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**METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, WORTHINGTON, OHIO**

**The Church of Methodism's Children's Home**

We are glad to present to Ohio Methodism the picture of our Church wherein the children and working staff of the Home worship. All the children from three or four years of age go every Sunday when health and weather permit. From 75 to 90 children are seen each Sunday morning making their way with their governnenses to Sunday School where they mingle with the other children of the school in the classes. And they remain for public services and do not complain. They give no trouble and make no confusion. We feel that the impressions made on their minds and hearts from the clear Gospel preached, from the inspirational music rendered, and from the Christian greeting they receive will be lasting. Quite a large number of our boys and girls are now under catechetical training led by the pastor Rev. Clarence S. Grauser, and will be received into the Church on Easter Sunday.

Our Ohio Methodism should know that there was added at least one-third to the size of the church building in order to accommodate the children in our Home. They did this at an additional cost of at least \$25,000.00. They were glad to make this provision so they could help care for the religious work of the Home. This church was dedicated by Bishop Henderson just three years ago. The financial burden of this church without this extra \$25,000.00 is heavy. Ohio Methodism should help Worthington Methodism with this extra burden. This is the candid opinion of your superintendent.



## *Joe, the Two Dollar Bill, and the Needy Child.*

Joe is a lad who is eight years of age. He lives in a parsonage. His father was moved by the Bishop to a new charge. The move was a long one. The parents of Joe thought it best to take only some of the most essential things along. Joe had a nice wagon. He enjoyed it a great deal. But it was a difficult thing to pack. So he proposed to his father that he sell it. He did so and got \$2.00 for it. He thought that when he got to the new home he could buy another wagon.

This took place in Tennessee, in the Holston Conference. They were moved to the south-western portion of Virginia which part is in the same Conference. The move was made near the Holiday season. The father had the Western Christian Advocate changed to the new address. So when they arrived at the new home the church paper was there to greet them. Joe noticed the picture of a little girl on the back page of the Advocate. He asked his father about the little girl. The picture appeared in connection with the ad for the Methodist Children's Home at Worthington, Ohio. The father read the appeal that was made in the ad. It touched Joe's heart. Joe turned to his father and said that instead of buying a new wagon he was going to send the \$2.00 to the Children's Home and help take care of the little girl and other little children. So the money was sent by this Methodist Preacher and with it this story.

Joe gave up something to help small, unprivileged children. Possibly no offering coming to this Children's Home had a greater intrinsic value than this Two Dollar gift. It was a most sacred gift. Other children in homes of plenty would do the same thing if they only knew our needs. Only the needy are kept at this Home. But sad to say many a child who is in need of tender care is turned away because we have not the room and we do not receive sufficient funds to care for them.

Methodism has a great opportunity to render a wonderful service to thousands of helpless children in this state of Ohio. The State of Ohio Department of Public Welfare is expecting Methodism to lead out in this great work. It is quite certain that the Christ would have our Methodism care for "His little ones." More folks with the spirit of Joe will help put across a great program that will prove a great blessing to thousands of unprivileged children. More than a thousand have already gone through our Home here in Worthington to be a greater blessing to the world by reason of their having felt the good influence that ever goes out from this Christian Home.

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Good luck will help a man over a ditch if he jumps hard.—*Spurgeon*.

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Make yourself necessary in the world and the world will give you bread.—*Emerson*.



## *The Transplanted Babe*

The phone rang. A voice from a distance was calling for the superintendent of the Home. The voice was that of a court worker in a Juvenile Court. This court worker knows well that there are many fine Christian homes wanting the Children's Home to furnish them a little helpless baby. A baby had been born to a mother of twenty-three years of age. It was born in the charity ward, and it was born out of wedlock. But the child could not help that. The mother of the babe had been stricken when young with infantile paralysis. She was partially helpless. She was unable to care for the new born babe. She had eight brothers and sisters. It was physically impossible for both the mother and the babe to return to that family circle. The Judge and the court worker of that Juvenile Court recognized that. That babe deserved to be well born, but was not. But it could not help that. But being born it deserves a chance, and the very best possible chance in life. That is the reason why the court worker phoned the superintendent of our Methodist Children's Home. She felt that this Home could help give this little life a chance.

So the superintendent and his wife went to that court and secured the temporary surrender of that child for placement in a good home for adoption. It was brought to the Home when but 14 days old. It was placed into the hands of our trained nurse. It was soon conditioned. It felt so good after being here in the Home a week that it began to smile. A good Christian home wanted just such a little babe. The home had been investigated by the social worker. Death had taken a little babe from that home early in the fall. So on Christmas day the superintendent phoned that home and said to that good woman that God had sent her another babe. She was told that it was here waiting for them. The auto could hardly bring them fast enough. On to the tender bosom of that good woman and into the strong arms of that good man that babe went that Christmas day. And in that home that babe will have a chance.

The Methodist Children's Home here at Worthington has been the instrument in the hands of God in transplanting that unfortunate babe from a barren soil to good soil where it will have a chance to grow up into a beautiful life. This is the sort of work that is being done week by week.

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"Mah friends," said a colored preacher, "Scriptural rule fo' givin' was one-tenth of what a man had. If yo' all feel yo' can't afford so much jes' give a sixth, or a fo'th, accordin' to yo' means."



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## Two Patron Saints

BISHOP THEODORE S. HENDERSON.

The Methodist Children's Home shares with the other institutions of the Cincinnati Area in the great loss sustained in the death of Bishop Theodore S. Henderson. When the present superintendent first came to his position on first meeting the good Bishop he was addressed thus, "Command me for whatever service I can render to the Home." So it has been. Five days before his death he dictated one of his characteristic letters showing his great interest in the Home. We shall miss his wise counsel and his courageous leadership. But we shall endeavor to "Carry on."

MRS. J. H. EDWARDS.

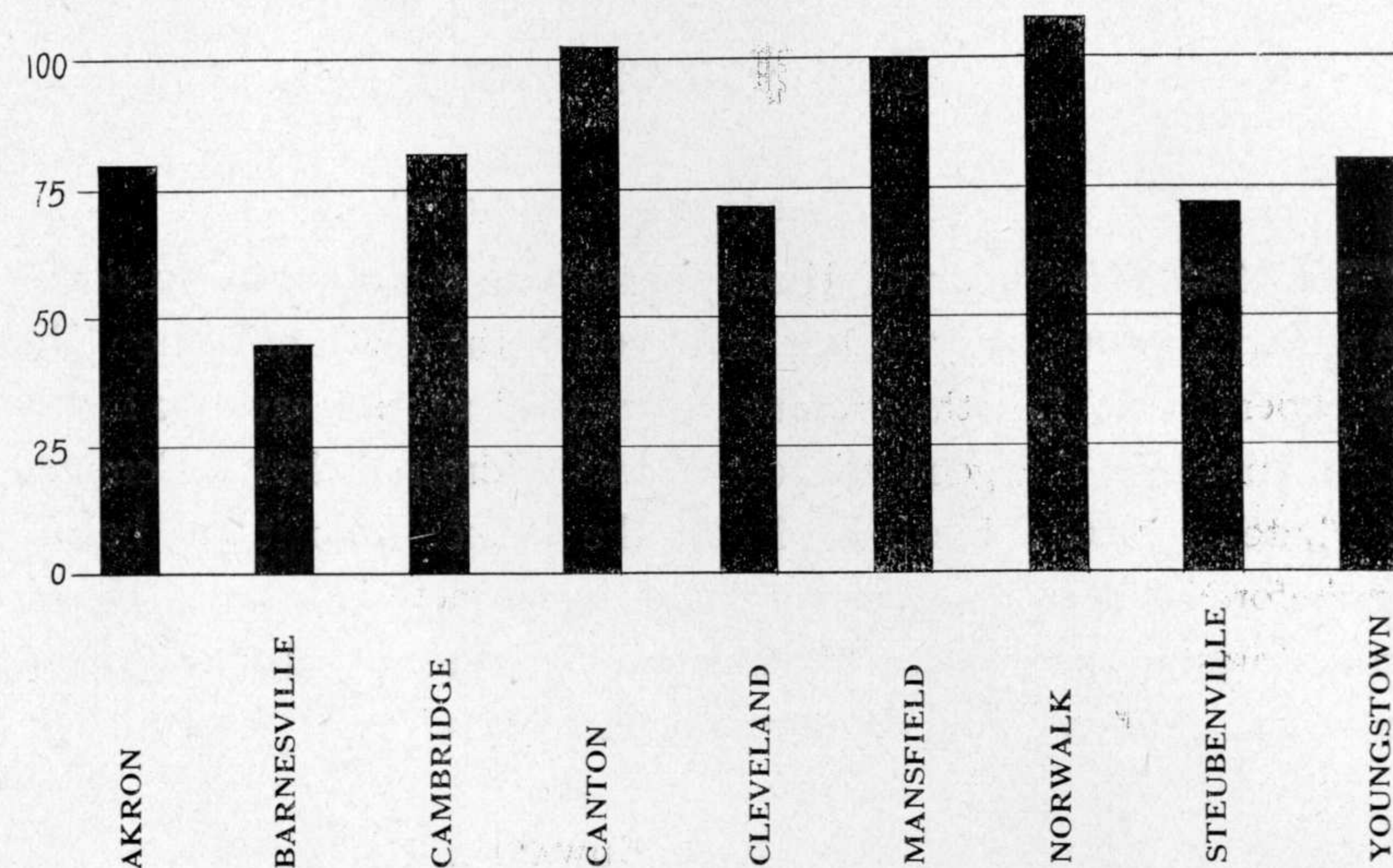
Mrs. J. H. Edwards, Leipsic, Ohio, passed to her heavenly home February 10th. But before going she had helped in an outstanding way to provide a good earthly home for homeless and unprivileged children here in the Methodist Children's Home. Her husband preceded her in death some six years ago. Before his going they made possible the erection of the Edwards Cottage with a gift of \$25,000.00. This was given as a memorial to their daughter, Helen, who was taken so suddenly by death when she was about to enter Ohio Wesleyan University. The Edwards Cottage was dedicated five years ago last June by Bishop Henderson. One year ago Mrs. Edwards gave the Home \$2,650.00 for the interior decoration of the cottage. And this last summer she gave \$6,000.00 for an addition. This addition enlarges the facilities of the cottage on all three floors. It was a great joy to Mrs. Edwards to visit the cottage and gather about her the forty boys. She would speak of them as "her boys." What a great monument to leave! It will continue to minister to hundreds and hundreds of unprivileged boys for years to come.

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# These Charts Indicate Percent of Asking Paid

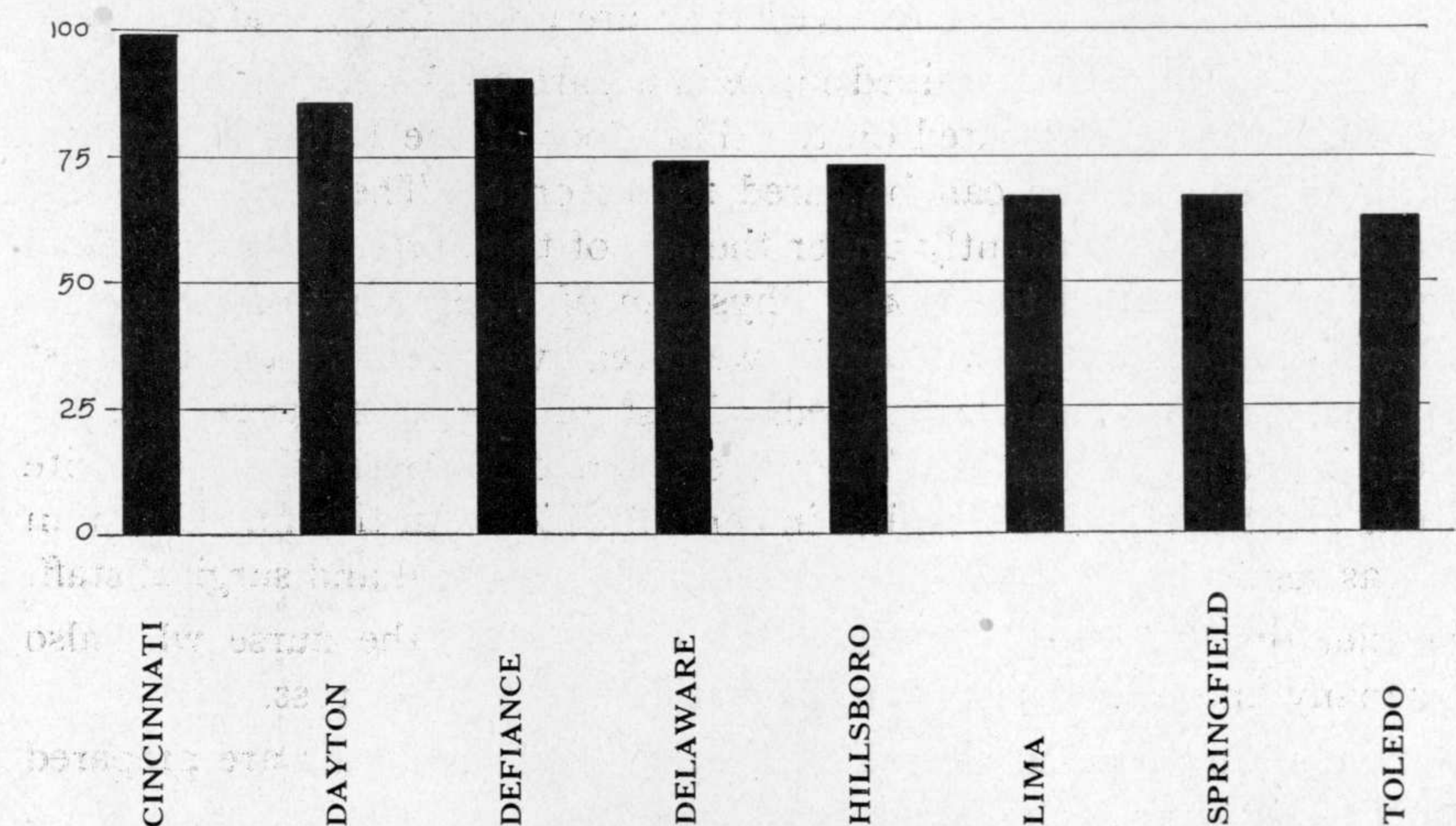
## DISTRICTS OF THE NORTHEAST OHIO CONFERENCE



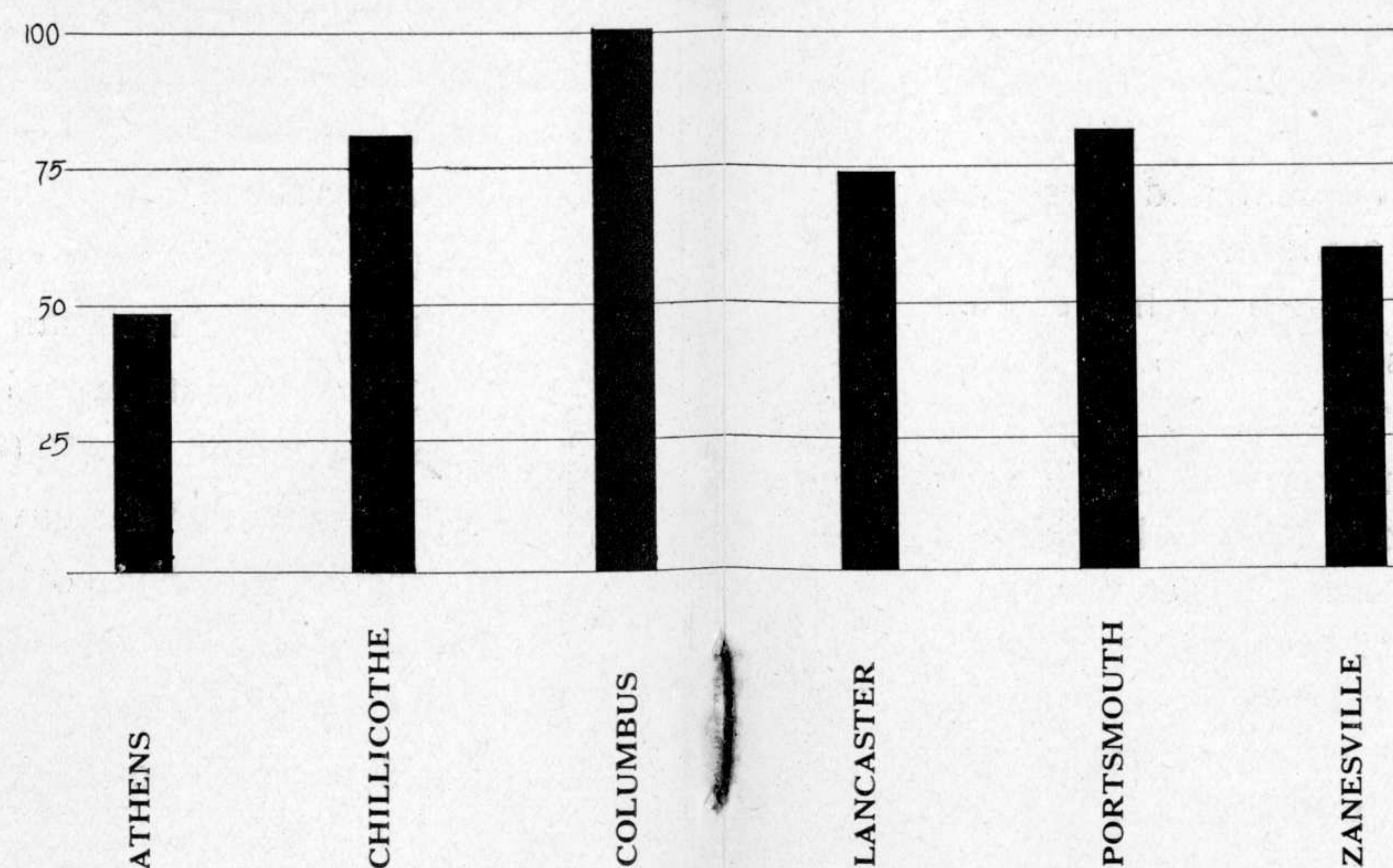
The Cincinnati Area Council approved the asking of 12 cents per member. This asking was also approved by the two Conferences. The total asked of Ohio Methodism was \$49,174.20. The amount contributed last year, the fiscal year of the Home being August 1st to August 1st, was \$39,895.00. As was stated in THE BROADCASTER before, \$6,500.00 was borrowed to meet current expenses last year.

Brother pastors, we are endeavoring to run this Home along strict economical lines consistent with the character of the work that Methodism is expected to do. Greater work is being planned. For lack of room and funds only about one-third of the worthy appeals are being cared for. No more Christian work can the Church do than that rendered to help-

## DISTRICTS OF THE FORMER WEST OHIO CONFERENCE



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be addressed at Worthington, Ohio; Rev. E. L. Morrell, 2846 East Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, is a member of the Ohio Conference.

less and unprivileged children. But only the moral and financial backing of Ohio Methodism will enable this work to expand. But we are desperately in need of the very small asking of only 1 cent a month per church member.

We are grateful indeed for the fine interest shown. We want the pastors and the people of Ohio Methodism to come and visit their own Children's Home and see for themselves as to the character of the work being done. Let the Field Secretaries come to your churches and tell the story of this work to your people. Rev. J. B. Jones is a member of the North East Ohio Conference. He can



## *Health Program of the Home*

Most generally the children received into the Home are undernourished. Many of them have never received any medical attention. Bad tonsils and adenoids, defective eyes, bad teeth is the usual trouble found in the majority of cases. When first received they are given medical attention.

A small hospital with a trained nurse is a part of the equipment of the Home. This hospital is located on the third floor of the Edwards Cottage. Twelve or fifteen children can be cared for at once. The more than one hundred children are constantly under the eye of the nurse. When medical or surgical aid is needed the House Physician of White Cross Hospital, in Columbus, is called. Diseased tonsils were removed from 70 children last year. Other troubles were corrected. Most of the cases were handled right here in the local hospital. The more severe cases were taken to White Cross, our great Methodist Hospital in central Ohio. All this fine Christian service was rendered free by White Cross and her medical and surgical staff.

The diet of the children is under the direction of the nurse who also receives many fine suggestions from the dietician of White Cross.

The menus are prepared a week in advance and the meals are prepared according to the same.

There has been need of a dental equipment as an additional part of the hospital outfit. Five hundred dollars was necessary to purchase a dental chair, stand and some necessary tools. An appeal was made through the "Western Christian Advocate." Dr. J. R. Colley an honored retired minister of the Ohio Conference, made the first gift toward the purchase of the outfit. During the holiday season Brother W. C. Walton, a member of the Methodist Church, at Hilliards, came to the office of the superintendent and presented him with the \$500.00 with which to purchase this equipment. This gift was given as a memorial to Mrs. Walton who had passed to her eternal reward last summer. The dental staff of White Cross with Dr. G. F. Powell as the Dean will visit the Home and render this service gratis.

So with such supervision as stated above our Children's Home is very much like a first grade sanitarium. With the exception of the usual children's diseases such as measels the children enjoy fine health. When they are returned to their own rebuilt homes or placed in foster homes they go with good health. This is the sort of the ministry that our Methodism is giving to the large numbers of unfortunate children coming to this Home. Still others should come and have a right to come, but because of a lack of room and insufficient income they cannot be received.

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The remark of a little boy who was being scolded because he fell down the steps: "Please don't scold me till I've finished hurting."

A little girl's definition of conscience: "It's something inside of me that tells me when Johnny does wrong."



## SERVICE REPORT FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 1928, AND JANUARY, 1929

## Children Given Institutional Care:

Present first day of Quarter, November 1st.....	104
Admitted—New Cases.....	19
Old Cases.....	5
Children Placed with Relatives.....	11
Children Placed in Foster Homes.....	10
Transferred to Other Institutions by J. C.....	2
Ran Away.....	1
Remaining the Last Day of the Quarter.....	105
Average Daily Attendance.....	100
Number Days Care for Quarter.....	9,201
Number of Different Children in Home.....	127

## Children Given Foster Home Care:

Children in Free and Adoptive Homes.....	78
Children Placed in Foster Homes During Quarter.....	10
Children Removed from Foster Homes.....	3
Children Adopted During Quarter.....	10

## Investigation and Supervision:

Applications from Prospective Foster Homes.....	19
Visits of Investigation of Homes Desiring Foster Children.....	12
Visits of Supervision of Children in Foster Homes.....	16
Visits of Investigation of Appeals Involving Children.....	17
Cases Involving Children Wishing Admittance.....	66
Total Number Admitted During Quarter.....	19
Cases Referred to Other Social Agencies.....	29
Total Number of Children Supervised During Quarter.....	211

## BEQUESTS SINCE JUNE 1, 1928, TO FEBRUARY 26, 1929.

Sophronia Heller.....	\$ 500.00
Sophia Patterson.....	1,000.00
Mary Mason.....	175.42
Catherine Hays.....	1,000.00
Caroline Shaw.....	2,000.00

## ANNUITIES RECEIVED SINCE JUNE 1, 1928.

Mrs. M. J. Ford.....	\$3,000.00
William G. Drew.....	4,000.00
Emma Hayman.....	1,000.00
Mrs. M. J. Ford.....	100.00
John Raney.....	1,000.00
William G. Drew.....	500.00
Ella Walters.....	500.00



## *A New Kind of Wireless*

What would modern life be like if no one could read or write, if there were no telephones, telegraphs or wireless; what if no one could communicate except by the spoken word? Could business go on? Would progress stop, or even disappear? Easy and good communication is absolutely necessary.

In some respects the Children's Home still lacks proper means of communication with its owners and constituents, the Methodists of Ohio. The BROADCASTER is an effort to establish communication regularly, but it appears only four times a year. The field men of the Home cannot visit your church oftener than once every three years on the average.

How then are you as a Methodist to keep in touch with the Home? It is your enterprise, and you should know what use is being made of the third of a million dollars that the Church has dedicated to the service of unprivileged children. It is evident that your parish, every parish, needs some one to interpret to you the ideals, the methods and the results of the Home's work for unprivileged, forsaken, needy orphan children. It is plain also that your parish needs some one to tell the Home about fatherless children within your borders, some one who will help the Home in its work of placing children in good Christian households in your parish.

This interpreter of Home and parish to each other is the Counselor. Here is a golden opportunity for direct, genuine Christian work, a satisfying task for the man or woman whose heart is reached by the Master's words, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these——."

Counselors are appointed by the pastor in consultation with the chairman of the local committee on Hospitals and Homes. As soon as the Counselor has accepted her duties, the Home and the Nursery Committee in Columbus should be notified so that they may help through their publications and their services.

What are the Counselor's duties? The good Counselor will become acquainted with the Home by visiting it to see at first hand the way the Church is caring for the fatherless. She will secure and read the literature that tells of the history of the Home, its problems, its strong points and its weak points, its needs and its plans. She will learn of the number of children cared for and the number turned away. She can't tell others these facts unless she knows them herself.

Many children must be turned away from the Home each year because there is no room for them. The good counselor will learn the details of the movement to furnish the Home with a nursery building to care for babies under school age. The effort to supply this much-needed building was begun by the laymen of Columbus. They have voted to make the nursery a memorial to Bishop Henderson, who did so much to put the Home on a proper footing. Plans are now being prepared, and the building will undoubt-



edly be completed in the early fall. The Columbus Nursery Building Committee, 522 Rowlands Building, Columbus, will supply counselors with leaflets about the nursery and with samples of the Good-Will Bonds by which the funds are being raised.

These Good-Will Bonds are issued in hundred-dollar pieces, because it costs approximately that sum to take in a child, condition it physically, care for it until placement, and oversee its career in a good Christian home until it is of responsible age. Each bond will bear the name and the photograph of the child for which it has provided. In exchange for one of the ten coupons attached to the Bond, the owner will receive from the Home a yearly report on the care, growth, happiness and progress of the child for which the purchaser has provided. These bonds are the finest investment you can make in human character.

A good counselor will see that the nursery committee receives the names of the men and women of her parish who can and should become patrons and friends of the Home through buying Good-Will Bonds, or Annuity Bonds, or through providing for the Home in their wills.

A good counselor will know how much her parish paid for maintenance of the Home during the past year. Conference has asked each member of the church to give at least one copper penny each month toward feeding and clothing the fatherless wards of the Church. Has your church done its share? Some parishes have paid several times their quota, while others have overlooked the matter entirely. In another part of this issue of the BROADCASTER you will find charts which show graphically the percent of their quota paid by each of the districts during the fiscal year ending August 1st last. How does your district stand? Your parish?

When the time comes for the White Gift Offering, a good counselor will plan and work with her pastor to make sure that the parish is doing its duty by the benevolent enterprises of the church. In addition, she will plan that gifts of clothing, vegetables, and canned goods shall go to the Home as needed there.

Many and precious are the satisfactions and privileges of counselorship. Greatest of these is the glow that comes from doing the Master's work in a very definitely helpful way. The prayer, "Thy kingdom come," will mean more to those who work to answer that prayer themselves. "No man ever stands so straight as when he stoops to lift a little child." Each task accomplished, each duty done for fatherless children, brings its own reward in inner peace. No one can faithfully perform the duties of counselor without becoming bigger and better and sweeter in character, more worthy in discipleship. If the counselor movement is worked out and kept in operation by pastors and the Home, it will keep the church and the Home in such touch with each other as Jesus would wish, that his work be well done, and the "kingdom come on earth, even as in heaven."



## *Some of the Home's Needs*

1. We need a larger safe for the records. The present safe is 32 inches high, 26 inches wide, and 14 inches deep, inside measurement. We need one with double the capacity. We need \$300.00 to make the deal. Certainly some good friend will see us get this needful piece of office equipment.

2. Morral Cottage is in need of 60 chairs. They will cost \$3.50 apiece. Who will send in the price of a chair?

3. The Edwards and Morral Cottages are in need of six dining room tables, three for each cottage. These tables will be made to order and will cost \$25.00 each. Is there not some individual or Sunday School class that will furnish at least a table?

4. Then we are in need of rugs, large and small. Possibly some one is thinking of buying a new one, but feels that the old one has too much good service in it yet. Why not send the one in which there is yet lots of wear to the Home.

5. The present nursery is in need of a Victrola or other similar talking machine. Since the radio has supplanted in many homes the phonograph, it stands idle. If you have one and it is in good shape, send it in with all your records and it will bring great joy to the little tots.

**Please write in to the office for more information.**



## *News Items*

The children of this Home are just normal American boys and girls. Most of them came from homes wherein existed abnormal conditions. This Home makes possible the joys and opportunities every boy and girl is entitled to. To see them and hear them in their play life in their several cottages and as they go about their several duties assigned to them by the house-mothers it is a joy and a deep satisfaction.

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There are certain seasons when they have their special good times. At Christmas time their expectations are like those of any children in good normal homes. They have their Christmas trees, and presents, and special dinners. The Shriners of Columbus have been for several years providing each child with a Christmas present and furnishing the children and all help with a turkey dinner. Other parties furnish the trees. Others come



and decorate them. Many others send in presents too numerous to mention. One child was heard to remark last Christmas that she never had such a good time in all her life. Then at other special seasons of the year appropriate attractions take place. Story tellers, readers, and other entertainers freely come and furnish entertainment.

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It is quite wonderful to see how the young people of our Epworth Leagues are becoming interested in the work of the Home. They are likewise interested in the work of the Hospitals and the Homes for the Aged. One can see this in the Booth Festivals held in the various Districts. Through the solicitation of the young people hundreds and hundreds of cans of fruit, jelly, spreads and large amounts of vegetables are collected. The Children's Home here gets a share of this. Sometimes some Leagues even furnish more. At the Delaware District Booth Festival, held at Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church early in the winter, the Forest League furnished a fine brooder house for the Home; that is, they solicited the manufacturers of what is known as "The Dickleman Manufacturing Company" and they donated to that Epworth League for the Methodist Children's Home, a 500 capacity metal brooder house which retails at \$175.00. Now we are so much in need of a dairy barn we are hoping that some Epworth League can persuade someone to furnish one. But this is the way the good work goes on.

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Our little orchestra has been going out with the field men and appearing before some of our churches on Sundays. Their work is greatly appreciated. Most of them are very small girls. The drummer is a boy. It is quite difficult to keep this organization together, for frequently a member of the orchestra is placed in a foster home or returned to her own rebuilt home. But the work is carried on in spite of this handicap. It simply shows the sort of cultural touch that is given in the work of the Home. By the way, the funds required to support the orchestra are raised by "Mom" Patterson, as she is affectionately called. These funds are quite low at the present time. Surely some of our good friends will help along that line. Send your contribution to Mrs. C. M. Patterson or to this office.

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It might be interesting to our Ohio Methodist Church to know that the Roman Catholic Church has purchased property one mile to the north of our Home on High Street and will begin work soon on a two million dollar equipment. This plant is to be a school for young men studying for the priesthood. Through this medium we congratulate that great Church in the building of such a plant that will be to the credit of that Church that spares not in the building of great churches and institutions.

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A joint committee of six, three of whom represent the Board of Trustees and three represent the Business and Professional Men's Organization of Columbus, was raised last fall to consider the advisability of proceeding with the erection of a new Nursery Building. This committee has met several times and will recommend to the Board of Trustees at the March meeting plans with the advice that work begin at as early a date as possible. It is to be hoped that by late fall Methodism at this Home will be in position to render better care to children under school age.



## ***CONSIDER THAT ANNUITY BONDS ARE***

1. Safe as the Bank of England.
2. Best rate of interest consistent with safety.
3. Provides for the future of self or loved ones.
4. Money not dissipated at death by legal proceedings, lessened by inheritance tax or lost in a contest over a will.
5. Money begins Christian service immediately. Not tied up for months and even years in an estate.
6. Service for Children brings dividends of joy and satisfaction in eternity.

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