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## ROSTER OF OFFICERS METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME ASSOCIATION OF OHIO

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(Figures after the Name indicate time of expiration of term).

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C. E. WAY Akron, Ohio (1930)		
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E. H. HAWLEY Leroy, Ohio (1931)		
C. L. DeBow, D. D		
H. E. Bright, D. D Mansfield, Ohio (1932)		
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HOWARD POTTER......Worthington

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*Mrs. J. H. Edwards		MRS. W. W. MORRAL	. Morral, Ohio

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#### North-East Ohio Conference

A. L. Hoover, Lakeside, Ohio Term e	expires 1929
C. L. DeBow, Cleveland, Ohio Term e	expires 1929
L. B. Bradrick, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	expires 1930
F. H. HAWLEY, Leroy, Ohio Term e	expires 1930
H. E. Bright, Mansfield, Ohio Term e	expires 1931
W. D. Archer, Cambridge, Ohio Term e	expires 1931
W. W. Dieterich, Akron, Ohio Term e	expires 1932
Battelle McCarty, Warren, Ohio Term e	expires 1932

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W. C. Hartinger, Columbus, Ohio	. Term expires 1929
V. F. Brown, West Carrollton, Ohio	. Term expires 1929
T. H. Campbell, Columbus, Ohio	. Term expires 1930
W. McK. Brackney, Norwood, Ohio	. Term expires 1930
T. T. Crawford, Columbus, Ohio	. Term expires 1931
R. E. Davis, Columbus, Ohio	. Term expires 1931
J. C. Roberts, Wilmington, Ohio	. Term expires 1932
P. A. Bright, Thornville, Ohio	. Term expires 1932

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S STAFF WORKERS

The following employees, working under the direction of the Superintendent, have charge of the various departments of the service: 

Cottage Mothers:	
Morral Cottage	MRS. C. M. PATTERSON
Edwards Cottage	
Farm Cottage	Mrs. N. R. BARRETT
Nursery Cottage	Mrs. Edith Cowger
Teacher of First and Second Grades at Home	Miss Blanch McCoppin

#### COMMITTEES

#### Finance

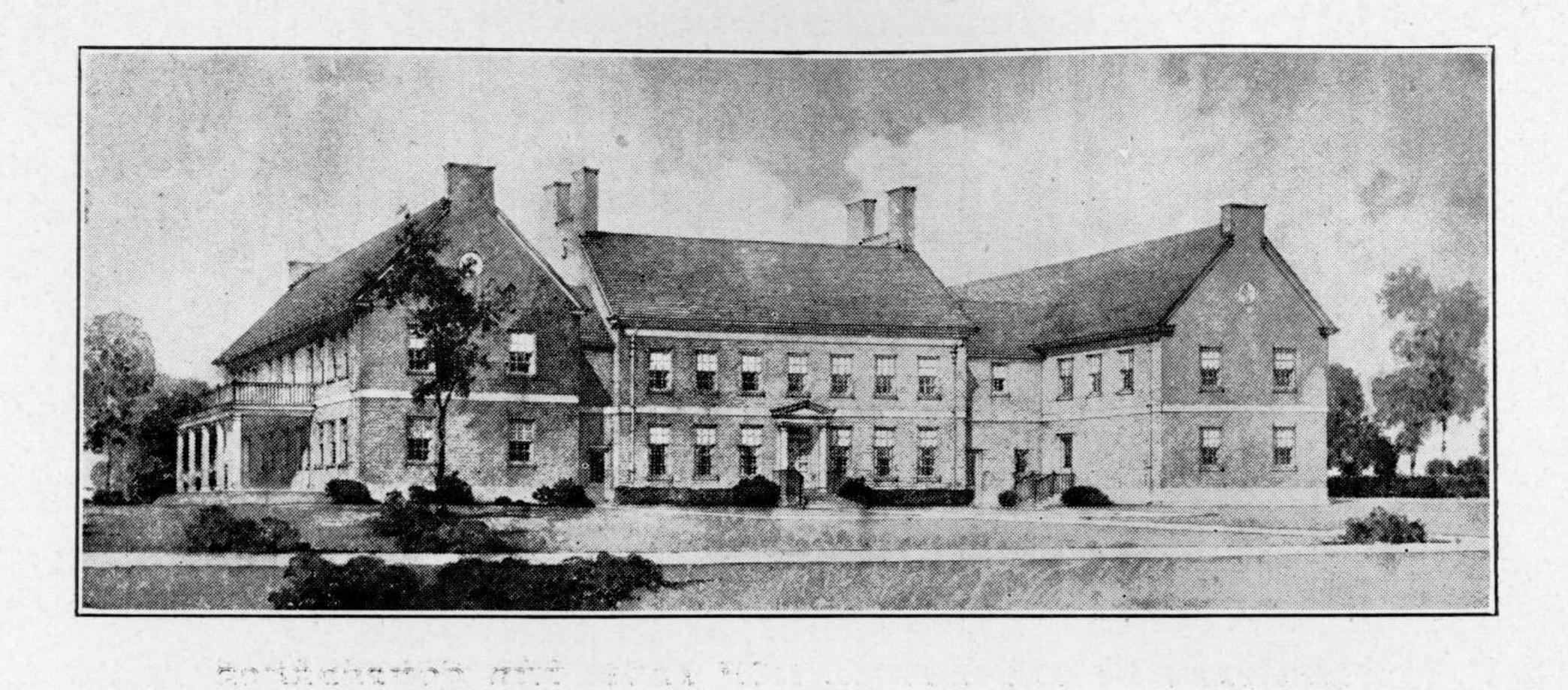
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Columbus Nursery Building

At last a new Nursery building is about to be realized. Several months ago the Board of Trustees authorized its construction. A building committee was raised and was given power to act. Nursery buildings were visited in various children's homes with the idea of incorporating the most modern plans for the caring of children under school age. The architect secured had experience in the construction of the Cincinnati Children's Home. After many meetings and after very careful consideration of plans submitted by the architect, the committee decided on such a building as will give great satisfaction in child-caring work and one that Ohio Methodism will be proud of.

The contract has been let. Work has begun. It has been promised by the contractors that it will be ready for use by fall. The Trustees have allowed \$60,000.00 as a maximum. Additional funds are needed. Five Thousand Dollars will name one of the four dormitory rooms. Five Hundred Dollars will endow a bed. One Hundred Dollars will provide and furnish a bed. Oh, what an opportunity to make a gift as a memorial! Some few have already made such gifts. But we are in need of many more.

Why call it the Columbus Nursery Building? There are two special reasons; first, several years ago, under the leadership of Dr. J. C. Arbuckle, almost \$17,000.00 was raised in the churches of Columbus for a Columbus Cottage. This fund was placed in the general funds of the Home, and by action of the Trustees this fund is being used for the Nursery building. Also because of the great interest and backing of certain Columbus business and professional men in the building of this Nursery building, the calling it the Columbus Nursery Building was approved. But this building will be open to all little children from all over the state of Ohio. By the time the building is completed the good people outside of Columbus will have at least \$20,000.00 in it. So all Ohio Methodism will have invested in it.

## Code of Regulations

#### of the

#### Methodist Children's Home Association of Ohio

(Original Code Adopted 1911. Revised 1916, 1924, 1927 and 1929).

#### ARTICLE I

Section 1. This Association shall be known as The Methodist Children's Home Association of Ohio.

SEC. 2. Its purpose shall be to build, own, maintain and operate a home or homes for homeless or otherwise unfortunate children; to provide for them the comforts of life; to train and develop them physically, mentally, and spiritually for the highest efficiency in life; and to place them out in adequate homes as soon as possible.

#### ARTICLE II

#### Members of the Association

Section 1. All members of this Association shall be residents of the State of Ohio.

- SEC. 2. All persons who originally signed the Articles of Incorporation shall be life members of this Association.
- SEC. 3. The North-east Ohio and Ohio Conferences shall each be entitled to eight members of the Association, two to be elected each year to serve for a term of four years.

Any vacancy occurring ad interim shall be filled at the next succeeding session of the Annual Conference after which it occurred.

- SEC. 4. Any person contributing \$10,000 or more shall become a life member of the Association.
- SEC. 5. Any person who receives a two-thirds vote of all the members present at any regular meeting of the Association, having been nominated by a majority vote of the Trustees, shall be a member at large, provided the number of such members at large shall not exceed ten. All such members shall be elected annually, at the annual meeting of the Association.
- SEC. 6. Any person having been elected Trustee shall not forfeit his membership in the Association until the expiration of his term of service as trustee.
- SEC. 7. The Resident Bishop of the Cincinnati Area shall be ex-officio a member of the Association.

#### ARTICLE III

#### Meetings

- Section 1. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held at such time and place as the Association or the Executive Committee may determine. Notice of this meeting shall be sent to each member of the Association by the Secretary, at least two weeks previous to the time of the meeting.
- SEC. 2. Other meetings of the Association shall be called upon the written request of five member of the Association, or by the Executive Committee.
- SEC. 3. At all meetings of the Association, fifteen members shall constitute a quorum.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### Trustees

- Section 1. The corporate powers, business, property and affairs of the Association shall be exercised, conducted and controlled by a Board of Trustees, all of whom must be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Said Board of Trustees shall consist of not fewer than ten members, and not more than seventeen, including the Resident Bishop of the Cincinnati Area, who shall be ex-officio a member of the Board of Trustees.
- SEC. 2. The Trustees shall be elected by the Association from its own members, each Annual Conference of the State having an equal number. Two Trustees shall be elected each year from each Conference to serve a period of four years.
- SEC. 3. All elections shall be by ballot and a majority of all those present shall be necessary to a choice.
- SEC. 4. The Board of Trustees shall have power to make its By-laws, to elect all officers and to perform such other acts as will in its judgment best promote the object of the Association. It shall make full reports of the work of the Home to the Association at its annual meeting and to the Annual Conferences of Ohio, as designated above, through the President of the Association, unless otherwise designated.
- SEC. 5. There shall be an Executive Committee of seven members elected by the Board of Trustees from its own members, which Committee shall act for the Board of Trustees ad interim.

#### ARTICLE V

#### Superintendent of the Home

The Superintendent of the Home shall be elected by the Board of Trustees. He shall be the executive officer of the Home. He shall perform his duties under the supervision of the Board of Trustees and of the Executive Committee. He shall have general charge of the farm, buildings, grounds, employees of the Home and Farm, the children and interior life of the Home community. The Superintendent, with such assistants as the Trustees may authorize, shall carry on all negotiations in connection with the receiving and placing of children subject to the provisions of the laws of the State and the regulations of this Association and its Board of Trustees; he shall receive all moneys, keep a correct account of the same and pay the same to the

Treasurer. He shall conduct the general correspondence of the Association and maintain his office at the Home; he shall keep a record of the donated supplies, together with an approximate estimate of the value, sending to the donors a proper acknowledgment of their gifts, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Trustees or the Executive Committee.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### Officers of the Board of Trustees

Section 1. The President of the Board of Trustees shall sign and acknowledge on behalf of the Association by authority of its Board of Trustees or Executive Committee, all deeds, leases, annuity contracts, releases of mortgages and all instruments of writings in any way relating to the title of real estate owned by the said Association and its Board of Trustees or any interest therein. The President or Secretary shall sign all applications to the proper court for the adoption of children, or answers consenting to such adoption.

- SEC. 2. In the absence of the President, the First Vice-President shall perform the duties assigned to the President.
- SEC. 3. In the absence of the President and the First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President shall perform the duties pertaining to the President.
- SEC. 4. The Recording Secretary shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Association, and the Board of Trustees, and notify all meetings.
- SEC. 5. The Treasurer shall be custodian of all funds, keep a correct account of money received and disbursed, paying out the same on an order, accompanied by a bill and signed by the Superintendent of the Home. He shall give bond, when required by the Board of Trustees, which bond shall be paid for by the Trustees, who shall also determine the amount of the bond. The Treasurer shall render such reports to the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee and the Association as they may request.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Section 1. The Board of Trustees shall meet quarterly at such time and place as they may determine.

- SEC. 2. Special meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be called by the President thereof or upon the written request of five members of the Board.
- SEC. 3. At all meetings of the Board of Trustees a majority shall constitute a quorum.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Amendments

Upon recommendation of the Board of Trustees, this Association at its annual meetings or at a special meeting called for that purpose, may alter or amend this Code of Regulations as provided in the General Code of Ohio, 8703.

#### BY-LAWS

#### ARTICLE I

The officers shall consist of a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected annually at the regular annual meeting of the Board of Trustees and shall be amenable to said Board for the faithful performance of their duties.

#### ARTICLE II

Section 1. The Board of Trustees shall elect from its own members annually an Executive Committee; and an Auditing Committee consisting of three members; also directs that the Executive Committee shall elect the following other committees consisting of three members each, namely: 1, Finance Committee; 2, Committee on Farm, Buildings and Other Property; 3, Committee on Social Service; 4, Committee on Education; 5, Committee on Publication.

- Sec. 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President of the Board of Trustees and six other members—three ministers and three laymen, divided equally among the Conferences of the State. The Executive Committee shall meet monthly and shall execute the plans and orders of the Board of Trustees, shall have general supervision of the officers and work of the Association, shall fix the compensation of the Superintendent, Field Secretaries and employees of the Home, shall devise and execute such plans of finance as may be necessary or advisable, shall have charge of all permanent investments and shall determine finally who shall be admitted to the Home and who shall be dismissed therefrom. It shall, during the interval between the meetings of the Board of Trustees, exercise all powers of said Board so far as may be necessary for the welfare of the Home. It shall, through its Secretary, keep a correct record of all its proceedings and make a report thereof to the Board of Trustees at every meeting thereof.
- SEC. 3. The Auditing Committee shall consist of three members who shall audit the accounts of the Superintendent of the Home, the Treasurer and all other officers or employees of the Home handling any of the funds of the Home, and shall perform such other duties as regularly pertain to such Committee or as may be assigned thereto.

#### ARTICLE III

The regular meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held quarterly, the annual meeting being in June. Special meetings may be held at the call of the President, and he shall call special meetings upon the written request of five members of the Board. At all meetings a majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

#### ARTICLE IV

Vacancies on the Executive Committee may be filled by the Board of Trustees at any regular meeting. Absence in attendance upon meetings of the Executive Committee by any member for three months, may constitute a vacancy.

#### ARTICLE V

These By-laws may be amended, or new By-laws adopted, in accordance with the Code of Regulations, or may be repealed at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees by a two-thirds vote of all the Trustees of the Association.

## History of the Methodist Children's Home

#### J. B. JONES

[The first installment of a brief history of the Methodist Children's Home of Ohio appears in this issue of the Broadcaster. This is being prepared and written by Rev. J. B. Jones, one of the Field Secretaries of the Home. Brother Jones has been connected with this Home as a Field Secretary from almost its very beginning, and has been an outstanding success through his appeals for the Home in raising vast sums of money not only for equipment, but also for the maintenance of the Home. Having been with this great venture of Methodism in Ohio from near its beginning, there seems to be no other so well qualified to write its history. He is doing this at the urgent request of friends—E. S. Keller, Superintendent].

No doubt if you were to trace to their sources all the influences that · contributed to the founding of the Methodist Children's Home, even those best acquainted with its history would be surprised. However, we get our first glimpse of the movement in the Iroquois Theatre disaster in Chicago. One day the wife and two daughters of a citizen of Delaware went to Chicago to visit some friends. Blue Beard was playing and someone suggested that they take the children to see the play. That most disastrous fire broke out and when the flames had been extinguished it was found that the mother and one girl were numbered among the dead. Mr. Dodd brought his dead back to Delaware, and while laying them away, said, "I wanted to be able to raise this girl to womanhood and I can't. However, I would like to be a father to some other little girl, some little girl that has no father." He took two hundred dollars, the first fruits of a farm which the family owned near Martinsburg, turned the money over to Rev. Beechley and Rev. F. I. Johnson to be used to start a movement to build a children's home. They took the money to the session of the North Ohio Conference, a committee was appointed to look after the matter and before the year was up, incorporation papers had been taken out and the movement launched.

During the same year and for the same purpose a movement was started in the West Ohio Conference and Rev. E. A. Harford, the field secretary of the Flower Hospital in Toledo, was appointed as field secretary and trusted with the development of the plan. At his suggestion and under his leadership it was decided to build one children's home for the whole State and not one for each Conference. Trustees were selected from all the Conferences and a new incorporation organized and authorized by the State to own property, to receive children, to keep and to place them.

The incorporators were Bishop David H. Moore, Rev. H. C. Jameson, Rev. J. A. Story, Rev. Herbert Scott, Rev. J. C. Arbuckle, Rev. N. W. Stroup, Rev. J. S. Secrest, Rev. F. I. Johnson, Rev. R. T. Stevenson, Rev. J. H. Fitzwater, Mrs. Delia C. Williams, Mr. C. O. Richie, and Rev. E. A. Harford.

This incorporation was affected in 1911, and Rev. E. A. Harford, the leader in the movement, moved to Delaware from Toledo and began to solicit funds by speaking in the churches and interviewing private individuals.

At first it was supposed the Home would be located in or near Delaware. The civic association offered a fine park, valued at \$24,000, free of all incumbrance. Other places became interested. Galion offered to present the trustees with a fine farm of eighty acres, and Worthington agreed to raise \$5,000 to be used to purchase a farm if located there. This proposition was supported by representatives of the Chamber of Commerce of Columbus, who proposed to add \$20,000.00 to the Worthington subscription. The board finally voted to accept the latter proposition and elected a committee to select the exact location and purchase the land on which to build. For some reason very little of this money was ever secured.

The first choice was the Boardman farm, a part of which lay within the corporation, but the high price asked for the frontage, a good portion of which had been sold off and improved, vetoed this selection, and the Pinney farm, just north of it, was finally purchased. Ten acres of this land had been sold to Mr. Baumgartner and improved with a barn and an eight-room house. The whole 144 acres, with the three sets of buildings, were purchased for \$42,500.00 in 1912. The first payment was \$1,000.00 only. The financing was made possible by the help of the Worthington Savings Bank, who

furnished the money.

In the fall of 1912, Rev. Harford moved from Delaware to the farm, using the old Pinney homestead as both a residence and an administration building. At the first session of the North-East Ohio Conference in 1912, Rev. J. B. Jones was appointed as financial secretary and was directed to go into the field and assist the Superintendent in securing the funds to pay off the mortgage on the farm. Subscriptions were taken for three years; these were turned over to Mrs. Harford, who for a time was the whole office force. She sent out the notices and kept the books. It was originally planned to pay off the mortgage and then begin the work of looking after children, but the "best laid plans of men and mice often go astray." The Superintendent was hardly settled before a woman appeared from Toledo and asked him to take her little girl, who wandered all day through the streets while the mother worked. He talked the matter over with his wife and they decided to take the girl into their own home. Soon they were asked to take two boys from Cincinnati, which they did. The boys had been discovered sleeping in a store box in an alley. Next they were appealed to to take Mildred Doster, from Delaware, whose mother and father had both died within twelve months. They received her and in a few months her brother John. In time, Rev. Ackman took Mildred into his own home, where she still lives. John was sent to school for a number of years and at this present writing is a machinist making automobiles in Flint, Michigan.

The appeals to take children kept coming, cases so needy that it seemed cruel to turn them away, so that with four of their own, Rev. and Mrs. Harford soon found their table room exhausted and their house crowded to the door. In 1913 the superintendent moved out of the administration building into the Paumgartner house. The pressure from the outside was

so insistent and heavy that something had to be done; the visits of the men to the pulpits had spread the news that the Methodist Church had gone into the field of child welfare, and the needy came clamoring from everywhere. The debt was still very large, but necessity is always the mother of invention and the spur of hesitating souls, so that the board directed the superintendent to organize his force and move ahead. Strange as it may seem, there was more money for the debt after the home was organized and operating than before. There was money for bread and butter and more money for the debt.

For some time previously to moving, Rev. Harford had been searching the field for a capable woman to act as housemother to the children who were already on hand and still to come. He finally decided to offer the position to the woman who was matron of the Home for the Aged in Cincinnati. She was a widow whose husband had died and left her with four children; she had kept the family together, supporting them with the work of her own hands and it was thought her experiences would fit her for the large task of helping the church to care for other needy little ones. Mrs. Patterson accepted the position, is still with the Home and has mothered more than five hundred girls since coming to Worthington.

The day Rev. Harford moved out of the administration building, the only furniture the Home had with which to begin the care of children was a cook-stove and a kitchen sink. He borrowed a table, the children sat on store boxes, and there were six knives and six forks for sixteen of them. There were no beds and everybody slept on the floor. Mrs. Patterson began her work by eating from a box and sleeping on the floor with the children. Dr. Arbuckle was one of the incorporators of the Home and soon after the advent of Mrs. Patterson, was found in the midst of the difficulty employing his credit and influence to bring order out of chaos. With Rev. Harford and Mrs. Patterson, he went to Carlisle's and asked them to sell the Home certain furniture and charge to his account. He then went with them to Howald's and requested them to do the same. At three different furniture stores he pledged his credit for seven hundred dollars worth of equipment, agreeing to pay for the same if the new institution defaulted. With this equipment Mrs Patterson began in earnest the work of caring for both boys and girls. It soon became evident however, that the children could not all be kept in the same building, and Mrs. Brumbaugh, the widow, and a minister of the West Ohio Conference, was employed and the larger boys were moved to the farm cottage. Here was a woman endowed with a double portion of the heroic spirit. The only heating equipment in her cottage was a cook- stove in the kitchen and an old-fashioned wood fireplace in the living room. The bath room was a boarded-up space on the porch, warm in the summer and cool in the winter; the equipment was a wash basin and a galvanized wash tub. When the boys got through splashing water over each other, it was always a question whether the race had gained or lost by the proceedure. There was a pump in the yard for pumping water, and the lighting system

consisted of several units of ancient kerosene lamps. There was no telephone and the mail came when you went after it. It was nearly a half mile to High Street; the road was made of very rich, black dirt in the summer and black mud in the winter. With their high-top shoes and by diligently dodging fence corners the boys were able to negotiate the way to the administration building and the road to school, but the two women who did the work were almost as completely cut off from the world during the winter months as though they had been marooned on an island in the Pacific Ocean. Here Mrs. Brumbaugh lived and with one helper cared for twenty-four boys.

The work of the office became increasingly heavy and Mrs. Welling, whose husband had died and left her a widow with one boy, came to take charge of the books. Room was at a premium and a bed was set up in the office with a screen around it. Here Mrs. Welling with her little boy, Park, slept at night. In the same room she carried on the business of the Home

during the day.

For a time the superintendent did all the social work himself, but it soon became evident that this could not go on for long. Miss Essie Long was secured as social worker. She visited the homes and placed the children. She could tell you many incidents, valuable and interesting. One at least is worth recording. One night a family in Columbus heard a noise on their front porch; going out they found a basket and in the basket a baby. In the basket with the baby was a sack of candy, an apple and a powder puff. The folks took the baby into the house, fed it, then called the police. Two members of the force came over and took it to the detention home. The next morning they called the Children's Home and asked if they would take it. Rev. Harford accepted the charge and turned the baby over to the care of Miss Long. A woman in the West Ohio Conference, hearing about the baby, offered to help support her if the Home would allow her to name her. She gave her her own name, Matilda, and the name of a certain church which she and her husband used to attend, and the baby became Matilda Moorefield. One night J. B. Jones went to Columbus and invited Governor Willis to come out to the Home and give the baby a birthday. The Governor accepted the invitation, came along to the Home, took Matilda up in his arms and gave her his wife's birthday to be hers as well. Miss Long took a special interest in the baby, became attached to her, and when she left the employ of the Home asked permission to take her along and raise her as her own child. Since that time Miss Long has been married, her husband has died and left her a widow, but she is still mothering the doorstep baby, who is almost a young woman grown.

(To be continued)

#### ATTENTION PASTORS!

Conference Vouchers will be made out early in August. Each voucher will include two statements; first, the amount sent to the Home in cash from the pastoral charge from August 1, 1928, to August 1, 1929; second, it will also include the value of supplies sent to this Home from the charge.



The boys and girls who appear in the picture above are from the Home. After several weeks of catechetical instruction conducted by the pastor, Rev. Clarence S. Grauser, they were received into the membership of the Worthington Methodist Episcopal Church on Palm Sunday. On their leaving the Home their membership will be transferred to the church where they go. Every effort is made to relate our boys and girls to the Church just as they are related or should be related in any Christion home.

#### MOVEMENT OF CHILDREN IN THE HOME

From May 31, 1928 to May 31, 1929

Children admitted during the year
New admissions
Boys admitted
Girls admitted
Babies admitted
Re-admissions
Number of children discharged during the year
Children placed in Foster Homes
Boys placed
Girls placed
Babies placed
Discharged to Juvenile Courts
Discharged to parents
Children replaced in Foster Homes       13         Children placed in other institutions       2         Children adopted       32
Children placed in other institutions 2
Children adopted
Ran away from Foster Homes
Ran away from Foster Homes

Married		
FAMILY RECORD FOR THE YEAR		
Children in the Home May 31, 1929104Boys42Girls62Placed by parents for temporary care75Placed by Juvenile Courts for temporary care11Placed by parents for adoption7Placed by Juvenile Courts ior adoption18Total placed for temporary care86Total placed for adoption25Average age of children8 yrs. 7 mo. 2 daysAverage residence of children1 yr. 5 mo. 6 days		
FIELD ACTIVITIES OF SOCIAL WORKER FOR YEAR		
Miles traveled.11,052Field expense.\$548.75No. children involved in different appeals.420No. cases investigated involving the appeals.79No. children admitted.100No. children unable to be admitted.320No. visits to Courts.22No. children visited in Foster Homes.96Pre. Foster Homes investigated.44Visits involving Family Case Work.17Cases followed up involving children's appeals for service with some other agency.23		
SOME OUTSTANDING FACTS		
Last year the Home had capacity for		

#### A LETTER OF APPRECIATION

The letter following is but a sample sent to the Home from the many foster homes who have received and adopted the babies and children through this agency.

May 28, 1929

Mrs. E. M. Makemson, Methodist Children's Home, Worthington, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Makemson:

I believe that Mrs.——wrote to you earlier in the month. I don't believe she could tell you everything there is to tell about this baby. She has grown into our lives in such a way that I don't see how we could ever do without her. She is such a good baby, too. Everybody likes her. And we think she is just wonderful. You know I believe she is going to have red hair. That will be quite a combination with her large blue eyes. I could go on talking about her at length, but can condense everything in a few words—we think she is just about right and we love her immensely.

We were so impressed with the Home and the good work you are doing there that we feel we would like to do something to help. Of course we cannot do very much, but in a small way wish to contribute. You will find attached a check for ten dollars and from time to time we will send you more.

Whenever you are in Cleveland, we hope you will have time to come out to see us. We surely thank you for the kindness shown us at Worthington. Yours very truly,

## CONSIDER THAT ANNUITY BONDS ARE

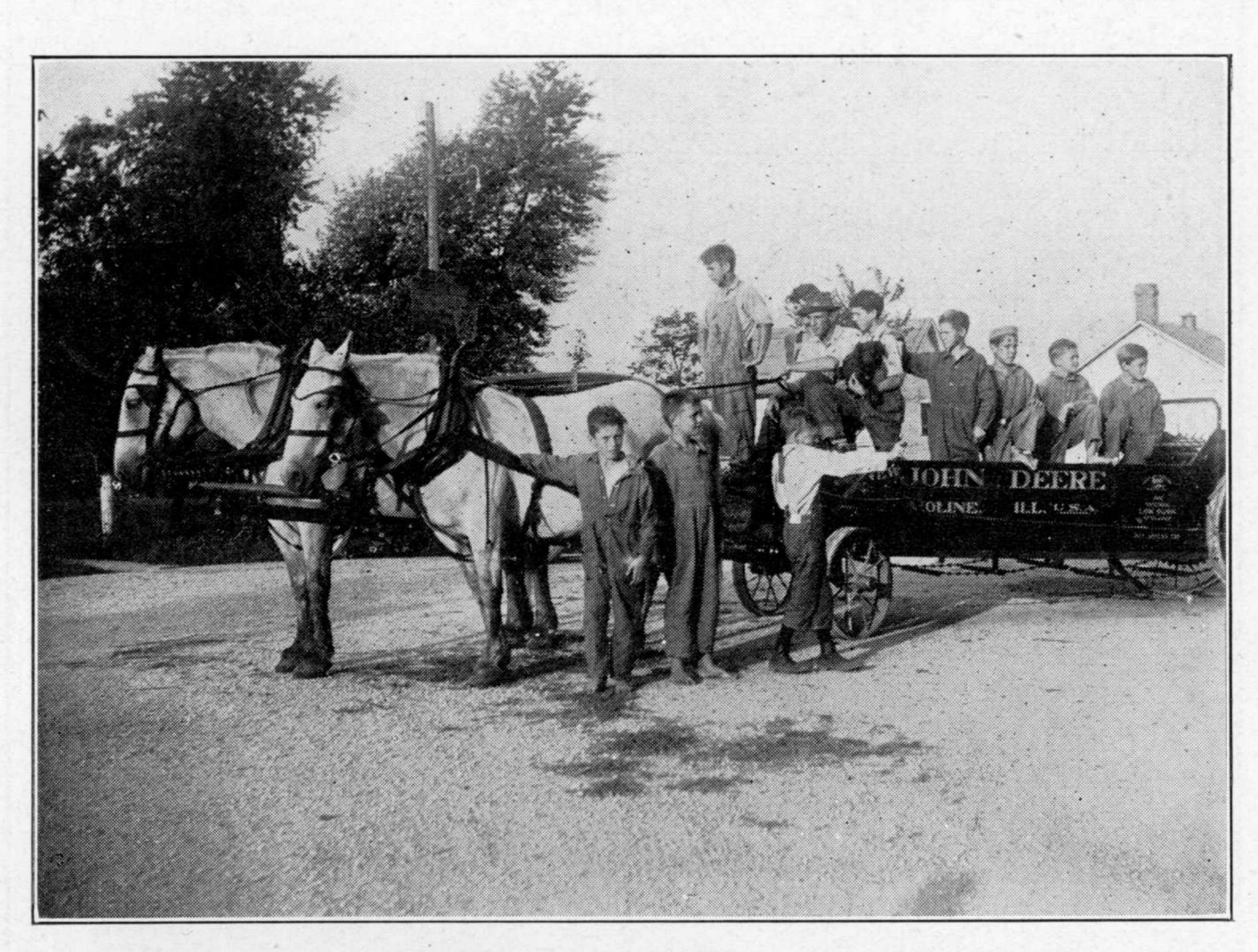
- 1. Safe as the Bank of England.
- 2. Best rate of interest consistent with safety.
- 3. Provides for the future of self or loved ones.
- 4. Money not dissipated at death by legal proceedings, lessened by inheritance tax or lost in a contest over a will.
- 5. Money begins Christian service immediately.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

If you wish largest returns from your investment mail the following:

REV. E. S. KELLER, Superintendent,
Worthington, Ohio.

Please send me information regarding your Annuity Contract.

Year of Birth	
Name	********
Address	



OUR BOYS AT WORK