AS WE SEE IT

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COMING! "MEET NICARAGUA!"

The Annual Memorials of the Salem Congregation, presented at the New Year's Eve Service in the Home Church for the 189th time, is printed herein, as usual. Its nature is somewhat different from those of former years, and meets a changing situation, as explained by the author, Bishop Pfahl.

Our two Moravian centers in this country, Winston-Salem, N. C., and Bethlehem, Pa., are coming to be known as the "Easter City" and "The Christmas City," respectively. This past Christmas in Bethlehem surpassed anything done heretofore. The brief article describing what took place was kindly furnished us by Bishop Paul de Schweinitz.

As we go to press word has come that Dean Albert G. Rau, of our Northern Province, is noteworthy because it created for the first time one Board which can officially represent both Provinces of the Moravian Church in America. It is significant also because it further emphasizes the growing sense of unity and cooperation between both American Provinces of our Church.

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G. G. H.

OUR DEBT OF HONOR, 1938

We are glad to report good progress in the important task of the Province toward the pensions of our Retired Missionaries. From this second tabulation it will be seen that approximately $700,000 is still needed to complete the quota of the Province—$2,800. The full quota assigned each congregation is necessary to make up this amount the Province must contribute if the needful small pensions of these aged, retired servants of the Church are to be paid. To all our churches and people, therefore, this message: Please in all outstanding amounts toward this urgent cause without delay. And Thank You!

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E. L. Stockton, Provincial Treasurer.

A NEW MEMBER OF THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN STAFF

Bro. George G. Higgins, pastor of our church in Greensboro, N. C., has been appointed by the Provincial Elders' Conference to fill the position of contributing editor on The Wachovian Moravian staff, made vacant by the removal of Bro. Carl J. Helmich to our Northern Province. With this issue Bro. Higgins makes his first contribution to our editorial columns. We are glad to welcome him into this field of Provincial activity. Our other contributing editor, Bro. Douglas I. Rights, continues his valuable assistance, for which we would express once more our gratitude and appreciation.

A VISITING THEOLOGIAN

The visit of Dr. Emil Brunner, theologian, of Zurich, Switzerland, came at the rush season before Christmas. It may be said in compliment to him that many took time to attend the meetings at which he spoke.

Interest was primarily in ministerial circles, but members of the laity were not lacking in attendance when opportunity was afforded.

It was a privilege to hear one who has been laboring through the years in Central Europe, and to gather from him information of religious trends in that portion of the world.

Among Moravians Dr. Brunner is quite at home. His Christo-centric theology and his appreciation for the religious heritage of our people hold him in close connection.

Incidentally, Dr. Brunner was pleased with the historical museum here, pronounced the restored Salem rooms "exquisite," and carried away a specimen of flexible standstene to send his son as a contribution to his geological collection.

D. L. H.

INTER-PROVINCIAL BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

One of the most significant acts of the Synod of 1938 was the passage of the resolution which gave the approval of the Southern Province to the already existing Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education. This action, in line with a similar resolution passed by the last synod of the Northern Province, is noteworthy because it created for the first time one Board which can officially represent both Provinces of the Moravian Church in America. It is significant also because it further emphasizes the growing sense of unity and cooperation between both American Provinces of our Church.

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MEMORABILIA OF 1938

Read By Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl, At The Home Moravian Church, Christmas Eve.

For the one hundred and thirty-eighth consecutive time, members of Salem (Moravian) Congregation and their Christian friends are met in this hallowed place of worship, on the last evening of a closing year, to join with each other in a service of praise and fellowship and to take note of these conditions and events of the year which have special bearing upon the welfare of mankind and, in some way or another, the present status of the cause of Christ and of the Kingdom.

What changes the years have brought since that first service here at the dawn of the nineteenth century! What a different world we live in and how changed the conditions of life of those who worship here and their contacts with the current of the world's life. Then, the affairs of the world moved slowly, communication was very inadequate, and there were few periodicals which brought news of world events to the people. The little congregation therefore met with something of eagerness and expectan
ey to know what was going on in the world from which they were in large part isolated. And from this file of official reports received throughout the year, from his correspondence with the church centers of Europe and the mission fields, and from the few newspapers which had come into his possession, the pastor of the con
gregation, in unburdened fashion, reviewed the items of chief importance in the life of the church and the world.

What the people learned not only satisfied a natural curiosity to know what was taking place; but furnished sub
ject matter for conversation and conjectures for long months to come.

In any Memorabilia of today, the new element is necessarily lacking. Daily and monthly news sheets and periodicals, and the "flash" of the radio keep everyone who is interested informed as to what is taking place. And of the reports of major world events, given in sequence from month to month by competent writers, there are very many. The need for the sort of Memorabilia which was formerly presented would appear to be met in large part.

Yet, as the custom, which has become a tradition of long stand-
ing, believing there is high spiritual value in the service of fellowship and prayer, which we hold together on the
last night of the month by the persons of official boards of our various churches attending in a body, sup-
ported by many members of our society, greatly enlarged congregation. And if the
news item of the Memorabilia is recognized as part of the service, there may be gain when we see the events of the year not as isolated happenings but in relation to each other and par-
ticularly to the progress or otherwise of the cause of Christ and the King-
dom of His glory is of deepest con-
cern to us all.

We can find no more adequate ex-
pansion of what should be

The Christian Point of View as we come to the end of the annual cycle of
1938 and face the new year 1939 Anno Domini, than the well-known stanza of Rev. John Newton's hymn, written for "the closing year."" New through another year, Supported by His care, We raise our Elemene here, For Whom we ask. Amen. Thus far. Our lot in future years We cannot, Lord, foresee, But kindly, to prevent our fears, Thou, Lord, art our Guide. Me, Ye Lord, we wish to cast Our cares upon Thy breast; Help us to trust and hope for the past And trust Thee for the rest." A Disappointed Year. If we are quite frank with ourselves, we shall admit that in earnest and zealous Christians eager to see the
Kingdom of God established on earth and the sway of the Prince of Peace extended over all the nations, 1938 was a disappointing year. The three wars which 1937 bequeath-
ed to it have continued their murder-
ous and destructive course to the hor-
rifing of the civilised world. "In the Far East and the south, where the drive for the occupation of China and, despite the desperate resistance of the Chinese, the year finds the
invaders in possession of more than half of what is known as China proper." "In Spain, a courageous and sac-
ificing people still resist the revolu-
tional revolt led by General Franco, but there is evidence that the republi-
can form of government is about to be headed over to the mercies of Fascist ambition." And what shall be said of that most momentous day of the year when in late September, the 29th, European nations went to war in another
awful war, and many Christians gave themselves to earnest prayer that it might not end!
The Pact of Munich was the result and the world breathed easier. But it is not yet the end. The voters gave to German Nazism and its bold and defiant dictator not only the
leadership of Germany but also its
mountain pates, but an open path also for his march eastward toward the rich resources of food and min-
erals and markets of Southeastern Europe! With the sacrificing of Czechoslo-
vakia to the premiers of Ger-
many and France as the price of peace, the power of European domination
was increased to the bait that
Fascist combination known as the
Berlin-Rome Axis, whose rule is to be astride the caravan of iron and steel, and whose ambitions are not to be tempered by any Christian stand-
dard of right, justice, freedom or hu-
nanimity interest.
Already shocked by the treatment accorded its opponents in the Aus-
rian and Czechoslovakian occupa-
tions, the Christian world was stunned by the later persecutions the Nazi and state and speak disdainfully of the Jews. In fact, the world has stood against at such treatment of a minority cit-
enship of a once great empire. It had been looked upon as a center of Christian culture and refinement. How many tears for the question, but all it is.
"Have we returned to the spirit of the Dark Ages?" Others have ques-
tioned, too. "Is it possible to re-
work the Good News anywhere
from today without hindrance." As a religious force Islam seems to
be the greatest antagonist. The light and the world of Christ is triumphing over
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new Turkey."" Reports of opening doors came to us, from the great South Ameri-
can continent, especially from Brazil and Columbus. And, as for years past the Central American republics are of
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tian evangelism.
Christian Missionary Movement. And do anyone imagine that the econ-
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number of missionaries is 27,577, No.
less than 5689 Christian schools are maintained. The number of nationals who are serving as pastors, teachers, and
other church workers is 5,810. They battle through their agencies, founded on hatred and selflessness and war, for the overthrow of Christian-
ity and its principles of love and righteousness and peace. They seek a new order of society without God and without Christ. Let Christians every-
where awake to the danger that threat-
ent will prepare to mocks and strike.
But, where some doors are closed and there is open warfare against our
Christian faith, in other places the
closed doors swing open and the cause of Christ is triumphing. A true pic-
ture of the world in its relation to
the Kingdom must call attention to the pros of Christianity as well as to the cons. If we are losing millions in the
Kingdom we are beginning to gain mil-
On the other hand, in India among the 70,000,000 un-
touched, there is a great mass move-
movement towards Christianity. On an
average 10,000 per month have been find-
ing their escape only from the world but also from power with deliver-
them from the slavery of an awfu
nother of thousands, others are awaiting instruction pre-
paratory to becoming followers of Christ. Leading authorities tell us 
"The attitude of India towards Chris-
the year has indeed changed." So, too, a decline is noted in Iran Dr. Zwemer, the twentieth centur,
Apostle to the Mohammedans, says: "Islam no longer has the strength and power of 40 years ago, and gate
of brass are being opened. Among the
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Nor is this all. "Reports from 51 nations show a world-wide growth of Sunday schools, according to the World Sunday School Association, Dr. Robert M. Hopkins, secretary, representing a total of 40,000,000 Sunday school scholars in an enrollment in any Spanish-speaking country in the world. This is the largest number of children who have joined the Sunday schools. The largest advance, numerically, was made in Africa. In the French Cameroun there is now an enrollment of over 100,000. Almost a third of the African enrollment is found in South Africa, where the world Sunday school convention is to be held in 1940—"the beautiful coast east port city of Darban."

We who have experienced the value of Sunday school work in our American churches cannot but find encouragement in such reports from the world field.

Second Achievement.

The second achievement of the year, which marks another advance for Church unity, has been announced to us by the American Bible Society under the caption "The Bible in a Thousand Tongues." It tells us that through the patient persistence and devoted study of hundreds of translators, the Word of God with its enlightening and saving message for mankind has now been made available in whole or in part for the people of one thousand different tongues and dialects. It has been pointed out that as at one hundred years, the prayer which Charles Wesley expressed has been answered:

"Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen."

As a matter of record it should be stated that the thousandth tongue was Sakata, one of the tongues of the Belgian Congo.

This achievement, which also reaches far and points to the unifying of the churches of Christendom in one great endeavor, was the result of the endeavor of our old friend, Dr. J. H. Jackson, who as our agent for the carrying out of the Christian program, was the holding of the conference in Holland in the month of May and the drawing up of the constitution for the World Council of Churches.

Already many churches have given official notification of their affiliation with the council and the coming year promises to see the organization perfected. An Ecumenical Church with an universal gospel for the world under the leadership of Jesus Christ, man's Saviour and Head of the church, is on the way. We who are engaged in the work of bringing the world into fellowship, are united in the conviction that such a church is the logical outcome of the history of the Christian movement.

The importance of this step cannot be overestimated; for, as Dr. Kenneth L. Latourette, one of our American delegates, has said—"In our day, as in so many other ages of the world are beginning to find in their Common Lord a bond which is stronger than any other bonds of international jealousy and hatred. Growing Christian fellowship in a divided world cannot be built on less substantial foundations than are the convictions of the minds of students of the world's history and of the statesmen of our generation." The result of this end, if not the final answer, is that we have come to the conclusion that the churches of the world can find in the unity of Jesus Christ a source of strength and a means of unification. This is the purpose of the church of the future. It is the purpose of the church of the American church. It is the purpose of the church of the world. It is the purpose of the church of the world.

Alas! It is the purpose of the church of the world. It is the purpose of the church of the world.

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Moravian World-Wide Unity Stands.

Coming to order Mariah Virginia which should be accorded ample space in a Memorabilia of this character, we are glad to record that the Moravian world-wide Unity was maintained during the year 1938 and functioned in friendly and helpful fashion. Every experience which carried for united action. Even the disturbed conditions in Czechoslovakia and Germany did not prevent Unity representatives from carrying messages of assurance of interest and readiness to help to those churches and leaders who were in distress.

Five congregations in the Sudeten country were affected by the changed political situation demanded by the Pact of Munich, and immediately steps were taken to notify them of the position which had been made for adherence to the Unity and for their oversight and direction.

Put in mission interests have been continued under the direction of the several provinces and there has been good co-operation between the directing mission boards. Good progress with an encouraging addition of members is reported from the African and Nicaragua missions and important developments are taking place in some of the older as well as newer fields. If only more missions would volunteer, we might press forward with vigour. Relations between our American provinces, North and South, have been most cordial. There have been frequent visits and conferences between us and increasing co-operation, especially in the field of Church and young people's interests.

Representatives from our provinces participated in the conference of the Spiritual Descendants of John Huss held in Watertown, Wis., in the month of August. We have also continued our active interest in the college and seminary at Bethesda and have increased our financial support of the missions in Alaska, Nicaragua and Honduras, in which we co-operate with the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

In the Southern province, we have experienced what may justly be termed of "a good year" and "a busy year. Our boards have functioned well and have been given good support by the churches. The Church Aid and Extension Board was able to report its second 100 per cent year, with all pledges paid. The Foreign Missionary Society increased its gift to the various causes. The "Debt of Honor" obligation to the support of retired missionaries was kept in full. And we were happy to send an additional worker into the mission service in Nicaragua in the person of Miss Pattie Steig, N. E. of Elvehurst memorial congregation, who entered the service in the Mission Hospital at Bilwasa Karma. We have had visitors also from two of our mission fields, Dr. David Thayer from Nicaragua, and Dr. Sydney Gavvin from the Sarinah Mission. They stimulated interest in the work greatly.

The Fine Spirit of Fellowship.

This was Synodical Year for us and our Triennial Synod which was held at Winston-Salem, November 15 to 17 in the Church, was marked by a fine spirit of fellowship and real interest in the organization and business of the church. One hundred and twenty-five delegates spent two full days in earnest consideration of the church's business and the reports of the various committees evidenced the thoughtfulness of the thoughtful work. Inspirational features were added to the business of the Synod and dealt with some of our wider opportunities in connection with the North Carolina Council of Churches, the American Bible Society, and the World Council of Churches. We were privileged to share a wider fellowship, too, through the presence of Bishop Edwin Penick of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Rev. B. H. Smith of the Methodist church, Atlanta; Dr. John R. Cunningham of the Presbyterian Church and the Brig. Gen. S. Stocker and William N. Schwarze of our Moravian church, North Carolina.

In the annals of the Southern province, 1938 will be characterized as a year of church building. Advent, Bethesda and Friedberg completed their building programs. Our mountain mission, Wilber, has completed the construction of its beautiful brick-veneered building to be at the point where it could be used for services. Bethabara, our oldest congregation, with commendable faith and courage began the remodeling of the oldest house in the village as a residence for its pastor. And Moravia continued its efforts to construct additional rooms for Sunday school purposes.

This was a good year also in the lifting of heavy financial obligations which had rested on some of our churches. Fairview, Trinity and St. Mary's in the Philadelphiennes were among those fortunate enough to come from under him debts.

The membership gains of the year have been somewhat above the average. The statistics as December 16 show our 41 congregations to have 10,134 communicant members, 1,020 non-communicants, 3,273 children, a total of 14,247. Our Sunday schools have enrolled as teachers and officers, 922, scholars 4,138, total 10,600.

But our concern remains for the lost members who, through indifference and neglect or removal to other communities, fall out of active touch with the work and become as those who are not so far as attendance and service are concerned. It is a condition we share with all other churches of that acquaintance but that only magnifies the problem and urges to more diligent effort. The church should not lose that great annual loss. We should find some better way of holding our gains.

Progress Made Here.

In the city of Winston-Salem, where our work has centered for 167 years,
we have been making not a little progress in those conditions which are constantly changing. Though little has been said about it publicly, this has been the twenty-fifth year since the consolidation of the two municipalities of Salem and Winston, into the one larger city of Winston-Salem, which now has over 90,000 population.

It was a wise course, and there has been a fine spirit of co-operation in this evolution of city officials and utilities which has given us all large and outstanding buildings as in many other periods, but, instead, many residences have been constructed in all sections of the city, which are to become the homes of happy families, to the great enrichment of our community life.

In the spiritual and religious life of our city there has been commendable co-operation of the churches and of their membership. A strong spirit of fellowship exists among the ministers and church leaders of all denominations. This is the secret of the success of the Community Chest campaign and the fourteen agencies which are served through it. Our two Chambers of Commerce and the City administration have united in a partnership of the churches to enable them in their efforts for community advancement.

There is much which remains to be done in elevating our community life to the highest standards, but no informed citizen can deny that we have made much progress towards the goal set in 1938. Is there any reason why this should not continue? May we not hope that, under the favorable conditions which obtain, our Christian citizenship, under the blessing of God, and in the local church and wider home and foreign mission causes, Calvary Church this year became responsible for the support of the Rev. and Mrs. Harry Troldahl, missionaries to Alaska, and mission interest and giving to missions have been greatly stimulated.

Christ Church reports a new high scoring for its Sunday school, the prompt meeting of all its financial obligations, the thorough renovating of the parsonage and the painting of both parsonage and church. New headquarters were provided for the Boy Scouts and the young people's work has received an encouraging forward. This is the only church of the congregation where a pastoral change has taken place. Brother Willerson F. Graf became pastor with the month of March, and the congregation has rallied loyally to his support.

Fourth of July, Missions and the Endowment Fund for the perpetual upkeep of this sacred place for the burial of our dead.

Churches Make Advances.

In the individual churches of Salem congregation important advances have been made during the year.

Through their pastors they report the following:

Calvary Church has had a year of steady and persevering effort and has been strengthened in many departments of its work. The year closes with the encouragement of splendidly attended services throughout the festive season.

The beautiful and commodious Health Center in East Winston; and the many tourists who come to see what Winston-Salem has to offer are served through it.

Large additions have been built to the facilities of City Memorial Hospital; and in the local church and wider home and foreign mission causes.

In addition to the usual interest. Attendances have been

Another accomplishment to be placed to the credit of 1938 was the acquisition of a large acreage of land with virgin forest and streams and meadows as the site for the new city park, with the liberal and encouraging acts of the Works Progress Administration and a proportionate amount appropriated of the citizens of the community. This land has been developed as a recreational center for our constantly growing citizenship. The year has given us no large and outstanding buildings as in many other periods, but, instead, many residences have been constructed in all sections of the city, which are to become the homes of happy families, to the great enrichment of our community life.

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record of highest percentage of members attending the Sunday morning and midweek services. With a total communicant membership of 380, it averaged more than 300 at the former and above 100 at the latter service, throughout the year.

Fries Memorial Church observed the fifty anniversary of its organization as a congregation in connection with its Christmas eve love feast. From the beginning, the work of building an organ in memory of Mrs. Henry Fries, so long a leader in the church, has set aside January of each year as Stewardship Month. The plans include an exchange of pulpits on January 22, in the majority of instances, and the holding of another Tithers' Lovefeast, this year at Fries Memorial Church, on the afternoon of January 29. All tithers and those interested in stewardship are invited.

THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA

Would it interest the readers of The Wachovia Moravian to have an account of the Community Christmas Celebration in Bethlehem, Pa.? It was sponsored, planned and carried through conjointly by the Chamber of Commerce, the Ministerial Asso- ciation and an exceptionally efficient Women's Committee. The Mayor of the city was the Chairman of the General Committee. It was determined from the outset that the spiritual content of the festival should be emphasized, and that in every way the commercializing of Christmas should be avoided.

The Ministerial Association arranged to hold Community Advent Services on the Wednesday evenings of December. It is quite customary to have such services during Lent, but as far as known Community Advent Services have never been attempted before. They were held in the Liberty High School Auditorium, which seats sixteen hundred and was crowded to capacity. This was a Christmas Carol Service, in which even the choirs of some of the Roman Catholic Churches participated, which, it will be admitted, is very unusual. Different Choirs and musical societies rendered anthems, and the whole assembly joined in the family circles, and the combined choirs sang the Hallelujah Chorus. Bishop Paul de Soisvinitivis was appointed to open the service with a brief talk on the Significance of the Star of Bethlehem. The whole service was broadcast from the Allentown station of the National Broadcasting Company. It was a most impressive and exceedingly beautiful service.

During the entire week before Christmas the church bells were rung at 7:30 A. M., noon and 6 P. M., summoning the people to two minutes of prayer and meditation, the theme of which was given in the daily newspaper, and at 6 P. M. a Christmas Carol

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REPORTS ON THE POINT PROGRAM

The following Sunday Schools have reported on the progress they have made during 1938 in the Eight Point Program: Clemmons, Fries Memorial, Oak Grove, Bethabara, Calvary, Church Hopewell, Friedland, Provi- dence. Each report showed commendable prog- ress, but Christ Church, Clemmons and Calvary are to be especially commended for meritorious work during 1938.

RALPH C. BASSETT, Sec. y.

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HOPEWELL

During the month of December the congregation has been busy preparing for Christmas. The work has been particularly spirited due to the fact that our Christmas literature did not arrive as expected. The entertainment was given on Friday, December 23. A nice crowd was present, and enjoyed the program. Our annual Christmas lovefeast and Candle Service was held on Christmas Day night, with the largest attendance ever. The pastor delivered the message.

Many of our sick members have recovered from their illnesses and are attending services again. Mrs. Luther Myers and Mr. Swain are still confined to their homes.

Various classes of the Sunday school enjoyed Christmas parties.

During the month our church has been decorated with a beautiful new altar and chair for the auditorium. This was given in memory of John and Hannah Wilkin and their relatives. We wish to extend to them our sincere thanks and appreciation for such a beautiful gift.

Mrs. Paul Berrier

FAIRVIEW

The following report covers the past two months. The month of November was "Loyal Month," at Fairview. Our members were asked to support their church by making a special effort to attend its services. The response given was the best that we have experienced since we have observed "Loyalty Month" in this congregation. The average attendance were, Morning Worship 309; Evening Worship 116, and Mid-week service 104.

The 30th anniversary of this congregation was held on November 6, with Holy Communion in the morning and the Lovefeast at 3 p.m., with Dr. H. K. Wendtler, our guest speaker. The Brethren Herbert Spangh and Edward Helmich were visitors on the 15th and 17th, respectively, and brought the messages at these services.

December was busy and happy month. Christmas parties were joyed by the Men’s Class on the 20th at Salem College as guests of Prof. Charles Higgins, and on the same night the Young People’s Class had their gathering at the church. The Mothers’ Class held their party on the 21st at the home of Mrs. H. W. Faust. The Auxiliary sponsored a Christmas party at the church on the 22nd with about 200 in attendance.

The Rev. Howard Foltz spoke at our Mid-week service on the 8th and Miss Laura Mosely on the 15th. The special Christmas program was given by the three younger Departments in connection with the Morning Worship on the 19th. The Christmas Eve Candle Service and Lovefeast was the largest this congregation has ever had. Twenty-five young people sang Christmas carols for the sick and aged afterwards.

Mr. Conrad Southern and Miss Lilian Seilors were married at the parsonage on November 29th. Mr. Frank Kimel and Miss Pauline Mosely were married at the parsonage on December 18, and Mr. Harrel Pack and Miss Jeanette Stith at the church on December 24.

CHRISTIAN O. WEBBER.

HOPE

Sunday school attendances were the best through December of any month during the year. Those upon church services and mid-week prayer meetings were also gratifying.

At the close of the 3rd Sunday evening service the pastor and his family were greatly and agreeably surprised when the congregation planted the Santa Claus with giving them a most gratifying "Founding" of various good things, among which was a real grinning opossum.

The Christmas season proved a very happy one for our people. A splendid program in the form of a pageant, recitations and exercises, was presented to a full house on the evening of the 22nd. The Lovefeast and candle service was held on Christmas Eve afternoon with about 75 people attending.

The election of general Sunday school officers on the 4th Sunday resulted in the following: L. B. Thomps, superintendent; Helen Gray Ryan, secretary; Pauline Allen, treasurer.

The monthly business meeting, and Christmas trimmings of the Ladies’ Auxiliary, was held at the parsonage of Mrs. Claus. Barkley on Friday the 9th.

A business meeting of the Sunday school teachers, officers and workers was held at the home of Bro. L. B. Thomas on the last Friday night of the month.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

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CHARLOTTE

The Little Church on the Lane is gradually assuming the proportions of a settled congregation. The Advent and Christmas season was most fruitful, and the year 1928 was one of the best in the history of this church.

Three Advent vesper services at five on Sunday afternoon were added this year with excellent attendances.

The Christmas Eve Lovefeast and Candle Service was held at 6:30. The last half hour, from 7:00 to 7:30 was broadcast over station WBT. The beautiful traditional Moravian music was exceptionally well rendered by our combined choirs. Two weddings followed the service.

There was no session of the Church School on Christmas Day, but a well-attended service at 11 o’clock marked the day.

The church decorative settings this
year were beautiful. All church signs had been repainted. The two large cedars in front of the chapel were decorated with electric lights. Between them hung a large white Moravian star. Inside the chapel, beehive decorations surrounded the nativity transparency.

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our new Sunday school building was one that will be long remembered. This had been diligently donated by our friends, with trees and evergreen fastening.

The Lovefeast was held on Sunday morning, December 23rd, with a record attendance. The largest attendance in Sunday school was reported that morning, 300. Following the service, special music was rendered by the senior choir, under the direction of Mrs. Andrey Logan. The church was filled with trees and evergreen festooning.

The children of the Beginners, Primary and Junior Departments gave a dramatic presentation of a Christmas program in Sunday school. The children were thrilled with the magic of Christmas. Many credit this is due the superintendent and teachers of the departments for the fine training of the children.

The Junior Intermediate, Young People and Adult Departments gave a dramatization of a Christmas program in Sunday school. The costumes, the atmosphere and the order of service were back 50 years ago to the one-room Sunday school. Miss Leza Lee Barber and Fred Dishar, members of the play, merit commendation for the work they did in bringing this program to the congregation.

The Young People’s Society remembered a needy family on Christ­mas Eve with a large basket of good things. After a short service in the church about 60 members of this group went caroling, bringing joy to the doorsteps.

Our Christmas Lovefeast and Candle service was held on Christmas Day with Dr. R. S. Truesdale, pastor of the Ardmore Methodist Church, as guest speaker. Dr. Truesdale’s remarks were interesting and helpful: this was his first experience in a Moravian Lovefeast and Candle service and he was deeply impressed.

Mrs. E. Waidner, of Emusas, Pa., a student in our Theological Seminary, spoke at our mid-week service the last Wednesday night of the old year. His message was timely and we were glad to have him with us.

The month of December was filled with with sorrow along with the joys of Christmas. Brother Dietrich passed away suddenly on the 17th from a heart attack and was buried on the 19th in the Moravian graveyard. C. M. Hald­en, Jr., was in an auto accident on the 13th of December and was critically injured, passing away on De­cember 30 from a fracture of the skull and other injuries. At the funeral, held New Year’s Day at the church, Bishop Pfohl, and the Brethren Hol­ton and Taylor, of the Ardmore Baptist Church, assisted the pastor. The singing was called to Mayodan during the week of Christmas to conduct funeral of Troy Good. To all the sor­rowing families we offer Christian sympathy.

VERNON L. GRAF.

IMMANUEL.

Christmas programs by the smaller children and the young people furnish a most pleasing opportunity at the Sunday school and congregat­ion to get into the true spirit of Christ­mas. Congratulations are due all who part in these efforts.

Our Lovefeast and Candle service on the 25th was so largely at­tended that seating space was no available for everyone. But it was a beautiful service, as usual, and one which few of our members and many of our Waughtown friends ever miss, if they possibly can help it.

There was a record attendance at Sunday school on the 18th when we could account for 239 present. On Christmas Day there were not quite that many, but still a fine attendance. This was the only service on that day. Bro. D. C. Butner’s condition shows some improvement, for which we are exceedingly grateful. We are now looking forward to the time when he can be up and about once more.

A good friend of ours, and a regu­lar attendant when she is in our community, is Mrs. Thomas. Hurrying home from Sunday school on the 18th, she would be ready to return for the Lovefeast, she fell and broke both arms. Fortunately, she suffered pain for only a short while, and is now well on the road to recovery.

A fine large attendance and a spir­it-filled communion on January 1 gave much good beginning for the new year.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

PROVIDENCE.

The Christmas season was enriched by the children’s program, the treat and the Lovefeast and Candle service and the decorations. The young people helped to decorate the church, and served the Lovefeast, under the leadership of Miss Neil Grubbs. A generous offering for the Retired Missionaries was presented.

Earlier in the month a working party from the Methodist Church around the grounds helped to improve the general appearance of the church. The auxiliary held its Christmas meeting at the church.

Universal Bible Sunday was observ­ed by the congregation.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

FRIENDLAND.

A Christmas Cantata was presented on the Sunday before Christmas to an appreciative congregation. The children’s program and the treat were the events that all had been looking for. On Christmas Day Bishop Pfohl brought the message at the Lovefeast and Candle service.

The Primary Department improve­ments were concluded at the annual series of workings. A large number of the fathers helped during the two years that programs has been made. Bro. Fred Reed laid the floor and the chairs were presented as a memorial to the late Robert D. Shore. Miss Eliza Stewart is superintendent of the department.

A New Year’s Lovefeast with memorabilia of the congregation’s life for the year was prepared by Bro. Fred Reed. Texts were distributed to the workers and others. Several of the congregation attended the Watch Night service at the Home Church.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

HOME CHURCH.

The Advent and Christmas season at the Home Church has been one of the best that we have ever had. Tradition­al services were held during the season of Advent with good interest and excellent attendances. The ves­per services during the Advent season was an innovation this year and prov­
ed popular with members of the congregation as the average attendance per Sunday increased nearly 200 over previous years. The Lovefeast on the second Sunday in Advent furnished us an occasion of inspiration. The children of the church in the afternoon attended a service in which the combined choirs of the church united in the traditional "Morning Star." The people of the church in the afternoon and brought the address to the adult congregation in the evening. These services were more largely attended than ever before. This was made possible by arranging for an overflow service in the Rondthaler Memorial Building at both afternoon and evening services. Dr. Rondthaler presided at the Rondthaler Memorial Building and the service was identical with the church, being broadcast over loud speakers. 238 were in attendance in the overflow service in the afternoon and 300 in the evening. Comments from those attending have been most favorable. Following the lovefeast the young people of the church sponsored the annual Christmas caroling service. A large audience was present and a few visitors. After the supper the exchange of gifts took place and the candles were prepared for the Christmas service.

J. GEORGE BEUENER

GREENSBORO.

All of the services of Advent and the Christmas season were observed this year by the Greensboro congregation. The Holy Communion was celebrated on the first Sunday in Advent with the participation of junior and senior choirs rendering Grego's "Hosana!"

The outstanding service of the season was the annual Sunday school program which was this year sponsored by the Sunday School, and both junior and senior choirs were heard at the afternoon service on the 28th. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion with evergreens, candles, and a Moravian star. R. A. Dehn built a realistic manger on the platform which was the scene for the pageant portrayed by members of the Sunday School. The superintendent, A. B. Strieker, read the Christmas story with the junior choir singing appropriate carols at intervals. The attendance was the largest in our history.

The Christmas Lovefeast and Candle service was held on Christmas Eve with a splendid attendance. Both choirs were in service for this occasion.

On Christmas morning the senior choir broadcast, for the third successive year, Moravian chorales, over WBOG. A special word of appreciation is due the choir for its willingness to be at the broadcasting station at 6:00 in the morning after singing Christmas carols for the sick and aged until 1:30 the preceding evening.

On the morning of the 18th we were happy to receive into our membership by letter Mr. and Mrs. Henry Foil, and their son, Jerry Michael, by infant baptism.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS

FRIES MEMORIAL.

C. C. Alsbach made us better acquainted with our Theological Seminary by showing us two reels of motion pictures portraying life on the campus at Bethlehem, Pa. This showing took place on Thursday, December 12.

The celebration of Christmas brought forth a program by the Boys' and Girls' organizations. On December 20, Dr. E. E. Rondthaler favored us with an address. Rewards were given to forty-seven persons for perfect attendance during 1938. The Junior Christian Endeavorers portrayed "Christmas in Salem in 1740," a historical program on the 21st. Our Lovefeast and candle service was held in the afternoon of Christmas Day. It was planned to have Bishop Pfohl with us for the address. On Christmas Eve a company of singers and musicians carried Christmas cheer to the City Hospital, Fire Station No. 4, and to several homes in our community by enrolling "Silent Night" for them. Our annual church council was held Wednesday, December 25. The brethren S. M. Vernon and G. S. Boger were elected to the Board of Elders, and the brethren B. R. Wilson, Howard S. Hunt and R. Sidney Hamilton to the Board of Trustees. H. F. Pleasants, Jr., and the Misses Clara Pfeiffer and Rose Donevant were elected to the Board of Christian Education.

The company at the observance of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the New Year filled the church almost to capacity. It was a time of great blessing to all present.

Our Day of Prayer comes on Ash Wednesday, February 22.

H. B. JOHNSON

CLEMMONS.

Bro. Wm. E. Pfohl conducted the service at Clemmons on December 2, while the pastor was in York, Pa., and on the 19th Bishop Pfohl preached for us while the pastor conducted the service at Mayodan.

The teachers' meeting for December was held at the home of Mrs. B. L. Johnson on the 9th. It was largely attended.

The Women's Auxiliary had their Christmas meeting on the 14th at the home of Mrs. Janie Hege. Mrs. L. G. Luckenbach had her usual Christmas party at the parsonage on December 28th.

On Christmas night the Christmas Lovefeast and Candle service was held at 7:30 p.m. Oswald E. Stinson assisted in the service, Miss Virginia Rutner and Burton R. Hampson, Jr., sang "Morning Star" while the candles were being distributed.

Mrs. Margaret Charlotte Blackburn, the mother of Milton V. Blackburn, a member of Clemmons Church Board, died December 30, and was buried from Clemmons Church on December 31. Our sympathy goes out to him and his family.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH

OAK GROVE.

The young people of the church provided another inspiring service on the first Sunday morning of the month with J. C. Fulp, service leader; William Temple, worship leader; Mary Alper and Margaret Sievers, Scripture lesson readers; ushers from Bro. Elmer Sell's class; and music by the Junior Choir.

278 worshippers crowded the church for the annual Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service on Sunday night of the 18th.

An equally large crowd attended the pageant, "King of Kings," celebrated by the church council under the direction of Bp. Ernest Idol on Christmas night. The cast of 32 characters was assisted by the Senior Choir which presented the musical background.

The annual Christmas meeting of the Young People's Department was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Pfohl.

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the Woman’s Auxiliary, Mrs. Roy Hester, president, was held at the church on December 14 with some sixty present.

Thanks to the Brethren, E. G. Idol, Noel Coull, and Alwin Whicker, a new back porch has been built between the Primary Department and the Men’s Bible Class room.

I want to take this opportunity for thanking all of our members who has a part in giving me my Christmas present: a fine new overcoat! Thank you!

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

CALVARY.

We report an unusually busy Christmas month that proved a time of special blessing and spiritual gains for us. Spontaneous co-operation on the part of those in charge of the various lines of work converging at this festival season encouraged us greatly.

The important truths connected with the “Blessed Hope” of our Lord’s return are presented on the second Sunday in Advent. We observed “Bible Sunday” on December 11, stressing, at the same time, the importance of the use of the Daily Texts of the Moravian Church and of the little Upper Room. As a result, we placed a great number of the latter in our homes and sold out many Text Books as formerly.

Among all the Christmas gatherings at the church, the highlight was the meeting of the Woman’s Auxiliary, held in connection with the annual Christmas social, was outstanding. There were good fellowship and refreshments, Christmas readings and songs, and gifts for all, including handsome reminders for the pastor and his wife.

The churchChristmas dedications this year were greatly enhanced by a transparency painting of the nativity, a copy of the Holy Night by Correggio. This painting is a gift of Brother and Sister V. R. Hodgin, in memory of their departed infant son.

EDMUND SCHWARZE.

DEATHS.

Bridgeham—Mrs. Martha, born October 21, 1870, died December 31, 1938. Funeral service December 21, 1938, by Dr. Edmund Schwarze and Dr. Charles Stevens. Interment in Moravian Graveyard.

Cole—Mrs. Mary Margaret, born February 20, 1846, died December 31, 1938. Funeral service by Dr. Edmund Schwarze and the Rev. Mr. Averitt at Mocksville M. E. Church. Interment in Mocksville Cemetery.


Sims—Sandra Edmund, infant daughter of Samuel Simmons, born April 2, 1938; died Dec. 18, 1938; funeral service at Advent Moravian Church, the Rev. J. G. Bruner, assisted by the Rev. Sam J. Tesh. Interment in Advent Graveyard.

Simmons—Leila Ruth, wife of L. Samuel Simmons, born on April 2, 1937; died Dec. 18, 1938; funeral service conducted by the Rev. Douglas H. Rights.


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AS WE SEE IT

Lazarus Mwauji is the native evangelist in our Nasa (East Central Africa) field whose support had been provided for several years by the late Bro. George F. Brietz, of Selma, N. C., a life-long member of our Home Church. The account of one of Lazarus’ evangelistic tours was written as an official report to Bishop Genemius, the superintendent of that field, who in turn kindly passed it on to us. It has been a source of much encouragement and gratitude both to Bishop Genemius and to us to learn that Mrs. Brietz is continuing her late husband’s contribution to this work. The article herein shows how important and fruitful it is.

The Day of Prayer for Missions on March 17 at Fairview Church, deserves hearty co-operation. Plan to attend.

“Pages From the Bishop’s Diary” is back again after the absence of a few months.

Did you know that our ministerial students at Bethlehem hold a “Prison Service” every Sunday afternoon? One of them writes about it.

Our Young People’s Union has always managed to get what it goes after. The $900 to buy instruments for the hospital in Nicaragua is in hand, and money for the Moravian refugees in Czechoslovakia is already coming in. Then will follow the campaign to help Bro. Werner Marx build a church at Bonanza, in the mining district of Nicaragua.

OUR DEBT OF HONOR, 1938

With this report on our account with the pre-war Retired Missionaries we must retire from the front page of The Wachovia Moravian with cordial thanks to the Editor for the opportunity of giving publicity to this important cause. The tabulation below, through February 2, 1939, shows the Southern Province short in the quota of 1938 in the amount of $907.39. Several congregations have contributions yet to be handed in and we trust that within a short time the full amount of $3,000 will have been paid in. Further acknowledgments will be made in the regular column.

Sincere thanks to congregations, auxiliaries and classes for the fine cooperation and splendid support in the 1938 effort!

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EDMUND SCHWARZER, President
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DAY OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS.

Modeled after the Day of Prayer programs held in several of our churches, a Provincial Day of Prayer for Missions is scheduled to be held on Friday, March 17, at our Fairview Church. Nine half-hour periods will constitute the program, beginning in the afternoon and continuing through the evening sessions with a fellowship supper in between. Other details such as subjects and speakers have not yet been announced.

This occasion is being arranged for and carried out by the Missionary Committee of the Board of Christian Education, of which Bro. C. O. Weber is the chairman. All congregations are urged to co-operate.

EDITORIALS

THE NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES.

The election of Bishop Pfohl to the presidency of the North Carolina Council of Churches at the annual Convention in Durham on January 19 brings to him and to our church not only a well-deserved honor, but also a grave responsibility. During the three years since its beginning in 1936, this council has become an important phase of interdenominational work in our state. Outstanding among its achievements have been the holding of the annual Conventions, the first of which was held in Winston-Salem in 1937. These conventions have presented to North Carolina many of the great figures in the religious life of America and have been a source of great inspiration to the thousands who have attended them.

From its beginning our Moravian Church has been vitally interested in the Council and has supported it in every way. The synod of 1938 officially recognized it with the election of three delegates: Bishop Pfohl, Walser H. Allen, and George G. Higgins. Now the election of Bishop Pfohl to the presidency of the council for 1939 brings our church into even closer relationship with it.

This honor, we said, carries with it a grave responsibility. The council is at the crossroads of its existence. Financial difficulties have hindered its work from the beginning. If this priceless piece of machinery for interdenominational co-operation is to be saved, it must, during the coming year, be placed on a firmer financial foundation. A way of securing a steady and voluntary flow of income from all the participating groups must be discovered.

Our Moravian Church has already taken the initial steps in preparing to assume its part of this burden. Our ministers at the January Conference pledged themselves to work for the inclusion of an amount for the North Carolina Council of Churches in the congregational budgets for the year beginning July 1, 1939. A small item written into the budget of each congregation will aid tremendously in solving this perplexing problem now before the officers of the Council and will go far in bringing the day when “they may be one.”

G. G. II.

“PALE PINK” REPORTS.

Attached to the report from our Oak Grove congregation was the following note:

Dear Bro. Editor:

Please accept my apology for editorializing at such length in my Oak Grove report. However, I have felt for some time that real profit would result from pooling our problems in the columns of The Wachovia Moravian and perhaps arriving at joint solutions, instead of the continuous stream of pale pink reports that always repeat “Everything rosy.”

Sincerely,

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

The above was not intended for publication, but we are taking the liberty of using it nevertheless. How do our readers feel about the reports from the churches?

A prominent layman once remarked that nothing could be as successful as the Reports From The Churches in The Wachovia Moravian would indicate. We have come across people who say they never read them, while others have informed us that this is the
one feature of their paper they do read. People living away from our Moravian center in North Carolina have told us that when they resided here they read The Wachovia Moravian very little, but having left they devoured it for news from home, and the doings even of the smaller churches were read with interest.

There is bound to be a certain amount of sameness in all church work—the regular services must be regularly held, and even the special occasions like Christmas, Easter, Anniversary and the Sunday School picnic come around with the regularity of a well-cooked meal. But we have tried to instill the idea that the reports should contain newsworthy material, and pointed out more than once that such a statement as: "All the regular services for the month were held" is not news. It is not easy to write a good report, one which gives interesting and vital facts but leaves out unnecessary words and meaningless phrases. It is to be feared that some of our readers are dashed off in too great a hurry. Easy writing makes hard reading, and vice versa.

As for the "pale pink" composition of which our correspondent speaks, it might be well to remember that "nothing succeeds like success," and to be always airing our congregational difficulties is not necessarily a sure way of having them solved. There is something to be said about putting our best foot forward. At the same time, there is point to the "pale pink" criticism, certainly. Some ministers do exaggerate. We heard of a theological student who preached for a certain minister one night, then went to his home after the service. The minister's wife had not been in church, so said to her husband: "Did you have a good congregation?" He replied: "Yes, quite good; there were about 75 present." The student had taken careful count during the singing of a hymn, and the total number, including the minister, himself, the choir and the ushers amounted to 52. There is quite a difference between 75 and 52. We sometimes wonder what is meant by "a large attendance."

Some years ago we changed the "Head of the church reports from "Reports From The Churches" to "News From Congregations," hoping thereby to impress upon both writers and readers of these articles that the chief feature is NEWS. The news is always interesting. It may be encouraging news, and again it may be the record of a new effort or a new scheme which did not work out so well, but if it is real news, it will be read with interest.

A so-called "Unified Service" might solve Oak Grove's problem. This has worked well in some of our congregations, while in others we are sure it would not do at all, at least not at present.

The Wachovia Moravian would be much more suggestive of the work of our readers about the church reports, and might print a few letters on the subject should such be forthcoming. This is one of the most important features of our paper, and we would welcome any suggestions which would improve it.

PREACHERS IN THE MOVIES.

"Before them railroads came into this country, I had quit preaching and was making an honest living," said the hill-billy clergyman in that over-advertised cinamization of American's "News Head."

For years now the moving picture industry has been borrowing the Protestant church and the Protestant ministry. Why? The answer is that the Protestant churches do not have an organization strong enough to force the Will Hayes organization to show the same respect to Protestantism that it shows to other religious bodies. Our lack of prestige and influence is due to our lack of unity. One is reminded of a statement by Burke, the English statesman: "When men combine, the good must associate; else they will fall, one by one, in a contemptible struggle."

G. G. H.

HELP GREENSBORO.

The ministers of the Southern Province voted at their December Conference to invite Bro. George G. Higgins, a member of our church, to speak in all our churches and make an appeal for help for the Greensboro congregation. This small group of faithful members has done a brave thing in selling the old church and launching out in a new field. Many of our readers are familiar with the facts in the case, while it is likely that many others are not. So, briefly, here we are: For many years our Greensboro church continued its work, but without making much progress. In fact, things went up and down, but never very far up. The church, purchased from another denomination, was located in a well-churched section of the city, and there was little prospect of growth. Then came the opportunity to sell this building. The congregation decided to let it go, and use the money to start out in a new field. For several months church services were held in the auditorium of one of the public schools. A beautiful lot was purchased in a new and growing section of the city, and on there where there are no churches. A modest but very usable building was erected, and is now in use. The congregation is carrying in monthly payments all it can possibly undertake to raise. There remains, however, a sum which must be paid off without further borrowing, and this is where the other churches can help. If all will do something, the load will be lifted, and the Greensboro congregation can move forward with its well-outlined program.

When Bro. Higgins comes to your church, give him a sympathetic hearing, and then follow that with a liberal contribution. We have all been helped in some way or at some time, which is one very good reason why we should be anxious to give a helping hand to this sister congregation.

MORAVIANS OF CZECHO-SLOVAKIA IN DISTRESS.

The changes which have taken place in Czecho-Slovakia recently have had a very definite effect upon our church in that country. As pointed out in a previous issue, all the German-speaking congregations, which were all in the Sudeten area, are now in Germany, and therefore cut off completely from the Czecho-Slovakian Province. Three which because of differences with the administration had voted to sever their connection with the Moravians even before the Munich Crisis, will almost certainly not connect themselves with our German Province. What the other two will do we have not heard.

But in addition, two of our Czecho-Slovakian congregations and an orphanage were in the ceded area. What will or has happened to them we do not know. What we do know, however, is that some 26 members of our church in Czecho-Slovakia fled from their homes in Prague, leaving everything behind except what few belongings they could carry with them, and are literally refugees. To keep them from actual want the P. E. C. of the Czech Province is using money sent for relief by our British Provinces, which, at last accounts, amounted to something between eight hundred and a thousand dollars. A letter of thanks from the Czech P. E. C. appeared in The Messenger, the church paper of our British Province.

Are American Moravians going to help? The suggestion has come from our Moravians in Prague that perhaps "New Herrnhuth" could be established in or near one of our mission fields where these homeless brethren and sisters could be from persecution and make a new start in life. They are all capable of earning a living, being farmers, tailors, shoemakers, etc. Perhaps such an undertaking would be too much, but surely we should help with nothing short of a small contribution.

We are glad to learn that our Young People's Union has decided to see what can be done about this situation, and has proposed gathering funds to help these people as one of its uniting projects.

But a further condition which we must realize is the fact that our whole church in Czecho-Slovakia is faced with very trying circumstances. Some real progress toward full church support had been made, but it is feared that a good deal of this gain has been wiped out. Therefore our offerings for what used to be called "Bohemian Missions" must continue, and should by all means be increased.

President Nicolas Murray Butler of Columbia University is the chairman of a special committee to raise funds in this country for the needy of Czecho-Slovakia. This is a fine move, and a most worthy one, but we Moravians should send our contributions through our regular channels if we want them to be sure to reach our own people. The thing to do right now is to help our young people raise a respectable sum for the Moravian refugees in Czecho-Slovakia. Think how we would welcome such help if we were in their shoes! Also remember: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these . . ."

Whether we climb, whether we plod, Space for one task the scant years lend— To choose some path that leads to God, And keep it to the end.
PREACHING AT THE LUPA GOLD DIGGINGS


In the month of July, 1938, I left Chunya for Opego, a big place lying to the east of my station. All the way to that region there are woods through which one is to pass who takes that direction.

When I reached the first camp the sun was quite low in the West. After the sun had set and the twilight was coming, on, we assembled with 30 people, men, women, and children, to hear the word of God. The meeting consisted of Christians and heathens. The people belonged to several tribes of Tanganyika Territory and Nyasaland. My sermon was on the text: John 6:33-35.

Then the service was closed when the dark was already with us, and the people dispersed.

Now when I was going back to the place where I wanted to sleep, my way lay through a Chinese camp, because there are some Chinese also in this Lupa Controlled Area. When I got here with the boys who were accompanying me, I felt my heart long to preach the Lord’s Word to the boys or labourers of that camp. I asked permission to do so. This was readily allowed but it was now night. The people sat outside their shanties, 20 men and 3 women. We could see one another by the light of lanterns. Here also were people from tribes far and near, some using languages and other dialects. But I always preach in Swahili which is the standard language in the Territory, and which can be understood by all.

So, when this was over, I went to my sleeping place full of joy because the Lord enabled me to do His service even at night, and to help His people in spiritual things.

On the following day, I preached to a little knot of persons who gathered where I slept. In the afternoon of the same day I went to another place called Chunya Gold Fields. There was a small number of Christians. So, when the meeting was being held, hynge were sung in three languages; two from Nyasa tribe, two from the Lupa tribe, and some from the Shona. Those who attended that service belonged to six African tribes, for this gold field attracts large numbers of people from many races of Central Africa, and beyond that. They were earnestly exhorting not to lose faith in God and His Holy Son Jesus, from the passage of Luke 21:32-38.

The assemblage of people on that evening contained 83 persons, both men and women. There were also Mohammedans who stood about looking at what was being done. Without doubt, they heard the sermon about the Lord Jesus Christ who is the Saviour of all. When the service came to an end the Christians crowded around me and began to talk with me over many things which they wanted to understand well. It was a very happy time for them to see me stand and walk among them that day. Glory be to God, that His children may not forget Him while they labour for their bodily needs and far from their homes. Please remember them in your prayers, for we belong to the same Father and Saviour.

On the third day I started for another place called Twiga Mine. Before I reached the place I preached the word at a village of the natives who occupy that part of this country, speaking their own dialect (Safwa). For the most part I preached to them in their own tongue which I know to be of great extent, because Swahili language cannot be clearly understood by them. The text was that written by St. John, chapter 3:16: Then I passed on to my destination of that day. On my arrival there I called the labourers together for prayer and hearing God’s word. They gladly assembled, Christians and pagans. One finds the same thing, that all these people are from several tribes. The attendance of that day came to 61 people, and they heard from John 24-25, and Jude verse 3. The people were quiet and made no trouble. All was finished in peace.

Next morning I left Twiga Mine for another native village lying northeast of the place. The villagers were at work in their own gardens. I begged them to stop working for some time that they might hear of their Heavenly Creator and Saviour of the world. They promptly agreed to my request and sat down to listen. There were 13 men and 16 women. I preached Acts 9:10. At the close of the service one of the listeners told me—in a joke—to take up an axe and start cutting trees which they were felling, because I had interfered with their business, and for they had also listened to me words. Well, I readily took the axe and hands and began to help them to do their work. After some time one of them again asked me to leave off working. ‘What will you eat, teacher?’ I said. ‘We have beer to drink, but you don’t take it!’ ‘I must help you in doing your work, because you are my brothers.’ I answered. ‘Look! We possess the same body, though there are many different languages. And the Saviour is only One, it is Jesus Christ.’ That was the reason why I willingly wanted to lend my hand in their business to show that I was not an alien who speaks only words, but their friend even in manual work.

After I took leave of them I went to another village. These villagers one cannot see from far until one emerges from trees and quite suddenly observes huts standing close together among the trees. That is how the people of this part of the district live. Arriving at the village where I was going, I found all the people busy cutting trees to make a clearing. So I had to wait patiently for them. When they came back beer was ready for them. Their foreman was present, whom I told my aim of coming that way. He was very friendly and amiable and ordered his people to sit down together and listen to what I was about to say. The audience contained 37 people. As I knew that these people were living far away in the forests, and God’s word does not always reach them and many of them never heard it at all. I began by telling them of the Glory of God, His love and how He cares for them and all mankind. I explained to them that they ought to pray to Him alone, and not on the graves of their forefathers. Then I preached to them from the text: John 6:47. All that was done before they touched any beer. Some were reluctant in coming to the prayers, but at least yielded.

Then I was shown the way that led me to a European’s camp where many boys were working. There were mines here also. I met one Christian boy working as kitchen boy. I asked him if he had the New Testament and Hymn book. He told me he had none, so I asked him to purchase one so he might read it whenever his work is over. I warned him against many bad habits and evil ways. Then I made my way to the camp where many other labourers were. When I told the overseer of the camp my intention of coming to him and his boys he called his people together to hear the gospel. There were few Christians at the meeting. After the service I asked the Christians to remain behind with a view to encouraging them with God’s word. Those who attended the prayer that evening were 26 in all. The Christians were greatly delighted to see me there, and to find that God had enabled me to reach that part of the country to tell them of our Lord for their place where they do their work is far behind others in the forests and seems lonely.

On Sundays here at Chunya, and sometimes on week days after services, I go to the Government Hospital to preach the Good News to in-patients who always lie there, some moaning with physical pain. But we know that there is the worst pain of sin and disbelief in their souls that must be healed by the power of Christ’s Gospel.

Therefore I pray to God that He may, again and again invest me with His power, that His holy Word may give gladness and peace to all these invalids. Pray also for me, dear brethren, who read these pages!

I also like to teach songs, giving lessons nearly every day, which the people attend quite willingly.

With Christian love and hearty greetings from,

LAZARUS K. MWANJISI.

WHERE YOUR NEXT MINISTER IS TRAINED

Prison Services.

BY STUDENT MILO A. LÖPPNOW.

Every Sunday at 2 p.m. someone steps out of his room and calls: “All aboard for the prison!” Under the direction of the theological seminary, services are conducted on Sunday afternoons at the Northampton County jail, located in Easton, a city ten miles from Bethlehem.

Not quite two years ago a group of Moravian Theological Seminary students went to Easton to conduct the first religious service within two years in this prison. Needless to say, we were received very coolly by the prisoners. They regarded us as a motley crowd, then curiosities displayed along the roadside. Not to be discouraged, we went back. It was a slow process to win the friendship of these men,
but gradually they began to respond to our efforts until now they seem quite at ease during the services.

It has not been easy to get close to the men. Many have had experiences which embittered them against humanity and life. One thing has impressed us, namely, the difference between the man in prison and the man on the street. The man in prison was "caught."

Most of the prisoners are goodhearted. They simply found themselves in a hard situation and suddenly chose the "easy" way out. As we come from these services we feel inclined to offer a prayer of thankfulness that we have been spared such an end. How grateful we are for our Christian parents, our Sunday School, and other hospital.

The prison services are not elaborate or formal. We conduct them in the wide corridor between the cells. The piano is poor, the hallway echoes, and the prisoners sit on crude benches which have no backs. To deliver the sermon the speaker must stand on a chair so he can be seen by the whole group. A part of the service is devoted to the singing of favorite hymns by those present. We are allotted only one hour, hence we hold only a short service so afterwards we may shake hands with the men and have personal conversation with as many as wish to talk with us. Often they tell us their troubles and frequently thank us for what we are trying to do.

The most encouraging feature of this undertaking is that the prisoners attend our services voluntarily—no one is compelled to come. The most discouraging element is the stories related by the warden. He cites case after case of men who leave the institution resolved to "go straight," but are hindered from doing so by those on the outside. We prevent them from keeping their resolves. You and I look down on the men who have "served time." We should be willing to encourage them rather than discourage them on "the road back."

Though all of us enjoy conducting the services at the jail, we feel utterly insufficient for the task. We need your prayers for this phase of our seminary activity.

YOUNG PEOPLE RAISE FUNDS FOR NICARAGUA HOSPITAL

Last September the Young People’s Union of the Southern Province undertook to raise the sum of three hundred dollars by the end of January to purchase surgical instruments for our Mission Hospital in Nicaragua, founded and operated by medical missionary Dr. A. David Thaeler. From another hospital in Nicaragua which has been closed, Dr. Thaeler was offered twelve hundred dollars worth of instruments for the modest figure of three hundred dollars. When our young people, who were on the lookout for a suitable missionary project toward which to bend their energies, heard about this offer, they decided to attempt to raise this money. The president of the Union, Clyde Barber, appointed the Rev. E. C. Helmich chairman of a special committee. He in turn solicited the aid of Miss Mary Hart Sandefur and Miss Emma Elizabeth Helmich, Paris, Texas. They were then instructed to go to as many churches in the Province as possible and show the moving pictures of our work in Nicaragua which Dr. Thaeler had taken. The offerings received at these showings went toward the three hundred dollars the committee hoped to raise. In some instances several churches combined to view the picture, the showing of which, it is hoped, served merely as a means of raising money, but also of furthering missionary zeal and interest throughout the Province.

The following is a statement of the contributions received, the total of which, the committee is glad to report, reached the amount needed for the purchase of the instruments Dr. Thaeler has been hoping to be able to buy.

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News From Congregations

ARDMORE.

On the first Sunday in January our regular communion service at 11 o'clock with a reception of four members, two confirmed and two received by letter. At our five o'clock worship service we have enjoyed the fellowship and helpful messages brought by the following brethren: Rev. R. D. Johnson on the 8th, Rev. D. L. Rights on the 15th, Rev. J. F. Crouch on the 22nd, and Rev. Vernon J. Graf on the 29th. On three of these evenings it was our privilege to speak at Fries Memorial, Trinity and Hope, and also to exchange with Rev. C. O. Weber for the stewardship message on the morning of the 22nd. On Wednesday evening the 18th Dr. P. O. Schaelert gave an illustrated talk on the life of John Huss. We greatly appreciate the services rendered by all these brethren.

On the first Sunday assisted in the funeral service of C. M. Hedrick at Christ Church and on the 5th, that of Mrs. Antoinette Huff at New Philadelphia. On the third Sunday afternoon held the regular service at Union Cross and administered the holy communion to 55 people.

On the 11th married Julian P. Zimmerman, of the Enterprise community. On the 14th married Earle F. Leav- er and Miss Rose Lee Phillips of the Union Cross community.

During the month made 146 visits, 60 of these to see sick people.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

The first Sunday being New Year’s Day was fittingly observed by a communion service at 3 o’clock in the afternoon. A goodly number gathered around the Lord’s table for this service.

This on Sunday morning was the first day of the Convocation of North Carolina Council of Churches; preach at Mirzapah on the 4th Sunday evening; and conduct an afternoon prayer service at the Salem Home on the 5th.

The attendances marked all of the Sunday school sessions and church services during the month, and the first month of the New Year was most encouraging. Twelve or 15 of our people attended the Stewardship Love feast at Fries Memorial church on the 5th Sunday afternoon.

HOWARD G. FOLZ.

Clemmons.

The year opened with the New Year’s messages and the holy communion. At this service the personal letters for 1938 were communicated. Moravian text books are more in circulation in Clemmons this year than...
Meeting, Service, Bilwas Karma, native helper in Nicaragua, was pledged. January 22. Miss Laura Mosely, very much appreciated by all. At Trippas, the native helper in Nicaragua, was reorganized. Miss Virginia Butters exchanged pulpits for the day. Our privileges to have part with the church at Easter time. On the 23rd, 24th, and 25th it was our privilege to have part with the other churches of the city in union services with Dr. Egbert Smith of the Presbyterian Mission Board. On the night of the 22d our ladies served a banquet to the men of the city in his home, held at Central Methodist Church. Our people greatly appreciated the presence of Bishop Kloehl on Sunday, January 22. We hope he may soon come again. Our new home between W. Butler, teacher, held their meetings at the parsonage on January 4. The topic was "Christian Stewardship." Several members attended the Day of Prayer at Fairview on January 19. The Board held its regular meeting at the parsonage January 11. The Women's Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Carl Cook on January 4. At their meeting Miss Laura Mosely who is a nurse in our hospital in Nicaragua, home on furlough, made the address. The Women greatly appreciated her talk. The Women's Bible Class, Mrs. L. G. Leuenbasshe, teacher, and the Men's Bible Class, Mr. O. W. Butler, teacher, held their meetings at the parsonage on January 20.

Leon O. Luckenbach

KING RURAL HALL, MIIPAH.

On the first Sunday of the month the pastor was privileged to assist at the Home Church Connexion Service in the morning. Mr. O. E. Stimpson conducted the service at Rural Hall. On the first Sunday night the pastor conducted a Lovefeast and Candle Service at King. This took the form of a Christmas Lovefeast and the pastor spoke on the theme, "The Wisdom of the Wise Men." There was about 210 people present. To all those who have part in it we wish to offer hearty thanks for their splendid co-operation. During visitation in the weeks following this service the pastor was pleased to learn that it was an inspiration to many.

On the second and third Sundays of the month the pastor conducted regular services at Mizpah, King, Rural Hall and King respectively. It is an inspiration to the pastor to preach at his churches for almost without exception, he has a most attentive congregation.

The fourth Sunday of the month was Stewardship Sunday throughout the province and as usual the ministers exchanged pulpits for the day. While the pastor delivered a Stewardship message at Calvary in the morning and Providence at night, Brother Graf preached at Rural Hall in the morning and Brother Foltz at Mizpah in the evening. The messages of both brethren were well received.

On the first Sunday we held our regular M. R. K. Missionary meeting, this time meeting at Mizpah. We were fortunate in having Miss Mosely of Nicaragua with us who brought us another viewpoint of our work at the Mission Hospital at Bilwas Karma. Her informal message was inspiring and informative and has done much to further mission interest in the M. E. K. Circle. This first meeting of the new year was also the first time the Society was reorganized. Mrs. Trippas, Miss Virginia Speas, Mrs. J. E. Stone and Mrs. E. E. Helmich form the new executive committee. Under their leadership tentative programs for the next five months have already been planned.

A review of the pastor's activity for the month shows that he assisted in or conducted eight church services, had charge of one funeral of a non-member, attended twelve committee meetings, and made between fifty and sixty pastoral calls.

E. C. Heilmich

Hope.

Our work for the new year has had a good beginning. The attendance upon all of the services have been gratifying. The first Sunday morning being the first day of the New Year, Holy Communion was administered. Cottage prayer services have been well attended and encouraging.

Two meetings of our building committee with the Provincial building committee were held during the month and plans have been drawn and approved by both committees and now work is being done in preparation of building. Our people are very enthusiastic in regard to this forward move. The interest in the work in general for the first month has been good.

Howard G. Foltz.

Bethesda.

Two additional church services were held during the month. The first was the observance of Holy Communion on the first Sunday evening, and the other was on the 5th Sunday evening. In the absence of the pastor, who was preaching at Mizpah, Bro. Ralph C. Bussett brought the special Stewardship message on the 4th Sunday evening. We appreciated his visit and message on this occasion.

The Sunday school was re-organized the first of the month and the work is moving along in a splendid manner. The Ladies' Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Dewey Burke on Friday night the 12th with a large attendance present and fine interest being manifested.

Howard G. Foltz.

Mount Airy.

January has been a good month. Our first Sunday of the month found us at the church for a Watch Night Service at which fully seventy people were present. Our band had part in the service, texts for the old and New Years were read, and the regular order of service observed.

Perhaps because of the Watch Night Service, the New Year Communion was not quite so well attended as that of last year.

During the first of the month our Honor Roll was published for the preceding quarter. It was the largest by ten that we have had in Grace congregation.

Week-day church school is again in session with an enrollment of about fifty-five. From this school we hope to prepare those children who will unite with the church at Easter time.

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brought to Bethania for burial on January 11. Mrs. Margaret Louise (Beck) Warren, well esteemed by Oli- vet members and friends, was taken away in young womanhood. The body was laid to rest on Olivet graveyard on January 15. Bishop Pfohl delivered the funeral address.

P. WALTER GRABS.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Special worship programs have been given in the Adult Department of the Sunday school by the Superintendent, Mr. Fred Disher. New Year’s Day was an inspirational service appropriate to the day—it was presented to the department. Certain Sundays have been set apart for recognition to classes.

The first communion of the new year was well attended with the church filled to capacity. There has been an increasing interest in the Lord’s Supper and we believe more of our people will accept this opportunity for Christian growth. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miller Wray was presented to the Lord in infant baptism, and Harrison Sparks was received into the fellowship of Christ Church through the right hand of fellowship.

The officials and workers in the church drew their Scriptural texts as watchwords for the year in the morning worship hour.

The first Workers’ Conference of the year was the fellowship supper meeting with the Rev. G. E. Dillingar guest speaker. A good representation was present to hear the message of the evening.

Bro. Herbert R. Johnson of Fries Memorial preached the Stewardship Sermon in our church while the writer was away on a similar mission at Rural Vega.

A need for an organ for Christ Church has been felt for some time. The Elders and Trustees recommended that an organ be bought and an organ committee was created for this purpose. The committee has had the Orphar and the Hammond organ in on demonstration and it is now raising the needed funds.

The Pastor conducted the funeral of David T. Welborn on the 25th. Mr. Welborn died suddenly from a heart attack.

VERNON L. GRAF.

HOPWELL.

Renewed interest has been shown in the services during the month. The attendance for Sunday school has been especially good, the average being 162. The mid-week prayer services have been well attended also, the average being 50. The Gospel of Mark has been studied during the month.

Julius C. Swaim, the oldest member of our Sunday school died on January 16, at the age of 84 years. The funeral was held the 18th at Pleasant Fork Church, with the Rev. J. P. Croach and the Rev. J. F. Stokes in charge. Interment was in the church graveyard.

On the fourth Sunday evening the Rev. E. A. Holton delivered the message.

The week of January 23 through the 28th, the pastor conducted the morning prayer service over radio station WWSJ.

On Wednesday evening of January 25th, the officers for the Sunday school were elected as follows: Superintendent, Curtis Hussey; Assistant Superintendent, John Snyder; Secretary, Miss Besie Cookerham; Treasurer, Wyatt Snyder; Sexton, John Robinson.

On Saturday, January 21, Miss Mildred Pegram and John Becker died in marriage.

MRS. PAUL BERKIER.

OAK GROVE.

Oak Grove gives attendance awards to all its Sunday school scholars who attend at least 50 Sundays during the year. Twenty-six qualified for that award during 1938. Out of that number, twelve had perfect attendance, and five of them have maintained perfect attendance for five, or more, years. Lester Lewis has the distinction of not missing a Sunday in eight years. We would be interested in knowing how many throughout the province can present a better record than that.

Sunday School attendance throughout January ranged from 184 to 203. However, Oak Grove still suffers from “anti-churchitis,” that strange disease that brings out about 200 for Sunday school but leaves only about 60 or 70 for morning worship. 130 victims out of a possible 200 is the worst mortality rate of any disease with which we are familiar. What are our other churches doing about this problem?

Another interesting mystery is that there are always about twice as many offering envelopes on the plates as there are worshippers present.

If the church were interested only in the money involved (as is sometimes said in certain quarters) we would greedily grab the envelopes, not caring whether or not the givers were present at church.

But since Oak Grove faces no financial problem—a statement that would be sweet music to many church treasurers—we can say without pretense that we are more interested in the number of worshippers present than in the number of envelopes. We are anxious that our members should worship the Lord “in spirit and in truth” in the services of the sanctuary, bringing their offerings (which have always been generous) and presenting them before Him in person.

How are the other churches curing “anti-churchitis”?

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

TRINITY.

On January 2 there was open house at the parsonage for members of the congregation. The guests were especially interested in the renovations recently made at the parsonage by the Auxiliary and other friends.

An exchange of pulpit, or rather, pastors, brought Bro. L. G. Lucken-bach to Trinity on the 15th, and the same evening another exchange brought Bro. E. A. Holton, both happily received.

Mrs. H. E. Rondthaler paid us a visit on the 22nd, and spoke to young people and intermediates on “Stewardship.”

The first Sunday School Council of the year was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Perryman with twenty-eight members present.

Mid-week Service Club officers for the new year are W. D. Byerly, president; Mrs. Richard Newsome, vice-president; A. C. Floyd, Jr., secretary; Mrs. Noble Medearis, treasurer.

During the month the pastor had opportunity to lunch with Chas. H. Reel, Jr., at Duke and Lewis Masten at the University of North Carolina. Both boys were doing well.

On January 21 Mrs. A. J. Rothrock died, and on February 1 Mrs. Adelia Krites. These two aged members, widows, residing within one block of the church, have been for a long time faithful members of Trinity.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

MORAVIA.

That changing the time of our services from Sunday afternoon to Sunday evening was a wise move has continued to demonstrate itself during the winter months. Since beginning the night services our attendance has been more than doubled.

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are expecting great things from these two groups of young people.

On January 7, an auxiliary was formed with six charter members. Officers will be elected at the meeting on February 11th. This group showed that it meant business by making a Brunswick stew on the 20th which netted for the organization a profit of $10.80.

Although not quite finished, two of our new Sunday school rooms are now being used. We hope to have all carpentry work done by spring and the money raised for painting both the new and the old buildings.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

HOME CHURCH.

The Board of Elders announces with pleasure the coming of the Rev. Byron K. Horne to the Home Church for a series of services beginning February 19th and continuing through the 24th. Bro. Horne is the pastor of our Lititz Moravian Church and his visit with us is pleasantly anticipated by Boards and congregation.

Attendances for the month have been unusually large and interest in the work of the kingdom has been keen. The Home Church participated with other Moravian churches in Stewardship Sunday and we had as our guest speaker Bro. Herbert Spangh from Charlotte who presented the cause of stewardship in a forceful and interesting manner. On that same day the Mission Band held its annual love feast. Miss Laura Mosely was present as guest and brought greetings from our congregation in Kernersville. We had a Brunswick stew on the evening of the 20th which brought the following days additional gifts assured the full quota of Calvary for 1938.

On January 22, Bro. E. C. Helmich conducted the morning service at Calvary, presenting the theme of Stewardship.

The oldest member of Calvary Church, Sister Mary Suedendorf Pflaum, was called to her eternal reward on January 23 in her 91st year. She was a charter member, a devoted servant of the Lord, a "mother in Israel" at Calvary. For many years she was superintendent of the Primary Department; served as president of the Woman's Auxiliary and Missionary Society; one-time organist and member of the choir to her 80th year; teacher of the Woman's Bible Class up to the second Sunday before her death. She had not missed a Communion season since the present records were begun in 1931 and probably not before that time in many years.

The month has shown increased activity among the young people, splendid improvement in the choir and regular practice of the church band resumed, looking to Easter.

EDMUND SCHWARZ.

FRIEDLAND.

The New Year's Communion was observed on the first day of the year. Other services in the month emphasized the stewardship teachings of our Lord. Bro. Gordon Spangh preached the sermon on the fourth Sunday. His message was welcomed by the congregation. Representative Tithers attended the Lovefeast at Fries Memorial.

The Elders and Trustees enjoyed a supper-meeting at the parsonage.

RALPH G. BASSETT.

IMMANUEL.

The funeral of J. J. Johnson, father of one of our members, Bro. John L. Johnson, was held by the Immanuel pastor on January 17. Interment was in the Waughtown cemetery.

Bro. Charles B. Adams ably presented the cause of stewardship on January 22, which was stewardship Sunday throughout the Province. A cold and windy evening lowered the attendance somewhat, but those who came were well rewarded.

Young people's meetings before church on Sunday nights continue to be well attended. Bro. and Sr. H. L. Skidmore, members of Trinity who are now living in Waughtown, are assisting with the intermediate group, held a prayer meeting at the home of

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on the second Sunday of January 22, Bro. George G. sermon, and also made a plea for our

ed for his work. The first of these was the occasion just mentioned, and was combined in this instance with the general exchange of ministers which took place in observance of Stewardship Sunday.

On Sunday, January 29, Miss Frances Johnson was received into our membership by the sacrament of baptism.

During January we were called upon very suddenly to part with one of our loyal members, Mrs. Eva Kerner, wife of Bro. J. F. Kerner. Taken ill without warning at about 8 p.m. on January 19, within an hour she had passed to her eternal reward. The funeral service was held on Saturday, January 21, in the church. Her daughter, Miss Gai­selle Kerner, normally of Washing­ton, D. C., but at present at Dallas, Texas, on special government work, had to come by airplane, and her son­in-law, Clay V. Ring, was in Ohio, but managed to arrive just before the funeral. To all members of the family we extend again our sincere sym­pathy. Bro. Kerner has gone to live pathy. Bro. Kerner has gone to live

PROVIDENCE.

Bro. Helmich preached the Stewardship sermon while the pastor was at Bethesda. The service was enjoyed by those who attended. The tithers were represented on the fifth Sunday at the lovefeast.

The missionary high-light of the month was the Tuesday evening prayer meeting which brought Miss Laura Mosely to Providence for a very en­lightening talk on what the nurses do all week long. The offering by the Young People’s Society was added to the Hospital Fund for surgical instruments which is being gathered by the Union.

RALPH G. BASSETT.

FAIRVIEW

The new year was started with our congregation gathering about the Lord’s table on the first day of the year in congregation with the United Worship service. Thus we begin the fifth year of this type of services which have meant so much to this con­gregation in the way of increased church attendance.

Our ninth annual “Day of Prayer” program was given on the 19th. A beautiful clear day helped make the attendance the best we have ever had. Eight sessions were held with an average attendance of 178, and 240 mem­bers and friends were served at the fellowship luncheon. We wish to thank the following Brethren for the splendid messages given on the central theme of “Looking Unto Jesus”: J. P. Crenich, C. B. Adams, D. L. Rights, Edmund Schwarz, R. C. Bassett, G. G. Higgins and E. T. Mickey. The day was filled with spiritual blessing and good fellowship.

In the exchange of pastors, Bro. E. A. Holton brought a message on Stew­ardship at our morning service on the 22nd.

Our Missionary Society met with Mrs. J. S. Pullum on the 29th with a good attendance. Mrs. L. V. Scott gave a very interesting talk on the work being carried on for the negroes by the Methodist denomination in our city at the Bethlehem Home.

CHRISTIAN O. WEBER.

FRIEDBERG.

A beautiful New Year’s Day was made more blessed by the large congrega­tion gathered about the Lord’s Table in the year’s first service. The annual memorabilia was heard with interest.

The Ladies’ Aid Society met with Mrs. S. J. Teesh and Mrs. F. F. Ne­light at the parsonage and planned to serve a supper at the Belo Home later in the month. The supper was largely patronized, for which we are grate­ful.

The young people of the church presented Mr. Walter F. Anderson and Dr. P. O. Schaller in Sunday evening programs. Other speakers are scheduled to appear in similar pro­grams.

Much interest is being manifested in the coming services in which the Rev. John R. Church will be the evangelist. Services are planned to begin on February 22 at seven-thirty. February 26 through March 5 morning and evening services will be held. Members and friends are urged to at­tend.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

BETHANIA.

On last Christmas Eve we had another evidence of growing interest in that service. The Rev. Alger Sollis, pastor of Pfafftown Church of Christ, delivered the address. The Rev. Da­vid W. Yates, Rector of St. Philip’s Episcopal Church, Durham, was guest speaker in the New Year’s Eve love­feast. The brethren John Kapp and Howard Chadwick spoke in New Year’s Day church service on Mora­vian College and Theological Semi­nary. In the Week of Prayer, Bro. Ed­ward M. Holder brought us a mes­sage on The Jews of Today, Bro. J. W. Daniel spoke in the mid-winter lovefeast. Dr. Edmund Schwarz

preached on Stewardship Sunday, January 22. Bro. William Shouse has been appointed to fill an unexpired term on the local Church Committee. The pastor made a quick change of cars on December 24, when a latest model Plymouth coach was brought to him with a note reading: “Presented by Bethania and Olivet and friends.” Pastor and wife extend most hearty thanks, with deep appreciation to all who have contributed in money and other ways toward this fine Christmas gift. Other articles, as groceries and fresh meat, with some highly prized magazines and additional Christmas presents, call for grateful acknowl­edgment.

F. WALTER GRABS.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

Pulpit guests during January were the brethren Holton and Mickey and Bishop Pfohl. The tithers of the Pro­vince were likewise our guests on the last Sunday afternoon of the month. It was a pleasant privilege to have this fine company of Christians in our church, as well as to have Bro. Weber with his message and our min­isters with their singing.

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Fries Memorial was called upon to part with an ardent church worker in the passing of Mrs. Carrie Steelman. The sympathy of the church membership is again expressed to the bereaved ones.

Our people are anticipating a time of spiritual refreshing during the holding of a ten-day meeting under the leadership of Bro. H. G. Folts of New Philadelphia. We begin on Wednesday, February 8, and continue through Tuesday, February 14. Prayer services will be held on Wednesday. All this is preparatory to the observance of the Holy Communion on the First Sunday in Lent.

HERBERT B. JOHNSON

BETHABARA.

At the annual election meeting of Church Council on the second Sunday of January, Mrs. Carl Hine was re-elected to the Church Committee, and Dr. Herbert A. Hudgins was newly elected to fill the vacancy left by his father, Bro. I. A. Hudgins, who had retired from the committee. The other members of the Church Committee whose terms had not expired are Mrs. Ida Styers and the brethren R. W. Pou, R. G. Styers, and F. J. Thomas.

Circle No. 1 of the Woman’s Auxiliary held its monthly meeting with Mrs. Byrum Mickey, and Circle No. 2 met with Mrs. John Ham.

Good progress has been made on the parsonage and it is expected to be ready for occupancy by March 1.

CHARLES B. ADAMS

PAGES FROM THE BISHOP’S DIARY

Sunday, January 1, 1939. We enter upon another Year of Grace, “Ann Domini,” 1939. May it be in truth a “Year of the Lord.” His promises carry over from one year to another, knowing no change. “My grace is sufficient for thee”; “As Thy day, so shall Thy strength be”; “And He is the Head over all things to the Church, the fullness of Him that filleth all in all.” Had the privilege of preaching the New Year’s sermon at Centenary Methodist Church and of expressing the spirit of Christian Fellowship and unity for which our Church has stood for nearly 500 years. Assisted in funeral of young C. D. Hedrick, Jr., one of the leaders among the youth of Christ Church.

Monday, January 2. Conference with three of our ministerial students. How much the future of the Church depends on these young men! I wonder if they realize it.

Wednesday, January 4. In Columbus, S. C., for a contact visit with Columbus Bible College, Dr. Robt. C. McPulkin, President. A college of high Christian ideals where 500 young men and women are preparing for Christian service.

Thursday, January 5. An enthusiastic Ministers Conference and the New Year’s Vespers in the afternoon. Sixty persons, ministers and their wives and other church leaders, meet in our home and strengthen the ties that bind.

Sunday, January 8. Mayodas congregation where we preached this morning enters upon the new year’s service with enthusiasm and high purpose. Our church leaders there set a fine example of zeal and devotion to the whole Province. Visit Fulp Sun­day School where Bro. and Sr. Jones continue to labor with great faithfulness.

Tuesday, January 10. A very encouraging meeting of Board of Christian Education.

Thursday, January 12. Church Aid and Extension Board finds churches giving prompt support to the work. A small increase will enable us to press the work of extension.

Sunday, January 15. With Fries Memorial to-day while Bro. Johnson supplies at Mayodan. At Olivet for funeral in afternoon. The evening given to calls on sick and “shut-ins.”

Tuesday to Thursday, January 17-19. At Durham for third Convention of Churches under auspices of North Carolina Council of Churches. (Mrs. Pfohl accompanies me.) A great fellowship gathering with leaders and church workers of thirteen denominations in North Carolina. Prominent theologians and ministers from wide area give inspiring and informative addresses. If only more of our own ministers and laymen could attend. The cause of Christian unity is greatly strengthened. Moravian Church has three official representatives in this Council. The Brn. Allen, Higgins and Pfohl.

Sunday, January 22. An encouraging Sunday with our mountain churches. At Grace Church, Mt. Airc at 9:45 a.m. (one ride before breakfast for such appointments and sees the world select). At Mt. Bethel at 11 o’clock. In afternoon pay visit to Willow Hill. What a lovely new church is being built, with ample provision for Sunday School work. Good roads and the auto make possible such service.

Tuesday, January 24. Assisted in Sun-

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Tuesday, January 31. Close month with writing up records, five pastoral calls, attending Scout Court of Honor and the Roundtable of Jews, Catholics and Christians. Grateful for work to do and for health and strength and God's abounding grace with which to do it.

**THE EPISCOPUS OBSERVES**

The Episcopus went to New York to spend a couple of days attending various committee meetings. You may well say, Bro. Editor, that is nothing unusual and is surely not worth chronicling. And you are entirely correct in so saying. But even so commonplace an affair as a trip to New York little incidents arise which have at least a passing interest.

In the train on a seat across the aisle from the Episcopus sat a little negro girl (with her mother). She could not have been more than six or seven years old at the most. She was assuredly a most cuning little pick-aniny, and the Episcopus could not help watching her. In spite of her youth she had acquired the habits of her older white sisters, and true to form in due season she opened her little bag and took out the inevitable little mirror and examined most carefully her nose and lips, even as her white sisters constantly do in public places. What would have been the result if she had applied a powder puff? The Episcopus wonders what would mature white maidens think, if some of the male sex would suddenly adopt an electric razor to a socket and begin shaving in public!

The mother of the little black maiden had a very large and a very heavy black suit-case. As the train was pulling into the Pennsylvania station the Episcopus was very pleased to see the train man take the case, carry it out to the platform and help the woman out as he would of course have done for a white woman. You justly ask, Bro. Editor, "Why not?" Surely "Why not?" but it does not always happen. A few days ago the Episcopus observed something entirely different on another train on another road. The conductor made an orderly and quiet negro couple leave the coach and go into the smoking car. There may have been some justifiable reason for doing this, but if so, the reason was not apparent to the Episcopus, and he was so annoyed by the incident, that he took up the matter with the railroad company. He received a very courteous reply from the General Passenger Agent, who promised to investigate the matter. What may be the eventual outcome of the incident the Episcopus has not heard up to the present writing.

Arrived in New York the Episcopus observed a very significant sign at 23rd Street and Fourth Avenue: "Better wait for the traffic light than for the ambulance." The appropriate-ness and significance of this sign was deeply impressed upon the Episcopus when at 30th Street and Broadway he saw a man run down by a truck. The poor fellow was stretched out in the street and his feet were so small, that the Episcopus thought he must be a woman, but a derby lying beside him indicated that he was a man. The usual crowd gathered and blocked all traffic. This was at 10:30 A. M. The Episcopus passed again at 11 A. M. and the crowd was still there. What satisfaction can there be in gazing at a poor dead body lying in the middle of the street! Officers were directing the vehicular traffic around it. Rather indulgently the Episcopus asked why the body (which had been covered) was not removed, and he was told that it could not be moved until the coroner had been summoned and he had viewed it. As the poor fellow was unwieldily entirely and completely dead, and the police officers had noted everything, this delay did seem unjustifiable.

So you see, Bro. Editor, the Episcopus did observe certain things on a very commonplace journey. Alas! you may say, even this tragic accident is only a commonplace happening in American life, so commonplace indeed, that it was not even mentioned in the evening papers.

Before the first committee, which brought the Episcopus to New York, went into session in the National Arts Clubs, 15 Gramercy Park (Samuel J. Tilden's former residence) on January 12th, he thought he would look up a certain Miss Secretary in the Russell Sage Foundation Building at 22nd Street and Lexington Avenue, according to his habit of years gone by. When the desk clerk asked, who should she see, wished to see Miss Secretary, from force of old habit and quite unconsciously the Episcopus quietly said "Tell her that her father wishes to see her." Then he woke up and hastened to call: "Wait a moment, say her grandfather!" Thus, Bro. Editor, have you the years sped by? Ponder the significance of this!

This meeting was that of the Nominating Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, whose duty it is,—in addition to the nominations for the chief offices, which were reported to the biennial meeting of the Council in Buffalo, December 6 to 9,—to nominate all the paid staff executives of the Council, all the Chairmen of the various Departments, Commissions and Committees of the Council, as well as all the members thereof, all of which will be reported to the executive Committee of the Council at its first meeting of the biennium 1939-1941 on January 26th. Naturally this was a very interesting and significant session.

**GIVE THE LORD PERSONAL SERVICE WHILE YOU LIVE; LET YOUR MONEY CONTINUE YOUR SERVICE AFTERWARD.**

**SEVEN WORTHY CAUSES:**

1. Provincial Sustentation Fund (Ministers' Pension Fund)
2. Provincial Administration (The work of the Southern Province)
3. Church Aid and Extension (To advance the cause of Home Missions)
4. Foreign Missionary Society of the Moravian Church, South, Inc. (To advance the cause of Foreign Missions)
5. Salem Academy and College (Christian Education of Young Women)
6. Moravian College and Theological Seminary, Bethlehem, Pa. (Christian Education of Young Men and Training of Ministers.)
7. Salem Moravian Graveyard Endowment Fund (Maintenance and development of Graveyard)

FORM OF BEQUESTS: I hereby give and bequeath to the (Pill in name of Board or Institution) the sum of (dollars), for the cause of (State cause as given above) in the Moravian Church.

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The next committee meeting—held in the assembly room of the Federal Council at 207 Fourth Avenue on Friday, January 23—was surely a surprise to the Episcopal. In 1924 there was held a very elaborate celebration, extending over the greater part of a year with functions in the United States, France, and the Netherlands, of the 300th anniversary of the first settlements of the Huguenots and Walloons in America. A large Commission was appointed to handle this very extensive celebration. By virtue of his presidency of the Huguenot Society of Pennsylvania, and sundry other offices in this Society held at various times, the Episcopal (although he did not hold that title at that time) was appointed a member of this Commission. He fears he was not a very active member thereof, for he has to admit that he had forgotten all about it, and was not convinced that he was a member at all. He saw his name in cold print in the memorial volume published at that time. Hence he was greatly surprised to learn that the Commission had never been discharged, and he was summoned to attend a meeting of the same at the place and time above cited.

The purpose of the meeting was to arrange for a Huguenot Day, probably next June, in the great World Fair to be held in New York this year, and also to provide for a Huguenot Panel in the French building at the Fair, and to gather a Huguenot historical exhibit to be displayed in this building.

As far as known only thirty of the original Commission are still alive or accessible. Old acquaintances were met and new ones made. By means of an apparently harmless resolution the Episcopal suddenly found himself boosted into membership of the new Executive Committee of this resuscitated Commission. What this may involve doth not yet appear and developments will have to be awaited. With this announcement the Episcopal will close his observations and release you, Bro. Editor, from further consideration of the same.

Prince George Hotel, East 28th St., near Fifth Avenue, New York City, Friday, January 15th, 1939, 3:30 p.m.

BOOK NOTICES


This book has come from the press in January, 1939. It is practically impossible to describe it adequately in a brief review, for it is a marvellous exposition of the effects of the Holy Spirit dwelling in man. Kagawa, one of the greatest living Christians, is a mystic, and it is not easy to follow his thought at times. But his description of what follows when a believer receives the Holy Spirit into his spirit, will furnish every earnest Christian with heart-searching tests, whether he has the Spirit. The prayers at the close of each chapter are almost naive in their directness and simplicity. Kagawa's assertion "Those who have received the Holy Spirit must come to have the feeling of God!" may be said to furnish the keynote of the whole book. A few quotations taken almost at random, will give a good idea of the nature of the meditations:

"When we enter into the life of the Holy Spirit, we must tell others of the salvation of God we have received. We cannot be satisfied just to receive the Holy Spirit ourselves. If we have the joy of God, we have the desire to preach the Gospel. Therefore unless we have received the Holy Spirit, we cannot really evangelize." Page 30.

"A death that must redeem the sin of men cannot be explained by the ordinary natural consciousness of man. After Christ died and sent the Holy Spirit, it was finally understood. While Christ was living the cross could not be understood. Except He should die the death of the cross, Christ's work could not be accomplished." Page 35.

"He is the Spirit of truth. That is for the intellect. He is the Spirit of Comfort and joy and love and life. That is for the emotions. He is the Spirit of sanctification. That is for the will. That is a personal 'indwelling power should be given is what Christ promised." Page 36.

The book's theme of love by Dr. Charles R. Erdman, The Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York City, 1938, pp. 64.

Beginning in 1929 Dr. Charles R. Erdman, Professor in the Princeton Theological Seminary, published each year at Christmas time a commentary on one of the books of the New Testament, and in 1938 he had covered the entire New Testament in 18 volumes. These were all published by the Westminster Press, Philadelphia, Pa., at $1.00 per volume. They are perfect gems of the typographical art. Now Dr. Erdman puts a crown on this great work by issuing a monograph on the Thirteenth Chapter of First Corinthians. This is published by the Fleming H. Revell Company. The clarity of Dr. Erdman's style makes it a pleasure to read anything he writes. The keenness of his insight into the meaning of the New Testament writers is simply revealing. He throws a new light on many a passage that has often been misunderstood. Although his interpretations areclothed in the simplest possible language they are based on the soundest scholarship. All these commentaries can be recommended without any reservation to both laity and clergy.

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HERE and THERE

Miss Dorothy Heidenreich, daughter of Bro. G. A. Heidenreich, pastor of the Moravian Church at Daggett, Mich., was a welcome visitor in the States, while his father was on functions in the same. Miss Heidenreich, who is in that distant land at the "old school." She also visited her aunt, Mrs. H. E. Johnson, and friends in other parts of North Carolina.

Bro. Bruner and party did reach Jamaica, and spent a week there, most of it with Bro. and Sr. Kallreiter at their mission station in the mountains. Bro. Bruner has promised an account of the trip for the March Wachovia Moravian.

Bro. and Sr. E. C. Helmich have gone to Florida for a mid-winter vacation. The doctor recommended the change both because they have been suffering from acute sinus infection.

David Robinson Bassett, first son and second child of Bro. and Sr. Ralph C. Bassett, arrived on January 23 to help enliven the atmosphere of the Friedland parsonage. We congratulate the happy parents.

The Bros. George H. Higgin, D. L. Rights, Charles B. Adams, Howard G. Fultz, Ralph C. Bassett and Walser H. Allen attended several of the sessions of the North Carolina Convocation of Churches held last month in Durham, at the First Presbyterian Church. This was the third annual convocation—the first was held in Winston-Salem—and was pronounced to be the best so far. Bishop Pickard is president of the Council, and of course was also present.

A clipping from the Englewood, Colorado, "Herald" tells of a Christmas Lovefeast and Candle service held in the home of two non-resident members of the Home Church, Bro. and Sr. George Winkler. Present was Miss Anna White, who is in that distant state on a visit to relatives. She made an address at this service, and her grand niece sang "Morning Star." The minister of the Methodist Con-
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Maria Sausendorf, daughter of
the late Christian Frederick and
Louisa Sausendorf, m. n. Hagen,
widow of the late J. F. Prather,
born June 5, 1848, in Salem,
died in this life
January 23, 1939. Charter member of
Calvary Church. Funeral service
January 24, by Bishop J. K. Pfohl
and Dr. Edmund Schwartz. Interment in
the Moravian Graveyard.

Brotkoh.—Mrs. Martha Detaney,
widow of A. J. Brotkoh, daughter of
J. F. and Nancy Ellen Westmoreland,
m. n. McFee; born in Forsyth
County; member of Trinity Church;
died January 21, 1939; buried in Thomas-
ville, N. C.; funeral services conducted
by the Rev. Douglass L. Rights, the
Rev. G. Bay Jordan and the Rev. C.
M. Pickens.

Klets—Mrs. Adelia Jane, widow
daughter of Jacob and Susan Fishel,
m. n. Wooley; born May 29, 1855,
near Friedberg; member of Trinity Church;
died February 1, 1939; funeral services conducted
by the Rev. Douglass L. Rights and the Rev. E.
Gordon Spaugh.

Stelman.—Mrs. Carrie, maiden
name Holder, aged 54, died January 13,
1939. Funeral conducted at Fries
Memorial Church by the pastor, the Rev.
H. B. Johnson, assisted by the Rev.
V. I. Graf and R. C. Whisenhunt.
Interment in Salem Graveyard.

Parmish.—James Franklin, son of
James F. and Ruth (Stewart) Parmish,
aged 13 months, died January 27,
1939. Funeral conducted Saturday,
January 28, with interment in Wood-
land Cemetery The Rev. H. B. John-
son officiated.

Kern.—Mrs. Eva Mays, wife of
J. F. Kern, died January 19, 1939,
adored 66 years. Funeral in the
Kernersville Church on January 21,
by the Rev. Watson H. Allen, assisted by
the Rev. E. F. Kirk. Interment in the
Moravian Graveyard.

Marsh.—William Thomas, born
March 28, 1869, died January 9, 1938.
Funeral held by the Rev. F. Walter
Grubs. Interment on Bethania

MORAVIAN WOMEN SHOULD READ!

12 Years of Regular Dividends!
The Moravian Widows' Society of Win-
ston-Salem offers an Annuity Plan with
outstanding features and conditions, which
have been declared regular for the past
12 years. The amount received by each widow of
the Society has been $60.00 per year during the
past 12 years. Inasmuch as those who joined the
Society never paid more than one amount, namely $60.00, widows of members have re-
cived dividends in each year, equal to
$60.00. Is this not an attractive proposition?
WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO MEMBERSHIP?
Any woman, in good health, who is a mem-
ber in good standing of the Moravian Church,
or whose husband is a member in good standing
of the Moravian Church, is eligible to mem-
ber in the Society for Widows.

ADMISSION FEE

An admission fee of $50.00 is paid when
joining, which constitutes a deposit in
the Society's fund. The amount is always added
in the Society's fund. This deposit is returned
on withdrawal. There are no further dues, assessments or
other service for members in par.

DIVIDENDS

The net income of the Society from its
investments is distributed semi-annually to
the widows of deceased members, sons and
daughters alike, up to $600.00 per year maximum,
during their lifetime. Regardless of the
amount of dividends received, the widow is al-
ways entitled to receive at least $60.00. That is,
when all widows are entitled to receive
approximately $120,000.00 annually, the
amount of dividends received may vary from
widows who were not entitled to receive:

The Moravian Widows' Society of Winston-Salem
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The Wachovia Moravian

February 1939
PRE-EASTER OFFERINGS FOR THE SALEM GRAVEYARD

The churches of the Salem Congregation are being asked to take a special collection on some Sunday before Easter for the upkeep of the historic and beautiful Salem Moravian Graveyard, scene of the now famous Easter Sunrise Service.

The facts which make this special effort necessary are:

1. The cost of maintaining the Graveyard is $2,500 per year, approximately $1.00 per grave. This sum is paid out of the funds of the congregation.

2. Income from congregation funds is seldom, if ever, sufficient to care for major improvements. At present the sum of $700.00 is needed to pay for work done on the walks, something which could not be delayed without serious consequences. Furthermore, the fence between the Avenue and the Graveyard is badly in need of repair. The estimated cost of this is $1,000. This work will probably have to be postponed for another year because of lack of funds.

3. Not until recently has a charge for grave space been made to members of the Salem Congregation, and now the fee is only $10.00. Lots in local cemeteries are based on a minimum charge of $40.00 to $50.00 for each grave space. Apart from sentimental reasons, this should be cause enough to give adequate support to our Salem Graveyard.

4. It is clearly understood that there is not sufficient income from funds to pay for the upkeep of our Graveyard. The present chairman of the Graveyard Committee of the Central Board of Trustees, states that for the past twenty-five years he has been chairman of this committee, and that practically all the money spent under his direction for major improvements has been raised by private subscription. But is it now time that all the churches and chapels of the Salem Congregation realize the situation which confronts them, and enter upon a definite effort to provide for the needs of their common place of burial.

The result of all this is that every church and chapel of the Salem Congregation is being asked to take a special offering on some Sunday before Easter for the Salem Graveyard. This is a matter of vital importance to some five thousand Moravians belonging to our Winston-Salem churches. Every church and chapel should respond heartily to this appeal. THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN has been asked to present it in a prominent place, and is glad to comply with this request.

LETTERS

BISHOP SHAWE OFFICATES AT ORDINATIONS IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA

Rt. Rev. J. K. Pföhl, D.D.,
Winston-Salem, N. C.

Dear Br. Pföhl—

I hope this letter will reach you before the first Sunday in March, for I should like to ask you to remember on that day specially our Church in Czecho-Slovakia, and with them myself, for I shall be there. The weekend of March 4-6 is to be used for their Annual Conference, which is the equivalent of their synod. I think it will be a specially important gathering, because they will have to consider the situation as it has developed since the Munich Agreement.

But it has also another feature in which I am concerned; the brethren have asked me to conduct the ordination of a deacon (Br. K. Reichel who was formerly in business as a bookseller in Prague and has now entered the ministry; I think you may possibly remember him) and two presbyters (Br. B. Vancura and O. Mikulastik). It will be not only interesting, but to me a moving service; it will take my thoughts back to the days when we in the other provinces received our Orders from Bohemia. The service will be conducted partly in Czech by Br. Schiller, my address will be in German, with a short Czech summary as interpretation, and the actual ordination Liturgy will be in English (the congregation having a Czech translation so that they can follow it).

I shall take the opportunity of visiting Herrnhut while I am over there, to discuss various problems. Please excuse more today, and assured that we shall all be helped by the thought that you are remembering us.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,
C. H. SHAWE.

In response to the above, Bishop Pföhl sent the following cablegram:

Winston-Salem, N. C.
March 4, 1939.

Bishop Shawe,
Halkora 5—Praha 2,
Czechoslovakia.

Greetings Synod. Philippian one.

Southern Ministers and Provincial Elders' Conference Pray God's Blessing on Your Mission.

FIfty Below in ALASKA

Moravian Mission, Bethel, Alaska
Jan-20, 1939.

Dear Bro. Allen—

. . . I read with interest the account of your synod in the last issue of The Wachovia Moravian, and I thought back to the synod of three years ago, and how Bro. Schwalbe and I were so kindly invited to attend. We enjoyed the discussions and the sermons and the splendid, jolly meals, but most of all the fellowship. That was such a happy furlough!

It is thirty below here today and a blizzard is on us. I didn't sleep much last night for watching the furnace. It is not so easy all alone, but I take all the precaution I know, and am resolved not to worry. Worry means sleeplessness and then I can't accomplish much the next day.

Gertrude is substituting in the High School today. The principal is in bed with the grippe. I think she'll have all she can do plunging through
the wind and the drifts Harry was just in to see something is all right in my house, and I am getting lunch for them today because Ger-trude is teaching... We can't expect the mail plane today in this weather. Yesterday it was due but couldn't come because it was 50 below at McGrath, too cold for safe flying. Our weekly mail comes from Fairbanks via McGrath.

I must go and stoke the furnace more—wood feels melted away, it's been so cold all week. I'll warm myself thinking of your sunny south. I read almost every word of The Wachovia Moravian.

Sincerely,

ANNA C. SCHWALBRE.

ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF OUR AMAZING FELLOWSHIP.

Invermay, Sask., Canada

Dear Sir:

Many thanks for The Wachovia Moravian just received, in which I read a letter (and references to) from Miss Hilda Gysin. As I knew Miss Gysin many years ago when myself a school girl in Neuwind on the Rhine, Germany, I have written to her and enclosed the letter which I would beg you to forward, as you did not print her address. I do not belong to the Moravian Church, but knew and loved many Moravians. Perhaps I can claim also to the quotation: 'There is always some link among Moravians.' I like your comment—'let's take care of it.'

Yours faithfully,

(Mrs.) G. E. BLACKWELL.

NOTE—Miss Gysin's address: 69, Mer- rion and Co., Farnham, Dutch Guinea, South America. I have a copy of The Wachovia Moravian at the request of Bishop de Schriver, so all the channels have not been utilized, or the point of detail is established. No doubt they could be duplicated many times.—Rd.

FROM THE MAYORS OF THE SEC- OND OLDEST TOWN IN ENGLAND.

Mayor's Parlour, Town Hall, Malmsbury, Swindon, Wiltshire, England.
1st January, 1939.

Dear Mr. Rights:

I send you, and all my friends at Winston-Salem, hearty greetings for this New Year.

Shortly before Christmas, I received a copy of 'The Wachovia Moravian' of November, 1938, from the Wachovia Historical Society. In it, I see a short article written by you about my short visit to your Town.

I thank you for the interesting little account, and assure you that I shall 'come again' if I ever have the chance to do so.

Now for a strange coincidence—

As you will see by this notepaper, I am present now at one of the courts where I did shortly after my return from the U. S. A. This is the second oldest in the Realm of England and our Charter was granted in 924, so I am actually one thousand and fourteenth holder of the title.

One of my first public duties was to address the gathering at the local Moravian Mission fair, at the request of the Reverend Farrar. In the course of my short talk, I mentioned that I had been to Moravia three times and had recently visited your beautiful graveyard at Winston-Salem. I also mentioned your hospital, and (fam- ily enough) I described the birds, even as you mentioned in your article.

A few days after, and long before the present copy of your paper arrived, I was handed this cutting from it. This came directly through Mr. Jones, an ex-Mayor and prominent Moravian. It had come to him through 'Friends of Friends of Friends, etc.' What a strange coincidence that I should thus receive notice of an event occurring so many thousands of miles away, and at such a time.

I hope to visit your Town soon, of course, and it is doubly, I generally travel fresh thrills each year for my vacation, and hope to see some- thing of your New England States this year, if circumstances permit.

Should you, or any friend of yours, ever come to this part of England, I should be pleased to entertain them, and, in a small measure, repay you for the extreme courtesy you showed me.

An English stranger in Winston- Salem.

Although not generally known, this Borough has many things of interest to Americans. We have associations with the Washington, the Penn, and the Lincoln families. Two big houses in the neighbourhood belonged to the former families, and Abraham Lin-coln's mother came from this Town.

I hope to be able to show you, or any friend of yours, the 'right' side of the district, and should be glad to honour any letter of introduction you may send me.

Will you kindly remember me to the Lady who spent such a pleasant half hour showing me around your interesting Museum. I am afraid I have forgotten her name, but not her hos- pitality.

With kindest regards, and hoping you may meet again someday, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

R. L. HODGE, Mayor.

NOTE—As mentioned in The Wachovia Moravian for November, 1938.—Ed.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM BISHOP GEHRELD.

Utengule, P. O. Mbuya, Tanganyika Tyy.
5th December, 1938.

My dear Brother Allen:

I send you a letter to you concluded: 'We shall travel together —Bro. Vogt to South Africa . . . I for a local leave. . . . When I wrote that letter I had no idea what had happened meanwhile in Europe: that we were at the verge of a terrible war.

We have no wireless in our house, and so we heard the news not before we had started and arrived at Mbuya where we wanted to take the mail- lorry. We were rather doubtful if it would be wise to start, but finally decided to travel. Now Bro. Vogt has arrived long ago in South Africa, and I am back from my local leave, and have travelled here in my big district a good deal since that time.

I got a letter from Mrs. Brindon meanwhile with the news of her hus- band's passing away in which she wrote that she hoped to be able to carry on with the contributions for the work which her husband had loved so much, but she was not quite sure if that would be possible. Since I have sent her that extract of Lazarus Mwanjasi's report, I am sending you a copy also, thinking that perhaps some of the readers of The Wachovia Moravian may be interested in it, as it is an original article from a native of Africa. I have made no alterations in it but copied it just as it was written.

I remain, yours very sincerely,

O. GEMUSEUS.

NOTE—The 'report' referred to was published in the February Wachovia Moravian under the heading: 'Franchising at the Lupa Gold Mines.'—Ed.

DEATHS.

Hustler—Mrs. Elsie Louise, m. Porter, born February 26, 1885, died February 6, 1939. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. W. H. Grafton, the Rev. V. A. Morton, and the Rev. C. D. Hutton.


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TORIAN WOMEN

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12 Years of Regular Dividends!

The Moravian Widows' Society of Winn- son-Salem offers an annuity Plan which is outstanding for the amount of the dividends which have been declared regularly for the past twelve years.

The amount received by each widow of the Society has been $40.00 per year during the past 12 years, increased as those who joined the Society have grown older, namely $50.00, widows of members have re- ceived dividends, in each year, equal approx­ imately to the original investment.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO MEMBERSHIP?

Any man, in good health, who is a mem- ber in good standing of the Moravian Church, is eligible to membership in the Moravian Widows' Society.

ADMISSION FEE.

An admission fee of $5.00 is paid when joining, which constitutes lifetime membership in the Society. This money is always added to the Capital Fund and promptly invested. There are no further dues, assessments or other fees for members to pay.

DIVIDENDS.

The net income of THE SOCIETY from its investments is distributed semi-annually to widows in good standing, share and share alike, up to $40.00 per annum, according to the number of years they may live. As the prog- ress writing them are Illian widows who are receiving the maximum dividend.

ADVANTAGES.

Several hundred have been receiving their regular $40.00 dividend for approx- imately ten years, amounting to $400.00. We ask if this is not a good investment for any widow who is in reasonably good health, a better investment, and we believe it has no equal.

We solicit and recommend membership in The Moravian Widows' Society of Win- son-Salem. We will gladly furnish any further information desired.

THE Moravian Widows' Society of Winston-Salem

Organized August 26, 1922

500 SOUTH CHURCH STREET

PHONE 7037
Winston-Salem, N. C.
When approached by Mr. W. L. Snyder, one of my members, about taking a winter vacation, I immediately replied, "I would be delighted, but where shall I go?" "Anywhere you suggest," he replied. I told him, I would love to visit the Moravian Mission Stations on the beautiful island of Jamaica, where the inhabitants speak the English language.

We made preparations to start the middle of January. By this time our party increased to four, as we were joined by Mrs. Snyder and the Rev. G. E. Brewer, pastor of the Macedonnia Church.

We left on the 10th of January, in Mr. Snyder's auto, touring through Atlanta, Ga., and many places of interest in Florida. When we arrived in Miami on Saturday, we learned that "The North Star," a Canadian cruising vessel, was leaving that night at 9 o'clock for Jamaica. Leaving the auto in Miami, we hurriedly boarded this cruiser.

After stopping at Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Monday, we landed at Kingston, Jamaica, Tuesday morning. Taking a taxi to the Moravian Church, we found the Rev. W. M. O'Malley, the colored pastor, who received us graciously. He found us a nearby guest house, where we lodged until Wednesday noon. While visiting with Bro. O'Malley, he furnished us with the information how we might reach Bro. W. A. Kaltreider. While in Kingston, we visited the business section of the city, whose population almost equals that of our own fair city. The inhabitants are mostly all colored. They hold the public offices as well as conduct the places of business. We took notice of their clean streets, their courteous policemen, their neatly dressed women and children, the beautiful flowers in the public parks and gardens, also the homes with their walls of brick or wrought iron enclosure. We were impressed by the fact that with such a dense population, there were no flies, or mosquitoes, therefore no need of screens. We could not help but see the many "John Crow," or buzzards, flying over and around the city, which seemed so tame and well protected.

We boarded the railway train, Wednesday noon, for Green vane, after wiring Bro. Kaltreider that we were arriving there at 2 o'clock. The train ride of 70 miles was intensely interesting. Traveling in the chair or observation car, we were able to see the large banana plantations, the fields of rice, onions, beds of citrus fruit, pasture land with large herds of cattle, mostly the kind you find in India. Of course the small donkeys or jack-asses were to be seen everywhere.

Finally we reached the mountainous section and soon arrived at Greenvale, to find Bro. Kaltreider waiting with a broad smile and a cordial welcome to his friends from the States. Soon we were packed into his Sunday school at Bethany and nurses of any trip is the dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Sewell, in their home at Mandeville. Mrs. Eva Allen, mother of the Rev. Walter H. Allen, is living here with her daughter Mrs. Sewell, and it was a rare privilege to spend this evening with friends from the States.

On Saturday morning we visited the Mandeville market. Soon we were surrounded with native women and girls endeavoring to sell us their baskets, hats, beads, cocoa-nut brushes, chus-chus grass and many other articles. With two moving picture cam­eras along, you may well imagine the many interesting scenes snapped.

The highways were alive with natives, walking and riding the donkeys. The men carried large knives, called "machetes," in their hands, while many of the women were carrying bunches of bananas, trays of citrus fruit, buckets of water, bundles of fire wood, etc., on the tops of their heads. We took pictures of two men, each carrying on their heads a pig weighing about 50 pounds, tied with twine to a board. We had heard of a pig in a poke, but never of a pig on a board.

We were deeply impressed with the good work that the missionaries are doing in Jamaica, and of the well-built churches and the commodious mission houses. The climate at Bethany seemed ideal. Of course the mission­aries miss many of the conveniences of their homeland, but most of all, do they miss the association and fellowship with the members of their own race.

So soon the time came to catch the "North Star," a week in Ja­maica, and sail towards Miami, by way of Cuba, where we stopped for a day.

The best part of any trip is the home coming, and although we enjoyed the entire tour, yet we were more than anxious to get home safely and greet our friends. Thanking God for this rare privilege of our first visit to a mission field, we feel that we shall have a greater interest in the Lord's harvest field than we have ever had before.
News From Congregations

CHARLOTTE.

The New Year has run the gamut of emotions and activities in the parish of The Little Church on the Lane. Both church and community were shocked and saddened by the sudden and unexpected passing of Dr. Clyde C. Phillips, outstanding physician and churchman on February 11. In addition to being one of the leading radiologists of the South, he was one of the most versatile and able leaders in our congregation. Active from the organization of the church in 1920, he was identified with each new movement which led the little and unknown congregation to a place of wide influence in the city of Charlotte.

Both church and community were grieved to have the Rev. R. J. Teesch as the pulpit guest for the first Sunday in Lent in 1939.

Our Vesper on our Vesper Wednesday was delighted to have the Rev. R. J. Teesch as the pulpit guest for the first Sunday in Lent. It was a pleasure to have the Boy and Girl Scout Troops of our church, and a Boy Scout Troop from Immanuel present in a body. The Pastor preached a sermon appropriate to youth. The Boy Scouts acted as ushers for both morning and evening services that day.

Sorrow again came into the congregation on two different occasions, the first in the death of Richard Lynch, who passed away from an infection in the blood stream. The Pastor conducted the funeral on the fifth of the month with burial near Burlington, N. C.

Bro. Ralph Basset occupied our pulpit in the evening service on Sunday, February 12. We appreciate his willingness to help us and his message was received by an attentive congregation.

The church was attractively decorated for the wedding of Eloise Lyons and A. G. Trueblood, Jr., on St. Valentine’s Day. The Pastor of the bride officiated.

Circle No. 5 of the Auxiliary held a prayer meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Shoffner, Mrs. Shippen has been ill for some time.

Christ Church was well represented with thirty-one people at the Provincial Rally held at Fairview Church, and all enjoyed the address given by the Rev. Byron K. Horne, of Lititz, Pa.

We were glad to co-operate with the local Y. M. C. A. in the observance of Father and Son Sunday. A large representation of Fathers and Sons attended the church and worshipped in a body that morning.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Pfaff was buried on the afternoon of the 21st. Bro. J. George Bruner assisted the Pastor.

Christ Church was the place for another beautiful wedding on the afternoon of the 21st when the Pastor united in marriage Frances Pulliam and Fred Long.

The Young People of the church took charge of the prayer meeting on Ash Wednesday and had a very interesting and helpful service.

A day of sewing was carried thru by the ladies of Circle No. 5 for the Alaska Mission.

The Holy Communion for the first Sunday in Lent was not as well attended as usual. In the afternoon Bro. Walter H. Allen brought an instructive and stirring message at the Missionary Lovefeast, giving information about the various mission fields of our Moravian Church.

VERNON I. GRAP.

ENTERPRISE.

The attendance for the month of February has been low because of sickness. An epidemic of measles was followed by one of influenza. But the interest of our people at Enterprise has been good.

On the second Sunday the pastor was privileged to motor again to Mayodan and deliver the message at the morning service. He arrived in time to teach the Young Men Bible Class.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

The funeral services of one of our members, Bro. John T. Shoffner, aged 62, were conducted by Bro. E. A. Holton and Bishop J. R. Pfobli. Due to sickness the pastor was unable to take a part.

Prof. Wilson Hill, our local school principal, Carl N. Chitty and Clyde Barber were guest speakers at our Thursday evening prayer services. The Intermediate boys’ class, H. N. Spainhour, teacher, had charge of the other prayer service.

In the absence of the pastor, Walter Strupe, of Bethania, conducted the evening service on the second Sunday and Bro. W. E. Spaugh had charge of the morning service on the third Sunday. We thank both for their willing and acceptable service.

Circle 1 of the Woman’s Auxiliary had an all-day meeting at the church on Shrove Tuesday and prepared a quilt which will be sold and the proceeds used for mission work. This is an annual custom observed by this organization.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

AEDMORE.

This short month has been one of the busiest of our ministry, due in part to the privilege which we have had of ministering to many sick people. Of the 130 calls made, more than 100 were made to see the sick.

Our Vesper services in February were better attended than in January, and we wish to acknowledge the service rendered by Student Howard Chadwick on the 5th, C. O. Weber on the 12th, Bro. W. H. Allen on the 19th, F. W. Grabe on the 26th, and Bishop J. R. Pfobli on the 28th; also by Dr. P. O. Schallert in giving an illustrated Lenten talk on the evening of Ash Wednesday.

For the first time in our church we held a Lenten Communion service at the eleven o’clock hour, and felt that much blessing came to those of us who could attend.

Brother Ralph Clodfelter, with the able assistance of Henry Syron and Kenneth Pfobli, are gradually getting the Band in shape for the Easter Service. We greatly appreciate what these brethren are doing to help us and hope that the boys will take full advantage of the opportunities offered them.

Ash Wednesday was divided between the Home Church and Fries Memorial. At the latter place I spoke on the subject “God is like Jesus.”

It was my privilege to speak at Fairview Church on three occasions, once in exchange with Brother Weber on the 12th, and then on the evenings of the 23rd and 26th.

Held the regular service at Union Church on the 3rd Sunday afternoon. Besides the regular services I had one wedding and two funerals.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOME CHURCH.

The month of February might well be called our preparatory month to the Lenten season. Pastoral letters were mailed to each member of the congregation, both resident and non-resident, with Lenten prayer topics, the Fellowship of Prayer booklets and the schedule of Lenten services enclosed. Instruction classes began on Friday, the 3rd, with an enrollment of 61. The annual Day
of Prayer sponsored by the Woman’s Auxiliary was held on Ash Wednesday and again proved a day of real spiritual blessing. The brethren Walser H. Allen, Howard Foltz, Vernon Graf, Edmund Schwarze, Christian O. Weber and Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl brought inspiring and helpful messages. The fellowship luncheon at noon was a happy feature of the day. A special series of Lenten services leading up to the Lenten Communion was held from the 14th through the 24th with the Rev. Byron K. Horne, pastor of the Lititz Moravian Church, the visiting minister. Bro. Horne’s messages have greatly strengthened the spiritual life of the membership of the congregation and proved to be a fitting preparation for the communion service on the 26th when, in spite of much sickness, two communion services were held, one at 11 a.m. and one at 5 p.m., brought us our largest communion attendance on record.

February was Scout Anniversary month and was fittingly observed with both Boy and Girl Scout Troops being honored at the Vesper Services on the 12th, and the Boy Scouts were hosts to their fathers at a banquet on the 17th at the church.

Young people’s activities during the month included a Young People’s dinner and an Intermediate Department outing. On the 19th the Young People’s choir had part in the evening service, adding greatly to the spirit of worship.

R. GORDON SPAUGH.

HOPE.

Good interest is being manifested in the building program which had a definite beginning on Wednesday the first day of the month when a number of men gathered and cut about 75 logs. Many more have been made ready for the saw mill which will be moved on the church land at an early date.

The monthly meeting of the Teachers and Officers of the Sunday school was held at the home of our Superintendent, L. B. Thomas. On the 21st more than 20 workers gathered at the church for the quarterly fellowship supper. Both of these meetings were helpful to the working force of our congregation.

The Ladies’ Auxiliary held an all-day meeting at the home of Mrs. J. T. Jones, Sr., and engaged in tacking carpet materials, holding business sessions, etc. A picnic dinner was enjoyed.

The first Sunday morning service had to be canceled due to the pastor being unable to be present. The 3rd Sunday evening service was conducted by Carl N. Chitty and L. B. Thom-
as, our Sunday school superintendent.

Macedonia.

The pastor reports a delightful trip to our Jamaica mission field during the last of January and the first part of February, but glad to get back home and to the Southern Province. Brother and Sister Kaulreider are doing a fine work at their stations and need our prayers, for we here in this good land of ours do not know what it is to have no water but rain water, and no neighbors but colored people. We feel imbued to them for their kindness while spending a week in their home and on this island. We want to thank our people for their co-operation in the church services while we were away. Bro. Hillard, Bro. Hard Reid and Bro. Chitty had charge of them.

The attendance has been very small, but much better than expected, for our roads are in such a condition that it is almost impossible to get in with a car. The pastor leaves his in the woods about a quarter of a mile from home and walks the rest of the way. It is encouraging to see our people coming wading through the mud, and when we say mud we mean mud. Our attendance is not large but loyal.

G. E. BREWER.

IMMANUEL.

Bro. George G. Higgins preached for us on February 12 and presented an appeal for funds for our Greensboro congregation, of which he is pastor. This met with a liberal response.

On the Sunday following, in the afternoon, we held our annual Missionary Lovefeast. Bro. R. Gordon Spaugh of the Home Church made the address, and the “little red box” offering was received. Again the total was more than enough to meet our pledge to Dr. Thaeler’s salary, and we shall have the pleasure of making small contributions to other worthy mission causes. Bro. Spaugh’s address was both instructive and inspiring.

Two instruction classes are being held, one for boys and girls at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, and the other at 7:45 p.m. Both have begun encouragingly.

Our administration of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday Lent was well attended, despite inclement weather and the prevalence of a good deal of sickness.

On February 27 a Board of Review passed three of our Boy Scouts up to the rank of First Class Scout.

Inclement weather and sickness have lowered attendances somewhat during February, but we have managed to maintain our regular schedule without serious interruption.

WALSER H. ALLEN.
the Women’s Bible Class and the Men’s Bible Class met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Stimson. The Young Women’s Bible Class had their meeting on February 19, at the home of Miss Janie S. Hege. Several attended the Young People’s Union Banquet at Fairview on February 17. The pastor taught the Young Men’s Bible Class and conducted the morning service at Mayodan on the 12. Bro Wm. E. Spaugt had charge of the service at Clemmons.

Dr. Clyde Phillips of Charlotte, N. C., was buried in the Clemmons graveyard on February 13. The funeral of Robah O. Peacock was held at the home on the 2nd by the Bro. L. G. Luckenbach, H. B. Johnson and P. H. Atsbaugh.

At the meeting of the Women’s Auxiliary The Wachovia Moravian was discussed. A number said they read every word. They saw the reference to one scholar having a perfect record, and Sunday school attendance for eight years. The desire was expressed that the record of W. C. Hunter, Jr., and Gene Hunter should be reported which shows a perfect attendance Sunday school record for attendance of fourteen years.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

ADVENT.

With winter weather similar to Florida, our people have attended all the regular services faithfully. We are glad to report an orchestra which assists in the music of the Sunday school. An organized class for young married men has been formed, with J. F. Rose as teacher. The young married women’s class has been functioning for some time, with Mrs. Clyde Gobble as teacher. We feel that these two classes are a great asset to our school.

We are grateful to the brethren, Dr. H. E. Rondthaler, A. C. Peeler, Frank Hellard, and J. C. Brock, for conducting services while the pastor was enjoying a winter’s vacation in Jamaica.

The Ladies’ Auxiliary served a banquet in the church basement to one hundred and thirty members and friends of the Grange. On the morning of Shrove Tuesday, they entertained the public with a George Washington’s program.

During the month the pastor assisted Bro. Vernon Graf in the funeral of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Fails, and the entire auditorium of our Sunday school building has been furnished with new pews, the gift of the Brethren Roy and Fred Snyder, faithful members of the congregation. This gives our auditorium a churchly appearance, and we are indeed grateful to these brethren.

We are anticipating our pre-Easter revival, which begins March 12 and runs through March 26, with Rev. Lee C. Fisher, evangelist, of Portland, Indiana, assisting.

It was a pleasure recently to furnish the Olivet Moravian congregation with more than sixty copies of the Moravian Offices of Worship and Hymns.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

MOUNT AUBY.

February has been marked by sickness in our congregation. On February 4 the hearts of our members were saddened by the sudden homegoing of our faithful Elder and church member, Bro. Zeulen Vance Collins. His funeral was held from Grace Church on February 6, and he was buried in the burial ground which is to belong to Grace Church. Throughout the month influenza has hindered many of our folk, old and young, though up to the present time it has not brought with it serious consequences. For this we are grateful.

As a result of this sickness our Lenten Communion was poorly attended, but the service was a blessed one, and a fitting opening for the Lenten season.

Our young people’s organizations have experienced something of a reawakening. In many respects they have done some of their best work during the month. The Senior group sent eleven to the meeting of provincial young people at Christ Church on February 3, and nine to the banquet at Fairview. This time the pastor did not need to beg them to go: they asked him to take them! In addition, money has been raised towards the Croho-Slovakian Relief, and plans are being made for participation in the plans for Bonanza.

Twelve new hymnbooks have been given as a start for the purchase of an entire set of church hymnals. We hope that this movement will progress rapidly, for the need is great.

Our Scout Troop has increased to twenty-seven, and two of the boys have this month passed their second class requirements. Awards will be made on Friday, March 3.

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PINE CHAPEL.

The month of February has been another month with much sickness. An epidemic of measles has had a marked effect upon attendance, especially in the primary department.

On the morning of the 12th Dr. P. O. Schallert taught the Bible Class. His message was enjoyed by all.

The pastor had the privilege of conducting morning devotions, as usual on Ash Wednesday. Messages in the WJSF from February 13 to 18, were presented and varnished.

STEEL GIANTS. Our heart, are leaders in the movement.

gIven opportunIty to be a part of the closing of a series of meetings, in a series of meetings from the organization of the Marshall Baptist Church, has brought the other messages.

To both pastor, but he has not indicated that he will accept. Some of the faithful workers at Providence, Baptists at heart, are leaders in the movement. It is a time to be tested by Paul's hymn of love.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

MAYODAN.

We were happy to have our beloved Bishop with us on the first Sunday in February. Holy Communion was administered and 66 partook.

We were glad to have the Rev. Leon G. Linkenbach of Cinnanom with us on the second Sunday. He was with us also in December when the Choir appeared for the first time in their vestments.

Bro. Clyde Davis was a welcome guest on the third Sunday. He preached a very inspiring sermon.

The Rev. Ralph Bassett attended the annual assignment. The band, under the direction of Elbert Graf, has been well represented at our prayer services during the month.

As usual on Ash Wednesday, Messages were delivered by the Revs. J. J. Hayes, D. L. Rights, V. L. Graf, E. A. Holton, J. G. Bruner and C. B. Adams. Illness prevented Brother C. O. Weber from being with us at an evening service. We appreciated the presence of Bishop Pfohl at the closing service and also his participation in the testimonies. Attendances at the Day of Prayer services, as also at the Gospel Meetings, were somewhat smaller than usual because of the very inclement weather and much sickness in the congregation.

TRINITY.

Sunday school has not averaged so high as for last February. Perhaps sickness and rain have had something to do with that. Unified worship has given opportunity for much larger attendance at morning service.

The sick list of Trinity members is the longest we have had for considerable time.

The Boy Scout Troop, led by Scoutmaster Ralph Carter, attended service for the anniversary of scouting. Charles N. Sweers, a veteran scout of the city, was present and spoke briefly.

Little Henry Heitman, Jr., had a serious accident when he overturned a pan of hot gravy, suffering severe burns, but is now well on the way to recovery.

Elders and Trustees met jointly for the second successive month. Such meetings prove helpful in co-operation of the boards.

Twenty members of the board assisted with the service at the TB Hospital, an annual assignment. The band, under the direction of Elbert Petrovich, has maintained a year round schedule of practice and is in fine shape.

The Junior Choir will be reorganized in March with Miss Doris Highsmith leader.

Instruction classes have been in progress at Trinity and New Eden.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

Brother H. G. Foltz was our evangelist in a series of meetings from February 8 to Sunday the 16th. Dr. Rondthaler preached the opening sermon and Brother Foltz brought the other messages. To both these brethren we are indebted for the help and inspiration they brought us.

Our annual Day of Prayer was held as usual on Ash Wednesday. Messages were delivered by the Revs. J. J. Hayes, D. L. Rights, V. L. Graf, E. A. Holton, J. G. Bruner and C. B. Adams. Illness prevented Brother C. O. Weber from being with us at an evening service. We appreciated the presence of Bishop Pfohl at the closing service and also his participation in the testimonies. Attendances at the Day of Prayer services, as also at the Gospel Meetings, were somewhat smaller than usual because of the very inclement weather and much sickness in the congregation.

Among the sick is our Sunday school Superintendent, H. E. Fries. We are praying for the recovery of all these afflicted persons.

The sympathy of the congregation is again expressed to the kinfolks of the late Rebekah Peacock, Mrs. Jesse Powell, and Mrs. J. R. Pleasants, and also to the parents of little David Clay Hayes. The pastor conducted, or participated in the funerals of these four persons during February.

At the time of this writing painters are redecorating the church auditorium and vestibule. The ladies are having the pulpit furniture reupholstered and varnished. All this is in preparation for Holy Week and Easter.

Miss Laura Moseley, R. N., was our guest on Wednesday, March 1. She gave us a most interesting recital of experiences in the work of the Mission Hospital at Riwas Karma, Nicaragua.

H. B. JOHNSON.

FRIELAND.

Interest in our missionary, Nitario Kinsmen, reached a new high with the account of his daily life given by Bro. Werner Marx. His bride, the former Martha Schlegel, spoke to the Intermediate girls.

The Laura Reed Class gave a supper for the Chimes Fund. The young people were well represented at the Concert meeting and the Rally.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

PROVIDENCE.

The Junior Choir sang in the opening service, and members of the Sunday school sang at the County Home afternoon service.

The community is stirred by the coming of the telephone lines and by the organization of the Marshall Baptist Church to be built at the Marshall graveyard. The group of 30 has "called" Bro. Joseph A. Crews as pastor, but he has not indicated that he will accept. Some of the faithful workers at Providence, Baptists at heart, are leaders in the movement. It is a time to be tested by Paul's hymn of love.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

BETHABARA.

Bethabara received a real blessing on the second Sunday morning when Dr. Rondthaler was able to be with us. He gave his, now famous, discourse on "The Litanies" to a large and appreciative congregation.

One member told the pastor during the following week: "I have often considered the reading of the Litany a tedious chore, but that will never be the case again. I'll pray it now."

Circle No. 1 met with Mrs. R. W. Pou this month, and circle No. 2 with Miss Frances Higdon.

We were pleased to see the many new faces at the Lenten Communion on the First Sunday in Lent.

Work on the parsonage is almost completed, and it will be occupied on March 10.

We want to thank our members for the very many kindnesses shown during the recent illness in the pastor's home.

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CHARLES B. ADAMS.

CALYVARY.

Two very interesting group-attendances during the month were noteworthy. Our Troop No. 7, Boy Scouts, of Calvary Church, came in a body to the morning service, February 12, about 30 boys in the group. Scoutmaster B. B. Mason spoke informally about the aims of Scouting and the Troop gave the pledge of allegiance and Scout oath. Scouts acted as ushers, a service which they also render on every fifth Sunday.

The other occasion was Father's and Son Sunday, February 19, co-operating with the Y. M. C. A. in the annual observance. Two-thirds of the center section of our church was filled with a fine company of our fathers and sons, and the special service was warm and encouraging.

Calvary Ushers have reorganized with R. L. Mitchell as captain; C. J. Hines, F. J. Tatsum, and R. F. Harrison, assistant captains; C. R. Dunagan, Secretary-treasurer; L. C. Bruce, honorary captain usher.

On Wednesday nights we have been studying the Book of Hebrews with marked interest. The Sunday night themes centered about the Church and the Body and Bride of Christ.

It was a privilege to have Bro. and Sr. Werner Marx, missionaries to Nicaragua, present at a combined young people's meeting on the evening of February 19. Bro. Marx spoke of his work among the people employed in the gold mines.

The Holy Communion of the first Sunday in Lent was memorable. In spite of rather inclement weather there was almost record attendance: the downstairs seating capacity completely taken up. Twenty-five of our members who had not attended a Communion in 1938 were present.

EDMUND SCHWARZ.

OAK GROVE.

Our third Young People's service of the winter was held on the first Sunday. These continue to attract our largest congregations. We want to thank the Junior Choir for its faithful service.

On the third Sunday morning, the Greensboro and Oak Grove pastors exchanged pulpits so that Bro. George Higgins could present the pressing needs of the Greensboro Moravian Church to the Oak Grove Congregation.

The Trustees, with Bro. Walter Snow as chairman of the arrangements committee, gave an oyster supper on one of the Saturdays of the month. The men sold more pie than has ever been sold at an Oak Grove supper before. At least the pies disappeared!

The Sunday school is now completely graded up through the Junior Department. New steel filing cabinets have been purchased so our graded literature may be arranged more efficiently.

We want to thank our members for the many kindnesses shown during the recent illness in the pastor's family.

Catechetical instruction classes are held every Friday afternoon during Lent.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

BETHANIA.

We lost a good member in the death of Mrs. Elsie Porter Hunter. Eight children survive with the brother, Roscoe Hunter. We began our new year's Lenten instruction on the evening of the first Sunday in Lent. Holy Communion was administered on the second Sunday in February.

F. WALTER GRABS.

OLIVEY.

With an additional supply of Office of Worship Hymnals we opened church service on the First Sunday in Lent with the liturgy for the season. The choir continues with good effect in preaching services.

A happy birthday occasion celebrated the 84th year of Bro. E. A. Conrad. On account of prolonged illness, Sr. Conrad could not join the group at the dinner table.

P. WALTER GRABS.

GREENSBORO.

A banquet honoring our Boy Scout Troop was held at the church, the evening of February 22. A total of 86 made up of scouts, parents of scouts and members of the church were present. Julius W. Hayworth, scout master, acted as toastmaster and introduced the speakers. Mr. Norman Block, young Greensboro attorney, gave the principal address in which he stressed honesty and a desire for improvement as the foundations of the Boy Scout movement. R. A. Oehman, chairman of the scout committee, gave a brief history of the troop and spoke of the revolving fund which is being raised and out of which the troop will be financed. Other talks were made by Frank Dix, scout executive, and Earl Armstrong, assistant scout master.

Announcement was made during the banquet that the troop, which was begun a year ago with only eight members, now has a full membership of 32 and that two boys, Sammy and Dickie Rider, had advanced during this time from tenderfoot to life scouts.

Another noteworthy supper was held during the month, this on the 28th in honor of our staff of teachers and workers in the Sunday School. A. B. Strickler, our faithful superintendent, presided and presented Dr. Raymond Smith of Greensboro College who gave an informal talk to the group.

Our congregation is placing special emphasis this year upon the attendance of all our members at the Lenten services. A pledge to attend every Sunday morning service and to make a special Lenten self-denial offering has been received from most of our members. The choir has promised to assist with special music at all the services of the Passion Week. The largest attendance upon these services in the history of the congregation is anticipated. We sincerely pray that the loyalty of our people to Christ and His Church may be strengthened during this season.

It was the privilege of the Greensboro pastor to present the cause of the congregation at Immanuel and Oak Grove during February. The offering at Immanuel was $15.00 and at Oak Grove $20.50. We appreciate the warm reception we received at both churches.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

A SUPERINTENDENTS' UNION.

The formation of a Union for the superintendents of our Moravian Sunday Schools has been announced by the Provincial Board of Christian Education. At a recent meeting the following were elected to serve as the officers for the coming year: Bro. C. A. Tulloch of Mayodan, president; Bro. C. L. Ray, of New Philadelphia, vice president; and Miss Emma Kapp of Bethania, secretary. These officers will serve as a steering committee for the organization.

At the organization meeting held at the Home Church last month, departmental discussion groups were led by Bro. Gordon Spangh, young people; Miss Kapp, intermediate; Mrs. Rondthaler, primary; and Mrs. Carr, junior. The next meeting is scheduled for the month of May.

The purpose behind the formation of this union of Superintendents is to provide an opportunity for superintendents to meet and discuss common problems in the administration of Sunday School work. As such it answers a long felt need in our Province.

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The year opened under a cloud. On account of the political strife between Honduras and Nicaragua, Kaurkira was deprived of the sacraments, while in the western region our workers felt hampered in their movements and uncertain as to the future. Nevertheless there are baptisms and confirmations of converts at each of our three western centres at Easter-time. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. John Ruddock, British missionaries of “The Brethren” in Trujillo, who, in spite of “close communion” principles, not only opened their homes to our workers, but temporarily assumed such responsibility for them towards the Government as made the continuation of our work possible. Brother and Sister Heath arrived in La Ceiba on April 22nd, with authority from the Board of the Bethlehem S. P. G., to administer the field independently of the Nicaraguan Province, and after visits to the mission of the Evangelical and Reformed Church in San Pedro Sula, and to the government officials in Trujillo as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ruddock, arrived in Kokobila on May 21st. With the consent of our Nicaraguan Provincial Board, Brother and Sister Denny Downas remained in Brus. The catechist at Kokobila, Francisco Gomez, was moved to Auka, an important but isolated inland district not far from the Nicaraguan frontier.

In September an official visit was paid to Brus, Anas (Papaltaya) Kaurkira and Auka.

AT KAUARKIRA the congregation has grown in numbers, knowledge and grace. A Bible Study Class, consisting of fifteen persons meets every Wednesday morning. The Day School is doing useful work, though limited in scope. Brother Leo Mueller keeps the civil register for the government. The attendance at church services (a term which includes Sunday School) is double what it was three years ago. Since the removal of a lawless government official the work has been easier. We cannot help regretting, as Evangelical Protestant Christians, that the Government has deemed it needful to establish military drill on Sunday mornings. But we recognize that the decision to have a citizen militia rather than a standing army may have been made in the interest of peace. In Kaurkira a re-adjustment of the times of services seems to have helped to clear the situation. When friction between the workers of the mission and government officials does occur, we find that it is generally due to malicious slanders on the part of bad men who feel themselves thwarted in their evil lusts. But conscientious government officials themselves are having a good deal of trouble with the Indians on account of the latter’s persistent laziness, resulting in chronic scarcity of food. There is more food in the Territory now than there was five years ago, but much pushing is still needed in the matter of cultivation. Some help might be given by a clear proclamation that the Indians will never be taxed or otherwise penalized for increasing or diversifying their agricultural products, for increasing their herds of cattle, or for building better houses or boats.

The church built for the Tannen group of villages has not proved as useful as was hoped, as most of the people now spend most of their time at a point some two days’ journey up the Ibentara river. At Laka the house of a Christian widow serves as a meeting place, and the Helpers Wiko Tantana and John Brown keep regular Sunday services.

The mahogany cutting on the Waranka River continues, and may still last three or four years, but the employment is irregular. It IS SAID that a new district MAY be planted with bananas. John Brown presided in the mahogany cutting, and aroused some interest in the Gospel.

AT AUAKA, with the neighboring village of Tipi, the work which was taken up with zeal three years ago seemed to have stagnated. Conflicting accounts are given of the reason. Francisco seems to be happy in his work. The first fruits, a man and his wife, were baptized in September; and eight more adults with eight children in December. Boards have been brought and the church floor completed, doors and windows put in, and a belfry built to accommodate the fine bell which Brother Haglund had procured.

Between this eastern section of the Territory and the western part lies a stretch of uninhabited land, mostly swamp, which takes a day’s journey to traverse. Then comes the River Patuca, called Butuk by the Indians. The lower fifty miles or so of its course is swampy, infested by mosquitos, and unfit for settlement, although rice and other crops are grown there by people living at Brus or Butukamaya. Higher up the river is the PAPALATA group of villages, of which Butukamaya, also simply called AUAS, is the largest. Here the Helper (Elder) Belisario Morales, formerly of Kruta, has done a great work during the past three years, and a hopeful congregation which includes about fifty communicants in the result. Belisario wishes to ground his people on the Scriptures; and one young married communicant, Zacharias Rivas, who has learned to read, has now acquired a deep enough foundation to help in keeping the Sunday services. Belisario keeps reading classes; but being an unpaid voluntary worker cannot give his whole time to these duties. He seems to have the confidence of the government officials. There are nine more small villages on the Butuk, with over three hundred people, the farthest point being five days’ pole from Papaltaya. These have been visited with good results. We should place a catechist at the most central village, Wampo Siripi.
The population is increasing. We should build up Anas into one of our chief centers. The banana cultivation which started so hopefully in 1909 on the Butuk has fallen on evil days. Not only the Panama disease, but also the new “angiocoma” leaf blight have worked havoc in the plantations. Although some fruit is still being shipped through Brus, the future is uncertain and gloomy.

AT BRUS our ordained native minister Darnely Downs, along with his wife, keeps up a good work which continues to prosper, although in some directions both workers are hindered by lack of knowledge of Spanish. From Brus the villages on the Butuk are visited faithfully. The Brus people give the impression of having reality in their spiritual experience, and consequently personal conversion. Through the simple school work that is carried on a number have learned to read. But we are failing to carry on more than a reading-school. And here, as everywhere, we lack equipment. Up to the end of the year our efforts to secure a supply of our new Miskito Hymnbooks, and even of Miskito New Testaments, has failed owing to difficulties of transportation. We hope the books may be in La Ceiba by now. For other books and equipment money is lacking.

A day’s journey north-east of Brus is the large but isolated village of Butukamaya, also called Butuk Bar, and marked on many maps as Point Pataca. Although not unfriendly, the people were slow in accepting the Gospel; yet probably, Indian-like, were jealous that the missionary was stationed in Brus. When finally a number of them applied for baptism and decided to build a church, a Roman Catholic Priest came from Trujillo and offered to “do more for them than the Moravians were doing.” They accepted the offer, and a Carib catechist was stationed there who carries on school work zealously and keeps services. Some of the people are dissatisfied with the Roman teaching, but seem to have been somewhat intimidated in some way or other. A number are known personally to the present writer, and come to Kokobila occasionally, a distance of 35 miles, especially when they need medicine. One of these can read, and possesses the New Testament, Hymnbook, and our Old Testament Selections.

At Kokobila the attendance at church services has continued to be encouraging, on most Sundays 120 to 150 being present; on special occasions as many as 300. We have begun regular fortnightly services at Rasa, six miles to the east, usually attended by 40 to 50 persons; and at the Miskito part of Plaplaya, seven miles to the west, attended by half that number. We have a class of eighteen candidates but by the end of the year only three were ready for confirmation (they had been baptized Roman); the others either having attended too irregularly or having failed to learn their marriage. That where such legal marriage is possible it must be insisted on is shown by the number of frivolous and heartless separations that so commonly take place. The whole idea of a sacrament marriage relation is foreign to the heathen Indian mind—indeed, the whole idea of personal purity. Yet a number of our people are very dear in their conviction that marriage in Christ has given them deliverance from definite Satanic oppression.

To the west of Kokobila lie the Carib villages. Brother Ruddock looks upon the Caribs as belonging to his field. But now that the railway has been torn up it seems questionable whether he will be able to attend. For the present we have thought it best to make no definite move among the Caribs beyond taking every opportunity for personal conversation and distribution of evangelical literature. The Caribs have had good government schools among them, and many can read well, and speak several languages.

In Kokobila we finished our frame kitchen in November, and are thankful for it. Now our shack has to be moved and the ground prepared for a permanent frame dwelling-house.

GIVE THE LORD PERSONAL SERVICE WHILE YOU LIVE; LET YOUR MONEY CONTINUE YOUR SERVICE AFTERWARD.

SEVEN WORTHY CAUSES:
1. Provincial Sustentation Fund (Ministers’ Pension Fund)
2. Provincial Administration (The work of the Southern Province)
3. Church Aid and Extension (To advance the cause of Home Missions)
4. Foreign Missionary Society of the Moravian Church, South, Inc. (To advance the cause of Foreign Missions)
5. Salem Academy and College (Christian Education of Young Women)
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7. Salem Moravian Graveyard Endowment Fund (Maintenance and development of Graveyard)

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THE IDEAL
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fore us. On the one hand we may consider, and rightly, that we have planted our five oases so that all our Indians are within reach of the Gospel, and so that with hard work they can in some measure be shepherded. Every congregation that has readers can keep up a short voluntary unrutily-staffed reading school in the late afternoon. An annual school-session for workers can be arranged. More detailed developments would then depend upon the spiritual efforts of our Indian Christians, and upon their willingness and ability to give financial support. If we rely on the power of the Holy Spirit, and take the teaching of the Scriptures, and knowing the prayer of our chief methods, this path would lead, though perhaps slowly, to spiritual fruitfulness.

But on the other hand we are being pressed by Rome, and indirectly even by the Government, in the matter of schools. Government officials say plainly that there is no money for schools in Mikito villages. We are foreigners, and our work is judged by the contribution we make to the general education and health of the people. Rome knows that our schools are weak, and evidently intends to hit us hard in the weak spot. We have no native Honduran teachers either Spanish or Indian. More Mestizos, for the present, are out of the question. Foreign teachers are expensive, and some sort of house accommodation would have to be built for them. Among our communicant members there are one or two Indian young men who are showing decided Christian character, and who might be willing to be trained as teachers in San Pedro. One of these, Duval Halcón, is already doing voluntary work in assisting Leo Mueller in the Kaurna school. To train such would take time and money. Spanish teachers from Evangelical and Reformed Church would probably also be somewhat expensive; and yet we do not know whether any would be available. If our Board, backed by our American Provinces, were to decide on this much more expensive plan, we would need four teachers immediately, and an increase in the salary of Francisco Gomes, who was trained in a Spanish-speaking high school and would not have time to do much planting if he really did full school work. The teachers for Kokoliba, Brus, and Kaurna could be women. It would be an advantage to have a trained nurse for the shortest time in which Billawarks can be reached from Kokoliba is six days. A nurse would require some sort of a house.

But the writer feels rather strongly that our Unity would not be doing right in putting so many non-Indian workers and funds money into a comparatively small field if thereby we have to leave the Mestizo work dangerously depleted, and to turn a deaf ear to the enormous needs of the world at large. If we can give Honduran Mestizo good Christian schools and medical attention, and at the same time take up with energy any other work in any part of the world to which our Lord may direct us, well and good. If not, then we in Honduras must be content with the smaller program first outlined. Prayer, however, can take in the whole world without impoverishing any part; we ask that prayer the Holy Spirit may work in power, so that our people’s eyes may be opened, that they may come to definite and deep convictions, that they may break with age-long wickedness and ground their real lives on the Word of God; and that we missionaries may set them an example of holy loving zeal and patient endurance that will be copied in their own lives.

It must be borne in mind that until lately our people were entirely heathen, and that even now only a small fraction have been won for Christ. The Roman Catholic baptism of a number of them in Carib villages, or by travelling priests made no difference to belief or conduct, except that the name of Christian was held in some regard. With one voice the people testified that the priests taught them nothing, explained nothing. Consequently as they had believed in the magical powers of the sorcerers, so they were ready to believe in a magic power of sacraments, or of medallions, crosses and the like. Our work is very greatly needed, and it will be needed for a long time to come.

Meanwhile, we are grateful to record the safe arrival of Brother and Sister Robert E. Atwood at Tela on December 1st. (We first received the news on January 5, 1939). They have begun their study of Spanish with enthusiasm in San Pedro Sula. We pray that they may be able to get a thorough grip of that language and such a sound knowledge of Honduran conditions in general as will enable them to give the right background for long and fruitful service in the future.

G. R. HEATH,
Kokoliba, Honduras,
January 9, 1939.

It is the cause, not the death, that makes the martyr.—Napoleon.

We know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose.—Romans 8:28.

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Wednesday, February 22. Ash Wednesday. The Lenten Season opens with inspiring Day of Prayer at Duke Church and Fried Memorial. Largest attendance and deep devotional spirit. The Lord's presence graciously experienced. A joy to labor with brethren ministers whose messages evidence such faith in Jesus Christ and the teachings of the Word. A special cause for rejoicing that our Province is served by ministers of such character and ability.

Thursday, February 23. Last of three Brotherhood Programs with Catholic and Jew at Reynolds High School. Deliver address at Colored Father and Son Banquet under sponsorship of M. C. A. How much this group needs a commodious building in which to carry on their work. An inspiring evening. What progress this race has made in 75 years out of slavery.

Friday, February 24. Funeral of Essa Harton. Reminded strongly of the gospel song, "We're going down the valley one by one." The once large family has few representatives left.

Sunday, February 26. Another busy Sunday with few vacant spaces on schedule. Fair preaching at 9:45 a.m.; Home Church, Holy Communion, 11:30 o'clock; Atkins High School (colored) for Community Chest meeting at 3-30 p.m. and Audubon, preaching at 6:00 p.m. Made to think of Mark 6:31—"They had no leisure, so much as to eat." Our Lord knew such days in His own experience.

Monday, February 27. The Easter Celebration was given a definite shape tonight with a meeting of the heads of all committees with the Central Committee. A huge undertaking. Chief-of-Police Anderson with us, City Alderman, George Blum, Duke Power Company representative, H. M. Brandon. An understanding of all phases of the problem of handling 39,000 people is necessary to fullest cooperation.

February Summary.—Twenty miscellaneous meetings of Church Boards and civic groups; 17 religious services with 13 sermons and addresses; the Holy Communion twice; and three funerals. Sixteen conferences with ministers and church workers and 25 pastoral calls. "As thy day so shall thy strength be." "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." The present day has no value for me except as the eve of tomorrow; it is with the morrow that my spirit wrestles—Metternich.

WHERE YOUR NEXT MINISTER IS TRAINED

TWO EXTRA HOURS WITH DR. EMIL BRUNNER
By Students Robert John and J. Calvin Barnes.

Our Seminary was honored recently by the visit of Dr. Emil Brunner. The entire Seminary student body and many guests enjoyed a most profitable lecture in the forenoon on the subject: "Revelation and Incarnation," and in the afternoon we were greatly privileged to attend another lecture by this eminent theologian on "The Task of the Church in Our Day." But Bob and Jack were thrilled when Dr. Haupert informed them that they could go with him to take Dr. Brunner back to his home in Princeton, N. J.

The conversation, as it comes to our mind, was as follows: "Would it be right to say that American theology is, in a great majority, only rationalism or supernaturalism?" "Yes, American theologians who appear to be somewhat on the right path are Tillich, the two Niebuhrs, Calhoun, Wieman and possibly Aurey of Chicago."

"What is the major general difference between your theology and that of Dr. Karl Barth?" "Barth makes man practically nonparticipant in the relationship between God and man. God is definitely 'Wholly Other.'" Dr. Brunner emphasizes the importance of man. And so the conversation continued.

Dr. Brunner feels that it was providential that our Moravian Church did not expand when it had the chance. He believes that we have a definite part in the upbuilding of the Kingdom, and praises our church very highly because it stresses Love above all else. Of course there are disadvantages as well as advantages in this aspect of our theology, and these he pointed out.

It is important that laymen become more interested in the pastoral duties of today. They should be organized too, and their main work should be personal contacts with members of the church, pastoral visiting, etc. We may say, because no competent minister can really be a pastor to more than one hundred people. The Oxford Group has greatly aided the church in Zurich, and they are doing good work elsewhere. It is interesting to note that many of the Oxford Group ideas are Zinzendorfian. Why has that Group been successful in Switzerland? Because from the very beginning the church leaders stepped into the movement and gave it support.

Faith, Dr. Brunner thinks, means more than that which is stated in Heb. 11:1. Faith is communion with God. Love is what we experience and what we meet when by faith we get to God, for God is Love. God is not Faith. Then what is prayer? Prayer is Faith in action.

And all too soon the trip was over and Dr. Brunner was out of the car and into his home—but he isn't out of our minds or our hearts. A wonderful man—truly 'a man of God.'

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS FOR FEB. 1939.

For Foreign Missions General:
Acknowledged since Sept. 1, 1938: $58.45
From Friedberg Sunday School: $19.39

For Nicaragua Mission:
Acknowledged since Sept. 1, 1938: $40.00
From Charlotte Woman's Auxiliary: $5.00

For Alaska Mission:
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From Charlotte Woman's Aid: $10.00

For Support of An Alaskan Orphan:
From Charlotte Woman's Aid: $15.00
From Trinity Church: $27.80

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From Miss. E. W. Ainslie: $24.00
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For Theological Seminary:
Previously acknowledged: $459.50
From Winston-Salem, N. C.

For Hawaiian Mission:
Acknowledged since March 1, 1938: $5,285.41
From King: $12.23

For Philippine Mission:
Previously acknowledged: $29.11
From Charlotte Woman's Aid: $5.00

For Costa Rican Mission:
Previously acknowledged: $98.98
From Miss. E. W. Ainslie: $5.00
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A FINAL PUSH TO COMPLETE THE BOYS' DORMITORY AT THE ALASKA ORPHANAGE.

One of the most pressing needs of our work in Alaska is a dormitory for boys at the orphanage. It is nothing new, but something which our workers there have been asking for and praying about for a long time. It was the chief topic of concern on the heart of the orphanage superintendent, Mrs. Mary L. Yerks, when she was here on a furlough a few years ago, as all who heard her speak soon discovered.

The cost of this building will be from twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars. The first mention we heard made of the project, twenty thousand dollars was the figure quoted. Recently the sum of twenty-five thousand has been mentioned. To date, some fourteen thousand has been collected.

At a recent meeting of the Directors of the Missionary Society in Bethlehem, Pa., attended by the president and treasurer of our Southern Society, Dr. Edmund Schwarz and Bro. Edwin Heston, it was decided to make a concerted drive for more funds and go ahead with the dormitory this summer. We have waited long enough, and certainly our workers at the orphanage have waited more than long enough for this greatly needed building. The time for action has come.

Every church in our Southern Province is being asked to take a special offering in the month of April toward the erection of this dormitory. Let's make this a determined effort. Suppose every member gave a dollar—that would be ten thousand dollars. Suppose every member gave only fifty cents—that would be five thousand dollars. We know that sort of figuring is easy, and not very effective, but let's suppose just the same. Our representatives have pledged the Southern Province to raise $1,500.00.

That is a trifle over one and one-half cents per communicant member. Can we do it? Rather, will we do it? We have met other challenges. We shall meet this one.

BE SURE YOU 'MEET NICARA-GUA.'

"Meet Nicaragua," by the Rev. Kenneth G. Hamilton, is the latest and certainly one of the best contributions to the field of Moravian literature. It is the story of Moravian missionary activity in the Central American Republic of Nicaragua, told by one who has himself labored in that field, and who therefore speaks from first-hand knowledge. Merely to say that it is well written would come close to condemning it with faint praise, for it is really beautifully done—in places almost lyrical in literary quality. One cannot escape the fact that the writer's heart flowed through this pen—which is the people to whom he has ministered, in whose well-being he is vitally interested, and to whom he wishes to introduce his readers.

"Meet Nicaragua" depicts present-day missionary activity in a modern manner.

This book is Volume One of the "Know Your Church Series" which the Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education proposes to publish. The price is only ten cents per copy, for one of the chief aims of the I. P. B. is to place it in every American Moravian home. Surely at such a modest cost this aim can be attained.

Something should be said about the appearance of this book. It is most attractive, in design, illustration and typography. The illustrations are by J. C. Jones of Madison, Wisconsin, though not a member of the Moravian Church, has admirably caught the spirit of the narrative. The volume is the size of "The Readers' Digest" and compares with it in style and general appearance.

Under the direction of the Christian Education Board of the Southern Province, a copy has been wrapped and addressed to every person whose name appears on The Wachovia Moravian mailing list of each congregation. Some churches are paying for their allotments out of church or mission funds, while others will endeavor to sell them to the individual members. All anticipate no difficulty in disposing of them.

But here is the all-important point—BE SURE YOU READ IT! Each copy should be read by an average of not less than three people if our Province is really to "Meet Nicaragua." Our Christian Education Board, anxious to have some sort of a record as to the success of this initial undertaking, has suggested that some person be appointed in each congregation to whom others can report when they have read this book. So please read it and report having done so. This information will be of real value to the Board.

While the Christian Education Board of our Province collaborated in this venture, the actual publication was done under the immediate supervision of the Christian Education Board of the Northern Province. To this body we extend our hearty congratulations for a splendid accomplishment, and to the author our gratitude for the enticing contribution to our Moravian missionary enterprise.

The Wachovia Moravian joins the Christian Education Board in asking you to be sure to "Meet Nicaragua."

THE BETHABARA PARSONAGE.

These columns have contained a good bit of information about the restoration of the Revolutionary Period house in Old Town which has now been occupied by the Rev. Charles B. Adams and family as the Bethabara parsonage. This is the first time in we do not know how many years but it has been a long, long time, that there is a resident minister at Old Town. The little congregation is certainly to be congratulated on this "new old" parsonage. A real landmark has been preserved, and at the same time a modern, comfortable dwelling has been provided.

But the cost of all this restoration has not yet been raised. Some more money has to come, and the small congregation at Bethabara should not be expected to find it all. The whole Province can be proud of what
WHAT OF OUR CHURCH IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA?

All who read Bishop Shawe's letter to Bishop Pfohl, on the closing pages of the March Wachovia Moravian, will doubtless be wondering what has happened in Bohemia and Moravia, now that these two countries are a part of Germany.

Just 12 hours after Bishop Shaw left, the German army marched in and took possession. The Czechs had expected and were prepared for trade treaties and general economic and political alliances with Germany, but complete occupation came as a distinct surprise.

Bishop Shaw attended the Annual Conference of our Church in what was Czechoslovakia, and was much encouraged with what he saw. He writes: "I got a really favorable impression of the work and the spirit of our brethren. I was present at the annual conference of our church, and the good spirit of the work and the spirit of our brethren gave me encouragement. My feeling was that the church was sound at heart and was being soundly led."

I am sure that the recent political changes have taken place, "One simply does not know where this province stands in the church today."

Bishop Shaw has heard nothing from friends in Europe since his return, at the time of his writing, and all we can report is that we know nothing further to report. But can we and do insist that the fate of these brethren 

The Rev. E. C. Helmrich of King, who is Pastoral Counselor of our Southern Moravian Young People's Union, has sent The Wachovia Moravian the first announcement concerning the holding of our Annual Young People's Conference, at Camp Hanes. The time will be, as usual, in August, at the 15th to the 29th. The place, of course, will be the Y. M. C. A. Camp, 25 miles northwest of Winston-Salem, at the foot of the Sauratown mountains.

An unusually fine faculty has been obtained by the Committee in charge of this activity. First, the conference theme will be: 'The Indispensable Christ,' and on this, the first period every day, Dr. Charles E. Ringer will speak. He is a professor in our College and Theological Semi-
ABLY no minister in our Province, and possibly not one in the Church anywhere, is qualified to undertake such an assignment. Not only is Dr. Schwarze an earnest student of the Bible, but he also possesses the qualities of a teacher, without which, as Mr. E. T. Mickey, Jr., who conducts this service, said, he had never seen a more reverent and attentive congregation, and for days following received letters from visitors and those who heard the service on the radio.

Reports coming from other congregations say that this same spirit of reverence prevailed to a not less degree, and that attendances were gratifying, in some cases definitely larger than ever before.

Thus we continue our testimony to the great fact of the resurrection, in the same manner handed down to us by our forebears, and we continue to pray that it may always be a blessing to our members and to many beyond the limits of our communion.

A GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION


On the twentieth day of August last year, thousands of Christians in America and Great Britain united in celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Dr. and Mrs. G. Campbell Morgan, now of London, England. There is no preacher in the Church today whose sermons are read by so many people as those of Dr. Morgan. Nearly every Protestant minister has one or more volumes of these precious Bible expositions. Dr. Campbell Morgan is preeminently an expository preacher. Like the late Dr. F. B. Meyer, he refuses to wear a religious label, and wherever he paused and said in his own abstractions: "You can't remember them all, but don't forget them all." Dr. Morgan, then in his youthful prime took as his text the 55th chapter of Isaiah. The sermon was not running commentary on each verse of this wonderful chapter. It was a unified discourse, setting forth Christ and His salvation in all its satisfying and sanctifying fulness. We have never been able to find this to us so inspiring sermon in print, but the impression we received has influenced our entire ministry. It made us an expository preacher. Many years later it was our good fortune to take part in several Bible Conferences in Iowa and Illinois and we had the great privilege of hearing Dr. Morgan twice every Sunday besides listening to his informative and delightful conversation at the dinner table. For the benefit of those who never had the good fortune to hear this great preacher we give the following extract from his heart-searching sermon on Christ's message to the Church in Ephesians:

"There may be right things done in a wrong spirit. I seldom find men seeking to be holy fighting that which is pleasing to call heterodox teaching, and in bitter language denouncing false doctrine, without being more afraid for the men denouncing than for the men denounced. There is an anger against impurity which is impure. There is a zeal for orthodoxy which is most unorthodox. There is a spirit which contains for the faith, which contains with faith. If men have lost their first love, they will do more harm than good for their defense of the faith. All zeal for the Master that is not the outcome of love to Him is worthless. His love is so perfect that nothing can take the place of love as a return. He who woes the bride can never have his heart satisfied with a servant. Activity in the King's business will not make up for neglect of the King. He who has lost his first love cannot satisfy with work and labor and patience, and hatred of sin and orthodoxy. The Master waits for love. Your church may pass muster as one of those amid which He walks. But He, walking there, pinches for your love, and nothing satisfies Him but love. Oh the pith of the picture! Christ in all His glory seeks amid the churches first for love. As He looks over the outward perfections of Ephesus He discerns that the spirit, the tone, the temper of the church is altered. No eye but His could have detected that the bloom was brushed away, and that the flame was less ardent. Surely this message needs to be repeated to all our churches today. Your work, your labor, your patience are all evident. Never were you bolder. Never were your organizations more complete, but where is your first love?

"We are perfectly sincere in our devotion, and yet it seems to me as if sometimes He would say I know your work, your labor, your patience, but I miss the first love. Do you not remember your first love, with its great thrill, when you first sat down to sing a new song, and when your chief delight was to be alive with the Lord, to look into His face, and in silent adoration sit while you listened to His voice? Oh, if that old-time delight has passed, nothing can make up for it to Him or to you."

What searching but sympathetic messages Dr. Morgan delivers! His sermons and those of Charles Haddon Spurgeon, are often in our hands for comfort and inspiration. We commend them heartily to all, especially to our young ministers.

In common with thousands of other Christians we sent to Dr. and Mrs. Morgan hearty congratulations and best wishes for their golden wedding anniversary. It was a great joy to receive the following gracious reply, all in his own beautiful handwriting:

Westminster Chapel,

My dear Dr. Greenfield:

Your letter of August 4th reached me this morning. I want to thank you for your kind words of congratulations and all your good wishes. As I am sure you will understand, your reminiscences are most interesting. I well remember the occasion to which you refer in Chicago and Mr. Moody's reading of Psalm 103. I also remember preaching on Isaiah 55. I also remember you as being at the Cedar Falls, Iowa, Conferences. It is good to know that you are still able to render service to the King.

Wishing you every blessing, praying that indeed you may realize that the church is crown just as it was at Eventide there is Light, and again thanking you for writing, I am,

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For many years Sunday school and church services have been held on Sundays at Rural Hall. Of late years this has proven to be such an unpleasant time for such gatherings.

On the second Sunday in June the pastor began a two week Personal Evangelism Campaign at Mizpah. The theme of that Evangelistic effort was, THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL CONTACT, stressing the need of personal contact with the Saviour. This campaign continued throughout the week including Saturday, and closed on Palm Sunday night.

The average attendance for the week was near the 200 mark.

E. C. HELMICH.

KING - RURAL HALL - MIZPAH

On the second Sunday in February we celebrated our 14th Anniversary with a Lovefeast and Communion Service. Bishop Pfohl was our Lovefeast Speaker. He brought a helpful message to an appreciative congregation.

We were happy to have Mrs. Pfohl with us and pray for the services.

Since the second week in January we have been having Religious Instruction Classes at Rural Hall for a group of Young People.

On the first Sunday in March we were happy to have Bro. Geo. Higgins of Greensboro with us, both at King and at Rural Hall. Bro. Higgins had charge of the service at King in the morning as the pastor was supplying at Mayodan. On the evening of that same day he preached at Rural Hall. At both places he told about the Greensboro work and made a plea for financial aid. His messages were well received and as this is being written he has already received a fine contribution from Rural Hall. The King people are expecting to send a contribution soon.

On the second Sunday morning of the month the pastor began a Two Month when open house was held at the parsonage from the hours of 7:30 to 5 o'clock.

We were happy that we could have Miss Laura Mosley with us one morning; she spoke to the Adult Department of the Sunday School, giving an interesting account of a week at the hospital.

The writer conducted the morning prayer over WJSJ for the first week in March. Miss June Hirl assisted with the music.

Seventeen Court of Honor was held for the local troop. Bro. Douglas Highton presented the badges; the following boys received the second class badge: Carl Nifong, Carol Ott, and Andrew Wyatt; first class badge: Billie Cranford, Jimmie Easter and Alvin Dishar.

The pastor had the privilege of being the speaker at the fourteenth anniversary Lovefeast at Grace Church, Mount Airy. A large number of people were present for the service, which speaks well for the future of the church.

Miss Rosa Lee Ketner and Carl McPherson were married at the church on the 15th of March.

Christ Church lost one of its charter members in the passing from this life. Mrs. Ernest Sheppard after an illness of several months. The funeral was conducted from the church on the 23rd with burial in the grave yard. Bishop Pfohl and Bro. Holton assisted the pastor.

The Young People rendered very acceptably the play, "The White Phantom" at the Reynolds High School in the Tournament of Plays.

Miss Vera Bailey of Mayodan and Edward Chambers of Martinsville, Va., were united in marriage by the pastor on the last Sunday morning.

Palm Sunday was a day of blessing in the congregation. The church was filled so that the ushers had to bring in chairs to accommodate the crowd.

Twenty-four people were received into the fellowship of Christ Church. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Turner Harris was received through Infant Baptism. The following were received through Adult Baptism: Nebbie Frances Fy, Faith Fy, Freida Rothrock, Juanita Bradford, Ruth Engle, Jane Bagland, Bernice and Mary Estep, C. W. Voiles, Jr., Con- rad Frederick Harp, Mrs. Walter Davis and Griffith Jones. Through the Rite of Confirmation came: Clarence Day, Thomas Allard, Anne Holton, and Wanda Tidley, Miss Lucy Crouch and Rosana Burton were received through reaffirmation of faith. Receptions from other church were as follows: Mrs. Charles Ebert, Mrs. Thomas Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Rosah Davis, Jr. VERNON L. GAF.

BETHABARA

The Lenten season has been a blessed one with good attendance at all services and with noteworthy progress made.

During this time, the 150 year old "new" parsonage was occupied, the pastor and his family moving in on the 24th. The parsonage address is Route 1, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Those interested in seeing Bethabara's new parsonage are invited to the silver tea sponsored by Circle No. 1 of the Woman's Auxiliary on Thursday, April 27th, from 3 to 5 o'clock.

The Sunday School now has another class room which has been needed for the past year. A room has been walled in on the second floor with materials supplied by Circle No. 1. The work was done by Bro. Burt Vrooman, See-Treas. of the Sunday School. To both Bro. Burt and Bro. Vrooman we give our thanks.

The monthly meeting of Circle No. 1 was held at the church on the last Tuesday of the month. The ladies came at 10:30 in the morning and worked hard cleaning the church and Sunday School rooms for the Easter season. Following a box lunch, served picnic style, in the Primary dept., the regular meeting was held that afternoon.

Circle No. 2 of the Auxiliary hold its monthly meeting at the home of the leader, Miss Rebecca Thomas.

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Our people are rejoicing in that the saw-mill is now cutting the lumber for our new Sunday School building. For the present we can only vision the new building, but as the lumber is seasoned out and made ready the actual construction will begin—perhaps about mid-summer.

Since the general health condition of our people has improved there has been a growing attendance upon the services and Sunday School session. This is a spring tonic for our people and the work.

The Ladies’ Auxiliary sponsored a special mission program and service at the church on the fourth Sunday evening. The ladies have decided to make this a regular feature of their program. This is as a spring tonic for our people. The orchestra continued to do good service, and most especially to the ministers, make this one of the busiest months of the year.

The Sunday School and Church services have made a steady increase during the month. The honor roll was read for the first time on April the second, and eighty-three names appeared on the list. We hope that many names can be added to this list before the end of another quarter.

The last half of April was filled fully on each week at the church and also attended the general rehearsals at the Home Church on Sunday afteroon. The orchestra continues to do good work. Brother E. L. Linebeck is still critically ill at the Baptist Hospital. Assisted in two funerals and conducted all regular services. On the third Sunday afternoon at Union Cross Bishop J. K. Pfohl was with us and brought a helpful lesson message.

Dr. Adelaide Fries has thoroughly aroused the interest of this congregation in the history of the Moravian Church. She completed her series of three lectures on the second Sunday morning, but the interest was so great that she was asked to come for another lecture on the fourth Sunday morning. And still the people want to hear and know more about the history of our church. So, come again, Dr. Fries.

A number of the good women met at the church on Friday evening the 17th and prepared a quilt to be sent to the Harbergs, missionaries to Alaska.

Good attendances marked all of the services and sessions of the Sunday School during the month. Encouraging, indeed, is the interest of this small but enthusiastic congregation.

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**ARDMORE.**

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**MAYODAN.**

“The Rev. E. C. Beline of King, started off our month with a wonderful sermon on prayer. We were happy to have his wife with us. She gave us a beautiful message in song.”

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**IMMANUEL.**

“Dr. Henry E. Trallie, famous consultant on church buildings, spent a day at Immanuel in March and provided us with plans for an addition to our Sunday School building, and also indicated that by erecting a gallery we would go a good way toward solving the seating problem in our auditorium.”

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**CALVARY.**

“Special Lenten themes during March under the general subject, "With the Representative Groups at the Cross," were followed with much interest, and attendances were unusually good.”

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**OAK GROVE.**

“The graveyard was cleaned, and its maintenance was completed for building a new fence around the graveyard to replace the one that has been in place for the past 40 years.”

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On Sunday night, March 26, our adult choir, together with guest singers, presented the Passion music, "The Crucifixion," under the direction of Edmund B. Schwarzer. It was a fine rendition which attuned the hearts of the large congregation to praise and thanksgiving over the love of God in Christ, and came as a fitting preparation for the Passion Week.

Our warm Christian sympathy is expressed to the members of the family of F. K. Maley in their bereavement in the death of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Stephen Schreiner, of Cleveland, Ohio, March 31.

EDMUND SCHWARZER.

KERNERSVILLE.

A series of lenten mid-week services arranged for by the Fellowship Committee of the church, of which Mrs. Edgar E. Shore is chairman, proved of great value. The pastor spoke at three, and we had Bishop Pohl, the Rev. E. L. Kirk, local Methodist minister, and the Rev. J. P. Carter of the Waughtown Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, on the last three Wednesday nights respectively. All were well attended, and did much to prepare the way for a fitting celebration of Passion Week and Easter.

The large amount of sickness in this community made it appear that our Palm Sunday service this year would not be as well attended as last. But the weather turned out to be ideal, and our church was filled to capacity. For the fifth year in succession, we are able to report that our Palm Sunday set a new record attendance for the Holy Communion, and this year we experienced the unusual circumstance of using every communion wine, by which means just exactly the number present to partake of the sacrament. There is not space here to describe this service in detail. Easter palms, palms, and palm-leaf crosses for everyone to wear, symbolized the significance of the day. A trumpet prelude by Ted Kerner, "The Palms," as a tenor solo by Sam F. Vance, Jr., the Hosanna by combined choirs, plus our new organ chimes used at appropriate intervals, together furnished inspiration through music such as we have never had before in such quantity or quality. Three infants were presented to the Lord in baptism, the daughter of Thurman and Frances Hendrix Warren, the son of Edward and Forrest Hastings Crow, and the son of Kermit and Elizabeth Hahn Smith. There were three confirmations named, Robert Dicks Shore, Jr., Sarah Marie Shore, and Edgar Eugene Shore, Jr.; six adult baptisms, Joseph Wiley Williard, and his parents, Daniel E. and Mrs. Minnie Smith Williard, India Doleris Fagg, Thurman Warren and Porter Graves Flynn; three receptions, A. B. Dwiggins, his wife Mrs. Mamie Flynn Dwiggins, and their son Frank. To all we extend a most hearty welcome.

The Music Committee of the church of which R. B. Kerners is chairman, arranged for a Lenten service on March 26, at which we were favored with a concert by the Choral Ensemble of the Salem College School of Music. Forty-five young ladies, directed by Mr. Clifford Baird, head of the voice department, presented a very acceptable program. All, with a few other guests, were served supper afterwards in our Sunday School room.

Dr. Henry E. Tralls, consultant on church buildings, spent two days with us at the first of March, studying our plant with a view to drawing up plans for an enlargement both to the Sunday School building and to the church. As yet definite decisions have not been reached, but certain plans which have been presented appeal to our Official Boards very strongly.

Another death which affected our membership but was not that of a member occurred in March with the passing of J. W. Hastings. The Pastor assisted in the funeral on Sunday, March 12, at the Methodist church.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

ADVENT.

Our Lenten evangelistic services proved most helpful and fruitful, judging from the record attendance each night, the many professions of faith, and the "Love gift" presented the evangelist.

Upon recommendation of the Rev. John R. Church, we called the Rev. Lee C. Fisher, minister, traveler, youth worker, musician, soloist, and song writer, of Portland, Ind., as our evangelist. This young man, possessing ten talents, and served us most acceptably in every way, being abundant in labors, both in preaching and conducting the musical programs. As a song leader and soloist, we could not wish for a better. His special features each night for the large number of children, and his special numbers on the piano-accordion, trombone and piano, as well as his vocal solos, drew large congregations during the fifteen days. His extensive travels in the Holy Land, and the splendid material he has gathered, portrayed in motion pictures, enabled him to drive home the truth in every message.

Mr. Fisher's clear and forceful presentation of divine truths in the Holy Scriptures will linger long in the memory of all who heard him.

His messages were honored of God in the regeneration of sinners, and building up Christians in our holy faith.

We feel that our Church has reaped great benefits through this Lenten evangelistic effort. Quite a number of our people were reclaimed and many born into the Kingdom of God. A class of fifteen was received into the Church on Palm Sunday.

There has come to the Church a new spirit of worship and devotion as well as a new sense of appreciation toward our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. We praise God for this opportunity.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

HOPPEWELL.

There has been a considerable "drop off" in the attendance during the month of March, due to sickness, especially among the children. The measles have been raging, and many children who had not missed a Sunday at Sunday school since they began were forced to miss. Although during the latter part of the month the attendance began to increase and we hope that within a few weeks it will be normal again.

The interest in the mid-week prayer service has continued during the month. The study of the Gospel of Mark has been continued, and almost completed. The last Wednesday night of the Easter reading was begun.

On the second Sunday morning at the regular preaching service the Bishop was present and delivered a very inspiring message.

On Saturday evening, April 1, members of the Hopewell and Pine Chapel congregations gave a reception in honor of the Rev. and Mrs. Crouse, this being their 40th wedding anniversary. This came as a complete surprise to them, and was a very enjoyable occasion.

MRS. PAUL BERRIER.

HOME CHURCH.

The Lenten Season at the Home Church has been marked by many interesting and encouraging activities. The attendance at the morning services has been unusually large. On three of the Sunday mornings during the month the church was filled to capacity and it was necessary to use

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The Woman's Auxiliary presented the Church with 100 copies of the Office of Worship, for which we are very thankful.

Although several of our people remain on the sick list, the attendance in Sunday School has been much larger this month than last. Under the leadership of our faithful Supt. T. L. Hedgecock and his assistant, V. E. Holcomb, the work has a bright future.

The Saturday night Prayer meetings conducted by the Gospel Team with Bro. J. B. Tillman, Captain, H. A. Reynolds, assistant, and A. M. Walker, song leader, has been very helpful and encouraging.

Sunday, April 2, happened to be the fortieth wedding anniversary of the Pastor and his wife. Saturday night at the regular Prayer meeting hour the Auxiliaries of Pine Chapel. Hopewell had secretly arranged a reception. When the Pastor and his wife arrived for Prayer meeting, to their surprise they were met at the door by Mrs. P. G. Wooten and Mrs. J. C. Morton, who presented the couple with beautiful bouquets of white roses and then ushered them up the aisle to the front seats while Mrs. C. S. Hussey played softly on the piano: "Here Comes The Bride." Then Miss Ruth Smith, the President of Pine Chapel Auxiliary took charge and a very delightful program was presented, after which a much appreciated gift was presented. Refreshments were served to a very large congregation. It was truly the first day of April.

J. P. CROUCH

FRIEDLAND.

A set of electric tower chimes was presented to the congregation by the Sunday School class taught by the late Laura Grabs Reed. The tablet was unveiled by Mary Thomason, the presentation made by Frances Simmons. Luther Hine accepted in the name of the Trustees. The first hymn played was "In the Hour of Trial" a favorite of "Grandma" Reed. The music comes from records and is sent out through the speakers in the tower. Dallas Chappell contributed the most important parts and installed the equipment.

The ladies of the church through the auxiliary started a water project to pipe water from the spring. Several persons were on hand to help complete the work. The annual "workin'" for Easter also was well attended and the results are obvious.

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**DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.**

**MOUNT AINEY.**

March has been a happy month for Grace Church. The Lenten season has brought with it increased interest in almost all phases of our work. On March 20 it was a happy occasion when we gathered in the morning for Anniversary Communion, and again in the evening for Lovefeast with Bro. Vernon Graf as speaker.

Twelve of our young people, (the largest number we have ever had) have professed their faith in the Lord Jesus and united with the church on Palm Sunday. Another was received by transfer.

During the month, through the faithful work of the men of the congregation, the floor of the church has received a much-needed coat of shellac and the pews have been re-worked to a finish blending with the remainder of the wood work. Much work also was done on the outside of the building.

The band has been in regular rehearsal for the Resurrection service, and has a full day ahead. When we have completed our own service we are to assist with services at both Mount Bethel and Willow Hill.

**E. T. MICKEY, JR.**

**PIKE CHAPEL.**

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RALPH C. BASSETT.

PROVIDENCE.

A recent Church Council made it possible to proceed with long-needed improvements. Included in the plan was painting the exterior, redecorating the heating plant. The painting is nearly complete and the other work is being taken up in order. Prayer meetings are held each week by Bro. Charles Tosch, and the Junior Choir, led by Hazel Grubbs, has provided real music. The Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Carl Crews.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

FAIRMOUNT.

The following report covers the past two months. On February 12 in an exchange of pastors with Ardmore Church, Bro. E. A. Holton spoke at the night service. The Missionary Lovefeast was held on the 19th with the Rev. J. G. Brunner bringing the message. He spoke on his recent trip to Jamaica. In the absence of the pastor, owing to sickness, Bishop J. K. Pfahl and Bro. E. A. Holton occupied the pulpit on the 26th.

The Lenten Communion on March 5 brought a large congregation at the United service. Special Lenten services have been held each Thursday night in connection with our Church-night program. Our Auxiliary held their Quarterly meeting at the Church on the 15th. The pastor gave a talk on the place of the Auxiliary in the Church program, and plans were made for the coming year.

One of the happy features of our Church program is the large attendance of the young people at the mid-week service. The Junior and Intermediate departments of our Church-school had charge of the program on March 30. A very interesting playlet on the life of Isaac Watts, the great hymnwriter, was given. The playlet was dignified and instructive. The service greatly appreciated by the pastor as well as by the patients. We rejoice over the improvement in health on the part of our Sunday school superintendent, H. E. Fries.

Dr. P. O. Schallert delivered an illustrated lecture on "John Hins, the Bohemian Patriot and Churchman," on March 5.

On March 8 we united with the Rogers Memorial Presbyterian Church and participated in the revival meeting there.

Members of the congregation had two chandeliers installed in the parsonage. These gifts merit the thanks of the congregation.

Our two choirs and the Woman's Orchestra conducted by Miss Marian Johnson rendered a sacred concert as a memorial to Mrs. H. E. Fries on Sunday afternoon, March 26. The offering was added to the fund our young people are raising for the purchase of an organ to be a memorial to Mrs. Fries.

Palm Sunday witnessed the administration of the sacrament of baptism to four children and five adults. These five adults were Virginia Sapp, Mary Sue Binkley, Ruby D. Cook, Jane R. Holland and Reid M. Whitlow. Betty Lou Thrift and Mrs. R. M. Whitlow and Mrs. Robert Knott were received by the rite of confirmation. Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Kane and Mrs. Eva Groce were received by letter. In the evening James Plaster, Horace Adams and Carl Plaster accompanied the singing of the anthem "Bethany" with instrumental music. This anthem and the "Hosanna" were beautifully rendered. The sympathy of the congregation goes out to the kinfolk and families of Mrs. Mary Caudle and R. Macom Squires in their recent bereavement of these two persons.

H. R. JOHNSON.

WACHOVIA ARBOR.

Throughout the Lenten season, the pastor read from the book, "His Last Week," in connection with each service.

We were happy to have the brethren Lee C. Fisher and Paul Hill, as special guests, who in turn brought special vocal numbers during the preaching hour.

The Holy Communion was administered on Palm Sunday afternoon.

The Ladies' Auxiliary enjoyed the last Thursday night of the month at the home of Mrs. Fred Boose.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

CLEMMONS.

Instruction classes were held during Lent. Miss Ruth Jones, teacher of the Juniors, gave part of her time each Sunday and the class also met at the parsonage. On Palm Sunday two young people were baptized and their parents received into the church by the right hand of fellowship.

The meetings during the month were a teachers' and workers' meeting at the home of Miss Ruth Jones on the 3rd, the Woman's Auxiliary on the 1st, at the home of Mrs. M. V. Blackburn, and the Board at the parsonage on the 16th.

Several members of the Woman's Auxiliary attended the Day of Prayer at Trinity Church on March 8, and Calvary on the 16th. The pastor took part in the meeting at Trinity.

Mrs. Charles A. Hall gave a party at her home for the members of the Woman's Bible Class and their friends on March 26th.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

ENTERPRISE.

With the beginning of the Lenten season the pastor began a series of sermons dealing with the last week of our Lord before his crucifixion, using as his text Luke 18:31: "Behold we go up to Jerusalem." Through this series of sermons we followed our Lord to the cross and concluded on Palm Sunday with the Seven Words From the Cross.

The doors of the church were opened on Palm Sunday for reception of members. We were glad to receive into our communicant fellowship by letter Brother Erman Swing and Mrs. Nina Fisb.el.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

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LETTES

AN INFORMAL REPORT ON OUR WORK IN ALASKA.
Bethel, Alaska,
March 1, 1939.

Dear Mr. Allen:—

The first of March, and it is a calm cool day. It seems almost impossible that spring is just around the corner — then summer and the rush of the boating season. It seems that we have hardly gotten well into the winter work. . . .

You may not believe it because of my delay in replying, but I did appreciate your letter. It came while Oswald Stimpson was here, so I was able to give him your message. He did most certainly have a variety of experiences during his stay here.

You asked for a letter or article for The Wachovia Moravian. I am afraid I do not know much about writing for a church publication, so I’ll just write you this letter, and if it contains any news you think would be of interest to your readers, you may use it.

We have had quite a winter, and there seems to be no end of work here to be done. In the fall a Dr. Haldeman from Juneau came here to investigate tuberculosis. It seems that about 40 per cent of the people of Bethel have that dread disease. We were all X-rayed and our own Dr. George has the results of the tests now. A health council has been organized, first of all to draw up rules of sanitation and then work on a plan for the isolation of tubercular people. Mother is on the council and so is our native helper, Jim.

Harry and I have at last completed the task of ordering our whole year’s supply of groceries. It is quite a painstaking job. Salesmen for various large concerns on the coast are beginning to come through Bethel. Just today two flew in, one selling groceries and the other hardware.

Today the Ladies’ Aid Society and the Girls’ Club meet. Quite a lot of good work has been done with these groups. I am trying to help the girls. We have a great deal of interest and enthusiasm this year because the smaller girls have been allowed to attend. It is surprising to see what excellent work the eleven and twelve-year olds can do. Most of it is embroidery, but we plan to devote several Thursdays to yarn flowers and corsages. We started a hooked rug, but had to give it up because we have only knitting yarn and haven’t any rug yarn.

For the first time a Boy Scout Troop has been organized here. It was started at the Territorial School, but boys from both that and the Federal School have joined. I think around twelve have passed the first test, and there has been a marked improvement in helpfulness and courtesy in most of the group. They have gone on one hike and enjoyed it tremendously. But they are somewhat handicapped because in winter it is too cold to be gone long, and in summer there is no place to hike, for the land is too marshy and there are too many mosquitoes. I think they will disband for the summer.

We are expecting a good deal of building around here this summer. All the pilings for the new government hospital are down, and we hope for a new school or two in the district. Of course, the Boys’ Dormitory at the Orphanage is of primary interest to us, but we think that the hospital will be one of the largest in Alaska. It is to be fully equipped, too, of course.

The old rule of brush your teeth twice a day and see your dentist twice a year can’t be fully observed here, for we do not have a permanent dentist. There is a travelling dentist from Fairbanks who is in Bethel just now, and we are all patronizing him. He has his big folding chair and a small drill set up in front of the south window of a little cabin near the center of town.

We have begun work on our Daily Vacation Bible School. Supplies have to be ordered on the first boat. We are expecting to have two groups which will correspond roughly to primary and nursery. Mrs. Drebert will have the kindergarten age, and Mother and I will take the older children. Perhaps the enrolment will be around 40. Unfortunately for our efforts, the native children will all be at the fish camps. Many teachers and children have been organized and meet monthly to plan the work.

At last we are through with the canning of reindeer meat. Shortly before Christmas the herd came near Bethel, and quite a few mission deer were butchered. Last week two or three more were brought in. Harry has learned quite a bit about butchering.

We are hoping for the mail plane today. We have very regular weekly service now, but the last two trips there has been hardly any mail because of the “captains” strike. The mail letters that came through letters are those sent all the way by air mail. The boats are running again, however. . . . Please remember me to all my friends. Harry sends greetings.

Most sincerely,
GERTRUDE SCHWALBE TRODAHL
(Miss Harry Trodahl)

FROM THE HOME CHURCH’S "OWN MISSIONARY."
Mvyangue P. O., Cazaville,
East Griqualand, S. Africa,
March 13, 1939.

Dear Bro. Allen:—

It gives me great pleasure to address this letter to you. Bishop S. Baudert, who was my classmate for many years, sent me your request for some information about our work in South Africa East . . .

As you know, I have the great honor to be supported by the Home Church in Salem. Besides, Miss Adelaide Fries and others send us Christmas boxes every year, which are very much appreciated.

I have quite vivid recollections of the experiences during his stay here.
having met members of your South-
ern Province. When I was a school-
boy in Kleinvolk, Bishop Rondthaler
held us a service, I think in 1889,
which impressed us very much. In
1899, at the time of the General Synod,
when I was a student at our college
at Gnadenfeld, the American dele-
gates invited us to spend an after-
noon with them. Then in 1922, when
I was on furlough with my family,
Bishop Pfohl visited us. (Please re-
member us to him.) . . .

I read The Wachovia Moravian
will keen interest, and am thankful
especially for your interest in mis-
ions. I have studied the pictures of
the Kernersville Anniversary in the
issue of December, 1938, where I
found you and I suppose your son.
In another issue I read of the visit of
Miss Hilda Gysin, who is my coun-
tin, a very kind lady and a friend of
Hilda's father. I think such vis-
ts should be made more often from
one province to another, and from
the provinces to the mission fields.
If you should, while you are in my
mind to visit South Africa, you would
be most heartily welcome.

With kindest regards, I remain,
Yours faithfully,

BISHOP GEMUSEUS TO BOURQUIN.

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Ueckange, P. 0. Mhaya,
Tanganyika Territory,
East Africa,
March 3, 1939.

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BISHOP PFohl'S ILLNESS

Bishop Pfohl is in the City Memorial Hospital of Winston-Salem, which he entered as a patient on Sunday night, April 16. He expects to be operated upon some time during the last week in April, and has been told by his doctors that he will have to remain in the hospital for about a month. Other than the cause of his illness, he is reported to be in unusually sound physical condition, and there is no apparent reason why his operation should not be entirely successful. He is not permitted to have company, other than the immediate members of his family.

Needless to say, this news comes as a shock to the entire Province. The Bishop was scheduled to fill some very important appointments during the last days of his time here, but for there was no reason to hurry. They all of a sudden, between two and three o'clock in the afternoon, the sky began to turn black, and the air was filled with a roar which sounded like thunder. In an incredibly short time a terrible southeast snowstorm broke upon us. The seal hunters in their kayaks just managed to reach the shore, and with difficulty made their way to the mission station. One of the two boys who went for wood got back, but where was the other one? He could not be far away, because as the first one started home he could see the other just ready to start too. Everyone at Okak was uneasy and anxious. Yet it was hard to see how anyone could stray off such a plain path. But as night came on and the boy did not show up, they lit their guns and storm lanterns and went out to look for him. Shouting and swinging their lanterns they went over every foot of the path, but about midnight had to return without hearing or seeing anything of the boy.

In the morning, when the worst of the storm was over, the men set out again, and soon found the boy, buried in a steep rise beside the path. He was laying alongside his sled with the wood piled on it. The dogs were there too, buried deep in the snow, while but they were all right, being accustomed to sleep in this way, the boy was frozen hard. The men hurriedly took him back to the mission house, and Bro. Hettasch and I went to see him. Alas, there was nothing we could do, for he had been dead some time. His old parents had hoped that he would be a help to them in their old age, but now that hope was gone. But because they were good Christians, they took their bereavement as from the Lord, knowing that He would not forsake them.

HERE and THERE

J. B. Gods, Jr., went on a "Vagabond Cruise" during February and March to the West Indies and the north coast of South America. He kept on the lookout for Moravian contacts, but was able to make only one. He might have seen something of our work in Trinidad, but his ship was there for only a very short time. However, at Paramaribo he saw Miss Hilda Gins, and was able to visit our large church there. This city in Dutch Guiana contains more Moravians than any other city in the world. Some thirty thousand of the fifty-five thousand inhabitants are members of our church. The mission is more familiar to us as Surinam. Miss Gins sent greetings to the many friends she made while on her visit here last fall.

The Moravian College Glee Club went on an extended Easter Vacation trip to several of our churches in the middle west. They gave several concerts in Wisconsin, Indiana, and Ohio. In the club are several of our Southern young men who are students for the ministry, namely, I, Howard Chadwick, the director of the club; Henry E. Lewis and John R. Flynn. Lewis is a member of Calvary, Chadwick of Bethania; and Flynn of Kernerville. These are all still college students. The others from the South are already in the Theological Seminary, and consequently no longer participate in college activities. Several of them came home for the Easter season.

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Whitlow.—Suzanne, daughter of Reul W. and Margaret (Keith) Whitlow, born April 6, 1938, and baptized in the Kernersville Church on Palm Sunday, April 2, 1939, by the Rev. H. B. Johnson.

Woolr.—Georgia Rae, the infant daughter of Charles and Elsie Woolr., born June 18, 1934, was baptized April 2, 1939, at Calvary Church by Dr. Edmund Schwarze.

DEATHS.

Schreiner.—Mrs. Frances M., daughter of Frank K. and the late May Masby, m. n., Royster, and wife of Stephen Schreiner, born November 25, 1904, Winston-Salem, N. C., departed this life March 31, 1939, Cleveland, Ohio. Funeral services held by the Rev. Colvin, in Cleveland, Ohio, with interment there in the Crown Hill Cemetery, March 31, 1939, Member of Calvary Church.

Caudle.—Mrs. Mary Anna, widow of Wm. H. Caudle, and daughter of Jacob and H. Ellen (Howard) Sink, born September 23, 1868, died March 17, 1939, funeral at Friedland Church, interment following in Salem Cemetery. The Rev. W. M. Croce assisted her pastor, the Rev. H. B. Johnson.

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EDITORIALS

HOME MISSIONS.

The optimistic tone of reports from churches and the generally favorable accounts of progress in provincial af-
airs are welcome and encouraging. Increase in membership has been steady and collections for budgets and
various offerings have been nothing less than remarkable in the past few years.

What do we find in the way of church extension into unoccupied fields where the Gospel is needed?
The Church Aid and Extension reports have shown figures encouraging for the most part in the established work. There are several weak spots that need strengthening, but as a whole, we can feel gratified that our churches are gaining ground and are receiving good support.

When the question is raised about new fields, the answer is not so promising.

A survey of western North Carolina and the mountain district of Virginia near to us reveals areas that can
well be included in Home Mission territory. The shift of population to new roads recently built, and the failure
of the church in some rural districts to keep pace with the growing demands of the people should awaken
us to an opportunity which the Moravian Church now has. In one of our western counties sister denominations
in recent years has established churches in eight neighborhoods where churches were needed. Without a
large membership in the county, this work was attempted as purely a Home Mission enterprise. The churches are
showing healthy growth and the helpful contribution to the life of the people is evident.

A number of years ago there was a movement in the Southern Province that resulted in the establishment of
several churches, such as King, Rural Hall and others. These churches are going concerns today and we accept them without question as a part of our work. They are yielding fruits that benefit our church. The mission chapels in Winston-Salem and one country church not far from town were established in another movement. Their progress is commendable also.

What has been done since? Nothing.

It is, of course, good to abide by the rule that we must protect what we have, that we must develop our established charges.

There is also the responsibility upon us to minister as we are able in regions where the Gospel is need-
ed. As in probably no other field of the Moravian Church there is opportunity for promising extension at home.

A brief review of our list of churches in the South will show that the majority of our established churches, a considerable number of them not only self-supporting but now contributing, were begun as Home Missions.

Are we too weak to meet this opportunity?

—D. L. R.

COMPETITION.

Times do change.
Pastors who began their service in the ministry a score or so of years ago could write an interesting ac-
count of the differences now in church affairs compared with the age of innocence before the World War.
Veterans of thirty years or more could give even more striking narratives of church life in the simplicity
of the years at the turn of the century.

What would probably mark all of the observations would be the mention of increased competition for time and
means that has come to confront the laborers in the church field.

There has been also the happy part of the story, that improved systems of financing, re-worked church pro-
grams, travel facility, increase of education and many other influences can be used advantageously by the church.

The significant truth remains, how-
ever, that many influences have developed that detract.

Spiritual life must mean growth, and all growth must meet the struggle for existence. The little trees in the forest must struggle to reach the sunlight or be rolled out and wither. The life of the Spirit must have nourishment. The church has set itself to the task of providing this necessary sustenance in which worship has a major part.

Appealing radio programs, travel on Sunday, abundant reading matter and many other newly-found contributions of the age, innocent and harmless as they may be, are, in helpful in their way, may claim as unprofitable portion of time and means that should be better applied in the objectives of the church. We must still be reminded: “Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.”

— D. L. R.

WESTERN DISTRICT YOUNG PEOPLE’S CONFERENCE.

The completed program of the Annual Young People’s Conference of the Western District of our Northern Province has been forwarded to The Wachovia Moravian, together with a cordial invitation to the young people of our Province to attend, if possible. The place is, as usual, Salem, Ohio, Wisconsin, and the dates are June 19 to 26. The cost for the entire time, which includes room, board and registration fee, is $7.50. As at Camp Hanes, each person must supply his own pillow, sheets, blankets, towels and personal toilet articles.

The following courses are being offered:

Paul the Apostle—The Rev. Samuel Wedman.
Choir—The Rev. Edward T. Mckey, Jr.
Moravian Hymnody—The Rev. Edward T. Mckey, Jr.
Church Symbols—The Rev. John Wollin.
Drumming in the Church—The Rev. George Westphal.

This is quite an ambitious program, with a fine variety from which to choose. In addition, there will be morning devotions, discussion groups, music, evening vespers, revamped, in spiritual meeting services, prayer group, communion service, and recreation.

It would be a fine thing if one or two ears of young people from the South could arrange to attend this conference, which is the first of four summer gatherings of Moravian youth scheduled to be held by the American Moravian Church this year. The others are: The Eastern District Conference in July at Liitza, Pa., the Canadian Conference, and a New England assembly at Camp Hanes in August from the 15th to the 20th. More details about Camp Hanes next month.

HOPE CONGREGATION PLANS NEW BUILDING.

Another of our smaller congregations has launched forth on an ambitious building program, realizing that no church can grow unless it has the space in which to expand. Hope, one of our oldest churches, is getting ready to erect a ten-room Sunday school annex, and has already provided nearly all the necessary lumber. Cash and pledges are coming in, and it is hoped to be able to start construction by the first of September.

This project has been approved by the Provincial Building Committee, and should receive the hearty support not only of the congregation itself, but of all interested friends. The membership at Hope is slightly less than 100, but with these added facilities, there is no reason why this work should not grow.

The Building Committee is composed of E. F. West, J. T. Jones, Sr., Joseph Sharp, Mrs. Felix Spaugh, and Mrs. C. W. Snyder who is treasurer of the building fund. Hope is one of the three congregations served by Bro. Howard G. Foltz.

LETTERS

A MISSIONARY’S “DAY OF REST.”

Bonanza, Nicaragua, April 24, 1939.

Dear Bro. Allen—

I am enclosing a description of our “Going to Musawas.” Martha thinks that something should have been said about what transpired while there—the baptisms, the confirmations, the weddings with their accompanying feasts, our digestive disturbances with their attendant uncertainties, and why it was that she had to wear the dress of a Sumu lady. But I do not wish to weary your readers, and if, when you go to Musawas, you will recognize something because of having read this “effort” of mine, I have done enough.

I used my day of rest, Monday, to prepare this article. As an illustration of what kind of “rest” I get, there are two fellows here right now, who are learning to read and write Miskito—from me, that is. Before that a Miskito woman was here on the same errand, and before that we had a class for young Spanish men who are learning to speak English.

Our church is now approaching that tantalizing stage where it appears to be ready for use, but still is not. By the time you get this, most of the floor will be in, and then we shall need the porch, and steps, and shutters, and windows, and benches, and paint... kindest regards to your family and your friendly congregation.

Yours sincerely,

WERNER G. MARX.

Note: Mrs. Marx adds: “We’ve been holding Sunday School sessions in our house, using our trunks for seats. So far we have had separate schools for Miskito and Creole. Werner takes the Miskito, I take Creole. I haven’t yet learned Miskito. I am working hard on Spanish, so Miskito must wait. It is very necessary too, but much harder. Church services we still hold down in the village in the kitchen. We are anxiously looking forward to the time when we shall have our church finished.”

Bonanza, Nicaragua, March 30, 1939.

To the Young People of
The Southern Province,
Dear Friends—

I was rather disappointed (to put it mildly) to find when we arrived that the church building itself had not been finished, because my calculations had led me to believe that it would be finished as far as the roof and floor were concerned, so that we could, with the help of the Young People’s Union, do the painting, get the benches, and sit down. The reason why this did not take place is because almost as soon as I had left for the United States, the manager of the Mine, Mr. Williams, ordered the payrolls collected for 1937.

Mr. William Bent, the carpenter, has been doing the work, even when we had money to pay, for just his board and expenses. When however, these too were stopped, he decided to go home. It was only Mrs. Lynch, one of our Creole members, who promised to feed him, who was able to keep him here working along with Fritzel Hammer, the Miskito young man with whom I travelled from Puerto Barrios and after, last year. Now—unless we get some help from you all soon—we have to depend entirely upon our Sunday offerings to carry on the work. Last Sunday our collections were $129.00, which amounts to $2.40 and that will hardly feed two workmen for seven days.

Talking practically now, and basing my figures on the cost of labor and materials here, what we still need looks something like this:

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help us. Otherwise—well, we are thankful every day that it is not otherwise. You can imagine with what peculiar joy I felt like a messenger bringing good news from a far country, when, last Sunday night, I was able to announce that the people of Bonanza have friends who have decided to help them.

If you could find someone to supply the first item soon, it would mean very much to us and to this community, as we could begin to hold a makeshift school and makeshift service.

Yours sincerely and very thankfully,
WERNER G. MARX.

A GOOD YEAR IN JAMAICA
Fairfield, Lincoln, P. 0., Jamaica, B. W. I.
21st Feb., 1939.

Dear Bro. Allen—

Please forgive me for not acknowl-edging your letter at an earlier date. It was surely not from lack of apprecia-tion! The fact is that work accumu-lates in such a way in December and on to the end of January, work which must be attended to by a cer-tain date if things are as they ought to be, that I was obliged to lay aside certain oversize letters, and can only now attend to them. It is, as you know, not only the work of the congregation that I am responsible for, but Provincial and other duties as well.

We may look back on 1938 with gratitude. It has been, in many re-spects, a good year. Our statistics show numerical gain all around, and our total registered membership is now above 13,000. When the “Annual Report” is published, I shall send you one. Bro. Kaltrieber, our treasurer, told me that the financial situation has been better than in the previous year.

Personally, I do humbly thank the Lord for good health all through 1938, and for all the needed strength, wis-dom, and grace supplied to me. It was 50 years on the 17th of last June since I was ordained a Deacon of the Moravians. Wonderful has been the Lord’s goodness, grace and patience toward me all these years. I praise His holy Name.

The work at Fairfield continues to be encouraging. We usually have a good attendance at the Sunday services, and the attention paid to the preaching is excellent. For the first time we held our Harvest Festival on a Sunday this year, Sunday, January 22. I always appeal to our people to make the Harvest Thanksgiving a service for the whole congregation, but on a week-end was kept away by other duties. I was full of joy to find the church full from end to end on January 22. Not less than 900 people were present, and it was really a thanksgiving for the entire congre-gation . . .

I thank you once more for the Wachovia Moravians. May you, and all who help with it, be mightily helped in 1939, and may the blessing of the Lord rest upon you in your home life, your personal life and your minis-try.

I had a delightful afternoon visit from your Brethren Brunner and Brew-er, and Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, when on January 22. Not less than 900 people were present, and it was really a thanksgiving for the entire congregation.

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We shouted to him in English, and he shouted back in Spanish above the roar of the motors, that he understood Spanish. "I’m a German," he called.

"Then let us speak German," I said as we walked out of the power plant. The gears of our minds creaked as we shifted to a dimmed part of our intellectual outfit, and it was diffi-cult to say "Ja!” instead of "Si.”

There was still another walk along a jungle path, into a clearing atop a hill, crowned by a thatched dwell-ing. Far below us was the Pisgah Creek once more, and we were happy to sit down as our crew propelled us downstream. We rode in a dori, sitting back to back, and the other dori took our baggage. This part of the trip was just as idyllic as was the one we wrote about last year, only much

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Martha and I had been to Musa-was just two weeks before that, for Palm Sunday, and we had begun to appreciate to some extent what the living of the Bregenzers in Musawas had meant. The charred posts stood up as mute witnesses to the size of the house that had been there, and to the wansickness of the bandits. Mr. Urbina told us that they had "our dead person," as the Musawas Indians refer to him, because of his radio. They suspected him of radiating messages giving away their locations and movements. Another interpreta-tion is that he did not think that these bandits were as brutal as they had been painted to be, and that if he stood his ground, he would be able to save the mission property. I can un-derstand that point of view.

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more so as there were two of us to enjoy it. After two and a half hours we were again on land, and fortifying ourselves against the most exhausting part of our way with a can of baked beans and some hard boiled eggs.

Martha and I started off alone, knowing that the men would soon overtake us. During the rainy season this road is almost impassable. Even now it was slippery and ankle-deep in places. We were thankful that we had brought along our high boots. After about forty-five minutes of walking we came to a steep drop. I knew what this meant, for the worst part of the whole trip is the crossing of these streams with their borders of deep mud. We made our way carefully, and all at once, just as we came in sight of the water, there was a bridge. It had all the marks of recent workmanship. There were fresh chips on the ground, and the bit-ends were white. I had been led to expect something like this from the remarks I had overheard in the boat, but it was a complete surprise for Martha.

"For me?" she asked several times, and, as we walked along we continued to marvel at the Christian spirit of that community, which had appointed one committee to bring us, and another, the bridge building committee, to make the rough places smooth. All along the way they had passed with their machetes, chopping down the low branches and the impeding saplings, kicking the trunks lying across our pathway so as to make it more easy for us to cross them, building five bridges across the streams. Towards five o'clock we welcomed the Waspuk Creek with all our remaining spirits, and got into dries once more for the last half hour of our journey.

At Musawas all the men, the women, and the children were lined up to greet us with a handshake and their "Parasta" of welcome. At Godfrey's house we found the congregation ready to fulfill our smallest wish—was it milk?—or ripe bananas—or eggs?—would we like to have some wild boar meat?—would we care to see some land turtle eggs?—anything. Even a cooking committee had been appointed to keep us well fed.

About our contacts with the Musawa people we always feel that it is we who are encouraged and blessed rather than they.

SOME NOTABLE ANNIVERSARIES
BY THE REV. PAUL de SCHWEINITZ, D.D.

BISHOP HAMILTON'S 80TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY.

On Sunday Jubilate, April 30th, 1939, the senior Bishop of the American Moravian Church, J. Taylor Hamilton, D.D., L. H. D., celebrated his 80th birthday anniversary in Bethlehem, Pa. The celebration began in the traditional Moravian manner when the trombone choir, 14 strong, and all slide trombones, gathered in front of his home at 1444 Main Street at 7 o'clock in the morning and preceded him with the chorales 185A, 1511, and 367A.

Then it continued at the 11 o'clock service in the Central Moravian Church, when the pastor, Bro. C. A. Meilicke, after reading the Epistle and Gospel of the day, called attention to this notable anniversary, and in a few well chosen sentences outlined Bishop Hamilton's outstanding services to the Moravian Church and bade the congregation rise and sing the "birthday hymn," "With Thy presence Lord our Head and King, not equipped..." Bishop Hamilton responded with a few appropriate words. Then the Sunday morning service proceeded in the usual manner.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon a beautiful anniversary service was held in the Borhek Memorial Chapel of the Moravian College and Theological Seminary, where Bishop Hamilton had served as Resident Professor for seventeen years and as President for ten years. This service was attended by all the Faculty and their wives and all the Moravian ministers and their wives and ministerial widows of Bethlehem, Cooperstown, Easton, Emmaus, Nazareth and Schnecksville.

President Schwarze presided. The service was opened with a hymn of praise, "O praise Jehovah! Who reigneth on earth and in heaven," (Tune GIA), after which Dr. Schwarze read the text of the day and part of Psalm 34. Following that, one of Bishop Hamilton's favorite hymns was sung, "Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin!" Then Bishop de Schweinitz was called upon as the oldest surviving friend and colleague of Bishop Hamilton to speak in the name of the assembled guests. He sketched rapidly the high lights of Bishop Hamilton's remarkable record of 30 years of continuous and unbroken service of the Church, stressing especially the value of his literary labors and his activities as a missionary Bishop in Alaska, Nicaragua, the West Indies, and Surinam, South America, stating in his life time he had crossed the ocean 56 times. He also mentioned that he had received the degree of D.D., from Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., after the publication of his monumental history of the Moravian Church in 1900, and the degree of L. H. D. from his Alma Mater, the Moravian College, in 1928.

Bishop Hamilton responded most fittingly by calling attention to the fact, that this was Sunday Jubilate, and pointing out how he could rejoice in the guiding and protecting care of his Lord through all these 80 years. The Dean of the Theological Seminary, Dr. Walter Vivian Moses, who is himself completing 30 years service in the College and Seminary this year, lead in a fervent prayer, and then all present joined most heartily in singing the "birthday hymn," "Thy presence, etc." Bishop Hamilton most appropriately pronounced the benediction.

A Lutheran professor, who was present, was kind enough to say: "Only the Moravians could have carried through such a beautiful anniversary service."

All present then adjourned to the lounge in Comenius Hall, where a delightful reception was held, which was most happily arranged, managed and charmingly carried through by the wives of the younger Faculty members, to whom the greatest credit is due. Friends lingered until five o'clock congratulating Bishop and Mrs. Hamilton and enjoying social intercourse. Thus happily ended a notable celebration.

BRO. RUFUS F. BISHOP'S FAREWELL.

On Tuesday, May 2nd, Bro. and Sr. Rufus Bishop left Bethlehem, Pa., at the close of their furlough to return to their field of labor in Nicaragua, where they have been working for 27 years. Bro. Bishop was a member of the Central Moravian Men's Class before he left for the foreign service in 1912, has kept up his membership all these years and never failed to attend the Class when home on furlough, if not engaged in doing deputation work elsewhere. So on his last Sunday in Bethlehem, April 30th, he was asked to lead the opening devotions of the Class. In connection therewith he presented a copy of the 1940 Textbook in the Miskito language. This is the work not only of Bro. Bishop's heart and soul and mind and spirit, but very literally the work of his hands, for he not only had to type out the translation, but then he had to cut the stencils and do the mimeographing himself. It must have been a piece of tremendous drudgery. It certainly was a work of love and is worthy of all commendation. The booklet is in very tastily stenciled together with a tuna bark covering. Bro. Bishop issues it in an edition of 300 copies. At the close of the lesson study the class sang a hymn of blessing for Bro. Bishop.

"Father of mercies condescend to hear our fervent prayer, while this our brother we commend to Thy paternal care." The Class voted Bro. Bishop an appropriation of $25.00 for his work in Bilwi.

In the evening in the Central Moravian Church a Farewell Service was held, at which the pastor, Bro. C. A. Meilicke, presided, and at which Bro. Bishop was the speaker. During the service the Junior Choir rendered two anthems and the regular church choir one. Bro. Bishop, starting with Acts 1.8 as a text, gave a very vivid description of what is involved in missionary work from Bilwi as a center.

Immediately after the service the Men's Missionary Society, of which Bro. Bishop was a member up to the time of his leaving for the Mission, and doubtless is considered an honorary or life member, tendered him a farewell reception in the Central Sunday School Building. Bro. Wm. M. Lynn, the President of the Society presided, opening the gathering with appropriate remarks, and then called upon Bro. Bishop, who

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DR. ALBERT G. RAU RESIGNS AS ORGANIST OF THE CENTRAL MORAVIAN CHURCH, BETHLEHEM, PA.

Dr. Albert G. Rau who has served as organist of the Central Moravian Church, Bethlehem, Pa., since 1906, has resigned from that position, effective January 1st, 1939.

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The congregation has been very fortunate in securing the services of Hor Jones, the newly elected Director of the famous Bethlehem Bach Choir. He will direct the Bach Festival for the first time on May 19th and 26th of this year. He received his musical education in the Royal Academy of Music in London, England. He has been professor of music, specializing in counterpoint, harmony and composition, at the Woman's College of the University of New Jersey in New Brunswick, N. J. He plans to assume his new position September 3 of this year.

It is worthy of note, that this is the first time in the 300 years of the history of the Bethlehem Moravian Church, that the organist has not been a member of the congregation, or at least of the Moravian Church, from birth. Mr. Jones will undoubtedly transfer his membership to the Moravian Church as soon as he resigns his present position as organist of the Presbyterian Church in Bound Brook, N. J. His wife and children have already been received into the fellowship of the Church.

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News From Congregations

CHARLOTTE.
The ministry of the Little Church on the Lane continues to grow with increasing opportunities. We had another great Easter. Lenten services climaxd in Palm Sunday with Lovefeast in the evening rich with traditional Moravian music, and the beginning of reading from the Passion Week Manual. The attendance was our largest for this service.

Reading services during the week were well supported, Maundy Thursday Holy Communion made a rich spiritual impression. During the service, Mrs. Janet Stimpson Jones was received into membership by the chairman of the church. We had in creating opportunities. We had on the Lane continues to grow with attendance, which has fering been very good. We are encouraged and not reported; Bethania, not reported; and Christ Church, $39.00.

It was in this home that the organization meeting was held in 1922. The first of the year the Pastor accepted the assignment to conduct the daily pulpit in the Charlotte News, which greatly increases the number of those reached by the Little Church on the Lane.

HERBERT SPAUGH.

MACEDONIA.
The month of April has been encouraging. The weather has been a big help in our attendance, which has been very good. We are encouraged about our roads. The men are back at work and we will be glad when this project is finished.

The Ladies' Auxiliary met on the first Thursday with Mrs. Frank Sheek. This organization of our church has been busy for the past few weeks quilting. A large group gathers each Thursday for this work. They are planning to beautify the church lawn as soon as the road men have finished.

The men have been busy also. We have changed the water pipe in the church graveyard and ploughed and sown grass. The grass is beginning to show green at this writing.

We are indebted to Mr. Miller Ray and his musicians from Christ Church for their splendid cooperation at Easter Sunday morning in our graveyard service. He and over twenty of their band came over and played for us. We want to take this opportunity to thank them again for their assistance.

G. E. BREWER.

GREENSBORO.
The importance of the season of Lent was stressed this year as never before by the Greensboro congregation, with special emphasis being placed upon loyalty to Christ and His Church and upon the spirit of self-sacrifice. As a result of this emphasis, our pre-Easter services were outstanding in every respect. A congregation of ninety-six were present on Palm Sunday morning when the following were received into the membership of the congregation: John Edwin, son of Bro. and Sister H. G. Wall, by infant baptism; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Williams, P. C. Leslie, Miss Ruby Deatherage, H. R. Rester, Elwood Glasswell, J. A. Apple, Jr., and Virgil Reich, by adult baptism; Mrs. Edythe Orrell Leslie, by letter of transfer; and Earl Hodges by confirmation.

The readings from the Passion Week Manual, which were concluded with a Lovefeast on Friday night, were well supported with an average attendance of forty-seven per service. Our choir rendered faithful assistance at all these services and in a large measure accounted for their success.

The quarterly joint meeting of the four circles of the woman's Auxiliary was held at the church on April 11 with Mrs. R. A. Oehman, presiding. The pastor was present and reviewed the book "Meet Nazareth," by Kenneth Hamilton.

Since the last report in these columns, the appeal for the Greensboro Building Fund has been made in five congregations. They were: King, offering $5.80; Rural Hall, $8.10; Friedland, not reported; Bethania, not reported; and Christ Church, $39.00. In the pastor's absence his pulpit was filled by Bishop Pföhl on March 30, Bro. Bostedt on April 16, Bro. Donald Conrad on April 23, and Bro. Vernon Graf on April 30. We wish to express to all of them our appreciation for their co-operation and assistance in this work.

Parents of the Scouts in Troop 27 participated in the Scout Appreciation Dinner on Saturday the 22nd, which honored along with other scouts, our dependable Scoutmasters, Julius Hayworth and Earl Armstrong.

Our church night programs came to a close with the meeting on Wednesday the 26th. Much interest was manifested at our last three round table discussions which follow the suppers when we discussed Pacific, Sunday Amusements, and Gambling.

GEO. H. HIGGINS.

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the month were gratifying. Good interest and a fine spirit kept our work moving along in an encouraging manner.

The Lovefeast service on Easter Sunday evening was well attended and a very fine message was brought by Bro. E. A. Holton, pastor of the Ardmore congregation.

The Sunday school continues to make progress and efforts are being made all along to get the work better and more properly organized.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. G. J. Jarvis on Friday night the 14th. Two of the members attended the Day of Prayer for Missions at Fairview church on Friday afternoon and evening of the 21st.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

FRIENDS.

Palm Sunday services were most inspiring and well attended. The Adult and Junior choir made excellent contributions to the beauty and worship of the morning services and were at their best in Gregoire's "Hosanna!" in the evening. Five members were received by confirmation, one by baptism, and six by letter of transfer.

The Passion Week services were not well attended but the power of the Spirit was in evidence, especially in the Good Friday Holy Communion.

The floral decorations on the grave-yard were especially beautiful and the service participated in by a large company of worshippers.

The supper served by the Ladies' Aid Society on Easter Monday left much to be desired in the way of patronage, but the beautiful out-of-doors proved to be more attractive than the food.

To the family and relatives of Sister Sarah Emily Snyder we would extend the Christian sympathy of the entire congregation.

The Ladies' Aid Society continues its constructive program in the interest of the whole congregation. Mandalene C. A. Myers and A. M. Folta entertained the April meeting at the home of the latter.

There are about eighty of our young people who are not co-operating in the Sunday evening meetings, but the small group now active is making progress. Dr. P. O. Schallert spoke to the group on Russia on the 23rd.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

HOME CHURCH.

Many letters and cards have been received from visitors and friends who attended the Passion Week and Easter services expressing appreciation for the spiritual experience of their visits. In addition, many of our non-resident members have written regarding the broadcast of the early morning service.

The combined young people's choir rendered a beautiful and worshipful program on the Sunday following Easter at the Vesper hour. On the fourth Sunday afternoon a service for the baptism of children was held and four babies were presented to the Lord.

On the last afternoon of the month the Choral Ensemble from the Salem College School of Music led the service, presenting anthems and hymns appropriate to the various seasons of the church year. The young people of the church entertained the Ensemble at a buffet supper following the service.

Much interest and enthusiasm has been manifested by members of the congregation over the little booklet "Meet Nicaragua." Copies have been placed in each home of the congregation, and without exception members have been high in their praise of this first in the series of Know Your Church booklets published by the Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education.

R. GORDON SPAUGH.

ENTERPRISE.

Attendances for the month of April have reached the high mark of the year so far, and in fact for the present pastorate.

We began our passion week services on Palm Sunday night. These were concluded on Wednesday night of the Passion Week.

The regular Easter graveyard service was held on Easter Sunday morning with a good many of our friends from other churches gathering with us in God's Acre, after which we assembled again in the church for the reading of the history of the resurrection of our Lord.

On Saturday evening of the 15th, the ladies of the church served a fellowship supper in the social room in the basement. These gatherings are looked forward to with much anticipation, not so much for the money that might be derived from them, but for the spirit of good fellowship which is always in evidence.

We observed our annual lovefeast on the third Sunday, at which time the pastor briefly reviewed the history of Enterprise church, spoke reverently of those valiant and faithful souls who have made it possible to have a place of worship at this hallowed spot. Some have passed on to their eternal reward, and blessed be their memory. And thanks be to God for those who are still carrying on now in their stead.

On the fourth Sunday the pastor presented the cause of the Boys' Dormitory in our mission field in Alaska. The envelopes were distributed, and returned with the offerings amounting to $23.00 for this worthy cause.

Dr. H. E. Rondthaler was with us on the fifth Sunday and administered the Holy Communion to 61 souls gathered about the Lord's table.

W. GLYLE DAVIS.

HOPE.

Good offerings marked the services of the Easter season. Holy Communion was administered to a large number of members and Christian friends on Palm Sunday. The Lovefeast which was held on Good Friday evening was also well attended. The New Philadelphia Church band furnished music for the graveyard service on Easter Sunday afternoon.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. A. E. Spaugh on Thursday the 13th, and final plans were made for the chicken pie supper which was given at the church on Saturday evening the 22nd. The proceeds went to the Sunday School Building Fund.

The Provincial Mission Rally was observed on the third Sunday and a special offering was received for the Boys' Dormitory at our Alaska Orphanage.

Several work day occasions were in order during the month for the purpose of getting out the remainder of the building materials, cutting fire wood for the church and clearing the church and church grounds. Thanks to all who helped in these activities.

The workers of church and Sunday school met for their fellowship supper at the church on Saturday evening of the 15th with the Intermediate boys' class as sponsors. Friday night the 28th, the Teachers and Officers met at the parsonage for their monthly business meeting. This phase of our work is most encouraging and a fine spirit of cooperation prevails.

Our people were happy to have Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Dubb, former leaders in our Sunday school but now at Galax, Va., pay a visit to and have a part in the Sunday school on the 4th Sunday. We appreciate their help and interest of the past and also their spirit of loyalty to the work, though they cannot be with us any longer in person.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

CHRIST CHURCH.

The interest in the Passion Week Services this year was much better than last year. The Maundy Thursday Holy Communion was administered to a large congregation which filled the church. Our speaker for the Good Friday Lovefeast was the
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pie working together. A number of brief talks were made, reviewing the work and its progress in many ways during the past ten years. At the close a beautiful plainly dinner was spread on two long tables in the basement of the church in honor of and as a surprise for the pastor and family. A large number of people from his three congregations, Hope, Bethesda and New Philadelphia, enjoyed the good meal together with him and family. A nice table and table lamp were presented to the family at this time as a gift from the New Philadelphia congregation.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

IMMANUEL.

Miss Edith Newsome, who was to unite with our church on Palm Sunday, but was prevented by illness, was received on the Sunday after Easter, through the sacrament of baptism.

Sunday school is the only service held in this church on Easter Day, and is usually poorly attended. This year was a happy exception, for though the majority of those who play in the band and serve as ushers do not attend, a sufficient number of the others came to make it possible to have an encouraging session of the school.

Our Missionary Committee met to make its annual appropriation of the funds collected for missions during the year. We were glad to pay our pledge to Dr. Thaler’s salary, our quota for the Retired Missionaries, the bill for some forty copies of ‘‘Most Nearer,’’ and then make a contribution of $35.00 to the Boys’ Dormitory for our Alaskan Orphanage.

We have been making a contribution to this cause for the past two years, but less in amount than we were able to give this year.

The Rev. P. Walter Grabs of our Bethania congregation held the service on April 30, while the pastor accepted an invitation to preach the sermon at a union service in our Mayodan church.

WALTER H. ALLEN.

TRINITY.

It is pleasing to report that Passion Week reading services were better attended this year than in any preceding year. The Maundy Thursday communion is not yet so large as it should be.

A reception was held for our new church members on Wednesday evening, April 26.

While the pastor was away visiting relatives in Florida and touring for a few days in New Orleans, the church was well looked after by the officials. Visiting ministers who gave Sunday service were Dr. F. C. Anscomb and Bro. Ralph Bennett.

Junior Bible Group and Junior Choir now occupy a conspicuous place on our Wednesday afternoon schedule. Miss Doris Highsmith assists in choir leadership.

When this is read, Gospel meetings will be in progress. Our visiting minister is the Rev. Albert Peterson, formerly assistant of Billy Sunday, who is well remembered here. Services will continue until May 28.

Married this month: Miss Edna Crowder to Wilson Edwards.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

WACHOVIA ARBOR.

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much credit for this being due Graveyard and Grounds Committee, which consists of Charlie James Ragland, chairman, Mrs. Robert D. Shore, Fred F. Vance, and Rebah Kerner. Other visitors, in addition to those from the Moravian congregations mentioned above, were with us for the early service, and all that afternoon there was a constant stream of people going to and from our graveyard.

The service which would come at 11 o'clock on Easter Sunday if we had one then, was held the following Sunday, with the one of the Easter And delivery of a sermon on "The Life Everlasting."

On April 23 the seventeenth and last of a series of discourses on "The Life and Times of Abraham Friend of God," was delivered. The sudden illness of the Methodist minister, from which he has happily recovered, resulted in the presence of a number of visitors on this day.

Twenty-five copies of "Meet Nicaragua" have been distributed in this congregation, and are being read with keen interest. The Primary Department of the Sunday school, directed by Mrs. Virginia Stafford, presented an interesting program on the subject of this same mission field in the opening of Sunday school on the 22d.

WALTER H. ALLEN.

CLEMONS.

On Easter Sunday the Band under the direction of O. W. Butner announced the resurrection from two to four a.m. They also led in the Easter morning service which began at 11 a.m. The first part of the service was held in front of the church. The second part on the graveyard. The service closed with a brief reading service in the church. The Rev. Mr. Lewis took part in the service. The members of his church, the Clemmons Baptist Church, joined with him in the service, which made it one of the largest Easter morning services we ever held.

This service closed the pastorate of the Rev. Leon G. Lecknaben, which covered a period of eleven years and nearly four months. On the 12th of the Rev. and Mrs. Lecknaben moved to 735 Walnut Street, Winston-Salem, N. C.

LEON G. LEEKNABEN.

MOUNT AIRY.

The Easter season has been a blessed one for Grace Church. Though the chill weather somewhat cut down attendance upon our Resurrection Service, we still feel that we have had the best Easter season we have experienced in the last six years.

Thirteen new members were received into the church on Palm Sunday, 12 of them by profession of faith, and one by transfer.

Our Maundy Thursday Communion service was well attended, and brought deep spiritual experience. Through the kindness of a friend our Band boys were able to make the early Easter round in the city transportation bus. Had it not been for this, our group could not have gone through the strenuous day. After having completed our own services, we went to Mount Bethel, helped with the service there, and then in the afternoon journeyed to Willow Hill to help with the services there also.

Through the kindness of friends a piano has been given to the church and now our Junior group will be able to hold its own departmental worship.

Nine of our teachers attended the training course for teachers taught by Dr. Roadbedler.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

FRIENDS MEMORIAL.

Our Maundy Thursday observance of the Holy Communion witnessed the reception of Harold Plaster into the membership of the church by adult baptism. Our guest speaker at Friday lovefeast was the Rev. J. F. Carter, pastor of Waughtown Baptist Church. He brought us a strong message on Glorifying in the Cross of Christ. A vesper cantata, "From Death to Life," by Bartlett, was rendered by the choir on Easter Sunday. This cantata was repeated in the evening of the following Sunday. Soloists were Mrs. C. G. Crim, Mrs. C. Vestal Whit, James C. Puryear, and V. A. Thrift.

The girls at Vacation Bible School last summer sewed a cover for a quilt which was later quilted by the Ladies' Bible Class. This quilt was recently mailed to the Alaska Orphanage.

Brother R. C. Bassett was a recent Sunday visitor to our young people's department. He taught a class of boys, and also participated in the morning church service. Brother Bassett is always a welcome visitor here.

The social room has been equipped with a nice library table, a gift of Mrs. J. R. Vernon. The table was given a coat of varnish at the hands of R. W. Thorpe, Jr. Richard Pleasants and Howard Farrington did a good job of it when they waxed the floor of the church auditorium. To all who helped in making our God's house beautiful we bespeak the congregation's gratitude. The backyard gate likewise calls for thanks to brother H. L. Covington.

H. B. JOHNSON.

BETHANIA.

On Palm Sunday we received one member by confirmation and two by letter. People from a large section of the country attended the early Easter morning services, and interest in Easter day church service was unusual. On the Sunday following Easter the pastor presented the cause of the Provincial Foreign Missionary Society. Bro. George G. Higgins gave an account of the Greensboro work in

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a sermon of deep interest on Sunday, April 23. On two Sundays—April 9 and 30—services were held in the chapel while repairs on the balcony and renovation of the interior walls were in process.

F. W. GRABS.

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The annual lovefeast and installation service of the Baraca-Philathelers Class was attended by a large congregation on the night of Sunday, March 26. Mrs. E. K. Fussell brought a true message, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Jensen rendered two selections in the sweet service of song. The opening and closing Passion Week reading services were held on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday in the time of church service. Rev. H. A. Pohl gave us a clear and helpful message on Moravian College and Theological Seminary on Sunday, April 23. We are thankful for the recovery of Julius Aliprando, our church care-taker, who underwent a successful operation in the hospital.

F. W. GRABS.

MAYODAN.

Palm Sunday brought to a close our week's revival. The Rev. Edward Hal­ mich of King; conducted these services. We trust these meetings will bear much fruit.

At the 11 o'clock hour on Palm Sun­ day Pauline Fawcett, adopted daugh­ ter of Mrs. W. N. Poole, was baptiz­ ed.

The Passion Week services were conducted by members of the Young People's Society. The attendance at all of them was good.

On Monday Thursday evening the Rev. Harvey Cox of the local Epis­ copal Church officiated at the Holy Communion. About seventy parishioners attended. Ellis Bullins conducted the Easter sunrise service and also preached at the 11 o'clock hour. The sunrise service was largely attended; a good number of strangers were welcomed.

The Reverend J. K. McConnell of Leesville was with us again on the fifth Sunday. He brought us a good message on "Maintaining the Spir­ itual Glow." On the fifth Sunday evening the Men's Evangelistic Club held its regular service in our church. The Rev. Walter H. Allen of Ker­ nersville was the speaker. We were glad to have Mr. Allen visit us again.

Final payment on the church debt was made during the month. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow!"

MRS. A. G. FARRIS.

WILL OUR CULTURE SURVIVE?

Government is an experiment. It is an experiment based upon the ne­ cessity of regulating groups of men organized as tribes or nations. Regu­ lation is necessary because the desires and reactions of men, one toward the other, make for the safety or the de­ struction of the group.

And... many groups have perished because the regulations of the ruler or the body of laws, or custom, were not conducive to survival.

Nearly all the plans for organizing and governing national groups have been known and discussed since the times of Plato and Aristotle. To read the comments of these men, dating from 500 B. C. or thereabouts, is to read current discussion. Tyranny, monarchy, oligarchy, autocracy, de­ mocracy and communism are not new ideas, but very old experiments. Beware of the weakness of human­ ity or of unwise leaders, each type of government has fallen. The fall has more often occurred from internal decay than from outside pressure. But decay of ideals has always brought outside pressure. It is inevitable! Government lasts only as long as attention to the sustaining ideal is vi­ tal in the minds of citizens or subjects. When life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness become matters taken for granted... the group begins to de­ cay. When citizens say, "Oh, well, why discuss these old principles... which, after all, may be wrong?" we find a decadent society.

When such a state of affairs clouds down upon over-ripe groups, what do we find? Look about you. Thou­ sands of petty clubs seeking amuse­ ment... thousands of well-fed "no­ bles," as is old Athens or in Nineveh, luxuriating... working men and women seeking ease from troubled thought. Thousands asking that oth­ ers think for them and give them stimulating pleasures... And the few thinking groups that know the symp­ toms and cry out in alarm are drowned with the mirth of night clubs... the roar of a traffic that comes and goes, God knows where. If, perchance, a flushed ear listens, the alarm is taken as another joke... the radio is more eloquent... and then there are the colored comics! Children are brought up on such things. Blood-curdling radio serials are fed to the movies with their sleep-producæng night drink... Anything but the pain of deep and analytic thinking.

And thus good men and true, per­ fectly groomed and complacent gen­ tlemen, normal citizens (who scream and run for cover when the radio blares that the Martians are here), breathe the perfume-laden anæsthesia of indifference and go to the movies to witness the antics of puppets paid more to amuse than legislators are to govern.

If you are interested, watch what is happening. Note whether or not Homo sapiens is yet capable of meeting new situations and is mentally able to do creative thinking above and beyond the deep-trodden groove of habit and tradition. Note, too, whether or not we of today seem to have moral "blind spots" and tend to ignore warnings of impending disaster by hopefully murmuring "It can't hap­ pen here." Or, can it?

DR. A. C. PARKER, Director Ro­ Chester (N. Y.) Museum of Arts and Sciences—In The "Museum Service" Bulletin.

A MEDITATION

By ROBERT A. JOBST,
Moravian Theological Seminary

Day and night I wander widely through the wilderness of thought. Catching dainty things of fancy most reluctant to be caught.

... But my one unchanged obsession, whereas'er, my feet have trod, is a keen, enormous, haunting, never­ sated thirst for God.

—Gianamel Bradford.

It is this unsatisfied hunger that salvages a man's soul. To hunger for earthly things dries up the soul of man. To put all one's efforts, even to blinding up men's wounds and giving people social security—chim, too, when our energy is spent, leaves still a haunting, unsatisfied thirst in the heart.

And so we have looked for solace into the eyes of little children. Wisely we have turned next to Nature for caresses. Then wisely we have searched blank Future for fruit.—Sorrowfully do we come to know there is no absolute, unshakable thing on earth wherein we can put our trust, our all.

From low things to high things we have gone. What heights of love for a while had Lohengrin and Elsa! But why did it have to break? Can earth hold nothing great, deep, intense, good, permanent? Where is our hope, our trust?

I have ridden the wind, I have ridden the stars, I have ridden the force that flies

With far intent through the firm­ ment

And each to each allies.

And everywhere

That a thought may dare

To gallop, mine has trod—

Only to stand at last on the strand

Where just beyond lies God.

—Cal Rice.

My help is not on this earth, nor yet within me. My hope is in the transcendent God, Omnimonent always, every moment Sovereign of His whole creation. Who has approached man through Jesus Christ. Here must I face God, my Terror and my Hope.

In this crisis shall be manifested what God has predestined. No greater satisfaction have I than to wait upon Him. God, grant me the power to say

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INFANT BAPTISMS.

McLeod.—Ingram Blair, Jr., son of I. Blair and Hazel McLeod, m. n. Conrad, born December 28, 1937, at Winston-Salem, N. C., was baptized April 9, 1939, at Calvary Church, by Dr. Edmund Schwarme.

McLeod.—Leo Conrad, son of I. Blair and Hazel McLeod, m. n. Conrad, born January 2, 1939, at Winston-Salem, N. C., was baptized April 9, 1939, at Calvary Church, by Dr. Edmund Schwarme.


Hargis—Harry Hancock, Jr., son of Harry H. and Frances m. n. Preston Hensel, born in Winston-Salem, October 25, 1938, Baptized April 23, 1939, by the Rev. Gordon Spaugh.

Huff—Caroline Caroline, daughter of Herbert H. and Margaret Eleanor m. n. Smith Curtis, born in Winston-Salem, September 30, 1939, Baptized April 8, 1939, by Rev. Gordon Spaugh.


Crist—Caroline Marie, daughter of Herbert H. and Margaret Eleanor m. n. Smith Curtis, born in Winston-Salem, September 30, 1939, Baptized April 8, 1939, by Rev. Gordon Spaugh.

DEATHS.

Backman.—Paul F., died April 7, 1939. Buried April 9, 1939, by Rev. Gordon Spaugh, assisted by Dr. H. E. Bondshuler and Rev. Vernon I. Graf.

Barr.—Mrs. Christy, died April 5, 1939. Funeral conducted in the home and from United Church by Dr. Harry Spaugh, assisted by Dr. H. E. Bondshuler, Rev. J. W. Endicott and Rev. Vernon I. Graf.


Johnson.—Ray Burke, Jr., son of Ray Burke and Frances Lee Johnson m. n. Luther; born October 26, 1938, at Winston-Salem; baptized at Trinity on April 2, 1939, by the Rev. Douglas L. Rights.

Petree.—Patricia Ann, daughter of Elbert H., Jr., and Mozelle Petree m. n. Spanier; born May 24, 1932, at Winston-Salem; baptized at Trinity on April 2, 1939, by the Rev. Douglas L. Rights.

Petree.—Martha Ellen, daughter of Elbert H., Jr., and Mozelle Petree m. n. Spanier; born February 13, 1938, at Winston-Salem; baptized at Trinity on April 2, 1939, by the Rev. Douglas L. Rights.
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AT THE ROAD'S ENDING.

The narrow, dirty, streets of New York City which end in the East River, or bury themselves in its toiled commenat section, have come to symbolize for us the end of hope and opportunity. At the end of these thoroughfares is to be found only misery, filth, poverty, and crime. "Dead-end streets" never lead to God's out-of-doors or into a beautiful garden or parkway. If one should follow such a street to its ending, he would come to a "jumping-off place" at the river's edge, or run into a blank wall.

But not all of us believe that "dead-end streets" must end in a wall or bury themselves in filth and misery and poverty. There are those that end differently. In a certain city there stands at the end of one of its "dead-end streets" a small church nestling in a grove of evergreens. This street at whose ending is the open door of a church is called not a street but a road. The motto of this church which appears from time to time on its bulletin board is as follows: "This is the church at the end of the road. It offers you Christ Who stands at the end of every road. When you are at the end of your road, 'Go to church.'"

This little church which stands at the road's ending is a far better symbol for our times. All roads of life need not lead to hope of abandonment and overflow, or bury themselves in misery and poverty and filth and crime and suffering and sorrow. All roads rather may lead to the open door of God's House and into the arms of the beckoning Saviour.

Today our world finds itself at the end of its road. Is the road that is it traveling a "dead-end street?" Does it end in the blank wall of still more suffering and sorrow and poverty and crime? Will it lead us to the "jumping-off place" of war and bloodshed and of the mass slaughter of innocents? It need not. It will not if Christ stands at the end of that road. Gone would be poverty and crime; no more upon the earth would be heard the voice of lamentation and weeping of Rachels weeping, unconsolated, for their children if at the end of this road there stood the Christ Who said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will you rest."

-G. G. H.

OUR NEW MINISTERS.

Soon our Province will welcome recent graduates of the Theological Seminary who come to begin their pastoral duties.

They do not come as strangers. Well known in their respective communities and known generally to all of our people who have followed the affairs of the seminary, they are coming back home.

We congratulate them for the achievements of school years; not empty honors by any means are theirs. Try a theological course if you don't believe it.

It was them well, too, in the immediate prospects of the ministry. The first few years will be well remembered, but in fact some later years, and we hope for them a good start that will lead to a long course of useful service to others and of beneficial development to themselves.

Of teaching they have had enough for awhile, and no further advice is needed for awhile, and no further advice is needed for the future, except encouragement and interest of our members, who should expect neither too little nor too much, but who can be friend them and support them in their high calling.

-D. L. R.

Dimes and Dollars.

Practically all of the churches in our Southern Province have now adopted the same fiscal year, namely, July 1 to June 30, which makes for a desirable degree of uniformity in the conduct of the affairs of the Province. This system, begun in the churches of the Salem Congregation, has now spread throughout the rest of the Province, and is working well.

But any system must be worked. It will not work itself. And sited down to the bottom, everything depends upon the individual member. He is the key to the situation in every congregation. Too often we hear of congregations in which there are long or shorter lists of members who contribute nothing, or fall far short of what they could and should do.

Before the end of this month all our churches will have held their annual observance of "Loyalty Day," when pledges for the new fiscal year are taken, new offering envelopes distributed. General instructions must get all members to pay up pledges in full so the church can meet all its obligations. It is always an anxious time for the Board of Trustees, and for the pastor. It should be akin to a renewal, but is often, or is it ever that? By the time these words appear in print, it will be almost too late to do very much about this present fiscal year, but it will certainly not be too early to begin thinking about the new one. If you have fallen short this year, try to be more regular and systematic in the next.

It is the opinion of a layman who has had long experience on official boards that only about ten percent of those who do not contribute to the support of the church deserve to be excused. For the other ninety percent he has little sympathy, because they could do better if they would. They spent more on luxuries than would be considered a liberal contribution to the Lord's work.

The question to ask ourselves in connection with our contributions to the Church is not: "How much shall I give?" but "How much will I have left over after I have given?" Which reminds us of a story which appeared many years ago in a New York newspaper, given to the press by a deeply humbled minister. This minister was called to the bedside of a wealthy member who was dying. The man was in great distress because of his manner of life. The minister tried to comfort him, telling him that he had lived uprightly, and had contributed liberally to the Lord's work. But the sick man replied: "Brother Blank, I am going to the Judge of all the earth unprepared to meet Him, because you have been unfaithful to me. For years I have lived, and taught my family to live largely for this world. We have denied ourselves nothing, but spent thousands on personal comforts, and pleasures. My energies, my time, and my money have been mostly devoted to self-pleasing and
gratification. While I gave hundreds to Christ and His Church it should have been thousands. And now how can I meet my Judge and give an account of my stewardship?"2

Are there in our churches grown people who should be giving dollars instead of dimes?

BISHOP PFOHL IS ON THE ROAD BACK TO HEALTH.

The Wachovia Moravian gratefully reports that Bishop Pfohl is now definitely on the road back toward complete recovery from his illness. His condition for a time was probably more critical than was generally realized outside of the immediate family circle, but now we may say that all is well. With the opening of summer, however, our Bishop is making satisfactory recovery. At this writing he is still in the hospital, and it can well be he will have to stay there for some longer period, but his doctors have assured him that he may anticipate no ill effects from what he has undergone. Just when he will be able to resume his duties it is too early to predict, but certainly not under two or three months. A long rest will be in order, but then, unless all signs fail, he will be in better condition than ever to take up the heavy responsibilities of his office.

STABILITY AND FLEXIBILITY.

When one stands on an icy pavement (cooling summer meditation), he is fortunate if he maintains stability, but if his feet slip and he makes a rapid descent to earth, he is fortunate also if he commands sufficient flexibility to land gracefully, or, more accurately, to control his descent without injury. The church is still with us, like a building with sufficient breadth of underpinning to land gracefully, or, more accurately, to avoid the possibility of falling.

The church owes much to members with sufficient breadth of understanding to see the good in both without running to extremes in either direction, to hold to stability without getting frozen and to yield to flexibility without getting scorched.

—D. L. R.

SUMMER CHURCH SERVICES.

Several times we have seen in print, and heard at one place or another, the story of the little boy who when about to leave with his parents on a trip at the beginning of the summer, looked up and said: "Good-by, God, we are going on a vacation."

Some churches close up entirely in the summer. Some sharply curtail their programs. Some are more active than winter. But this last class is becoming rare.

There is no point in ignoring the problem of the church in summer. People are traveling more and more, and the distressing thing is that so many think nothing of using every week-end for pleasure jaunts. They wouldn't think of taking a day off from work to go on trip, but they do not hesitate to use the Lord's Day for this purpose.

We do no tmean to say that it is wrong to go away on a vacation. Indeed, vacations are a necessity. Sensible business firms have come to realize that. They know that their workers do better after two weeks or a month in which to freshen up. No, we are not opposed to vacations; that is not the problem we meet. Rather, it is this growing habit of going off somewhere on Sunday, leaving the church behind, and, it is feared, too often leaving God behind. It is of course desirable to be able; to go back and be on hand to teach your Sunday school class, sing in the church choir in young people's meetings, or just to fill your place in the House of God.

Again we do not wish to be too severe. There are people who cannot afford to take a regular vacation, who dare not be out of work any more than is absolutely necessary, and whose opportunity for a visit to relatives living at a distance is limited to Sunday. We do not condemn an occasional Sunday spent in this manner, but every effort should be made to worship in some church, in your own, before you leave, along the way, or at your destination.

What we are inclined to forget in the summer is that the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ is by far the most important institution in any community, and should never be neglected, summer or winter.

We are quite agreed that in many instances a curtailed program during a part of the summer at least, is a good thing. Church services can be shorter. All the organizations of a congregation need not meet in every summer month if the members are agreed, and various changes can be made to accommodate both the members and the minister as occasion may arise. But we still need spiritual food in summer as well as in winter, and if anything, it is more important that every member tries to be regular in church in the summer, to make up for those away on vacations, or absent for other good reasons.

One does not wish to be too severe in this or in anything else, but a word of warning is not out of place. If we adopt Europe's practices, where Sunday is widely used as a day of sports, and the holding of such events as national elections, then we need not be alarmed if we find ourselves facing Europe's troubles. "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy."

SEE THAT YOUR MINISTER GETS A VACATION.

We haven't his permission to print the following, but we are sure Bishop Pfohl won't mind being quoted as saying from his hospital bed: "If I had stepped to take a rest, I wouldn't be here today."

A minister is on duty seven days a week. He is constantly giving out.

One moment he is standing beside a hospital bed, trying to give comfort and cheer to the sick, the dying, the anxious. The next he may be doing one of a hundred other things. On Sunday he must stand up and preach. That does not last so long, but no one but another minister can know what a good sermon costs, first in the preparation of study, next in the preparation of prayer, and lastly in the actual delivery, into which must go brain, heart, soul and emotions. Scientifically, it has been proved that a public speaker uses up more vital energy in thirty minutes before an audience, than a laborer in eight hours of digging ditches.

Everybody needs a change, a rest, a vacation. And now for once it is a genuine necessity. Moreover, it should also now and then provide him with an opportunity to "take

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in.” He is constantly giving out, and if he does not stop to fill up, he will run dry eventually.

One of the best investments a congregation could make would be to have in its budget a sum adequate to send the minister to one of the great Bible Conferences held every summer in various parts of the country. It would be money exceedingly well spent, and bring back abundant returns.

But at all events, our congregations should take an interest in seeing that their ministers have a vacation. And it should be a real vacation. To go off to lecture and speak and preach is all well and good, but that while a delightful change and a rewarding experience, is not a real rest. Our crowded lives demand more and more that we stop and rest awhile.

We had a missionary in our Moravian Church who in thirty years had had only two furloughs. He was getting ready for the third, when he died. He should be living today, and working where he was so sorely needed.

 Ministers and churchces! do something about this!

**HERE and THERE and THIS and THAT**

“The Sign Post” is the name of an attractive and very entertaining mimeographed magazine published by the Young People’s Conference of the Western District of our Northern Province. The editor is Miss Dorothy W. Pfohl, sister of Mrs. David Thaeler. We recently learned of Mrs. David Thaeler’s passing away.

In a recent issue of the magazine, the editor reported a recent visit to the wonderful city of Kingston, Jamaica.

As mentioned elsewhere, Bishop Pfohl is now making excellent progress toward a complete recovery from what has been a long-drawn-out illness. A look at the official announcements in this issue will make him wonder if he will recognize the Province when he finally gets back into harness. And from what we can gather, the end is not yet. However, let it be said that the Bishop planned all these things before he became ill, and when this happened the other members of the Provincial Elders’ Conference simply went forward with the plans. It has not been a simple matter. Dr. Howard E. Redthaler, who is vice president of the P. E. C., announced at the June Ministers’ Conference that the Provincial Board had had eighteen meetings in May. When one thinks that all this came during the busy closing day of Salem College, he can partly realize what a busy time it must have been for the President of the Provincial Board.

Before this issue of our paper comes off the press, Miss Helen Dichtl will have become the bride of J. Calvin Barnes, recent graduate of our Theological Seminary who enters the ministry in our Province within a few weeks, or as soon as further shifts and arrangements can be made. The wedding is to be at noon, June 14, in the Home Church, of which the bride is a member. Bro. Barnes comes from our Fairview congregation. The Wachovia Moravians extend hearty congratulations.

**OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PROVINCIAL ELDERS’ CONFERENCE**

Brother Ralph C. Bassett has been released from the Friedland and Providence pastorates and called to the pastorates of Clemmons and Kernersville. He was installed in this charge on Sunday, June 11. He continues his service as Secretary of the Christian Education Board.

Brother Walter H. Allen has been released from the Immanuel pastorate to serve Kernersville and Moravia congregations. This change to take place August 1. He continues as managing editor of *The Wachovia Moravian*.

Brother George G. Higgins has been released from the Moravia pastorat in order to give full time service to the Greenboro Congregation. This goes into effect August 1.

Brother Samuel J. Tesch has been released from the Friedberg pastorat and called to the pastorates of Friedland and Immanuel Congregations. He is to be installed on the first Sunday of August.

Brother Oswald E. Stimpson has been called to the pastorates of Mayodan and Leakesville Congregations. He was installed on Sunday, June 11.

Brother Edward C. Helmich has been released from the Rural Hall pastorat to continue his pastorate of the King and Mirzap Congregations.

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News From Congregations

BETHABARA.
A very successful tea and public exhibition of the new parsonage was sponsored by Circle No. 1 of the Woman's Auxiliary on Thursday, May 11. Almost 200 people inspected the 160-year-old "new" parsonage during the afternoon and evening, going to the social rooms of the church for refreshments. We take this opportunity to thanking the ladies of the church and also their guest hostesses, Mrs. J. K. Pfohl, Mrs. H. A. Pfohl, and Mrs. H. L. Trotter, for this very well planned occasion.

Bethabara has been growing during these recent months. On February 26, Mrs. Herbert A. Hodgins transferred her membership from her former home in Georgia. On Palm Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Fansler came to us from Wachovia Arbor. At the Whit-Sunday Holy Communion we received Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cass from New Philadelphia, and J. W. Smothers and his daughter, Doreetha, from the Home Church. We pray that both new and old members may profit from these accessions.

Bethabara was represented in the graduating class of Old Town High School by Gay Nell Roberts. Congratulations, Gay Nell, on reaching this new milestone in your progress.

At the special Mothers' Day service on the 14th, all of the mothers wore little bouquets of fragrant pinks, the gift of Bro. and Sr. J. F. Saunders.

The pastor held his quarterly service at the Forsyth County Prison Camp on the third Sunday afternoon of the month. Bethabara's only night lovefeast is the Young People's May Feast on the third Sunday in May. This year's service was well prepared but the attendance was not as high as it should have been.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

FRIEDBERG.
The May Feast of 1939 was particularly enjoyable and inspiring. Many former members and friends were present and the announcement message brought by Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler was most fitting and yet unusual in character. Helpful greetings were brought by the visiting ministers present. The hour of fellowship in the social room, after the services were concluded, was delightful. Ministers present were Dr. Rondthaler, Dr. Truesdale of the Methodist Church, Holton, Rights, Luckenbach and J. P. Crouch.

Other occasions of inspiration were the festival for the unmarried members of the congregation observed on the first Sunday; the observance of Mothers' Day with an appropriate but simple program; the impressive service of Holy Communion on Whit-Sunday with a large company gathered about the Lord's Table; and the message brought by Bro. Hard Reid in the service of the fourth Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid Society met with Mses James G. B. and C. M. Zimmerman at the home of the former. Plans were made for the serving of a supper to the employees of the Zinzendorf Laundry in which about forty members of the firm participated.

In the midst of the joys of the month sorrow repeatedly appeared in the home-going of three members of the congregation. To family and friends we would extend our Christian sympathy.

It was my privilege to confirm Jennie L. Swaim during the month. She is blind, and of her own accord translated the questions for candidates for confirmation into Braille and committed the whole to memory. This is the first recorded instance of this kind in the history of the congregation and perhaps of the Province.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

KERNERSVILLE.
The senior class of the Kernersville High School attended our service in a body on May 7, some forty strong. Officially it was not a baccalaureate service, but actually that is what it amounted to. On the following Wednesday the Moravian minister in Kernersville made the commencement address at the exercises in the High School auditorium. Two of our members were in the graduating class, namely, Lena Rivers Shields and Smith Ward. Two other members, Julia Smith and Annie Lee Maston, graduated the same night from the Sedge Garden School.

Our Mothers' Day service was sponsored by Circle No. 2 of the Auxiliary, as has been the custom of this group for the past several years. Special cards of invitation were mailed to all mothers of the church and Sunday school, and the Circle arranged for decorations and the special music, which this year was a solo by Betty Frances Linkins of Oak Ridge, winner of a number of prizes in recent statewide music contests.

We celebrated the Ascension of our Lord on May 21, and on Whit-Sunday the customary administration of the Holy Communion took place. All of these services during the month were well attended.

On the 23rd Bro. J. George Bruner, accompanied by Bro. Roy Snyder, showed moving pictures of their recent visit to Jamaica to a group of young people and children, together with several adults, who gathered in our church. It proved to be a pleasant and profitable evening, with a silver offering which helped to swell our young people's Camp Hanes fund.

A real tragedy came to our congregation when Mrs. Annie Lee Stafford Greenfield, wife of Bro. Kenneth L. Greenfield, was struck by an automobile as she alighted from a bus in front of her home. A compound fracture of the right leg just above the ankle, front teeth knocked out, cuts and bruises, will probably confine her to a hospital bed for months. She was one of our key members, being superintendent of the Junior Department in Sunday school, counsellor for the Intermediate Young People in their Sunday night meetings, a member of the Young People's Committee, a worker in the Woman's Auxiliary, and a loyal supporter of all the church's activities. Her place will be hard to fill. The whole congregation joins in deepest sympathy and prayers for her recovery.

WALSER H. ALLEN.
HOPE.
The monthly business meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. B. L. Johnson on Thursday the 11th. Plans were made for the quarterly mission service for the 44th Sunday evening in June, at which time Bro. G. E. Brewer will give his illustrated lecture on his trip to Jamaica.
A prepared Mothers' Day program was rendered by members of the Sunday school at the close of the session on the 2nd Sunday.
Bro. S. J. Tesch conducted the evening service and preached the sermon on the 3rd Sunday, the pastor being in the opening service of the revival meeting at New Philadelphia. Bro. Tesch's visit and message were greatly appreciated by the congregation.
HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

BETHESDA.
Some very fine attendance records were made during the month in the Sunday school. The attendances at the regular church services were likewise gratifying.
The Ladies' Auxiliary met with Mrs. W. A. Jarvis on Friday evening the 12th. The interest and spirit of this organization is very fine and the work most helpful in the general program of the church.
HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.
During the month under review two improvements were made on the main church building. The first was new lighting fixtures in the auditorium, purchased and installed by two of the Trustees, and the second improvement was the re-roofing of the church, making it conform to the Sunday school addition.
Our immediate community was greatly shocked at the sudden death of Sidney R. Lowder on Friday evening of the 12th. Some five years ago he had retired as a rural mail carrier and had been living in the old parsonage. During these past years he had been employed as caretaker of the church grounds and graveyard and doing other work around the church. The largest congregation ever to assemble in the New Philadelphia church gathered for the funeral service, on Sunday afternoon of the 14th, which was conducted by the Brn. Schwarze, Tesch and the pastor.
Mothers' Day was observed on the 14th in both the Sunday school and the evening church service. The evening service was sponsored by the Faithful Workers Class of the Sunday school and the pastor preached the sermon.
Circle No. 1 of the Woman's Auxiliary served a supper in the basement of the church to about 60 of the mothers and daughters of the Ardmore congregation on Monday evening the 15th. On Tuesday the 16th the Young Girls' Circle held a banquet for their mothers with about 25 attending.
An evening of prayer with four half-hour periods was sponsored by the Auxiliary on Thursday the 18th. Speakers for the four sessions were the Rev. C. W. Kirby, Methodist, the Rev. S. H. Hahn, Lutheran, and the Brn. Holton and Weber. These services were in preparation for the two weeks of revival services which began on Sunday the 21st, with W. G. Salley as music director and Bro. G. E. Brewer as the Evangelist.
HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

FAIRVIEW.
The activities of Fairview Congregation for the past two months are included in the following report. On Palm Sunday twenty-seven new members were received, fourteen by letter, eight by adult baptism, five by confirmation, and six infants were baptized. Our choir rendered Stainer's Passion-Cantata — "The Crucifixion" on Palm Sunday night.
The Provincial "Prayer-day for Missions" was held at Fairview or April 21. Sessions began at 3 o'clock and continued until 8:30 at night, nine sessions in all, dealing with our worldwide Moravian missions.
During May the following social events were held: On May 5 the young people of the church enjoyed a "wei­ ner-roast" at the home of Miss Jane Bennett. On May 9 the Board of Elders entertained at a birthday dinner in honor of Mr. Roland Bennett. On May 16 the Men's Class enjoyed a "Fellowship-supper" at the church.
In connection with the mid-week service held on May 18, the Rev. J. G. Bruner showed pictures of his recent trip to the West Indies. This service was sponsored by the Missionary Society. The Whit-Sunday Communion service was held on the 28th with 278 in attendance.
CHRISTIAN O. WEBER.

CALVARY.
Evangelistic meetings, conducted by Albert Peterson, of Chilocco, Iowa, were held May 2-14 in the church. Brother Peterson was associated with the late Rev. "Billy" Sunday for 16 years and served on his staff during the city-wide evangelistic campaign in Winston-Salem in 1925. Many people in the community remembered him and visited the church during these meetings. The earnest Gospel messages in sermon and song reached the hearts of our people and we feel that much good was accomplished. From beginning to end, Christ was consistently set forth

and exalted. The eternal truths of salvation and Christian living stood out in new clarity and gripping power, presented out of the treasure of the evangelist's rich experience.
Not many unsaved persons attended. Our own congregation was well represented and the interest was sustained over the entire period. Hearts were warmed and vows were renewed. Our Board of Elders were gratified over the results and felt the effort was much worth the while. There was perfect cooperation on the part of those who played for the meeting, the volunteer chorus, the prayer group before each service and the usherers.
The fine spirit of the special meetings was reflected in the Holy Communion of Whit-Sunday—one of the largest. "Loyalty Day" was combined with this service and a fine beginning was made toward setting our congregational house in order for the coming fiscal year.
A promising Workers' Conference of the church school was built about a "Parent-Teacher" plan. Helpful addresses by some of the parents and teachers of Junior and Intermediate Departments pointed the way to closer and more intelligent cooperation in the future.
EDMUND SCHWARZE.

OAK GROVE.
Oak Grove has recently grown in two ways: First, Bro. Thomas Joyner transferred his membership from Stony Knoll Methodist Church, Yadkin county, and Bro. Raymond Pegram came to us from Morris Chapel Methodist Church; Second, join with Bro. and Mrs. Pegram in welcoming little eight-pound Linda Gail Pegram into our Cradle Roll. Oak Grove offers its assistance to Raymond and Dorothy in rearing their sweet little baby to be a fine Christian womanhood.
Professor Hugh White had to give up teaching the Men's Bible Class last month, so we welcome back an old friend in the person of Bro. Burns Elkin. He will alternate with the pastor in teaching the class.
Oak Grove was represented in the graduating class of Walkertown High School by Avahlee Sell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sell. Congratulations, Avahlee, on this new milestone in your progress.

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The Ascension-Whitmanite Holy Communion was administered to a large congregation on the third Sunday. There was wide comment on the fact that it was the most effective communion service that we have ever had.

On Monday, May 29, Oak Grove's oldest member, Mrs. Nancy Jane Hampton, went to be with her Saviour. She quietly slipped away after a busy life of 82 years. The pastor was assisted at the funeral by a former pastor, Bro. William E. Spaugh.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

TRINITY.

Sunday school has averaged 431-1-4 for the month.

By a sort of Minnesota shift, Bro. Ed Brewer came to us with his travel pictures on the 21st, Bro. Bruner went over to Macedonia and helped them, and Trinity's pastor went to Advent. Bro. Brewer's pictures and description of the West Indies were much enjoyed.

Mothers' Day was happily celebrated, and on the evening of the same day there was the annual service of Music and Flowers.

Twenty home prayer meetings paved the way for the Gospel services in which Albert Peterson assisted. Attendance for the two weeks was slightly over 300 for week night meetings and considerably over 450 for Sunday services. Bro. Peterson's musical leadership and his genial personality as well as his stirring messages were very acceptable. We have been helped.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

PINE CHAPEL.

The outstanding event for May was the union lovefeast on Sunday night, May 28. Our people counted it a great privilege to have the Salem pastors and many of their people gather with us on that occasion, the anniversary of Salem Congregation and celebration of Pentecost. The Rev. H. B. Johnson made the address.

In the morning service of the same day we were happy to receive into church membership by adult baptism Miss Frances Brewer and Jacqueline Harris.

The attendance at all services of the month has been good, especially at the two weekly prayer meetings, Thursday nights at the church and Saturday nights in homes of the community conducted by members of the Gospel Team.

The pastor assisted at five funerals during the month.

J. P. CROUCH.

MACEDONIA.

The roads are improving and we were able to have all the regular services in the month of May, with good attendance.

The Ladies' Auxiliary met with Mrs. Walker at Bixby, North Carolina. The ladies have taken on the work of paving the driveway into the church yard. This will be a great help in the beautifying of the church lawns.

On the third Sunday our annual lovefeast was held. We were happy to have as our guest speaker the Rev. Sam Tesch from Friedberg Church. Our people enjoyed his message very much. We hope he can come again soon.

Sorrow came into our community and church when death called one of our oldest members, Bro. John Riddle, who had been a member of our church for over forty years. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to his family.

We are having the pleasure of helping Brother Foltz in a series of evangelistic meetings at this writing.

G. E. BREWER.

MOUNT ARID.

May has brought with it both the good and the not-so-good for Grace congregation. Services and attendances have been good. Work and interest among the members of the congregation have not lagged, but sickness has kept quite a few of our people at home.

Work on the church yard has progressed steadily, and we hope it will not be long until the terracing of the front has been completed.

On the second Sunday we held "Family Day", the morning service being devoted to the consideration of the place of the family in the church and needs of the modern Christian family.

Senior Young People have been hard at work raising money with which to send young people to the Conference this year. A supper held on last Saturday night of the month brought them a profit of $26.60. In this effort they were grateful for the assistance of the second circle of our Auxiliary.

At their regular meeting on the second Monday our Trustees approved a budget for the year beginning July 1, 1919, which amounts to $115.00. This is less than that of the present year. Loyalty Day was set for Sunday, June 11, and Congregation Council will be held on Wednesday, June 14.

The most inspiring occasion of the month was our Whit-Sunday Communion, the largest Whit-Sunday service we have ever held, and second in size for any communion service despite sickness.

On Thursday, May 14, the funeral of our departed sister, Edna Beck Doss was held by the pastor in Mount Carmel Baptist Church. Though Mrs. Doss had not resided for any length of time in the community for the past eight years, she was one of the few non-resident members who preserved an active interest in the church's work.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

IMMANUEL.

An unexpected pleasure and a real treat was the presence of Bro. Rufus Bishop, veteran missionary on his way back to Nicaragua, who spoke to us on the night of May 7. His description of his work and his outline of what our Church is attempting to do in that land were enlightening. Our interest in Nicaragua was greatly increased by this visit. We were glad to have Mrs. Bishop present also.

Bro. S. F. Cude's Sunday school class of young women decorated the church for our Mothers' Day service, giving a prominent place to the large basket of flowers sent over by Bro. and Sr. D. C. Burner, who for many years have furnished flowers at Immanuel. This service was largely attended.

Ascension Day was celebrated on May 21, and Whit-Sunday the Sunday following. The litany for each was used as the proper time, together with a sermon on the theme indicated. We are exceedingly glad to report that Bro. Burner is now able to sit on his front porch for a couple hours on clear days, so we trust the time will not be far off when he will be able to come over to the church for service.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

In an exchange of pulpits Brother George Higgins of Greensboro was our pulpit guest on Sunday morning, May 27. He made our people acquainted with the financial condition of the church in his care. That evening Bro. G. E. Brewer displayed and commented upon motion pictures he had taken while visiting Cuba, Haiti and Jamaica last winter. Both these brethren are always welcome among us.

The speaker at our Mothers' Day service was Edward S. Heefner, attorney-at-law. Four children delivered recitations appropriate to the occasion, and flowers were distributed.

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For some reasons, good and not so good, the attendance at Holy Communion on Whit-Sunday was not as large as last year.

During the month of May the pastor was guest speaker at the Farmington High School Commencement, Midway Presbyterian Cemetery Anniversary and at chapel exercises at Skyland school.

Fries Memorial experienced a burglary last night in the month of May when some one entered the church by breaking a basement window before ransacking the pastor's study. Nothing of value was stolen but burned papers nearly set the building on fire.

HERBERT B. JOHNSON.

GREENSBORO.

The cause of the Greensboro Building Fund was presented by the pastor at three churches during the month of May: Fries Memorial on May 7; Mayodan on the 21st; and Mizpah on the evening of the 28th. We were able to go to Fries Memorial on that occasion through the kindness of Bro. Johnson who preached in our absence in Greensboro. We were grateful also to Bro. Luckenbach for filling in for us while we were in Mayodan.

The organization of a Cub Pack was perfected the early days of this month. Mr. W. T. Lewis is the Cub Master and the committee is composed of the brethren C. S. Hammis, A. B. Strickler and P. C. Leslie. At the present time the Pack consists of three dens with a membership of about twenty boys.

The month of May brought weiner roasts as well as roses. Three of these outings were held, the first when Mrs. Higgins conducted the opening devotions and Mrs. Oehman made a brief talk on the community activities of our church. Mrs. S. O. Melvin greeted the members.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School is scheduled to begin on June 19, and will close on Friday, June 30th.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

AEDMORE.

On the morning of the 7th of May, at the 11 o'clock service, the Rev. Rufus Bishop brought an interesting message describing for us in detail a week’s work in Nicaragua.

Another evening of missionary interest was that of the 28th, at which time Bro. J. G. Bruner, assisted by W. L. Snyder, showed us interesting motion pictures of their recent visit to Jamaica. This included many interesting scenes taken en route to Jamaica as well as local scenes. We also enjoyed seeing our own Sunday school reviewed in beautiful colored pictures before us. This evening was under the auspices of our Ladies’ Auxiliary, and brought together a large audience. We appreciated what these brethren are doing to give added mission interest.

We had our largest Whit-Sunday communion service on the morning of the 28th. William Lee, infant son of Caesar and Frankie Ebert m n. Manning, was baptized.

The pastor attended the funeral service of Dr. D. Clay Lilly at Reynolds on the 30th.

Held the regular service at Union Cross on the third Sunday afternoon. Attended the May feast at Friedberg on the 11th.

Had a Mother’s Day program on the morning of the 14th.

A Mothers’ and Daughters’ Banquet was held at New Philadelphia on the evening of the 15th with 62 present.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

CHIST CHURCH.

The month of May has been a month of preparation in many ways for the close of the Church year, with nominating committees busy choosing men for the various offices. The Trustees and the Vanward Budget Committee are making ready for Loyalty Day. A large congregation was present for the observance of the Festival of the Christian Home. Special recognition was given to the oldest and the youngest mother in the Sunday school.

The pastor assisted Dr. Clas. Servants in the funeral of DeWitt Wooster on the 17th of May.

The Whit-Sunday Holy Communion was administered to a well filled church; the service was marked with a special sense of quietness and spiritual feeling.

The special offering for the Boys’ Dormitory at the Alaska Orphanage was received on the last Sunday of the month under review.

The Salem Congregation Lovefeast held at Fine Chapel, was attended by a good sized group of our members. The message of Bro. H. B. Johnson was a challenge to Salem Congregation.

VERNON L. GRAY.

MAYODAN.

On the first Sunday in May Os- wald E. Stimpson of Clemmons brought the message at the 11 o’clock hour. This was his first visit to our church.

Dr. Adelaide Fries told us very entertainingly about the Easter customs of our church on the second Sunday.

The Rev. George Higgins of Greensboro, brought us a very worthwhile message on the third Sunday. We are planning to take an offering for his church soon.

Mr. Francis Anscocome, of Salem College, Winston-Salem, gave us a most inspiring sermon on the fourth Sunday. We were glad to have him visit us again.

The Woman’s Auxiliary held its regular meeting in the parsonage with fifteen members present.

We are closing our fifteenth month without a pastor. We sincerely hope and pray that June will bring us a new one.

MRS. A. G. FARRIS.

A NOTABLE JUBILEE.

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Chairman, North American Administrative Committee, World’s Sunday School Association.

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REPORT ON THE SPECIAL OFFERING FOR THE SALEM GRAVEYARD.

A special campaign to raise the sum of two thousand dollars for much needed improvements to the Salem Moravian Graveyard, was undertaken in all the churches and chapels of the Salem Congregation churches resulted as follows:-

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The Graveyard Committee of the Central Board of Trustees wishes to express appreciation for this splendid response to the appeal for funds. The above figures represent the amounts received up to May 31.

In this connection Salem Congregation members are asked to note the following suggestions concerning the care of individual graves:

1. Especially at Easter many flowers are placed on the graves. With few exceptions they last only a few days, and soon become unlovely. Pots left too long on the graves not only interfere with the cutting of the grass, but actually kill it on the space they occupy. The workmen have instructions to remove them after three weeks, but they should not stay on that long. It is requested that all flowers be removed as soon as they wither.

2. Relatives and friends have the privilege of re-sodding and re-working the mounds of graves in which they have an interest, but when this is done it is requested that they ask the men in charge for the forms used in shaping the graves. The chief beauty of our lovely God's Acre is in the uniformity of the mounds, and the size of the stones. When one grave is built up higher than those surrounding it, it mars the beauty and uniformity of the whole.

THE CENTRAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

In its earliest expression the Sunday School was a home missionary movement, groups of children being gathered from the streets, meeting in the open air or under any shelter available. In some distant lands it has much of the same characteristics today. But the Sunday School movement has become both the foremost youth movement with the greatest missionary enterprise on behalf of the childhood and youth of the world. On our own frontier, and on the far off frontiers of civilization, its measures are adjusted to the conditions surrounding those whom it seeks to reach. It adapts its ministry to ages ranging from infancy to adult years, and there is such variety of method that spiritual conquests are as evident in the African forest and Indian bazaar as in the highly organized schools of the great churches of Europe and America.

The representatives of the world's Sunday School Association are at work in all the great fields of the world, not scorning the more primitive measures when necessary, but always seeking to erect higher standards and to share with the more backward peoples the best fruits of our experience and methodology.

Possibly the answer to this enigma lies in the more effective spiritual training of children in the home in an era when home life was subject to fewer distracting influences. At all events, few will dispute that in this modern day the Bible School is the most powerful ally both of the church and of the home, and men and women in all walks of life, who have succeeded in maintaining their spiritual ideals, unite in placing a high estimate upon the formative influence of the Sunday School. Perhaps no instrumentality which now exists holds so much hope for a sadly discordant world. It is certain that the character and conscience of the leadership of the next generation will be drawn from this center of influence. The Lutherans, the Wesleys and Moodys may be already in the making.

INFANT BAPTISMS.

Thompson.—Jo Anne, daughter of John M. and Eloise (Johnson) Thompson, born in Winston-Salem, N. C., January 10, 1936, and baptized in Fried Memorial Church, Sunday, May 14, 1939, by Rev. H. B. Johnson.


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Deaths.


Funeral at Fried Memorial Church with interment in Salem Graveyard May 11. Dr. Edmund Schwarze assisted the pastor, the Rev. H. B. Johnson.


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Providence, worker, Miss Brandon
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The Three Orders Of The Ministry In The Moravian Church


The Moravian Church is the oldest Protestant Episcopal Church. Our sister Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, is the American branch of the Church of England and derives its Orders therefrom, and hence its Episcopate is properly called the Anglican Episcopate, while our Episcopate comes from the ancient European-Moravian Brethren’s Unity, it is properly called the Moravian Episcopate. Anglican and Moravian are merely geographical adjectives.

On May 13, 1749, after careful and thorough investigation, in response to a petition presented to Parliament by certain very prominent Englishmen, at the request of Count Eisenlohr, an Act was passed by the House of Lords, after previous passage in the House of Commons, receiving royal sanction early in June, by which the Unitas Fratrum was acknowledged to be an ancient Episcopal Church, and as such was granted certain rights in Britain and in the British Colonies. As all the Bishops of the Church of England are members of the House of Lords it is interesting to note, that the Act was adopted sine nomine contradicente (no one voting in the negative). It is also interesting to note, that this is probably the first official and legal document, in which our Church is designated as the Moravian Church, which has been its name in all English speaking countries ever since. In the title of the Act it is properly called the Unitas Fratrum, but the term Moravian appears in the text of the Act itself.

As an Episcopal Church the Moravian Church maintains the three Orders of the Ministry—Deacons, Presbyters and Bishops, but its development has been somewhat different from that in other Churches, so a special exposition of the Orders is called for.

THE DIACONATE. Our Lord Jesus Christ did not institute any form of Church organization, administration or government. He called, chose appointed, the twelve Apostles (Matt. 10:1-4; Mark 3:16-19; Luke 6:14-16; John 13:26) and left it entirely to them under the guidance of the Holy Spirit to develop the future administration of His Church as need for the institution of offices might arise.

The occasion for the institution of Deacons is recorded in the 6th Chapter of Acts, though the term “Deacon” is not there employed. Seven men were chosen by the Church in Jerusalem and ordained by the Apostles with prayer and the laying on of hands. Their duties were largely those of what in modern churches would be called almoners. They were to visit and relieve the poor and needy of the congregation, and in the first instance to administer the common meal or Lovefeasts of the Apostolic Church.

In our Church, however, our beloved Master, who in the choice spiritual qualifications were considered, as they did likewise minister unto the spiritual needs of the sick and suffering. However, almost at once they also developed into Evangelists, as we see in the activities of Stephen and Philip, and the latter on at least one occasion administered Holy Baptism (Acts 8:38).

In the New Testament the priesthood of all believers is emphasized, and all were free to prophesy, that is to preach, if they had a gift of the Spirit so do to. 58 the Church spread to Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch (Acts 11:19-21).

The Deacons, however, seem to have been especially prominent in the prophetic, i.e., preaching office, as may be gathered from the pastoral epistles defining the qualifications for the diaconate (1 Tim. 3:8-13).

There is a dearth of information of the developments during the period from the disappearance of the Apostles to the close of the second century of the Christian era, but by that time the three clerical orders of Deacons, Presbyters and Bishops seem to be pretty thoroughly established. The Deacons retain their duties of caring for the poor and needy of the Church, but they have also become very definitely the first Order of the Ministry, to which servants of the Church must be ordained before they could be a part of the Church.
can become Elders or Presbytery on the evidentness of the officers their status, their duties, and their rights become more clearly defined by the Church Councils and Church usage.

A Deacon (in the ancient Church) stood between the Presbyters and the people, and was associated with the Presbyters in the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, but he could not assist at the administration, but he could not preside—and he could not be in charge of an independent parish.

When we come to the Reformation period the office of the Deacon was variously understood in the different Reformed Churches, which arose in the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries, but in the English Church, which maintained the three Orders of the Ministry, the Deacons became pastors, who were ordained by the Bishops, who could exercise most of the ministerial functions, except that they could not administer the Holy Communion. So it was in effect the stepping-stone, so to say, to the Presbytery.

The PRESBYTERATE. Even as our Lord Jesus Christ did not institute the Diaconate, so He did not institute the Presbytery, but this office is far more prominent in the New Testament than the Diaconate. The word "Presbyter" (Elder) occurs no less than 71 times in the New Testament—in the book of the Acts of the Apostles and in the Pauline and Petrine Epistles. The Apostles set apart, chose, ordained with prayer and laying of hands Deacons and Presbyters. They did assign the duties of the oversight of the believers to the Presbyters, and they did install them in the congregations with administrative functions. The Diaconate and Presbyterate are New Testament institutions of unquestioned apostolic origin. But the Presbyterate grew out of the Diaconate by a very natural process. As the Church grew and the number of congregations increased, it was very natural that of the need of some one to exercise most of the ministerial functions, except that they could not administer the Holy Communion, to come into being. So it was in effect the stepping-stone, so to say, to the Presbytery.

We must now consider briefly the Orders of the Ministry as they are in the United Brethren Church.

The word "Bishop" (Episkopus) occurs about 150 times in the New Testament, except that it was used only through the Apostolic Presbyterate. The Bishop is therefore defined as the "Overser" or "Bishop". There is a dearth of information as to the development of the Orders of the Ministry, but there were the Orders of the Presbyters and Bishops assigned to the Bishop, and to that was given the exclusive authority to ordain Deacons and Presbyters and to administer the rite of Confirmation, which cannot be traced with absolute certainty, but certain it is that by the close of the second century the position of the Bishop was fully established, and the three Orders of the Ministry clearly defined.

As regards the right of administering Confirmation being confined to the Bishop exclusively, that is true only of the Western, i.e., the Latin or Roman Church, and, in modern times, of the Anglican Church. In the Eastern (which is the older Church) i.e., the Greek Orthodox Church, Confirmation may be administered by a Presbyter as well as by a Bishop. And in modern times in the Lutheran, Reformed, and Moravian Churches.

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ers after the Apostles were no more, and the acts of the Apostles as sketched above and became the orderly method of perpetuating the Christian church, as we can see in the New Testament. The Historic Episcopate does bind together the Holy Catholic Church, the modern Moravian, and the Christian Church, and is the link which ties up the Historic Churches with the Apostolic Church of the days of our Lord.

The point has now been reached, when it is in order to explain the Historic Episcopate in the modern Moravian Church and to set forth how the Historic Ministry has been perpetuated and maintained. To do this it is necessary to go back to the beginning of its historic development.

When the Unitas Fratrum, i.e., the Bohemian Brethren, finally took the step of separating from the national Ultragnostic Church of Bohemia and from the Roman Catholic Church in 1457 A.D., they soon felt the necessity, both for ecclesiastical and political reasons, of having a canonical priesthood which would have to be acknowledged by the rulers of the country, and hence the Historic Episcopate was consecrated from the Waldensian Bishop in 1497. It is extremely significant and of great historic value, that in all the terrible persecutions of the 15th, 16th, and 17th centuries the consecration of the Unitas Fratrum priesthood was never successfully attacked. In truth, the very fact that the Brethren had secured the Episcopate and thus had institutionalized a ministry of their own led to one of the bitterest persecutions.

During the continuance of the Anabaptist period the duties and prerogatives of its Bishops were undoubtedly in all essential matters those universally associated with that office, though in matters of administration the diocesan Episcopate was combined with synodal administration. Such importance did the Brethren ascribe to the Historic Episcopate, that when the Brethren’s Church in the years of the Jeminal Anti-Reformation had been practically annihilated by the laws of the Empire, the Brethren continued consecrating Bishops in open contras (open in hope against hope) so that the Church might be reconstructed, as they firmly believed it would be, they would be prepared to perpetuate the canonical ministry and to preserve the historical continuity with the Holy Universal Christian Church.

The Unitas Fratrum, the Brethren’s Church, was eventually reestablished, re-established, in Saxony between the years 1722 and 1727 following years, but not exactly in the way the fathers had hoped and anticipated. Hence the position of the Bishops in the renewed Unitas Fratrum, the modern Moravian Church, is different from that which they held in the ancient Brethren’s Unity.

A confessional form of administration (rather monarchial at first under the patronage of Count Zinzendorf) was given place of detail by the Elders in control, before it became necessary to reintroduce the Historic Episcopate, the modern Moravian Church being uniformly desirable, and in fact necessary, because of the extending foreign missionary enterprises of the Renewed Church. It again became practically necessary to have a Bishop of the church, which would be acknowledged by the governing powers in the various lands, where the Brethren had congregations and mission stations. It was especially true of the colonies in the Holy Roman Empire. Nothing could meet this requirement better than a canonically ordained episcopal ministry. At the same time, for which the ancient Brethren had hoped and achieved, and the faithfully consecrated Historic Episcopate was transmitted from the ancient Unitas Fratrum to the renewed and modern Moravian Church, when Bishop Daniel Ernst Jakobeni, a grandson of the famous Bishop John Amos Comenius, was at that time court-preacher in Berlin, with the written consent of Bishop Christian Sitkovius of Posen in Poland, consecrated David Nitschmann on March 13th, 1735, as the first Bishop of the modern Moravian Church.

Then followed the recognition of the renewed Unitas Fratrum as an ancient Episcopal Church by Act of Parliament in 1729, May 12th, as is reported in the introduction to this discussion. It will be interesting to insert here verbatim, a quotation from the edition of the Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge, 1906 edition on page 97 it is recorded:

“The Moravian Church deserves separate and special mention for three reasons. 1. Its Episcopate was active before the Reformation on the Continent and in England began: 2. It is in the Apostolic Succession: and 3. Its bishopric in America antedates those of the Protestant Episcopal (1784) and Methodist Episcopal (1764) denominations by forty years.” (1769).

A quotation from the Moravian Manual is also in order. In the 1901 edition on page 97 it is recorded:

“The prerogatives of (the Moravian) Bishops, in virtue of their office, are:

1. They only can ordain to the three Orders in the Ministry.
2. They are specially represented in the General Synod of the Church and Synods of the respective Provinces in which they reside.
3. They have a seat, voice and vote in the Provincial and General Synods of the respective Provinces in which they reside.
4. Bishops are elected by the General Synod or by the Provincial Synods.

The Moravian Episcopate is preeminently a spiritual office and its most important public function is that of administering the rite of ordination and consecration, when commissioned to do so by the Executive Board (the Provincial Elders’ Conference) of the Church.

If available, Bishops are usually appointed to dedicate church edifices, places of worship, sanctuaries, buildings, and the like.

The Synods repeatedly refer to the Bishops matters affecting the do-

Benevolence (i.e. exclusive settlement congregations) in America—Bethlehem, Nazareth, Lititz, Salem. The Deacons were assistants to the Pastor, but as soon as they were called to take charge of a separate congregation, or were appointed Principal of a school, they were ordained Presbyters. This was in accord with the procedure in the Ancient Church and in harmony with the practice of all Churches maintaining the three Orders of the Ministry.

However, as the Church grew it was found practically impossible to supply each congregation with a Pastor and an assistant. The smaller congregations could not afford to support two ministers, and neither were there enough ministers to fill such positions.

Consequently, since the early 19th century in the American Moravian Churches the Deacons by their ordination vows are authorized to perform all the duties and functions of the pastoral and ministerial office, and the Diaconate becomes merely the stepping-stone to the Presbytery.

Theoretically while a Deacon, he is on probation, and if after a reasonable period he has proved his ability to function as a Pastor the Church puts the stamp of its approval upon him by advancing him to the second Order of the Ministry and ordaining him a Pastor.

It has been the general assumption, that a Deacon should serve at least two years before he may be ordained a Pastor. Just here exists a weakness in the American procedure, for it appears that there is no definite rule laid down in the Book of Order, as to when a Deacon shall be advanced to the Presbytery.

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It is therefore exceedingly desirable that the Provincial Synod shall adopt some definite rules and regulations governing this important matter. But, if the American Moravian Church wishes to maintain its status as an Episcopal Church, it should maintain the three Orders of the Ministry consistently and invest them with proper dignity and solemnity. It should be made obligatory by synodal enactment upon the Provincial Executive Committee to see to it that this would be done.

The simplest way out of the difficulty would be to adopt a rule, that a Deacon after serving two years, if he approves himself as a worthy servant of the Holy Spirit, and of the Church, and if, and if, he is in charge of a separate parish, or the head of an educational institution, he should be solemnly ordained a Presbyter.

In the case of our foreign missionaries, there is no Bishop in the field as a matter of expediency. It will be necessary to continue to wait for advancement to the second Order of the Ministry until the missionary is in the home land on furlough.

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It must be noted that no time is set when a Deacon should be advanced to the second Order of the Ministry, but under the heading "Presbytery," it is stated that a Deacon should be ordained a Presbyter when his service has led to the "appointment to the pastoral charge of a congregation," indicating that the function of a congregation should be a Presbytery.

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VACATION AND CHURCH WORKSHI P.

Some of our visitors to the World's Fair in New York have recently returned with report of a visit to our Moravian Church in New York City, Lexington Avenue at 30th Street, where the Rev. Kenneth Hamilton is pastor.

This is a reminder to other travelers, and apparently there will be many who seek the attractions in the realm of the pylon and perisphere that the metropolis has to offer. Moravian offerings of church worship, although Bro. Hamilton's church will be closed during July and August, other Moravian Churches will be available for worship. On Staten Island there is a warm Southern welcome at New Dorp, Stapleton and Cassettol, where Bishop E. S. Crossland, the Rev. Allen Hedgecock and the Rev. Carl Helmich, who migrated from the South, respectively extend their invitation to pulpits guests.

In line with recent editorial comment in these columns, vacation time does not necessarily demand a break in church relations. The example of our Moravian Colony at Roaring Gap in joining with the other sojourners in maintaining a live Sunday school and church is a splendid example of taking our religion with us.

Though Moravian churches are far and wide between in regions away from our historic centers, there is something to be gained in worshipping with fellow Christians. As this is being written reminiscence brings revived experiences such as attending a French preaching service with the Waldensians, hearing a Sunday school lesson taught by an Indian, worship among fishermen of the Carolina coast, and numerous others among Christians in widely scattered places, all helpful.

We have many visitors to our community, and perhaps we can view them in a different light if we as visitors attend church away from home.

It may be, too, that vacation will take you there where there may be little expectation of church service up to the standard to which you are accustomed. Then remember the discovery made by Albert Jay Noyes, published in a recent issue of the Atlantic Monthly, in which he tells of the value he has found in sometimes listening to poor grade music, that is, it helps you to appreciate the better grade.

DIVINE DISCONTENT.

William E. Thorp, the editor of an industrial magazine, speaks in one of his editorials of a group of men who were discussing the question of when an executive should retire. Some said the test should be age or length of service. Others believed that the determining factor should be that of physical vitality. According to Editor Thorp, however, the prize went to the man who suggested that an executive should retire "When he knows all the reasons why no further improvements can be made." Dissatisfaction with one's achievements thus becomes the criterion of usefulness in the business world.

Should not this principle apply also to those who are leaders in the "Father's business?" The question is sometimes asked, "When should a Sunday school superintendent or teacher retire?" Is not the answer the same: "When he knows all the reasons why no further improvements can be made?" Surely we upon whom rests the responsibility of God's work should be ever driven by a divine dissatisfaction with ourselves and our accomplishments. The teacher of a Sunday school class who sees no need for further study or training is nearing the end of his usefulness. The trustee who does not know all the reasons why his congregation cannot give any more mission is no longer an asset to his church.

Contestment is not great gain when it applies to a feeling of self-satisfaction with what one is doing for Christ. The prayer of every earnest Christian should be: "Lord, give me a large and liberal discontent." Make me dissatisfied with what I am and what I do for Thee.

G. G. H.

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How rich Thy bounties are!

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EDITORIALS

SOUTHERN MORAVIAN YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE.

August 15 - 20, 1939

Conference Theme:

THE INDISPENSABLE CHRIST

Courses Taught By

Dr. Charles H. Rominger
Dr. Edmund Schwarze
The Rev. Edward T. Mickey
Mrs. A. D. Thader

Vespers in charge of Oscar Nege
Camp Fire Director, Robert Jensen
Camp Dean, The Rev. E. O. Helmich

As above outlined, the program for Camp Hanes brings its appeal to young people of the Southern Province.

Two leaders of courses will come from the Northern Province, Dr. Charles H. Rominger and Mrs. A. D. Thader.

Dr. Rominger, whose name links him with the FRIENDLY Church of the South and Hope Church of the Mid-West, has a record for considerable experience with young people's activities. As teacher in our College in Belfast, he keeps in constant touch with the stream of youth passing through the institution. His preparation has been well ordered, and he is splendidly equipped by training for the teaching profession. Some of the Moravian alumni will remember his service in extra-curricular activities such as coaching the dramatic club of Moravian College. Frequently he has been called upon to teach courses in the summer camps of the Northern Province, always a popular lecturer.

Mrs. A. D. Thader will receive a warm welcome, as she is so well and favorably known. Always Mrs. Thader has had tact and sympathy in dealing with young people, and her recent travels to Nicaragua where her son, Dr. Thader, is at his post of duty, should enable her to bring to the conference a message from the heart that will be received with much appreciation by the delegates at Camp Hanes.

Dr. Edmund Schwarze and the Rev. Edward T. Mickey are quite well known among us, and little need be said regarding their qualifications for service. It is certain that Bible study
BRO. MICKEY AND THE EDITOR GO WEST

Having been invited to attend and have part in the Seventeenth Annual Young People's Conference of the Western District of our Northern Province, Bro. E. T. Mickey, Jr., pastor of our Moravian Church in Mt. Airy, and I left Winston-Salem on Friday afternoon, June 16, bound for Lake Chetek, Wisconsin. At Roninake, Va., we were met by Pete J. Walker, a member of the Kernelsville Church who works in the main office of the Norfolk and Western Railway. We were his guests for supper, and in this way filled in most pleasantly what would have been a rather tedious hour and a half wait.

The N. & W.'s crack train, "The Pocahontas," took us to Cincinnati, an overnight trip. At this large city we had time between trains for breakfast in the artistic new station, said to be most beautiful in the world. It is certainly the last word in railway stations. Both of us particularly struck with the large mural paintings, depicting the evolution of travel, industry and manufacturing.

Traveling Companions.
The long jump to Chicago might have been tiresome but for the fact that we had most congenial company. A middle-aged couple from Winston-Salem, and a man and his wife from Mt. Airy, were also on the train, and we six North Carolinians had a pleasant time of it. But how mixed are human emotions! The two from Winston-Salem were on their way to the Pacific Coast, stopping along the way to visit relatives, none of whom they had not seen in years. The man from Mt. Airy was taking his wife to Rochester, Minn., to the famous Mayo Clinic, for an operation. For these two the journey was anything but a pleasant trip.

There was just fifteen minutes in which to change trains in the Windy City. Here we got aboard one of the Milwaukee Railroad's fast trains, which made the 80 miles between Chicago and Milwaukee in exactly 80 minutes.

A Family Reunion.
At the station in Milwaukee to meet us was an uncle of mine whom I had not seen since I was a small boy. His son whom I had never seen before, he said because of the strong family resemblance I recognized the uncle at once. We went to his home for dinner, where present also were my sister and her husband, so it was quite a family reunion.

A train on the Northwestern line took us out to Lake Mills, where the largest of our western Moravian congregations is located, 16 miles from Milwaukee. Bro. H. T. Kant, the pastor, and Bro. A. L. Bautz, pastor of Mensa, eight or nine miles out in the country, met us. Bro. Kant is a classmate of our Southern Brn. Rights and Bruner, and is pleasantly remembered here in the South as a member of the staff of our Camp Hanes Conference last summer. The arrangement was that Bro. Mickey should stay with Bro. Bautz and I with Bro. Kant, and we should preach in their respective pulpits the next day.

Though not exactly suffering from the heat, we had certainly been aware of it all the way up to Chicago, and had been grateful for the air-conditioners in cars in which we rode. But when we got up into Wisconsin, we were only too glad to dig out our winter suits, and bewailed the fact that we had not brought along our overcoats. It was definitely cold!

A Full Sunday.
Sunday, June 18, was a memorable day for us. Bro. Mickey and I preached in Mamre and Lake Mills, as per schedule, after first addressing the Sunday school. Lake Mills is the home of Bro. Vernon Graf of Christ Church, so his people were present in the service. This is a large and attractive church, with some beautiful trees in the yard, and located on a large corner lot. Sunday school began at 9 a.m., and the church service at 10:11. That is the summer schedule. We wonder if we could persuade our people to come out at 9 o'clock Sunday school! Perhaps the invigorating climate has something to do with it. My aunt and uncle and my sister and her family, all from Milwaukee, drove our church, and got there on time while we had no Moravian Church in Milwaukee, more's the pity.

This Sunday was Mission Festival day at our De Forest congregation, a small church in a tiny village some 14 miles from Madison, and I do not know exactly how many from Lake Mills. In fact, Bro. Mickey and I decided we would not attempt to state distances in that section of our Unity, because even the ministerial brethren themselves cannot agree on the subject. When we asked Bro. Bautz how far away he lived from Lake Mills, Bro. Kant said six miles, but Bro. Bautz maintained it was 8, or maybe it was 9. It was the same with the location of other churches in that section. These brethren could never get their figures to agree. Perhaps the trouble is a lack of uniformity in speedometers. At any rate, all of us met at De For- rest in the afternoon for the Mission Festival.

These gatherings are a very notable feature of our congregations in the Western District. Every one has a Mission Festival all day, and which is usually attended by members from the nearby congregations. There are several addresses by visiting speakers, a meal following the afternoon service, and a special offering for missions taken at every service. Some of the larger congregations will receive as much as a thousand dollars collection for missions on the day of the Mission Festival, and even the smaller ones do remarkably well.

Little De Forest with a membership of less than a hundred got an offering that day of close onto two hundred dollars. Bro. Mickey made one of the addresses at the afternoon service and gave a very entertaining account of our mountain mission work, as represented by our congregations at Mt. Bethel, Willow Hill and Crooked Oak.

MORAVIAN WOMEN SHOULD READ!

The Moravian Widows' Society of Winston-Salem offers a check of $50.00 outstanding for the amount of the dividends which have been declared regularly for the past fifteen years. The amount received by each widow of the Society has been $590.00 to $640.00 per year during the past 15 years. Inasmuch as those who joined the Society can obtain, namely $560.00, widows of male members, a dividend in each year, equal approximately to the original investment.

Who is Eligible to Membership?
Any man, in good standing of the Moravian Church, or whose wife is a member in good standing of the Moravian Church, is eligible to membership in the Society.

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Several benefits have been realizing regular dividend for approximately fifteen years, amounting to $650.00. We ask if this is not a good investment for one single payment of $500.00 which now of no interest? This is somewhat like a savings account, on which interest has an equal, the Moravian Widows' Society of Winston-Salem. We will gladly furnish any further information desired.

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The other address was by Bro. John R. Weinlick, now pastor of our church in Madison, Wisconsin's capital city, and the home of her famous university. He spent the summer following his graduation from our theological seminary in the South, serving as temporary assistant at the Home Church. His father, Bro. Joseph Weinlick, is the De Forest pastor, and was once a missionary to Alaska.

We met a number of people at De Forest whom we already knew, among them Bishop and Mrs. Mueller, Mrs. Francke, Arnim's mother, and Miss Eugenia Nowack of Watertown, who is to become Arnim's wife in August, and who was present at Camp Hane last summer.

Bro. Kant wanted me to see Watertown, so offered to take Bishop and Mrs. Mueller home. It was quite a bit out of the way, but I must appreciate this kindness all the more. The pastor of the Watertown Church is the Rev. Arthur Schwarze, brother of our Dr. Edmund Schwarze. He was not able to get to the church, which is where the Spiritual Descendants of John H. M. Men in conference last summer. As some doubtless recall, Bishop Pfohl and Miss Adelaide Fries went here as official delegates, and our Bishop made one of the principal addresses.

We got back to Lake Mills just in time for the young people's meeting at 7 o'clock, at which I spoke, telling of experiences in Palestine, particularly at our Leger Home in Jerusalem.

On To Chetek.

At 6:10 the next morning a group of the Lake Mills young people with their pastor and visitor started for the conference grounds at Lake Chetek, which is not far, but we are sure of that figure. After passing through Wisconsin Dells, Eau (pronounced "O") Claire, Chippewa Falls, and many other places, we arrived at our destination at about three o'clock in the afternoon. Bro. Mickey, travelling with Bro. Bautz, got in about the same time, and the two of us were assigned to a room in a cottage where seven other ministers, including the Bishop, were quartered.

"One Drop of Moravian Blood Makes The World Kin."

Of those seven Moravian ministers there were only two whom I had not met previously, namely, Bro. Mewaldt, whose wife is Dr. Howard Rondthaler's first cousin, a daughter of "Mrs. Bishop" Rondthaler's brother and Bro. George's pastor of one of our North Dakota congregations. Bishop Mueller had me many times. He once spoke in our Kernersville Church and showed pictures of his visit to Nicaragua. Bro. Sam Wedman, once missionary to Nicaragua, is now pastor of one of our churches in Canada. He was a classmate of Bro. C. O. Weber, and in school part of the time with me. Bro. Francie Weber was a year behind me in school, but I have often seen him since I left. He is now pastor of our Ebenezer Church near Watertown. George Westphal is the son of Bishop Westphal of Jamaica. Both being sons of missionaries to Jamaica, we had much in common. The other occupant of our four-room cabin was Bro. Bautz, mention of whom again reminds us of the way in which Moravian families are related, especially among the ministry. The man in charge of the conference, and who was the chief of our seminary's student body, was Rudolph Schultz, another member of this year's seminary graduating class who is to assist Bro. Kant at Lake Mills for the summer, then will take up work in our Canadian District where his father is also serving. Bro. Fliegel's father was the last pastor of the church, which is where the Spiritual Descendants of John H. M. Men in conference last summer. As some doubtless recall, Bishop Pfohl and Miss Adelaide Fries went here as official delegates, and our Bishop made one of the principal addresses.

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The Wachovia Moravian as far as Wisconsin Rapids. There we found Bro. George Westphal up at 1:30 a.m., with something hot to eat and drink. Bro. Weinlick and his two passengers went on toward Madison, and Bro. Westphal and I tried to make the proper use of what was left of the night. The next morning was spent visiting the Moravian churches in and around Wisconsin Rapids, then I caught the "Little Hiawatha" for

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New Lisbon where I got the "big" Hawaths, that train which on its daily runs between Chicago and Minneapolis, recovers a speed of 112 miles per hour. But one cannot realize it when on it. When it was first put on people used to go out in the country to see it pass. I noted that cars stopping at a grade crossing parked good hundred yards from the tracks.

A day and a half in Milwaukee with relatives and friends, and a night and part of another day in Chicago with the Lewis Staffords, formerly of Kennersey, passed all too quickly, but were filled with memorable details for which there is no space here. The return journey was uneventful, and was spent partly in preparing for the part to be played at the Youth Conference of the Eastern District of our Northern Province, which meets in July.

**Some Impressions.**

What struck me most about the Chetek Conference I hardly know, but certainly I was impressed with the distances those people travel to attend it. They were there from Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota and North Dakota. Sam Marx of Nazareth, brother of Werner, Elizabeth, Erika, hitch-hiked out to be there. Some of the ministers had to get back home for Sunday, but some others came in for that day, among them Bro. Eugene Michael and Bro. Fred Wolfe. Both served for a time in Holy Cross in Salem, passed all through the Civil War, and stepped in Winston-Salem on their journeys thither. I was glad to see them again. Mrs. Michael, who was there too, was the first school teacher I ever had apart from my mother who taught me until I was ten, when my parents brought me to this country.

One impression of our visit to Chetek is very strong, namely, that the Annual Young People's Conference of the Western District holds a very definite, a very large, and a very important place in the life and work of that District. W. H. A.

**THE JUNIOR CHOIR FESTIVAL.**

Boys and girls from 13 churches in the Southern Province took part in the annual music festival of the Junior Choir School at Calvary Church, Sunday, June 10.

Under the direction of Mrs. J. Kenneth Pfohl, organizer and director of the school, the children presented a program that bespoke a real appreciation and understanding of church music.

Throughout the year the children have been meeting every Saturday morning (some for as long as three years), to learn the beautiful hymns, chorales and chants of the Church, as a means of enriching the services of the various congregations that they represent.

Particularly impressive in the festival program was the rendition of the Moravian Litany, with the children singing the hymns and chants. Solo parts were taken by Mrs. Elizabeth Tavis Jensen.

Mrs. Pfohl was assisted by Miss Flavella Stockton, as organist and conductor.

The choir school will be resumed under Mrs. Pfohl's direction in the fall, and all children in the Province are invited to attend regularly. Churches, pastors and parents who cooperate in sending the children to the choir school will be assured of better music, as the young people put the lessons they have learned into service in their own groups.

**MORAVIAN MEMORIAL DAYS.**

By The Rev. John Greenfield, D. D.

The people of Bohemia and Moravia have of late been much in the public eye. The sympathy and admiration of the civilized and Christian world have been theirs in overflowing measure. A great German poet once said of them, "Gross e erna Broderschaft, eine Moraviant." "An imperishable race, these Moravians!" The month of August, 1727, was a second chapter in the Moravian Church's history. The Moravian Church commemorates that event each year, and a very large and a very impressive program that bespoke a real appreciation of church music.

The fourth great Moravian Festival celebrated in the month of August is August 21, 1732, and commemorates an event which occurred five years after the great revival in 1727. It is thus described in our Text Book:

"August 21, 1732: Beginning of the first mission of the Unitas Fratrum to heathen in foreign lands, namely, to the Negroes in St. Thomas, West Indies." One year after sending the first foreign missionaries to the tropics, this little congregation sent its first messengers to the Arctic regions, viz.: to Greenland.

In our day the story of these great Moravian Festivals has aroused worldwide interest. Twelve years ago Dr. E. S. Hagen, then President of Provincial Elders' Conference, Northern Province, urged the writer of these lines to prepare a short and simple account of the great Moravian revivals two centuries ago. After much prayer he was led to write this wonderful story in seven brief chapters. Aided by the Moravian Publication Society this little book was printed, bearing the title "Power From On High." Its circulation is now approaching the two hundred thousand mark and it has been translated into the languages of Bohemia and Moravia, of Japan, Finland and South America. Several weeks ago a letter from Arabia contained the following good news:

"Praise God for His help, love and guidance in translating the wonderful book on revivals, 'Power From On High.' The translation is now completed into Arabic and the first two chapters are already published and circulated in the Arabic language, and I am sure it is the only Arabic tract on revivals. So please pray that the Lord may use it to stir fresh revival flames in the Holy Land among Arabic-speaking people.

As our own country is this story of the great Moravian Festivals encouraging and inspiring Christian workers to pray for revivals. An unknown "Friend" in Mount Vernon, N. Y., recently wrote as follows:

"Some months ago I was in Dutch, Minn. A friend gave me a copy of the booklet, Power From On High, by the Rev. John Greenfield, Moravian Evangelist. It has been a great blessing to me. I have it on my desk and read from it every day. How may I obtain several copies to give to some friends?"

As we are this year once more celebrating these great Moravian Festivals may their spiritual origin in prayer and Pentecost constrain us to cry out with the Psalmist: "Wilt Thou not revive us again that Thy people may rejoice in Thee!" (Psalm 85:6)

Shortly before his home-going that good Methodist friend of the Moravian Church, Dr. Charles L. Goodell, sent us the following heartfelt tribute and his "soul's sincere desire":

"Praying for your Historic Church a renewal of those spiritual experiences which gave you such power two hundred years ago, let us express to you in the name of the churches the great sense of obligation which we all feel for your spiritual leadership."

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The First Of This Year's Moravian Young People's Summer Conferences

By Miss Dorothy Heidenreich, Daggett, Michigan.

Neither two days of rain nor the posse hunting for the desperado, Rayed the Wisconsin, for their seventeenth annual Wisconsin Moravians gathered at the Presbyterian conference grounds at Chetek, Wisconsin, for their seventeenth annual conference.

All day Monday, June 19, they came from nine different states and from Canada to register. Conference was opened unofficially at supper when tea was served from nine different states and church, and a deeper feeling of responsibility in the furtherance was opened unofficially at supper program, when he listened to the Rev. Walser H. Allen speak on "The Moravian Church in the World Today." At the same time, in his own informal and sincere way the Rev. Francis Weber taught a course on "Personal Christian Living."

Paralleling Bro. Allen's course, which stressed the organization and physical scope of the Moravian Church, was Bishop Mueller's course on its doctrine. The title, "What We as Moravians Believe" is self explanatory.

It was really difficult to decide which of the three courses to attend in the fourth class period. The Rev. George Westphal taught "Dramatics in the Church." "Church Symbolism" was the title of the Rev. John Wollin's course, and the Rev. Edward Mickey taught "Moravian Hymnody."

Important in the morning's program was choir rehearsal. But it was infinitely more than just choir rehearsal. In addition to preparing for the Sunday afternoon musicale and the church feast, Bro. Mickey widened the acquaintance and deepened the appreciation of the great church music, anthems and chorales, and gave practical instruction in singing and directing, instruction that could be put to use in the individual church choirs. Few choir members will forget his definition of what the church choir too often is: a group of people who are to be listened to the Rev. John Wollin, Clem Suemper, and their cardboard V-8 for the Kontented Kiddies Hour on Saturday night. From the ridiculous a transition was made each evening to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred, and campfire was lit and the young folk were introduced to the sacred.
people were invited to take part informally. Several participated audibly and some, by placing a fagget on the fire, gave a silent testimony of the feeling in their heart. Upon the close of the fagett service a friendship circle was formed. Bro. Mewaldt, conference adviser, installed the new officers who lit their candles from the campfire and in turn lit the candles of everyone in the circle. The singing of "Morning Star" and "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" brought to a close a week that had truly been a blessing.

The new officers are:

President, Dorothy Heidenreich, Daggett, Michigan; Vice President, Robert Hansen, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin; Secretary, Adele Goetz, Wisconsin; Treasurer, Ralph Borter, Madison, Wisconsin; Executive Secretary, The Rev. V. L. Thomas, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

News From Congregations

HOPPEWELL.

During the first part of the month a revival was in progress with the pastor in charge. Interest and attendance were good.

On Wednesday evening, June 14, the annual congregation council was held. The following officers were elected: Secretary, Mrs. Paul Berrier; Treasurer, Mrs. Clyde Pope; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. L. C. Morton; Members of the Committee, Curtis Husey and Hosea Snyder.

The Auxiliary held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Tret. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Ira Pope; vice-president, Mrs. J. C. Morton; Secretary, Mrs. Hosea Snyder; assistant secretary, Charlotte Pope; chaplain, Mrs. Curtis Husey; reporter, Mildred Morton.

On Sunday evening, June 21, the seventh anniversary was observed with lovefeast. The Rev. Samuel J. Tsch delivered the address.

Various classes and organizations have sponsored suppers during the month. The proceeds are to be used for the heating plant, which will be installed in the near future.

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On the second Sunday at a quarterly meeting of the Ladies’ Auxiliary, the reports showed an active year of work. At this meeting the new officers were elected viz: Mrs. Lawrence Fulph, president; Mrs. Fred Ebert, first vice president; Mrs. J. N. Tucker, second vice president; Mrs. D. B. Odum, treasurer; Miss Lucille Ebert, secretary. The Circle Leaders are: No. 1, Mrs. C. B. Padget; No. 2, Mrs. T. E. Ebert; No. 3, Mrs. C. M. Martin.

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Mrs. Howard Rondthaler, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Trodlahl, Mrs. Margaret Brandon as worker. Our Bible school proved to be one of the most successful in the history of our church. Average attendance during the two weeks was over one hundred each day. We had our closing exercise on Friday, June 30.

Loyalty Day was observed on June 14th.

The Women's Auxiliary held its regular meeting June 1st at the home of Mrs. W. H. Price, Sr., with Mrs. C. A. Tullock joint hostess. Officers for the coming year are as follows: President, Mrs. W. N. Poole; vice president, Mrs. Minnie Rader; secretary, Mrs. W. H. Larrick; treasurer, Mrs. A. G. Farris; chaplain, Mrs. W. H. Bollin; mission study, Mrs. Harvey Price; Sunshine box, Mrs. W. H. Price and Mrs. C. A. Tullock.

WACHOVIA ARBOR.

The regular preaching services have been conducted at Wachovia Arbor, with the Annual Church Council being held at the close of the last Sunday afternoon service. The treasurer reported a deficit in the church budget which was met by the Ladies Auxiliary. The new committee is composed of the following members: Rev. Fansler, W. H. Fox and Julius Miller, Jr. The Sunday school and Ladies Auxiliary reported a balance in their treasuries.

The Auxiliary was entertained at the home of Mrs. Sallie Fansler, with Miss Louise and Miss Ann Fansler as hostesses. A hamburger supper was served picnic style on their lawn after which the monthly meeting was conducted. The congregation is endeavoring to raise enough money to have the edifice painted by the time of the anniversary in September.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

KING.

The month of June is election month in many of our churches and King is no exception. The following Sunday school officers were elected for the new year which begins July 1: Officers, Mrs. Doris Dickson, superintendent; Mr. Paul Meadows, assistant superintendent; Mrs. J. E. Stone, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. J. Reid Jones, pianist; Miss Rebecca Brown and Mrs. E. C. Hel mic, sun pianists. Teachers—Miss Alvin Dickman, Adult class; Mrs. Reid Jones, Young Peoples; Mrs. J. E. Stone, Jr., Senior class; Miss S. W. Pulliam, Intermediate; Miss Eloise Hutchins, Junior; Mrs. C. S. New mas, Supt. of Primary Dept., with Mrs. Ernest Smith and Mrs. Henry Brown, teachers.

The members of the new Church Committee are: Mrs. J. E. Stone, Sr., S. Paul Meadows, and Alvin Dickman, Mrs. S. W. Pulliam was elected Treasurer.

The MRK Missionary Society continues to be active. In the May meeting held at Rural Hall, Bro. G. E. Brewer showed movies of his recent trip to Cuba and Jamaica. During the business session, it was decided that our next meeting which was to be held at King would be a supper meeting.

The Committee in charge of this supper decided that a picnic supper might appeal to everyone. The menu was to include fried as well as stewed chicken, salads, pies, cakes, etc., but the real attraction was to be Alaskan reindeer meat which had been sent by the Michaels of Quinhagak for this particular purpose. A nominal charge of 25 cents per person was to be made for the supper. The entire proceeds of this supper were to be given to a mission cause.

The day of the supper has come and gone, and from all reports everyone was more than satisfied. The proceeds, which amounted to almost $30.00, will be sent to the Michaels to be used as the Quinhagak Station. Following the supper, a paper, Life on The Quinhagak Front, was presented.

King reports three new foreign Missionary Society memberships. The delay in reporting these is due to promises of several others which have not as yet been turned in.

It may interest the many friends of Bro. Paul Linville to know that he is still in the Baptist Hospital, and that his condition though serious is not considered critical by his attending physicians. Your prayers for his speedy recovery will be greatly appreciated.

E. C. HELMIC.

ENTERPRISE.

Our attendance for the month of June has been excellent in all the services. On the second Sunday the primary department gave a children's day program under the able leadership of the primary superintendent and teachers, namely, Miss May Teoh, Mrs. Fred Fisheb, and Miss Lizzie Teoh. We appreciate the interest that these good women take in the children of our congregation. May the fruits of their labors be many young souls led into the saving knowledge of our Lord and Saviour.

On the third Sunday night the pastor began a series of evangelistic services with the New Eden congregation, meeting with the young people at 7:30 each evening for a 15 minute period of prayer and Bible study. Friday night about 40 young people gathered with us for this service.

Bro. Higgins was with us on the fourth Sunday morning and preached an inspiring sermon, at which time he presented the cause of the Greensboro congregation.

Our choir is doing some good work under the leadership of Bro. Robert Reich as director and Miss Alma Katheryn Teoh as pianist.

We hope to begin special meetings on the fourth Sunday in July. Bro. C. O. Weber pastor of Fairview will be our visiting evangelist.

On Thursday of the 29th the pastor assisted in the funeral of Mrs. Phoebe Hill who passed away on the 27th, at the age of 87 years.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

CALVARY.

The closing month of the church year brought many special occasions in this congregation, and we thank God that all of them were of an encouraging nature.

The Board of Trustees had in prospect final settlement with the Central Board early in July, therefore sooner than usual.

June 11 was a Sunday of music at Calvary, bringing us the closing festival of the Junior Choir School in the afternoon and the Junior Band of the Province together with Calvary Band at night in a special service of sacred music. Both events were worshipful and inspiring. Mrs. Kenneth Pfohl and Miss Flavella Stockton were in charge of the choir service. Professor Joseph Pfohl directed the combined Junior Bands and Austin E. Burke, Jr., led the Calvary Band in selected chorales of which he first gave the story of composer and hymn.

Missionary Sunday was observed on June 18. At this time the Missionary Board gave opportunity to all our members to have part in the fulfilling of our Lord's last commission to make Him known in all the earth. There was fine response and it is hoped the entire budget including the salary of our missionary representatives, the Rev. and Mrs. Harry Trodlahl, Bethel, Alaska, will be subscribed.

Vacation Bible School was held June 19-30 with J. Calvin Barnes as general superintendent assisted by a capable and loyal staff of Calvary workers. The enrollment neared the 100 mark and splendid work was done, evidenced by the fine closing exercises held on Friday night, June 30.

Outdoor summer night services began June 18. Attendance has been most gratifying thus far and the service rendered by the band in leading the music has been outstanding.

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ciated.

A beautiful chair. The Girl Troop gave the pastor a desk lamp tokens of esteem were greatly accomplished. Particularly fine was the visiting record for the year. The financial report was very gratifying. Officers for the new year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. W. E. Shore; first vice president, Mrs. Della J. Walker; second vice president, Mrs. D. F. Peterson; secretary, Mrs. J. Walter Dalton; treasurer, Mrs. J. L. Shore.

The Fellowship Circle of business women held a delightful meeting in connection with a supper at Friedberg. Reports of activities in this group gave insight into a very extensive service program with bright promise for the future. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. F. C. Abernethy; vice president, Miss Julia Comets; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Herbert Chambers.

EDMUND SCHWARZE.

IMMANUEL.

As was announced by the Provincial Elders' Conference in the last issue of The Wachovia Moravian, a change in pastors is taking place at Immanuel. The Rev. Walser H. Allen has now completed his second pastorate, concluding his work at this church with the administration of the Holy Communion on July 2, and the Rev. Samuel J. Tesch is to take charge on the first Sunday in August. Three new members were received at this last service, all men, two of them, namely, J. W. Angel, Jr., and P. A. Farrington, by the sacrament of baptism, and the other, J. K. Farrington, by transfer. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Smith was presented to the Lord in baptism. Though the weather was warm, 200 people gathered for this closing service of Mr. Allen's pastorate. The congregation held a reception for the pastor and family on the night of June 14, and presented them with a beautiful chair. The Girl Scout Troop gave the pastor a desk lamp on the Sunday night preceding. These tokens of esteem were greatly appreciated.

We are very happy to report that Bro. D. C. Butner was able to attend the church service on the night of July 2. This was the first time he could be with us since last Anniversary Sunday, which was on October 2 of last year. We earnestly hope that his improvement will continue without interruption.

Loyalty Day was held on June 11. This past fiscal year has been the best in the whole of Immanuel's history.

New members elected to the Official Boards were: Bro. John L. Johnson, elder, succeeding Bro. J. S. Jones, and Bro. H. B. Maren, taking the place of Bro. Geo. L. Casn on the Board of Trustees. To the retiring brethren we express again our gratitude for their years of faithful service.

Bro. L. G. Luckensbach preached at Immanuel on the two Sundays the pastor was absent attending the Young People's Conference of the Western District of our Northern Province.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

ADVENT.

We are glad to report this month the largest attended Anniversary services for many a year. The attendance at Sunday-school that morning was 356. Our guest speaker for the day was the Rev. Lee C. Fisher, of Portland, Indiana. Mr. Fisher was not stranger, as he had conducted a very successful evangelistic meeting for us last March. The Church band, the senior and junior choirs rendered excellent music throughout the day. The Lovefeast service was held at night. We were delighted to welcome a delegation from the Waldensian Church at Valdese, N. C. at the morning services. They invited our congregation to worship with them in August. The congregational dinner was enjoyed by many at the noon hour.

Representatives from the Sunday school attended the Thanksgiving convention held at Friedberg the first Sunday in the month.

Mr. Fisher gave a musical hour of gospel songs and motion pictures of work in various mission fields, in the Friedland, Macedonia and Advent Churches during the week nights. At Advent the young married men and women's Bible classes sponsored a social hour in the basement of the Church for Mr. Fisher at the close of the Wednesday night service.

The pastor performed a wedding during the month in the parsonage, namely, Herman Runey and Miss Dora Fulton.

Father's Day was observed by the congregation. At night of the same day, Howard Chadwick preached on the "Temptations of Jesus."

The annual Church Council was held in connection with the morning service the third Sunday morning. All the reports were encouraging. The treasurer, Dewey R. Long, reported all bills paid and a remarkable sum on hand to begin the new year, July 1st. The two Elders chosen to serve three years were Gilbert Fleeg and Ralph Myres, the three Trustees were Arthur Fisher, J. E. Spach and Henry Snyder.

The pastor appeared before the prayer meeting group at Salem Home and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Central Terrace Methodist Church, and told of his recent trip to Jamaica, and together with Roy Snyder gave the lecture with moving pictures of Jamaica at the Reynolds Memorial Church, colored.

The Auxiliary met at the Church the second Thursday night and elected the following officers: Pres. Mrs. Kenneth Miller; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Sherman Church; Sec'y, Miss Ollie Spach; Treas., Miss Raymond Pope; Chaplain, Mrs. Mary Shouse; Reporter, Mrs. W. W. Ernst. The Auxiliary served a supper to members and friends of the Home Church choir.

The Primary and Junior departments of the Sunday school rendered their Children's program the third Sunday night before a large congregation. Mrs. Shelmar Church was in charge of the program.

Christian Endeavor members attended the State Convention held at High Point, and were inspired by the address given by Charles Saint John, Supt. of the Bowery Street Mission of New York City.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

CHARLOTTE.

After several years talk and with considerable doubt, we conducted our first Daily Vacation Bible School at the Little Church On The Lane during the last two weeks in June. The result was far beyond our fondest expectation. Expecting to have only about a dozen children, forty were enrolled. There was an especially fine class of intermediates. The school was conducted under the direction of Howard Chadwick of our Theological Seminary who gave fine leadership to a staff of teachers recruited from the newer element in the congregation, none of whom had had teaching experience. Both teachers and pupils were most enthusiastic and there was the finest spirit of cooperation. All voted for another school next year.

For several years we have been receiving our confirmation class into church membership on Whit Sunday, according to ancient custom in the Church, rather than on Palm Sunday. This year there were three receptions by letter, five by confirmation and one by adult baptism.

The Woman's Auxiliary elected the following new officers to head the organization for the year commencing July 1: Mrs. J. F. Crouse, president; Mrs. Clyde Craven, first vice president; Mrs. W. F. Harwell, second vice president; Mrs. E. B. Vosburgh, secretary; Mrs. L. B. Vaughan, Jr. Treasurer.

We have been endeavoring to keep alive the observance of Ascension Day, but the result is far from encouraging. We regret to see this once important church festival passing.

Our Sunday evening service has been merged for the summer with the Community Open Air Service in the American Legion Memorial Stadium. The Young People's League, the Men's Club, and the mid-week prayer meetings are closed for the summer months in accordance with our usual custom.

The Junior Choir which again this...
year has done such fine work under the leadership of Miss Wilhelmina Wohlford and Mrs. Russell Holder, closed the session with a picnic held on the church grounds June 28.

This year our financial effort for the new church year budget was launched in May, with the result that we were able to have this undertaking and all bills paid by the first of July. We were grateful for the fine co-operation of our people and our church board under the leadership of Mr. Frank Tillotson, director of the budget.

One of the largest audiences ever to assemble in our chapel, gathered to hear an organ recital on May 7 by John J. Morton, Jr. Only seventeen years old, this young man had been one of our organists for almost two years. During the past year he was a student at Duke University, where he continued his organ study. He is one of Charlotte's most brilliant organists. The recital was given for the benefit of a fund now being raised to repair and remodel our church organ.

--HERBERT SPAUGH.

MISPAH.

Since last we wrote, the Mispa Church has received several coats of white paint which has enhanced its appearance considerably. About twenty members donated paint, one gallon each; others contributed to the labor, and to pay for the labor. Even the pastor had a small share in applying some of the paint.

One of our members, Fred Krueger, built a stoop over the front entrance to the church. He is to be commended on his fine workmanship, and his generosity in contributing a large part of the labor.

On the third Sunday night of the month, the Primary Department presented a Children's program to a large and appreciative audience. We were happy to have the former pastor, Bro. F. W. Grabs, present. Mrs. Russel Speas, Supt. of the Primary Dept., coached the children and supervised the presentation.

One of our old and beloved members, Mrs. J. W. Bowen, known to many at Grandma Bowers, passed away at her home on June 16th. Funeral services were held on Sunday, June 18th. The pastor was assisted by the Rev. F. W. Grabs. Though we miss her cheery presence, we know that she has gone to be with her Lord, "which is far better." Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

At the Church Council meeting following the church service on June 21st, the new Church Committee was elected.

Members of the congregation attended at the MRK picnic supper held at King during the month.

E. C. HELMICH.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

Bro. H. N. Spinahure had the misfortune of losing one of the fingers of his right hand and severely injuring several others while operating a small rip-saw at his home. At this writing the condition of his hand is much improved.

Our Evangelistic services which had been in progress for two weeks came to a close on Sunday evening, the 4th. Bro. G. E. Brewer brought very helpful messages and the meeting proved a great blessing.

Wednesday evening of the 7th the pastor united in marriage Charles J. Grubbs and Miss Ruby Tate.

A number of our Junior Choir members attended and took part in the Junior Choir Hymn Festival at Calvary Church on the 2nd Sunday afternoon.

We received 10 new members into our congregation on the 3rd Sunday at the 11 o'clock service. Six came by transfer from other denominations, one by confirmation and three by Adult Baptism. This same Sunday was observed as Church Loyalty Day.

The annual congregation council was held on the 4th Sunday following a brief morning service with the following members being elected to the official boards: Elders, J. R. Hughes, H. M. Jones and E. S. Pfaff; Trustees, E. H. Hundlely, F. P. Flyn and J. H. Gray. Various reports were rendered regarding the work of the Sunday School and Church for the past year which revealed the facts of progress and afforded us much encouragement for the beginning of the new church year.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

Loyalty Pledge and Pay-Up Day, held this year on June 4, witnessed another record in the total amount pledged to the new budget. For this manifestation of loyalty to Christ and the Church we are most grateful.

While attending the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Moravian College and Theological Seminary, the pastor renewed acquaintance with several friends in Bethlehem, Pa.

During his vacation in June Thor Johnson, son of the manse, rendered a number of violin solos as offerings in our Sunday services.

Mrs. R. W. Newman is now president of the Ladies Auxiliary, Mrs. C. C. Reeves is vice-president and R. B. Hurst is secretary-treasurer. Our Auxiliary merits the thanks of the congregation for splendid service every year.

East Salem Day on June 25 marked the sixty-third anniversary of the beginning of Moravian work in Winston. Following a Children's Day program by the Primary and Beginners departments, a lovefeast of ice cold lemonade and buns was enjoyed by a large company. The Rev. V. H. Harrell participated in the service. We regretted the absence of our superintendent, brother H. E. Fries, due to his continued illness.

What appears to have been the largest Honor Roll in our history was read Sunday, July 2. To all who made this possible we bespeak most hearty thanks.

Vacation Bible School is now in progress, with student John Fulton at the helm. More about this church activity will be given in next month's report.

H. B. JOHNSON.

TRINITY.

High school and college graduates dined at the parsonage with tables set on the church lawn on the 9th. On Sunday, June 11, the pastor was called to Tampa, Florida, on account of the death of his sister.

Church council was held on June 18. Treasurer Chas. A. Hege reported that settlement with the congregation treasurer would be made by the end of the month.


Summer plans for August include Daily Vacation Bible Schools at Trinity and New Eden and the Trinity Youth Conference at Anakantsi Farm.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

HOME CHURCH.

May was one of the busiest months of the whole year at the Home Church. The second Sunday is observed each year as Young People's Covenant Day. There were nearly two hundred present for the preparatory banquet on Friday night, and even a larger number were present for the lovefeast in the afternoon. The Rev. George G. Higgins delivered an appropriate address which was genuinely appreciated by our young people. Immediately afterward the Holy Communion was administered.

Loyalty Day likewise comes in the month of May and this year extensive plans were made for its proper ob-
The Christian Year Festival of Music was observed during the month of May. Under the direction of Bro. Robert P. Jensen, who was assisted by Mrs. Jensen and Dean Charles G. Vardell, the four choirs of the church, totaling in membership over a hundred, presented a beautiful program of hymns and anthems that have been used by the choirs during the various seasons of the church year.

Mr. and Mrs. Jensen's work with these younger groups has been outstanding during this first year of their work with us.

The Rev. and Mrs. Rufus Bishop were with us on the 7th. Bro. Bishop spoke to us at the worship service in the afternoon and on the 19th the Brethren Bruner and Brewer showed their moving pictures of our missions in the West Indies to an appreciative group gathered under the sponsorship of the Mattila Ward Bible Class. Other occasions during the month included the Dramatic Club Banquet on the 5th, the Sunday School teachers supper on the 14th and numerous class outings.

Summer activities were begun in June. Extensive plans were made for our annual Daily Vacation Bible School and an excellent corps of workers enlisted in this department of the work. Bro. Robert Jensen was the head of the school and was assisted by the Brethren John Fulton and Ellis Bullins, the latter assisting only during the first week of the school. Nearly 200 young people between the ages of four and sixteen were enrolled and the commencement program on the final night gave evidence of the excellent training given the boys and girls.

The Officers of the Woman's Auxiliary were installed on the third Monday in the month. Mrs. Howard E. Rondthaler will again serve as president of this important organization. It was announced at this meeting that a budget of more than $2,000.00 had been subscribed.

There was much serious illness in the congregation during the month, but we are happy to report at this time the apparent recovery of all.

The pastor baptized two infants and performed five wedding ceremonies in addition to filling four outside appointments during the month which included a morning sermon at Friedland, an anniversary address at Ardmore, the literary address at the local high school commencement and a Sunday morning sermon at Duke University.

R. Gordon Spahn

RURAL HALL

At a recent meeting of the Church Council, the following members were elected to the Church Committee: Mrs. O. S. Smith, Mrs. W. M. Truett, Mrs. A. L. Payne, H. D. Cook, L. E. Staub and B. E. Wilson.

For the past several months, our Ladies Aid Society has been active in raising funds for a complete set of pulpit furniture. It has been ordered and will arrive in time to be used for the Sixteenth Anniversary Lovefeast, on the fourth Sunday of July. The ladies have also recently purchased silverware for the church kitchen.

Rural Hall reports four new memberships to the Foreign Missionary Society. The delay in repaying these is due to the promises of several others which have not as yet been turned in.

Members of the Congregation assisted at the MRK picnic supper held during the month.

E. C. HELMICH

FRIEDBERG

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With Mesdames J. F. Weiner, Howard Poyner and K. P. Mendenhall as joint hostesses the Ladies' Aid Society met at the church for annual election of officers. Mrs. A. E. Folta will lead this fine group of workers through the coming months.

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SAMUEL J. TESCH.

HOPE.

The end of June brought to a close our enrolling campaign. We were able to meet our financial obligations promptly and to do much in preparation for the building program which we hope to get under way by the first of September.

The monthly meeting of the Sunday School Teachers and officers was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Johnson on Friday evening the 31st with a large number present and a most encouraging outlook for this phase of our work was noted.

The Ladies’ Auxiliary sponsored a mission program at the church on the fourth Sunday evening at which time Bro. G. E. Brewer’s pictures of his trip to Jamaica were shown and an offering for the mountain work was received.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

BETHLEHEM.

Efforts are being made to improve our church yard and we hope this can be done at an early date. Mr. Croom of the county road force has promised to help in the grading of that portion of the yard where the top soil has been removed for road building purposes.

The Ladies’ Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Lillian Everhart on Friday evening the 9th. This organization is a great help in the whole program of our work.

Sunday School sessions and the church services were well attended during the month.

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KERNERSVILLE.

Loyalty Day this year was the most successful occasion of this kind we have ever held. There were more people present, and the total in pledges received was larger by a good deal than ever before. Our budget for this coming fiscal year has been considerably increased, but we have good prospects of reaching it. However, the co-operation of every member will be needed.

The Rev. L. G. Luckenbach and Wm. E. Spaugh preached for us on the two Sundays the pastor was absent, attending the Moravian Young People’s Conference at Lake Chetek, Wisconsin. During this time also, student John Kapp conducted our annual Vacation Bible School, ably assisted by our own workers. The closing exercises, held on Friday night, June 30, were admirably executed and well attended. At the close the customary ice cream social was held on the rear church lawn. We had a total of 89 on the roll, and the average attendance for the two weeks was $3.2, which was all we could desire. Offerings taken during the school and at the closing program covered the expense. The congregation is greatly indebted to all who worked so faithfully to make this effort a success.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Kenneth Greenfield is making satisfactory recovery from the terrible automobile accident she suffered on June 1. Progress will necessarily be slow, but hopes for a complete recovery are bright. At present she is largely encased in a plaster cast, in which she will have to remain for several weeks.

Since lightning ripped the shingles off one side of our church steeple, and it was necessary to erect a scaffold to make needed repairs, it was decided to use this same scaffold to add two coats of paint. As usual, one thing calls for another, so the whole of the outside wood-work of the church has been painted.

Work has also started on remodeling the parsonage. A heating system is to be installed, and other improvements made.

WALER H. ALLEN.

CHRIST CHURCH.

The annual church council held on June 7th with the election: H. F. Brinkley, Clyde Barber, B. O. Disher to the Board of Elders, and T. L. Shepherd, W. M. Evans, and E. H. Holton to the Board of Trustees. Carl Essic was elected to the Board of Trustees for one year to fill the unexpired term of the late Bro. W. B. McMillay. Mrs. W. H. Crafton and Howard Disher were elected to the Board of Christian Education. Mrs. Fred C. Disher was re-elected Secretary of Church Council.

The Woman’s Auxiliary cleaned and redecorated the north church tower and plans are under way to re-decorate the south tower. The window drapes in the church auditorium have also been cleaned. We appreciate the interest the Auxiliary shows in keeping the church clean and attractive.

Loyalty Day was held on the second Sunday of the month and we are pleased that more people pledged toward the support of the church for the coming year than last year, and that the pledges are in proportion to the ability to pay. So we anticipate continued interest in the church’s needs in the months to come.

The children of the Beginners, Primary and Junior Departments gave their Children’s Day Program at the evening service of the 11th. A good audience listened to a fine program.

The offering for the Boy’s Dormitory at the Alaska Orphanage was received at this service.

We were able to close the church year for the third successive time with all bills paid. Christ Church was the first of the churches in Salem Congregation to meet her obligations to the Central Board of Trustees. This year we were also able to close the Mission Fund at the end of June, which will enable us to begin the year with a clean record in both the church and mission funds.

The writer was called to Leakville on the 14th to preach the funeral sermon of Bud Ross.

Miss Elise Muse and Smith Marshall were married at the church on June 22nd.

The teachers and officers in the Sunday School were installed on the last Sunday of the month with all the Sunday School Departments assembling in the church auditorium for the service.

VERNON I. GRAF.

GREENSBORO.

At a meeting held on the 13th of June the Woman’s Auxiliary elected its general officers for the year beginning July 1. Mrs. B. A. Swicegood was elected president, succeeding Mrs. R. A. Oehman who had served in this capacity most faithfully for the past two years. Mrs. T. W. Austin was chosen vice president, Mrs. H. G. Wall, secretary, and Mrs. C. H. Wagner, treasurer. Mrs. S. O. Melvin, Mrs. H. W. Mashburn and Mrs. G. G. Higgin were re-elected leaders of circles number 2, 3 and 4, while Mrs. A. B. Strickler was named to succeed Mrs. Swicegood as the leader of circle number 1.

Our sincere thanks are expressed to the Auxiliary for its loyal support during the past year. It has by its splendid accomplishments shown the way to the rest of the congregation. We are indeed grateful for what they have done and wish them God’s blessing in the coming year.

The choir also elected its officers during the month, its leaders being chosen at a picnic outing which was held at the City Lake. The result of the election was: Mrs. P. C. Leslie, president; Mrs. Vance Stevens, vice president; R. A. Oehman, secretary; and Dick Hayworth, treasurer.

For the first time since the Sunday school has been holding its picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Apple, rain interfered. Because of this fact very few attended and only about 10 were present for the meal which was eaten indoors. As a token of the Sunday school’s appreciation of their hospitality, a Croquet set was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Apple on the Sunday following the outing.

A successful Daily Vacation Bible School was held from June 19 to June 30. Ellis Bullins was in charge and was assisted by Mrs. A. B. Strickler, Mrs. B. A. Swicegood, Mrs. G. G. Higgin, Mrs. C. S. Hammono, Mrs.
Alma Huddins, Ruth Melvin, Edna Essex, Lois Reich, Alice Stricker, Martha Odman, Dorothy Babbitt and Julia Armstrong.

The pastor presented the cause of the Greensboro Building fund at Enterprise on the last Sunday of the month. This small congregation responded to our appeal with an offering of $14.36. We are most grateful to Bro. Davis and the people of Enterprise for the kind and generous way in which they received us.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

INFANT BAPTISMS.

Simpson.—Emily Marie, daughter of S. Conerd and Doris (Doub) Simpson, born August 7, 1918, baptized by the Rev. F. Walter Grabs in Bethania Church June 11, 1919.


Sink.—William Charles, son of Milton M. and Cathryn (Crews) Sink, born May 29, 1934, was baptized at home on Sunday, July 2, 1939, by the Rev. H. B. Johnson, Sponsors: Mrs. W. E. Sink and Miss Fannie Crews.


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From Jerusalem 1.50
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From Bethania 4.00
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The Willow Hill church is now being used for worship, and is one of the best in the entire county of Carroll. Our students who are working during the summer at this mission occupy rooms in the rear of the church for their living quarters. The rooms are not so well furnished as those of the Halls of Comenius in Bethlehem, but are clean and ample for accommodations.

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As many of our readers have already heard, a great catastrophe has overtaken the chief station of our mission in Alaska, Bethel, on the Kuskokwim River. Mrs. Schwabell, writing in The Moravian of July 24, describes it as follows:

"Bethel, June 28, 4 a.m.—I am writing at this early hour not because of some grand inspiration but because we are in the midst of trouble and sleep has deserted me. Today I expect to begin packing up in dread anticipation of moving, not a few personal belongings, but house and all. For the treacherous Kuskokwim, like a relentless monster, is steadily encroaching, taking the river’s bank in front of the mission in great insatiable bites. Just this moment a dull roar tells me that another few tons of earth has fallen into its greedy maw.

"The sandy beach where the children used to wade and play, our comfortable safe water front, is no more. Instead there is a great gouged-out semi-circle, the rim only fifty feet from our mission houses. Hourly pieces from that rim drop from the perpendicular cliff into the swirling water, which is fathom's deep, below. This catastrophe has long been prophesied but I suppose all hoped that the river channel might change.

"Twenty men are now working frenziedly trying to save mission property. The Rev. F. Drebert's house is being moved today. Mine is the next in danger. These two are on sandy ground. The church, the wireless station and the Rev. H. Trodahl's house are all on the tundra and apparently safe, at least for the present."

For fifty-four years Bethel has been the center of our work in Alaska. It was named and founded by the two pioneers, Weiland and Kilbuck, and has been the joy and pride of our church through more than half a century. It is threatened with destruction.

We do not know as yet the full extent of the damage which has been done, but we do know that the church will be called upon to make a special offering to repair the damage. A wired to our mission authorities in Bethel by the Rev. F. Drebert, the superintendent of the mission, under date of July 6, states that his house and Mrs. Schwabell's have been moved to a place of safety, and that the current of the river was slowly abating. This is encouraging news.

We wish to assure our Bethel friends of our deep sympathy, and to urge our people at home to prepare to bring in their gifts for this worthy cause. We gave freely to Mississippi Valley flood sufferers a few years ago. Here is a situation which also calls to us. The difference is that whereas a national calamity strikes everybody, a situation such as this appeals only to our own Moravian people, with perhaps a few noteworthy exceptions. Bethel needs and deserves our help.

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Too often we wait until a person is dead to sing his praises. It would do him, and us, more good to tell him while he is still alive how much his

example, his friendship meant to us. And furthermore, the thing we seem never able to realize, we ourselves are lifted up when we stoop to give others a lift. There is no surer cure for a fit of depression than to make a visit with the purpose of taking a little cheer to someone who stands in particular need of it. If we want alleviation, we must first give it.

hours out of New Orleans, and we were crossing the bar into the Gulf of Mexico. Never have I made it so quickly. The sea was smooth, and a pleasant day was spent down the Gulf and around the point of Florida to Havana, Cuba. Tropical ports are all inclined to be attractive, especially old established ones like Havana. The sights of the city are well worth seeing. The Church of Our Lady of Mercy has some splendid pinnacles; the Maine Monument is commemorative and only that. The promenades of the city are beautiful with their rows of shade trees. Morro Castle is also worthy of the trip to see it. The old castle buildings and their medieval appointments, the pre-high explosive defenses brought back the old days that I can glad to have missed. The char­
gons and death chambers were horri­
ble to view! I left there thankful
that I lived at this time, but began to think that perhaps we have cus­
toms and appointments that at some future date will also create adverse com­ment and feelings.

After a quiet Sunday on the Caribbean and then Monday also passing, Tuesday morning saw us in Panama, and on Wednesday we were in the Canal Zone. As it was the first time that we had had the chance to go down to the canal, of course, we took the trip over to the Pacific and saw much of the canal in crossing. We were for­
tunate to see a Panamanian warship go­ing thru the Gatun locks. What I en­
joyed as much as anything was the ease in which we had crossed the conti­
tinental divide, about 90 feet above sea level. Actually the sight of the Pacific was no different from that of the Atlantic. But the ruins of old Panama were very interesting. How those folk built houses, fortresses, and cathedrals! These buildings and ruins were more interesting than the great number of beggars and sidewalk vendors that were followed up in Panama and in Havana. That night we went to visit the Rev. Mr. Greg­
yor, the representative of the Ameri­
can Bible Society, and had a pleas­
ant hour with him. He also saw to it

that we returned safely to the ship, and went on the principle that the longest way round was the best way home, for we went thru the whole of the city of Colon as well as Cristobal, even going down romantic Lover’s Lane. Then on Thursday morning we, at five o’clock a.m. in sighted Braganza’s Bluff, and soon were tied up at the wharf and short­ly after that we landed. Going thru customs, we were shown a number of curiosities. Perhaps it would interest some to know what we brought with us. Naturally we had our personal things, and in addition, an organ for the Bilwi Karmas church, and one for the Pearl Lagoon church, an acc­

er to use in our outstation work, a used photograph for one of our catechists, a typewriter and mimeo­
graph for making the Textbook, mov­
ing cameras and projector, some pro­
cerries for one missionary, presents for a number more, supplies for the hospital, and some supplies for oth­
er which are difficult to obtain here in this country. This is not unusual for a returning missionary, as each one is used when coming to this coun­
try for the convenience of the others. And no one may complain, for each one uses the other at any time that he is able to do so.

As I write this it is a little over a month since we landed. We have been visitors here at Bilwi on a number of occasions, but to take charge of the station is a different thing. The spiritual work is in itself a large or­
der. We have here in Bilwi, Indians, Creoles, and Evangelical Spanish speaking Nicaragua. To minister to all of them is indeed a great task. I am afraid that the Spanish end of the work suffers. Sunday comes, and at 9:00 the Sunday school bell rings. I try up at Christmas and hold the Sunday School, to which up­
wards of 125 come. This is divided into classes, two of which are Mis­
kito speaking, about four in English and at times one in Spanish. The open­ing portion of the school program, the worship period, is bi-lingual. It has been tri­lingual. It is in English. Simultaneously with this school one is held in the little chapel on the south beach, and also one in a small building in the Bar­
race. These are also bi-lingual in char­acter. After the school session is over, there is the Miskito public worship at 11 a.m. This is entirely in the Miskito language, and is our only exclusive Miskito service on Sunday, although on Monday night at the South Beach Chapel, a service is held, and this is mostly in Mis­
kito. It is a relief to have it all in one language, rather than translating part of it into another language. At 3 p. m. there is an English service, when

the regular Sunday Litany is used with sermon. Then at 7 p.m. there is another English service. By this time, the missionary and his wife are hap­
py the day is over. During the week comes the usual work of the congre­gation, sick and house visiting, in­
struction, and just now I have a class of five candidates that should be meeting twice a week, midweek pray­
creanqg, Junior and Senior Chris­

tian Endeavor, choir practice.

Then in somewhat of a fan-like spread, there are five catechists in five places under the supervision of the Bilwi missionary: Kamla, an hour and a half walk from here, at Twappi, two hours and a half walk from here, at Krukira, about two hours further on from Twappi, at Boss­
Sirpi, a matter of almost four hours walk, and at Sinisan, which takes six

OUR RETURN TO NICARAGUA

By The Rev. Rufus F. Bishop.

We left home, that is Bethelham, Pa., May 2nd. And I believe that it was a record leave taking, for among those who came to the station to see us off were the members of P. E. C., who came down from their meeting. The parting from the family was dif­

ferent this time, as we all knew just what was before us. And we were leaving our boys after a wonderful winter together. The parting was hard, but not without hope and spir­

ual comfort. The short visit at Wayne Junction, Philadelphia, was made more pleasant because a friend of Mrs. Bishop’s came to see us for the few minutes. The view of Wash­

dington at night time from the Union Station is grand, but to walk around the city is to me a little confusing, so as soon as we were allowed, we boarded the Pullman and were safely at rest when the train pulled out. The next morning, we left the train at Greensboro, and went to visit some relatives. That night we proceeded to Winston-Salem, the home of the Dannebergers, whom we had fully expected to see in New Orleans. The three days spent in Winston-Salem were, as usual, pleasant and interesting, and seeing how little time we could possibly spend in one place. Sunday was a tiring day. In the body, we went to four points in Winston-Sa­

lem, but in thought and speech, I made four trips to Nicaragua, as guide to a large host of people each time. I was glad for a chance to retire that night. But real rest came on the train to New Orleans. The one day in New Orleans was just as busy and as var­

ied as always such a day is. But on board the boat we had a chance to rest up. The eight days that we spent on the boat were days of luxury, resting and playing shuffleboard. We did enjoy the potato race which was put on on the upper deck one evening. If any one contemplates a tropical cruise to points of interest in the Caribbean, I surely suggest the cruise of the Standard Fruit and Steamship Company on their boats, the ‘Contessa’ and the ‘Cefalu’. Six
AFTER FIFTY YEARS

By Bishop Paul de Schweinitz, D.D.
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

It so happened, Brother Editor, that June 5, 1888, the Episcopus, then, however, only a very youthful Presbyter, delivered the English address at the laying of the cornerstone (and participated in the laying thereof), of the Moravian Church in Chaska, Minn. The late Brethren Jacob Hoyler (father of the present Bishop Hoyler) and Henry Reusswig delivered German addresses. Then on November 10, 1889, he i.e., the present Episcopus, then Presbyter, spoke morning, afternoon and evening at the dedication of the said second church edifice of the Chaska congregation. The officiating Bishop on that occasion was the late Bishop Clement Reinke, who had been consecrated a Bishop in Bethlehem, Pa., September 26, 1888, and who had been one of the professors of the present Episcopus in the Moravian Theology Seminary. The present Episcopus was ordained a Deacon on September 12, 1886, and a Presbyter September 23, 1889. The Pastor of Chaska, when the second church was built and dedicated, free of debt, although $800.00 had to be raised and was raised on the day of dedication in order that it could be dedicated, was the classmate and roommate of the present Episcopus, the late Bro. Charles A. Hackel.

On the day of dedication of the church the present Episcopus recorded in his diary—"This is undoubtedly the finest Moravian church in the entire Fourth (now Western) District." If you have not forgotten all your arithmetic, Bro. Editor, you will be able to calculate that Fifty Years have elapsed since that eventful Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity, November 16, 1889. So the good Chaska Moravians determined to celebrate this Jubilee by installing and dedicating, free of debt, a pipe organ, the first and only pipe organ this congregation has ever had.

You will further note, Bro. Editor, that all the ordained brethren, who participated in that historic cornerstone laying and dedication, the present Episcopus is the only survivor. So what could the Boards of Elders and Trustees do (or if you prefer, "willy-nilly"), but bring tremendous pressure to bear upon the Episcopus to travel the intervening 1,400 miles and come to Chaska to dedicate their pipe organ on the Sixth Sunday After Trinity, July 16, 1939.

The Chaska congregation was organized January 1, 1888, with 27 communicants, of whom 18 were Moravians. Eighty years later on January 1, 1938, it numbered 219 communicants. At the present time Chaska, although the County Seat of Carver County, has only about 1,800 inhabitants. It has one Missouri Lutheran congregation and a Roman Catholic parish besides the Moravian congregation.

On September 12, 1888, it was accepted as a result of a synodical, self-supporting congregation of the Northern Province of the Moravian Church in America. The late Bro. Jacob Hoyler, who preached at the laying of the cornerstone, was Pastor at Chaska 1875-1876; and the late Bishop Clement Reinke, who dedicated the church, was Pastor there 1865-1870. Chaska in those 82 years has had 21 Pastors, of whom 8 are still living, and the Episcopus has known 17 of them personally and well. It is interesting to note, that ten sons of these Pastors are now in the active ministry of the Church at home and abroad: Theodore Reinke, Clement Hoyler, W. N. Schwarzer, Arthur E. Schwarzer, Edmund Schwarzer, Eugene Oterer, James Wiegman, Allen Schattschneider, William Brockman, and the late Elmer Kriebel, all holding important positions in the service of the Church. The present President of the Moravian College and Theological Seminary was born in Chaska.

Well, Bro. Editor, it would have warmed the cockles of your heart, if you could have been present at the celebration of this double anniversary and if you could have witnessed the dedication of the beautiful organ. What changes have taken place in these 80 and 50 years! In 1889 electric lighting was practically unknown—it was in an almost embryonic stage. Now the church is electrically lighted and the organ electrically operated. The choir is vested, which is most proper, as the men and women of this congregation, and the Elders wear a gown, which is practically essential when the choir is vested. If the Episcopus had known this in advance he might have been tempted to bring a Doctor's gown and hood and mortar board with him! However he was not going to be thrown into the shade by all this glory, no, as the dedication of anything is an episcopal function, he donned the white surplice!

The church seats not quite 200, but for the dedication service chairs were brought in and placed in every possible space, and by actual count 300 people were packed into the church. Although it was July 16, it was delightfully cool, and so no one suffered.

The choir rendered splendid service and chanted most effectively the entire doxology: "Unto the Lamb that was slain." The Episcopus had never before heard this entire doxology chanted.

Mr. William Brockman, representing the company which built the organ, prefixed at the organ both at the morning service and at the afternoon recital, when he showed excellent judgment in his selections, which brought out all the beauties of the organ, and he gracefully included some of his own compositions.

The name of the organ is "Wangerin," made by the Wangerin Organ Company of Milwaukee, Wis. It certainly has a beautiful tone. Its cost was $2,350.00—apart from the costs of installation and the cost of the necessary alterations in the building,—all paid for in full!

The Pastor, Bro. John O. Welkin.
presided at the morning service. Bro. Herbert Kant, Pastor at Lake Mills, Wis., participated with the Pastor in the afternoon service. In the morning the Episcopists took the 35th Psalm as his text. In the afternoon by special request he indulged in reminiscences of fifty years ago. (A dangerous thing!)

For him personally the most delightful experience of these three days in Minneapolis, Chaska and Northfield was the meeting with the children and grandchildren of his former Northfield, Minn., parsoners, and to see how they had prospered in these 50 years. He will never forget the dinner in a lovely home in Minneapolis where 16 gathered around the festive board. He could write pages about that, Bro. Editor, but he desists.

So, Bro. Editor, that is the way the Chaska pipe organ was dedicated!

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THE EDITOR GOES NORTH


After two Sundays at home following our return from the Young People's Conference at Lake Chetek, Wisconsin, for which we see the July number of The Wachovia Moravian, Bro. Mickey and I found ourselves on the road again. But this time we were not travelling together. He went on vacation to Bethlehem, where Mrs. Mickey and Edward III had already gone to visit Mrs. Mickey's parents, and I set out with the family for what turned out to be a very eventful and strenuous two weeks, in which pleasure and work were combined.

Shades of Thomas Jefferson.

This time travel was by automobile. It would have been rather expensive to purchase five railroad tickets, whereas that number just filled our return from the Young People's Conference at Lake Chetek, Wisconsin. In order to purchase five railroad tickets, whereas that number just filled our return from the Young People's Conference at Lake Chetek, Wisconsin. In order to purchase five railroad tickets, whereas that number just filled our return from the Young People's Conference at Lake Chetek, Wisconsin.

The Second Day On The Road.

On a good night's rest in Alexandria we started off on our second day's journey, and went first to the National Cemetery at Arlington, just across the river from Washington. Here we saw the grave of the Unknown Soldier, and the Lee Mansion, former home of General Robert E. Lee. Once while traveling in Europe I rememberd to some follow Americans touring that we we the English had shown poor judgment in the location of the grave of our unknown soldier, that we stuck ours out where no one could see it, the English put their's in Westminster Abbey, while the French with a keener sense of the finnesses of things, placed their's beneath the Arch of Triumph which stands in the midst of their greatest city's chief thoroughfare, the Champs Elysees. One woman of the party looked at me and asked: "Have you ever been to Arlington to see the tomb of our unknown soldier?" I had to admit that I hadn't. To this she said: "Well, before you make such a criticism, you better go." She was right. Having been in Paris and London, I can truthfully say that nothing can surpass the simplicity of that tomb in Arlington Cemetery with the inscription: "Here rests in honored glory an American Soldier known but to God." This was my second visit to Arlington Cemetery, and I would not pass up another opportunity to go there. Though it was a rainy morning I was gratified to note the large number of cars from many different states. Evidently this great national shrine is receiving at least some of the attention it deserves.

We finally got through Washington and onto the road to Baltimore, but there missed the turn which would have taken us through on Highway No. 1. Finding ourselves on No. 40, we were told that this would lead us back into No. 1, but it didn't. This was a fortunate mistake, for No. 40, sometimes called "The Drown Point Highway," is a dual, four lane road which cuts out Philadelphia and Trenton, and is the most direct route to New York. It is necessary to ferry across the Delaware river when you go this way, but the cost of that is easily offset by the absence of big city traffic. By going this way we ar-

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rived at my sister's home in Glen Ridge, N. J., in time for the evening meal, whereas if we had gone the other way, we probably would have been on the road another hour or perhaps two.

A Visit To The World's Fair.

No one should be as close to New York as we were and not take in the World's Fair, so the whole family went one day. We got to the grounds at 2 p.m. and left at 10 p.m. Like other inexperienced novices we made the mistake of trying to go too much, and seldom have we been so exhausted as at the close of that day. The Fair is truly wonderful, but--! It takes ten days to see it thoroughly. The boys went back a couple of times, but I had only this one opportunity.

By Rail To Lititz.

The chief purpose of this trip, or that which brought it to pass, was the invitation extended to me to take part in the Annual Young People's Conference of the Eastern District of our Northern Province, now held at Lititz, Pa., where our Moravian Church with its large, new and completely up-to-date Sunday School building, and Linden Hall Girls' Boarding High School, furnish excellent accommodations for such a gathering. The delegates were housed in the Linden Hall buildings, while the Lititz congregation, of which the Rev. A. O. Danneberger, veteran missionary to Nicaragua, and now the superintendent of that field, stood up and assured us that he was returning to his field with a lighter heart and renewed courage for having heard these testimonies. One girl frankly admitted that she had not been attending church, that her interest in things spiritual had dropped to a low ebb, that she had even come to the Conference somewhat against her will, but that now she was going back and going to work for Christ and His Church. There was no emotionalism in this gathering, but as the same time there was deep emotion. Bro. Horne then led in the closing candle service and the fellowship circle, following this, the group marched in procession, with lighted candles, from the campfire ground behind the church to the Lititz Square, similar to our Salem Square though not as large, and gathered in front of the Old Ladies' Home where a number of choruses were sung before the program came to a close. It was all very beautiful and impressive.

A Week of Conferences.

The Conference lasted from Monday night, July 17 to Sunday afternoon, July 23. Classes were held each morning, the afternoons were devoted to recreation, and on each night there was some special feature. On Thursday night there was a hike to the country cabin of Pennsylvania State Senator Pierson, who is a Lititz Moravian, where we had a campfire program which was in charge of the Rev. Ernest Sommerfeld, formerly in our Southern Province, but now pastor of one of our two churches in Utica, N. Y. Present also for the conference with a group of his young people was Bro. C. G. B. Franz, formerly assistant pastor of the Home Church. On Friday night the annual banquet was held. Bro. Roy Grams, best known as Editor of The Moravian, the weekly publication of the Northern Province, was toastmaster, and accounted in a large measure for the success of this feature of the Conference. The address at the banquet was made by the Rev. Pierce Swope, pastor of a Reformed Church in Lebanon, Pa. Seldom have any of us heard anything more humorous, yet there was not lacking an abundance of common-sense exhortation, which made the occasion definitely worth while.

Following the Saturday vesper, the group gathered around a campfire and were led in a testimony meeting which warmed everyone's heart. After hearing twenty or thirty of the young people give free and uncensored expression to what the Conference had done for them, what they hoped to take back with them to their own individual congregations, and why Christ had become more indispensable in their lives than ever before, Bro. A. O. Danneberger, veteran missionary to Nicaragua, and now the superintendent of that field, stood up and assured us that he was returning to his field with a lighter heart and renewed courage for having heard these testimonies. One girl frankly admitted that she had not been attending church, that her interest in things spiritual had dropped to a low ebb, that she had even come to the Conference somewhat against her will, but that now she was going back and going to work for Christ and His Church. There was no emotionalism in this gathering, but as the same time there was deep emotion. Bro. Horne then led in the closing candle service and the fellowship circle, following this, the group marched in procession, with lighted candles, from the campfire ground behind the church to the Lititz Square, similar to our Salem Square though not as large, and gathered in front of the Old Ladies' Home where a number of choruses were sung before the program came to a close. It was all very beautiful and impressive.

All the delegates gathered for the first class period in the morning, at which Mrs. A. D. Thaeberl, Sr., spoke on Moravian Missions. The two Bible courses came next, with Bro. R. H. Brenecke teaching the Life of St. Paul, and my course on the life of Moses. There were some 75 in my class. After the first morning we had to move to the Junior assembly room to accommodate all who came. I enjoyed teaching this course because of the hearty interest manifested in it. In the second period Bro. Roy Grams taught Personal Christian Living, and Dr. Raymond Haupert had a course on Worship. For the last period there was a general assembly with a different subject presented each day.

On Sunday morning it was my privilege to preach the sermon in the Lititz Church to a large congregation.
Edwin Korts, also of Ohio, and the long list of fine young people present from various sections of the Eastern District. Several times some young person would come up and say: "I am So and So and was told to be sure to speak to you because my mother, father, uncle, cousin or somebody knew you, or knew your father, etc., etc.'" One of the retired teachers of Linden Hall sent asking me to call because she had taught my mother. It was my aunt, however, who attended Linden Hall as a girl. And so it went. Bro. Theodore Reinken of one of our York, Pa., churches, and Dr. Stengel, the principal of Linden Hall, both spoke of having known my father. Truly, we Moravians have a wonderful fellowship.

The journey home required two days, and was made with a minimum of stops for we were all anxious to get home. Had we known what was in store for us we might not have been in such a hurry, for we arrived to find the parsonage so torn up that living in it was out of the question. Work of remodeling had started before we left, but in our absence had proceeded more rapidly than had been anticipated. Arrangements had been made for us to stay for two or three weeks in a large, comfortable home where in winter a number of our school teachers reside. So at least we were able to return to our own bailiwick, and our own vine and fig tree.

The Editor of The Wachovia Moravian wishes to take this opportunity of expressing again his sincere gratitude for the many kindnesses and the generous hospitality extended him this summer by brethren and sisters in the North, East and West. His participation in the Chectek and Lititz Conferences was a real pleasure and a definite blessing. He received more than he gave, at both places, and for one thing, has returned home with a firmer faith in the future of our Church. The present generation of our youth will make both capable and consecrated leaders in the Church of Tomorrow. Our responsibility of today is to see that they get the proper training. The young people are certainly doing much toward that end.

BISHOP PROFIIH IMPROVING RAPIDLY.

Bishop Profih is making satisfactory progress toward complete recovery at his daughter’s summer cottage near Myrtle Beach, S. C. While there, on August 13, he celebrated his 65th birthday. He expects to return home by the end of August, and hopes to resume part of his duties shortly thereafter.

News From Congregations

BURLAIl.

Student John Kapp conducted a very successful Bible School at Rural Hall during the first two weeks of July. He was assisted in this by the local workers: Mrs. M. W. Trivette of the Primary Department, and was assisted by Mrs. Homer Cook and Miss Margaret Helsten Stambaugh. Miss Virginia Beck assisted with the Junior-Intermediate Department. The pastor also assisted in this department.

We celebrated our 16th anniversary on the fourth Sunday of the month. The Holy Confirmation was administered at 11:00 A. M. to the largest congregation since the beginning of the present pastor’s pastorate. In the afternoon at 2:30, lovefeast was served to a large congregation. The Rev. Ralph Bassett of Clemmons was our guest speaker.

On the 16th Sunday of the month, the pastor brought his pastorate to a close, having served this congregation three and one-half years. At 11:15 A. M. installation was held for the new pastor, The Rev. Charles Adam. This service was conducted by the Vice-Chairman of the Provincial Elders’ Conference, Dr. Howard E. Romthaler. May God’s richest blessing rest upon this congregation and the new pastor, in the earnest prayer of the outgoing pastor.

During the month, Miss Jesus Speas underwent an appendicitis operation. She has fully recovered and is back at work.

B. C. HELMICH.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

Fries Memorial will again observe the first Sunday in September as Visitation Day, when all services and the Sunday school session will be omitted and the membership will be urged to visit other congregations, churches and Sunday schools. Reports will be called for at church service the following Sunday.

By this method both the pastor and the people are given an opportunity to visit Christians in other communities or congregations without being disloyal to their own congregation or Sunday School.

H. R. JOHNSON.

BETHABRA.

The new fiscal year started well, with a small balance in the treasury after all bills of last year were paid.

The Woman’s Auxiliary was active during the month with Circle No. 1 serving a picnic supper to the local employees of the Bell Telephone Co., and Circle No. 2 holding a successful lawn party. Circle No. 1 met with Mrs. Wm. D. Thomas and Circle No. 2 met at the parsonage.

The pastor held the morning devotions in the community. He preached at two services and the presence of the large congregation in the absence of Bro. Gordon Spang on the fourth Sunday morning.

At the end of the month, Bethabara’s first Vacation Church School was started, continuing through the first two weeks of August. Theological student John Kapp was the school teacher.

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superintendent, assisted in the Junior-Intermediate department by the Misses Clara Peu, Louise Hudgings, and Doris Pratt, with Miss Rebecca Thomas in charge of 'girls' handwork,' and Good-Neighbor Paul Elkins in charge of boys' work. The Primary department was in charge of Mrs. J. W. Jane, super., and Miss Pearl Strayers, Miss Dorothy Pratt, and Mrs. Adams. The enrollment reached 55 with almost 100 per cent, attendance throughout the duration of the school.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

CHEST EBURCH.

The Board of Elders, the Board of Trustees, the Board of Christian Education, and the chairman of various committees were installed in a very impressive service on the first Sunday. The spirit of consecration was evidenced to a marked degree in this hour, and it is our prayer that this spirit continue to lead us as a congregation.

After the evening service of the same day the officers of the Young People's Society gathered on the lawn for their installation service. The pastor made appropriate remarks and each officer then came forward and lighted a candle from the central candle, signifying a verse of consecration. The service closed with all present singing, "Best Be The Tie That Binds.'

The union prayer services with Green Street Methodist Church have been well attended and there has been a deepening of the ties of fellowship between the two. Even though heavy electrical storms took place the two nights the services were at Christ Church, we are happy to state that the attendance was good at both services.

The writer assisted Dr. Chas. Stevens in the burial of Bro. T. W. Pitcher on the 16th. The funeral of Mrs. James Floyd was conducted from the church on the 20th with Bro. E. A. Holton assisting the pastor. The pastor assisted Bro. E. A. Holton in the funeral of 'Aunt Sally' Reich on the 23rd.

Mrs. Grover Bates was received into the fellowship of the church through the sacrament of Adult Baptism and Smith Marshall was admitted by letters of transfer on the last Sunday of the month.

VERNON I. GRAP.

KING.

Bible School was conducted at King on the third and fourth weeks of July under the leadership of John Kapp. He was assisted by the local workers: Mrs. Reed Jones, Mrs. S. W. Pulliam, Miss Elnie Hatcher, who had charge of the Primary Dept., Mrs. S. Paul Meadows, Mrs. Elmer Boles, and Miss Rebecca Brown. The Pastor assisted in the Junior-Intermediate Dept. The demonstration program on the closing Friday night evidenced the fact that much had been accomplished. Both Mr. Kapp and the local teachers are to be commended for their fine work.

Bro. Paul Linville, who had come into our congregation by letter of transfer from Calvary on Nov. 6, 1938, passed away at the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem on July 21st. He had been accidently burned on March 3, 1939, and had been in the hospital from that date to the time of his passing. About nine days before his death, he contracted pneumonia which hastened the end. Funeral services were held on July 23rd at 5:00 P. M. from the home of his cousin and from Calvary Church, his former church-home, at 5:30 P. M. The Pastor was assisted by Dr. Edmund Schwarze of Calvary and the Rev. W. S. Turner of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. His was an unusual spirit in that he had friends in all classes. His friendly and cheerful disposition will be missed by all who knew him.

Mrs. C. E. Hunter, another one of our members, has been in a Mount Airy hospital for several weeks, having undergone a major operation. Her condition is improving and she will undoubtedly be at home soon.

E. C. HELMICH.

FRIEDBERG.

Congregation and pasture were happy to be able to reorganize our reorganized Church plant to the worship of the Trinity in the presence of a large congregation on the closing Sunday of this pastorate. A dream of some years has become reality, and we are deeply grateful to our Father in Heaven for His blessings enabling us to have such a worshipful sanctuary. The Rev. F. Walter Grub represented the Provincial Elders Conference and officiated in the rite of consecration. The project represents an expenditure of more than ten thousand dollars, and provides us with an adequate church plant in every sense.

Our first Vacation Church School was a great success; far exceeding our expectation in results and attendance. The enrollment reached 106, and the average attendance was 92. Many of our people expressed enthusiastic surprise at the demonstration program presented on the evening of July 14th. Bro. J. Calvin Barnes was the leader of the school.

Preceding the closing program the congregation gave the pastor and family a picnic supper at the church and concluded this social gathering with one of the most profound suppers we have ever experienced, pre-

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DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

HOPE.

The workers' quarterly fellowship supper was held at the church, sponsored by the Intermediate Girls class of the Sunday School. A large number were present and the meeting proved to be interesting and helpful. A number of "Penny a Meal" backs in the form of a little wooden church have been put into use. We believe they will prove worthwhile in collecting a nice sum each month.

Following the morning service of the first Sunday the annual congregation council was held, a number of reports were rendered, brief talks made and two members, J. T. Jones, Sr., and Mrs. C. W. Snyder, were elected to the Church Committee.

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The monthly business meeting of the Ladies’ Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. J. T. Jones, Jr., on July 13th.

The Sunday School Picnic was held at Washington Park with about 115 members and friends attending. The afternoon was spent in playing games followed by a bountiful supper.

On Wednesday evening the 26th we began our revival services which will continue for about ten days, with the pastor doing the preaching. Another step was taken in our building program when stakes were driven and markings made for the foundation of the new building which we hope to get under way by the last of August or the first part of September.

HOBAG G. POLITT.

ABDORMORE.

At the eleven o’clock service on July 2nd installed all new Church officials.

With more than 300 attending the picnic at Crystal Lake on the 13th and many enjoyed the boating, swimming and later the good supper provided.

Along with Bro. Douglas Rights two trips were made to our churches in Va. On the 15th, and again on the 24th and 25th when our visit was extended a little farther to some points on the Mountain and across the Ridge. We enjoyed a visit to the Bible School at Mt. Bethel and seeing the good work that is being done. The Brethren H. Chadwick and Bulline were adapting themselves well to this field.

The Ardmore pastor assisted in the funeral service of Mrs. James Floyd on the 20th and Mrs. Sally Reich on the 23rd and conducted the funeral service of Ross Pow at Fraternity on the 31st.

The regular service at Union Cross on the afternoon of the 15th and followed this with a church council and elected as the new member of the committee, W. C. Newsome and re-elected Raymond Weavil. The reports showed that a good year’s work had been done.

An intermediate group with Mrs. Olive Ring as leader is meeting weekly and at present studying the missions of our church with interest.

EDGAR A. HOLTEN.

HOPKIN.

Attendance and interest in services during the month have been good.

On the fourth Sunday the attendance at Sunday School was 116, the highest for the year.

Work on the heating plant is going forward. The men have been digging the basement preparing for installation. It is expected that work will be completed within a short time.

The Woman’s Auxiliary held its monthly meeting at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Crouch.

Clyde Pepo, a member of Hopewell who has been a patient at the Tubercular Hospital has returned home and has been able to attend service.

A one night revival was held on the fifth Sunday evening. The Pine Chapel Gospel Team opened the service and the pastor delivered the message.

MRS. PAUL BERIER.

PINE CHAPEL.

The month began with a dark cloud of sorrow because of the death of one of our little girls, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Davis. After a brief illness she passed away, the morning of July 2, just two days before her seventh birthday. Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

She received into the church by adult baptism Miss Mildred Starnes, Willie Bates and Willie Jackson.

Dr. O. P. Schallert has been teaching the Bible Class each Sunday morning to relieve the pastor for worship at Hopewell, which is very much appreciated.

Vacation time has caused decrease in attendance at Sunday school. On the fifth Sunday, among those on vacation were Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hedgescock, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Wooten and daughter, and Miss Ruth Smith.

We regret to lose Bro. J. B. Tillman, who had secured employment in Draupner, N.C. For seven years he has been very active in positions of responsibility, among which was leading of the Gospel Team, his absence has made a reorganization of the Team necessary. Officers are now as follows: A. M. Walker, captain; H. A. Reynolds, assistant; B. E. Wilson, vice-captain; Willis Jackson, song leader. This team is doing good work conducting prayer meetings and assisting the pastor in many ways.

J. P. CROUCH.

FAIRVIEW.

Henry Lewis, assisted by nineteen teachers and helpers, conducted a successful Daily Vacation Bible School, from June 12th to the 20th. The average enrollment was 97 with an average attendance of 90. The attendance was smaller this year than in other years but the order was the best we have had so far this year.

The Senior Choir was entertained by the director, Paul Pegram, on June 21st at the country home of B. L. Bennett. Excellent food and interesting games made the occasion a success. On July 11 the Junior-Intermediate Department enjoyed a picnic at Crystal Lake. There were more than a hundred present and all report a good time.

During the month of July the Sunday night service was dropped, but the regular mid-week service was held with good attendance. The men also held their regular prayer-meeting on Friday nights.

We wish to thank the Rev. L. G. Luckenbach for conducting our mid-week service on July 9, while the pastor was visiting the World’s Fair, also C. D. Roper, teacher of our Men’s Class, for taking charge of the one on July 27, while the pastor was absent.

Our church year closed with a gross gain of 27 new members and a net gain of seven, making our membership number 459. Total contributions to the budget amounted to $8,941.21, an average of $201.18 per member. The exterior of our church has been painted and presents a fine appearance. This painting was made possible by the money turned into the “penny-a-mile” banks during the past six months, totaling $645.54.

C. G. WEBER.

KERNERSVILLE.

Church Council on July 16 elected Joseph G. Smith to the Board of Elders and Daniel E. Willard to the Board of Trustees. They took the place of the Bros. Sam P. Vance, Jr., and Pete L. Hastings. One was vice chairman of the Elders and the other chairman of the trustees. Bro. Carl R. Kernser was then elected chairman of the Trustees, by that Board. Also, Bro. J. P. Atkins having asked to be relieved of the duties of elder, was elected honorary elder for life, and to fill his unexpired term the Council elected Bro. James F. Kerner. The treasurer’s report showed that our budget for the last fiscal year was balanced, despite some unexpected additional expense. The appreciation of the congregation was extended the retiring officials, and also the treasurer, whose careful attention to the duties of his office are most praiseworthy.

Students John Fulton and John Kapp occupied this pulpit on the two Sundays when the pastor was away, having part in the Young People’s Conference of the Eastern District of our Northern Province, held at Lititz, Pa.

Work on the renovation of the Kernersville parsonage is being pushed toward completion, and when finished will give this congregation a modern and comfortable home for its minister. The house is an old one, built in 1871, or thereabouts, and needed extensive repairs. Many people feel that the decision to remodel rath-
er than tear down and build afresh was a wise one, for there is a charm to an old structure which only the years can give. The late Christian Lewis Rights was the first minister to live in this house for many years, it was rented, during the periods when there was no resident minister in Kernersville. There were times when it seemed doubtful if ever it would house another ministerial family. Now, strengthened, improved and beautified, it enters upon a new period of usefulness.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

CALVARY.

Services of the summer season have continued with manifest blessing and encouraging response. Meditations at the morning services have presented a “Christian Life” series, while at night lessons of the life and ministry of the great Prophet Elijah have been studied. The night services have continued in our lovely outdoor church under the trees, with the Calvary band leading in the music and accompanying the Moravian chorales.

Church Council was convened for the evening of July 19. Special effort had been put forth to stimulate attendance and the lower church auditorium was well filled. The reports presented showed a year of wide activity and reflected the devotion and service of the members, all under the blessing of God. It was a time to thank Him and take courage.

At this meeting Board members were elected as follows: Elders, M. G. Brown, J. M. Doeb, B. C. Halls; Trustees: S. L. Hunter, C. B. Fordham, W. P. Franklin; Missionary Board: H. G. Suit, L. W. Dalton, R. P. Harrison; Secretary of Council, H. C. Horton. When the council had adjourned, a group of the ladies served an informal lovefeast.

Installation of all church officers, including Board members and officers of the various organizations, took place at a special service on July 23. A large congregation pledged them hearty support.

The service in Memory of Martyrs was held July 9, and gave us opportunity to consider the “Rock Where We Were Hewn.”

The Christian sympathies of this congregation are again expressed to our Sister M. B. Sheets and her family, their husband and father having been called from the earthly scene during the month. Brother Sheets was long years a faithful member of Centenary Methodist church.

EDMUND SCHWARZE.

Bethesda.

Following the morning service of the 2nd Sunday the annual congregation council was held. Various reports were read which showed a splendid year’s work and an unusual large amount of financial obligations met in full. The following members were elected to the Church Committee for another year: Spencer Jarvis, J. L. Jones, Fred Shutttt, A. G. Rogers and Miss Mabel Dohr.

The Ladies’ Auxiliary met with Mrs. Prude Saylor on Friday evening the 14th with a good attendance and interest.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was held for two weeks beginning on Monday afternoon the 17th and coming to a close with a very fine program on Saturday evening the 29th. Good work was done this year under the leadership of John W. Fulton, Miss Katherine Brandon and a number of local helpers.

During the first part of the 4th Sunday evening service Bro. Ralph Heathcott showed the pictures of the Young People’s Conference at Camp Hanes and spoke in the interest of this year’s conference.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

OAK GROVE.

The new fiscal year began with a clean record and a comfortable working balance in the treasury. At the annual meeting of Church Council Bro. Willis Sell was elected to the Board of Elders, and the Brethren Fred Whicker and Howard Vanhoy to the Board of Trustees.

On the second Sunday night the retiring pastor was privileged to present the charge to all the new officers, held as part of his last service.

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5. Salem Academy and College (Christian Education of Young Women)
6. Moravian College and Theological Seminary, Bethlehem, Pa. (Christian Education of Young Men and Training of Ministers.)
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Mrs. Adams joins with me in thanking each individual member of Oak Grove for the fine co-operation and warm friendship extended to us during our two years’ service in the congregation.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

RURAL HALL.

The new pastorate at Rural Hall began on the fifth Sunday, July 30, with Dr. Howard E. Boudin and Bro. H. A. Pfohl, of the Provincial Elders’ Conference, presiding over the installation service.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

MAYODAN-JEANSVILLE.

Earnest and sincere interest has been shown by many members of both congregations in trying to help the pastor become acquainted with the work and the people. Our attendance is not as good as it should be, but with continued pastoral work we hope it will improve. On the second Sunday Brother McConnell and the pastor exchanged pulpits in the morning. In the evening the Brethren of the Dunkard church invited Brother McConnell to their pulpit and the pastor was asked to preach the sermon. The third Sunday brought us a full day of services at Mayodan. Bro. and Mrs. Tesh very kindly offered their hospitality to a guest of the pastor. Mr. Tulloch, and Mr. Veach went with the pastor on the fourth Sunday afternoon to the burial services of Paul Liaville. We were invited to assist the Rev. Adams, pastor of the Baptist church, in the funeral service.

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neral services of Mrs. Watkins, grandmother of one of our members.

Brother Ellis of the Salvation Army brought us the message for mid-week service on the last Wednesday in the month. Mrs. Jesse Brown of Madison was the speaker for the Union Service on the fifth Sunday night.

Pastoral duties claimed much of the time, and due to sickness several repeated calls were made. Mrs. Turner of Leavenworth has been seriously ill but we rejoice with the husband and children that there is marked improvement. Seventy-eight calls were made.

O. E. STIMPSON.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

The annual fish fry of the Men's Class was held at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Leitch. Between 25 and 20 members were present and enjoyed the afternoon playing soft ball and pitching horse shoes. Plenty of fish, swab, coffee, etc., made up the menu.

Bro. G. E. Brewer gave his illustrated lecture to a large congregation on the third Sunday evening. This service was sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary and a free-will offering was taken and will be given toward the salary of Miss Laura Moseley.

The pastor, along with Dr. H. E. Roush and the Rev. C. F. Baker, conducted the funeral of William Henry Ziglar on Sunday afternoon. The funeral was held at the home and burial was in Woodland cemetery. Mr. Ziglar was the father of one of our members, Mrs. H. R. Crater.

At the morning service of the 4th Sunday evening Bro. Ralph Bassett showed moving pictures of the Young People's Conference at Camp Hanes and also spoke in behalf of the conference for this season.

Circle No. 3 of the Woman's Auxiliary sponsored a lawn supper at the church on the last Saturday evening. Due to rain the supper had to be served in the basement of the church.

The first month of the new church year was a good one with fine interest and good attendance, though some of our people were away on vacation.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

ENTERPRISE.

Our attendance for the month of July has been good in both the Sunday school and church services. As a general rule in most congregations when hot weather comes, people think of vacations and go on vacations, there is a let down in attendance. But it has not been so with us at Enterprise so far this summer.

On the 2nd Sunday of the month Bro. William E. and Mrs. Spaugh were with us. Bro. Spaugh delivered a most welcome message, after which he administered the Holy Communion.

On Tuesday the 11th, the ladies of the church served supper to the alumni of the Moravian College and Seminary.

Six of our young people along with the pastor attended the meeting of the Southern Moravian Young People's Union at Clemmons on the 21st. They began our series of evangelistic services on the 4th Sunday morning, the pastor preaching the opening sermon at eleven o'clock. Bro. C. O. Weber delivered the message on Sunday night, and was with us for the services each evening throughout the week.

These services were brought to a close on the 5th Sunday night with the assurance of the presence of faith. We are grateful to Bro. Weber for his deep and inspiring messages. May the Lord continue to use both him and us to His names honor and glory.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

HERE and THERE

and THIS and THAT

Dr. Edmund Schwarze is to be the speaker at the annual Mission Festival of our Lake Mills, Wis., congregation, of which the Rev. Herbert Kant is the pastor. The festival is scheduled for the last Sunday in August.

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BROTHER LUCKENBACH'S MONTH.

NOTE.—Rev. L. G. Luckenbach is no longer in charge of a congregation, therefore cannot have an active pastor's responsibility writing for The Wacovia Moravians.

At the same time, since he is working under the direction of the Board of Church Aid and Extension, he is not listed as retired, and wishes to make a monthly report in these columns of his activities. The contents of such reports follow—Editor.

On the first Sunday morning assisted with the communion service at the Home Church.

Conducted the following services during the month: Pulpc on the 9th, the 23rd, and 30th, Greensboro on the 20th, and the 23rd and 30th. Took part in the morning service at Pulpc on the 23rd.

Conducted the prayer meeting at Fairview on the 6th, the 20th, and the 25th.

Death of our member was Mrs. Eugenia Nowack to the Rev. Herbert Kant, pastor. The festival is scheduled for the last Sunday in August.

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Welch—Emma Lazette, born February 21, 1933.

Welch—Alta Mae, born February 16, 1922.

Welch—John Andrew, born October 1, 1939.

Welch—Francis Jane, born July 8, 1929. Children of Bro. Creed C. and Sr. Ruth Mize Welch, were baptized in the home of the parents July 9, 1939, by the Rev. Samuel J. Tesch.


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For Theological Seminary: Previously Acknowledged $1,640.00 From Rev. E. H. Grub $10.00 From Friedberg Sunday School $4.13

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MORAVIAN YOUTH AT CAMP HANES

By Emma Elizabeth Kapp and Juanita Pike.

Delegates at the Young People's Conference assembled in the new pavilion at Camp Hanes. (Photo by Theodore Kernan.)

"He went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him and he opened his mouth and taught them."—Matt. 13:1-3.

The MORAVIAN YOUTH at Camp Hanes, King, N. C. The Camp personnel, aside from Douglas Grimes, Physical Director of the Y. M. C. A., and Mrs. Grimes, dietician, included: Conference Dean, the Rev. E. C. Hel­ mich; pastor of King and Mirzapur churches; Boys' Counselor, Robert Jensen, Director of Religious Educa­tion, Home Moravian Church; Girls' Counselor, Mrs. Eugene Vogler, Home Church; Details Committee Chairman, Oscar Hege, Calvary Church; Camp Hostess, Miss Emma Elizabeth Kapp, Bethania Church; Register, Miss Martha Hine, Ardmore Church.

In the beautiful quiet setting combining lake and mountain, 134 young people met to study and play together in Christian fellowship, bearing in mind that "Times of refreshing come from the presence of the Lord."

The Opening Watch.

Each day began with Morning Watch, a twenty minute devotion when each conference withdrew for a quiet, personal communion with God. On Saturday morning this period was enlarged to include the Galilee Service—a service held by the lake-side.

This was one of the most worshipful and conducive services of the entire Conference. The young people gathered on the lakeside while the speaker, the Rev. George Higgins of Greensboro, and the octet occupied boats along the shore. As the day opened with individual devotions, so it closed, but with group devotions in the respective cabins.

Stimulating Conference Periods.

The first Conference period began at 9:00 o'clock and was conducted by Dr. C. H. Rominger of the En­ glish Department, Moravian College. The title of his course, "The Indispensible Christ," was synonymous with the theme of the Conference. His interesting and helpful discourses included "Christian Witnessing," "The Privilege of Prayer," "Christ And the Individual," "Giving in the Spirit of Christ," and "Christian Education."

The next two courses, "Moravian Missions" and "The Use of Liturgy and Hymns in Worship," were offered at the same time for individual preference. The former was taught by Mrs. A. D. Thaeler, of Arlington, N. J., whose presence alone was an inspiration to the young people.

Her course subtitles were "Early Moravian History," "A Glance Ataf," and "Some Moravian Missionary Heroes," "Nicaragua," and "The Challenge" issued to would-be future missionaries. The second course was conducted by the Rev. E. T. Mickey, Jr., Grace Church, Mt. Airy, in his own vigorous and inimitable manner.

The last Conference period of the morning, entitled, "Be Ye Doers of the Word," was a series of devotional studies in the book of James and also a discourse on practical helps in studying the Bible, was handled most instructively by Dr. Edmund Schwarze, Calvary Moravian Church.

Fun And Fellowship.

After lunch an hour rest period was in order before the afternoon sports of tennis, varieties of ball games, swimming, hiking, and boating. During the afternoon the young people could learn better than at any other time the names of Conference members. We encourage this wider acquaint­ance, prizes were awarded to the boy and girl who knew on Friday night, by name, the greatest number of Conference members. Howard Chadwick of Bethania, and Miss Mary Held of Friedland won receiving blankets as prizes.

The Vesper And Evening Programs.

Evening activities began with ves­pers under the direction of Oscar Hege, beautiful in its simplicity and quietness, Dr. Thaeler brought one vesper message. The programs following vespers varied each evening. One Tuesday a lovefeast was held with the Rev. Sam Teach of Friedland as speaker. On Wednesday, Chief W. F. Anderson of the Win­ston-Salem Police Department, spoke on "Christian Youth's Responsibili­ties." The Rev. D. L. Rights, Trinity Church, gave an illustrated lecture on the navigability of the Yadkin river.

Slides of his own pictures were used. Friday night was stunt night with each cabin trying to win first place for the cleverest stunt. Saturday evening, the new officers of the Moravian Young People's Union were installed by Dr. C. H. Rominger in a candle service, concluded by the lighting of the cross on the opposite lakeside.

A delight to all were the campfire periods under the capable guidance of Robert Jensen. Through song and pleasant relaxation the young people experienced anew the Christian fellowship that permeated the Confere­
ence. On Saturday evening this period assumed a more serious tone. The young people were invited to place a fagot on the fire as they bore witness to what the conference had meant to them.

Sunday morning began, at 6:30. Holy Communion was administered by Dr. Edmund Schwartze, assisted by the Rev. E. C. Helmich and the Rev. E. T. Mickey, Jr. An hour after breakfast was set aside for Sunday school preparation. Sunday school was in charge of Ellis Bullins, ministerial candidate from Mayodan, and the lesson was ably taught by northern district representative, Mervin Weidner. The Conference ended after the church service which was conducted by the Rev. E. C. Helmich. The significance of the Conference theme, "The Indispensable Christ," was summed up by Dr. Reiner in his sermon, "Christ and the Mind of Today."

New Leaders.

The following officers of the Moravian Young People's Union installed Saturday, Sunday evening, and their respective churches are:

President-Miss Juanita Pike, Pries Memorial.

Vice-President-Gilbert Tillotson, Jr., Grace Church, Mount Airy.

Cor. Secretary-Miss Louise Blum, Fairview.

Rec. Secretary-Miss Martha Hare, Avismore.

Treasurer-Roger Snyder, Advisor.

Missionary Supt.-Miss Helen Alloway, Christ Church.

Pastoral Advisor and Dean of Summer Conference-Rev. E. T. Mickey, Jr., Grace Church, Mount Airy.

Asth. Advisor-Ministerial Candidate, John Fulton, Calvary.

Waggoner's Impressions.

"If I should write all my impressions and reactions to the Conference of last week, the reader would grow tired of the lines. However, the week has been so inspiring, refreshing and helpful that it cannot go past without a few words. It seemed to me that the Master was there by the lake-side in the boat at Galilee service as the sun began creeping over the horizon. To hear the beautiful strains echoing throughout the lake-side was to be inspired. To me this was undoubtedly one of the highlights. Then as we sat at the table to listen to the chorales floating across the lake and then to see a lighted cross, so symbolic, brighten the dark sky as we sang from our hearts "In the Cross of Christ I glory," there was certainly within me a spiritual thrill. At the close of day, after perhaps an hour of lightness, it was the end of a perfect day to hear the strains of "God is King," softly come from the entire group, to be re-echoed through the beating rain by the clear tones of the bugle. The turning of our minds to the Lord's Prayer by the singers when our tears were dry and lights were out created the atmosphere for our informal cabin prayers. A Holy Communion served in the freshness of a new day's early morn caroused with it a greater meaning and significance. Need I describe my reactions to the Conference, the personalities such as Mrs. Thaler, the last campfire where not a few young people were willing to stand on their feet and speak the words of their hearts? Need I explain all my reasons for believing that Camp Hayes is affording you a most unusual place for a Conference and for believing that the fellowship was real? Need I tell you more about my personal inspiration from the entire week to convince you of its effectiveness and its apparent success? Please convey my real appreciation to the others for the inspiration I've received.

Sincerely,

Mervin C. Weidner, Jr.
(Teachological Student, Emmaus, Pa.)

EDITORIALS

CHURCH RECORDS.

There is an ancient fallacy that a minister preaches on Sunday and rests the other six days of the week, and thus reverses the fourth commandment in practice, if preaching may be regarded as work under this delineation. Perhaps a training school for laymen would help to dispel such erroneous ideas. The multitude of duties that fall to the minister extends far beyond the range of the pulpit. A recounting of the many minister's activities for the week would certainly be an eye-opener.

Little regarded by others besides himself and a few seasoned church officials is the keeping of records. As a church grows in membership and in expanded program there is an increasing demand for the minister's time and care in keeping these records perfectly for his own needs and satisfaction, but much more for the people whom he serves and perhaps for an even larger number of inquirers who in years to come will return after the trail is long cold.

The minister's diary for the congregation is a Moravian institution that has honorable background. The church of colonial times comes to life out of the pages of Records of the Moravians, for which everyone who hears them feels grateful. Notes of the clergy today goes into such fine detail as the diarists of old Wachovia, but a diary there should be. Church registers give lists of baptisms, confessions, marriages, deaths, and other important data. For a congregation of five hundred to a thousand members this imposes a considerable task. Card systems are also used by some churches in addition to the books for registry. A mailing list is needed for convenience in correspondence, which involves that difficult performance of keeping the addresses up to date, increasingly difficult in this mobile age.

In Salem Congregational records must be made and copies delivered to Central Elders, and duplicated filed for copying in the provincial records. Every change of status of a member must be reported.

For baptisms, confirmations and marriages there are certificates that demand accuracy.

Floating around in the tide of church affairs will be found such other records as minutes of church committees, elders, trustees, Sunday school, auxiliary and other organizations. These should be turned in from time to time and eventually be brought into safe harbor. Any man, in good health, has time to find a place for his record and not be forced to leave.

The hours of a minister's time thus spent, and they stretch out into many hours if his records are what they should be, escape the notice of all but a very few.

Why take this time and trouble any further? There is something more than the fine tradition for Moravian faithfulness in reporting church affairs. The value of records of this sort is being recognized today. A question of school, inheritance, employment, or kinship may hinge on a birth certificate now lost, and recourse must be made to the church records. The date of the dedication of a church or the organization of a society may be eagerly sought some years from now. The repeated calls for information that reach the archives of the church and the efforts of the state to list record material are reminders of the importance of this subject.

In recent years new record books have been printed for churches of our province. They can be used to advantage. Let us hope that none will suffer the fate of the ancient record book of one of our churches, in which a sheet of leaves is missing, used by the venerable pastor to light his pipe.

- G. H.

WHY NOT A MORAVIAN CHURCH IN ELKIN, NORTH CAROLINA?

The Chatham Blanket Manufacturing Company has announced that it is going to move its large Winston-Salem plant to Elkin. As a church grows in importance the rest of the company's interests are located. Only a small portion of those now employed in Winston-Salem will be retained here, and all the others, if they wish to keep their jobs, will be compelled to move to Elkin.

There is a sizeable group of Moravians who find employment in the Chatham mills, many, if not all, of whom will be forced to leave Winston-Salem, and take up residence in Elkin. There are some Moravians in Elkin already, and adding these to those who will be going from here, is there not a possibility of establishing a Moravian church there?

Doubtless there can be obstacles in the way, but at least a careful survey of the situation should be made.

MORAVIAN WOMEN SHOULD READ!

The Moravian Widows' Society of Winston-Salem is outstanding for the amount of the dividends which it was able to pay regularly for the past fifteen years. The amount received by each widow of the Society has kept steady during the past fifteen years. It is still as those who have it. The Society never paid out more than two amounts, namely $50, widows of members have received dividends, in each year, equal approximately to the original investment.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO MEMBERSHIP?

Any man, in good health, who is a member of a church in good standing of the Moravian Church in North Carolina, and who does not hold membership in any other church, society or establishment which might interfere with his membership in the Society.

ADMISSION FEE.

An admission fee of $50.00 is paid when joining, which entitles the member to membership in the Society. This money is always added to the Capital Fund and promptly invested. There are no further fees, assessments or other levies for members to pay.

DIVIDENDS.

The net income of THE MORAVIAN CHURCH WIDOWS' SOCIETY from its investments is paid as dividends to widows who are members and who have paid in full their annual dues. The Society also provides a retirement annuity plan. Dividends are paid to members who are widows of deceased members, who are members of the Society in good standing, who have paid their annual dues and whose age is indicated in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society.

ADVANTAGES.

Several advantages have been receiving regular dividend for approximately fifteen years, amounting to $500.00. We ask that this Society be organized and abide by the rules and regulations of the Constitution, during their widowhood, regardless of the number of years they may live. At the present time there are five women who are receiving the maximum dividends of $50.00.

We solicit and recommend membership in The Moravian Widows' Society of Winston-Salem. We will gladly furnish any further information desired.

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to ascertain the facts before the idea of a Moravian church in that growing and prosperous place is carried. So often members of our congregations move to places where we have no church, and in the majoril of instances are lost to us. There may be more than enough churches in Elkin already, and if so, for us to attempt to start another, just for the sake of having a Moravian church Bonanza, Nicaragua, other community. Would it not be well to follow them up? Many of our Western and Southern members must move to Elkin.

Perhaps a few of those Moravians who move to Elkin will take it upon themselves to look further into the possibilities of this suggestion.

**DO WE REALLY WANT A LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL?**

In another section of this issue of the Wachovia Moravian announces that a meeting of the Standard Leadership Training School is this one of the most worth while undertakings of our Church and is sponsored by the Provincial Board of Christian Education. This school, which was begun several years ago by Dr. Edmund Schwarze, has brought out a number of men and women who have been among the most conscientious and best prepared workers who are attending year after year from each congregation. Those who are most in need of additional training for work as leaders and teachers seldom feel the urge for further study.

In all honesty it must also be said that the same thing is true of the teachers in our training school. It seems that many of our leaders in Christian education cannot be prevailed upon to teach courses for which they are fully prepared and capable. This has been a great handicap to the work and those who are responsible for the school.

Do we not need among prospective students and prospective teachers a greater sense of responsibility and stewardship?—G. G. H.

"The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want."

**CHURCH AT BONANZA, NICARAGUA, DEDICATED**

**The Wife Of The Bonanza Missionary Gives An Account Of This Significant Occasion In A Letter To Southern Province Young People.**

Mission Morava,
Bonanza, Nicaragua,
Central America,
August 22, 1939.

To the Young People in the Southern Province:

Dear Friends:—

After writing to you several months ago of our progress in the building of the church in Bonanza, and of our trip to Misawas, Werner and I thought you might be interested in hearing about the dedication of our church.

We had anticipated the day two weeks beforehand, setting the time for Sunday, August 6th. We wrote to Brother Howard Storitz at Bilwas Karma, asking him if he could come to dedicate the church at that time, and he replied that he would. Immediately we began pushing the work on the church as much as possible, and preparing the Creole and Miskito choirs, the congregation, and the school children for that day. The Creole choir practiced on a hymn "We Would Be Building Temples Undone," to the tune of Finlandia, beside the Litany and hymns. The Miskito choir practiced "Praise Him, Praise Him," and to us their "Mayuns, mayuns" sounded even better than the English. The school children learned a new Spanish hymn and also practiced the Nicaraguan National Anthem.

During the weeks before dedication we learned that there was not enough paint to cover the roof, so we sent to New Orleans for more, but at present writing it is still in the Customs Office at Puerto Cabelas. Also, we realized that not all the carpentry work was finished—and on the Saturday night before dedication the church lacked four wooden windows, some benches, stairs leading to the schoolroom from the outside, and paint for half of the roof on the inside of the church. To top all this, we knew that there was not enough money to finish paying for the building. The $40.00 sent by you young people in the Southern Province helped tremendously—it meant 200 cobsolas to us—but there still needed $420.00 gold, $320.00 of which we expect to raise from the Miskito congregation.

The dedication services had been announced to begin at 2:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, at our former meeting place in the Mining Company mess hall. 1:45 found us looking anxiously out of the windows of our house at the rain which had been coming down steadily for three hours. It was not of ourselves that we were thinking, for we could come home and get into dry clothes, but between 60 and 50 Suum Indians had come from the villages of Misawas and Wassakin, and each had only one "Sunday dress!" with no dry clothes to put on after the services.

By 2:00 o'clock the rain had let up enough for us to venture out of our house and hurry down the hill and out to the road, with the Indians, who had been waiting underneath the church, hurrying behind us. Other people came out of their houses the way some with towels across their shoulders, and when we reached the meeting place we found most of the available seats had been taken already. Some people sat on the piled up tables, some on the window ledges, and the late-comers stood clustered in the doorways.

During the middle of the service the heavy rain started again. Brother Storitz and Werner gave short talks in English and Spanish, and Mr. William Bent gave us a talk in Miskito. Mr. Bent is the Creole carpenter who has given almost a whole year of labor on the church, receiving only enough pay to cover his expenses, for he said he is "working for the Lord."

As we were singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers!" once more the rain stopped, and we formed a procession outside the building, with the ministers leading, children following, and then the adults. We proceeded in an orderly way walking three abreast, breaking ranks only to step as best we could across the muddy platform to the path leading up the hill to the church.

Once the church was reached, it soon filled up, even to the extra seats which had been set up, and some men stood outside on the porch. After the dedication prayers in Miskito, English and Spanish, Psalm 81 was read also in the three languages, likewise three talks were given. It was a tremendous thing to see the church filled with people of three different races and of three different tribes of Indians, all of them giving praise to the one God and Father of all.

For the closing hymn we sang "Sing Hallelujah, Praise the Lord!" and never have I heard it sung as those people sang it. Miskito words, English words, organ music all were completely united in one voice of praise, and the silence that followed the last words—"Praise ye the Lord, Amen"—broken only by the words of the benediction, was so meaningful.

Not long after the people had dispersed to their homes, again the rain started, and kept on all night. It kept many people away from the evening service which would normally have exceeded the afternoon service in numbers. At that service the choir of the Misawas church gave a special number, their helper, Everisto, gave a short talk, and a representative of the Wassakin congregation brought greetings. Thus ended our day of dedication—a day which fervently hope will mark the beginning in the building of a Christian congregation here.

We ask you to continue your prayers for the work here—it is because of your interest and promise of help that we have come this far.

Yours in His Service,

MARTHA MARX.
(Mrs. Werner Marx.)

Note: Since according to the rules of the Moravian Church a building cannot be formally dedicated until it is clear of debt, we presume Mrs. Marx refers to the official opening. May the money needed before actual dedication soon be forthcoming.—Editor.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF I. P. B.

Representatives of The Two American Moravian Provinces Confer In A Three-Day Session Held In Winston-Salem.

By The Rev. John R. Weinlick, Madison, Wisconsin.

There is in the Moravian Church a body of whose existence only a small portion of our membership is aware. This body is the Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education which met at Winston-Salem from August 16-18 for its third annual meeting.

What is the Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education? It is a committee of seven members created three years ago through the instigation of a Northern Provincial Synod of 1936, for the purpose of co-ordinating the work of Christian education in the two provinces of the American Moravian Church.

In each of our Eastern and Western Districts of the Northern Province there is a committee known as the District Commission. The function of these commissions is to promote the work of Christian education through the local congregations in the respective districts. From each of these Commissions are chosen two persons for membership on the provincial board, namely, the Christian Education Board. The latter has seven members, the president of the Provincial Elders' Conference, the president of Moravian College and Theological Seminary, the president of Moravian College and Seminary for Women, and the four above mentioned representatives from the Commissions. The Southern Province also supervises its educational programs through a Board of Christian Education.

To tie these groups together the Lititz synod of 1936 proposed the creation of an Inter-Provincial Board and invited the South to co-operate in this effort. In 1937 the Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education came into existence with three representatives from the South, two from the Eastern District, and two from the Western District.

What have been the accomplishments of this Board to date? Outstanding, of course, is the publication of "Meet Nicaragua." Eight thousand readers can thank the IPB for publishing such an excellent book for ten cents without a deficit. "Meet Nicaragua," is the first in a series of "Know Your Church" publications. The current efforts to improve our Sunday Schools originate with the IPB. Leaders of our various young people's summer conferences began helping by the co-ordinating efforts of the IPB. A unified conference theme, exchange of leaders, setting up of programs, and the little booklet "Between Conferences" come partially from the Board's clearing house. Through the IPB initial steps have been taken for the publication of a Moravian Sunday School hymnal. Not least in importance is the inter-provincial fellowship resulting through unified effort. The IPB is one more bond between Moravians North and South.

Attending the recent meeting in Winston-Salem were Dr. C. H. Rominger and Dr. Raymond S. Haupert from the Eastern District, the Rev. John R. Weinlick from the Western District, and the Rev. Vernon Graf, the Rev. Ralph Bassett, and the Rev. Walter H. Allen from the Southern Province. Visitors at some of the sessions were Brother H. A. Pfahl and Miss Emma Kapp, members of the Southern Board of Christian Education. Covering the meeting for the local newspaper was Miss Nettie Allen Thomas, a journalist deeply interested in things Moravian.

For three crowded days this group occupied itself with problems of Christian education as they pertain to the respective churches. In these schools machinery was set up for the publication next year of the second of the "Know Your Church Series," "The Moravians, A World Wide Fellowship," by author, the Rev. Walter H. Allen, already has his manuscript started on the way toward completion. Proposed book number three is "The Moravians in North America." Number four will probably be a collection of mission stories.

The Rev. Charles B. Adams, Mrs. J. K. Pfahl, Robert Jensen, and Mrs. Vernon Graf were appointed as a committee to begin work on the publication of a Moravian Sunday School hymnal to sell for fifty to seventy-five cents a copy.

In view of past experience the Sunday School objectives were greatly simplified. For 1940 the emphasis will be on "Better Teaching," development of which will be furnished through the District secretaries. Steps were taken to help young people's conference leaders prepare future programs, specifically through a research committee studying past Moravian conferences and those of other denominations.

For better missionary education the IPB is asking two missionaries to write pamphlets for general distribution on "Why I Am a Missionary." Dr. A. B. Thaler will be asked to do this for Nicaragua and the Rev. Ferdinand Drebert for Alaska. The use of graphs, charts, and moving pictures was also suggested, and various individuals were designated to make investigations preliminary to preparing these.

Other items under consideration were a Moravian Forward Movement, a report of the Moravian Youth Commission, a program for the local church, and church statistics. Naturally much of the work of the IPB will never get beyond the discussion stage. Nevertheless, it is out of such meetings with such discussions that wholesome ideas emerge. The Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education promises to be an increasingly useful committee in the life of our American Moravian Church.

TWENTY-FOUR VACATION SCHOOLS HELD.

Twenty-four vacation church schools were held in the period between June 12th and September 1st. Enrolling 1,376 pupils these schools made possible 600 hours of life within the church. These figures indicate that the vacation schools provided for one half as much instruction as would twenty-four Sunday schools in one year's time.

For the first time in several years three Virginia churches, Mt. Bethel, Willow Hill, and Crooked Oak had the opportunity of schools in their respective churches. In these schools 123 pupils enrolled. Provincial workers Chadwick and Bullins heartily commended not only the response of the children but also the co-operation of the parents.

Four themes, "Discovering How To Live" (Intermediate), "Following the Trail with the Master" (Junior), "Learning God's Way" (Primary) and " Helpers in God's World" (Beginners), were studied throughout the province, with the exclusion of the Virginia schools. These themes were presented through Worship, Bible Study, Discussion, Leadership experience, Music, Handicraft and Recreation.

The vacation school staff of nine workers held schools in the following churches: Brother J. Calvin Barnes, Calvary, Friedberg, Oak Grove, and Providence; Miss Virginia Hiatt and Miss Margaret Hiatt: Mt. Airy, Mt. Bethel, Willow Hill, and Crooked Oak; Miss Catherine Branden: Greensboro, Mt. Bethel, Willow Hill, and Crooked Oak; Henry Lewis: Fairview, Immanuel, Friedland, Trinity, and New Eden. John W. Fulton: Home Church, Price Memorial and Bethsaida.

The only new school to be added to the list this year was Charlotte. Brother Herbert Spaugh asked for a school with the view of providing a summer activity for the young people of his church. The committee hopes that the eighteen churches not having vacation schools this year may soon be added to the list of new schools, and in view of this hope the vacation school committee pledges its service.

JOHN W. FULTON, Chairman.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS OCTOBER 8.

The annual meeting of the Foreign Missionary Society of the Moravian Church, South, will be held, D. V., on Sunday afternoon, October 8, at 3:00 o’clock, at the Home Church.

According to our custom, we shall enjoy the fellowship of a lovefeast at the opening of the meeting.

A very brief business session will be followed by an inspirational address brought by Dr. Ralph A. Herring, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Winston-Salem. Dr. Herring is a warm friend and admirer of our Church and her missionary work, and we are looking forward to his message. The Society has enjoyed a fine growth in membership during the year, and has been able to give substantial help to several missionary projects. Further appropriations to missions, out of the income of the Society, will be voted at the meeting.

All members of the Society are urged to be present. Prospective members are cordially invited to come.

EDMUND SCHWARZE, President.

STANDARD TRAINING SCHOOL.

Standard Training School will meet at Trinity October 9-20, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:45. There will be courses for all workers in the church. No better time than the present to equip yourself further to be the leader you ought to be.

Copies of the bulletin describing the courses will be furnished the pastors and superintendents.

RALPH C. BASSETT, Dean.

A NEW MORAVIAN YOUTH HYMNAL.

A new hymnal for Moravian Youth, planned under the direction of the Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education, is now a distinct possibility. Any of our Sunday Schools who are considering the purchase of a new hymnal would do well to wait and see.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY.

For the second year Moravian Churches North and South will observe “Christian Education Sunday” on the first Lord’s Day in October, which this year falls on October 1. A special litany has been prepared for the occasion, and it is suggested that the subject of the day be given the proper emphasis.

VERNON L. GRAF, Chairman, Board of Christian Education.

The Episcopus And The Theosophist

You see, Bro. Editor, it came about in this wise:—You know, as well as the Moravians, that the time and place to scrape up acquaintances is in the early morning hour in the men’s lavatory in the Pullman. So between the teeth-brushing and shaving operations the genial and talking gentleman succeeded in discovering that the Episcopus is a Moravian Bishop.

Then,—thus he:—“Moravian! I don’t know anything about the Moravians. All that I know about them is, that when I was trying to get a foothold for my work in the Northampton County jail the students of the Moravian Theological Seminary crowded me out.” Then followed a fusillade of questions about the Moravians. So finally the Episcopus said: “I make it a rule never to inflict printed matter upon people unless they ask for it, but if you are really interested in learning about the Moravians, I will give you a little booklet—the Moravians and their Faith.” Said he:—“I will be delighted to read it. And a fair exchange is no robbery’, so I will give you a leaflet about my faith,” and he handed the Episcopus a leaflet entitled “Theosophy Is!”

Thereupon the Episcopus and the Theosophist withdrew to their respective sections to study the newly acquired literature. The Episcopus conscientiously read every word of the 16-page leaflet given him from the first word on page 1 to the last word on page 16. The Episcopus has confessed again and again, both privately and publicly, that he is not philosophically inclined. He is further ready to admit that he probably is more stupid than the average supposedly educated man. So perhaps it is but natural that this 16-page leaflet seemed to him a strange hodge-podge of more or less unintelligible stuff. All that he got out of it was, that Theosophy claimed to be in perfect harmony with both science and religion.

The Episcopus has always claimed that there can be no conflict between TRUE science and TRUE religion, because truth is truth and our God is a God of truth. But everything depends upon how science and how religion are defined.

In due season the Theosophist came over from his section and seat ed himself beside the Episcopus in his section. He too had read “The Moravians and their Faith” most conscientiously; he had marked sundry passages, underscored others, and made marginal notes.

So now the issue had to be squarely met. In passing it should be mentioned that in other literature, later given, in an article written by the Theosophist about Father Divine, this particular Theosophist was styled “Bishop.” The Episcopus did not know that the Theosophists had Bishops. Later the Theosophist admitted that a Theosophist Bishop had not the same significance as an Anglican or Moravian Bishop.

But to come to the discussion:—Self-evidently the Episcopus did not wish to be discourteous to this very affable and pleasant gentleman, and so he refrained from making any adverse criticism on the leaflet, and thus avoided revealing his unphilosophical mind, and merely said: “I take exception to what is NOT said in this leaflet.”

“What do you mean by that?”

“There is not one word in the whole exposition about redemption.”

“Oh, redemption; that has to be evolved.”

“Well, if redemption is to be a matter of evolution, that is a pretty sad outlook for mankind.”

“I may have to admit, that that may be true for some men.” said the Theosophist.

But then he went on to speak of his genuine interest in the booklet, “The Moravians and their Faith”, and that he found himself to be in sympathy with many of the doctrinal statements therein contained, and turning to some of the passages he had marked, he read them aloud and asked the Episcopus to explain more fully what was involved in these statements, and especially he wished to know what the Moravians understood to be the real significance of the Lord’s Supper. The Episcopus
News From Congregations

TRINITY.

Twentieth anniversary of the present pastorate at Trinity was celebrated, first with a congregational reception on August 3, sponsored by the Auxiliary. The ladies prepared a tableaux and miniature scenes showing a significant happening in each of the twenty years, probably most notable the empty barrel of 1922 with the inscription "$32,000 in the hole." On Sunday there was a consecration service. Pastor and people were greatly encouraged by this celebration.

W. D. Pailey.

TRINITY.

When Moravians are asked about the Moravian understanding of the doctrine of the atonement, and, like Philip with the Ethiopian eunuch (Acts 8:25), to preach Christ and Him crucified to this Pennsylvanian Theosophist, He introduced the Episcopus to Mrs. Margaret Brandon, a very youthful looking wife, who, he said, had been baptized and confirmed as a Roman Catholic, but that she had become convinced of the superiority of Theosophy, and that it was she who had led him to accept Theosophy. The Episcopus doubts whether either of them had ever been really grounded in the Christian faith, but like so many in this age of all manner of vagaries of religious faiths had forsaken, as Jeremiah said of the Jews of so many centuries ago, "the fountain of living waters, and wailed them out eis tern, broken eis tern, that can hold no water."

The Theosophist said there are about 30,000 confessed Theosophists in the United States, and that he and his wife and little son were on their way to a national conference to be held in Wheaton, Illinois, which place is the national headquarters of the Theosophists in the United States. Strange that the Theosophists should have their headquarters in the same place with such a thoroughly orthodox Christian institution as Wheaton College! And the international headquarters of the Theosophists is in Madras, India, where the great International Mission Conference met last December.

Well, Brother Editor, what is the moral of all this? Only this: Moravians, when travelling in Pullmans should always carry with them a supply of "The Moravians and Their Faith" (published by the Special Publication Committee and procurable at the Moravian Book Shop, Bethlehem, Pa., gratis upon application and upon the receipt of a two cent postage stamp to pay the cost of mailing) and to be "ready always to give answer to every man that asketh a reason concerning the hope that is in them." Let them be sure that they really know the faith they profess.

One more point, Brother Editor. When Moravians are asked about the Episcopate of their Church, let them be prepared to explain, that the Bishops of the United States, and, like Philip with the Ethiopian eunuch (Acts 8:25), to preach Christ and Him crucified to this Pennsylvanian Theosophist, and upon the receipt of a two cent postage stamp to cover the cost of mailing.

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Great Street Methodist and Christ Church again continued their union prayer services during July and August, with a fine spirit of fellowship and co-operation much in evidence.

Herman Critz and Miss Ruth Lashmit were married by the pastor at the parsonage on August 7th.

Sunday, August 13th, was a day of blessing and rejoicing in our congregation. Three children were presented to the Lord in baptism, William Edward Knox, Carol Sue Smith, and Paul Albert Graf, Dr. Raymond S. Haupert, brother of Mrs. Vernon Graf, officiated at the baptism of the latter. We appreciated also the assistance of Dr. Haupert in the Communion Service which was largely attended, much better than last year, for which we praise the Lord.

The pastor taught the Sunday school lesson on August 13th, with a fine spirit of fellowship and co-operation much in evidence. The church bands gave a farewell service to our friends and relatives. The church bands gave a farewell service to our friends and relatives.

Juanita Pike, for the faithful work they did while they attended the conference at the parsonage on August 7th. Teachers of the Primary department were: Mrs. A. J. Pleasants, who, after many years of faithful service in the church and Sunday school, went to make her home in Cariboo.

Miss Ruby Hust has taken charge of the choir formerly taught by Mrs. Pleasants.

Visitation Sunday will again be held on Sunday, September 3. Our members and friends are asked to visit other churches and Sunday schools on that day.

H. B. JOHNSON.

FULP.

Services have been tentatively scheduled for the first Sunday evening and fourth Sunday morning of each month.

Sunday school has been changed from afternoon to morning sessions, and our superintendent, Mr. Jones, seems to be encouraged by a slight increase in attendance. It is hoped that this change will mean the realization of our work in Stokes county.

The pastor and his wife have been greatly encouraged by the fine spirit of co-operation shown in this new undertaking.

It is hoped that a choir can be organized in the near future. If so, we plan to hold weekly rehearsals. This, we feel, will give our members a chance to come in contact with the church more often.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

ARDMORE.

On the evening of August 2nd, a group of our young people conducted an interesting missionary prayer service, and, for the first time, had the supervision of the midweek service at which time pictures of Camp Hanes were shown by the Rev. Ralph Bassett. The entire program was good, and we appreciate the service given by Bro. Bassett. This helped to encourage more of our young people to attend the camp. Those who did go reported a pleasant and profitable time.

Communion service at 11 o'clock was well attended as well as the Lovefeast at 5:30 o'clock. The service was conducted by the Rev. Douglas L. Rights who brought an inspiring message appropriate to the day.

At 9:30 o'clock the pastor had the privilege of bringing the morning message at Fairview in the absence of their pastor, and two weeks later while the Ardmore pastor was away on his vacation, the Rev. C. O. Weber conducted the eleven o'clock service at Ardmore.

On the 3rd Sunday morning Bro. Egbert Lineback, a student at Moravian College, and one of our own boys, conducted very acceptably the service, and at 3 o'clock the service at Union Cross. May God put in the hearts of many young men to offer themselves in service for the Master.

On the morning of the 16th, accompanied by Mrs. Holton and Ruth as well as Richard and Bertha Hine, started for points to the north. We went via Roanoke crossing Virginia, a small part of West Virginia and Maryland, and spent the first night at Altoona, Pa. The next morning we crossed Niagara river at the falls and spent the night in Canada, and then on via Rochester to Oswego, N. Y., on Lake Ontario, and from there to Utica, where we had an hour's visit with the Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Sommerfeld. This night was spent a few miles from Albany. The next day we drove down the west side of the Hudson river and crossed the Washington Bridge into New York City where we spent six days seeing the city and the Fair, and then came home via Bethlehem, where we spent the night and saw a number of old friends and relatives. Our last evening away from home was at Frederickburg, Va. Altogether our car registered on the trip 1,918 miles. One hundred gallons of gas and three quarts of oil were consumed by our faithful Chevrolet, at a cost of just a little more than $16.00. Tolls, parking and storage added a little more than seven dollars, which is still cheap transportation. We enjoyed our vacation but we are glad to be home again with our people.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPE.

Revival services which were in progress at the beginning of the month came to a close on the first Sunday. Very good attendances marked the campaign which ran for ten days, with the pastor doing the preaching.

On the third Sunday evening a large congregation gathered for the Lovefeast which was followed by Holy Communion. Both of these services had the largest attendances for some years.

The building program moved forward during the month. Much of the excavation work has been done and some of the brick foundation laid. We hope to make much progress dur-
ing the next month or two.

Two of our members, Pauline Allen and Margie Jones, attended the Young People's Conference at Camp Hanes from the 15th through 20th.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

BETHLEHEM.

Arrangements have been made whereby services will be held every Sunday evening for the next few months. Visiting speakers will be present for three Sunday evenings, while the pastor will be present for his regular services on the second Sunday morning and the fourth Sunday evening. Services for August were well attended. In the absence of the pastor, Bro. Clyde Davis conducted the fourth Sunday evening service. Good interest was manifested in all of the regular activities of church and Sunday school and the various organizations during the month.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

KING AND MIZPAH.

The first of August marked the beginning of the King-Mizpah parish. The pastor is now preaching at both churches every Sunday. The new arrangement allows for more concentrated activity and part of that effort is being directed into Young People's channels.

August is vacation month for many people and consequently church attendance suffered noticeably at King. In the Mizpah community family reunions caused a marked decline in the average church attendance.

On the first of August Bro. Jesse Speas, one of our faithful and loyal members was called to his eternal reward. The pastor conducted the funeral from the Mizpah Church on August 3. He was assisted by the Bethania pastor, Bro. Grubbs. Quite a few of the Mizpah members were ill during the month, but as this report is being prepared all have fully recovered.

On the second Sunday morning the pastor preached at Mizpah on the theme, "Signaled And Sealed," and in the evening at King the Holy Communion was administered. Some of the Mizpah members were present at the Communion service.

From the 15th to the 26th the pastor acted as Dean of the Camp Hanes Conference. On the 20th Student I. H. Chadwick preached at King in the morning and Bro. G. E. Stimpson preached at Mizpah in the evening.

A young people's organization was begun at Mizpah with 27 young people attending the first meeting. Plans are underway to form a similar group at King.

E. C. HELMICH.

MAYODAN-LEAKSVILLE.

Bro. Ralph Bassett presented moving pictures of Camp Hanes Conference to a large and interested group of our Mayodan people on the first Wednesday night of this month.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the home of Mrs. Donald Cunnigham and Mrs. Donald Cann as joint hostesses. The Auxiliary donated fifty dollars toward paying for repair of the parsonage. The Board of Trustees authorized the Building Committee, Harvey Price, John Vaughn, and F. Nix Price, to proceed with the work to be done on the parsonage which will require an expenditure of over four hundred dollars.

The annual Sunday school picnic was held on Saturday the 12th with over two hundred present.

The Mayodan congregation enjoyed the privilege of Holy Communion on August 13. Bro. J. K. McConnell administered the sacrament. On the same day the pastor was in charge of the lovefeast service at 5:00 P. M. We were happy to welcome visitors from other churches. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Richardson of Leavittsburg and the McConnell daughters of our Moravian church in Leavittsburg were present.

Four young people: Jane Tesch, Allene Via, June Tulloch and Harold Price, enjoyed the blessings of the Young People's Conference. Ruth Crowder of Leavittsburg attended.

The women of the Leavittsburg Auxiliary invited the Mayodan Auxiliary members to be their guests for the celebration of their third anniversary. Mrs. Fripp, president of the Leavittsburg group, gave an excellent inspirational talk. Mrs. McConnell gave the history of three years' activity in our Leavittsburg work. At present the Auxiliary work is most promising.

Mrs. Oscar Griffin, a faithful member of Mayodan, was again ill. The church extends its prayerful hope for full recovery.

O. E. STIMPSON.

HOME CHURCH.

The months of July and August were vacation months at the Home Church, the pastor being away from the 15th of July until the 30th of August. During his absence the pulpit was supplied by the following brethren: Edward C. Helmich, Chas. Adams, George Higgins, Edward T. Mickey, Jr., Sam J. Tesch, Leon G. Luckenbach, Donald W. Conrad, Ralph C. Basset, Raymond Haupert, John Fulton, John Kapp and Henry Lewis. The genuine appreciation of the Boards and the pastor is expressed to these brethren for their willing and efficient service.

During these two months the Home Church has participated with five other downtown churches in Union services on Sunday evenings. The spirit of fellowship has been greatly increased by these changes of pulpit. On the thirteenth of August the Home Church was host to the Union service at the lovefeast in the evening.

Children's Day was observed on the 20th with traditional services. Fourteen members of the Home Church attended the Young People's Conference at Camp Hanes and reported an unusually helpful conference.

R. GORDON SPAUGH.

CLEMSON.

The Spiritual Birthday of the Moravian Church coincides with the anniversary date of the congregation. Founded August 13, 1900, the lovefeast and communion celebrated the 30th year and provided a happy occasion for all present. The speaker was Dr. Charles H. Reminger, Ralva College and Seminary. The Band was assisted by members of the Friedland Band, Mr. James Teague, director.

The Sunday school's annual picnic was held at Washington Park, a truck providing transportation for several of the boys and girls. Mr. Hunter, long-time superintendent, was again in charge of arrangements which were designed to make everybody happy. A beginning was made at a regular night for hymn-singing appreciation of Moravian music.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

GREENSBORO.

While we were away on our vacation, the pulpit of the Greensboro congregation was filled by the Brethren Luckenbach, Falton and E. Spangh. We are grateful to them for their services.

Miss Ruth Melvin was our only representative at Camp Hanes this year, Miss Florence Apple and Ralph Oehman being unable to attend because of last moment developments. We are looking forward to having a larger delegation next year. We were fortunate in being able to attend serv-

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eral of the daily sessions and were privileged to conduct the Galilean service on Saturday morning.

The Girls' Auxiliary held a social at the home of Miss Lois Rein on Friday, the 25th, and Circle No. 3 of the Woman's Auxiliary held a similar gathering at the Coca Cola club on the 31st.

Two of our young men who are entering State College in Raleigh this fall were honored at a party given by the young people of the church at the home of Miss Ruth Melvin. We wish them much success in their first year of college work.

Plans have been perfected for the beginning of our fall program with the end of September. The last Sunday of September will be Christian Education Sunday and Rally Day, and the first Sunday of October will be our anniversary Sunday with Holy Communion at the 10:30 morning service and lovefeast at 3:00 in the afternoon.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

ADVENT

Our late summer revival, which we had looked forward to and prayed for, has come and gone, but we believe the work and results will go down into the years. Brother Howard G. Foltz, pastor of the New Philadelphia congregation, was our preaching evangelist, and filled this place to capacity during the month at Advent, namely, Frank Helfard, G. E. Brewer and Henry Lewis.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

Bro. H. B. Johnson, pastor of Fries Memorial Congregation, was the guest speaker at the August Lovefeast held on the afternoon of the 15th. The attendance was good considering the hot afternoon. Bro. Johnson's message, which was in keeping with the occasion, was greatly enjoyed by the congregation. The Holy Communion was observed on the 3rd Sunday at 11 o'clock with a large number of members and Christian friends present.

Six of our young people attended the conference held at Camp Haney from the 15th through the 20th. They were: J. H. Gray, Jr., Paul Jones, Mattie Ayers, Sarah Crater, Dorothy Shieffer and Katherine Shoather.

In the absence of the pastor, who was in revival services at Advent, Bro. J. G. Bruner conducted the morning service on the 4th Sunday, and student John Foltz had charge of one evening service. We thank both for their willing and able assistance.

Though August was vacation time for many of our people, the attendance upon the services and the interest in the general activities of the congregation continued to be very gratifying.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

KENNERSVILLE.

Our August communion was the best attended of any service in August, and the most largely attended August Festival on record. We limit our observance of this day to the communion.

Twelve of our young people were regular delegates at the Camp Haney Young People's Conference, and one went back and forth to work in Winston-Salem from there so he could attend the night sessions. This was Ted Kerner. The others who represented us were: Betty Lou Williams, Lucy Canningams, Julia Smith, Frances Kerner, Sarah Graves, Jessie Everidges, Annie Lee Masten, Dorothy Linville, J. D. Linville, Smith Willard, Henry Shoavy and John Flant. On the Sunday following their return several gave excellent reports of their Conference experiences in the morning service. The congregation is grateful to the Young People's Committee for sponsoring the sending of this delegation, and to those who worked so hard to make the Conference such an outstanding success. We hope to have a good group of our young people in attendance each year.

Mrs. Dorothy Stuart Dance, husband and two children were here in August on a visit from their home in Tokyo, Japan. The Auxiliary arranged for an informal evening during which Mrs. Dance, who is a member of our congregation, spoke most entertainingly and instructively of her trips around the world. Her husband being foreign representative of a large corporation, they have lived in a number of foreign countries, and traveled extensively.

On August 20 no church service was held. The pastor preached in the Roaring Gap Community Church, and the young people were at Camp Haney, so the rest of the congregation took a vacation.

The Sunday school picnic came on the 24th, and true to custom, we had rain. Fortunately, the two greyhound buses left before the heavy shower came, and returned from the picnic grounds at High Point lake just in time to miss heavy rain there. So we were really not inconvenienced, the clouds were threatening a good part of the time. The two buses were crowded to capacity.

Following an illness of several months, Mrs. E. B. Parks, Sr., one of our faithful members and a former Sunday school teacher and active worker, passed away in a Winston-Salem hospital on August 30. The funeral service, which followed to the letter her explicit written directions, was held the next afternoon in the church, with interment in our grave-yard. Christian sympathy is again extended to the members of her family.

Work on the paraphrase is still incomplete. The paraphrase family moved back on September 6, into the two rooms ready for occupancy, but hopes to occupy the others in the near future. It will be some weeks more, however, until all is again in readiness for uninterrupted operation. But when that time comes, this congregation will be some weeks more, however, until all is again in readiness for uninterrupted operation. But when that time comes, this congregation will

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WALSER H. ALLEN.

ENTERPRISE.

There has been a marked decrease in our attendance during the latter part of the month. This is due to the fact that there has been quite a bit of sickness in our congregation, and two roads leading to the church are under construction. This meant that some of our people were shut in at their homes.

On Saturday night of the 5th a wedding shower was given in the social room of the church honoring Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Craver, who were recently married. Brother Craver is a member of the First Reformed Church of Lexington. May the blessings of the Lord go with these friends as they make the journey of life together.

The worship services for the month were given over to instructions for those who were candidates for church membership. These instructions were given in the presence of the assembled congregation.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

MOUNT AIRY.

Grace Church wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the brethren Chadwick, Bellino and Kappy for their faithful services in the period of the pastor’s absence on vacation and at the Young People’s Conference.

The month has been marked by low ebb in attendances and good tide proportionately in contributions.

It was our good fortune to have Bros. Walser H. Allen of Kernersville as our speaker for the festival of August 13th. Unfortunately we were having to hold service at the same time that a union service was being held on the subject of World Peace.

Fifteen of our young people were in attendance at the Young People’s Conference this year. We rejoice in the feeling that of all the years in which our young people have been interested in this Conference, this one seems to be the year in which we can say most confidently that we feel each one got great good from his attendance.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

MACEDONIA.

The first of August found us in the midst of one of the best revival meetings that we have had in some years. The Lord was certainly with us. The meeting began on the last Sunday in July with Brother Bruner bringing the message each evening and Johnny Maynard having charge of the music. The people came out in large numbers, the smallest gathering being over two hundred, except on one rainy night. We feel that our church has been greatly blessed by this meeting, and are indebted to Brother Bruner and Brother Maynard for their willingness to come over into Macedonia and help us.

On August 13th, we received four adults into the fellowship of our church, one by baptism and three from other congregations. Six children were given to the Lord in Baptism at this service also. A goodly number took Communion, but not as many as we would like to see partaking in the name of our Lord, and in remembrance of Him.

On the second Thursday the Ladies’ Auxiliary met at the parsonage with Miss Sophia Butner as joint hostess, a large number being present. Mrs. C. C. Walker, the president, had charge of the meeting. The ladies are looking forward to getting the church lawn sown and shrubbery planted. Our road is getting in fine shape, and we are expecting the road men to come and put on the finishing touches any day.

On Sunday the 20th, the pastor was on a vacation and had the pleasure of preaching at the Union Federation Church, at Union, Iowa.

Our people were happy to have Brother Graf bring the message at the 11 o’clock hour on the last Sunday. We appreciate his willingness to come and help us again. From the report of our people they enjoyed the fine message he brought. We thank him for his service.

G. E. BREWER.

PROVIDENCE.

The Women’s Auxiliary, under the leadership of Mrs. Marie Grubbs Stultz, has been very active during the summer months, and with the helpful assistance of all members of the congregation, has been able to raise enough money to renovate the church auditorium. Work on this project will begin in the near future.

It was inspiring to see the members of our congregation respond so readily to a plea for a new heating plant. Practically all of the money needed has been pledged, and it is our ambition to have the furnace installed before “Old King Winter” engulfs the Sunny South.

Our Daily Vacation Church School was rather low in attendance this year. Miss Catherine Brandon assisted us in our work, and although the attendance was not as good as in previous years, we feel our school was a success. Thanks are due those who so freely gave of their time and talent.

The new pastor and his wife were asked to come to the church on Wednesday evening, August 16. Upon arrival the first thing to meet their eyes was a huge pile of watermelons. It was immediately concluded that the congregation was going to welcome us by giving a watermelon feast in our honor. The pastor’s wife was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses by one of the young ladies of the congregation. Then, under the lights on the church lawn, the women formed a circle and all present introduced themselves and told the

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J. CALVIN BARNES.

WACHOVIA ABBEY.
The month has been a busy one, and besides the Sunday school sessions, which have been presided over by David Boose, and the preaching hours, the Sunday school enjoyed a picnic at Friedland. As this was the first visit to this historical spot for many, they found interest in the spring and the graveyard. At six o'clock supper was served. The devotional service was conducted by the pastor.

A large delegation from the congregation assisted the pastor in conducting the early Sunday morning service at the Forsyth County Tuberculosis Hospital on August 6.

Misses Besie Boose and Luella Sapp entertained the Ladies' Auxiliary at the church on the third Thursday night of the month.

At present we are engaged in our revival meeting with Bro. G. E. Brewer as pastor evangelist, and Johnny Maynard leading the singing.

Our Anniversary and Homecoming service is scheduled for the first Sunday afternoon in October, with the Rev. Carlton White of Ararat, Va., former pastor, as our guest speaker.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

HERE and THERE and THIS and THAT

Writing from Detroit, Mich., enclosing the announcement of the Foreign Missionary Society meeting which appears elsewhere, Dr. Edmund Schwarte had this to say: "We have just come from Lake Mills (Wisconsin) where we enjoyed a fine Mission Festival last Sunday (Aug. 27). I spoke five times, but thoroughly enjoyed it. You will remember how fine and elegant the people are and how genial their pastor, Bro. Herbert Kant. At night they announced their missionary offerings for the day, a total of $1,988.97. Oh Boy!" Dr. Schwarte might not have added that last week ecclesiastical executions had he known it would appear in these columns, but it aptly expresses how he felt, and how all of us should feel. Good for Lake Mills! Why can't we have Mission Festivals in the Southern Province?"

Bro. Howard Chadwick, one of our theological students who spent the summer working in the mountains, has asked that The Wachovia Moravian express appreciation to those who made it possible for five of our young people from that section to attend the Conference at Camp Hanes. He says they returned and reported that they had never had anything to move them quite so deeply, and that their spiritual lives were greatly strengthened. Another testimony to what these youth conferences are doing! We are sure those who contributed to this cause are gratified to hear this good report.

In a letter which accompanied her contribution in this issue, Mrs. Werner Marx states that she and her husband had arrived at Puerto Cabezas from their station at Bonanza, and were going on to Bilwas Karma, where Bro. Marx will assist in the summer "Neighbors' Training School, or Evangelists' School, as it is sometimes called. This lasts three weeks. Concerning their visit to Bilwas Karma

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NOTE.—Bro. L. G. Luckenbach is no longer in charge of a congregation. However, should have an active pastor's responsibility of writing for The Wachovia Moravian. At the same time, close to working under the direction of the Board of Church Aid and Extension, he has been active as retired, and wishes to make a monthly repent in those columns of his activities.—Editor.

On August 13th assisted with the announcement at the Home Church at 11 a.m., and conducted the prayer meeting at the Home Church on the 16th.

Conducted the services at Friedberg on the 6th, the 20th, and the 27th at 11 a.m. The service on the 20th was a large children's service with a lovefeast.

Had charge of the services at Bethabara at 7:45 p.m. on the 20th, and at Rural Hall at 7:45 p.m. on the 27th.

Attended the tea given by Brs. and Sr. D. L. Rights on the twentieth anniversary at Trinity Church on the 3rd, and a meeting of the Executive Board of Moravian College Alumni Association on the 4th, at the home of the president, Joseph Pfohl.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

INFANT BAPTISMS.


Smith—Carol Sue, infant daughter of Paul and Beulah m. Phelps Smith. Born in Winston-Salem, N. C., April 21, 1939, Baptized August 13, 1939, by Paul Kinnamon.


DEATHS.


Parks—Mrs. Viola Hendricks, wife of E. B. Parks, Sr., died on August 30, 1939. Funeral in the Kernersville Moravian Church on August 31, 1939, by the Rev. Walter H. Allen, with interment in the church graveyard.

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RUFUS ALEXANDER SHORE

APRIL 12, 1876 — SEPTEMBER 19, 1930.

The highest quality of human character and the secret of the most worthwhile living have not changed with the changing years. And so we find the most accurate and satisfying appraisal of the sterling character and life-service of our esteemed brother and fellow citizen, Rufus Alexander Shore, not in the press notices of the years which called attention to some outstanding public service which he had rendered, nor yet in the words of praise and appreciation which have been expressed by voice and pen since his going from us, but in the words of the Holy Scriptures which he had known and sought to follow since childhood.

Three thousand years ago, the inspired Psalmist gave striking characterization and delineation to the sort of life which Rufus Shore lived quietly, humbly and helpfully in the midst and of which we ourselves are witnesses, when he wrote—

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of scorners; but his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night." (Psalm 1:1, 2)

"And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth fruit in its season: his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." (Psalm 92:15)

Rufus Shore was a godly man, who, loving the Lord Jesus Christ and His Church in sincerity, was busy in many spheres of activity for human and community betterment, but found his chief delight in walking in the footsteps of his Master of whom it is said—

"He went about doing good." (Matthew 9:36)

The milk of human kindness was in his spirit, the rule of "service above self" was his daily practice, and in his quiet way he touched many lives to their betterment. To those nearest to him it was always a cause for wonder, how, in his unburied manner he could contact so many persons and render such a varied service in the course of a single day, proving himself a good neighbor, interested friend, wise counselor, business co-worker, enthusiastic citizen and personal witness for Jesus Christ.

He was a native of Winston-Salem, the eldest of the two sons of the late Jemmes and Elizabeth Shore m. n. Thomas, and was born on April 12, 1876. Reared in a Christian home and from his infancy brought under the influence of the Church, he grew up to love its services and to participate in its activities.

His church membership dates from his fifteenth year, when he made a personal acknowledgment of Christ as his Saviour and took upon himself the obligations of a Christian, which he was ever afterward happy in seeking to fulfill.

Because of his faithfulness and dependability and his ready and enthusiastic spirit, his Church had confidence in him and he was chosen for high positions of service and responsibility. He was for many years a member of the Board of Trustees of the Home Moravian Church, and often one of its representatives to the Church’s Synods and Conferences. He served for a number of terms on the Central Board of Trustees of Salem Congregation, was a director of the Moravian Widows Aid Society and,
for two terms, a trustee of Salem Academy and College. He was also an active member of the Men’s Bible Class and regular in attendance on the Sunday School and weekly prayer services. Membership on any church board was never a nominal matter to him; it called for service and he responded to the limit of his ability and even beyond that of his time and strength. Outstanding, perhaps, in his work for his Church was his management of The Wachovia Moravian, the official publication of the Southern Province, whose business policy he guided for more than a quarter of a century and whose affairs he placed upon a self-supporting basis, a most unusual happening in the realms of religious publications.

On November 10, 1901, our brother was married to Miss Susan James of Okawville, and their married life of almost thirty-eight years was richly blessed of God. Six children were born to their union of whom three, together with the mother service. Two little daughters, Virginia Elizabeth and Dorothy Alma passed away in infancy and a son, Herbert, in his boyhood.

Our brother was a great lover of home and family and provided well for the interests of those who were near and dear to him, as he had for the widowed mother left to his care when he was a mere boy.

In his business accomplishments, Rufus Shaw was what is termed “a self-made man,” but, we would add “in its highest and most praise-worthy meaning.” His father dying when he was but a youth, he entered the employ of the Twin-City Sentinel, the community’s daily newspaper, and rose by merit of his service and wide foresight and thrift to be its co-publisher with Henry R. Dwire. The latter “assumed charge of the editorial and news portions of the paper while he attended to the business and advertising departments.” His rise to his position of prominence in the newspaper field included work as office boy, paper carrier, and circulation and general advertising manager. After the sale of the paper he devoted himself for a time to other interests, but in 1931 returned to his former association with the Sentinel Publishing Company as director of national advertising, a position he held until illness compelled him to relinquish it.

Our brother had a great passion, too, for civic and community service, and through years served in many spheres of activity. He held membership in the Chamber of Commerce and was a past-president of that organization; for many years he served as Treasurer of the Community Chest; and for more than twenty years held a highly responsible position with the Rotary Club.

In addition to these activities he, with other associates, encouraged the building of homes in the community, and after years of service as a director of the Standard Building and Loan Association he was chosen its president which position he held at the time of his death.

Some three years ago, under the strain of his busy life, our brother’s health began to show decline, and for months he was under the necessity of relinquishing work altogether. Then followed a happy return from the sanatorium and a gradual resumption of duties, particularly in the Church where his heart always centered and where his faithfulness in attendance and effort was always appreciated. But it was not to continue long, and on Saturday, last, he suffered another heart attack which proved fatal. On Tuesday morning, September 19, 1939, at 7:40 o’clock, he entered into the joy of his Lord and the higher service of heaven. To his last conscious moment his thought was, not of self, but of others, whom, mentioning by name he was desirous of helping. Thus in death as in life he clung to his motto—

"Others, Lord, yes, others, and too much of self each day. Help me to live for others, and to be the Christ in my day."

His age was 63 years, 5 months and 7 days.

He is survived by his devoted wife, two sons, Rufus James and Richard Edmund Shaw, one daughter Mary Louise Shore, all of Winston-Salem and one brother, Fred Shore, of King, N. C.

"Harrow of God, well done. Rest in thy well earned peace. The battle fought, the victory won. Rest thy Master’s py.

(3) MEMORIAL FROM THE PROVINCIAL PUBLICATION BOARD.

For many years The Wachovia Moravian has been indebted to Bro. Rufus A. Shore for wise, faithful and efficient management of the publication.

Always ready to give his valuable services for causes of the church, he was particularly active in this field for which he was so well equipped, having followed the newspaper profession with evident success. It is largely due to his efforts that The Wachovia Moravian has become self-sustaining, a remarkable accomplishment for a church periodical.

Those associated with him recall not only his abundant labors and his untiring interest in our church paper, but also his fine manifestation of Christian character. The Publication Board of the South ern Province of the Moravian Church hereby records its deepest regret at the loss of so valuable a servant of Christ, and its profound appreciation for his unselfish service.

To the bereaved family is extended our sincere sympathy in the hope that they may find abundant comfort and assurance in our heavenly Father’s care.

THE PUBLICATION BOARD, SOUTHERN PROVINCE, MORAVIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA.


(4) EDITORIAL—THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN’S LOSS.

Bro. Rufus A. Shore took over the active management of The Wachovia Moravian in January of the year 1913, which means that he held this position continuously for over 26 years! Only those closely associated with the paper can have even a slight idea of the tremendous amount of work he gave to his church through this paper in this quarter of a century and more.

Several years ago Mr. Shore and Mr. Henry R. Dwire, who is now publicity director of Duke University, sold the Twin City Sentinel, then the leading daily newspaper in Winston-Salem, and one of the leaders in the state, to Mr. Frank Gannet, of the Gannet newspaper chain. Two other changes have taken place since then, and Mr. Shore got back into the newspaper business in Winston-Salem, and was manager of national advertising of the combined Journal and Sentinel. But at the time of which we are speaking, the Twin City Sentinel was the oldest and largest paper in the city. Mr. Dwire was editor and Mr. Shore the business manager. The two men made an admirable team.

When the Sentinel was told to Mr. Gannet, one of the stipulations of the sale was that neither Mr. Dwire nor Mr. Shore should enter the newspaper business in Winston-Salem in any capacity for a certain number of years. Mr. Shore laid before the purchaser of the Sentinel his connection with The Wachovia Moravian, and asked that in this instance an exception be made. Mr. Gannet graciously complied, and our good Brother Shore was allowed to continue as business manager of The Wachovia Moravian.

Attention has already been called to the fact that it was largely through his efforts, and his unselfish service, that our paper became self-sustaining, and has continued so down to this present time. He never lost an opportunity to put in a good word for our church organ, and gave to it his best care and attention.

None of us can say we shall miss him, miss him personally far more than what he did, as much as we shall miss that, because his presence was always an inspiration, and a blessing. To his family, again our deep sympathy.

THE WACOVIA MORAVIAN STAFF.

(5) PRESS NOTICES.

(On the many editions of this press notice published on the death of Bro. Rufus A. Shore, the following two are given as typical examples—Editor.)

BUTUS A. SHORE—

The Greensboro News—

In the death of Rufus A. Shore at Winston-Salem the Daily News mourns.

MORAVIAN WOMEN SHOULD READ!

The Moravian Widows’ Society of Winston-Salem offers an Annuity Plan which is outstanding for the advantages which have been declared regularly for the past fifty years. The amount received by each widow of the society has been $20.00, $25.00 or $40.00 per year, according to the amount of benefit which the widow is willing to accept. Women who joined the Society never paid more than the amount, and some members have received dividends in each year, equal approximately to the original investment.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO MEMBERSHIP?

Any man, in good health, who is a member in good standing of the Moravian Church, is eligible to membership in the Society.

ADMISSION FEE—

An admission fee of not less than $2.00 is paid when joining, which constitutes membership in the Society. This money is invested in the Capital Fund and promptly invested. There are no further dues, assessments or other solicits for members to pay.

DIVIDENDS—

The net dividend from investment is distributed quarterly to the widows of deceased members who share alike, up to $40.00 per year maximum, during their widowhood, regardless of the number of years they may live. At the present time these are almost widows who are receiving the maximum dividend.

ADVANTAGES—

Several benefits have been receiving regular dividends for approximately fifteen years. A few of these are of the Society, and we believe it has no equal. We solicit and recommend membership to the Moravian Widows’ Society of Winston-Salem. We will gladly furnish any further information desired.

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TRIBUTE TO MR. SHORE.

To the Editor of The Journal:

Just a few moments ago I opened a copy of The Sentinel received this morning. The mail and learned of the passing of a very dear friend of ours, Mr. Rufus A. Shore.

The highest tribute I could pay him is to say that he is a Christian, and, indeed he is (I say "is," for life is not over).

He was our neighbor for several years, and many were the deeds of neighborly kindness, which we remember. He seemed to enjoy doing acts of lovely service for my aging parents, and the pavement would be swept.

One of father's last sentences was "Kind Mr. Shore." I am sure that among those to whom he ministered there were, Emma M. Heath,

Bethlehem, Pa.

Sept. 27, 1939.

MEETING REQUIREMENTS OF STATE AND NATIONAL LEGISLATION THE PROVINCIAL ELDERS CONFERENCE MAKES CLEAR MORAVIAN ATTITUDE TOWARDS WAR.

1. Whereas: The Constitution of the State of North Carolina, ratified 1868, Article I, section 29, declares: "All men have a natural and inalienable right to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their own consciences, and no human authority should, in any case whatever, control or interfere with the rights of conscience." Article XII, section 1 declares: "All persons who may be averse to bearing arms, from religious scruples, shall be exempted therefrom; and

2. Whereas: The Code of the Laws of the United States of America, 1935, Title 32, paragraph 3 declares: "All persons who because of religious belief shall claim exemption from military service, if the conscientious holding of such belief by such person shall be established under such regulations as the President shall prescribe, shall be exempted from militia service in a combatant capacity; but no person so exempted shall be exempt from militia service in any capacity that the President shall declare to be noncombatant." and

3. Whereas: The present condition of world affairs has forced Christian people everywhere to face the question of war and their personal relationship to it; and

4. Whereas: Throughout its entire existence of approximately five hundred years, the United Brethren of the Moravian Church while instructing her members, in accordance with the admonitions of the Holy Scriptures to be subject to the civil authorities as to "the powers ordained of God," has not failed to recognize also the right of conscience above human authority and has subscribed to creed and principles opposed to war; and

5. Whereas: Legal recognition has been given to this position ever since the Moravians came to America in 1735; therefore be it

Resolved: That the Moravian Church in America, Southern Province, solemnly reaffirms its adherence to said right of conscience above human authority and to said creed and principles, in conformity with the Constitution of the State of North Carolina, Article 1, section 26, and Article XII, section 1, and with the Code of the Laws of the United States of America (printed 1935), Title 32, paragraph 3.

(Signed)

BOARD OF PROVINCIAL ELDERS,

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AGNEW H. BAHRSON,

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J. KENNETH PFOLD.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

By The Provincial Elders' Conference.

On the evening of September 12, an important conference was held between the Boards of Elders and Trustees of Friedensthal and the Provincial Elders' Conference. The opening of Salem Academy and College took place on September 14. There was an encouraging increase in enrollment over the previous year. On September 16, the ministers of the Province, their wives and our mission students observed the Memorial Day of September 16, at Ardsmore Church. The address was delivered by Bishop Pfohl who was assisted in the Holy Communion by the pastor, the Rev. Edgar A. Holton, fifty-nine years of age, and a graduate of College.

On September 17, Bro. J. Calvin Barnes, recent graduate of our Theological Seminary and now pastor of the Oak Grove, Providence and Ful group of churches, was ordained a Deacon of the Moravian Church by Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl.

The Provincial Elders' Conference on September 18, held personal and group interviews with the ministerial students of the Province and held a meeting with the college and seminary students.

On September 24, the Rite of Ordination was held in the presence of the College and Seminary students. The ordination was conducted by Bishop Pfohl who presided.

The afternoon, and on the next two Sundays conducted services at Fairview and Mayodan Moravian Churches, respectively.

PAGES FROM THE BISHOP'S DIARY

On September 1st, after four-and-a-half months absence, due to illness, Bishop Pfohl returned to his duties as President of the Board of Provincial Elders, and from his diary selects the following items of general interest to the readers of The Wachovia Moravian.

September 2. Meeting with workers of Daily Vacation Bible Schools for reports on the summer's service and suggestions for the work of next year.

September 3. Special meeting of Provincial Elders' Conference.

September 7. Monthly Minister's Conference.

September 8. Address Conference of Auxiliary Leaders of Province held at Charlotte under auspices of Provincial Woman's Committee.


September 13. Attend Annual Council at Home Church.


September 15. Meeting of Trustees of Academy and College.

September 16. Deliver address at

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A Revival Without An Evangelist

By THE REV. JOHN GREENFIELD, D.D.

Reports from congregations are always interesting, especially if they tell us of conversions and revivals. Some churches and pastors seem to think that there can be no revival without an Evangelist. This is a mistake. A pastor may be his own evangelist. It is true St. Paul tells us that "He (Jesus) gave some to be evangelists; and some to be pastors and teachers." ( Eph. 4:11) But circumstances alter cases and there are no rules without exceptions. Sometimes it is next to impossible to secure the services of a scriptural, spiritual Evangelist. Under such circumstances the local pastor begin to pray and preach for a revival, using godly and gifted people in his own congregation as helpers. This has been our own experience in a ministry of half a century. Sometimes we rejoiced in the service of a true evangelist and we recall with gratitude to God the help and inspiration which came to our congregation by such evangelistic preachers as Bishop H. T. Bochem, Dr. Edwin J. Reineke, Dr. L. W. Munhall, Bishop John Eby of the United Brethren Church, and Dr. William Spurgeon, a nephew of the great Baptist preacher. But more frequently we had to conduct revivals alone, as far as ministerial help was concerned, and be our own evangelist. Under such circumstances we arranged for group prayer meetings or cottage prayer meetings in all parts of the congregation. Elders, Trustees, Sunday school teachers, Christian Endeavor workers, etc., were urged to attend and often to take charge of these meetings. Soon all the spiritually-minded members in the congregation were praying for a revival. These group prayer-meetings were continued for weeks, and sometimes for months. Conversions would occur in the prayer meetings among church members who began to pray in public for the first time.

Others were gradually attracted to these prayer services and began to call upon the Name of the Lord until they too were saved. Many of these converts have "gone Home," but some are still witnesses for Jesus here on earth. One of the most striking instances of a revival without an Evangelist came to our attention last winter here in Florida. Among the many beloved ministerial brethren who spend the evening of life in this land of sunshine and flowers is Dr. James Chapman, some years ago pastor of the East Grand Boulevard Methodist Church in the city of Detroit, Mich. His story of a prayed-down revival was so interesting and inspiring that we requested him to put it into writing hoping that it may encourage many others as it did us. Dr. Chapman's letter contains the following paragraphs:

"My ministry in this church began in September, 1911, and continued until September, 1918, a period of seven years. It was during the last three years of my ministry in this church that a gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit took place. Previous to this the International Holiness Association would ask the privilege of meeting in our church occasionally for their monthly meeting. This request was always granted. On one occasion they asked the privilege of holding a revival campain in my church, their own quarters being not large enough. This also was granted and they called in such men as the Rev. Joseph Smith and C. H. Morrison, the president of Ashbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky, for the campaign. "My church being spiritually fed by such noted Evangelists as these, we were taught how to pray for the prosperity of Zion and for their pastor, and asked the Holy Spirit would do his office work upon the hearts of the people. And when at the close of the sermon I would give the altar call, they would come out from their secret place in prayer, to find the altar crowded with seeking souls. In all of my ministry I have never been in a revival like it, before or since. People were saved in great numbers, and like the early Pentecostal Church many were continually being added to the church, such as were being saved. Concerning the interest that made it possible, it was something that was not worked up by the pastor, but seemed to be a spontaneous movement by these devout men, cultured in the classical education, reared in the class meeting and Prayer Meeting, and worked out by the Holy Spirit. This outpouring of the Holy Spirit continued for almost three years and out of that revival eight young men were added to the Christian ministry, and are there today, besides seven others who are acting as local preachers in that church today."
ANNUAL REPORT
PROVINCIAL WOMAN’S COMMITTEE 1938-1939.
(Presented In Charlotte, Friday, September 8, 1939.)

It is appropriate and significant, in view of our Bible Study for the coming year, to take the keynote for this annual report from James, the epistle-writer of the early Christian Church. "Faith, if it hath not works," he said, "is dead," and again, "by works is faith made perfect."

A report such as this must necessarily concern itself in large part with facts and figures, for it is the responsibility of your Provincial Woman’s Committee to give annual reckoning of the funds we have collected from you in accordance with the assignments given to us by our Bishop.

You shall hear in this report that in each of the four causes for which contributions have been asked, the goals have been reached with one possible exception.

First, why have we done these things?

I believe it is because of an increasing spirit of Christian unity among us. I believe it is because we are learning more and more each year to stretch our interests and our sympathies beyond the narrow limits of our own auxiliaries and churches and communities to wider fields of activity. We are discovering the truth of the words of the epistle-writer of old: "Faith and works." 

More important than the physical results of our working together is the spirit that prompts us to unite our endeavors in the causes of our church. We should continue during the coming year to cultivate upon every occasion and in every way the spiritual life of our auxiliaries and of individual members. Then, the support of our various causes will come willingly and cheerfully, as evidence of our love for Christ and our desire to be of the widest possible service in His church.

As you know, the four causes for which our committee collects your contributions each year are represented by four special committees, one for each cause.

Mrs. Carl Kerner, of our Kernersville Church, chairman of the Retired Missionaries Committee, reports that 32 Auxiliaries contributed $595 toward the support of aged missionaries during the 1938-39 fiscal year. This is a slight increase over the amount contributed in any previous year, and is indicative of our feeling of responsibility for these long-time servants of our church. We have been asked to continue our efforts in behalf of this cause in 1939-1940, in which we are hopeful that every auxiliary will have some part during the coming year.

Mrs. J. H. Wharton, of the Home Church, chairman of the Education Committee, who, since we have no missionary daughters at present, is in need of college education, is taking care of the funds for Miss Laura Mosley’s salary, reports, I am sorry to say, that we failed by a narrow margin to reach our goal of $870 for this cause. Thirty-five auxiliaries con-
tributed approximately 90 per cent of the required amount, and Mrs. Wharton was able to secure the full sum by two personally-solicited indi- vidual donations. When Dr. Dav- id Thaler was in Winston-Salem recently, he spoke in most glowing terms of the work of Laura Monley in the hospital at Bilwas in Kansas. He assured us that she was doing an ex- cellent job as both nurse and mis- sionary, and that we have every rea- son to be proud of her as our repre- sentative in Nicaragua. I believe that knowing by what a narrow margin we failed to raise her salary last year, we shall see to it that this year the needed amount is in hand. An in- crease of 10 per cent in the contribu- tions from each Auxiliary would pro- vide the difference. I shall appreciate your reporting back to your Au- dilary this situation, and urging its consideration in your 1939-1940 bud­ get. The number of auxiliaries con- tributing to this cause was larger this year than ever before.

Mrs. Henry Shaffer, of the Home Church, chairman of the Mountain Work Committee, reports that sufficient funds were raised to provide beautiful pulpit furniture for the new church at Willow Hill. Seven pieces of furniture costing $190.25 were placed in the church and are now in use. The sum of $305.21 was contributed which was sufficient to provide for a carpet for the pulpit. This has been cut to fit the pulp­ it and will be placed this coming week.

It is difficult to measure the impres- sion which the cooperation of our women has made on the Willow Hill mem­ bers in providing the beautiful pul­ lit furniture, which is well-suited to the church, and given, I feel, a stand­ ard for the further fitting of the in­ terior that will make the church typi­ cally Moravian, impressive, and in­ spiraling. Thirty-one auxiliaries con­ tributed to the pulpit furniture fund, including some that have never given to our mountain work.

Nor is this all we have been able to do in this important field. From the sum of $300.21, which we have had on hand for educational work in the mountains, Bishop Pfohl requested that we contribute $300 to make possible Daily Vacation Bible Schools this summer at Mt. Bethel, Crooked Oak and Willow Hill. Fortunately we had the money, and the schools were held with most favorable reports of progress and enthusiasm among the children and their parents. We have asked in our recent letter to auxiliary presidents that this amount, $300, be replaced this year in our Mountain Work fund against similar needs that may arise next year. The prospects for expansion in the mountains is good. Interest is being shown in a number of communities neighboring our three churches, where religious opportunities are exceedingly limit­ ed. We must be ready to take advan­ tage of this new interest.

Mrs. Trotter, of the Home Church, chairman of the Alaskan Work Com­ mittee, reports that 32 auxiliaries have contributed the sum of $380 needed for the support of an Alaskan orphan, and have likewise made pos­ sible a gift of $25 to the Alaskan Or­ phanage Building Fund. Plans are now going forward, as most of you know, to complete the building fund for the very-greatly-needed boys’ dormitory. Bishop Pfohl has asked us to raise $100 for this fund in addi­ tion to the $250 that goes annually to support one of the orphanage chil­ dren. Keenly interested as we are in the Alaskan work, I feel certain that we shall have no difficulty providing this additional amount for so urgent a need.

We have continued during 1938-1939 to provide monthly Bible Study and Mission Study bulletins, calling upon Bishop Pfohl for a study of the Church Year that has met with uni­ versal favor and appreciation. Our Bible study series for 1939-1940 is based on the practical Christianity of the Book of James, and is being pre­ pared for us by the Rev. George G. Higgins at Greensboro. The October studies are now available. Our Mis­ sion Study series, planned early in the summer to include widespread correspondence with a representative group of Moravian missionaries in all fields, has been started with most interesting accounts of present-day activities and enterprises. The content to which our plans for this series will be hampered by war condi­ tions we are not yet able to ascertain. We shall, however, make whatever adjustments are necessary to make the bulletins regularly available, in­ teresting and helpful.

Since our annual meeting at Cal­ vary last September, the triennial Synod of our Southern Province has been held, with reappointment of some members of our Provincial Woman’s Committee and the addi­ tion of the following new members: Mrs. K. Edwin Fussell, Trinity; Mrs. W. E. Shore, Culverly; Mrs. T. Holt, Haywood, Home Church; and Mrs. W. E. Stauber, Rural Hall.

New committees have also been ap­ pointed to represent our four causes, thereby giving opportunity for service on the part of more interested Auxiliary leaders. Our report to Synod showed that in every particular we had fulfilled the assignments made to us for each of the three years.

We have now entered into a new year of Auxiliary activity—a year that promises much uncertainty in the world and that will inevitably be re­ flected in our churches and our homes.

As Christian women, we have an important responsibility to be strong in spirit, to remember daily that sig­ nificant admission in the Litany we pray so often “to bless them that curse us, and to do good to them that hate us,” and to maintain in our own hearts, in spite of all obstacles, the inward peace and calm and integrity that are Christ’s gift to His true fol­ lowers.

With such standards, Moravian Women’s Auxiliaries in the Southern Province can go bravely and courage­ ously forward during the year that lies ahead.

MARIE M. SHORE, Chm., Provincial Woman’s Committee.

“Be not wise in thine own eyes, fear the Lord, and depart from evil.”—Proverbs 3:7.

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**BETHANIA**

In this first notice which has come since May, a condensed report must be given. The interior of the church has been renovated by repainting the walls, placing three steel columns to support the gallery, besides other repairs.

Our two summer festivals in June and August had record-breaking attendance, with the largest communion on the June Feast day ever held in Bethania. The guest speakers were the Bro. Luckenbach and Mickey in June, and Bro. Herbert Spaugh in August.

One wedding was solemnized—Harry Henderson to Edith Strupe. Two young people have been received by adult baptism. The Daily Vacation Bible School was conducted by Bro. John H. Kapp who with other young men from the Theological Seminary, and Bro. Walther Strupe, have rendered good service in preaching.

F. WALTER GRABS.

**OLIVET**

The summer has been marked by good attendance upon services, and a healthy spirit of activity.

Sunday school and church music are going well under the leadership of the brethren Folz and Strupe.

The Anniversary Festival was a red letter occasion. Bro. Luckenbach, the guest preacher, delivered a fine message. Bro. C. D. Crouch did faithful and earnest preaching in a series of meetings in the week following, in which the church was deeply stirred, and members were encouraged.

The communion held September 24 marked the greatest single sixty-minutes in Olivet's history, with 127 partaking of this sacrament, and three new members joining—a father in one family, and two children in another.

Two weddings were solemnized: Gordon Conrad to Mildred Conrad, and Elwood Conrad to Mary Ruth Barkley.

**PROVIDENCE**

We sincerely appreciate our beautifully renovated church auditorium. The Woman's Auxiliary has well deserved any praise that can be given for its fine work.

Our furnace has been partially installed and we are indeed grateful to all who have made possible the acquisition of our new heating plant. Bro. Charles M. Phelps, teacher of our Men's Class, and active in other church work, has been quite ill for some time. We wish to assure him that he has our prayers for a complete recovery.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

**FAIRVIEW**

The pastor and his family spent a ten-day vacation in Indiana, leaving on the 7th of August. Seven years have passed since this former charge at Indianapolis had been visited. Meeting old friends and visiting both churches was a real pleasure and inspiration. Brother E. Holton supplied Fairview pulpits in the absence of the pastor.

Five young people represented our church at the Camp Hazes Conference. They report a well spent vacation. Miss E. Arnis Wright and Miss Sylvia Putnam reported for the group at the worship-period of the Senior and Young People's Department.

During the summer months all the regular services were continued with the exception of the Sunday night service. Interest in the services was shown by the good attendances, especially in the Mid-week service which showed an average attendance of 82 for the summer months.

The Rev. L. G. Luckenbach, a former pastor of this congregation, had charge of the evening service on September 12. His message was greatly appreciated by our congregation.

The Mothers' Class enjoyed a chicken-stew dinner at Greenway Park on the 26th. Thirty-seven members and friends enjoyed the occasion.

Promotion Day was observed at the morning service on the 26th with a program given by the five younger departments of the school. Rally Day was observed on October 1. At this service our new Hammond electric organ, given by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bennett, was used for the first time.

Our congregation greatly appreciates this splendid gift given by these loyal members. The use of the organ adds much to the worship and fills a need that we have long felt.

CHRISTIAN O. WEBER.

**HOPE**

Due to the pastor being in special services elsewhere on the first Sunday morning the service was conducted by Prof. Charles H. Higgins of Salem College. His visit to this congregation and his message were greatly appreciated.

Attendances upon all of the services during the month were very gratifying. Cottage prayer services each Wednesday night have been encouraging. The building program is now under way and we hope by the end of the first week in October the building will be enclosed and fully paid for up to that point. We hope that the money will keep coming in so that we may continue the work and finish several rooms at an early date.

HOWARD G. FOLZ.

**BETHESDA**

The interest shown in the regular activities of this congregation is good and all of the services are usually well attended. Several extra Sunday evening services were held during the month with visiting speakers bringing the messages.

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home of Mrs. Alvin G. Rogers on Friday night the 8th. Good work is being done by this congregation.

Revival services are being planned to begin on the 2nd Sunday in August, in October with Bro. W. C. Davis assisting the pastor.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

MORAVIA.

On the first Sunday in August Bro. Edgar A. Holton, representing the Board of Church Aid and Extension, and Bro. H. A. Pfohl of the Provincial Elders’ Conference was present to install the Rev. Walter H. Allen as the new pastor of Moravia. Bro. Holton presided at the service, Bro. Pfohl officiated at the actual installation, and the pastor preached his introductory sermon.

Services are to be continued according to the former schedule of first and third Sunday nights. On the third Sunday night in August, which was the second service for the new pastor, a bug flew down the lamp chimney, and necessitated a wait of fifteen minutes while someone went a mile and a half down the road to fetch another lamp. This started the move to obtain electric lights. We are now waiting to see if the line can be extended to serve us, and perhaps others.

All services both in August and September have been well attended. Added to these, a large gathering at a birthday dinner, and a community chicken-stew served to introduce the new minister to his parish, which he finds extends almost exclusively beyond the church toward Summervield. Bro. George Higgins, the former pastor, kindly left us with the paint to cover the outside of the church all paid for, and money to purchase love-feast nags. The latter have been ordered, and the application of the paint has been arranged for, largely thru the generosity of two painters who are members of the congregation. Two groups of men met on a Saturday, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon, to do some necessary repairs to the building.

Bro. Roland Bennett of our Fairview congregation, who gave the piano which replaced the old reed organ, had the piano tuned and adjusted.

If any congregation should have an old but good Communion Service which is not needed we could make use of it, since we do not have one.

WALTER H. ALLEN.

CHRIST CHURCH.

September was vacation month for the pastor and his family. We wish to express appreciation to the following brethren who assisted with the service, the Brethren Ralph Basset, George Higgins, R. Gordon Sproul and students John Fulton and Henry Lewis. The prayer services were under the direction of J. H. Reid and E. T. Sims.

The Workers’ Conference Fellowship Supper ushered in the fall season of work. George Clodfelter spoke to the assembled teachers and scholars.

Promotion exercises of the Sunday school were held on September 24 for the Beginners, Primary and Junior Departments.

Gray Blazely and Mildred Floyd were united in marriage by the pastor on September 2.

Our congregation experienced sorrow in the passing of Mrs. Laura Collins, Bishop Pfohl conducted the funeral in the absence of the pastor.

VERN ON I. GRAF.

BETHABARA.

During the pastor’s vacation guest preachers were Bro. L. G. Leukens, and theological students Henry Lewis and E. Howard Chadwick. We thank them for the inspiring messages they brought.

The Rev. John R. Welnick, pastor of the Glenwood Moravian Church, Madison, Wisconsin, made the address at the August 13th lovefeast. This occasion permitted our people to hear a new voice from our Moravian Western District, and it enabled the pastor to renew old ties with a former college and seminary classmate and roommate.

The Sunday school picnic, which was again held at Crystal Lake, had almost a 100 percent attendance of the Sunday school enrollees. It afforded conclusive proof that the day of the Sunday school picnic isn't over at Bethabara.

Besides the regular circle meetings, the Woman's Auxiliary activities included a chicken supper held by Circle No. 1 on September 9th. The supper could probably be termed "too successful" because prospective customars kept coming after the last of the food had departed.

Circle No. 2 held a "doggie" roast for all the young people of the church on Friday night, September 29. Twenty-three young people gathered for an evening of refreshments and fun. We thank Bro. J. A. Kester of Calvary Church for the use of his picnic grounds.

From September 17th to the 26th, a series of evangelistic services was held. The growth of the attendance figures night by night demonstrated the refreshing value of the gatherings.

CHARLES R. ADAMS.

CLEMONS.

The ordination of a son of the congregation, Oswald Stimpson, by Bishop Pfohl was one of the historic services. The sermon was preached by Dr. Howard Rondthaler. Friends far and near attended to wish him God-speed.

Promotion Day for the Sunday school was also held on the last Sunday with the classes well graded through the high school age. Mrs. Theodore Rondthaler entertained the teachers in the children’s division and plans for future work took shape.

The teachers meeting at the home of O. W. Butner at High Point was well attended. The ladies of the church united in a supper given on September 23 with gratifying results.

Cottage prayer meetings under the leadership of Bro. Elmer Fulton are held each week with good interest.

The Boys Scouts have accepted the offer of an unused room in the school building which will now be their headquarters. They are also clearing a grove next to the church for outdoor events.

James Johnson was received into the congregation on the first Sunday by the sacrament of adult baptism.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

OAK GROVE.

On Sunday, September 17, we observed our 50th Anniversary. Bishop Pfohl brought an inspiring message at the morning service, at the close of which he ordained the pastor to be a Deacon in the Moravian Church.

The service was well attended, not only by our own members, but by members of the other churches which the pastor serves. Many friends and relatives of the pastor were also present. Chairs were placed out-of-doors to accommodate the congregation and a small amplifying system was installed for the occasion. A picnic luncheon was enjoyed on the church lawn at 12:00. Bro. Weber, minister of the pastor’s home congregation, brought a very helpful and inspiring sermon on our lovefeast, which was held in the afternoon. Immediately following the lovefeast two infants, Linda Gale Pogran and Thurmond

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ENTERPRISE.

On the first Sunday of the month the doors of the church were open for the reception of members, at which time nine were received into the community membership, six by baptism, two by confirmation, and one by letter. Dr. H. E. Rondthaler was present to officiate at this service.

On the second Sunday Bro. E. A. Holton preached at Enterprise and baptized the infant son of Bro. and Sr. Howard Tesh, while the pastor of Enterprise delivered the message for him at Arinmore.

On Wednesday the 20th, we conducted the funeral service of Mrs. Belle Reich, a life long friend and neighbor who passed away at the Salem Home on the 18th, at the age of 77 years. Funeral services were conducted at the Muddy Creek Church of Christ. We were assisted by the Rev. R. A. Helsethke and the Rev. D. J. Fairchield.

The pastor had the privilege of addressing the Mens' Bible Class of the Midway Methodist Church on the 3rd Sunday.

On the 26th, the Bible Class of our Sunday school prepared supper for the Ladies' Auxiliary of Advent Church.

The Benson Class entertained the Philathena Class at an Oyster stew on the 29th. This occasion was one of real pleasure and good fellowship.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

HOPPERWELL.

The heating plant has been installed and the congregation and pastor have been busy trying to raise a sufficient amount of money to pay the debt, which we expect to be able to pay by the first of October.

The attendance has not been as good as in previous months due to sickness. Miss Bessie Cockerham has been ill at her home, and Mrs. J. C. Robinson has been a patient in the hospital.

The community was saddened by the death of Mr. Henry Franklin Erhart on Monday, September 25, at the age of 74 years. He lived in this community for the past 45 years. The funeral was conducted on the 27th by the pastor and Rev. Mr. Hicks. The body was laid to rest in the church graveyard. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mrs. Paul Berrier.

RING AND MIZPAH.

Aside from the regular church services at Ring the pastor has nothing of importance to report from the Ring parish. Most of the church activity centered in the Mizpah community during the month.

On the second Sunday we observed the 43rd Anniversary of the congregation at Mizpah. Holy Communion was administered at eleven o'clock. At 3:30 in the afternoon we observed our lovefeast with Bro. C. O. Webster as speaker. He brought a thought provoking message. On the following Monday night we began a series of Evangelistic Services with Bro. Webster as Evangelist. His messages were vital and pointed and many were helped by his timely exhortations. There was an unusually large number of young people in attendance at these meetings and before the series closed, on the 3rd Sunday night, six of these young people had made profession of faith and each one expressed the desire to join the church.

At the present time they are undertaking a brief course of instruction by the pastor, the better to fit them for the responsibilities of church membership.

The Young People's Group which meets every Sunday night is proving itself interesting and helpful in its discussion. During the course of the month the group sponsored a chicken stew for all the young people in the neighborhood. Each month hereafter there will be a social evening for the group.

E. C. HELMICH.

HOME CHURCH.

The Home Church began its fall work with enthusiasm during the month of September. Adult Covenant Day was observed on the second Sunday of the month with the Lovefeast and Holy Communion. The Annual Church Council met on the second Wednesday night of the month. One hundred and fifty members met for supper and the business session. Two new Elders were elected to fill the expired terms of the Brethren John Blair and Robert Long. They were the Brethren Charles Sweers and Francis Grosvenor. The Brethren, F. F. Bahnson, Jr., and J. K. Pfohl, Jr., were elected to the Board of Trustees succeeding the Brethren Emil Shaffner and Clarence T. Leinhach, whose second terms expired. Re-elected to the Board of Elders for a second term were the Brethren E. T. Minckley and A. K. Davis. Brother H. Arthur Spangh was re-elected to a second term on the Board of Trustees.

Vesper services began on the third Sunday with an address by Brother H. B. Johnson. At the request of the
Board of Elders he spoke on "Moravian Missions in South Africa." At the second vespers service of the fall season the departments of the Sunday school in the children's division presented their promotion program and received their certificates of promotion.

Among the social occasions of the month were the picnic of the Mission Band held at Friedberg and the children's division of the Men's Bible Class held at Washington Park.

The young people's work has had a good month. Discussion groups for three departments have resumed their meetings at six o'clock on Sunday evenings and the three young people's choirs have resumed their rehearsals on Wednesday afternoons.

The month records two weddings, three baptism services and a funeral.

R. Gordon Spaugh

IMMANUEL.

The 27th anniversary of the Congregation was observed on October 1, with much joy despite the inclement weather. A large congregation of members and friends participated in the service and heard a most helpful message brought by the Rev. B. Gordon Spaugh. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered to a goodly number of members and guests. In the morning Sunday school session Promotion Day was observed. It was a good day with much of blessing to those who were privileged to attend.

After two months of get-acquainted effort we have launched into a fall fall and winter program. Activities among the younger members of the congregation have met with a hearty response. Junior, Intermediate, and Senior groups have been reorganized and are active. Boy and Girl Scout Groups are again functioning as a community project.

The general Auxiliary, Mrs. J. F. Cude, president, heard most encouraging reports at the quarterly meeting. In a message from the pastor certain activities were outlined whereby the women of the church could be of most help. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Tesch and the pastor were surprised with a substantial gift from the group.

SAMUEL J. TESCH

KERNERSVILLE.

With the opening of school and the concluding of the vacation period, we began to resume our regular schedule of activity. Promotion Day was held on the last Sunday of September, and the Wednesday following the Church Committees met. The Band has resumed rehearsals. Services on the last two Sundays were well attended, while those on the first two still showed the effects of hot weather and Sunday visiting.

Work on the remodeling of the parsonage has been completed with but a few minor touches to be made. The old house presents a beautiful appearance in its white dress. Inside it is scarcely recognizable as the same place.

As we write, this congregation is preparing to have part in a community-wide "Preaching Mission," to be held by the four larger churches of Kernersville, namely, the two Methodist churches (one formerly the Methodist Protestant Church), the Baptist and the Moravian. The Mission is to begin on October 8 and continue through the 15, with two services held in each of the four churches. In addition, morning services are to be held in the Baptist Church, owing to its up-town location, and special chapel services are to be conducted in the public school. Bishop Purcell of the Methodist Church is to preach at the opening service, and thereafter the pulpits will be occupied by the local ministers. The services of Bro. E. T. McKey, Jr., of Mt. Airy, have been secured to direct a united choir, and lead the singing at the night gatherings.

Mrs. C. H. Warner, a member of an Episcopal Church at Staunton, Va., and another of Mrs. Sam Vance, Jr., of our congregation, passed away at the home of her daughter here on September 21, following a long illness. A service was held here, then in Staunton. Mrs. Warner during the months she spent in Kernersville was a faithful and attendant upon our services, and a loyal supporter of our work. The sympathy of the congregation was extended to members of her family.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

WACHOVIA ARBOR.

The month began with an eight day revival meeting, conducted by the Rev. G. E. Brewer, assisted by Johnny Maynard in charge of the singing. These services were well attended and much interest was manifested. Bro. Brewer preached some strong sermons, which will be long remembered by those who heard him. Friends from local congregations, especially from Macedonia Moravian Church supported the services night after night.

A large number of members and friends attended the Auxiliary meeting held in Greensboro, at the home of Mrs. B. Coleman. Mrs. B. T. May was hostess assisted by her mother and sisters. After the business session, various articles, donated by those present, were auctioned off to the highest bidder. This netted the auxiliary a large sum of money, which was donated toward the repair work being done on the church.

The men of the church and Sunday school have done a lot of good work on the church in repairing the exterior, roofing, the kitchen, painting, building a new chimney, papering and varnishing the interior. The old terra cotta smoke pipe which served the church for about 50 years was sold to the highest bidder. Mrs. B. Coleman.

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The Anniversary and Homecoming event on the first Sunday in October brought a large congregation together of members, friends and former workers at the lovefeast. The address was given by the Rev. Carlton White, pastor of the Ararat, Va., Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Mr. White attended Wachovia Arbor as a lad and united with the church, and went out from its fold as a candidate for the Moravian Ministry. His return after an absence of many years brought many friends and relatives together for this happy occasion.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

FRIEDLAND.

The annual evangelistic effort has just come to a close with much blessing to a large number of the members. The attendance and interest were most encouraging. Bro. Richard Reid was in charge of the music and the pastor brought the messages. The church band, choir, quartet and the Montgometry family rendered very helpful service.

Thirty young people attended the organization meeting of that group and elected Miss Dorothy Pulliam, president, Miss Gaynelle Charles, secretary, Miss Emma Weavil, treasurer, Misses Nathaniel Hines, treasurer, and Christian Reid, vice-president. The group will meet each Sunday evening.

The Auxiliary served a chicken stew supper on the 21st with good results. Mrs. Nathaniel Hines entertained the group at the last meeting.

Promotion Day was observed on the 29th. Much thought and effort have been given the work among the little folk in our Sunday school with a new arrangement being tried in the beginners and Primary departments. It would appear that other re-arrangements must be made in the Senior group.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

TRINITY.

Vacation Bible School at New Eden closed on September 1. Henry Lewis was in charge, assisted by Owen Lewis, Minnie Catherine Brandon, Dorris Hightman, Mildred Floyd, Margaret Stovall, Evelyn Yonts and Mrs. Miles Carter.

Covenant Day for young people was held on the 3rd. On the following Sunday there was funeral day for the married people.

Rally Day was attended by 420 Sunday school members. The Primary graduates demonstrated their splendid progress under direction of Mrs. Rex Freeman and her co-workers.

At New Eden Rally Day Bro. Charles B. Adams made the address.

A. A. Ferryman has been re-elected superintendent of Trinity Sunday school. Our Sunday school staff numbers about fifty.

On September 1, at the parsonage, Miss Lois Bouldin was married to Ralph A. Carter.

Mrs. J. M. Hall, long a faithful member of the congregation, died on September 18.

Away at college this year are Lewis Masten and Charles Spaugh at the University of North Carolina; Charles Reid, Jr., and John Reid Stovall, Jr., at Duke; Edward L. Hege, Jr., at State College; Vista Lawson at Appalachian, and Frances Elledge at Meredith College. Attending Salem College are Gery Baysne, Eugene Baysne, Ruth Hege and Dorris Highsmith. Among our teachers are Grace Carter at Waughtown, Jeanita Lawson at Aredia and Martha Butner at Wake. 

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

CHARLOTTE.

One of the finest groups ever to gather in the Little Church on the Lane was the annual meeting of the executive officers of our Woman’s Auxiliaries, which met with us on September 8 about 100 strong. They came by private automobiles and a chartered bus, arriving about noon, bringing a picnic lunch with them, which was spread on tables scattered over the church grounds. The annual meeting followed at 1:30 in the chapel auditorium. Mrs. Robert Shoob, chairman of the Provincial Women’s Committee, presided, and presented the interesting annual report of the work done by the women of our churches during the year under review.

The occasion marked one of the first public appearances of Bishop Pfohl, after a long and serious illness. He brought greetings. As he was introduced the entire audience rose as an indication of affection and gratitude for his restoration to health. Others appearing on the program were Mrs. Kenneth Pfohl, Mrs. K. E. Pussell, the Rev. Herbert Spaugh and Miss Wilhelmina Wolford, who rendered a vocal solo, accompanied by Mrs. Russell Holder at the organ.

Although the day was one of the hottest of the entire year, everything moved along happily, and no one seemed to complain. Local arrangements were in the hands of the church auxiliary, which acted as host, under the direction of Mrs. J. F. Crouse, president, and Mrs. Russell Holder, chairman of arrangements.

New officers heading the Moravian Guild, our parish organization of business women, are: Mrs. Janet Jones, president; Mrs. Grace Tillotson, vice-president; Mrs. Evelyn Fulkner, secretary; Miss Elizabeth Barrick, treasurer.

Reorganization of the Church School is in progress. The newly elected officers of the Rondholder Bible Class are: DeArmound Moore, president; Miss Elizabeth Barrick and Misses Mildred, Mary Owen, and Misses Mollie and Evelyn Spanhour.

The raising of the organ repair fund has been completed, and contract for the remodeling of our church organ has been awarded. The cost will be $6000.00. The entire congregation gave this project good support.

HERBERT SPAUGH.

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monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. E. Flynt, with Mrs. Thomas Moser associate hostess, on Thursday night, September 28, at which time final plans were made for the successful chicken supper that was held at the Belo Home, in Winston-Salem, on the following Saturday, September 30th.

The new pulpit furniture purchased by the Woman’s Auxiliary is now in place. The whole congregation thanks you, ladies, for this addition to our sanctuary. It is quite fitting that we should make our House of Prayer as beautiful as we can afford. We pray that the hearts and lives of the worshippers may be furnished just as adequately with the beauty of holiness.

A permanent choir has been organized at Rural Hall, with regular rehearsals on Friday nights. We are highly pleased by the results of the first couple of weeks of work, but we still keenly feel the lack of tenors and basses. Come on, you men! Dig up that buried talent and use it for the Lord.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

ARDMORE.

On the second Sunday morning Bro. Clyde Davis brought the message at the 11 o’clock service while the Ardmore pastor held the service at Enterprise at which time he baptized Chas. Henry, infant son of Bro. and Sr. Howard Tenh.

From Enterprise we came to the Ebenezer reunion and had part in the afternoon program. More men and women people attended from year to year and there is a fine fellowship manifested on the part of these friendly people.

Family Covenant Day on the 4th Sunday brought together more than a hundred for the communion service at 11 o’clock. We were glad to have the Rev. and Mrs. Leon G. Luckenbach with us for this service.

The Lovefeast address at 3:30 o’clock was brought by the Rev. Howard G. Foltz who told us of those who make a covenant, those who make it and break it, and those who make it and keep it.

On the 16th married James G. Little, Jr., and Miss Evelyn L. Mitchell.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

PULP.

Attendance has improved at our church during the past month. In view of the fact that our evening services have had a larger attendance than our morning services, the Committee has agreed to change our meetings to the first and third Sunday evenings of each month. It is our hope that this will improve our attendance even more than heretofore.

The Woman’s Auxiliary is making plans for a year of hard work, and with the co-operation of all the women we feel sure that this organization will be of great service.

It is our sincere desire that all other congregations will join us in our prayer that God will aid us in carrying on our work for Him.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

PINE CHAPEL.

One of the outstanding events for the month was a program given by the Junior Bible girls and boys numbering 60 in all. It consisted of memory work that had been done during the summer months, under the direction of the pastor with little Miss Betty Harris as the pianist, Miss Irene Jones, secretary, Miss Cordie Mae Cox, Bible enumerator, and Miss Stella Mae Moore, chaplain. This was given on the night of the 17th and marked the beginning of a revival meeting which continued for two weeks in which the Rev. G. E. Brower assisted the pastor.

The Sunday school was reorganized on the morning of the 17th and about the only change was the election of Bro. A. M. Walker as superintendent to take the place of Bro. T. L. Hodges, who asked to be relieved of that duty for a while. Bro. Hodges, who served us very well for a period of three years and won for himself many friends among our people.

On the morning of the 24th the Primary department under the leadership of Mrs. P. G. Wooten and Miss Ruth Smith gave a promotion exercise and thirteen boys and girls were promoted to the Junior department of the school. Certificates of Promotion and a copy of the New Testament were presented to each one. Other teachers were: Mrs. C. R. Jones, Mrs. Worth Cox, Miss Irene Jones, Mrs. Mary Green and Miss Margaret Smith, pianist. We wish to express our thanks to these workers for their splendid work.

J. P. CROUCH.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

The pastor and Mrs. Foltz served a Brunswick stew to the members of the Board of Elders and the Board of Trustees and their wives at the parsonage on Tuesday evening the 14th. Following the supper, which was enjoyed by more than 25 people, Bro. J. George Bruner showed several reels of interesting pictures.

The Young People’s organization is doing a fine work all through the program of the church. A fine social occasion was enjoyed Saturday evening the 16th with a large number attending.

At the morning service of the 17th Mrs. B. Armstrong, son of Evangelist W. Earl Armstrong, was received into our church membership and the following week left for Moravian College to prepare for the ministry in the Moravian Church. Another one of our fine young people, J. H. Gray, Jr., has gone to State College at Altoona. Several others have entered business college to further their preparation for definite work.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

FRIENDS MEMORIAL.

Owing to our Annual Visitaton Day no services or session of the Sunday school were held on September 9th. The pastor and his household enjoyed morning services at Friendsburg. In the evening he and his daughter visited the colored Congregationalists in Wentz Memorial Church.

Vacation meant eight days away from home for the pastor, wife and daughter, visiting Mrs. Johnson’s people and in near Utica, New York. On Sunday morning worship was enjoyed in the First Church, Brother Armin Francke, pastor. The visiting pastor delivered the message.

Midweek services were resumed on September 26th, when we discussed “The Problems of Our Sunday School.” Brother E. L. Pike has been elected assistant superintendent of the Sunday school. He will lead the school until the return of Mr. Fries.

Rally Day was held on October 1. Heavy rain interfered with the attendance somewhat. Five children graduated into the Junior department. Reports of church organization in the morning service were encouraging. The evening service was efficiently conducted by the Junior Christian Endeavor Society and the Junior Choir. The Honor Roll for the first quarter was quite a credit to the congregation.

H. B. JOHNSON.

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As We See It

We heartily welcome Dr. A. David Thueser, Jr., our missionary doctor from Nicaragua on his official visit to the Southern Province. He is due to arrive about the same time this issue of The Wachovia Moravian should reach local readers, and will be with us for a month. This is not sufficient time in which to visit every church in the Province, or even half of them, but this is certainly as much time as we should accept out of his brief six months tour. When he has time, we urge that he be given a large and enthusiastic hearing. A touch of malaria, that dread malady of the tropics, and which he fights so assiduously at his Bilwas Karma hospital, laid him low for a time, preventing him from filling some of his speaking engagements in the North. We are fortunate that his recovery enables him to come to us.

We begin this month a series of special articles under the general title: "Churches of the Southern Province." It is natural that the first one thus presented should be Bethabara, but from here on we shall follow no special order. The Home Church comes next only because the material was ready. Others will confer a favor on us if they will see that we are provided with a short article modeled after the two herein, and a good picture. The Wachovia Moravian is glad to have the cut made, but cannot undertake to have the picture taken. If any church is omitted from the series it will be because we could not get these two things.

Churches Of The Southern Province

Bethabara, the 'mother church' of the Southern Province, has just marked its 1806th anniversary. It was November 17, 1753 when the first expedition of fifteen young men—a average age, 33 years—arrived on the 150 square mile tract which had been purchased by the Unitas Fratrum in the previous August, and which contained 37 percent of what is now Forsyth County in northwestern North Carolina, about 500 miles southwest of Bethlehem, Pa., their starting point. The plot had been surveyed and named by Bishop Joseph Spangenberg who called it the "Wachau" after an ancestral estate of Count Zinzendorf in Austria, which it closely resembled. "Wachau" has since been anglicized into "Wachovia."

It was almost nightfall on that cold November day when the little Moravian party, after an exhausting six weeks trip, found a deserted log cabin in a lovely little valley that was well watered and fertile. The cabin was a flimsy, unheated hut, with a roof full of holes, and had been built by a certain Hans Wagner who had moved a dozen miles to the southwest of the Yadkin river when he learned that the Moravian Brethren had bought the land on which he was a "squatter." But the Brethren had to hurry to clear the land for planting their winter wheat and didn't take time to build a better shelter for themselves until the following March, in the meantime having erected a "strangers' cabin" to accommodate the constant stream of travelers that passed through the region.

The group's pastor (and cook), Bernard Adam Grube, gave the new settlement a significant name from Scripture: "Bethabara," "House of passage" in Hebrew, or, by derivation, "House of tarrying." We may surmise that he recognized the temporary character of this first village since its site did not fulfill all the requirements contained in the instructions from Herrnhut.

For a dozen years the Brethren used Bethabara as a rallying point where they accumulated resources for future expansion and organized the successive waves of newcomers from Pennsylvania into the life and work of the new province. During this time, in 1756, Bethania was founded three miles to the northwest, with sixteen couples from Bethabara as its nucleus.

In January, 1766, work was started on Salem and within a couple of years Salem, "city of peace," succeeded the "House of Tarrying." as the headquarters of Wachovia. Through the years the population dropped from around 200 to a quarter of that figure, and today nothing remains of Bethabara's heyday but the 151 year old church, the 161 year old distillery, the 157 year old pottery's house, and scattered clusters of formation stones jutting up through meadows and cornfields.

None of these were in place in the pre-Salem days so the modern visitor to Bethabara must cross the bottom land behind the church and climb the hilltop to "God's Acre," if he would recapture the oldest memories of Bethabara. Those memories are associated with names, beginning with the first little grave dating from December 26, 1757 when "The soul of six day old Anna Maria Opitz returned to its eternal home... through the days of the terrible typhus epidemic of 1759 which offset ed two-thirds of the Brethren and bore eleven of them up the Hilltop for the last time, including the heroic Dr. Kahl, and continuing through these 182 years.

Eventually, there were no active members left in and near Bethabara that it could not support pastoral time even for only one or two services a month, and what congregational life existed was largely supported by funds from Salem. Fortunately, the church had become only a quaint museum piece.

Fortunately, there were some sufficiently interested to keep it in repair, waiting for the day when it would enter upon a period of new and larger usefulness. That day came some years ago when Winston-Salem began to expand toward the northwest. Today, Bethabara, only five miles from the city line, is right on the edge of a building "boom" which will probably encircle it within the next decade. It has acquired its share of the new residents, growing from a couple of dozen to seventy congregants members, which growth, apparently, is due to continue under the Lord's blessing.

The old parsonage, built on to the church, is devoted to Sunday school work, and will soon be overworked. The old distillery has been acquired by the church and is the new...
age, giving Bethabara its first resident pastor in 38 years.

Worship services are now held weekly, besides the Sunday school hour, in the beautiful old 18th century church with its 20th century heating and lighting.

Many travel weary pilgrims along life’s road still find rest and refreshment for the heart in this old "House of Tarrying" and its opportunities for blessing are growing with the years.

Recently, several churches have revived the custom of organizing groups for historical tours of Bethabara. The pastor will welcome such pilgrims and will be glad to act as guide if informed sufficiently in advance.

CHARLES B. ADAMS, Pastor.

THE HOME CHURCH

Following the settlement at Bethabara and Bethania the Moravian Brethren founded the community of Salem in 1796.

The first place of worship was a room in a building on the northwest corner of Main and Bank Streets. On November 13, 1771, a new meeting hall was consecrated in the "Gemein Haus" which stood where the Main Hall of the Salem College now stands.

In April 1797 it was decided to erect a church. There were one hundred and fifty communicant members of the Home Church but when the church was completed on November 9, 1800, those early pioneer builders had envisioned the future growth of the community so well that the church was large enough to care for the needs of the congregation until the present time.

The interior, however, has been re-modeled. On two occasions the changes were extensive. In 1870 the pulpit was changed from the north side of the church to the east wall. In 1912 and 1913 further changes were made. The Rondthaler Memorial Building was erected and the place of the pulpit was again moved to the north side of the church.

Church has been served by nineteen pastors and from a small congregation of one hundred and fifty communicant members she has grown in numbers until today there are one thousand six hundred seventy-two communicant members with five hundred twenty-two additional children and non-communicant members, making a total of two thousand one hundred ninety-four souls under her care.

Her annual budget has kept pace with her increase in membership and today, through free-will offering, she raises through her church budget more than $25,000.00 each year for local expenses and benevolences. In addition to this amount the gifts of organizations and individuals brought the total amount for all church causes during the year ending on June 30, 1933, to $46,063.22.

There are twenty-eight members of the Board of Elders and Trustees. Under the care of these two boards comes all the work of the congregation. There are sixty ushers and seventy-five sacristans and diakers who serve the church in their respective fields of duty. Four choirs offer service to one hundred and twenty-five young and older people, while an additional thirty are members of the Church Band.

The Young People's work is extensive and includes: a fully departmentalized Sunday school with one thousand and ninety scholars enrolled; evening discussion groups for every age group; both Boy and Girl Scout Troup; a Dramatic Club; a ten week course in Catechetical Instruction; and the annual Daily Vacation Bible School.

The Woman's Auxiliary seeks to develop the spiritual life of the women of the church. Eleven circles are composed of a total of four hundred fifty women.

Each month a prayer covenant card is prepared and mailed to one hundred twenty-six members of the Home Church Prayer Union. Sixty-three members are tithers.

In addition to these avenues of service efficient work is carried on by ten church committees, appointed by the Board of Elders. One hundred fourteen members serve on these committees.

With many week-day activities as well as regular Sunday services it is natural that the staff of leaders is growing steadily. At this time the personnel of the leadership is:

Minister—The Rev. Gordon Spangh.
Director of Christian Education—Mrs. Robert J. Jensen.
Church Secretary—Miss Eleanor Tesh.
Organist and Choir Director—Dean Charles G. Vardell.
EDITORIALS

A STRONG TOWER.

In the year 1897 when the two men had reached, or were fast approaching, the height of their fame, a report from Free St. George's, Edinburgh: "The God of Ages make you younger day by day, and spare you to His Church as a strong tower to which troubled men may flee in the day of fear."

This is a day of fear. Wars are being waged to the east of us and to the west. Now as perhaps never before we know not what a day may bring forth. We fear for the safety of our nation, of our sons, of our jobs, of our possessions, of the Church, of our civilization. In order to keep the men and women who have built upon the Rock of Ages.

To ministers this is a day of challenge. When they stand before their people to speak for God, let there be no doubt in their hearts, and then there will be none in their words. God is in His Holy Temple. He is on His Throne. He has not resigned as Sovereign Lord. There shall be wars and rumors of wars. Times of testing shall come. The winds, the storms, the rains shall beat upon our houses, but those founded upon the Rock can stand the strain. Only those built upon the sand will go down.

But we need not only strong ministers; we need strong laymen, men and women of tried and tested faith, who will be "as a strong tower to which troubled men may flee in the day of fear." The minister cannot bear the burden by himself. To all of us, whether in pulpit or pew, St. Paul speaks with a new emphasis: "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong."

MOVIES FOR CHARITY.

In one of our larger cities in North Carolina, announcement was made recently that moving pictures would be shown every other Sunday afternoon in one of the local theaters beginning in November. These movies were to be sponsored by one of the well known civic clubs for the benefit of its charity fund. In order to get around the city's ordinance against Sunday movies, the announcement stated that no admission would be charged and that an offering would be received from the audience.

These Sunday "movies for charity" confront the opponents of Sunday movies with a serious problem. To object is to lay one's self open to the criticism of interfering with a worthwhile charitable service to the community. In this city of which we speak the first of these Sunday shows was held for the benefit of the Mills and Fee Fund for needy babies. No one dared lift his voice against such a humanitarian effort. Now the cause—a cause which is widely publicized as a worthwhile work among needy boys. Everything is so arranged as to place those who object in a very uncomfortable position should they voice their objections.

What are the opponents of Sunday movies to do in such a situation? Shall they remain silent? Well, it must be remembered that to remain silent is to give tacit approval. And this likewise places one in an awkward position. To admit that Sunday movies for charity are not objectionable is to acknowledge that the only fault with such entertainment is the profit motive. It says, "Keeping the Sabbath holy isn't the thing of importance. Do anything you want to on Sunday as long as it is for a good cause."

In the face of these two choices, what shall anyone who is fighting for the proper observance of the Sabbath do? There is only one answer. He must be willing to accept criticism and stand by his principles. Keeping the Lord's day holy is more important than a few pennies gathered in the name of Charity. G. G. H.

WACHOVIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Wachovia Historical Society was held on October 17, 1939, at 6:30 o'clock p. m., in the museum building.

For an hour prior to the meeting the museum was open and many visitors took the opportunity of inspecting the exhibits.


Ralph E. Spaugh, treasurer, gave the financial report, which showed the society to be in sound financial condition. Col. W. A. Blair explained the membership requirements and appealed for solicitation of new members.

There are at present about two hundred fifty members, more than one hundred of these being life members. Announcement was made that about half the necessary sum was on hand for the purchase of the Salem Tavern.

A Memorial was presented for Rufus A. Shaw, recently deceased, a member of the board of directors.

The program subject was "Silveranniversary of Old Salem," and two papers were read, Miss Adelaide L. Fries presented a brief biography of John Vogler, the first silversmith, and referred to later artisans of this family name. Miss Margaret Leinbach's paper dealt with the Leinbach jewelers.

The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Burton Raice, Mrs. James A. Gray, Thurmond Chatham, Mrs. Louis F. Green, Clarkson C. Starbrook, Mrs. R. Arthur Spaugh, Bernard J. Pfohl, the Rev. Douglas L. Rights, Dr. P. E. Horton, Miss Adelaide L. Fries, Charles S. Siwers and Fred F. Bahnson, Jr.

B. J. PFOHL, Sec. pro. tem.

PAGES FROM THE BISHOP'S DIARY

Sunday, October 1. The month had a happy beginning with the celebration of the Holy Communion at the Home Church in the morning and the reorganization of the Houstonville Congregation in the afternoon. Dr. Roodbaker preached the sermon and Rev. H. A. Pfohl presented the Constitution and By-Laws which were duly adopted. Encouraging prospects lie before this small but interested group of members.

Thursday, October 5. The monthly Ministers' Conference was well attended. How often we wish some of the laity might be present to witness the interest and enthusiasm of our ministers. In the afternoon the funeral of our good friend Mrs. Annie Miller Dishner whom we have loved since our Christ Church days.

Friday, October 6. Represented the Chamber of Commerce in welcoming the large delegation of Yadkin County citizens. Attended meeting at Guilford College in the interest of peace, in which our Quaker friends are always active and influential.

Saturday, October 7. Participate in the funeral of Mrs. L. G. Frasier.

Sunday, October 8. Bro. Frank Sisk of the Church Aid and Extension Board was my good traveling companion to Lebanon today for the anniversary services. What progress this church is making! More than two hundred in the service. With the church indebtedness paid, spiritual interests will now be pressed with vigour. Attended the Annual Mission Lovefeast at the Home Church at 3 o'clock; and at 5:00 p. m. assisted in the funeral of Bro. Richard Willingham.

Tuesday, October 10. The Annual Council of Salem Congregation was more largely attended than usual and reports of official boards showed the interest of the congregation well cared for.

Thursday, October 12. Church Aid and Extension Board holds an enthusiastic meeting and hears report from special committee appointed to investigate church extension in various communities.

Saturday, October 14. The Friedberg Auxiliary observes its anniversary and presents report of its successful work through the year. Any church is blessed with a group of workers such as this.

Sunday, October 15. Worshiped with New Philadelphia this morning and heard a helpful message by the pastor, Bro. Howard Foltz. Participated in the Rally Day Lovefeast and Communion at Calvary in the afternoon. This congregation never marshalled its strong and potential membership to better advantage than today. At 6:30 o'clock spoke to the college students on Christian Education.

Monday, October 16. More than 500 women of the Province attend Auxiliary Rally at Home Church, strengthened the bonds of fellowship and understanding and receive with enthusiasm the program of co-operative service for the year.

Tuesday, October 17. The Wachovia Historical Society reports a year of great activity and increasing interest, and ever-increasing number of visitors from many states are registering at the Hall of History to inspect the interesting exhibits. The lend-a-Hand Circle meets for consideration of its kindly ministries.

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BY THE REV. DOUGLAS L. RIGHT.

The announcement that the Chat-
ham Manufacturing Company will
more its Winston-Salem blanket
mamufactury to Elkin aroused inter-
est in Moravian quarters, for a con-
siderable number of our members are
employees of the company.

Through the kindness of an inter-
ested layman, who provided for the
expense of the trip, an investigation
was made in October.

On the morning of Friday, Octo-
ber 6, Brother Edgar A. Holton and
I started off on this mission, accompa-
nied by Mrs. Holton as chaperone.

Our purpose was not only to visit
Elkin, but also to scout out the neigh-
bor ing territory in search for Mor-
avian who might be interested in the
development of our church activities
in the counties west of Forsyth.

The first stop was in Yadkinville, a
town that shows signs of awakening
with its improvements at the court
house and in the store buildings that
surround the square. At the bank we
paused to greet Bro. Holton’s broth-
er, a banker of the town.

We failed to find Mrs. Logan, for-
merly Miss Gertrude Miller of Win-
stonsalem, but after several inquiries
for her about the town we were rea-
surably sure that she would be well
informed of our visit, for Yadkin-
ville is still a place where news
spreads rapidly and foreigners such
as ourselves are given widespread
comment.

As Mrs. Holton waited unobser-
vied in the auto parked at the court
house square, she had the rare oppor-
tunity of hearing what the assembled
townsmen, sitting about chairs in front
of a store, had to say about “Ed.”

At Brooks Cross Roads we went
north, finding that we had not time
to visit Mrs. Wood, formerly Miss
Vera Cain of Fries Memorial Church,
who now resides with her family
three miles south of the crossing. Mrs.
Wood expressed the hope that some
day there may be a Moravian Church
within short distance of her home.

Brooks Cross Roads is a growing
community, and it is reasoned that
at one time a lot was offered to the
Moravian Church for building pur-
poses.

On the hard surface highway to
Elkin we observed the many new
homes that have been built in recent
years, and wondered if there is still
opportunity to serve the expanding
rural developments. It is no new
thing for Moravians to come this way
to scout out the land. Before the
Revolution, Bro. Soelle, home mission-
ary of the Brethren, reached this vi-
cinity, commenting on the land and
the people in the region of Fox Knob,
which he recorded in his travel jour-
als as Fack Snap.

At Jonesville, the community across
the Yadkin river south of Elkin, we
met several of the residents, no Mor-
avians, but citizens interested in
such developments of Moravian work
that may be made.

In Elkin we had several pleasant
visits. Richard Chatham received us
kindly on his front porch. He is an
authority on Elkin’s history and
legends. Prof. Dixon was not at
home, but Mrs. Dixon was happy to
greet the former student of the pro-
fessor. Bro. Holton, his wife and
friend, Mrs. Cundiff, widow of the
widely known educator of the Siloam
Academy, also received us gracious-
ly.

At the high school we found a son
and daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs.
Russell Johnson. The students were
delighted to welcome the visitors at
the school. They are both members
of Ardsore. We felt that our visit was
worth the time if only to greet these
fine young people and to give them a
word of encouragement. We had also
an opportunity of visiting some of
the classes, and Bro. Holton delight-
ed the students in Miss Dixon’s room
with his recitation about the hen that
laid an egg.

Other friends were greeted, but the
culmination of the tour came when we
arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs.
Linsberry. These former members of
Fairview were so delighted to wel-
come Moravian travelers on a church
mission that we had a difficult time
getting away on schedule. They ex-
tended an invitation for us to return
and to hold a service in their com-
modious home, and our hope is that
at a date not far distant their invita-
tion can be accepted.

In the late afternoon we left town
and came soon to Booneville, arriving
there in time to visit the school and
to attend a spelling match in the class
taught by Miss Bertha Miles, another
Ardsorwe member. Here again Bro.
Holton was at the forefront, offering
a prize for the best speller, but the
children were so keyed up and spell-
ed so well that the class ended before
enough were spelled down to proclaim
a winner. So Brother Holton keeps
his $5.

About forty Moravians will be af-
fected by the transfer of the Chat-
ham mill, and our visit convinced us
that we must not overlook this field
in its future developments. Elkin and
the surrounding territory in Yadkin
and Surry counties will bear further
investigation.

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Delegates Travel As Much As Nine Days To Reach San Carlos, Far Up The Wangks River—Youth Movement Making Strides Forward In This Mission Field.

Reported by Geraldine Lewis, Old Cape, Nicaragua.

(Note—San Carlos is about 300 miles up the Wangks River, and the Nicaraguan field.—Ed.)

San Carlos Abuzz! The toot of a year's dreams is in sight and all faces are alight with joy as they rush forward to catch the first glimpse of the village, and line up on the boat's prow for a musical C. E. greeting. "All hail the power of Jesus' name," "To the work we are servants of God," "Praise Him," "Let us with a gladsome mind," were the stirring numbers sung lustily and vigorously by those on the boat, from whose masthead the C. E. banner in red and gold floated, and taken up by the awaiting San Carlos crowd who stood on the brow of the hill with eager anticipation awaiting the boat. Deep was the silence as the great vessel drifted, and taken up by the vastness of the boat. Deep was the silence as the boat approached, and taken up by the vastness of the boat.

At 8 o'clock we reach Bilwas Katuna. Such was the announcement, and all those who wanted to embrace the chance to visit the Moravian Hospital, hurried. Again here a crowd of delegates came on, and one wondered where all these people and their belongings would pack. But the elasticity of Christian fellowship is wonderful—and still there was room. There were now on board three ministers and three ministers' wives and two daughters and one nurse; evangelists who had been to Summer School and were going on to Conference, and many C. E. delegates, a happy proved of Christian workers.

From village to village—Bilwas, Sapanaku, Wapam, (with many smaller ones between), Wairapam, Bakbok, Batonot, Wapank, Sauppan, Wiuritak, Waupkausika, Wangkalingia, Namak Atuk, Philipilin, Karasang, Lsnm Ingkis, Telingbila, Kitaski, Sangerang, San Eksipula, Saana, San Jeronimo, Anaka, San Carlos; and now there is a rush and confusion for the baby is in trouble. The nurse comes and administers first aid and everyone tries to help. Mother has eaten a dish of some sopa bunia, a fruit that has been boiled, crushed, left for a day or two and then made into porridge. After a severe colic baby recovers and things are normal again.

The evenings were some of the high spots of the voyage. Songs service were held, and oh, the beauty and richness of the men's voices as all the parts chimed in—sometimes in Miskito, sometimes in Spanish. An interesting evening was when the boat moored at Wairapam and Bible pictures were thrown on the screen. The villagers also came on board to see what was being done and joined in the service, but before it was finished the boat's whistle blew for pulling out and they had to seapane.

Thus nine days passed until San Carlos was reached and the delegates found themselves apportioned to various homes, getting into shipshape for conference.

Saturday afternoon was the registration period, The usual Sunday services were held and in the evening conference was opened with the following program:

Song service.
Welcome to Delegates—Rev. Jack Coleman, minister for San Carlos.
Response to Welcome—Miss L. Wilson, Wangki District President.
Greetings read from others.
Prayer—By one member of each class society represented.
Special Musical Number.
Conference Hymn taught.
Scripture.
Closing Hymn.
 Benediction.
 Monday Morning—Registration for upper river and morning prayers.

Topics discussed on that day were: Privileges and obligations of C. E. members, by Mrs. I. P. Lewis. The status of associate members, by Rev. R. Watson. How can C. E. members do better work?, by Mrs. H. Stortz. What can C. E. members do to arouse members who have grown cold, by T. Coleman. What has Jesus to give the boys and girls of today?, by Leopold Ameur. In the recreation period new games were taught so that the various leaders could have something new to take back to their societies.

Monday evening's meeting was a missionary one, with Godfrey Robin, the C. E. Evangelist for Booyu, as the speaker. Touching indeed were the stories, and heart-rending the appeals, for the Word of God from his region. The Wangki District had, at the last conference, taken the responsibility of sending Godfrey to this needy district, far up the falls, where God's word was unknown and the people were still wild. With Godfrey came six of his men, and as one tried to tell of his joy at receiving the word of God his eyes were radiant.

Tuesday—Morning prayer, Bible

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study, and conferences were resumed; how can we get more out of our pledges by Rev. H. Stortz, The Junior C. E., by Mrs. J. P. Lewis. Committee work, by Rev. H. Stortz. C. E., members having found Christ should give Him to others, by Rev. H. Wilson. What are some of the ways in which Christ can be given to others?, by Rev. H. Stortz. Variety in programmes, by Mrs. H. Stortz. Model C. E. Meeting, by Miss L. Wilson, leader. Game period followed in the afternoon. At the campground, parables acted in pantomime, stunts, musical numbers, all were highly enjoyed by a crowd of lookers on as well as C. E., members. When the Good Samaritan rode by on his ass, lifted the wounded man on—a man on his hands and feet representing the ass—every one shrieked with laughter. Taps and prayer closed the day.

Wednesday—Early sunrise service. Bible study. Letters from various societies and leaders in the states read and discussed. Questions as to different phases of C. E. work which had been written and put in a box previously were discussed, new officials appointed for the Wangki District and laws enacted that should be passed on to the other districts of the Coast, viz:

a. Associate members not allowed to vote, preside at meetings, or attend business meetings. They should also be urged to step out into active membership before 1 1/2 years have expired.

b. The English Associate pledge adapted and not the first half of the active member’s pledge as was before used.

Brought to us from the Lower Coast Conference and adopted:

a. C. E. members cannot attend any form of questionable amusements, such as new forms of questionable amusements. Laws concerning Wangki District.

b. Financial obligations should be met viz:

1. The upkeep of the Bocay Evangelistic Fund.
2. Assisting the C. E. Evangelistic Fund.

Closing service of the Conference began with a worship service. Prayer by one member of each society, thanking God for San Carlos for their hospitality which served to make the conference a success; Conference officials installed for the coming year, and then all active members and church workers drew near to the Lord’s table in fellowship. All felt their nearness to God and the oneness of His people as Miskitos, Sumus, Creoles, Americans and half-breeds, all combined together, served by the Revs. Wilson, Stortz, Coleman and Watson.

Thursday morning as there were still three days to wait for the down river boat the delegates went on to Atang further up river. Five boat loads of happy, Christian soldiers eager and willing to go forth in His service. At Atang they were very hospitably entertained and more services, lantern slides and song services were held.

As good things must have an end, on Sunday afternoon the delegates bade goodbye to San Carlos and started homeward. They are full of impetus and have started to plan already for the next year’s conference at “Old Cape.”

News From Congregations

DR. THAELER ILL

Last minute news: Dr. Thaeler unable to meet appointments in the South. Buregard announcement on page 1.

GREENSBORO.

Rally Day was observed in the Sunday school on the last Sunday of September with the largest attendance in several years, and was followed by our Christian Education service at 3 o’clock.

The following Sunday, October 1, we celebrated the 31st Anniversary of the congregation. Holy Communion was administered at the morning service and at 3:00 o’clock in the afternoon our Anniversary Lovefeast was held. The Rev. Douglas L. Rihards, former pastor, was the speaker and told of the beginnings of the Moravian work in this community. Six charter members were present during the day: Mrs. Walter Baker, Mrs. S. O. Melvin, Mrs. Mary T. Petty, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Snyder, and Mrs. Jesse Straughan.

Our Thursday night fellowship suppers were begun on Thursday, October 12 and will be held each first and third Thursday of the month. The first of these services was the Church Council at which the officers for the year were elected and reports of the organizations were read. The Church Committee which was reduced to six members will be composed of the following: J. A. Appleby; J. W. Hayworth, P. C. Leslie, B. A. Oehman, F. S. Orrell, and Mrs. C. H. Wagner. In recognition of her 31 years of service on this committee Mrs. Mary T. Petty was elected honorary member for life. Other church officers elected were: Mrs. S. O. Melvin, deaconess; H. L. Evans, chief usher; R. A. Oehman, chief sacristan, and P. C. Leslie, custodian of the building.

Sunday evening services were also begun during October and will be held each Sunday evening at 7:30 o’clock. A Christian Endeavor Society was organized to meet Sunday evening at 6:30. Officers who were chosen at the first meeting were Dorothy Hayworth, president; Katherine Everett, vice president; Alice Strickler, secretary; Ralph Oehman, treasurer, and Martha Oehman, pianist.

On the 15th the pastor was privileged to deliver the message at the evening service of Advent’s annual Mission Festival and from the 22nd to 29th he assisted in a series of talks to the group of students of the school.
meetings at Mayodan. We are grateful to Mr. John Fulton for supplying our pulpits during the absences necessitated by these outside engagements.

The first loss among the active membership in our congregation in over five years came in the tragic death of Bro. Edwin J. Bobbitt on Sunday, September 24. Bishop Pitch assisted in the funeral and burial was in Salem Graveyard. Our Christian sympathy is extended to the members of his family.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

HOPE.

Rally Day was observed on the first Sunday with a large attendance in Sunday school and in the church service which followed without any intermission. All classes had a special part in the program. We are very happy over the progress being made in our building program. We hope that it will be possible to continue this work to completion at an early date, and we can through the liberal response of our members and the aid of our kind friends.

Why The Sunday Schools Are Asked To Pay Ten Cents Per Enrolled Scholar Per Year For Provincial Work

The Board of Christian Education wishes to state that the money received through the increase from five cents to ten cents per enrolled Sunday School scholar is used in support of the following projects or agencies of the Province:

1. DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS—Herefore each church having a Daily Vacation Bible School for which the Board furnished workers was asked to make a contribution to the Daily Vacation Bible School budget for the Province. With the new plan, such contribution will not be requested. Each school will be called on to pay for its own operating costs only.

2. YOUNG PEOPLE’S UNION—A sum for the work of this union has been included in the budget of the Christian Education Board because the Union has no other source of income, and must have some means of carrying on its work. The small amount expended on this came pays tremendous dividends.

3. YOUNG PEOPLE’S CONFERENCE—In past years our ministers who gave of their time and talents to teach in and otherwise assist in the carrying on of our Annual Young People’s Conferences at Camp Hayes, have not only contributed their services, but have also had to pay the camp fee charged the delegates. The Conference even thus could hardly meet its expenses. Were the Board of Christian Education has placed a sum in its budget to help out the Conference.

4. SUPERINTENDENTS’ UNION—The bringing together of all Sunday School Superintendents in the Province into an organization through which the Board hopes to improve the quality of our Sunday School work, cannot be done without some expense. This item must also be in our budget.

5. GENERAL SECRETARY—We have only a four-time secretary, but one-fourth of his salary must be met by the Board, and we ought to meet some of his travelling expenses as he goes from school to school.

Even with ten cents per enrolled Sunday School member paid in annually, your Board of Christian Education must operate on an exceedingly limited budget, and is often pressed for the necessary funds with which to do its work. Consequently, we urge all Sunday Schools to support this important agency of the Province by sending in their quotas promptly.

VERNON I. GRAF, Chairman
Board of Christian Education.
Faith. Their singing helps us to get our minds back again upon the things of the Spirit.

Our second annual Young People’s banquet was held on Thursday, October 27. The banquet was preceded by the Auxiliary Circles, Clifford Hunt was toastmaster, Miss Betsy Donevant, president of our Young People’s department, presented, Miss Jesuista Pike gave the report on the Mrs. H. E. Friess Memorial Organ Fund, which was begun at our banquet a year ago and now amounts to over two hundred dollars, Miss Martha Hine presented the Young People’s missionary project in Nicaragua, Hugh Holthouser, accompanied by Miss Margaret Leibich sang a number of solos, singing by the banqueteers was led by the Misses Marian Johnson and Willeen Couch, Bishop and Mrs. Pfohl brought greetings, and Brother and Sister S. J. Tesch were special guests, with Brother Tesch making the address of the evening, in which he brought a challenge to all to do real Christian living.

The sympathy of the congregation goes out to Bro. J. V. Huff, in the sudden passing away of his daughter Helen.

We shall go along with Governor Hoey and the State of North Carolina in keeping the last Thursday of November as Thanksgiving Day. Our annual service will be held on Wednesday, November 29, at 7:45 p. m. Our offering will again be given to the Salem Home.

H. B. JOHNSON.

IMMANUEL.

The congregation was privileged to hear messages brought by the Brethren R. C. Bassett, L. G. Luckenbach, and Dr. H. E. Kondihaller in the absence of the pastor who was attending the past of Christ Moravian Church in evangelistic services. We are grateful to these brethren for their efficient service.

In the worship service of the Sunday school Norman R. Fearrington was received into the communicant fellowship of the congregation by the sacrament of baptism.

The first supper effort of the Margaret Thacker Circle was attempted on the fourteenth and was quite successful. This group of young ladies is proving to be a most valued asset to the work.

The congregation and community experienced great sorrow in the passing of Jean Vaughn Houston, ten-year old daughter of Brother and Sister C. L. Houston. The funeral service, conducted at the church, was attended by many more than our sanctuary could accommodate. The floral tribute gave evidence of the popularity of the church and the feeling of sorrow that pervaded the community. We would again express our Christian sympathy to the bereaved parents.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

MOUNT AIRY.

Attendances during October have been on the increase.

The finest service of the month was our October Communion, in which much blessing came to all.

All of the organizations of the congregation have set themselves to work in another effort to remove further indebtedness. Much has been accomplished already. The month of November is the real time set for this effort.

Through the interest of the members and the kindness of Mr. J. D. Sargents of the North Carolina Granite Corporation, we have set one hundred feet of curb in front of the church. After this is done, Mr. Sargent has promised us enough crushed stone to put a gravel sidewalk behind it. This will further eliminate mud from the church auditorium.

During the month our graveyard has received its final survey, and through the kindness of Mr. A. H. Holland, has been set in order for many years to come. There now remains the task of grading, which will not be an easy one. Members are prepared to set to work at it in the near future.

We are now in the midst of a series of meetings with Bro. E. C. Holmich of King as evangelist. Much blessing has already come to us in spite of the conflict with outside things which has made attendances small.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

KENNESAWVILLE.

Except on the first Sunday, which was rainy, all attendances in October were excellent. On the 29th, two new members were received, namely, Walter L. Bullock and his daughter, Dorothy, both by confirmation.

This was the month of our United Preaching Mission, in which we cooperated with the two Methodist churches and the Baptist church in our community. Services were held for eight nights, from the 8th to the 15th, and on four mornings, Bishop Clare Purcell of the Methodist Church preached at the first of these gatherings, and the local ministers at the others. One new feature was the series of four special services at the schoolhouse, with each of the four ministers concerned taking his turn, Bro. E. T. Mickey, Jr., of our Mount Airy church, was engaged to direct a united choir and lead the congregational singing. This was a particularly enjoyable feature of the night meetings. Following the service on the final Sunday of the Mission, the united choir arranged to have a tea for the ministers, as an expression of appreciation for the week’s efforts. This was held in the social rooms of our church. The Mission was a decided success, bringing many people together who normally hardly ever see or meet each other. It strengthened the ties which bind Christians together, and helped to present the church to the community in a united front. A similar effort may be made again, and in the meantime there is a call for occasional union Sunday night services.

Our Church Committees met on October 26, and made extensive plans for November, which is anniversary month in this congregation.

We were represented at the Provincial Foreign Missionary Society lovefeast on the 8th, and at the Fall Rally of the Women’s Auxiliaries of the Province, both held at the Home Church.

Auxiliary Circle I had a quilting party, followed by a luncheon at which members of the WHATSOEVER Circle were special guests. This group of older women has accomplished miraculous things for the Church during the course of many years of faithful service. They demonstrate the fact that many little things added together may amount to something sizeable and eminently worth while.

WALTER H. ALLEN.

CALVARY.

An enjoyable experience here was the visit of Homer Rodeheaver on October 1. He came to Winston-Salem to address a gathering of the District C. E. at the First Baptist Church in the afternoon and our Bro. Weldon Branden, president of the city C. E. Union, secured him for our morning service. Mr. Rodeheaver was at his best in music and message and did us good.

Our Home-Coming Sunday on October 15 was a day of real inspiration. Splendid attendances marked the four special services. For the lovefeast in the afternoon, the Rev. S. W. Halin, of Augsburg Lutheran Church, brought the message, “What’s
right with the Church?" Bishop Pföhl pointed out the communion following the lovefeast, and the brethren L. G. Lackenbach, H. B. Johnson, C. B. Adams and the pastor administered the sacrament. The day was one of rich blessing throughout and we had fine co-operation.

"Church-Night" services have been resumed and during the month we studied the First Epistle of John on our journey through the Bible. A banquet for our young people on October 19 was very successful, about 80 assembling for this enthusiastic occasion to begin the work of another year. Bro. J. G. Bruner was with us with fine moving pictures of his trip to Jamaica. The young people had charge of the service on Sunday night, October 22, when echoes of Camp Hazes were given and officers of the Calvary Moravian Union were installed.

Teachers and officers of the Church School were entertained at a delightful supper on October 24. A Workers' Conference followed at which our teachers, in fine spirit, signed a workers' contract.

Two of our loyal members were called Home during the month, both after a long period of sickness and suffering: Mrs. L. G. Frazier on October 6 and Miss Lillie May Goff on October 11. Also, in the departure of Sister Laura Transea Conrad, of Bethania, her bereaved family included several Calvary members. To all the loved ones of these departed friends we express again affectionate sympathy.

EDMUND SCHWARZE.

MAYODAN-LEAKVILLE.

Bro. Wm. Spaugh filled our pulpit the first Sunday morning.

The Woman's Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. W. N. Poole, president, for the regular meeting of the month. The sermon for the second Sunday was preached by Bro. David Weiland, a student at Duke University. The congregation enjoyed his coming.

The evening service was not held so our members might attend the anniversary service of our Leakville congregation. The Bishop preached the anniversary sermon and following the basket dinner a lovefeast service was well attended.

Bro. Edward Helmich began a series of evangelistic services the following evening. Attendance at these was the highest in the history of the congregation. Evidences of spiritual awakening came in the forms of reconsecration and professions of faith. These services emphasized the painfull need of more pastoral work.

Bro. George Higgins, beginning Sunday the 22nd at 7:30, preached in a similar series of services for the leakville congregation. Interest and attendance were good.

While the pastor was away the young men of our Sunday school did some excellent and much needed work in the church and parsonage grounds. We appreciate much willingness and interest.

We wish to thank the congregation for the warm welcome extended to the pastor's wife. The parsonage is wonderfully improved on the interior and since our streets are paved we are hoping to have the outside painted.

We are happy that we have no serious illness and that church attendance and interest are on the increase.

D. E. STIMPSON.

HOME CHURCH.

The month of October began with Rally Day exercises in the Sunday school on the first Sunday and with two communion services at the regularly appointed hours of worship. It has become necessary to set aside a second service each communion Sunday to accommodate attendance at this holy sacrament.

The Woman's Auxiliary held its annual Fall Rally on the 15th. 529 ladies from the various churches of the province were present for the luncheon at noon and listened to an address by Mrs. Robert D. Shore, Chairman of the Provincial Women's Work, who outlined a provincial program for the women of the church. The Rev. Oswald Stimpson, pastor of the Moravian Church in Mayodan, told in a most interesting manner his experiences in Alaska. The meeting was presided over by Bro. Howard E. Bondt, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Home Church and greetings were brought by Bishop Pföhl and the pastor.

On the last Sunday of the month, together with four other churches of our city, the Home Church co-operated in bringing to Winston-Salem, Dr. Walter Judd, missionary to China. The service was held at the First Presbyterian Church and Dr. Judd pictured a vivid way conditions now existing in the Far East.

Five times during the month we were called upon to give up members of the congregation by death. Bro. Richard Willingham passed away on the 6th and Bro. C. E. Hilton on the 7th. Helen Huff, an older girl of the congregation was killed while riding her bicycle on the 20th. Miss Pattie Reck, one of the older members of the congregation, passed away on the 24th and Bro. R. G. Deany entered into rest on the 26th following a long illness.

Two weddings were performed during the month. Miss Clue Stafford married Wm. Wharton and Joseph Fletcher married at the Home Church on the night of the 28th and Miss Ruby Groover and Thomas Barbee at the parsonage on the afternoon of the 29th.

Donald Francis Shaffer, infant son of bro. and sr. F. A. Shaffer was presented to the Lord by Baptism on the afternoon of the 8th at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. J. F. Shaffer.

R. GORDON SPAUGH.

FRIEDLAND.

At the service on the fifth Sunday the following were received into the communicant fellowship of the congregation: J. Harold and Bertha L. Hiatt, Beulah F. Canada, and Numa L. Smith. We trust that they may find abundant opportunity for service in this new fellowship.

The congregation was pleased to hear the Rev. Vernon L. Graf, in the service of the 15th, while the pastor was preaching at Christ Church.

Our young people's organization is off to a fine beginning with good attendance and much interest. Arthur Detweiler, ministerial student at Catawba College, spoke to the group on the 29th, and a Hallowe'en party was enjoyed at the home of the president, Miss Dorothy Pulliam.

The congregation takes particular pride in the beauty of its graveyard. The unimproved portion has recently been seeded and made to conform to that already filled. The graveyard committee is lead by Bro. Doyle Chappell and to this group the congregation is grateful for this fine bit of work.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

MACEDONIA.

The month of October has been a busy month for our people. Our new road is finished and how good it seems to ride to the church without dust or mud. The old red hill we had to climb has been pulled down and levelled over. Shrubsbery has been planted on each side of the entrance next to the highway and grass sown, and with a little more rain we are expecting to have a nice lawn, thanks to our Ladies' Auxiliary.

The committee has built a piece for our choir, which we are sure will add to the dignity of our services.

On the second Thursday our Auxiliary met with Mrs. Charles Crews, from Winston-Salem, N. C., B.5. A large number of members were present and a very helpful and enjoyable meeting was held.

On the fourth Sunday night we held our first Young People's Meeting with

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BETHABARA.

BETHABARA.

Rally Day, on the second Sunday of October, brought out 67 both for Sunday school and for morning worship.

The Bethabara Band has been re-hearing faithfully under the direction of Mr. Francis Pratt and reports definite progress.

On Saturday the 14th, the Inter-urban Young People’s department of our Clemmons church came to Bethabara for a historical tour. The pastor gave the historical talk at four o’clock. The young people supplied plenty of winners, with all the fix in, at 5:00 o’clock.

Such needed repairs to the church roof have been completed.

Circle No. 2 of the Woman’s Auxiliary, Miss Rebecca Thomas, leader, met with the Misses Edith and Gaynell Roberts on Monday the 30th.

We are counting on our young people to come to the service each Sunday evening at 7:00 o’clock.

A Teachers’ Meeting was held for the first time during the present pastorate, and everyone attending expressed the feeling that it was a worthwhile meeting. We expect to need each month.

On services have been well attended during the month, but we would like to see more come who have not been coming.

E. C. HELMICH.

KING AND MIZPAH.

The pastor was in Bethlehem, Pa., on the first Sunday of the month to take part in the wedding of Bro. O. E. Stimpson. The services for the first Sunday were postponed to the 15th, since no regular services are scheduled for that Sunday.

On the second Sunday regular services were held at Mizpah and King, morning and evening respectively.

The month under review was one of many blessings and much encouragement. There was quite an increase in the Sunday school attendance for the month and all regular church services and prayer meetings were likewise well attended. In the absence of the pastor who was in revival services elsewhere, the Rev. L. G. Lackenbach conducted the evening service on the second Sunday. Pastor and people thank him for his willing service.

The outstanding day and most enjoyable occasion of the month was the 93rd Anniversary of the beginning of the work of this congregation. The fourth Sunday—October 22nd—was a beautiful day. 327 people gathered for the Sunday school session.

A large congregation was present for the 11 o’clock service and sermon by Bishop J. K. Pfifilo, following which Bishop Pfifilo preached at the Holy Communion which was attended by the largest number of participants in the history of the congregation. Mrs. J. K. Pfifilo rendered service at the electric organ during the communion service. At 3:45 in the afternoon a brief band concert was rendered and then the Lovefeast was held at 4 o’clock. Bro. E. A. Holbrook offered the opening prayer and brought greetings from his congregation, and Bro. F. W. Grubb delivered the special address during the service. Again a large congregation of members and visiting friends were present for the Lovefeast.

The fifth Sunday was another day of fine interest and good response on the part of our people. The day had been designated as “Mission Budget Sunday.” The offerings for the day amounted to $1125.50 and the remaining $7.50 to complete our mission budget will be given from the general church treasury.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

BURLAV HALL.

Twelve of our ladies attended the annual Fall Rally held by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Home Church on Monday the 16th.

Two of our members joined with the Bethania congregation in their night service on Sunday, October 29th, for the closing service of a week’s preaching mission held by the pastor at that church.

Our attendance has been holding a consistent average of 112, which although not as good as the Sunday school average shows a distinct improvement over the summer months.

The newly organized choir has added much to the worship of the services and we take this opportunity to thank them for their efforts.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.
efforts, and co-operation has not been lacking when any one church has been in need. We hope that this brotherly feeling will continue, and feel sure that no task, be it great or small, will defeat us as long as we are Christians working together for one goal, perfection in Christ Jesus, our Lord and Saviour.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

ENTERPRISE.

Christian Education Sunday was observed on October 1, using the litany prepared for that occasion. On the second Sunday we made our first trip to our work at Houstonville and preached at the eleven o’clock service, while Bro. E. Holton preached to our people at Enterprise.

On Wednesday the 18th, the pastor and his wife spent the day with our people to us, and us to them. The ladies of the Enterprise church served a fellowship supper in the social room on Saturday evening of the 21st, which proved to be a good success.

On the fourth Sunday evening we were back at Houstonville for the regular preaching appointment, meeting with the Church Committee at six p.m. for the purpose of completing the organization of the Sunday school, including the election of teachers and officers. This meeting was followed by the evening service with a good sized congregation for that church in attendance. We covet the prayers of our Christian friends of the Province in this new undertaking at Houstonville.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Christ Church observed its 43rd Anniversary on the last Sunday of October. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Chambers was baptized at the eleven o’clock service. Holy Communion was administered in the morning in a service marked with unusual quietness and reverence. Dr. Rondthaler, the first pastor of Christ Church, was the guest speaker at the Lovefeast in the afternoon, and told in his characteristic manner about the beginning of Christ Chapel and the work in West Salem.

Bro. Sam J. Teich conducted a two weeks meeting of evangelistic services. The sermons were heart searching and helpful with many coming forward to recommit themselves to Christ and several making profession of Jesus Christ as their Saviour. John Maynard, radio gospel singer known as “Paul Wesley,” conducted the song service very acceptably. The services of the two weeks have been helpful to the entire congregation.

Miss Florence Hampert, religious worker in the State Home School for Girls at Sank Centre, Minnesota, told about her work at one of our mid-week services and spoke to the Ladies’ Bible Class the following Sunday.

Another one of our faithful members, Mrs. Annie Disher, passed away on October 3. Bishop Pfohl, Dr. Rondthaler, and Bro. Holton assisted the pastor in the funeral.

C. B. ABELETT.

CLEMMONS.

Revival services were held for one week, with the Gospel Singer, John Maynard, assisting the pastor. The attendance from the community was good and beneficial to more than one soul were in evidence. Several will unite with the church. The Junior Choir and the Senior Choir sang during the week. Miss Vera Butner was at the piano, and accompanied all the singing.

The Home Coming for Clemmons School was celebrated for the seventh time on the last Sunday. The occasion was brought to its present widespread interest by the united efforts of the former pastor, Bro. Luckenbach, who again presented the Roll Call and Memorial. The speaker for the afternoon Lovefeast was the Rev. Walter J. Miller, class of 1919, Bishop Pfohl preached in the morning and Mrs. Pfohl assisted with the music for the day. The interest in this service was widespread, showing something of the affectionate place the old school holds in the lives of many people.

RALPH C. BASSITT.

ARDMORE.

All regular services of the month were held with promotion and rally Sunday on the first and a missionary Lovefeast on the 22nd being the two outstanding days. This Lovefeast is held annually under the auspices of the Ladies’ Auxiliary on the fourth Sunday evening. The attendance was very good and the message by Bro. L. G. Luckenbach was greatly appreciated as well as the excellent music by the choir.

During the month we also had the privilege of having two other ministers bring messages to our people, Dr. H. E. Rondthaler on the morning of the 8th and Bro. W. E. Spangh on the evening of the 15th. We greatly appreciate the co-operation and services of these brethren which enabled us in turn to serve at Enterprise and Union Cross.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

BETHEL-OLIVET.

“All Saints’ Day” was observed Sunday, October 29 in Bethel with liturgy and sermon. The series of revival meetings was opened in the regular Sunday night prayer hour with a sermon by Bro. W. T. Strupe. Bro. Charles B. Adams came Monday night as guest preacher and continued through the seven days till Sunday night, October 29, in a week of night services carefully planned.

J. L. TESCH.

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INFANT BAPTISM

Fisher—Eleanor Ruth, the infant daughter of William E. and Anna Wilma Fisher m. n. Alberty; born in Winston-Salem on June 28, 1939; baptized at Trinity Church on September 10, 1939, by Rev. Douglas L. Righter.

Walker—Alice Mae, infant daughter of Fred James and Elizabeth Walker m. n. Fisher; born in Winston-Salem on December 30, 1938; baptized at Trinity Church on September 10, 1939, by Rev. Douglas L. Righter.

Fegan—Linda Gale, infant daughter of Raymond F. and Dorothy m. n. Seif Fegan; born April 27, 1939; baptized in the Oak Grove Church, September 17, 1939, by the Rev. J. Calvin Barnes.

Dulin—Thurmond Eugene, infant son of Francis P. and Elsie m. n. Gardner Dulin; born May 23, 1939; baptized in the Oak Grove Church, September 17, 1939, by the Rev. J. Calvin Barnes.


Floydco—Daniel Alton, infant son of Bro. and Sr. Andrew Floydco, born in Winston-Salem on April 8, 1939; baptized at the Home Church on September 24, 1939, by the Rev. Gordon Spangh.

Arv—Katherine Dyer, the infant daughter of Bro. and Sr. Harold Arv, born in Winston-Salem, on February 22, 1939; baptized at the Home Church on September 24, 1939, by the Rev. Gordon Spangh.

White—Watt Chambers, Jr., infant son of Watt C. and Emma Ruth m. n. Miller; born May 13, 1939, at Winston-Salem, baptized August 20, 1939, by Dr. Edmund Schwarze.

Schafer—Donald Francis, infant son of Bro. and Sr. Francis A. Schafer; born October 19, 1938; baptized October 8, 1939, by the Rev. Gordon Spangh.


DEATHS.

Goff—Lillie May, daughter of the late S. M. and Nancy Goff, m. n. Kreeger, born February 8, 1881, King, N. C., died October 11, 1939, Winston-Salem. Member Calvary Church since 1917. Funeral services on October 7, conducted by Bishop J. K. Pfohl and Dr. Edmund Schwarze. Interment in Moravian Graveyard.

Baptized at Trinity Church on September 7, 1860, in Davidson County, N. C., died October 3, 1839, in Winston-Salem. Burial in Moravian Graveyard. Vernon I. Graf, pastor, assisted by Bishop Pfohl, Dr. Roundthorpe and Bro. Holton.


Frazier—Augusta Shutt, daughter of the late J. C. and Mary Shutt, m.
THE RETIRED MISSIONARIES:
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A first partial report of this year’s receipts for the pensions of our Retired Missionaries is herewith submitted. Year by year, since the General Synod of 1931 suggested a per centage for each Province of the Moravian Unity in order that the total budget for these pensions might be met, our congregations in the Southern Province have rallied loyally to raise our Quota. This year will be no exception if we all will do our part.

Most of the efforts in the local churches will be made during the Christmas season. If the offerings are sent in promptly to Brother Stockton’s office, next month’s Wachovia Moravian will show a splendid advance toward our quota of $3,800.

Meanwhile, this first report represents a fine start!

| Advent   | $75.00 |
| Aardmore | 5.00   |
| Bethania Woman’s Auxiliary | 5.00 |
| Berhabela Woman’s Auxiliary | 10.00 |
| Christ Church | 10.00 |
| Enterprise | 20.00 |
| Fairview | 50.00 |
| Friedland | 1.50 |
| Friedberg | 15.00 |
| Greensboro | 2.50 |
| Home Church | 1,111.70 |
| Immanuel | 35.00 |
| Kernersville Whatsoever Circle | 10.00 |
| Leaksville Woman’s Auxiliary | 15.00 |
| Mount Bethel | 3.00 |
| Moravia | 3.00 |
| Mirzah | 5.00 |
| New Philadelphia | 75.00 |
| New Eden Woman’s Auxiliary | 1.00 |
| Oliver | 6.00 |
| Rural Hall | 13.00 |
| Rural Hall Woman’s Auxiliary | 5.00 |
| Trinity Woman’s Auxiliary | 25.00 |
| Union Cross | 10.00 |
| Union Cross Woman’s Auxiliary | 2.00 |
| St. Phillips | 5.00 |
| Calvary Woman’s Auxiliary | 10.00 |

TOTAL to December 7, 1939 $1,968.10

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EDMUND SCHAFER, President,
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MINISTERS OF THE SOUTHERN PROVINCE—1

This piece was inspired by an article in The Moravian, our ably edited Northern Province contemporary. In the issue of November 28 it printed a "Tribute to a Clergyman and a Layman," the former being Dr. E. S. Hagen, and the latter Bro. W. H. Kortz, both members of the Eastern District Executive Board. Dr. Hagen is the son of F. E. Hagen, once pastored at Bethania and the composer of our greatly-loved tune to "Morning Star," and Bro. Kortz, of Nazareth, Pa., is the father of the Rev. Edwin Kortz who served for a time in our Province and is the son-in-law of Dr. and Mrs. Edmund Schwarze.

The article is a tribute to these men for their many years of loyal and efficient service in the church. In calling attention to Bro. Roy "Gramps, The Moravian’s" editor, tells of a time when out in the Western District a visiting Methodist minister rose to speak in a Mission Festival. The congregation had just finished "plowing through a hymn with more earnestness than rapidity." The visitor thereupon remarked: "I see by the way Moravians sing their hymns that they take time to be holy," Editor Grams adds: "We also take time to show appreciation. In fact, we are very slow about it. We don’t enthuse over our own men. We sometimes defend them if our friends attack them. But there is little spontaneous bubbling over of contagious pride in our denomination, its institutions and its people. We are too afraid that we will spoil a man if we speak complimentary words about him and his work. But of course praise spoils no one who is not spoiled already." Then he quotes from the article itself the statement by the late Charles E. Jefferson of the Broadway Tabernacle, New York City: "For every man hurt by praise a thousand are starved to death by lack of it."

We heartily agree with every word of the above. Just recently a man who has been in the employ of a railroad most of his life remarked: "If the Railroad Company would praise me just a little for all I have done, I would work my head off for it." Twice previously we have quoted the steel magnate Charles M. Schwab as saying: "Men do their best work under the stimulus of praise."

The wonder is not that some men fail but that so many succeed.

Being entirely human we are far more apt to praise those who praise us than to show appreciation to those who can see only their own accomplishments, who can talk only about what they do, what they think, how they succeed, and so on ad nauseam.

We are convinced that one reason some people get no more praise than they do is because they are forever raising themselves. Perhaps they started...
doing so because at first they too were starved for it.

But this is an article about Moravian ministers in the Southern Province. Nobody entitles about them, they are an unusually fine group of sincere and capable men. We cannot write about them all at once, so shall limit our remarks here to the three who are Provincial Elders, namely, Bishop Pfohl, Dr. Rondthaler and Bro. F. Walter Grabs. First, then.

BISHOP PFohl.

Refuting the legend of a prophet without honor in his own country, Bishop Pfohl was born in Salem, baptized and confirmed in the Home Church, served it as pastor for 25 years, and within its walls was consecrated to the Episcopacy. He graduated from the University of North Carolina where he was an organizer of the University Glee Club, and achieved other marks of distinction. Then he took his theological training in our own seminary at Bethlehem, Pa., graduating with the class of 1900. His first assignment was as principal of the Clemmons School, which at that time was a church institution. From there he was called to Christ Church, Greenville, S. C., where six or seven years, and then came the call to the Home Church, at the time of the reorganization of the Salem Congregation in its present form. When the number on our P. E. C. was enlarged from three to five, he was one of the two additional members added. When Bishop Rondthaler refused re-election to this body—at the synod of 1929— he was elected president, and when Bishop Rondthaler died, in January of 1931, he was made bishop. That same year, for the second time, he repeated his name in the General Synod, at which he was recognized as one of its outstanding leaders. He also became chairman of the Unity’s Directory Board, was pastor of the Salem Congregation, and continued as pastor of the Home Church, all in addition to his office as president of the Provincial Elders’ Conference. When the burden of these offices became too heavy, he reluctantly gave up his pastorate, in which he had been very happy and successful, to take over the duties of a full-time provincial administrator.

His activity has stood him in good stead, for the Province is probably on a better footing at present than ever before. Due largely to his insight and orderly thinking, the Board of Education and Extension has been able to correlate the work of all congregations outside of the Salem Congregation. Just one result of this is the fact that during depression years every minister in the Province received his salary. What few reductions were made were of secondary importance and have now been fully restored.

At present he is anxious to enter upon a program of expansion. Opportunities for extending the work of the Moravians into neglected areas are presenting themselves, and the Bishop very much wants to take advantage of them. If the program mapped out by the Church Aid Board can be carried out, the next decade will probably see the formation of some new congregations.

Our Bishop is also president of the North Carolina Council of Churches, in which he has taken an active part since its inception, and in which his leadership is recognized.

He has more calls from both within and without the church than he is able to accept. Ours is the only one of four "Home Provinces" which employs only one full time man in provincial service. Though we are the most compact of the four, we are also the second largest in point of membership, which means that the duties of this one man cannot be but numerous. He often speaks three and four times on a Sunday, tries to visit the consolidation of the Home Church, and must respond to many special requests in addition to such stated duties as holding the Easter Service, speaking at the Christmas and Easter lovefeasts of the Home Church, and addressing various congregations on their anniversary festivals. Being to widely known, his presence is also in much demand at funerals. His long illness of this year was hardly a surprise to those who knew the extent of the tasks he was attempting to perform. His recovery has been complete, though he is trying to spare himself undue fatigue, he has practically all of his duties. This is by no means the whole story, but enough to give some idea of the man and his work.

DR. RONDTHALER.

Dr. Howard F. Rondthaler is the son of the late Bishop Edward Rondthaler, and has been president of Salem College for over 25 years. He too graduated from the University of North Carolina, then took his theological course at Bethlehem. His first pastorate was at Christ Church. Here are two "firsts," for he was also the first pastor of this church, then an affiliate of the Salem Congregation. So Dr. Rondthaler was his father's assistant, and in addition to having charge of the work at Christ Church also assisted at other places—Fairview, Mayodan, Moravia, and others. Then he was called to be the resident professor at our College and Theological Seminary in Bethlehem. After several years there he was offered the presidency of the Academy and College, and accepted. Under him this institution has made remarkable strides, more than doubling its capacity, attaining and maintaining the standard of a fully accredited "A" Class College, adding an endowed fund, and erecting many new buildings, including a whole separate group for the Academy which is now distinct from the College.

During most of this time Dr. Rondthaler has taught the large Men’s Bible Class of the Home Church. Some years ago the local radio station asked the privilege of putting his Sunday School lessons on the air, and has continued to do so ever since. Hundreds of people listen to this program every Sunday. He is also much in demand in all of our churches, and never refuses to help out whenever possible. He is one of the most prominent citizens of the state, and one of our most popular speakers. Thousands of younger and older women throughout the South hold him in high esteem, and can never forget the impress of his personal presence upon them during their years at Salem.

He could have had distinguished honors outside of our church. At one time he was much sought after for building for the congregations of the University of North Carolina, and would undoubtedly have been elected had he given any indication that he would accept.

When his father retired from the Provincial Elders’ Conference, he was elected to it, and has been a member ever since.

THE REV. F. WALTER GRABS.

Bro. Grabs is as much a part of Bethlehem as Bethania itself. He was born there and has never lived anywhere else. After graduating from Guilford College, in this state, he took his theology by correspondence from our Moravian College. Augustus Schultze, former president of our College and Theological Seminary, such a procedure would hardly be approved in our day, but Bro. Grabs’ correspondence course must have been an exceptionally good one. At least no one has ever been able to cast any doubts on his knowledge of the subject.

For the first few years of his ministry he served a circuit of churches, but lived at Bethania, where his father was an elder in the church. It was his father who first broke the news to him that he had been called to become pastor at Bethania, succeeding Bro. E. S. Croiland who went from there to Calvary, and his father’s was the first funeral held in Bethania after he had taken charge. That was 18 years ago, so that this is the longest pastorate in this Province, so far as we know.

The third minister on the P. E. C. must, according to the rules, be a man serving outside of the Salem Congregation. Bro. Grabs has been that man for 12 years, or ever since the death of Bro. J. F. McCuiston in December of 1926. In addition, he has been in charge of more different congregations at one time than any other minister in our midde, having as many as seven or eight under his care at once. For years he went regularly to our Mountain Mission in Virginia, often making his way to and from Mount Airy on foot. He has been a pioneer in a real sense. Few men in their time have been more beloved or respected.

How many more of these informal personal biographies might be forthcoming will depend partly on what happens to this initial attempt. If it pleases the casework in this part of the country, we might see what can be said about the Salem Congregation pastors, and then the brethren out in the hinterlands—meaning no disrespect either to them or to their congregations. But if nothing more appears, at least we want Bro. Roy Grams to receive full credit for an idea, and special praise for the November 20 issue of The Moravian.
On Sunday especially by Ellis Bullins, the present Rev. and Mrs. Christianson and the Edgeboro, a thriving congregation house of worship crowning an elevation in the northeast suburbs of the city. This year the energetic pastor, the Rev. Earl H. Christianson, noted that the silver anniversary of his congregation invited them to share in the joyous celebration. These are the brethren and Friends from the Bethlehem congregation. He did it royally.

The youngest member of the college of church in Bethlehem, Pa., is Edgerton, a thriving congregation with a beautiful and commodious house of worship crowning an elevation in the northeast suburbs of the city. This year the energetic pastor, the Rev. Earl H. Christianson, noted that the silver anniversary of his charge was due in October, and he determined to do something about it.

Two members of the Southern Province are exceedingly grateful because Bro. Christianson and his congregation invited them to share in the joyful celebration. These are the brethren Bruner and Rights, two of the four founders of the Bethlehem congregation. They were given awards for full time service.

The Rev. Allen Schattschneider came from Philadelphia for "Youth Night" Friday, and with him Mrs. Schattschneider, who was one of the little girls in the first Sunday School. On Sunday, October 29, Bro. Bruner preached the anniversary sermon. It was a good forceful sermon, and will be remembered by all, especially by Ellis Bullins, the present choir director of Edgerton.

At the afternoon lovefeast there was the prelude by the Bethlehem trombone choir. In the congregation was the family to whom Bro. Bruner appealed years ago for use of the wash house. Friends from all the Moravian churches of the neighborhood and a large delegation from the College and Seminary filled the church to capacity.

There followed the closing service, the holy communion, with Dr. C. A. Mellick preaching. With thankful hearts our Southern delegation returned home, greatly refreshed and encouraged, thankful to the friends who have so kindly remembered them, and rejoicing in the good work of the years of the Edgerton people and their many able leaders, and with especial gratitude to the Rev. and Mrs. Christianson and the other families who made possible such a joyful celebration.

LOCAL TRAINING SCHOOLS PLANNED.

Leadership Education in the Southern Province has long been encouraged by the Annual Standard Training School of which Dr. Schwarze was the first Dean.

A new effort is being made to take valuable courses to the outlying centers of our Province. Schools now being planned include: Mayodan, Bethania and New Philadelphia. The churches in the neighborhood of each will co-operate.

If leaders in churches not situated to benefit from these schools would write to the General Secretary, The Rev. Ralph C. Bassett, R. F. D. No. 2, Winston-Salem, N. C., he will be glad to discuss the plan in detail. There will be International credit given for the work done on one night a week for five weeks.

MISS LAURA MOSLEY'S ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Mosley, of Winston-Salem, announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Mosley, to William Phillip Fuller, Jr. Miss Mosley, a former supervisor at City Memorial Hospital, has been working in the Ruth C. Thaler Moravian Hospital at Bivias Karma, Nicaragua, for the past three years. Mr. Fuller is from Augusta, Ga., and is now connected with the American Legation in Managua, Nicaragua. The wedding will take place in February, in Nicaragua.
 Churches Of The Southern Province

BETHANIA

"A century and a half ago, a band of earnest men
From old Bethabara came forth, to
this unpeopled glen.
They'd left their homes across the sea,
A virgin soil to find,
A place where they could worship God,
According to their mind.
A fuller freedom still they craved—a
Wider field to scan,
Where they could think, and toil, and strive,
And work out every plan.
So to Bethania they came, beloved home of peace!
To raise their sacred altars, in a howling wilderness.

With these lines Miss Emma A. Lehman begins her poem written for the Sesqui-Centennial of Bethania settlement. We quote freely from her historical sketch prepared also for that occasion.

Bethania, from its very inception had a different individuality from any other Moravian settlement in Wachovia. Count Zinzendorf is said to have remarked that he feared it was the entering wedge, that would end in driving away with Moravian exclusiveness.

"During the troubled times of the Indian wars, a number of people had fled to Bethabara, around the mill, where palisades had been put up, as a protection. One of our immediate ancestors fled from an Indian outbreak on New River with an infant of two days in arms, and, with her friends, arrived in Bethabara on foot.

"These refugees were not favorably inclined towards the common housekeeping, or choir arrangements at Bethabara. It was with the idea of accommodating them, that Bishop Spanenberg and several others selected the locality of Bethania, where friends of the church, as well as members, could be allowed to locate themselves. On Tuesday, June 12, 1779, Spanenberg, his wife, and Bishop Seidel, Jacob Lash, and Reuter, the surveyors, repaired to the Black Walnut Bottom, 3 miles northwest of Bethabarra, and there agreed upon the site of Bethania. A survey was made in the centre of which there was to be a square, 288 feet by 161 containing the church, and other public buildings. This square was, however, discontinued, because cattle were grazed there, and it became later, unsafe for the children. Twelve lots were laid out above, and 12 below the square. The upper lots were to be given to friends of the church, not as yet, full members, but the lower ones should be given only to genuine, true-blue Moravians,—charter members as it were.

"In consequence of this arrangement, the lower lots were again divided, so as to form 18, instead of 12—and they are smaller to this day. They are set apart, for each lot, a proportionate quantity of bottom land and upland, so that each lot was equally valuable. Some 2,000 acres were set apart for the use of the congregation.

"The eight married couples who settled in the lower part of town were Godfrey Grabs, Balthasar Hage, Christian Opis, Christopher Schmidt, John Berroth, Adam Kramer, Michael Rank, and Henry Befel. They formed the nucleus of the new settlement. They began to fell trees July 10, 1779; on the 13th the lots were distributed by lot and on the 18th, Grabs, with his wife and little son William, occupied the first house.

"A contract was entered into with some friends and neighbors, who according to their request, should be allowed to occupy the lots above the church.

"By April, 1760, ten houses had been built in Bethania and occupied, and the first meeting-house was consecrated, on the southwest corner of the square, where Ochmann's cooper's shop stood at a later time. This church was a small frame structure used till 1771 when the second floor of the so-called Congregation House was consecrated as the second place of worship, while the minister's family occupied the first floor.

"A graveyard was laid out, on the hill, east of the square, and on April 21, 1760, the first funeral took place, the infant daughter of George Hauer, the first seed thus sown in a spot where so many dear ones have been laid, since that time. Bishop Spanenberg, on bended knees offered a fervent dedicatory prayer.

"On October 22, 1806, the cornerstone of our present church was laid, as the old meeting-hall was becoming quite too small. Brethren and friends from our other congregations met in the old prayer hall at 10 a.m. Rain having continued for several days, and still not ceasing, only a few sisters could be present.

"On March 19, 1809, the church was consecrated. The Conference, and many friends came, so that the new church was crowded. The next day, March 20, 1809, the congregation and friends met to celebrate their jubilee, the 4th anniversary of the place. By the tender mercy of our God, their children's children met in the same place on March 20, 1909, to begin the celebration of their Sesqui-Centennial, 100 years having been added to the fifty.

"The Sesqui-Centennial time is to which Miss Lehman's paper leads us brings the congregation into present Sunday School activity, in which Bethania was a pioneer in this section of the country. In this way Olivet, Alpha, and Mizpah grew up in the time of the expanding home base. This growth has resulted in new congregations. A group of members was transferred from Bethania to become charter members of Rural Hall church, organized in 1911. In 1933 the mother church "swarmed out" again when ninety members left to become members of the new congregation at Mizpah. Bethania and Olivet now have 425 communicant members.

Bethania annex, including coffee kitchen on first floor and chapel on second, was consecrated by Bishop Rondhaver June 8, 1913. The Sunday School building, with children's assembly room, vestry, eleven class rooms, and hall space on first floor for overflow congregations in the church, was consecrated by Bishop Pfeil September 9, 1934, exactly twenty-one months from time of ground breaking for the foundation. The church pipe organ, after 166 years of service, is still doing its part in regular order. As this article is going to press, the pastor completes his 34th year in the congregational ministry.

F. WALTER GRABS, Pastor.

MINISTERIAL SUPPLY.
During November Bro. L. G. Luckenbach held two mid-week services at Calvary, preached at Mizpah and Friedberg, assisted in the Holy Communion at Providence and Calvary, taught the Men's Class at Oak Grove and had part in two funerals.

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Impressions From Inter-Seminary Conference

By I. Howard Chadwick, Theological Student.

The Inter-Seminary conference is a convocation of delegates from all of the Theological Seminaries of the Middle Atlantic states. It was a great privilege for six juniors from our own Moravian Theological Seminary to represent our institution on this occasion. Among these six delegates, two were students from our Southern province, Henry A. Lewis of Calvary and I. Howard Chadwick of Bethania.

Our group placed its fate for a few hours in the hands of Henry Lewis as we set out on the afternoon of Thursday, November 2, in his Ford V-8. Despite our trepidations and prejudices toward that worthy vehicle and our possible preference for Chevrolets or Plymouths, we must accord to it the credit due it of being a safe and comfortable transportation to and from Madison, N. J., where is located Drew Methodist Seminary, the host of the conference.

The students of Drew Seminary gave us a very gracious welcome and showed us the hospitality which might make a Southerner green with envy. Having registered, we were conducted to meet our roommates for the two days to come. If we had obtained nothing else from the conference, the fellowship which we experienced with our roommates was well worth our time. The writer had the privilege of rooming with a native of China who, having completed his University course in China, is attending Drew and is receiving his M. A. in Rural Sociology. When under the tribulations and hardships which many thousands such as he must undergo, and then realize the attitude of thankfulness and gratefulness which they portray for the blessings that they do receive, it is sufficient to make our minor hardships and calamities seem mere trifles, and to cause us to bow our heads in freedom from religion rather than to try to be contented in the presence of them.

In answer to the query which was frequently employed during the course of the conference, is that today the church and the world community with the purpose of acquainting the embryo minister with the major problems which are going to confront him in these fields, and just what is the best strategy for him to employ when he encounters them. The term "strategy" which was frequently employed during the course of the conference is not to be mistaken as minimizing the efficacy or power of Divine Aid in the solution of the minister's problems, but rather that the minister when confronting these situations must approach them strategically and prudently, using the "common sense" which his Creator has bestowed upon him for the practical solution which will be of the most spiritual benefit to all concerned.

The entire constituency of the conference seemed to acknowledge the fact that today the church and the minister face a crisis. The keynote of the conference seemed to strike at the best possible approach to this crisis. Therefore, discussions and lectures seemed to center around the ecumenical movement, the effort to transcend denominational and theological differences and to attain a more common ground for all Christians.—Jesus Christ as the Personal Saviour of all mankind. The main emphasis of the conference may be summed up in the words of Bishop Ludlow, Suffragan Bishop of the Episcopal Church, Newark District. He stated, "Our definition of democracy is self-restraint for a common purpose. However, the present day democracy has its emphasis, inasmuch as Christianity is concerned, on freedom from religion rather than freedom of religion. This is shown by the number of church members who are forever on the defensive, trying to justify themselves for their deficiencies in support of what is their mission in the world. They consider many church functions a nuisance and attempt to procure legislation to bar them. The Christian generally has no longer a conception of his mission as a number of the Church, and furthermore as a servant of Christ. We must get rid of this role of ambulance which we have—bearing only those who are broken down; our task is also changing and converting people. Christ does not stop over-night. If we want to serve Him, we must first meet Him ourselves, and then go ahead, paving the way for Him to lead us to the more abundant life. We, regardless of denomination, have a common task. If we are to fulfill it, we must look to the future rather than try to glory in past histories. Our message must be winsome rather than argumentative. We are not only Lutherans, Episcopalians, Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, or Moravians. More than that, we are first and foremost fundamentally Christian. Therefore, our first emphasis denominationalism or Christ?" The factor which perhaps contributed most to the spirit of fellowship was the observance of The Lord's Supper which was held Friday evening in the Methodist church on the Drew campus. Very seldom does one see so many various denominations represented in this observance as was witnessed that evening. The spirit of Christ was definitely present, moving in the heart of each man present, and the consciousness of this Presence, the Holy Spirit, erased any differences in doctrine which might have otherwise been eminent, and we were truly gathered "with one accord in one place."

Saturday morning was the occasion for all the delegates to meet and summarize the opinions and the discussions of the various groups. Here also we discussed policies for the ensuing year. Next November the conference is to be held at New Brunswick Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., and promises to be equally inspiring.

We returned to Bethlehem on Saturday, November 4 with a stronger conviction concerning our mission as ministers of the Gospel than we have had at any time previously. We are convinced that although at times we are those who say that the faith we profess is unfounded and that Christianity is doomed, nevertheless, we can face the future with a stronger faith in the One who sacrificed Himself for a faith which enables us to say with Paul in Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

By The Provincial Elders' Conference,

The Board of Provincial Elders announces the appointment of Bro. W. Clyde Davis to the pastorate of the Houstonville Moravian Church, Ireland County, effective on December 1. Bro. Davis will serve this church in addition to the Enterprise congregation of which he has been lay-pastor for the past three years. He is a graduate of Clemmons high school and has had years of experience in Sunday School and Church service and has been pursuing the course of study prescribed by the authorities for those who would enter the ordained ministry. His efforts both as lay-preacher and teacher of adult classes have been blessed of God and his call to wider service is clearly evidenced by his activities within the State, and...
Many new faces and young married couples in the Southern Province's Church is warranted by the completion of his past record. The Conference has ordered Bro. Davis' ordination as a Student Pastor of our Friedberg Church, vacant since early summer by the transfer of Bro. Samuel J. Tesch to Immuno and Friedland, and has already entered upon his duties. On the completion of his studies and ordination he is to become resident pastor.

TOWARD BETTER SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHING.

Moravian Christian Education Standards For 1940.

The Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education urges the Sunday Schools of the Moravian Church to use the approved standards as a guide in their program for 1940, each to adopt whatever portions thereof which are found to be suitable to its own local needs and conditions. It is further requested that 1940 BE DEVOTED PARTICULARLY TO IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHING. The Inter-Provincial Board, and the Christian Education Boards of both Provinces suggest that this be done along the following lines:

1. An installation service for teachers in the presence of the congregation, impressing upon both teachers and congregation the seriousness of their obligations in carrying out the task of Christian Education.
2. Regular Teachers' Meetings, of whatever nature and frequency which best meets the needs of local conditions.
3. Each teacher to avail himself or herself of whatever teacher training facilities exist in the community.
4. Each teacher to read during the year at least one recommended book on the subject of Christian Education.
5. Each teacher expected to be a regular attendant at church services, and to attend with his or her class in a body at least twice during the Sunday School year.
6. Each teacher to have at least two parties, hikes, outings, etc., a year with his or her class.
7. Each teacher to visit the homes of his or her pupils at least once a year.

RECOMMENDED LIST OF BOOKS.

3. "The Church In Its Teaching Work" by Paul Vieth. Methodist Book Concern, Chicago, Ill. $.25

Other books recommended are listed with the "Objectives for 1919." Copies of this and other information may be obtained from the secretaries of the Christian Education Boards in each Province.

On November 25th and 26th, while in Bethlehem, Pa., Bishop Pföhl held conferences with the Board of Provincial Elders of the Northern Province, Bishops Hamilton and de Schweinitz, and President Wm. Schwarze of Moravian College and Theological Seminary. He also found occasion to meet with the entire group of ministerial students from the Southern Province.

On Sunday, December 3, Sunday School activity was resumed at Crook­ esk Oak Church by the Rev. Edward Mickey, Jr., and a group of young people from Grace Church, Mount Airy.

On November 26th, while in Bethabara, our oldest congregation in the afternoon for the Anniversary Lovefeast. What a new and forward-looking spirit! The spirit of "God in us" keeps us even young and active. Address Academy students on Friendship.

Wednesday, November 15. Mrs. Pföhl and I made hurried drive to Houstounville for conference and in evening participate in Prayer Day at Christ Church, speaking on Our Moravian Unity.

Sunday, November 19. Worship with Calvary on its Anniversary and my heart is thrilled with Bro. Schwarze's message. Address the largest congregation at Kernersville in end of year which was ever crowded into its church auditorium. Bro. Allen's work is being greatly blessed. Mrs. Pföhl and I guests for supper at the lovely and comfortable parsonage, recently renovated. Call on Mrs. Kenneth Greenfield to find her recovering from her awful accident.

Thursday, November 23. Worship with St. Mary's Episcopal (Communi­ ty) Church, Arlington, Va., for first Thanksgiving service. Call on Moravians in Washington, D. C.

Saturday, November 25. Bethlehem. Pa. Conferences with Bishops de Schweinitz and Hamilton; with North­ ers P. E. C.; and with Dr. Schwarze of our college and seminary over records of our Southern students.

Sunday, November 26. Deliver sermon on "Stewardship" in loyalty day observance of First Moravian Church, Bethlehem. Meet with Southern ministerial students in afternoon.

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HOME CHURCH.

The 164th Anniversary of the Home Church was observed with special services on the 12th. One of the largest preparatory services in recent years was held on the preceding Wednesday evening. The Band announced the day by playing a number of the great festival hymns of the church. Bishop Pfohl delivered the anniversary sermon, using as his subject “The Indispensable Christ.” In the afternoon at 3 o’clock the anniversary lovefeast address was brought by Dr. Charles F. Myers, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro, N. C. The church was completely filled for both of these services. The Holy Communion was the last service of the day and was administered by the pastor, assisted by Dr. Rondthaler and the Rev. Vernon Graf. Two other occasions of a special character were: The Vesper service on the afternoon of the 5th when the young people’s choir of the church presented their first program of the fall. Honor guests for the service were the Girl Scouts of the city observing their anniversary. The choir presented a beautiful program and evidenced the exceptionally fine training given them by Bro. and Sister Robert Jensen. On the last day of the month the traditional Thanksgiving Service was held at 10:30 o’clock in the morning. The Sunday school scholars brought gifts of groceries for the Salem Home and the congregation responded with a cash offering. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Howard Foltz.

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Gifts to families of the community.

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9:15 P. M.—Christmas carolling on Salem Square.

10:00 P. M.—Young People’s choir will sing carols for shut-ins.

R. GORDON SPAUGH.

KING-MIZPAH.

Having concluded a series of evangelistic services at Grace Church in Mount Airy on the 5th day of November we were happy to have Bro. Mickey to conduct a revival at King beginning on the third Sunday night in November and continuing for ten days. The attendance was good, with the exception of the first three nights when numerous other activities kept many away from the services. Brother Mickey’s messages were inspiring and helpful and the spirit of the meeting was one of deep spiritual understanding and experience. It was a time of rich blessing to all who attended as was attested to in our Thanksgiving and Praise service on Wednesday night preceding Thanksgiving Day. At this meeting an offering was taken for the Salem Home and a generous amount of food stuffs was also brought which was later taken to the Home.

The attendance at the Mid-week service at Mizpah has increased slightly and the spirit evidenced is one of deepening spirituality. However, there are still many members of the congregation who have not availed themselves of the opportunity to draw apart from the world in the middle of the week and fellowship and commune with Christ and His followers. At the present time we are studying Jesus’ doctrine of prayer with the hope that it may help the prayer life of the congregation.

E. C. HELMIC.

MAYODAN-LEAKSVILLE.

The month of November has been filled with activity and blessing. After our series of meetings in both congregations interest and work showed improved.

Leaksville observed the November Festival by receiving two members by sacrament of Baptism, namely: Mrs. Arthur Turner, and Miss Hazel Reynolds. A third was received by letter: Mrs. E. G. Reynolds. Rejoicing in the love and peace of our Saviour the congregation partook of the Holy Communion.

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The Woman's Auxiliary met at the church of Mrs. W. H. Bollin. The women had charge of Open House for the pastor and his wife at the parsonage. About seventy friends and neighbors called. Many gifts were presented to the delight of the surprise of both pastor and his wife. Such a spirit of love and thoughtfulness makes us anxious to serve well.

Our College and Seminary Prayer Day was successfully observed. The pastor remained in Mayodon and the congregation was pleased to hear Bro. Milo Lopnow, a senior in the Seminary. Though Bro. Lopnow is well known in this vicinity it was his first preaching engagement in the Southern Province. We look forward to hearing him again.

The usual prayer meeting service for our Mayodon congregation was an opportunity for expressing thankfulness on the night before Thanksgiving Day. The gifts for our Salem Home and the spirit of our service indicate that there are many reasons for joy among our people.

For the first time in its history Leaksville's Moravian Brethren gathered together on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 A.M. for prayer and praise. Thus the month ended with both congregations giving thanks for the love and mercy of the Heavenly Father. O. E. STIMPSON.

H. H. Madron.

The building program has made it necessary to hold all parts of the Sunday school in the church auditorium, but we are glad to report that the interest and attendances have been very encouraging. Church attendances have been above the average. We hope that by the middle of December a number of our class rooms will be completed. Miss Juanita Pike spoke briefly to the entire Sunday school on the first Sunday morning.

At the close of the 3rd Sunday evening service the pastor and his family were agreeably surprised at a generous "pounding" given them by the members of the congregation. These kind expressions of love are gratefully appreciated.

HOUGHTON G. FOLTZ.

ADVENT.

Our annual Mission Festival proved to be inspirational and educational. Our speakers were Dr. Howard Ronthaler of Salem College and the Rev. George Higgins, pastor of the Greensboro Moravian Church. The offerings of the day amounted to $125.00. These services were greatly enriched by special music, rendered by the Junior and Senior Choirs and the Church band.

Thanksgiving services were held on Sunday the 26th. The Christian Endeavor members conducted the night service. A special offering was received for the Salem Home. A delegation of 15 Endeavorers attended the banquet and rally held at Calvary Church, Sunday the 26th, and at Fairview December 1st. Our Society was host to a large delegation from Macedonia during the month.

The members and friends of the Auxiliary were busy the Saturday night before Thanksgiving with the annual turkey supper, which proved to be a great success. The net proceeds amounted to $128.00. The city nurses were given a banquet in the dining room of the church by Mrs. B. C. Snyder's Sunday school of single sisters on Friday night, November 24.

Two weddings were performed at the parsonage, namely, John W. Snyder and Miss Pearl Longworth and Cicero Mock and Miss Bernice Jones.

The pastor together with other members of the congregation enjoyed a pilgrimage to Belmont Abbey, Saturday the 18th. Father Gregory was very gracious in guiding the party through the Abbey Cathedral, the academy and college for young men, the garden with its lovely shrine "To Our Lady," and the old brick ovens where the bread and pies are baked by one of the brothers. Only the men of the party were permitted to visit the monastery, which was intensely interesting with its chapel, refectory, library, social room, and numerous cells. Another pilgrimage was made to Savannah, Ga., the pioneer spot of Moravian activity in the South, Charleston, S. C., and the Columbia Bible School at Columbia, S. C., during the Thanksgiving holidays.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

Brother Gordon Spaugh was our pupil guest on Sunday evening, November 5. His message made a deep impression on his hearers.

The Festival of November Thirteenth was observed with the Holy Communion on the second Sunday morning of the month. Lois Plaster, Jr., was received into our membership by adult baptism, and Mrs. Plaster, Miss Bessie Price Cornelius and Bayless E. Dockery by letter and the right hand of fellowship.

Our Thanksgiving service was held Wednesday, November 29. The Junior Christian Endeavor Society, led by Miss Margaret Austin, conducted the first portion, and the pastor had charge of the remainder of the service. Recitations, duets, choral and instrumental, testimonies and so forth, featured the occasion. Our offering of cash and groceries went as usual to the Salem Home. In addition, various families were generously remembered by our people, including the children of the Primary and Beginners of the Sunday school.

Mrs. Julia Livengood kept open house at her home on the Walden highway on December 1. Many of her friends greeted her and enjoyed her hospitality, the occasion being her birthday anniversary.

This congregation was unusually well represented at the Workers' Love-feast of the Salem Congregation on December 3. J. B. Reich and Mrs. Robert Matthews helped with the serving.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of R. N. Shultz in their bereavement of the wife and mother.

We were made very happy on December 3 by having brother H. E. Fries with us at our morning service.

H. B. JOHNSON.

CLEMMONS.

A successful effort was made during the month to secure new copies of the Hymnal. When the drive ended the congregation had 103 new books which were dedicated with an appropriate service on a recent Sunday.

Communion service for November was well attended with no loss of spirit from the recent revival. Three members were received into the church.

Bro. Brewer showed his pictures of his Jamaicas trip on the 24th.

Thanksgiving services were held on the last Sunday with offering of produce for the Salem Home.

R. C. BASSETT.

RURAL HALL.

The church attendance average for both morning and night services during the month was 42, with 34 communicants partaking of the Lord's Supper at the November Thirteenth Festival on the third Sunday.

The Woman's Auxiliary met with Mrs. Leslie Stauber on the first Thursday of the month.

Mrs. W. E. Stauber's class of young people held their annual tree planting, followed by a chicken stew supper in the church annex, with 19 members present.

The M.R.K. Society met at Rural Hall on the 14th. There were fifty present, with four new members enrolled.

The annual Thanksgiving offering of food stuffs for the Salem Home

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was brought at the services on Sunday the 26th.

On Saturday evening, the 25th, Allen Payne, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Ancus Payne, was hurried to the hospital for an emergency appendectomy. We rejoice with his parents over his speedy return to his home.

Additional hymnals have been purchased to take care of the growth in attendance at the church services. The new Moravian Hymnal is used.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

TRINITY.

Pleasant social gatherings among our organizations included a barbecue for the Men’s Class, a camp supper at Medearis lodge for the choir and an oyster supper for the ushers.

Our oldest members, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hege, celebrated their birthday with a large gathering of friends and relatives. The November weather has been pleasant and dinner could be spread on the lawn. This beloved couple have been married for sixty-four years.

A pack of cubs is the latest addition to the church organization family. Boys of pre-Scout age are enrolled.

Thanksgiving services were held at new Eden and Trinity with a liberal donation of food supplies for the Salem home and additional donations for local charity.

The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to Mrs. J. L. Reich, whose father died in November.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

FAIRVIEW.

The months of October and November are covered in this report. Our Rally Day program was held in connection with the Unified Worship on the first Sunday of the program including the Nursery Class, Beginners, Primary, Junior and Intermediate Departments. Recognition was given to the classes taught by Mrs. W. R. Ramin and J. H. McGee for the number of 100 per cent classes during the past year, being 28 and 27 respectively.

Social events during the month included a “Chicken-Stew” given at the home of Mrs. J. S. Pulliam for the members of the Philathes Class and a “Wiener-Roast” given at Greenway Park by the Men’s Class for the entire adult department.

“Loyalty Month” is observed during November. 112 members signed up promising to attend all the regular church services. Bishop J. K. Pickol was with us at the Mid-week service on the 2nd, and the Rev. J. C. Barnes on the 16th. Attendances for the month were good.

“Anniversary Sunday” was observed on the 5th, with communion in the morning and the lovefeast at night at which Dr. H. E. Rondthaler brought the message.

Bro. John Fulton supplied the pulpit on the 12th at the night service, the pastor speaking at Mount Airy Moravian Church.

The Missionary Society had charge of the Mid-Week service on the 9th, when a missionary moving picture on Africa was shown. The monthly meeting of the Society was held at the home of J. H. Barnes on the 22nd with a good attendance.

Our choirs were entertained during the month, in recognition of the faithful service rendered during the past year, the Senior choir on the 15th by Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Kinsey, as their home, and the Junior choir on the 21st by the Board of Elders, when “Wiener-roast” was given for them at Greenway Park.

The Annual Thanksgiving service was held on the 29th. Money and groceries were brought for the Salem Home.

During the period covered by this report two of our active young women were married; on October 27th Miss Louise Harden at the parsonage to G. W. Murphy, and on November 10th Miss Helen Barnes and J. F. Jones at the church. We received these new members, Mrs. Joseph Crutchfield by letter, William Raper and Edward Moody by adult baptism.

CHRISTIAN O. WEBER.

MOUNT AIRY.

The month of November has found Grace congregation again awake and at work. On the second Sunday we had our services in celebration of the festival of November 13. Morning service and Communion was larger than usual. The Lovefeast at night was exceptionally well attended. Rev. C. O. Weber brought to us a most helpful and inspiring message.

All this was perhaps the climax to our series of ten days of special services in which Bro. E. C. Hinchliffe was our evangelist. Though there were no professions during these meetings, there were many reconsecrations which have since shown evidence of the depth and sincerity in which they were made. In addition, there were also others who have come to ask concerning the profession of their faith. The Spirit of Christ has worked among us, however slowly.

Our women folk in particular, and the congregation in general, have been hard at work during the month. In all they have brought in sufficient money with which to pay completely a long outstanding debt and to pave the way for further progress.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

GALVARY.

Notable during the month was the observance of the forty-sixth anniversary of this church as an organized congregation. Actually, the work dates back to the year 1874, when preaching services were held outdoors in the woods of the Moravian Reservation in the then new town of Winston. Galvary was the first child of the mother church in Salem. The first church building was erected in 1888; the present edifice in 1923. The anniversary services of November 19 were inspiring and reached a climax in the afternoon when the Holy Communion was administered. The Brethren L. G. Luckenbach, D. L. Rights, H. G. Foltz and the pastor served together on this occasion.

We were gladdened by unusually good response during the Thanksgiving season. At the time the budget for the current fiscal year was made up, it was not foreseen that a church director would have to be secured. This need became acute when a member of the pastor’s family who had been serving as a labor of love secured employment in another city. Therefore, with customary offering baskets of provisions to all our needy families, the Board of Elders presented a special appeal for a cash offering to secure the services of a choir leader to the end of June, 1940. The response of our members was loyal and generous and the need has been met.

A marked increase in church school attendance has been noted. Attendance percentages are reported each week in the church leaflet, and the cooperation towards higher averages has been encouraging in all departments. Morning audiences during November have been inspiring; the attendance at night could be considered fair.

Our entire congregation was shocked on the night of Thanksgiving Day when the father of our Sister P. G. Renninger met with a fatal accident in Goldsboro. Our deep sympathy is again expressed to all the members of the family.

EDMUND SCHWARZE.

FULP.

Sunday school attendance has been improving, and our Superintendent, Odell Jones, is much encouraged by a bright outlook for the coming year. Many things happen in a church service—and anything can happen. With this thought in mind we take you back to the coldest Sunday night of the month. The pastor and his wife were served at the church about 7:15—no lights and no heat. We opened the door and pulled the bell cable vigorously. After a prolonged session with the bell several members were there “on the run.” Before long a fire was in

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the process of being built and several warnings that the stove pipe would surely fail. Women know—and men never listen—so the fire blazed merrily. Of course the pipe had a decided tendency to sag in the middle—but that was traditional. The pastor was ready to enter the pulpit—and walking under the piping he heard a warning "slip"—a quick step backward—and down came the pipe—smoke and all. The women began with the familiar "I told you so" and the men bowed their heads—looked for water—and dried them, all literally filled with coal gas and smoke.

Morals—Never let repairs go too long—or a woman knows best—we hope!"

J. CALVIN BARNES.

OAK GROVE.

Sunday school attendance is nearing the 280 mark.

The Men's Bible Class has been very active this past month. The class has been equally divided into two groups. Noah Whicker and Irvin Idol were elected as the leaders. Each group is supposed to raise $500.00 before March 1st. This sum is to be used for the building of a parsonage. The group raising the most money will be the honor guest at a banquet given at the personal expense of the losing team.

On Thanksgiving morning, at 7:00 o'clock, we met in the church auditorium to offer praise and thanksgiving to God for His bountiful care through the past year. A definite spiritual blessing was felt by all attending.

Our traditional Thanksgiving offering has been delivered to the Salem Home.

The Christmas Program Committee met at the temporary parsonage and made plans for the coming season. Ernest Idol and Noah build a fire in the back room—but not before a careful inspection of the piping. Needless to say—we had to conduct our service in the back room because the auditorium had been filled with coal gas and smoke.

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J. CALVIN BARNES.

IMMANUEL.

Holy Communion was administered to a large company of members and friends on the second Sunday. During the service Brother and Sister Ira L. Tesch were received by the right hand of fellowship, and Evelyn Frances Tesch was confirmed; two infants were dedicated to the Lord through the sacrament of baptism.

For several months the two Bible Classes have been engaged in an effort to increase the attendance in their respective groups. The Women's Bible Class showed the largest percentage of gain and were guests of the Men's Bible Class at an oyster supper served on the 29th with more than sixty participating. We are happy that Miss Constance Pfohl has been able to resume her work as the efficient teacher of the Women's Class.

The Thanksgiving service held on the night of the 29th was well attended and a goodly offering was gathered for the Salem Home. Several available members of themselves filled with coal gas and smoke.

The Auxiliary continues active and enthusiastic. Circle No. 1 met with Mrs. Lewis Krutz; Circle No. 2 with Mrs. Numa Vaughn; and Margaret Thaler circle with the leader, Mrs. Clyde Martin.

Many of the members attended the tea and barbecue at the Friedland parsonage and enjoyed a season of fellowship with members of that congregation.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

FRIEDLAND.

Attendance upon the services and interest in the work of the church continue to grow in an encouraging manner. The service of Holy Communion held on the 19th was better attended than usual, but there appears to be a tendency on the part of many to forego this most important sacrament of the church. The command, "This do, in remembrance of Me," is regarded far too lightly by the many who need so much the grace it offers.

A service of thanksgiving and praise was held on the 30th with good attendance and a substantial offering for the Salem Home.

On the 23rd the women of the congregation held a tea and barbecue at the parsonage. This occasion afforded many of our people an opportunity to see the parsonage and more from outside the congregation, notably from Immanuel, were present. The funds gathered will be devoted to the parsonage debt.

The Sunday evening young people's group is giving a good account of itself and plans are underway for the presentation of a Christmas pageant.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

PROVIDENCE.

We observed our congregational anniversary this past month by celebrating the Lord's Supper, in which we were assisted by Bro. Luckenbach.

Sunday school attendance has been rather low in numbers for the past few months. It is hoped interest will soon be revived.

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to the family of Bro. Charles Marion Phelps, Sr.

Our heating plant has been installed and we feel that such an undertaking has been a definite blessing spiritually as well as materially.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

FINE CHAPEL.

On November 12 the Crouch Philathetic Class under the direction of Mrs. J. C. Christie presented a pageant entitled: "The Church's Need." It contained an important lesson and was well received by a large congregation.

We celebrated our fifteenth anniversary on the 19th. The church was directed by Roy F. Gordon, announced the day. At 11 a.m. we had Home Coming and memorial service. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon there was a Community Singing, at which a special offering for a parsonage fund was received, and at night we had our anniversary lovefeast with address by Bro. Vernon Graf.

On the 22nd the evening service was conducted by our Gospel Team led by H. A. Reynolds. Chief of Police Anderson and several of his men were present and took part.

J. P. CROUCH.

HOPEWELL.

Interest and attendance has been somewhat better during the month under review than in previous months.

The congregation is now turning its thoughts and attention toward the Christmas season, and preparation is being made toward the Christmas program. In the mid-week prayer services the Book of I John has been studied.

The Woman's Auxiliary held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. J. P. Crouch on Friday evening, November 17. The ladies' Bible Class met with Mrs. Anna Everhart, and the young girls' class with Miss Blanche Reid on Saturday evening, November 21.

The heating plant has been paid for and is now in use. We find it to be a very satisfactory way of heating the church and Sunday school building.

MRS. PAUL BERRIER.

KERNERSVILLE.

The whole of November this year was set aside as "Anniversary Month," with all four Sundays used to celebrate our 72nd birthday as a congregation. The anniversary sermon was preached on the 12th, and on the 19th our annual anniversary Sunday, the Holy Communion was administered in the morning and the lovefeast was
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"And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."
ried out in our monthly Workers’ Conference. Members of the Junior Department gave a short play and at the close of the general meeting ice cream turtles were served to each worker through the graciousness of the Sunday School Superintendent, B. O. Dieter, Bro. O. E. Simpson, pastor of the Mayodon Moravian Church, spoke interestingly about his trip to Alaska.

A special program was given to the Adult and Young People’s Department on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. The front of the church was artistically decorated with the food that was brought to fill the baskets.

The Young People’s Society conducted a lovefeast for the women at the Salem Home with Bro. Carl Chitty speaking. The service was a help to the young people as well as to the members of the Home.

The young people of Salem Baptist Church, Green Street Methodist, and Christ Church met together in a union service and studied the church year in a very helpful service.

The play “Everybody Thankful” was given the night before Thanksgiving by the members of the Young People’s Society under the direction of Miss Maria Chitty.

On the 27th the pastor, assisted by the Brethren E. A. Holton and J. P. Crouch, conducted the funeral service of Mrs. Michael Swain from the Friedberg Mission Church with burial in the church graveyard.

Vernon L. Graf.

Bethabara.

The outstanding event of the month was the 18th anniversary services on the second Sunday. We had the second largest Communion attendance of recent years at the morning service. Following the congregational dinner at the church, Bishop Pfohl made the address at the anniversary lovefeast in the afternoon to a congregation that taxed the capacity of the church and church school rooms. It was an occasion of real blessing.

At the beginning of the lovefeast, Bishop Pfohl dedicated the church’s new lighting equipment which had been installed by Circle No. 2 of our Women’s Auxiliary during the preceding week. This system of semi-indirect lighting will help to improve both the beauty and comfort of our night services, and we heartily thank the young ladies of Circle No. 2 for their promotion of this project.

We are also happy to announce that Circle No. 1 of the Auxiliary has been able recently to pay off one hundred dollars on the outstanding passenger debt.

New draperies have been placed at all of the church windows by several of our interested ladies, as well as new curtains and window shades in several of the Sunday School rooms.

On Saturday, the 21st, the Bethabara Church Band held an oyster stew and chicken stew supper, the proceeds of which assisted the Band in purchasing a ban horn. This new instrument of our church organizations is making encouraging progress.

Mrs. J. W. James and Miss Donna Reith Smothers were confined to their beds during the month, but we are happy to report their steady recovery.

Mrs. E. M. Hauser, a friendly neighbor and worker, has been able to return home after several anxious weeks in the hospital. We extend our Christian sympathy to Bro. and Sr. Hauser over the loss of their infant son, but rejoice and give thanks that a loving mother has been restored to her family.

The annual Thanksgiving service was held on Wednesday night, the 29th. A generous offering of food-stuffs was received for the Salem Home.

Charles B. Adams.

Deaths.

Thacker.—Mrs. Ella May (m. n. Conrad) on December 4, 1939. Funeral in Bethania, conducted by the Rev. F. Walter Grabs, Gordon Spaugh and J. W. Vestaal.


Miller.—Solomon Augustus, on October 25, 1939. Funeral by the Revs. H. B. Johnson and Samuel J. Tesch at Friedberg Church with interment in the graveyard.

Folz.—Lucinda Fisher, on October 20, 1939. Funeral at Friedberg Church by the Rev. Samuel J. Tesch. Interment in the graveyard.

Sain.—Sallie Erma, on November 18, 1939. Funeral at Oak Grove Methodist Church by the Rev. L. G. Luckenbach.

Infant Baptisms.


Holder.—Robert Lee, infant son of Bro. and Sr. William L. Holder, m. n.