

July 1948

***Akron, Ohio Marks  
A.A. 13th Anniversary  
With Large Turnout***

*From Akron, Ohio*

The Akron 13th Anniversary of the founding of A.A. was a history-establishing meeting.

It was attended by 4,000 members living in this area, who showed their appreciation and gave thanks to Dr. Bob and Bill W., the co-founders, and the non-A.A.s who were instrumental in making their meeting possible and most helpful during our formative period, also Bill D., the first firm believer in Dr. Bob and Bill W.s idea.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Walter F. Tunks, Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The first speaker was Honourable Judge Bernard J. Roetzel, who outlined the rehabilitation that has been done in this community, through the works of A.A.

The second speaker was our Dr. Bob who introduced the non A.A.s who were helpful and instrumental at the beginning of our formative period, gave a description of the early history and the basic teachings of A.A. The third speaker was Bill W. who talked on A.A. Traditions and yearly Conference Plans.