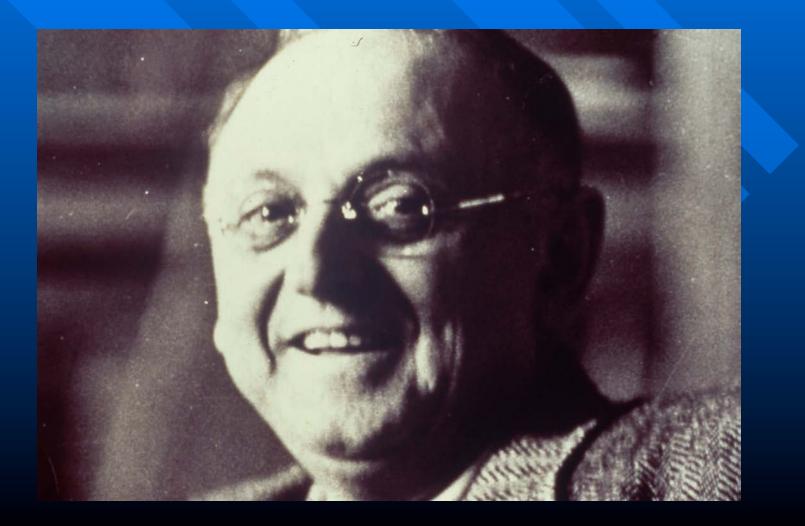
Dr. Frank Buchman Founder of the Oxford Group







First page "What Is The Oxford Group" description

THE OXFORD GROUP

"And it shall be in the last days, saith God, I will pour forth of my Spirit upon all fishi: and your sons and your daughters shall prophery, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream (rears)."-ACTS IL 17.

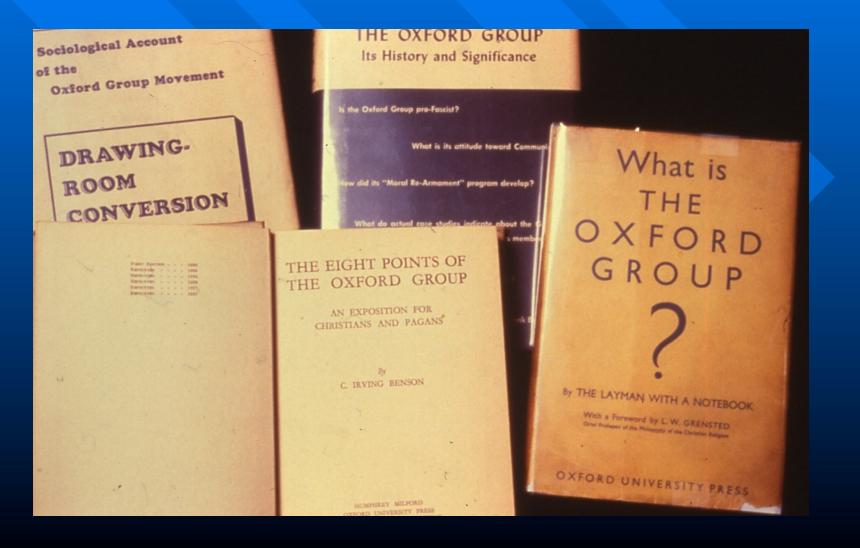
You cannot belong to the Oxford Group. It has no membership list, subscriptions, badge, rules, or definite location. It is a name for a group of people who, from every rank, profession, and trade, in many countries, have surrendered their lives to God and who are endeavouring to lead a spiritual quality of life under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

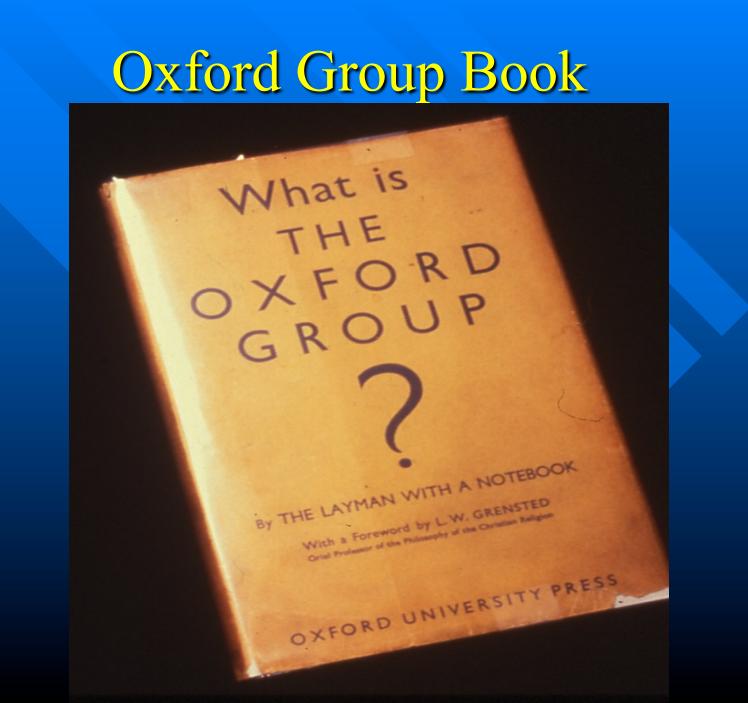
The Oxford Group is not a religion; it has no hierarchy, no temples, no endowments; its workers have no salaries, no plans but God's Plan; every country is their country, every man their brother. They are Holy Crusaders in modern dress, wearing spiritual armour. Their aim is 'A New World Order for Christ, the King'.

The Oxford Group is often confused in the minds of strangers with the Oxford Movement. The former which, by accident rather than by design, uses Oxford as the nominal centre for its activities in England, is a campaign for the renaissance of the practice among men of the truths of simple Christianity; the latter is a Catholic renaissance within the Church of England.

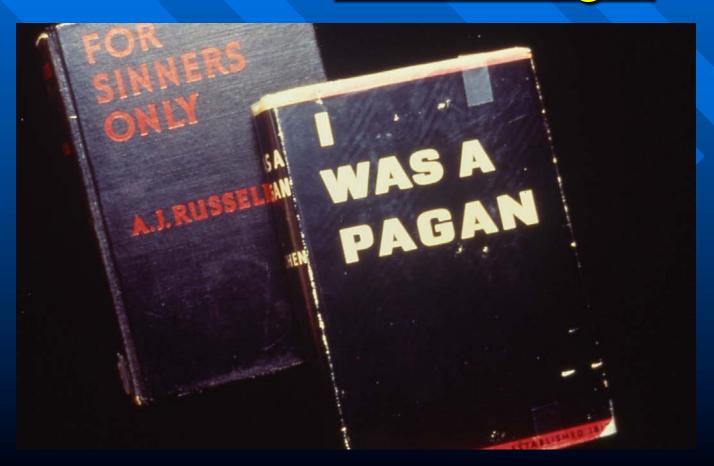
The Oxford Group works within churches of all denominations, planning to bring those outside back into their folds and to re-awaken those within to their responsibilities as Christians. It advocates nothing

Assorted Oxford Group books.





2 Oxford Group Books: A.J. Russell For Sinners Only and V.C. Kitchen I Was A Pagan



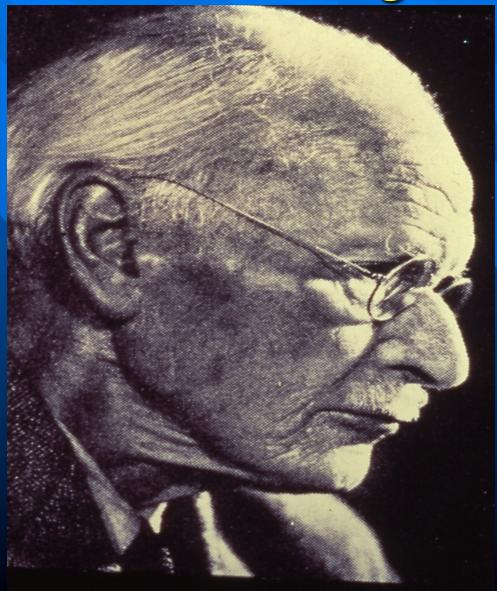
Rowland H. (left), wife and son. Rowland carried the Oxford Group message to Ebby.



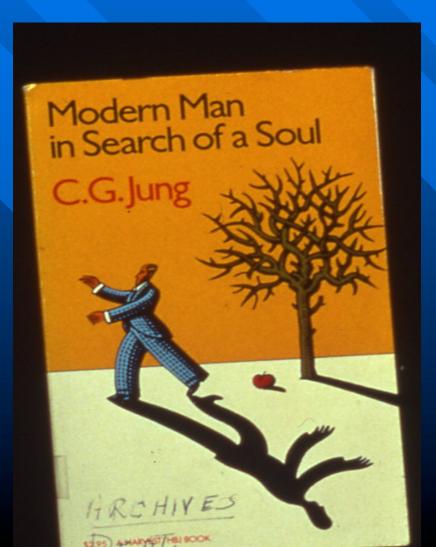
Cebra Graves Ebby was released from court to Rowland H. and Cebra's care



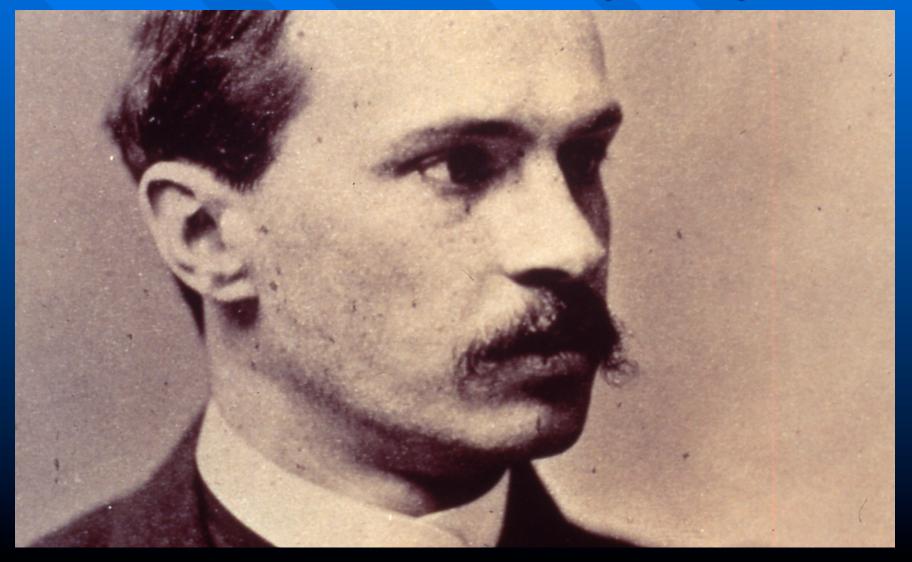
Dr. Carl Jung



Carl Jung's <u>Modern Man in Search of a Soul</u>

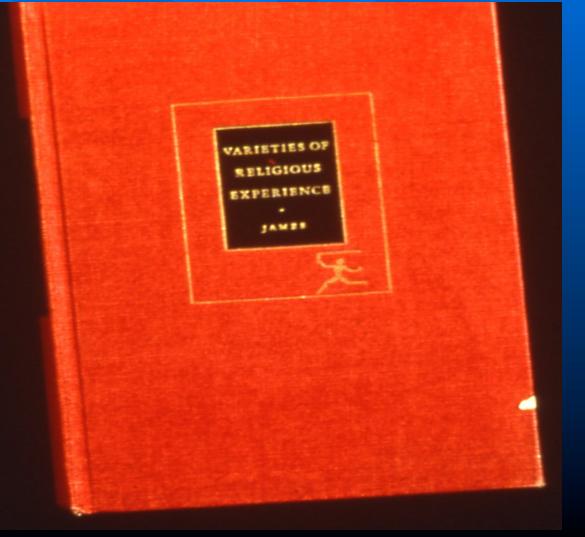


William James Father of American Psychiatry



William James Book Varieties of Religious Experience

Ebby carried this book to Bill at Townes Hospital



<u>The Common Sense of Drinking</u> by Richard Peabody

Once an alcoholic, always an alcoholic

Half measures availed us nothing



Frank Buchman and 60 members of the Oxford Group invited to Akron by Harvey Firestone

1932 Akron newspaper article on the Oxford Group. Frank Buchman is in the picture.

oudy today followed by rain tomorrow; rising temperature

OHIO, FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1933

AKRON'S 'DINNER JACKET REVIVAL' WAS BEGUN AT HOTEL MAYFLOWER LAST NIGHT Russell Firestane, left, and Dr. Frank N. D. Buchman, before the m ing, at the left. At the right a scene as the Minner jacket revival meet ing got under way. Mr. Firestone is speaking. Left to right are, Reginald Holme, Oxford; Sir Walter Windham, London; Rev. Walter F Tunks, rector of SL Paul's Episcopal church, and Mr. Firestone Oxford Group Hits Stride In Akron Modern Revival Buchman and Followers Begin Personal Meetings Today in New-Style Evangelism: Score Will Fill Pulpits Sunday: Hundreds Throng First Session to Hear Converts By DON STROUSE The Oxford group of dinner jacket revivalists started about the serious business of winning Akron to Christ today after a whiriwind opening meeting last night that drew close to 3500 de to jam two improvised meeting houses. "Personal evangeliam"-one man talking to another or a oman discussing problems with another woman was the order of the day. The clergy of the city got together with Dr. Frank N. D. Buchman founder of the group, to talk over things that bothered them, and about 400 women gathered in Hotel

Post Office, Antes, One.

Reverend Sam Shoemaker With the Calvary Church, and head of the Oxford Group in U.S.



Calvary Episcopal Church – 21st Street and Park Avenue South. Headquarters of the Oxford Group. Bill W. went to Oxford meetings before the founding of A.A.



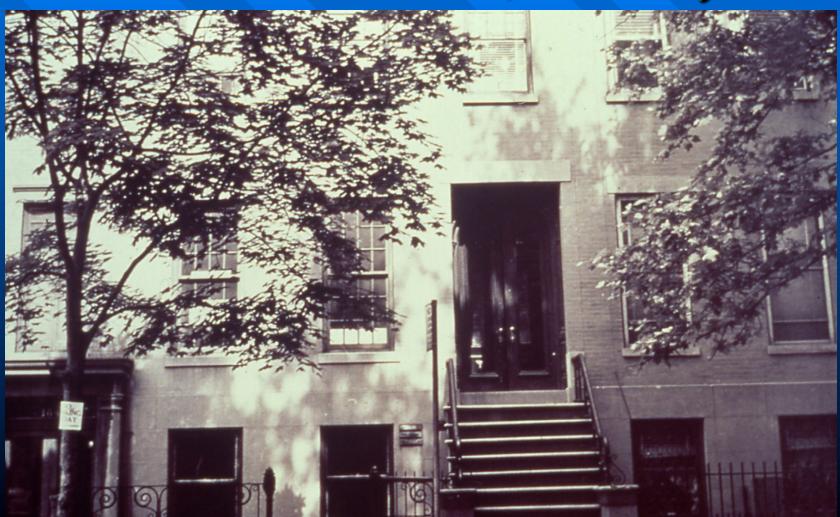
Calvary House adjacent to the Calvary Episcopal Church Entrance to the street mission



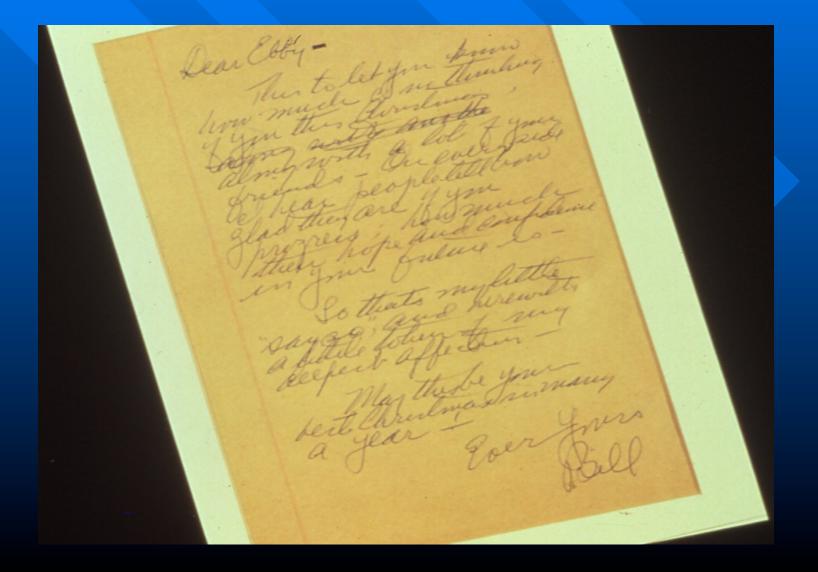
Bill and Ebby Ebby carried "The Message" to Bill



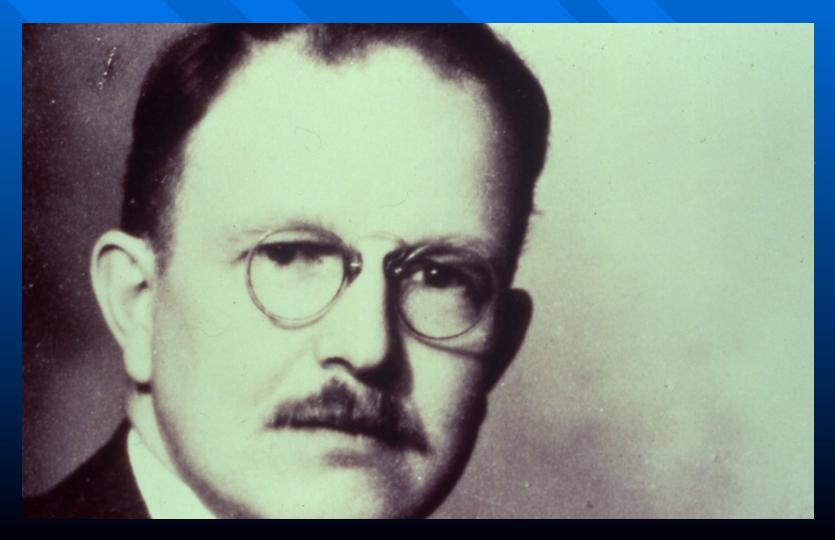
Bill and Lois's house, 182 Clinton Street, Brooklyn



A note from Bill to Ebby "Wishes for a Merry Christmas and thanks."



Dr. Leonard Strong – A.A. trustee and brother-in-law of Bill Wilson.



Townes Hospital located at Central Park West and 89th Street NYC. Bill was treated there 4 times. Dr. Silkworth was the medical superintendent of Townes Hospital

Dr. Silkworth "The little doctor who loved drunks." He wrote the "Doctor's Opinion" in the Big Book.



Knickerbocker Hospital Dr. Silkworth transferred here.



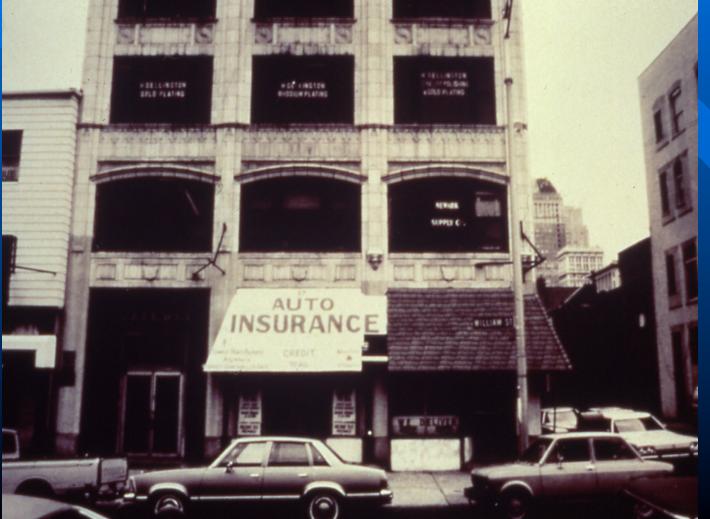
A young Bill 1930 - 35 years old



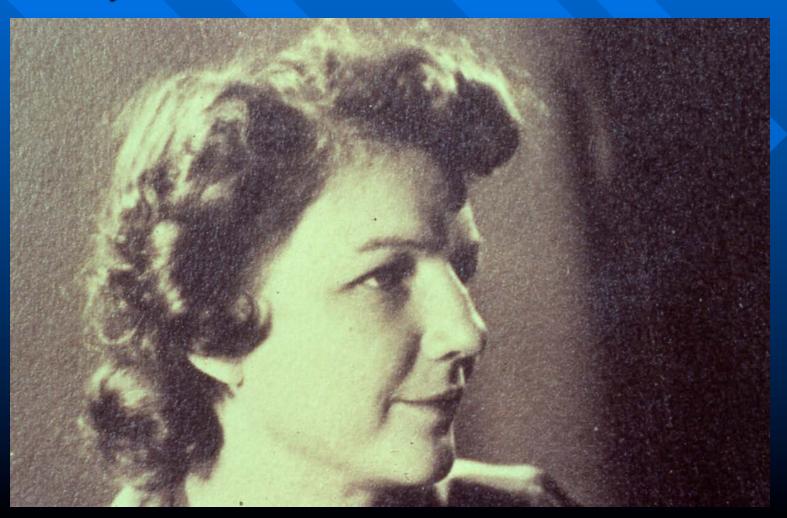
Bill at the 10th anniversary of Dr. Bob's death.



Williams Street – The first "headquarters". It was here that the Big Book manuscript was gathered. Located in Newark, New Jersey.



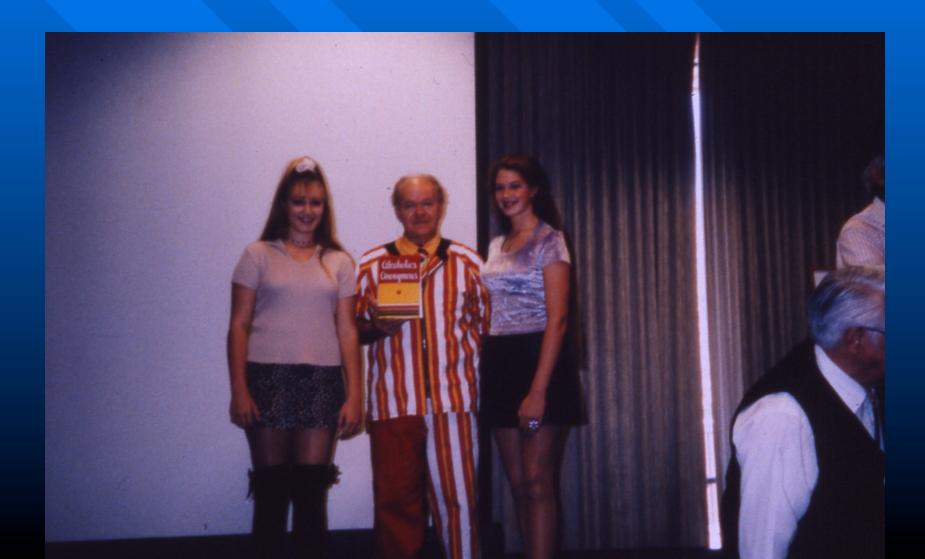
Ruth Hock, the first secretary for A.A. She typed all the drafts of the original Big Book manuscript and was presented with the five millionth copy of the Big Book in Montreal at the 50th Anniversary International Convention. Ruth died in 1987.



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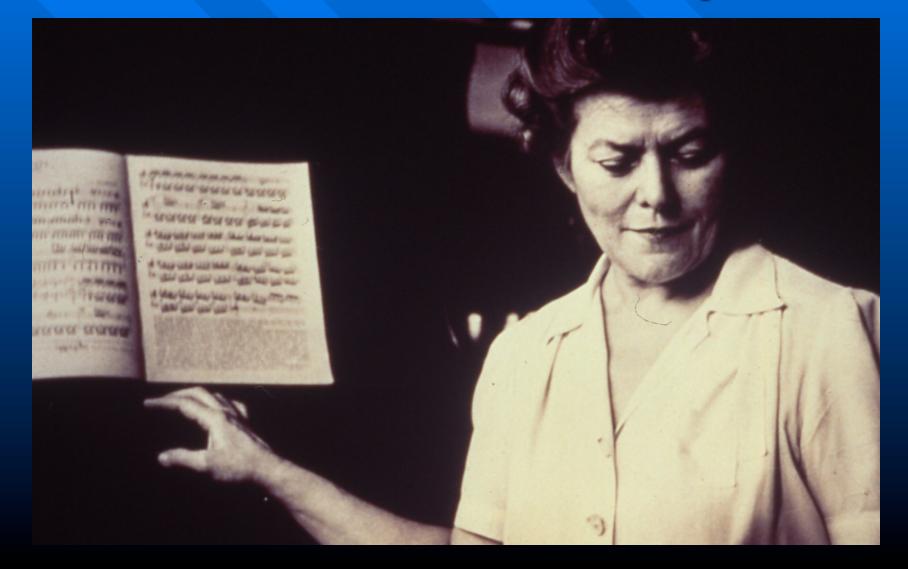
Lobby of the Mayflower Hotel in Akron, OH. Where Bill made his famous phone call to Reverend Walter Tunks which resulted in a meeting with Dr. Bob.



Reverend Walter Tunks Got Bill in touch with Henrietta Sieberling who arranged for Bill and Bob to meet



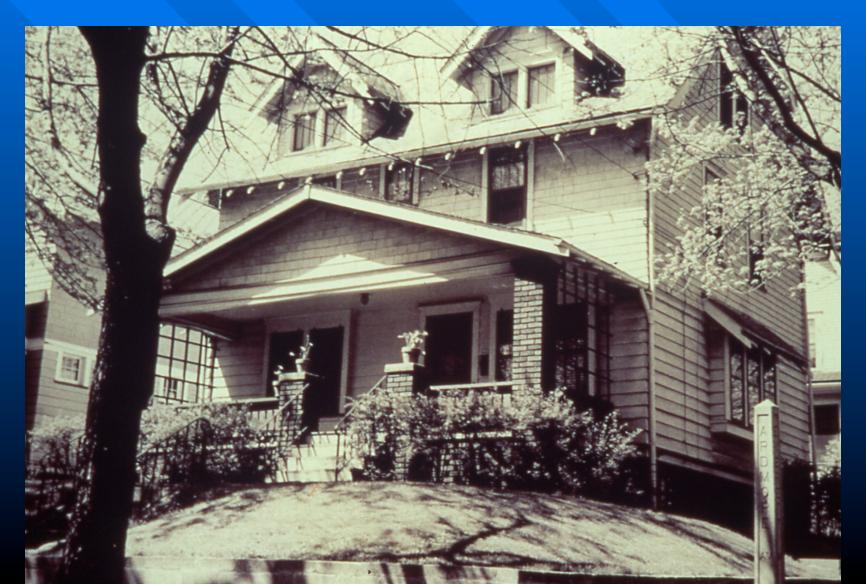
Henrietta Sieberling a member of the Oxford Group



Anne and Bob Smith

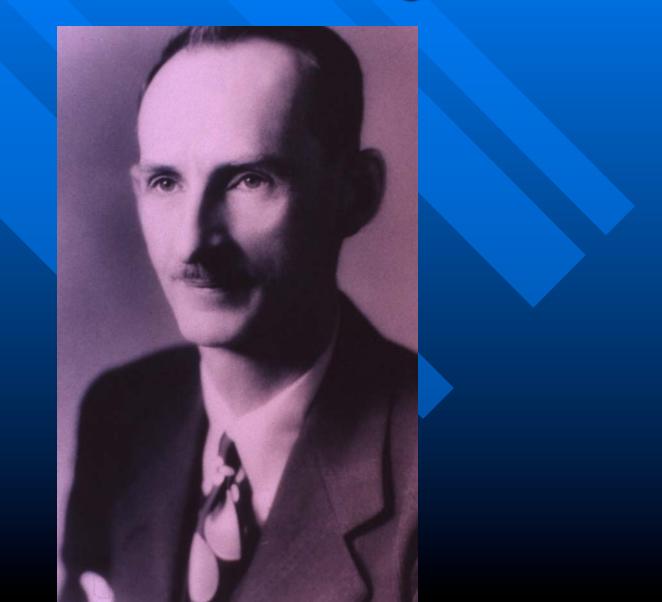


Dr. Bob's house 855 Ardmore Ave. Akron, OH



Archie Trowbridge

The Man Who Mastered Fear



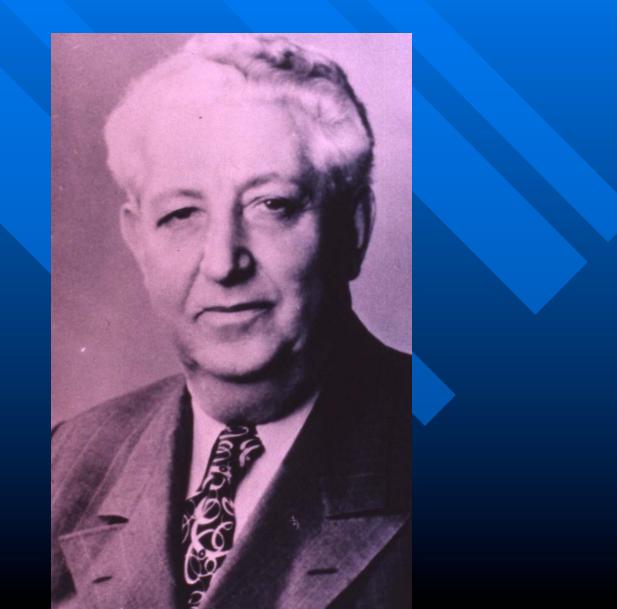
The Gatehouse of the Sieberling estate where Bill and Bob first met



House of T. Henry Williams – an Oxford Grouper. Many Oxford Group meetings were held in his home and Bill attended meetings there. Akron City Hospital where the third member of A.A. (Bill D. or "The Man on the Bed") received the good news of recovery from Bill and Dr. Bob.



Bill Dotson



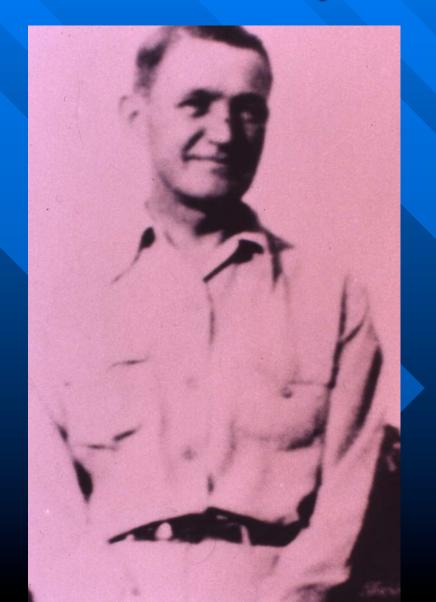
AA #3

Ernie Galbraith





Paul Stanley



The Truth Freed Me







Charles Simonson

Riding The Rods

Clarence Snyder

The Home Brewmeister

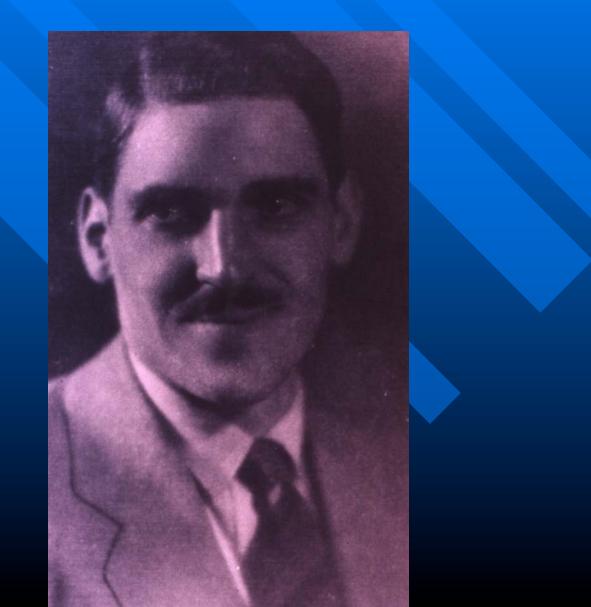


Abby Golrick

He Thought He Could Drink Like A Gentleman







The Salesman

Ernie Gehrig

Early member sponsored by Dr. Bob







From Farm To City

Sylvia Kaufman



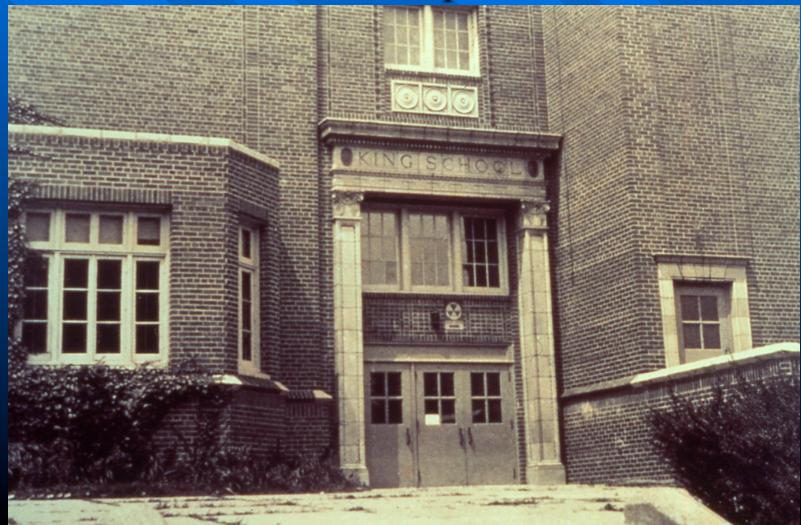
Keys to the Kingdom

Tom & Maybelle Lucas

My Wife and I



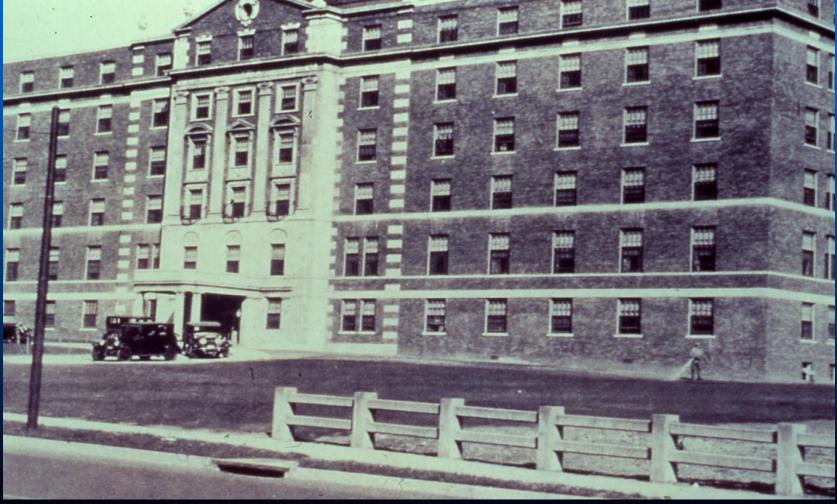
King School in Akron, OH. Public School where meetings were first held outside of private homes



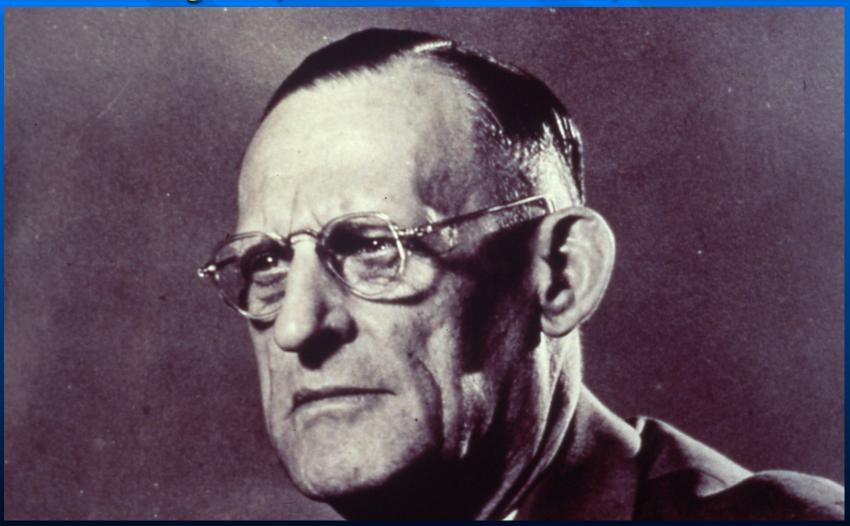
Sister Ignatia Dr. Bob's dedicated partner in treating alcoholics at St. Thomas Hospital in Akron, OH



St. Thomas Hospital where Dr. Bob and Sister Ignatia worked treating alcoholics



Dr. Bob August 8, 1879 – November 16, 1950



Anne Smith

March 21, 1881 – June 1, 1949



Bill and Bob



Sermon on the Mount

by Emmet Fox

The Key to Success III THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT BY EMMET FOX

Is there a Scientific Way to tap the realm of infinite power which surrounds you - for the benefit of your - science

This book answers "YES" and shows you have to do i

Examples of early A.A. pamphlets.

ALCOHOLICS

ANONYMOUS

What About the Alcoholic Employee?

Can anything be done for the valuable employee whose drinking is out of his control? To

employers this is a baffling question. The purpose of this reprint is to bring you in touch with the experience of ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, that informal society of exproblem drinkers, whose aim is to help other

Our members are to be found in thousands of

American communities. Formerly memploy-

numbers hold responsible executive positions.

able, nearly all of us are now at work. Large

Neither evangelists nor reformers, we regard

alcoholism as a sickness. We help ourselves by

helping each other. There is no charge for our

services because our work is an avocation only.

We are consulted daily by relatives, friends,

doctors and clergymen who must deal with the

alcoholic illness. Many of the leading corpora-

tions of this country now refer such problems to

For further information, interested employers

Grand Central Annex. New York 17.

are invited to write The Alcoholic Foundation.

alcoholics recover if they wish.

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folk to Freed Slaves of Drink, Now They Free Of turn th By Jack Alexander The wives entire "MIREE men sat around the bed of an this and of the depres The THE

About the Alcoholic Husband

Why can't we wives cure them? How can they be so thoughtless of the children? Why are they so blind about themselves? What has become of their judgment, their common sense,

These questions, and a host of others, race

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alcoholic patient in the psychopathic ward of Philadelphia General Hospital one alternoon a few weeks ago. The man in the bed, who was a complete stranger to them, had the drawn and slightly stupid look that indivisites get while being delogged after The only thing that was notea bender. worthy about the callers, except for the obvious contrast between their well-groomed appearances and that of the putient, was the fact that each had been shrough the delogging process many times himself. They were members of Alcoholics Anonymous, a band of ex-problem drinkers who made an avocation of helping other alcoholics to heat the

liquor habit The man in the hed was a mechanic. His inturs had been educated at Princeton, Yale and Pennayivania and were, by occupation, a salesman, a lawyer and a publicity man. Less than a year before, one had been in shackles in the same ward. One of his companions had been what is known among alcoholics as a sanitarium commuter. had moved from place to place, beleviling the staffs of the country's leading institutions for their own the treatment of alcoholics. The other had roads into spent twenty years of life, all outside institution walls, making life minerable for himself, his family and his employers, as well as sum dry well-meaning relatives who had had the

temerity to intervene. The air of the ward was thick with the aroms of paraldehyde, an unpleasant cocktail ametling like a mixture of alcohol and ether which hospitals sometimes use to taper off and drinker and acouthe his withold Wethe parals

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Medicine Looks at Alcoholics Anonymous

> (Reprints of papers presented to the MEDICAL SOCIETY of the STATE of NEW YORK and the AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION)

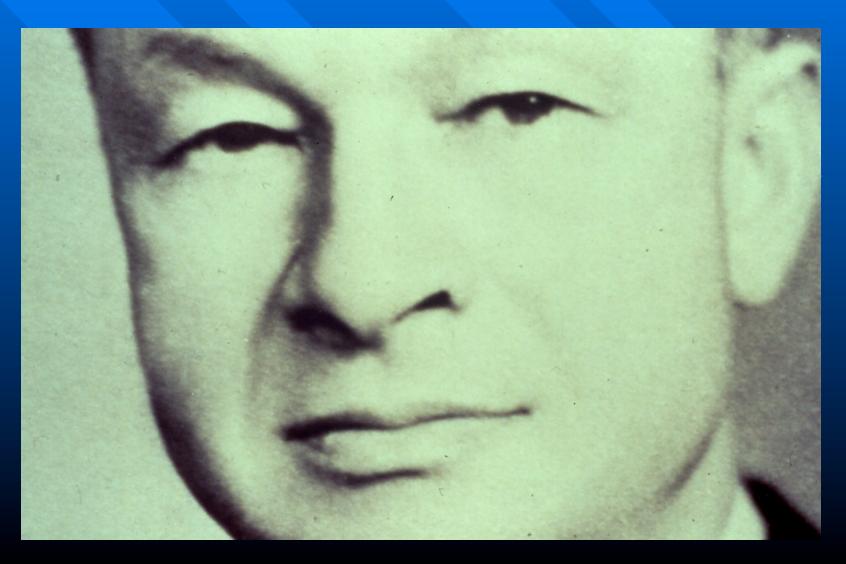
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Hy matury toucht holic likes to be left alone to wor puzzle, and he has a convenient way of ignoring the tragety which he indicts meanwhile upon those who are close to him. He holds desperately to a conviction that, although he has not been able to handle alcohol in the past, he will ultimately succeed in becoming died deleter One of medicine

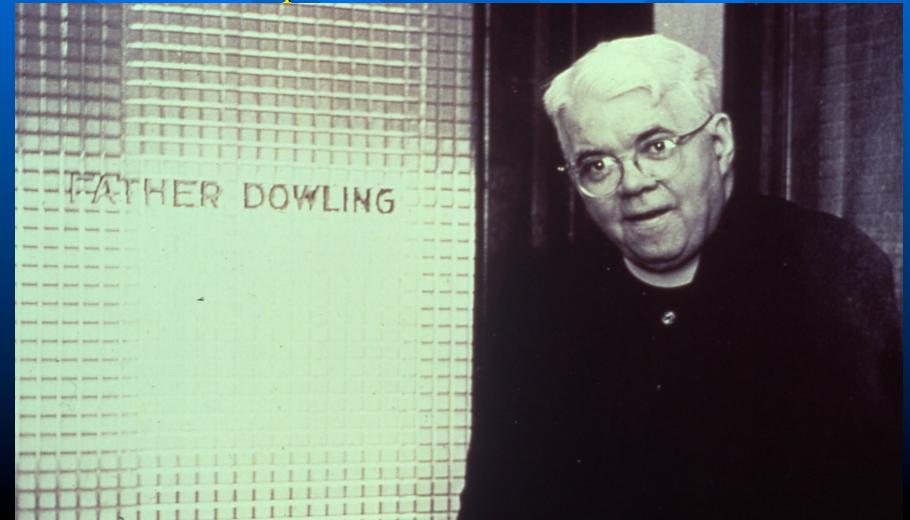
Harry Emerson Fosdick Reverend at Riverside Church in New York City. The Church the Rockefeller family belonged to. Wrote favorable report on the Big Book.



Frank Amos member of Rockefeller Foundation and A.A. trustee.



Father Dowling Catholic Jesuit priest and good friend of A.A. Helped to start first A.A. group in St. Louis, MO. Spiritual advisor to Bill W.



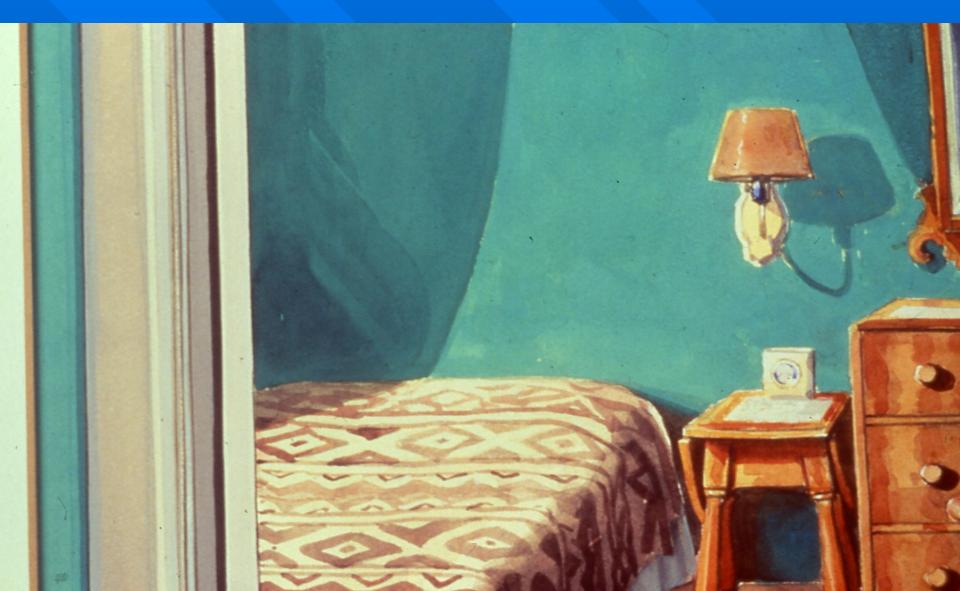
Eugene Exman Religious editor of Harpers magazine who helped edit the Big Book



Painting of entrance into the 24th Street Clubhouse New York City



Bill and Lois's 2nd floor room in the 24th Street Clubhouse.



Picture of exterior to the 24th Street Clubhouse.



Interior view of Clubhouse where A.A. meetings were held (first location in city where A.A. was taken from private homes to public space). When Bill lost mortgage on Clinton Street home in Brooklyn, he lived at Clubhouse with Lois for awhile. (334 ½ W. 24th Street) Club disbanded in 1961.



Exterior of 41st Street Clubhouse



Marty Mann

early recovered female alcoholic. Founder of the National Council on Education in Alcoholism.



Harry Tiebout Head psychiatrist, Blythewood Sanitarium supporter of A.A. He was Bill's psychiatrist wrote "<u>The Ego Deflation At Depth"</u>.



Newspaper account of June 10, 1945 1st Anniversary dinner of the Akron Group

By MURRAY POWERS. THREE HUNDRED and fifty men and women met Sunday might to hall the beacon that was lighted in 'Akron 10 years ago-the beacon whose rays have ance pierced the darkness of mitsun despair.

They met to sing a "Te Deum," a kymn of praise and thanksgiving for the removal of the load of misery and sorrow that had erushed themselves and their families. They were a humble, a charitable, a happy and a grateful people. In the balittoom of the Mayflower hotel they testified to their failth in God, thankad Him and their neighbors for getting them "back on the beam" and pBdiged their continued heip to their fellow men.

THEY WERE the members of Alcoholios Anonymous - the men and winnen who say, "We were just a bunch of drunks" and then gratefully admit that through God and their fellowmen they ary rid of the drinking habit.

Ten years ago "Doc" took his last drink. "Dall yeas already "dry," but the poing was toogh. They tried to help each other and from that mutual understanding and help sprang the new famous but humble Alcopolies Anonymous.

Sunday night's dinner was a tribute to "Doc," an Akron doctop and "BUL" a New York businessman. Outside of the A.A. they remain anonymous. But when they entered the ballroom, coming from Cleveland where 3.000 had attended an A.A. raily in Music Hall, they foceived a deatening ovation.

THERE'S nothing stuffed shirtish about the A.A. people. They don't try to force people to quit drinking. They are not advocating prohibition. They are not linked GUb any lemperad group. They know they can drink and live right. They known of many others cannot "handl liquor: Themselves and the they help.

Sunday night's anniversa party was as simple as 1 weekly meetings held throug out Akron. "Pather John," Catholic priest, led in the ree ing of the Lord's Prayer wi which every A.A. meeting ope He once called the A.A.'s 1 most charitable group of p ple he had ever known.

"J. D." came back from Indiana town to tell how mi unhappiness he had o brought his wife, but that was trying to carry the to for A.A. "Tw' worked and I found happiness; I still h reach edges to polish."

"Bill." an Akron attorn the first alcoholic workhd on the founders 10 years ago, called how many hospitals had been in He quoted a frie "The Lord has done so much me that I want to keep on go around telling people about

"JANE," a "Pittsburgh at mill executive and one of J role's disciples, revealed to Akron's A.A. group had o tributed 976.852 man hours industry and business in 19 1.601.040 in 1944, and said total would run over 2,000, in 1945. With others he was ed however, that Akoobs Anonymous is no cafete. "The A.A. works always those who work for A.A."

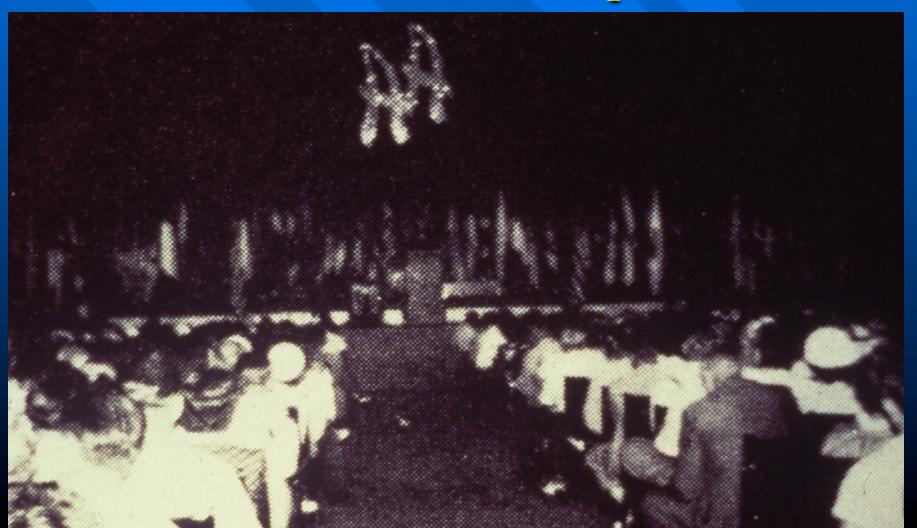
And then "Doe" and "P spoke, each recalling his of travait, each joining of A.A.'s in proclaiming a belle God, each assuring others 1 temptation still cornes to th And each fold the best way beat down temptation is to forth and help—one drunk h ing another drank.

In the 10 years of A.A. movement has spread to parts of the country and s 15.000 are-now members. ron has about 500 memb

Akron chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous, an organization | told the members they could cover their faces if they wanted redited with freeing thousands of men and women from | to, Some did and some dids't. The organization which ever



1950 Convention 15th Anniversary Cleveland, OH 12 Traditions accepted



Bill and Bob



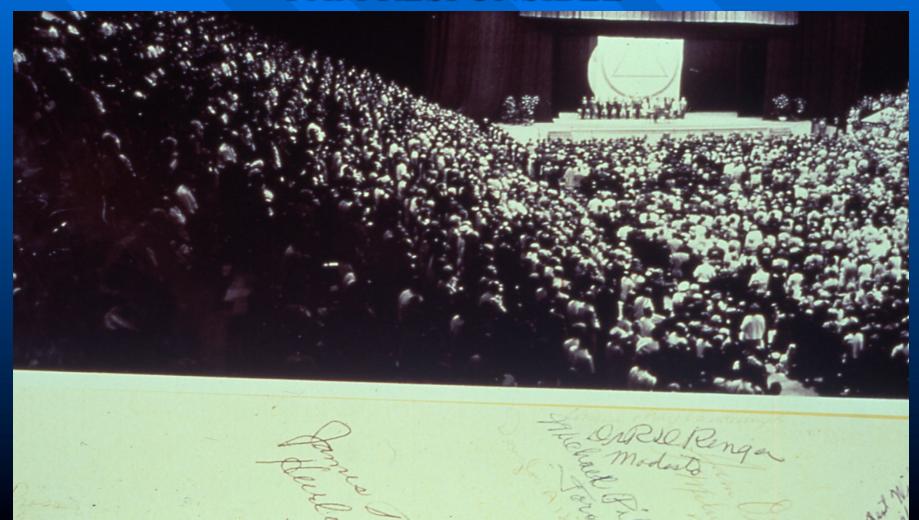
1955 Convention 20th Anniversary St. Louis, MO Bill turns 3 legacies over to membership

PLEASE CONVEY TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATE IN YOUR TO ABBLIVERSARY GATHERING MY GOOD WISHES FOR A SUCC DEETING, YOUR SOCIETY'S RECORD OF GROWTH AND SE IS AN INSPIRATION TO THOSE WHO THROUGH RESEARCH PERSEVERANCE AND FAITH, WOVE FORWARD TO THE SOL OF WANY SERIOUS PERSONAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH PROBU DUIGHT D EISENHOWER:

1960 Convention 25th Anniversary Long Beach, CA



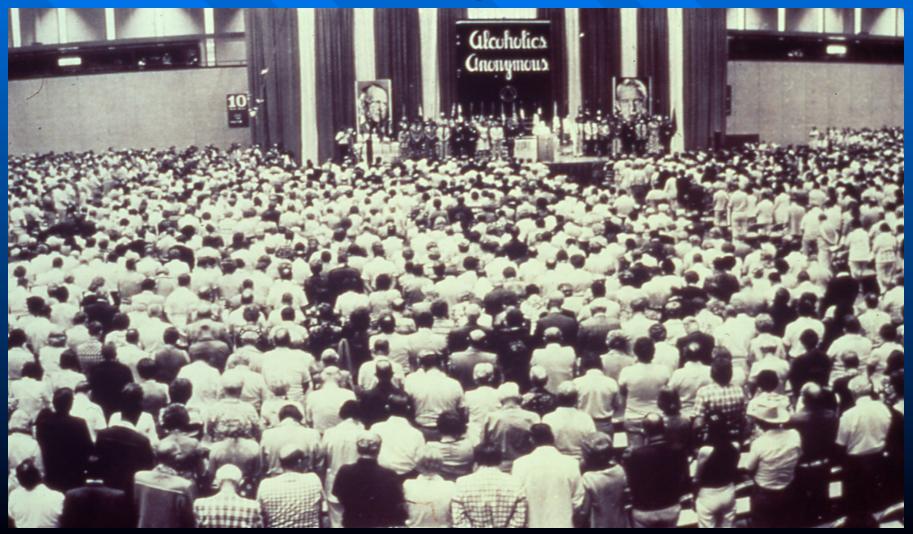
1965 Convention 30th Anniversary Toronto, Canada "I AM RESPONSIBLE"



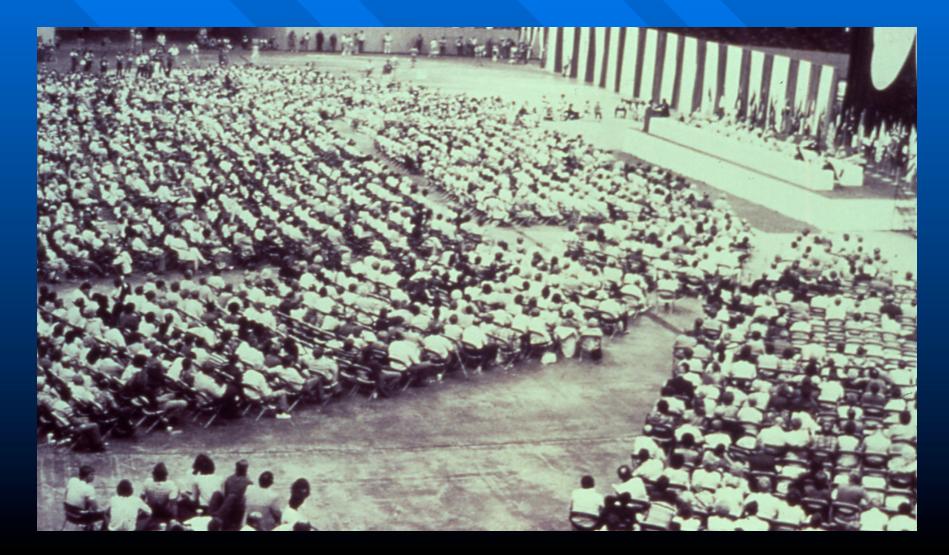
1970 Convention 35th Anniversary Miami Beach, FL



1975 Convention 40th Anniversary Denver, CO



1980 Convention 45th Anniversary New Orleans, LA



1985 Convention 50th Anniversary Montreal, Canada

John D.Rockefeller Supportive friend to A.A. "Won't Money Spoil This Thing?"



Alcoholic Foundation checks paying off debts. Became Self Supporting

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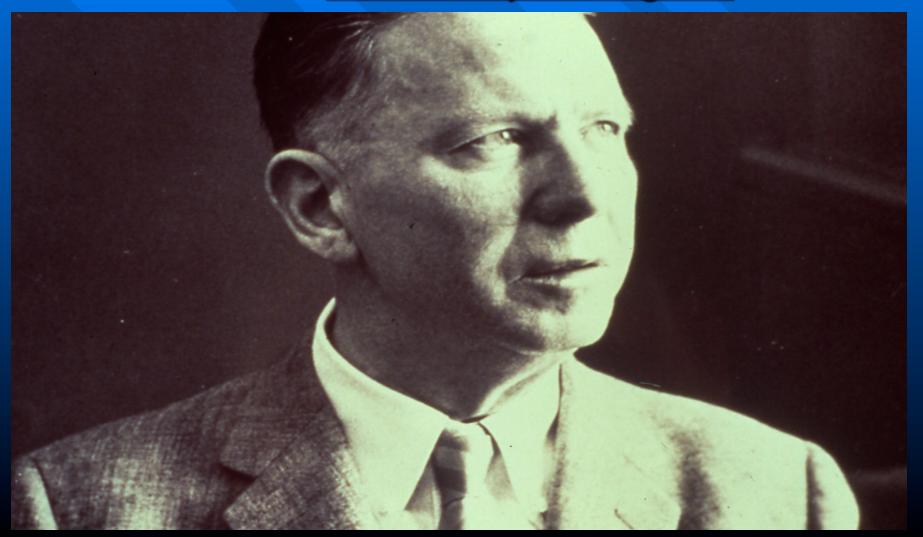
Leonard Harrison Rockefeller board member A.A. Foundation trustee



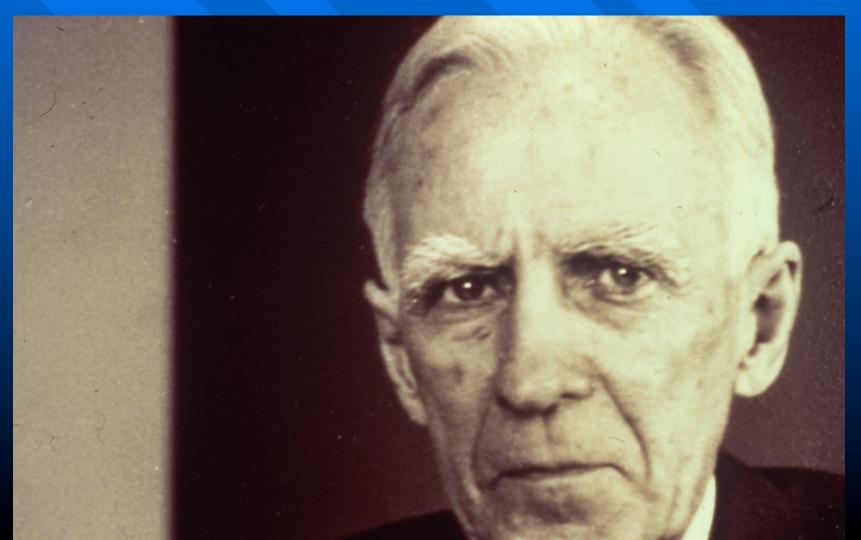
Austin McCormack A.A. trustee, General Service Board member, famous penologist.



Jack Alexander wrote famous article on A.A. in the March 1, 1941 issue of <u>The Saturday Evening Post</u>



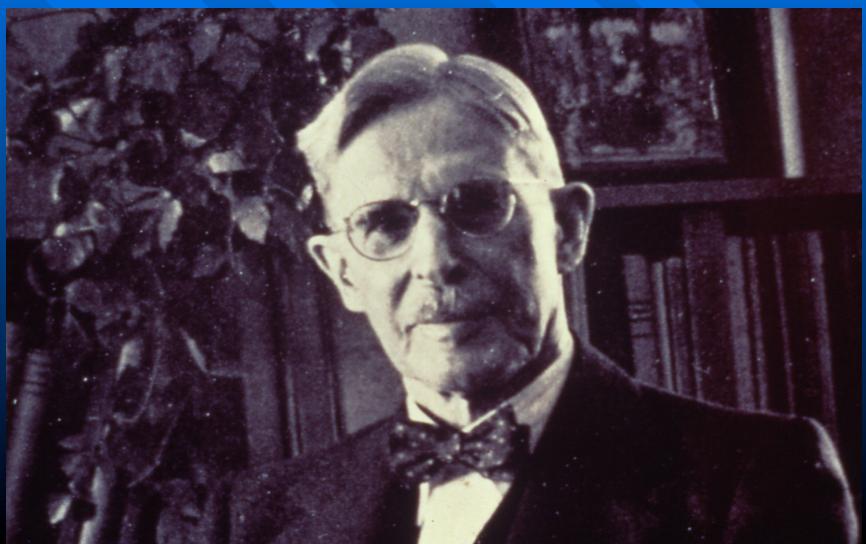
A. Leroy Chipman A.A. trustee, Alcoholic Foundation. Member of the Rockefeller Foundation



Bernard Smith Chief architect of the General Service Structure.



Reverend William S. Richardson A.A. trustee and associated with the Rockefeller Foundation.



Bill addresses the 1953 General Service Conference in the Roosevelt Hotel



Dr. Norris, Dr. Maxwell and Gordon Patrick all past chairman of the General Service Board



Bunky Jellinek – Dr. Jellinek of Yale University conducted studies of the "Phases in the Drinking History of Alcoholics". Phases were illustrated in chart form, "A Chart of Alcohol Addiction and Recovery". Dr. Jellinek was a leading authority in scientific research on alcoholism and director of the School of Alcohol Studies at Yale.

Lois Wilson Hosting annual Easter party for orphan children



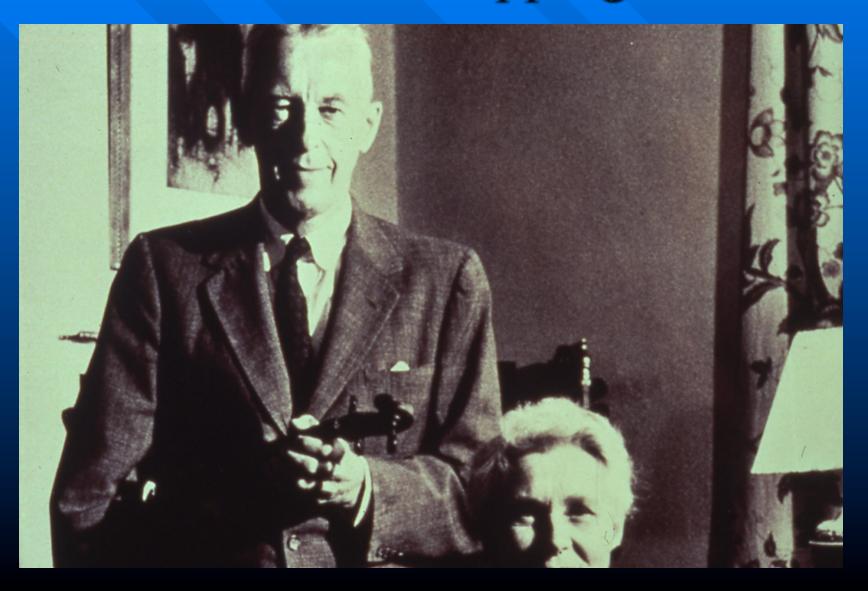
Lois Wilson March 4, 1891 – October 5, 1988



Bill at his desk, 1966. Note the hole in his shoe.



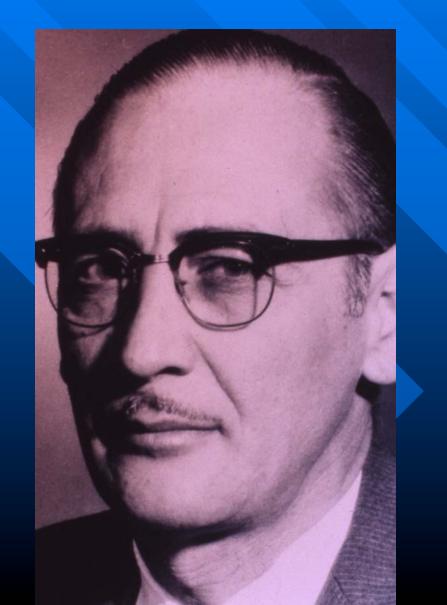
Bill and Lois at Stepping Stones



Rendition of Bill greeting members at his Clinton Street House . Painting by a Grapevine artist.



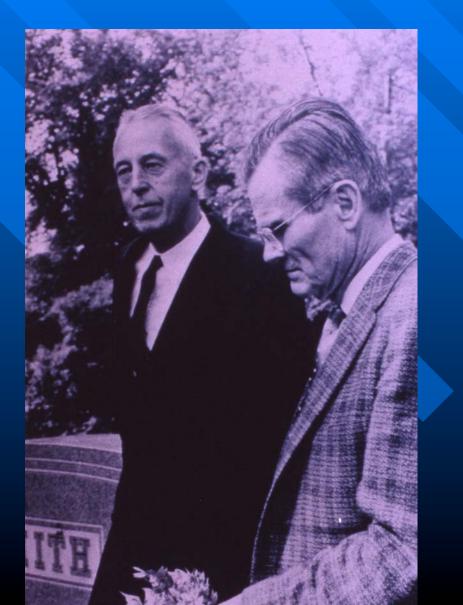
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