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The High Street Witness

HIGH STREET EVANGELICAL UNITED BROTHERS CHURCH

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Pastor's Message

As these lines are prepared the city-wide Revival meeting is entering its last week, and the results have proved a blessing to everyone who has attended. The Biblical preaching of Dr. T. W. Wilson, the spirited song leading of Don DeVos, and the musical interpretations on the Hammond Organ by Herman Voos have made each service a blessing and inspiration. Many who were not acquainted with meetings such as our city-wide meetings can hardly imagine what they are, but those who attend once always want to go back. Revival meetings do much good, and chief among the benefits are the warm hearts of the people. The blessings are counted in much larger proportions than the number who merely go forward at each service, for while souls are saved in the inquiry room other hearts are blessed and warmed by the Revival meeting.

Attendance at High Street Church suffered during the month of December thru bad weather and other contributing factors. Our average attendance for the month was as follows: Sunday School 216, Morning Worship 215, Evening worship 91. The first two Sundays of January have set a much higher level, and on January 13th there were 277 in Sunday School and 291 in morning worship. We will report next month on January attendance, but we trust it will be a great improvement over December. It is not easy to get to Church when the weather is bad and when the snow is deep, but those who manage to do so have great blessing for their faithfulness.

The Cub Pack which was organized during December began its regular meetings in January. Each Den is off to a good start, and the Den leaders have been attacking their work with enthusiasm. The Pack will have its monthly meeting on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30 P. M. in the church dining room.

On Sunday January 6th Mr. and Mrs. James Lowell Weber presented their infant son James Earl for Christian baptism at the altar of the church. On the same day Mr. Willard Brush and Mr. Robert May received adult baptism at the altar. Baptism is an act of obedience following our faith in Christ, and we congratulate these who are seeking to carry out our Lord's commands. Baptisms will be performed on the first Sunday of any month by arrangement with the Pastor.

On Sunday January 13th there were received into our church membership, Mrs. Wm. G. Whitney, Mrs. Frank J. Applequist, and Mr. Richard Wayne Whitney. Richard is a brother to Mrs. Whitney's

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Coming Events

For the benefit of everyone we will try to list some of the outstanding coming events that will be taking place in our church during the Spring and Winter months.

January 27th—Youth Day. The young people will assist in the morning service, and the entire evening service will be in charge of our youth groups. The young people will provide special music of various kinds in addition to other items on the program. The young people will receive an offering for missions, and the rest of the people will give an offering for our summer camp fund.

January 30th—There will be a covered dish supper for all the parents and young people of the Catechism classes.

February 3rd—The evening service will be in charge of our Missionary groups in observing World Service Day. There will be a special speaker.

February 10th—Boy Scout Sunday. The Boy Scouts will be in uniform during the morning service and will assist as ushers.

February 12th—Father and Son Banquet in the Church dining room. The speaker will be Mr. E. J. Ward, and Mr. Ed. Costello will serve as Toastmaster. This meeting is sponsored by the Brotherhood for ALL the men and boys who claim High Street as their Church. Tickets are \$1.25 each. See Marion Frail or one of the Officers if you want a ticket.

Our Revival Meeting will be held March 16th to the 28th, and the Evangelist will be Rev. B. F. Richer, Sr. of Toledo, Ohio. All organizations including Boy Scouts, Cub Pack, Sunday School classes and all other groups are asked to clear this period, and to attend the meetings in a body at some time if possible. Further details concerning our Revival Meeting will be announced in the next Edition of The Witness.

Wedding Bells

Wedding bells are ringing and will continue to ring at the High Street Church for some time.

Mr. Russell Wilson of Waynesfield, Ohio and Miss Lois Maxine Fralick of 461 S. Shawnee St. of Lima, Ohio were united in marriage before the altar of the church at 12:00 o'clock noon on Sunday, December 23, 1951. Lois is a sister to Mrs. Mahlon Smith (Jean Fralick) who was married in the church last June. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were able to be present for the wedding although they are now making their home in Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson expect to make their home in Lima.

Recommended Papers

Now and then we feel led to recommend certain publications which we feel will be of blessing and help to your home. Good Christian reading is a vital necessity to every Christian, and worthy Church papers should find some place in every Church home.

The "TELESCOPE-MESSENGER" is a weekly publication of our Church, and the subscription price is \$3.00 per year. This paper has just begun the new year of publication, and its contents are greatly improved under some new plans of procedure. New articles that are very helpful are now appearing in each edition, and we strongly recommend this paper to you.

"OUR HOME" is a monthly publication of our denomination designed to help the family with children through helpful and instructive articles. The cost is \$1.50 per year, and you will find it well worth the price. Sometimes in one edition alone you will feel more than repaid for the cost of the paper for a year. Both the "Telescope-Messenger" and "Our Home" can be obtained through Mrs. C. M. Furry who is agent for these papers in our Church. Her address is 2126 University Blvd. Send her the subscription price on either paper, and she will see to it that they are sent to your home.

Another very worthy paper is "THE PROTESTANT WORLD." This paper is published jointly by the National Council of Churches and The National Association of Evangelicals. Its major design is to present fairly and accurately the news of what Protestant Churches, Denominations, and Leaders are doing and saying as well as to present reports and other secular news that effect the spiritual life of America. The price is \$3.00 per year, but a trial subscription of 6 months can be obtained for \$1.50. You may send your subscription to Mrs. Furry, and she will see that it is sent in for you.

One of the biggest values in the religious paper field is the "GOOD NEWS BROADCASTER." Along with this paper is also published "THE YOUNG AMBASSADOR" which is a paper for boys and girls. Both papers are monthly, and the price on each is \$1.00 per year. Both papers are published by the "Back to the Bible Hour" of Lincoln, Nebraska, and subscriptions should be sent directly to them.

If you want good Christian reading in your home subscribe to one or more of these papers, and you will find them very helpful in every way.

"Believe in yourself, and what others think won't matter."—Emerson.

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PASTOR'S COLUMN

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brother William. He has been assisting in the ushering frequently on Sunday morning and his face is familiar to our people. Mrs. Applequist has been assisting in the Sunday School in the pre-kindergarten class with Mrs. Lenore Roberts. Mrs. Whitney has been serving as co-teacher with Miss Edna Holten and in a Junior High class of girls. We are happy to receive these friends into our church fellowship.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Morgret have received their letters from High Street Church to unite with the Allentown Methodist church.

Our Otterbein Home offering received at Christmas time totaled \$721.00. A majority of the funds received for the Home came through the Win One Class offerings and the collection of sales tax stamps at the door. The bad weather and small attendance just preceding Christmas had their effect upon our Otterbein Home offering. Remember to leave your sales tax stamps at the front door of the church for they will assist in next year's offering for the home.

Last month the Pastor omitted by accident the Dorcas Class from the regular schedule of monthly meetings. The Dorcas class meets on the 2nd Tuesday afternoon of each month and is a part of our regular schedule of meetings. Apologies to the Dorcas class.

Subscriptions have been coming in in good volume for "The High Street Witness." Tell your friends about the paper, and send your subscriptions in if you have not done so. The price is just \$1.00 per year, and we feel that this paper should be in your home and in the home of your friends.

Mr. Harland Barton, brother to Miss Tressa Barton who went to be with the Lord last October 30th, sent a check for \$75.00 for missions in memory of his sister last month. The check is to be used for missionary purposes. Mr. Barton also has informed us that it was his sister's desire that \$1000.00 from her estate go to missions, and a similar amount is to go to Otterbein College for a scholarship for a talented needy pupil who is majoring in music. We think it is a wonderful thing when people remember the cause of Christ in their wills, and we rejoice that God's work will continue to be supported by Tressa even after her death. We suggest that every Christian examine their wills, and in many cases God's work can and should be remembered liberally. Why not write or re-write your will so that the cause of Christ and his church may be remembered and supported through some remembrance after your death? Remember your church in your will.

On Christmas morning the Pastor awakened to find himself in the clutches of old man "flu". Three days is too long to be down sick in bed, but in this case there was no choice. The effects of the flu are

lasting much longer, and recovery has been slow but steady. A slight touch of physical infirmity has been a distinct reminder to your Pastor of the goodness of God in giving him a strong body that could endure so much strain and abuse in seeking to do God's work. In spite of the siege with the flu the Pastor and his family had a happy and most enjoyable Christmas. The many greeting cards and gifts from members and friends of the church were a reminder of the love and affection that exists between a minister and his people, and for all of God's blessings your Pastor and his family are deeply grateful. Please accept our sincere thanks to every person who sent a greeting to the parsonage at Christmas time.

Perhaps there are some who make numerous resolutions at this time, but as your Pastor and leader I have long ago ceased making new ones but renew the old ones. If there is one resolution that stands out above all others, it is my personal desire to be a better student of God's word during 1952. The Bible is the book that can change our lives, and its pages need to be unfolded to benefit every soul.

Remember in 1952 that your Pastor stands ready to serve you at your call. When there is illness in the home or someone is taken to the Hospital, call your Pastor just as you do your Doctor. Sometimes he may find out about your illness or your need, but there are many times when the need has come and gone and no one has remembered to tell him. It is more than embarrassing to find out that some member of the Church has been in the hospital unknown to the Pastor or his family. The Hospital attempts to notify every minister of his people who go there, but this arrangement is not dependable as has been proved many times. Sometimes the notifications are not accurately sent and they go to the wrong minister or else they go astray in some other manner. Be loyal to your church in 1952, and it will attempt to serve you in every spiritual way.

Sincerely yours,

Frank R. Hamblen

Items Of General Interest

Among our people in the Hospital during the past month were: Mr. Charles Wildt, Mr. Walter McMichael, Miss Marjorie Emehiser, and Mrs. Amelia Schubert. All were in St. Rita's Hospital. Mr. Wildt has now returned home and is getting stronger every day. He hopes to be able to attend Church very soon. Mr. McMichael was injured in an automobile accident, but is now at home and recovering rapidly. Mrs. Schubert is a patient in the hospital as these lines are prepared, but her condition is greatly improved and she expects to be home soon. We are happy for the rapid recovery of all these who have been on our Hospital list the past month.

Two of our young people attended our mid-winter convention at Marion, Ohio. They were Miss Janet Harrod, and Miss Nancy Wilson.

The Rev. Wm. N. Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Richards of our Church, has accepted the pastorate of the First E. U. B. Church in Glendale, California. We are happy to have brother Richards back in the E. U. B. Church and we rejoice that he has become Pastor of so fine a congregation. His mailing address is Zone I, Glendale, California.

Our Christmas tree and other decorations were set up this year by Jean Frail, Betty Jo Frail, Virginia Skelly and Miss Jeanette Fisher. Our sincere thanks to these girls for the fine job they did in providing our Christmas decorations.

Vatican Appointment

At its last regular meeting the Allen County Ministerial Association sent a protest to President Harry S. Truman over his appointment of an Ambassador to the Vatican. Since then we have read in our newspapers that Gen. Mark Clark has removed himself from this controversy by asking to be relieved of his appointment as Ambassador. We believe that this is the wrong step for our country to take, and that it is inconsistent with our separation of Church and State. It would be as logical for our President to name an Ambassador also to The World Council of Churches as to The Vatican, but we would oppose one step as readily as the other.

We suggest that you write to President Harry S. Truman, to your Senators and your Congressmen telling them of your opposition to this act, for the Protestant forces of America have been aroused by this presidential decision. We can see no reason why the Roman Catholic Church should be treated differently than any other religious body in the world, and we believe that our country should maintain its historic decision concerning the separation of Church and State in every realm. Write that letter today.

Future Weddings

Mr. Dale Harner and Miss Alice Lence both of Rural Route, Lima, will be united in marriage before the altar of the church on Sunday, January 20th at 2:30 P. M.

Mr. Robert E. Mills and Miss Patricia Long, both of High Street Church will be united in marriage in the sanctuary on Sunday, February 3rd. The custom of open church will prevail, and friends are invited.

On Sunday February 17th, Mr. Wm. Shilling and Miss Evelyn Jean Brogee will be united before the altar of the sanctuary at 4:30 P. M. The custom of open church will prevail and friends are invited.

May 1952 be the best year we have had thus far.

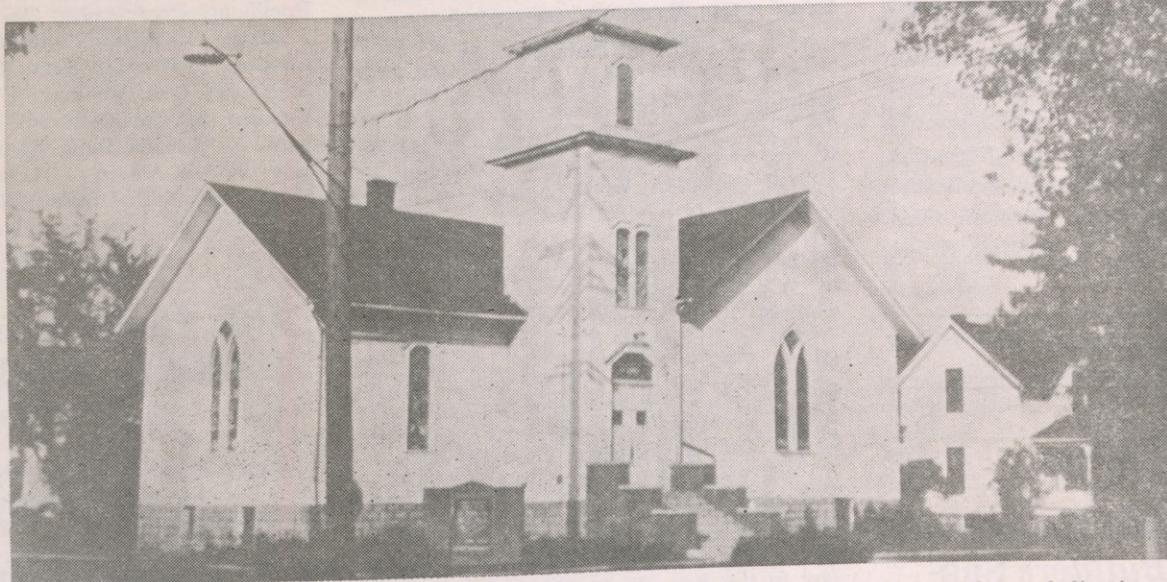
The following 8 pages contain all articles and news from our Sandusky Conference as compiled and edited for the Sandusky News by the staff thereof. A splendid opportunity to become acquainted with a great conference.

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E. S. HECKERT . . . EDITOR

DELTA REDEDICATES NEWLY DECORATED SANCTUARY AND S. S. ROOMS



On December 16th, 1951 the Evangelical United Brethren church of Delta, Ohio celebrated a very happy occasion—the rededication of the newly redecorated sanctuary and Sunday School Rooms. In spite of the sub-zero weather and all the inconveniences that come with it such as stalled cars, frozen water pipes, etc. there were seventy eight present for Sunday school with more coming in for the worship service. The altar was decorated with palms and a huge basket of beautiful chrysanthemums presented by Mrs. Geneva Thompson of Detroit in honor of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Greisinger, who are members here. The robed Junior Choir participated in the worship service with appropriate responses

and an anthem. We were very privileged to have with us our district superintendent. Rev. F. A. Firestone, to present a very timely Christmas message.

At noon a bountiful pot luck dinner was served in the basement dining room. Every one enjoyed the Christian fellowship as was evidenced by the merry hum of conversation and laughter. At two o'clock we again gathered in the sanctuary for the rededication services. Greetings and best wishes were extended by the Delta Ministerial group and by the ministers of the Napoleon group. Among the special numbers was a male quartet from the Zion E. U. B. church and an anthem by the Junior Choir. Rev. Firestone then gave an inspirational message and con-

ducted the rededication ceremony. The afternoon program concluded by a ladies trio composed of Mrs. Wilbur Kleck, Mrs. Donald Pfaff, and Mrs. Kenneth Russell singing "Bless This House." We give thanks and all glory to the God above who has been so gracious to us and who has enabled us to complete and pay for this project which, when first contemplated, seemed almost unattainable.

Special Revival Services will begin Jan. 6 for at least two weeks. Rev. O. L. Heltzel of Wauseon will be the evangelist. Rev. and Mrs. Goings will conduct the Children's Services, Roscoe Koos, song leader, Mrs. Merlyn Ruple, pianist.

E. W. Goings, Pastor
Christine Ruple, Reporter

For The Young People

There are 26,500,000 youth in the United States between the ages of 12 and 25 according to the 1950 census. We are told by Christian educators that millions of young people have never been inside of a church of any denomination or faith. We know that within the bounds of our own conference there are hundreds of young people who do not know Jesus Christ as their Savior and Friend. We all know many young people in our own communities who have not been touched by the church and who need Christ in their lives.

January is Youth Evangelism Month and should be a fruitful month in every Youth Fellowship. It should be a month in which the Commission on Evangelism and Stewardship carries out its program of reaching out and bringing new young people into the youth group. Young people may not come to you. It will be

up to the Evangelism Commission and others to go out after them. As the editor of "Builders" suggests, we need to follow four basic principles in winning youth:

"First, we must expect them to respond; Second, we must try to understand them; Third, we must commit them, ask them to give an answer to Christ and the church, Fourth, we must put them into service, use them in a worth-while task that challenges them to the utmost."

Christ Calls Youth to Commitment! May Youth Evangelism Month be a fruitful month for every church.

"The Call" and Youth Week

This year Youth Evangelism Month should have a very meaningful climax, for it concludes with the emphasis upon "The Call" on the first Sunday of Youth Week, January 27.

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The North District

Rev. F. A. Firestone, Superintendent

FACING THE DAWN

Daylight and morning bell,
And after that to work;
And may there be no soft and subtle spell
To make me shirk!
For though into the maze of toil and
strife,
My tasks may set my way,
I hope to meet my Master life to life,
As I shall live this day!

These are lines from a poem written by Dr. William Hiram Foulkes, a great American preacher. They are something of a parody, in the best sense, on Tennyson's immortal lines. They are fitting for all of us—always—particularly now.

December Babies

With delight we announce the safe arrival of precious babies in December to

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Ohio Sandusky Conference Leads in Builders Subscriptions

Ohio Sandusky Conference tops the list of "Builders" subscriptions to any one of the four Ohio conferences, states Dr. Raymond M. Veh, editor, and a member of the Conference. Recorded for this year are 6,300 subscriptions to our youth publication. Of all the conferences in the church, only the Western Pennsylvania exceeds this total with 7,546 subscriptions. Editor Veh and all members of the Conference rejoice in this achievement.

"I know that you will not be satisfied with this achievement", states Dr. Veh, "but will plunge forward to a greater total."

Is your Sunday School giving "Builders" to young people's and adult Sunday school classes? If not, have your Sunday school council consider the opportunity of getting this denominational weekly into the homes of your parish. The publisher will gladly supply a month's supply of any quantity of copies free for introduction into your school.

Golden Wedding Anniversary At Tiro

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Cantwell Lash, of our Tiro Church, observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

They were married November 14, 1901, by Rev. C. W. May, pastor of the Tiro U. B. church at that time.

They have spent their entire lives in the vicinity of Tiro, and are loyal members of the Tiro E. U. B. church.

The couple have seven children, one of whom, Walter Clinton, is Superintendent

of the Willard, Ohio, E. U. B. Sunday School. The couple also have 12 grandchildren.

They observed open house on Sunday, November 18th, in their home, and in spite of the winter blizzard of that day, they received over 130 guests.

Reporter

FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE

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Each pastor received a little folder explaining "The Call" and read about it in "Builders" and will be hearing more about it over radio and television. "The Call to United Christian Youth Action" in every community is a vital part of the observance of Youth Week. Help for the promotion of this worthy project can be found in "Christian Education Newsletter" as well as "Ohio Christian News."

"The Call", which has as its goal "One Million Youth for Christ—One Million Dollars for Youth at Home and Abroad", is the greatest challenge ever presented by the United Christian Youth Movement.

I am sure every local church will do its best to get its youth to sign the commitment cards and collect one dollar from each young person. This money is to be sent to the Rev. W. P. Alspach, Treasurer, 314 Lincoln St., Findlay, Ohio. Let us do our part in helping to reach the goal of one million in youth and in dollars. If possible, the money should be received on February 3 at an interdenominational gathering in your community. "CHRIST CALLS YOUTH."

World Service Offering Postponed

Since "The Call" comes during Youth Week this year, the emphasis of the Self-Denial offering will be postponed until the week of March 9-16.

Mid-Winter Convention

Old Man Winter played havoc with us during Mid-Winter Convention time, Dec. 27-29, but over 130 young people braved the icy roads to attend the First Mid-Winter Convention of the new Ohio Sandusky Conference held at First E. U. B. church, Marion, with Don Hochstetler as host Pastor.

The keynote address was given by Superintendent F. A. Firestone of the Northern District, and discussion groups were led by H. L. Adams, Paul Jones, Miss Miriam Fritz, Paul Walter, Kenneth Stover, and Wendell W. Freshley. The emphasis upon "The Call" was brought by James Jones, president of Toledo Youth Federation, and the concluding messages were given by C. Willard Fetter of First Church, Akron, of our Ohio East Conference.

Rev. Fetter was the banquet speaker on Friday, concluding an evening of wholesome fun and fellowship with special musical numbers and a reading, the program being in charge of John Searle, Jr. who led the singing. Don Sullivan served as toastmaster.

The Convention concluded after Rev. Fetter's challenging message on "A Good Name," with an installation service and

consecration service led by the Conference Youth Director. A human cross was formed in front of the beautiful sanctuary as young people bowed in sacred silence, giving testimony to their rededication of life to Christ and his church.

The following officers and commission chairmen were elected and appointed: President, James Strouse, St. Marys; Vice-President, Fred Smith, Shelby; Secretary, VonDale Swaisgood, Bettsville Trinity; Chairman, Worship and Devotional Life, Shelomith Corl, Fostoria First; Chairman, Evangelism and Stewardship, Bonnie Osborn, Findlay St. Paul; Chairman, Missions and Social Action, Barbara Benjamin, Montpelier; Chairman, Recreation and Leisure Time, Don Russell, Millbury.

W. W. Freshley

EUB Youth Attend Ohio Christian Youth Rally At Columbus

"God's Power—Our Strength" proved a dynamic and unifying theme for the interdenominational Ohio Christian Youth Rally held in Columbus, Nov. 23-25. Sponsored by the Ohio Christian Youth Movement of the Ohio Council of Churches, the rally did much to further ecumenical spirit among our youth. As Evangelical United Brethren we can be very proud of the fine response of our youth. E. U. B. young people formed one of the largest delegations. Emphasizing not only co-operation and fellowship inside nations, but a fellowship without boundaries, Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, member of the World Council of Churches, presented the opening address—"Toward a Realistic World Community." Group meetings and small discussion groups studied the personal implications of "The Call," which is each youth's pledge of deepened commitment to Christ. Saturday afternoon the E. U. B.'s gathered in the Fifth Avenue Church for their denominational meeting. Three Ohio YF members, Edna Mae Pollock, Don Schilling and Vondale Swaisgood, talked about the importance of the local YF and our service projects. Dr. J. Allan Ranck impressed upon the group the significance of "The Call" to E. U. B.'s. The guest speaker of the afternoon was Rev. Toshio Ota, Japanese student, who presented the missionary challenge. This meeting marked the first time that youth from all our Ohio conferences met together. Approximately 560 EUB youth attended the banquet that evening and enjoyed the music presented by the Otterbein quartet and jokes and sincere thoughts of the speaker, Rev. Harvey C. Hahn. The strength of rallies such as this does not end with the final speech, but can continue to be felt as a fresh stimulus in our youth groups.

Vondale Swaisgood, Sec'y.

"What one approves, another scorns,
And thus his nature each discloses:
You find the rosebush full of thorns,
I find the thornbush full of roses."

News from the Churches

TOLEDO FIRST CHURCH

First church, Toledo has completed the redecorating of the entire church building, so that everything looks like new. There will be a new stage curtain in the ground floor auditorium, and draw drapes will take the place of the shades which have been worn out for some time. New electric fixtures will be placed also in the downstairs auditorium.

On Sunday, December 23, in the morning the choir sang a new cantata, "The Story of Christmas." In the evening the children's department presented "Why the Chimes Rang" under the direction of Miss Barbara Black. On Christmas Eve the church had its annual Midnight Holy Communion service. The pastor was the celebrant, using the new ritual as adopted by the General Conference; Rev. W. H. Schuster, a retired minister and former conference superintendent, preached the sermon; the choir under the direction of Mr. Harry W. Warner sang "Nazareth" by Gounod, "Arise, Shine, for thy Light is Come" by Roberts, "Sanctus" by Gounod and "Beautiful Savior" by Christiansen. There was a good congregation for this midnight festival service.

The report on Christmas offering totaled \$993; this is not including what may have come in on Sunday, December 30. Benevolences are paid in full to date.

VAN WERT CALVARY

Our Boy Scout Troop No. 33 of which Mr. Elmer Woods and Mr. Robert Hoffman are leaders held an investiture service on Tuesday, December 11th. They are doing splendid work and a large attendance witnessed the service.

A Christmas Program was presented on Sunday evening, December 23rd to a very large audience under the direction of Mrs. Harold Gribler and the teachers of the Primary Department. The Girls' Missionary Guild presented a play, "Christmas Comes to Hampshire Road" under the direction of the Guild President, Miss Wanda Johns.

On Christmas Eve an impressive Candle Light Communion service was held and a fair attendance. Our revival starts, the Lord willing, January 13th with the Reverend Walter Adams, pastor of our church at Celina bringing the message.

MONTPELIER CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The new conference year started off good at Montpelier. The church had a potluck supper reception for the pastor, Russell Hawk. A splendid program was presented on this occasion by members of the church and a message by Rev. Howard Dunlap of the Christian Union Church. This was followed with a message of welcome to the pastor by the Sunday School superintendent, Eldon Connolly.

We had a two week evangelistic meeting

in October with several conversions and a number of reconsecrations. Rev. Eva Clausen and Miss Celeste Richardson were the evangelists. Their ministry was a blessing to the church. We have received five new members and there are more to come in later.

On December 12th the church held their annual Christmas party. This meeting is sponsored by the W. S. W. S., Youth Fellowship and the Brotherhood. A joyous time was enjoyed by all and a good program was presented. The Junior Department of the Sunday School presented their Christmas program on Sunday evening, December 23rd, to a full house. Our offering for Otterbein Home amounted to \$461.00.

The Youth Fellowship sponsored the Watch Night service which began at 9:30. Mrs. Milton Nolin conducted a singspiration which was a unique way of presenting the old hymns of the church. The Young Men's quartet, and the girls' trio, and a vocal and an instrumental solo were the special numbers in music. Thoughts for the New Year and a reading by other young people were also presented. The service closed with a Communion Meditation by Rev. Milton Nolin. At the close of the Communion service the pastor was presented with a purse of money for which he expressed his gratitude.

WSWS OF TIRO PRESENTS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The WWSWS of our Tiro Church presented its annual Christmas program to 62 people—members and their families, guests.

Carols were sung and the program stressed International Good-will. Appropriate decorations around the altar, burning candles amidst small flags of various nations, created an atmosphere of Christmas and the program theme.

A "Love Offering" was received for the two goals of the Branch—the support of Miss Lois Olsen, one of our missionaries in Africa, and the supplying of equipment for Bethany Hospital in the Philippines.

At the close of the program, colored slides were shown of the children of the church and their Summer Christmas Tree Project.

The Hostess Committee for the evening then invited the guests to the church basement, where lunch was served by candlelight. They were seated at tables decorated in keeping with the holiday season, which were arranged around a nativity scene in the center.

Reporter

WALNUT GROVE CHARGE

The Walnut Grove church is progressing slowly with the improvement work; plasterers and plumbers have held up the work a lot, but we now have hopes the plastering in the new part will be finished in or near January 10th. Then we expect to have considerable plastering done in the old basement extending into the enlargement which may take another week.

The plumbing is partially completed,

and we hope that within another two weeks that will be completed.

Then if we are fortunate enough to get the carpenters at work and to keep them on the job we should have completed the amount of improvements in this first set up by the 10th of February.

OTTERBEIN HOME OFFERING—This church reported a membership of 239 at the last Annual Conference, and the offering for the Home was \$450.00 which makes within a fraction of a cent \$1.90 per member. This church sent a lot of clothing to the Home in addition to the offering. The Ladies Aid of this church sent presents of all descriptions to make the old folks and children of the home happy at Christmas time.

The attendance at S. S. was 176 and the night service with a program was about 200.

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DUNKIRK

The Dunkirk Church had a fine Christmas program but attendance was low because of the ice and snow, reaching 90 in both Church and Sunday School. **OTTERBEIN HOME offering**—This little church with a membership of 182 came through with an offering of \$303.00 which amounts to about \$1.11½ per member.

Rev. C. H. Lilly, Pastor

YOUTH AT KEMP CHURCH PRESENTS CHRISTMAS PLAY

The youth groups of the Kemp Evangelical United Brethren Church presented a three-act Christmas play, "Grandpa Hangs the Holly," Sunday evening, December 30. Those taking part in the play were Richard McClain, Don Crites, Joan Crites, JoAnn Severns, Neil Riffle, Marilyn Riffle, Jane Lotz, Donna Lotz, Bessie Beech, Larry Crites, and Jean Lotz. Don Crites was the director with Arlene McClain as production manager and Paul Neeper as stage manager.

Preceding the play the Children's Department of the Sunday School presented a short program directed by Mrs. Charles Mart. Music was given between acts by a ladies sextet singing "On Judea's Hills" and an accordion solo, "Silent Night" by Janice Neeper. The program was enjoyed by an audience of 100 parents and friends.

Rev. Delbert E. Cress, Pastor

LACARNE CHARGE

The Lacarne Charge is making splendid material advancement this new conference year. Last conference year we raised funds enough to buy asbestos shingles, felt paper and metal strips for corners and around windows and doors. Since conference we put on another canvas to raise funds to have shingles put on and to build an enclosed back porch to serve as a wash room. To date the shingles are on and we have funds sufficient left to purchase the material for the porch, which will be built in the spring. The white shingles on siding with green ones in the gable ends sets the parsonage off in nice shape, and gives the building that had a very old dingy appearance a new appear-

ance. Pastor painted all windows and doors two coats of white paint also under eaves, and boxing in gable ends. All spouting was painted a silver color.

Around Thanksgiving time the Locust Point church observed a Harvest Home Service and donated all the canned goods, groceries and \$18.00 in money to pastor and wife. May the good Lord bless these generous people both materially and spiritually for their generosity.

Both churches on the charge rendered nice and impressive Christmas programs and took an offering for The Otterbein Home.

The young people's choirs of both churches are a great help to us in our worship services and Sunday School. These two groups of young people have raised quite a bit of money to help with the parsonage fund, and have helped in other church projects.

Three new adult members have been received into the church since conference. We are planning and looking forward to successful revivals in both churches. For such a glorious consummation we covet and solicit your prayers.

Roy Davis, Pastor

PROGRESS MADE AT GIBSONBURG

Since Conference time Trinity Church at Gibsonburg has had many outstanding activities. Rally Day was planned by the choir and its capable director, Mrs. Bill Corwin. At the morning service the group presented a program which included favorite anthems and hymns selected by the congregation through a questionnaire. Dr. J. Gordon Howard highlighted the afternoon Rally with an inspiring message on church loyalty. Two weeks of evangelistic services were held in November. Rev. and Mrs. Ding Teuling were the special workers for this meeting which proved helpful not only to the Trinity congregation, but to many others in the community as well. On December 9 a new Baldwin organ was dedicated at a vesper service. Miss Rhoda Koch of Toledo presented a beautiful recital and Rev. F. A. Firestone, Conference Superintendent, brought a message of dedication. The holiday season was climaxed at Trinity with a Christmas program given by the boys and girls of the Sunday School. In spite of stormy weather there was a record attendance for this service. The mid-week services have been well attended. After a devotional period the group is divided into an adult Bible study class, the Youth Fellowship and KYB Club for the boys and girls. Our church at Gibsonburg has made real progress in the last years, yet is anticipating even greater things for the Lord!

Herbert Maurer, Pastor

RILEY CENTER CHURCH

The annual Christmas program was held in the Riley Center Church on Sunday evening, December 23, with Mrs. Priscilla Huston and Mrs. Mary Neeley as the committee responsible for the pro-

gram. The church was appropriately decorated for the day by Mr. and Mrs. Merle Pearson and Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Cobb. A nice crowd assembled to enjoy the program which consisted of recitations, special numbers, carols by a Christmas choir, and a short playlette. At the end of the program Santa Claus appeared to give treats to all the children. The minister was pleasantly surprised with abundant gifts of farm produce, sundry other articles, and a nice cash gift. I wish to express to the members of the church, all of whom are readers of these columns, my personal heartfelt thanks. The church's giving to Otterbein Home is fifty-five dollars. This equals last year's giving, and is better than a dollar per member.

On December 27 three youth of the church, Delano and Denville Shrout and George Reed, accompanied the pastor to the Youth Fellowship Mid-Winter Convention at Marion. All three remained at the Convention throughout, and brought back reports before the congregation on the following Sunday.

Based on the number of Sundays present and the number of weeks' preparation was made for the Sunday School lesson, Sunday School attendance awards were presented to youth and children on Sunday, December 30, for the last quarter of 1951. Third prize went to Sandra Swartz; Delano Shrout was awarded second prize, and his brothers, Denville and Delco, tied for first place. Appropriate gifts were given.

We wish also to express our appreciation to the Howard Zink Corp and Tony's Bakery, both of Fremont, for their monetary gifts to the church during the Christmas season.

At the present writing plans are laid for the observance of Pioneer Day on January 13, together with services of Holy Communion and reception of members.

Javan R. Corl, Pastor

WATCH PARTY HELD AT OAKWOOD E. U. B. CHURCH

An impressive Candlelight Communion service was held New Year's eve at the local E. U. B. Church with each family going to the altar together to take communion. This was followed by a Christmas motion picture "The Guiding Star," which portrayed the life of "Uncle Henry" who showed the true spirit of Christmas. After a closing prayer by Rev. Clarence Carnahan, the group retired from the Sanctuary to the basement where gifts were presented to the minister, Rev. White and his family.

A reading was given by Lillian Troyer and a delicious potluck lunch was served by the Friendly Neighbor Class.

After the fellowship hour in the basement, the group again entered the candlelighted Sanctuary for a Watch Night Service. Mrs. Virgil Miller told an interesting story, "A Little Match Girl" to the children. A New Year's play was present-

ed by the young people entitled, "Candle-flame," which portrayed the true meaning of Christianity and also welcomed the New Year, 1952, just as the bells started ringing out the old year and ringing in the new.

The entire group joined hands, making a circle, while singing, "I Would Be True." This was followed by a prayer of dismissal and each retired wishing all a "Happy New Year."

VAN WERT E. U. B. CIRCUIT

Hi folk. Here I come again. Seein' my last note found its way into the news, kinda gives me an urge to try again. Don't have too much to say but I like to say it. Men's night was observed in the Grand Victory church, Nov. 14th. The men of Union Center joined in the service. Walter Keith and Gary Purk were in charge of the program. A banquet preceded the devotional service. The Grand Victory quartet sang two special numbers. Rev. Paul Strouse of St. Marys an ex-chaplain of World War II, was the guest speaker for the event. Merlin Wiener of St. Marys, Ohio, also addressed the group. A film strip "Men at Work" was shown. Group singing was a part of the program led by Jim Foust. Guests from out of the community were Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Taylor of Camp St. Marys, Ohio and Mr. Clovis F. Kelley of Gauley Bridge, W. Va. Mr. Kelley is the youngest brother of Mrs. Lydick. The total number of men present was 57.

On November 23rd, Family night was held in the social rooms of the church. Following the devotional period, Wm. Fast presented a movie film of his trip to the west coast. These films were in color and quite interesting.

A two weeks revival closed Sunday night December 16th, resulting in the church being greatly revived. Dr. Allman was with us for two services on Sunday and Sunday night of the 9th. Dr. Allman in his usual way brought two heart stirring and soul lifting sermons. On Sunday night, about 30 young people gathered about the altar for reconsecration and dedication of their lives to the Lord. At the call of Dr. Allman more than a hundred adults and young people tarried at the altar for prayer and dedication. It was an old time touch of the Holy Spirit. Rev. Bodkins of Middlepoint and Rev. Swain of Grover Hill, were with us during the week and each preaching the old time Gospel. The good Lord was with us from the very beginning and we had a great time together. We feel it was two weeks well spent. "Happy New Year to All."

W. A. Lydick, Pastor

SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL HELD AT UNION CHURCH

Union Church near Willshire experienced a real revival, which started Nov. 11 and continued for 4½ weeks with last service on Wednesday night, December 12. A definite deepening of the spiritual life of the church was evidenced along with the report of 19 victories, many of these conversions for the first time. We have

received 10 new members into the Church and baptized two. We are looking forward to another meeting yet this year. Other phases of the church work are progressing even though the weather has not been too good. Pray for us.

H. L. Smith, Pastor

EMRICK-MACMURRAY TEAM HELD SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL IN BURGOON

The Reverend Dale F. Emrick and Professor and Mrs. Roy MacMurray concluded a two weeks' revival at the Burgoon, Ohio Evangelical United Brethren Church, November 19 to December 2.

The Reverend Emrick, pastor of the Oakdale E. U. B. church in Toledo, was our Evangelist and the musical MacMurrays provided the type of music that was not only entertaining but gripped the hearts of the nightly crowds giving impetus to the entire service. Prof. MacMurray nationally known cornetist and brilliant musical artist remarked to the writer that his chief purpose is to make his music heart-touching to win souls and to edify every Christian.

Evangelist Emrick delivered forceful messages at each service and with his knowledge of the Bible imparted soul-stirring sermons under God's unction that resulted in many conversions, reclamations and consecrations.

On both Saturday evenings the MacMurrays presented music dramas, the first "The Blind Man of Jericho" and the second "The Lamb of God." Both presentations were rendered reverently and the final drama which portrays the life, sufferings, trial, death and resurrection of Christ drew a capacity church. Perhaps the highlight of this service was MacMurray's drum arrangement of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Mr. MacMurray entertained most of the schools within ten miles of Burgoon besides his children's rhythm hours.

The pastor and church invite the Emrick-MacMurray team to return to Burgoon. The town people say it was the best revival ever held here. The Reverend Ralph Cornell, pastor of the Rising Sun E. U. B. church was guest pianist for the Saturday night music services. Rev. Cornell used to travel with the Williams-MacMurray Party.

Rev. T. W. Bennett, Reporter

To be popular at home is a great achievement. The man, who is loved by the home cat, by the dog, by the neighbor's children, and by his own wife, is a great man even if he has never had his name in "Who's Who."—Theodore Dreiser.

"Let us therefore encourage each other, and show the whole world, that a free man, contending for liberty, is superior to any slavish mercenary on earth."—George Washington.

"It is a wise father, who knows his own son."—Shakespeare.

THE NORTH DISTRICT

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brighten and bless the homes of Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Freshley, Rev. and Mrs. John Hoover, and Rev. and Mrs. Loren Onweller. (Of course we admit they may also bring some extra work with some sleepless night hours. May God's grace be upon these priceless treasures—and on the parents also.

A New Missionary

Miss Ruth Leota Frey, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Frey, Toledo, left home December 30 for Espanola, New Mexico, arriving there December 21. On January 1 she took up her work as a general duty nurse in our Espanola Mission hospital, for which she is well equipped as a registered graduate nurse and as a dedicated follower of Christ. The W. S. W. S. of Somerset church graciously added to her joy through a service of farewell and a love gift. "O Master, let me walk with Thee, in lowly paths of service, free."

OUR BIBLE CONFERENCE

Our Bible Conference will be held at Camp St. Marys June 23 to 29, inclusive. Bishop Fred L. Dennis will preach in the evening evangelistic services and professors Wayne K. Clymer and J. Bruce Behney will share the platform in exegetical and doctrinal studies during the day. We hope in another month to be able to announce the name of the leader in the School of Music, a leader in the art of counselling, and the speaker in the Men's Congress on Saturday and Sunday, and for the Pilgrimage on Sunday. This really is OUR Bible Conference. Let's all begin now to pray and publicize—and plan to attend if at all possible. For Christ and the Church!

Recovering

Mrs. H. M. Shadle, wife of our pastor at Toledo Zion, is recovering from major surgery. Rev. O. E. Johnson, Toledo, has returned from Florida after a needed and prescribed rest. To these and others, lay members as well as ministers and wives, who have been or are passing through deep waters we express very best wishes and pledge our remembrance at the Throne of Grace.

Appointments

December 2—Afternoon and evening in a Sandusky Group rally for youth, women and men, at Flat Rock. A great rally, packed with inspiration and challenge, featuring a stirring address by a layman.

December 9—At Gibsonburg for the dedication of a fine Baldwin electric organ and a delightful organ recital. Pastor Maurer, enthusiastic and energetic minister, will report more fully.

December 16—Forenoon and afternoon in our Delta Church for re-dedication services. A lot of credit is due Pastor Goings, his capable wife, and the congregation for extensive improvements—and more to be made.

December 30—With the Lindsey congregation where Rev. and Mrs. J. Paul Jones are at the beginning of what we believe

will be a very fruitful ministry with the cooperation of this wide-awake church.

Lenten Evangelism

Are we, Pastors and Churches, planning for aggressive Lenten evangelism? To be sure this is not the only season for whole-hearted evangelism effort. We must have a year-round program for winning people to Christ. But the Lenten season brings a great opportunity for soul-winning.

Christian Social Action Service Bulletin

Dear Conference Superintendents and Secretaries of Christian Social Action, The Evangelical United Brethren Church: Council of Administration Calls to Christian Social Action

A Call to study and action for Christianizing every area of life and the broad outline of a plan that may well prove to be the beginning of a decisive people's movement for Christian faith and world order was issued by the General Council of Administration in annual session at Harrisburg, Pa., October 24, 25, 1951.

The first targets set are the Local Church groups studying the issues of social evils, of war and peace, of the alcohol and gambling and narcotics problems. The period which was cleared by the Council for this denomination-wide study is from Universal Week of Prayer (January 13, 1952) to Ash Wednesday (February 27, 1952).

The book to be used for this study is, "The Church and Social Issues." This study book was published last summer. Every minister received a complimentary copy. This book uses the most rewarding techniques of the group process; offers selected reading lists, discussion questions and projects for action to stimulate the most effective study and action by the people of our churches.

This study can be made at Sunday or Midweek Evening services, W. S. W. S. meetings, Youth Fellowships, Brotherhoods, Bible Classes, etc., as best suits the local schedule. Some of our ministers will be in special evangelistic services during this period (January 13—February 27, 1952). This church-wide study program need not conflict with such special services. All of our ministers should be urged to promote this special Study Period for Christian Social Action as best suits the local schedule. Let it be done in one way or another. The one thing we need to guard against is that nothing be done, or we fail to put forth our best efforts to stir our local churches against the prevalent social evils of our day!

The purpose of this program for this special period is to lead the perplexed Christian to examine, in the light of the Word of God and the Christian faith, the proposed solutions to our contemporary social problems, Soviet-American relations, world order, world recovery, war and peace, etc. Further, what can Christians do about these evils? How can we

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Conference Treasurer's Report

FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1951
(Month ending January 7th)
W. P. Alspach, Treasurer

BENEVOLENCES

Monthly Budget	Paid December	Paid 4 Months	Homes Paid December	Sunday School Avg. Att. December	Morning Wor. Avg. Att. December
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NORTHERN DISTRICT

BOWLING GREEN GROUP

Belmore	\$ 70	\$ 25	\$180	\$	124	80
Center	25	25	93		20	20
Bethel-Townwood	21		82.50			
Bethel	25	23	116.26		25.95†	
Bowling Green	250	250	1000		710	302
Custar	20	20	80		92	*37
West Hope	42	42	168		189.95	*63
Deshler	60	60	240		96	82
Oakdale	90	90	450		83.26	86
Hoytville	100				125.75	
Luckey	50	50	200		48.92†	90
North Baltimore	100	100	400		104	103
Portage	35		105		75	
Mt. Zion	60	60	240		91	
South Liberty	50	40	135		164	57
Mt. Hermon	17	17	67		10†	25
Tontogany	17		50		34	31
Webster	30	30	101		73	37
Cloverdale	20	20	80		56.41	53

BRYAN GROUP

Bridgewater	45	52	142		80	85
Bryan	160	160	640		473	175
Center Circuit:						
Center	20	40	80		15	40
Logan	10	10	50		10	*34
Mt. Olive	20		30			*28
Defiance, First	160	160	468		375	140
Defiance Circuit:						
Mt. Calvary	33	33	132		28†	
Rural Chapel	17	17	51			
Edgerton	20	20	80			75
Hicksville	165	165	660			*153
Montpelier	160	160	640		461	171
West Unity, Emmanuel	19	19	76		5.39†	30*
Ebenezer	19	19	76			51
Salem	5	5	15			12

FOSTORIA GROUP

Bascom	65	78	312		225.55	80
Bettsville, Salem	36	36	180		27†	76
Trinity	45	100	239.34		32†	114
Bloomdale	70	70	280		340	*133
Fostoria, Bethel	58		293		69†	88
Fostoria, First	280	280	1400		760	254
Kansas	10	10	40		32	
Canaan	40	40	200		74.97	
Pleasant View	45	45	180		142.10	53
Rising Sun	45	27.61	162.61		78.50	78
West Independence	75	75	300		312	198

FREMONT GROUP

Burgoon	100	100	500			106
Fremont, Memorial	100	100	400		220	100
Fremont, Trinity	192	183.36	741.75		209†	205
Gibsonburg	64	89.92	89.92		30†	*128
Green Springs	56	67.63	123.63			87
Helena	59	59	236		126	60
Lindsey	130	130	520		120.77†	194
Old Fort	100	100	400		174	*126
Riley Center	13	13	52		55	*13

Woodville	160	160	640		905	189
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NAPOLEON GROUP

Ai	40	15	15			46
Lebanon	10	10	60		10	26
Mt. Pleasant	40	35	141		148	43
Delta	56	56	224		202	101
Zion	60	60	240		355.04	98
Liberty Center	35	35	140		53	65
Malinta	30	38	123		42	38
McClure	100	100	400		30	113
Monclova	18	36	72		60	40
Wilkins	14	42	70		25†	35
Napoleon	83	174	372		10†	147
Wauseon, First	40	40	160			
Wauseon Circuit:						
Beulah	20	20	80		60	53
North Dover	50	40.97	166.08		123	56
Whitehouse	59	59	295		51†	113

SANDUSKY GROUP

Bellevue	138	650	1300		65†	173
Flat Rock	74		222			163
Kelley's Island	26					
La Carne	17	17	68		52.72	32
Locust Point	17	17	68			37
Mt. Carmel	100	75	300			101
Port Clinton	80	80	320			73
Sandusky, Colmbs. Av.	22	22	88			56
Sandusky, Salem	68	57	207			*50

TOLEDO GROUP

Elliston	73					
Millbury	25		125			83
Moline	55	92.85	202.85			103
Perrysburg	65	65.42	327.10			96
Rocky Ridge	13	50	100		37.05†	19
Toledo, Calvary	145	145	580.09		160†	113
Toledo, Colburn	160	160	640			171
Toledo, East Broadway	190	165	802			171
Toledo, First	250	250	1000		933.90	180
Toledo, Oakdale	170	170	680		251.42	309*
Toledo, Point Place	75	75	300		152	146
Toledo, Salem	60	60	240		107†	84
Toledo, Somerset	170	186	744			171
Toledo, Upton	250	250	1000		550	256
Toledo, Zion	158	160	640		248.52†	174
Walbridge	12	12	48			53
Hayes	10	10	40			48

SOUTHERN DISTRICT

BUCYRUS GROUP

Belleville Circuit:						
Pleasant Grove	14					
Pleasant Hill	22					
Trinity	29					
Brokensword, Emmanuel	21		123			33
Lykens	41		140			95
Pleasant Home	18	18.42	74.10		10†	41
Bucyrus Circuit:						
Harmony	30	30	153		34†	44
Zion	30	30	173		23†	62
Bucyrus, First	125	125	500			122
Bucyrus, Grace	125	125	500			41.37†
Galion	80	80	320		340	154
Johnsville	97	97	388		66†	146
Johnsville					66-0	
Mt. Zion	90	90	90		112	110
North Robinson	60	47.17	167.17		107.43	62
Liberty Chapel	33	16.65	87.15		47.18	53
Oceola	60	35	215.46		115	73
Olive Branch	22	20	40		88	32
Smithville	50	50	200			51
Mt. Zion	21		81.28		42	42
Sycamore	75	102	239		95.10	114
Upper Sandusky	128	127.75	638.75		116.50†	234

Upper Sandusky Circuit:					
Belle Vernon	11			29	14
Salem	30	30	120	55	66
Williamsport	40	40	160	85	85
FINDLAY GROUP					
Bairdstown	21		63	42	30
Benton Ridge, Calvary	60	60	300	42†	86
Benton Ridge Circuit:					
Pleasant Hill	35		50		
Trinity	40		78	7.20	
Bluffton Circuit:					
Bethesda	14		40.50	18†	20
Liberty Chapel	17	15	60	9.30†	24
Olive Branch	30	60	60	211	26
Bethlehem	50	50	200	165.39	85
Carey	91		368	70.47†	183
East Findlay Ct.	30	30	120	37.16	41
Mt. Zion	45	23	92	48	48
Findlay, First	312	312	1248	351	376
Findlay, St. Paul's	223	223	892.09	328	285
Findlay West Park	28	27.50	120	4.87†	55
Salem	12		9.25	2.15†	20
Leipsic	50		86	134	101
Forest Grove	20			16	18
Kieferville	20	9	36	35	43
Mt. Cory, Zion	40	40	160	62.77†	68
Pleasant View	50			254	47
Rawson	100	80	325	145.50	109
South Findlay Circuit:					
Pleasant Grove	25	10	40	31	32
Salem	25			86.30	34
Van Buren	100	100	300	96.20	88
Vanlue	50	50	200	127	79
Vanlue Circuit:					
St. Paul	19	20	80	13†	65
Union	30	30	120	105	31
West Findlay Circuit:					
Powell Memorial	42	60	150	75	*70
Zion	25	15	15	25	*38
Wharton Circuit:					
Beech Grove	25	11	44	*92	*92
Big Oak	42	42	168	33	33
LIMA GROUP					
Blue Lick	25	25	100	*47	*48
Columbus Grove	150	125	500	147	111
Cridersville	25	25	100	75	48
Kemp	25	6	51	21	*34
Delphos	75	75	300	137	127
Dunkirk	65	65	260	303	69
Walnut Grove	100	100	400	450	117
Elida	100	50	200	134	134
Lakeview	45	28	102	100.65	56
Lima, First	231	231	924	931	269
Lima, High St.	205	205	820	721	216
Marion (Elida)	22	33	33	18	25
Santa Fe	45	30	115	28	29
Vaughnsville	75			121	116
MARION GROUP					
Cardington, Center	50	22	136	18	73
Fairview	22	22	88	30	27
Climax	10		40	32	30
Hepburn	15	30	60	6.10	11
Hopewell	16	16	64	25	12
Otterbein	30	30	120	28	33
Marion, Calvary	195	195	975	264	224
Marion, First	100			562	217
Marion, Greenwood	92	92	459.52	92.12†	166
Marion, Oakland	148	148	592	103.42†	223
Marion, Salem	27	26	127	111	105
New Winchester	25	11.15	53.65	40	40
Peoria	7	7	28	30	20
Mt. Zion	4		12	8	8
West Mansfield	12	12	48	20	22
York	50	50	200	68	68

ST. MARYS GROUP

Bethel	15		45	18.10	23	25
Mt. Zion	45	45	180	60	115	118
Celina, Bethany	153	153	612	100†	215	173
Celina Circuit:						
Hope	44	44	176			
Mt. Carmel	22	44	88			
Ft. Recovery, Bethel	18	18	7	35†	33	31
Old Town	16	16	64	47	44	44
Olive Branch	22	22	88		27	27
Pasco	40	40	160		29	35
Sidney	90	90	360	216	*79	90
St. Marys	90	90	360	184	100	92
Wapakoneta	48	48	192	100†	105	105

VAN WERT GROUP

Bethel-Mt. Zion Circuit:						
Bethel	25	25	100	50	*44	*39
Mt. Zion	15	10	40	35	*45	*42
Continental	40			84.45	55	59
Mt. Zion	35			145	49	50
Wisterman	20			35	26	28
Grover Hill Circuit:						
Blue Creek	30		50	100	24	23
Middle Creek	35	35	140	100	38	39
Mt. Zion	25	25	100	44	49	49
Mt. Pleasant &	80	50	200	146	70	60
Harmony		10	40	30	26	26
Oakwood	50	50	200	210	114	114
Oakwood Circuit:						
Centenary	25	25	100	66	47	40
Prairie Chapel	25	25	100		*52	*50
Rockford	200	200	800		239	226
Van Wert, Calvary	105	105	420		142	130
Van Wert Circuit:						
Grand Victory	44	44	176	35†	65	65
Union Center	25	25	100	42.29†	60	60
Willshire, Union	35	35	140	80	*85	*87
Wood Chapel	25	25	100	81	53	50
Bethel	25					
St. Peter's	12	12	48	12†	15	15
Wren	65	65	260		60	60
Van Wert, Trinity	143	143	572		176	160

WILLARD GROUP

Attica, Federated	20	20	80	15.25	55	57
Attica Circuit:						
Richmond	50	62	212	167.54	60	60
Union Pisgah	40	45	171	100	50	50
Biddle	15	15	60	60.31	25	30
Bloomville	45	45	180	141	61	50
Harmony	40	40	160	140	73	72
Leesville	45	45	180	29	65	69
Republic	30	30	120	60†	47	30
Pietist					99	98
Shelby	231	231	924	932	264	192
South Reed	22	22	88	26	26	23
Tiffin	75	75	375	49.06†	191	*128
Tiro	90	90	360		*109	131
Willard	285	311	1244	1000	300	400

Totals			\$13547.40	\$19865.68	Otterbein	
			\$55757.96	2482.42	Flat Rock	

NOTE: In the "Homes column, the dagger (†) at the right of the figures indicates the offering for Flat Rock Home; all other unmarked offerings are for Otterbein Home. The asterisk (*) in attendance columns marks a five per cent. increase over last year.

Camp St. Marys payments: Malinta, \$12; Beech Grove, \$100; Carey, \$50; Walnut Grove, \$20; Lima, High (Organ rental) \$100; Fairview, \$5; Marion, First, \$30; Wapakoneta (organ rental), \$100. Pastors: Please retain in your treasury the odd cents, and remit even dollars only. Follow, please, the direction of the Conference to get reports into the treasurer and superintendents by the 3rd of each month.

Otterbein College News

Wade S. Miller, Director of Public Relations

WESTMINSTER CHOIR CONCERT

The world-famous Westminster Choir under the direction of Dr. John Finley Williamson, Otterbein's distinguished son, gave a dedicatory concert in Cowan Hall on Friday, October 26. The new hall, seating 1,300 people, was filled to capacity for the concert.

During the program intermission, Mrs. C. E. Cowan, widow of the donor of the hall, was made an honorary alumnus of the college; Dr. Williamson was given the Distinguished Alumnus award; and Mrs. Williamson was granted the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters.

COWAN HALL DEDICATION

The new and beautiful Cowan Hall was formally and officially dedicated on Sunday following the choir concert on October 26. Bishop G. D. Batdorf delivered the dedicatory address and conducted the very impressive ritual of dedication. For the grand climax the three massed choral groups of the college, the brass choir, and the college and community orchestra, all under the direction of Professor L. Lee Shackson, rendered the thrilling composition "God of Our Fathers" arranged by Joseph E. Maddy.

The new \$400,000 hall was given by Dr. C. E. Cowan as a memorial to his Otterbein teachers.

TV PROGRAM

The Public Relations and Speech departments of the college have combined to present a weekly TV program each Thursday from 1:00-1:30 P. M. Professor James Grissinger, head of the speech department, is the technical director.

NEW COURSES

Otterbein is offering for the first time a number of two-year courses leading to the Associate in General Education degree. These courses are designed for the persons who do not want, or feel they cannot afford, to attend college for four years. A bachelor's degree can be earned generally in two additional years of study. One of the most popular of the two-year courses is the one in secretarial studies.

HIGH SCHOOL DAY

More than 800 high school juniors and seniors attended the annual high school day in October. An E. U. B. day is being planned for some time in the spring.

OPERAS PRESENTED

Two short operas "Down in the Valley" and "The Medium" were presented on Friday, November 9, by the A Cappella choir in cooperation with the music and dramatic departments.

"THE MISER"

One of the most outstanding dramatic productions ever presented on the campus was "The Miser" by Moliere on Saturday, October 27. Taking full advantage of the large and well-equipped stage in Cowan Hall, the cast under the direction of Professor Marion Chase gave a masterful pre-

sentation. Dr. E. W. E. Schear, professor emeritus of Otterbein, was cast in the leading role.

The following article is by David Kay, a freshman from Clarksburg, West Virginia, who wrote it for his conference paper and is reprinted in this conference paper with his permission.

OTTERBEIN "OUR COLLEGE"

First of all, Otterbein College is located in as perfect a community as could be desired (Westerville, Ohio). The campus itself is a beautiful sight to behold every day, not mentioning many other qualities which I have noticed, although I have been here only three weeks. Some of these are: the extremely friendly atmosphere among all the students who greet each other on the street even though they are not too well acquainted with each other; the many worthwhile organizations such as the YMCA and YWCA, Life Work Recruits, Men's Glee Club, Women's Glee Club, A Cappella Choir, College Forum (a Sunday school class held for the purpose of studying the Bible, and applying its teachings to the spiritual needs of the college student), not to mention the many academic clubs, fraternities, and sororities, which promote higher point averages in college studies and provide a method for the student to make close friendships. There are so many activities that the Freshman must choose carefully the organizations he wants to be in.

I have observed that Otterbein College was created especially to help Christian youth like myself, not only to broaden our scope of knowledge, but to develop our minds to a state of maturity, making us able to assume the responsibilities that the world demands of us all, and know how to tackle and solve tough problems by clear thinking. Otterbein College is the place for Christians; it provides all, and many more, of the same kind of wholesome activities that the Christian young person is familiar with at home. One of these which especially appeals to me is the noon-day prayer period, held every day except Sunday, from 12:00 to 12:15. This daily service consists of a short, meaningful scripture, and heart-to-heart prayer with God. It not only provides a means of daily devotions for the busy college student, but it furnishes a "stopping-off period" in which the Christian may keep his heart in tune with God. Another daily feature, Monday through Thursday, is the chapel service, which all college students must attend.

I have presented to you only a few of my first impressions of Otterbein College, and as you can see, all of these impressions have been good. That is why I am going to like Otterbein and am going to get the most out of a college which has so much to offer. That is why I urge any high school student who has not yet decided which college he is going to enter, or who has not decided definitely to attend any college, to consider Otterbein. If you are an Evangelical United Brethren youth, it is the best college for you.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ACTION SERVICE BULLETIN

(Continued from page 7)

Christianize vast areas of our community life and bring to bear the redeeming power of God upon these exceedingly needy spots? We must do something as Christians. Simply to study about them, or talk about them is not enough. There must be **Christian social action**. The church must mobilize all of its resources and become again the vital redeeming force in the world!

Protest President Truman's Nomination of a Vatican Ambassador

Our General Council of Administration, and the National Brotherhood Congress in Harrisburg, Pa., two weeks ago, strongly protested the appointment of an ambassador from the U. S. to the Vatican, and the maintenance of such relations with the Vatican. In a well-worded statement, these two denominational bodies sent their protests to President Truman, and the Chairman of the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee.

To implement this action, the Council took further action "urging our ministers to submit this protest to every congregation of our denomination for concurrent action," or a suitable protest which a congregation may well formulate; and, further, that "all members of our denomination are hereby urged to protest by letter and telegram to the President, to the respective Senators of each district, and the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee."

Let there be a great flood of protests flow from all our churches to Washington, D. C., and let our elected officials know that the Christian conscience and judgment of our people are very much alive to the issues which threaten our American democracy.

Our Own Church "Temperance Sunday" Selected

For the past five years, we have been urging our ministers and Local Churches to promote the observance of "World Temperance Sunday" which came on the last Sunday in October. But since this always conflicted with the observance of "Reformation Sunday," not much was done on this "Day" to combat the alcohol problem.

Our Council of Administration, therefore, voted to set aside the first Sunday in March as "Temperance Sunday" in the Evangelical United Brethren Church, and urges each of our ministers to promote the observance of this day.

Bits of Wisdom

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

"As long as our Government is administered for the good of the people, and is regulated by their will; as long as it secures the rights of persons and of property, liberty of conscience, and of the press, it is worth defending."—Andrew Jackson.

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If you want to be really happy, do something worth while today.

Funerals

Dr. J. Harmon Dutton, former pastor of High Street Church, went to be with the Lord on Christmas eve at his home in Rhode Island. Funeral services were conducted in Newport, Rhode Island on Thursday, December 28th, and the body was shipped to the Hale Funeral Home at West Milton, Ohio on Friday. The family was unable to come for a committal service at that time, and the body has been placed in a mausoleum in the West Milton cemetery until the family can come. The pastor and other members of the church expect to attend the committal services whenever they are held. The church extends its sincere sympathy to Mrs. Dutton and son Dale in the loss of a Christian husband and father.

Miss Joan Johnson, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson, went to be with the Lord on Monday, December 31st in St. Ritas Hospital. She was stricken with polio late in August of last year, and had only partially recovered at the time of her death. Funeral services were conducted by the Pastor and the Rev. Mr. Cowdrick in the Middlepoint Methodist Church on Wednesday, January 2nd. Joan is survived by her parents, two sisters Vera and Jane, and by one brother John in addition to her grandparents and other relatives. The church extends its sincere sympathy to the family in the loss of so wonderful a daughter.

Sunday School Notes

The High Street Sunday School has started the new year right. The attendance for the first two Sundays has been 48 and 50 respectively, above the average for last year. Although your Superintendent takes no personal credit for this, such fine attendance is most gratifying. We only hope and pray that it will continue, and we know that with God's help and your continuing co-operation it will keep right on growing.

By the time this paper reaches most of you, the city-wide Revival meetings will be history. However, Friday night, January 18th is Sunday School night. We hope the High Street Sunday School will have been well represented at this meeting. These meetings rendered a wonderful service to Lima and needed all possible support from all of the Churches.

The transportation committee has welcomed the comments and suggestions received in reply to the request in last month's paper. The following alternate plan to the purchase of a bus has been suggested. Several drivers are now picking up people without cars, on their way to Sunday School. Doubtless many others would be glad to do this too. If all the drivers who have extra room in their cars would submit their names, addresses and number of spaces available; and if all those who do not have a means of transportation would turn in their names and addresses, a convenient schedule could be

arranged to make the best use of transportation already available. Further suggestions are still in order.

B. F. Richer, Superintendent

New Arrivals

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Duane Campbell, 668½ N. McDonel St., a daughter, Twylah Daneen, December 16, in Memorial hospital.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Grimm, R. R. 4, Lima, Ohio, a son, David Allen, December 19, 1951 in St. Rita's hospital.

Congratulations and best wishes to the parents of these new arrivals.

Our Service Men

New addresses

Pvt. Franz L. Fonner
AF 15465697
Flight 2727
Tng. Sq. 3706
Lackland Air Force Base
San Antonio, Texas.

H. Oliver Tremaine, S. A. 5718958
U. S. N. C. B. C. Trainee
Port Hueneme, California.

Geo. Hefner expects to be shipped out of Korea about January 15th. His unit was already receiving the advance replacements of those who were to relieve them of front line duty. He expects to be shipped out of Japan as soon as his unit can be processed.

Melvin Shook will complete his basic training about January 25th, and hopes to be able to spend a few days at home immediately after that. He writes that there are several young ministers in his unit, and they have been holding prayer meetings together each week.

Among our service men at home over Christmas were Fred Brunner, Alex Peters, Melvin Shook, and Arthur Bickham. There may have been a few others whose names did not come to our attention.

Roland Kautz was scheduled to leave for service on December 28th, but the army was not ready to receive him at that time. He is scheduled to leave sometime about the middle of January, with the date as yet uncertain.

Send us the news of your service men, and we will try to keep them informed as to what is going on at the church.

The Kitchen Prayer

Lord of all pots and pans and things, since
I've not time to be
A saint by doing lovely things or watching
late with Thee
Or dreaming in the dawn light or storming
Heaven's gates
Make me a saint by getting meals and
washing up the plates.
Although I must have Martha's hands, I
have a Mary mind
And when I black the boots and shoes,
Thy sandals, Lord, I find.

I think of how they trod the earth, what
time I scrub the floor
Accept this meditation Lord, I haven't
time for more.
Warm all the kitchen with Thy love, and
light it with Thy peace
Forgive me all my worrying and make my
grumbling cease.
Thou who didst love to give men food, in
room or by the sea
Accept this service that I do, I do it unto
Thee.

Klara Munkres

PROSPERITY AND PIE

One thing that is wrong with the financial policy of many of our churches is the dependence upon commercial profit-making rather than benevolent giving to raise needed funds.

Some of our churches are becoming more and more a collection of business enterprises whose "profits" are devoted to religion. If this continues, our Seminary, in order to properly equip young men for successful ministerial leadership will be compelled to provide courses in wholesale groceries, restaurant administration, ad selling, and circus management! No minister will be considered equipped for his divine duty without being thoroughly grounded in the fundamentals of frying fish! An appropriate line on the lintel of our sanctuaries might read: "Not stewardship but soup! Not Jesus but Jello!"

It is wrongly assumed that any method of raising money that is legal in commerce is legitimate in the church. Many laymen and some ministers see nothing incongruous in the church urging men to accept the Gospel as the only way of salvation, while for its own salvation it rejects Scriptural teaching for that of the market place.

The inevitable result over a period of years is to cheapen the church. Already many sincere people go so far as to question its value. To them, the church appears to depend for its' existence, not upon its own professed, inherent, spiritual vitality, but upon the patronage of a religiously apathetic public that is more easily enticed with noodles than with the knowledge of God.

The financial reconstruction of our churches will soon be upon us again, and we shall face these issues. Will it be a routine of reluctant canvassing, penurious pledging, half-way reaching of budgets, and wondering how many bazaars and dinners will be required to make up the deficit?

Or will we freely and joyously accept God's way of proportionate sharing and giving? For any church to seek to save its own life and institutions by forsaking these Scriptural principles is to commit spiritual suicide. Thus may it pronounce its own doom as a force for redemptive righteousness. The church must demonstrate that it can prosper without pie.

Rev. Lloyd B. Mignerey

One frost does not create a winter.

MEETING THE AUTHORS

Many years ago Dr. Bonar, was speaking on heaven and the great reunion of loved ones over there, and in his eloquent way he pictured the believer newly come from earth walking along the golden street and suddenly coming right up against a group of Old Testament sages and prophets. In a moment he recognizes them and says, "Why, this is Ezekiel, isn't it?"

"Yes," says Ezekiel, "I am so glad to meet you."

"And this is Micah and Zechariah and Amos."

And then Andrew Bonar said, "And just imagine Ezekiel saying, 'Oh, you knew about me, did you? How did you like the book I wrote?'"

"Book? What book was that, I am sorry to say I never read it."

"Let me see, was that in the Old Testament or in the New Testament, it seems to me I remember there was such a book."

"How would you feel to have to meet these men and never have read their books?"

Some of you better get busy. There is far too much time spent in reading novels and in reading the newspapers and too little time given to the Word of God. Good literature is fine; reading the newspaper is all right, but these things should not crowd out time for reading God's Word.

—The Moody Church News

SCRIPTURES SOLVE MYSTERY

And it came to pass, that a certain policeman, while reading the Holy Scriptures, came upon the very words which led him to solve a baffling crime. Authorities of a district in Palestine had apprehended a caravan of asses, laden with contraband. But those who did own the asses and did smuggle the contraband had slipped away in the night and were not known.

A wise policeman read the words of the prophet Isaiah, and in the third verse of the first chapter beheld the words which gave him an idea. The asses were held for several days without food and then were allowed to wander from the police crib. The starved and braying beasts led the policeman straight to the den of the culprits in a nearby village. The culprits were sore amazed as were the village folks. So it came about that the inspired policeman read them this message:

"The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib."

(From "Christian Approach" News)

CHANGE OF STYLE

Speaking to the first International Convention of Roman Catholic Women's Teaching Orders, with leaders of forty orders attending, the Pope recently made the statement that Catholic teaching nuns would have to change the style of their costumes in order to attract

young people. He further stated that there are various customs in some of the orders which corresponded to conditions which are now past, and which only stand in the way of present day educational work. He said that heads of orders should act with courage. Almost immediately "Life" magazine published a photograph of a model dressed in a new nun's habit designed by Hattie Carnegie, one of the highest priced designers in New York. The costume was stream-lined, with a little toque hat, and a waist designed to show the figure of the nun, with a flared skirt.

THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT

Mr. Spurgeon once preached what in his judgment was one of his poorest sermons. He stammered and floundered, and when he got through felt that it had been a complete failure. He was greatly humiliated, and when he got home he fell on his knees and said, "Lord, God, Thou canst do something with nothing. Bless that poor sermon." And all through the week he would utter that prayer. He would wake up in the night and pray about it. He determined that the next Sunday he would redeem himself by preaching a great sermon. Sure enough, the next Sunday the sermon went off beautifully. At the close, the people crowded about him and covered him with praise. Spurgeon went home pleased with himself, and that night he slept like a baby. But he said to himself, "I'll watch the results of those two sermons." What were they? From the one that had seemed a failure he was able to trace forty-one conversions. And from that magnificent sermon he was unable to discover that a single soul was saved. Spurgeon's explanation was that the Spirit of God used the one and did not use the other. We can do nothing without the Spirit who helpeth our infirmities.

THE BIBLE

Just use me—I am the Bible.
I am God's wonderful library.
I am always—and above all—The Truth.
To the weary pilgrim, I am a good strong staff.
To the one who sits in gloom, I am a glorious light.
To those who stoop beneath heavy burdens, I am sweet rest.
To him who has lost his way, I am a safe guide.
To those who have been hurt by sin, I am healing balm.
To the discouraged, I whisper glad messages of hope.
To those who are distressed by the storms of life, I am an anchor.
To those who suffer in lonely solitude, I am a cool, soft hand resting on a fevered brow.
O. child of man, to best defend me, just use me!

—Anonymous

THE LORD HAD A JOB FOR ME

The Lord had a job for me,
But I had so much to do
I said, "You get somebody else
Or wait till I get through."
I don't know how the Lord came out,
But He seemed to get along;
But I had a feeling—sneaking like—
Knewed I'd done God wrong.

One day I needed the Lord,
Needed Him right away.
But He never answered me at all,
But I could hear Him say
Down in my accusing heart,
"Friend, I've got too much to do,
You get somebody else,
Or wait till I get through."

Now, when the Lord He have a job for me,
I never tries to shirk;
I drops what I has on hand,
And does the Good Lord's work.
And my affairs can run along,
Or wait till I get through;
Nobody else can do the work,
That God marked out for you.

—Paul Lawrence Dunbar

CONTENT

"Master, where shall I work today?"
And my love flowed warm and free;
And He pointed out a tiny plot,
And He said, "Tend that for Me."

But I answered quickly, "Oh no, not there;
Not any one could see
No matter how well my task was done—
Not that little place for me."

And His voice, when He spoke, it was not stern,

But He answered me tenderly:
"Disciple, search that heart of thine;
Are you working for them, or for Me?
Nazareth was just a little place,
And so was Galilee." —Unknown

IF I BUT READ

The Lord I love went on ahead
To make a home for me, He said
He would come back again, and He—
Oh, gracious love—He wrote to me!
He knew I was so weak and blind
And foolish that I could not find
The road alone. He told me things
That all earth's wise men, and its kings,
Have never guessed, yet I foreknow
If I but read His Word. And, oh,
Such depths of love on every sheet!
My soul is trembling at His feet.
What would He think of me
If when I saw Him I should say:
"I was too busy every day
To read what Thou didst write to me;
I really hadn't time for Thee!"

—Martha S. Nicholson

"If you ever find happiness by hunting for it, you will find it where the old lady found her spectacles—on her own nose."
Josh Billings.