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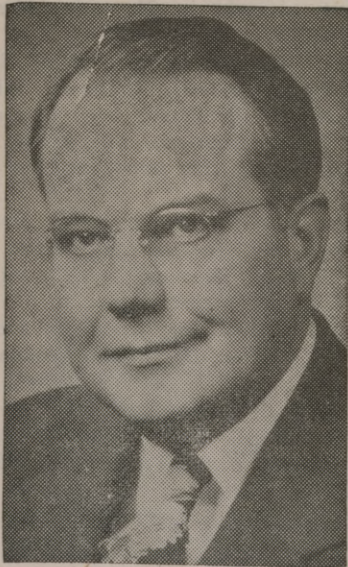
# The High Street Witness

HIGH STREET EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

VOLUME 2

DECEMBER, 1952

NUMBER 1



Dr. Harry M. Lintz



Bob Killion

## Pastor's Message

With this message from your Pastor the High Street Witness has come to its first Birthday, for it was just a year ago that this paper was presented to you for the first time. Many received it as soon as it was mentioned, but others watched it for several months before realizing its value to the Church and its people. Remember to renew your subscription at once if you have not already done so. You can either give \$1.00 individually, or sign a card asking that this amount be deducted from your regular giving. Either way is all right as long as the paper keeps coming to your home. Give the Witness to a friend if you are able to do so. If there is some one you would like to win for Christ and the Church subscribe to The Witness for them and let it carry its own message. It will help to bring them in touch with the Church also which will help greatly in reaching them for the cause of Christ.

We are deeply grateful to God at the turn of the year for His blessings during the past twelve months, for it has been during this period that our Sunday School has begun to really grow. It is very significant that the period of growth co-incides exactly with the period of the publication of The Witness. Surely there can be no better testimony to the fact that all things work together when a Church really begins to go places. Our Sunday School is now averaging nearly 300, and quite often we go above that figure on just a regular Sunday. Let us continue to work and pray and give that the work of the Church may go forward. We should have 400 in Sunday School every week, and our offerings should increase from an average of around \$500.00 per Sunday to \$800.00 or \$900.00 per week. These things lie within our grasp if we seek them earnestly and continuously.

Along with the rapid growth of our Church and Sunday School has come a new Missionary challenge. High Street has always been known as a Missionary Church, but at the present time we are no longer supporting Missionary activities apart from our regular Benevolence Budget. It is the feeling of many of our people that once again we need to be thinking of a definite missionary project or two for the benefit of our own Church. Pray for this to develop through the leading of the Lord in order that God may take us up the road that is of His choosing.

It was a privilege to broadcast our morning service each Sunday during the month of November, and we believe that much good came from the radio experience. Many kind words were received from

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## Revival Begins January 4

We are happy to present the pictures of our Evangelistic party for our next city wide Revival meeting in Memorial Hall. Dr. Harry McCormick Lintz has been well known as an Evangelist for over twenty years, and his work has been unusually blessed of the Lord. He is dynamic, forceful, and effective in his presentation of the Gospel, and you will want to hear him at every opportunity. He will be speaking every night in Memorial Hall during the Revival meeting except on Tuesday night which will be Rest Night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Killion are new comers to the Evangelistic field in Lima. To our knowledge they have never appeared here before, but they are well known in other circles. They are from Michigan, but are now making their home in the State of California. They have been very active especially in The Church of the Nazarene where their ministry has been fruitful and effective. Mrs. Killion plays the Hammond Organ while her husband directs the singing.

We have been asking for your prayerful remembering of the Revival meeting for a number of weeks, but we need to pray much harder now that the meeting is nearly upon us. There can be no genuine Revival without the people of God being



Madge Killion

stirred in their hearts, and we need to seek the Lord with our whole hearts. Plan to attend every night you possibly can. Your Pastor will be serving as chairman of the Personal Workers Committee, and expects to be in the meetings every night unless hindered by reasons beyond his control.

Monday nights will probably be Sunday School nights. Let every class and group in the Church listen carefully for these announcements, and be there to represent High Street Church when the proper time arrives. Be sure to tell your friends about the meeting, and invite every one to go every night.

## STATED SERVICES OF THE CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A. M.

Morning Worship—10:30 A. M.

Junior and Senior Youth Fellowships—  
6:30 P. M.

Evening Service—7:30 P. M.

Choir Practice—Wednesday, 7:45 P. M.

Mid-Week Family Night — Thursday,  
7:00 P. M.

Mid-week service for adults and Young People, Instruction Classes for 6th and 7th Grade boys and girls and The Good News Club for children.

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## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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friends who listened, and others who enjoyed the service from within the Sanctuary were equally pleased. We have been well blessed with good music during the time of our broadcast and since. Not only has the Choir continued to give us their own high quality numbers, but others have been used at various times. High Street Church has been well blessed with talent along this line, and we trust that good music will continue to assist in our services.

One of the most thrilling parts of our entire program during the past month has been the development of a system of calling by the laymen and women of our Church. A number of teams have been going out every Sunday afternoon to make calls on new friends and prospective members, and much good has already been accomplished. We believe that only Eternity will reveal what actually is done, but already we know of two souls won for Christ through this means. We believe that this is one part of our work which will continue to grow and develop. God blesses the Church where the laymen will seek to be soul winners. Pray for these faithful men and women who are willing to give of their time and energy to seek the lost and the needy for Christ and the Church.

Your Pastor hopes to attend either the Pastors' Convention in Columbus at the end of January or The Founders' Week Conference at Moody Bible Institute the first week of February. These Conferences and Conventions are vital in helping a minister maintain his grasp on the essentials of Christian work. They provide great blessings and are long remembered as times of real refreshing. Pray for your Pastor and his companion in all their work. The challenge before us is the greatest we have ever seen or known, and it can only be met with the leadership of the Holy Spirit and the guidance of God in every detail.

Faithfully yours,

Frank R. Hamblen

## Church Council News

The Pastor's report to The Church Council of Administration on December 2nd was as follows:

Attendance for the month of November was as follows: Sunday School—272. Morning Worship—260. Evening Service 100. Mid-Week—74. The averages for November 1951 were: Sunday School—220. Morning Worship—213. Evening Service—92. Mid-Week—28. We have showed gains in every area, for which we are deeply grateful to God.

During the month of November as Pastor I have made 94 calls, performed one wedding, attended one funeral, and, in addition to our Sunday Services and Mid-Week Family Night, have attended 16 other gatherings, twelve of which were of our own Church while four were connected with groups outside the Church.

Progress in two areas of endeavor has blessed our Church during the past month.

1. Our Sunday School. A weekly News letter is now going out to every teacher, officer and worker, calling attention to those items wherein better co-operation can achieve better results. This is of great assistance in helping our teachers and officers keep up with the total program.

2. Our visitation Evangelism program. On November 16th we began our visitation Evangelism with three calling teams, and already for the month of November they have reported 56 calls. This part of our work is expected to grow until we can begin to make hundreds of calls per month which will greatly multiply the ministry of the Church. New workers will be enlisted as they can be found and trained.

The greatest victory of the month is found in the three persons who accepted Christ as Savior and Lord. In all of our work and activity, we must never forget to evaluate the results in terms of Eternity.

Faithfully yours,

Frank R. Hamblen

The following names were approved for membership by the Council and by the Membership committee: Mr. Wm. Shilling, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Warren, David, John and Ruth Hamblen. They are to be received on Sunday, December 21st.

The name of Mr. George Dupes was removed from the role since he has taken instruction to unite with the Roman Catholic Church.

The next meeting of the Council was set for Tuesday, December 30th in order not to conflict with the city-wide Revival campaign.

A special committee composed of E. J. Ward, chairman, Warren Clemans, Chas. Teegardin, John Frail and Mrs. Wm. Linderman was appointed to present projects for the Easter Offering. The committee was asked to meet and to make recommendations to the Finance Committee in order that the complete report may be received on December 30th at the Council meeting.

The increased interest in Mission activity resulted in the appointing of an Investigating Missionary Committee composed of John Stuber, Lowell Holmes, and B. F. Richer. The committee is to make recommendations to the Finance Committee for a Missionary project for High Street Church to be begun in the near future.

The other items of program were approved on the recommendation of the Pastor. The Christmas program by the children was set for December 21st, and a watch night service was approved for December 31st. The Christmas treat was left in the hands of the Sunday School Superintendent, and providing for Christmas trees was left to the Pastor. It was also voted to turn the Girl Scout materials that had been stored in the Office cupboards over to Mrs. Mary Lindermann for disposal.

A visitation Evangelistic program was left to the discretion of the Pastor, as was the date for a Revival meeting for High Street Church. These items are to be reported upon at a later meeting.

The Church Council meets on the first

Tuesday of every month unless some unforeseen conflict calls for a change of date. Pray for this Official body of your Church as it seeks to conduct the business of your Church each month.

## Items Of General Interest

Recent patients in Memorial Hospital have been: Mrs. Earl Jackson, Mrs. Elsie Basinger, Charles Carder, Mrs. Robert Mills, and Mrs. Gordon Williams. All except Mrs. Williams have been discharged at this writing, and she is expecting to be at home before this paper reaches your home.

Recent patients in St. Rita's Hospital have been: Mr. Edward Bitler, Mrs. Allie Erwin, Richard Nebcour, Don Brown, and Mr. Perry Shingledecker. All of these have made satisfactory progress and are at home. We rejoice in the goodness of the Lord at restoring these who have been ill to better health.

The Christmas trees in the Sanctuary and dining room were put in place and decorated by Jean and Jo Frail, Virginia Skelly, Ada Gunther, and Patty Grimm. We express our sincere thanks to these girls for their fine work.

Dick Widmark left for service with the Marine Corps on November 19th when he left for Cleveland for his physical examination. He is now in training at Parris Island.

New addresses—

Pvt. Richard Widmark-1347156

P. L. T. 574

2nd Rec. Training Bn.

Parris Island, S. Carolina.

Gail Brenneman RMSN-5717756 U. S. N.

U. S. S. Wisconsin BB-64

C. Division

c/o Fleet Post Office

New York, N. Y.

Pfc. Ralph D. Jackson-ER 15455786

Hearquarters &amp; Service Co.

820th Engineer Aviation Bn.

Ft. Huachuca, Arizona.

The Win One Class has installed new rubber and plastic tile flooring in the Nursery room. This is a great improvement, and has been much needed. We sincerely thank the Win One Class for their generosity.

The following young people attended our Fall Retreat at Findlay Church over the Thanksgiving holiday: Basilda Reese, Nancy Clemans, Peggy Mumaugh, Phyllis Allgire, and Sue Matthews.

The Bible is the unfailing guide which points the way for men to the perfect life. The lessons of charity, justice, and equality which enrich its pages should be learned well by all men, in order that greed, avarice, and iniquity can be blotted out.—J. Edgar Hoover.

Be sure to renew your subscription to The High Street Witness, or Subscribe for a friend at \$1.00 per year. Send your subscription to the Church office.

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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### The Conference Council of Administration

E. S. HECKERT . . . EDITOR



## Bascom Church Observes 80th Anniversary

On Monday, November 25, the congregation of the Bascom Church observed the 80th anniversary of the building of the church with a banquet in the church basement. The Rev. Don Hochstettler was the speaker, and Mrs. Howard Kime read the history of the church which she and others had prepared. One hundred fifteen people attended the program and were served a turkey dinner by the women of the church.

To commemorate this birthday occasion, Mrs. Clarence Sublett baked and decorated a beautiful and delicious four-tier angel food cake, which was served to the entire group. Mrs. Clifford Hite, former member, sang a vocal solo, and letters of greeting were read from Rev. Noble Kime and Rev. Marion Creeger, both former members. A special feature was the presentation of gifts for the parsonage building fund by various classes and organizations.

Bascom Church has actually served the community 111 years, beginning as the Society of United Brethren, a part of the Seneca Circuit, in 1841. Two years ago, the Church became a station, after having been associated with the West Independence Church for many years.

The church was rededicated on Sunday, November 24, following a fifteen months improvement program in which a new heating plant was added, the installation of a new water pump, redecoration of the sanctuary and basement, renovating the church tower and landscaping. Rev. F. A. Firestone, Superintendent, was the speaker for this service. Special music was provided by a quartet composed of Mrs. Leslie Adams, Mrs. Herbert Foster, Nevin Border and Robert Burt.

## North Central College

H. F. Siemsen

North Central College opened its doors for the new year on September 15th. The enrollment is as follows:

Freshmen .....	189
Sophomores .....	121
Juniors .....	112
Seniors .....	83
Special Students .....	7
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>512</b>

The following additions have been made to the Staff:

- Mr. Authur Shoemaker B. A., M. A.,  
Department of Commerce.
- Mr. Glenn Reddick B. A., M. A.,  
Department of Speech.
- Mr. Donald Minnick B. A., M. A.,  
Department of English.
- Mrs. R. A. Kay B. A., M. A.,  
Department of Mathematics.
- Mr. Gordon Farndell B. M., M. M.,  
Department of Music.
- Mr. Gerald Feese B. M.,  
Department of Music.
- Dr. Verne Dietrick B. A., M. A., Ph. D.,  
Department of Physics.
- Miss Marian Haines B. A., M. A.,  
Department of Music.

Homecoming on October 10th and 11th.  
Football game with Augustana College.

The College-Seminary Library Project goals have been accepted by the supporting Conferences to the extent of \$430,000. Of the \$270,000 to be raised through special gifts, all but \$100,000 is covered. Friends of North Central College and The Evangelical Theological Seminary are invited not only to help their local church attain its goal, but to send special gifts for this worthy project.

## Otterbein College News

Wade S. Miller, Dir. of Public Relations  
The 106th Year

The 106th year of Otterbein College began on September 7 with a slight increase in the number of freshmen students but a decrease in the total number of full-time students. The totals for the four college classes are:

Class	1951	1952
Seniors .....	129	102
Juniors .....	130	104
Sophomores .....	181	176
Freshmen .....	171	191
Specials .....	7	18
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>591</b>

### The AFROTC

A total of 101 men are enrolled in the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps (AFROTC).

### High School Day

High School Day was observed on October 4 when more than 500 seniors visited the campus.

### Religion in Life Week

Religion in Life Week was the week of October 26 with Dr. Allen Ranck, National Youth Director of the E. U. B. Church, as guest leader.

### Adult Education

As another service to the citizens of Westerville, Otterbein is offering two courses in adult education. Courses in Home Decoration and in Practical Speech are being taught on successive Monday evenings for five weeks. Classes last for one and a half hours and are taught by regular college teachers. A small charge of \$2.50 is made for each course. No college credit is given. The aim is to make the courses as practical as possible.

### Concert, Art Exhibit

During Thanksgiving Week, students and faculty enjoyed a concert by the A Cappella Chorus assisted by members of the music faculty.

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## MEN'S CONGRESS

Findlay First Church

February 21 and 22

Three Great Speakers:

DR. H. L. LANAHAN

MR. STANTON JAMES

BISHOP G. D. BATDORF

Let Us Have A Layman From Every Church.

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## E. U. B. Students At O. S. U. Attend Spiritual Retreat

Thirty Evangelical United Brethren students at Ohio State University, along with Rev. and Mrs. Tom Wedsworth, spent the weekend of October 24, 25, 26 in a spiritual retreat at Pike Lake State Park located a few miles southwest of Chillicothe. For nearly 4 hours on Saturday the group gave intensive consideration to the general theme, "Is Today's Church Adequate?" Sunday morning was given to Bible Study and worship under the direction of "Rev. Tom," minister to students. There were many hours spent in grand fellowship of boating, hiking, and other sports events. Saturday evening was spent in the group cabin playing favorite folk games. Everyone returned to the campus early Sunday evening convinced more than ever before that "Pike Lake" has become a grand tradition in the lives of Evangelical United Brethren students at Ohio State University.

The Albright-Otterbein Student Fellowship were host to Evangelical United Brethren students of Bowling Green State University on the weekend of November 15 and 16.

Thus far, Sunday evening programs at the A. O. S. F. House have featured such prominent people as Floyd Stahl, head basketball coach at O. S. U., who spoke concerning his observations of the values of religious faith to student young people. A highlight of the Fall Quarter schedule will be the coming of Bishop Dennis to share in the annual Christmas Dinner program at the House.

A Group Plan has been put into effect for the purpose of keeping in close touch with all E. U. B. students on the campus. Each dormitory and residential unit on campus has a group leader, while the off-

campus area is divided into groups geographically, each group having a leader. It is hoped that the plan will provide the minister with opportunities to keep in close contact with students in each group through the group leaders.

## Thanksgiving Retreat

The annual wintertime gathering of the Youth Fellowship of the Ohio Sandusky Conference met at Findlay, First Church on November 28 and 29. In former years the meeting was held as the Mid-winter Convention during the Christmas holidays but was changed to the "Thanksgiving Retreat" this year for the first time. The theme for the Retreat was, "That I Might Know Him Better" which was developed along the lines of personal devotional life, stewardship, personal choices and personal witnessing in addresses presented before the entire group by Rev. Paul Walter, Rev. John Paul Jones, Rev. Wendell Freshley and Mrs. Leona Hansen who was present representing the W. S. W. S. Following each address the subject was discussed in small "Buzz Sessions" directed by Revs. Emerson Iles, Vern Sullivan, Albert Straley, Arnold Ettenhoffer, Lynn Harris, Henry Brooks, Earl Leist, Charles Cory, John Osborn, and Edward Haldeman.

Miss Shelomith Corl, chairman of the commission on worship and devotional life, was in charge of the devotional services which opened the services of each day. Music was directed by Rev. John Searle, Jack Stowell, Ron Ricard and Edwin Griswold with Mrs. Searle and John Osborn serving as organists.

Mr. Elwyn Falor of Marion, Oakland presided as toastmaster at the banquet on Friday night. Music for this delightful occasion was presented by Miss Ann Yost, Miss Joyce Bowman and Mrs. Betty Stockton of the conservatory at Otterbein College. Rev. Darrell Linder of the College Church of God, Findlay was the speaker and Mrs. Neva Witthun Corl led the group singing.

At the business session on Saturday, Mr. Stan Ruggles of Marion First was chosen president of the Conference Y. F. Serving with him will be Miss Barbara Benjamin of Montpelier, Vice President and Miss Marjorie Osborn of Findlay St. Paul's, secretary.

In addition to the regular program for the Y. F. there were two other groups meeting in the Retreat. One of these was the local Youth Directors who met with the Conference Youth Directors in a most helpful discussion concerning the problems confronting local groups involving program, procedures, enlistment and related subjects. The other group, led by Mrs. Hansen, including local secretaries of Young Peoples Work of the W. S. W. S., dealt with the relationship of that group to the youth program. More than fifty interested leaders participated in each of these groups.

The retreat attracted the largest group ever to attend the wintertime meeting of the conference youth. Three hundred and ninety four were registered representing

88 local groups in the conference. 430 were in attendance at the banquet. Even though it was a number considerably in excess of the anticipated attendance, the group was efficiently and cordially entertained by the members of First Church who were assisted by the pastor, Rev. C. D. Osborn and members of St. Paul's.

Rev. Wendell Freshley and Rev. Paul Walter are the youth directors of the Conference, and Rev. G. L. Fleming is pastor of the host church.

## Rev. And Mrs. R. Hawk Celebrate Silver Wed- ding Anniversary

Sunday, October 12th the Rev. and Mrs. Russell Hawk of the Montpelier E. U. B. church, celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary. The church presented them with a beautiful basket of flowers.

Tuesday evening was planned as "Church night". The Hawks discovered that it was to remind them of their anniversary and also a reception to welcome them back for another year.

At the dinner hour eighty members and friends were invited to the basement where a carry-in-dinner had been planned. The tables were decorated with beautiful autumn leaves and chrysanthemums, and a large silver bow was tied at each end.

There was a special table for the honored guests, covered with a brown tablecloth, with a center-piece of a large cake decorated with white and silver surrounded by the autumn leaves and yellow mums. The napkins were also engraved with their names in silver. Mrs. Hawk was presented with a corsage and Rev. Hawk a boutonniere.

A very special program was presented in the church sanctuary. Carl Hart was in charge of the program. Eldon Connolly, Supt. of Sunday School, gave the following poem—

## Youth Evangelism Month

The month of January is traditionally given to the emphasis of Youth Evangelism in our church calendar. The youth of our churches present the greatest challenge in the area of evangelism.

January is your opportunity to reach your youth for Christ and the church, for during this month, you join hands with the entire denomination in concentrating our efforts and attention upon this necessary phase of our work.

The last week of January is "Youth Week" with its ringing theme, "STRIVE TO KNOW—DARE TO BELIEVE". This should be the time when every young person finds his place in the YF program of the church, recognizing that the YF is the Youth Work of the church. Specific responsibilities should be assigned, commission assignments made and anything else that will make the newcomers feel a part of the group.

## News from the Churches



### LEESVILLE CHURCH DEDICATES NEW PARSONAGE

Special services were held on Sunday, October 26, at Leesville Church for the dedication of the new parsonage. Dr. V. H. Allman spoke during the morning worship hour, and in the afternoon presided at the dedicatory service. Rev. C. D. Wright, Group Leader and pastor of the Willara Church, gave the afternoon message. Rev. C. J. Ludwick, former pastor, was present. The parsonage key was given to the pastor Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Oyer, by Dr. Allman.

The total cost of material and carpenter work for the house was \$8,000. Material for breezeway and garage cost \$800. Labor donated by members of the church is estimated at \$3,200, making a total cost of \$12,000. This now gives a beautiful six room house next door to the church.

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### STEWARDSHIP MONTH A SUCCESS AT MT. CARMEL

The month of November at Mt. Carmel Church was Stewardship month. Each Sunday morning the pastor brought a message on some phase of Christian Stewardship. The last Sunday of the month was designated as Tithing Sunday and the congregation was asked to bring the tithe of their month's income with the exception of what they usually gave to the Church; as their offering for the building fund of the church. The total building fund offering for this last Sunday of November was \$2621.76. Plans are completed for the construction of a Church School unit and the modernization of the Church building in the near future. \$1000 of the above amount was the result of a harvest of corn and soy beans from the Church farm project.

Added to this splendid offering for the building fund was an other offering of \$1754 toward the purchase of a new Electronic organ which will be dedicated after the first of January. Many of the Mt. Carmel people are consistent tithers and God is blessing us abundantly as a result.

W. D. Ramsey

### CRIDERSVILLE CHURCH

October 29 a group from our EUB church had the privilege to visit at Otterbein Home taking with us a fine contribution of food and clothing. There we met Dr. and Mrs. Hohn, Rev. and Mrs. Clayton Strawser, and a number of the staff and residents of the Home. We had lunch with the children in the dining hall and had a very enjoyable day of Christian fellowship.

Mr. C. M. Long, a representative of the Lima Camp of the Gideons, was with us Sunday, Dec. 7, and presented the work of the Gideon's International which is a Christian layman's work.

Universal Bible Sunday was observed Dec. 14. Portions of the New Testament in the Revised Standard Version, including the four Gospels and the Book of Acts, were provided by the American Bible Society and distributed at the close of the Worship Service.

Preparations are being made for our winter evangelistic services which will be Dec. 29 to Jan. 11. Rev. Garrison Roebuck of Rockford, Ohio will be our evangelist. We solicit your prayers for a successful meeting.

Delbert E. Cress, Pastor

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### TRINITY CHURCH, BOWLING GREEN

The new conference year has begun in an encouraging manner. Attendance in the church school remains about as last year but the morning worship service attendance has increased over the same period. A fine group of students, averaging 40 each Sunday, attend the morning worship service. Much of the activities of the church center around the four large organized classes. A reception for the pastor and wife was held October 29th with a pot-luck supper for the entire church. A beautiful cake was presented to the pastor in observance of his 25 years in the pastorate, having served three charges: Bascom for 5 years, Shelby for 12 years and now beginning the 9th year with this congregation. Words of appreciation were spoken by a representative from each adult class and a drill-sander was presented to the pastor "to make beautiful furniture for his wife." The occasion was deeply appreciated by the Searles. A new coat of dark green-gray asphalt shingles has been placed on the parsonage and insulation has been installed. An offering was received at Thanksgiving which took care of this item of expense. Two special services of communion were held on Thanksgiving morning with 80 at the first service and 126 at the second. A deep interest seems manifested in the new version of the Holy Bible and our prayer is that many of our people will take renewed interest in the Word from the Lord.

John C. Searle, Sr., Pastor

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### EVANGELISTIC SERVICES AT RURAL CHAPEL

Special Evangelistic Services were held at Rural Chapel Church, Defiance Circuit, during November 15th to 30th, using the theme "CHRIST CALLS!"

Guest ministers were invited to be the speakers during the first week. The pastor Rev. C. W. Walmer opened the Campaign on the first Sunday evening, which was followed by the following: Rev. Delmar Young, Continental; Rev. Russell Hawk, Montpelier; Rev. David Weinzerl, Edgerton; Rev. Don Hochstettler; and Rev. Cleo Roth, Hicksville. The pastor concluded the first week of the series on Sunday night with the theme "Christ Calls, Are you in vital contact with Him?" During the second week the pastor preached on themes of the great promises of Christ as related to His call.

This is one of the smaller churches, and the attendance was not large, but personal testimonies indicated that the church had been greatly helped spiritually.

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### UNUSUAL REVIVAL AT MARION, CALVARY

"Unusual" was the word used most frequently in attempting to describe the great sweeping revival within Calvary Church, Marion, Ohio, November 9th to 23rd inclusive.

Evangelist, Rev. Edna B. Hughes, Logan, Ohio, injected many original and unique features into this intensive two-week campaign which increasingly attracted the membership to attend and to return night after night.

The unusual 30-minute Bible study preceding the evening services brought out as many as 101 persons and an average of 77 for 13 nights. It was different. Her original sketch showing "The only way Christ can save a lost world" helped visualize God's plan to use people and why some church members cannot be used. To impress the lesson upon our minds she taught us to sing her original scriptural choruses to singable tunes she had composed. The Bible study group became the "core working unit" for the revival, participating in a continuous prayer chain throughout each day, doing extra personal work, and regular attenders and enthusiastic boosters.

Evangelist Hughes did not overlook the children of the Congregation either. Each night after school during the second week 53 children, age 13 and under, gathered in the sanctuary and on Friday night gave a splendid demonstration of the things they had learned.

Evangelist Hughes' ministry was positive, strengthening denominational and church loyalty. During the meetings 98 persons bowed at the altar for spiritual help. The great climactic service on the closing Sunday morning brought more than 250 people about the altar for dedication and closed with a unique benediction of each person thanking some other person for the blessing they had been in their lives. This blessed fellowship strengthened and united the congregation in love.

R. W. Faulkner, Pastor

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### VAN WERT CALVARY

The large "Pumpkin" appeared in the Church on November 9th and the appeal

for fruit offering was made by our leader Mrs. J. E. Gribler for Otterbein Home.

Our Rally Day offering which applied on our chapel fund amounted to \$1,106.88

The Annual Thanksgiving Breakfast sponsored by the Christian Service Guild was held in the home of Mrs. Willis Snyder. Mrs. Robert Ruhlin, president, presiding.

Six youth attended the two days of Thanksgiving Retreat at Findlay. Five youth along with their counsellor attended the last day of the retreat. A "buzz" session was held on Sunday evening, Nov. 30th under the leadership of the president Jerry Gribler, of our local Y. F. This group attended the retreat with expenses paid by the Y. F., WSWS, and Sunday School.

Walter Marks

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#### EBENEZER CHURCH, TIFFIN

On Sunday November 23rd, the Women's Society of World Service and Christian Service Guild held an interesting, combined Thankoffering service at the Ebenezer Evangelical United Brethren church in Tiffin, Ohio. There was a good attendance and a liberal offering was received. Mrs. Nelson Mathias presided. The Missionary Message, "Thanksgiving an Expression of Obligation," was delivered by pastor, Rev. H. Joe Grimm.

In behalf of the Women's Society of World Service and the Christian Service Guild, Mrs. Carl Glick presented a perpetual Membership Certificate in Women's Society of World Service to Miss Ruth Dietzel, which in a small way expressed our appreciation for the untiring efforts she has performed in our local, state and national offices. In her usual gracious manner, although almost speechless with surprise. Miss Dietzel responded with an appropriate quotation of thanks.

The Ebenezer E. U. B. church was host to the churches of Tiffin for the annual Thanksgiving Day Services. This service is presented each year by the Ministerial Association of the city. The pastor Rev. H. Joe Grimm presided with seven ministers participating in the services.

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#### ANNUAL GAME SUPPER AT FOSTORIA FIRST

Well over 100 men and boys gathered in the basement of First church, Fostoria, Monday, November 24, for the annual game supper. Hunters brought game, and those who did not hunt brought chickens and other meat. A group of women of whom Mrs. Cora Foringer was the chairman prepared the food for a sumptuous meal, including green beans, mashed potatoes, salad and pumpkin pie. Rev. Ralph Cornell of Rising Sun gave piano music and Rev. Edwin A. Griswold of Kansas led in group singing. Following the meal the crowd adjourned to the auditorium for a program of magic interspersed with Gospel lessons, presented by Rev. A. E. Clark of Marion, Ohio. Frank H. Kinker, president of the Brotherhood presided over the meeting.

#### MARION SALEM CHURCH OBSERVES HOME COMING DAY

The rural Marion Salem Evangelical United Brethren church for the first time in its 115 year history observed its beginning of an annual Home Coming Service on November 9, 1952. The Sunday School, with Emerson Klinefelter Superintendent, had a record in attendance of 456. Rev. Gene Clark, who is now in his second year as pastor, brought the morning message from the text, I Thes. 5:23, "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly." Music was provided by the Marion East Side Mother's Singers. The American Legion and Auxiliary of Cardington were present and sat in a group in commemoration of Armistice Day.

In honor of the oldest person present Lewis O. Ruhlman, 92, of Marion, formerly of the local church, was presented a box of candy.

The Rev. Paul Walters of the Galion church was the guest speaker in the afternoon service at 2 o'clock on the subject, "Service Above Self". A note burning ceremony was held in this service of a \$2,500 note on the church indebtedness, which was part of a \$33,000 remodeling program completed a year ago. An offering of \$736.70 in cash and pledges was received to be applied on the remaining \$5,000 debt.

This day also marked the closing day of a six weeks attendance contest of the Sunday School sponsored by the Christian Life Magazine. During the six weeks of the contest, October 5 to November 9, the Sunday School had an average attendance of 301. The average for last year was 127.

The church is looking forward to special Evangelistic meetings which will be held beginning New Year's eve under the leadership of our pastor as evangelist with Miss Gertrude Cooper, of Findlay, as song director, soloist and accordionist.

Clara Klinefelter, reporter

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#### BURGOON WELCOMES PASTOR

The Burgoon E. U. B. church welcomed their new pastor, Rev. L. D. Reynolds and his wife, October 17, with a reception in the church basement. The S. S. Supt. Lewis Harpster was in charge of the program introducing each number. On behalf of the congregation Dwight Wise, in well chosen words and a witty trend, presented the pastor with a substantial money gift. In turn Rev. Reynolds and his wife expressed their sincere thanks and appreciation for the way they had been received in their new work. Charles Wise was in charge of recreation followed by a committee of women serving refreshments to some one hundred and forty folks in attendance.

On Thursday night of November 20 more than a hundred and fifty attended the Brotherhood sponsored Family night Game Supper. Walter Cramer, president of the Brotherhood, presided and then turned the meeting over to Charles Wise who announced the program numbers. The high point of the evening was the inspiring and challenging message brought to us by a

former pastor, Rev. N. D. Bevis, Delphos.

The beautiful parsonage and well appointed brick church building give proof that this congregation has been meeting a challenge as the only Protestant church in the township. And under the prayerful guidance of the pastor and his wife will attempt to meet the religious needs of the community.

Mrs. Ralph Wise, reporter

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#### VAUGHNSVILLE UNION CHURCH HAS RECEPTION FOR PASTOR

The Vaughnsville Union Church held a reception and surprise "Pound Shower" for their pastor and family, Rev. and Mrs. Paul A. Watson and two children, on November 6. A large percentage of the membership were in attendance to enjoy a delicious basket dinner, followed by a program and the presentation of gifts to the parsonage family.

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#### FATHER & SON BANQUET AT ROCKFORD CHURCH

Thursday evening, November 20, the Rockford EUB church held its annual Father and Son Banquet with 70 fathers present, and each accompanied by a son. The ladies of the church served a wild game banquet meal with Opal Huffman in charge. J. Roy Chapman acted as toastmaster.

Speakers on the program were Rev. R. E. Williman, pastor; Olan Ransbottom and Rev. Gene Clark, the guest speaker from Marion, Ohio. His sleight-of-hand tricks entertained both old and young.

Roy Chapman, reporter

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#### THANKSGIVING BREAKFAST AT FOSTORIA FIRST

First E. U. B. Youth Fellowship group observed Thanksgiving breakfast, Thanksgiving morning, prepared and served by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith at 6:30 in the church basement. There were twenty-four in attendance with the President, Miss Pat Smith, in charge of the service.

David Cole, Sec. Y. F. Executive Council

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#### RECEPTION FOR PASTOR AT RILEY CENTER

A reception was held on Sunday, November 2, for Rev. Nicholas T. Cucare, the new pastor at Riley Center EUB church. Following the worship service, the congregation gathered together for a potluck dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Oliver had charge of the program, which was called a "Field Meet."

The event was a complete surprise to the pastor, who was presented a gift from the congregation. Mrs. Oliver gave the official welcome. Both Rev. and Mrs. Cucare expressed their thanks and assured the congregation of their devotion and service in the future.

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#### TOLEDO OAKDALE COMPLETES FALL PROGRAM

The Toledo Oakdale Church welcomed back for the seventh year, Rev. and Mrs. D. F. Emrick and twin daughters, in a pro-

gram September 14th in which the family was presented a purse containing cash, Mrs. Emrick a set of costume jewelry and the girls salt and pepper sets.

Rally Day was observed September 21 with 416 in attendance.

A complete renovation of the parsonage inside and out took place in September and October. From automatic heating, remodeling the kitchen and bath, completely redecorating the house to painting and repairing the outside, the house now stands as one of the fine parsonages of the conference. The total cost, including donated labor, came to \$2000.00.

A month of evangelism was conducted during October with a week of prayer, two weeks of visitation and one week of mass evangelism.

On Friday of November 28th, the installation of the new automatic gas heating unit in the church boiler was completed at a cost of \$1500.00.

Rev. D. F. Emrick

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#### NEW ORGAN & PIANO PURCHASED AT WREN CHURCH

The Wren church purchased a new 40 inch Packard piano and a new model K Minshall electronic organ in November, representing an investment of \$2440.

In September the Suiday School took 30 day pledges amounting to \$278.00 for improving the basement.

Rev. Walter Marks was the speaker for the evening program of reception for the pastor, Rev. and Mrs. Don Martin and family.

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#### RECEPTION AT COLUMBUS GROVE

More than 150 attended the reception held in September in honor of Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Fausey and family, who came to Columbus Grove church early in the summer.

A group gift, beautiful geranium red wool blanket, was presented to the Fauseys, followed by refreshments.

The committee in charge included Mrs. Joe Gillespie, Mrs. Annabell Diller and Mrs. Mabel Bartz.

#### Burial Benefit Insurance Premium Due

This is to remind all men of the conference who have the Burial Benefit Insurance, that this insurance is, according to the articles of the constitution due thirty days after the Annual Conference session. All men who have not made such payments should get this payment to W. P. Alspach very soon.

All men who are making claims for either the Hospitalization Insurance or Maternity Benefits are urged to complete as fully as is possible all information on the Claim Sheet which is sent to the Secretary of the Board of Pensions and Insurance.

All men should remind themselves that their Conference Insurance is due the first of each month in the amount of \$7.00 and NOT \$6.00 as it was last year.

—Howard N. Porterfield

### Rev. B. F. Richer



Now available to the churches in a unique type of service: A Spiritual Advance Week: a mountain-top experience with the great poets. These poems of counsel and inspiration have been collected by Rev. Richer over a long period of years and quoted by him over and over again in his evangelistic and religious-educational work. Now they are all gathered together in this series of five meetings, Monday through Friday. This is designed as a very special service that the church may render the community. A never-to-be-forgotten experience. These are poems that stimulate the mind, warm the heart, and challenge and inspire the life.

For further information write or phone Rev. B. F. Richer, 5508 Edgewater Dr., Toledo 11, O. Phone, PONTIAC—4763.

### National Convocation On The Church In Town And Country

The National Convocation on THE CHURCH IN TOWN AND COUNTRY convened at the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 29-31. Three ministers of our Ohio Sandusky Conference Committee on Town & Country Church attended including the chairman, the Rev. E. T. Shepard of Benton Ridge, Ohio, and the Secretary, The Rev. Everett W. Goings, Delta, Ohio.

Practically every State had representatives who were delegates from the Evangelical United Brethren Church. On Thursday evening we enjoyed a banquet at the W. M. C. A. of all delegates of our denomination. Our own Bishop Dennis was present in addition to several Conference Superintendents.

Some of the noted speakers were the following: Joseph Ackerman, Farm Foundation; Clyde N. Rogers, Ohio Council of Churches; J. P. Schmidt, Ohio Agricultural Extension Service; Maurice Wieting, Ohio Farm Bureau; Robert Miller, Station WRFD, Columbus & Arthur Raper, United States Department of Agriculture.

Members of our TOWN & COUNTRY CHURCH COMMITTEE would like to express our appreciation to our Ohio Sandusky Conference for making it possible to attend this National Convocation. Next year it will convene at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

### St. Marys Group Rally

The St. Marys Group Rally was held at the Memorial E. U. B. Church at Sidney, Ohio on Nov. 9, 1952. A potluck supper began the evening's activities at 5:30. The men, women, youth and children held separate group meetings at 6:30, which was under the direction of their officers. The mass meeting began at 7:30 in the auditorium with lay members of the different churches in the group participating. Roll call was answered by 152 and the offering was \$34.76. Rev. Joe Hendrix, pastor of the E. U. B. Church at Fletcher, Ohio, was the speaker. His subject was "Motivated Evangelism." The next meeting will be held at St. Marys on Jan. 25 with Mrs. Carl Heinmiller as speaker.

### Van Wert Group Rally

The Evangelical United Brethren Churches of the Van Wert Group of the Ohio Sandusky Conference held a Group Rally on Sunday night Nov. 16 at Willshire High School with a pot-luck supper at 5:30 P. M. At 6:30 P. M. they went to various rooms for discussions on Youth Fellowship, Missions and Evangelism. They were called to the Gymnasium at 7:30 P. M. by Band music furnished by the Willshire Band. Several numbers were played during the opening services.

Dr. O. T. Deever, Dayton, Ohio, Secretary of Evangelism was Guest Speaker. There were over 300 present who listened with rapt attention to his very inspiring message.

H. L. Smith, Pastor

### Bits Of Wisdom

By Dr. J. H. Patterson, Toledo, Ohio  
"Variety is the spice of life."

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People, who are going in the wrong direction, will not get to the right place.

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The secret of success in conversation, is to be able to disagree without being disagreeable.

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Christmas is a time to receive gifts as well as to give them.

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"I live for those who love me,  
For those who know me true,  
For the Heaven that smiles above me,  
And awaits my spirit too;  
For the cause that lacks assistance,  
For the wrong that needs resistance,  
For the future in the distance,  
And the good that I can do."

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May the beauty of Christmas, and the richness of the Christ life, fill you with the experience of Christian living.



### Conference Treasurer's Report

FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1952  
(Month ending December 6th)

W P. Alspach, Treasurer

BENEVOLENCES					
Monthly Budget	Paid Nov.	Paid 3 Mo.	Sunday School Avg. Att.	Morning Wor. Avg. Att.	
<b>NORTHERN DISTRICT</b>					
<b>BOWLING GREEN GROUP</b>					
Belmore .....	\$70	\$50	\$150	124	68
Center .....	25	22	72		20
Bethel-Townwood Ct.:					
Bethel .....	23	23	69	47	40
Townwood .....	21	20	60	20	25
Bowling Green .....	250	250	750	318	347
Custar .....	20	20	60	38	*45
West Hope .....	42	42	126	*66	*62
Deshler .....	60	60	180	86	96
Oakdale .....	90		270	110	102
Hoytville .....	100	70	210	*121	*83
Lucky .....	50	50	150	91	98
North Baltimore .....	100	200	300	*165	*96
Portage .....	35	140	140	89	42
Mt. Zion .....	60	60	180	63	66
South Liberty .....	50	50	115	67	54
Mt. Hermon .....	17	16	50	31	21
Tontogany .....	17		50	37	26
Webster .....	30	22	75	46	36
Cloverdale .....	20	25	69	62	62
<b>BRYAN GROUP</b>					
Bridgewater .....	45		45		
Bryan .....	160	160	480	226	218
Defiance, First .....	160	160	480	170	142
Defiance Circuit:					
Mt. Calvary .....	33	33	99	57	55
Rural Chapel .....	17	17	51	28	35
Egerton .....	20	25	75	81	*80
Hicksville .....	165		330		
Montpelier .....	160	160	480	181	162
Salem .....	5				
West Unity .....	19	38	57	34	28
Ebenezer .....	19		38	61	61
Williams Center Ct.:					
Center .....	20	10	30	51	49
Logan .....	10	10	40	47	59
Mt. Olive .....	20	10	30	28	29
<b>FOSTORIA GROUP</b>					
Bascom .....	65	78	234	*93	*93
Bettsville Circuit:					
Salem .....	36	36	108	73	49
Trinity .....	45	45	135	*105	91
Bloomdale .....	70	70	210	122	94
Pleasant View .....	45	45	135	52	52
Fostoria, Bethel .....	58		174	106	99
Fostoria, First .....	280	280	840	*312	*313
Kansas .....	10		20		
Canaan .....	40	40	143		
Rising Sun .....	45	41.70	131.70	*90	*74
West Independence .....	75	75	225	*212	*208
<b>FREMONT GROUP</b>					
Burgoon .....	100	100	400	*144	*125
Fremont, Memorial .....	100	100	300	*120	*125
Fremont, Trinity .....	192	183	683	234	200
Gibsonburg .....	64	64	256	141	91
Green Springs .....	56	97.33	157.88	99	*97
Helena .....	59	59	177	70	66
Lindsey .....	130	130	390	219	171
Old Fort .....	100	100	300	182	119
Riley Center .....	13	13	39	22	27
Woodville .....	160	160	480	187	205
<b>NAPOLEON GROUP</b>					
Ai .....	40	27	36	48	35
Lebanon .....	10	30	30	28	28
Mt. Pleasant .....	40	40	80	43	42
Delta .....	56	56	168	94	84
Zion .....	60	60	180	124	103
Liberty Center .....	35	35	105	77	70
Malinta .....	30	30	90	60	50
McClure .....	100	100	300	101	75
Monclova .....	18	54	54	35	13
Wilkins .....	14			51	54
Napoleon .....	83	79	262	*158	92
Wauseon, First .....	40		80		
Wauseon Ct.: Beulah .....	20	23	60	56	58
North Dover .....	50	50	150	83	82
Whitehouse .....	59	59	177	*147	*116
<b>SANDUSKY GROUP</b>					
Bellevue .....	138	412.50	412.50	268	196
Flat Rock .....	74		148		
Kelley's Island .....	26				
La Carne .....	17	17	51	32	32
Locust Point .....	17	17	51	31	30
Mt. Carmel .....	100	100	300	119	122
Port Clinton .....	80	80	240	76	80
Sandusky, Columbus Ave. ....	22	22	66	*79	*54
Sandusky, Salem .....	68	272	272	69	83
<b>TOLEDO GROUP</b>					
Elliston .....	73	75	125		
Millbury .....	25	75	75	106	110
Rocky Ridge .....	13	75	75	20	22
Moline .....	55	48.70	104.15	122	*96
Perrysburg .....	65	130.84	196.26	*140	*139
Toledo, Calvary .....	145	145	435	276	192
Toledo, Colburn .....	160	160	480	120	117
Toledo, East Broadway .....	190	190	570	183	245
Toledo, First .....	280	200	600	175	145
Toledo, Oakdale .....	170	170	510	331	250
Toledo, Point Place .....	75	75	225	157	105
Toledo, Salem .....	60		120		
Toledo, Somerset .....	170	170	510	*191	245
Toledo, Upton .....	250	250	750	289	283
Toledo, Zion .....	158	160	480	218	130
Walbridge .....	12	12	36	58	52
Hayes .....	10	10	30	*58	40
<b>SOUTHERN DISTRICT</b>					
<b>BUCYRUS GROUP</b>					
Climax .....	10	10	30	19	19
Belleville Circuit:					
Pleasant Grove .....	14			36	30
Pleasant Hill .....	22	6	18	21	21
Trinity .....	29			79	78
Brokensword, Emanuel .....	21		100	35	53
Lykens .....	41	140	140	92	84
Pleasant Home .....	18	18.42	55.26	40	43
Bucyrus Circuit:					
Harmony .....	30	31	124	57	56
Zion .....	30	31	124	67	72
Bucyrus, First .....	125		125	149	149
Bucyrus, Grace .....	125	125	500	189	155
Galion .....	80	80	240	170	158
Johnsville .....	97	97	291	131	129
Lykens-Olive Branch .....	22	20	64	*33	36
Mt. Zion .....	90				
North Robinson .....	60		96	58	59
Liberty Chapel .....	33	17	64	62	65
Oceola .....	60	60	180	82	77
Smithville .....	50	50	100		
Mt. Zion .....	21		62.88		

Sycamore	75	40	115	108	65	West Mansfield	12	12	36	16	18
Upper Sandusky	128	138	414	246	211	York	50	50	150	51	56
Upper Sandusky Circuit:						Celina, Bethany	153		306		
Salem	30	60	120	54	54	Celina Ct.: Hope	44	44	132	*57	53
Belle Vernon	11			27	*29	Mt. Carmel	22	44	88	70	*72
Williamsport	40	40	120	78	81	Celina, Mt. Zion	45	90	180	106	108
New Winchester	35	15.94	62.59	36	36	Celina, Bethel	15	15	45	31	31
Bairdstown	21	42	63	42	24	Celina, Old Town	16	16	48	*38	*37
Benton Ridge, Calvary	60	60	240	103	98	Fort Recovery, Bethel	18	18	54	34	36
Benton Ridge Circuit:						Olive Branch	22	22	66		
Pleasant Hill	35	10	80	49	*55	Pasco	40	40	160	*55	*62
Trinity	40	40	126	56	56	Sidney	90	90	270	*88	90
Bluffton Circuit:						St. Marys	90	90	270	108	95
Bethesda	14			22	21	Wapakoneta	48	48	144	103	98
Liberty Chapel	17	10	40	*30	*33	<b>VAN WERT GROUP</b>					
Olive Branch	30	15	45	*28	*23	Continental	65		65	*60	*77
Carey	91		276	*205	146	Mt. Zion	25	100	100	*45	42
Findlay, Bethlehem	90	170	270	*124	*126	Wisterman	20		60	*25	*25
Findlay, East Circuit:						Grove Hill Circuit:					
Ark	30	30	90	38	37	Blue Creek	30	20	78	37	32
Mt. Zion	45	23	69	*67	*63	Middle Creek	35	40	100	41	40
Findlay, First	312	312	936	*385	*452	Mt. Zion	25	25	75	48	46
Findlay, St. Paul's	223	223	669	372	284	Mt. Pleasant & )	80	60	180	102	99
Findlay, South Circuit:						Harmony )		10	30	22	22
Salem	25	20	30	29	26	Oakwood	60	120	240		
Pleasant Grove	25	5	20	33	31	Oakwood Circuit:					
Findlay, West Circuit:						Centenary	25	25	100	45	45
Zion	25	15	50	*53	40	Prairie Chapel	25	25	100	55	56
Powell Memorial	42	42	126	*65	*65	Ohio City Charge:					
Findlay, West Park	28	27.50	87.50	61	30	Bethel	25	25	75	*59	55
Salem	13			25	25	Mt. Zion	10	30	30	41	26
Leipsic	50	50	125	96	*111	Rockford	200	200	600	231	198
Forest Grove	20	10	30	18	17	Van Wert, Calvary	105	105	315	152	139
Kieferville	20	9	27	37	37	Van Wert, Trinity	143	143	429	189	191
Mt. Cory, Zion	40	40	120	85	76	Van Wert, North:					
Pleasant View	50	50	150	74	76	Grand Victory	44	44	132	78	62
Rawson	100	50	100	101	90	Union Center	25	25	75	70	70
Van Buren	100	200	300	131	95	Van Wert, South:					
Vanlue	50	84	150	80	75	Wood Chapel	25	25	75	*57	*53
Vanlue Circuit:						St. Peter's	12	12	36	16	*16
St. Paul	20	19	57	67	65	Willshire, Union	35	35	140	*92	*74
Union	30	30	90	39	41	Wren	65	65	195	100	97
Wharton Circuit:						<b>WILLARD GROUP</b>					
Beech Grove	25	11	33	30	30	Attica	20	20	60	*74	63
Big Oak	42	42	126	76	76	Attica Circuit:					
<b>LIMA GROUP</b>						Richmond	50	135	200	45	52
Blue Lick	25	50	75	39	33	Union Pisgah	40	82	162	58	55
Columbus Grove	150	150	450	180	160	Biddle	15	15	45	27	39
Cridersville	25	25	75	42	26	Bloomville	45	45	135	89	88
Kemp	25	25	36	*38	*35	Harmony	40	21	60	91	91
Delphos	75	75	225	124	124	Leesville	45	45	135	60	61
Dunkirk	65	65	195	83	70	Republic	30	30	90	*62	52
Walnut Grove	100	100	300	141	131	Pietist				102	101
Elida	100	50	150	*144	*136	Shelby	231	231	693	238	220
Lakeview	45		90			South Reed	22	22	66	28	25
Lima, First	231	231	693	279	280	Tiffin	75	75	225	224	160
Lima, High St.	205	205	615	*272	*260	Tiro	90	90	270	*100	*115
Marion, Rldge	22		154	29	31	Willard	285	285	1140	290	385
Santa Fe	45	20	60			Totals			\$14247.05	\$43277.10	
Vaughnsville	75	150	150								
<b>MARION GROUP</b>						(*)—A 5% increase over last year's attendance.					
Cardington, Center	50	50	100	93	90	College-Seminary offerings this month—Bethel (Townwood), \$6.50;					
Fairview	22	15	30	27	30	Richmond, \$42.45; Union Pisgah, \$26.08; Lindsey, \$43.76; North					
Hepburn	15	30	45	13	14	Baltimore, \$13.50; Sandusky, Columbus Ave., \$6; Shelby, \$7.25;					
Hopewell	16	32	48	16	19	Woodville, \$73; Total \$218.54; Grand total including previous of-					
Otterbein	30	60	90	44	47	ferings, \$3,017.36.					
Marion, Calvary	195	195	780	306	*260	Miscellaneous Missions: Ft. Recovery for Africa, \$50; Woodville					
Marion, First	100	100	300	201	168	for Rev. Carl Ayres, \$175; Marion Calvary for Rev. James Hough,					
Marion, Greenwood	92	92	276	204	*93	\$250; and for Rev. Paul Temple, \$250; Marion Oakland for Naperville					
Marion, Oakland	148	148	444	268	153	Library, \$40.					
Marion, Salem	27		50			Missions Day Offerings this month amounted to \$1,028.33, listings					
Peoria	7	7	21	21	17	for which will be given when all reports are in.					
Mt. Zion	4		8								
Broadway				23	15						

**NUGGETS OF WISDOM**

The following nuggets come to our attention, but the source of them seems to belong among things unknown. We believe they are worth preserving and so we pass a few of these anonymous gems to our readers.

"Nations that take up the sword shall perish by the taxes." This is the truth so far as it goes, but it doesn't seem to go far enough, for the taxes are not limited to the nations that take up the sword, but remain the burden of the innocent as well.

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"Those who cross the seas change their skies but not their hearts." And that represents one of the most persistent problems in connection with world peace.

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"The most sensitive nerve in the human body is the one leading to the pocketbook." It is fortunate, however, if the nerve actually reaches the pocketbook.

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"Some people look so long before they leap that they never leap at all."

"Whom the gods destroy, they first make powerful."

In addition to these we pass on a few nuggets which have not lost their identity.

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"People are lonely because they build walls instead of bridges."—Joseph Fort Newton.

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"The dictators always look good until the last five minutes."—Jan Masaryk.

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"The generality of people much prefer the existence of a problem which they cannot explain, to an explanation of it which they cannot understand." — Charles G. Dawes.

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"The first casualty when war comes is truth."—Hiram Johnson.

"I think nothing so adds to the happiness of the surroundings as for a sick man to take his medicine cheerfully."—Senator H. W. Blair.

"A good scare is worth more to a man than good advice."—E. W. Howe.

"When I was a boy of fourteen my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around, but when I got to be twenty-one I was astonished at how much the old man has learned in seven years."—Mark Twain.

**SHOULD YOU GO FIRST**

Should you go first and I remain  
To finish with the scroll,  
No lengthening shadows shall creep in  
To make this life seem droll  
We've known so much of happiness,  
We've had our cup of joy,  
And memory is one gift of God  
That death cannot destroy.

Should you go first and I remain,  
One thing I'd have you do:  
Walk slowly down the path of death  
For soon I'll follow you.  
I'll want to know each step you take  
That I may walk the same,  
For some day down that lonely road,  
You'll hear me call your name.

These verses appear on the fly leaf of Mrs. Chambers' Bible, having been pasted there by her late husband, Dr. B. E. Chambers.

**We NEVER KNOW**

By Kathryn Blackburn Peck in Herald of Holiness  
I'm glad that you brought me the flowers today,

Today, while my hands can hold  
With living joy the fresh bouquet,  
Instead of waiting, a rose to lay  
On my form when it is cold.

I am grateful, dear friend, for your words of praise,  
Today they were needed much,  
For there's little of kindness through the days  
From the thoughtless world, with its careless ways,  
And I longed for a friendly touch.

I'm glad that today you gave me a smile,  
Today, when my heart was sore  
With a problem borne on a weary mile—  
You made the struggle seem worth while,  
And I walked with faith once more.

We never know how a word sincere  
Can lighten a heart's dull pain,  
Or a steady hand-clasp conquer fear,  
Or a prayer make pathways straight and clear,  
And a heart rejoice again.

So let me, too, with a loving heart  
Of unfailing sympathy,  
Dry troubled eyes when teardrops start,  
Bring peace and joy for sorrow's smart,  
Like the joy you have given me.

Teacher: Yes Johnny, what is it?  
Johnny: I don't want to scare you, but Pop said, that if I do not get better grades, some one is going to get a good whipping.

**OTTERBEIN COLLEGE NEWS**

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During the same week an art exhibit was held in Barlow Hall featuring the paintings of artists living in and near Columbus.

**Basketball**

The football uniforms have been packed away and basketball is now claiming the interest of students.

The team will have a new coach this year in the person of Richard West who has been a physical education instructor since 1947. Mr. West also coaches baseball. In an opening practice game Otterbein defeated Lockbourne Air Base by the score of 58-55.

**Drama**

On December 10 three one-act plays were presented by members of the freshman class under the direction of senior members of Cap and Dagger.

The plays and directors were as follows: "Riders to the Sea" co-directed by Mary Lou Poorman and Bob McMullen; "The Exchange", by co-directors Sally Bodge and Ken Kohn; "The Only Man on the Jury", directed by Evie Stump.

**Club Activities**

Otterbein's chapter of Alpha Epsilon Delta, national honorary pre-medical society visited an all-Ohio Pre-Professional Day, sponsored by the Ohio State chapter in Columbus on December 6.

The Otterbein Business club has selected "Retailing" as its theme for this year's meetings. At each meeting the Morehouse-Fashion of Columbus will furnish a speaker from different departments of the store.

**WELCOME PASTOR**

(E. Wayne Stahl)

Now is a joyous season,  
And for that rich delight  
There is a golden reason:  
It is reception night  
For greeting our new pastor;  
We do believe that he  
A follower of the Master,  
A shepherd true will be.

Our words are weak, conveying  
The gladness that we know,  
As "Welcome" we are saying:  
This glad word we will show,  
As we shall be translating  
It into deeds this year,  
And thus be demonstrating  
We are indeed sincere.

And now we do determine,  
With warm fidelity  
To practice every sermon  
Which from the pulpit he  
Shall speak each Holy Sunday  
With power from above;  
We'll live that sermon Monday  
And all the week, with love.

To triumph, then, and glory,  
Our church shall surely move;  
Truth of redemptions story  
Then by our lives we prove.  
"Welcome", we are declaring  
Through the months to come,  
By Loyalty unsparing,  
By service maximum.

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## A New Year's Resolution

So many people make resolutions around New Year's time, that we would like to suggest one for you also. If you are a member of the Church and have been faithful in attendance, let your resolution be to go deeper and higher with the Lord this year. Read your Bible more faithfully, and spend more time in prayer with God. If you have not been faithful in Church attendance we would like to suggest the following:

In order to remind you of the vows you assumed when you became a member of the Church we list them here for your convenience.

No. 1. Do you believe the Bible to be the word of God, and that therein only is revealed the way of salvation, and do you take this Word to be your rule of faith and conduct? If so, answer, "I do."

No. 2. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and have you accepted Him as your personal Savior? If so, answer, "I have."

No. 3. Are you determined by the grace of God to follow Christ, renouncing the world and all ungodliness, seeking to lead a life of holiness and devotion to God and His cause? If so, answer, "I am."

No. 4. Are you willing to be governed by our Church rules as laid down by the Discipline, and will you attend the various means of grace and the services of the Church whenever practicable? If so, answer, "I will."

No. 5. Will you prayerfully study to know your duty as a Christian steward, and will you contribute of your means to the support of the local Church and the benevolent interests of the Church as God prospers you? If so, answer, "I will."

No. 6. Have you been baptized? These then are the vows you assumed when you became a member of High Street Church. If you have not been faithful to these vows make it your New Year's resolution to carry them out to the very best of your ability. We trust we will see you in Church every Sunday during the New Year. Let the Lord lead your life, and happiness will be yours in a new way. May God's richest blessings be yours as you face the new year hand in hand with your Savior.

## New Projects

For the past two months we have listed projects for various classes and groups, and each month new ideas keep rising and demanding our attention. A number of groups in the Church have already taken projects of various kinds, but it is hoped that these suggestions each month will help others to find something they can do that will be of value and service in the Lord's work. For whatever they are worth the following have been suggested as projects for any group or class that will consider them.

No. 1. Provide new wrought iron Candelabra for use on special days, weddings, etc.

No. 2. Provide new palms for the containers in the Sanctuary. The palms there are artificial, and need to be replaced periodically.

No. 3. Provide new Hymn books for the Sunday School auditorium.

No. 4. Make and equip portable footlights for the stage for use at special events. These foot lights could be stored under the platform.

No. 5. Provide a shaded light for the auditorium piano.

No. 6. Make and fit portable steps to the altar in front of the pulpit. These steps could be put in place and used at weddings where the marriage vows are completed on the platform. These would be especially useful in very large weddings.

No. 7. Provide a folding first aid cot in case some person is taken ill suddenly.

No. 8. Equip and provide for a ladies' lounge in the rest room of the Church building.

Perhaps these projects will not meet with the approval of any group in the Church, but they call our attention to things that are needed or would be very helpful in the work of the Church. If you have other suggestions to offer give them to the Pastor.

## New Arrivals

Once again we have a number of new arrivals to report in the "Stork Market Report."

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Binkley are the proud parents of a son, Michael Ray, born November 17th at St. Rita's Hospital. The Binkleys live at 516 Orena Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Turner of 103 S. Collett are the proud parents of a son, Gregory E. born November 30th at St. Rita's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Duncan of 1211 Oakland Parkway, are the happy parents of a son, Thomas Warren, born December 2nd, 1952 at Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hardesty of 529 N. Kenilworth St., are the proud parents of a son, Mark Stephen, born December 5, 1952 at Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hefner are the proud parents of a son, John Eldon, born December 14, 1952 in the Memorial Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Hefner make their home at Route 2, Elida, Ohio.

We extend our sincere congratulations and best wishes to the new parents, and pray God's blessing upon each home. Bring the little babies to Church. Remember there is always more music in the crying of a baby than there is in the snoring of a saint. Two nurseries are available for these little ones.

## A Call To Prayer

On Sunday January 4th Lima will embark in another city-wide Revival meeting that will last for three weeks. Our meeting last year was excellent from every point of view. Large numbers attended, the spirit was good, and many souls were saved. In addition the result has been last-

ing in that every one felt the meeting had been well conducted. Even churches which refused to co-operate conceded that it was a well managed and well planned meeting.

Our meeting this year we trust will again be of the same high caliber. Good meetings come as a result of prayer, and we are asking every reader of the High Street Witness to earnestly seek the face of God in behalf of the coming revival.

A new plan of prayer support has been announced by Rev. S. F. Porter, prayer chairman of the meeting. Groups of three or more, up to seven in number are asked to meet in homes to pray for the meeting, and then to report to their Pastor where the meetings were held and when. In this way we can keep a record of the number of prayer meetings in the preparation of the revival. When more than seven gather together they are asked to organize a new prayer meeting.

We earnestly suggest that a number of these prayer meetings be held among our church homes. Call in several neighbors who believe with you that prayer changes things, and seek the Lord's blessing for our coming revival. It may mean the salvation of souls which are dear or near to you. God answers prayer. The day of Revivals is not yet past for God is still giving them in answer to those who seek His face. Prayer can turn a special meeting into a genuine revival. Spend much time in prayer until the revival comes.

## Scout News

A number of boys in Troop 13 have qualified for advancement in varying degrees. The advancements reported by the Scout Committee ending with the month of November were as follows: Don Riddle—2nd Class; Dennis Goodenow—Merit Badge in Citizenship; Rodney Mulvania, Merit Badge in Blacksmithing; Fritz Heil—Merit Badge in Swimming; Jere Courtney—Merit Badge in Blacksmithing; John Pfouts—Merit Badge in Scholarship. Any later advancements will be reported as they are announced by the Committee.

The Cub Pack has been reorganized with a new committee, and five Dens are now meeting regularly every month. A more complete report of our Cub Pack activities will be reported in a later edition of The Witness.

## Weddings

Mr. Carl Kenneth Presar of R. R. Wapakoneta, and Miss Phyllis Jean Furry of 4661 S. Dixie, Lima, were united in marriage before the altar of the sanctuary on Sunday afternoon, December 7th, at 2:30 o'clock in a beautiful double-ring ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Presar will make their home at Cridersville following their return from the honeymoon. Congratulations and best wishes to the new bride and groom.

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## Funerals

Mrs. Cecil May Shields passed away December 11, 1952 in the Lima Memorial Hospital after an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted by the Pastor on Saturday, December 13th, in the Davis Miller Funeral Home, and burial was in the Shawnee Cemetery. Mrs. Shields was the mother of Mrs. Betty Gibbs who is a member of High Street Church, and made her home at 1300 Elida Road. The sympathy of the Church is extended to the entire family in the loss of this mother.

## America Awake!

Outside the inn, in Bethlehem,  
In days long, long ago,  
The blessed Son of God was born;  
"No room" inside, you know.

Outside the town of Nazareth  
In days long, long ago,  
They sought to push Him o'er the brink,  
To crush His life below.

Outside His own Jerusalem  
They led this Holy One  
To Calv'ry's hill; and there He died—  
God's well beloved Son!

No room on earth for Him,—but lo!  
He's risen from the tomb  
Above a place for Him is found  
In Heaven's highest room.

And still He seeks a room below.  
America, awake!

Oh! open heart and life to Him  
His blessings to partake.

'Tis only as we give Him place  
Shall war and sorrows cease;  
Oh worship! and for Him make room,  
For Christ—the Prince of Peace!

Marie L. Olson.

## THOUGHTS FROM THE BACK SEAT

Everek R. Storms

I am the back seat. In many places I am not popular. At a baseball game nobody wants me. In the great arena where the men are playing hockey, I am often quite forsaken. When two prize fighters are matching their wits, people try to get as far away from me as possible.

But inside a church—am I ever popular: I am the most important seat in the entire building. I might not amount to much when elsewhere, but when I go to church, believe me, I really am somebody. People make a big fuss over me. I am always the most crowded of all the pews. The young people love me, and so do the old folks, too.

I am not much for looks. Many of the other seats are far nicer than I am. I have many other disadvantages, too. People can hear the preacher better, listen to the singers better, and catch the spirit of the meeting better, when they are sitting in any other seat except me. Yet, for all this, I do not seem to be losing my popularity. I am more in demand than

ever. Sinners love me, and so do Christians. That is something that cannot be said for my fellow seats.

I am the first seat to be filled. I am never empty. I sometimes pity those poor front seats. They look so sad and empty-like—just as if it were a funeral, and they were waiting for the mourners to come in and fill them.

Some people say they like to be under the sound of the Gospel. Then why don't they get under it? Why do they always want to sit in me? Why don't they move up where they would be under the minister's preaching?

I wish I could hold more people. I sometimes think our church attendance would be larger, if my seating capacity could just be increased. Honestly, sometimes I don't know what to do. It puzzles me greatly. I remember one time when old What's-His-Name came to church. Why the old sinner hadn't been there for months. Finally, one Sunday night he decided to come. He thought he would sneak into the church, and sit in me without being noticed. But when he got there, I was so crowded with dear, thoughtless Christians, that there wasn't any room for him, so he turned around and went home. He hasn't been back since.

I don't know why so many people pick on me. What do they always have to sit on me for? Maybe I shouldn't say that, because I think I do know why they always choose me for a parking place. It's because—well, I won't mention it here, because you don't want everybody else to know why you generally sit on me, do you? It's kind of a good reason, all right, but it mightn't look so good in print.

I remember hearing a preacher say one time, "There aren't any back seats in heaven." I wonder what he meant.

Lion's Head, Ontario.

A number of copies of the Government Book, "100 Things You Should Know About Communism" were distributed in the church recently. Several copies are still available if there are friends who did not get a booklet when they were first given out. See the Pastor if you want a copy.

Billy Graham, speaking recently in Houston, Texas, said, "God has preserved America as a storehouse, not of guns, ammunition, bombs, and dollars, but of the gospel; and unless we take the gospel to the world, God will destroy America."

You cannot take your money to heaven with you, but you can send it on ahead.

—Christian Life

When God says, "Come," He goes out to meet us; when He says, "Go" He goes with us.—Selected.

When Billy Graham concluded his campaign in Shreveport, Louisiana, it was discovered that liquor sales had dropped 40 per cent.

## SELF EXAMINATION FOR CHURCH MEMBERS

How many morning services would we have had this past year if everyone had stayed at home when I did?

How many times would the evening service have been omitted if no one had gone except when I was there?

How many times would the Sunday School have met if they had met only when I was there?

How much Christian instruction would the children of my community receive if everybody gave as much interest to it as I do?

How much would the Woman's Missionary Society, the Training Service, accomplish, if everyone did as much as I do?

How many people of darkened lands would have heard the Gospel, if everyone was as much interested in them as I am?

How many of my neighbors would have been invited to services, welcomed to the church; how many prayers would have been offered for my pastor, my neighbors, my Church?

How many words of testimony spoken for Christ?

What kind of a Christian am I anyhow? Do my excuses stand before Christ?

What kind of a church would my church be if every person were just like me?

For years Farmer Stillhorn and his wife had quarreled. Returning from church in the jolt wagon one night, Mrs. Stillhorn, soothed by the effect of the "protracted meeting," said to her husband, "Why can't you and I pull together like those two horses are doing?" "We could," said her ill-tempered husband, "if we only had one tongue between us!"

A preacher, raising his eyes from his desk in the midst of his sermon, was paralyzed with amazement to see his rude boy in the gallery pelting the hearers in the pews below with horse-chestnuts. But while the good man was preparing a frown of reproof, the young hopeful cried out: "You tend to your preaching, daddy; I'll keep 'em awake."

## STAND BY!

The preacher does better

When you are there;

'Tis hard to preach

To an empty chair.

But your seat is not empty

When you're away,

Are there that day!

They make faces

At the preacher's text.

They nudge the folks

Who are sitting next.

They show them how much

The church is down.

And it's all because

You're out of town.

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