

In Memoriam

Rev. Isaac M. Tharp was born in Jackson Twp., Wells County, Indiana, March 1, 1846. He was a son of Rev. A. B. and Irena Tharp and was one of a family of 14 children. Only two of this number survive. Mr. Tharp received his primary education in the schools of Jackson Twp. When 18 years of age he was mustered into the service of his country and became a member of Company A., 47 Indiana Volunteer Infantry, was in 14 different engagements, suffered many hardships and privations and was honorably discharged Nov. 23, 1865. On January 14, 1869, he married Miss Mary A. Runkle, who departed this life Nov. 9, 1920. To this union were born six children: Charles and Bertha Leora deceased, and those who grew to maturity are Ulysses M., Aura A., Milton W. who died Dec. 14, 1917, and Lizzie I. who passed away April 9, 1902. In 1906 Rev. and Mrs. Tharp moved to Warren to spend the remainder of their days. Since the death of his companion, Rev. Tharp has been cared for by his two surviving children. In the early morning of Nov. 20, 1931, he was called from labor to reward at the age of 85 years, 8 months, and 19 days. He was a life long member of the United Brethren Church. On hearing the call of God to go and preach the gospel he sought to obey that call. He entered Harts-ville College and graduated in Theology in 1879. He became a member of White River Conference in 1877 and was given license to preach. Two years later he entered upon active ministerial service and for over fifty years he did not miss a roll call at annual conference. On September 5, 1880, while going to fill an appointment, when within a half-mile of his destination he met with an accident which later resulted in the loss of a limb. Rev. Tharp was a loyal, faithful, generous, devoted servant of the Lord and served as pastor upon many fields of labor and was presiding elder for a number of years. He was an able expounder of the Word of God. He was elected delegate to six general conferences in the church and served upon different church boards. On account of infirmities of age he has not been in the active ministry since 1909. Eternity alone will reveal the result of this man's labors. In his death he leaves two children, Ulysses M. Tharp of Muncie, Ind., and Mrs. Aura A. Compton of Warren; two brothers, Jonas G. Tharp of Bluffton and Amos S. Tharp of South of Warren. There are also 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren who survive. The funeral services were conducted in the Warren United Brethren Church on Monday afternoon, Nov. 23, Rev. C. H. Slusher in charge; singing by the Huntington College Male Quartet. The scripture lesson was read by the pastor, Rev. W. O. Fix, and Bishop Musgrave preached the funeral sermon using as a text Ps. 116: 15. Revs. W. A. Strickler, H. A. Collins, S. S. Losure, C. E. Stratton, O. Puller and B. R. Holloway were pall bearers. Other ministers who had a place on the platform were J. A. Rector, D. L. Chambers, J. W. Brubaker, J. E. Harwood and H. A. Smith of our own church and O. E. Oxley, Charles Tinkham, V. D. Hammer, and G. D. Wigfield of the Warren churches. Burial was made in the Warren Woodlawn Cemetery.

William Franklin Daring, son of John and Perscilla Daring, was born near Van Wert, Mercer Co., Ohio, March 14, 1864 and departed this life Sep. 22, 1931, at the age

of 67 years, 6 months, and 7 days. He married Dortha Myrtle Brown Oct. 20, 1901. They spent the most of their life in Montpelier, Ohio. He leaves to mourn his beloved wife, six children, two boys and four girls, one brother, one sister, and a host of other relatives and friends. The funeral services were held in the United Brethren Church (Old Constitution) in Montpelier, Ohio. Sermon by Rev. N. J. Clay.

Mrs. **Goldie May Turner**, wife of Mr. John Turner, was born in Montpelier, Ohio, May 31, 1896, and parted from this world at her home in Jackson, Mich., November 12, 1931, aged 35 years, 5 months, and 12 days. There were 7 children born to this union; one son and one daughter have preceded her to that better land. She leaves to mourn their loss, besides the husband and children, her aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Gunyon, and one sister of Montpelier, Ohio, one brother, Harry Gunyon, of Erie, Mich. She also leaves a host of friends and other relatives. The funeral services were held in the United Brethren Church (Old Constitution) in Montpelier, Ohio. The sermon was by Rev. N. J. Clay.

John Wilson Wertenbarger, who died at his home Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 17, at 3:15 following a heart attack, was born Oct. 23, 1867, in Wayne Co., Ohio. He was the son of John and Abigail Wertenbarger, who moved in 1870, settling on a farm near Strasburg. On Oct. 17, 1894, he married Sophia H. Hermann. To this union were born five children. He accepted Christ as his Savior and united with the Strasburg United Brethren Church and was faithful until death. He is survived by his wife and two children, Grace of Cleveland, Ohio, and Howard of Monroe, one sister, Mrs. Ida Shew of Monroe, Michigan, and two brothers, Rev. U. S. Wertenbarger of Hudson, Ind., and Mr. James Wertenbarger of Monroe and many nieces and nephews. The funeral was at his home on Friday, Nov. 20, with Rev. Jesse J. Nofzinger of the United Brethren Church of Monroe in charge. Interment at Monroe Township Cemetery.

Elsie Jane Seeley was born in Camden, Mich., June 14, 1851, to Harvey and Margaret Seely, and departed to glory at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Elsie Peterson in College Park, Huntington, Ind., Nov. 24, 1931, at the age of 80 years, 5 months, and 10 days. She was united in marriage to Peter B. Seeley Jan. 1, 1866, at Reading, Michigan. The children, all surviving, are Mrs. Susie Robinett, Arthur, Frank and Mrs. Elsie Peterson. She leaves two brothers and two sisters, grandchildren, great and great-great-grandchildren. Two sons-in-law, J. J. Robinett and Andrew Peterson and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Frank Seeley, took loving care of her in business affairs and during her affliction and leaving. With her husband "Aunt" Jane was converted at Harris School House, near their home in a revival conducted by Rev. T. Martin and became active members of the United Brethren Church. They were the principal financial donors and managers of the building of St. Paul Church, Camden, Mich., which, with relatives and a few members, they maintained many years in the community where they were successful enterprising farmers. They were intensely, vitally concerned for the prosperity of the church. Their home was a shelter for the pastor and Christian workers. In later years their home was made in College Park to be near Huntington College. Here "Uncle" Pete passed to reward several years ago. After but a weeks illness Sister Seeley passed away, cheerful, full of faith and assurance to the

end. Two funeral services were held, both in charge of Rev. O. G. Alwood. At the home Rev. J. Howe offered prayer. At College Park Church the sermon was from Isa. 35: 10; at the United Brethren Church, Montgomery, Mich. Rev. C. L. Smith the pastor offered prayer and John 14: 2 was used as a text. Burial was in the Palmer Cemetery, Camden, Mich. The day was bright and the sorrowing friends at parting could but feel the fitness of the Thanksgiving day for honoring this saint of God, freed from the life of limitation to be carried on angel wings to be with her Lord in the beautiful mansions above.

Lela Fay Hardin, daughter of Orval and Delia May Hardin, was born at Ypsilanti; Mich., Jan 27, 1920, and departed this life Nov. 25, 1931, at the age of 11 years, 10 months, 2 days. She leaves to mourn their loss her father and mother, one sister, Betty Jane, one brother, Orval Darwin, her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Andress and Mrs. Clarissa Mott, and a host of other relatives and friends. Lela Fay was a good Christian girl; she took much delight in reading the Bible that was presented to her by her church. Her last words to her mother, when leaving for the hospital were: "You read the chapters to the children." She was 13 days in a hospital at Ann Arbor, Mich., where she received the best of care, but God in his own wisdom saw fit to take her home. She bore her suffering without complaint. After a short service at her home at Ypsilanti; she was removed to her grandparents' home and a funeral service was conducted at the Fairview Church, Saturday morning Nov. 28, in charge of the pastor, Rev. W. C. Davies. The body was tenderly committed to the earth in Rockford Cemetery.

Manasseh Joseph Zeigler, son of Michael and Henrietta Zeigler, was born near Shrewsbury, York Co., Pa., Dec. 29, 1844. His mother died when he was twelve years old. He was reared on the farm and studied in such pioneer schools as the time provided, and proved himself very apt in arithmetic. In 1872 he and his brother Andrew came to Indiana. Nov. 5 1882, he married Miss Barbara Lannerd. To them were born two sons, William H. of Huntington, Ind., and John A. of Charlestown, W. Va., and one daughter, Grace I. at home. There remain also six grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Seaks of Red Lion, Pa., and Mrs. Laura Frysinger of Healdsburg, Cal., very aged, many nieces and nephews, and a host of friends to mourn his departure at the ripe age of 86 years and 11 months. He departed this life at 4:20 a. m., Nov. 29, 1931. In 1886 they bought the little farm north of Dublin. The companion died in 1922, after 40 years of wedded life. He resided on the home place for forty-three years, after which he and Grace moved to Dublin. He was a member of the Pleasant Hill Evangelical Church for a number of years. He never questioned the truth of the Bible. He was industrious to the limit of time at his disposal, honest in his dealings with his fellowmen, he had confidence with those with whom he came into contact, and was generous in business transactions almost to a fault. He was diligent in instructing his children in honesty and good citizenship. Surely these works shall follow him. However works do not save; we must look to the mercies of an infinitely kind heavenly Father. The funeral services were conducted from the United Brethren Church at Dublin, Indiana, by Rev. Munroe Scheidler, assisted by Rev. Howard Brown. Interment was in Locust Grove Cemetery.