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The High Street Witness

HIGH STREET EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

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Pastor's Message

The past month has been exceedingly profitable in many ways, and there have been some outstanding occasions such as our Father and Son Banquet, and our Young People's Day on the last Sunday of January. Attendance in church during the month of January averaged 264, and attendance at Sunday school was exactly the same although the two services never had the same attendance on any one day. Our evening service averaged 115 for the month of January although we were not holding services during the City-wide Revival meeting. Our prayer meeting is quite well attended since the Revival meeting, and God is blessing in a wonderful way. We feel the prayer meeting is one of the important meetings of the church, and those who participate are being greatly blessed. A total of 25 persons who made decisions for Christ in the city-wide meeting gave High Street church as their home or preference, and these persons are becoming active in our Sunday School and Church. It is a great blessing to have these new Christians to enthusiastically enlist themselves in God's service.

Subscriptions to "The High Street Witness" are coming in at a wonderful rate. Over 40 new subscribers are added to the roll this month, and new cards with a dollar attached are arriving at the parsonage almost every day. Tell your friends about the paper and be sure to subscribe for some loved one if you possibly can. We would like for our roll of subscribers to increase each month as we send the paper out. Our 2nd class permit has been applied for, and we should hear from it within a few weeks or months.

Three new members were received on Sunday, February 10th. They were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson and daughter Vera, who came to us from the Methodist church. Two transfers were also granted during the month to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Morgret who are uniting with the Allentown Methodist church. The next opportunity for being received into membership will be on Palm Sunday, April 6th, and any who would like to unite with the church should see the Pastor as soon as possible. Our church has but one requirement for membership, and that is that the individual know and love the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Church Trustees have investigated and approved a new public address system which will soon be installed in both our church buildings. A new bell amplifier has been ordered with a record player, and new speakers will be installed in our Sanctuary and in our Sunday School

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REV. B. F. RICHER, SR.

Revival Meetings

Our High Street Revival Campaign will get under way on March 16th on Sunday morning when the Rev. B. F. Richer, Sr., father of our Sunday School Superintendent, will be with us for the morning service. Meetings will be held each evening at 7:30 P. M. except Saturday night, and will conclude on Friday night March 28th. It is a pleasure to welcome Brother Richer as our Evangelist, and we know that he will have the prayers and support of all of our people as he seeks to lead us to higher ground.

The Church Council has asked that every organization and group within the church co-operate in the meeting by attending in a body if possible, and by avoiding all conflicts that can be avoided in relation to the regular monthly meetings. We trust that every group in the church will co-operate fully, and we believe that God will bless if we give our undivided attention to the Revival meeting.

Sunday afternoon March 9th is to be designated as an afternoon of prayer, as will be Sunday afternoon March 16th. We are asking that every person look to God daily in asking His blessing upon the meetings before the days of prayer arrive. Every Christian is encouraged to use a prayer list in remembering those who need God's blessing and help.

The song leading and instrument work will be in charge of our own local leaders, and Mr. Gregory, Mr. Thompson and others will be leading us in the music. A committee has been appointed to provide special music for each service, and all who would like to participate in this way

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Christian Stewardship

On Sunday morning February 3rd the Pastor asked every wage earner in the congregation to write on a slip of paper the amount they earned each week without placing their name on that paper. These slips of paper were then collected and were tabulated by the Financial Secretary in order to find some basis for estimating the average tithe of our congregation. The following results were obtained from this poll.

Total slips received—132. Slips with no report—24. Percentage reporting 82%. Total wages reported—\$6273.25 representing 108 persons. Total persons reporting \$5.00 per week income or less—14, with a total weekly income of \$26.50. Total number with a weekly income of over \$5.00—94. Income of this group—\$6246.75. Average weekly income for the entire group—\$58.08. Average weekly income for those earning over \$5.00 per week—\$67.47. These figures are most enlightening and tell us a story we have long wondered about. It seems evident from the figures given that the tithe of those present on that Sunday morning was \$627.32. This is about \$200.00 above the total offering for that day which also included our Sunday School attendance as well as our evening service. There are about 280 families represented in our congregation, and if the 94 persons who reported an income of over \$5.00 per week are any basis for judgment, then the total tithe of our congregation as represented by its membership alone would be well over \$1800.00 per week. Many friends also contribute to our church, and some of them very generously. It seems very clear that while our budget runs high it is by no means beyond the reach of our congregation as such.

We believe that these figures represent as nearly as we are able to determine the true picture of our Church income. It presents to us a challenge which we cannot ignore but which we must face clearly. God blesses a Church that will practise tithing, and our church can know the blessing of God if its membership will faithfully bring their tithe each week. Our budget as now set up includes all expenses of the church, and totals \$450.00 per week. Our potential giving is well over four times this amount, which indicates how fast we could move as a congregation if every member were a tither. We could give many times more for missionary causes than we are now giving, as well as eliminating our church building debt

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REVIVAL MEETINGS

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should see Mrs. Roberta Morris.

Pray for our Revival meeting every day and expect great things from God. The following sermon subjects are those which Evangelist Richer expects to use in our church:

Sunday evening—"The Great Decision."

Monday evening: "The Universal Need of a Savior."

Tuesday evening: "Influence and Its Power."

Wednesday evening: "What Is A Christian?"

Thursday evening: "Following With A Cross."

Friday evening: "What Constitutes True Wisdom."

Sunday morning: "The Joy of The Christian Life."

Sunday afternoon: "(If) The World's Greatest Need Today."

Sunday evening: "The Whole Bible In One Verse."

Monday evening: "Does It Pay to be a Christian?"

Tuesday evening: "Rewards of Discipleship."

Wednesday evening: "Confessing Christ and What It Means."

Thursday evening: "Why Should I Confess Christ?"

Friday evening: "Love: The Greatest Thing In The World."

You will want to hear every one of these sermons.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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Auditorium. The present amplifying unit will be used in the new building, which will mean that both buildings will be completely wired for sound. In the church there will be speakers not only in the Sanctuary but in the Dorcas Class room, the Win One class room, the Nursery, and in the adjacent Sunday School room which opens on the Sanctuary. In the new building there will be speakers in the Sunday School room, the hall outside, the kitchen and the dining room. This will make it possible to use the system for banquets, for large gatherings upstairs, and for all practical purposes that we can now foresee. Mr. Ward Jackson who is well known among our people is engineering the installation, and the work will be done by Mr. John Moyer, Mr. Ben Richer and other men of the church which will greatly aid in holding down the cost of this new installation. We are deeply appreciative of the work of Mr. Jackson who has also contributed generously to the church in providing a studio microphone and all the condensers needed for the various speakers through out both buildings. We will be happy when the chimes will once again sound from the High Street Tower.

Many of you have doubtless followed the statement of the Allen County Council

of Churches as they have appeared in the news-paper from time to time, particularly as the vice and other conditions in Lima have been pointed out through their efforts. High Street church is a member of the Allen County Council of Churches, and we rejoice in this effort to help make Lima a cleaner city in which to live. Your Pastor is chairman of the Evangelism Committee of that Council, and the Church participates in the work of the Council in every practical way. When you pray for your church remember to pray for the Allen County Council of Churches and the work they are doing.

One of the new groups in the church which seems to be prospering greatly is the Cub Pack, organized under the capable leadership of Wm. Fiser, Cub Master. Three dens are now functioning in our Pack and two new dens are in the process of organization. This will make a total of five dens in the High Street Pack, and there are more boys waiting to be received into dens as soon as they can be organized. Our Cub Pack Committee is composed of Arthur Warren, (chairman) Everett Beeler, Gordon Walters, and Bert Cochran.

Easter is just around the corner, and plans are under way now for our Holy Week Program. Two Sunday morning services will be held on both Palm Sunday and Easter at 8:30 and 10:30 A. M. and new members will be received and baptisms performed on Palm Sunday. There will be no baptism or reception of members on Easter Sunday morning. Our Holy Week Communion service will be held on Thursday evening, April 10th, at 8:00 P. M. and every Christian is urged to look forward to this event and to be present.

Lenten Offering envelopes for use in the home, preferably at the table, will be sent to every member of the church about the time Lent begins. There is a slot in the end of each envelope that a coin can be placed in it at meal time, or it can be used as an offering envelope for the entire family. Our Church will have a special Easter offering again this year for the building fund, and this year the entire amount above the regular expenses of the day will be used to reduce our interest-bearing indebtedness. Regular payments on the debt are being made each month, but every thing that can be paid above that amount will reduce the interest the church is required to pay. The Church Council has set no goal for our Easter offering, but is asking that everyone do their best in order that a good offering may be received on Easter Sunday. Plan to empty your tithe box on Easter and God will bless in proportion.

Continue to pray for your church in all of its efforts. God is blessing now and will continue to bless if we are faithful and true to Him in the months ahead. Let every one try to win a soul to Christ before Easter arrives.

Sincerely your Pastor,
Frank R. Hamblen

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

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with its heavy interest in a short period of time.

It is our earnest prayer that every Christian in High Street church will have an open mind and heart toward the subject of tithing. If God is allowed to speak to hearts He does His own persuading without any help from man. Pray earnestly in every case about your responsibility to God, and make your decision in light of divine revelation to you. You can judge the future of High Street Church by the proportion of its members who are willing to follow God in Christian stewardship.

Boy Scout News

High Street church has had a Boy Scout Troup (Troup No. 13) for a number of years, and Mr. Lawrence Stombaugh serves the church as Scout Master. The Scout Committee has recently been re-organized, and the following now constitute the membership of that committee. Mr. Robert Weikert, Chairman; J. Arthur Reese, Treasurer; E. J. Ward, Secretary; Rev. Frank Hamblen, Counsellor; Wm. Goodenow, Gene CaJacob, Ed. Bitler, and Wm. Epley. The troop committee is meeting on the last Wednesday of each month, and each committeeman is asked to be responsible for a specified part of the advancement program. A member of the committee is asked to be present each week for the regular Scout meeting on Wednesday night at 7:00 P. M.

On January 30th the Troop Committee met and the following results were reported: Those presented for Merit badges were:—Jim Horn—Merit Badge in Chemistry, Automobiling, Agriculture and Masonry. Dennis Goodenow—Merit Badges in Coin Collecting, Citizenship in the Community, Safety. Lewis Cogan passed his examination for 2nd class scout.

The chairman then stated that it was desirable that we work with the boys to assure their advancement, and he then asked for volunteers and the following men agreed to sponsor the work indicated. Wm. Epley, First Aid, Hiking Methods, Clothing and Equipment, 2nd and 1st class requirements.

Arthur Reese: map reading, measuring, compass, 2nd class requirements.

E. J. Ward—Wild life, observation, 2nd class requirements, 1st class requirements, wood-lore, camp making.

Gene CaJacob: Public health, personal health, merit badges.

Wilbur Goodenow—Scout slogan, scout motto, scout laws, scout oaths, knots, 2nd and 1st class requirements.

We are proud of our Scout Committee, and believe the work will move ahead rapidly under the direction of the newly organized committee. All boys who are eleven years are invited to come on Wednesday night at 7:00 P. M. if they are interested in joining a Boy Scout group.

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.

Findlay Bethlehem To Dedicate New Annex March 23



Dedication services Sunday, March 23, 1952 of the recently completed annex to the Bethlehem Evangelical United Brethren Church 3 miles southeast of Findlay, Ohio, on the Bethlehem Road will mark another important milestone in the progress of this country church. The congregation of this church have worshipped at those same crossroads for over 111 years. The church was first organized in 1850 by the Rev. Jacob Newman, just 6 years after the first session of the Sandusky Conference of the United Brethren Church was held. The dedication of the additional unit is noteworthy at a time when the country church is so rapidly disappearing.

Morning worship services including special music will be held at 9:30 o'clock. The main dedication service will be held in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Bishop Fred L. Dennis, D.D., LL.D., bringing the message. There also will be special music in the afternoon.

Another memorable milestone was passed on August 25, 1950 when services were held commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the church. On this occasion Dr. V. H. Allman, Conference Superintendent, brought the message.

Even though many of the families long affiliated with Bethlehem have been scattered by marriage or have moved out of the immediate church vicinity for various reasons, still many of these people return each Sunday for worship. The necessity for adequate church school facilities became quite apparent as the number of children attending services increased, one class having to meet in the furnace room. The congregation accepted the challenge and have provided a beautiful sanctuary

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Miss White Is New Director Of Children's Work

Miss Helen White of Leipsic has accepted the position of Director of Children's work in the conference. The post was left vacant by the recent resignation of Miss Lucille Bushong. Miss White will assume the responsibilities of the work immediately.

Miss White brings to the position a fine background of preparation for her work with children. She is a primary teacher in the local schools in Leipsic and has been active in the work of her church over a period of years. This is not her first contact with the work of the conference. She has been a familiar figure at conference gatherings and participated in the camp program of the conference both as a camper as well as counsellor and instructor.

We have every right to expect the work of the Children's department to move forward under her direction and are sure that the standards of effective work set by her predecessors will be maintained by one so well equipped and whose consecration to God and His work matches her preparation in the field of education.

Ministers Chorus To Meet

The Ohio Sandusky Conference Minister's Chorus will meet at St. Paul's church, Findlay, Ohio, February 25 at 10 A. M. Luncheon will be at Salisbury's Restaurant at noon. All ministers of the conference who wish to be a part of this organization please be there.

Rev. C. D. Osborn, Director
Rev. O. C. Metzker, Secretary

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Youth Fellowship Self-Denial Offering

As all of us know the emphasis for the winter quarter of the World Service Fund of the Youth Fellowship is the self-Denial Offering. In the past we have taken this offering during Youth Week, but this year we have heard and answered "The Call" during Youth Week. FOR THIS YEAR ONLY the Youth Fellowship Self-Denial Offering will be taken the week of MARCH 9 to 16.

Now you are probably asking, "Where does our gift to the Self-Denial Offering go?" The youth of Ohio Sandusky Conference will give their money to the Goiaz Bible Institute, in Brazil. In this school pastors, evangelists, teachers and the Christian workers are being trained for the Protestant churches in Brazil. Some building has been started there, but a large building program is necessary. Our money will be used to help make that needed construction possible. Don't you agree that this project is especially appropriate this year, since our mission study of Latin America is in progress.

And certainly you would like to know that the Goiaz Bible Institute needs \$10,000 for the buildings needed. Won't YOU answer this CALL by denying yourself of something in order to give to the training of Christian workers for Brazil.

Hurray, while there is still time to send to the Women's Society of World Service, 1412-1420 U. B. Building, Dayton 2, Ohio—they will send you a one-page flier

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Otterbein College News

Wade S. Miller, Director of Public Relations

E. U. B. Day

The second annual E. U. B. Day will be observed on Friday, March 21 on the Otterbein campus. High school seniors from the entire Otterbein area are invited to attend the day's activities as guests of the college.

Competitive scholarship examinations will be given early in the day and winners will be announced before students leave the campus.

Christian Higher Education

A conference on Christian Higher Education is scheduled for March 11 and 12. Conference leaders of Christian education and conference superintendents of the Otterbein area have been invited to share in the conference.

Special speakers will be Bishop Dennis;

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Northern District

Rev. F. A. Firestone, Superintendent
MISSION TO AMERICA—NOW

"Nothing is so needful as that we Protestants should see the Church in its reality. When we do see it, the Christian task and our responsibility as Christians will become clear again.

"It is high time for we Protestants to make up our minds that it is nonsense to talk about preserving 'Christian values' or defending 'Christian civilization' unless we mean that we are ready to assume responsibility for the upbuilding, strengthening, and purifying of the Church."

The above are quotations from "Mission to America" by Truman Douglass. Let's think about it seriously. What about Conference and the Denomination?

Bible Conference News

Last month we passed on information that we had secured three speakers definitely, Bishop Dennis for evening evangelistic services, Prof. Wayne Clymer and Prof. Bruce Behney for Bible interpretation and instruction and doctrinal studies. Now we can announce that Rev. Mark Shedron, a member of our Conference, Chaplain National Training School, Washington, D. C., will conduct three periods on pastoral counselling, and that Rev. C. Dwight Osborn, pastor of Findlay St. Paul Church, with assistants, will conduct the School of Music. Bishop Dennis will also preach on Sunday morning, June 29.

The Men's Congress

The Conference Board of Evangelism is cooperating with the Conference Brotherhood in promoting the Men's Congress, June 28, 29. A good program is being built. Start boosting NOW. Let's all put these dates down and keep them open if possible for the Bible Conference and Men's Congress: JUNE 23 to 29, inclusive.

PRAY!! PUBLICIZE!!

More Babies

The coming of a new baby into the world is a wonderful event. So we are happy to report that in January babies arrived in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Griswold, Kansas-Canaan, and Rev. and Mrs. Freeman Whetstone, Custar-West Hope. (If any are overlooked it is due to lack of information.) We wish also we might report the precious little newcomers into the homes of our laymen. We just don't have the information. God bless all of them and give them safe and happy journeys through life.

Hospitalized

It is with sadness that we must report that several members of our ministerial family on the district are hospitalized. Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Frey, Millbury-Rocky Ridge, are in Orange Memorial Hospital, Orlando, Florida, seriously injured in an auto accident, and Mrs. Loren Onweller, Monclova-Wilkins, is in Toledo hospital at this writing for surgery. For these and all who are going through troubled waters, from the families of laity and the ministry, we offer our prayers for comfort and healing. God's assurance is, "My grace is sufficient."

Southern District

V. H. Allman, Superintendent

The church is entering Lent. The season observed as a preparation for the Easter Festival and as a special time of penitence. It is the period of the year when we give ourselves to the study of the sacrifice made by Jesus in our behalf, the Atonement he made for us and to observe the great climax of Easter morning. When we by faith claim our eternal share in the greatest of all miracles, the resurrection from the dead. We join St. Paul in our shout of triumph, "When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality.—For the trumpet shall sound and the dead will be raised imperishable. Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Churches' preparation for Lent should be most carefully made down to the smallest detail. That preparation should lead each and every member to share with the Christ in each of the events of the history of this season and not only that but each member should be made to feel the responsibility that is his or hers to take along friends outside the church—even the stranger who may be at the gate, in order that they too may share in this Holy Event, by the forgiveness of sin and witness to their salvation by the power of His resurrection. Please allow me as an official of the conference to plead with pastors, church officials and all who may read this message to make this lenten season the greatest period of ingathering our churches have ever known. By this and only by this effort can we hope to save our world and bring to it peace.

The Otterbein Home offering reported by the Conference treasurer is about two thousand dollars less than last year. If

money send in is to count on this past Christmas offering it must reach the Treasurer by March 3rd. It is rather tragic, that in the fact of the rising cost of living that our offering to our Benevolent institutions should take a drop. Perhaps, as much can be said for Flat Rock Home, for the same needs are apparent there. Pastors will see to it that all money now in the local treasury is sent to Conference treasurer with the March first report. We shall continue to remember the children and aged people of these homes with our prayers and share with them the blessings God showers upon us.

Our rural churches are making great strides forward. Almost every issue of the "News" carries one or more articles concerning this advance. The last Sunday of 1951 it was my good pleasure to reopen the Bluelick church. A new furnace room and furnace, new entrance way, a new job of plastering and redecorating had made the church look like it was new. Pastor Stucky reported all bills paid and spoke of the fine increase in attendance and membership. Well do I remember the day when there was much talk about closing this church. What a blessing that a new day was sought and found. Now the church enjoys its own pastor and is enjoying the best days of her long history. Congratulations pastor and people.

Father Time has within recent weeks called two of our veteran ministers from labor to reward. The first call came on December 23 to J. H. Dutton of Attleboro, Mass. Dr. Dutton's body was returned to West Milton, Ohio for burial. This veteran had an outstanding record. Rising to service as the Superintendent of the Great Miami Conference. Then taking the place of Bishop I. D. Warner as pastor of Akron First Church. His entry into Sandusky Conference was incident to his very successful pastorate of Lima High St. Church. Ill health forced retirement and the move to the east in order to be near the son, the Rev. Dale Dutton, D.D.—"Servant of God, well done." Mrs. Dutton, Dale and family have our sympathy and prayers.

The second call came on January 31st and was answered by Rev. W. C. May. He too was a very successful missionary and pastor. His pastoral ministry was given to some of the more prominent churches of the Conference (See life sketch). His ministry of stewardship assisted in awakening the Conference to its responsibilities in the matter of giving the tithe. To Mrs. May and the family we offer condolence and assure them of our prayers.

Rev. W. C. May Passes To His Crowning

The Rev. W. C. May, retired minister of the Ohio Sandusky Conference, passed away at 7:00 A. M., on January 31, 1952, at the Findlay Hospital. Funeral services were held at the Perry Miles Funeral home on West Front Street, Findlay, at 2 P. M., Saturday, February 2nd.

News from the Churches

TOLEDO OAKDALE OBSERVES 40TH ANNIVERSARY

The 40th Anniversary Services of the Toledo Oakdale Church were held January 6-13, with Bishop Fred Dennis speaking on January 6th and the Rev. Russell Ford conducting a 7-day evangelistic campaign thru the 13th. Outstanding attendance and interest were manifested in the campaign. The results were 32 conversions and the best attendance in the church services since the meeting that the church has had in the past six years.

We are now redecorating the entire church and looking to the coming Revival meeting with Prof. and Mrs. MacMurray, March 9-16.

Dale Emrick, pastor

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PREACHING MISSION AT GRACE CHURCH, PERRYSBURG

The Preaching Mission, held in Grace Church, Perrysburg, Ohio, from January 10 to 20 under the splendid leadership of the Rev. John C. Searle, Sr., of Trinity Church, Bowling Green, Ohio, proved to be a source of real spiritual enrichment for all who shared in it.

Rev. Searle preached from the Gospel of John, bringing heart warming messages from some of the great texts of this choice book. Each evening a picture was shown on the screen with meditative music as a background to prepare hearts for the service. Splendid cooperation was received in the leadership of the devotional portion of the service including musical selections each evening from persons representing the various groups and organizations of the church.

The series concluded on Sunday night, January 20, with a fitting consecration service about the altar of the church where pastor and people pledged their renewed loyalty to one another and to their Christ.

The meetings were well attended each evening with an average attendance of 45. The spiritual results will be tabulated daily as each one strives to be more devoted to his Master and his Church.

Rev. Wendell W. Freshley, Pastor

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YOUTH ON THE MOVE AT PERRYSBURG

Sunday, January 27, was Youth Sunday in Grace Church, Perrysburg, Ohio, in the true sense of the word. For the Sunday School hour the youth orchestra played, and various youth served as superintendent and song leader and offered prayer.

In the morning worship service the Youth Choir sang, and young people were in charge, four persons giving brief talks on different phases of Christ's call to life, as follows: In use of time and energy, Joann Soldwish; in use of pocketbook, James Thompson; in recreation, Ruth Ann Hill; and in use of talents, Janell Twining.

Robert Martin, Youth Director, concluded with a message of challenge which was heard by the more than 35 youth present in the congregation.

The youth took to the road on Sunday afternoon and helped to complete a survey of southwest Perrysburg. In less than two hours some 107 stops were made and many survey cards were signed to reveal church affiliation or preference.

The youth spent a most profitable evening together listening to Prof. Joseph Himmel of Bowling Green State University tell of experiences in Germany. Prof. Himmel spent last year in Munich studying, and worked in our new mission church there as choir leader.

More than 125 youth and their adult leaders from the various Protestant churches in the area congregated at Grace Church on the concluding Sunday evening of Youth Week, February 3, for a service of worship and commitment in response to "The Call to United Christian Youth Action." "The Call" was interpreted by the host pastor, the Rev. Wendell W. Freshley.

Rev. Wendell W. Freshley

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TIFFIN CHURCH STUDIES "MISSIONS TO AMERICA"

Through the Women's Society of World Service and the Christian Service Guild a two session study was made of the book, "Missions to America" by Truman Douglass. In the first session charts and graphs were used to present the thought of the book and then in the second session a panel was indicated to present the work of the church in and through organizations that work with the church to help present the cause of Christ to the world. Second the organizations and forces outside of our church that work toward a hindering of the church. Third, the work the local church does through and by the Department of Home Missions and Church Extension of the General Board of Missions. And Fourth, what the church locally is doing in the ministry to the community by way of its loyalty and witness in attendance and evangelistic effort.

H. N. Porterfield, Pastor

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RILEY CENTER CHURCH

During the month of January the church had four conversions, and the following seven accessions were gained for church membership: Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Shrout, Delano and Denville Shrout, and Miss Catherine Swisher, by letter of transfer; and George Reed and Delco Shrout, on confession of faith.

Pioneer Day was observed on January 13, with a goodly offering received to apply on the church's preacher pension apportionment. The sacrament of Holy Communion was given, with the pastor as celebrant. David Franklin Monday, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Monday, was dedicated in Christian baptism. Youth Sunday was observed January 27; seven or eight youth assisted the pastor in the worship service.

At the present writing we are planning to have the Rev. Sanford Mills of Columbus, a missionary of the American Board of Missions to the Jews, speak in our church on Sunday evening, February 24. Also, a series of evangelistic services is being planned for Holy Week.

Javan R. Corl, Pastor

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REVIVAL AT FREMONT TRINITY

Over fifty responded to the call to Christ and Christian living in the most successful revival in many years at Trinity Church, Fremont. The church has been revived and many have renewed experiences of other years. From the first meeting it was clear that God's hand was on the evangelist, and souls were at the altar in almost every service. Rev. Perry E. Pyle, who served as evangelist and song leader, is a member of the West Pennsylvania Conference and is accredited by the denomination. Rev. R. F. Haskins is serving his fifth year as pastor of Trinity church.

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COLUMBUS AVE. E. U. B., SANDUSKY

We have just closed a very successful week's revival meeting with the Rev. Marvin A. Leist from the Zion church, Canton, Ohio, as the evangelist. His messages were stirring and the Spirit used him mightily in our midst. Several bowed at an altar of prayer and found a personal experience of salvation. The church as a whole felt the working of the Holy Spirit, and we are rejoicing in the reviving the Lord gave us.

Mr. Robert Norman from our Bellevue church was with us three nights with his ministry of chalk drawing and singing. We also appreciate the fine contribution the Mt. Carmel E. U. B. church orchestra gave on the closing night of the services. We praise the Lord for His gracious visitation in our midst.

The church is sponsoring a Week-day Church School every Wednesday afternoon at 3:15. We have secured the services of a school bus for transporting the children to and from the church school. We have had an average attendance of 28 and the interest is growing. Mrs. Hubert Lowry and Mrs. G. R. Rotruck assist in bringing flannel-graph and object lessons for the children.

Eight of our young people attended the Mid-Winter Convention and returned with renewed enthusiasm to enter more fully into the work of the Youth Fellowship.

The members of the choir were entertained with a supper at the parsonage Wednesday evening, February 6. We appreciate the fine contribution the choir gives to our morning worship services.

R. P. Ricard, Pastor

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REVIVAL AT THE DELTA CHURCH

Revival services were held in the Delta Evangelical United Brethren church from January 6th to January 20th. The Rev. O. E. Heltzel of the Wauseon Evangelical United Brethren church served as the evangelist. Special numbers in music and

song were presented each evening by various members. The messages were very stirring and gave all much practical information and truths for fuller Christian living. There were eight people who came to the altar of prayer and gave their hearts to Jesus. The congregation, as a whole received much beneficial knowledge and many reconsecrated their lives. Rev. and Mrs. Goings held children's services each evening at seven. Many of the children learned all the required verses and received awards. Other awards were given to the children who brought the largest number of new recruits. All who attended received a great amount of spiritual guidance and joy through the singing, Bible stories, contests and memory work.

Our people are much encouraged by what can be done with the help of God. With the inside of our Church completely redecorated and a new roof on the building we are now turning our thoughts to new paint for the outside of the church this spring. "God is great and God is good." May we never cease to be thankful for his greatness and goodness to us.

Rev. E. W. Goings, Pastor
Christine Ruple, Reporter

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VAN WERT CALVARY HAS REVIVAL CAMPAIGN AND YOUTH SERVICES

One of the greatest revivals that we have had in the last six years was held January 14 through 27th with the Rev. Walter Adams, pastor of our church at Celina as the Evangelist. Heart stirring messages were brought nightly backed by the power of the spirit. We recommend him to any church for revival campaigns.

Mr. Willis Snyder and Mr. Paul Sherman local laymen led the song services with Mrs. Martin Kilgore and Miss Roselyn Hattery at the organ and piano respectively. Special music was rendered by the members of the church. There were nine who came with needs and found the Lord Jesus Christ precious to their heart.

We were indeed grateful for the Men's Chorus of the Celina Church who was with us one night of the revival.

In observance of Youth Week, the Youth Fellowship president Miss Loretta Huffine and Youth Directress, Miss Roselyn Hattery, made plans for a Youth Fellowship banquet on Wednesday, January 30th and had for the speaker, Rev. Raymond Daniels, chairman of the Advisory Committee for "The Call" and pastor of the Haviland-Scott Methodist Churches. He gave us the facts concerning "The Call" enlisting one million youth for Christ.

Then on Sunday morning, Feb. 3rd the Youth had charge of the Sunday School, with Joe Hertel as Superintendent of the Adults, Misses Loretta Huffine and Kay Preston in charge of the music for the adults. Jerry Gribler was Superintendent of the Primary Department and Misses Audrey Springer and Marilyn Marks were in charge of the music.

MT. PLEASANT CHURCH HAS STIRRING REVIVAL SERVICES

The Mt. Pleasant Church closed a very successful four-week revival on Sunday evening January 27th. They had the evangelistic party, the full Gospel Trio composed of Rev. Gaylord Wilkin, Evangelist; Don Turner, Pianist; and Ray Riley, song leader. From the very first service there was a fine spirit of cooperation between the Gospel Trio and the members of the church. The Spirit of God was present in stated hours of prayer, personal evangelism from house to house, and in the services at the church—all of which resulted in 40 persons bowing at the altar, 25 were adults and 15 were children and young people. Several families came together—many for the first time—and were wonderfully saved. Others came to be reclaimed and were reinstated with God. Some restitutions were made, which brought victory to many hearts. As a result of this meeting, 15 adults and 9 young people will be received into membership.

For four services, we had the Gospel Five from the Findlay College with us. This team is composed of all young men fully consecrated to God. Many special numbers were given by local talent and visitors.

The present pastor and family, who are now serving in their fifth year and are known throughout the conference as pastor and evangelist, have been constantly building up with their people year by year for such a service. God has honored our labors and has in return given these wonderful rewards in the salvation of souls. The average attendance for each service was 101.

As pastor and people, we heartily recommend the Gospel Trio to churches needing evangelistic help.

Though Mt. Pleasant is only a rural church, she is going forward in Kingdom building. We are planning greater things in the future for this church that it may be a real lighthouse in this community.

Rev. Elwood Botkin, pastor

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ACTIVITIES AT MT. CARMEL CHURCH

The new Conference year found the people of Mt. Carmel a busy congregation. The Father & Son banquet was well attended with Mr. C. S. Hunsinger of Flat Rock the speaker. He gave a history of Senator Norris who owned and lived on a farm here at Mt. Carmel. Several films were shown as well as selections given by the Young men's brass quartette.

World Community Day was observed by sending a new double-wool blanket overseas. Our average attendance in the prayer service has been 37. We have completed the study book "Christ Calls to Commitment," and beginning the book of Acts. The youth fellowship is in charge of the Sunday evening services using the laymen as well as the pastor for speaking, religious films and singings.

The church had a carry-in supper reception for the pastor, Rev. and Mrs. Loyd Rife and son honoring the beginning of their fourth year with us. The Sunday School Superintendent presented the pastor and family with gifts from several of the organizations as well as a grocery shower from the group.

A number of our church enjoyed Christmas carolling to the shut-ins followed by a Chili supper at the community house. The usual Christmas pageant was given on Christmas eve to a full house. The Otterbein Home offering came up to the Conference goal of one dollar per member. The ladies of the church sent 2 barrels of fruit and juices to the home which was brought to the church on Harvest Home day. The ladies aid made 24 pillow cases and 24 stuffed dolls for the little girls' cottage at the home. They are now making baby dresses and shirts for the leper colony. Over 300 lbs. of clothing and toys were sent to the Ohio Mining district.

We are proud of the fact that our church is again a Telescope and Ohio Sandusky News quote winner.

A watch night service was held from 9-12. The first hour being in charge of the Youth director Mrs. Leila Nicely. This consisted of choruses, instrumental numbers, scripture search and a film "Forgotten Valley." The second hour a fellowship supper was held in the community house. The last hour was in charge of the Youth Fellowship with Rev. L. M. Rife as the speaker closing with a period of consecration around the altar as the New Year came in.

The Church Orchestra has had the privilege of playing for several revivals. Pioneer day was observed. We were privileged to have Mrs. Raymond Heter the second vice president of our Ohio Sandusky W. S. W. S. for our World Service Day speaker.

February finds the Building Committee and Church Stewards getting plans and funds under way for the new addition to the Church Building which will include the much needed class rooms and rest rooms.

The members of the Missionary and Brotherhood are looking forward to their annual Kentucky corn-bread and bean supper.

Our revival will be March 4-16 with Rev. Mable Rife of Columbus as the Evangelist. We would like to solicit your prayers that many souls will find Christ as their Saviour and that our church might experience a great awakening.

Mrs. Wilbur Folk, Reporter

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BIDDLE CHURCH SHOWERS PASTOR WITH GIFTS

Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Coldiron, pastor at Biddle, were pleasantly surprised on Wednesday evening, January 30, when members and friends of the community came to the parsonage bearing packages of food products from farms and stores.

Mrs. Velma Cole, class leader, had plan-

ned the midweek service of prayer at the parsonage, after which refreshments were served by the committee, Mrs. Gilbert Cole and Mrs. Loren Pry.

To say that the items and the spirit of the people were acceptable is putting it tritely. Mrs. Coldiron and I will be reminded for weeks to come of this fine gesture from these good people.

Rev. A. C. Coldiron

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WOODVILLE CHURCH NEWS

We had a week of Evangelism, Jan. 6-11, with Rev. Joe Grimm of Bloomdale doing the preaching and Prof. and Mrs. Roy MacMurray bringing the special music. They were well attended. The Youth Fellowship took an active part.

The Youth Fellowship started out the year with a progressive Watch Night Party, closing with a worship service at the home of the directors, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Chaffee.

Our W. S. W. S. observed World Service Day with Rev. Robert Bruns, Missionary on furlough from Japan, as the speaker.

The church is planning a mortgage-burning service right after Easter.

P. C. Young

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REVIVAL SERVICES AT BELLE VERNON CHURCH

Belle Vernon E. U. B. Church observed a week of revival services between December 2 and December 9, 1951. Mrs. Homer Evans of Upper Sandusky, Ohio was the special song evangelist. The services were well attended with an average attendance of forty-four. Five persons knelt at the altar either for a first time dedication or for reconsecration to Christ. The pastor, Everett T. Wonder had charge of the services.

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WEEK OF SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS OBSERVED AT SALEM CHURCH

Salem E. U. B. church of the Upper Sandusky Charge held a week of special services between January 6 and 13, emphasizing prayer and the deepening of spiritual experience. Twenty-two members of the congregation united in a daily prayer chain. On Tuesday of that week, thirty-five members of the congregation gave a public testimony of their desire to walk in the footsteps of Jesus in the new year of 1952. The week strengthened the spiritual life of each member who participated in the services and the church was bound together into a richer fellowship with Christ. The pastor, E. T. Wonder had charge of the services. Miss Ruth Ellen Schilling was the pianist.

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YOUTH'S DAY SERVICE AT ZION DELTA

Sunday, January 27 was Youth Day at the Zion Evangelical United Brethren Church on the Delta charge. The Worship service was in charge of our young people with Miss Kathryn Havens as Chairman. Paul Tedrow is president of our young people.

Following the special numbers and devotional period our Pastor gave the

message to youth. The message was entitled, "THE THINGS WHICH HINDER GOD'S CALL."

Following the message our Pastor extended an invitation to the young people for salvation and dedication of lives to God's service. The Spirit of God descended upon the congregation and one of our young men came to the altar of prayer and accepted Christ as his personal Saviour. Seven young people came forward with hearts that were broken to dedicate their lives to God in service. The adults who knew the value of prayer were invited to come and pray. So many tears of joy were being shed by parents and young people were unable to pray audibly. This service was still in session at 12:30 and people were not in a hurry to go home. Many of the parents' eyes were filled with tears of joy as they gave their testimonies. We praise God for our fine Christian young people and for our Youth Director, Mrs. Eunice Tedrow who is a Christian testimony to our youth. We are praying for our coming Revival and we feel that it has already begun as is evidenced by this great youth day service.

Pastor, Everett W. Goings
Reporter, Stanley Dinins

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DEDICATIONS AT VAN BUREN AND BAIRDSTOWN CHURCHES

Van Buren and Bairdstown churches hold dedication service. On Jan. 6th, 1952 Dr. V. H. Allman, Conference Superintendent spent the day with the pastor of these two churches, bringing the message in the morning at Van Buren church, and in the evening at Bairdstown church. Following the address the following were presented for dedication: Van Buren church—oil furnace, out side bulletin board, kitchen sink, and cabinets, hot water heater, kitchen stove, metal cabinet for parsonage, carpet sweeper, pulpit Bible, lawn mower, communion scarfs, baptismal bowl and speakers for the auditorium—A total cost of \$2359.00.

Bairdstown church—The program for the evening consisted of three organ solos played by Miss Barbara Simon, a vocal solo by Edward Weith, accompanied by Miss Frances Jane Good at the piano, all of North Baltimore. After the message by Dr. Allman the pastor presented the following for dedication—Oil furnace and utility room, Hammond organ given by Mr. and Mrs. Otterbein Simon and family, indirect lights and a sixteen-millimeter motion picture machine. The total cost of \$4,427.38. Making a total for the two churches of \$6,786.38.

R. L. Clark, Pastor

Sign on a junk shop a few yards from a railroad crossing, near Denver: "Go Ahead—Take a chance—We'll buy the car."

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"As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of democracy. Whatever differs from this to the extent of the difference, is not democracy." Abraham Lincoln.

Fulton County Youth Fellowship Meets At Delta

The Fulton County Youth Fellowship met Sunday, February 3, 1952 for their quarterly meeting at the Delta E. U. B. Church.

The afternoon session was opened with a congregational song and prayer by the President, Paul Tedrow. Marlene Burkholder from the Wauseon E. U. B. church gave the devotions. Helen Guilford and Mary Barnes from the Zion E. U. B. church then favored us with a vocal duet.

The afternoon speaker, Rev. Eustace Heckert, Pastor of Toledo Point Place E. U. B. church, gave a very inspiring message with much food for thought.

Following the afternoon session the business meeting was held, after which we went to the basement for games and lunch.

The service in the evening began at 7:30 P. M. with an half-hour singspiration led by Helen Guilford and Joan Burkholder. Following the singspiration period the film, "The Great Discovery," was shown. This was a very good picture of a movie actress who was converted and dedicated her life to Christ. After having seen the movie about 32 young people went forward to dedicate their lives to Christ and His work.

The host church, Delta E. U. B., received the banner for the highest percentage of young people present.

Dorothy Tedrow

Ohio Folk Beach Party Near Bradenton, Florida

The Rev. L. H. Myers, wintering in Bradenton, Florida, reports that folk from or near Lima, Ohio, gathered for a beach luncheon party on the beautiful beach of the Gulf of Mexico at Long Boat Key, near Bradenton, on January 26, 1952. "We had beautiful, warm and sunshine weather", writes Rev. Myers. "How was it up there? So sorry for you."

The party consisted of the following people:

Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Foust, Lima R. R. 5; Mrs. Belle Anderson, Zanesville; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hilyard, Elida; Dr. and Mrs. V. H. Allman and daughter Maxine, Bluffton; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Askins, Delphos; Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Adams, Rockford; Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Burget and son Gail, Van Wert; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Reynolds, Sarasota, Florida, formerly of Spencerville, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Burget, Lima; and Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Myers, Lima.

Following the luncheon on the beach, the evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burget where the group were entertained with music and song.

FOR SALE
Cottage at Camp St. Marys
Contact
Rev. N. D. Bevis
Wren, Ohio

Conference Treasurer's Report

FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1952

(Month ending February 6th)

W. P. Alspach, Treasurer

BENEVOLENCES

| | Monthly Budget | Paid January | Paid 5 Mo. | Homes Paid January | Sunday School Avg. Att. January | Morning Wor. Avg. Att. January |
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| NORTHERN DISTRICT | | | | | | |
| BOWLING GREEN GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Belmore | \$ 70 | \$40 | \$220 | \$130 | 126 | 85 |
| Center | 25 | 25 | 118 | 70 | 25 | 25 |
| Bethel—Townwood | 21 | 22 | 104.50 | 10† | 26 | 32 |
| Bethel | 25 | 23 | 139.26 | | 41 | 45 |
| Bowling Green | 250 | 250 | 1250 | 11 | *342 | 309 |
| Custar | 20 | 20 | 100 | 4 | *40 | *37 |
| West Hope | 42 | 42 | 210 | 10 | 59 | 59 |
| Deshler | 60 | 60 | 300 | | *94 | 104 |
| Oakdale | 90 | 90 | 540 | 6 | *106 | 96 |
| Hoytville | 100 | 350 | 350 | | *110 | 65 |
| Luckey | 50 | 50 | 250 | | 86 | *104 |
| North Baltimore | 100 | 100 | 500 | | 166 | 117 |
| Portage | 35 | | 105 | | | |
| Mt. Zion | 60 | 60 | 300 | | | |
| South Liberty | 50 | 50 | 185 | | 54 | 60 |
| Mt. Hermon | 17 | 16 | 83 | | 20 | 29 |
| Tontogany | 17 | 50 | 100 | 10† | 27 | 24 |
| Webster | 30 | 30 | 131 | | 39 | 34 |
| Cloverdale | 20 | 20 | 100 | | 58 | 55 |
| BRYAN GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Bridgewater | 45 | 83 | 225 | | *98 | *88 |
| Bryan | 160 | 160 | 800 | 22 | 187 | 184 |
| Center Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Center | 20 | 20 | 100 | 2 | 38 | 26 |
| Logan | 10 | | 50 | | *33 | *28 |
| Mt. Olive | 20 | 20 | 50 | 24 | *24 | 19 |
| Defiance, First | 160 | 160 | 628 | | 145 | 108 |
| Defiance Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Mt. Calvary | 33 | 33 | 165 | | 62 | 58 |
| Rural Chapel | 17 | 17 | 68 | | 33 | 34 |
| Edgerton | 20 | 20 | 100 | | *87 | *83 |
| Hicksville | 165 | 165 | 825 | | *166 | *164 |
| Montpelier | 160 | 160 | 800 | 1 | *183 | *164 |
| West Unity | | | | | | |
| Emmanuel | 19 | 19 | 95 | | | |
| Ebenezer | 19 | 19 | 95 | | | |
| Salem | 5 | | 15 | | | |
| FOSTORIA GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Bascom | 65 | 78 | 390 | 16 | *87 | *89 |
| Bettsville, Salem | 36 | 36 | 216 | | *74 | 45 |
| Trinity | 45 | | 239.34 | | *112 | *107 |
| Bloomdale | 70 | 70 | 350 | | *131 | *91 |
| Fostoria, Bethel | 58 | | 293 | | 107 | 95 |
| Fostoria, First | 280 | 280 | 1680 | 77 | *306 | *346 |
| Kansas | 10 | 10 | 50 | | 30 | 31 |
| Canaan | 40 | 40 | 240 | 7 | 32 | 33 |
| Pleasant View | 45 | 45 | 225 | | *54 | *51 |
| Rising Sun | 45 | | 162.61 | | | |
| West Independence | 75 | 75 | 375 | 5 | *218 | *207 |
| FREMONT GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Burgoon | 100 | 70 | 570 | 265 | *135 | 107 |
| Fremont, Memorial | 100 | 100 | 500 | 10 | *115 | *118 |
| Fremont, Trinity | 192 | 184 | 925.75 | | *249 | *216 |
| Gibsonburg | 64 | | 89.92 | | 141 | 90 |
| Green Springs | 56 | 52.78 | 176.41 | | 92 | 68 |
| Helena | 59 | 59 | 295 | | 78 | 67 |
| Lindsey | 130 | 130 | 650 | | *211 | *152 |
| Old Fort | 100 | 100 | 500 | 374.60 | *180 | *123 |

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|-----------------------------|-----|-------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Riley Center | 13 | 13 | 65 | | *20 | *30 |
| Woodville | 160 | 160 | 800 | 21 | *214 | *212 |
| NAPOLEON GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Ai | 40 | 13 | 28 | 22 | 40 | 30 |
| Lebanon | 10 | 10 | 70 | | 25 | 22 |
| Mt. Pleasant | 40 | 40 | 181 | | 42 | *49 |
| Delta | 56 | 56 | 280 | 1 | 100 | 74 |
| Zion | 60 | 60 | 300 | | 118 | 109 |
| Liberty Center | 35 | 35 | 175 | | | |
| Malinta | 30 | 27 | 150 | 18 | 58 | 46 |
| McClure | 100 | 100 | 500 | 279.12 | *123 | *91 |
| Monclova | 18 | | 72 | | | |
| Wilkins | 14 | | 70 | | | |
| Napoleon | 83 | 67 | 439 | | 149 | 95 |
| Wauseon, First | 40 | 40 | 200 | 33.16 | 59 | 52 |
| Wauseon Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Beulah | 20 | 17 | 97 | | 52 | 49 |
| North Dover | 50 | 43 | 209.08 | 50 | 71 | 71 |
| Whitehouse | 59 | 59 | 354 | | *136 | *119 |
| SANDUSKY GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Bellevue | 138 | | 1300 | | | |
| Flat Rock | 74 | 221 | 443 | 20.25† | | |
| Kelley's Island | 26 | | | | | |
| La Carne | 17 | 17 | 85 | | 29 | 35 |
| Locust Point | 17 | 17 | 85 | 19.90 | 35 | 36 |
| Mt. Carmel | 100 | 75 | 375 | 160 | 118 | 127 |
| Port Clinton | 80 | 80 | 400 | 108.92 | 75 | 80 |
| Sandusky, Clmbs. Ave. | 22 | 22 | 110 | 15 | *70 | 50 |
| Sandusky, Salem | 68 | 50 | 257 | 25† | 73 | 77 |
| TOLEDO GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Elliston | 73 | | | | | |
| Millbury | 25 | | 125 | | | |
| Moline | 55 | 43.95 | 246.80 | | | |
| Perrysburg | 65 | 65.42 | 392.52 | | 113 | 92 |
| Rocky Ridge | 13 | | 100 | | 101 | *116 |
| Toledo, Calvary | 145 | 145 | 725.09 | | 252 | 176 |
| Toledo, Colburn | 160 | 160 | 800 | 400 | *118 | 114 |
| Toledo, East Broadway | 190 | 255 | 1057 | 683.58 | 178 | 209 |
| Toledo, First | 250 | 250 | 1250 | | 165 | 135 |
| Toledo, Oakdale | 170 | 170 | 850 | | 336 | 276 |
| Toledo, Point Place | 75 | 75 | 375 | | 150 | 120 |
| Toledo, Salem | 60 | 60 | 300 | | 91 | 106 |
| Toledo, Somerset | 170 | 186 | 930 | 265.24 | 170 | 235 |
| Toledo, Upton | 250 | 250 | 1250 | 53 | 276 | 248 |
| Toledo, Zion | 158 | 160 | 800 | | *184 | 144 |
| Walbridge | 12 | 12 | 60 | 58 | 63 | 48 |
| Hayes | 10 | 10 | 50 | 30 | 46 | 26 |
| SOUTHERN DISTRICT | | | | | | |
| BUCYRUS GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Belleville Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Pleasant Grove | 14 | | | | | |
| Pleasant Hill | 22 | | | | | |
| Trinity | 29 | | | | | |
| Brokensword, | | | | | | |
| Emmanuel | 21 | | 123 | 4.75† | | |
| Lykens | 41 | 140 | 280 | 33.06† | | |
| Pleasant Home | 18 | 18.42 | 92.52 | | | |
| Bucyrus Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Harmony | 30 | 30 | 183 | | 52 | 51 |
| Zion | 30 | 30 | 183 | | 58 | 60 |
| Bucyrus, First | 125 | 125 | 625 | 246 | *138 | *130 |
| Bucyrus, Grace | 125 | 125 | 625 | | 177 | 180 |
| Galion | 80 | 80 | 400 | 63 | 155 | 147 |
| Johnsville | 97 | 97 | 485 | | 149 | 154 |
| Mt. Zion | 90 | | 90 | | *110 | *111 |
| North Robinson | 60 | 20 | 187.17 | | 65 | 66 |
| Liberty Chapel | 33 | 33 | 120.15 | | 60 | 64 |
| Oceola | 60 | 40 | 255.46 | | 78 | 61 |
| Olive Branch | 22 | 10 | 50 | | 29 | 29 |
| Smithville | 50 | 50 | 250 | | | |
| Mt. Zion | 21 | 24.86 | 106.14 | | | |
| Sycamore | 75 | 68 | 307 | | 112 | 102 |

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| Upper Sandusky | 128 | 127.75 | 766.50 | 258 | 214 | West Mansfield | 12 | 12 | 60 | 17 | *17 | *20 |
| Upper Sandusky Circuit: | | | | | | York | 50 | 50 | 250 | 58 | *59 | *68 |
| Belle Vernon | 11 | | | 28 | 22 | ST. MARYS GROUP: | | | | | | |
| Salem | 30 | 30 | 150 | 62 | 62 | Bethel | 15 | 30 | 75 | | 29 | 29 |
| Williamsport | 40 | 40 | 200 | *90 | 82 | Mt. Zion | 45 | 45 | 225 | | 109 | 111 |
| FINDLAY GROUP: | | | | | | Celina, Bethany | 153 | 153 | 765 | | 227 | 204 |
| Bairdstown | 21 | 21 | 84 | 40 | 26 | Celina Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Benton Ridge, Calvary | 60 | 60 | 360 | 115 | 110 | Hope | 44 | | 176 | | | |
| Benton Ridge Circuit: | | | | | | Mt. Carmel | 22 | | 88 | | | |
| Pleasant Hill | 35 | | 50 | 21 | 50 | Ft. Recovery, Bethel | 18 | 18 | 88 | | 32 | 31 |
| Trinity | 40 | 34 | 112 | 38.92 | 68 | Old Town | 16 | 16 | 80 | | 39 | 39 |
| Bluffton Circuit: | | | | | | Olive Branch | 22 | 22 | 110 | 25 | 31 | 31 |
| Bethesda | 14 | | 40.50 | 24 | 25 | Pasco | 40 | 40 | 200 | 43 | *43 | *47 |
| Liberty Chapel | 17 | 15 | 75 | 30 | 31 | Sidney | 90 | 90 | 450 | | *92 | *96 |
| Olive Branch | 30 | | 60 | 26 | 24 | St. Marys | 90 | 90 | 450 | | *120 | *91 |
| Bethlehem | 50 | 50 | 250 | 98 | 100 | Wapakoneta | 48 | 48 | 240 | | 105 | 107 |
| Carey | 91 | 183 | 551 | *225 | 196 | VAN WERT GROUP: | | | | | | |
| East Findlay Circuit: | | | | | | Bethel-Mt. Zion Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Ark | 30 | 30 | 150 | 37 | 39 | Bethel | 25 | 25 | 125 | | *60 | *63 |
| Mt. Zion | 45 | 23 | 115 | 30 | 55 | Mt. Zion | 15 | 10 | 50 | | *43 | *41 |
| Findlay, First | 312 | 312 | 1560 | 710 | *377 | Continental | 40 | 100 | 100 | 11 | *53 | *58 |
| Findlay, St. Paul's | 223 | 223 | 1115.09 | 165.81 | *374 | Mt. Zion | 35 | | | | *57 | *56 |
| Findlay, West Park | 28 | 27.50 | 147.50 | 49 | 26 | Wisterman | 20 | | | | 24 | 23 |
| Salem | 12 | 5 | 14.25 | 23 | 22 | Grover Hill Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Leipsic | 50 | | 86 | *114 | 80 | Blue Creek | 30 | 10 | 60 | | 29 | 28 |
| Forest Grove | 20 | | | 35 | 23 | Middle Creek | 35 | 24 | 164 | | 47 | 44 |
| Kiefferville | 20 | 9 | 45 | 44 | 45 | Mt. Zion | 25 | 25 | 125 | | 54 | 57 |
| Mt. Cory, Zion | 40 | 40 | 200 | 80 | 64 | Mt. Pleasant | 80 | 50 | 250 | | 81 | 78 |
| Pleasant View | 50 | | | 62 | 68 | & Harmony | | 10 | 50 | | 23 | 23 |
| Rawson | 100 | 80 | 405 | 50 | *126 | Oakwood | 50 | 50 | 250 | | 122 | 122 |
| South Findlay Circuit: | | | | | | Oakwood Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Pleasant Grove | 25 | 10 | 50 | 33 | 33 | Centenary | 25 | 25 | 125 | | 37 | 43 |
| Salem | 25 | | | 32 | 26 | Prairie Chapel | 25 | 25 | 125 | 20 | *53 | *53 |
| Van Buren | 100 | 100 | 400 | 109 | 94 | Rockford | 200 | 200 | 1000 | 254 | 248 | 201 |
| Vanlue | 50 | 50 | 250 | 76 | 76 | Van Wert, Calvary | 105 | 105 | 525 | 385 | 154 | 146 |
| Vanlue Circuit: | | | | | | Van Wert Circuit: | | | | | | |
| St. Paul | 19 | 20 | 100 | 62 | 62 | Grand Victory | 44 | 44 | 220 | | 75 | 75 |
| Union | 30 | 30 | 150 | 38 | 40 | Union Center | 25 | 25 | 125 | | 66 | 66 |
| West Findlay Circuit: | | | | | | Willshire, Union | 35 | 35 | 175 | | 88 | 80 |
| Powell Memorial | 42 | | 110 | *80 | *80 | Wood Chapel | 25 | 25 | 125 | | 52 | 47 |
| Zion | 25 | 25 | 80 | 2 | *42 | St. Peter's | 12 | 12 | 60 | | 16 | 15 |
| Wharton Circuit: | | | | | | Wren | 65 | 65 | 325 | 100 | 79 | 79 |
| Beech Grove | 25 | 11 | 55 | 32 | 34 | Van Wert, Trinity | 143 | 143 | 715 | | 203 | 170 |
| Big Oak | 42 | 42 | 210 | 215.20 | *78 | WILLARD GROUP: | | | | | | |
| LIMA GROUP: | | | | | | Attica, Federated | 20 | 20 | 100 | | *72 | 68 |
| Blue Lick | 25 | 25 | 125 | 109 | *44 | Attica Circuit: | | | | | | |
| Columbus Grove | 150 | 125 | 625 | 145 | *167 | Richmond | 50 | | 212 | 3.46 | 61 | 61 |
| Cridersville | 25 | 25 | 125 | | *46 | Union Pisgah | 40 | 40 | 211 | 2 | 52 | 52 |
| Kemp | 25 | 6 | 57 | | *30 | Biddle | 15 | 15 | 75 | | 29 | 31 |
| Delphos | 75 | 75 | 375 | 140 | 107 | Bloomville | 45 | 45 | 225 | | 76 | 50 |
| Dunkirk | 65 | 65 | 325 | 69 | 84 | Harmony | 40 | 40 | 200 | | 86 | 80 |
| Walnut Grove | 100 | 100 | 500 | 133 | 134 | Leesville | 45 | 45 | 225 | | 65 | 70 |
| Elida | 100 | 50 | 250 | 127.18 | *129 | Republic | 30 | 30 | 150 | | 50 | 36 |
| Lakeview | 45 | 18 | 120 | 12.30 | 61 | Pietist | | | | | 100 | 104 |
| Lima, First | 231 | 231 | 1155 | *270 | 214 | Shelby | 231 | 231 | 1115 | 141 | 235 | 221 |
| Lima, High St. | 205 | | 820 | | 30 | South Reed | 22 | 22 | 110 | | 29 | 25 |
| Marion (Elida) | 22 | 33 | 66 | | *33 | Tiffin | 75 | | 375 | | *238 | *179 |
| Sant Fe | 45 | 20 | 135 | 106 | | Tiro | 90 | 90 | 450 | 240 | 99 | 116 |
| Vaughnsville | 75 | | | 46 | 140 | Willard | 285 | 311 | 1555 | | 285 | 400 |
| MARION GROUP: | | | | | | Totals | | \$12956.68 | | \$6643.58 | Otterbein | |
| Cardington, Center | 50 | 50 | 186 | 88 | 88 | | | | \$68714.64 | 351.87 | Flat Rock | |
| Fairview | 22 | 12 | 110 | 5 | 29 | | | | | | | |
| Climax | 10 | 10 | 50 | | 21 | | | | | | | |
| Hepburn | 15 | 15 | 75 | | 13 | | | | | | | |
| Hopewell | 16 | 16 | 80 | | 13 | | | | | | | |
| Otterbein | 30 | 30 | 150 | | 40 | | | | | | | |
| Marion, Calvary | 195 | 195 | 1170 | 83† | 298 | | | | | | | |
| Marion, First | 100 | | | | 198 | | | | | | | |
| Marion, Greenwood | 92 | 92 | 551.52 | | 164 | | | | | | | |
| Marion, Oakland | 148 | 148 | 740 | | *128 | | | | | | | |
| Marion, Salem | 27 | 25 | 152 | | *125 | | | | | | | |
| New Winchester | 25 | 17 | 70.65 | 94 | 40 | | | | | | | |
| Peoria | 7 | 7 | 35 | 21 | 30 | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Zion | 4 | 8 | 20 | 15 | 8 | | | | | | | |

Totals

(*)—5% increase in attendance over last year.

(†)—Homes column, Flat Rock

Camp St. Marys pledges paid this month: Sidney, \$5; Lima, First, \$20; Defiance, First, \$75, and cash offering of \$31.

Grand total for Otterbein Home, \$26,607.96—(Needed yet to equal last year's giving, \$2,015.90; and to reach the dollar per member, \$635.)

There has been sent through the Conference treasury for Flat Rock Home, \$2,834.29.

FINDLAY BETHLEHEM

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and class rooms for worship and study.

The annex measures 20½ feet by 50 feet on the west side of the main church building. Three class rooms, a vestibule, and a furnace room are included in this structure. The northwest room is 16 feet by 20½ feet and may be divided by curtains for the use of two primary classes. A connection hall runs from this room past the furnace room to the larger southwest room which is 19 feet by 20½ feet. This room will be used by one of the adult classes and may be shut off from the main auditorium by folding doors or opened up to provide a supplemental seating area to the main auditorium.

A nursery room 9½ feet by 13 feet and a vestibule 10 feet by 16 feet with a memorial niche completes the structure.

An acoustic ceiling was installed in the main auditorium as well as in the new rooms. The entire church is heated with a new forced air, oil fired furnace. Some new windows and doors were put in to provide better lighting and adequate exits in the auditorium. The sanctuary was completely redecorated and additional lighting fixtures installed.

The annex is constructed of masonry, the outside walls being of matching red brick which blend well with the older structure. The old belfry was removed and the bell placed in the new brick belfry atop the annex.

Services were held in the Riverside Grange Hall 2 miles east of the church for a period of approximately 3 months while construction was in progress.

In August, 1947, a building program was under consideration and two members were elected by the congregation to work with the trustees in formulating plans. This group of men comprised the Building Committee. However, nothing definite was accomplished until April 10, 1950 when an architect was authorized to draw up plans for building an addition to the church building. The architectural plans were completed in September, 1950 but not until June 23, 1951 was the building staked out. At this time, there was \$9,865 in available funds. It was estimated that the total cost of the project would be about \$23,000. No special money raising means were employed such as socials, church suppers, etc. However, the second Sunday of each month was designated as the time when the membership would make a special effort to increase the fund.

On July 22, 1951, the cornerstone was laid during services conducted by Dr. V. H. Allman, conference Superintendent, and assisted by the pastor, Rev. Earl Hedges. At this service \$3,029.50 was raised by free will offering.

A letter soliciting funds in the form of a gift to the church was mailed to the membership at Christmas and resulted in another \$1,356 being added. These two efforts were the only special fund raising occasions, the balance coming in through regular channels. By February 1 there remained a balance of \$3,332 to be raised

to meet the estimate of \$23,000.

Bethlehem has a membership of 135 and had an average attendance at Sunday morning services the past year of 101. Rev. Donald W. Bartow, the pastor, divides his time with two other sister churches, Ark and Mt. Zion, both east of Findlay. He resides in the parsonage jointly owned by the churches at 1201 Summit Street in Findlay.

Time and change have left their marks on this church community as they have on most all rural centers but perhaps not to the extent in one sense of the word as may be found in other communities. Many of the residents of this community are descendants of the early pioneers of Bethlehem and those same names are very much in evidence to this day.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP OFFERING
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describing the Goiaz project. You can also secure free offering envelopes from the WSWs office or from the Youth Fellowship Office.

Hey, YFers, instead of stopping in at the drug store for that milk shake, give that money to the Self-Denial Offering! By denying yourself of some pleasure or luxury YOU will be helping the Christians of Brazil.

Send your local Youth Fellowship Offering, properly marked to W. P. Alspach, 314 Lincoln Street, Findlay, Ohio by or before March 31, 1952. Promote vigorously the Self-Denial Offering and receive the offering during the week of March 9 to 16.

Miriam Fritz

W.S.W.S. Sec'y. of Young People's Work

OTTERBEIN COLLEGE NEWS
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Dr. Reuben Miller, Executive Secretary, General Board of Christian Education; Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, President of Wittenberg College; Vance Cribbs, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Otterbein; and Drs. H. L. Boda, E. R. Turner, E. L. Weinland, J. P. Hendrix and Judge Earl Hoover, chairmen of the five committees of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. W. A. Ross, professor of religion at Berea College, will also be heard since he will be the main speaker in the Religion-in-Life Week emphasis which will be in progress at the time.

Artists Series

The college and community artists series committee has presented three attractions to date: namely, the Westminster Choir; Ogden Nash, famous writer of light verse; and Vivienne Bennett, outstanding British interpreter of famous women including those of Shakespeare, Shaw and Wilde.

The fourth and last number will be the world famous Don Cossack Chorus, which will be presented on March 11. Members of the conference on Higher Education will be guests of the college for the concert.

President Howard Honored

Dr. J. Gordon Howard was recently elected chairman of the Assembly of the Ohio Council of Churches. This election

is a high honor to Otterbein's prexy since the Ohio Council is one of the largest and most efficient of all interdenominational state councils. The Ohio pastors conference sponsored annually by the Assembly attracts several thousand ministers from all over the state.

Dr. Howard also serves as chairman of the board of the Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges, an organization of nineteen Ohio colleges for the purpose of making a united approach to industry for gifts. More than \$175,000 has been received to date from Ohio corporations.

Religion-in-Life Week

Dr. W. G. Ross, professor of Religion at Berea College, has been secured for the annual Religion-in-Life Week emphasis beginning on March 9.

For four Sunday evenings preceding the special observance, there will be Fireside Chats in the home of various professors where a variety of topics will be discussed. Don Shilling, Massillon and Ralph Bishoff, Wilkesburg, Pa., ministerial students, are arranging the Fireside Chats.

Film Previews At Marion Group Ministerial Meeting

An interesting experiment was conducted in the area of group meetings when the Marion group met at the Center church, Cardington for its January meeting. By arrangement with the Otterbein Press four recent releases of new films were shown to acquaint the ministers with the latest in religious films. The selection was left to the discretion of the Press and a Bible Story, a missionary story, and two moderns were sent. The showing met with an enthusiastic response by those who saw them. Rev. Robert Hochstetler was host pastor in whose home the visiting ministers were entertained following the showing. Rev. R. W. Faulkner was in charge of the showing and Rev. Don Hochstetler supervised arrangement. Rev. Roy Sutherland is group leader.

Conference Youth Fellowship Exec. Com. Meets

The Executive Committee of the conference youth fellowship met Sunday, February 10 in the Findlay St. Paul's church. Officers Jim Strause, Fred Smith, Vondale Swaisgood, Barbara Benjamin, Shelomith Corl, Bonnie Osborn, Don Russell and Conference Youth Director Rev. W. W. Freshley were present. Plans for the Senior Youth Camp at St. Marys, June 15-21 were discussed. The activities of each commission were reviewed and suggestions made. The Committee recommended that ALL group fellowships organize according to the youth fellowship program (elect officers and commission chairmen). The next committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 20 at the Findlay First church.

Miss Vondale Swaisgood
Sec'y Ohio Sandusky Conference
Youth Fellowship

Items Of General Interest

This is the column where we include all the miscellaneous items which we don't know where to put in other places. We hope you read it all carefully for there is much news in these lines. Mr. Elmer Stombaugh is a patient in Memorial Hospital with a broken pelvis bone. He stumbled and fell in the dark at home, but is doing very nicely at the hospital.

Mr. Harley Stombaugh, son of Elmer and brother of Lawrence Stombaugh has also been a recent patient in Memorial Hospital. He is greatly improved as these lines are prepared.

Mrs. James J. Thrush (Pauline Vandemark) has been a recent patient in Memorial Hospital. Her condition has not improved at this writing.

The Pastor attended Founders Week Conference for five days, February 4th-8th at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Ill. He was the guest of his brother Avery Hamblen who is employed in an Optical firm in Chicago and makes his home there. The Conference was a great spiritual blessing and will long be remembered.

Miss Caroline Mayer was also a recent patient in Memorial Hospital, with influenza. She should be home by the time this paper reaches your home.

Candy Lou Bergdorf, infant daughter of Dale and Lucy James Bergdorf was also a recent patient in Memorial hospital. She has been taken home as the paper goes to press.

Others of our congregation have been ill during the month, many with the flu and other sicknesses. At this writing most of them have recovered and are now back at church or at work again.

The statements so much appreciated on the Church Bulletin Board (outside) are the work of Jon Rockhold, one of our Boy Scouts who is working for his God and Country award. Tell him if you appreciate his choice of statements, and if you have any selection you would like to have used give it to the Pastor.

The parsonage has had some recent improvements through the scraping and restoning of the drive way and the filling in of the garage inside. The work was done by Mr. O. B. Frail. In December the attic of the parsonage was insulated with rock wool by Mr. John Stuber and Mr. Jas. Berry. These improvements make the parsonage much more livable and are much appreciated.

Mr. Rufus Newell has also been a recent patient in Memorial Hospital for injuries received while at work. Mr. Newell is employed at the hospital and is often seen by our members and friends when they are there to visit others. He is at home as these lines are written and is much improved.

Miss Helen Hawkins concluded her work as organist on the last Sunday of January, and Mrs. Everett Sadders resumed her duties on February 3rd. High Street has been greatly blessed in having such

capable musicians preside at the organ.

The Girls Missionary Guild which met at the home of Miss Shirley Moyer on January 2nd elected Miss Mary Frail and Miss Patricia Grimm as Counsellors for the Guild. These girls will do a fine job in their new relationship to this organization, and they are receiving fine cooperation from the girls. Among the new members of the Guild are Miss Judy Cheney and Miss Sue Matthews. Other girls are invited to join the Girls Missionary Guild which meets on the second Monday of every month.

Mrs. Gertrude McLearn of 676 W. Spring Street, a friend of the Church, was a patient in St. Ritas Hospital during the month of January. She is much improved and is now at home.

"Christ Over Korea" Photo A Fake

The following article is clipped from "The Good News Broadcaster" published by the Back to the Bible Hour of Lincoln Nebraska. Many people have asked the Pastor about the photograph mentioned in this article, but not until these lines were read did the truth appear as it needed to be known. Here is the article as it appeared in the Good News Broadcaster.

"Christ Over Korea" Photo a Fake

A picture called "Christ over Korea" was printed in the Ashland (Ky.) "Daily Independent" last August. It was received from Mrs. G. E. Dobbins, a reader. It showed two bombers flying in a cloudy sky. Clearly seen in the foreground was a likeness of Christ, hands outstretched in a gesture of peace.

The story back of the picture was that an Air Force man, flying over Korea, had snapped a dogfight between a U. N. plane and a Communist plane. The film was sent home for developing. It was then that the image was discovered. Mrs. Dobbins secured the picture from a neighbor, who had obtained it from someone else for \$1.00.

According to "Time," the editors of the Ashland "Daily Independent" thought "it was a job of trick photography" but printed it anyway, because "it was an unusual picture and worth printing."

It was enthusiastically received by the readers of the "Independent," requiring several reprints. It was distributed by Religious News Service, and for several months it was widely reproduced in the U. S. press and abroad.

Late in November, 1951, the picture was branded as a fake by Air Force Sergeant Roy C. Burnham, who showed the Savannah "Morning News" an identical picture in color which he had obtained from an Air Force photo laboratory technician in England in 1944, according to "Time" (Dec. 3, 1951). The technician, whose name Burnham did not remember, had told Burnham that he had taken a picture of a B-17 bombing mission over Europe and painted in the picture of Christ. He

planned to sell pictures to airmen as souvenirs.

Said Burnham, "I thought it was time people found out the truth. The thing has been carried too far."

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The editors of the "Good News Broadcaster" had a copy of this picture but declined using it because they saw no spiritual significance, even if it were true. God speaks to His people in this age through the Bible, not in heavenly signs. Heavenly signs will come later at the Rapture (I Thess. 4:16, 17) and after the Rapture (Matt. 24:27-31). We are told to walk by faith and not by sight.

Another point of objection to the image on the picture is that no one has the authority to say that this image represented Christ. It might have been some other person. No one today knows how Christ looked as a man. However reverent and beautiful they might be, all paintings of Christ are drawn from the artist's imagination. This is not a condemnation of the use of pictures of Christ—just an observation.

Sunday School Notes

The new expanded facilities for the children's department are paying great dividends. The Junior Department especially has almost expanded to capacity. The average attendance has been well up in the thirties. The Primary Department is holding its own, but there are many more children who would come if their parents would bring them.

In the Intermediate Department, the eighth and ninth grade girls class is doing very well under the leadership of Mrs. Wm. Whitney. The girls are enjoying their monthly class meetings at their homes, too.

What time does Sunday School start? NO, not 9:45 A. M. but 9:30 A. M. We now have opening exercises for all departments—Beginners, Primary, Junior, Intermediate and Adult. Now, if you don't like your particular opening, or if there is something you would like changed, don't stay away; tell us about it. Your suggestions and comments are always welcome. Just see that they reach the proper authorities.

Our Sunday School attendance on February 10th was 284. If 268 of you who were there would just bring yourselves back and the other 16 of you would bring some one else with you, we would reach our goal of 300. Our membership is over 450. I believe we should have two-thirds of our membership in attendance every Sunday, don't you?

The Good News Club held its first meeting right after school on Monday, February 11th, and will continue to meet at the same time at the church each Monday afternoon. These classes are for all children up through the sixth grade. Parents, please see that your children can attend these classes.

Benjamin F. Richer, Supt.

Our Service Men

Two of our boys left for service during the past month. Mr. Ronald Kautz left about the middle of January to enlist in the Air Corps. Mr. James Walther who has been singing in our choir for several years, was inducted into service on Friday, February 1st. He is stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. Ronald's address is uncertain at the present.

It seems that two of our boys will be able to come home from Korea very soon. As these lines are prepared word has been received that Jimmy Mumaugh is back in the United States and will be back home very soon. George Hefner is expecting to get home in a few weeks. He is now stationed on an Island off the coast of Japan awaiting further orders. It will be a great blessing to have these boys home again.

Complete information from our denominational commission on Chaplaincy and National Service has been received, and will be placed in the hands of our Servicemen's Committee. It provides for free literature for all of our boys who are away, and it also provides for introductory cards to be given to the Chaplain at the time of induction. The commission has arranged for our boys to become a part of the "United Fellowship of Protestants," which is an organization of men in the service. The literature provided is well prepared and will be appreciated by all of our boys.

New addresses:

Pfc. Robert C. Howell, A. F. 16380543
3476 School Squadron, Box 6247
Flt. 33

University of Alabama
University, Alabama

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Cpl. Fred Bruner, R. A. 15452295
Co. A. 11th Inf. Reg.
5th Inf. Div.
Indiantown Gap, Military Res.
Indiantown Gap, Penna.

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Pfc. Alex Peters, U. S. 52144079
Co. A.—332nd Engr. Avn. Bn.
Wolters Air Force Base,
Wolters, Texas.

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Oliver H. Tremaine, SWCP 5718958
MCB No. 6 Shops Co.
Davisville, Rhod Island.

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Lt. jg. Robert J. Frysinger
3236 Bayside Walk
Mission Beach, Calif.

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Pvt. Paul J. Walther, U. S. 52173037
Battery A—61st A A A
A. W. Btn.—R. C. 3rd Ptn.
6th Armored Division
Camp Leonard Wood, Mo.

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Pvt. Ronald D. Kautz—AF—15465968
Flt. 147—3714 Tng. Sqdn.
Lackland Air Force Base
San Antonio, Texas

Pfc. Darrell E. Allen, U. S. 52008338
Battery C—4th A A A Bn.
APO 179—o/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

Park A. Blubaugh has been promoted to Sergeant, and has informed relatives that he will be located at Samson Air Force Base, at Geneva, New York for some time yet.

Melvin Shook was home for a short leave in between assignments during the early days of February. He was present in the church services and prayer meeting and sang in the choir while at home. He will send his address as soon as he is sure of his next location.

Any correspondence addressed to Cpl. John D. Lepley should bear the number 500 as his APO (APO 500) o/o P. M. San Francisco, Calif.

Captain Robert G. Vandemark graduated from Ft. Benning, Georgia on February 14th, and is now stationed at Camp Polk, La. His family will accompany him, and will live in Leesville, La., which is close to the camp.

A list of our service men is being prepared on a large poster to be placed on the bulletin board, and parents of service men are asked to keep their addresses up to date on this poster. The names will be written in ink, but their addresses will be written in pencil in order that they may be erased as the need for a change may be known. Send us the news of your boy and we will be glad to print it in this column.

Funerals

On Thursday morning February 14th at about 1:30 A. M. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lauck lost their lives in a fire which destroyed their home on the Spencerville road about five miles out of Lima. Mrs. Lauck's father, Mr. Amstutz, and her little five year old brother died in the same fire. Funeral services were conducted by the Pastor for Mr. and Mrs. Lauck on Saturday morning, February 16th, at 10:00 A. M. in the Davis Miller & Son Funeral Home. Services for the stepfather and younger brother were held that afternoon by the Rev. Paul Graeser. Mr. and Mrs. Lauck were united in marriage by the Pastor on October 13th, 1951, and they were looking forward to God's blessing upon their home in the arrival of a little child. This tragedy has struck deeply on both of the homes involved, and the sincere sympathy of the entire church is extended to both families in the loss of these loved ones.

Weddings

Wedding bells are still ringing at High Street church, and three weddings have taken place since the last edition of the Witness went to press.

On Sunday, January 20th, Mr. Dale Harner and Miss Alice Lance united in marriage in the Sanctuary at 2:30 P. M.

On Sunday, February 3rd, Mr. Robert E. Mills and Miss Patricia Long, both members of High Street church, were united in marriage before the altar of the Sanctuary.

On Sunday, February 17th, Mr. Wm. Shilling and Miss Evelyn Jean Brogee were united in marriage before the altar of the Sanctuary.

Each of these weddings was a full church wedding, and in every case the service was double ring. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to all the newly-weds and pray God's blessing upon their newly established homes.

New Arrivals

Only one new arrival was recorded during the past month, namely that of a daughter, Deborah Ann, born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Carder of 127 S. Jefferson St. Delphos, Ohio. Mrs. Carder is the former Miss Jean Cheney, a sister of Mrs. Betty Gibbs of our church. Congratulations to the new parents on the birth of a fine daughter.

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR CHRISTIAN PARENTS

1. Give your children the support of love and confidence, with appreciation of the individuality of each.
 2. Plan for good times with your children and try always to realize how things seem to a child.
 3. Give your children a share in the tasks, plans and creative activities of the home.
 4. Look for good which you can praise more than for faults which you must condemn.
 5. Value curiosity in your children and stimulate in them the love of all things true and beautiful.
 6. Teach your children to convert obstacles into opportunities.
 7. Develop in yourself such qualities as you want your children to have.
 8. Make your home a center of friendship and good neighborliness.
 9. Share with your children in the fellowship of the church.
 10. Lead your children into faith in God through discipleship to Jesus Christ that they may be workers with God in overcoming evil and promoting the good.
- Commission on Marriage and the Home

Protocol required Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black to attend the funeral of a man he had cordially detested for years. A colleague who was late for the services whispered in Justice Black's ear, "How far has the service gone?" Justice Black whispered back, "They just opened the defense." We know that the eulogy of the deceased is a practice in civilization but the Christian knows that after death has come there is no further defense. The words may be a sort of opiate for relatives if the person has been unsaved, but the issues of eternity are settled in this life.