hospital. As these lines are prepared the sad news of the death of Michael Allen occurred on Easter morning about 7:00 A. M. Funeral services are to be held on Tuesday, April 15th from the Lewis Funeral Home. Our hearts go out to these young people in the loss of one of their twin sons.

## Baptisms

The following babies were baptized by the Pastor on Palm Sunday, April 6th:

Miss Colleen J. Moyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merton R. Moyer.

Miss Cynthia Ann Kennedy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Kennedy.

David Leroy Eberhard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah E. Eberhard.

Miss Sherra Leigh Sprunger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Sprunger.

Peter Henry Miles and Paul Vernon Miles, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart M. Miles.

It is a joy indeed to dedicate these many little ones to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to hear their parents promise to faithfully teach and train them in the way of the Lord. Baptisms are performed on the first Sunday of any month as arrangements are made in advance with the Pastor. Dedication of children may also be done at the same time as baptisms. See the Pastor if you wish further information.

## Funerals

Miss Linda Joyce Collingsworth of Dayton, Ohio, three and one-half year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Collingsworth died March 26, 1952, at Miami Valley Hospital. Funeral services were conducted by the Pastor in the Harris Funeral Home in Columbus Grove, Ohio, on March 29th at 2:00 P. M. Burial was in the Truro Cemetery near Columbus Grove, Ohio. Our sympathy is extended to this young family in the loss of their daughter who was so dear to them.

## New Members

On Palm Sunday morning, April 6th, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Kempher of 253 South Pine Street, Lima, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson, R. R. 2, Lafayette, Ohio, were received into Church membership. Mr. Dale Kempher comes to us from The West Point Methodist Church near Lafayette, Ohio, and Mrs. Kempher was received upon confession of faith. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson come to us from the Elida E. U. B. Church by transfer. On Easter Sunday morning in the first worship service Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sherrick of 2044 W. Wayne Street, and Mr. Eugene F. Lutz of 654 Ewing Avenue, were received into church membership. Mrs. Sherrick comes to us from the Waynesfield Methodist Church, and Mr. Sherrick from the Elida E. U. B. Church, and Mr. Lutz from the Church of God at Mendon, Ohio. Many of these friends are already known to our people, and others will want to know them better.

On Sunday evening (Easter Sunday) six of the 7th grade Catechism class were received into church membership at the conclusion of the special program. They were: Miss Lenah Windle, 1349 Glenn Avenue; Ruth Ann Mayer, 849 N. Cable Road; Larry Kirtland, 325 W. Haller Street; Miss Donna Lou Carr, 3260 Spencerville Road; Thomas Bitler, 3631 West Elm Street Road; and Marilyn Jean Swisher, 901 N. Cole Street. All of these young people have been under the instruction of the Pastor for a number of weeks in the Catechism class.

New members are received into the Church on the second Sunday of any month except for those special occasions such as Easter or Palm Sunday. Anyone who knows the Lord Jesus Christ in redeeming grace and who has a sincere desire to serve and follow Him is eligible for Church membership. See the Pastor if you are interested or know of someone who is desirous of Church membership.

## Church Orchestra

A thriving church orchestra was presented on Sunday evening, April 13th, during our Catechism program, and its music was appreciated by everyone. The director is Mr. Robert Thompson, who united with the Church on Palm Sunday, and the members of the orchestra are: Mr. Roland Rone, Gerald Rone, Margaret Richer, Mary Lee Rose, Charles Thompson, Tom Morris, Tom Bitler, David Allgire, Ann Matthews, Patty Grimm, Ben Richer, John W. Frail, Marjorie Rose and Donna Carr.

There are doubtless many others in our Church who play instruments who need to be in this group. We earnestly urge everyone who can play an instrument and read music to be present on Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock when the orchestra meets to practise. We need an orchestra, and we appreciate their music. Let's co-operate to the full with them.

## Weddings

Mr. George D. Hefner, Jr., of 1177 West High Street, Lima, and Miss Carlyn Joyce Painter of R. R. 2 of Elida, Ohio, were united in marriage by the Pastor on March 19, 1952, before the altar of the Church at 6:30 P. M. George is still in the army, and hopes to be home again to stay sometime in October. Congratulations and best wishes to the new bride and groom.

## Our Service Men

T/Sgt. V. R. Herron is now in the Chaplain's school at Fort Slocum, New Rochelle, New York.

A/3C Roland D. Kautz is studying Psychology in the Human Research Center at Lackland Air Force Base at San Antonio, Texas.

Mrs. Ruth Shook has received word from her son, Melvin, that he has arrived in Korea and was on his way to the front lines. He is with a Medical Unit.

Cpl. Jack Young who has been stationed at the Rhein Main Air Base in Germany, has arrived home, and has received his discharge from the army.

Cpl. Daniel Brogee is now on his way to Korea.

Arthur Bickman has arrived in Seoul, Korea. His wife has returned to Lima.

New addresses are as follows:

T/Sgt. Verner R. Herron  
Student Detachment  
The Chaplain School  
Ft. Slocum, New Rochelle, New York

Pvt. Melvin Shook-U. S. 52157277  
Amb. Co. 3rd Med. Bn.  
3rd Inf. Div.  
APO 468—c/o Postmaster  
San Francisco, Calif.

## MOTHERS

"The real empire is by the fireside."—Cicero.

"The great need of France is mothers."—Napoleon.

"Paradise is at the feet of mothers."—Mohammed.

"Every impetus for good I find in my soul came from my mother."—Ruskin.

A preacher who was popular with his congregation explained his success as the result of a silent prayer he offered each time he took the pulpit: "Lord, fill my mouth with worth-while stuff, and nudge me when I've said enough."

A clergyman at a dinner had listened to a talkative young man who had much to say on the Darwin theory. "I can't see," he argued, "what difference it would make to me if my grandfather was an ape."

"No," commented the clergyman, "I can't see that it would. But it must have made a great difference to your grandmother."

—The Rotary Spoke, Hickory, N. Carolina

## MY MOTHER

I call to mind this Mother's Day,  
A dear one whom God called away,  
Whose memory lives with me today—  
My mother.

When but a child she taught me how,  
Before my Savior's cross to bow,  
And seek His gracious will to know—  
My mother.

She prayed for me both day and night,  
That God would guide my steps aright.  
And ever lead me in the light—  
My mother.

But she has gone to heaven's dome,  
For God has called her to His home,  
Where sin and sorrow never come—  
To mother.

And when at last my work is done,  
When I shall come to the setting sun,  
My life in heaven will be begun—  
With mother.

But if on earth I still remain  
When Jesus comes His bride to claim,  
I'll see her radiant face again—  
My mother.

—Jesse M. Jones, Thorntown, Indiana

## WHEN A BOY THINKS OF HIS MOTHER

When he is hurt.  
When he is about to go to bed, his first  
night away from home.  
When he is thirsty at night.  
When he is hungry.  
When he has good news to tell.  
When he wants money.  
When he attains honors.  
When he hears something said against  
women-folk.  
When he sees a dog he would like to  
bring home.  
When his mother is sick.  
When he has grown to be a man.

## MOTHERS OF GREAT MEN

"Show me a great man," runs an old  
saying, "and I will show you a great  
mother." History proves the truth of this  
statement as exemplified by the following:  
Caesar was educated by his mother, Au-  
relia. It was her influence and advice that  
started him toward the office of Pontifex  
Maximus.

Edison, except for a very few years of  
public school, was educated by his mother.  
Seeing he was interested in telegraph in-  
struments as he sold papers about the  
trains, his mother led him to use his spare  
time studying electricity.

Napoleon's father was a lazy Italian  
farmer, but his Corsican mother possessed  
a great mind and dynamic energy. It was  
his mother who instilled the limitless en-  
ergy and ambition that made Napoleon  
the conqueror of Europe.

Motherhood is at its divinest in a godly,  
homeloving mother.

## MOTHER'S TRANSLATION

A teacher was telling of the various  
translations of the Bible and their differ-  
ent excellencies. The class was much in-  
terested, and later one of the young men  
was talking to a friend about it.

"I think I prefer the King James Ver-  
sion for my part," he said, "though the  
Revised may be more scholarly."

His friend smiled. "I prefer my moth-  
er's translation of the Bible to any other  
version," he said.

"Your mother's?" cried the first young  
man in surprise. "What do you mean,  
Fred?"

"I mean that my mother has translated  
the Bible into the language of daily life  
ever since I was old enough to understand  
it. She translates it straight, too, and  
gives full meaning. There never has been  
any obscurity about her version. What-  
ever printed version of the Bible I may  
study, my mother's is always the one that  
clears up my difficulties."—Ruth McDowell.

## MOTHER'S DAY

By Rev. Will H. Houghton, D. D., Chicago  
Illinois

Mother's Day on Sunday?  
Oh, no, that cannot be!  
For mother's day is Monday  
Through Saturday, you see.  
For mother's work is never done,  
Each day but finds new tasks begun.

Mother's Day on Sunday?  
The sentiment is good,  
For other days she's busy  
With sewing and with food;  
But who will do her work today  
While sentiment shall have its say?

Mother's Day on Sunday?  
The flowers you may bring,  
Carnations for the buttonhole,  
A tearful song, may sing;  
But don't forget on other days  
A word of thank you and of praise.

## LULLABY A LA MODE

Go to sleep, darling, sweet peace to your  
soul!  
Mother will pray for your motor control;  
Check up statistics on mental hygiene;  
Look at your brain through an X-ray ma-  
chine.  
Hushaby, darling, it's mother's ambition  
To get your reflexes into condition.  
Mother is wise in the new sociology,  
Psycho-analysis, endocrinology.  
She'd like to sing to you, but the psychol-  
ogists,  
Pre-school authorities, learned biologists  
Ban lullabies for the kids of the nation,  
Lest they develop the "mother-fixation."  
Make your "Good-night" scientific and for-  
mal;  
Don't run the risk of a complex abnormal.  
Angels are watching o'er each nerve and  
gland.  
Hushaby, lullaby. Ain't science grand!  
—Author Unknown

## NOTABLE WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

Eve, the woman of curiosity (Gen. 3:6);  
Hagar, the discarded wife (Gen. 21:  
14-19); Miriam, the ambitious woman  
(Num. 12:1,2); Deborah, the patriotic  
woman (Judg. 4:4); Ruth, the woman of  
constancy (Ruth 1:16); Hannah, the  
ideal mother (I Sam. 1:20; 2:19); Abigail,  
the capable woman (I Sam. 25:3); the  
Shunammite, the hospitable woman (II  
Kings 4:8-10); Esther, the self-sacrificing  
woman; (Esth. 4:16); the Syrophenician,  
the woman of faith (Matt. 15:28); Mary  
Magdalene, the transformed woman (Mark  
16: 1,9); Elisabeth, the humble woman  
(Luke 1:43); Mary, the woman chosen of  
God (Luke 1:30-38); Mary of Bethany, the  
woman immortalized by Christ (Matt. 26:  
13; Luke 10:42); Martha, the worried  
housekeeper (Luke 10:40); the woman  
evangelist (John 4:29); Dorcas, the benev-  
olent seamstress (Acts 9:36); Lydia, the  
business woman (Acts 16: 14, 15).—Gos-  
pel Herald.

## THE CROSS WAS HIS OWN

They borrowed a bed to lay His head  
When Christ the Lord came down;  
They borrowed the ass in the mountain  
pass  
For Him to ride to town;  
But the crown that He wore and the cross  
that He bore  
Were His own—  
The cross was His own.

He borrowed the bread when the crowd  
He fed  
On the grassy mountain-side,  
He borrowed the dish of broken fish  
With which He satisfied.  
But the crown that He wore and the cross  
that He bore  
Were His own—  
The cross was His own.

He borrowed a ship in which to sit  
To teach the multitude;  
He borrowed a nest in which to rest—  
He had never a home so rude;  
But the crown that He wore and the cross  
that He bore  
Were His own—  
The cross was His own.

He borrowed a room on His way to the  
tomb  
The Passover Lamb to eat;  
They borrowed a cave for Him a grave,  
They borrowed a winding-sheet.  
But the crown that He wore and the cross  
that He bore  
Were His own—  
The cross was His own.

—Author Unknown

## WHAT KIND OF MOTHERS TODAY

On a placard in front of a church in New  
Haven, Conn., these words stood out in  
clear lettering: "How can the boy pray at  
his mother's knees when those knees are  
parked against a theater chair or under a  
card table?"—Sunday School Times.