The Memorabilia of the Salem Moravian Congregation

(For the Year Ending December 31, 1944)

By The Rt. Rev. J. Kenneth Pfohl, D.D.

LIT FOR THE WORLD’S DARKNESS.

On the mast-head of this Memorabilia of 1944, we write three declarations of the imperishable Scriptures:

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light."

Isaiah 9:2.

"The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not put it out."—John 1:5 (Moffatt).

"I am the light of the world; he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."—John 8:12.

With strong faith in the Christ of Whom they said: we are assured, however dark and terrifying the facts and conditions which appear in our review of the year, we shall neither lose our way nor be overcome by fear of what may portend. With Christ there is security and eventual peace. He is our light: He is our hope. They that follow Him shall not walk in darkness; neither shall they know despair or defeat. The assurance is "We are more than conquerors through Him that loved us."

The major interest of the world during 1944 has been War And Ever-Increasing War, the widening of its extent, the increasing of its fury and, alas, with some, its brutality and its beastiality. In North Africa, in France, in China and Burma, in Japanese conquered territory in the far-reaches of the Pacific and in Japan itself the war has been waged with increasing fury and heightened spurt of carnage and destruction. The very demon of war has been fully unleashed. The powers of darkness have exhibited fanatical might. Technique of torture and destruction never before dreamed of have been the tools of men and of armies bent only on destruction and slaughter. Holders of Christian ideals and standards of human conduct after the Christ pattern have stood aghast at the things which have taken place, scarcely believing they could be true. There are no trust-worthy statistics to give us

The Human Toll of War, the millions killed, wounded and missing, either on the part of the Allies or the Axis nations. Were there any, and they were accepted today, they would be largely in name only, for every day adds its own fearful toll. But the aggregate is vaster by far than the world has ever known. And the month of December has, for America at least, witnessed a most distressing climax. In fact, the necessities of battle are added to the millions of civilians killed by bombings or outright murder and manslaughter, as was evidently done at Lublin, Poland, "to be rid of the unwantings of twenty-one conquered nations," involving thousands of children, you have still another line of reckoning toward the sum total of the fearful human cost of war.

And what of The Homeless and Hapless, the destitute, diseased, and suffering because of the war? We are told that, if on the stroke of the midnight hour of December 31, as the old year merges into the new year, the war should cease, the world would not be less than 100,000,000 people in the war-ravaged countries of Europe alone, a number equaling three-fourths of the entire population of the United States, who would have to be fed, clothed, housed and helped towards rehabilitation. And at least a third of these would have to be returned to their own homelands, where, in all probability, they would find no homes at all, but only heaps of debris. How true it is, that "Man's inhumanity to man makes countless millions mourn. When will the nations learn that war never pays? Nor does it ever leave satisfaction satisfactorily settled, its one sure result, in addition to its awful destruction, is to sow seeds of injustice, hatred, and revenge which will give rise to other and greater wars.

The Financial Costs which represent an entirely different phase, are no less than to stagger the imagination and to place the future of the world for years to come under a crushing load of tax burden or of widespread bankruptcy and financial chaos. Already our public debt has passed $225,000,000,000; yet we are far from the end. Those who venture a prediction, think it cannot stop short of 300 to 350 billion, ten times the cost of World War I and necessitating a normal annual budget of $25,000,000,000 for the post-war period.

If, as has been carefully computed, the cost of our modern butchery is sufficient to maintain all the Christian missionaries of the world for a period of one year, what wonder could be rendered if the cost of war could be placed to the credit of those forces and institutions which carry forward the work of spiritual and humanitarian uplift and seek to strengthen the ties of brotherhood and cooperation among the nations.

So favorable had The Tide of Battle been for the cause of the Allies that in the last months of the year, there was a spirit of high optimism and it was freely predicted that Germany might reasonably be expected to capitulate before the end of the year's end. In fact, Victory Celebrations had been carefully planned for throughout America, Canada, England and other allied countries. It was thought, too, that once Germany was brought to her knees, Japan, already badly punished, might see the folly of trying to continue and lose for peace. Thus in 1945 it was hoped peace might come.

But once driven within her strongly fortified borders and besieged by the armies of her enemies, and even when it was believed through incessant and heavy bombings of her essential war industries and her communications lines she had been well-nigh shorn of her power to battle longer, with the fierceness and daring of a wild beast at bay, she launched, in the closing weeks of the old year, a strong and unexpected counter-offensive, the outcome of which is still in doubt.

Will it greatly prolong the war? Will it reverse the tide of battle? Will it shorten the struggle, giving the allied armies a better opportunity to deal the Nazis a crushing blow? Who can say? Only this is certain, viz., it has already, and will continue for terrible days to come, increased greatly the slaughter of thousands upon thousands of our sons and added immensely to the toll of destruction and sorrow.

Would that it might also humble the pride of America and her Allies and their spirit of boastfulness in the strength of their weapons and power (as though that were all they needed) and bring us to our knees in penitence for our sins and declaration of our allegiance to God.

Our own history teaches us how to meet war's adversities and defeats in battle, were we willing to learn from the past. Washington at Valley Forge and Lincoln in the dark days of the Civil War, reviewed themselves and leaders of the people. They gave high interpretation to our Country's motto "In God we trust," stamped upon our currency. Let our President, our War Leaders, our Congress do the same. Then let our people follow. Such course will bring us deliverance; but no other will.

What of The Moral and Spiritual Effects of the War on the standards and conduct of our people? Strange corner of a terrible "backwash" from war. How has it been with America? It is a question of vital import, and not of secondary importance to the question as to the tide of battle in which our fighting forces are engaged. For victory may be won on the sea, in the air, and on the field of battle and yet our nation be defeated on the home front, because of decadence of its moral and spiritual ideals and the falling of its conduct and life to such low and base levels that the very foundations of its national life are destroyed. There is reason to believe that is always danger of American's already suffered greatly from the moral ravages of war. She sends her sons forth by millions to fight and die for freedom and the hope of a better world, yet at home more millions of her citizens turn freedom into license, liberty into unrestrained passion and lust, and cause its manhood, the very foundation of democracy, to disintegrate with moral and spiritual degeneration.

An abundance of work at wages unknown before, an abundance of money widely distributed and a super abundance of uncontrolled and undisciplined selfishness, licence, and other intoxicating beverages flowing like rivers through our land with full government sanction; and the lust for pleasure and worldly enjoyment at the full, life has become for a great multitude of our people "the grandest (Continued on Page 3)
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STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 15, 1944, OF THE SOUTHERN PROVINCE OF THE MORAVIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA.

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Hold over for next month is an extremely interesting and well written letter from Chaplain Ellis Bullins, with the 7th Army in France. It was received by Bishop Pfohl just after Christmas and read to the ministers and their wives at the Bishop's New Year's Vesper on January 4. Look for it next month.

The Wachovia Moravian was mentioned twice in the last issue of The Moravian Messenger, official organ of our British Province, to reach us. One minister wrote The Messenger that having read of Vacation Bible Schools as conducted in the Southern Province, he was planning one for the Christmas holidays. We are anxious to hear how he came out, for we doubt if we could get our children to attend a Bible School at that season.

AS WE SEE IT

Word has just reached us that the home of the superintendent of our Alaska Orphanage was destroyed by fire early in January. Only part of the furnishings were saved, but unfortunately no one was injured. It is estimated that the loss amounts to around $7,000, and was not covered by insurance because insurance cannot be had in that area.

Bishop Pfohl's Memorabilia and the Statistical Table are always two features of our January issue, and to which we direct special attention. These limit the space available for church reports and other features. Several ministers, realizing the circumstances, did not turn in a report this month, and even those reports which were submitted had to be condensed somewhat.
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picnic" they have ever known. And as in Rome of old, "they fish and play and dance and hold high carnival, while their countryside bleed and die and deep sorrow comes to countless homes. What travesty of patriotism even though is sought to disguise it by buying war bonds, and by attending patriotic gatherings. Such citizens neither for the future safety of their country or for their own eternal welfare. What sin in the sight of the Almighty!

In recent days there appeared in our state press a severe indictment of citizens who are engaged in such conduct, and with it such assembly of facts touching the errors and inadequacy of the year that we quote from it the following statement: (It was written by Dr. C. C. Warren of the First Baptist Church, Charlotte.)

"Of Greece, of Rome, and Rome the world has examples of low moral standards, and the evident decree of the ages is that a stench ship of state cannot be built out of the rotten timbers of unregenerate humanity.

"We who lived through the after-war crisis of over two decades ago well know that nothing can be more fundamentally essential to-ward giving stability and security to our manner of life than high moral standards.

"Our moral standards of today are wholly inadequate for the impending crisis. In fact, they are woefully inadequate now for the maintenance of a society worthy of our fighting men.

"When we think of an annual crime bill of $15,000,000,000, four criminals to every school teacher, 700,000 boy and girl criminals, or three and a half times as many as are enrolled in our colleges and universities, divorces increasing 500 per cent in two years' time when we see Americans rolling in luxury, robbing in worldliness, reveling in sensuality, roiling in immorality, and roiling in all kinds of sin, it should stir the heart of every soul within the bounds of our land to humble repentance toward God and to a high and determinate resolution to mend his or her ways."

There have been Disturbing Internal Disorders too, to trouble those who see the need of social and economic justice and the spirit of unity among our large and mixed citizenship. Racial differences have had strong emphasis, and there has been regrettable clashes between white and negro groups in Philadelphia and St. Louis. The year, however, has happily shown a decline in lynchings and the various disturbances have not been in the South. In fact, lynchings have dropped to an all-time low. Only three took place. Eleven years ago there were 24.

Negro labor strikes have been another disturbing phase of our national life and have marked the otherwise fine record of industrial and patriotic achievements. Unquestionably they have also hindered the total war effort and have appeared to many as being unpatriotic.

The Presidential Campaign which resulted in the election of President Franklin D. Roosevelt for a fourth term over his opponent Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, called one of the largest popular votes in the history of our nation. There were approximately 40,000,000 ballots cast, President Roosevelt receiving 21,500,000, and Gov. Dewey 21,000,000 of the popular vote. The electoral college vote showed 407 to 124. So close was the vote that many of the states, whose 200,000 votes had been shifted to the other side, the total result would have been reversed. Unhappily the campaign was not on the high plane that had been hoped for. Personal and political acrimony was freely indulged in and revealed dangers which should be closely guarded against in the future.

It must be evident that amid such varied experiences of the year and diverse and urgent claims for interest and support, The Church Has Faced Great Difficulties in carrying forward its program and 1944 has been a year of unusual stress. Yet the record evidences that a courageous spirit has existed among its leaders and that they have sought to meet the necessities and dangers thereon. The field of the public program of worship and service.

In fact, under the conditions of a widely scattered membership, young men and young women in the armed service and a large group absent from home in defense work, the Church has of necessity carried a double program and has done it gladly, ministering to those at home and those for the time being, on the non-resident list.

Disappointingly, there has been no notable spiritual awakening which is so much needed, yet statistics evidence that in spite of the essential hindrances there has been an encouraging increase of membership. Some denominations even show their highest rate of increase.

Nor has the Church been slow in Grappling With Its Problems. The large decline in Sunday school attendance is being dealt with in practical fashion by local denominational agencies and, under the auspices of the International Council of religious Education and the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches, a National Mission to Christian Youth is projected for the coming year. The aim is to reach the young people through the more than 2,000,000 Sunday school teachers of the nation.

The Youth Fellowship Movement, which co-ordinates the various youth agencies, so as to conserve and enlarge their effectiveness, has made new gains among the denominations and is very definitely growing in strength.

From widely different sections of the country come reports of strong efforts for dealing with the Problem of Juvenile Delinquency. Church and civic organizations are becoming thoroughly alarmed regarding the serious condition of the youth and are moving to deal with it wisely and effectively. Recreational programs are being provided, alcohol education is being given youth groups, and efforts of mothers are being held to study higher standards of social activities and youth departments of the church organization are being given special emphasis.

Week Day Bible Instruction is being encouraged also as a means towards improving moral and spiritual standards among the youth.

With millions of them not connected with any Sunday school or other religious organization, the teaching of the Bible in the public schools is the only means of reaching them in the most formative period of their lives with the teaching of the Book, which furnishes the best instruction for character building.

In the matter of Christian Giving the report of the United Stewardship Council reveals that for the fourth consecutive year, large gains were made. The benevolent contributions of twenty-three congregations in the report, went up 21.7% and gifts for local congregations increased 10.4%. An increase of more than $33,000,000 was reported for the twenty-three denominations. The largest per capita giving was credited to the Church of the Nazarenes, its 181,000 numbers averaging $55.50. This communion is also given first place in increase of membership among the churches of more than 50,000 members. It has made a gain of 183% in eighteen years.

It is noteworthy, too, that Protestant Churches generally are announcing Greatly Increased Budgets for their enlarged programs for the post-war period. There is no evidence of discouragement among their leaders in the face of world conditions but high purpose and determination to seize the opportunity and press on, enlarging both at home and abroad the extent and influence of the Christian way as the only hope of the world. Expansion and relief goals of thirteenth United States church bodies total nearly $100,000,000. A summary of plans reads somewhat as follows:

The Methodist Church: Twenty-five million dollars has been set as the goal for a four-year extensive reconstruction program known as the Crusade for Christ. More than half the total fund will be used for foreign missions.

The Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.: A fund of $200,000,000 has been authorized for reconstruction over a five-year period.

Southern Baptists: have a goal of $20,000,000 for reserve for post-war denominational activities. A major goal will be 1,000,000 converts.

Northern Baptist: World Emergency Fund has been in

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increased to $2,000,000 a year. This program will accelerate its $10,000,000 fund-raising program originally expected to extend over a four-to-five year period. A conservative estimate of $8,000,000 will be needed to meet the post-war situation adequately.

In the Protestant Episcopal Church; the National Council has launched an aggressive campaign to raise $3,000,000 for relief and rehabilitation in this country and in areas ravaged by war.

Other churches announce their forward-looking programs not in terms of finances but in numbers of missionaries needed or of countries where mission activities are to be carried out. Thus we read in church publication headlines such as the following:

"Congregation Church Plans Mission Work in Thirteen Countries."

"Southern Presbyterians sound Call for One Hundred Missionaries to Meet Dramatic Shortages." "900 Presbyterians Study for Mission Service of Presbyterian Church in S.A."

Quite interesting is the announcement of The World Sunday School Association that it will raise a reasonable fund of $475,000, and of the Salvation Army leaders that at their next meeting they will adopt a world program of rehabilitation.

But climaxing them all is the "want ad" of the Student Volunteer Movement which reads: "Wanted: 3,500 missionaries. This organization, we are told, has on duty the largest staff of traveling secretaries in ten years. They are visiting college and university students in their thousands, 1,000 volunteers for immediate appointment. In addition, 2,500 enlistees are sought for postwar assignment on their mission fields. A speed-up of The Evangelistic Emphasis holds prominent place on the programs of all the churches. And the aim is not only the gaining of new followers for Christ and adherents for the Church, but the development of stronger and better Christians among the millions who are enrolled as church members, but have lost the witness spirit and are inactive in Christian services.

"Better Christians and More Christians" with the emphasis on "evangelistic effort. It is to be pursued as energetically at home as abroad. More than 60,000,000 citizens of the United States are connected with any religious organization. Only one-fourth of the population of the world nominally Christians. What is an age and a generation for those who really value the Christian life and believe the Christian influence should dominate in the world?

In all these endeavors of the Protestant Churches of America, The Moravia Church is in hearty accord. Both by tradition and by conviction she is evangelical and missionary in spirit. The missions of her International Unity are found in all parts of the earth, some of her stations being among the first Christian missions ever to be established. In each of her four self-dependent associations there is a determined spirit to seize the opportunity which the post-war period is sure to offer. Her watch-word of central aim is 'To Win for The Lamb Slain the Reward of His Sufferings' - furnishes high motive for the new and quickened endeavor.

Though numerically small, her increase of members during recent years has been even above the average of some of the larger denominations, and she is thoroughly conscious of the necessity of strengthening and extending her home base in order to do her equal share in Christianizing the home-land and in maintaining an aggressive policy abroad.

It has been her privilege to demonstrate again in a period of awful war and national bitterness that world-wide Christianity is possible and that the ties of Christian love and fellowship are stronger then all the divisive factors of life. The Moravian World-Wide Unity stands through World War II as it did through World War I.

The Program of Progress adopted by the recent Synod of the Southern Province aligns this Church with the great forward movement of the Christian forces of America and the world, and, trusting the Lord Jesus Christ for strength, she will go forward in the pathway of Christian living and in spirit of fellowship and co-operation with her sister Churches of Christendom.

There is fresh encouragement for the cause of Christ also in the assurance of Further Concerted Protestantism. Church federations have grown stronger in face of conditions which threatened the advancement of the Christian way of life in the world and a new and bolder application has been found for the old political adage: "United we stand; divided we fall."

State Councils of Churches were formed during the year in Maryland, Virginia, and South Carolina with the announced objective of "achieving more effectively through joint service the objectives of the Christian religion." These Councils are the more significant in that they were organized in the Southland, generally considered the least inter-denominationally minded.

The North Carolina Council has taken a further advanced step in admitting colored churches to membership on the same basis as white churches.

The Federal Council of Churches in its Biennial Convention in Pitts-burgh, while reaffirming the position on the separation of church and state, took advanced position on world-wide freedom and urged nations to provide "a basis of human rights and fundamental free- doms," and religious bodies to "adopt a code of fair practices for their relationships with church groups." It also, for the first time, elected a negro, Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, as vice-president and received the Greek Orthodox Church into its membership. Though it has made it clearly understood that it desired no representation at the Peace Table, its interest in and efforts for "A Just and Durable Peace," for the con- sideration of which another special conference has been called for the spring of 1945, will unquestionably be of high and far-reaching value. Certainly its recent declaration, "Only a world organization which conforms to the law of life and opens the way for the expression of the spirit of Christ in the community of nations will contribute to lasting peace," is one of which we pray may be accepted as basic by those who must plan the post-war world.

As for the World Council of Churches, composed of 80 Churches in 29 different countries, it is far advanced with its plans to rebuild the religious life in war-torn countries, as soon as peace comes. Three reconstruction centers will direct the work. One in Geneva, Switzerland, will look after Europe. One in New York will be responsible for the Far East. And one in London will co-ordinate reconstruction everywhere. The aims of the reconstruction centers are to be "feeding the hungry" both physi- cally and spiritually, supplying Christian books where they have been destroyed and starting new religious papers and magazines which have been suppressed.

Nor should we close our record showing the wide preparation of the Christian forces of America and the world for the great ad- vance which awaits the cause of Christ in the after-war period with­out some reference to the Remarkable Service of the American Bible Society.

This organization for the publication and distribution of the Holy Scriptures has, through the action of war, come to be the heavy load of this vast service and quite nobly and efficiently does she give response. Never before have so many copies and portions of the Scriptures issued from her establishment as in 1944. The to­tal is more than 12,000,000, and, for the post-war period, the demand is still greater and even more urgent. If some of the devastated countries of Europe and of Asia are to be kept from experiencing a

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“Scripture Famine” which, God forbid, then Christian Americans must give the task of building of this widest ecumenical body worldwide. They must provide the additional three million dollars for the advance program and with their interest and prayers. With large and loyal support. The World Today is sharing millions of earth. They were two phrases used to express faith in service once the war is ended, a care to see that the spiritual motive and power which is to carry them through be not lacking. The ancient directive given by the Lord through His prophet still stands: “Not by might, nor by power; but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.” Let the Church renew her allegiance to the Lord: her ask for a fresh sense of her mission; let her seek a new birth of divine power; then let her to her task. A world of darkness cries for light.

How tragic should we fail again! How well attended. Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service was held on the 17th, and the children’s program on the 24th. The pastor and family were generously remembered by the congregation, by the Young Men’s Class and by several friends. Church elections added to the Board of Elders the Brn. Sam Via and J. B. Richardson. To the Trustees were added the Brn. Cecl Gentry, Will Glidewell and Ed. Purdue. Bro. John Vaughn was re-elected church treasurer and Bro. Tullech will continue for another year as Sunday school superintendent.

In order to qualify fully as a contributing and not a co-operating congregation with the Church Aid and Extension Board, our Board of Trustees has undertaken as of December to pay salary direct to the pastor. The union service at the Holiness Church on the fifth Sunday night was our means of closing the Old Year. The Moravian pastor preached the sermon.

We regret that our statistics do not show the expected numerical growth in the final issue for 1944 of The World Council, official organ of this widest ecumenical body worldwide. They were “The World Today is Thirsting” and “Closed Doors Are Opening.” Undoubtedly they affirm: The Great Christian Opportunity has arrived. A suffering and needy world is longing for that salvation which Christ commissioned His Church to carry to all men everywhere. The “doors” of the nations are opening to receive the messengers of the Church as they move forward in the pathway of high privilege and responsibility. As we know not the time when war will actually cease nor the terms of the peace treaty which is to follow. Certain we are, however, that one of the applications of the simple teachings of Jesus lies the possibility of a lasting peace. To this end the Church should pray with earnestness and fervor, the more so because the danger is becoming more and more apparent that the same “power politics” and desire for “material influence” which wrecked the Treaty of Versailles may again wreck the peace treaty that is to be.

But, should the nations fail to follow the light and compromise Christian principles for expediency, the Church dares not fail in giving Christ to the thirsty, longing souls of men. This is its great mission. This it was for which its Lord and Master said, “Go ye.” How tragic should we fail again! In the post-war plans which are fast readying for the day of new and wide opportunity, let us have a care to see that the spiritual motive and power which is to carry them through be not lacking. The ancient directive given by the Lord through His prophet still stands: “Not by might, nor by power; but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.” Let the Church renew her allegiance to the Lord: her ask for a fresh sense of her mission; let her seek a new birth of divine power; then let her to her task. A world of darkness cries for light. And may the all-conquering Christ lead to victory for the cause of the Christian way of life in a dark and troubled world.

“Lead on, O King Eternal; Till sin’s fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper. The sweet Amen of peace; For not with swords’ loud clashing, Nor roll of stirring drums, But deeds of love and mercy, The heavenly Kingdom comes.”

REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

HOPGELL

The Woman’s Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. J. C. Morton on December 15. Special music was furnished by the pastor and Mrs. Pauline Calloway, with Elsie Lou Holcomb and Mrs. W. E. Fox, treasurer; Joe Fox, treasurer; Rachel Holcomb, pianist. A banquet was held in the basement of the church with about fifty present. The Rev. J. Calvin Barnes made the address. The primary and junior departments presented their Christmas program on December 25, under the direction of Mrs. Sam Via, assisted by Mrs. C. R. Jones, Irene Jones, Margaret Smith, Mrs. Andrew Calloway, Mrs. W. E. Fox, Mrs. Paul O. Fultz, and Mrs. Lake Green. On December 25 a pageant entitled “Finding Christmas”, under the direction of Marable Troutman and Raymond Harris, was presented. On December 22 the pastor united in marriage Evelyn Lambeth and James Walker, at the parsonage. Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service was held on New Year’s Eve at 4 p.m. The junior choir, under the leadership of Cordia

Mae Cox, sang special selections, Stella Mae Moore sang the solo parts of “Morning Star.” Dr. Edmund Schwartz made the address.

J. P. CROUCH.

MAYODAN

Attendances during the Christmas month fell below normal, evidently showing that members were busy with their Christmas plans. However, the celebration of Christmas was a happy time with services well attended. Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service was held on the 17th, and the children’s program on the 24th. The pastor and family were generously remembered by the congregation, by the Young Men’s Class and by several friends.

Church elections added to the Board of Elders the Brn. Sam Via and J. B. Richardson. To the Trustees were added the Brn. Cecl Gentry, Will Glidewell and Ed. Purdue. Bro. John Vaughn was re-elected church treasurer and Bro. Tullech will continue for another year as Sunday school superintendent.

In order to qualify fully as a contributing and not a co-operating congregation with the Church Aid and Extension Board, our Board of Trustees has undertaken as of December to pay salary direct to the pastor. The union service at the Holiness Church on the fifth Sunday night was our means of closing the Old Year. The Moravian pastor preached the sermon.

We regret that our statistics show no numerical growth in

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CHRIST CHURCH.

Reports of Synod on the first Sunday reflected the fine spirit that prevailed throughout the sessions and that our delegates greatly enjoyed and appreciated the privilege of representing our church. At this service we received by letter of transfer Brother and Sister Emmet L. Pike, Lebanon and Wallace Pike and Sarah Pike Rule.

The choir ushered in the Advent season with a fine presentation of the cantoata, “Rejoice, Beloved Christians” by Buxtehude.

Sister Burns and Margaret Weaver were married at the home of the bride by the pastor on the 12th.

On the afternoon of the third Sunday of the Advent, the children of the beginners, primary and junior departments gave their Christmas program in a very acceptable manner.

Ralph Yarbrough and Margaret Bestie were married at the parsonage on the 23rd.

The Lovefeast and Candle Service held on Christmas Eve was well attended and unusually impressive. An inspiring and appropriate message was delivered by the Rev. Reid Wall, pastor of the Rehoboth Methodist Church.

Our entire congregation rejoiced with the J. M. Hinshaw family over the safe return of James Hinshaw, S 1/C, who was aboard the U. S. S. Princeton when it was bombed by the Japanese, and was later rescued after spending two hours floating around in the ocean.

VERNON I. GRAPF.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

December was the month for the reorganization of Sunday school classes and departments. The Men’s Bible Class met at the church in its annual business session and also enjoyed a chicken and oyster stew supper. General Sunday school officers elected were: C. L. Ray, superintendent; E. H. Hundleby and I. E. Martin, assistants; J. B. Wear, secretary; James Strupe and F. D. Marshbank, assistant.

Reports were heard from the delegates and recent Synod on the second Sunday evening.

The young people sponsored a baby contest to raise their $50 mission pledge. A total of $225 was realized with Mary Sides, Jr., the winner, and Patricia Thomas holding second place.

The Women’s Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. F. P. Flynn on the 15th to decorate the Christmas candles. This organization sent some 35 to 40 boxes of fruits, nuts and candy to the sick, aged and shut-ins of the congregation and community.

The primary and junior departments on the Sunday school rendered their Christmas program at 11 o’clock on the 24th. In the afternoon of the same day the Lovefeast and Candle Service was held. The Rev. Ronald Hicks, pastor of South Fork Baptist Church, brought the message and J. C. Hughes sang a solo. An unusually large attendance was present.

Holy Communion was administered on the last Sunday morning to a large congregation of members and friends.

HOWARD G. POLTZ.

BETHESDA.

One of the most enjoyable occasions of the whole year for the Woman’s Auxiliary is the December meeting at which the Christmas candles are decorated and boxes of fruits, nuts and candies prepared for the sick, aged and shut-ins. This year Mrs. W. W. Ward was hostess.

C. V. Everhart was re-elected Sunday school superintendent with Fred P. Shutt, assistant; Woodrow Jarvis, secretary, Mary Ingold and R. L. Skidmore, assistants.

The Christmas program of the Sunday school was rendered on Christmas Eve at 7:30 p. m. in the Lovefeast and Candle Service was enjoyed by a congregation that filled every available seat, and the night celebration nearly so. Music by both choirs—with orchestra at night—was truly inspiring.

The closing service of the year brought us blessing in a backward and forward look as a congregation. Texts were drawn for the New Year.

Deep sorrow came to the home of our Brother and Sister H. A. Green and family when their little daughter, Linda, passed away unexpectedly early on New Year’s day.

EDMUND SCHWARZ.

ARDMORE.

The Christmas season’s highlights were the Sunday school’s program on the 22nd, with 275 in attendance, and the Christmas Eve Vigils, when a congregation of 362 required additional seating in the vestry. Adding to the effectiveness of both of these services were the beautiful decorations placed by the Men’s Bible Class under the direction of Bro. E. P. Hanes, president.

The choir enjoyed a recognition banquet served at Bethabara Church with Bro. G. E. Brewer representing the Board of Trustees and the pastor speaking for the Board of Elders. About thirty singers were present for this happy occasion. Perhaps as a recompense—

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tion from this token of appreciation, the choir presented the finest and most worshipful music at the Christmas Eve vigil that has been heard here, at least during the present pastorate.

On Sunday morning, Dec. 10, the Rev. I. Howard Chadwick presented the needs of the Greensboro congregation most vividly.

Church relations were strengthened in Ardmore when the Men's Class of the Methodist Church were guests of our Men's Class for the Sunday school hour on Dec. 10, and when the pastor addressed the Men's Class and wives, of the Baptist Church at their annual banquet and Christmas party.

A called Church Council on Dec. 6, elected the following Building Construction Committee for our proposed new Christian education building: G. E. Brewer, B. L. Hine, D. B. Oden, J. N. Tucker, J. S. Young, and the pastor.

For its monthly service on Dec. 27, our local chapter of the Foreign Missionary Society secured as speaker Miss Elizabeth Marx, superintendent of our mission schools in Bluefields, Nicaragua. Icy streets cut the attendance to a handful, but those few were deeply impressed.

Attendance averages for December were: 177 at Sunday school, 145 at morning worship, 21 at young people's vesper, and 126 at evening worship including the Christmas Eve attendance.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

CLEMMONS.

Advent and Christmas services brought together many members and friends in a time of real blessing. Mrs. T. E. Rondthaler, our delegate to Synod, gave us some of the high lights of Synod at the evening service on the 3rd. The candles were trimmed at the Rondthaler home on the 6th while the Church Board held its monthly meeting at the home of C. E. Snyder.

A Christmas pageant at the Church Board, had its monthly meeting enjoyed by a large number of parents and friends.

A primary program on the morning of the 24th and the Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service was held on the afternoon of the 24th.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS.

Advent and Christmas services were held with splendid attendance. The Auxiliary and Church Board met at the home of F. E. Bodenheimer on the 8th. A friendly contest for raising funds to help restore the old brick home continued for one month in which the ladies were victorious and the sum of $264 was raised. During the month the Building Fund has been increased from $755 to $2170. More than 150 people attended Lovefeast and Candle Service on the afternoon of the 24th.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

BETHABARA.

With the difficulty of arranging special services for three churches, we managed to get them all in and that happily.

On the afternoon of the 17th our Christmas Vesper was held with a full church. Our junior and senior choirs, under the direction of Mrs. B. Clyde Shore, prepared our hearts for the entire season. We thank them most heartily.

On the Friday night before this service our Auxiliary Circle No. 2 had decorated the church beautifully, using greens which the Scout Troop had gathered.

On Christmas Eve more people gathered for the Lovefeast and Candle Service than we would have thought it possible to find place for. With our church auditorium able to accommodate barely more than 100 people, some 190 were served lovefeast, but about 40 of them had to go without candles.

Just before the service the pastor was given a wonderful gift. In this space we wish to offer our thanks to all those who have been so kind in the expression of Christmas wishes and who have given to the pastor and his family such fine Christmas.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

KING.

On December 17 we rejoiced to have brought to the Lord in baptism the three children of three servicemen. William Stewart Stone, son of Bro. and Sr. L. Frank Stone; Barbara Lynn Stone, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Grady E. Stone, Jr.; and Steven Gregg Pulliam, son of Bro. and Sr. Frank Gregg Pulliam, were brought by their mothers to be baptized. Our deep regret was that none of the fathers could be present, though one has come home since that time and another has his family with him. The occasion was one of deep solemnity.

Lovefeast and Candle Service was held on Christmas Eve. The church had been beautifully decorated under the direction of Mrs. J. A. Booe. Junior and senior choirs led in the singing of Christmas hymns, under the leadership of Mrs. Reid Jones. They made us wish we could have a choir at all services.

Watchnight service was held at 11:30 p.m. on New Year's Eve, and Holy Communion was administered at the midnight hour.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

RURAL HALL.

The first Sunday in Advent was the happy occasion of a visit from Bishop Pfohl, who brought us the message.

On the 14th the pastor and his wife attended the Christmas meeting of the Auxiliary. Afterwards, in the social hour, the ladies presented them a beautiful blanket as a Christmas gift.

On the third Sunday night our Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service was held. The Baptists held their service earlier in the evening and our church was

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December brought to a close one year's work as pastor of this little mission station. As we look over the progress made we thank God and take courage. The attendance for the past month has been unusually good. We held our Christmas Candle Service on the 24th, with 70 present.

On Sunday, Dec. 31 being a day of unusually rough weather and bad roads, we hesitated to make the trip from Mt. Bethel to Crooked Oak, but felt the call to go. To our surprise we found that twenty-nine people had made the trip. The play so well was wade the snow and face the cold rain to come to the service.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

WILLIAM HILL.

The Christmas program which was to be presented on the 22nd had to be called off because of the death of Ruth Hiatt, who had the leading role in the play, had the misfortune to get seriously burned. She was rushed to the hospital at Mt. Airy where she is still a patient. She had a perfect attendance in Sunday school for ten and one-half years.

Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service was held on the 23rd.

IMMANUEL.

Despite the absence of many loved ones and the news of reverses on the battle fronts we came to the Advent season with gladness of heart.

The semi-annual meeting of the Men's Bible Class was again held with Bro. and Sis. Cass and a delightful occasion it was. The class has undertaken and completed several worthy projects this year. Bro. William E. Froelick was elected president for the first half of 1945.

The Auxiliary held its general meeting at the church and following the business session the candles were wrapped. The reports indicate a spirit of wholesome rivalry in the gathering of funds and in other activities.

The cause of the American Bible Society was presented on the second Sunday and the response was most gratifying.

The young people and children presented an excellent Christmas program on the 22nd, and for the first time in years practically all the children were present. The Christmas Lovefeast on Christmas Eve was another very worshipful service with a filled church.

The Memorial of the congregation was presented at a vesper service on the last day of the year. But our people do not seem to like vespers.

S. J. TESCH.
January, 1945

THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN

A dinner for the pastor was given by Mrs. Bollin of Christian Education recognizing the close of nine years as part-time Executive Secretary. From January 1, the pastor assumed full-time duties for the congregation.

Elected to the Church Council were: W. L. Swain, war veteran of the Italian campaign, to the Board of Elders; Leo Swain, Hege Hamilton, B. J. Reich to the Board of Trustees; Clara Pegram, Frances Spasibour, Howard S. Hunt, to the Board Christian Education.

Ralph C. Basset.

BETHANIA.

Bethania saw the old year out in typical fashion with the usual services. New Year's Eve. At the lovefeast the address was delivered by the Rev. J. A. Vache, rector of St. Andrews Episcopal Church of Greensboro. Bro. Vache, who has been present at twelve out of fourteen New Year's services, is leaving Greensboro for Pittsburgh, Pa., February 1. This was thus his last visit with us and all the more reason why we were glad for him to bring the message. The Rev. J. B. Wrinch presided at the service and the pastor read the Memorabilia for 1944.

The Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service was held on Christmas Eve. This as well as the New Year's Eve services taxed the seating capacity of our Congregation House to the limit. However, all the details were handled smoothly by Bro. W. G. Tarborough and his ushers and Bro. R. M. Butner and his dieners. As in the past the Christmas offering was for the retired missionaries.

During the candle service the junior choir, Miss Emma E. Kapp, director, sang "Morning Star" with solo parts taken by Fay Wolff, Dicie Jones, Jean Oehman, and Ruby Jean Shore.

Many anthems were sung at all services during the month by the adult choir of which Bro. Howard Conrad is director and Miss Pearl Strupe accompanist. Solists were Marian Adams, Mrs. J. Lindsay Hoover, Mary Strupe, Margaret Chadwick and Bro. Howard Conrad.

Holy Communion was administered on the First Sunday in Advent, at which time the following were received into our membership: Mrs. Dorothy Hunter, Mrs. Lacey MacArthur, and Bro. and Sr. Carl F. Riddle.

A memorial service for Corp. J. H. Chadwick was held in the afternoon of December 17 with the Rev. D. L. Rights assisting.

Sympathy is again expressed to the family of Bro. Wiley Mayo Chadwick who died suddenly on December 20.

George G. Higgins.

ENTERPRISE.

A play entitled "Going Home for Christmas" was produced by the Sunday school and presented on Christmas Eve to a large audience. This good work was done entirely by the school and its leaders. In part in the cast were: Ruby Swain, Lois Stainton, Elaine Tesh, W. D. Perryman, Robert Reich, Kenneth Craver, Jr., Mrs. Robert Reich and Mrs. John Hege, pianist.

On the last Sunday afternoon the children's program and the Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service were held. This time was chosen to clear our day of all possible conflict with services in other churches of the community. Virginia Craver and Mrs. Cecil Seeley were in charge of the children's exercises which followed the Sunday school hour. Although the day was past the children recalled Christmas for us in their appealing way through a playlet, recitations, and song. Immediately upon the close of this service came the Lovefeast and Candle Service. Robert Reich sang, "O Holy Night!" while the candles were distributed. The pastor spoke briefly and Christmas at Enterprise was over. Someone might think that a service held after Christmas would be dead, but it was not so with us; rather, it made Christmas last another grand hour.

John W. Fulton.

CHARLOTTE.

The year has been one of the best in the history of this congregation. Attendance at all festival occasions has been the best on record. The children this year received special attention. They were given a Christmas party on the Saturday evening before Christmas, and for the first time we held a children's Christmas Eve Lovefeast and Candle Service, with a fine attendance. The evening lovefeast for adults taxed the capacity of our auditorium. Christmas Day Communion was held at 11 A.M. with good attendance.

The bazaar of the Auxiliary and Guild was also the most successful in the history of this annual event. One hundred pounds of Moravian Christmas cakes were sold out before the dinner hour.

On the 14th Herbert W. Wolfford was united in marriage with Miss Tillie Fasnacht at the church.

Three of our servicemen were on leave during the month: Edwin B. Voehnagl, Jr., Flt./c., USNR, Earl F. Spahn, A/S, USNR, V-12 Training Unit, University of N. C. and Louis L. Lineback, Yf/c., USNR. The latter, who has seen a year's service in the Aleutian Islands, after a tour of duty in the States and a furlough home, has been given another overseas assignment in the Pacific area.

The year closed with New Year's Eve Lovefeast and Watchnight Service.

Herbert Spaugh.

FAIRVIEW.

The combination of good weather and Christmas Eve being on Sunday resulted in a near record-breaking Lovefeast and Candle Service. Head usher Thomas Hailey counted 422 present. The members of our out-of-town members who were able to be home were the party for the children sponsored by the Auxiliary, the candle trim of the Auxiliary, the young people's and the Sunday school programs. Various circles and classes turned their regular monthly meetings into Christmas parties. On Christmas Eve 30 of our young folks went caroling from ten to twelve o'clock.

We had a joyous Christmas at Fairview, yet it was a time of heartache in many of our homes, and for several especially, Clint Law rence, Jr., after more than two year's overseas duty was reported missing in action in France. A. V. Bariniger, Jr., was reported slightly wounded sometime in early December. No further word has been heard concerning E. J. Kirby, Jr., reported missing months ago after an air raid over Vienna. L. S. Stiers, Jr, somewhere in the...
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In looking over the record for 1944 we are able to report four adult baptisms, eight confirmations, and seven receptions, a total ascension of 19. This was offset by three transfers and one death, leaving a net gain of fifteen members.

There were nine infant baptisms for the year.

There were three weddings in the church, and at least three other members were married in distant places—Florida, Washington, D. C., and Maryland.

The church wishes it's scattered members and friends a happy New Year.

LEAKSVILLE.

Sunday school officers for the coming year are: C. F. Tullock, superintendent; R. A. Turner, assistant superintendent; Roy Whitten, secretary; Troy Ellington, assistant secretary.

The following Board members were elected by the Church Council: Elders, W. P. Berrier; Trustees, L. W. Reynolds and Roy Grogan; re-elected, and Grover Wilkins. Ruth McConnell was elected Secretary of the Church Council.

The Christmas season was marked by two main events, the children's pageant under the direction of Ruth McConnell and Mrs. Oliver Dunivant, and the Lovefeast and Candle Service on December 24. There was an excellent attendance at both.

Thirty of our intermediates and young people went caroling throughout the community on Christmas Eve and were served refreshments at the Y. M. C. A.

The Women's Auxiliary sent a number of Christmas baskets to the sick and raised over $80 for the seven Provincial projects.

Carol Estelle Hopkins was received by the sacrament of baptism on the 31st.

The joy of the Christmas season was clouded by the death of Fred Burnett, a kind neighbor and true friend, on December 18. The funeral was conducted in our church by the Rev. J. K. McConnell and the pastor.

THE WACHOVIA ARBOR.

The Christmas Lovefeast was well attended. The pastor made the address.

The Sunday school program, in charge of the Superintendent Jas. Fensler, was given on Christmas night.

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J. G. BRUNER.

ADVENT.

Many Christmas parties and banquets were enjoyed by various Sunday school classes. After the one held on the 15th, about 10:30 P. M., fire was discovered in the church attic by Wilma Pope and Barbara Chiddie. The neighbors gathered and by means of a garden hose it was soon extinguished, with very little damage. How it started will probably never be known, but had it not been discovered for another half hour it would have been beyond our control. We held a prayer service after it was all over.

It was a source of inspiration to have the following sailor and soldier boys with us during the Christmas holidays: Wilson Edwards, William H. Harper, Russell Fishel, Mack Holt, Sherman Church, Aaron Fishel, Fred Lowrey, Bill Harrison, Herman Runkley, William Snyder, Fred Weaver, Roy Gray, Thurmond Hedgecock, and Jack Whitsett. Others away on war work who were here for Christmas were: Ernest Long and family, Agnew Myers and family, J. Taylor Lolfin and family, Fred Long and family and Frances Gobble.

On the 10th an old-time program was carried out. Many brought their old oil lamps and lanterns, and one of the old church lamps was suspended from the ceiling and gave forth its light. No electric lights were used. A large Christmas tree stood in the center of the platform. The old chapel organ was dusted off and used that night. All this carried us back to the good old days. All other Christmas programs and services were largely attended.

The Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. James Brewer to trim the Christmas candles.

J. G. BRUNER.

FRIENDLAND.

The offering for the American Bible Society was the largest we have ever gathered, averaged 16 cents per member and affords evidence that our people are growing in breadth of vision.

Parties of every sort and by every group were the order of the month. It was a season of joy and much fellowship from house to house.

The various Christmas programs were well selected and prepared. The pageant of the young people was presented on the 23rd and that of the children on the morning of the 24th.

The Christmas Lovefeast was impressive because of the large number of people whom we see only at Christmas time. We are most grateful for those influences of the past which have lingered on and cause so many to turn our way at Christmas.

Our young people served a chicken stew early in the month with good financial results for their mission project. On Christmas Eve they joined with the young people of Immanuel in caroling in both communities.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

OLIVET.

The Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service was held as usual on Christmas morning with a capacity attendance. During the service Dudley P. Lewis was received by letter of transfer, Mrs. Maude S. Lewis by adult baptism, and Arlen Dudley Lewis and Sandra Gail Lewis by infant baptism—an entire family. Christmas anthems were sung by both junior and senior choirs. Soloists were Mrs. A. O. Conrad, Jr., Ruth Taylor and Walter T. Strupe. While...

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the candles were being distributed to the children sang "Morning Star" with solo parts by Mary Alice Taylor, Joan Beroth and June Carter.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

MOUNT AIRY.

Ninety copies of our church news letter were distributed in December.

Our Auxiliary held its Christmas party in midmonth, exchanging gifts and preparing the candles. Six dozen candles were given, with greeting cards, to the patients and staff of Martin Memorial Hospital.

The men of the church presented the pastor with a purse of money, and also remembered our Sunday school superintendent, Bro. Lee Boyd, with a war bond. Both were pleasant surprises.

Sixty children and seventy-five adults were present at the Christmas exercises of the primary and junior departments.

Members of our Auxiliary were guests of Bro. and Sister C. D. Crouch at open house just before Christmas. There was a cordial welcome and an evening of good fellowship.

The Rev. E. M. Graham, Methodist minister, was our speaker at our Christmas Eve Vigils. The attendance was just under the 300 mark. At the close of the service the choir and band went caroling in two trucks.

Winter weather put a stop to our work on the graveyard but brought a donation of $100 from a local business man for the purchase of shrubbery. Thanks again, Mr. Merritt.

Youth Fellowship and the Children's Bible Hour groups enjoyed two parties at the parsonage, Sunday school workers also held a business session.

Watch Night services saw the old year make its exit and the New Year its entrance.

Our Trustees are encouraged more than ever over the financial support being given them by the congregation. The Christmas offering, given toward liquidating a note of long standing, amounted to $65.00.

H. B. JOHNSTON.

FRIEDBERG.

What we call "Pay-up and Pledge Sunday" at Friedberg comes in the Christmas season and is held in conjunction with a Founders' Day Lovefeast and Holy Communion. As usual a large attendance marked the day and something of a festive spirit was heightened by the fact that this is the time of year when we are gladened by the Saviour's birth. Financial results of the day indicate more pledges paid than ever before in our experience.

At the young people's Christmas party a fine group was present. (The evening was really a church night with the juniors practicing "Morning Star" on the second floor, the primaries reciting in the church, and the young people playing in the social room.) Even the games reminded one of the Christmas time. The young people also were together on Christmas Eve caroling, with a group of sixty-five going to sixteen homes of shut-ins, then returning to the church for refreshments.

Our children's Christmas program attracted the customary parent attendance. Mary Crouse and Mrs. Emory Lineback and their workers co-operated in making this a success.

The Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service drew people from near and far, more guests for one service than one could expect. We were especially pleased at this since there were several other churches giving programs in the community at the same hour.

On Christmas Day a play "The Empty Room," by Dorothy Clarke Wilson, turned our thoughts to the manger scene. Taking part were: Richard Rierson, Mary Lineback, Myrtle Miller, Mary Crouse, Lewis Swaim, Herbert Foltz, and Paul Nifong.

A Memorabilia on the last Sunday closed the year and marked the progress of the congregation. The report showed what the various organizations were doing and revealed an increase in enrollment both in the church and school. We were made aware also what many unnamed people had done to make our church praise our Lord in the past year.

JOHN W. FULTON.

GREENSBORO.

The Exchange Club of Greensboro sponsored a Christmas party for a group of twenty-two crippled and physically handicapped boys and girls of Greensboro and Guilford county at our church on December 15. A dinner was served to these children and sixty-five Exchangeites by the Mary Petty Circle, and gifts and treats were passed out to the children afterward. The first Christmas party for these youngsters was such a success that it promises to become an annual affair.

The Rev. Samuel Sox, pastor of the First Lutheran Church of Greensboro, was the speaker for our annual Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service on Christmas Eve afternoon. One hundred thirty members and friends from Greensboro joined us in this service. Special music was provided by the choir, accompanied by Mrs. Rebecca Brane Mashburn and by Bobby Wagner, boy soprano, soloist for the traditional "Morning Star."

Received into communicant membership by the right hand of fellowship on December 31 were Pte. and Mrs. William D. Walter, Jr. Pte. Walter was one of the first Marines to land on Guadalcanal, and some of the experiences he relates are really hair-raising. We welcome this young couple into our fellowship, and we pray that their lives may prove richer for this step that they have taken.

We wish to thank the brethren Luckenbach and Bishop Pfohl for conducting our services during the absence of the pastor on December 3 and 10.

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For three days, November 19-21, it was my privilege to take part in the "Religion and Life Conference," conducted by the University of North Carolina Y. M. C. A., with the co-operation of the churches of Chapel Hill.

What should interest our readers particularly is that the Moravian students at the University arranged for a luncheon meeting of their group. Charles Clinard, Jr., and Miss Marian Blair were the leading spirits and succeeded well in their enterprise. I was pleased to meet the following Moravian members of the faculty and student body: Prof. John Fries Blair and Miss Marian Blair, of the Home Church; Charles Clinard, Jr., of Trinity; Bill Cranford, of Christ Church; Miss Jane Zimmerman, of Plessberg; Herbert Webber, of Fairview; Hoyle Schultz, of Calvary; and Andrew Griffith, of Mt. Airy. In view of conflicting schedules, this was a fine representation.

Also reporting but unable to attend the luncheon were Earl Spangenberg of Charlotte, medical student in the Navy, and William J. Hall, of the Home Church, who is employed in the munitions factory at the neighboring town of Carrboro.

There is no doubt that these representatives of the church who are at Chapel Hill have strong faith in the Moravian Church and its mission.

The conference had as its principal speaker Congressman Walter H. Judd. One of the leading student officers of the conference was Herbert Webber.

After the addresses by Dr. Judd forums were held in seven houses on the campus. Herbert Webber and his aides conducted me to MeVyer building, where I found, among the students gathered, about twenty-five young Marines just returned from duty in the Pacific area. How would these young men, as well as the other students present, respond to Christian appeal? This question was in mind as the discussion opened. After the group had continued earnestly in conference for an hour and a half instead of the forty-five minutes assigned, I could report interest and participation far greater than were anticipated.

This program plan, conducted for eighty-five years at the University, continues to meet with generous response.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

INFANT BAPTISMS.

Kirby—Rebecca, infant daughter of Ernest J. and Linda Foltz, a member of Trinity, assisted in the Infant Baptisms.

Caldier—Betty, infant daughter of Pitus and Elizabeth Calvany, born at the Home Church on December 24, 1944, and emancipated.

Blythe—John Cloyd, infant son of Cloyd and Marian Stovall Blythe, born in Charlotte, N. C., on January 29, 1944, was baptized in Fairview Moravian Church on December 24, 1944 by Dr. Herbert Spangenberg.


Martin—Nancy Carol, infant daughter of Clyde B. and Mary Ann Martin, born July 28, 1944, Winston-Salem, N. C. Baptized December 24, 1944 by Dr. Edmund Schwarze.

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The Latest Reports From Moravian Circles in Europe.

By Clericus.

The British Province.—Items from The Moravian Messenger and Moravian Missions in recent months inform us of war conditions:

A British Moravian visitor in the West Indies wrote: “Today I had the great privilege of visiting 3,200 West Indians, chiefly about nineteen to twenty-one years of age. The visit was made possible by the Secretary of State for the Colonies. . . He said it would be a good thing if I went in capacity as a Moravian, . . Moravian boys gathered around, chiefly from Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana. ‘The Rev. Kaltreider (sic) is my Minister,’ said some.”

The Up-town Manor pastor reported of a service: “A flying bomb, another of which damaged the church windows, came over shortly after the service. These disturbances have again removed our Sunday scholars and affected our week-night organizations. Six of us attended service at St. Paul’s on the eve of the Hus Memorial Day, when Br. Vaneura took part.”

From Leominster: “The Minister has visited the U. S. Hospital several times and met some of our Brethren, including two from the Winston-Salem Church.”

From Malmesbury: “On several occasions during the past weeks we had the pleasure of listening to colored American troops, who were stationed in the neighborhood, singing Negro spirituals at our evening services.”

From Horsley near the home of the late Rev. J. N. Libbey, where Clerics dined in 1927: “Winnie Greenoff, one of our Sunday school children, was killed in the first flying bomb raid.”

From Bristol: “A World Christian Exposition was held at Bristol. . . In a missionary play, ‘Pilgrims of the Dawn,’ Moravians presented the first act, showing Zinzendorf and our first missionaries. Queen Mary said it was the best performance of amateurs she had ever seen.”

The Story of a book.—There was a book of German poems on a shelf at Moravian College in the good old days before the fire of 1913. The book, “Dichtergrease,” was salvaged from the flames when the College burned, but was damaged by water, its back bent and pages stained. Kindhearted Dr. Schultze, then president, gave away the damaged books to aspiring students, and “Dichtergrease” fell into the hands of Clericus and was borne South. For years it remained on the shelf undisturbed except for occasional reference and leisurely reading. Last year a camp for German prisoners of war was established in Winston-Salem and reading matter was desired. Now “Dichtergrease” is in the camp helping to pass away profitably the tedious hours behind barb wire.

Extracts from “Feuilles Vertes,” our Moravian Swiss publication printed in French:

Holland.—The 150th annual mission festival was celebrated. In spite of unfavorable conditions, the large church at Zeist was filled.

Denmark.—During Holy Week two candidates for the mission field were received into the church at Christianefeld.

Sweden.—A mission bulletin is published called “Herrnachts Bromstration.”

Germany.—In their suffering our brethren have remained faithful to their divine Leader, knowing that he is the Saviour of all who believe.

On February 4, a bomb destroyed Frankfurt the house in the city where the Moravians met, killing the matron, her mother, and her son.

The second Sunday in Advent, twenty-two persons were received at Liegnitz as members of the Moravian Church.

The Moravian chapel at Hamburg has been completely destroyed; members now meet in a parish house, most of which has been destroyed by fire. Near the end of July, 1944, twelve members of whom three were infants, were killed in bombardment. The survivors have lost everything; but they say, “These hard experiences have been for us a blessing.”

The Deaconess House of Emmaus, at Niesky, continues its blessed work; 133 sisters are attached there. The new director, Brother Walter Marx, who was a missionary in Nyassa until January, 1939, was killed as a soldier in the sanitary (medical) service in Russia, February 3, 1944, aged 46 years.

On January 2, 1944, before dawn, the Moravian chapel at Neukoellen (Rixdorf), near Berlin, was destroyed by a bomb. The bomb shelter crased burying twelve persons, of whom only one, Mrs. Glitsch, came out alive. Bro. Glitsch, the Moravian pastor of Neukoellen, was mobilized long ago.

On account of his deafness, he was sent back from Russia to serve thereafter in Westphalia. He spent the Christmas season at Herrnbut with his parents, where his family has been for some months. As he wished to greet his parish at the end of his leave, he went with his wife to Neukoellen to preside at the services for December 31 and January 1. New Year’s Eve he said, with reference to Psalm 90:1, that our refuge is neither in family, nor in goods of this world, but only in Jesus. He finished his sermon New Year’s Eve with the name of Jesus. The following night he was killed, along with two couples and a family of six members, of whom survived only a young brother who has lost his wife, his two little children, his parents, and his younger brother. Several names of brethren and sisters killed are of Czech origin.

Brother S. Bauredt, our director at Herrnbut, adds to his report: “What shall we say with regard to this frightful happening? We humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God, which rests heavily upon us. We cannot comprehend His ways, but even in our deep distress we find our only refuge in Him, as Bro. Glitsch said in his sermon on New Year’s Eve. We want to ask Him to guard and strengthen our faith in His love, His wisdom, and His power, and we intercede for our brethren and sisters so sorely tried. May God help all of us to remain faithful, come what may, being one church that serves the Saviour in joyful obedience and waits for His glorious return.”

AS WE SEE IT

Congratulations also to Dr. Edmund Schwazre upon whom our Moravian College and Theological Seminary conferred the degree Doctor of Divinity at commencement exercises on January 28. Dr. Schwazre made the address at the Seminary commencement. One of the graduates was from the Southern Province, Bro. Robert Lineback. Our congratulations to him and associates in the ministry come from this letter.

Winfred C. Scherzer

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greatly impressed with General Clewell’s modesty and friendliness. His citation included extracts from an unsolicited letter written by a private who, hearing of the honor to be bestowed on his General, wrote to express appreciation for mailing at the request for the reception which followed, honoring the recipients of degrees. The faculty of our College and Seminary deserve to be congratulated upon the success of these two commencements.

Bro. Vernon I. Graf concluded his pastorate of seven years at Christ Church on January 28, having been called to serve our large and flourishing congregation in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin. We regret exceedingly to see him leave the South, but wish him every blessing in his new field. In a message he is returning home, for he was born in not-too-distant Lake Mills.

All the letters in this department this month, except one, are from service stations. First of all, the Chaplain, Ellis Bullins, we had to hold over from last month. As a result of its publication in the newspaper and Bishop Pfohl’s quotations from it on the radio, over $100 worth of New Testaments and other Christian literature have been sent to Bro. Bullins for distribution. A good portion of this sum was contributed by his fellow ministers after hearing this letter read at the Bishop’s Vesper on January 4.

We are glad to report that Bro.

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Ralph C. Basset, pastor of Fries Memorial Church, has now recovered fully from an operation which he had to undergo early last month. Shortly before he went to the hospital he was honored at a dinner by the Board of Christian Education in token of appreciation for six years of service as the General Secretary of this Board. With the first of the year he relinquished this post to devote all of his time to the pastorate of Fries Memorial. Thus far no one has been named to take his place in the Christian Education field.

Present at both the College and Seminary commencements on January 28, noted above, to greet old friends from the South, were the Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Stimson. Bro. Stimson has completed the required number of courses to earn a master’s degree at the Theological Seminary where he has been in attendance since he obtained a leave of absence from our Province to pursue further studies. Mrs. Stimson, meanwhile, has been back in her former position in the office of the Bethlehem Steel Company.

While we read with much sympathy about the severe cold of this winter in the North, we have had our own troubles too. It has not been colder than what we have experienced before, but not for many years have we had such a protracted spell of subfreezing weather. This was followed by many days of rain, fog and drizzle. There has not been a clear Sunday thus far this year, and the usual epidemic of colds has been much more vicious. Church attendances and other gatherings have suffered. But now that we are entering upon the Season of Lent we hope for a general improvement both in the weather and in church activity. Reports from the churches always reveal the sort of weather conditions we have been experiencing.

Our congratulations to the Rev. and Mrs. Clayton Persons upon the birth of a son, Charles Clayton, on January 4, 1945.

LETTERS

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December 14, 1944

Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dear Bishop Pfohl:

By the time you receive this letter you may be celebrating the beautiful season of Christmas back home in America. Let me extend my warmest greetings to you and to all Moravians in the Southern Province for a blessed Christmas.

I am writing from a foxhole here in this blazing hell-on-earth on the Western Front in Germany. During this past couple of months these thousands of men have lived a lifetime, but many times I have thought of you and our pastors and congregations, and my prayers and good wishes have been with you constantly. We are in the 7th Army under General Patch. We engaged the enemy at Epinal in France and have driven him back nearly a hundred miles across the Vosges mountains and on through Alsace onto his own soil. I have so many things which I would like to tell you that it would take volumes, but there is so little time and the censorship rules of Army correspondence are strict. The fighting has been very bitter across France, but since we have been inside Germany attacking this Siegfried line the battle has been the most bitter and fierce thing the world has ever seen.

I cannot find words to describe war, or even one great battle. It is beyond the comprehension of your imagination. It is even more cruel and destructive than you had thought. It is the bloodiest tragedy which has ever come upon the races of men in the history of time. I wish I could bring to your mind’s perspective the scenes which we view every hour; the tremendous undertaking of a great Army of men in a gigantic death struggle; the heart-rending experiences, the anxiety and the human emotions which are involved; the thousands of men and immense guns and vehicles moving day and night like mad beings from some strange world; the artillery and mortar shells from the enemy and our guns repeating a constant and thunderous roll, and the vicious shrapnel which causes men to dive into the mud and snow and blood and live in foxholes for hours and even days; the earth-shaking and death-dealing explosions and combinations of high-velocity shells which dig great craters in the ground and destroy whole buildings in a flash; the monstrous tanks creeping and blasting their way through the smoke and fire of tank battles; the skies darkened with thousands of bombers dropping their loads with scientific precision; the enemy planes and our own planes in battle above the earth; the towns and cities with gutted buildings, now smoking, smoking ruins; the civilians trying to flee in panic from their burning homes; the hunger and grief of children and old people exposed to the cold of severe winter; the wanton destruction and pillage of property by the Germans as they retreat; the column upon column of German prisoners coming through our lines to surrender to these little men in khaki; the roadsides and the woods and the fields covered with the bodies of German dead; the terrible loneliness and grief and suffering and death of our own men! What a picture God looks upon! What a tragic man has made! But still I know that Christ stands like a Colossus above these blood-smeared battlefields with outstretched arms in invitation for men to return to God and live in peace as brothers. This is man’s war, not God’s. But God is in this war to redeem precious human life and precious human souls.

Most of the time I work with our doctor in our Battalion Aid Station. We move with the troops where the fighting is most severe and where the men are wounded. The men in our Regiment were the first troops of the entire 7th Army to set foot on German soil, and the doctor and I were with our men.

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Put into the hands of these men, but even these organizations cannot supply and ship overseas enough Bible to meet the requests. If you or any of our Moravian pastors can send me any New Testament or pocket-size Bibles or any appropriate literature, please do so at your earliest convenience. I will appreciate this very much.

I have seen more religion practiced in the lives of these men during the past sixty days than during the whole of my lifetime before we entered this great conflict. I know that these men have a strong religious faith and conviction because I talk with hundreds of them every week, I censor their letters, I observe how they flock to worship every time they have the opportunity and the time. There are no atheists in this blazing hell-on-earth where men die every hour and others are maimed for life in a moment of time.

Bishop Pfohl, I surely wish I could tell all the Mothers and Dads across the whole broad expanse of America what a wonderful bunch of fellows these American boys are. You would love every one of them if you could observe their magnificent courage in battle and their splendid sense of loyalty and determination to serve well their great nation. You would love them and admire them for their manliness and their daring if you could be with them and share with them their toil and grief and suffering during these months of frightful danger. There seems to be a wonderful and unique sense of community and solidarity between the Chaplain and the men he serves, and especially is this true in these situations which we face daily. The friendship of these men is unbroken, and the gallant risks which they take to protect each other are to be honored through the ages by all Americans. These thousands of G. I. Joes in the infantry deserve all the honor and respect which a great nation can bestow upon them. It has been my happy privilege on several occasions to present decorations and high awards to many of these men for their bravery and excellence and outstanding service on the field of battle. They go sometimes for thirty or forty hours without sleep; they slash through the snow and rain and sleet and mud for hours upon hours, and then move on still further; they hike up mountains and down into valleys, through blackout conditions over mountainous terrains through woods and swamps and flood-swept valleys, and they have to remove the dreadful mines and booby-traps as they go; and several times each day and night they have to leap into foxholes, bury themselves in the mud and try to hide under their steel helmets to escape the flying shrapnel of mortar and artillery fire and the bullets of the trench-dwelling snipers; they have to eat cold canned rations days on end, and it’s a treat to get a weekly shave in ice water and a haircut once a month.

These are the men of the Infantry, and they keep marching on. And I wish you could see the smiles on their faces and the tears in their eyes when they receive letters and packages from their loved ones back at home. These men have never been surfeiced in strength and fortitude, courage and loyalty. It is a great joy to be able to bring them the comforting message of Christ’s love. One of the hardest things I have encountered is how to conduct the official and appropriate military funerals of some who have become my dear friends, and then have to sit down and write letters of condolence to their parents back in America.

Again, let me wish for you and all our pastors and congregations in America a most blessed Christmas. May the Spirit of the Christ be poured out upon all Moravians everywhere, and may His Spirit of love and comfort rest upon all Christian peoples across the whole earth during this Christmas season. I make request for these thousands of men and myself that your prayers go with us every hour. Our love and our prayers will be with you always.

Sincerely,

ELLIS S. BULLINS.

The Gold Coast of Africa.

Dear Mr. Allen: It is a great privilege to write you a few words. You may not remember me but I remember you so well from the time you preached for us at the

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A card was sent to me over here in Africa with the picture of the Home Church (2). I am using this picture on our chapel bulletin for this week. Working with the Division Chaplains, I help arrange for all our religious services. We use the picture of some soldier's home church each Sunday. I am mailing you these copies of this week's bulletin so you may know that I still remember you all and our work there in North Carolina. I have been a member of Fulp since 1922.

I plan to visit some of our Moravian Missions here in Africa while I am over here. I cannot tell any of them and will have to make a special trip to reach them, but hope to be able to do this. So far I have met several missionaries of the Methodist, Baptist and Catholic Missions.

The Rev. J. Calvin Barnes is one of them at present. I am sure you are well acquainted with him, and also with our former pastor, the Rev. H. B. Johnson.

May the Lord richly bless you all in your work, and ever direct your efforts for His cause.

Sincerely,

SGT. ELIAS S. BOWMAN.

(Editor's Note: Bro. Barnes informs us that Sgt. Bowman is making plans to fly to the nearest Moravian Mission, about a thousand miles distant.)

Mision Morava,
Bonanza, Nicaragua
January 12, 1945

Dear Folks at Home:

A chapter is closed; a new one is open. Another year filled—the second year for me; the year ahead full of prospects of greater service, because we speak Miskito better, and because the scarcity of missionaries.

We now have our little house almost as we want it—a comfortable fortress to come home to after forays into distant places, after days of most primitive travel and living in villages where many of the houses have not one nail in the construction but all material taken from the jungle. The total number of souls ministered to are many but at home in Bonanza attendances at services hover discouragingly near 55—but for the New Year's Watch Night Service 249 worshiped together. Each service is heard by almost a different set of persons—the Miskito men who work in the mines on Sunday afternoons come to Tician Suma Skull, and the Creole children to morning English Sunday school; those working mornings come to Tuniti Prers at 2:30 P. M., and some to instruction after that; and then a different group to English worship in the evening.

Social contact with the few American mining families has been practically nil. Maybe we did something wrong—we do not know. We do have a couple came in church. Maybe the others are frightened by the unhealed name of our mission.

Our house has been a comfort to us—planning fruit trees, watching the broadleaf bananas grow, eating our sweet papayas and trying (and only partially successfully) to make U. S. vegetables and melons grow. Airmail correspondence has come to us weekly, but ordinary mail and magazines have come just about three times a year.

Thirty persons, all told, were confirmed; four adults (health) baptized; four couples married; about 50 children baptized. Small school days were concluded with a winter mission here and at Musayas by native teachers.

Plans for the New Year: As this letter leaves here, we also plan to leave for Puerto Cabezas to conduct the Young People's Conference for the Indians on the hundred-mile stretch of coast extending on both sides of Puerto Cabezas. A new experience for these young folks, except for those near Sandy Bay where first the C. E. Conference on the Miskito Coast was conducted last January.

The church in Musayas is falling to pieces. It was built of thatch and bamboo after the bandits burned the other church at the time of Bro. Bregenzer's martyrdom. They have already paid over a thousand cordobas (worth about a thousand dollars) earned mostly by cutting rubber) for new roofing. Now they are out in the woods cutting boards with their two old hand rip-saws. A lot of board are needed, for the church must hold two hundred people.

These are short, shaggy-black-haired, Sumu Indians, a fine primitive, peace-loving tribe.

In Bonanza, too, we are saving our cordobas (worth about one-fifth an American dollar) to build a church, after the war. Dry rot is mysteriously eating some of the siding till the resultant shell is thin as paper. You could push your finger through it. The people say the lumber was sawn in the wrong stage of the moon. It is strange, because the white paint on the inside turned an ugly black soon after being applied, while the paint on the outside exposed to sun and rain is still recognizable for having been white paint. We hope to make the new church not only a meeting house but as churchly a place of worship as possible.

We had rather hoped we could have our furlough when it falls due next August (we planned either to spend some time at Princeton Theological Seminary and catch up on what's going on in the world, or to take a short course in tropical medicine which one or two universities offer for missionaries); but our Board does not think they can grant it. Two districts now are without ordained missionaries and one or two other couples are having furloughs this year. So maybe we will see you a year from next August.

In this New Year, we join you in praying for world peace and for Christ's way of living to become widespread on earth.

We appreciate hearing from you and thank you for your prayers.

Affectionately yours,

HELEN AND BOB IOBST.

The Philippines
January 9, 1945

Dear Dr. Allen:

I am pleased to know that the editors of The Wachovia Moravian agree with the Hon. Josephus Daniels in his views concerning compulsory wartime training.

You have no doubt reminded many what such can do in retarding the kind of life we try to maintain. The moral dangers to youth under such conditions are no little matter.

May I ask a question? Is having women in the service affecting the Christian teachings?

You can see I received my September copy of our church paper a little late. However, I assure you there is no such thing as an old copy of The Wachovia Moravian.

Sincerely,

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(Editor's Note: We are not quite clear as to what is meant by the question regarding women in service, so we cannot answer it. It is reported that women have been among the most effective guerrilla fighters in enemy occupied countries, but so far as we know no woman in the armed forces of the United States has been required to enter actual combat duty, though a number of them, army nurses especially, have been killed by enmity action. In a total, all-out war in which we are told repeatedly that food and other supplies count as much as guns and ammunition, it is hard to make distinctions. The Service Rolls of our churches contain the names of women as well as men. The editorial to which the writer of the above letter refers may be found in the issue for September 1944, page 2. We are glad to know that The Wachovia Moravian does not get "old" in the Philippines.)

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Greetings From The Northern Province To The Synod Of The Southern Province


As a denomination The Moravian Church is one "of the least in Israel"; but as a Brotherhood she looms large and gives promise of boundless growth.

Brotherhood has been a Moravian emphasis from the beginning. Our ancient church in Moravia and Bohemia first chose to be called "Brothers of the Law of Christ," but to avoid the risk of being considered a new order of monks, they changed it simply into "Brethren." After organization had been completed they assumed the title of "Jednota Bratrská" or "Unitas Fratrum".

"The Unity of the Brethren"

In the land of our resurrection our church is known today as "die Brüder-Kirche" or even more humbly and intimately as "die Brüder Gemeine."

The corporate title of the Northern Province is "The Provincial Elders' Conference of the Northern Diocese of the Church of the United Brethren in the United States of America," and that of the S. P. G. is "The Society of the United Brethren for Propagating the Gospel Among the Heathen."

But, what's in a name unless it truly designates and describes a distinguishing quality? We must be brethren in our every relation if we would deserve that name. Brotherhood must characterize us the world over—or as Bro. Allen has so aptly pointed out, we must indeed be "A World-Wide Fellowship."

Our fathers intended it to be such. They had very distinctly heard our Lord say to them: "One is your Master even Christ, and all ye are brethren." They established a World-wide Unity, which has weathered many a storm, and must fully function again after the termination of the war. It must again be proven that spiritual ties are more lasting than national allegiances; that love is stronger than hate; and that the banner of the cross has every right to be flown above the emblems of nations, whether these be the Stars and Stripes, the Union Jack, or even the Swastika. The world hangmen for fellowship, a fellowship that bridges the gulfs of national, racial and all other differences. The church that recognizes this as its mission and is best prepared to spread the spirit of Christian brotherhood is the church of the hour and has a future.

To be "best prepared" does however mean more than having the name "Brethren's Church" or calling itself a "Unity"; it must be brotherly. Christian brotherhood as presented by Christ must characterize her. Yes, brotherhood in practice must be her distinguishing feature.

Jesus is still saying to us: "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples if ye have love one for another." It must be said of us as it was of the early disciples, "See how these Christians love one another."

But, love must be more than an emotion. It must be a deep devotion. It must manifest itself in more than mere sentiment. It must find its true expression in service. Fellowship must also be partnership. We can't long experience the nearness to one another unless we also work with one another. Here also, "Faith without works is dead." An emotion without a devotion cannot be lasting; a sentiment must blossom forth in service.

Fellowship around a mutual problem and engaged in a common task takes on warmth and light.

We two American Provinces are learning to do things together. We have increasingly become partners in support of Moravian College and Theological Seminary. We have worked with one another in the spread of God's Kingdom. The S. P. G. has revised its constitution to make room for larger fellowship and shared responsibility in the administration of our missions. The I. P. B. has rendered the entire American Moravian Church significant service also in this that they have shown how we can work together. These, my Brethren, are trends in the right direction and I trust are merely forerunners of what is to be.

I would advocate that we might start some home mission work jointly, and where we have better opportunity to do this than in our national capital, the meeting place of South and North! Such an enterprise might lead to more along that line until South and North be truly merged and there would be but one American Province in the larger Unity of our Brotherhood.

I am fully aware of the fact that I am a Western Insurgent, who may venture "where angels fear to tread". I confess that I have not been delegated to make such overtures to you. I'll assume all responsibility for the very suggestion. But, it gives vent to my personal feeling and conviction that traditional barriers must be

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Our boys and girls in the armed forces lose sight of denominational differences as they pass with one another through the valley of the shadow of death. The experiences they thus encounter will determine for them very largely their conception of a church that can meet human needs and serve the true interests of the future. They will be far more interested in Christian brotherhood than in denominationalism of any kind.

The church most attractive to them will be the church that stressés and in her own soul exemplifies brotherhood.

We may continue to differ in custom and polity, but we must be united in Christ.

The great question will not be doctrinal, and I am a conservative, but it will be the question Christ himself put to Peter: "Love thee Me"? And be that love God must love his brother also.

Brethren, I come to you as an ambassador of good will, of larger cooperation, of closer communion, of Christian and Moravian brotherhood.

In this I do have the honor and privilege to represent our Northern Province at this your Synod. I do believe that I interpret to you the sentiment of the P. E. Church of the Northern Province, of the S. P. G. and of the various District Boards of our Province.

We extend to you our hand in behalf of a larger, truer, more effective brotherhood.

Thank you sincerely for this opportunity and privilege. And may we all be One the world over!

REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

FRIESS MEMORIAL

New Year's Communion was held immediately following a stirring message by our missionary from Nicaragua, Miss Elizabeth Marx who cited case after case where the Gospel DOES make a difference. Some of the congregation recalled the visit of her father, the late Herman Marx, who served in our church in 1926, shortly after returning from Tibet.

Other services for the month were conducted by Miss Angie Crew and Dr. F. C. Lester, both of the Congregational Christian Church, all of which were enjoyed by our people as we continue to hold union services.

The young people enjoyed a swimming party at the Y.M.C.A.

Mr. Coons has often called the "Y" the right arm of the church, on this occasion showed how it works to share the equipment which no church could afford to provide.

The pastor was cheered by the many expressions of thoughtfulness during his convalescence following a recent operation. Six weeks on the sidelines at the doctor's orders seems a long time to those who have been blessed with good health. But our lives are enriched in mysterious ways. "Trouble worketh patience, patience experience and experience hope."

The Building Fund continues to grow and has recently been aided by two sister congregations, New Philadelphia and Bethesda. A meeting of workers was held to plan further efforts in the drive.

RALPH C. BASSETT

CHRIST CHURCH

A large congregation gathered for the Holy Communion on the 7th.

Bro. Charles Adams was guest speaker at the supper meeting of the Worker's Conference on the 16th. The supper was given by the Sunday school as an expression of appreciation to the workers for their service during the past year. At the close of the evening the pastor and his wife were presented with a farewell gift.

Under the sponsorship of the Woman's Auxiliary the pastor and his wife were honored with a reception held at the church. Approximately 200 members and friends called and at the close the pastor and his wife were presented a gift. A number of other gifts were also presented from individuals and organizations during the past month. All were greatly appreciated.

The writer closed his ministry at Christ Church on the last Sunday and was happy to see a large number present at both services. We appreciated the presence of Bishop Pfohl at the afternoon service and also the presence of the Elders and Trustees who attended in a body. The past seven years have been very happy and we pray that the work at Christ Church will continue on go forward.

VERNON I. GRAF.

CALVARY.

The Holy Communion on January 7 was a mountain-top experience, Bishop Pfohl presiding and the brethren E. C. Tall, D. Johnston, and L. G. Luekenback were associated with the pastor. Our Communion record for the past year is very heartening, yet we long to do better in 1945!

A happy occasion of fellowship was the gathering of board members and their wives, heads of organizations and departments on the night of Jan. 10, at which time Dr. and Mrs. Schwarme were hosted to the large official family.

Yester services at 5 o'clock were begun this month with gratifying attendance. In them we are considering great truths from the life of Abraham.

A nursery is maintained each Sunday, We express warm appreciation to our women who take turns in this essential service as a labor of love. Mrs. F. N. West is in charge.

Our warm sympathies are again expressed to the family of little Melinda Green and the family of Sister Leona Griggs Brown in their bereavement.

January 28 was a red-letter day for the pastor. He was permitted to preach the commencement sermon at our Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pa., and received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity during the exercises. The lovely doctor's cap and gown were given him by the members of the Elders, Trustees, and Missionary Boards of Calvary. Dr. F. P. Stocker, president of the Eastern District Board of the Northern Province of our Church, presented him for the degree in a most gracious citation. Has any pastor ever had more to be thankful for?

The Rev. John R. Weinlick, pastor of Fairview, conducted services and preached at Calvary in the pastor's absence. His message and presence were deeply appreciated.

EDMUND SCHWARZE.

RURAL HALL

Holy Communion was administered on the first Sunday with good attendance.

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During the month we rejoiced in the crowning of our young people's organization and the securing of a regular teacher for our young people's class.

Our Building Improvement and Organ Fund nears the half-way mark, money having been given by members of the congregation and their friends without much fuss and effort. We hope that in the near future, and still without much fuss or effort, the project will be completed.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

CHARLOTTE

We had an interesting visit in January, Dr. Roy H. Short, editor of "The Upper Room," famous Methodist devotional magazine. In passing, it is interesting to note that this magazine has the largest circulation of any American publication with the exception of the "Reader's Digest." Dr. Short, who was holding a series of meetings in the Dilworth Methodist Church, said that he had never met a Moravian minister before, nor had he ever been in a Moravian Church until he came in ours. Knowing the history of the early contacts between Moravians and Methodists, he was greatly interested and expressed particular delight over our Moravian Text Book, especially the wide variety of hymn-stanzas used. He was provided with a complimentary copy.

Following the custom of many years standing, the pastor held his annual New Year's Vesper for a group of Charlotte ministers on January 10.

ARM 2/c Burnett Morris, USNR, was home during the month on furlough from Memphis, Tenn., before being re-assigned. S2/c T. C. Guerrant, USNR, was also home on a week-end leave.

On the 7th Frank W. Mace III, great-grandson of the late Mrs. W. T. Wohlford, was christened in St. Martin's Episcopal Church. His father is an army flyer in France.

B. V. Kelly has been appointed promotion chairman for the Greensboro Building Fund in this congregation.

Our women's organizations, the Guild and Auxiliary, made encouraging reports concerning their progress during the past six months. The Guild realized $2000 from the sale of Christmas cards.

A daughter, Patricia Burwell, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Austin on the 18th.

The Building Fund Committee is planning to canvas all members of the congregation who did not subscribe to the Building Fund last year, and also those who subscribed for only the first year. This fund in cash and pledges now stands at upwards of $35,000. The goal is $60,000.

HERBERT SPAUGH.

MOUNT AIRY

Our ten-year-olds and teenagers seem to be greatly interested in the meetings of our children's Bible hour groups which are held weekly at 4 o'clock on Wednesday afternoons.

On January 28 we dedicated a Roll of Honor for those in the service of our country. This beautiful board is a gift to the congregation from our Youth Fellowship group.

The tilling of dead trees and stubs of trees, along with the clearing away of leaves and trash, is making an improvement in the appearance of our property. The ploughing, harrowing and seeding of the graveyard was recently completed.

Anniversary Lovefeast will be held in the evening of March 18. As a feature of that service we hope to burn a note which has been held against the congregation for several months. Envelopes will be distributed for the securing of contributions toward this effort. The sympathy of the congregation is again expressed to the family of our late brother Walter A. Bingman.

Our faithful trustee, brother J. C. Dillan, is at present a patient at Martin Memorial Hospital.

Our good wishes are extended to Corporal Robert Lee Haynes and his bride, the former Miss Velma Hawks, who were united in marriage at the parsonage on January 29.

H. B. JOHNSON.

NEW PHILADELPHIA

Beginning with January this congregation assumed full-time pastoral support and in so doing also began a new schedule of services.

Encouraging monthly business meetings were held by the various organizations. The Faithful Workers Class of the Sunday school met with Mrs. R. C. Smith on the 3rd, and the Men's Class with L. M. Hauser on the 8th. Circle Two of the Woman's Auxiliary met with Mrs. F. P. Flynt and Circle One with Mrs. James H. Rash and Mrs. H. R. Crater.

The Auxiliary sponsored an evening of prayer at the church on the 11th. Two forty-five minute sessions were held with the Rev. E. T. Mickey Jr., and the Rev. Samuel J. Teach as speakers.

Voluntary contributions amounting to $49 were made to the Fries Memorial Building Fund by several interested individuals and groups. The Greensboro work will be next on our list to help.

Because of sickness, bad weather conditions and other hindrances many of our people have been kept from Sunday school and church. Yet most of our services were well attended.

Our people were privileged to hear a fine message from the Rev. John R. Weilnick delivered at the evening service on the third Sunday.

The last ten days of the month were of great spiritual blessings to this congregation through evangelistic services. For more than a year we had been anticipating the coming of Dr. John R. Church, evangelist of the Methodist Church. Johnny Maynard was secured to direct the musical program. Each evening large congregations gathered for the services and many were greatly blessed. This effort proved that the days of revival are not past. Dr. Church's messages were scriptural, deeply spiritual and earnestly delivered.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

BETHABARA

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service was a deeply spiritual one with special prayer for those away and for peace in the world in another year.

On the Saturday, January 27, our Scouts went on an over-night hike. Their was a good but cold time. This group and our older boys' class have grown during the month. Their new cellar is still not satisfactory place for meetings either for the scouts or the boys' class. A hundred years or more ago the young men of this community had a house all their own, and no Scout troop to make room for. Growing pains! What to do?

On the fourth Sunday in the morning service it was our joy to receive into our fellowship Mr. and Mrs. Harold Allen who came to us by transfer.

Our Auxiliary circles are hard at work to provide suitable equipment in the church kitchen. Running water will be next.

With the first of the year we started to save $5000 through Building and Loan installment stock. Perhaps the boys will get out of the vegetable cellar some time.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

IMMANUEL.

An inventory of the assets and liabilities of our congregation indicates that we have fallen short in our work for the youth of our community. Only one step is being taken to assure an adequate program both for Sunday and weekday activities. Present plans will call for a number of leaders to be recruited from our membership.

We always come to the beginning of a new year with the hope that this is the year when we shall have a truly representative gathering at the Holy Communion. Pearl Harbor produced that for just one year. The urgency appears not to exist now. The congregation participating on January 7 was small.

The Auxiliary continues its effective work. The attention given to patients in the local hospitals received considerable comment both from patients and their families. The three circles met as follows: One with Mrs. J. B. Robertson at the church; Two with Mrs. William E. Froelich and Three with Mrs. Annie Stokes.

Commendation is in order for those who aided in publicizing the Stewardship Lovefeast. The fine attendance was sufficient reward. The group from Immanuel was one of, if not the largest. Already the new system of church school records is producing good results.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

OLIVET.

The first Sunday of the New Year was marked by the celebration of the Lord's Supper at the morning service.

Bro. Alex W. Beroth who has been elected superintendent of the Sunday school took office with the first of the year. Bro. Beroth succeeded Bro. L. G. Hutchins who had served for one year. The children's department of which Mrs. A. O. Conrad is superintendent has been reorganized. The teachers in this department are Mrs. H. A. Carrier, juniors; Mrs. J. H. McKeough, primary; and Mrs. G. R. Kiger, beginners. Miss Connie Scott is secretary and Miss Betty Scott, pianist.

Sympathy is hereafter expressed to Mrs. Noland Conrad in the death of her mother.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS

HOME CHURCH.

Foreign Missions received special emphasis during January. Early in the month Miss Elizabeth Marz was a visitor at the parsonage and spoke to a general meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary. On the 21st the Mission Band held its annual lovefeast. Brother Wm. A. Kallirich delivered a masterful address on "The Gospel of Christ for the Poor". It was both instructive and inspiring. On the 29th Mrs. Anna B. Schwab was the guest of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at the quarterly meeting of that organization and spoke about our work in Alaska. A donation of $425.00 was given by a member of the Home Church to the hospital at Bilwas Karma to be used for the building and furnishing of a new kitchen for the hospital.

A series of Bible studies on the Ten Commandments was begun during January at the mid-week services.

On the 28th the annual Stewardship Lovefeast sponsored by the Board of Christian Education of the Province was held at the Home Church with a good attendance and an address by the Rev. Ray Fisher, pastor of the Augsburg Lutheran Church of this city.

On the 15th the Boy Scouts entertained at dinner the Old Hickory Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Awards and Merit Badges were presented at this time to several outstanding Scout leaders.

On the 16th the officers and teachers of the Sunday school held a supper meeting when special instruction was given in the new Sunday school record system.

The Men-of-the-Church met on the first Thursday for supper in Fellowship Hall. Letters from Home Church servicemen were read expressing appreciation for the Christmas boxes sent them by the Men-of-the-Church. The Rev. David Weinland delivered the address at this gathering on: "The Veterans' Religion". Definite plans for welcoming home the returning servicemen and women are being made by a committee appointed by Church Council. This committee is holding regular meetings to study the needs of the young men and women and our church's opportunity in serving them as they return.

R. GORDON SPAUGH

CLAYTON PERSONS, 
Assistant.

PROVIDENCE.

Funds for our proposed parsonage will amount to over $2,000 by the end of this year, thanks to the 29 members who pledged approximately $500 on January 14.

We believe this congregation is rapidly approaching the time when it can support a full-time minister, and our plan is to have a parsonage built and paid for when a minister is available. Then we can devote all our efforts toward the support of a full-time program. This is our part in the "Program of Progress."

The congregation presented the pastor with a cash purse of $50 for Christmas, to be applied on a

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suit of clothes. This he did—and many thanks!

We extend our sympathy to the families of Bro. Matthew L. Crews and Bro. Joseph E. Crews who went to their eternal reward since our last report.

Recently entered the service of our country: George Brooks and Vernon Tuttle, Hospitalized: Jno. P. Masten. Honorable discharge: Vernon Roberson.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

MT. BETHEL.

With the Christmas rush behind us, we are now back into our regular schedule of services which have been well attended considering the muddy roads and bad weather.

Mrs. Agnes Clark Smith, one of our faithful members, passed away at the Martin Hospital in Mount Airy on the 7th. The funeral was conducted on the 9th at Mt. Bethel and was very largely attended. The pastor was assisted by the Rev. C. D. Crouch.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

WILLOW HILL.

Attendances for January were fairly good considering the rough winter weather. This church now is getting a preaching service every Sunday, two in the morning and two at night. With this new schedule, the mid-week prayer meetings have been suspended for the winter months.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

MAYODAN.

Our first service of the New Year took the form of a solemn installation of the officers of the church and Sunday school. A report of the work for 1944 was read and our new leaders were called upon to dedicate themselves to a year of spiritual progress and blessing.

We were busy in the early weeks of January in preparation for our revival services which began on January 21 with Bro. Jno. R. Church, Methodist evangelist, in the pulpit. Ten cottage prayer meetings were held in as many homes which brought a growing spirit of intercession for the unsaved. The pastor is grateful to Mrs. W. H. Bollin who conducted three of these meetings while he conducted others simultaneously.

Our revival services extended from January 21 to 28 with morning services on both Sundays. Meetings were well attended, sometimes by scores of unsaved people. Preaching was excellent and convicting. Many were deeply affected and felt there was much conviction of sin. Many sought a deeper Christian experience but there were no professions by those not already church members. Operation from all branches of our Sunday school provided a variety of special musical numbers in all the services.

A surprise visit during the month by Bro. and Sr. Hedgecock gave our members a cheerful evening in one of the homes as they showed moving pictures of their experiences since leaving the work at Mayodan. Bro. Hedgecock also attended and spoke in one of our cottage prayer meetings.

The pastor had the privilege of speaking at the County Road Camp at Wentworth on the first Sunday afternoon in January.

WILLIAM A. KALSTREIDER.

CLEMMONS.

Holy Communion was administered on the first Sunday. Our Church Board met at the home of Jacob Cumby on the evening of the 3rd while the Woman’s Auxiliary met at the parsonage on this same evening.

On January 30 the pastor assisted in the funeral of George West. Burial was in the Clemmons Moravian Graveyard.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPE.

The regular services were held on the first and third Sunday mornings and an extra service on the second Sunday evening. We were much pleased with the number present for the evening service and believe that some will come to this who may not be able to attend morning services.

The Auxiliary met with Mrs. Edgar A. Holton on the 11th and the Church Board met at the parsonage on the 20th.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS.

The regular services are as follows: the first Sunday morning at 11:30, the third Sunday afternoon at 3 and the fourth Sunday evening at 7:30. In addition we have a Church Board and Woman’s Auxiliary meeting on the second Friday night in each month. These are held in different homes in the community.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

TRINITY.

The New Year’s Eve Watch Night service was held as usual with the band taking a prominent part. The Rev. and Mrs. Allen Hedgecock were welcome visitors. Cheering news has been received that Sgt. J. Franklin Hedgecock reported missing in action on November 30, is a prisoner of war in Germany. Comforting letters came recently from Lieut. Allen Perryman, Jr., who is at Stalag Luft III in Germany. Pvt. Barbara Perryman, his wife, now a nurse in a military hospital at Denver, Colo., recently received military decoration for Allen.

A serious fire destroyed the packing room at the Unique Furniture Company, three blocks from Trinity Church. Fortunately, only fourteen men were employed in this building, and most of the employees were not affected.

There has been a joyous homecoming this month: Lieut. John M. M. Mock came after completing required number of missions, flying from England; Corp. Rix Floyd, wounded in Africa and later in service on the Italian front; S/Sgt. Dilworth Yokley, for two years on the Gold Coast and elsewhere in Africa; Pvt. O. H. Fisher, Jr., seriously wounded near Metz; Henry H. Sherrill Jr., AS, on the way to Northwestern University, Chicago; Pvt. Paul A. Snider from Fort Bragg; W. B. Cooke T/2e and Mrs. Cook from Erie, Pa.; Sgt. Kermit A. Parrish from Hawaii.

Fifty musicians who assisted in our Christmas service were served a supper by the Trustees.

Miss Elizabeth Marx was a visiting speaker recently.

Ray B. Johnson and Fulton A. Sink have been seriously ill at the hospital, but have improved.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

ADVENT.

The Christian Endeavor members visited New Philadelphia on two different evenings during the recent revival and sang at both services. Their monthly social was held in the basement of the church with a large attendance. The main feature of the evening was the amateur program in which every
one took part. Hamburger and coffee were the refreshments.

Mesdames Ira Long and Alonso Myers entertained the Auxiliary in the basement of the church with a large attendance. The reports of the George meeting were with interest.

We were pleased to have the Rev. and Mrs. Allen S. Hedgecock visit in our Advent community during the month. Allen is an Advent boy.

The pastor enjoyed a two-day vacation, the first since the summer of 1961, in the City Memorial Hospital where Dr. Sprunt operated for ligature of veins.

Two visits were made to the Forsyth County Tuberculosis Hospital. Special music with a message were given, while in connection with the last service Bro. Roy Sayer showed his moving pictures of Alaska.

Four of our young men were called into the armed forces this month: Daniel Boone Sides and Thomas Gibson enlisted in the Navy, and Lester Snider and Arthur Lee Williard passed the examination for either the Navy or the Army.

The interior of the parsonage is being redecorated. At the 11 o'clock service on Jan. 14, Early B. Hiatt was received into membership by the sacrament of adult baptism.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

BETHANIA.

Newly elected officers of the Sunday school took up school with the first of the year. They are: Bro. R. M. Butner, superintendent; Bro. H. H. Butner, secretary; Miss Lola Butner, superintendent of primary department; and Miss Emma Elizabeth Kapp, superintendent of junior-intermediate department.

Beginning with the first Sunday the new record system for Sunday schools in our Province was installed.

The Lord's Supper was celebrated on the first Sunday of the New Year at the morning service with fair attendance in spite of unfavorable weather.

Miss Nannie Pepper, a resident of Danbury and a member of the Bethania congregation, died on January 14. In 1933 she gave the Scout cabin to Bethania.

F. L. Matthews who lived in Bethania as a young man was buried in our graveyard on January 22. Dr. George Manse was in charge of the funeral with the pastor assisting.

The Philathia Class met at the home of Mrs. W. E. Shouse at which time the present officers were re-elected. Mrs. W. V. Shouse is president and Mrs. Minnie Kapp teacher.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Hunter on the birth of a daughter and to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brown on the birth of a son.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

FRIEDLAND.

Our New Year's Holy Communion was an especially blessed service, participated in by a large congregation. Only once before has the attendance been larger.

Under the leadership of Bro. William C. Hine, troop committee man, preparations move forward for the addition of a kitchen to our cabin. In response to an appeal for funds on the third Sunday $100 was contributed. Necessary excavation, logs and lumber are already prepared.

The Auxiliary met with Mrs. Raymond E. Ebert and made plans for a supper at the Belo House, arranged for the making of two quilts for Labrador, and appropriated a substantial sum to the funds for the cabin kitchen.

After a brief period of excellent service Bro. L. M. Hine has resigned as superintendent of our church because of ill health. Bro. Raymond E. Ebert has been elected and began his duties with the beginning of the year.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

KING.

Our New Year's Communion was held at the Watch Night service, attended by some 40 people. Any church which has never held Holy Communion at a time like that should try it. Ours was a most helpful service.

On the night of the third Thursday our Sunday school teachers met to talk over the new records and how to increase attendance. Results should soon be evident.

Our junior choir has been working hard, and will again help with the music at our anniversary service in February.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

FULP.

Plans are underway to renovate the church auditorium. Since our church is entirely too large for our congregation, and we find it practically impossible to heat the building in the winter, we plan to place partitions in the auditorium and lower the ceiling. We would appreciate any good ideas on the proposed plan.

Services have continued during the winter. At times the attendance is exceptionally good; at other times rather poor.

At the beginning of the year the following changes were made in our Sunday school personnel: James H. Fulp, superintendent; Arthur Johnson, adult teacher-replacing M. O. Jones who in turn becomes assistant to both; Mrs. Marie Marshall, primary superintendent, assisted by Mrs. Etta Clark.

The pastor wishes to thank the congregation for the cash poured presented to him during the Christmas season.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

OAK GROVE.

We launched our building fund drive for our new church on January 14. Fifty-seven members pledged $1,750 for the year and we feel sure that most of our members will contribute to this fund before the end of the year. This enterprise is a part of our "Program of Progress."

Our Christmas programs were highly successful. Due to lack of seating space in the church auditorium, many persons were turned away from our Lovefeast and Candle Service. The Sunday school presented the pastor with a check for $25 for his Christmas present. Many thanks!

Recently received honorable discharge: James Fulp. Injured: Leslie Smith, Raymond Ebert, and Arthur Conover.

The Philathea Auxiliary, who departed this life during Christmas week.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

WACHOVIA ARBOR.

After the busy month of December this month of January has sold and Horace Hester.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Mr. Nance Hester Swain who departed this life during Christmas week.

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been rather quiet and rather long. We were pleased to see new faces in Sunday school and to have the Rev. Frank Hedland teach the lessons for the adult classes. The Auxiliary always looks forward to the January meeting which is held in Chatham Heights with Misses Anna and Besse Boose. A large crowd and the giving were among the things discussed for planning our missionary work in Labrador.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

BROTHER LUCKENBACH'S REPORT.

Began the year with a New Year's sermon at King on January 7, and assisted with the Holy Communion service in Calvary. Preached at Bethesda on January 21, and conducted the service at Bethesda on the 28th.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

FAIRVIEW.

One of the noteworthy phases of our work during January was the increase in the mid-week service. For the three months preceding Easter, the joint-board voted to have a different group in charge of the service each week, namely, Elders, Trustees, Auxiliary, and Sunday school teachers. Respective chairmen of these groups are R. R. Kinney, R. C. Williams, Mrs. J. B. Snyder, and James L. Fulk. Two outside speakers have been secured thus far, Robert L. Coons of the local Y. M. C. A. and Mrs. LeRoy Izlar, Sunday school teacher from Home Church. Average attendance at the mid-week services for January was 48.

At the date of this writing plans are under way for a final drive beginning February 4 to wipe out the parsonage debt by the end of the fiscal year on June 30. The parsonage was purchased in the summer of 1940 for $6,000 with practical no down payment, and in less than five years the debt has been reduced to $1,500. This fine record is due to the faithfulness of the Auxiliary who sponsored the project, the generosity of many of the Fairview members, and the generosity also of a few friends outside the congregation. Our aim is a debt-free church property before our services come back. We are eager also to be free of local debts to have a greater part in mission and benevolence work outside the congregation.

Band rehearsal preparatory to Easter got under way the latter part of the month. Alan Barnes and Bill Lineback, two of our high school seniors with considerable band experience, volunteered to take charge, and their offer was accepted.

Two infants were baptized during January, both sons of service men. They were Robert Edward Foster, Jr., son of Sgt. and Mrs. Robert E. Foster, and James Samuel Pfaff Jr., son of Pfc. and Mrs. S. Pfaff. Sgt. and Mrs. Foster were the first couple to be married at Fairview by the present pastor.

JOHN R. WEINLICHL.

KERNERSVILLE.

The first Sunday in January found us around the Holy Communion table in encouraging numbers despite inclement weather. At this service the infant son of Bro. and Sr. J. O. Hunt was presented to the Lord in baptism. January weather, especially on the Sunday, was generally unfavorable, and made us the more grateful to have our group of children hold up better than we might have expected. Bishop Pfohl kindly filled the pulpit on the 29th.

A combined social and official gathering took place on the 18th. Bro. Kenneth L. Greenfield owned it, Bro. Dan Williard staid-fed it, who did the butchering we do not know, but as a result of all this the members of our two adult classes, with husbands and wives, sat down to a tempting steak supper. Officers and teachers of our Sunday school not otherwise included in this company were extended special invitations, so after the meal a Sunday School Workers' Council meeting was held. The new record system which we were about to install was explained. One very special guest was Cpl. Vernon Vanrock of the U. S. Marine Corps, who was at home for his first leave since enlisting in this branch of the service. He had spent 27 months overseas in the Pacific Area, and had been in four invasions.

There is no space here to report on the whereabouts or movements of our members. We attempt to do in our monthly newsletter, "The Kernersville Moravian," copies of which are mailed regularly to all non-resident members, and by our members and friends to their relatives and friends both at home and abroad. The Season of Lent will be observed by us in the customary manner. A Lenten letter has been sent to all members, special mid-week service will be held, the instruction class is being held, and the Sundays in Lent will lay stress on the meaning of Christ's suffering and death.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

MORAVIA.

Howard Kirkman was at home on a brief furlough, after which he expects to be sent overseas. Howard Ledbetter has already left for foreign soil, with an evacuation hospital. John Lee, Jr., wrote us from the Philippines, said he was glad to get out of New Guinea.

All our services have been well attended in spite of inclement weather. Every preshing Sunday night at Moravian so far this year has brought rainy weather. We are always encouraged to see how our people come out for the services, many having to walk through the mud. There has been a great deal of sickness in the community and congregation during the winter months, so we are hoping for more favorable conditions soon.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

INFANT BAPTISMS.

Davis—Louise Rankson, infant daughter of Archie K. and Mary Louise m. n. Haywood Davis, born on October 18, 1944, was baptized December 31, 1944, by the Rev. R. Gordon Spangh.

Everhart—Martha Anne, infant daughter of John D. and Adeline M. n. Haner Everhart, born February 21, 1944, was baptized December 31, 1944, by the Rev. R. Gordon Spangh.

Hankins—Patricia Reed, infant daughter of Joseph Banks and Nola M. n. Reed Hankins, was baptized February 28, 1945.

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Dize—Camilla Elizabeth, infant daughter of Edward James and Betty M. Yates Dize, was baptized in the Home Church on January 29, 1945, by the Rev. R. Gordon Spaugh.

Hunt—Jerome Otto, infant son of J. O. and Ruth Besson Hunt, born Sept. 23, 1944, was baptized in the Kernersville Church on Jan. 7, 1945, by Dr. Walter H. Allen.

Foster—Robert Edward, Jr., son of Sgt. Robert E. and Dorothy M. Davis Foster, born in Winston-Salem, N. C., September 6, 1944, was baptized in Fairview Church on January 7, 1945, by the Rev. John R. Weinlick.


Johnson—Phillip Wesley, infant son of Thomas Edward and Mary Elizabeth Johnson, Jr., m. N. Snyder, born in Winston-Salem on October 12, 1944, was baptized at Trinity Church on January 14, 1945, by the Rev. Douglas L. Rights.

DEATHS.


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ANNOUNCEMENTS
By The Provincial Foreign Mission Board

I.—CLOTHING AND QUILTS FOR LABRADOR

For a number of years we have collected large quantities of warm, used clothing, warm underwear, blankets and quilts for our mission in Labrador. Together with similar collections from our Northern Province, these shipments have accomplished untold good at a time when the Labrador mission is largely cut off from the home Province in Great Britain.

We are calling again for such a gathering of warm materials throughout our Province, in every congregation. The need is as great as ever. Please collect your garments, quilts, etc., in the local church and then send them to Brother Stockton's office, 500 South Church Street, from now until April 15. April 15 is positively the deadline for your gifts to be in this office to be in time for shipment.

The directors of the Foreign Mission Board ask that we unite heartily in this urgent need of our people in Labrador.

II.—PROVINCIAL MISSIONARY DAY APRIL 29.

We began last year, with great success, a Missionary Day for our entire Province in the season following the Easter blessing. The recent Synod unanimously endorsed this observance to be held annually. Our Moravian Ministers’ Conference has likewise warmly approved it. Accordingly, we are happy to announce the Mission Day for this year as April 29, the fifth Sunday of April, at 3 o’clock in the afternoon at the Home Church, in connection with a fellowship lovefeast.

We have secured Dr. C. Darby Fulton, of Nashville, Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church, as our speaker. He comes very highly recommended. He will give us a vision of the strategic part foreign missions must play in a post-war better world. Do not miss this notable address!

Of special interest, also, will be our offering. It will be devoted to the publishing of our Moravian Liturgy and Hymns in the Eskimo language. The fair share of our Province in the cost of publication is about $750. By dividing this amount among all our congregations, we find that it will not be a burden on any of us; rather an offering we will be happy to bring on Foreign Mission Day.

The directors of the Foreign Mission Board enlist your eager interest and earnest prayer for a day of real blessing and inspiration. EDMOND SCHWARZ, Chairman.

An Open Letter To Every Member Of The Southern Province

Our Moravian College and Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, serves both the Southern and Northern Provinces in the education of its ministers and missionaries. It is an institution with a long history, going back to 1807.

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It is only fair to say that the Southern Province has had only a meager part in furnishing money for either buildings or endowment. Yet our students have been received on an equal basis with students from the Northern Province and seven members of the Southern Province are serving on the Board of Trustees.

During recent years, the fiscal policy of the institution has under-
of the $5,700, and your personal contribution will go toward meeting your church's quota. You are asked to keep this urgent appeal in mind and support your local boards in their effort on the date which they will designate in due course. Whatever assistance you give will be blessed of God and will be greatly appreciated by:

Your brethren of the PROVINCIAL ELDER'S CONFERENCE and

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J. Kenneth Pfohl, Chairman
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AS WE SEE IT

Mrs. L. G. Luckenbach had the misfortune to suffer a fall—in her home—and break a hip. She was taken to the hospital where an operation proved highly successful. She is now at home again, we are glad to report, and making satisfactory progress toward what is expected to be a complete recovery.

As it was originally prepared, the first paragraph in this column last month offered our warmest congratulations to our Fairview congregation upon getting completely out of debt—for the first time since 1920. At the last minute it was learned that this much to be desired goal is not expected to be reached until June, and Bro. Weinlick, Fairview's pastor, asked that we delay our comment until then. So we "lifted" that first paragraph (already in type), but failed to note that in the second we had said: "Congratulations also to Dr. Edmund Schwarze, etc." This explains the "also" which puzzled many of our readers. According to Bro. Weinlick's report in this issue, Fairview is sure to reach the goal she has set for herself, so our congratulations are quite in order. It has been a long hard pull, but the end is now happily in sight.

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That the P. E. C. appoint a Post-war Planning Board to work with designated representatives of other Provinces, in suggesting, anticipating needs, and reporting on the possible re-establishment and rehabilitation of Moravian churches and congregations throughout the world which have been destroyed, discouraged, or disbanded because of global war.

IN THE BACKLASH OF A HURRICANE

By The Rev. Werner G. Marx,
Moravian Missionary to Honduras,
Central America. A Thrilling Account of Missionary Travel

Like a cat in the top of a pine tree, for us the question was not, "How did you get there?" but, "How are you going to get back?"

We were in Coeloba, Martha, little Martita, and I. Our Workers' Institute had been a success. In Brus, in Coeloba, and in Iorona we crossed off entry after entry on our list of "Things-to-do." And now it was time to go back. But a strong wind was blowing.

Coeloba is sans radio and sans barometer. On Sunday the storm so agitated the bamboo chapel that its expansive thatched roof heaved and fell like the breast of some worn-out swimmer. On Monday, the weather was to leave, there was no change. On Tuesday, the wind abated but the breakers kept devouring the shoreline. Only in Brus did we learn that a major hurricane had intended coming our way but then veered towards Cuba. On Wednesday we left.

A number of our members went ahead with the baggage and we followed on horses, mine a lop-eared stallion reputed to bite people. The first leg of the trip was through a savannah. In the cool of the morning we might for all the world have been riding in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia. Then we came to the beach. A great heap of driftwood and coconut husks had piled up. I rode out over this but my nag broke through, as through ice, into water below, and I dismounted in a hurry. We finally got out to the clear sand only to see that a new inlet was being carved out by the storm. Through this opening a break-break-through we raced over the sea-wet sand as soon as a big wave rolled in, hoping to reach higher ground before the next one charged.

From Bar River to Brus Bar (not a tavern) riding was impossible. The sea had consumed the entire beach and we had to thread our way through the underbrush, maehetes slashing a new trail. At one spot our timing was bad, and we had not been for a friendly tree, we would surely have been swept off our feet.

At the Bar the mission duty was waiting for us. Three young men, good sailors, took us safely to Brus village. They had trimmed the surf. Still we raced with tall waves, some of which, angry at being overtaken, shook their white heads at us and tried to jump in.

The Brus people reflect to this day the lovable spirit of their friends, the Diskito pastoral, Don Jimmy Downs. Imagine a cluster of them at the waterside. The dugout is all loaded (overloaded). The outboard motor is screwed in place. But before we leave we bow our heads for a parting prayer: "Dear Lord: We are Thy children traveling as Thy messengers. Be with us, protect us, into Thy hands we commend this congregation. Help them to win the man who do not as yet believe. Amen.

We knew that on that Friday our acquaintance with the suspicious people to whom I could "herald the Word of God," approached it with the message of peace.

When I entered the village of Kibiar in Spiti, I found one very aged woman, too old and infirm to move from the sun-baked boulder on which she was sitting. On asking her whether the people had gone, she replied that they had gone off to fetch wood from the hills. It was useless to argue with the poor old thing, who one knew must have been tutored to tell the foreigner what was obviously an untruth. But then, I had visited Spiti before, and therefore was not unaccustomed to the suspicious nature of the people.

It was clear that the good people of Kibiar did not wish to see me. They did not want to listen to the preaching of the Gospel; and probably they thought that my visit might result in the failure of their crops which at the time were ripe unto harvest, and swaying in the breeze which cooled the parched earth over which I had traveled for the best part of a day. This was the antithesis of the welcome and hospitality one expected from Tibetans, but Spiti is different somehow from any other district in Western Tibet which I have had to visit.

Night came on and still no sign of man, woman, or child; and the next morning found the village still deserted. In these wild places news travels surprisingly fast and with almost unerring certainty, and the apparent conspiracy of silence is somewhat disconcerting and uneasy.

There was only one thing to do, and that was to shake off the Himalayan dust of one's feet on this tranquil village which was the Word of Life by the simple though effective expedient of a general evacuation.

I have no doubt that in the ordinary course of nature the crops may have failed from time to time, cattle died of mysterious diseases, and that sickness and death have visited it before and since I set foot in Kibiar, but one thing is pretty certain, and that is that the calamities great or small will have been laid at the door of the foreigner.

What would readers of Moravian Missions have done under similar circumstances? Gone off to another village, hoping for a better reception? This is exactly what I did, and this time I did get a few people to whom I could herald the Good News. One is reminded of Titus, faced with the temptation to be thoroughly out of patience with the scolding and scandalous Cretans for whom he toiled. One took fresh courage in the thought that if those heroic early missionaries who evangelized the Gentiles, forefathers, had lacked Titus' spirit when he went to Crete, where would our civilization now have been?

But the silent witness of a gospel text carved into a rock just outside Kibiar is still there, and will remain there for untold generations. This brief account is illustrative of the hard task which confronts the missionary or the evangelist in his career in the Himalayas. Think what it means to go on from year to year with no visible signs of having made the slightest impression on the minds and hearts of these people; and having thought this out, pray that light may break in what appears to be the impenetrable darkness of Tibet.—From Moravian Missions.

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THE EVACUATED VILLAGE IN TIBET

A MISSIONARY EXPERIENCE
By The Rev. Walter Ashe

This village in Tibet was by no means in the war zone, but it was evacuated nevertheless; and the reasons for the wholesale exodus of its inhabitants were very different from those which compel need populations nowadays to leave their dwellings for some unknown destination.

This Tibetan village, in short, was evacuated because a soldier of the Cross, carrying the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, approached it with the message of peace.

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REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

FRIEDBERG.

The Women's Auxiliary served a chicken-pie supper to nearly fifty members of the Workers' Conference on Feb. 6. Place-cards and Valentine Day decorations lent a festive air to the occasion. After the supper Rosetta Myers, J. E. Swaim, Guy Zimmermann, and Ralph Reich gave reports on the progress of the church school goals undertaken at the beginning of the year. Then the body received the recommendation of the executive council that two new features for the school's record be adopted: the first, the establishing of a card file for all pupils and the second a card-checking arrangement for absentees. Besides approving this move, the conference voted the adoption of a set of standards for the uniform keeping of all records. Appreciation to those whose real and material work made this evening happily successful was expressed by a loud applause.

In the absence of the pastor, the Rev. David E. Weinland preached on the first and third Sundays and Bishop Pfefi preached and held Holy Communion on the second Sunday. For a part of this time the pastor and his wife were away on vacation. Our thanks are extended to the brethren who ministered on these Sundays.

A joint meeting of the boards revealed that over $900 had been raised for the Greensboro Church with a small amount yet to be turned in. A majority of the boards participated in this every member canvas for the material assistance of the Greensboro congregation: We have ourselves received a sense of satisfaction and blessing from our efforts, and extend to Greensboro with our gift our prayersful hopes for success.

As a people we express sympathy in the death of Sr. Rosa Spaghe Foltz to the family of this beloved wife and mother. Her departure is a loss to home, church and community where her heart and hand were long engaged.

JOHN W. FULTON.

BETHABARA.

Our Scout troop is growing both in numbers and activity. An overnight hike early in the month was well attended. On Scout Sunday morning worship was held in a body, attended to ushering and like activities in the morning worship service. We are proud of our troop.

Largest attendance of the month was on the first Sunday night when the young people sponsored a special speaker in their service, and the entire congregation turned out to hear him. A native of Hawaii who was present at the attack of Pearl Harbor gave us interesting light upon relationships which he and his people believe should exist in a post-war world.

Lenten Holy Communion was a well-attended and inspiring service. Serving of Communion in our congregation is becoming increasingly a problem because of crowding.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

ADVENT.

This has been a month of house cleaning in the true sense of the word. The parsonage is being cleaned with a paint brush, from top to bottom. This is the first painting that has been done on the Woodward, and most of the rooms, since the house was built some sixteen years ago. The rooms have been dismantled and are in such awful confusion that the parson has almost declared an auction sale, in order to get a second start. How fortunate there is no mistress in the house, otherwise she would have called a hault to the whole affair long ago. The Mormon Temple wasn't built in a day, neither is Advent parsonage painted and cleaned in a month. It will be very nice when once completed and in order. Just one man is doing the work.

Pvt. Grady Fry who is now in France was converted while on the battle front and wished to unite with Advent Church. On Sunday morning the 4th, he was publicly received into full communicant membership. His wife and infant son, also his brother and wife, were present.

On Sunday morning of the 18th, the Lenten Holy Communion was held, at which time many met together around the Lord's Table and reconsecrated themselves to Christ and His service.

The Woman's Auxiliary met in the church basement with Madelma Ben Fishel, Sr., Gilbert Hege and Gill Hill as hostesses. The congregation is deeply indebted to Mr. and Mrs. James Brewer, Sr., for the three large fire extinguishers which they had placed and gave to the church and parsonage. One has been placed in the parsonage kitchen.

The Christian Endeavor Society has as its guests at a Valentine social in the church basement on Monday evening, Feb. 12, the members of the Trinity Society.

P. D. Chiddy had charge of the words and Johnny Maynard conducted the song service. A chicken salad course was served to more than fifty.

A large delegation of our young people attended the Wheaton College Chapel Choir program given in Salem Baptist Church.

Our Sunday night services have been enriched with Brother Johnny Maynard in charge of the song service and special music.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

ARDMORE.

Sunday attendance averages since New Year's are: Church School, 175; Morning Worship, 153; Vespers, 77; and Youth Fellowship, 26.

The local chapter of the Foreign Missionary Society has been continuing its schedule of interesting programs on the last Wednesday of each month, presenting Mrs. Fred Schwab at the January meeting; and an illustrated lecture: "Round the World with Moravian Missions" at the February service, with 95 present. Membership in the F. M. S. has trebled in the past year, from 24 to 73.

Our Boy Scout Troop 101 was represented by 14 Scouts and 7 Scouters at the annual banquet of Old Hickory Council held at the Home Church during National Boy Scout week. The week was recognized with a special Scout vespers service on Sunday, Feb. 4.

The primary department of the church school enjoyed a Valentine party given by its superintendent and teachers, Mrs. R. B. Hurst, Mrs. Aldine Ebert, and Mrs. Alton Spahnour.

The Men's Bible Class is pushing on toward its goal of $500 for the building fund. It served a country ham supper on the 10th, with almost 250 meals served. The brethren are somewhat reluctant to continue these fine suppers because their wives are discovering what efficient K. P.'s they married!

The provincial Young People's Union held its Lenten Rally in our church with 220 youth present for the lovefeast and the fine address by the Rev. J. S. Cox, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Our youth fellowship held what we hope was its first annual banquet on Washington's birthday, with a bounteous meal served by the Afternoon Circle of the Woman's Auxiliary. The message by Bro. Douglas Rights, pastor of Trinity Moravian Church, ably demonstrated its title: "The Power of an Idea."

Mrs. Fred E. Snow is the new supervisor of the church nursery which is open during each Sunday morning service. She, and the corps of 26 ladies who serve under her direction, are greatly appreciated.
her direction, are rendering a valuable service.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

TRINITY.

Boy Scout Anniversary was noted with an address by Scout Commissioner Banks Newman. New headquarters for our troop will soon be ready in the Sparrow store building across from the church. Scoutmaster Robert Sparrow and his troop will have plenty of elbow room now.

A minor casualty of the month, the pastor got stuck on a sticky hill in the snow as he was going to a meeting of an Auxiliary circle at Mrs. E. Mae Ward’s. With the assistance of a shovel and several Auxiliary members, the stalled machine was dug out.

Sixty teachers and officers of the Sunday school attended a supper meeting of the council, Superintendent Lawson was well satisfied.

Sgt. Claudine Honeywell, WAC, a native of Alsace, attended mid-week service on the 14th and spoke briefly.

At a union meeting of churches in our community on the evening of the 29th the Gray High School chorus furnished a musical program.

Day of Prayer was held on a drizzly day. Assisting were the Rev. Howard Foltz, the Rev. Marion G. Bradwell of Reynolds, the Rev. Charles B. Adams, and Bishop J. K. Pfohl. Mrs. Rex Freeman and Mrs. Ray B. Johnson presided.

High Sunday school mark for the month was 311, on February 25. On that day we recognized the long and faithful labors of J. Fred Brower, teacher of the Men’s Bible class. Brief talks were made by T. E. Johnson, Sr., Archie Elledge, and the pastor. On the evening of the 25th, the Rev. John R. Weinlick brought a fine message.

Midweek service continues on the upgrade. Dennis Byerly, Jr., is president of the Midweek Club. Miss Eloise Hege went to Richmond, Va., for an operation, and is reported to be improving. Elbert Petree, Jr., has recovered from severe illness sufficiently to return to work in New Jersey. Among others who had serious illness, but who have shown improvement if not recovery are Ray B. Johnson, E. E. Turner, and Fulton Sink.

Our sympathy is extended to Mrs. Ray V. Campbell, who experienced deep bereavement by the death of her father and of an uncle, at Harmony.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

PROVIDENCE.

Jessie William Grubbs and Coleman Bryant Ridings were received into our fellowship by the sacrament of adult baptism on February 18.

Sunday evening prayer meetings are scheduled to begin March 4. Reorganization of our young people will begin with a banquet, sponsored by the Men’s Class. The committee to study plans met at the home of Mrs. W. R. Knouse on February 28.

Our sympathy is expressed to the family of M. F. James who recently departed this life.

Bro. Chadwick presented the Greensboro Project to us on February 25.

J. CALVIN BARNES

FAIRVIEW.

In our last report we called attention to the special drive to wipe out the debt on our parsonage. In response to a single appeal made to the congregation on February 2, enough cash and pledges came in to insure a debt-free congregation by the end of the fiscal year on June 30.

This good news has put heart into plans to celebrate Fairview’s fiftieth anniversary in late April and early May. Fairview began as a Sunday school on May 5, 1885, though organization as a congregation did not take place until July 12, 1908. The Elders have voted to hold a week of anniversary services from April 30 to May 6. The plan is for a different speaker each evening. The celebration will include a fellowship supper, Holy Communion, and lovefeast. An anniversary booklet is in process of preparation.

As this goes to press we are also looking forward to the annual Day of Prayer sponsored by the Women’s Auxiliary. Having discontinued the plan of a week-day service with a noon luncheon several years ago, the women have decided to try it again. The Day of Prayer will be on Wednesday, March 14, with morning and noon sessions, and a luncheon at noon. Speakers will be the brethren E. T. Mickey, Douglas L. Rights, R. Gordon Spaugh, and Samuel J. Teese.

Under the guidance of Mrs. H. S. Stewart as choir mother the junior choir has taken on a new lease of life. Active membership in the choir has increased from seven or eight boys and girls to twice the number. Paul Pegram continues as director of the group. The senior choir has begun rehearsals on its Palm Sunday cantata, “From Olivet to Calvary,” by Maunder.

An outstanding event of February was the Missionary Lovefeast of our local Missionary Society. The Rev. G. R. Wonoldorf, Presbyterian missionary to China, was the speaker. The offering amounted to eighty dollars, the highest ever received on that occasion. This amount is used to help the Society raise its annual budget of nearly four hundred dollars a year.

JOHN R. WEINLICK.

GREENSBORO

The pastor joined together in holy matrimony one of our members, Mary Geneva Bobbitt, and James Willinger, Sr./e., of the Royal British Navy. We wish both of them much happiness.

Although these thanks are belated, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for the "pounding" given to the pastor and his wife by the Woman’s Auxiliary at Christmas.

To Annie Ruth (Oehman) Meekan, her husband, and the R. A. Oehman family we extend the sincerest sympathy of the congregation upon the death of Annie Ruth’s and George’s infant daughter who smothered to death while sleeping.

A young people’s society was organized the first Sunday in February, and meetings are held each Sunday evening. Because of inclement weather, only six appeared for the first meeting. This number has now expanded to fourteen, and the prospect for continued growth is very good. The evening program consists of a meal served

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by the ladies of our congregation followed by a discussion group. We wish to express our appreciation to Bro. J. A. Apple for donating the first two suppers and to all of the ladies who prepared such excellent meals.

Friday evening, February 23, was set aside to express the banquet honoring our Boy Scout troop on its seventh birthday. The banquet was held at the Masonic Temple and a group of 245 boys and parents gathered to pay their tribute to Scoutmaster Julian Hayworth and his fine troop. Bro. David E. Weiland from Salem College brought an appropriate address and special music was provided by a sextet from the Salem College Choral Ensemble. Our troop is now the second largest in the South and is outstripped only by a narrow margin of four by a troop in Louisiana.

Since our last report we were happy to have had Capt. Earl Armstrong at home with us for a couple of weeks.

During the absence of the pastor during the month of February, our pulpit was filled by Bro. Elbert Lineback and Bishop Pfohl. Our congregation appreciated their splendid messages.

I. HOWARD CHADWICK
FINE CHAPEL

Attendance at all services has been better this year than for some time past. Our mid-week prayer meeting held each Thursday night has shown much interest. A different leader has charge each night. On February 8 we had the privilege of hearing Mrs. Sebarrow, a native of Alaska, whose message was very much enjoyed. Others having charge of the mid-week prayer meetings were: Paul Foltz, Mrs. L. P. Green and Mildred Crotts.

The young people meet each Sunday at 6:30 with a very large attendance. Most of them stay for the preaching service, for which we are very grateful.

The Woman’s Auxiliary met at the church on Saturday, February 10, with Mrs. Ruth Smith, president, presiding. In this meeting it was decided to make two quilts for the laboratory Mission again. This group has also made a pledge of $133 on the building fund for the new Christian educational building which is being considered now.

On the fourth Sunday night the Gospel Team conducted the evening service with H. A. Reynolds bringing the message.

February 18 we received John Franklin Templeton and Robert Eli Bedord into the church by the Sacrament of adult baptism on the first Sunday in the month. Instead of asking a speaker to come, they decided to give a biographical sketch of the life of Dr. David Thaeler, using as their topic, “Why a Missionary?” The congregation was very much enthused about the way the young people conducted the service and gave new insight into the life of one of our missionaries. Those taking part were: Stuart Bondurant, Charles Fullbright, Betty Harris, Edward Oetter, Sarah Ann Slawter and Mary Frances Everhart. The Scouts and cub-pack participated—the Scouts acting as ushers. The young people’s choir supplied the music. The offering was used for the Provincial Young People’s Mission Project.

Mrs. Anna B. Schwalbe was the speaker at the vespers and gave us a fine picture of her dealings with the Eskimos since the time she entered the mission work. Her timely stories of mission accomplishments are always of special interest. The third Sunday, being the first Sunday in Lent, the Holy Communion was administered at the vespers as well as the morning service.

The young people’s choir rendered a service of Scripture and music at the last vespers in February. The service was entitled “The Triune God”. Each musical selection was preceded with an appropriate selection of Scripture verses. Miss Flavella Stockton is the director and Mary Louise Shore the accompanist.

The instruction class for church membership was begun and will continue to be held each Thursday afternoon. Under the sponsorship of the Bossie Whittington Pfohl Bible Class the women of the congregation are again being led in special Lenten Bible studies by Bishop Pfohl. His messages are centered around the theme: “Great Moments With Our Lord.”

At the monthly meeting of the Men-of-the-Church Dr. Edmund Schwarme addressed the group on the subject of Moravian Missions, showing how the missionary work is really the builder of world brotherhood.

A committee for the reception of returning service men has been appointed and detailed plans arranged for our men as they return. Those on the committee are: Ivan H. Rider, chairman, Robert A. Holland, William P. Shore, Charles D. "D.L."

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MAYODAN.

February at Mayodan saw an increase of activities as we entered into the season of Lent with its preparations for Palm Sunday and Easter.

Holy Communion was celebrated on the first Sunday with 55 members at the Lord’s Table. On the same evening the Brn. J. G. Bruner and Roy Snyder gave us a pleasant missionary evening as they showed their films of Alaska. Bro. Brewer, third member of the Alaskan delegation, with Mrs. Brewer, was also present. Our folks enjoyed this visit immensely.

Our prayer meetings during Lent this year give an opportunity for messages on “The Seven Last Words From the Cross.” Prayer meetings that fall on the last Wednesday of each month are used especially for prayer for these in uniform. Letters from the men in service are read, especially portions that tell of their interest in spiritual things. The letter from Capt. Ellis Bullins to Bishop Pfohl was read and our folks were very proud of this son of the congregation. Prayers for his continued good work were fervently offered.

A visit to our young people’s society by the young people’s society of the Methodist Church was a pleasant occasion on the last Sunday of the month.

Classes in the Sunday school have contributed the $300 necessary for the Hymnal and Liturgies of the Moravian Church.” The books will soon be in use and will meet a great need in our worship services.

Our instruction class for the young people has not yet met with much response, but we trust there will be a few to unite with the church on Palm Sunday.

The Young Men’s Class reported a pleasant social time at their chicken fry on February 11.

We are glad to report that Bro. W. H. Bullins is convalescing nicely after his recent operation. Bro. and Sr. E. L. Stourfer, former active members, now live in Wilmington, Delaware, and have moved their membership to the Presbyterian Church there.

W. A. KALTREIDER.

CLEMMONS.

On the evening of the 6th the Woman’s Auxiliary held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Clinton Snyder and on the following evening the Church Board met at the home of Bro. J. G. Bojan.

On the 3rd Sunday the Rev. Howard Chadwick presented the cause of the Greensboro work and assisted the pastor in Holy Communion at Clemmons at 11 a.m. and at Union Cross at 3 p.m.

A beloved member, Sister Jennie Boner Strupe, after a lingering illness of two years, died on Feb. 10. The pastor was assisted in the funeral on the 12th by the Rev. L. G. Lackenbach and the Rev. Ralph Bassett, with burial in the Moravian Graveyard.

On the 16th spoke at Fraternity Church on the subject of prayer. The Young Woman’s Bible class gave a gift of $22 for Foreign Missions.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPE.

We were glad to have the Rev. Howard Chadwick with us on the morning of the 18th. He presented his cause well and we trust there will be a generous response.

The Woman’s Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. C. S. Kimel on the afternoon of the 8th. In this home also we met on the 25th for the birthday dinner of Mrs. Kimel and her mother, Mrs. Eliza Jones.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS.

The Building Fund continues to grow. The Woman’s Auxiliary and Church Board met at the home of Clay Tucker on the evening of the 9th.

The Rev. Howard Chadwick was with us on the third Sunday afternoon and presented the cause of the Greensboro Church and assisted the pastor with Holy Communion. Assisted in the funeral service of Mrs. Emma Bothrock, age 91, at W. Young Baptist Church on the 9th. She was the mother of Mrs. J. A. Rominger and the grandmother of other members of this congregation.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

BETHANIA.

The first Sunday in Lent was observed with the celebration of the Lord’s Supper at which 72 members partook of the sacrament.

A big step toward the completion of the church was taken with the letting of the contract for the installation of a vapor system of heating to the Sam Beck Company. The letting of this contract was held up for several weeks pending the arrival of a priority permit from the War Production Board. The Building Committee is already at work on the next task, that of securing pew.

Efforts looking toward the reorganization of the Boy Scout troop at Bethania were undertaken during February. The reorganization of the troop was made possible by the return from the Army of Bro. Joe Conrad, former scoutmaster, who will be in charge of the new troop. Nine boys responded at the first meeting.

The pastor conducted the funeral of Raymond E. Butner on February 12 from the home of his sister, Mrs. J. C. Culler. Burial was in the Pfaftown Graveyard. To his parents and the others of the family we again express our sympathy.

In a beautiful ceremony held in the congregation house, Miss Ruth Butner was married, to Frederick H. Mock, United States Army, on February 5. To the young couple we wish a long life of happiness.

There has been much sickness in our church and community. Among those who have been ill are Mrs. John Kearney and Bro. Edward Oehman. Though not a member of our church, the oldest citizen of Bethania, Mr. James Drage, has

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been seriously ill for several weeks.

We were glad to welcome back to Bethania for a 21-day furlough Capt. Bobby Butner of the 35th Air Force. Capt. Butner has completed his tour of combat duty in the Mediterranean Area and is awaiting reassignment. We are thankful for his safe return.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

CALVARY.

Under the general theme, ‘Light From the Cross,’ we are in the midst of twelve special Lenten services on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights with much interest and blessing, the connect-ed meditations preparing light which the Cross sheds upon vital problems of human life. The Sunday evening vespers services continue with messages on “The Friend of God, Abraham.”

The pastor’s instruction class is being held during the church school hour on Sunday mornings with large attendance and fine interest.

A very special day was the First Sunday in Lent, February 18. In the morning, Mrs. F. T. Schwalbe, beloved missionary in Alaska, brought a heart-stirring message on highlights of her service during the years and progress she envisions for the future. A fine offering was received for the support of Miss Ann Dills, R. N., member of Calvary, who is nurse at the Alaska Orphanage.

The Holy Communion was administered at five o’clock in the afternoon. It proved one of our finest Communion occasions with an attendance that overflowed into the balcony. The brethren R. C. Bassett, T. D. Johnston, and L. G. Lackner, were present with the pastor. Encouraging was the attendance of quite a number of members for the first time in a year. Immediately after the Communion the marriage of Miss Doris Green to John Russell Speas was solemnized in the church with practically the entire afternoon attendance present.

Several new gifts of Government Bonds toward the erection of the Christian Education Building were received. We do not specify them in these columns, but two, given by our members in service, John W. Massey and John Lewis Fishel, are gratefully mentioned.

In addition to Palm Sunday and the Passion Week, we are looking forward to important special occasions in March: the Day of Prayer on Sunday, March 11, and the Men’s Brotherhood, with our Cal-

trey women as invited guests, on March 15.

Calvary’s sympathies are again warmly expressed to Bro. H. W. Spaugh and members of his family and the family of Gray H. Peddy-cord, in the passing of a sister and a brother.

EDMUND SCHWARZE.

LEAKSVILLE.

We were glad to receive Peggy Jean Rodgers into our church by the sacrament of baptism on the first Sunday in the month.

In response to the request for Testaments in Brother Bullins’ letter to Bishop Pföhl, which was read to the congregation, the church voted to donate $25 for this purpose.

The last Sunday in the month we had a special service in which the American and Christian flags which had been recently purchased for the church were dedicated. The flags were made possible through the efforts of the Woman’s Bible Class.

With the beginning of the season of Lent we have started an instruction class for the boys and girls of the church. We are also using special Lenten themes for Sunday worship and prayer services.

A number of our young people attended the Young People’s Rally at Ardmore Church.

Our young people’s society at a recent meeting decided to edit a monthly news letter for those of our church who are in the armed forces.

Oliver DuVivant, a member of our Board of Trustees, was called into the Army the first of the month. We certainly do miss him. Pvt. Jack Berrier, a member of our church who was recently wounded on the Western Front for which he received the Purple Heart, has now been brought to Moores General Hospital. We hope and pray that his condition will continue to improve.

JOHN H. KAPP.

IMMANUEL.

Enthusiasm rarely ever reaches a higher peak than at our annual Missionary Lovefeast. It was true again this year. The keen competition occasioned by the Red Box offering plus the growing interest in missions are reasons for this desirable situation. Mrs. Anna R. Schwalbe held the closest attention of her large audience as she portrayed the life and problems of Alaska. Brother Harvey B. Mas-}

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Numerous gatherings of classes and auxiliary circles plus meetings of boards has made it a busy month. The young people were ac-tive in attending the Union Rally. Arrangements have been made for the complete overhauling of our youth program.

The Connie Pföhl Bible Class is promoting a plan for spiritual em­phasis during the season of Lent. At a recent meeting the group was divided into two divisions to promote this effort. The pastor spoke to the class on the meaning of Lent.

Holy Communion on the first Sunday in Lent was another of those inspiring occasions when the near presence of the Saviour was much in evidence. Though the at­tendance was below normal we anticipate a blessed and fruitful sea­son.

During the month it was our privilege to greet a number of our young men in the armed service. Among them were Byron O. Mason, S/1/C, Cpl. Billy O. Smith, Pvt. Edward L. Brissenden, S/Sgt. Clyde F. Gordon, T/T Frank M. Froelich, and Pfc. James C. Whis­nant. The latter was with us for the first time in four years, most of which was spent in the South Pacific with the 1st Marines.

About 35 members participated in the service at the Forsyth County Hospital and Home on the first Sunday.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

MOUNT AIRY

A large group of young persons is taking advantage of the instruc­tion class conducted by the pastor in the Sunday school sessions during Lent. This is preparatory to reception into church membership on Palm Sunday.

Men-of-the-Church is a newly formed group of men and boys whose purpose is to plan and carry out the work of getting and keeping our church grounds and buildings in good condition. Every man and boy is invited to join in the good work of the group.

The Valentine party and barbecue of the Auxiliary added $77 to the fund being raised to improve our church kitchen.

Our youth fellowship sponsored a recent Sunday evening service. Those taking active part therein were the Misses Barbara Jean King and Lena Coleman, and John Walker, James Miltikff, J. T. Palmer, Donald Pratt and Burton Dinkins. At the request of the young people the pastor preached

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The Lenten Youth Rally at Ardmore was attended by twenty-five of us. We just can not stay away from those rallies.

In recent months sixty-three new hymnals have been dedicated for use in our church services. They were given in memory of departed ones or in honor of living persons.

Two of our boys, Jack Palmer and Buddy Pruet, participated in the sermon on Sunday morning, February 25. The audience enjoyed, and the pastor appreciated, their assistance in presenting the message of the hour.

Morning visitors one Sunday were brother and sister C. M. Say­lor, and son, who drove over from Devotion. When gasoline restric­tions are lifted we shall undoubtedly see these good folks oftener.

Our twentieth anniversary will be observed with a lovefeast on Sunday evening, March 18. At that time we hope to burn that note. Contributions are coming in right along, and all are greatly appreciated. H. B. JOHNSON.

CROOKED OAK.

Winter weather cut down attendance at this mission church, and on February 4 icy roads made it impossible to hold the regular service. This was the second time in nine years that weather condi­tions prevented us from filling an appointment.

With the first of the year Bro. E. J. Ayers became superintendent of the Sunday school, with Miss June Ayers in charge of the pri­mary department. By the time this report appears in print we hope it can be said that Crooked Oak has made its first contribution toward carrying on its own work.

Last year we were able to put the Sunday school on a self-supporting basis. Mission work such as this calls for much prayer and pa­tience, but we are not without signs of encouragement.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

CHARLOTTE.

Our new church auditorium has materialized to the extent that the pulpit and lectern for it have been made and delivered. They are the gifts of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blythe, and were made by Mr. Blythe personally, according to specifications of our church architect, W. H. Peeps. They are constructed of solid American Walnut, a part of which was hewn from a walnut tree which grew on the homeplace of the late Mrs. W. T. Wohlford, our "Church Mother." As this beautiful furniture could not be conveniently stored, alterations were made in the present chapel to accommodate their installation here. They were dedicated on Sunday, February 25, and are now a constant reminder of the new auditoriums yet to come.

We ushered in the Lenten sea­son with celebration of the Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday evening, February 14. Lenten Vespers are being held each Sunday night during this season.

The second Institute for Bible Teachers is being conducted under the auspices of Queens College and the churches of the community. It commenced on February 6, with sessions each Tuesday for six weeks, and is being held in the Hawthorne Lane Methodist Church. The enrollment from this church was twenty.

Miss Wilhelmina Wohlford has accepted appointment as Church Secretary.

Another name goes on our Ser­vice Roster, Mrs. Hazel Porter, Jr., who has joined the Army Nurse Corps with the rank of 2nd Lieu­tenant.

Servicemen from the congregation who have been home on leave during February were Erle F. Spaugh, USN E V-12 Training Unit, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and T. C. Guer­tiant USNR, who is on his way to a new assignment at the Naval Air Station at San Diego, Calif. His wife is the former Ruth Crouse of Winston-Salem.

During the month it was the privilege of the pastor to meet with our Moravian students at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill for a fellowship luncheon.

HERBERT SPAUGH.

KING.

Lenten Holy Communion was another blessed time for our congregation. Quite a few who had not been able to attend other for­mer services rejoiced to be with us for that service.

The women of the church have begun plans for the installation of needed equipment in the kitchen of the church. The men have been heard talking over plans to enlarge the work and increase the attend­ance of their class. The entire Sunday school has had an awaken­ing. Attendances are on the in­crease and well above those of a year ago.

We will still fall short in the work of our young people and see little hope for improvement until someone is able and willing to make the sacrifice to sponsor this

WORK.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

WACHOVIA ARBOR.

The Woman's Auxiliary met with Mrs. W. H. Fox, Arbor Road, where they met eleven years ago and reorganized the old Auxiliary. It was a lovely night enabling a large number of members and friends to meet together. A rousing song service followed by Bible reading and prayer paved the way for a good and helpful meeting.

All enjoyed the Christian fellow­ship of the evening.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

OAK GROVE.

A back porch has been added to the parsonage! This added space is equal to another room in the manse and it improves the looks of the best looking parsonage in the Southern Province. Many thanks to the Board of Trustees who sanctioned the construction, and many thanks to Bro. R. B. Grubbs who did the work!

We responded to the tune of $100 to Bro. Chadwick's plea for the Greensboro Project on the 25th! (Remember we are raising funds for a new church ourselves!)

The joint choirs of Oak Grove and Providence supported the pastor when he conducted a Sunday evening service at the Walkertown Baptist Church.

We take this opportunity of wel­coming the Rev. and Mrs. Show, recently called to serve in the Baptist Church at Walkertown.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

HOPEWELL.

Our mid-week prayer meeting held each Wednesday night took on new life this year and has grown from seven or eight to twenty-five or more. Mrs. Edith Miller, teacher of a group of boys,

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has had most of her class attending through the week. Mrs. J. C. Robinson, mother of two of these boys, has greatly assisted in making this possible by taking her car and bringing a load. This is a good work; keep it up.

The Woman's Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Arthur Everhart on Friday night, February 16. Mrs. J. C. Morton is president of this group and Miss Mildred Snyder is chaplain. The Auxiliary will make one quilt for the Labra- dor Mission.

In the opening part of the Sunday school the primary and junior departments have been assembling separate from the main school for their program, but as we find we do not have a room assignment for them, plans have been made to build another room just as soon as possible. The work will not be so much; and with the approval of the Building Committee, we hope to have it done, making ready the room for this purpose.

J. P. CROUCH.

OLIVET.

Olive attended the opening of Lent with the celebration of the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday in Lent with 57 members partaking.

The circles of the Woman's Auxiliary met during the month as follows: No. 1 with Mrs. M. M. Beroth and Mrs. Allen Beroth; No. 2 with Mrs. Irvin Harper, and the Girls' Circle with Annie Lee and Mary Evelyn Beroth.

Several of our young people attended the Lenten Rally of the Union at Ardmore Church. This group has already turned in $85 toward the mission project.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Hansel G. Hutchins on the birth of a son, Hansel G., Jr. The father is with the U. S. Army stationed in Texas.

We are happy that Mrs. A. O. Conrad who spent a few days in the hospital is now recovered. A cedar pavilion with metal roof was installed over the outdoor furnace at the rear of the church. Bro. Dudley Lewis was the carpenter.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

FRIEDLAND.

Every Sunday in the month was a special Sunday. First the young people observed National Youth Week with special services on Sun- day and weekday, extending over into the Union Rally. While the Scouts attended the annual banquet at the Home Church, they also conducted the service on the sec- ond Sunday with an investiture.

Missions occupied our attention on the third Sunday as we listened with keener interest to Mrs. Anna B. Schwalbe tell of the condi- tions which make up life in Alaska. A substantial offering for missions was gathered and interest in missions deepened.

The Auxiliary met with the president, Mrs. Chas. F. Sapp, and made final arrangement for a supper at the Belo Home. Also planned was a quilting at the cabin. Later some twelve or more women gathered there and spent a day in fel- lowship. As a result, two heavy wool and outing flannel comforts will be going to Labrador, and one very neat star quilt will be disposed of and the proceeds placed in the treasury.

Due to the Missionary Lovefeast our Holy Communion for the first Sunday in Lent was postponed to the 25th. It was a gracious service with a very large attendance.

We are very happy to have Bro. Colon E. Hine, Sr., with us again though for a brief furlough. For an indefinite period he will be located at Nichols General Hospital, Louisville, Ky. While we were rejoicing in his return news came that Bro. J. Fletcher Reid had been killed in action in France on February 3. Another instance of the extreme hardness of the life we lead, with too limited training as he was inducted only last July.

SAMAUL T. TESCH.

MT. BETHEL.

Our services for the month of February have been somewhat handicapped by the inclement weather and much sickness.

The Woman's Auxiliary held its monthly meeting at the church on the 16th with good attendance. On the fourth Sunday we were happy to receive Mrs. Russell Utt into our communicant fellowship.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

WILLOW HILL.

A field well cultivated produces better results than one which is neglected. This is also true in the spiritual realm. Our every Sunday worship service for this church is already showing results in renewed interest, not only on the part of our members but also throughout the community generally.

We are glad to report that Ruth Hilt is at home after spending nine weeks in the hospital recovering from a serious burn.

An order has been placed for a much needed furnace to heat the entire church plant. We hope to have it installed in the near fu-
for its February meeting at the home of Mrs. Guy Wall on February 21.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS

FULP

On the last Sunday of February our congregation listened attentively to Bro. Chadwick as he presented the Greensboro Project. Our offering was $864. A recent baby contest netted about $200, so we are going forward with our plans for renovating the church. We hope to have the job completed and paid for by the beginning of summer.

J. CALVIN BARNES

RURAL HALL

Our service on the first Sunday morning of the month was not held because of Bro. Luckenbach's inability to attend. We are thankful that Mrs. Luckenbach is making progress, and pray that she may soon be home again.

Bro. Luckenbach was with us on the evening of the first Sunday in Lent and administered the Holy Communion to a large congregation.

On Scout Sunday our congregation joined with the other churches of the community in a union service at the Methodist Church. The pastor made the address.

Women of the churches of Rural Hall sponsored a service in the afternoon of World Prayer Day.

Mrs. W. M. Trivett has taken over the work of counselor to the senior young people and teacher of the older boys' class. This organization of young people is making rapid progress toward its old activity.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

MORAVIA

We have ten young men in the armed forces—six Army and four Navy. Three are in the Philippines, two in France (or Germany) one in Italy, one enroute, probably to Europe, and two still in training in this country. We wonder if that isn't some sort of a record for a small congregation.

Our women have purchased some exceedingly well made and serviceable cabinets for the church kitchen. They got them ready-made in Greensboro, and our men transported and installed them. This much needed equipment will be put to good use.

Two encouraging services were held in February with good attendance, especially in view of the inclement weather.

We plan to have Holy Communion and baptism of infants on Easter Sunday night, since Easter falls on a regular preaching Sunday. Members and friends of Moravia are cordially invited to attend the Easter Sunrise Service at Kernersville.

WALSER H. ALLEN

KERNERSVILLE

One of our most faithful members, Mrs. Mary Elliott, a widow for nearly 25 years, departed this life after three years of failing health but a critical illness of only two weeks. Her son William was among the first to be called to the Army from this community, has been overseas for thirty-one months, first in North Africa, then in Sicily, Italy and now in Germany. The sympathy of the congregation has been extended to the bereaved family.

Unusually inclement weather, plus more sickness than we have known in the congregation in some time, reduced attendances somewhat. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in Lent was not as well attended as last year, and we were somewhat disappointed by the attendance at our Missionary Lovefeast on the night of the 11th. However, Mrs. Schwalbe's interesting address, and the large offering, perhaps the most generous ever received at this annual gathering, made the service one of encouragement and blessing.

The brightest spot thus far in this year's Lenten observance has been our Wednesday night services. These have been very well attended, often despite inclement weather.

Our Easter Band, composed almost entirely of younger players, is making good progress under the direction of Dallas Chappell of Friedland, whose services we were fortunate in securing again this year. We are making plans for another notable observance of Palm Sunday, Passion Week and Easter, but shall miss the presence of so many who have been with us in other years.

WALSER H. ALLEN

FRIES MEMORIAL

The Lenten Season began with the Holy Communion. The pastor returned from a sick-leave and was gratified by the hearty welcome he received.

Progress on the new building has been slowed by the weather but we hope for a speeding up in the spring.

The band rehearses with Luther C. Swain, our long-time director.

The story of the month is about one of our three new arrivals in the congregation. Jane Bennett Pleasants age 12 hours, gave her daddy, Henry Fries Pleasants, the thrill of his life when she sent her cry across the continent just as he was getting ready to leave for parts unknown. The telephone is a great help to families separated by the war. The other cradle roll candidates are: Timothy Vernon and Judy Pleasants.

RALPH C. BASSETT

INFANT BAPTISMS

Massey—George Edward, 3rd, infant son of George Edward, Jr., and Lou (Boyd) Massey, born December 12, 1944, was baptized in Grace Church, Mount Airy, on February 18, 1945, by the Rev. H. B. Johnson.

Sloan—Stephen Martin, infant son of Thornton and Dorothy Ayers Sloan, born November 20, 1944, was baptized in New Philadelphia Church on February 11, 1945 by the Rev. Howard G. Foltz.

Tuttle—Reuben Gray, 3rd, infant son of R. G. 2nd, and Annie Ruth Dull Tuttle, born November 11, 1944, was baptized in New Philadelphia Church on February 13, 1945 by the Rev. Howard G. Foltz.

Snyder—Mavis Kay, infant daughter of Henry T. and Lucy Lambeth Snyder, born Sept. 27, 1944, was baptized on February 18, 1945 in the Advent Church by the Rev. J. George Bruner. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Fleet D. Chable.

Snyder—Barry Alexander, infant son of Roger and Marie Goble Snyder, born July 6, 1944, was baptized on February 18, 1945 in the Advent Church.
the Advent Church by the Rev. J. George Bruner. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Snyder.

King—Sarah Elizabeth, infant daughter of Robert M. and Gladys m.m. Hawks King, born in Winston-Salem, N. C., March 7, 1944, was baptized on February 25, 1945 by Bishop J. K. Pfohl.


DEATHS


Pfohl—Cpl. Christian T., killed in action in Europe in December 1944. He was the son of Mrs. Ruby J. Pfohl of Winston-Salem, N. C., and a member of the Home Church.


HERE and THERE

Plans for the Salem Easter Sun- rise Service are being completed. The service will again be broad- cast to all parts of the world through the facilities of the Col- umbia Broadcasting System. It will be given at least the same wide coverage as last year, and should reach our armed forces in all areas.

Announcement was made in the Winston-Salem newspapers that the veteran leader of the great Moravian Easter Band, Bro. B. J. Pfohl (an older brother of Bishop Pfohl), has resigned from this po- sition because of advanced years. His general health, we are glad to report, is at present somewhat im- proved, and he will be on hand on Easter morning to assist, but the responsibility for the bands will rest jointly on Bro. John D. Stock- ton of the Home Church and Bro. A. S. Burke of Calvary. Bro. C. T. Leinbach is chairman of the gen- eral committee charged with con- ducting the affairs of the Easter Band. Bro. Pfohl has been a member of this unique organization for 63 years, and leader for over fifty.

He has done a monumental work through the years, and deserves the deep gratitude of the entire church.

The Rev. Ernest H. Sommer- feld, who served for three years in the Southern Province, then ac- cepted a call to the pastorate of the Trinity Moravian Church in Utica, N. Y., has withdrawn from the ministry of The Moravian Church and joined the Unitarian Congregational Society. He will conclude his pastorate at Utica with the end of April, and will be located, we understand, in New Hampshire. He and Mrs. Sommer- feld now have three children. His home was originally in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin, hers in Beth- lehem, Pennsylvania.

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The Church And Returning Service Personnel

By The Rev. David E. Weinland.

At this present date it would not seem presumptuous to speak of the church and the returning service personnel as a subject of considerable importance. Throughout the nation many individual churches have been discussing this matter and have been co-operating with other agencies in producing a program of Christian service for these men and women who are now coming back to civilian life. There are some few churchmen and laymen who do not feel that any problems will be presented to the church by this phenomenon. They are, however, a very small minority and for the purposes of this discussion it will be assumed that the returning veteran will present at once a challenging problem and an opportunity for the Kingdom of God.

At present nearly a million men have returned to civilian life and we are told that approximately one hundred thousand will continue to come out of the armed services each month. Considering such a large number of people it will be well to note that they fall into several broad classifications. We are told that by far the majority will not be permanently injured either mentally or physically. On the contrary, a large number will have matured and not a few will have discovered—or achieved—a new set of values with respect to home, friends, institutions, etc. The second group will be composed of those who are physically injured. Some of these will go through life with permanent disabilities and will have to make adjustments. A third and large group will be those who are mentally injured. With the new psychotherapy many of these will be cured. Another group which should not go unnoticed are those we might refer to as the "socially injured." It has been amazing to note how many wives and sweethearts have proved unfaithful in the absence of their husbands and friends. Mental strains of individual political affairs have been closely followed by others on the daily papers. The Church And Returning Service Personnel is a program of Christian service for such men and it is hoped that it will be well received by the churches.

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REMEMBER, PLEASE:

ONE: The Provincial-wide Missionary Meeting to be held at the Home Church, Sunday, April 29, beginning at 3 p.m. The address will be delivered by Dr. C. Darby Fulton, Mission Secretary of the Presbyterian Church, who is one of the outstanding leaders of his denomination. The offering will go toward the publication of the Moravian Hymnal and Liturgies in the Eskimo language. Each church in the Province has been asked to contribute a definite sum to insure our reaching the $700 which is our closing session held in our Reading Moravian Church.

TWO: That we have been asked to raise in the month of April, part of the funds needed to keep our Moravian College and Theological Seminary afloat. For this cause also each church in the Province has been asked to accept a definite quota, and we urge to raise as much of it as possible. We hope to publish a report on this effort in the May issue of THE WACHOVIA MORAVIAN, and would be happy to be able to make it one hundred percent. This should be a matter of honor as well as necessity with us, for the Southern Province while never falling short of the support of this institution, has not until recent years begun to measure up to its responsibility.

AS WE SEE IT

Congratulations to Bro. and Sr. John W. Fulton of Friedberg on the birth of a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, on April 5.

As announced last month, the Provincial Elders’ Conference by order of Synod has appointed a Postwar Planning Committee, and named as its chairman the Rev. David E. Weinland, Assistant to the President of Salem College. This committee has held one meeting thus far, and reported: “The committee has laid its plans for several months’ work, and is in correspondence with the Northern and British Provinces.” Our feature article in this issue is by Bro. Weinland, and deals with this subject. It is an excellent reading. Bro. Weinland, we understand, has spoken before the Winston-Salem Rotary Club (of which he is a member) and the Home Church Men-of-the-Church group on this theme.

The usual flood of letters following the broadcast of the Salem Easter Service has begun to come in, but we have yet to hear from the more distant places. However, one letter of unusual interest has been received. It was written by Aviation Radio Technician James B. Shore, of Kernersville, son of Bro. and Sr. E. E. Shore, somewhere in mid-Pacific. He planned to attempt to get the service, but was ordered to fly. Then, 7,000 feet up in the air in a Navy bomber, he put on head-phones, twirled the dials and heard every word. The first thing he knew when he got back to his base was to write a letter home. He is a former member of the Kernersville Easter Band. Sgt. Theodore Kerner, also of Kernersville, led the Easter Band for our Moravian Churches in Indianapolis. The Indianapolis Times carried a picture of him standing in the cemetery with his trumpet in his lips, and gave quite a lengthy account of the Moravian Easter as celebrated in North Carolina as well as in Indianapolis. It states that since Sgt. Kerner had played in the Kernersville Easter Band since he was nine years old, the Indianapolis observance would help to keep one soldier, at least, from becoming homesick. He is control tower chief at Stout Field.

The Rev. Ferdinand Drebert, Superintendent of our Alaska Mission, is at present in the Southern Province, speaking and showing moving pictures of his work in many of our churches. He was present at a meeting of the Board of Directors of our Foreign Missionary Society, made an informal report and answered numerous questions about the work in his field. The two buildings at the Orphanage destroyed by fire, namely, the laundry and the superintendent’s cottage, are to be rebuilt this summer, and it is hoped that the training school for native workers can be started early next year. Bro. Drebert will remain in the South until the end of this month.

Word has reached us that Dr. and Mrs. George R. Heath, veteran missionaries of our Nicaragua-Honduras field, have found it necessary to retire for reasons of health, and will arrive in Winston-Salem shortly. They will remain here for some months, resting, but their place of permanent retirement has not been disclosed. Under doctor’s orders they will accept no pecuniary engagements until further notice.

Nurse Martha Lee Conrad, of the Ruth C. S. Thalberg Hospital, Bilwas Karna, Nicaragua, was supposed to have left Nicaragua on April 12 for a well-deserved rest after four years of arduous service. We understand she plans to return to her post at the conclusion of her furlough.

Bro. E. Gordon Spangh, pastor of the Home Church, was one of the speakers at the Inter-Seminary Student Conference held recently in Ferguson, Pa. SUPPER. A discussion closing session were held in our Reading Moravian Church.

Invitations to an “At Home” to celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, April 21, 1945, have been issued by Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Spangh of our church in Chariton. We offer our heartiest congratulations and best wishes for the next quarter of a century.

Incidentally, Bro. Spangh’s report on this issue gives the welcome news that his uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. Hugh Curran and members of their family have been released from a Japanese prison camp in the Philippines. We understand that the daughter and her husband have already returned to this country, since he is a naval officer. (He changed into civilian clothes before the Japanese arrived and managed to escape.) Dr. Curran was head of the Forestry Department of the University of the Philippines. An out-door man, he and the family escaped to the hills and would have been safe there, but returned when the Japanese threatened dire things to other members of the family unless they gave themselves up.

Congratulations to Bro. Egbert Linzbach upon his ordination, and to our Ardmore Congregation upon having a son in the ministry. Ardmore now has its third pastor and has produced one minister in one year. It is not a bad record, especially when compared to some of our other congregations. It has been said that a church which uses up more ministers than it produces is a parasite on its denomination. Measuring this sort of thing is difficult, if not impossible, for a minister serves a number of churches in the course of a lifetime, but the fact remains that too many congregations do not produce ministers out of their membership.

We do not know the exact age of our Union Cross church but it must be close to fifty years. Last month the first funeral was held within its walls, with interment in the newly-acquired graveyard. This is some sort of a record, surely.

The Report from Fairview gives the details of the manner in which this congregation plans to celebrate its fiftieth anniversary. The church and Moravian extended family of congratulations and best wishes to Bro. Weinland and the congregation.

The Church And Returning Service Personnel.

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encouraged by remarks of servicemen such as that written by Col. Robert Scott, author of GOD IS MY CO-PILOT: “A man up there is religious because there is nothing between him and his enemy but a machine gun and God, and sometimes the machine gun jams.”

A number of ministers used the story of “The Raft” to encourage congregations to believe in the miraculous protection for their loved ones. However, we are now beginning to achieve a more sane understanding of true wartime values. As Dr. Harry F. Ward of Union Theological Seminary says concerning our returning men: “They will have found that fear is no basis upon which to build either religion or life. They will say, ‘Don’t talk to us about a God who would send a sea gull to save the lives of a few men because they prayed to Him, and let many other men drown.’” One soldier puts it this way: “I hope the church is not expecting this war to make us soldiers any more Christian than when we left home. If anything, we will be greater cynics. All our lives we were taught the doctrine of peace—peace at any price. . . . the tragedy is that we, the young people, are the ones asked to tear down and to throw away in a day what we have been

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One outstanding bishop has claimed that pre-war religious attitudes of individuals will be accentuated due to the war; i.e., if a man before induction was religious he will probably find that aspect of his life deepened and strengthened by his wartime experiences. Again, if before the war a person was untouched by Christ and if he had a cold reception for things spiritual he will probably return home with this attitude accentuated by the war. It behooves us, then, as people bearing the name of Christian and as representing those who are attempting to advance the Kingdom of God, to understand the facts clearly and to dwell in the realm of truth and consequences.

Knowing full well that classification is doubtful at best, let us, however, consider the following suggestions. First, the large number of men who will be entirely indifferent to Christ, His Church, and anything related to His work. These men will be cynical and hardened and will be most difficult to reach. They will, moreover, present little leadership potential for the church. Second, another large group—those who were previously interested in the church—or, in other words, those who will find nothing which they find upon their return. As one fellow said: "I will be happy just quietly to take my place once more in my own church." These men may very well become indifferent to Christ, His Church, and anything related to His work. In fact, they will be so interested that they will be critical of the status quo and will be anxious to make suggestions for the improvement of methods and techniques. Some of these have already voiced opinions and criticisms. They have stated that the church and organized religion must again consider the incongruities existing between the Gospel and the actual programs practiced by Christ's Church. These are not easy criticisms to understand and evaluate and yet it appears that they are sincere and honest, and that they are advanced by honorable men who are willing to work to improve what they criticize. It is well for us to remember that from this group will come some of the church's outstanding leaders. May we pray that God will help us to listen to Christian grace to listen and to give sympathetic understanding.

Perhaps we have waited too long. Perhaps it is a story of too little, too late. Again it may be that we will have time to sit together and to think of our individual churches in terms of the service which we as Christ's emissaries can render in the next few years. It may be that many congregations will wish to do something very concrete and practical in establishing a program. A warning signal should be lighted at this particular point, that the church be not criticized at a later date for having been introspective and selfish. It would seem wise to emphasize the necessity for programs of outgoing service from the church to the servicemen and their families and the entire community, rather than a program designed to bring the man himself into the church that he may be of service there. Of course, there are spots in any program which will have elements of both and which are not to be denied as valuable. In general, however, it should be considered undesirable to show the individual that the church is interested in him and willing to serve him in his need before there is any question of his service to the church.

Most communities of any size are now finding themselves in a situation of multiplied service agencies. The Federal Government, the state government, civic government, American Legion, Red Cross and many others are moving forward with their own particular contributions. Too often these agencies are not related and it could be urged that outstanding Christian laitymen might well aid in establishing local committees to unify all efforts.

A number of churches of our own denomination have been considering the formation of committees such as the following: A committee on spiritual and psychiatric counseling, headed by the pastor and any people he may choose to call in at any given time. He may have the full authority to use certain funds to insure psychiatric treatment to any individual in need without having to go to a government hospital at a distance. A committee on educational counseling usually headed by a lawyer and an outstanding businessman with advisory members. A welcoming committee usually headed by a well-known layman who may call upon any member of the congregation at a moment's notice. In some instances, the pastor acts as chairman of the boards of his church and calls upon them at any time for any phase of the work which might otherwise be done by a number of committees.

There will be many flaws in any program set up. The Kingdom of God does not come by programs and by the multiplication of committees; neither does it come by techniques and studied methods. It may be helpful on the other hand, to delegate certain responsibilities and to prepare for certain of the considerations which will undoubtedly arise. It is only in the interest of bringing this matter to our individual attention that the above thoughts and suggestions have been offered. May God grant us wisdom and courage, and above all, love in our attempts to heal and assuage the wounds of this terrible conflict!

A roads to Salem:

ROAD TO SALEM:

TRAVELS OF THE ARCHIVIST

(NOTE:—Always busy, Dr. Adelaide L. Fries, our archivist, has been increasingly in demand since the publication of "The Road To Salem." From the report appended, it seems that she may be considered ambassador-at-large for the Province, and we take pleasure in noting the announcements and details listed. The following might well be included in Reports From The Churches—D. L. R.)

A Report To The Wachovia Moravian.

Here is the itinerary for which you asked. I do not feel sure that it will interest anybody except you and me, but you are welcome to make any use of it that you like.

March 14, Winston-Salem—Spoke to the Sorosis Book Club, which met at the Woman's Club House. About twenty-five present.

I had already spoken to the Book Club of the Woman's Club here, a rather large group. Have one more engagement for the same talk for directly after Easter, and there is a possibility of still another, an out-of-town meeting.

In addition, I have two engagements to speak to Moravian groups on the subject of Moravian Missions. One of these will come before Easter and the other afterwards.

It is a good thing that the Action Board furnishes me with "professional gas!"

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BETHANIA.

A large congregation of worshipers gathered in Bethania to greet the dawn of another Easter Day. This service, which was the 186th for Bethania, began in front of the porch and closed in the garden-like God's Acre. The band, led by Bro. Walter T. Strupe, provided the music after making its customary round in the early hours of the morning to awaken the community. Bro. W. G. Yarbrough was in charge of the ushers, assisted by Bro. Kenneth Leinbach and Bro. Edward Shouse.

Preparation for the Easter experience was made by the holding of the Passion Week readings, the high point of which was reached in the celebration of the Lord's Supper on Thursday evening.

On Palm Sunday morning four young girls united with the church. They were received by Bishop L. H. Tosem, by adult baptism, and Dieic Brown Jones, Peggy Sue Riddle, and Faye Lucile Wolf by confirmation. On Easter Sunday morning Lieut. Thomas James Sacks, Jr., was received by letter of transfer.

The pastor was assisted in the holding of the Passion Week services by Bro. R. E. Butner and Bro. Walter T. Strupe.

Two burials were held in our graveyard during March, namely, Mrs. Sarah Lucetta Roberts, March 6, and Bro. Samuel H. Stauber, March 31.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

RURAL HALL.

We rejoiced in good attendances for the Passion Week services. The first of these on Palm Sunday night was made possible by the reception into membership of four girls, three by adult baptism and one by confirmation. Lay-readers assisted with several of the others.

Holy Communion was held on Wednesday and on Friday night the lovefeast was presided over by Bro. L. E. Stauber, Bro. Oscar Smith read the Passion story.

On Easter morning our band began, including two new ones, joined with Bethabara Band to wake the community on their way to King for sunrise service. At 11 a.m. Bro. Egbert Linkbech brought the Easter morning message.

The congregation joins with the Filtro and Stauber families in their sorrow at the death of Bro. Sam Stauber who had been a member of Bethania congregation. He was buried from Rural Hall church on Great Sabbath afternoon, and interred in Bethania graveyard.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

FRIEDBERG.

At their monthly meeting the young people closed a contest to pick the most handsome youth, having “cooked up” the idea as a means of paying the expenses of their monthly meetings. They expected to get only a few dollars, but when the penny votes were cast and counted, the total was over $86. Selected handsome men were: Robert Miller, Richardson Rierson, Homer Lineback, Willis Foltz, Paul Nifton and Hal Essick. Youth Sunday night meetings were led by Nannie Sue Johnson and Mrs. Forrest Reddin.

On the evening of the 11th, youth from eight churches: Adam, Mt. Carmel, Arcadia, Mt. Olive, Hopewell, Enterprise, Midway, and Fraternity met at Friedberg for a musical. Each church was prepared to present two selections, and brought enough visitors to fill the church to the back pews of the balcony.

On Palm Sunday, Charles Snyder, Ted Sink, Jacquelina Mendenhall, Virginia Fishek, and Bonnie Lou Payne, became members of the church by adult baptism. Received by confirmation were: Charles Craver, Reid Craver, Eva Foltz, Delmas Mendenhall, Edith Craver, Sylvia Fishek, and Nancy Fishek. That evening choices of children and adults sang the Hosanna in the first of our Passion Week services. On Friday we celebrated the passion of our Lord in lovefeast and Holy Communion. A large congregation participated. Easter Sunday found a multitude ready to gather for the Easter Litany on the graveyard, and Austin E. Burke, Jr., directed a band made up from the choir, and other churches. Later in the day the band played at Enterprise and Hopewell and did this after having played at Salem and also at Advent in the morning.

JOHN W. FULTON.

FRIEDLAND.

The richest experiences we have enjoyed in years came to us in Lent, Passion Week and Easter of this year. Attendances were inspiring, in some instances showing an increase of 50%. Palm Sunday ascensions were: Norna Merle Weavel, Mary Lee Hedgcock, Ann Gale Hine, Norna Jane Hine, by adult baptism; A. Carl Hiedrich, Mrs. A. Carl Hiedrich, Emerson W. Pitts, Sr., Mrs. Odessa S. Pitts, James R. Stoughton, Jr., Mrs. Stanley Stoughton, Sr., E. A. Singleton, Jr., Perry L. Yokeley and John E. Stewart, by the right hand of fellowship.

In many respects Easter was the happiest ever. The church filled with worshipful throngs; soloist, Mrs. C. F. Sapp, and choir at their best; the congregation gathered on the graveyard most reverent and apparently the largest ever; temperature exactly right; an Easter to be remembered for the height to which our spirits were lifted.

The Auxiliary continues to back up every move of our building committee. Another supper at the Belo Home and a substantial sum goes into the treasury of the building fund. In a gathering at the cabin this group presented to Mrs. Tesch a lovely punch bowl set.

One of the joys of springtime is the coming of the Glee Club from Sedge Garden school, with Miss Marie Hutchinson and her young people to be congratulated on their fine work.

Young people and Scouts united in a social affair at the Cabin honoring Mary Elizabeth and Miss Tesch, the former having served as companion since the organization of the intermediate department.

"Around the World with Moravian Missions" was of interest to many of our people, with the offering going to our Union projects.

Our thanks to the brethren Howard M. Reid, James C. Teague, E. B. Hine, Ivey C. Hines, Henry Reed and E. W. Pitts, Sr., for the use of their homes for Passion Week services.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

MOUNT AIRY.

The moving of the Spirit in our congregation has been manifested throughout the month.

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On the third Sunday of the month the pastor exchanged pulpits with Bro. O. E. Stimpson, going to preach the morning sermon at Christ Church. This was to enable Bro. Stimpson to be present for the baptism of the infant son of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Barham. Our people were glad to see Bro. Stimpson again and the services were well attended.

We were saddened by the death of Thomas Hodge, soldier in the U.S. Marines, who was killed on Iwo Jima. James Edwards was reported slightly wounded in action. We are grateful that Austin Nelson, reported missing in November, is now safe in a prison camp and is able to correspond with his family. A visit from Carl Stevens, in service for almost two years in Alaska, brought us first hand information of some of our Moravian mission work there.

Palm Sunday and Easter services were well attended. We are sorry to report that there were no processions on Palm Sunday. Easter sunrise service was well attended and many expressed satisfaction that worshippers stood in both old and new graveyards for the service. The old graveyard presented a very attractive appearance and the whole community expressed satisfaction over this improvement. We are grateful to the Madison School Band and others for leading us in the singing on the graveyard.

WILLIAM A. KALTREIDER.

MT. BETHEL

The Auxiliary met in regular session at the parsonage on Pri-

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day evening of the 10th and agreed to purchase carpet for the pulpit platform. The carpet has now been laid at a cost of $88.

Our Passion Week services were held one week ahead of time so that we could be at Willow Hill the week before Easter. They were unusually well attended.

On Palm Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Hoke Smith were received by the rite of confirmation.

The Easter graveyard service was held at 10:00 A.M. with a large congregation present. This was followed by the reading of the History of the Resurrection, at 11:00 A.M. in the church.

The band of Grace Church, Mt. Airy, played in the graveyard services. We appreciate this fine spirit of cooperation.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

WILLOW HILL

With the approach of spring the section in and around Willow Hill has become one of the beauty spots of the earth, with apple trees in full blossom and other mountain flowers showing their colors.

We began our Passion Week services on Palm Sunday night, concluding on the following Wednesday. They were fairly well attended. A large crowd gathered at the church on Thursday afternoon to clean off the graveyard and church grounds. Our Easter service was held on Easter Sunday afternoon with the band from Grace Moravian Church, Mt. Airy, furnishing the music.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

KERNERSVILLE

Palm Sunday brought us still another new record attendance for the church with eleven new members, as follows: Ray L. Atkins and his wife Mary Meta, Carol Ann Smith, Loretta Hastings, Thelma Robertson, Billy Rogers Mooney, Robert Urban Stuart and Ronald McLean by the sacrament of baptism; Charlie James Ragsdale, Jr., and Claude Eugene Earle, 3rd, by the rite of confirmation; Mrs. Lola Mae Warren by transfer.

For the first time we began Passion Week services on Palm Sunday night. The attendance was most gratifying, and continued throughout the week, culminating with the two services on Good Friday. The church was packed beyond capacity on Easter morning at 6 o’clock when it is our custom to read the History from the Resurrection to the Ascension. This was followed by the sunrise service on the graveyard, in which, as usual, we were assisted by the Friedland Band and Pastor. We had 100 present for this service.

There was a steady stream of visitors to our beautiful God’s Acre through this lovely Easter Day. Willow Hill and our Easter promi nences were in excellent conditions, thanks to the efforts of several of our men and women plus some hired help.

Very few of our absent members could be at home for Easter, but we were particularly glad to see those who could come, and to receive letters of greeting from those who couldn’t.

For sixteen years without interruption, Bro. Sam F. Vance, Jr., has sung “The Palms” at our Palm Sunday service. This year he was confined to bed with an infection of the throat, so Marie VanHoy of our Fairview Church kindly consented to take his place on very short notice. We are grateful to our musicians in choirs and band for their services, and to all members and friends who helped to make this year’s observance of Lent, Passion Week and Easter so outstanding.

WALTER H. ALLEN.

HOME CHURCH

Sunday, March 11, was set as Loyalty Building Sunday. With the offerings for that day the indebtedness on our Christian Education Building was reduced to less than $29,000. We are still hoping to erase this indebtedness before our young men and young women return from service.

On this same Sunday afternoon the choir presented a vesper of music interspersed with Scripture reading and the story of the hymn “Rock of Ages.” It was called “The Rock of Our Salvation,” and prepared by our organist and choir director, Dr. Charles G. Wardell, Jr. For that service he composed two anthems. One was entitled “The Rock and the Sand,” and the other “Lead Me to the Rock.”

The Men-of-the-Church heard a round-table discussion at their monthly meeting on the co-operation of the three major faiths of our country, Judaism, Catholicism and Protestantism. Participating were: Rabbi Frank Rosenthal, the Rev. Michael J. Begley and the Rev. Reid Wall.

During the Lenten season and on Palm Sunday 21 adults and 12 young people joined the Home Church. Passion Week services followed the traditional schedule.

R. GORDON SPAUGH,
CLAYTON H. PERSOS, Ast.

LEAKSVILLE

We were glad to receive eleven new members into our church, three on the first Sunday in March.

March. Readers of The Wachovia Moravian familiar with the beautiful Calvary Church will remember a certain wooden wall facing the west. The original plan of the new church contemplated the erection of a Christian Education Building which should join the church unit here.

During the past year, quite a few Bonds were received as gifts toward a prospective development. History was made on the night of March 15 at a dinner meeting of the Men’s Brotherhood with the women of the church as invited guests. The project of a Christian Education Building as a memorial to our members in service was thoroughly and enthusiastically accepted. It was voted to call a special Church Council on the following Sunday to commend the plan to the congregation for action. On March 18, then, Calvary voted unanimously to proceed with this major program. May God guide us.

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Mid-week Lenten services were well-attended with splendid interest. Included in Sunday morning sermons, a series of 12 discourses on the theme, “Light from the Cross” was presented.

March 18 we observed a Day of Prayer sponsored by the Woman’s Auxiliary, the Men’s Brotherhood and the young people. It was an inspiring day, with six periods grouped around the subject, “Our Program of Progress” (Southern Province). The brethren Bishop Prohl, C. B. Adams, D. L. Rights, E. T. Mickey, and Dr. G. L. Kerr and the Rev. G. R. Womeldorf brought fine messages.

Palm Sunday was notable with a fine accession of young people into our membership. Services of the Passion Week were greatly blessed with uniformly large attendance and growing interest. Special music by choirs and bands was inspiring. Notable were the Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday with an attendance of 408 and the lovefeast on Good Friday night.

Our sympathies as a congregation are again expressed to the loved ones of Mrs. Rex Freeman, who is nursing a broken arm.

EDMUND SCHWARZE.

GREENSBORO.

The Easter Sunday morning service is usually the most sparsely attended of all our services of the year. This year, however, according to the testimony of our oldest members, it was the most largely attended Easter service in the history of our church. This may be partially accounted for by the fact that three of the Greensboro churches had to turn away worshipers for want of seating or standing room, and we received some of the overflow. We were encouraged by the number of visitors present on the past two Sundays.

On Palm Sunday we received into communicant membership by the sacrament of adult baptism Billy and Bobby Wagner. On Easter Sunday we welcomed, in absentia, Cpl. Albert Thurston St. Clair, Jr., by letter of transfer. He is now on route overseas.

A daughter, Patricia Michaeleene, was born to Mrs. Donald Brennan, the former Kathryn Everett, at the ORD hospital here in Greensboro on March 15.

On March 23, at post chapel number four, ORD, the pastor, assisted by Chaplain (Capt.) Robert Weaver united in marriage Miss Lois Reich, a member of our congregation, and Cpl. Albert Thurston St. Clair, Jr., of Wilmington, Delaware.

I. HOWARD CHADWICK.

TRINITY.

The first Sunday in March was chosen this year as Decision Day, and there was splendid interest. Instruction classes have continued for six weeks.

The Young People’s Society conducted one Sunday evening service in March and the Brotherhood another.

The advanced season brought mild and fair weather, and attendance at services of Passion Week and Easter was larger than last year. About three hundred were present for the Palm Sunday lovefeast. We welcome the following new members received on Palm Sunday: Harvey E. Whitt, John R. Harrison, Jr., Janice Harrison, Jack Lawrence, J. D. Gardner, William R. Chatman, Curtis L. Sprinkle, Greta Sprinkle, Dorothy Tucker, Rachael Ann Ward, Martha Ann Pardue, Betty Jarvis, Shirley Williams, Ruth Ann Carter, Bonnie Jane Stewart, Fay E. Willard, Jr., Graham Rights, Betty Anne Carpenter, Janet Mullinan, Nancy Fishel, Audra Jean Clinar and Joan Gardner.

On March 18, Eugene George C. Poehles, Jr., was received by the sacrament of adult baptism.

Our church band, with two sections directed by W. D. Fishel and J. C. Chisholm, kept its good record for Easter music by playing for the early morning tour of Lovefeast and for the sunrise service. In the afternoon a section of the band played for the New Eden graveyard service.

We regret the misfortune that befell Mrs. Rex Freeman, who is nursing a broken arm.

Our sympathy is extended to the Byerly family in the death of Mrs. Byerly, Sr.; the Noell family in the death of Mr. Noell.

On the 18th, at a church wedding, Captain William Merle Davis was married to Miss Martha Butner. At the parsonage on the 19th, Robert Brit Bare was married to Miss Shirley Little.

Miss Eloise Hege has been at Richmond, Va., and has had a serious operation. Mrs. Charles A. Hege has been with her all the time, and Mr. Hege has made several visits.

Mid-week service continues with vigor, and is running well ahead of last year.

The choir and a section of the band gave a pre-Easter program for the soldiers at USAO on the evening of Palm Sunday.

G. E. BREWER.

Macedonia.

The month of March has been a busy one for our people. Mr. Riddie gave us a one-half acre of land for parking space. This land was in wood and had to be cleared of trees and underbrush. Bro. Roy Snyder came out with his machine and pulled down most of the trees. Mr. Williams and Mr. Reynolds furnished the machinery to finish pulling trees and grading. The ladies planted hedges next to the woods and about half of the lot has been rocked and ready for parking.

Our attendances have been better this month—above the 150 mark on two of the Sundays.

Sorrow came into our midst when Granny Miller passed away at the age of 97 years. She was a charter member of the congregation.

EASTER.

MORAVIA.

Easter Sunday night being the time for our regular appoint, we arranged to have Holy Communion and reception of new members. Three young people were received by the sacrament of baptism, namely, Annie Elliott, Elaine Crews and Wm. Jepthiah Elliott. Mrs. Ella Mae Kallam came by letter of transfer and John Rufus Lee was re-admitted. There are others whom we hope will join us later.

Quite a number from Moravia attended the sunrise service at Kernersville.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

OLIVET.

The lovefeast and installation service for the officers of the Jim Yarborough Barracks class was held on Palm Sunday evening with the pastor in charge. Officers
installed were Mrs. R. F. Foltz, teacher; Mrs. E. E. Batten, assistant teacher; Mrs. William Strible, president; Bro. R. G. Kiger, vice president; Mrs. J. M. Douglas, secretary; Bro. Gordon Conrad, assistant secretary; Bro. Fred Loper, treasurer; and Mrs. Gordon Conrad, Mrs. Ward Hecks, Mrs. Fred Loper, and Mrs. Robert Taylor, committee chairman. Mrs. Tal and Hayes is the pianist and Arland Lewis the mascot. At this service an offering was received toward Olivet’s quota for Moravian College and Theological Seminary.

On March 18 Bro. J. M. Douglas was received by the sacrament of adult baptism, Mrs. J. M. Douglas by letter of transfer, the infant son of Bro. and Sr. Oscar Dour, Richard Conrad Dour, was dedicated to the Lord in infant baptism.

The Woman’s Auxiliary met in session at the church for its monthly meeting, the theme of which was "Missions." As a part of the service an offering of clothing was presented for the Moravians of Labrador.

Readings from the Passion Week Manual were held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. In connection with the reading on Friday the Lord’s Supper was celebrated. Bro. Walter T. Streppe assisted the pastor by reading on Thursday.

GEORGE C. HIGGINS

KING

We have been preparing for the Easter season for some time, hoping that the grading of our church yard could be completed by then but were not so fortunate. When finished we hope it will accomplish the chief purpose for which it is being done, namely to eliminate water from the church basement.

Members of the Auxiliary have been hard at work. During the month they have supplied much clothing and made three quilts for Labrador. In addition, materials have been ordered and one set of Bible-markers for the pulpit has been completed. The other three are to follow.

Our Palm Sunday service was a source of much blessing. In it three boys gave their hearts to the Lord and joined the church by adult baptism.

Our lay folk helped with the Passion Week services. The pastor administered the Communion on Thursday night and held the sunrise service on Easter morning as well as the worship service at 11 a.m. E. T. MICKEY, JR.

IMMANUEL

So rapidly have events transpired at Immanuel it is difficult to keep pace with them. Passion week was a rich experience. Valued assistance rendered by the Brothers D. C. Butner, J. S. Teague and J. F. Cade enabled us to care for all services. Palm Sunday receptions were: Isaac H. Bailey, Jr., Norma Ruth Caudle, James Donald Cade, Russell Norman Cade, Barbara Ann Dull, Charles Thomas Gordon and Vivian Ophelia Pitts, by adult baptism; Jimmie Mock Perryman by confirmation; Irene Gilbert Robertson, Mamie Hendrix Van Zant, Martha Frances Angel, Margaret Semantha Pitts, Alma McKaughn Sheets and Irene Hastings Jones by the right hand of fellowship; and one infant baptism.

At the lovefeast on Good Friday, Boyd William Ansmon was received by adult baptism; Thomas M. Brown, Jr., and Hilda Sink Brown were received by the right hand of fellowship; and one infant baptism.

Four occasions deserve comment. The Men’s Bible Class meeting with Br. Tom Sink was most enthusiastic and forward looking. In a simple but lovely wedding ceremony Kenneth Lee Lawson and Emmalee Burchette were united in marriage. Many interested in missions found much valuable information in the slides "Around the world with Moravian Missions." And the youngest of our organizations, the Junior Young People, has gotten away to a good start.

The Auxiliary, meeting in general session, heard most encouraging reports from the various circles. Then, Br. Dallas C. Butner speaking for the Official Boards, reported that action of the previous evening requesting a resident pastor would necessitate a parsonage. Since he felt this to be a project in which the Auxiliary would be particularly interested he would like to extend to them the privilege of being the first to make a contribution toward the building. As an incentive to diligence he proposed that they raise $600 in the next six months and he would duplicate every dollar up to this amount. Within ten days the treasurer of this group informed Br. Butner they were ready for his gift.

Many thanks to Miss Marie Hutchinson and the young people of Sedge Garden school for the splendid contribution they made to our service on the first Sunday evening.

SAMUEL J. TESCH

ENTERPRISE

On January 1, 1945, Enterprise began the support of a native missionary, Cornelius Iglu. As a project of the Sunday school, funds are raised through voluntary offerings on a designated Sunday in each month, and have been more than sufficient to carry our pledged support.

Taking the place of Howard Teah, John W. Hoge has been elected to the church committee, and Robert Reich, by a new arrangement, serves ex-officio on the committee as the church treasurer, taking the place of his father, Lewis Reich, who faithfully discharged the duties of this office for many years. Bro. Lewis Reich remains a member of the board, and this move, in effect adds one member to the committee.

For several months two of the young people, Elaine Teah and Mrs. J. W. Yarborough, have been writing a news sheet, THE LINK, which becomes the bond between men in the service and the church at home.

Reconstruction of the church steps, by the volunteer labor of our men, has changed the appearance of the entire church front. Steps now lead up to the door parallel to the building and a brick wall capped with cement extending from the ground fronting the steps, reaches to banister height above the steps. Built into this wall is an enclosure for a bulletin board. The new steps are not as steep as the old ones and are broader.

A chicken pie supper held on March 17 netted $111 and brought guests from Winston-Salem and Lexington. So many people responded to personal invitations to attend that the women who prepared the supper watched the rapid disappearance of the food with alarm.

Turned into the Red Cross campaign was $75 received through a voluntary offering.

JOHN W. FULTON

CLEMMONS

Lenten services leading up to the Passion readings, including Holy Communion and lovefeast and climaxed by the Easter services, were said by many to be the best attended in years. We appreciate the assistance of the band and ushers and all who helped to make this a season of great blessing. Besides the regular services...
have held or assisted in eight funerals.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPE

At Hope the regular services were held with lovefeast and Holy Communion on Palm Sunday afternoon.

The Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. F. A. Spang, a faithful band of workers met on the afternoon of the 17th and cleaned up the church grounds.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS

A lovefeast was held on Palm Sunday evening. The Auxiliary met at the home of Oscar Weavil. Bro. Robb Holland Bodenhamer who had been in declining health for two years died on the morning of the 31st. His funeral service on April 2 was the first to be conducted from this church since its beginning, and he was the first to be interred in our new graveyard. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

MENSAH

A cantata, "The Easter Gift," was effectively presented at the morning service on March 25 by the junior and senior choirs under the direction of Mrs. J. W. Daniels. Solists were Mrs. Jessie Briggs and Mrs. Virginia Speas Joyce. Miss Margaret Hunter assisted the pianist.

Services were held every night during Passion Week with the following doing the reading: Mrs. Guy Wall, Bro. Jesse Briggs, Bro. R. M. Butner, Bro. Walter T. Strape, and the pastor. Mrs. Joe E. Tally, Mrs. J. W. Daniels, and Miss Margaret Hunter assisted with the music. We are grateful to all who made these services possible.

The Woman's Auxiliary met at the church on the 17th with Mrs. Spencer Newsom as hostess.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

FAIRVIEW

As we prepare this report we are looking forward to an event that happens only twice in a century, namely, a fiftieth anniversary. Fairview Church began as a Sunday School on May 6, 1885. Present at the first session were 79 scholars and seven teachers. We have decided to celebrate our anniversary fifty years from that date, rather than fifty years from the date of organization as a congregation which did not come until thirteen years later. Fairview was a flourishing church quite some time before it became a chartered congregation.

Anniversary week has been set for Monday, April 30, through Sunday, May 6. The program and speakers are as follows: Monday—The Church in the World Today, John R. Weinlick; Tuesday—The Missionary Task of the Church, Waker H. Allen; Wednesday—The Church and Its Young People, Howard Chadwick; Friday—Fellowship night (banquet), J. Calvin Barnes and George G. Higgins (sons of the congregation); Sunday—Holy Communion, Leon G. Lokenback assisting the pastor; Lovefeast, J. Kenneth Pfohl.

A confirmation class of eleven boys and girls, and three transfers from other Moravian churches were received into our communicant membership at our Palm Sunday services. The class was composed of Barbara Ann Ledbetter, James Robert Manuel, John Norman Mannel, George Thomas Stack, Barbara Dietrich Faust, Betty Jo Welch, James Edward Calder, Robert Creed Jenkins, Terry Shannon Morgan, Howard Spencer Stewart, and Sidney Welch. Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. King and Sgt. Clifton B. Kane, Jr., were received by the right hand of fellowship.

In the evening of the same day the pastor united this same Sgt. Kane in marriage to Majorie Lineback of Fairview. The Rev. Douglas Rights, who had married the bride's parents, assisted. On Easter Sunday the pastor officiated at the marriage of Sgt. Harry F. Beal of San Antonio, Texas, to Hazel Lawrence of Fairview. Both grooms are overseas veterans, Sgt. Beal of the North African and European theater, and Sgt. Kane of the Pacific.

JOHN R. WEINICK.

BETHABARA

Preparation for and observation of the Easter season had everyone at work at Bethabara this month. Owing to scarcity of help the men and boys of the congregation cleansed part of the graveyard and had a good time doing it. Contract was let for the rebuilding of the stone wall along the road in front of the church. Church grounds were cleaned, and the women had an all-day cleaning session for the church building itself, including, as usual, a hearty meal.

One of the activities we hope to continue is band rehearsal. With the help of boys from Rural Hall we gathered a band of some fifteen who rehearsed faithfully on Tuesday nights. How long we can continue to hold regular rehearsals we do not know.

On Palm Sunday we had a happy day with two adult baptisms, one confirmation, and one infant baptism.

With the kind help of members of the congregation a full program of Passion Week services was held with better attendances than last year. On Friday night the church was filled to overflowing for the lovefeast and Holy Communion. There were not enough communion glasses to go around.

On Easter morning our band started before 4 a.m., going from Bethabara community to Rural Hall and King. They were served breakfast at King and played for the sunrise service there at 6:30. In the afternoon, assisted by Calvary band, they furnished the music for our graveyard service at Bethabara.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

PELHAM MEMORIAL

The construction of the new building has been greatly accelerated with the coming of spring weather. A building fund rally brought in almost $400. The building fund treasurer, Mrs. J. R. Matthews, resigned due to reasons of health and Miss Frances Spainhour has been appointed to succeed her. The congregation appreciates the faithful service of Mrs. Matthews and wishes for her complete recovery.

A special series of midweek services were held with Miss Angie Crew, returned missionary from Japan under the Congregational-Christian Board, as the speaker.

On Palm Sunday the congregation welcomed into the community
Pashon Week services were well received. The largest attendance of the week was at the Holy Communion on Thursday night. This service was different from any other Communion service we have had. Under the leadership of Dr. Leister it centered around the "Table Talk of our Lord." The room was lighted with candles on the table which was long enough to seat more than half the congregation. A picture of the Last Supper made the center of worship above the elements of the Lord's Supper.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

CHARLOTTE

Each year in Charlotte finds increased devotional emphasis placed on the observance of Passion Week and Easter. This year the five Myers Park churches, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Episcopal, and Moravian, held Holy Week or pre-Easter services. The Community Good Friday and Easter morning services, now in their eighteenth year, were well attended and spiritually helpful. The Moravian Pastor was chairman of the committee from the Ministerial Association arranging the services.

Nineteen city ministers assisted in the three-hour Good Friday service at C. Otto of the Divinity School, Duke University, was the speaker at the sunrise service, which included the Moravian Easter Morning Liturgy. Music was furnished by a two-hundred-piece band drawn from the communities of the city schools. A two-hundred-voice choir from the city schools and the Myers Park Presbyterian Church led the singing and rendered a special number. The service, held in the American Legion Memorial Stadium at 7:30 a.m., was broadcast over Radio Station WSOC. The attendance was approximately 5,000.

Bro. Howard Chadwick presented the needs of the Greensboro congregation to us on March 4. He received $500 with other gifts expected later.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Pitts announce the birth of a son, Richard, Jr., on March 14.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of C. E. Blythe, whose brother CWO Edwin Blythe, U. S. Navy, has been reported killed in action in the Pacific

At the Maundy Thursday Communion the following were received into church membership: Mrs. E. S. Spaniholm, Mrs. Richard Sims, Mrs. H. J. Callis, Miss Carolyn Puryear, Mrs. Bernice Jones, Miss Jo Ann Jones, and Mrs. A. M. Bost, Jr.

During the month the pastor spoke at the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, the Belmont Park Methodist Church, St. Martin's Episcopal Church, and delivered the Good Friday address to the Civitan Club. He also delivered a series of lectures to the Charlotte Police School on Public Relations.

The Pastor is happy to announce the release, after three years' internment in the Philippines, of his uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. Hugh Curran and members of the family, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Curran, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Yankey and Howard H. Curran Jr. They were interned in the Los Banos camp.

HERBERT SPAUGH.

ABRDMORE

The first son of this congregation to enter the ministry was ordained by Bishop J. K. Pfohl at the morning service on Passion Sunday, March 18. There were 306 worshippers in attendance, including many from his own parishes at Bethesda.

That same night, an illustrated lecture on "The History of the Cross" was presented by Mr. Howard S. Regan of High Point, N. C., to a large and interested congregation.

The Woman's Auxiliary sponsored a campaign for new church draperies which were finally installed in time for the Palm Sunday services. These are a decided improvement, and we are grateful to all who had a part in securing them.

On Saturday, March 24, Yvonne Marie Phelps, daughter of Bro. and Mrs. D. D. Phelps, was united in marriage by the pastor to Dr. E. R. Caldwell, Jr., of Waynesville, N. C., in a beautiful ceremony at the church.

On Palm Sunday morning there were twenty accessions to membership: by the right hand of fellowship: Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Rothrock and son, Thomas E., Mr. and Mrs. Wilson E. Edwards, (Bro. Wilson, in absentia) Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Kamerer and son, Charles E., Milton F. Walker, and Mrs. Ira L. Kiger; by the sacrament of baptism: the brethren, Ira L. Kiger, Roy L. Rudasill, John P. Allgood, Glenn T. Binkley, Clay M. Goodson, and James E. Harris; and by the rite of confirmation: Dianne Harris and Bobby Tucker. Earlier, during the season of Lent, the following eight had also been received by the right hand of fellowship: Mrs. Lillie M. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. WM. F. Keight, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Angel, Mrs. S. J. Greer, and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Spanihour (Bro. Spanihor, in absentia).

Thanks to the generosity of Bro. B. L. Hine, we have been able to place an order for the finest of visual education equipment. We are looking forward to its use in many of our activities.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

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The Bible House in Manila, belonging to the American Bible Society is badly wrecked, the Society has learned from its secretary there, Rev. William H. Fonger, who was recently released from the internment camp, Los Banos. Plates for printing Scriptures in various Filipino dialects were stored in a concrete vault at the rear of the Bible House. About ninety per cent of these are undamaged, but Mr. Fonger, but must be cleaned, and oiled and restored in a safe place. Printing will not be possible in Manila for many months, it is expected.

The American Bible Society already has on the press in this country 200,000 Gospels in Tagalog, Ilocano and Cebuano for the Philippines which will be forwarded as soon as they are ready.

Record Scripture Distribution.

A total of 12,463,541 copies of the Scriptures were circulated by the American Bible Society in 1944, this breaking all previous records of the 129-year-old Society. The figures were 835,367 Bibles, 2,505,892 Testaments, 8,861,986 Gospels and other Portions of the Bible. The two years 1928 and 1929 exceeded 11,680,000 and 1930, 19,000,000. No other years have been so large.

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Phelps—Donna Kaye, infant daughter of David Dewitt, Jr., and Margie Landreth Phelps, born October 4, 1944, was baptized in Ardmore Church on March 25, 1945 by the Rev. Charles B. Adams.

Tucker—Carolyn Elaine, infant daughter of W. Lindsay and Frances Peterson Tucker, born December 21, 1944, was baptized in Ardmore Church on March 25, 1945 by the Rev. Charles B. Adams.

Holmes—Frances Ann, infant daughter of William David and Catherine Crist Holmes, was baptized March 18, 1945 in the Home Church by Bishop Pfohl and the Rev. R. Gordon Spaugh.

Isgett—Beth Elaine, infant daughter of Charles R. and Hazel Jones Isgett, was baptized in the Home Church, March 18, 1945 by Bishop Pfohl and the Rev. R. Gordon Spaugh.

Cofer—Gilbert M., Jr., infant son of Gilbert M. and Pauline Cly Cofer, was baptized in the Home Church March 18, 1945 by Bishop Pfohl and the Rev. R. Gordon Spaugh.

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Holder—Elizabeth Jerome, infant daughter of Edward M. and Elizabeth Jerome Holder, was baptized April 2, 1945 by the Rev. R. Gordon Spaugh.

Putnam—Walter Lloyd, 3rd, infant son of Walter Lloyd, Jr., and Sarah Spann Putnam, born January 31, 1945, was baptized in Fairview Church on March 25, 1945 by the Rev. John R. Weinlick. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Putnam, Sr.

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The Laying Of Fries Memorial Cornerstone

The laying of the cornerstone of Fries Memorial Church, April 8, 1945 at 3 p.m. Left to right: Dr. Edmund Schwarze, the Rev. E. T. Mickey, Jr., Bro. Henry E. Fries, Dr. Walter H. Allen, the Rev. Douglas L. Rights, the Rev. Ralph C. Bassett.

The impressive ritual once more brought into use the gavel used by Bishop Pfohl or his representative in every Moravian cornerstone laying in this section of the country. The congregation, estimated at 300 stood at every vantage point to hear Bro. E. T. Mickey, pastor of Bethabara say, "Today we lay the cornerstone of another house of God. We are gathered from many congregations and many are they who have had and will have part in this effort. May the truth which those men found that day in the text, "Behold I am with thee, saith the Lord, be ours today for comfort, strength, and inspiration.""

Bro. Henry Fries in his remarks said, "Greetings to all by whose presence encourage us today. Through the liberality of friends, the kindness of the Congregational-Christian Church, and the united efforts of our members, we have arrived at this glad hour. Hereafter we will celebrate this day with the Bethabara Congregation."

"This house, our God, to Thee we build, For worship, praise and prayer, We here record Thy mercies, Lord, And all Thy watchful care."

Dr. Walter H. Allen, commissioner by Bishop Pfohl who could not be present, said in part, "I bring you today in behalf of the Provincial Elders' Conferences our best wishes as you lay this cornerstone of your new church edifice. As this stone is to become the chief stone of this building, so may Christ be the cornerstone of your congregation."

After the address the pastor, Bro. Ralph C. Bassett, read the document for the cornerstone and placed it and the other articles in the copper box, naming each as he did so. There were some 16 items in all, including membership lists, names of servicemen and names of construction workers. After the pastor placed the box in the niche, Dr. Allen laid the cornerstone in place with the words, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

The picture was taken just after he struck the stone three times with the gavel. Then each of the other ministers present did likewise, repeating the words of the ritual.

Since April 8 was also the anniversary (157th) of the cornerstone laying of Bethabara Church, Bro. Mickey and his band and choir were invited to take part in the proceedings. The bands played under the direction of Bro. L. C. Swain. The invocation was offered by Bro. Douglas L. Rights, the Scripture was read by Dr. Edmund Schwarze and the Benediction was pronounced by Bro. Gordon Spaugh.

RALPH C. BASSETT

V-E DAY ADDRESS

By BISHOP J. KENNETH PFCHL, D.D.
Centenary Methodist Church, May 8, 1945.

(A Union Service under the Auspices of the Winston-Salem Ministers' Association).

Fellow Citizens of Winston-Salem and the United States:
In this momentous hour in the life of our nation and of the world, we meet in reverent company to give appropriate expression to our deep sense of gratitude and immeasurable relief, that, at long last, V-E Day is here and the European phase of World War II is ended.

Since that fatal day in September, 1939, when the Nazi legions, under their godless and fanatical leader, flung defiance at all forms of democratic government and the Christian way of life on the earth, and entered upon their march of slaughter and destruction to establish their much vaunted claim to be a super-race and to have the right and the might to rule the peoples of Europe and eventually the world, there has been no day such as this. For more than five long years there has not been a single day of peace, but only war, war, war. And at what cost of life, again, in the course of the European phase of the struggle for which in April we were in fact called into being?

Today, from the British Isles to the Red Sea and the Bosphorus and from the Artic Ocean to the Mediterranean, there is no sound of life-destroying gun or bursting bomb or battling army; but the quiet and calm of peace. It is a blessed peace, a satisfying, hope-impelling peace. What a relief! What a challenge to make it a permanent experience for America and the world. This is indeed a day for humble rejoicing and fervent thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving
To what shall our thanks be expressed?
To the millions of our armed forces and those of our Allies who have battled and suffered and died?
To the efficient leadership of the Allied Governments and the Generals and Admirals and staffs of the Army and Navy?
To the vast army of workers who at home and abroad have produced the needed supplies and kept them moving to camps and battlefronts?
To the fathers and mothers, the wives and sweethearts who gave their loved ones to the service, many of them never to be seen by them again?
Yes! Oh, Yes! A thousand times, Yes! We would not overlook a single one whose patriotic and self-sacrificing service contributed to the warfare and the struggle which has ended in the victory which makes this Peace Day possible.
To all of them we express our humble grateful thanks.

But, first of all, and in fullest and highest degree, let our thanks be expressed to Almighty God, Sole Ruler of the Universe.

It was He, it was He, who, once again, in the course of the centuries, held the balance of battle in His Almighty hand.

To this God—our fathers' God and ours—let our chief and most devout and humble thanks be said.

Once again it has been demonstrated that "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein." To no man and to no nation has He given power and will He give that dominion which He has reserved for His Son, the world's Redeemer, before Whom He has decreed that "Every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the Glory of God the Father."

God has not renounced His right to rule, neither has He been turned from His great purpose to establish on this earth a kingdom of
Our government and regulation of the nations as might have prevented war.

Or, in the words of John Oxenham, let us ask—

And we ourselves—

Are our hands clean?

Are our souls free from blame in this world tragedy?

We had relaxed our hold on higher things,

We had slipped back along the slipping way

And we would build anew

And build to stay,

We must find God again

And go His way.

This Peace Day, with its terrible background of sin, personal and national, of selfish striving, of dishonor for the high principles which America has always professed, calls us to our knees, to confession of our sins.

Is there promise we can claim to comfort us and help us as we seek to find God again? Hear this: "If my people which are called by name shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face, and turn from their evil ways; then will I hear in heaven, and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

And to us as individuals is the promise given: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

If to the cessation of war and peace between the nations of Europe and the Allies there could be added peace between the citizens of America and those responsible for its principles and policies of government and their God, then V-E Day would be a Peace Day indeed.

Dedication

For the future, too, there must be high purpose and devout dedication. Alas, our warring is but half completed. The flags of peace fly over Europe, but the flags of war are waving over Asia. Long, dark, and bloody days are in all probability ahead of us as Japan, the last remaining Axis power, in treachery and stubbornness and wanton waste of her citizens and her property, continues her suicidal course rather than surrender to the inevitable.

We must continue the struggle.

And, oh, what rejoicing there will be when comes the call for the observance of V-J Day and peace comes to Asia and at length to the whole world of nations. To this end our President has today called us to "work, work, work," and this we shall do.

But, what of the peace, the peace purchased at such tremendous price? That must be won, too, else our gallant men shall have died in vain and the immeasurable sacrifice of those awful years be for naught. That must not be! That must not be!

In San Francisco, the Conference of forty-six nations is drawing up the charter for a great international organization which is to form the basis, the framework for a just and lasting peace, based on the consent of the nations and on law. There is every assurance that the work of the Conference will be successful.

That done, however, the greater task will be but begun. Real peace is not constructed by conferences, by resolutions and agreements, by treaties and plans, but by the daily living of men and women who make up the citizenship of the nations.

We addressed you, at the outset of this Peace Day message as "Fellow Citizens of Winston-Salem and of the United States." We now address you, "And of the World!" and we would remind you that each of us has a contribution to make to the world peace that is to be. Each of us will be a citizen, a factor determining the direction the world's course is to take and the type and moulding of its life. Is it to be Pagan or Christian? Is it to be half free and half bonded? Is it to be a selfish, sordid, greedy profit or a kindly community of friendly world? Is it to be a righteous world or one forgetful of its Creator and God?

Our lives and the ideals and principles for which we stand will answer. Our religious faith, our personal purity and morality, and our relationship to our neighbor will indicate our choice. We are to be builders and makers of the world that is to be.

Oh, this is more than a V-E Day. This is a Dedication Day, a day for personal dedication to the unfinished task, to the building of a just and righteous peace and a new and better world.

May I urge you to build for God and with God. May I call your attention to the life and example of Jesus Christ. He is the true pattern; His are the approved principles. Had we built upon them before we would not now be having to build anew. Build with love in your heart to God and man.

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy strength and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself." This is the first and great commandment. Build with others and their welfare constantly in view. Live to do them good, to set them free, to extend to the least privileged the full blessings which you enjoy. Live so that the riches which you store up for yourself are not those that fade and perish or must be left behind when you have reached the end of your earthly way, but those that endure unto everlasting life.

Live so that for you and all others this earth may become more and more like heaven where the will of God is done and men live together as one great brotherhood under the Fatherhood of God and in the love of Jesus Christ. Amen!

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the pastors who have served there, a brief history, a list of all the young men in the armed forces and other items of interest. It is a fine souvenir. The celebrant was deeply affected, however, by the death of two members of the Board of Elders, the Brn. Anderson and McGeer, whose funerals were held in the church on Tuesday and Thursday of Anniversary Week.

V-E Day was observed by special services in many of our churches (as reports next month will undoubtedly indicate). Planned for months in advance, Winston-Salem held a union service in Centenary Methodist Church at 4 p.m. The address, which appears elsewhere in this issue, (in which condensed) was delivered by Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl. Bro. R. Gordon Spaugh was chairman of the committee from the Winston-Salem Ministers’ Association which arranged for this service.

Our Moravian Church in Canada is this year celebrating the fifth anniversary of its founding. A series of illuminating articles about the early days of that work appeared in our Northern Independent, The Moravian, from the pen of Bishop Clemens Hoyler, who went out to Western Canada as a young man and was the leader of that home mission enterprise for many years. The present chairman of the District Board is the Rev. Samuel Wedman, formerly a missionary in Nicaragua and such stepped here when traveling to and from that field.

The collection of old clothing for Labrador was once again a gratifying success throughout the Southern Province. A total of 35 barrels of good warm clothing including some 75 quilts (nearly all of them made especially for this mission field, so new and not used) have been dispatched. The 35 barrels weighed 3,100 lbs., and were packed by the ladies of the Home Church Woman’s Auxiliary. Many thanks to all who had any part in this very worthy undertaking.

Incidentally, we saw in the paper that North Carolina was leading the country in the collection of old clothing for the destitute people of Europe.

Fairview congregation got out a very attractive memorial booklet as a part of the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary. It contains a picture of the old church and of the new one, pictures of all

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AS WE SEE IT

In the name of the Southern Province, the Wachovia Moravian extends deepest sympathy to Brother J. P. Crouch and members of his family upon the death of Mrs. Crouch on April 23, following a critical illness. The funeral was conducted at Pine Chapel on the 24th by Bro. Douglas L. Rights and Bro. R. Gordon Spaugh.

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REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

FRIES MEMORIAL
The cornerstone of our new building was laid on April 8. Many other congregations were represented by their ministers and people. This was an encouraging sight. Also encouraging was the $840 brought in to shore up the crumbling building fund. It is inevitable that as the building goes up, our funds go down. A new committee is appointed for each succeeding drive.

The Sunday school was addressed by Bro. Ferdinand Dreibert on April 15. He told about the new Eskimo Hymnal and visited most of our classes. We were glad to have this personal appearance of one of our long-time missionaries from Alaska.

Favorite hymns of the late President were also sung on this Sunday.

The traditional pink, usually distributed by Bro. Fries on Mothers’ Day, were blooming so early that he had them given out in April.

The congregation welcomed Bro. Calvin Barnes as preacher on the last Sunday. We were also presented at the Missionary Rally.

Ralph C. Bassett

MIZPAH
Mizpah suffered her first casualty of the war in the death of Pvt. Vestal Speas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Speas. Vestal who had previously been wounded was killed in action in Germany. At the time of the Normandy invasion he was attached to the famous Fourth Armored Division with the Third Army. Just prior to his death he had been transferred to the Ninth Army. Bro. and Sr. Speas have also received the news that another son, Eugene, who had been listed as “missing in action” is a prisoner of war in Germany.

Word has also been received by Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bowen that their son, Elline, has been wounded for the second time.

The Mizpah choir took part in the revival services of the Elm Grove Methodist church on the night of April 11.

A special service was held on the fifth Sunday morning at which time the eulogy of Moravian College of Theological Seminary was presented by the pastor and an offering received. Mizpah also turned in its quota of $5.00 on the Eskimo Hymnal.

George C. Higgins

FRIEDLAND
The response of the congregation to the invitation to attend the cornerstone laying of the new church edifice of the Friedland Memorial congregation was most gratifying.

Again the Auxiliary takes the lead. Their sphere of activity may be limited but their faith and determination are not. At the regular meeting held with Mrs. Chas. F. Sapp, plans were worked out for furthering the proposed building project.

Strange as it may seem, wherever there is something to eat, Scouts will usually be found. The church choir was host to the pastor and Mrs. Tesch following a regular choir rehearsal. Homemade cake and ice cream disappeared phenomenally amid the yelling for some.

We thank you again.

In the closing service of our pastorate Robert Carlyle Singleton was received into the communicant membership in absentia. At the very moment of the announcement of his reception he was traveling by plane for the west coast assignment.

Five years and eight months ago we came to Friedland and it seems as if it was just last year. We are most grateful for the opportunities and fellowship we have shared together. For the evidence of maturity we are profoundly thankful. For the dreams which may as yet unrealized, we give thanks unto God and pray that these aspirations may speedily become more on the part of some. We thank you again.

Our first memorial service was held for Pte. James Monroe Snow, son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Snow of Homokee, Fla. James was nineteen years old and had been in the armed forces almost two years. He was sent across into France on D-Day and fought his way into Belgium, and was killed on December 20.

The following lay brethren have had charge of the mid-week service: Dewey Long, B. H. Fishel and Oscar Grubbs.

The Christian Endeavor Society continues to have good attendance and helpful meetings. Their monthly social was interfered with by a cold rain.

Samuel J. Tesch

ADVENT
The exterior of our church plant was decorated in a white garment for Easter. It surely makes a fine appearance all freshly painted. As it was truly an Easter Day in nature, so in the services of the day as was brought to a close glorious revival with the Rev. Lee C. Fisher of Indianapolis, Ind., as our evangelist. Our attendance was the best in many a year. The sanctuary was decorated with Easter lilies given by Francis G. Hood of Marinette, Wis., in memory of his father, a good friend of the pastor; also carvings given by Mr. and Mrs. Whissett in honor of their four sons now serving in the armed forces; and stately drapages given by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Janss in honor of their two sons in the armed forces.

Our church has been strengthened and encouraged by the Easter revival. Those uniting with us were Mrs. Lilian Dunn, Mrs. John Yokley, Mrs. Virginia Phillips Sparks, Mrs. Grady Fry, Mrs. James Brewer, Jr., and Harry McConnell.

Seaman First Class Ray Alvis Jones and Mary Louise Cash were united in marriage at the parsonage on April 4.

Esther Fishel and Sgt. H. R. Cash were married at Sedelia, Mo. Funeral services for Mrs. Clevon M. Smick Miller, 37 years, wife of Roy R. Miller, were conducted at Advent on April 13 by the pastor, assisted by the Rev. Samuel Tesch and the Rev. J. P. Croach.

The pastor assisted in the funeral of Mrs. John Kinel at Mt. Carmel Methodist Church, April 24.

The Auxiliary met this month with Mrs. Henry (Jesse Miller) Fishel. She was assisted by Mrs. C. M. Runley, Mrs. Julia Snow, Mrs. Thos. Gutier, and Misses Norma Fishel and Margaret Miller.

On April 20 our first memorial service was held for Pte. James Morris Snow, son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Snow of Homokee, Va.

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J. R. Thomas

DIAL 7158
by Billy Hutchins, has become a welcome visitor twice each month, with many anxiously awaiting each publication. 

Mrs. Mary Green, a teacher in our Sunday school for a number of years, has given up her class for a while and Miss Henrietta Stout has been elected to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Green deserves the much needed rest. 

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J. P. CROUCH

BETHABARA

Highlight of the month was the morning service on the third Sunday in which Bro. Chadwick of our Greensboro Church came to present the needs of that congregation. Gifts and pledges totaling over $365 surprised and delighted all of us. Our prayers for the growth of this work go with the gifts.

On the last Sunday night of the month our young people held the service, as they always do on the fifty Sundays.

Total membership of the congregation includes some ninety residents. Average attendances for the month in services both night and morning, and in church school, above 75. Something new is happening to us! We are happy in it, but we can't explain it, for it has come without excitement or fanfare.

On the last Sunday night of the month we were privileged to receive into the membership of the congregation Bro. and Sr. W. E. Vernon and daughter Julia Ann. On the following Monday night we administered the sacrament of infant baptism to their four-month-old daughter, Nancy Patricia, at home. We rejoice in this new fellowship.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

CHARLOTTE

Between five and six thousand people assembled at 7:30 A.M. in Charlotte's American Legion Memorial Stadium for the eighteenth annual Easter morning service. The address was given by Dr. Albert C. Outler of the Divinity School of Duke University. The music was furnished by the 200-piece combined bands of Charlotte. The service was broadcast over Radio Station WSOO. Preceding the service, the small bands went out from the Moravian church to announce the resurrection in the traditional Moravian manner. Breakfast was served to these bands at the church. The pastor was general chairman of the arrangements.

The Woman's Auxiliary celebrated its twenty-third anniversary with a birthday meeting at the home of Mrs. C. E. Moore. Mrs. Ollie Hege Barkhead is chairman. Born to Ph. M. L-e and Mrs. Ray D. Kimel at Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C., a daughter, Alice Ann, on April 5.

The deep sympathy of the congregation is extended to Bro. Russell G. Holder by reason of the homegoing of his mother, Mrs. Emma Bounds Holder, of Winston-Salem, N. C., on April 10. Lt. (g) Joel R. Mills, USN, has been home on survivor's leave. His ship was shot out from under him in the early spring. We thank God for his protection.

The address was given by Dr. Herbert S. Diehl, USA, Cpl. Mozie Cox, USA, and Earle Spaugh, A-S, USNR V-12 Training Unit, were also home on leave during the month.

A pastor's instruction class was started immediately after Easter to prepare candidates for confirmation on Whitsunday. There was a good attendance.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Tarborough on April 19, a son, Walter Angustas, at Mercy Hospital, Charlotte, N. C.

It was a pleasure to have the Rev. Ferdinand Drebvert, superintendent of our Alaska Mission, as our guest speaker on April 19 for an Alaska Night Supper. Through slides and films he presented interestingly the Alaska work.

During the week of April 22 Charlotte paused each day for a minute at noon. Church bells were rung and a one minute prayer for the San Francisco Conference was offered over each of the three radio stations. Some of our churches have rung their bells each day at noon for prayer since D-Day and plan to continue until V-Day.

The speaker at the April meeting for the Men's Club was Roy Palmer, illuminating engineer for the Duke Power Company, who gave an interesting forecast of scientific developments following the war. He warned that unless America has a spiritual revival to keep pace with scientific developments, these advances of science would become a curse. He pointed to Germany as a nation which has done this and warned us against following in its footsteps. 

HERBERT SPAUGH

TRINITY

The Rev. Ferdinand Drebvert, our missionary representative in Alaska, was our guest of honor at a reception in the fellowship room of the church after he had delivered his illustrated lecture. He also preached at a Sunday morning service. His presence stimulated our mission interest, and increased support is expected.

Sunday school came out of winter quarters this month and reached 322 in attendance. The pastor visited Mount Airy to speak to the Parent-Teacher Association and had opportunity to call at Grace Church parsonage and extend greetings to Bro. and Sr. H. B. Johnson.

The state officers of Baracoa-Philadelphia representatives from churches of this district had an enthusiastic banquet meeting in the fellowship room.

The annual service of music and flowers was held in April this year, earlier than usual. The floral offerings were abundant. The young people's choir, recently organized, and the junior choir participated.

Boy Scout headquarters opened auspiciously in the former Sparrow store building across the street from the Christian Education building. Bro. Charles E. Adel spoke briefly and the pastor offered a dedicatory prayer. Scoutmaster Robert Sparrow and his assistant, J. W. Flowers, Jr., with all members of Troop 16, are now ready for increased business.

WAVE Lorena Keller S-l-c stationed in New York City, and Sgt. Robert Carter, recently returned from Marine service on the island of Guam, were in church on the 29th.

Elise Hege has returned from Richmond, Va., after extended medical treatment and is making progress toward recovery. Nuna Gray Link has had a serious operation. Mrs. Rex Freeman is in...

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proving, also George E. Kinkel and Fulton A. Sink. Two little boys of the congregation have been under the care of the doctor, Henry Fishel, Jr., and E. T. Johnson, Jr.

Mrs. Ellert H. Petree, Jr., and three small children have returned to New Jersey to join Ellert. The two older children will remain with their grandparents until school is out.

Recent visitors at church were Mrs. H. A. Giersch, of Salem, Va., and Mrs. Delma Johnson, of Newport News, Va.

Our sympathy is extended to Bonnie Jane Stewart, whose father was killed in action in Germany in April.

The Men’s Brotherhood had as their guests members of the Brotherhood of New Philadelphia Church, with their pastor, the Rev. Howard G. Foltz. A talk by a representative of the FBI was revealing.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS

KING

We are both happy and disappointed in the grading of the church yard, so long waited for; happy that the grading is done, but disappointed, to say the least, in the fact that all of the trees and shrubbery around the building had to be taken away before the grading could be done. Fortunately the weather has been good to us and the small beginning in new shrubbery and trees which we have planted seems destined to grow. When we have completed our task we will have accomplished two things: removed the water from the church basement, and provided opportunity for outdoor services and playgrounds.

The serious illness (and sudden) of Dr. Stone on the last Wednesday of the month concerned us all, but at this writing he is reported improving in the Baptist Hospital. Choir rehearsals for the month have lagged. We hope for increased activity.

We cannot pass over the music festival held in King school under direction of H. Grady Miller of Winston-Salem. The music provided by these children in the festival was the finest we have heard.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

KERNERSVILLE

Sunday April 8 was notable for two things, namely, the presence of the Sedge Garden High School Glee Club which sang at the morning service, and the starting of a new class in band under the direction of Bro. Dallas Chappell of Friedland. Our friends from Sedge Garden added much to the enjoyment of our service and helped provide a larger attendance even than Palm Sunday. Two of our members, Nancy and Florence Smith, are members of the Glee Club. We enrolled sixteen boys and girls in the new band class which, we trust, will insure a continuation of our band for many years. Had it not been for the classes started in former years we would have been without a band today.

The service on April 15 was turned into a memorial for our late President and proved to be unusually effective. On the Sunday following special prayers were offered for the success of the United Nations’ Conference in San Francisco.

We were much pleased to have two servicemen with us recently. Pfc. E. V. Wilson arrived from Walla Walla, Washington, a few days after the birth of his first child, a daughter. It was his first visit home in a year. Capt. H. B. Kirkegard, a former Sunday school teacher, was in church on two Sundays. He was at home after three years in the Pacific. On the other hand, we were greatly saddened by the news that a good attendance.

The Men’s Brotherhood had a regular monthly meeting at the church on 13th.

Holy Communion was administered on the fourth Sunday with good attendance.

Our mid-week service continues to grow in interest with the approach of spring, and less mail.

On the evening of the 27th, Bro. Dreibert presented his pictures of our work in Alaska to a large and appreciative audience. We appreciated his presence and message.

W. CLYDE DAVIS

PROVIDENCE

Many of our members have been seriously ill for the past few months, but we are glad to report that all of them seem to be well on the road to recovery.

The heartfelt sympathy of our membership is extended to the family of Bro. John W. Caudle, who departed this life suddenly on March 15. Funeral services were conducted from the home and at the church on March 18 by Bro. Ralph C. Bassett, Bro. Joe E. Crews and the pastor.

On March 7th our young people met in the Sprinkle Memorial Room for a social. After games and refreshments the group proceeded with its organization and decided to have a regularly scheduled meeting each Sunday evening at 6:30. The officers elected were: Farine Grubbs, president; Allen Fulp, vice president; Mildred Grubbs, secretary; Lucille Sell, treasurer.


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Whicker was in charge of the clothing collection.

On Palm Sunday Bro. and Sr. Captains C. Temples were received as communicant members and Carol Mildred Smith, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Wade W. Smith, was received as a non-communicant member by the sacrement of infant baptism.

Our band, led by Bro. N. L. Whicker, performed beautifully during the Easter season, not only at the Leaksville AME Church but also at Providence and Fulp.

The building fund for our new church continues to grow. Our members are being asked to give one hundred percent support to this effort. The building committee consists of James B. Funk, Bro. Alvin, Howard Vanhoy, Bro. Snow and J. Monroe Siewers. The season for tilling the soil is here again but much of the work is behind schedule. We are hoping and praying for a good season, so we pay have food to share with those who are less fortunate.

Our quota for printing the Eskimo Hymnal was exceeded, thanks to the efforts of Donald Whicker. The women of the congregation are to be congratulated on the thorough spring cleaning they gave the church.

Plans are being made to observe Family Month in May.

LEAKSVILLE

We were glad to receive Mrs. Robert Lamarr into our church by the sacrement of baptism on April 8. There was a slight decrease in attendance following the Easter season, due to numerous cases of illness among our members.

Mrs. J. K. McComb just returned from a two-weeks stay at the Durham hospital where she has been under the care of a specialist.

Our Boy Scouts assisted in collecting old clothing for Europe. White Reeder, district Scout worker, met with our Scout Executive Committee in connection with our Cub and Boy Scout work.

We were glad to have the Rev. Ferdinand Drebert with us on April 22 for our evening service. His illustrated lecture was interesting and enlightening. The next morning he spoke at the Leaksville High School. Our prayers go with him as he returns to his field of work.

Our church was host to the Inter-denominational Missionary Society when Bro. Kaltzrieder made an interesting address on Jamaica. Our young people’s society edited its second news letter for those who are away. Billy Marshall, chairman, and the others should be complimented on this fine work. Our young people also are trying to raise more money for their mission project.

An excellent sound motion picture on the Prodigal Son was shown at our church by the Leaksville Y. M. C. A.

Roy Rumley and Ruby Satterfield were united in marriage on April 21, at the parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Reynolds announced the birth of a daughter on April 16, at the Leaksville hospital.

J. CALVIN BARNES

HOPEWELL

Members of the Friedberg band furnished the music for our Easter service. We wish to thank this our nearest Moravian congregation, and one of the oldest, for being so ready to assist the baby congregation of the Southern Province.

We were glad to have our mid-week prayer meeting group visit the new Pine Chapel in the revival meeting on Wednesday night the 26th.

The ladies of Hopewell prepared three of the many quilts which were sent to Labrador.

As the summer months are coming, we hope to get busy on our additions to the Sunday school building, which will mean much to the junior and primary departments which have no suitable place to meet.

Miss Doris Jones, our Sunday school teacher, had an accident which put her in the hospital for some weeks. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

J. P. CROUCH

WACHOVIA ARBOR

Easter Sunday brought out our	

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largest congregation since Christmas. Several friends from a distance were present. Most of the graves were decorated with colorful flowers adorning them. Through the supervision of Arthur Sapp, the graveyard looked the best it has since it was started. We missed the church band this year, for its members are in the armed forces.

During April the attendance has improved. We were pleased to welcome home one of our boys, Sgt. Harold Miller, who is now with the Medical Corps and serves on a hospital ship that brings wounded soldiers from the battlefront to hospitals in the States. He told of his work in a manner which gave us a different picture of the awful horrors of war.

The Auxiliary met with Mrs. David Boone. At these gatherings the women met and the men in another. All contribute to the treasury and all are served refreshments.

J. GEORGE BRUNER

HOME CHURCH

A memorial service for Christian Thomas Pfohl, who died in action on the European front, was a part of the service of the Easter message. The Easter services were attended by a reverent congregation.

A mission night was planned for the classes of the Adult Ladies Department at which time Dr. Adelaide Fries spoke on our South African Mission.

The Home Church united with Salem College in a vesper service in Memorial Hall on the 8th. The combined Band and Glee Club of Davidson College, under the direction of James Christian Pfohl, rendered a program of sacred music.

At the general meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary Mrs. Stella Price, teacher of Bible in the city schools, gave an excellent demonstration of the work being done by her pupils. Students from the various high schools expressed their appreciation of the Bible course as taught by Mrs. Price.

The young people's choir presented a vesper service of music and meditations entitled "Mountains of Vision." Each time the young people present such a work of worship we are surprised at the development and improvement shown.

The Mission Rally at the Home Church on the last Sunday afternoon was not quite complete without in view of Dr. Edmund Schwarze, who was confined to his bed by illness. However, the speaker of the occasion, Dr. C. Darby Fulton, Executive Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, South, made up for the deficiencies of the precious brother, also the writer of this report, the Assistant Pastor, by his inspiring address on "Currents in the Wind." B. GORDON SPAUGH, Past. CLAYTON H. PERCNS, Ass'l

ARDMORE

Attendance averages for the month of April were: church school 187; morning worship 163; and evening worship 49.

The Ladies Bible Class, Mrs. L. B. Thomas, teacher, held an all day quilting party on April 3 and made two quilts for the Labrador Mission. On the following Monday, the Night Circle of the Woman’s Auxiliary, Mrs. W. R. Blackwell, leader, made quilts for the Alaska Mission.

The local chapter of the Foreign Mission Society presented the Rev. Ferdinand Drebber, superintendent of our Alaska Mission, at a monthly meeting on Wednesday the 11th, with a fine program of moving pictures and slides showing the work of our Church in Alaska. The Society raised this congregation’s quota toward publishing the new Eskimo Hymnal on this occasion.

The Men’s Bible Class, Emory E. Hanes, president, met at the home of the teacher, Lawrence B. Thomas, for its monthly meeting. The class is continuing its fine project of sending the “Link” to each of our 46 members in the armed services each month.

Our Boy Scout Troop, No. 101, held its first troop Court of Honor on Friday the 13th, when City Commissioner H. Banks Newman presented second class badges to eleven boys. In addition to these we have thirteen boys in the tenderfoot class. Scoutmaster Frank A. Shaffner and his assistant, Clarence L. Johnson, deserve our thanks for their fine work. C. C. Fussell is the hardworking troop committee chairman.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

GREENSBORO

Under the direction of Mrs. S. O. Melvin, president of our Woman's Auxiliary, the individual circles comprising the Auxiliary have assumed the responsibility of the young people's supper each Sunday evening. This supper is offered weekly with no charge to the young people.

At a time when our congregation was encouraged over the progress made in raising funds for our proposed new building, we have experienced a loss which will be keenly felt. Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Austin, two of our most faithful members hereofore, have moved their membership from our congregation to join the Grace Methodist church. Bro. Austin has been the superintendent of our church school and the treasurer of our Building Fund Committee, while his wife was treasurer of our Church Committee, a former president of our Woman’s Auxiliary, and our congregation’s delegate to the past Synod. They leave with the assurance of no ill feeling on our part, and we likewise have been assured that they carry with them no animosity toward us. This is only another instance where the difficulty of holding those with non-Moravian background is illustrated. We still count this fine couple as our friends.

Mrs. Rebecca Brame Mashburn has been elected treasurer of our Building Fund Committee, and Fred C. Dishier has accepted the position as superintendent of our church school. We assure both of these individuals the full support of our congregation.

Cpl. Earl Armstrong, one of our members, is now en route overseas. Our prayers go with him.

I. HOWARD CHADWICK.

CLEMMONS

The special allotments asked of this congregation for Alaska and Moravian College have been met in full.

The Clemmons Civic Club, which now has a membership of 55 men, held its monthly supper meeting at the Grange with the Rev. D. L. Rights giving an illuminating talk on the American Indian.

We are glad that Mrs. Frank Jones is back at home from the hospital and is steadily improving. Conducted or assisted in three funerals.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPE

The special amounts asked of this congregation for Moravian College and the printing of the Eskimo Hymnal were more than raised. We appreciate the interest of our people in these causes. All regular services were held.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS

Our congregation met in full the amounts asked for Moravian College and the printing of the Eskimo Hymnal.

Twice during the month we were called to this community for funerals, viz: Rolah H. Bodenhammer with service at Union Cross on the 2nd, and Mrs. Eli Reed with service at Friedland.
MAYODAN

Our Easter services made us realize how much our church band has been affected because of the war. We have now undertaken to train some of the younger boys to fill the ranks, and have hopes of obtaining good results in this effort.

During April we have had three deeply spiritual messages on the subject of Christian Giving which were well received by the congregation. On April 15, the morning service took the form of a memorial service in honor of our late President Roosevelt. Members were deeply moved through this service and much appreciation was expressed.

On April 22, Dr. H. E. Rondthaler rendered us a great favor in coming to give his address on “The Hidden Years of Christ.” It was a service arranged by the Men’s Bible Class in the interests of their class missionary budget. There was a fine attendance and the address was beautifully given and well received. The missionary offering amounted to more than $45. Our heartfelt thanks again to Dr. Rondthaler.

The union service of all Mayodan churches, held each fifth Sunday, was held April 29 at the Baptist Church, with the message by the Rev. E. M. Spruill, the new rector of the Episcopal Church.

Our congregation was glad to be able to bring in its quota toward the printing of the Eskimo Hymnal.

On the last day of the month the pastor brought a message on the work in Jamaica to an interdenominational group of Leaksville, gathered in our Leaksville Moravian Church. The offering was given to the pastor who has forwarded it to Jamaica for a very needy cause there.

W. A. KALTREIDER

NEW PHILADELPHIA

A number of relatives enjoyed a birthday celebration and picnic dinner in honor of Bro. Henry A. Kites, given on the first Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harvey L. Windsor.

During the month various organizations held regular business sessions. Mrs. H. F. Tutterow and Mrs. I. L. Strupe entertained the Faithful Workers Class; the Men’s Class met at the home of R. W. Hunter; Mrs. F. G. Crater, Jr., and Miss Ruth Rothrock invited the Friendship Philathen Class to meet in the home of Mrs. Crater; Miss Mamie Ridings was hostess to Circle One of the Woman’s Auxiliary, and Circle Two of the Auxiliary met with Mrs. Fred R. Tronou.

Our congregation was saddened at the untimely death of Howard W. Phillips, age 28, son of Bro. John H., and Sr. Lula Hampton Phillips, on the evening of the 13th. The funeral service was conducted from the home of the parents on Monday afternoon following, with burial in the church graveyard.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the members of the family.

A number of the young people interested themselves in cleaning up a portion of the church grounds on the second Saturday evening and then enjoyed a weiner roast following the working.

On Friday evening the 20th, thirteen members of the Men’s Class enjoyed the hospitality and fellowship of the Men’s Brotherhood of Trinity Church.

Mrs. H. R. Crater, Jr., has been secured to direct the choir work and also the musical program of the Sunday evening services. We hope this effort will improve the singing of both choir and congregation.

The pastor conducted the graveside funeral of Lynda Gail, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Warner, on Wednesday afternoon the 25th, with burial in the church graveyard.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ

FRIEDBERG

Again the FRIEDBERGER is being mimeographed. After the resignation of two faithful staff members, Mrs. Jasper Younts and Rachel Mendenhall, requests for the paper let us know how much the service of the work was appreciated. Continuing in the work of mimeographing the news sheet its beginning on June 15, 1941 is Dennis Faw, whose faithfulness has been unbroken. Last month Kathleen Reich began the mailing and this month Brooklyn Mendenhall undertook the typing of the next. A mailing list of over 75 sends this sheet into many parts of the world, and it thus becomes the link between the church and servicemen. Many who receive it write letters which in turn are included in the paper, so that the letters become personal news to all. Church news also is carried in this way to our scattered members.

Leaders for the youth fellowship meeting held on Sunday night were Mrs. Francis Mendenhall, Mrs. Everett Nifong, and Mary Lineback. The monthly week night meeting of the young people consisted of three features: games led by Nannie Sue Johnson, a business session and refreshments served by the Junior Philathen Class.

The Woman’s Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Guy Zimmerman with Mrs. Raymond Swain as associate hostess. Plans were completed for a supper to be held at the church in this month. Two features of this supper were especially encouraging; the voluntary help of women not on the active roll of the Auxiliary, and the attendance upon the supper by more than the usual number of our own church people. Guests from Enterprise and from other places made the supper a sell-out.

JOHN W. FULTON

MOUNT AIRY

Velky Danenah Boyd was received into the communicant membership of Grace Church on Sunday, April 8, while at home on furlough from the Navy. With his parents and sister he partook of the Holy Communion in the parsonage following his baptism.

Thirty-four young persons enjoyed a party at the manse on April 8. After games, singing and refreshments copies of the New Testament were presented to Burton Dinkins, Jack Jones and Bob...
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OUR COLLEGE AND SEMINARY

A REPORT ON THE RECENT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND ON THE PRESENT PROSPECTS OF THIS INSTITUTION SO VITAL TO THE EXISTENCE OF THE MORAVIAN CHURCH.

The Board of Trustees of the Moravian College and Theological Seminary held its semi-annual meeting in the Archives Building on the College and Seminary campus from Thursday, April 26 to Friday, April 27. It was the best attended meeting of the Board in many years. Bro. Herbert Kant, from Lake Mills, Wisconsin, was the only Northern Province member who could not be present. The Southern Province was represented by three of the seven members, namely, Bishop Pfohl and the Brethren R. Gordon Spaugh and Walser H. Allen. Bro. A. H. Bahnson had gone to considerable lengths to re-arrange his schedule so he could attend, but his wife's illness kept him from going.

So well pleased were the Trustees with what they found that they passed the following resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT:
1. The Board of Trustees of Moravian College and Theological Seminary expresses its profound appreciation for and whole-hearted approval of the excellent manner in which the accounts and general affairs of the institution are being conducted by the Administration.
2. It is our firm conviction that the leadership of the Administration is largely responsible for the relatively favorable position of Moravian College and Theological Seminary as compared to the critical position of many of the colleges and universities throughout the country, which, despite larger endowments, gifts and economies are facing deficits running well into hundreds of thousands of dollars and in one instance in excess of one million dollars.
3. We wish to express our deep sense of gratitude that the Board of Trustees notes the greatly increased financial support of Moravian College and Theological Seminary which, during the current year, was received by transmittal efforts are unsuccessful, will permit the institution to close the operations of the year ending June 30, 1945, in the black for the third consecutive year, and thus face the equally or more critical years 1945-46 with renewed confidence and assurance."

It was one of the laymen on the Board who presented this resolution. He gave specific examples of other institutions with whose affairs he is intimately acquainted, and by comparison with which our College and Seminary is in a most favorable position despite its present handicaps. The man in a so-called hard-headed business man who would certainly not use such language as appears in the above resolution if the circumstances did not warrant it.

One of the most encouraging things about our institution is the degree of interest being taken in it by the laymen on the Board of Trustees. We deny the frequent allegation that all ministers are poor businessmen, poor managers, poor executives or poor what have you (any man who can administer the average congregation today is bound to possess more than average executive ability), but we know full well that in such matters as finance the typical layman will give heed more quickly to the accounts and general ability of a fellow layman than to a minister (whose head must be in the clouds at least part of the time or his laymen won't respect him). It was the laymen, the laity, on the Board of Trustees who were so loud in their expressions of satisfaction over the present status of our institution, and who urge upon all American Moravians that they continue to give generous support to it through these critical years.

The question has been asked why it was as late as March 8, in that meeting at the Home Church of all Official Boards of all our congregations, before our people were told that the sum of $20,000 would be needed to keep the College and Seminary from running short of the end of this current fiscal year. Here is the answer. Circumstances beyond the control of anyone made it impossible for the Board of Trustees of the Institution even to reach a decision on this matter, but as soon as the idea of a reasonably accurate budget until its meeting of last October. However, it was

known then that this $20,000 would be needed, and that the Southern Province's part would be $10,000. Rightly or wrongly the Financial Board of the Southern Province decided that with Synod coming in November, the presentation of this appeal to our churches should be held in abeyance. Following closely upon the heels of Synod came the Christmas season when everybody has more than he can do. In January Bishop Pfohl was ill, which meant that this as well as other Provincial matters had to wait until he could return to his desk. Early in February plans were laid for the meeting on March 8, and each congregation was assigned its quota of the $5,700 our Province was asked to raise. It was suggested that this campaign be carried on and, if possible, completed during the month of April.

But what about next year? The same circumstances as before make it impossible to know exactly what the needs will be, but the Board of Trustees was told by Administration that in all likelihood the sum of $18,500 will have to be raised to bring the 1945-46 budget into balance. So here is advance information as far in advance as it can be given. The Southern Province's quota will probably be about $5,000, or approximately ten percent less than this year.

What are the prospects for more students? No one knows. At present there is one discharged war veteran enrolled under the G. I. Bill of Rights, and the Administration thinks more will be coming, perhaps by September.

It should be borne in mind that until recent years the Southern Province did not contribute its share of support to our College and Seminary, though it has drawn heavily for its ministers from men educated therein, many of them from the Northern Province who were there at the expense of that Province. Go over the list of our ministers and note how many of them came from the North. The fact that we gave employment to a number when there were no openings for them in the North does not alter the fact that we did not bear our just portion of the cost of their training. We are doing much better now.
INFANT BAPTISM

Evan, Lou Louise, infant daughter of John Walter and Louise Ryan, born in Alamance, N. C., November 22, 1944, was baptized in the Home Church on April 8, 1945 by the Rev. R. Gordon Spaugh.

Little, William Ashley, infant son of James Millard and Evelyn Mitchell Little, was baptized in Ardmore Church on April 8, 1945 by the Rev. Charles B. Adams.

Harwell, Michael Henry, infant son of Wilber F. and Lillie Barwell Harwell, born January 13, 1944, was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., by Dr. Herbert Spaugh. Sponsors: Miss Gertrude Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Austin.

Austin, Patricia Barwell, infant daughter of Fletcher J. and Alice Riser Austin, born January 18, 1945, was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., by Dr. Herbert Spaugh. Sponsors: Miss Gertrude Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Austin.

Griffin, Reva Jane, infant daughter of the late Flight Officer Edward Miller and Reva Carper Griffin, born July 31, 1944, was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., by Dr. Herbert Spaugh. Sponsors: Mrs. Paul Caldwell, Mr. Fred C. Fishrump, Miss Wilhelmina Wohlford.

King, Kenneth James, Jr., infant son of Kenneth J. and Helen Kennedy King, born September 30, 1944, was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., by Dr. Herbert Spaugh. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Austin.

King, Carl Webber, III, infant son of Carl W. and Anna Bell Biggers King, born July 2, 1944, was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., by Dr. Herbert Spaugh. Sponsors: Major and Mrs. Edward H. Hillis.

DEATHS

Miller, Mrs. Cleve Doris, aged 37, daughter of Roy E. Miller, born on April 11, 1945. Funeral conducted from Avent Church by the Rev. J. George Brunner, assisted by the Rev. Samuel Tesch and the Rev. J. P. Crouch. Interment in Advent Graveyard.

Crouch, Mrs. Ida Bell, wife of the Rev. James P. Crouch; daughter of C. M. and Clara Beckel m. n. Sink; born in Forsyth county on November 23, 1888; member of Pine Chapel; died in Winston-Salem on April 21, 1945; burial in Salem Graveyard; funeral services conducted by the Rev. Gordon Spaugh and the Rev. Douglas L. Righter.

Jones, Lum J. on April 10, 1945.
We have been thinking something should be said editorially in recognition and approval of this fine service being rendered by so many churches, when there reached us a copy of "The Ockavian Review," "A Quarterly Magazine of Ockbrook Moravian Church," in England. How many of our churches in England do this sort of thing we do not know, but Ockbrook does it in a handsome way. There are four sheets mimeographed on both sides, and at the top of the front page there is an attractive line drawing of the church and some other buildings. The pastor of Ockbrook is the Rev. E. G. Brewer. Oddly enough, our friend Brewer is G. E. same name and same initials only reversed. "The Ockavian Review" for May 6, 1945 starts with an editorial which asks this question: "Does Ockbrook congregation want a woman minister?" No. The man and woman in the pew, debating this question at the Council meeting, decided that for many reasons they prefer a man to be their spiritual leader." Then on page three there is a report of the annual Church Council where we find under the heading of "Women in the Ministry" this item: "There was a lively debate on this question, and many of those present gave their views on whether women should or should not be ordained ministers of the church, but the majority were in favor of the latter verdict. . . ." The following resolution was passed: "That while this meeting of Congregational Council in Ockbrook would welcome the service of women as assistants to ministers in congregations, and especially deaconesses, it would not at present favor the appointment of women as ministers in full charge of congregations." This resolution was forwarded to the Provincial Board, who have asked all congregations to send in their opinions."

"We have known that the shortage of ministers in our British Province was acute, but this is the first we have heard of the Provincial Elders' Conference asking all the congregations for their opinion on ordaining women into the ministry, and cannot help wondering if it would be any easier to recruit women than men. We know women who can address a congregation as effectively as men, but would many of them be willing to preach from a pulpit Sunday after Sunday?"

"We were much pleased to receive this copy of "The Ockavian Review." It is an ambitious undertaking which deserves the warm reception it has been receiving. We hope other issues will find their way to our desk, and wish for it and for all the other parish papers through out our church continued success and usefulness."

"WOMEN IN THE MINISTRY?"

"In the preceding editorial we reported that the officials in our British Province have asked the congregation in that Province to express themselves on the subject of ordaining women to the ministry. We shall be much interested in hearing the outcome of this debate."

"We do not propose to enter into a discussion here as to whether it would or would not be proper to have fully accredited, ordained women ministers except to say that in our opinion it would be better to have women ministers than none at all—and that is not said in disparagement of women as such. In fact, a church without women and all they can do spiritually is hardly a shell of its usual status. Even aside from such organizations as the Woman's Auxiliary, women do most of the work in the church. Our guess is that women teachers in the Sunday school outnumber the men three or four to one, perhaps ten to one. As a whole it is probably true that women are more liberal and systematic in their contributions than men. More than half of those in attendance of the average Sunday morning church service are women. It is literally true that we could not run our churches without the women."

"But do we want them in the ordained ministry? Perhaps we better ask: Would they be willing to accept ordination into the ministry?"

"The crucial fact facing us is that unless we can get more young men to become candidates for the ministry we may reach the place where we shall be compelled not only to sanction ordination for women, but to plead with them to accept it."

"The Provincial Elders' Conferences of the American Provinces of the Moravian Church in conjunction with the administration of our College and Seminary, recently completed a study of our manpower (minister-power, if you will) needs for the next twenty years. It was a very careful study in which the most painstaking man now in service was computed and the probable length of his service. It was found that to supply ministers for the Southern Province it will be necessary to enroll four candidates each year. The Northern Province will need seven. That means eleven young men enrolled each year."

"What are we doing about this? Some will say: 'Let's do little while the war lasts and our young men are being taken for military service. True enough, yet there is full provision made to exempt ministerial candidates, for the need for ministers is recognized by our Government. The chief difficulty there is to get some of the young men to accept this de-ferment. We have a number now in the armed forces who fully intend to take up or to continue, in the ease of those who dropped out of school to enter the Army or Navy, their studies for the ministry. But all these together will not fill our needs."

"We are getting two men this fall and two more next year, but after that the supply is most uncertain. Yet we have churches calling for full-time service and others plan ning to build parsonages against the day when they can have their own minister. We do not wish to discourage this desire. Quite to the contrary, it is most laudable and commendable, and is a natural result of the kind of healthy growth for which we all strive. But where are we to get the men that we can do little while the war lasts and our young men are being taken for military service?"
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LETTERS

Dr. and Mrs. George B. Heath request that we express through the columns of The Wachovia Moravian their deep appreciation of the many courtesies shown them during their brief stay in the Southern Province. This we are glad to do, but hasten to add that it was a privilege for us to have these veteran missionaries in our midst. They have gone North to visit relatives in Philadelphia, Bethlehem and other points, and hope eventually to reach England. Other than that their plans are indefinite.

Another missionary from the Nicaragua-Honduras field held on for a while is Nurse Martha Leo Conrad who is here for four months. She has spoken in a number of our churches and everywhere made a most favorable impression. She speaks as well as she writes, which is saying a good deal, and has stirred up fresh interest in the institution which she has served so acceptably for three years, our Moravian Mission Hospital at Bilwi, southern Nicaragua. She will attend our Young People’s Conference at Camp Hanes in August, and then return to Nicaragua.

Speaking of the youth conferences, here are the dates: Young People’s Conference, Monday, August 6 to Saturday, August 11; The Intermediate Conference, Tuesday, August 14 to Saturday, August 18.

As we feared, the sample of native dialect included in the article “South Africa (East) Spunks,” gave the typesetter little trouble. He made a few mistakes, but since no one except Bro. Bourquin and a few others in South Africa who speaks the language, the Wachovia Moravian will know the difference, we didn’t have the heart to ask him to do it over.

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and a few others in their entire existence.

What is to be done? First and foremost, pray the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth laborers into His harvest. Next, speak to promising young men on the subject. Point out the glories of the ministry, the opportunities in such a life of service and the high privilege of this the greatest of all callings. Some will say that a man must be called before he can enter the ministry. Very true, but how do calls come? Did not Andrew bring Peter to Christ? Does not God still speak through His servants? Should not there be the minister interest themselves in this matter?

Four men a year! It can be done, but not without much prayer and interest.

MORAVIAN BRETHREN IN TEXAS.

There are about five thousand members of the Moravian Church in Texas. They are known as the Evangelical Unity of the Czech Brethren.

Members of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church should be interested in this large number of spiritual kinsmen. We should know more about them and their work in the New World.

It would be added strength to our Moravian Church in America if there could be found some way in which these Brethren in Texas could be brought into closer fellowship with Moravian Brethren elsewhere.

It is hoped that in time to come we will be found to help us become better acquainted.

We would enjoy having a delegation of these Brethren, or at least a representative, come to Winston-Salem and make contact with some of our congregations.

Five thousand Moravians should not be isolated in Texas when there are ten thousand Moravians in North Carolina. Our church authorities might well send a representative to Texas to inquire if we can give any helpful service that may bring us into closer connection.

Why should we not have three Provinces of a United Moravian Church in America?

One of the evidences of the forward look of the Brethren in Texas is the recent start of a publication in the language of our people in America, The Brethren’s Journal. Reading of this church paper draws us closer to the Christians who have the same ideals we possess here in Wachovia.

Our hearty greetings certainly are sent forth to our fellow Moravians, and with the greetings go the hope that we may be drawn into fellowship and made to realize the unity of spirit that pertains to the Church of Christ, and to Moravians wherever they may be scattered over the face of the earth.

D. L. B.

LETTERS

Bethlehem

Malvern, P. O.

Jamaica, B. W. I.

May 19, 1945

Dear Brother Allen:

You will be surprised to hear from me but I believe you remember our first acquaintance at Herrnhut, and so I am going to renew it by correspondence at least.

I have not been in Jamaica long, but I was delighted last Thursday to be taken by Br. Charles F. Smith to visit your sister and her husband in Mandeville. Br. Smith and his wife had just collected me from the Kingston train and were bringing me down to Littia. It was a great pleasure to meet Mr. and Mrs. Sewell and I feel really they are friends. They have a great deal of the kindness which seems to characterize many people in Jamaica.

I was glad to hear of you from Mrs. Sewell and hope this finds you in full health. No doubt you are busy but I wish to add one last straw to your worries but my desire to become a regular subscriber to The Wachovia Moravian. I have seen it frequently in England but out here I may not see it often unless I order it direct from you. It is most valuable, I feel, to our fellowship as Moravians for us all to know of each other’s work and activities... So will you please put me on your list of regular subscribers?

I have heard a lot about Br. Kalbreider since I arrived in Jamaica, and I find his work was greatly appreciated here as his loss is deplorable. We are very short-handed and could do with half a dozen additional men, enthusiastic and vigorous. We are indeed expecting Br. and Sr. Sach out here in August, but England has no more men to send just yet. I am sure you keep the needs of our work out here before our brethren and sisters in your American Province, and we do feel constantly cheered and strengthened by the realization of our fellowship with others in all parts of the world.

I remember quite well your colleague, Br. Bruner, who was with you in Herrnhut. I understand he is a still a single man, expert at his own cooking. If you see him short please pass on to him my greetings.

I shall be grateful for The Wachovia Moravian. With many thanks and best wishes,

Yours fraternity,

BASIL L. MACLEAVY.

(Note: The Rev. Basil MacLeavy, the son of Bishop MacLeavy of our British Province, is the newest recruit to the sadly depleted staff of our Jamaica Mission, to which he is a most welcome addition. We have placed his name on our “Fellowship List,” which means that The Wachovia Moravian goes to him with the compliments of the Southern Province. We have also written to assure him that Br. Bruner is in no danger of losing his state of single blessedness, so far as we can discern, and that from personal experience we

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can testify to his continued, yen, increasing mastery of the art of cooking. The meeting referred to above took place in 1936 when the young Bro. MacLeavy was in Herrnhut pursuing advanced studies.—The Editor.)

The marriage of Miss Gwyneth Jones to S/Sgt. J. William Crews, Jr., was the occasion for this letter from Bishop Shawe, of our Province:

Dear Bro. Rights:

I ought to tell you of an interesting invitation I received the other day when in London. Actually the invitation was received by my cousin, who lives near my home and is looking after it during the process of restoration after bomb damage earlier in the year. The builders called him to say that somebody wanted Bishop Shawe. It turned out to be a message from Mrs. Jones, who informed him that her daughter was to be married to Staff-Sgt. Cruse (Crews) and mentioned that he was a member of your church and that Mrs. Jones had received a very happy letter from you concerning him.

As I had just arranged to go to London to inspect my house next day, Mrs. Jones passed on through my cousin an invitation to me to be present at the wedding. I was very sorry that owing to my engagements it was simply impossible for me to accept the invitation. I should have liked very much to be present and to have made the acquaintance of another friend from our Southern Province in the U. S. A. But I certainly felt I must report to you how pleased I was that an invitation had been given.

I had the opportunity of a telephone conversation with Mrs. Jones on the next day, to explain my inability to be present at the happy ceremony, and this gave me at the same time a chance of giving my good wishes to the couple. With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

C. H. SHAVE.

S/Sgt. Crews and Miss Jones were married at St. George's Church, Hanover Square, London, on April 11. The Sergeant is a member of Trinity Church and expects to return to Winston-Salem with his bride as soon as his military duties will permit.
SOUTH AFRICA [East] SPEAKS

A card came to the Editor's desk this week from the Rev. Walter Bourquin, the superintendent of our Moravian Mission in South Africa East, which contained the following message:

"I order separate covers I send you the reports of our last Church Conference and the Collection list for 1944. If you can use anything for The Wachovia Moravian the better. We are still well here. I am still going around to all outstations on horseback to finish the Easter Communion services. (This was written on April 12.) Horses don't eat petrol (gasoline) but only grass which at present is plentiful. In February we sent a young married native teacher to the South African College to be trained for the ministry. This is the most vital question for us at present, to get new men for the service. The Wachovia Moravian is always welcome and read with great interest. Hoping that you and your family are well, Yours sincerely, W. Bourquin."  

A couple days later the material mentioned above arrived. There are two newly printed pamphlets, one entitled: "The Annual Collection of the Native Moravian Church of South Africa East for the year 1944," and the other: "The 8th Church Conference of the Native Moravian Church."  

Fortunately, at least for us, these reports are given in English as well as in the native language. The "Annual Collection" pamphlet is more than just a list of contributions, for it contains what appears to be a yearly report of the work at the various stations. For instance, Bro. Bourquin writes concerning John Kamen, the main station of which he has charge in addition to his work as superintendent of the entire field: "The past year has been a year of quiet progress. Apart from the main station there are 5 outstations which are regularly served. (It is to these that he speaks of making the rounds on horseback to give the Easter Communion.) The total number of baptized members is now 1842, an increase of 80 since the previous year—28 adults were baptized and 77 children, 54 confirmed and admitted to Holy Communion. There are still quite a number of candidates in process and every effort should be made to win them to Christ."  

Now we are going to give the above in the native language as it appears in a parallel column. We have seen samples of Eskimo and Miskito, the language of the people among whom we work in Alaska and Nicaragua, and are privileged to see the Tibetan inscription on the tombstone of Henry Augustus Jaeschke in Herrnhut, the greatest linguist and perhaps the greatest scholar of our Moravian Church has ever produced, but not that we can recall have ever seen a sample of the language used by the Kaffirs of South Africa. We think it is Xhosa, but are not sure for it might be Nyanwesi. If this issue of The Wachovia Moravian reaches Bro. Bourquin perhaps we'll find out in time. We know that the limotype operator who has to set this up will wonder what struck him when he looks at the next paragraph. Anyhow, here is this excerpt from Bro. Bourquin's report on Mvanye in the native language:


Notice the last work, "nk'umzi." That's not a typographical error (the whole paragraph looks like a series of them) but the native word for Christ.

The Home Church has for years been paying the salary of Bro. Bourquin, and without that assistance especially during the war this missionary and his field would have been hard-pressed. If any Home Church member should be tempted to question that contribution, let him (or her) consider whether it would prefer to help pay that salary or learn this language! As we have pointed out before in these columns, Walter Bourquin is one of the ablest of many able men serving on our mission fields. He was born in Labrador of missionary parents. An European scientific society pinned a medal on him for his extensive research into the dialects of the native African tribes. Besides speaking these languages he is also at home in English, German, Danish, French and Afrikaans. After the war when it appears certain, the means of travel will be greatly facilitated, let us hope he can be brought to this country for a visit.

REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

LEAKSVILLE.

The first Sunday of May was Christian Family Day with special emphasis upon the modern Christian family and its relation to the church. A special Mothers' Day program was held the second Sunday of the month. Both the junior and senior choirs rendered special selections. The mothers were given recognition. There was a good attendance and a fine spirit.

On V-E Day, May 8, one hour after the President of the United States announced victory in Europe, we had a special service of prayer and praise to God—thanked for the victory in Europe and praying for an early victory in the Pacific. The church was filled with members, neighbors and friends who gathered together to worship. Bro. J. McConnell kindly assisted in the pastoral service.

We were glad to receive R. B. Davis, Jr., who is attached to a Navy hospital, into our church by the sacrament of baptism this Sunday in May. We wish God's blessings upon him.

The junior choir went on a hay ride and picnic the second Sunday in May. Bro. W. P. Berrier kindly furnished the horses and wagon.

The Board of Trustees met the last Thursday in the month and planned the budget for the next year. The goal is $802.32 more than that of last year. We have had a good fiscal year and hope for even a better one in the future. At the same meeting Bro. Roy Reynolds was elected to the Board of Trustees replacing Bro. Oliver Dunivant who has been called into the service of our country.

Projects are being completed for the community revival in June which will be conducted by Gipsy Smith, Jr.

JOHN H. KAPP

MOUNT AIRY.

V-E Day was observed with a program of organ and chimes numbers by M. M. Johns, Sp.(W)l/C, USNR. Following the recital the church was kept open all day. Many persons came for meditation and prayer.

Services on Mothers' Day were well attended. Bill King provided the flowers in honor of his mother. The Whitunday Holy Communion brought out a large company of worshippers. Brother and Sister C. D. Crouch were received into our membership by letter of transfer.

The parsonage equipment has been enhanced by the installation of a coal-burning hot water heater. This eliminates the necessity of running the furnace throughout the entire year.

Recent bereavements call forth our sympathy to Mrs. Sarah McCollum Whitaker, whose husband is a World War II veteran who died in West Virginia, and Mrs. Martha Chandler, whose brother died unexpectedly.

Our pastor addressed the local Kiwanis Club on May 25. Nine new hymnals were dedicated on May 27. Our supply is slowly increasing through such gifts in honor of living persons or as memorials to departed ones.

Our graduates were recognized on Sunday, June 3, at our evening service. Those participating in the service were the Misses Bette Dearmin, Lena Coleman, Jessie Prutt, Janelline Jones and Thomas Prutt, James Middick and Roy D. Tesh, Jr. Brother Clyde Davis delivered the sermon.

The joint boards of Elders and Trustees have set our budget new for $4,515, the biggest yet! Pledge and Pay Up Days are announced for Sundays June 10, 17 and 24. Our annual Council meeting will be held at 10 A.M., Sunday, July 1. Miss Jane Dearmin, R.N., and

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H. B. JOHNSON

CALVARY.

As we look back over the month of May, we at Calvary are grateful to the many ministers who have served during this period of the pastor’s absence. We are glad to be able to report that Dr. Schwarze is improving and has been up around the house in the last few days.

During May several emphases were stressed: Christian Family Month, Day of Prayer for our county, Whitunday, Loyalty Day and Trinity Sunday.

On May 6, the Rev. David Weiland, Assistant to the President of Salem College, brought a very helpful message on “Right Proportions.” Combining Mothers’ Day with the Day of Prayer for our Country, proclaimed by President Truman, Bishop Pfohl spoke on “The World at the Crossroads.” Bishop Pfohl also brought the Loyalty Day sermon on May 29, using as his topic “God’s Measure and Method of Christian Giving.”

The Whitunday Commission proved a blessing to all who attended. Bishop Pfohl, assisted by the Brothers E. C. Bassett, L. G. Luckenbach, S. J. Tesch and D. E. Weiland, administered the sacrament at the 5 o’clock service.

On Trinity Sunday, May 27, the Rev. John R. Weinkle, brought a most enlightening sermon entitled “God in Three Persons.”

The most important observance of the Christian Family month by the churchmen was held on Monday, May 14, with the Rev. Charles Adams as speaker. We were most encouraged at the number of parents present. Mothers’ Day also had special significance in the school with members sitting together by families instead of classes for opening worship.

Mimeographed suggestions for families “At Home Night” were distributed.

Midweek services were conducted through May and will continue throughout June. On May 18, Bishop Pfohl spoke on “The Ascension.” He again conducted the meeting on May 23 and Bro. Luckenbach on May 30.

Beginning an effort to understand people of other faiths, the youth group had as guest speaker on May 27, Rabbi Frank Rosenhal, of the Winston-Salem Hebrew Congregation. This series continues into June with the visit of Father Michael Begley, Catholic priest, and a tour of the Greek Orthodox Church, conducted by some of the Greek young people.

Calvary again expresses sympathy to the family of Mrs. Mary Belle Peddyyou (who died on April 29, and to Mrs. Marie Pitts, whose brother, Pfc. Fred E. Holliesfield, was killed in action, and to Mrs. E. R. Chipp, whose father, the Rev. E. F. Albertson, was called to his reward.

VIRGINIA D. BLEYNS

CHRIST CHURCH.

Installation, moving and getting acquainted with organizations and methods of operation have required much time. The service of installation was so arranged that Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl could officiate at two such services in a single morning. Our services occupied the opening portion of our worship on the morning of the 22d.

As the climax the new pastor was welcomed to the pulpit and since that moment has not found better but welcome wherever he has turned. Just as the congregation, through its Boards and the Woman’s Auxiliary, has done everything possible to make the parsonage attractive, so it has manifested an attitude of complete cooperation.

The long desired V-E Day came shortly after our arrival in West Salem. The service planned for that day in the local congregation, through the willing cooperation of Green Street Methodist and Salem Baptist congregations, became a community event, the attendance upon which taxed our capacity to the limit. The liturgy was led by the pastor and brief addresses were brought by Dr. Chas. Stevens and the Rev. Cecil Hefner. The service will live long in the minds and hearts of our people not alone as a sign of the significance of the day, but because of the atmosphere which prevailed throughout. Never have we experienced anything like it, and we share that feeling with many others who have expressed the same thought.

A supper meeting of the Workers’ Conference was presided over by our genial general superintendent, Bro. B. O. Disher, and afforded opportunity to become acquainted with personnel and organization. There is a healthy and vigorous optimism for the reorganization of our entire youth program.

The Woman’s Auxiliary held an informal reception and open house at the parsonage on the evening of the 30th when many members and friends gathered to greet the pastor and family and see just what had been accomplished within the house. All were surprised and many amazed at what had taken place. It was a very happy occasion, made the more so because of the untiring efforts of the Auxiliary and the response of members and friends. Bishop and Mrs. Pfohl assisted in receiving and were heartily greeted by many former parishioners.

Whitunday Holy Communion was a service of real Christian joy and rededication for pastor and a representative congregation.

Our congregation was happy to participate and share in the blessing of the Salem Congregation Anniversary, the Missionary Rally at the Home Church, and the Young People’s Union Rally.

Our Christian sympathy is again extended to relatives of the late Robert A. Padgett.

SAMUEL J. TESCH
secretary, Miss Helen Hayworth; treasurer, Mrs. Lora C. Stuart. The pastor gave his own time and facilities to paint one of the downstairs rooms, and to help in moving books and furnishings from the living room of the parsonage to the church. A telephone has been installed in the new study (Tel. 2-2195), and other necessities are being provided. However, we lack the funds to erect a building. Any suggestions as to how to secure one will be appreciated.

The responsibility for the upkeep of the church has been assumed by Bro. C. S. Hammons who is paying three dollars a week to the B'nai B'rith Lodge. Bill Lee who now does the work of the church is on a weekly salary. We also deeply appreciate the generosity evidenced in the gift of a ping pong table, complete with equipment, made by Bro. Hammons to the parsonage family of young people.

While the pastor presented the cause of our congregation at the Kings River Hall, our congregation was grateful for the messages brought by Dr. Francis C. Anescombe and Bro. E. G. Linbeck.

I. HOWARD CHADWICK

CHARLOTTE.

Charlotte celebrated V-E Day on Monday May 7 instead of the officially proclaimed Tuesday, May 8. There was a union noon-day thanksgiving service at the Second Presbyterian Church with similar services in all the city churches at 8:00 a.m. The services were received quietly in this community. Stores remained opened, business establishments and war plants continued at their regular work in response to a proclamation from Mayor Herbert H. Baxter. The community was mindful that we still have a war to win in the Pacific. Sunday the 10th was likewise observed as National Prayer Day.

Twice within the month and within four hours of each other, there were two deaths in the congregation of A. R. Helsabeck. The sympathy of the congregation and friends is extended to the bereaved family.

On Sunday afternoon, May 20 at 4 o'clock the Charlotte branch of Salem Alumni held an open meeting with Dr. Adelaide Fries as honor guest. She reviewed her latest book, "The Road To Salem."

During the month there were several nice gifts to the building fund made by friends outside the congregation.

Sunday 27th was observed as Loyalty Sunday in Christian Family Month. The new budget has been increased to provide 10 per cent contingent fund to care for emergency offerings during the year.

There was a happy reunion in Winston-Salem when the writer met his cousins, Ensign and Mrs. S. Hammons, who are recovering nicely.

HERBERT SPAUGH

OLIVET.

The County Barnes-Philathea Union met Sunday afternoon, May 6, at Olivet with the Jim Yarbrough Memorial Class as hosts. Mrs. Grace Pott, a vice president of the Union, presided over the well prepared program arranged and presented by the Olivet Class.

V-E Day service was held on the evening of May 8 with the pastor in charge. It was well attended. The Jim Yarbrough Class met for its monthly meeting the first of May at the home of Mrs. Ward Hicks. Mrs. K. Edwin Fussell spoke on "Secret Service." Another present was Miss Martha Lee Conrad, a member of the Olivet Church, now on furlough from the Moravian hospital in Nicaragua.

The Woman's Auxiliary attended the V-E Day services of the church, and then divided to go to the homes of Mrs. Paul Conrad and Mrs. W. L. Bratkeff for circle meetings.

Miss Margaret Kent, teacher of Bible in the Old Town School, was present on May 20 and taught the lesson to the adult department of the Sunday school.

Family Day Holy Communion was observed on Whitsunday with the congregation sitting together as family groups. Mrs. L. C. Hutchins and James V. Dorsey have both returned home after an illness, from the hospital after undergoing operations. We are glad that they are recovering nicely.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS

BETHANIA.

A most successful lawn supper was held on Saturday, May 20, with the proceeds amounting to $463.45 being added to our building fund. The supper was prepared for and served by a committee of which W. G. Yarbrough was chairman and consisting of Mrs. C. O. Chadwick, Miss Lois Stoltz, Mrs. T. J. Stotts, Sr., Mrs. Edith Farr, Mrs. W. V. Shouse, Mrs. E. D. Crump, Mrs. E. G. Kapp, Mrs. Vernon Flinn, Mrs. J. F. Butner, J. A. Shore, W. M. Butner, and Carleen Riddle, with the co-operation of practically every member of the church.

During the month of May almost $1,500 of the $5,000 needed to complete the church was collected, leaving a balance of $3,500 to be raised by the August Feast.

A service marking the end of the war in Europe was held on May 8 with Brother R. M. Butner in charge.

Holy Communion was celebrated on the morning of May 13. The Mothers' Day exercises were held on the same day in the Sunday School with Superintendent Ray M. Butner in charge.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS

MIZPAH.

Mizpah lost one of her oldest and most loyal members in the death of A. A. Helsabeck on May 2. Bro. Helsabeck was a charter member of the Mizpah Church and Sunday school. For a number of years he served as Superintendent of the Sunday school, and on a number of occasions represented the congregation at Provincial Synods. The funeral was held at Mizpah on May 4th with Bishop J. K. Pohl, the Rev. David E. Weinland, and the pastor in charge. Burial was in the Bethania Cemetery.

V-E Day service was held on the morning of May 8 with Brother Walter T. Strupe in charge.

Holy Communion was observed at the morning service on May 13 in observance of Family Day and the National Day of Prayer.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS

ENTERPRISE.

On Sunday April 14th, Bishop Pohl preached at the Anniversary Lovefeast held again this year on Sunday afternoon. Although attendance was not overflowing, the occasion proved to be one of inspiration, two of the Knouse sisters and Miss Zimmerman sang.

On Mothers' Day the Baraca-Philathea Class presented a pro-

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gram honoring mothers which was certainly enjoyed, judging from the favorable comments. The church news sheet, THE LINK, gave this day a large space, as unfortunately was delayed, due to unavoidable circumstance, and appeared one week late. At any rate this sheet will remind the men overseas of a special occasion at home.

A new Honor Roll of men in the service now displays eighteen names. It replaces a smaller board which no longer contained the names of all who have entered the service. Last to leave us is Hobert Fishel, who entered the Navy. Recently Orville Barrier reported for duty after forty-five days at home. His faith came after thirty-two months overseas. The way he counts, Orville has over one hundred points, which we hope will be sufficient to allow him a discharge.

The Church Committee has approved the raising of our quota for the College and Seminary and also written into the budget the full amount asked in support of the Program of Progress.

Offerings for the support of Cornelius Eglau, native missionary, are still going over the top.

JOHN W. FULTON

FRIEDBERG.

Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl preached the 172nd anniversary sermon at our May Feast held on Saturday, May 12. After the sermon, the usual lovefeast was held, and the visiting ministers brought their greetings to the congregation. Present were: the Rev. E. A. Holton, the Rev. D. L. Rights, the Rev. J. P. Crouch, the Rev. E. J. Tesh, and Bishop Pfohl. By the conclusion of these greetings which contained pointed messages, we were ready to enjoy the delicious picnic luncheon which the women of the congregation had prepared and from the looks of that table we judge that the ladies had taken a holiday from rationing. The day closed in this friendly and informal manner.

Renovation of the Junior Banquet and the Junior Philathetia class rooms took place in the month. A volunteered gift and several volunteer workmen made quite a change on the surface of things in these rooms.

A new band of twenty-old members has been organized under the stimulus of Lois Craver and Albert Hartman. Among the number of new members are several girls who are also taking up instruments for the first time. Austin E. Burke, Jr. of Calvary has been asked to instruct these beginners and direct the old band.

Newly elected young people's officers are: president, Mable Foltz; vice president, Myrtle Millett; secretary-treasurer, Howard Sink; social chairman, Herbert Foltz; and advisor, J. E. Swaim. These new officers have set plans for the summer monthly meetings and the Sunday night meetings of the Pioneers.

In the month the Auxiliary took the responsibility for serving food at two sales in the community. From each a substantial profit was realized.

JOHN W. FULTON

MORAVIA.

A letter from Cpl. John R. Lee, now in the Philippines, addressed to the congregation, was read at the service on May 5. Cpl. Marion Ledbetter is on his way home from those same islands, having been overseas in the Pacific area for over three years. Sgt. Glenn Kirkman is at home from Italy, but expects to be sent to the Pacific theatre. His brother and Howard Ledbetter are both in Germany. Claude Isley is in the Philippines. His brother, Robert, who has been in England and France on an LST, may be here soon. We have no late news from our other servicemen.

Our service on May 20 stressed the theme of the Christian family. WALSER H. ALLEN

HOME CHURCH.

May was Family Emphasis Month in the Home Church. At the first prayer meeting slides were shown on the Christian family and at the second a sound movie entitled "Mastership" was used. A Family Night was held for the first time with an attendance of more than four hundred. Various aspects of the family's responsibility to the church were emphasized. Four young people, Eleanor Parrish, Phia Horton III, Stuart Bondurant, Jr., and Betty Harris presented the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. Brother Walser H. Allen spoke on the subject "Christian Family." A fine spirit of fellowship was experienced.

Our Loyalty Day was one of the most encouraging we have experienced in the Home Church. While the entire budget of $40,850 was not completely subscribed, there is every assurance that the whole amount will be met when all pledges are finally received.

This year our Young People's Covenant Day was changed in schedule although not in purpose. The young people met first for a buffet supper, after which they expected to have an out-door worship service followed by the Holy Communion. Due to the cold weather, it was necessary to hold these services inside. The response of the young people to this new schedule was most gratifying.

Salem College again observed part of its Commencement with the Home Church. The baccalaureate preacher was Dr. John W. Inzer, retired bishop of Sylacauga, Alabama.

R. GORDON SPAUGH, Pastor

CLAYTON H. PERSONS, Asst.

CLEMMONS.

Mothers' Day was observed on the second Sunday and also the National Day of Prayer. We had almost as many visitors as members at the morning service. On the third Sunday the Liturgy for Whit Sunday was used and Holy Communion administered. At the morning service on the 27th the Trinity Liturgy was prayed and a message on the Holy Trinity was delivered. We are glad to report that our sick are getting better.

The sermon on the Fourth Sunday afternoon at our High School was preached by the Rev. Walser H. Allen D.D., who brought an inspiring message to the large audience present.

EDGAR A. HOLTON

HOPE.

Besides the regular services the highlight of the month was the fellowship meeting on the evening of the 13th when 100 people listened to an excellent program honoring the parents of the boys in service. This was also the beginning of Family Week which ended on the following Sunday morning with Holy Communion.

On the 12th, at the Parsonsage, married two of our young people, namely, Albert Leon West and Blakie Ryan. Bro. West and two

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of his brothers are in the armed forces. Our best wishes to this couple.

One faithful member of this congregation, Mittie Johnson Burke, died on the 15th. Funeral services and burial were held at New Philadelphia on the 17th by Bishop J. K. Pfohl, H. G. Politz, L. S. Luckenbach and Edgar A. Holton.

EDGAR A. HOLTON

UNION CROSS.

We appreciate the valuable information which Dr. Adellide Price gathered from The Wachovia Moravian of more than 50 years ago about Union Cross, and hope that she can attend the 50th anniversary which we have set for the Fourth Sunday in September at 3 o'clock.

The regular services of the month have been conducted.

EDGAR A. HOLTON

IMMANUEL.

Dr. Walter H. Allen, the much-loved former pastor of this church, was present at the installation services Sunday evening, April 22, when an enthusiastic congregation of some 250 people welcomed the new pastor, Bro. John Cude assisted by Bro. D. C. Butner conducted the closing Sunday hymn sing on April 29th.

We appreciate their service.

The marriage of Margaret Barber and Clyde Gordon was a beautiful and well-attended occasion on May 4 at 8 p.m. by S. J. Tesch, the immediate former pastor, gave the present pastor the privilege of sharing in this ceremony. After overseas duty Bro. Gordon is stationed in South Carolina. We hope he will soon return home permanently.

Noting Family Month the Sunday School Council planned a series of brief devotional talks for the opening of Sunday school. The committee assigning these talks was made up of the following members: William Froebich, John F. Cude, Mrs. John Johnson, Mrs. Charles Cude and Mrs. James R. Kimball.

We were glad to have Archie Jones attend services during the month. We hope that soon he will be with us permanently. He is receiving treatment in a hospital in the western part of the State. Much to the surprise of his wife and immediate family was the return of Byron Mason who had an 8-day furlough. It was a privilege to spend some time with him when he visited the Boy Scout cabin at the Friedland Camp. We are looking forward to spending more time with such young men in the near future.

A large and happy congregation took part in the Anniversary Love Feast of the Salem Congregation, at which Bishop Pfohl presided and Bro. John Weilich preached the sermon. The unusual enthusiasm in this congregation is enhanced by the anticipation of a new pastor and having a resident minister. Without any intense effort the committee to date has over $3,000, not pledged but in hand.

O. E. STIMPSON

FRIEDLAND.

A large and warmhearted congregation welcomed the pastor on April 22 at the installation service. Bishop Pfohl presided for the installation following the introductory sermon.

Again we express our sympathy to the remaining members of the family at the passing of Sister Melissa Reid whose final rites were conducted at the church April 30. Bro. Edgar Holton was in charge.

A congregation of over 300 attended the Anniversary Love Feast on May 6 and heard the challenging sermon preached by Bishop Pfohl. The 165 years of Friedland's existence have not been without their results for good. The years in the immediate future seem to promise even greater returns.

The children's program for Mothers' Day was enjoyed by all. The excellent work done by the superintendents and teachers is appreciated by the membership.

The Whitsunday Communion service was well attended and appreciated, which shows the excellent guidance in spiritual growth given by the former pastor. At this service a large number of families sat together. Attendance during the month has been satisfactory. One Sunday we noted 354 on the school roll and 211 present. There are nearly always a larger number for church than for Sunday school.

The pastor and his wife have been very happy over the way in which this congregation has received them into the community life. Not only was an excellent meal prepared upon the arrival of the lady of the parsonage but many other evidences of affection have been received. Most of all, however, we rejoice in the rejoice in the number of members who have visited us at the parsonage. The Laura Reid Class presented us with a complete set of china.

We all have been gratified to have numbers of our young men attend services when on furloughs and real joy has been brought in the return of Bro. Coleman Hine to an active and useful life in his own community.

O. E. STIMPSON

KERNERSVILLE.

Our church bell was rung for several minutes on V-E Day immedi-
up for re-examination and accepted for military service which he will enter next month. Donald Wiliard was also called and expects to leave within a few weeks.

Our quota for the College and Seminary, special offering, was raised in full.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

BROTHER LUCKENBACH'S REPORT

Many of our friends, both North and South, will be glad to hear that Mrs. Luckenbach's "pin" operation has been very successful. She can walk again and is beginning to take up her usual activities, even going to the various church appointments. We thank all our friends who remembered us before the Throne of Grace and came to our assistance.

The month of May was marked by funerals. Assisted at the funeral of Bro. Egbert C. Anderson on the 1st, and at the funeral of Bro. J. H. McKee on the 3rd, both at Fairview; at the funeral of Mrs. Emory Burke on the 17th at New Philadelphia and the funeral of Mrs. Matt Ziglar at Ogburn Station, in connection with Fairview, on the 25th.

Baptized at the home of J. A. Talbert on May 6th the two children of Edwin S. and Ruby Mickey Brockwell of Washington, D. C., and the son of Frank J. and Gladys Craver Mickey of High Point, N. C.

Assisted Bro. Weinkle at 10 a.m. on May 6th at the fiftieth anniversary in the Holy Communion and spoke to the adult classes at 11 a.m., at Fairview. Conducted the morning service at Bethabara on May 3rd. Assisted with the Holy Communion at Trinity at 10:45 a.m., at Calvary at 5 p.m. and administered the Communion at Bethabara at 7:30 p.m., besides looking after Group 6 in connection with Home Church Loyalty Day. Conducted the prayer meeting at Calvary on May 30th.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

WACHOVIA ARBOR

Wachovia Arbor was given three preaching services this month, since Mothers' Day fell on the second Sunday. The church was especially decorated in cut flowers and a special song sheet was used. The pastor brought a Mothers' Day sermon to the largest congregation assembled this year. Family Day was observed the third Sunday afternoon with a lovefeast and special music. The Rev. Frank Herald brought the message. Attendances this month have been exceptionally good.

The Auxiliary met with the president, Mrs. James Fansler, on 15th Street. A large gathering was present in honor of our president, who although a Methodist, takes a great interest in our congregation and all of its activities. She was assisted by Mrs. Harvey Smith, a member of the Presbyterian Church.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

TRINITY.

V-E Day brought us quiet rejoicing and a large congregation gathered on the evening of that day, on short notice, united in hearty thanksgiving to God for this significant victory.

Within the congregation the most welcome news of the month was the information of the release of two of our members from prisoner of war camps in Germany. Lieut. Allen Perryman, Jr., whose plane was shot down over North Germany about a year ago, attended church soon after arriving here. The thousands of officers of the Air Corps in his camp had been fairly well treated, although there were hardships and privation. His worst experience was on the long marches of the prisoners prior to the surrender, and he suffered some ill effects from which he has not yet fully recovered. S/Sgt. Franklin Hodgcock cabled news of his release and is expected home soon. We are grateful indeed for the return of these young men. No further news has come of S/Sgt. Frank Snider, lost in action over Norway in the fall of 1943.

Sorrow has come with the brief message that S/Sgt. Edward L. Hege, Jr., was killed in action on Leyen in the Philippines in April. He leaves a young widow, resident of Raleigh.

A second death within a month was that of a young man of our congregation, David Crowder, whose sister, Mrs. Richard Newcome, is a member of Trinity.

The Kreeger children mourn the death of their grandfather.

On the 16th, Pvt. Hugh Henrick and Rachel Long were married at the parsonage. Pvt. Henrick was wounded at St. Lo, France, in the break-through last year.

The return of S/Sgt. Ramsey J. Glasgow, of the A. A. F. in Africa and England, brought us news of our British Province. Sgt. Glasgow visited the Moravian Church in Bedford, England, and was shown courtesy by the pastor, the Rev. J. H. Foy.

A visit to Mount Airy for a mission meeting at the Methodist Church gave opportunity for the pastor to journey back to Winston-Salem with the Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Johnson, Mrs. Holecomb, m.n. Luckenbach, was hostess to the pastor in Mount Airy.

Improvement of the interior of the church is promised during the pastor's vacation, if the painters can be found.

We had plenty of meetings this month at Trinity, but very little.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

ADVENT

The red-letter day this month was Mothers' Day which brought 263 members together. Mrs. Edna Church's class of young girls conducted the devotions in the Sunday school. Mrs. Liza Jane Yokley, 75 years, received the reward for being the oldest mother present. Mrs. Robert Zimmerman and Mrs. Fred Lowery were rewarded as being mothers of the youngest children. The mother with the most sons in service was Mrs. 0. M. Whisett, with four sons serving in this country and overseas. Mrs. Aaron Manning was rewarded for having the largest family present. Mrs. C. W. Isaacs and J. Taylor Loflin placed a basket of red and white gladoli in the church in honor of their parents, resting in Advent graveyard.

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Our mid-week prayer services have been conducted by the following laymen: B. H. Fehiel, Oscar Grubbs, Flee Littlefield, O. M. Whitsett, and Johnny Davis.

During the month the following soldiers and sailors were in church: Thomas Gibson, Burton Whitsett, Matthew J. Hege, James Harper, Edgar Long, Jack Whitsett, Bosom Sides, Colon Blackburn, and Bill Bohannon. Others came home but did not get to church.

The Auxiliary and their families enjoyed a picnic supper at Reynolds Park. A number of the women went early in the afternoon and the Sunday School and church, and were placed in the church. Their love feast was at Miller Park. The beautiful flowers were placed in the church and with a large representation from. Members of Advent, always proves the community upon hearing of the death of Miss Blanche Stafford. Miss Stafford had been under the care of nurses in the Baptist Hospital for over a year. She was an active member of Advent, always interested in the activities of the church and community. During her long years of service, it can be said of her as it was of the Master, "She went about doing good." She will be greatly missed in the home, community and city.

The township convention was held at Pine Grove Methodist Church the last Sunday in May, with a large representation from all Sunday schools of Southfork Township. It always proves a great day for the rural people to get together and enjoy the good messages in song and spoken word, as well as a top dinner spread at the noon hour.

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served on Thursday evening the 17th. In the service special music was rendered by the choir and the message was brought by Bro. Oswald E. Stimpson. His message was well received by the congregation. Not only was the Whitunday Communion — also with the Christian home emphasis — was observed on the third Sunday at 11 o'clock and proved a real blessing to one of the largest attended Holy Communions in several years. Preceding the Communion service the Whitunday Liturgy was used.

A special service in recognition of the boys in the service of their country and also others who are away from the community on defense work was held on the third Sunday evening. A roll call was made of all the boys gone from us and the parents and wives were asked to stand as the names were called. Capt. W. L. Kingen of the OHD, Greensboro, N. C., an Army Chaplain, and a member of the Christian Church from the State of Washington brought the special message in this service which was well attended.

A church and Sunday school family picnic was held at Miller Park on Saturday afternoon the 29th, attended by many of our people, with plenty of fun, recreation, fellowship and a bountiful meal. Our church was the scene of a lovely wedding on Tuesday evening the 22nd when Mary Tackey became the bride of Lient. Robert C. Adams of the Army Air Corps. The South Fork Township Sunday School Convention was held at Pine Grove Methodist Church on the last Sunday of the month. A sextet of boys from Miss Les Brown's class of this Sunday school furnished special music as New Philadelphia's contribution to the convention.

With all the regular activities included along with the extra things noted above one can see that the month was filled to overflowing, and gratefully we can say the Lord's blessings were upon us throughout.

HOWARD G. FOLZ

ARDMORE.

The highlight of the month was our "V-E Day" service on the night of May 8, with 154 prayerful worshippers in attendance. Copies of the order of worship have been sent to all our members in the armed services accompanied by our thoughts and prayers.

Christian Family Week was opened with the Holy Communion and closed with a lovefeast, with good interest and attendance at both services.

On the first Sunday night of the month, the Youth Fellowship presented a missionary pageant under the direction of Bro. Douglas Angle. As a result of the fine impression made, the young people are strongly congratulated but also urged to continue and expand their efforts along this line.

The Whitunday Holy Communion was administered to the second highest attendance of this pastorate.

Two of the three Girl Scout troops sponsored by this church have just closed successful seasons. Troop 16 held its Court of Awards on May 23, and Troop 43 on May 31, with a large number of mothers present on both occasions. Troop 7 will not close its season in the customary manner. Composition of older girls, all of whom have successfully completed a Junior Nurses Aid course, it will continue serving daily in the children's department of the Baptist Hospital.

Boy Scout Troop 101, Frank Shaffer, scoutmaster, and Clarence Johnson, assistant, attended two week-end campovers during the month. Three troop committees, C. C. Fussell, chairman, R. E. Foliz, Jr., and the pastor, were able to accompany our three patrols on the campovers at Camp Lassiter on May 5. As we near the close of our first year of Scouting we have ample cause for complimenting our troop on its progress.

At its monthly program for the congregation, the local chapter of the Foreign Missionary Society presented Martha Lee Conrad, R. N., who gave a vivid account of hospital work being carried on at Bilwaskarna, Nicaragua.

A dozen of our young people attended the provincial youth rally at the Home Church on May 31, by which time they could report contributions to the provincial missionary project amounting to $29.

Received into our communicant membership by the right hand of fellowship during the month of May were Mrs. S. D. Foliz, Mrs. M. A. Hartman, and Mrs. C. S. Lindsay, Jr. May they find joy in their new service for the Master.

Here and There

Word has just reached us from the hospital at Bilwaskarna, Nicaragua, that the Rev. and Mrs. Robert Iobst had the misfortune to lose their first child. It was a nine- and-a-half-pound baby, but died in birth. The Wachovia Moravian herewith expresses the deep sympathy of the Southern Province to these devoted missionaries. The sudden death of Bro. R. B. Levering, "The Apple Man" of Willow Hill, is a great loss to our mountain churches. He had just returned from attending the fourteenth reunion of his class at Maryville College and was stricken with a severe stroke. A devout member of the Friends Church, he was always active in the work of our church at Willow Hill. He is the father of Samuel R. Levering who addressed our Moravian Ministers' Retreat at Roaring Gap last September. As a young man Brother Levering roamed the hills and valleys of Southern Virginia to find a place to grow apples where the frosts would not kill the young fruit. He found it near our Willow Hill Moravian Church. Hence it is not an accident nor a freak of nature that the Levering orchards always produce. Until advancing years prevented, Bro. Levering came every fall to sell his apples which were invariably of the choicest quality. Of late years his son has been carrying on, both the orchard and in the work of the church. Our deep sympathy to this worthy family.

INFANT BAPTISMS.

Lindsay — Carol Lynn, infant daughter of Charles S. Jr., and Billie Brown Lindsay, born November 14, 1945, was baptized in Ardmore Church on May 20, 1945 by the Rev. Charles B. Adams.

Jones — Stephen Allen, infant son of John P. and Helen Barnes Jones, born November 18, 1944, was baptized in Fairview Moravian Church on May 13, 1945 by the Rev. John B. Weinlick. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Barnes and Cpl. and Mrs. W. C. Chambers.

Reich — Michael David, infant son of Louis W. and Ruth Byerly Reich, born March 9, 1945, was baptized in Fairview Moravian Church on May 13, 1945 by the Rev. John B. Weinlick. Sponsors: R. A. Byerly, Mary Byerly, Mrs. Ada Knight, and Mrs. B. B. Byerly.


Mickey — John David, infant son of Frank and Gladys M. Craver,
DEATHS.

Stafford—Miss Blanche, age 62 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Stafford, died on May 8, 1945, while en route to the funeral services conducted from the home by Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl, the Rev. J. George Braner and the Rev. R. Gordon Spaugh. Interment in the Advent Moravian Graveyard.

Hoge—Sgt. Edward Luther, Jr., son of Edward Luther and Mamie Lora Hoge m.m. Grant; born in Winston-Salem on March 21, 1921; member of Trinity Church; killed in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on April 22, 1945.

Crowder—David Johnson, son of Samuel Oscar and Nannie Belle Crowder; born in Rockland, Va., on June 4, 1925; member of Trinity Church; died in Winston-Salem, RP6 6, on May 24, 1945; funeral service conducted by the Rev. Samuel J. Tesch, the Rev. Oscar W. E. Stimson, and the Rev. Douglas L. Rights.


George—Reuben W. Jr., born September 12, 1917 in Petersburg, Va., son of Reuben W. and Hester P. George, died May 4, 1945 at the Meeklenburg Sanatorium, Huntersville, N. C. Funeral conducted from Mecklenburg Church by the Rev. L. G. Luckenbach. Interment in Forsyth Lawn Cemetery, conducted by Dr. Herbert Spaugh.

Griffin—Mrs. Cora Spraker, wife of G. F. Griffin, born December 15, 1886, at Jonesboro, Tennessee, died in Charlotte May 4. Funeral services conducted in Charlotte by Dr. Herbert Spaugh with interment in the Mini Hill Cemetery.

Paddett—Robert Augustus, April 22, 1875—May 10, 1945. Funeral services conducted from the home and Friedberg Moravian Church by the Reverends James P. Crench, Samuel J. Tesch and John W. Fulton. Interment in Friedberg Graveyard.

Paddycook—Mrs. Mary Belle Pitts, widow of John W. Paddycook, died on April 28, 1945, Winston-Salem, N. C., age 76, a member of Calvary Church. Funeral conducted April 30, 1945, from Vogler's Chapel by the Rev. C. B. Adams. Interment in the Salem Moravian Graveyard.


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EDITORIALS

DR. FRIES TWICE HONORED

In the commencement season of 1944 honors have come to Dr. Adelaide I. Fries, Archivist of the Southern Province. First at Wake Forest College and later at the University of North Carolina the honorary degree Litt.D. was conferred.

The Wachovia Moravian heartily congratulates Dr. Fries for this deserved recognition. In our Moravian communities her historical contributions have been received year after year with increasing estimate of their value. Her service to the church has been great and she is due our deep appreciation. The long hours spent in patient research, translation, and recording have been fruitful indeed, and her compilations have made available a wealth of material. Crowning her past achievements was the publication of “The Road to Salem,” issued by the University of North Carolina Press. This book has been read eagerly at home and has gone far afield. Strictly authentic it has revived the characters of early days in the Moravian Church in America and has told their story with narrative charm. It is a satisfaction to her fellow-Moravians that these two strong institutions of learning have given their approval of such high recognition of the merits of her faithful labors.

The citation of President Frank P. Graham, of the University of North Carolina, follows: “Adelaide Lisetta, Fries, A.B. and AM Salem College, combines the intellectual and spiritual qualities of a Fries and a deSchweinitz. Industrious, scholarly, and sustained in devotion to her church, her community, and her work, with the depth of long and patient research and the breadth of wide travel and international perspective, Archivist of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church, president of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Society, president of the State Federation of Women’s Clubs, associate editor of the North Carolina Historical Review, author of the History of Forsyth County,” “The Moravians in Georgia,” “The Moravian Church Yesterday and Today,” “Moravian Customs,” “Some Moravian Heroes,” and “The Road to Salem,” which won the award of the Mayflower Cup for the year 1944. Her faithful translation of the Moravian records, 1753-1868, has made available to scholars and general readers the first-hand daily records of the religious, intellectual, social, agricultural, and industrial life of the people of Wachovia, the observations of their leaders from Saxony, Switzerland, France, England, and Scotland, many of them graduates of European universities pioneering on the American frontier in the North Carolina Piedmont, weekly summaries of the reports from all the American and European centers of the Moravian world, a monumental work in historical source materials carefully and devotedly opened by her for the further exploration of scholars for sidelights on one of the most creative periods in American history and one of the most decisive in the history of Europe.”

THE JOYS OF SERVICE

A letter from a faithful pastor reads in part: “This afternoon I visited a good old man who has a cancer on his right hand, a young mother whose husband was killed in Germany, another whose husband is in a hospital in a distant state and whose baby I baptized when he was last here. I surely wish I had someone to run Bible School next week. I have just twice as much to do as I ought to have, and yet as I rode home to supper I was very conscious of the privilege of being a minister in our church. My wife and I are very thankful and happy.”

Our Lord spoke of the joy in the presence of the angels of God over just one sinner that repented, and it was for the joy that was set before Him that He endured the cross, despising the shame.

Faithfulness is always its own reward. One can feel the deep satisfaction in the heart of St. Paul as he affirms that he has fought a good fight and kept the faith. The Christian ministry has its hardships and its handicaps, but it also furnishes, more than any other calling of profession, the opportunity to be of real service to others. Probably all ministers get to the place now and then when they grow weary of the constant round of pastoral calling and wonder if it is worth the effort. If it is done as a chore there won’t be much joy in it, but if undertaken as a means of cheer and comfort to lonely hearts, there is no end to the blessings it can bring, both to the visited and the visitor. In our busy world we often forget how many lonely people there are, and how many long for the touch of a friendly hand on the sound of a sympathetic voice.

Strange as it may seem, the surest way to get help and courage for ourselves is to spend ourselves in the service of others. This holds true for everybody, for “it is more blessed to give than to receive.” We usually think of that statement in connection with the giving of money, but it is even more true in the giving of ourselves, for the gift without the giver is barren indeed. This is why the young pastor who wrote the letter quoted above could go home with his heart singing, even though he had been with people in sorrow. He had helped them find comfort, and that had helped him carry on through a busy day. Try it yourself. Next time you are feeling blue and discouraged, go see some sick or discouraged friend and try to cheer him up. There is no joy to compare with that which comes from having done something to help another.

“Is thy cruse of comfort failing?
Rise and share it with another.
And through all the years of famine
It shall serve thee and thy brother.
Love divine will fill thy storehouse,
Or thy hand full renew;
Scanty fare for one will often
Make a royal feast for two.”

THE BILWAS KARMA SEMINARY

How The Money Contributed By Southern Moravian Young People Toward a Training School For Native Workers In Nicaragua Is Being Spent.

More money for our Nicaraguan theological seminary has been contributed by Moravians from the South than from any other section. In a marvelous spirit of generosity the southern young people have given $2,000. There have been other gifts, but the southern young people made their special mission project.

Now where does the money go? A number of persons have asked this question.

These contributions have started the Nicaragua Training School Fund. From this $320 was used to build four more houses on the Seminary campus; one student with his wife to each house. Each of these two-room houses has a kitchen-house joining it. More money was used to buy native stoves, native beds, tables and chairs.

Ten students have been supported from the Fund during the three years since the money was given. Each student must live on $60 a year. A student plantation provides staples like bananas, cassava and plaintain. Salt, sugar, etc., for their tables, clothing for their families, must come out of the $60. A graduate from the Bilwas Karma Seminary, Aimi Dixon, was sent to a small Baptist (Spanish) Bible school in Masaya for one year and was supported there from the Fund ($205). Now he is Bro. Stortz’s assistant, running the higher grades of the Day School and also assisting a bit in the Seminary. His salary of $120 a year is paid from the Fund you made possible.

The horde of children in the lower grades of the Day School Mrs. Stortz teaches. The young girl who assists her receives a salary of $30 a year, also taken from the Fund.

A mission canoe (costing $13), a few books, blackboards, chalk, etc., have been bought with money from the Fund. Five graduates of the school have received Spanish Bible commentaries costing about $2.50 each.

The Fund also pays for much of the expenses of another training school, which all the native preachers and helpers now active in the

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Recent communications from England and one from Holland tell of the destruction of Moravian property on the Continent. The church at Herrnhut and other buildings have been destroyed, and it is feared Niesky has shared the same fate. But Kleinwelk, where our retired missionaries lived, most of them, and where were located the schools for taking care of the children of missionaries, has been spared. Bishop Shawe of our British Province is hoping to make an official visit to the Continent as soon as possible, he hopes by late fall, and then perhaps a meeting of our Unity's Directory, consisting of the official heads of all the Provinces, can be held next spring, probably either in England or over here. The first thing to be done, as all concerned have agreed, is to find out just how things are with our church in the various European countries.

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Two of our best missionaries comprise the faculty. One of them, Bro. Stortz, has the largest Miskito congregation in Nicaragua to be pastor of at the same time, a day school of 100 to keep an eye on, a newspaper to write, edit, mimeograph and mail, a position on the Provincial Board of Nicaragua to fill, young people's work on the whole Wanks River district to superintend, trips to villages to make, and a wife to torment.

And the other, Dr. Thaeler, has a whole hospital to look after, about thirty patients a day to see in the clinics, operations to perform, a school of nurses to train, houses to build and repair, a dam and electric project to engineer in order to accommodate his growing work, letters to write, etc. Among other things, the doctor teaches music and medicine.

The wives of the students receive some classes, too, from Mrs. Stortz.

Nine men already have gone out from the school into the service. Recently when two large congregations were suddenly left leaderless, two men were immediately sent to those stations. They were ready and trained.

If in the future, if the school continues to be supported, it will be possible to ordain graduates to the ministry (after they have spent about ten or fifteen years service) the goal of a Native Church in Nicaragua will be realized.
REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

FULP
Greetings from Stokes County! Yes, we are still an organized congregation—and we have a committee that will soon present plans for the remodeling of our church.

Our annual Church Council revealed several encouraging facts.
1. We are more determined than ever to “do things” for God’s kingdom.
2. We had a surplus in our treasury.
3. Children’s work is increasing due to the efforts of Marie Marshall and Mary Jones.
4. Church attendance has improved.

Marie Marshall and Mary Jones have contributed several encouraging facts. They have appreciated the efforts of this interested group. We are still an organized congregation at the end of the month at 3 p.m.

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FRIEDLAND
The hearty welcomes of the members to the writer as he makes pastoral calls is a source of joy and encouragement. Although this congregation is widely scattered over the countryside, we have been able to visit within a dozen of all the homes. This has been a real privilege for the pastor, one which he cherishes.

Mrs. Martha Lee Conrad, R.N., spoke to a full and attentive congregation on June 10. It was our privilege to have her spend some time in our home. On the same day several members of Friedland attended the dedication service of the Holder Memorial at Camp Lassiter. We know that Bro. Harold Hiatt, scoutmaster, was encouraged by this interested group. We feel that one of the finest things about our church is the presence and interest of our boys and also the concern taken by the parents.

The Loyal Day program was successfully presented, and the resulting pledges were encouraging. A number of the men have been sharing some leisure hours while hard at work. The erection of the kitchen of the scout cabin continues. In spite of hot weather and other obligations, Bro. Wm. Hine gives the call to the workers and if Bro. Numa Smith can be free from the “good earth”, the rafters will soon be in place.

The Children’s Day program drew a congregation of over 220, and all of us were helped by the bright faces of our children. Much to the surprise of the pastor, he was presented with a basket of flowers as the one who represents the friend of all the children. His desire and prayer is that this is true. At this service we were happy to welcome our membership.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Williams by the right hand of fellowship, and their four children as non-communion members; Nancy Anne, Eugene Gray, Janice Lee and James Norwood. Also Bro. and Sr. G. Ricks Sink presented their youngest child, Terry Wayne, to the Lord in infant baptism. Bro. Sink returns to Texas after a consecrated furlough of 30 days. We rejoice that he has been able to be with his family for this time. Betty Jean Rothrock was received as a communicant member by the sacrament of baptism.

The Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Raymond Eberl, and during the meeting the following officers were elected: Mrs. C. F. Sapp, president; Mrs. Ivey Hine, vice-president; Mrs. Numa Smith, secretary; Mrs. R. G. Thompson, treasurer; Mrs. Fred Reid, reporter.

Olivet
The Woman’s Auxiliary closed a very successful year with a picnic meeting at the church on the second Tuesday. A feature of the meeting was a talk by Miss Mar tha Lee Conrad who is a mission nurse in Nicaragua. The election of officers for the coming year was held with the following chosen: Mrs. Ed S. Payne, president; Mrs. A. B. Douglass, Jr., vice-president; Mrs. Oscar Dougall, secretary; Mrs. Herman Carter, treasurer. Instead of the three circles in which the organization worked this year, there will be four circles for the coming year.

The annual Church Council was held at the church service on June 17 for the purpose of electing committees for the year beginning July 1. Those elected to the Local Committee were M. M. Bereth, James V. Dorsey, L. G. Hutchins, G. R. Kiger, and B. J. Shields. Olivet’s representatives on the General Committee of the congregation are A. W. Bereth, Gordon Conrad, and Mrs. Grace Boaz Foltz. Elwood Conrad has returned home from Europe and is spending his day furlough at sixty-one of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Conrad.

Bro. Walter T. Strupe held the service on June 3 in the absence of the pastor who was assisting in the beginning of the week of meetings at Friedburg.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS

RURAL HALL
The month has come to its close with our hearts filled with thanksgiving for God’s rich blessing. And well we might feel so, for the year just past has closed with success in all our financial undertakings. Including our Building Fund, we have doubled the original amount of our budget during the year. Special appeals have had generous response from our membership. For this faithfulness and generosity we thank God and set ourselves to a more difficult year ahead.

Because of the curtailed schedule under which we have been operating, our Church Council and Loyalty Day had to be crowded into one Sunday morning. Don’t ask how, but we did it. We will go home by 12:30. We shall assume half-time service during the coming year, and the results to our finances in new demands upon our people made some of us hesitate. Allowing for no increases, and there will be those, if we do as well in the year to come as in the year past we shall be victorious. Our determination is even greater than that, and God helping us, we shall do it.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

WILLOW HILL
On the first Sunday in June we began our series of evangelistic meetings with Bro. H. B. Johnson of Mt. Airy as our guest speaker. These services were continued each evening of the following week, concluding on the second Sunday night. Bro. Johnson delivered deep spiritual messages which resulted in seven professions of faith in Christ, and the membership of the church was greatly edified. The pastor met with the candidates for church membership to give them instruction. On the third Sunday the doors of the church were opened for the reception of members at which time seven young people were received by the sacrament of adult baptism.

Plans have been made to begin our Vacation Bible School on Monday, July 2, under the capable leadership of Mrs. Harriet Le- nard, Mrs. Evelyn Colson, Miss Bulah Boyd and Miss Ruth Hiatt.

W. CLYDE DAVIS

MT. BETHEL
The Woman’s Auxiliary met in its regular monthly meeting on Friday evening, June 1, at the home of Mrs. Monroe Fleming with Mrs. Harry Dawson as joint hostess.

There has been a marked decline in attendance in all the services of the month because of the severe epidemic of whooping cough among the children.

On the second Sunday morning following the Sunday school the children gave a Children’s Day program which was well rendered in the presence of a large and appreciative audience. This program gave evidence of much work and coaching on the part of those who have charge of the primary department of the Sunday school, namely, Mrs. Douglas Hitt, Mrs. Monroe Fleming and Mrs. W. Clyde Davis.

Beginning with the month of June Mr. Bethel, like Willow Hill, has gone on an every Sunday preaching schedule—a sixth and fourth Sunday mornings and first and third Sunday evenings.

W. CLYDE DAVIS

BETHANIA
The 186th anniversary of the founding of Bethania was celebrated with traditional services on June 10. Bishop Pfohl, present for the entire day, preached the anniversary sermon in the morning and presided over the Holy Communion in the afternoon. The Rev. J. Calvin Barnes was the speaker at the lovefeast. At this service an offering was received for the Building Fund amounting to $270. At the morning service Bishop Pfohl confirmed Eugene Lehman, descendant of an old Bethania family, but now residing in Roanoke Rapids, N. C.
The campaign to raise the $4,500 needed to finish and furnish the church passed the two-thirds mark with the end of June. Credit for the raising of this $3,000 should go to the entire congregation which has worked together in the serving of two lawn suppers and in the generous response of individual contributors. The Woman's Auxiliary turned over a check for $1,070, the entire amount in its treasury at the end of the fiscal year. This made a total of $3,295 given by this organization for the year.

The Auxiliary held its election of officers at the June meeting with the following chosen: Mrs. A. D. Wolff, president; Mrs. Vernon Flynn, vice president; Miss Ruth Kapp, secretary; Miss Helen Flynn, treasurer.

The annual Church Council was held at the morning service of June 24. Elected to the local committee for a term of three years were Carl Riddle and W. G. Yarbrough. This year for the first time rotation was begun in the General Committee with R. M. Butner and T. E. Kapp retiring after a period of many years of service, which was succeeded by C. O. Chadwick and Howard Conrad.

Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler conducted the morning service on June 3 in the absence of the pastor. The congregation appreciated his presence and his message.

Miss Pearl Strape and Bro. W. G. Yarbrough who were hospitalized during the month are recovering and have now returned home.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

ADVENT

Twenty-one years have rolled by since the "Benedict" preacher came to Advent from Daggett, Mich., where he had served nine years. During those nine years the Daggett Church and parsonage were erected, and seven miles away the Bagley Moravian Church was built and paid for. Preaching services were also conducted in the Talbot schoolhouse and in the Olive Mission Church. As soon as the pastor arrived the Advent congregation was organized with some fifty members. Soon afterwards a large hall was built to care for the Sunday school, the lovefeast, kitchen and social gatherings. The 11-room parsonage was erected next, then came the new Sunday school building which cares for all the services at the present time. The large new church is ready for the stain and varnish, the carpet, pews and the completing of the chancel. We have much to thank God for, and take new courage as we press onward with this part of his vineyard. The last Sunday in the month, marked the anniversary of the church. The church band announced the day. Bishop Pfohl brought a very helpful and encouraging message. The deacons served the lovefeast and while the choir rendered anthems. The Carolina Quartette rendered a number of good selections. The basement was filled with members and friends to enjoy the bountiful dinner. The night service was in charge of the young people, who invited the Fraternity congregation to be with them, and their pastor, the Rev. Samuel Florr, to bring the message.

For twenty-one years and more the congregation has enjoyed their annual picnic on July 4. This year again we made ourselves at home in Washington Park. The day was ideal and the attendance above par. The picnic supper seemed to be the best ever.

The annual Church Council was held in connection with the 11 o'clock service, June 17. Reports of the various organizations proved to be extra good. The church treasurer reported a balance of $2,138.21 to begin the new year, which is the largest amount ever had on hand. The brethren Roy Snyder and James Brewer were elected to serve on the Board of Elders for three years. The three Trustees elected were Casper Griffith, James Brewer Jr., and William Gibson. The officers for the Sunday school were: B. C. Snyder, superintendent; Illa Brewer, Eva Yockey and Helen Cash, secretaries; J. E. Spach, treasurer; Oscar Grubbs, assistant treasurer; June Spach, pianist; and the Junior Sides Long, assistant pianist; Mrs. Irvin Ebert, primary dept.; Mrs. John Snyder, primary assistant; Mrs. Philip Fishel and Mrs. Irvin Ebert, primary secretaries; Jacqueline Snyder, primary pianist with Louise Ebert, assistant.

The children's program was given the third Sunday night. Mrs. Ervin Ebert and her many helpers worked out a wonderful program of songs, recitations and a playlet. We are truly proud of our primary workers and children.

The Daily Vacation Bible School was conducted the last week of the month. Bro. G. A. Chadwick was in charge and got off to a good start, but on Monday, became ill. The pastor and workers had to carry on until Friday when he returned to close the school. Mrs. Ben Fishel was faithful in serving refreshments every day to 60 and sometimes 70 children. The helpers included Mrs. Howard Chadwick, Mrs. Mary Birdie, Mrs. Ervin Ebert, Mrs. Henry Crotts, Mrs. Paul Fishel, Mrs. Johnny Davis, Mrs. E. C. Spach, Misses Claudia Parks, Betty Crouse Jones, Bur­ letta Snyder, O. M. Whitsett and the pastor. The closing program was well attended.

A man's name, Allen James and Miss Lillie Catherine Heath were united in marriage at the parsonage on the 30th.

Mesdames John Snyder, Henry Snyder and F. D. Chidzie entertained the Auxiliary at Mrs. John Snyder's home.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.

CHRIST CHURCH.

"One of the best of recent years," was the comment concerning the recent Congregation Council. The brethren H. F. Brinkley and Emmett L. Pike were elected and James W. Jones re-elected to the Board of Elders; the brethren R. H. Cottrill, Alton P. Faw and John L. Shepherd were elected to the Board of Trustees; Miss Nann Kiger and Clyde G. Barber Sr. were elected to the Board of Christian Education. We are particularly grateful for the service rendered the congregation by F. D. Pfaff, Walter Davis, E. H. Holton, W. N. Evans, Edward Rothrock, Mrs. A. R. Carr and Robt. E. Grant on these boards.

Leadership of the Men's Bible Class will be in the capable hands of Horace P. Clatham and the teaching will be shared by the brethren Clyde G. Barlow Sr. and J. Hard Reid. Members and friends of this group gathered at Reynolds Park for the annual fish fry and for all that was consumed not one required the service of a physi­cian.

So efficient has been the leadership of the Woman's Bible Class during the past year that the good ladies just handed the office of president to Mrs. C. C. Disher and said "carry on". The teaching will be done by Mrs. W. A. Brewer and Mrs. B. O. Disher. A delightful outing at Disher's cabin, with husbands as guests, brought the year to a close.

The Woman's Auxiliary has had a most successful year under the leadership of Mrs. A. R. Carr. New officers are Miss Nann Kiger, pres­ident; Mrs. R. B. Hoffman, vice president; Mrs. Carl Pfaff, vice president; Miss Barbara Jones, recording secretary; Miss Beulah Tally, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Fred Hoffman, treasurer. These were installed in an impres­sive ceremony on June 26.

Loyalty Day was observed on the 10th with encouraging response from a minority of the congrega­tion. Other pledges coming in have indicated that actually a slight majority of the congregation has expressed its willingness to sign pledge cards.

The Youth Committee has been successful in getting junior and in­termediate young people's organiza­tions functioning again. The coop­eration of parents is very much needed.

The Children's Day program was presented to a large congregation at five o'clock on the afternoon of the 17th. We rejoice to see our children recite, as well as perform, and this was just such an occasion. We are most grateful to the good women who made the day possible.

S. J. TESCH.

WACHOVIA ABBEY.

The annual Church Council was held in connection with the afternoon service on June 17. The reports from all the organizations were very encouraging and showed a sum of over $500 on hand to begin the new year.

The Auxiliary and their families enjoyed a picnic supper at the church during the month, at which time the men cut down a tree and worked it up, and spread cinders and crushed rock around over the red clay in the parking space.

J. GEORGE BRUNER.
The annual Church Council was held at the church service on June 24. Rotation of membership on the Church Committee was established at this council and Mrs. Virginia Speas Joyce and Hugh Shore were elected for a term of three years.

The Woman's Auxiliary held its election meeting at the home of Mrs. Bertha Speas with Mrs. Joe Talley as assistant hostess. The following officers for the year were chosen: Miss Helen Everette, president; Mrs. Sallie Bowen, vice president; Mrs. Joe Talley, secretary; Mrs. K. P. Long, treasurer.

Eugene Speas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Speas, returned home this month from the European theater where he had been a prisoner of war. In a service picturing by the pastor at the Bethania parsonage he was united in marriage to Miss Avanel Ce on the evening of June 22.

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GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

Mount Airy.

Our members have been making their pledges to the budget for the new year in a satisfactory manner. Although the entire amount has not yet been underwritten we believe that prayer and persuasion will bring us through the next fiscal year in fine style. The generosity of our people enabled us to close the past year with all bills, with one unimportant exception, paid in full. Total receipts for the year amounted to $4,648.97. Because of this fine spirit of giving among our people we thank God and take courage as we enter into the new year.

Annual Church Council was held on Sunday morning, July 1. All reports were made. John Walker, J. Jackson Brown and Carl Griffith were elected to the Board of Elders, and Lee Boyd, Harry Hatt and Jesse D. Atkins were placed upon the Board of Trustees. Such men as these, along with the holder-of members of our boards, will provide our congregation with fine leadership.

Tragedy touched our Sunday school when Kenneth Atkins was fatally injured in the accidental discharge of a gun. To the family and kin we again express our deepest sympathy.

Owing to the shortage of teachers and workers we shall hold no Vacation Bible School this summer. However, the pastor has been using the weekly Children's Bible Hour to cover approximately the same courses of study in Bible, missions and music.

Recent visitors were Jane Darnin, R.N., Alton Hughes, Thurman Johnson, Dorothy Pratt, Bobby Hylton and Margaret Pruett.

We are pointing with pride to the achievements of our Woman's Auxiliary. The four circles set a budget at $300 and went to work with such a will that their final accounting showed a total ingathering of $882. Officers for the new year are Mrs. H. B. Johnson, Mrs. P. A. Westmoreland, and the Misses Katherine Palmer, Elizabeth Jones and Ruth Coleman. Sixty-four women and girls now belong to the Auxiliary.

Activities on the Fourth of July centered around the church. In the foreground nine men, a tractor and a scoop moved a lot of dirt behind the church that was causing, we think, water to seep into our church basement. A drainage ditch was also dug on the north side of the churchyard. The task is far from finished, however.

In the evening a company of picnickers spread an excellent supper on tables on the lawn. The beautiful supply of food was supplemented with ice cream and soft drinks—free and abundant. Games were enjoyed, as well as music by the band and good fellowship. We were reminded of the little fellow who sighed, as he closed his one little eye, "I wish every day was the Fourth of July."

H. B. JOHNSON.

Clemmons.

At the Church Council on the morning of the 10th, reports from the church, Sunday school, classes and Woman's Auxiliary were read and two new board members elected, viz: H. B. Stinson and Elmer Fulton. R. H. Hunter was re-elected Sunday school superintendent.

The new officers for the Woman's Auxiliary are Mrs. Wm. Jones, president; Mrs. E. C. Lawson, vice president; Mrs. C. E. Snyder, secretary; Mrs. M. B. Blackburn, treasurer.

All regular services have been held. The pastor assisted in two funerals.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

Hope.

On the second Sunday evening the Rev. Egbert Lineback conducted the service while the pastor preached at Friedberg. The Church Council was held on the morning of the 17th. Reports were heard and new officers elected, viz: Mrs. Ella May Johnson and Mrs. Jas. Allen. E. F. West is superintendent of the Sunday school.

At a recent meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary the following officers were elected for the new year, viz: Mrs. Aaron Jones, president; Mrs. James Allen, vice president; Mrs. Berlie Johnson, secretary; and Mrs. C. W. Snyder, treasurer.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

Union Cross.

At a Church Council held on the afternoon of the 17th reports were read and new officers elected, viz: W. M. Flinchum and Raymond Weavil. Clay Tucker is superintendent of the Sunday school. Our new Auxiliary officers are: president, Mrs. Paul Kinnaman; vice president, Mrs. Clay Tucker; secretary, Miss Marline Tucker; treasurer, Mrs. Chester Tucker.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

Home Church.

Whitsunday was observed at the Home Church on the first Sunday in June with two Communion services, one in the morning at 11 and a second service at 5, at the Vesper Hour. This was the only service of a special character during the month.

Daily Vacation Bible School began on the 11th and concluded with public demonstration in the various departments on the 22nd.

Our school this year was larger than in previous years.

Beginning in June, a series of special studies in the Psalms was begun, and will continue through the month of July. The Men's Bible Class held its annual election on the last Sunday in June. Bro. Marion Dixon, the retiring president, rendered his report for the year and Bro. Ellis Hall was elected the new president of the class.

On Tuesday, the 19th, the Woman's Auxiliary held its installation.
tion service in the Fellowship Hall of the Christian Education Building at a supper meeting. Mrs. Stu- arm, for instance, the president, ren- dered a report for the year just closing. She was elected to serve a second term as president. The pastor installed the new officers at the close of the meeting, using an installation prepared especially for the occasion.

The month of June closed one of the best financial years in the history of the Home Church. The budget was completely subscribed and $5,000 was paid into the Building Fund. The Building Fund indebtedness now stands at $23,500. One year ago it amounted to $51,000. The budget for 1945-46, amounting to $40,850 is now as- sured. The new budget calls for substantial increases in benevo- lence items.

During the month Bro. James Petree, for many years sexton of the Home Church, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Le- roy Stanley. He had been in de- lirious health for several years and the end was unexpected.

R. GORDON SPAUGH, Pastor
CLAYTON H. PERSONS, Asst.

BETHABARA

Bethabara has had cause for re- joicing in this month as the re- ports for the close of the financial year have come in. Though final figures are not yet available, we know that there has passed through our treasury more than double the amount of our original budget, and that special causes which have come to us from time to time have been faithfully supported by our people. All of this brought us to our Loyalty Day with a feeling of gratitude to God for the goodness which He has shown to us, and with the determination that we shall go forward in the year to come.

Such a spirit has its results. Whereas we had never been able to subscribe our complete budget in pledges before, through the faithfulness of old subscribers and the added interest of others the amount of our total pledges al- ready has reached a thousand dol- lars above that of any previous year, and we shall certainly sub- scribe the full amount of our bud- get when all reports are in. God be thanked for His faithful lead- ing.

Mrs. Harrold Allen has assum- ed the position of counsellor for our young people, and is also teaching the intermediate class.

Many changes have been neces- sary during the month. The illness of Mrs. R. Clyde Shore, now re- cea, in the church when Miss Cla- ra Haneline and Curtis Eggleston were united by the pastor in holy wedlock, using the double ring ceremony. A large crowd of rela- tives and friends witnessed the ceremony.

On Friday night the 15th the Woman's Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. J. C. Robinson with Mrs. J. C. Morton presiding. Mil- dred Snyder conducted the devo- tions, after which the business was taken up. Mrs. J. C. Morton was re-elected president; Mrs. Lillian Lambeth, vice president; Mrs. Ar- thur Everhart, treasurer; Mrs. J. C. Robinson, secretary; and Mil- dred Snyder, chaplain.

The Hannah Nading Philathea Class, Mrs. J. C. Morton, presiding, entertained members of Crouch Philathea and Crist Bara Classes of Pine Chapel with a picnic supper at the home of Mr. Rowan Jones.

Although June weather has been extremely hot, our mid-week prayer- group has largely increased.

One of our faithful boys, Robert Spang, who had to go into the service of our country, wrote us to be sure and count his Bible each Wednesday night.

We celebrated our 13th anniver- sary on Sunday evening the 24th with our annual lovefeast. Bis- hop J. K. Pfohl made the address. J. P. CROUCH.

KING

The wheels have begun to grind for better things. Through the assurance of the Provincial Elders' Conference that with the coming...
we believe that the interest shown will result in victory over the pock- 
etbook.

The congregation was saddened by the loss of our friend and friend of the county, Dr. Grady E. Stone, who passed away on Thursday, June 21, stricken with a heart attack after an illness of eight weeks. Our sympathies go out to those of his family who shall miss him more than we.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

PINE CHAPEL.

On the first Sunday evening of the month service was held at 6:30 with the young people in charge and with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reich taking the lead. The pastor brought the message for this occasion taking as his subject, "Two Bible B's." The service was enjoyed by a very large congregation.

On Saturday the 9th the Woman's Auxiliary met at the parsonage with Mrs. Smith, president, in charge. At the meeting $20 was donated to Pine Chapel Building Fund and $6 to the Woman's Work Committee for education of a missionary's daughter and nurses' salaries. Miss Ruth Smith was unanimously re-elected as president, Mrs. W. E. Cox as vice president, Miss Irene Jones, secretary, and Mrs. Paul O. Folk, assistant secretary. After the business meeting a pot luck supper was enjoyed by the members and friends.

A Health Committee for Pine Chapel community has been formed which meets each Wednesday in the basement of the church. This committee is the first neighborhood committee to take the American Red Cross first aid course.

On the last Monday night the Pine Chapel Gospel Team held its regular meeting with R. T. Troutman, Jr., taking the lead. In the reorganization Bro. H. A. Reynolds was elected captain and Bro. Ray Haneline assistant.

Four weddings were performed in the parsonage for the month and one at Hopewell.

J. P. CROUCH.

IMMANUEL.

The activities of our church life this month have been as varied as the temperature has been extreme. Circle number two of the Auxiliary initiated its membership and their husbands to a delicious picnic supper on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Masten's home on June 5, and a vote of shivers and chattering teeth the meal was topped off with ice cream. There was a 100% attendance.

Miss Martha Lee Conrad, R.N., was our guest on Sunday evening June 10. A large and responsive congregation listened attentively and, some expressed a feeling of deep humility after hearing of the devotion and sacrifice of our missionaries. Miss Conrad made a place in our hearts for herself and we shall always look forward to her visits.

In an effort to interest more boys to participate in our church there has been a brief but lively ball game on Friday afternoons. We invite more of our children to take part in this as well as singing in the choir. Mrs. W. T. Sink has not only shown a willingness to help in choir rehearsals, but also a marked ability in leading these children.

Our Loyalty Day program on June 17 was carried through as planned by our Trustees. Bro. Ernest Perryman, treasurer, presented the program to the Sunday school and after evening service the budget was approved by the Elders and Trustees. In spite of the financial responsibility which this congregation is hoping to assume, the boards indicated a spirit of thoughtfulness and appreciation that is rare. The pastor is to be given $5.00 per month to aid in paying the expenses of traveling. Too often boards take for granted this heavy drain on their pastor's salary. This thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated.

Our Children's Day program, presented Sunday evening June 24, drew a large congregation and was well presented. The congregation appreciates the fine work and patience of our teachers in developing the talents of our children. The little children did exceptionally well and the chapel choir sang the best it has in the last two months.

The offering for the Parish Fund this month was more than $352, which brings the total cash in hand to $3,457.79. This in itself not only indicates the enthusiasm of the congregation but actually is almost amazing in view of the fact that the fund was started not quite three months ago. And the Executive Committee of our building program is not idle. Floor plans are being submitted to architect Wallace; contractors are being approached; inquiries of priorities are being made; in fact, all the progress that can be made is being made, and in spite of possible difficulties, the program is being pushed ahead.

But our life has not been all joy. We have shared in the sorrow which has touched the Fearrington families in the loss of their mother, and which came to the Kimble home in the loss of Mrs. James Kimble's father. It was also a great shock to the church and community when Mrs. Ruth Snow Rumble died suddenly June 20. At one time Mrs. Rumble had lived near her sister, Mrs. Clyde Martin, who is an active and faithful member of our congregation. To each of these families we express our Christian sympathy.

O. E. STIMPSON.

PROVIDENCE.

All reports at our annual Church Council were encouraging. We completed our year's work with all our financial obligations paid in full, leaving a surplus in our treasury. The Building Fund is growing slowly but surely. Some day we shall build a parsonage.

Chester Crews and Jessie Grubbs were elected to serve on the official boards of the church for a period of three years.

The annual Auxiliary picnic was a huge success, and the oak table fairly groaned under the weight of the fried chicken, country ham, and all good things to eat. Before eating, Neil Grubbs, president of the Auxiliary, called the pastor and his wife to the center of the table and unveiled a lovely anniversary cake and presented it to them on their sixth wedding anniversary. Many thanks!

On the same evening the incoming officers of the Auxiliary were installed in an impressive service in the church. The president for the coming year is Grace McGee.

Visiting servants since our last report: George Brooks, Vernon Tuttle, Tom Gentry, and Joc. Cline.

J. CALVIN BARNES.

TRINITY.

Perhaps our largest Church Council assembled on the tenth of the month, evidencing increased interest in church affairs. As a result of elections, the following offi-

Twenty-four members of Trinity were graduates of high school and college this year. Seventeen of this number gathered at the parsonage for supper on the twelfth, with Allen Perryman, released primary school, Germany, to come to a large congregation at the midweek service on the thirteenth. Sgt. Franklin Hedgecock, Jr., another POW in Germany, arrived in June and was married on July 2 to Miss Betty Reed Myers, of Ramsey J. Glasgow attended church recently, coming with a record of service with the Air Corps in Africa and Europe. Opl. Rix O. Floyd twice shipped in the African and Italian campaigns, has returned home after discharge from the Army.

Children’s Day was observed with a program including a pageant by the junior department, “Gifts of Youth,” directed by Mrs. Paul F. Miller.

The troop of Girl Scouts enjoyed an overnight camp at Anikannastown. An enthusiastic member of the Men’s Bible Class, W. O. Snider, met with a serious accident in an auto collision. One of the pastors was pleased to visit King, New Eden, Advent, and the Moravian union meeting in Miller Park. Thanks are extended to those who supplied at church services, the Rev. Ralph C. Bassett, Ephet Linaber, J. G. Bruner and Major Satterfield of the Salvation Army; for midweek services, Charles E. Ader, R. W. Lawson, and R. Alton Jackson, Red Cross representatives overseas.

A budget fifty per cent larger than last year has been nearly subscribed with reports yet to come in. This is greatly encouraging to W. D. Fischel, chairman of the Trustees, and his faithful co-workers.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

FAIRVIEW.

For the first time in over twenty years Fairview is debt free, the remaining debt on the parsonage having been paid off before the close of the fiscal year on June 30. Over one hundred persons were at the parsonage on Sunday afternoon, July 1, for the open house and dedication service. The church building was dedicated in May of 1949. However, at that time there still remained a debt on an adjoining lot owned by the congregation. This was paid off in September of 1943. In the meantime, through 1940, the parsonage was purchased from the estate of the late Rev. C. O. Weber.

Wedding bells have been ringing frequently during the past months. Since Palm Sunday five Fairview girls walked down the aisle to be united in marriage. The most recent ones were Marie Page who became the bride of David Hancock on June 23, and Elaine Ogburn who became the bride of John Payton on July 2. Five girls whose marriages were previously reported are Margie Lineback, now Mrs. Clifton Kane Jr.; Hazel Lawrence, now Mrs. Harry Beal of San Antonio, Texas; and Louise Lawrence, now Mrs. Jewel Westbrook of Norfolk, Va.

At the annual church council in June R. L. Bennett, B. B. Byerly and J. B. Snyder were re-elected as Elders. R. B. Kinney was transferred from the local Board of Elders to the Central Board of Salem Congregation to fill the unexpired term of the late J. H. McGee. Thomas Hedgecock was elected to replace Bro. Kinney on the local board. H. L. Howell was elected to fill the vacancy created by the death of E. C. Anderson. Other elders remaining in office are N. W. VanHoy, H. T. Ferguson, James L. Pull, and T. C. Haley.

W. W. Wagner was elected to a second term of office on the Board of Trustees, and Charles Martin was elected to replace Otis Moran whose second term had expired. The other Trustees who continue in office are R. C. Williams, W. F. Faustler, J. E. Needham, R. A. Byerly, O. M. Warren, W. D. Carpenter, W. L. Ford, and K. P. Cummins (Central Trustee).

Another election of importance to the congregation is that of the Woman’s Auxiliary. Mrs. J. B. Snyder is president; Mrs. L. S. Sliyers, vice president; Mrs. W. R. Snider, secretary; Mrs. K. P. Cummings, treasurer; Mrs. O. M. Warren, chaplain; Mrs. J. A. Southern, reporter; and Mrs. R. L. Barnes, benevolent secretary.

The choir enjoyed a dinner party at the Smith Reynolds Airport during June, at which time the group organized and elected officers. These were Carl Barnes, president; Mrs. W. L. Ford, vice president; Marie VanHoy, secretary-treasurer; and James L. Fulk, librarian.

JOHN R. WEINLICK.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

June was Stewardship Month with us. A sermon by the Rev. P. C. Lester, district superintendent of the Congregational - Christian Church, inaugurated the series of services. “Pay up and Pledge Day” came on Father’s Day. A convenor booklet was prepared honoring the fathers and the proceeds given to the Building Fund.

Other events sponsored by the Men’s Bible Class were a Fish Fry at Miller Park and the musical service planned by Bro. L. C. Swain. This featured many interesting musical items and was warmly appreciated. Thirty dollars was added to the Building Fund.

As this fund has a vanishing balance, there is an increased urgency among the members to pay up their pledges and “stay ahead of the red.” This slogan refers to a red line on the chart which represents expenditures and is gaining on a black line which represents income.

The Women’s Work Committee of the Province forwarded a very encouraging check representing the interest of the Auxiliaries of the Province in our building program. The demonstration of this brotherliness in helping one another is a good token of our future solidarity.

The average attendance at the services for the month was 169. Congratulations are in order to our high school graduates: Jean Ford, Jane Johnson, B. C. Holder Jr., and Robert Sweatman. The Auxiliaries elected Mrs. Fred Fauser as president and Miss Lena Puryear as secretary for the coming year.

Prayers and Christian sympathy are offered for the family of Henry Fries Plessants Jr., reported missing in action over Japan.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

LEAKSVILLE.

The Woman’s Auxiliary entertained the young people, honoring the seven high school graduates from our church, at the parsonage on the first Friday in June. Games and contests were played and gifts were presented to the graduates.

Our church co-operated in the community-wide revival services sponsored by the Ministerial Association and Evangelistic Club of Leaksville-Spray. These services were conducted by Gipsy Smith, Jr., from June 16-24. We feel that the services were a definite help to our community.

Loyalty Day was the third Sunday in the Month. The budget goal is

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which had been adopted by our boards was presented and there was a good response in the pledges made. We have increased our budget $901 over that of last year.

Our Sunday School was held from June 18-29 under the capable leadership of Miss Margaret Huffman, our Provincial worker. We feel that the school this year was very successful.

Our young people's society had a "Womanless Wedding" in the Burton Grove school auditorium the last Friday in the month to raise more money for the young people's mission project. They made $47.

At the last Ladies Bible Class meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Roy Whitaker, the women made plans for a nursery at our church.

Our church has been richly blessed during the past church year, We have received 30 into our church, 24 of these by the sacrament of adult baptism. Additions have been made to our membership every month except August and June. We lost three people—one by transfer and two by death. We have met all our financial obligations.

JOHN H. KAPP

MAYODAN.

On the first Sunday in June, in the absence of the pastor, Bro. J. K. McConnell very kindly conducted both the morning and the evening service. Our folks were very grateful for this assistance and were glad to see and hear Bro. McConnell again.

Father's Day was observed in our Sunday school by a reverent and inspiring service arranged and conducted by the junior department. On the last Sunday of the month a beautiful Children's Day program was presented by four departments of the Sunday school with emphasis on the thought that the children are the fairest flowers in God's garden. The church was fairly well filled for this event.

During June our Trustees very efficiently planned for and carried through their plans for raising pledges for the 1945-46 budget, and reported several increases in individual pledges. Our problem is to secure co-operation on the part of a larger percentage of our members, but progress was seen along this line too.

The pastor brought the missionary activity in the Missionary Lovefeast and Rally on the last Sunday night of the month. Attendance was small but the offerings from classes, organizations and individuals amounted to $700.35, a small increase over last year. This is our offering for the support of Bro. and Sr. Schattschneider in Alaska.

Our congregation deeply sympathizes with Bro. and Sr. Walter Martin in their sorrow for son James who is reported missing over Yakohama. We pray that if he is still alive, the Lord will graciously watch over him and keep him safe until he comes into more friendly hands.

J. CALVIN BARNES

OAK GROVE.

At our annual Church Council the following men were elected to serve on the official boards: John Sell and John Hampton as Elders; James Fulp, Monroe Siewers, and Alvin Snow as Trustees. Ernest Idzi is vice chairman of the Board of Elders and Alvin Snow is chairman of the Board of Trustees.

The Intermediate Girls' Class sponsored a church supper on the evening of the 10th. Miss Georgia Mathews, teacher, reported over $100 cleared, part of which was donated to the Building Fund.

The treasurer pleased the congregation with his report. A goodly surplus was on hand and over $300 was placed in the Building Fund.

The Kathryn Spaugh Class has decided to sponsor Sunday evening prayer meetings. We commend this worthy project to our entire membership. Annie Hester is president of the class.

We thank Bro. Luckenbach for his services on June 24.

A new water system has been installed in the parsonage. We tried unsuccessfully for six years to use a shallow well pump in a deep well. Results: very poor. Now a new deep well system has improved "pumping time" by six minutes and 15 seconds! Thanks to the Trustees for this great improvement.

Visiting servicemen since our last report: Lester Reich, "Pete" Whicker, Perry Amos, Martin Yanhoy, "Billy" Temple, "Chook" Whicker. Two of these men have been overseas duty. May God bless them all as they continue in the service of our country.

Charles Whicker and Edith Snider were united in marriage by the pastor at the parsonage. On July 1 the pastor began his seventh year of ministry in this parish.

CALVARY.

It is difficult to express adequately Calvary's appreciation to all who helped her during June. On June 3, Dr. Francis Ansoncheim preached an inspiring sermon from John 14:9, "Seeing the Father." On June 16, we were glad for Dr. H. E. Rondthaler's message, "Seeing Is Not Believing." At this service, following a custom, each of Calvary's graduates was presented with a devotional book as a gift from the church. Graduates were: Richard Ashburn, Lillie Bowles, Richard Conrad, Mary Ann Hege, Donald McColly, Emily Ogbum, Alton Pryor, Allen Saunders, Joe Stone, George Walker, Ruth Wilkins, Betty Schultz, and Rachel Green.

A helpful message on "The Great Alternative" was brought by the Rev. Clayton Persons on June 17.

We welcomed the Rev. Henry Lewis, a former Calvary member, now pastor of New Dorp and Midland Beach Moravian Churches, Staten Island, N.Y., on June 24. His subject was "Youth Services." Two prayer meetings were held during June. The Rev. L. G. Luckenbach used as his topic for June 6, "Paul's Conversion." On June 13, Miss Martha Lee Conrad, R.N., Nicaragua, gave a most enlightening talk on the mission and her work in it.

"Understanding Other Faiths," the young people's project, was continued with interest for two Sundays in June. On June 3, Father Michael Begley, of the Roman Catholic Church, conducted an open forum and answered many questions about customs and beliefs. On June 16, the young people of the Greek Orthodox Church, accompanied by their priest, the Rev. George Thalassinos, took Calvary's young people on a "tours" of the church, and explained much symbolism.

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New officers were elected for the Woman's Auxiliary at the general meeting on June 4; president, Mrs. W. W. Doub; vice-president, Mrs. J. W. Fordham; secretary, Mrs. C. B. Fordham; and treasurer, Mrs. E. H. Schultz.

Vacation Bible School opened on June 22 for a two-week period. A good teaching staff was made up of Mrs. F. S. Dalton, Mrs. J. E. Fordham, Barbara Sink, Mrs. J. W. Massey, Mrs. T. F. Watts, Jacquelin Means, Florence and Alyce Valser, Mrs. W. J. Dizer, Eugenia Shore, Mrs. B. C. Hall, Mrs. J. W. Dalton, Mrs. J. W. Holland, George Walker, Sidney Dishner, and Mrs. P. F. Blevins. Though enrollment was small, attendance was well sustained.

Calvary expresses sympathy to the family of Mrs. Laura McMahans, whose husband died June 15, and to Mrs. W. P. Franklin, whose father, Wiley A. Dubb, passed away early in the month. 

VIRGINIA D. BLEVINS.

BETHESDA

Despite intensely hot weather during the month of June, attendance was not greatly decreased. We are thankful to Brother Howard Chadwick for the splendid and helpful messages he brought to us, and especially for the fact that he willingly assumed the whole burden of the revival services in the absence of the pastor. On the second Sunday of June we were happy to receive six new members: Ruth Davis, Onnia Davis, and Paul Marx Bodford by adult baptism; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Knowles, and Mrs. Lacy Tyson by letter of transfer. We ended the fiscal year meeting all financial obligations and having a sizeable reserve.

The Chapel Committee has expressed sound wisdom in authorizing the pastor to secure a mimeograph machine for the publication of weekly bulletins and other literature associated with the church program. It is a definite step forward in our rapidly expanding work.

On the fourth Sunday of June we observed our anniversary with a full day of services. A large part of the membership was present for the Holy Communion service at 11 a.m. A picnic luncheon was served on the grounds at 3 o'clock, and we reconvened in the church at 2:30 for our Anniversary Lovefeast. Bishop Poff was present, bringing us an appropriate message.

We are grateful to God for the definite evidences that we are moving forward. We move out into the new year with new courage, hope and faith, determined to make it the best yet for God and Bethesda. 

EGBERT G. LINEBACK.

BRO. LUCKENBACH'S REPORT

On June 3 conducted the service at King at 11 a.m. and on the 24th the service at 9:45 a.m. at Oak Grove, at Providence at 11 a.m. and at Pulp at 3 p.m. Also had charge of the prayer meeting at Calvary on June 6th.

Spent a brief vacation at Mt. Airy from the 13th to the 19th. LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

KENNERSVILLE

Sgt. John R. Flynn, now of Fort Bragg, N. C., and Elaine Ogburn of Winston-Salem were married in the Fairview Moravian Church on July 2. On the following night in our church Julia Smith was united to Mr. Wm. Tyree Gilliam. To both couples we extend our congratulations and best wishes.

Although our Church Council will not be held until July 19, it is certain that we shall close our fiscal year in a satisfactory manner. Pledges for the new year were made during and after the service on June 10, which was Loyalty Day. The number of pledges received was larger than in any previous year, and so is our budget for 1945-46.

JoAnne Atkins, a member of the congregation who graduated from Floria MacDonald College last June, has been employed as an assistant in our church for the current year. She will do clerical work and assist with the activities of the children and young people.

With the departure of Julia Smith, now Mrs. Tyree Gilliam, our assistant organist for several years and who has been playing regularly since Easter, the organ has been taken over by Mrs. C. E. Earle. Mrs. Earle, an accomplished pianist, had never touched an organ on June 12 when asked to see what she could do with it. Almost daily practice from then on produced such remarkable results that she was able to play for the service on July 1.

On June 12 our Woman's Auxiliary held its final quarterly meeting of the year and elected Mrs. Carl R. Kerne to be the new president. Circle leaders are Mrs. R. H. Graves, Circle One; Mrs. Ida Roberts, Circle Two. This was a supper meeting with Nurse Martha Lee Conrad of our mission hospital in Nicaragua as guest of honor. Miss Conrad addressed the Auxiliary afterwards, telling of their work in Nicaragua. She is a charming speaker and made a most favorable impression.

Our annual Sunday school and church picnic was held on July 4, and as usual brought rain, this time, however, not enough to keep us from having supper outside on the lawn. But the program of stunts and music which followed had to be held indoors. An offering for our young people's Camp Hanes expenses was received.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

MORAVIA

Sgt. Marion Ledbetter after more than three years in the Pacific theatre of war has returned home and been discharged. He was not at home at any time during his term of military service. Robert Isley, former Sunday school superintendent, has returned from England and the European theatre, but being in the Navy will move on to the Pacific.

On June 27 the congregation and Sunday school had a fellowship supper in the grove beside the church, then gathered in the church to sing hymns and have an informal service. Two of our service men, Robert Isley and Glenn Kirkman, told of their experiences overseas, answering many questions. Both testified to the need for the church in a community and nation, and both spoke of their disappointment in some of the things they found abroad.

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Grubbs—Karol Ann, daughter of Garnet Charles Grubbs and Evelyn Grubbs, m. n. Brown, born April 10, 1945, was baptized at Calvary Moravian Church, June 16, 1945, by Dr. Howard E. Rondather.

Easter—Judith Gail, the infant daughter of Bro. Carvin G. and Mrs. Geneva Crater Easter, born April 7, 1945, and baptized in New Philadelphia Church, Sunday, June 17, 1945, by the Rev. Howard G. Fritz.


Penry—Tommy Lynn, infant son of Howard and Ella Penry, born August 7, 1945, Baptized June 3, 1945, Friedland Church, by the Rev. John W. Fulton. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. James Weisner.

Miller—Richard Edgar, infant son of Guy and Alleen Miller, born August 7, 1945, Baptized June 3, 1945, Friedland Church, by the Rev. John W. Fulton. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Miller.

Fulton—Sarah Elizabeth, infant daughter of John W. and Arnic.
YOUNG PEOPLE COMPLETE PROJECT AND ELECT OFFICERS

The Summer Rally of our Young People’s Union was held on the campus of Salem College on Thursday night, July 12, when it was announced that the goal of $2,000 for the year had been met in full. In fact, the total amount reported was $2,083, which probably will be increased to at least $2,100 by the time all contributions are in. The entire sum raised will be equally divided between the two causes our young people are aiding, namely, a training school for native workers in Alaska, and a new church for our Greensboro congregation. Our young people are most certainly to be congratulated upon this splendid achievement.

Officers of the Young People’s Union elected at this meeting are: Douglas Kimel, president; Carl Barnes, first vice president; Kitty Sink, second vice president; Ruth Shore, recording secretary; Jean West, corresponding secretary; Gertha Everhart, treasurer; the Rev. O. E. Stimpson, missionary superintendent; the Rev. I. Howard Chadwick, pastoral advisor; the Rev. John R. Weinlick, assistant pastoral advisor; Mrs. George G. Higgins, intermediate superintendent.

The address at the Rally was made by the Rev. Egbert Linebach, pastor of Bethesda Church, and the latest addition to the ministerial staff of the Southern Province.

The young people and their guests enjoyed a box supper on the lawn prior to the formal meeting which was held out of doors.

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From New Eden
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Alaska Orphans: $640.00
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$ 129.00
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LET'S MAKE IT ONE HUNDRED!

Since our Foreign Missionary Society was organized (in 1923), a total of seventy-six persons have become life members. A life member is one who contributes the sum of $100, all of which goes immediately into the Society's capital fund. This means that seventy-six people have increased the size of the capital fund by $7,600.

The first life membership in the Society was taken out by the late Miss Constance E. Pföhl who, like many other life members, is no longer with us. But her contribution remains and continues to serve the cause of Moravian Missions.

Life memberships have been taken out in the name of departed loved ones—a most effective and fitting memorial. The certificate was handed to her while she was on a hospital bed.

The Directors of our Society have set as their goal: "One Hundred Life Memberships by October 14," the date of the next Annual Meeting. This does not mean one hundred new ones (yet why not?), but the twenty-four necessary to make the total taken out since the organization of the Society come up to one hundred.

Therefore we urge all who may be contemplating becoming life members to do so on or before Sunday, October 14, and help us reach our goal.

The committee from the Board of Directors appointed to work on this project consists of: the Rev. John R. Weinlick (Fairview), chairman, E. N. Shaffner (Home Church), L. E. Stauber (Rural Hall), L. E. flynt (New Philadelpia) and Paul Kinnamon (Union Cross). Any member of the Board of Directors or any pastor will gladly give further information or receive applications.

WALSER H. ALLEN, Vice President

ANNOUNCEMENT

The second annual Sunday School Teachers Rally will be held on September 6, 1945, at the Home Church and Wachovia College Campus. The speaker will be Dr. Charles F. Myers of Greensboro. The program will include supper at 7 o'clock followed by worship service, group meetings and a closing meeting to be addressed by Dr. Myers.

All teachers and officers are to be invited, the superintendents of each Sunday school are asked to arrange the list of those planning to attend. It is hoped that each Sunday school will make this a complimentary meal in appreciation for the faithful service rendered during the year.

The theme of the conference is "Christian Witnessing". The year ahead needs it in every department.

The committee of the Board of Christian Education in charge of arrangements is: Mrs. Virginia Blevins, C. L. Bay, B. C. Snyder, the Rev. E. T. Mickey, Jr., Miss Leia Lee Barber, and the Rev. E. C. Barnett.

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LETTERS

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July 30, 1945

Dear Brother Allen:

You have already heard that after another five years of service in Nicaragua we have come home on furlough. As there is no steamer service from Nicaragua we flew from Managua to Miami by way of Spanish Honduras, San Salvador, British Honduras and Cuba. We made the journey all the way from Managua to Bethlehem in three days!

It is wonderful to be home again, but the knowledge that there is so much work to be done, and so few workers out there in Nicaragua makes one feel somewhat selfish amidst so many friends and pleasures.

Unfortunately, we missed the twins. As you know, they are second lieutenants in the Marines, and were sent overseas about two weeks before we arrived. Both have been through very tough fighting on Okinawa, and Arthur was injured by a piece of shrapnel which pierced his abdomen. After the operation he recuperated quite satisfactorily, but had to be hospitalized again when the doctors discovered that blood was oozing into one of his lungs. Edwin was very much concerned about him, especially as the two had never been separated. In a recent letter Edwin reports that he was sent to another island for the re-organization of his regiment, and that he and Arthur assured us this in his last letter that there was no reason for us to worry.

The shrapnel which injured him threw a lot of dirt on Edwin. We are so grateful for God's gracious protection. Edwin also wrote that for ten days on Okinawa the did not wash, shave or change his clothes.

I have not seen The Wachovia Moravian since I left Nicaragua and I miss it very much. Will you kindly send my copy to the above address? Thank you.

I had the pleasure of attending the Chetek Conference where I greatly enjoyed the fellowship with

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AS WE SEE IT

This is almost a Danneberger issue of The Wachovia Moravian.
The account of the long journey made by Superintendent Danneberger and Mrs. Danneberger shortly before they left Nicaragua on furlough, was told over from last month, but it has lost none of its interest and value thereby. In the meantime a letter from Bro. Danneberger, written from Bethel, Pa., where he and Mrs. Danneberger were now on furlough, arrived and is published herewith. It contains a very interesting account of the experience of their twin sons who are with the U. S. Marines in the Pacific. The many friends of Bro. and Sr. Danneberger here in the South will be glad to read both the letter and the report on his extensive tour of inspection in our Nicaragua Mission.

Many readers may not know that our Synod of 1944 passed a resolu-

the ministers of our Western District and with the group of over 200 young folks. I was happy that I could assist in the work, but felt that I received more than I could give. Since my return from there I have been asked to visit the Western District for mission festivals and other meetings. The itinerary begins September 9 and ends October 23. Mrs. Danneberger will probably accompany me. After the hazardous journeys which she has made with me in Nicaragua she will enjoy this one, and above all the fine fellowship with the ministers and their congregations. We are glad that we can make ourselves useful during our furlough.

With cordial greetings to you and yours in which Mrs. Danneberger joins,

Sincerely Yours,
A. O. DANNEBERGER.
tion changing the statistical year of our Province to coincide with the fiscal year. So far as we know, all of our churches except one now operate on the same fiscal year, namely, July 1 to June 30. But we have continued to turn in our statistical reports based on the calendar year. In an effort to bring all reports into line, statistical as well as financial are now due following the close of the fiscal year on June 30. This means, among other things, that the statistical table will from henceforth appear in the August instead of the January issue of The Wachovia Moravian. This year, however, it covers only the first six months of the year 1945, since last December we reported for the full calendar year of 1944. Next August it will cover a full twelve-month period. Another advantage in this change is that the statistics which appear in the Text Book will not be so far out of date. Those found in the back of the Text Book for 1945 are for the year 1943, as printed in The Wachovia Moravian for January 1944. The Text Book for 1946 will carry the figures reported in the table on page two of this issue.

Last month we reported that Truett Chadwick, one of our ministerial students, had returned home from the seminary at Bethlehem, Pa., for an operation. This was the result of an injury to the end of his spine, suffered through a fall while on a skating party with some Sunday school children. The operation was entirely successful, but since he had to lose so much time he was advised to omit the summer term in the seminary. We are sorry he had to undergo an operation and that he has to fall behind in his studies, but it was a relief to have him here to assist in Vacation Bible Schools at one or another of our churches. Now it has developed that he is suffering from a chronic appendix, so must enter the hospital for another operation. We hope this one will be equally successful, and that from now on he may be spared such painful interruptions to a normal life.

The latest word from Chaplain Ellis Bullins is that he has been transferred, is with the Army of Occupation in Germany, and does not expect to come home until next year, if then. He had written that he might be home shortly, and perhaps be discharged. But that now appears to be indefinitely postponed. Chaplain C. C. Helmich (Navy) is also not due to the West Coast, possibly to be assigned to sea duty.

It is pleasant to go on a three-weeks' visit with the satisfaction of knowing that the office work required of the Warden has been accomplished up to date. There was the Annual Report to be compiled with the station reports, the statistics of all stations and out-stations, the monthly financial statements for the missionaries and a circular letter for the coworkers in the field. Mrs. Danneberger and Miss Marx contributed a great deal toward this accomplishment. The typewriter was still clicking an hour before we got to the airfield. Miss Marx had returned from her furlough just in time to take over the responsibility for the schools, and to assume the duties in the Warden's office. We could leave with the satisfaction that everything had been well provided for.

When we came to Nicaragua over 36 years ago, it would have taken us ten days or more to reach Bilwaskarna, our first destination. This time we flew a little more than an hour, had a good night's rest in Bilwi and next morning, after another flight of only 40 minutes, we were welcomed in Bilwaskarna by the Stortzes, the Thoilers and many others.

We had a splendid C. E. Conference with about 150 delegates of whom some had to spend two weeks in a canoe to get there and back. Again looking back 36 years one cannot help being amazed at the wonderful progress which has been made in training native leadership. The conference sermon, the business meeting, the providing and preparing of the daily food, were in the hands of natives. It was quite a thrill to listen to the treasurer's report and to learn that over $700 had been contributed during one year by the societies of the Wangka River towards the work in Honduras and Bocay, the remotest outpost in our mission field. And again we were thrilled when Leopold Omeir, our catechist in Bocay, spoke for an hour of his pioneer work in Bocay. We wished that the story could have been told in our home churches. How vividly he spoke of the men coming with guns and machetes to

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the meetings, apparently being sus-
icious of the purpose of the gather-
ing, until they grasped the fact that the message they received was a message of peace! How graph-
ically he described the Christmas cele-
bations and the first early Easter service! It was touching to hear him how he yearning to take the Gospel higher up the river and its tributaries where it has not been heard as yet. At a camp-
fire meeting Biblical stories were acted by each Society, and the rest had to guess what they were. We usually think of the Sumu Indians as living on a much lower level than the more privileged Indians, but their group gained our admira-
tion when we saw them come out of the dark background with heavy burdens on their shoulders and then dropping them at a mark-
ed spot to remind us of Him Who has borne our burdens unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Another ins-
piring feature was the installation and consecration service. Those who were willing to give themselves to the Lord took a piece of pine from a small hump and lit it at a candle until there were thirty standing in a circle with their pines torches flickering lustily and singing, "Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine." Another inspiring occasion was a lovefeast with coffee served in regular lovefeast sleeves.

From Wasla to Sandy Bay was the longest stretch of our journey. After three hours walk we spent 20 hours in a small canoe inter-
rupted by one night's rest on a sandbank. A bright moonlight and the twinkling stars of the Southern Cross, the Big Wagon and other constellations, added to the excitement of camping in the open. There was just one short rain shower and only a few drops managed to leak through the mosquito net just be-
tween our two cot-beds. The un-
behalas which we had ready for an emergency were not needed. The river was very shallow and several times we had to get out and shove the boat over the sand. It was quite dark when we reached Sandy Bay, but the catechist was on hand with a number of young people. After they had welcomed us with a song they grabbed our belongings and eha-
ted us. Happily they carried them to the deserted mission house.

Liberato, the catechist in charge of this big station, is preacher, school teacher, organist and choir leader. For his services he re-
ceives a monthly salary that will hardly buy him a pair of shoes. He is not ashamed to conduct the ser-
vices barefooted and in short

sleeves. On Sunday the church could not hold all the people. Thir-
teen were received into church fel-
lowsip, twelve couples and a camp-fire service at Elder's and the members of the con-
gregation. We met with the Bo ard of Committees. Together with Bro. and Mrs. Dannenberger, Mrs. Dannenberger having strained her leg at Bilwas-
karma, enjoyed the horse-side. Near

the destination a long stretch of water has to be passed. I was re-
men to a forlorn journey when I had to cross it up to the should-
ers in water. Mr. Dannenberger had already passed over on horse back when the guide told her that an alligator inhabited the pool. She thought to herself that she could have kept this bit of news to herself until I had reached the other side. In Awastara we had again all the services as in the other places and ended with the appreciated camp-fire meeting. By the light of a flickering pine torch I administered Holy Communion to two shut-ins.

There were two more villages on the schedule with a repetition of the various services mentioned above. From Awastara to Kukute we sailed in a boat that leaked so much that we had to use a pall to bail out the water. From Kukute to Tepapi for once we had a boat that did not leak, but it was so small and so low in the water that the waves of the choppy lagoon would have swamped us if we had not kept on bailing to the end of the journey. The Indians had not even thought of taking a calabash along, but fortunately we could make use of the top of our large thermos bottle. Luckily it was only a two-
hour journey.

Besides all the services at each village we met with the Board of Elders and the members of the church and school committees. In some congregations new members were installed. In less than a week I married 23 couples. This official visit came to an end in Bilwi where on the Sunday five more services were conducted in English and in Mosquito.

On Monday before turning to Bluefields by plane we had dinner with an American lady, and, after the days of unbalanced food, we felt as though we were sitting down to a banquet. We had ice cream, (chocolate) and ice tea.

We could not remember when we had the last dish of ice cream for even in Bluefields it has become a rare treat.

If the messages given by Mrs. Dannenberger and myself to at least 2,000 Indians on those various oc-
casions were received with the same willingness with which they pro-
vided food for us, transported us from place to place and carried our belongings on their backs without any charge, then the journey was worth while, and we do not doubt that as we reaped what we and others have sown in former years, others after us will likewise reap that which was sown in these days.

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REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

TRINITY.

A flourishing Vacation Bible School was conducted with Truett Chadwick in charge. Assisting were the following: Mrs. E. H. Reich, superintendent of beginners; Miss Vista Lawson, superintendent of primary department; Mrs. Clyde Knouse and Mrs. D. M. Greer, superintendents of junior; with helpers Misses Hilda Foltz, Martha Ann Campbell, Martha Purvis, Sandra Moseley, Ruth Stovall, Andra Jean Clinar, Anne Payne, Sarah Hunter, Nancy Lawson, Jerry Kreeger, Betty Stovall, and Frances Harris were helpers of Bro. L. M. Craver, is now operated by our janitor, Bro. C. B. Weinland a visitor.

We did not quite reach the three hundred mark in Sunday school in July, although we came once within three of that number. There has been less support of the evening services, but in the morning we have had from forty to fifty per cent of our resident membership in attendance. Midweek service is holding up well.

The Brotherhood had an interesting meeting with the Rev. David Weinland as a visitor.

The picnic of the Sunday school was held at Reynolds Park with an enthusiastic and hungry crowd attending.

Rev. W. D. Fiskel, chairman of the Board of Trustees, reports the budget over-subscribed by a small amount.

Officers of the church were installed on the first Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Miller, of Norfolk, Va., were visitors during the month.

The course plan for the Sunday school has been approved and will be in operation with the beginning of the Sunday school year in October.

An electric lawn mower, the gift of Bro. L. M. Craver, is now operated by our janitor, Bro. C. B. Williams.

New officers of the Auxiliary, with Mrs. L. N. Butner, Sr., president, have been installed.

Vacation Bible School at New Eden has been conducted by Truett Chadwick and a staff of helpers from Trinity. The helpers included Anne Payne, Jerry Kreeger, Eleanor Rights, Ruth Stovall, and Burton Rights. Elizabeth Brown and Frances Harris were helpers from New Eden. The attendance reached 88.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

Vacation Bible School was held from Monday the 9th through Friday the 20th. Miss Margie Manu was the provincial worker and general superintendent of the school. She was assisted by the following local workers: Miss Lou Brown, Mrs. F. R. Transon, Mrs. L. M. Minish, Mrs. Howard Foltz, Mrs. I. L. Strupe, Ruth Hughes, Bobbie Transon, Janice Wear, Mary Sue Strupe, Jane Transon, Betty Lou Transon, Mrs. R. C. Smith, Mrs. F. P. Flynt, Mrs. C. E. Transon, Mrs. A. L. Dilworth, Gertrude Smith, Dwight Crater, Bruce Rothrock, Billy Wax Gray and the pastor. We had a very regular attendance and the school was one of the best we have had. We thank all workers for their faithfulness, fine work and cooperation.

All of the usual activities of the organized groups were carried on during the month. The Faithful Workers Class met with Mrs. C. L. Ray and Mrs. P. N. Ziglar; Circle Two of the Woman's Auxiliary met with Mrs. I. E. Martin and Mrs. L. M. Hamer; Circle One met with Mrs. H. V. Miller; the Boys Class of the Sunday school taught by Miss Lou Brown enjoyed an outing and social at Reynolds Park, the Blues entertaining the Red's.

Our community was sorely grieved over the untimely death of one of our young men, Sgt. John C. Alspaugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Alspaugh, who was killed in a B-29 crash in Arizona on the 24th. From the home and the Anshegur Funeral services were conducted at Lutheran Church on Wednesday afternoon August 1 by the Rev. Ray Fisher, assisted by Dr. Dwight Ware, the Rev. Howard G. Foltz and two Army chaplains. Burial was made in the New Philadelphia graveyard. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family and the many relatives.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

IMMANUEL.

John Hus Day was observed by partaking of the Holy Communion. Our Vacation Bible School was conducted from the 2nd to the 13th, and again we wish to express our sincere appreciation to each one who helped to make our school a success.

We were glad to welcome Ruby Lipes, Richard Allen, and Kenneth Raper, to our evening services—all home on furlough.

Our annual Church Council was held July 22, with election of officers as follows: Elders, Charles Cudle, re-elected, and W. T. Sink; Trustees, George Cass and C. L. Houston.

The senior young people of our congregation had an organization meeting July 20 at the Friedland parsonage. Officers as follows were elected: Kitty Sink, president; Russell Masten, vice president; Martha Everhart, secretary; Edsel Brown, treasurer. Mr. and Mrs. James Farkner were elected counsellors.


The Men's Bible Class enjoyed a fish fry at Reynolds Park July 28. The men planned, prepared and ate the feast without aid from the ladies. We have it on good authority that Bro. Wm. Froelich, because of his cooking ability, would make someone a good wife.

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was shot down in the battle of North Africa, captured by the Arabs, then the Italians, then the Germans. At his request, his birthday was celebrated in this unusual manner. He was received into communicant membership on profession of faith and by the sacrament of adult baptism. Members of his family, friends, and the official boards of the church were witnesses of the ceremony.

Eleven new members were added to our communicant roll during June, the closing month of the fiscal year. They are: Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Pulp, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Horton, William Griffin, Jr., Billie Harwell, Frankie Spainhour, Russell G. Holder, Jr., Marjorie Katz, Carolyn Spaugh and Bobby Walters. The last seven were received by the rite of confirmation administered by Bishop J. Kenneth Pfahl who came to us for this purpose on the first Sunday in June. The Bishop preached a very helpful confirmation sermon and presided at the Holy Communion which followed.

Miss Martha Lee Conrad, Moravian missionary nurse from Nicaragua, home on furlough, was a welcome visitor the first week in June. We consider her a member of the church family here. She took her nurse's training at the Mercy Hospital in Charlotte. She spoke at a missionary love-feast on the evening of June 3, addressed members of the Auxiliary and Guild on the 4th, and was guest of honor at a banquet held by the Guild on the 5th.

The annual congregation picnic, sponsored this year by the John Hupt Bible Class, was held at the church grounds on June 15 with a good attendance, fine fellowship and food, together with an excellent program provided by the Guild.

At the annual meeting of the Executive Board of Civitan International held in Charlotte on June 20, the pastor was appointed International Chaplain. He had previously served as chaplain of the Charlotte Civitan Club and also as chaplain of the North and South Carolina District.

On July 2 Mrs. Emma Elizabeth Parhase, oldest member of this congregation, was called into the immediate presence of her Lord at the age of 85. The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to members of the bereaved family.

Two other members of the congregation likewise suffered bereavement during the month of July. Mrs. W. M. Burkhead, mother of F. Nash Burkhead, passed away on July 20 from a heart attack at 75 years of age. Mrs. T. B. McIngimpsey also suffered the loss of her sister, Mrs. W. T. Putnam, on July 10. The sincere sympathy of the congregation is likewise extended to these families.

Three more of our servicemen have been transferred to overseas service in the Pacific area: ARM 1/c C. Burnett Morris, USNR; Pvt. J. Oliver Thorpe, Pvt. and MOMM3/c Edwin B. Vohburg, Jr., USNR. Our prayers follow them.

During the pastor's absence on a two week's vacation the pulpit was supplied by the Rev. George Higgies of Bethania and the Rev. John Fulton of Friedberg. Both were cordially received by the congregation.

HERBERT SPAUGH,
BETHESDA.

Our people joined whole heartedly with Ardmore, Fries Memorial and Calvary in sponsoring a series of outdoor services at the Miller Park amphitheater. We feel that this was a wholesome and fruitful change, and did much to promote a fresh sense of unity with our sister congregations.

On the second Sunday of July we held our annual Church Council. The congregation reaffirmed its confidence and appreciation in Miss Mabel Jarvis (for many years a devoted and efficient leader in our Church) by unanimously re-electing her to continue as church treasurer. Mrs. Spencer Jarvis was appointed as the new recording secretary. By majority consent, C. X. Everhart, Miss Mabel Jarvis, William Irsgol, Fred Sluitt, and J. L. Jones were elected to represent the church in the important capacity of Elders and Trustees. Miss Mable Jarvis read a report of the receipts and expenditures for the past year. The pastor closed the meeting with a prayer asking God to knit the congregation into a united body, striving to achieve greater things in the work of His kingdom.

With the viewpoint of strengthening the character and spiritual life of our young people, we are appealing to our membership for contributions toward sending a good representation to the summer conferences. We thank God for this deep interest in the Christian character of our young people, and have ample cause to view the future with eagerness and hope.

The new Church Committee was

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CHARLOTTE.

On July 23 an unusual and memorable service was held in our church. First Lieut. Howard W. Sutton, a United States Army flier, celebrated his 33rd birthday by joining the church, where for almost three years prayers had been offered for his safe return. Lt. Sutton returned home on June 11 after more than two and a half years in a German prison camp. He

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installed on the fourth Sunday with a special sermon challenging the members to fulfill their responsibilities with wisdom, prayer and humility.

EGBERT LINEBACK.

LEAKSVILLE.

We were glad to receive three new members into our church this month, namely, B. A. Rickman by the sacrament of baptism, and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rood by transfer.

At the monthly meeting of the Ladies' Bible Class, the women voted to purchase some nursery equipment.

Several of our young people packed their picnic baskets and attended the Young People's Rally held on the campus of Salem College. All had an enjoyable time.

At a recent meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, new officers were elected. They are Mrs. B. A. Rickman, president; Mrs. Lewis Moore, vice president; Mrs. Clifton Barham, secretary; and Mrs. C. F. Tullie, treasurer. Committees were appointed to work on the various projects of the Provincial Woman's Board.

Brother J. K. McConnell very kindly supplied the pulpit in the absence of the pastor on Sunday, July 22.

During the month the parsonage which has been renting was sold. Special board meetings have been held, and at the meeting held July 27 with Bishop Pfohl and E. L. Stockton present, it was decided to build a parsonage immediately if we can obtain a permit. A suitable lot has already been purchased.

JOHN H. KAPP.

GREENSBORO.

The picnic supper served by the women of our Auxiliary on Wednesday afternoon, June 27, for the Greensboro Exchange Club and the handicapped and crippled children of Greensboro and Guilford County, accomplished at least three things. Untold happiness was brought into the hearts of about thirty-five little children, many of whom are crippled for life and one or two of whom are victims of creeping paralysis and are given only a few years at the most to live; a host of new friends were made for our church; and the sum of fifty dollars net profit was turned over to our Building Fund. This has apparently become a semi-annual affair, for in December our Auxiliary was host for the Christmas Party sponsored by the Exchange Club for these children.

On June 16 the pastor united in holy matrimony Dorothy Hayworth, a member of our congregation, and Lt. Arthur E. Grant, a veteran of overseas who, a few months ago, was injured in a C-47 crash. On July 5, Helen Hayworth, a daughter of Dorothy, was married to Cpl. Antonio Sangineto. May both of these marriages be richly blessed.

During the past month we were happy to welcome to our morning services Sgt. Harvey L. Enzor, home on furlough from the Army Air Base at Dyersburg, Tenn., Ben Reich, Seaman 1/e of the Coast Guard and stationed at Charleston, S.C., and Mrs. S. M. Brown, the former Dorothy Bobbitt who has been living in Buffalo, N.Y.

We rejoiced with the family of Mrs. E. I. Bobbitt when the son, Sgt. Cha. Bobbitt, returned home after five years in the South Pacific. Charles has been in seven campaigns, has experienced hand-to-hand encounters with the Japanese, was wounded slightly, and was afflicted with tropical fever. He has received his honorable discharge papers and is now resting at the home of his mother.

While speaking of our men in service, we should recognize the achievement of Clarence Wagner, Jr., who ranked seventh in a group of 360 men who graduated from the Radio Technician's school at the Naval Air Base at DeLand, Fla.

On Sunday, July 22, Mrs. Louise Carter was received into our congregation by letter of transfer.

Our congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Disher upon the birth of a son, to Sl/e and Mrs. Boyd L. Hamilton (Florrence Apple) upon the birth of a daughter and to Mrs. Alan Fawcette (Mary Frances Orrell) upon the birth of a son.

We are deeply grateful to Mr. Claude S. Moore, teacher of the Men's Bible Class of West Market St. Methodist Church, who filled our pulpit on July 8.

L. HOWARD CHADWICK.

BETHANIA.

The organ which is to be a memorial to Mrs. Lillian Lehman Strickland was delivered to the Bethania Church on July 19, and the work of installation begun on the 21st under the direction of P. S. Farjoy. It should be ready to play in about thirty days.

Another step forward in the completion of the church was the delivery of the steam heating plant which is also being installed. Also accomplished during the month was the letting of the con-
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The youth fellowship was held in front of the main hall at Salem College. The pastor was assisted in the service by Bishop Pfohl and Dr. Rondthaler. Brother J. B. Pfohl was in charge of the large band.

The annual meeting of the board of elders was held on the fifth Sunday in July, in the absence of the pastor, who was incapacitated as the result of a painful burn which made it necessary for him to go to the hospital for treatment.

He hopes that by the time this goes to press he will be able to discard some of the expensive padding and bandages he has had to endure.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

GROODED OAK.

PINE CHAPEL.

On the fourth day of July our annual Sunday school picnic was held at Friedland Moravian Church. A large crowd attended and the occasion was greatly enjoyed by everyone.

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as Communion Sunday with an excellent attendance in the morning.

In the evening the service was held on the east lawn of the church.

Out-of-door services are being held each Sunday evening and although the attendance has not been large, the service has been of an informal character and the sermon topics have centered around the theme of Jesus and the out-of-doors.

On July 4 at 8:30 o’clock in the morning the traditional Fourth of July service was held in front of Main Hall at Salem College. The pastor was assisted in the service by Bishop Pfohl and Dr. Rondthaler. Brother J. B. Pfohl was in charge of a large band.

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The new road leading from the main highway into the church property has been graded and is now ready for the gravel surface to be applied. This we hope to get done by the State road force. The grading was done with a large bulldozer machine owned by Grover Lovell of Mt. Airy. We appreciate very much the generosity of Mr. Lovell in furnishing this giant machine and operator, at the small cost of two dollars per hour.

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As July approached it looked as if the very name of our church was in danger again. Another of the large pine trees died and had to be cut down, leaving only five more. However, Bro. D. L. Rights, who has been very anxious that the name be preserved, brought six little trees from his farm and planted them last year. They are now beginning to show themselves.

On the fourth and fifth Sunday nights the evening services were conducted by the Gospel Team with Bro. Ray Haneline, assistant captain, in charge. Bro. Raymond Harris led the song service and messages were brought by Bro. Paul O. Foltz and Bro. Ray Haneline.

Prayer meeting was conducted by the Woman's Auxiliary on Thursday night, the 19th. The president, Miss Ruth Smith, was in charge and Miss Cordia Mae Cox talked on the Scriptures. The young people had charge on the 26th with Miss Cordia Mae Cox leading. Talks were made by R. T. Troutman and others. We want to thank these three groups for their willingness to help out.

J. P. CROUCH.

WILLOW HILL.

On July 2nd we began our Daily Vacation Bible School under the direction of Mrs. Harvey Leonard, assisted by Miss Ruth Hiatt and Miss Bulah Boyd. The work was for the older girls consisted of sewing and needlecraft under the supervision of Miss Ruth Hiatt; Miss Bulah Boyd directed the younger children. The older boys, assisted by Mrs. Leonard and the pastor, tried their skill with the paint brush, painting some of the chairs and tables used by the primary children. The work was finished on Friday night of the 13th. The demonstration of memory work and dramatics gave evidence of the splendid work done by both teachers and pupils.

The Lord's Supper was administered on the third Sunday with fairly good attendance. Our second and fourth Sunday night services continue with good interest.

Material has been purchased and delivered for the construction of a room at the rear of the church to house the heating plant which we hope to have installed in the near future.

The annual Church Council was held on the fifth Sunday at 10 a. m. Bro. Alfred Dawson was elected to the Church Committee, taking the unexpired term of Bro. Foy Hiatt who has moved out of this community to become manager of the Sparger Orchards located in Surry County. Miss Bulah Boyd and Bro. Garnett Dawson were elected to take the place of Bro. Samuel Levering and Miss Virginia Hiatt, whose terms expired.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

FRIEDBERG.

The Rev. D. L. Rights spoke to the wives of servicemen at a banquet held on Saturday night, July 14. His message was one of encouragement, good will, and understanding of the problems of waiting wives. Sponsored by the Willing Workers' Class, this banquet proved to be one of the finest occasions held at Friedberg in some while.

Present as guests were Miss Dorothy Miller, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Zimmerman and the pastor. Attending also as guests were Cpl. R. C. Swain, Sgt. J. F. Hedgecock, and Ralph Kimel, who was recently discharged after service overseas with the Air Corps. Members of the Willing Workers' Class taking part in the program at the banquet were Mrs. Forrest Reddin, Mrs. Frances Mendenhall, Mrs. H. C. Nifong, Jr.

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er group played baseball, shuffle board, horse shoes and volley ball. Teachers of the young children had games planned too and the little ones laughed as they played drop-the-handkerchief and farmer-in-the-dell.

Church Council gave us an encouraging array of balances as we listened to the reports of the treasurers of the various church organizations. Elections clicked off in record time. R. A. Foltz became Church Council secretary for another year and Howard Tesh, Joe Craver and C. W. Reeb took places on the Board of Elders on the first ballot, and A. F. Mendenhall, W. A. Talley, H. C. Nifong and E. H. Fishel also on the first vote, were re-elected to the Board of Trustees.

JOHN W. FULTON.

CLEMMONS.

On the first Sunday evening all new officers were installed at the beginning of the service. All regular services including class meetings and Woman’s Auxiliary were held. It was pleasant to see the Rondthalers in their accustomed places on the fifth Sunday morning. This church and community will miss them more than words can tell.

Brother A. C. Flock will be a patient at the Baptist Hospital within a few days and will be there for a number of weeks. The Civic Club supper meeting was held at the Grange on the evening of the 26th with William Church as the speaker. Bethel Church prepared the supper.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPE.

On the first Sunday morning all new church, Sunday school, and Auxiliary officers were installed at the beginning of the service. On the second Sunday evening in addition to the service a committee meeting was held and the budget for the year approved. After an illness of some weeks Bro. Albert Eugene Spaugh, a life-long member of Hope, died on the 23rd. The funeral services were conducted on the 25th by the pastor assisted by the Brm. H. G. Foliz and L. G. Luckenbach. A fellowship ice cream supper was held at the church on the evening of the 26th.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS.

On the first Sunday morning all new officers were installed. A new piano has been purchased and this together with others mowers has been used freely. As a result our lawn has been kept in perfect condition.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

OLIVET.

The Woman’s Auxiliary held its first meeting of the year at the church on July 10. The new officers were installed by the pastor and the budget approved. Circle leaders for the year are Mrs. Robt. Taylor, Mrs. Gordon Conard and Miss Emily Conrad. Mrs. F. E. Binkley and Mrs. Grover Kiger will direct the Girls’ Auxiliary.

Elwood Conard, a veteran of the war against Germany, who is at home on leave, was received into the church by confirmation on the third Sunday. At the same service his wife, Mrs. Mary Ruth Barkley Conard, was received by the right hand of fellowship.

The organization of a Boy Scout Troop was begun on Friday, July 27, when the committee met with the boys of the church. Bro. Grover Kiger is the Scoutmaster, and Bro. V. V. Beroth and Bro. P. E. Binkley committee.

The Jim Yarbrough Baraca Phi-lonathan Class met for its July meeting with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Luper and held a fish fry at the church on the 29th.

The infant daughter of Pfc. W. J. Wolfe and Mrs. Martha Beck Wolfe was buried at Olivet with a graveside service on July 17.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

HOPESWELL.

The Sunday school under the direction of the new superintendent, J. C. Morton, and assistant, B. H. Bowles, reached its highest attendance on the fifth Sunday.

The mid-week prayer group has continued to hold its own each Wednesday night at 8 o’clock when around 25 gather together to study the Gospel of John.

A revival meeting was begun on Wednesday night, the 18th, and continued through twelve nights with the pastor bringing the messages. Bro. P. N. Snyder of Friedberg had charge of the choir which added very much to the interest of the meeting. The attendance was very good. We wish to thank Bro. Snyder for his good work.

The Provincial Building Committee met with our committee on the evening of the 18th to discuss plans for a new Sunday school building to take care of the primary and junior children. We hope something can soon be done along this line.

The county road men have offered to grade a new road into our church just as soon as plans can be worked out, which we hope will be soon.

J. P. CROUCH.

BRO. LUCKENBACH’S REPORT

During the month of July conducted three services. On the 1st preached and administered the Holy Communion at King. On the 8th had charge of the service at Friedberg at 9 a.m., and on the 15th at 8 p.m. held the service at Bethabara. July 1st took part in the dedication of the Rev. Dr. Herman’s new parsonage, Assisted at the funeral of Bro. A. Eugene Spaugh at Hopewell on the 25th.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

KERNERSVILLE.

There was unusual interest this year in our observance of the martyrdom of John Hus. During the last few years the patriotic theme had demanded our attention on the Sunday nearest July 6, but this year with Sundays in July coming on the 1st and 8th, we could give a separate service to each. What surprises are behind the fun of the 4th we shall not know until after the holiday.

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MAYODAN.

Outstanding events for July with us were the combined revival and Daily Vacation Bible School from the second to the fourth Sundays. Our revival this time was held chiefly to reach the children and we were favored with the services of Rev. and Mrs. Frank Sells, of Columbia Bible College, both gifted in presenting the Gospel message to children. Mr. Sells preached each night for the older folks and in the sessions of the Bible School each day during the first week there were interesting object lessons by both Mr. and Mrs. Sells. Our folks took this as a fine treat for both young and old and the children were deeply affected. We believe the effort has deepened the spiritual tone of our work.

Enthusiasm was maintained during the second week of our Bible School and we held closing exercises on Sunday, the 15th, with a fine congregation present. Our school enrolled 81, with an average attendance of 49, 22 having come every day. Teaching staff included Mrs. W. H. Bollin, Mrs. W. H. Price, Jr., Mrs. W. A. Kaltreider, Miss Edith Glidewell, Miss Sarah Pool, Miss Louise Fawcette, Miss Polly Fawcette, Miss Jerry Pool, James Kaltreider and the pastor.

We are most grateful to numerous families for providing meals for Mr. and Mrs. Sells, sometimes including the pastor’s family in the invitation. These were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bollin, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Farris, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Baughn, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. John Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Price, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Will Glidewell, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Price, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Poole, Mrs. W. L. Matthews.

This was an unusually nice bit of co-operation.

Union service of all Mayodan churches was held in our church on July 29, with sermon by Rev. J. W. Kelly, Holiness pastor.

We are glad to note that Bro. W. N. Poole is at last recovering from a long trial with a broken arm. Mrs. Charles Law suffered...
INJURY in an auto accident which we are glad did not prove serious. We record also Bro. R. P. Tesh's fifty years of residence in Maydow, although, unfortunately, he is now unable to return to his work. We are glad did not prove serious.

W. A. KALTEFREIDER.

HERE AND THERE

Bishop and Mrs. Pfohl are spending a vacation in Brevard, N. C., at the Transylvania Music Camp operated by their son James. The Bishop is scheduled to hold a brief daily devotional service as a part of the camp program. They are due to return probably before this gets into print.

Our Young People's Conference is in full swing at Camp Hanes, but the attendance this year is somewhat disappointing. So many of our young people who might otherwise attend are either away from home or at work. The two visiting members of this year's staff, namely, the Rev. F. E. Weber of Watertown, Wisconsin, and Dr. Raymond N. Haupert, president of our College and Seminary, Bethlehem, Pa., have arrived and are at work. The Intermediate Conference, on the other hand, promises to have an overflow attendance, with registrations near capacity.

Latest word from Dr. Edmund Schwarte is that he is improving, but progress is slow. It is likely to be some months before he will be able to return to his work. He is at Dr. Tucker's Sanatorium, Richmond, Va.

Plans are on foot for another Southern Moravian Ministers' Retreat to be held at Roaring Gap, N. C. Bro. and Sr. Clarence Leinbach have again most graciously offered the use of their two spacious summer homes for this gathering. Bro. D. L. Rights is chairman of the Retreat Committee, but this year's speaker has not yet been announced. The Retreat will be held some time in October, depending on which dates will fit best into the speaker's schedule.

INFANT BAPTISMS.

Harris—Elizabeth Masten, infant daughter of John Graham and Rachel Harris, born March 3, 1945, was baptized in Ardmore Church on June 15, 1945, by the Rev. Charles B. Adams.

Schrumm—Jeanie Elizabeth, infant daughter of Frederick William and Eleanor M. Meininger Schrumm, born in Flushing, L. I., November 7, 1944, was baptized in Winston-Salem, N. C., July 14, 1945, by the Rev. R. Gordon Spangh.

LeRoy—Henry LeRoy, Jr., infant son of Henry LeRoy and Elizabeth M. Hillis Grant, born in Winston-Salem, N. C., February 21, 1945, was baptized in Home Church July 22, 1945, by the Rev. R. Gordon Spangh.

Lee—Malinda Lou, infant daughter of R. Gilbert and Jean Lee Davis, born in Charlotte, N. C., September 29, 1944, was baptized in Home Church on July 22, 1945, by the Rev. R. Gordon Spangh.

Fulp—Bettie Ann, daughter of Cletus O. and Mattie C. Fulp, born July 3, 1941, in Florence, S. C., was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., June 24th by Dr. Herbert Spangh.

Horton—Hazel Elaine, daughter of Benjamin S. and Hazel Barefoot Horton, born November 22, 1943, was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., June 24th by Dr. Herbert Spangh.

Pitts—Richard Abraham, Jr., son of Richard A. and Frances C. Pitts, born March 13, 1945, was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., on June 24th by Dr. Herbert Spangh.

Varburg—Walter Augustus, son of Wiswell L. and Rowena Tatsumi Varburg, born April 19, 1945, was baptized in the Moravian Church, Charlotte, N. C., on June 24th by Dr. Herbert Spangh.

Reid—George Hamilton, infant son of Charles H. and Elizabeth Reid, Jr., m. n. Ray, born in Winston-Salem on April 26, 1945, was baptized at Trinity Church on July 20, 1945, by the Rev. Douglas L. Rights.

DEATHS.


Farace—Mrs. Emma Elizabeth, age 85, daughter of Joshua and Lucetta Blackburn, died in Charlotte, N. C., on July 2, 1945. Funeral service conducted by Rev. J. C. Grier, pastor of Mulberry Presbyterian Church, in the absence of Pastor Herbert Spangh. Interment in Sharon Memorial Park, Charlotte. The oldest member of the Moravian Church in Charlotte.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS FOR JULY, 1945.

Rev. Walter Bousquin, Salary: $1,550.00 From Home Church Auxiliary: 20.00

Hospital at Bilwax Farms: Fairview Missionary Chapter: $35.00 J. M. Coleman, Salary: 60.00 Personally Acknowledged: $416.00 From Friedberg: 200.00

Miss Martha Conrad, Salary: $505.00 From Women's Committee: 413.50

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THE REV. JOHN R. WEINLICK, Dean
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THE YEAR OF DESTINY

By DR. ROY L. SMITH,
Editor The Christian Advocate, Chicago, Illinois.

Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick once said: "There is no democracy among days. It sometimes happens that a single day is more important in the world’s history than a thousand years in another period." On the basis of that statement it can be said that the year 1945 is one of the destiny years of all time, for at least eight events have occurred during the first seven months which are earth-shaking in their importance.

We are living through a period concerning which students of history a hundred, two hundred, or five hundred years from now, will be conducting detailed and meticulous studies. Without a doubt fifty years from now candidates for the Doctor’s Degree will be writing learned treatises upon single events which are of today’s news, which may not even get on page one of the newspapers. It is, by all accounts, possible to declare that the eight events which have transpired within this year of our lifetime constitute the greatest conjunction of events in any one year of human history, and we have lived through them while other men can only look back upon them and study them.

It is not my purpose to try to evaluate these events. In many instances I do not even attempt to pass a judgment—either moral or political—upon them. All that I can attempt to do in this situation is to serve as a reporter, or news analyst, and describe them to you. It must remain for the historians, and others, to estimate their advantage or disadvantage to the human race. It is sufficient for my purpose at this moment to identify them and leave them with you as matters upon which you can well afford to meditate.

1. The first event in this octet of cataclysm is the destruction of Germany.

The Potsdam ultimatum which climaxd the collapse of the German nation signalized the passing from the political scene of a nation of 20,000,000 people. Never before has the world witnessed such a spectacle. When the ancient Empire of Assyria was destroyed by Babylon in the seventh century, B.C., its total population numbered no more than 2,000,000. When a little more than a century later, the Babylonian Empire fell under the blitzkrieg of Darius, the Persian, it numbered no more than 2,500,000 souls. The Egyptian state at no time, so far as we can discover, represented more than 500,000 at the outside. Even the

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The Rev. Walter H. Allen, D.D., Editor
The Rev. Geo. G. Higgins,...[Editors]
The Rev. John C. Foster, Assistant Editor
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The Rev. Joseph E. Post, Contributing Editor
The Rev. John S. Weinland

As we see it

The name Vancura has often appeared in these columns. Under "News from Moravians in Europe," in this issue, it is reported that during the war the reviving Moravian Church in Czechoslovakia has been helped by the Czech and Slovak Moravian Church, the Rev. V. Vancura, was commissioned by Bishop Bandert to ordain six young men who wished to enter our ministry. Old Bro. Vancura (he must be over 80) has two sons who are ministers, namely, the Rev. Bohumil Vancura, pastor of the Moravian Church in Prague who had to flee to London at the outbreak of the war because the Gestapo was after him for befriending the Jews, and the Rev. Vaclav Vancura who is a district superintendent of the Moravian Church in Prague. VACLAV graduated from the Moravian College and Seminary in Bethlehem, Pa., in the same class with our Brethren Rights and Bruner, and with them and Bro. Herbert Kant of Lake Mills, Wisconsin, was one of the students who started the Edgeboro Church in Bethlehem. He visited Bro. Bruner here some dozen or more years ago, and when the Editor and Bro. Bruner were in Prague in 1936, he entertained us in his home—that is, when he did not have us on the run seeing the sights, for he expressed the determination that we should see more of his country than any other visiting Moravian minister. We have often wondered how he fared during the war, and now we have the answer, given in The Christian Advocate of August 16 by Bishop Paul N. Garber of the Methodist Church, who was one of the students who met and talked to Vaclav and other Methodist ministers. Vaclav was not molested until 1942 when he preached a sermon in his church in Prague on the text: "For one is your master, even Christ." He was taken immediately to Gestapo headquarters, questioned for fourteen hours, threatened and beaten. Most of his teeth were knocked out. During the remainder of the German occupation he had to report to the Gestapo each week, was not permitted to preach, though he did so secretly, had to have all his feet examined and would rather send nor receive any foreign mail.

For six years he heard nothing from his son and daughter who are over here in America, both married and with children of their own. Another brother, a distingushed physician, was shot, and three other relatives were hanged. For months they had no milk, butter or meat. He used to be fat, but now is all wrinkled and tired out. He told Bishop Garber that he and his people had no clothes, no socks, no underwear. When trains and buses were not longer available he used a bicycle to visit the Moravian churches under his care, but never having a horse he rode about the end made long journeys on foot. The only request he made was for additional educated Czech Methodist preachers to help carry on the work, and funds to get some new teeth. When Bishop Garber met him he had just received his first letter from his brother Bohumil in London, which contained news of his two children over here. All during this time Bohumil's wife and children have been in Prague, but they too, we are glad to report, are safe and reasonably well. The old father, whom we also met in Prague in 1936, looks exactly like the pictures of John Amos Comenius.

The Year of Destiny by Dr. Roy L. Smith was one of the addresses delivered at the Massachussetts Springs Bible Conference this summer. He very graciously offered us a copy of the manuscript with permission to use it in these columns. It is the keener analysis of this momentous year that we have seen. Be sure to read it.

Dr. Herbert Spangh is the first Moravian minister to be asked to write for The Upper Room, his contribution appearing in the current issue. He is now the national chaplain of the Civitan Clubs, and as such is required to prepare a monthly article for The Civitan, the official organ of that organization.

Here is the story behind the James Montgomery manuscript. Mrs. M. E. Birrill of Pulleine, England, wrote us that since her husband, who was one of our Moravian ministers, had passed to his eternal reward, she did not feel entitled to The Wachovia Moravian, which kept coming to him, though she always read it with interest and passed it on to her son. As a result, the woman's husband's name be taken from our mailing list, and that his copy be sent to the Pulleine minister who was not receiving it but who was always glad to see the one which came to her. In reply we stated that the Pulleine minister's name had been placed on our "Fellowship List," and that since she seemed to like our little paper so much, she could certainly continue to receive it. Her response to that was to send us an original manuscript by the great Moravian poet and hymn-writer. This has now become one of our most prized possessions, and before having it framed to hang in our study, we had this cut of it made for The Wachovia Moravian.

Heartfelt congratulations to the Rev. and Mrs. David E. Weinland upon the birth of a daughter, Kathryn Ruth, on August 15, 1945—second child, first daughter.

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THE YEAR OF DESTINY

great Roman Empire, at the height of its power, governed no more than 40,000,000,000,000,000 people and the actual Roman citizenship was somewhat less than 15,000,000. This means that the destruction of a nation of 80,000,000,000 people is absolutely unprecedented in all history.

More, even, than the question of population is the matter of leadership. At this moment, so far as we can discover, there is no living German who is capable of unifying the German people. The efficiency with which the Nazis eliminated their rivals left them supreme within Germany, and once they were themselves destroyed it has left the nation altogether without leadership. New leaders will appear in time, of course, but in 1945 there is not one living German at liberty around whom the German people can or will rally. This is a situation that is complete, at least for this decade.

Somewhat more than three hundred years ago the world witnessed the partition of Poland between Russia, Germany, and Austria. We have witnessed the partition of Germany between Russia, England, France and the U.S. States, and the strict military control which is promised for the next twenty-five years insures the impossibility of Germany being, either politically, economically, or socially for a generation.

In their attempt to militarize Germany, and make her incapable of waging another war, the Allies have adopted a program designed to reduce the nation to the level of an agricultural state devoid of heavy industries and manufactories. She is shut off from supplies of coal, iron, and oil, without which it will be impossible to develop technological equipment for the waging of war, but even more important, she will be incapable of rebuilding as the core of European industrial and manufacturing activities. There are those who view with great concern the destruction of Europe's industrial machine, of which Germany was the hub. But whatever the wisdom or folly of that proposal may be, the Potsdam ultimatum has written "Finis" to Germany's hopes of an economic or military resurrection.

The staggering losses of the German nation, in manpower and economic resources, the destruction of nearly every one of her major cities, the ruin of her transportation system, the interallied control of her financial system, and her economic isolation, all total up to a doom that no previous collapse has ever before befallen the people in the history of the world.

It is easy to anticipate that Germany will not be able to rise as a great independent nation inside of a hundred years.

2. The second great event is the rise of Russia to the position of a world power. The elimination of the first magnitude, controlling the destiny of an entire continent.

At this moment it appears very definite that the capital of Europe...
has moved from London to Moscow. Long before the United States entered the war, Churchill confessed that Great Britain was scraping the bottom of the barrel in its efforts to finance the war. The contributions of the American Government in the form of Lend-Lease constituted the largest single economic contribution of the British through long and terrible years of conflict. Let there be no minimizing of the frightful costs the English, Irish, and other high officials. There has been no lack of appreciation of her monumental courage. But our admiration for her great sacrifices cannot blind us to the desperate straits to which she has been reduced. One out of three of all her family dwellings has been destroyed or seriously damaged. A vast toll was taken of her shipping. The consumption of coal and steel incident to the waging of war has depleted her resources at a staggering rate.

The historian will record that in World War II the English people throughout the far-flung dominions of the British Empire have borne a share of the burden than in World War I. Canadians, New Zealanders, and Australians came to the aid of the British, but Indian troops, Egyptian help, and other assistance was on an altogether different basis. Bereft of her empire—all but the British Commonwealth of Nations—waged a battle which, for sheer courage has never been surpassed, but the struggle has left the nation exhausted, impoverished, stricken, and upset. The victory of the British Labor Party is but symptomatic of the profound changes going on within the British soul.

In the meantime Russia has emerged as the last, yet greatest, prestige. In spite of her huge losses, she is able to assume, a strong attitude and compel the world to accede to her demands. And at one point it must be pointed out that no people in the world has yet been set up in Europe—anywhere—which has not met with the approval of Moscow, and which will not be permitted to be set up. This means that Russian theories of government are apt to dominate all of Europe, as well as great areas of Asia outside Russian borders. This situation has been dramatically illustrated in Rumania, Bulgaria, and Yugoslavia where the Russians have dictated the form and personnel of local governments, and in Iraq and Iran where Russia has been able to dictate the appointment of premiers and other high officials.

No nation can hope to be a dominant world power during the next hundred years if it lacks the control of its own treasures. In the Orient Russia has one each of these bases in abundance. Even in the midst of the war, with her manpower drained to the limit, she maintained an army of 50,000 men in the field, surveying her resources. Mineralogists, metallurgists, surveyors, geographers, topographers, and scores of other experts have been dispatched to the land, locating, estimating, and proving every mineral deposit. Russia knows, more accurately than any other nation of the world, exactly what she has to rely upon.

There is the matter of coal, for instance. In six great deposits alone, discovered and worked, Russia has enough coal to provide for her needs at the present rate of consumption for the next 300 years. In the matter of iron she is almost as well prepared, for in three great deposits (only one of which is being worked extensively) she has enough iron to last her at the present rate of consumption for the next 300 years. The atomic bomb is the product of scientific research, and in that connection it is safe to say that Russia now has more individuals engaged in scientific research under government supervision than any other nation in the world, and the progress that has been made in the arts of peace time are no less astounding. It is impossible to believe that the Russians will not know as much about atomic energy as people on earth within the space of the next decade. The Anglo-Saxon "secret" cannot long be hidden.

Not the least significant factor in the situation is Russia’s advantageous financial condition. With the British Government faced with impoverishment, and the American Government carrying a national debt of $300,000,000,000, it will pay us to reflect upon the fact that Russia’s war burden according to the best estimates now obtainable, is no more than $30,000,000,000. This is due, in large part, to the Russian system of mining engineers went to the end and other assistance was on an altogether different basis. Bereft of her empire—all but the British Commonwealth of Nations—waged a battle which, for sheer courage has never been surpassed, but the struggle has left the nation exhausted, impoverished, stricken, and upset. The victory of the British Labor Party is but symptomatic of the profound changes going on within the British soul.

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modore Perry opened the gates of the Empire, has come to an inglorious end.

4. The fourth facet of this unique year is the emergence of China as a world power after 6,000 years of isolation. Nothing comparable has happened in all the history of the Orient to the surrender of Japanese Lieutenant-General Yasutomo Okamura to General Hsiao Ying-chin, representing Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. By this act some 2,500,000 troops are disarmed, and taken into "protective custody" until they can be returned to their homeland to live forever after

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News From Moravians In Europe

Several letters addressed jointly to Bishops S. H. Gapp and J. K. Pfohl by Bishop C. H. Shawe of our British Province, contain many items of news about our Moravian Church in various parts of Europe. In addition, Bishop Pfohl has heard from the head of a Moravian home for children in Holland, asking for help which there is no way of sending at present, (or so we understand) and to the Editor’s desk there came this message, in part, on a postcard from Bro. Paul Theile in Switzerland:

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very detailed. We rejoice of the time when we can again freely communicate with you and Moravian everywhere."

Two attempts were made to get mail through to Bro. Theile in recent months. The first one failed, but we are hoping the second will succeed. The above message was written on June 21, but did not reach us until the end of August. Bishop Shawe wrote that he was due at Montmirial, Switzerland, on Sept. 1, where he will be the speaker at the mission festival and then go as far as possible in an extended tour of Moravian centers including, he hopes, Germany and Czechoslovakia. The following paragraphs were prepared by Bishop Cap from the information contained in Bishop Shawe’s letters, and appeared in The Moravian from which they are reprinted:

In general and in spite of many difficulties, the situation with respect to our church there (in Czechoslovakia) is decidedly encouraging. There are more ministers; the membership has increased; plans have been made for new churches; and building sites have been bought and some money collected.

Of the five ministers and one minister’s wife sent to concentration camps, all have returned home except the Rev. Karel Reichel and his wife. They all suffered in health by their experience in concentration camps, but all are now steadily improving. The Reichels have not yet returned home. Upon his arrival in camp, Brother Reichel at once organized Christian fellowships and was asked to continue his Christian work till the whole camp could be dissolved.

Three ministers retired, the former president of the Provincial Elders’ Conference, the Rev. Jindrich Schiller among them. Six young men were ordained to the ministry by the retired veteran, the Rev. V. Vaneur, who was commissioned by Bishop Samuel Baudett.

A new Provincial Elders’ Conference is in office. Of the three in office at the beginning of the war, Bro. B. Vaneur was in England, Brother Mikulastik in prison and Brother Schiller retired. The new conference consists of Brothers Glo, the young pastor of Turnov, Brother Pavlin and a layman, Brother Berau. During the war Brother Glo was active in the underground movement and was spared an internment in a concentration camp only by the timely arrival of the victorious Russian Army. The underground work of Brother Glo has been suspected by the Germans occupying the Czech homelands. Now Bro. Glo is chairman of the area committee on behalf of the Government.

Brother Wedeman, director of the Moravian school in Koensfeld, Germany, reported to Bishop Shawe that the town was occupied by the French on April 24. No damage was done to the town, because of the advice of Brother Wedeman and others that Himmler’s instructions to resist was a piece of criminal lunacy.

The French troops now occupy the school as barracks, but he himself has been allowed to continue residence in his flat in the same building. About 300 boys and girls were enrolled during the war. Near the end of 1944 the Nazis took control of the property and received protests of the Herrnhut Provincial Elders’ Conference and Brother Wedeman. The French have opened the Nazi head of the establishment.

Brother Wedeman recognizes that the German people must share some responsibility for what has happened, but he does not ask for pity; he asks for contact with brethren in the other provinces. He does not ask for material help in the first place but moral support in the work of the reconstruction of the German people. No news comes directly out of the Russian area of control. Whether our church will disappear forever from its ancient seats can not now be known.

On the authority of the Southern Provincial Elders’ Conference, Bishop Pfahl wrote to Chaplain Ellis Bullins suggesting he try to get in touch with European Moravians. This letter was long delayed, and in the meantime Bro. Bullins spent two weeks in London but without seeing any British Moravians. Now he has written that he has asked permission to make an extended tour to visit Moravian centers, including those in Russian occupied territory, and he thinks his commanding general will help him with this. If he succeeds, we hope to be able to print his report in these columns.

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REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

LEAKSVILLE.
August was filled with many problems and activities. Since the pastor and his wife had to vacate the house which had been sold by the owner, the question that many in this community are asking due to the housing shortage was where to go. After numerous unsuccessful attempts to find a suitable place, the furniture had to be stored and the pastor and his wife were kindly received into the home of B. A. Rickman, one of the members of the church, until a house can be made ready. Plans to build a parsonage are being studied.

The Woman’s Auxiliary had a Brunswick stew at the home of Mrs. B. A. Rickman to raise some money for the parsonage. They made 8126. The Young People’s Society also has raised $30 toward the Building Fund. Both organizations should be commended.

A Holy Communion service was held the second Sunday with a large number of our members partaking.

Bro. J. K. McConnell kindly conducted the services the third Sunday, and Bro. W. B. Berrier held the mid-week service on the 15th. While the pastor was at the Intermediate Conference, Bro. C. F. Tulloch conducted the prayer service for V-J Day.

Four of our young people attended the Young People’s Conference named, Marguerite Kirk, Iva Davis, Eugene Ward, and Richard Rickman; seven to the Intermediate Conference: Ruby Turner, Nancy Ellington, Marie Berrier, Bobby Kirks, Numa Martin, Jr., Buddy Moore, and Arnold Joines, Jr.

The soft ball team of our church has been playing well this summer in the church league. We now stand in fourth place.

JOHN H. KAPP

MOUNT AIRY.

The exterior of the church has been painted entirely in white. Many have expressed their pleasure over its appearance.

Sgt. Henry Lee Seivers and Miss Lois Brinkley were united in marriage in the church on July 20. Miss Katherine Palmer and John Walker were also united in marriage in a beautiful church wedding on August 23. To both these young couples we extend our best wishes.

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The following servicemen have been erected. The Rev. Robert O. Carter, Carl Burton, Felix Jones, and John R. Weinlick, members of the Church at Camp Hanes, were transferred from Rural Church to the Church at Camp Hanes for the duration of the war. The Church was present by the Rev. John R. Weinlick; on the Sunday Bro. J. H. Reid conducted the service and the Holy Communion was administered by the Rev. John R. Weinlick; on the third Sunday Bro. Carl Burton, Felix Jones, and John R. Weinlick, members of the Church at Camp Hanes, were transferred from Rural Church to the Church at Camp Hanes for the duration of the war.

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The annual watermelon feast, provided by the Men's Class, was enjoyed by about 75 members of the Young People's organizations. The feast took place at the Church, and was enjoyed by about 75 members of the Young People's organizations.

In a simple but lovely church service on August 15, for the surrender of Japan, Rev. John R. Weinlick, secretary-treasurer, Felix A. Krites, and Mary Lou Sink, attended the church service. The young people's organizations contributed to the church.

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Raymond S. Haupert, president of Moravian College and Theological Seminary, was the guest speaker.

On the 19th Children’s Day was observed, approved as an unusual day in that it had been set aside by the President of the United States as a day of prayer and thanksgiving. This was observed in the regular services. The morning worship service at 11 o'clock found a very receptive congregation and one that felt thanksgiving, and expressed it to Almighty God for the ending of hostilities. In the afternoon the Children’s Lovefeast was held and in the evening the out-of-door service for the children.

While the cessation of hostilities in the Pacific was celebrated in a union service at Centenary Methodist Church, the Hone Church also held its own service of prayer and thanksgiving on the evening of the 15th. At that time Bishop Pfohl was with us to bring the message on this historic occasion.

R. GORDON SPAUGH, CLAYTON H. PERSONS, Assistant.

OLIVET.

A service marking the end of the war with Japan was held on the evening of August 15 with Bro. Walter T. Strupe as leader. It was a thankful group that gathered thus to acknowledge God’s Providence. Of the men and one woman from Olivet who served in all theaters of the war, only Thomas Conrad was wounded and that not seriously. Yet many saw action. Jasper Conrad served in the Merchant Marine Armed Guard in the early days of the war and later with the U.S. Hornet in the Pacific; Robert Beroth served the sinking of his LST; Russell Boose and Elwood Conrad were in the European campaign from the beginning, and Walter Pfaff and Jessie Atwood saw much action with the Marines in the Pacific. All survived uninjured and for this reason alone there was much cause for thankfulness.

Plans were formulated during the month for a new manner of observing the September Lovefeast. The first change was to move the time for the holding of our annual revival from the second week in September to the first. The second change approved by the congregation was to move the lovefeast, heretofore held at the 11 o’clock hour on the Second Sunday, to 2:30 in the afternoon and to close the day with Holy Communion instead of 5:30. These are to be designated as our anniversary services. The selection of this date is occasioned by the fact that Olivet’s true anniversary is December 26 and as much cannot be properly observed.

Miss Peggy Binkley attended the Young People’s Conference at Camp Hanes.

A very successful lawn supper was served by the Woman’s Auxiliary to about 300 people on Saturday, September 1.

Under the leadership of Scoutmaster Grover Kiger, the Scouts continue to make progress in passing their tenderfoot requirements. The troop enjoyed a weiner roast on the 31st at the “Vance Conrad Swimming Hole” on Muddy Creek.

GEORGE C. HIGGINS.

ARDMORE.

Our Woman’s Auxiliary has grown to such proportions that its services are in demand. It has been divided into four. The circle leaders are: No. 1, Mrs. C. C. Fussell; No. 2 Mrs. F. C. Mendenhall; No. 3 Mrs. T. E. Harris; No. 4 Mrs. H. A. Spainhour. The general officers of the Auxiliary for the coming year are: president, Mrs. C. B. Kirkman; vice-president, Mrs. Fred Ebert; secretary, Mrs. R. B. Hurst; treasurer, Mrs. D. B. Oden; mission study leader, Mrs. L. R. Thomas; chaplain and Bible study leader, Mrs. C. S. Ebert; fellowship secretary, Mrs. J. A. Wester; and reporter, Mrs. Aldine Ebert.

Ennie Hendley represented Ardmore at the Young People’s Conference held at Camp Hanes. Salie Cornell, Connie Wester, and Arlen Harris attended the Intermediate Conference.

The pastor had the privilege of preaching at the Young People’s Conference of the Eastern District of the Northern Province, conducted at Camp Innabah in Pennsylvania. In his absence, Bro. G. E. Brewer held the services of the August Thirteenth Festival, administering the Holy Communion at the morning service, and conducting the lovefeast at 5 p.m., at which time Dr. Raymond Haupert, president of our College and Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pa., delivered the message.

On the following Sunday Bro. Egbert G. Lineback had charge of the service. To all these brethren we express our hearty thanks.

For some time we have wanted to replace our old “Offices of Worship” with copies of the new “Hymnal and Liturgies of the Moravian Church.” Thanks to the generosity of one of our members who offered to match, dollar for dollar, all that the congregation raised for this purpose, we have now dedicated and are using two hundred of the new hymnals. We are looking forward to a distinct improvement in the worship of our church services.

CHARLES R. ADAMS.

BROTHER LUCKENBACH’S REPORT.

During the month of August was engaged in the following special work. On the 8th conducted the prayer meeting in the Home Church. August 12 assisted with the Holy Communion at Trinity at 10:50 a.m. and at 1:30 p.m. assisted with the funeral of Victor L. Davis at Fairview. On Wednesday August 15 at 11 a.m. conducted the thanksgiving service at Bethabara in connection with the announcement of the surrender of Japan. It was a large and very earnest service.

Assisted with the Holy Communion at Calvary at 11 a.m. on August 19 and at 8 p.m. preached at Bethabara.

August 26 had charge of the service at 11 a.m. at Wachovia Church. It was the first morning service there. At 7:45 p.m. conducted the service at Advent. August 31 assisted with the funeral of Mrs. Grover C. Sheldon.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

GREENSBORO.

Our August festival was held Sunday morning, August 12, in connection with the morning service. Prior to the Lovefeast, we received into our membership by infant baptism John Sanders; by adult baptism, John Sanders; by infant baptism John R. Sanders, Jr., and Margaret Kathryn Lee, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Lee.

On August 25 the pastor united in marriage one of our members, Martha Lillian Oehman, and Ensign Robert Llewellyn Jenkins of Summerville, S. C.

The entire congregation was invited to a watermelon feast at the church on the morning of Wednesday, August 29. The host was one of our most faithful members, Bro. John A. Apple. So abundant was the supply of melons that enough remained to feed the Boy Scouts at their meeting two nights later.

The pastor is truly grateful to those who remembered his birthday with a pounding and to those who on the evening of his birthday brought a deliciously prepared supper to the parsonage. These manifestations of kindness are appreciated more than can be expressed in mere words. It might be interesting to note that in a commumnicant membership as small as ours there are seven who observe August 28 as their birthday.

With the passing of summer we are looking forward to a full and busy fall program. Encouraged by the prospect of the return of many of our young men from the armed forces and of those who have been away in war industries, we can face the future with a little more assurance.

I. HOWARD CHADWICK.

CHARLOTTE.

The August Thirteenth Festival was a memorable one in The Little Church On The Lane. Another

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serviceman returning from a German prisoner of war camp came back to the church, where daily prayers had been offered for his safety and release. Major W. A. Edwards, tank battalion commander of General Patton's Army, was first reported "missing in action." Then a prisoner of war. He escaped, was re-captured, escaped again, and cabled his wife on V-E Day of his safety. On V-J Day, August 12, he and Mrs. Edwards were received into membership of this church by profession of faith and adult baptism. Others received by transfer and re-confirmation were: Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Heidenreich, Marvin A. Patterson.

Our church bell joined for half an hour in the chorus of thanksgiving over V-J news on August 14. Church services were held in Charlotte that evening and on the following day. A union Myers Park service of thanksgiving was held on August 15 in the Myers Park Presbyterian Church. The auditorium was so crowded that an overflow service was necessary in the adjoining chapel.

A great community thanksgiving service was held on the morning of August 15 on Independence Square, Charlotte's historic meeting point for great patriotic occasions. Prayers of thanksgiving were offered by a white and a colored Protestant minister, a Jewish rabbi, and a Roman Catholic priest. They were: Rabbi Sidney Nathanson, Monsignor Arthur Freeman, Dr. Nathaniel Tross, Dr. Herbert Spaugh.

Pvt. Virginia C. Mothershed, our only WAC, was discharged from the Army on July 26 at Fort Bragg after more than a year's service. We welcome her back home.

Major Harry A. Merritt has returned home on a thirty-day leave after two years overseas in the European theater. He, too, is heartily welcomed.

Paul Conelman, who underwent a serious operation during August, is rapidly improving. We were glad to welcome a visit on August 31 to our non-resident members, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Crouse, of Columbus, S. C.

The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Gus Economou who passed away on August 25, and to the family of Harry Wells, who passed away on August 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Horton are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, Eloise Gall, on August 30.

Brigadier W. W. Bouterse of the Salvation Army occupied the pulpit of this church on August 29 while the pastor was preaching at the First Presbyterian Church in Winston-Salem.

HERBERT SPAUGH.

MIZPAH.

Bro. R. M. Butser was in charge of the service which commemorated the end of the war with Japan, held on the evening of the 15th with good attendance.

The annual lawn supper was held on August 4. The usual amount of well prepared food was on hand, but unfortunately the attendance was so large that many had to go away hungry.

The junior choir was entertained by the director, Mrs. George Higgins, at a weiner roast.

August was an unfortunate month for H. F. Pfaff, Jr. First his car ran into a stray cow and was completely demolished. Escaping injury in the wreck, a few days later he underwent an operation on a leg that will keep him confined for several weeks.

Our congregation was saddened on the third Sunday morning by the sudden illness of Bro. Robbie Briggs who was stricken shortly before leaving home to attend Sunday school, of which he is the treasurer. We are happy, however, that he is able to sit up and is showing improvement.

FRIEDLAND.

A large and happy group enjoyed the Sunday school picnic at Miller Park on Aug. 1. Bro. R. C. Bassett was a welcome guest.

The Auxiliary continues its work and unabated interest in enlarging the Building Fund.

Robert Thomasson was our only attendant at the Senior Young People's Conference. A thoughtful and appreciative congregation was present for our August 13th Holy Communion. Our largest attendance for a regular service was on the 16th, with 204 present.

Jane, Rebecca, and Barbara Hine were enthusiastic attendants at Intermediate Conference.

It is with pleasure that we note the continued visiting at the parsonage of our members. Since we arrived more than sixty have called.

The interest and pride the congregation takes in its beautiful parsonage is a credit to any people. Not only is it one of the finest homes in the Province, but there is constant effort to improve its usefulness and enhance its beauty. We plan to set out fruit trees this fall, and the upstairs bathroom is to be redecorated soon.

We were happy to welcome to our membership by transfer on the 26th, Mrs. Lona Alridge Knott, O. E. STIMPSON.

WILLOW HILL.

This church and community lost another son when Pfc. Arthur R. Hiatt was instantly killed on June 23 while exploding abandoned German ammunition. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family. He is the second of our Willow Hill men to give his life for his country.

The Ladies' Missionary Society held its regular monthly meeting at the church on the 16th. Bro. D. L. Rights was the guest speaker.

Progress is being made in the construction of a room at the rear of the church to house the heating plant which we hope to have installed in the near future.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

MAYODAN.

The Young Men's Class took charge of the monthly mission program in the Sunday school on the first Sunday in August. Bro. Fred Poole proved such a genial chairman that the mission offerings for the day totaled $35.

The Thirteenth of August experience was kept in mind most of the month. On the first Sunday, there was a Thirteenth of August sermon. On the second Sunday, Holy Communion was observed with 77 at the Lord's Table, and in the afternoon lovefeast Bro. J. H. Kapp brought an appropriate message. In the Holy Communion, Bro. and Sr. H. W. Larrick were received back again into the congregation from Crenshaw's Methodist Church, Blackstone, Virginia. Duties of church members were reviewed as the pastor spoke of the declarations in the Brotherly Love Letter.
Agreement. On the third Sunday, the little adopted child of Bro. and Sis. Rights attended, which made it most appropriate for us to speak of the children's part in the August Revival of 1727. For the pastor at least these August services were very impressive.

Our Woman's Auxiliary gained much pleasure in entertaining the Leakesville Auxiliary at Mayodan Church August 26, on the occasion of the birthday of Leakesville Auxiliary. A devotional as well as a social evening was enjoyed and four sets of pulpit ribbons, beautifully embroidered by Mrs. A. O. Farris, were presented to Leakesville Church by our Auxiliary.

The pastor was pleased to assist in the Intermediate Conference at Camp Hanes, August 14-18, by teaching the course on "The Life of Christ." Billy Glidewell, Wm. Price and Patsy Joyce also attended from our church.

Pastor and family enjoyed a two-week trip to Pennsylvania and New York during the last two weeks of the month. For the Sunday services, Bro. J. K. McConnell and Bishop Pfohl assisted and were most impressive. Rev. E. M. Spruill, Episcopel, and Bro. Joe Moore, Baptist, brought the messages.

W. A. KALTREIDER.

MT. BETHEL.

The Thirteenth of August love-feast was observed on the First Sunday night with good attendance. The Woman's Auxiliary met in regular session on the 10th, with Mrs. Ralph Ayers as hostess.

We began our series of evangelistic services on the second Sunday night. The attendance was good. Afterwards a fellowship dinner was served which every one enjoyed.

Bro. D. L. Rights was our guest speaker at the Sunday night service, and preached for us each night of the following week. Friday at 3 p.m. a special service was held for the children, after which games were played and the children were treated with ice cream with the compliments of Bro. Rights. These services were concluded on the third Sunday night. We are grateful to Bro. Rights for his help.

On the fourth Sunday we began an instruction class for the candidates for church membership. We hope to receive them into the church on Sept. 9.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

TRINITY.

At our midweek prayer services we have had the pleasure of hearing some of our returning soldiers. In August, Sgt. J. Franklin Hedge-comb Jr., a former prisoner of war in Germany, S/Sgt. Miles M. Carter Jr., decorated for services in the Italian campaign, and M/Sgt. George C. Godfrey, first drafted soldier from Forsyth County, veteran of Africa, Italy, France, and Germany engagements, spoke interestingly and received a warm welcome.

The August Communion attendance passed the two hundred mark. Charles Ginard Jr., has managed to keep the church band active this summer in spite of many difficulties. Twice the band has played for evening service.

For a week the pastor was at Mt. Bethel assisting the Rev. Clyde Davis with gospel meetings. It was a pleasant visit, made all the more joyful and memorable because the radio brought the announcement of peace to the Mt. Bethel parsonage, or mission house.

A large congregation assembled at Trinity on the Sunday morning following for the Victory Service. Bishop Pfohl kindly supplied for the evening service.

For the second time the Kiwanis Club visited our church for a pie supper provided by the Ladies' Bible Class. The traditional melon feast for children of the community followed.

Seventy-five attendants were at the young people's banquet. The Rev. Howard Chadwick brought an inspiring message.

On the 26th, the Rev. John W. Fulton was greeted heartily as exchange pastor at Trinity while Trinity's pastor held forth at Friedberg.

C. B. Williams, for fifteen years our church janitor, has been at the hospital for several weeks. About fifty young people attended the Trinity Youth Conference. We are indebted to Dr. Herbert Spang, the Rev. John R. Weinlick, the Rev. John W. Fulton, and Bishop J. K. Pfohl for their able assistance. A one-day program was offered with sessions morning, afternoon, and evening. Pastimes included games and a watermelon hunt, not to mention a voting contest for "the prettiest boy" and "the smartest girl," who were duly crowned king and queen of August. The many expressions of appreciation for the conference seem to demand an enlarged program for next year.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

HOPE.

This has been a historic month at Hope. First there was the beginning of the new graveyard next to the church. The ground was cleared of timber and the plots laid off. Brother Julius Crater who died on the tenth was the first to be laid to rest here on the 12th. The service was conducted by the pastor assisted by the Rev. H. G. Foltz. Then there was the 165th Anniversary Lovefeast with an address by Bishop J. K. Pfohl on the afternoon of the 26th.

The Rev. S. J. Tesch assisted us in our special meeting from the 26th to the 28th with inspirational messages. Our only regret was that only the faithfth were attended. An offering of $26 was given to Bro. Tesch. In addition to the regular services, Auxiliary, board and class meetings were held.

Married Roy H. Long and Sarah Allen on August 24.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS.

On the evening of the 10th the Woman's Auxiliary had as its guests the Friedland Auxiliary at the old brick home. The pastor made a brief talk. The fellowship was delightful.

John H. Chameline, age 81, and a life long resident of this community,

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Maynard with us on the morning of the 12th. We appreciated their special interest in the lovefeast, which was administered. In the after­noon we had our 45th Anniversary Lovefeast. We were glad to have many friends including the Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Brewer, and the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Barber. These ministers as well as Bro. Clyde Barber brought greetings. On the 7th conducted the funeral of Mrs. Manny L. Henning at Vogler’s Chapel. Burial in Salem graveyard. She was a member of Ardmore.

Married Wayne Kishline and Virginia Snyder on August 25.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

BETHENDA.

During August our young people were the focal point of special attention. We are grateful for the splendid co-operation of their parents in our efforts to promote their moral and spiritual welfare. Those attending the Bethenda Young People’s Conference at Camp Hanes were: Jean Bodford, Jeanette Gardner, Pauline Martin, Dorothy Taylor, and Wilburn Crater. Our two ministerial students, Joe Gray, Jr., and J. C. Hughes, assisted in the Young People’s Conference and the pastor taught a course in the Intermediate.

At the first morning service on Sunday J. C. Hughes sang a solo and at the evening service Joe Gray rendered spiritual music and also brought the message. Our people greatly appreciate the services of these two fine, promising ministerial students from our congregation.

The observance of the August 13 Festival on the second Sunday was an enjoyable occasion for our people. A large number of members and Christian friends participated in the Holy Communion at the morning service, and another interested and worshipful congregation was present for the lovefeast at eight o’clock in the evening. Rev. Howard Foltz preached a message that brought a most helpful message at the lovefeast and the choir with Mrs. H. R. Crater, Jr., directing, rendered three special and appropriate musical numbers.

Our church and community suffered a loss in the moving of Prof. I. M. Hauser and family to Span­tanburg, S. C. For several years Prof. Hauser has been principal of South Fork School. His interest in school, church and community will be missed. We wish him and his family success and happiness in their new field of work. David Stillwell has been appointed to fill Prof. Hauser’s place as principal of the school. We wish him success in his work also.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

BETHANIA.

The end of the war with Japan was observed with a service of prayer and thanksgiving on September 15 with the pastor in charge.

Two other services of a special nature were held during August. The first was a Mission Rally on the first Thursday with Martha Lee Conrad telling of her work and the work of the Mission in Nicaragua. The second was a rally of the Forsyth County Union of the Baraca–Philathea Union on the first Sunday. The Mamie Kapp Philathena Class of Bethania acted as hosts to this meeting. Among the officers of this organization installed and installed were Mrs. Grace Foltz of Olive­vet, president; and Miss Emma Kapp of Bethania, vice president.

The August Feast on the second Sunday was favored by “hot” weather and good attendance.

Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler was the speaker at the lovefeast and presented at the Holy Communion.

At the morning service the daughter of Bro. and Mrs. E. W. Shouse, Wilma, Jane, was christened. The offering for the Building Fund taken at the lovefeast amounted to over $200.

A lawn supper for the benefits of the Building Fund was held on the last Saturday in August with plenty of food for everyone who came. Over $400 was added to the fund which brought us within a few dollars of the $4,500 since May 1. With this amount in hand, which is almost sufficient to finish the church and coffee kitchen, it is to be remembered that our work of restoration is not finished. The Sunday school building is yet to be rebuilt. This will require another $12,900 to $15,000.

Miss Mary Strupe attended the Young People’s Conference. Present at the Intermediate Camp were Miss Emma E. Kapp and Mrs. George Higgins who served on the staff, and among the campers John Hunter, Dieck Jones, Jean Oehman, and Faye Wolf.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

FAIRVIEW.

Since the last report to The Wachovia Moravian three Fairview members passed away. Brother Victor L. Davis, 51, died on August 10 as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident five days before, near Rockingham, while returning from a trip to the beach. Mrs. Davis, who was also in the car at the time, was hospitalized for three weeks, but is now recovering at her home. Mrs. Grover Shelton, 55, passed away on August 29 after suffering in the hospital for four months following an operation. Brother Homer H. Mickey, 81, had a heart attack on August 25, and on September 2 passed away. Thus Fairview has lost six members by death since Easter.

But while one generation passes another prepares to take its place. Eleven of our young people attended the Senior and Intermediate Young People’s Conferences at Camp Hanes. Those attending the Senior Class were E. Ar­ris Wright, Marie VanHow, Carl Barnes, Bruce Weber, and Harvey Hendrix. Those at the Intermediate were Jacqueline Jenkins, Bar­bara Ruff, Betty Claire Warren, James Fullk, John Hendrix, and Gene Shirley Moser. All were deeply influenced by the teaching, worship and fellowship at the conferences.

A major improvement was the redecorating of our Sunday school rooms during August. The size of this job can be judged by the fact that it cost about $1,600, the most reasonable bid that could be obtained. In the process of painting it was discovered that termite has

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damaged the basement floor. This will involve additional expenditures of four hundred dollars for treatment. We consider ourselves fortunate that we were able to pull ourselves out of debt just before these expenditures became necessary.

There have been some changes in our Sunday school personnel. The pastor and A. B. Cummings will teach the Men’s Bible Class. James L. Fulk will replace the pastor as teacher of the Weber Memorial Class, while Harry L. Howell will replace Brother Fulk as teacher of the class of junior boys. Rally and Promotion Day is being planned for Sunday, October 7.

We are deeply thankful that the end of the war came without the loss of a single man on our Service Honor Roll of seventy-nine names.

JOHN R. WEINLICK

KERNERSVILLE.

Union services were held with the Main Street Methodist Church on the first three Sundays in August, 1945, for them in our church. The Methodist and the Moravian ministers each preached at one, and Dr. Anselme at the other. All were warmly attended. On the fourth Sunday we bad our best-attended August Communion in many years, perhaps ever. It was a most encouraging service.

Lucy Faye Smith, Jo Anne Atkins and R. H. Vereen attended the Young People’s Conference at Camp Hanes, and Tom Allen, who was at the camp during the summer as a counselor, also represented us. Present at the Intermediate Conference were: Marian Joyner, Carol Smith, Nancy Earle, Joanna Doggett, Barbara Allen, Henry Smith, Rosalee Duggins and Michael York. Two other Kernersville members were on the staff: Mrs. Samuel R. Prussell, Jr., in charge of singing, and Mrs. Walter H. Allen as camp nurse and cabin counselor. We were much pleased with our delegations, but could not help but remember, not many years ago and even though we are one of the smaller congregations, we had the largest representation of any church in the Province present at both conferences, and hope that time will come again soon. We are grateful for all that was done for our young people at these assemblies.

WALTER H. ALLEN

INFANT BAPTISMS.


Cook—Thomas Milton, infant son of Theodore E. and Kate Harrison Ethert, born June 17, 1945, was baptized in Ardmere Church on August 5, 1945, by the Rev. Charles B. Adams.


Sanders—John Ross, Jr., infant son of John Ross and Margaret (Grooms) Sanders, born May 31, 1945, was baptized August 12, 1945, in the Moravian Church, Greensboro, by the Rev. I. Howard Chadwick.

Lee—Margaret Kathryn, infant daughter of Millard and Margaret (Barham) Lee, born February 17, 1945, was baptized August 12, 1945, in the Moravian Church, Greensboro, by the Rev. I. Howard Chadwick.

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STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH

Every one who is an interested church member wants to see the church made stronger. Indeed, there is much effort and energy spent trying to strengthen the church. But it seems that our efforts nearly always follow the same pattern. We discover some weak point in our spiritual bulwark and we set up a new organization to buttress the crumbling wall. It seems to be an American weakness. A new committee, a different organization, may be needed in some churches, but the more we know about various congregations the more we are convinced that lack of organizations is not our ailment.

In fact the remedy is simpler to grasp and easier to apply than setting up new organizations. It is so obvious that we have overlooked it. We need responsible, interested members for our organizations. Not only to belong to them but to run them. Some one says: "Let the minister run them." And there is one of the greatest causes for the weakness of the Christian Church. The average church member thinks his minister ought to take care of the details of every group in his church. Certainly he should be interested; he should know what is being done; he should be well-acquainted with the people who are responsible for each group. But no efficient institution allows its leader to be burdened with many details. Why should the church ask its minister to be chairman and er-rand boy for every committee in its varied program? It surely isn't because church members do not have the ability to supply the leadership and the ideas for the organizations. Did you ever notice a man take hold of civic club responsibility? Have you ever watched a woman work as an officer in the P.T.A.? Have you ever listened to addresses given by leaders in such groups as the D.A.R. or Woman's Club? In the great majority of cases these leaders are Christians or at least church members. Actually many of them owe to the encouragement and guidance of the church their ability to act as leaders. If church members will conscientrate this same leadership ability to committees and organizations within their churches it will unquestionably strengthen the cause of Christ.

It will strengthen the Church, first because the minister will have more time to be what he should be: a preacher of the Word and a shepherd to his flock. Is it any wonder that many congregations are preoccupied with the preaching that is weak and not soul-stirring? How can a man find time to devote to fervent concentration upon the Holy Scriptures there is expected of a minister meeting six nights a week? He is usually expected to conduct these meetings or at least have something to say or furnish some ideas. Then a man's soul be filled with his message Sunday morning when he has not had time to fill his mind by prayer and meditation? We mean to say: too often a minister's intellectual characters are drained away from his calling as a preacher by the incidents of church life. It seems that only one thing has a right to encroach on the preacher's sacred duty of study. That one thing is sickness and sorrow among his people. No organization is important enough to be placed before the preaching of the Word. People WILL come to the church where there is powerful preaching. Let thoughtful and devoted church members give serious thought to strengthening the man in the pulpit as a means of strengthening the Church.

Christians who devote their talents to leading the organizations of the Church will strengthen the Church not only by reserving the mental powers and study-time of their ministers, but also by opening new doors to Christian contemplation. It is amazing how many men are ready and glad to become members of Rotary or other such civic clubs. It costs them money; there is no assurance of material returns; in the strongest clubs there are no paid organizers. Yet men come in. Have you ever noted the enthusiasm of men who form the leadership for a Boy Scout District? Many of the men have no sons; even more of those whose sons are past the Scout age; few of them are ever thanked by the parents or by the boys who benefit from their work. How do we explain this? Largely the desire for fellowship. This enthusiasm is caught from devoted and loyal people who are already at work. People ask their minister to request brother so-and-so to serve here or there in the church. Usually this is an error. The needed worker's attitude is: Of course the minister is interested. He should be, as everyone knows and expects.

But when a busy housewife, a man who has all the duties of his job, or the responsibility of his business, not only asks others to help but devotes precious time and mental energy to this or that department of the Church's program, it is the leastest and strongest witness for the worth and power of the church.

If you think your minister preaches weak and uninteresting sermons ask yourself if you've ever refused to accept your place in an organization which would have released him for more prayer and meditation. If you think your minister is a poor shepherd and is not interested in the family life and problems of his members, find out how many nights he is required to spend hours doing work that almost any member could do. Do you wonder why so many people are not interested in the Church, surprise yourself by finding out how many enthusiastic, devoted members are really working in your congregation.

O.E.S.

OUR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The importance of our Theological Seminary should be kept before us. It is the one Moravian institution, and the only one, that prepares our students for the ministry.

Its long and honorable history dates from the time when the Moravian Church found the need for training our ministers on this side of the Atlantic. From that time on it has been faithful to its trust.

The future of the Moravian Church in America is going to depend largely on this institution. There are many colleges that offer adequate undergraduate instruction. There are many seminaries that invite our students elsewhere. But to provide the instruction that is devoted to imparting the rich heritage of Moravian faith and practice to our future ministers, there is only one theological seminary.

In appealing boldly for the Seminary, there is no thought of slighting the College, which has also its important place in the service of the Church. The fact is, however, that for one reason or another, some of our students for the ministry prefer, or are compelled, to take their undergraduate work elsewhere. If we believe that the Moravian Church has a distinctive contribution, then we must advise these students to patronize our seminary.

There has been noted in recent years a tendency among theological students of our church to enroll at seminaries elsewhere. Efforts for self-improvement in graduate study are commendable, and much may be gained through instruction by able teachers in other institutions. But for the ministry of the Moravian Church it is necessary to forsake entirely the Moravian Theological Seminary brings serious questioning.

The apparent need is to give the Theological Seminary the support it deserves. It is strange, indeed, that in the past few years so little has been said or done about providing for the very general teachers needed, for the arrangement of separate units for college and seminary, and for the other necessary details to raise this neglected servant of the church to its position as an accredited seminary.

The ministry of the church today is a living testimony to the endeavors of those devoted and competent teachers who have labored faithfully and exceedingly well in spite of mountains of difficulties.

Now is the time to give the Theological Seminary the loyal and deserved support of the Moravian Church in America.

D.I.R.

A NONAGENARIAN CELEBRATES AGAIN!

A letter has come from Underwood, Washington, with word of the eightieth birthday of a Moravian who is still at work in his ministry. This is Mr. Albert Wege, who was born in 1865.

The story of Mr. Wege is not unusual in the Moravian Church. It is a story of the loyalty and devotion of Moravian men and women who have spent their lives in the service of the Church.

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AS WE SEE IT

Bro. John W. Fulton has accepted a call to become full-time secretary of the Board of Christian Education, but until June 30 of next year he will have charge of Calvary Church, unless Dr. Schiware's illness terminates before that date. He has moved into the former Home Church parsonage which he will occupy temporarily. The Home Church pastor, Bro. R. Gordon Spang, and family have moved into what has now become the Home Church parsonage—the home of the late Bro. Henry V. Rominger, which she left to the Home Church for this purpose.

Bro. Richard Amos, recent graduate of our Theological Seminary, has accepted a call to the pastorate of Nova Friedberg and Enterprise congregations, left vacant by the removal of Bro. John Fulton, as noted above. The engagement of Bro. Amos to Miss Janet Oetter of Bethle-hem, Pa., has been announced, the wedding to take place next spring.

Bro. J. Calvin Barnes, pastor of Oak Grove, Providence and Fulp churches, has accepted a call to become the pastor of King and Mizpah. He will move to King as soon as the parsonage, now being renovated, is ready for occupancy.

Bro. Joseph Gray, Jr., another recent graduate of our Theological Seminary, is serving as supply preacher in the Province for the present, and until such time as the changes necessitated by the above moves can be arranged.

Bro. G. Edward Brewer is supplying the pulpit of Advent Church until a permanent pastor can be appointed.

Bishop Pfohl, Bro. George G. Higgins and Bro. R. C. Bassett attended the meeting of the North Carolina Council of Church-life Memberships at Guilford College on September 25, as the representative of the Moravian Church. Bishop and Mrs. Pfohl participated in the musical features of one of the devotional periods.

Congratulations to the Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Stimpson on the birth of a daughter, Suzanne Elizabeth, on October 1, 1945, their first child.

We go to press preparations for the third annual Moravian Ministers Retreat are about completed. The Retreat will be held at Roaring Gap again this year through the very great generosity of Bro. and Clarence T. Leinbach, who have placed their two commodious summer homes at our disposal. Mrs. R. B. Dichtl, Home Church Hostess, and her staff will provide the meals. Bro. Douglas L. Rights is chairman of this year's Retreat Committee and has invited Dr. Julian Price Love as the speaker for this gathering. Dr. Love is a professor in the Southern Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., and this teacher of ability and charm. He will give five lectures on the general theme of preaching, each lecture to be followed by a discussion period. Other subjects dealing with the work of the minister and the church will be up for consideration as time will permit. The dates of the Retreat are October 23, 24, 25.

Sometimes delays are fortunate. Ordinarily we would deplore the fact that this issue of The Wachovia Moravian had to be held up, but in this instance we are glad because it enables us to include a report of the Annual Lovefeast and Meeting of our Foreign Missionary Society — at the Home Church on Sunday afternoon, October 14. Many people say this was the best annual meeting of our Society in many a year. The attendance, the masterful address by Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, and the success of our effort to enroll Life Members all combined to make this a truly memorable gathering. We are grateful to Bro. John R. Weinkl for writing up this occasion on short notice, and for the work he did as chairman of the committee on securing new Life Memberships.

We are happy to have Bro. and Sr. Rufus Bishop in our midst en route to their station on our mission field in Nicaragua. They are awaiting the arrival of their passports and the completion of other travel arrangements, so do not know exactly how long they shall be with us.

Lt. Anna Johnson Benton, Army Nurse, is here on a visit. She is a product of our orphanage in Alabama, and a most creditable illustration of what that worthy institution can accomplish.

Bishop Pfohl, accompanied by Mrs. Pfohl, attended the Eastern District Synod of our Northern Province held last month in Bethlehem, Pa., as the fraternal delegate from the Southern Province. We were sorry not to have a fraternal delegate at the Synod of the Western District held a week later at Watertown, Wisconsin. It must be borne in mind that these were District Synods—the Provincial Synod of the Northern Province will come next year. Here in the South we have only Provincial Synods, since our Province is not divided into districts. Our Synods meet every three years, while those of the Northern Province come only once in five years. Both Dr. F. P. Stock- er and Dr. I. Richard Mawdat were re-elected to the chairmanship of their respective District Boards, which means that they will continue as members of the Provincial Elders' Conference of the Northern Province, subject to the ratification of the Provincial Synod.

At the request of Bishop Pfohl, who had just returned from a week in Bethlehem, Pa., as noted above, the Editor of this paper conducted a service (which included the administration of the Holy Communion) on Sunday afternoon, September 23, for the Moravians in and around Washington, D. C. Some forty members and friends were in attendance upon this gathering which was held in the Church of the Pilgrims (Southern Presbyterian), at 22nd and P Streets, N. W. We understand that the service for Washington Moravians is scheduled for Sunday, November 11, and will be conducted by Dr. F. P. Stocker of Bethle- hem, Pa. Southern Moravians seeing this announcement are asked to take notice.

EDITORIALS

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raveling and the balance of $11.50 to the Nicaragua Mission.

The letter is from our friend Henry V. Rominger, a native of Wachovia, who in March celebrated his ninety-first birthday.

On the occasion of his ninetieth birthday a picture was taken show-
ON PLANTING A TREE AT THE MOUNT
Sheffield, November 3, 1849

Live long, live well, fair Beechen Tree! And oh! that I could live like Thee,
Never to lose one moment more; As I have millions lost before;
Never misspend another tear; As millions past have been misspent.
Each in our place would thus fulfil Our Maker's and our Master's will.
Moments to ages train a tree; Here as the tree falls its lies,
To man they bring eternity;
Here as the tree falls its lies,
But men from death to judgment rise;
To meet thy God, thy Saviour there.

—James Montgomery.

Nov 5th, 1849
To Mrs. S. Mitchell,
with the Writer's best regards.

The above is a transcription of the cemet which appeared on the front page of The Wachovia Moravian last month. Several people have asked for this, since they were unable to make out some of the words on the original.

To answer two questions:

"Beechen" is, of course, poetic license for "Beech Tree;" and, in line five, "lent" does not refer to the Season of Lent, which would doubtless have been spelled with a capital "L." This had this been so. The name's thought is that our entertainments are loaned or lent to us, and that it is a great loss to misspend them.

In the original it appears that Montgomery was uncertain of the correct spelling of "misspend;" for he used two "s"s" but crossed one out, then in the next line spelled "mispend," with only one. Perhaps that was the correct way one hundred years ago.

WE DID MAKE IT 100!

FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY SURPASSES GOAL IN ENTHUSIASTIC ANNUAL MEETING.

By The Rev. John R. Weinlick.

When there is standing room only, even after chairs have been placed in the aisles and on the platform, in the Home Moravian Church it means that a large crowd is present. Such was the case at the Annual Meeting of the Foreign Missionary Society on Sunday afternoon, October 14, in what was one of the most inspiring gatherings ever sponsored by the twenty-two-year-old society.

The speaker, Dr. Ellis Fuller, president of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, being a Southern Baptist, knew the technique of addressing a great audience. His theme, "Make Disciples!, emphasized the need for stewardship in mission work. "The Christian Church," he said, "has failed to take Christ seriously on his missionary command."

Dramatically Dr. Fuller told of his being present at the joint session of Congress on the day the United States declared war on Japan. He said that for him it was an occasion of remorse that we should have had to declare war against a people of whom Christ said, "Make disciples of them."

Using an illustration from his own denomination, Dr. Fuller spoke of being in one of the larger Baptist churches of the South and seeing 700 stars on its service flag, representing the men in the armed forces from just one congregation, "That," said the speaker, "is a greater number of members than the Southern Baptists, five million strong, have ever had in the mission field at any one time."

The Moravian audience upon hearing him, of course, realized that their modern record is equally half-hearted.

Other high lights of Dr. Fuller's address were these:

"The past is not something to sit down on, but something to push out from."

"It is only God's grace that enables you to give."

"You won't find any joy in giving until you love your Saviour."

"We must make disciples of the nations by sending out literally hordes of missionaries."

"Many rich men thought they could not tithe because the tithe was too big. Now they are giving ninety per cent in taxes."

Apparently he touched the hearts of some. The meeting opened with the goal of 100 life memberships ($100 each) six short. During the offering an anonymous person sent a note to the chairman, announcing that he (or she) was taking out six life memberships. Before the crowd went to the table there were thirty-five others taken out, bringing to thirty-six the total of new life memberships since August 31, for a grand total of 112. The regular membership of the Society on October 14, 1945, totaled 2,429. The chairman, Dr. Walter H. Allen, announced 3,000 members as the goal for 1946.

An examination of the report of the Foreign Missionary Society during the past year reveals that it gave aid to the following projects: the printing of the Litttrano and Hymns in the Eskimo language; the training school for native workers in Alaska; a new kitchen for the hospital in Nicaragua; medical instruments for Miss Cleave Fishel, R.N., in Honduras; a sewing machine for Mrs. Clarke Benson in Honduras; repairs to the mission property at Lalita, Jamaica; clothing for the Labrador Mission.

The Southern Province contributed during the fiscal year 1944-45 a total of $24,458.22 for foreign missions—the largest sum for any single year to date. While only a portion of this amount was raised directly by the Society, the mission interest created by the Society is an important factor in the increase.

One familiar figure was conspicuous by his absence from the Annual Meeting. Dr. Edward Schwarze, president, to whom goes much of the credit for the organization and growth of the Foreign Missionary Society. Daily prayers are being offered for his recovery and return to service. Vice president, Dr. Walser Allen, is carrying on the duties of the absent president. Assisting in the service were the Rev. Gordon Spahn who presided at the love feast portion of the worship, Edwin E. Stockton who read the treasurer's report, the Rev. L. G. Luckenbach, secretary, and Bishop J. K. Pfohl who pronounced the benediction. The Home Church choir under the direction of Dr. Charles Vardell and the deacons and ushers helped to make this service the worshipful experience it was. It was inspiring also to see and hear the band under the direction of the venerable B. J. Pfohl play chorales preceding the meeting in the church.

Noteworthy visitors at the Annual Meeting were Mrs. Ann Benton, a product of our Alaskan Mission, and the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Bishop, missionaries on furlough from Nicaragua. Mrs. Benton is an Eskimo girl who lived at the Moravian Orphanage for a time. After leaving the Orphanage she finished her high school and became a trained nurse in Arizona. Later she married an army lieutenant in the States and herself entered the army as a nurse. She has recently served as a nurse on a transport bringing troops back from Europe and is now stationed in South Carolina.

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REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

TRINITY.

Pvt. Paul A. Snider, a candidate for the ministry, was welcomed back to us, with the Army in Europe. It is not yet known when he will be released from military service.

Lt. Alex Bahnsen's visit to our school for a reunion with the boys, will be long remembered. We were happy to have his earnest and forceful Christian testimony and hope that he will come back to us.

Assisting with church music is Miss Betty Willard, pianist.

The New Eden Chapel Committee met upon invitation with our Board of Elders and at the suggestion of the board, with the full approval, later presented the matter of application for independent status in Salem Congregation to the New Eden Chapel Council. The council approved, and application will be made to Salem Congregation Council.

New Eden was begun by Trinity in 1923 in what was then called the "toughest" part of the community. For years Trinity members served as officers and teachers in faith and sacrificial service. The superintendents have been the Trinity members Samuel J. Tesh, Charles A. Hege, and Charles E. Ferguson, who is now serving. Now all officers and teachers except the superintendent are members of New Eden.

The chapel is self-sustaining. The Rev. William E. Spaght attends to preaching and pastoral service.

The community membership of the chapel is 77, and the Sunday school enrollment is more than one hundred. In these twenty-two years New Eden has been no direct expense to Salem Congregation except for the purchase of the lot, which amounted to $500.

As with Pine Chapel, Trinity rejoices to find another child of our congregation grown-up and ready to assume responsibilities as an independent unit of Salem Congregation.

That rainy, rainy Sunday did not deter us from holding Married People's Festival, or Family Covenant Day, with lovefeast and Holy Communion.

On the rainy, rainy Monday following, more than forty Sunday school officers and teachers gathered for the annual council.

Our ten days of Gospel meetings were much blessing. We are greatly indebted to the Rev. Edward T. Mickey, Jr., who brought timely and heart-searching messages, and impressed our people.

We regretted to close the services. On September 22, at the parsonage, Ethelma Louise Snider was married in marriage to Harold William Miller.

Our church janitor, C. B. Williams, has returned home from the hospital much improved. Mrs. No­ell and Mrs. Mullick and Mrs. R. R. Holder, chairman, and Mrs. J. R. Simpson, Mrs. D. F. Spaght, and Mrs. Herbert Spaght, was undertaken during September. The new administration will take office the first Sunday in October. George T. Wooten is the new general superintendent. Mrs. D. F. Spaght is super­intendent of the junior school and Mrs. Charles Abernethy is assistant in charge of the nursery school. New literature has been provided, and the school holds good promise for the fall and winter seasons.

A Junior Guild has been organized in the junior department, with the following officers: June Holder, president; Constance Vosburgh, vice-president; Ann Faneett, secretary, and Mary Knox, treasurer.

We welcome home into civilian life another one of our servicemen, Lieut. Frank W. Maerz, Jr., who was discharged from the Army on September 26. Lieut. Maerz is the grandson of the late Mrs. W. T. Woflford.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mrs. Owen J. Mullane, upon the death of her mother, Mrs. C. E. Martin, at Emporia, Va.

We were glad to welcome home on brief furlough Cpl. E. M. Cook on September 26. Other service­men home on furlough during the month were: Major Harry A. Mer­ritt, S/Sgt. Sanford R. Jordan and AMM 2/c John L. Pendleton, Jr., all with more than two years overseas service. Cpl. R. L. Katz, Jr., was likewise home on furlough before receiving an overseas assignment.

We were glad to have a visit during the month from Bro. Roy Little of Knoxville, Tenn., a former member of this congregation who was quite active in its early history.

The John Hush Class had as its guest teacher on September 30 Bro. R. A. Spaght, Sr., of Winton-Salem, the father of the pastor.

The first Church Night supper of the fall and winter season was held on the evening of September 26, followed by the annual Congregation Council, at which time the following members of our official board were elected: Charles F. Abernethy, D. F. Caldwell, Russell G. Holder, L. R. Katz, B. V. Kelly and J. R. Simpson.

Robert A. Katz has enrolled as a student at Drexel Institute in
Philadelphia. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Katz.

A number of our officers and teachers, the Institute for Moravian Church School Officers and Teachers held at the Home Church on September 6. HERBERT SPAUGH.

BETHANIA.

During this summer we have been happy to have two "daughters" of our congregation sing for us as guest soloists. The first was Mrs. Doris E. Thomas, the daughter of Mrs. Walter Thomas, and the second Miss Carolyn Perry whose mother is the former Irma Kapp. Mrs. Thomas sang for us in August and Miss Perry on the first Sunday in September. Bethania is justly proud of both of them.

Our new Austin two-manual pipe organ, a gift of Dr. Edward F. Strickland in memory of his wife, Lillian Lehman Strickland, was installed during the month and is now being used by the choir for its rehearsals. The first such use was on Thursday, September 20. This was also the first activity to be held in our church which is now almost completed.

The Girl's Auxiliary met in spite of the torrential rain storm on September 17 at the home of Lucy Neal and Martha Hunter. Bro. L. G. Lockenbach preached at the morning service on the third Sunday while the pastor was at Olivet in connection with the anniversary service there.

Garth G. Lehman, formerly of the Navy, has returned home with his wife and small daughter. Two others, Richard Spinbour and Clarence Motsinger, arrived home during September for furloughs after serving with the Army in Europe.

A graveyard funeral service was conducted by the pastor for Harvey Eugene Butner on October 1.

The infant was the son of Bro. and Sr. Carl Butner and was born September 30. Our sympathy is extended to the parents.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Family Covenant Day was a time of much joy and inspiration. The congregation unwittingly afforded the pastor a very happy birthday. Attendances were unusually large. The Holy Communion was administered at the morning hour. It was an inspiration to see the many family groups filling almost all the available space in the sanctuary. In the evening hour the lovefeast was held with the Rev. R. Gordon Spaugh bringing an address that will not be forgotten. It was a day of rich experience.

The Woman's Auxiliary met at the church and in the course of the meeting plans were completed for the renovation of the church kitchen. Reports heard gave indications of much activity.

The quarterly Workers' Conference with Superintendent Dishner in charge heard reports of the Rally at the Home Church and the helpful suggestions obtained therefrom. An analysis of our school was presented and the pastor spoke on "Teaching To Save." Our young people have been active, meeting with President Anne Holton to plan the fall program and enjoy a social hour. Several attended the Union's Council held at Ardmore Church.

The Woman's Bible Class and friends enjoyed a tasty chicken stew at the home of the assistant teacher, Mrs. Bernard O. Dishner.

In the business session the fall and winter program was outlined. Promotion and Rally Day is always a time of joy to the smaller children. But all the joy is not for the children. Not a little can be found in the hearts of faithful and devoted teachers as they observe even the smallest results of their labors.

It was the pastor's privilege to speak to the Parent-Teachers Association at Granville School in the initial meeting of the fall season.

The Christian sympathy of the congregation is extended again to the families of the late Sr. Bryant and Br. Wood.

SAMUEL J. TESCH.

HOME CHURCH.

September has been a month of wonderful new beginnings in the life of the Home Church, starting with Adult Covenant Day on the 9th.

The women's work was launched for the year on Tuesday the 11th when the Circle leaders and Auxiliary officers met for a workshop luncheon.

The Sunday school completed its fiscal year and new officers and teachers were elected at a teachers' and officers' supper.

But most important of all has been the new beginning made in many lives during the past few weeks. Under the guidance and leadership of one of our young men, Lt. Alex Bohnon, many souls have been renewed in the faith and a spirit of deeper consecration and love is being manifested on every hand. There is a growing hunger for a greater fullness of the Holy Spirit in the lives of Christians. All this has come as a direct answer to the many prayers which have been offered during the past months that God would grant the old Home Church a gracious revival of spirituality. Perhaps we had looked for this to begin in a special series of meetings, carefully planned for and capably led. If so, we were totally unprepared for the direction from which the answer has come. For it was a soldier, one of the two hundred and thirty Home Church servicemen to whom we have been giving special study and thought, that God used. We had wondered if they would seem strange to us. Would we have to be careful in our approach to them lest the church lose them? And then suddenly one came home. For thirty days he was with us. He spoke on numerous occasions. His message was always a testimony to what God had done for him. His was a Spirit-filled life. Men saw and hungered. There were hundreds of personal conferences. Many were led to Christ for the first time. Many more were led to a fuller life of con-

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A combined meeting of the church council and teachers was called on the evening of September 23. The following Sunday morning Mrs. Carrie Johnson died suddenly after an illness of only a few hours on Monday, October 1. She had reached her sixty-fifth birthday only a few days before. Funeral services were conducted in the home by the pastor and Brother L. G. Luckenbach. Burial was in the Salem Moravian Graveyard.

JOHN R. WEILNICK.
names comprise this committee, and will have charge of the prayer service on the fourth week of each month: Mrs. C. V. Everhart, Miss Mabel Jarvis, Mrs. Evans Bay­lor and Mrs. Emory Knouse.

The splendid message of Bro. Howard Chadwich on the second Sunday in September was received warmly and gratefully.

We welcome and thank God for the safe return of Bro. Irvin Burke who has been serving his country for the past two years in the European area.

We extend our best wishes and prayers to Mary Ingold (a member of our church) and James Alvin Higgins who were united in marriage by the pastor on September 22. At present the couple are residing at 207 Fayette St. The month's activities were climaxxed with a chicken supper sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary. A free will offering was taken which amounted to about $35.00.

We wish the winter months relying on the strength and guidance of God to make us equal to the rich opportunities that he has placed in our hands.

EGBERT G. LINEBACK.

MT. BETHEL

The Woman's Auxiliary held its regular monthly meeting at the church on Friday evening of the 7th with Mrs. Douglas Hiatt and Miss Louisa Boyd as joint hostesses. At this meeting the Auxiliary members voted to purchase carpet for the aisles of the church. The carpet has now been bought and placed in the church. We appreciate greatly the interest of this organization in the work of the church.

On Sunday of the 9th six were received into our communicant membership by the sacrament of adult baptism.

The attendances for the month have been good, with the exception of the third Sunday night, when service was suspended because of the heavy rain storm. On the fifth Sunday the pastor held both the morning and evening service for Bro. Johnson at Grace Church in Mt. Airy.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

WILLLOW HILL

All the regular services of the month were held with a marked increase in attendance. The Ladies' Missionary Society met at the church on the 13th, in the afternoon, with Mrs. Samuel Levering as leader. At this meeting Mrs. R. G. Levering and Miss June Levering gave interesting talks on the Moravian Mission work in Nicaragua.

On Saturday afternoon of the 8th the pastor conducted the funeral of Mrs. Grover Ayers. The service was held at Oak Grove Baptist Church of which Mrs. Ayers was a member. He was assisted by the Rev. Granville Gwynn.

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Lodge in Kernersville attended in a body. Both services were largely attended.

The pastor was in Washington, D. C., on September 23 to hold a Communion service for the Moravians in and around that city. He was greatly pleased to have a number of Kernersville people present, namely, Mrs. Talulah Doggett Fawcett, who was the oldest member here; Mrs. Galvill Kerner, who is now out of the WAC and back in Washington, and J. Gilmer Kerner, Jr., who was accompanied by Mrs. Kerner. The service at our church here in Kernersville on that Sunday was held by Richard Anos, recent graduate from our Moravian Theological Seminary, Bethlehem, Pa.

On September 19, Bartlett Andrew Highfill, aged 94, was laid to rest in our graveyard by the side of his late wife, who was Martha Kerner, sister of Bro. Gil P. Kerner. This interment had to be postponed because the heavy rains made it impossible to dig the grave.

Members and friends are urged to mark November 18 on their calendar. This will be our Annivarsary Sunday and we shall celebrate our 78th year of existence as a congregation. There will be Holy Communion at 11 a.m. and lovefeast at 3:30 p.m.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

HOPEWELL.

On the first Sunday evening in the month our young people met with the young people of Pine Chapel, after which they attended the closing service of the revival.

On the fourth Sunday evening the pastor had the privilege of being in the young people's meeting, with Miss Mildred Snyder as leader, and was very much pleased with the way in which this group carried out the service.

Twelve of our people attended the Sunday School Rally at the Home Church on the 6th.

On the second Sunday our Sunday school, under the leadership of Bro. J. C. Morton, superintendent, and G. Bowles, assistant superintendent, had a record-breaking attendance with 111 present, 71 of whom stayed for church.

Plans for a new primary room have been drawn up by the Provincial Building Committee and presented to our people. We hope something will soon develop and work can begin to make this possible.

Our Woman's Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Arthur Everhart on Friday, October 21, with the president, Mrs. J. C. Morton, presiding. Miss Mildred Snyder, chaplain, led the devotional period and Mrs. J. C. Chappell of Raleigh, made an interesting talk on a selected passage of Scripture.

J. P. CROUCH.

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

September's activities were varied, nearly all of them were encouraging, giving promise that good work is ahead for us in the fall months. The organized classes of the Sunday school and the circles of the Woman's Auxiliary held their usual monthly business sessions. A large number of our Sunday school teachers and workers attended the provincial-wide Rally at the Home Church on Thursday night of the 6th.

At the third Sunday evening service we had a special mission program. Brief talks were made on some special field or feature of Moravian Mission work by J. H. Gray, J. C. Hughes, T. W. Spangh and Joe Gray, Jr.

In the absence of the pastor who was in evangelistic services at our Leasville Moravian Church, Bro. Egbert Lineback and Joe Gray, Jr. conducted two Sunday evening services, Bro. Lineback on the fourth Sunday evening and Bro. Gray on the fifth. Thanks to both for their willing assistance.

Promotion Day in the Sunday school was observed on the last Sunday of the month with the primary and junior departments rendering prepared programs. Certificates of promotion were awarded a number from each department. One or two new classes are being organized in the school.

Two marriages took place during the month. The first was that of Frances Ayers and Leonard Johnson at the church on Friday evening of the 14th; the second, that of Madelia Ketner and Richard B. Horn on Saturday evening the 15th at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ketner. Both ceremonies were performed by the pastor.

One burial was made in the church graveyard, that of Hille L. Sloan of High Point. The service was conducted by the Rev. Groe, also of High Point.

HOWARD G. FOLTZ.

MAYODAN.

Most encouraging news of the month is the fact that Lieutenant James Martin, who was reported missing in action, has now been found and is on his way home. Our folks rejoice with the Martins over this good news.

We thank Bishop Prich for conducting our morning service on September 2 in the absence of the pastor. Many of our members are sorry they did not know of his coming or they would have been present.

September 16 was an unusually wet Sunday. Services were faithfully kept and well attended, considering the weather. The river rose to within a few inches of the high flood level of 1937 and the bridge was slightly lifted and in danger of being carried away. For the evening service, Bro. McConnell was present so that the pastor could conduct services at Leakesville in Bro. Kapp's absence. In spite of pouring rain, attendance was as good as it usually is on clear evenings. We thank Bro. McConnell for his willingness to assist in the work wherever needed.

The pastor has begun a series of addresses in midweek service on the Minor Prophets. Monumental outlines are supplied to members present and these we trust will help to give a more thorough knowledge of the content and message of these books of the Bible. Our 48th Sunday evening was the form of a cooperative movement among all the churches of Mayodan. In the Sunday school, Rally Day was observed at each church and some very encouraging increases in attendance were reported. For the night service there was a union gathering at the school auditorium. The various choirs beautifully added to the program and the Moravian pastor brought an appropriate message. Attendance was much better than for any of the union services of the past fifteen months. We look for greater things that we can do together as a united Christian group in our community.

WILLIAM A. KALTREIDER.

ARDMORE.

Ardmore had almost 100% attendance of our teachers and officials at the Sunday School Teachers' Rally at the Home Church on September 6. We are looking forward to definite signs of improvement as a result.

There has been more illness in the congregation during September than in any other month of the present pastorate.

The Men's Class held its annual election meeting at the home of Bro. C. M. Hedrick on September 7, with the following results: President, Charles A. Peterson; Vice-president, F. A. Moser; second vice-president, B. E. Foltz, Jr.; secretary-treasurer, W. J. Whicker; assistants, W. F. Keith and Lewis Correll; reporter, W. J. Blackwell; teachers, L. B. Thomas, C. M. Hedrick and G. E. Brewster.

The Youth Fellowship held a weiner roast at Miller Park, followed by its annual election meeting, and announces these officers for the coming year: president, J. A. Wester, Jr.; vice-president Nancy Hundle; secretary, Charles Kanmerer; treasurer, Kathleen Lineback; adult counselors, Bro. and Sr. R. E. Foltz, Jr.; Youth Fellowships was in charge of the night service on Sunday, September 9, presenting Lieut. Alex Bohnson as speaker, who gave an inspiring testimony of his own spiritual experiences in the "Ski Troops."

The Board of Elders appointments for the coming year are:

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These officers were installed in a special installation service on Sunday morning, September 30, along with the newly elected officers of the Sunday school, who are: assistant superintendent, F. S. Burge; secretary-treasurer, C. L. Johnson; assistant, Billy Blackwell; recording secretary, Mrs. E. F. Hanes; pianist, Doris Lineback; assistants, Mrs. F. S. Burge and Mrs. Coy Nelson; song leader, J. A. Woster. Prior to the installation service the children’s departments of the Sunday school presented an excellent Promotion Day program.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

PINE CHAPEL.

On the first Sunday night a week of revival services in which the Evangelist Harold Loman assisted the pastor, came to a close. A large and enthusiastic congregation gathered for this service and we trust much and lasting good was accomplished.

Fifteen of our people attended the Sunday School Rally held at the Home Church on Thursday, the 6th.

The young people of our church met with the young people of Trinity on the second Sunday.

On the third Sunday, Sunday School Council was held for the purpose of reorganizing the Sunday school. All officers were re-elected as follows: H. A. Taylor, superintendent; V. E. Holcomb, assistant superintendent; B. E. Wilhelm, secretary; T. C. Green, assistant secretary; and L. B. Templeton, treasurer. The primary department: Miss Ruth Smith, superintendent; Miss Margaret Smith, secretary and treasurer; Teachers: Mrs. C. R. Jones, Mrs. W. E. Cox, Mrs. Andrew Galloway, Mrs. F. O. Foltz and Miss Irene Jones.

Miss Mary Edwards of Wilson, N. C., a friend, and C. C. Beckel of Grimes, Iowa, a brother of the late Mrs. J. P. Crouch, had a desire to place a library in the church as a memorial, and each gave a donation to start the library. Funds and books have been added and now we have an active library, books going into more than a score of homes each week.

Our Sunday school teachers and officers enjoyed a supper meeting on the evening of the 25th given by some friends. The superintendent, H. A. Taylor, presided and after supper many helpful suggestions were made and discussed for the improvement of our Sunday school.

J. P. CROUCH.

OLIVET.

The manner of observing the September Feast was changed considerably this year. The first change was to move the time for the holding of the annual revival to the first instead of the second week in September. The second difference was omitting the lovefeast in the afternoon at 2:30 instead of the 11:00 o’clock hour in the morning. An additional service was introduced, that of Holy Communion, with which the day was closed. Bro. S. J. Tesch was the evangelist during the revival and Dr. Walser H. Allen delivered the address at the lovefeast.

At the beginning of the service of Holy Communion Dr. Allen christened Nancy Carroll, the infant daughter of Bro. and Sr. Walter Allen Beroth.

A large number of our teachers and officers of the Sunday school attended the Rally at the Home Church on the 6th.

Mrs. T. Holt Haywood and Miss Nettie Allen Thomas, representing the Provincial Woman’s Board, attended the joint meeting of the Auxiliary in September.

Scoutmaster Grover Kiger and the pastor drove the Boy Scout troop to Hanging Rock Park for an outing on Saturday, September 22.

The day was somewhat cool for swimming, but fine for hiking.

The pastor united in marriage Gerald Cooper and Della Pfaff Cooper in a service at the parsonage on Friday, September 28.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

MOUNT AIRE.

Abb Collins is at home again after months of service in Italy. He has been accorded a hearty welcome by his friends in the congregation and community.

The home of brother and sister J. Jackson Brown has been brightened by the coming of a little son.

Congratulations!

In the absence of the pastor the pulpit was filled on three successive Sundays by the Brethren Sunday School Precept, Charles D. Crouch and W. Clyde Davis. Their messages were appreciated.

The pastor was called to Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, because of the illness of his mother. She improved sufficiently for him to return home on October 2. While in his old home town, he was pulpit guest of the Congregational and Moravian churches.

Under the leadership of J. T. Palmer our church band is taking on new life and interest. Musicians are once again coming over from White Plains for rehearsals.

Children’s Bible Hour is again being held weekly at four o’clock on Wednesday afternoons.

Grace Church was represented by 17 persons at the Sunday School Rally in Salem on September 6.

H. B. JOHNSON.

IMMANUEL.

The congregation received in fine spirit a report of the Parsonage Committee. Some had hoped that work could be started in the immediate future, but due to congested conditions it has been impossible to make progress at the rate expected. But consistent and loyal work is being done by the committee, and the enthusiasm of the congregation is evidenced by the amount of cash in hand at the present: $4,433.15.

In spite of the driving rain on the third Sunday night we had 70 present for service. Interest and attendance have increased in our mid-week service. We average nearly 40 for our study of the Parables.

Working with the personnel of the Y, M, C, A. we have organized a Boy’s Club for our community. Brother C. L. Houston will act as leader and Brother Thomas Brown and Fred Denny complete the executive committee.

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EDGAR A. HOLTON.

CLEMMONS.

Prayer meetings have been conducted throughout the month in preparation for the evangelistic services which we will hold beginning the third Sunday in October. The five regular services were held. On the fifth Sunday the pastor was away and the service was very acceptably conducted by Richard Amos, recent graduate of our Moravian Theological Seminary. Assisted in funeral services via: Mrs. Dora Bryant on the 22nd and Harry Wood on the 17th.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPE.

The Auxiliary met with Mrs. Berlie Johnson on the evening of the 11th. All regular services for the month were held.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS.

Some time ago the ladies of the congregation defeated the men in raising funds to restore the old brick home, and because of this the ladies were given a supper at the home by the men on the evening of the 1st. It was a fine social evening enjoyed by all.

Another meeting at the brick home was held on the evening of the 22nd brought together many members and friends of the congregation. This was a part of our 50th anniversary celebration. The entire week from the third to the fourth Sundays was used for special services in which a number of the brethren rendered help.

v: John Fulton, James Crouch, George Moody, John Kinnaman, Howard Foltz and Bishop J. K. Pitto for the lovefeast on Sunday afternoon, September 23rd. Appropriate music for the lovefeast was rendered by the adult and junior choirs. Five adults were baptized at this service via: Flavel Romaine, Marlene Tucker, June Tucher, Norna Wewal and Ina Gene Bodenhammer.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

ENTERPRISE.

A revival service was held at Enterprise September 16, with the Rev. J. Calvin Barnes preaching each evening. Although the period was a busy one on the farm and the week brought several rainy evenings, many of the people attended regularly, expressing their gratitude for a helpful meeting. Four boys, Clayton Reiche, David Shuf, James Tesh, and Kenneth Craver, Jr., came forward to profess faith in Christ and practically all the people responded to the call for re-dedication to Christ. A large number of the teachers and officers attended the second annual Teachers and Officers Rally held at the home Church. The Sunday school footed the bill for the supper.

Funds have been raised largely through the Young People’s Class to install a much-needed water system in the church. For lovefeasts and suppers this will be a wonderful help. The old pump had seen its best days, and there was not much point in replacing a hand-pump in these times.

JOHN W. FULTON.

FRIEDBERG.

On Saturday, September 15, the Men’s Bible Class met at the church for an oyster stew and election of officers, its members having whetted their appetites by playing horse shoes for an hour and a half before the meal. While the men swapped turns at a double set of oysters, Bro. Lewis Hartman officiated at the kettle preparing a stew which all present ate hungrily, calling for bowls to be refilled frequently. After the meal, officers were elected as follows: Clyde Sink, president; Joe Craver, secretary; Arthur Foltz, treasurer; Russell Anderson, teacher; and Cromer Fishel, assistant teacher. Teacher Anderson spoke to the class asking the men to make an effort to get fifty members on the roll by the close of the year.

The Woman’s Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Henry Johnson with her daughter, Miss Nannie Sue Johnson, acting as associate hostess. For a rainy evening the group had a large attendance. During the month the women served a supper to the men of the QSS Grocery.

The new and old bands went to Reynolds Park for a picnic and outing. Honored guest was Willis Foltz, scheduled to join Uncle Sam’s service men, but Willis is still with us. The new regulation allowing high school students to finish school was announced just before he packed to leave.

L. W. Fishel has been elected to succeed Guy Zimmerman as church school superintendent, and J. E. Swain was voted assistant superintendent. Heartily we express our appreciation to our past superintendent for his excellent work and faithful service extending through four years of office. Toward the support of the new superintendent and his assistant we direct our prayers that the work may go forward under their leadership.

Miss Cleve S. Fishel, R.N., sailed for Honduras this month to become a member of our mission staff.

As a member of this congregation we were not all well acquainted with her due to fact that her work took her far out of the bounds of this community; nevertheless we are proud to claim her as one of our own, and wish her God’s blessing.

Sgt. William Tuttle has been discharged after service in the Pa.

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column theatre, and Lieut. Russell Kinzel is at home on leave until his discharge goes into effect in November. We welcome both of these men and hope that both they and their wives may quickly find place in civilian life. Naturally we would like to have them in our community, but beyond our desires, we should like to see them where God would have them.

JOHN W. FULTON.

LEAKSVILLE.

The month of September was climax ed by the revival services held from the 23rd to the 30th. Bro. Howard Foltz brought some helpful and heart-searching sermons. Four people made professions of faith.

Since the pastor and his wife have been having to wait for a house to be made ready to move into, they were away the second and third Sundays of the month. Bro. W. E. Rickman kindly held both services the second Sunday, and Bro. William Kaitreider conducted those of the third Sunday. We are grateful to these brethren for their challenging messages. We appreciated the two prayed services which Bro. W. P. Ber rier conducted.

The Woman's Auxiliary had another Brunswick stew on the lawn of R. A. Rickman to raise more money for the new parsonage. The ladies cleared $136. The proceeds from the two stews amounted to $258.87 cleared. The young people's society has raised $50 and the junior society $10 for the parsonage.

The young people had a party in honor of Billy Marshall and Kenneth Frazier who entered Wake Forest College this fall. We also welcomed the return of Visitors Cumbo, Harold Berrier, and Roger Crowder. They have received honorable discharges from the armed forces.

Maurice Reynolds, one of our young men, has volunteered for the Navy and is now stationed at Camp Peary, Va. Our best wishes go with him.

JOHN H. KAPP.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

V-8 Sunday was observed on September 2. The new pastor of the Congregational-Christian Church, in which we have been meeting for the past twelve months, preached his first sermon. He is the Rev. W. J. And es, formerly of Reidsville, N. C. Very cordial relationships have been established. Another noteworthy observance of the end of the shooting war was conducted by our laymen, Bro. H. E. Fries, superintendent of the Sunday school, and members of the United Church. It was deeply appreciated.

While progress on the new building has reached the completion of the roof and steeple, work on the interior continues to be at a disappointingly slow rate. However, we are encouraged by the fact that over $1,200 was turned in during September. There is no basis upon which we can estimate the date of the opening because the number of man-hours to be made available during the coming weeks is unpredictable. But we are not like those who are easily discouraged, so we press on toward the goal of a dedicated building for the new life in Christ Jesus.

The Youth Fellowship now meeting on Sunday nights elected Burke Amos president, Lena Pur sh and Jack Thrift vice presidents; and Helen Jackson, secretary. One of the meetings was concluded at Miller Park with a weiner roast. We were also represented at the annual Council Meeting of the Union.

The teachers and officers were recognized for their faithful service by the invitation of Bro. Fries to attend the Teachers' Rally held at the Home Church when 600 persons shared in the program.

Religious Education Week was inaugurated by Rally Day when 150 persons broke the attendance record for 1945, and the teachers invited to come forward in the church service. A successful barbecue supper for the Building Fund was held at Reynolds Park. Bro. C. V. Whit t was assisted by Bro. Fred Fames and the Trustees and members of the church and Sunday school.

Miss Rebecca Eddinger, newly appointed missionary to Chile under the Baptist Board, addressed the congregation on "Why I go as a missionary". Her inspiring message told of her efforts to avoid the eal and how she finally surrendered to her Lord and how the way was opened. She leaves for Santiago early in October. She is the sister of our member, Mrs. Banner Reich.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

MIZPAH.

The writer of this report closed his pastoral at Mizpah with a special Sunday night service on September 30. At the close of the services doughnuts and coffee were served by the Woman's Auxiliary and Mrs. Spencer Newsome on behalf of the congregation presented gifts to the retiring pastor, Mrs. Higgins, and daughter Margaret. This pastorate of two years and three months was a wartime emergency for the congregation, but to us it was a happy privilege. To the people of Mizpah we express our gratitude for their many kindnesses and their co-operation. We wish for them and their new pastor, whoever he may be, God's blessing in the future.

Mizpah's 40th anniversary was observed on September 16. Bishop Pfeil conducted the morning service and preached the anniversary sermon at 11 o'clock. In the afternoon Bro. E. T. Mickey spoke at the lovefeast and assisted the pastor in serving Holy Communion. Outwardly the day was cold and rainy, but inwardly the spirit was warm and hopeful for the future.

The ladies served a chicken-pie supper on the last Saturday of the month. Unfortunately the food gave out again before all the people were fed.

Bro. L. G. Luckenbach filled the Mizpah pulpit on the second Sunday.

Two of our young men have received their discharges from the military service and returned home. They are James Speas of the Army Air Corps and Clyde Speas of the Navy.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

BRO. LUCKENBACH'S REPORT.

Conducted a service on every Sunday during the month and on two Sundays had charge of two. On Sept. 2 preached at King at 11 a.m. On Sept. 3 assisted in the funeral of Homer H. Mickey, a member of Fairview. Conducted the service at Mizpah at 10 a.m. on the 9th, and on the same day at Bethania at 11:15 a.m. Drove to Leaksville on the 16th and held the service there at 11 a.m. In the evening at 7:45 p.m. preached at Bethabara. Had charge of the prayer meeting at King on the 16th. On the 23rd at 11 a.m. conducted the service at Wachovia Arbor and at King on the 30th, also at 11 a.m.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

THANK YOU NOTES FROM LABRADOR.

NOTE: Miss Mamie Thomas, one of our most ardent mission enthusiasts, collected seven letters written to as many different people in the Southern Province by Mrs. George Harper, wife of our veteran missionary at Hope Dale, Labrador, and turned them over to us. Each is a thank you note for the 35 barrels of clothing sent from our Province last spring, but in each there is also some interesting description of life in Labrador. Five of the letters are dated August 8, 1945, and the other two, August 10. That's quite a stint of letter-writing, especially when it all had to be done without benefit of a typewriter. Excerpts from them follow.—The Editor.

Moravian Mission, Hope Dale, Labrador, August 8, 1945

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barrels of gifts of clothing coming our way, and we just want to thank you all most heartily. It is true they have not put in an appearance, but my reason for writing in advance of their arrival is that we may not be here at the unpacking.

My husband’s eyes and teeth give him much trouble, and have done so for several years. So it is imperative that he go home for treatment. Our last furlough was in 1833-34, so we feel quite in need of a second one now.

Our winter was quite a busy one, as usual, with much surgical, medical, and dental work. We were troubled with whooping cough among the children, and lost several wees, delicate ones. Our first serious medical case was a young man whose finger got poisoned through some infection exercising in the yard. Due to this war it has been impossible to get all the lint we required and my husband was obliged to use cotton wool and gauze for his dressings. Our young man was making his bed and struck a match and as soon as it was light we brought the woman to our house and put her in the guest room. The women in the congregation took turns sitting up with her, day and night. Her face, hands, and arms healed but the burns on her legs were so deep they started to bleed and three times she nearly died to death. We hear she is not expected to return home from the hospital for some months for she needs blood transfusions and skin-graft. So filling a lighted lamp with gasoline will have cost her six months in bed. We thought she would die several times after, but now we hope she is really out of danger. . . .

I must thank you all, in closage, for all your kindness to us and our people. We do offer wish you could see the gratitude of these poor folks to whom your gifts mean so much. God bless you all.

By the time you receive this we may be on our way home to England, for we have been granted a furlough and are all packed, waiting to leave. We have not been home for 11 years, and our only child, whom we have not seen in all that time, is 16 years old. We just long to see her . . . !

Best wishes to all,

Sincerely yours,

LINDA HARP.


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A Special Appeal For Our College And Seminary

Last year our Moravian College and Theological Seminary, at Bethlehem, Pa., needed $20,000 to bring its budget into balance. It appealed to the Moravian Church, North and South, and to its Alumni, to raise this money. Our share here in the Southern Province was set at $5,700, and later reduced to $5,400. We asked each congregation to accept its assigned quota. Most of them did, with the result that we were able to raise and pay the $5,400 in full. Both the Northern Province and the Alumni also responded to this appeal, raising their quotas in full, so that at the close of the institution's fiscal year on June 30, 1945, THERE WAS NO DEFICIT!

Without this effort on the part of our churches and the Alumni, our College and Seminary would now be "in the red", in common with many other men's colleges and universities. It should be a source of great satisfaction and gratitude that our institution can enter the postwar era DEBT FREE!

However, we face another difficult year. It is true that the College has started to fill up with students once more. Several are there taking advantage of the G. I. Bill of Rights, and more are expected. But this process is slow, and the first half of this current fiscal year, with its attendant costs, is almost gone.

The Board of Trustees of the College and Seminary in its semiannual meeting on October 25-26, approved this year's budget which is still out of balance by the sum of $18,344.15. We do not know what the Alumni will do this year, for a great many of them are not members of the Moravian Church, though we feel confident they will do their part. But we do know, or at least we have the faith to believe, that the Moravian Church in America, which means all of us who are members, having helped our College and Seminary to weather the storm thus far, will not fail in what we hope will be this last critical year.

All this means that our 1945-46 quotas for the special emergency offering for our College and Seminary will be virtually the same as they were last year. We are presenting this matter without all of the exact figures and facts before us, because for the first time in a number of years there was no representative from the Southern Province present last month for the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the College and Seminary. The ministers on the board couldn't go because the dates conflicted with our Ministers' Retreat at Roaring Gap. The laymen promised to attend, but at the last minute found it impossible to keep their promise. Had this been known in time one or another of the ministers might have sacrificed the Retreat to go to Bethlehem—and it would have been a great sacrifice to have missed the Retreat.

One reason for not waiting for all the exact figures is that last year there was some complaint because little or nothing was said about this matter until spring. It will be recalled that the campaign to raise our $5,400 was not under­taken until this past May. Some of our members thought they should at least have known about it much earlier, and in this they were justified. Consequently, here are the facts, even before we have all of them in detail.

For all we know, the Board of Trustees may have found it necessary to increase the amount needed to bring this year's budget into balance to something more than the $18,344.15 mentioned above, though we do not anticipate any such action. Consequently, the way it looks now, our Southern Province will be called upon to raise approximately $5,000 this year to help keep our College and Seminary on the firm basis upon which it now rests, thanks to all the loyal and devoted support given it during these trying war years. Having gone this far, there can be no question about not finishing the job. We haven't heard of a single church in our Province which did not close its books last June 30 with a comfortable balance, and the raising of this money by all of our churches will not be any great task if every one will do its part.

We shall be grateful if the attention of all board members, at least, is directed to this appeal. Exact quotas and more information will be forthcoming in due time, but here are the facts now, so far as we have them and as soon as we could present them. Please remember that the membership of the Board of Trustees of our College and Seminary is scattered from North Carolina to Western Canada, and cannot possibly meet more than twice a year. So please be patient, also, and believe that the management and direction of this institution so vital to our Moravian Church is in the hands of faithful and capable servants of the Church, men elected by our Synods to fill these places, and whose only reward for their service is the satisfaction of serving.

First-Hand Reports About Moravians In Europe.


News of the almost total destruction of Herrnhut has come to us from two official sources. One is a letter from Capt. Ellis S. Bullins, chaplain U. S. A. in Germany who was commissioned by our Southern Provincial Elders' Conference to make a survey of the conditions of our church on the continent of Europe. The other is a report of Bishop C. H. Shawe, of England, to the General Directory of the Unity. Both Capt. Bullins and Bishop Shawe visited Switzerland and received their information first-hand from many who had been in Germany and Herrnhut as late as August of this year.

The destruction of Herrnhut, which is to the Moravian Church on the continent what Salem is to our Southern Province, is graphically told in the letter from Capt. Bullins:

"This is the fateful story of Herrnhut and the Mother Church of Moravians on this continent and across the world: The colony of Herrnhut was not harmed very much up to the time of the capitulation. The village had given refuge to large numbers of evacuees from Silesia on their way to the West. The people themselves were able to remain in Herrnhut until May 6, 1945. But on this date the German officers ordered immediate evacuation, and in spite of the urgent protests and pleas of the civilians, the German military authorities held to their decision to make a stand at Herrnhut. The 'Volkstrum' realized quite well the hopeless position which they faced and refused to take part in the battle. On May 8, 1945 (V-E Day), while the bells were ringing everywhere else, the Russians came in from the North, and advancing toward Herrnhut commanded the Germans to cease resistance and to give up their arms. Instead of accepting the Russian ultimatum, the Germans, concealed in the houses, opened direct fire upon the Russians. During the battle the Russians took by storm the little town which had been only temporarily baricaded, and gave their soldiers permission to pillage. Fires were set to various parts of the town, and the beautiful and historic Moravian church and fort of our buildings surrounding the church were burned to the ground and utterly destroyed. Much of the main street was devastated by artillery, and the 'Herrschafthaus,' the home of the brethren and sisters of the community, was obliterated. Only the house for widows and the 'Vegethschof,' the official headquarters, located on the outskirts of the village, and the record office, with all the important documents, were kept intact and safe."

Capt. Bullins' letter tells also of destruction wrought by war on our churches in other parts of Ger-

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CANDLE TEA

Circles Eight Nine of the Home Church Woman's Auxiliary will sponsor a "Candle Tea" in the old Moravian Church House, at 600 South Main Street, Winston-Salem. A Christmas Putz will also be on display and sugar cake and coffee will be served. This has become a very popular annual event which last year was attended by around a thousand people. It is called a Candle Tea because its chief interest centers around an exhibition of the actual making of the candles used in the Christmas services of the Moravian churches. Hours and dates are as follows:

Thursday and Friday, December 6 and 7—Open to the public, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, December 14—For school children, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

FIRST-HAND REPORTS ABOUT MORAVIANS IN EUROPE.

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many: "The Moravian colonies in Silesia have witnessed much hard fighting and have suffered devastations that could be witnessed from Nieky, on the other side of the Gorlitz line. In Neussitz, Gudenberg and Gudenfeld many important buildings were destroyed. At Gudenfrei the machinery in our weaving mills was taken off to Russia. ... Our school at Kleinwelka was closed at the beginning of the war, and at the end of 1944 the Moravians were forced to hand over their other schools to the 'Party' for German youth organizations. ... The two Moravian churches in Berlin were obliterated by air raids even before 1944."

The story of these official documents is not altogether a story of destruction. On the brighter side it is noted that the Moravian colonies in Western Germany: Königsdorf in the Black Forest; Neuwied on the Rhine, Bad Boll in Wurttemberg, Zeist in Holland "do not seem to have suffered much in the last phase of the war." Of the Moravian church in Czecho-Slovakia, it is said that, with the exception of damage to several buildings, the settlements were spared.

Most encouraging, however, and indicative of hope for the future is the report on the conditions of the Moravian work in Switzerland. Bishop Shawe writes: "The keenness of the Swiss people to help in the work of God was most encouraging. Their vision of the needs is very clear. ..." Captain Bullins says: "The condition of the Moravian Church in Switzerland is good. ... Our church in Switzerland has a democratic organization. ... Our Swiss Moravian Church is in good condition financially. ... I found the Swiss Moravians a Mission-minded people. ... It is interesting to discover that the State Church of Switzerland contributes $20,000 yearly to the Swiss Moravians to help in their missions."

It would seem that the healthy condition of the Moravian Church in this little neutral country of Switzerland affords our Moravian Unity throughout the world a center around which may be built the plans and programs for the reconstruction of our church on the continent of Europe. Here too may be set up the organization for administering the orphaned mission field in South Africa East, herefore cared for from Herrnhut.

Also encouraging to us is the statement by Bishop Shawe that "of all the Free Churches in Germany during the Nazi period, the Moravian Church had given the most loyal support to the opposition— to the Nazi oppression. ... Apart from what I might mention that, from what I have heard from other quarters, the Herrnhut au-

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WOMEN IN THE MINISTRY

London,
14th August, 1945

Dear Mr. Editor,

Allow me to thank you for your interesting and kindly editorial on Church News Letters, in the June number just received. We have proved the value of this form of contact and once or twice during the war I sent you a copy of UPTONEWS but it is likely that it reached the bottom of the Atlantic, or the Census's wastepaper basket.

Herein I am forwarding the latest number of our bulletin and the Christmas number, and also one of the Horton Congregation's issues which, as you will see, leads us all in technical production.

You will also notice that on the last page of our last UPTONEWS there is an answer to one of your pertinent questions: whether many women would be willing to preach from a pulpit Sunday after Sunday.

I may add that the Upton Manor committee and the Congregation Council have more than once expressed themselves unanimously in favour of the full ministry of women.

Here at Upton Manor we have for 25 years or more relied upon an unpaid "spare-time" ministry and naturally in the days when London was so constantly being bombed, that and the other stress of war tested us to the utmost. At such a time, nearly five years ago, Sr. Marguerite Woodard preached her first sermon on the last day of her sixteenth year. Since then she has both studied and given us constantly increasing service. Later, after more than three years probation, she was admitted to the official roll of lay preachers in this Province; but already in the dire need of wartime she had received official sanction as deacon to the Upton Manor minister. When the war in Europe ended, she was granted an indefinite extension of this permission.

Sr. M. Woodard's good service to our congregation has been shared by a rather large circle of other local churches, which have suffered severely from the war. She has lately been honoured by being made an auxiliary member of the Metropolitan Essex lay preachers' roll of the Congregational Church, and she has been re-elected three times to the Executive Board of the West Ham Free Church Council.

During the last twelve months Sr. Woodard has conducted or taken the chief part in 37 services for us and others, including a visit to our Hornsey congregation, and assisted in quite a dozen more. What is this to do with your first question. As to whether they will be willing to accept ordination? I may add that at any rate Sr. Woodard is a member of the British society which seeks the ordination for women ministers on equal terms with men.

This is the case on which I am best qualified to speak, but it is not unique in our Province. At Dukinfield there is in Sr. Douglas a full-time resident assistant to a minister. Sr. Douglas certainly teaches Sunday School after Sunday, at the majority of services, and is doing good work.

I am personally grateful to you for the phrase "minister-power" and I hope it will be adopted. It is true, as you say, that we may well have to ask our Sisters to accept ordination. That was expressed by Henry Ward Beecher about 1873, when he said in a lecture: "Many of you, perhaps most of you, will disagree with me in the matter of women's preaching, but you have got to come to it: and I only throw it out incidentally now, not to argue it, but merely to say that coming events cast their shadows before; and when the time comes, and you see that it is the proper thing to do, you will remember that I told you you would have to come to it."

So thank you for your June editorial and indeed for all monthly inspiration of your columns, in which we often delighted during the darkest days of the war.

Yours very sincerely,

EDGAR BROWN.

HOW MORAVIANS IN HOLLAND FARED DURING THE WAR

Zeist, Holland, September 14, 1945.

Dear Brother Gapp,

We thank you very much for your kind congratulations on the liberation of our country from the cruel oppressor. It was a terrible time for our country. The Germans had sworn not to leave Holland before we were eating grass, and Hitler had said that the Almighty might forgive him what he intended to do with Holland, if he should happen to lose the war.

Now we have experienced both. People were eating grass and did not even find enough of that to keep themselves alive. Thousands were starving in a terrible way and many were found dead on the road and in the houses. Very few people were able to do any work.

We had only one thought, by day and by night: food, food! But there was no food to be had; or the Germans made it quite impossible to get hold of it, because no man could show himself on the street or outside the house without risking his freedom or even his life. Nobody could ride a bicycle, because all bicycles were declared belonging to the German army. No horse, no cart, no vehicle of any kind could move in the country without being seized by the enemy.

So only the women could get out in search of food, often walking hundreds of miles, spent with hunger and fatigue. It was a terrible sight to see all these women of all classes, dead tired, walk along the road, many of them being killed by the airmen, who were not able to distinguish them from an army.

We had no fuel of any kind and had to steal wood by cutting down trees, for which deed the Germans had proclaimed capital punishment. Either we had no light and...
had to go to bed with the hens or spend the evening in complete darkness.

In that way the Germans expected to drive the men out of their holes and to break us spiritually. But whatever they did, and however definitely they tyrannized and terrorized us, most people remained firm in their resistance, and many, many even gave their lives rather than bend to them.

Now we are poor as rats and have nothing any more. They took away everything we had: we have no clothing, no shoes, no bicycles. Almost two million people are missing everything, even their houses, beds, furniture, and so forth.

Our factories, railroads, bridges are demolished or stolen, many forests wholly cut down, large regions of fruitful soil drowned and others made useless by mines. So is the situation here now with the winter facing us.

But we are free, and that makes good all our losses. You can not imagine what it means to be free and what it meant to us to see the hated enemy as a broken and broken monster leave our country. But even then he killed people showing their joy.

We can never repay what your country has done for us. Without your friend who stood out for your people, we never should have been liberated.

We also thank you for all help to Surinam during the years past. It was a great relief for us to know that you were taking care of the mission there, and that they were getting so much financial help from you too.

Our congregation here escaped demolishing, as the Germans capitulated just before the Allied forces reached Zeist. For many days the earth was shaken here by the Allied and German cannons, but suddenly it got quiet, just when we expected that the Allied air forces would crush the whole region here, which the Germans had turned into a very strong fortress.

If the war had lasted one week more, most people would have starved.

We got some bombs down here, but as they were not atomic bombs, they did not do so much damage. We had about 2,000 crushed windows on our squares and some other damage too. Our church was badly damaged. But now everything is all right again. All our houses also are habitable again. Only the castle close by (if you know that) is very badly damaged and needs very great repairs, which will not be possible for many years.

The financial condition of our mission board is quite good, and we hope before long to be able to take over the whole support again, as soon as we are allowed to transmit money.

Please pass our kindest greetings and thanks to our whole church and also to the other friends who helped in such a splendid way, the International Missionary Conference, Doctor Warmshnus and Doctor Albright, whose addresses I do not know, and also the American Mission to Leipzig through Doctor Kellersberger.

I hope in the near future to come to see you personally, when I shall have to visit Surinam and Curacao.

About Germany we know only that Herrnhut has suffered very much and has almost disappeared. It is possible that Niesky has shared the same destiny, but we are not sure about that.

Bishop Samuel Baudert left Herrnhut before the Russians came there; now he is living at Ebersdorf. We believe that he took a lot of documents with him, so that all that was of great value now may be safe.

The Moravian part of Neuweit has not suffered much, and Gnadau and Ebersdorf are not damaged at all. About the other congregations we did not hear anything, but we are very anxious about Bruslau, Nenzia on the Oder and all the congregations in Ober Schlesien and in Berlin and Hamburg.

May God help our little church to arise again and once more take its place in the rank of the churches as an ecclesial militant in the great army of our Lord Jesus Christ and as a testimony of the Lord’s will of “one in him.”

With the kindest greetings to yourself, all your associates and all friends there,

Yours very truly,

P. M. LEGENE

(Note: We are indebted to Bishop Gupp for sending David Wagner a copy of this letter. Bro. Legene once visited the Southern Province briefly when he was a missionary in Surinam. Perhaps we shall see him again when he makes his proposed visit to that mission. The Editor.)

Ministers’ Spiritual Retreat.

BY THE REV. HERBERT B. JOHNSON

The Moravian Daily Texts Book has scored again. Although the ways of God are past finding out, His hand has been revealed repeatedly in the choice of the watchwords and doctrinal texts chosen for use in our annual publication. Repeatedly have the Scriptural selections proven to be exactly the proper word for certain situations into which the reader has come.

The compilers of the Daily Texts know no knowledge of God’s Providence. The holding of our Ministers’ Spiritual Retreat; and yet, no more suitable texts could probably be found than those chosen for the days of October 22, 24 and 25, 1945. Read them again and marvel.

Have we ministers of the Southern Province anything more to learn from the Bible after years of Bible study and preaching? To every preacher and teacher of the Word our Lord is still saying: “Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for another draught.” The men at our 1945 spiritual retreat did just that under the guidance of Dr. Julian Price Love, Presbyterian theologian of Louisville, Ky.

We are New Testament Christians, said he. We should use the New Testament in our preaching and reading three times more than the Old Testament. And in the New Testament we should use the gospels two-and-one-half times more than we use the other portions of it. Consequently, Doctor Love encouraged us, our ministers in a study of the gospels exclusively in the five lectures he gave us.

In the 4-fold gospels we learned that ALL the gospels have as their center and climax the story of our Savior’s Passion and Cross. The 3-fold gospels, the Synoptics, Matthew, Mark, and Luke, present our Lord in His compassionate ministry. His tenderness is stressed; not His judgment. The 2-fold gospel of Matthew and Luke strike the ethical note; how Christians should live in the midst of a sinful world. Any difference between creed and conduct is a lie. Many Christians have uncounted consciences and thereby are grieving the Spirit of God within them. Christian experience must be vital, volcanic, genuine and constantly growing. This unpopular gospel because of human nature it is so terribly bitter. This gospel calls for repeated surrendering of the will to God’s will and constant inculling with the Holy Spirit. Love your enemies; go the second mile; never seek divorce! In the single gospel

Mark and John prove to be the realists and Matthew and Luke the idealists. But all the gospels within the four gospels never contradict or weaken one another; all of them unite in setting forth the purity, power and principles of

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As we thank Doctor Love for his ministry to our ministers we also hasten to express our gratitude to the committee that arranged for his coming: the good brother who financed the deal, the friends who again put the Leinbach and the Leibert cottages at our disposal, and even invited us to use them again next year! —to the donors of the delicious apples from the Leving Gap to eat and sleep, to visit of the committee that arranged for our churches there.

There was also fun and frolicking in due season. Doctor Love's toast given to the ladies at our last breakfast was tops, as was also his story of the colored man Sam in Louis ville who, upon learning that Doctor Love was leaving for North Carolina to speak to Moravian preachers, declared it was something to know that the good doctor was soon to associate with some "raving preachers."

So once again we met at Roaring Gap to eat and sleep, to visit with one another in pairs and in groups, to read and study and pray together in heart-warming fellowship, to have our lives enriched through the Word, the Christ and the Spirit; and then, to return to our homes and pvpitas and parishes to enlarge our ministry among men in our teaching of the Word and in our preaching of the Gospel. At Roaring Gap we discovered anew the glory of the story of the eternal Son of God in His life and walk among men.

Happy, thrice happy hours of grace!

I've seen by faith my Saviour's face;
He did Himself to me impart,
And made a covenant with my heart.
Ah, might in my behavior shine
The power of Jesus' love divine,
His conflict and His victory,
His seeking and His finding me.

REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

TRINITY.

The Improvement Committee has been busy this month, and on our anniversary announced the proposed plans for making the improvements long needed at Trinity. The interior of the church is to be given careful study, the ceiling renewed, a choir loft provided, an organ installed, new carpet laid and the interior of the church decorated. This will call for a long range project, for materials and labor are scarce. The response of our people was hearty and already several thousand dollars have been subscribed.

The basket dinner on the church lawn following our anniversary service was greatly enjoyed and the company present lingered until mid-afternoon.

The financial report of the Improvement Committee was made before a congregation that filled the church at lovefeast on the following Sunday.

Among visitors this month we noted Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Banton, Sr., of Charleston, S. C.; Lewis Masten, of Texas City, Texas, and Mrs. Stella Boller, of Detroit, Michigan.

We were pleased to have a visit from Richard F. Amos as guest-preacher.

A meeting of good fellowship was held with our Brotherhood as guests of the New Philadelphia Brotherhood.

The troop of Girls Scouts has re-registered for the new year with Mrs. Frances Rhynes as leader.

Three returned veterans of one family were in church with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kimel, Sr., one Sunday morning. John Lewis came from the Far East, A. B., Jr., from Germany, and Clinton from Italy. The three had been in combat on widely scattered fields.

We were saddened by the report that Major T. B. Smothers, a former Sunday school member, died in Korea of pneumonia in April while a prisoner of war of the Japanese. Major Smothers was with the Army at Batasia.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.
tion was shown to Mrs. S. O. Melvin, the only charter member present at the meeting. Flowers were presented for decoration by Mrs. S. O. Melvin in memory of a faithful worker and a former missionary in the foreign fields, Mrs. Mary Louise Thaeler.

Our young people's Sunday evening meetings were resumed October 14. The first meeting was very discouraging with only five present. On the past two successive Sundays, the attendance has increased to thirty and fifteen. Again the faithful members of the Woman's Auxiliary are providing free and ample meals to all who attend.

Members appointed to the Building Committee for the coming months by the chairman, H. E. Floynt, are: Messrs. S. O. Melvin and E. I. Bobbitt, Miss Rebecca Brane, and R. A. Oehman, H. O. Wall, and J. W. Hayworth. This committee faces a difficult task, for in the face of present uncertainties it is not easy to raise money.

Two new members were welcomed into our congregation the morning of our anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hendrix from our Trinity congregation in Winston-Salem. They have already taken their place among us and are rendering faithful service.

I. HOWARD CHADWICK.

MT. BETHEL

Two of our midweek prayer services for the month of October were conducted by Bro. H. I. Poole, our Sunday school superintendent.

The Woman's Auxiliary held its regular monthly meeting at the church on Friday night of the 12th.

On Thursday the 16th the pastor and his wife were hosts to the Young People's Class when twenty-eight young people gathered on the parsonage lawn for an evening of fun and games. After about two hours of playing the group gathered around a camp fire and enjoyed a weiner roast together.

Holy Communion was administered on Sunday the 26th in the largest communion service of the year. W. CLYDE DAVIS.

WILLOW HILL

By the time this report goes into print we hope to have the heating plant installed and ready for use. The furnaces have been delivered and the registers have already been placed in the floors. The cash is on hand to pay for the job when it is completed.

Mrs. William Dix was hostess to the Woman's Auxiliary of the Dix and Lovill orchards on Thursday night the 11th. Mrs. Sam R. Levering is the leader of this group.

Holy Communion was administered on the third Sunday morning with good attendance.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

ENTERPRISE

The Church Committee went to Friedberg to witness the ordination and installation of the new pastor on October 21. The pastor appreciated their presence and the fine spirit of co-operation.

The pastor preached his introductory sermon to this congregation on October 28. He was greatly heartened by the large number at the service, and was given a hearty welcome by all.

At a short meeting of the Church Committee it was decided that preaching services would continue to be held on the first and third Sundays of each month, as has been the practice in the past.

We regret to announce that two of our members are confined to their homes because of sickness. They are Mrs. Ted Craver who resides on the old Salisbury Road, and Mrs. Padgett who makes her home on the Lexington Road. We urge that all members remember them in their prayers.

RICHARD F. AMOS.

PINE CHAPEL

The Woman's Auxiliary held its annual outing on Saturday, October 13, at Washington Park. About fifty members and friends were present to enjoy various games after which a chicken stew, prepared by Mrs. J. A. Hutchins, Mrs. Leslie Ball, and one or two more of the best cooks, was greatly enjoyed.

In co-operation with Pine Chapel Health Committee, of which Miss Ruth Smith is chairman, a short course on "Food and Figures," sponsored by the Red Cross Nutrition Committee, was begun on Wednesday night, October 24. Miss Addie Malone is instructor and a large number are taking advantage of this opportunity.

A large number of our young people attended the first Youth for Christ Rally on October 27 at the First Baptist Church.

J. P. CROUCH.

FRIEDLAND

October has been a month of wonderful service with us, the spiritual tone of which was set on the 7th at our observance of World-Wide Communion Sunday when 172 persons partook of the sacred elements, and a deep sense of world-wide Christian fellowship was experienced.

On this same Sunday the Sunday school attendance was the highest it had been with 232 present, and the second Sunday reached 246. According to the secretary this is an all-time high. The problem is where shall we find room for every one? This evidence of interest on the part of so many makes us anxious to be busy on plans for our new church building.

The Rev. R. C. Bassett, pastor of Fries Memorial congregation, spoke to us about their work and preached the sermon on the third Sunday to a large and appreciative congregation of 196. Average attendance upon morning worship for the month was 192. This seems to be a better than usual percentage with 267 communicants.

In addition to this month's glorious beauty surrounding our church, making it a privilege and joy to come to the house of God, a large number who came showed an interest in reading Christian literature. A small table at the back of the church has served to bring a variety of books and pamphlets to the attention of members.

With the gradual return of our young men the Sunday school is ready to provide a teacher for the class in the person of Brother E. W. Pitts, Sr.

We rejoice with the family at the return from the hospital of their mother, Mrs. W. C. Craver.

O. E STIMPSON.

NEW PHILADELPHIA

Our congregation shared in the blessings and inspiration of the several provincial-wide rallies held last November. Several of our members were enrolled in the Teacher Training School; a large delegation was present at the Woman's Auxiliary Rally on Wednesday the 10th; and quite a number attended the annual meeting of the Foreign Missionary Society on the second Sunday afternoon. Several of our young people also attended the Youth For Christ Rally at the First Baptist Church on the last Saturday evening of the month.

Men of the Trinity Brotherhood were guests of our Men's Class at a chicken stew and oyster supper on the second Saturday evening. After the supper meeting a business session was held in the church auditorium. It was an evening of DIAL

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Circles of the Woman’s Auxiliary met with Mrs. R. C. Shibley and Mrs. C. E. Rothrock in their monthly business meetings. The Faithful Workers Class of the Sunday school met with Mrs. F. C. Craier.

Bro. R. Gordon Spaulgh was with us for a week of special services from the second Sunday evening through the third Sunday. His fine gospel messages were much appreciated by those attending the services.

The 94th anniversary of the congregation was held on the last Sunday of the month. At the 11 o’clock service the pastor brought a brief message which was followed by the Holy Communion, administered to a large congregation. A picnic dinner was enjoyed at noon. At 2:30 o’clock Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl brought the anniversary message and this was followed by the lovefeast and brief talks by our missionaries, Bro. and Sr. Rufus Bishop. It was a happy day for all attending the services.

One burial was made in the church graveyard, that of Derrel Slon, some thirty years of age, on Monday afternoon of the 8th.

HOwARD G. Foltz.

ARDMORE.

Practically all of our ushers attended the class for ushers in the Provincial Standard Leadership Training School, held at the Home Church, and attended the monthly meeting held at the Home Church during the month.

The afternoon service was followed by the lovefeast and brief talks by our missionaries, Bro. and Sr. Rufus Bishop. It was a happy day for all attending the services.

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that same afternoon, our local membership in the Society grew from 74 to 92, including two life memberships.

Our local chapter of the F. M. S. presented three missionary programs during the month: an address by Lieutenant Anna John- son Benton, Army Nurse Corps, an Eskimo member of our church in Alaska; the annual Foreign Missionary lovefeast on the last Sunday night in October, with address by the Rev. Howard Yow, missionary to East Africa from the Friends’ Church (with a 278 record attendance for this service); and the regular monthly program presenting Bro. Rufus Bishop of our Nicaragua Mission, who illustrated his message with two well-edited reels of moving pictures. We congratulate the Society for an active and inspiring month.

Our three Girl Scout troops participated in a service on National Girl Scout Sunday. The Women’s Auxiliary held a “workshop” for its leaders and officers on the 30th, led by a committee of teachers from the Provincial Woman’s Board, and closing with a fellowship luncheon served by members of the Auxiliary. We are looking forward to measurable improvement in the women’s work in this congregation as a result of this workshop session.

The Board of Elders took charge of two mid-week services during the month while the pastor was absent at the Leadership Training School, and at the annual Ministers’ Retreat held at Roaring Gap, N. C. The congregation can feel encouraged when it sees the men it elected to the Board of Elders accepting responsibility in such spiritual leadership.

CHARLES B. Adams.

IMMANUEL.

This congregation fittingly celebrated its thirty-third anniversary by having a fine attendance at Sunday school and a definitely full house for the afternoon service. Brother Samuel Tesch came back “home” and brought an inspiring message on “The Glory of the Impossible” at the lovefeast. At this service Mildred Sheets was welcomed into our church family by reception. The lovefeast was followed by the Holy Communion which, according to several of the older members, was among the most Spirit-filled ever held in this congregation. It was indeed a glorious day.

We appreciate the fine work of the Girl Scout Committee, Mrs. Clyde Martin, chairman, which has done a complete job of reorganizing this work. The committee for the junior young people’s work, Mrs. Eva Robertson, chairman, is also doing excellent planning with the new material now in hand. The Boy’s Club is increasing in membership to the point of needing more consecrated leadership from among our men.

Large attendance at evening service has not been the only sign of interest in spiritual growth. There have been renewed pledges to cease playing at Christianity and to enter joyously and earnestly into living for Christ.

The ushers and deacons amazed us with their smooth and efficient work in caring for a large crowd and in serving lovefeast. We thank our loyal and devoted members who are truly servants at such services.

Brother Henry Brown is happy that he can again have the Young Men’s Class. We are looking forward to the time when there will be a suitable room for this class.

O. E. STIMPSO.N.

HOME CHURCH.

The Elders and Trustees of the Home Church were installed before the Communion on World-Wide Communion Sunday.

The Provincial Leadership Training School was held in the Christian Education Building the first two weeks in October, meeting on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. A large number of ushers attended the first week, which was the time of their course, but the other classes slowly declined, so that the last night there were only about twenty present in the remaining three classes. A new system or plan will have to be thought through to make our training of Sunday school teachers more profitable.

The annual Provincial Woman’s...
Auxiliary luncheon was held in the Fellowship Hall with an attendance of well over five hundred. The speaker for the occasion was Dr. Ellis Fuller, President of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. Evidently his address was unusually well received for the following Sunday he spoke again at the annual lovefeast of the Foreign Missions Society with a good attendance. It has been announced since then that the goal of one-hundred life members for the Society was reached and has since been passed. Another goal of one hundred fifty is set for the current year.

The annual meeting of Salem Congregation Council was held in the Rondthaler Memorial Building. Outstanding was the vote to accept New Eden as a chapel of the Congregation. A special meeting was called the following week for the same vote, that the rules and regulations of Salem Congregation might be followed. Much enthusiasm was also reported in the progress which Fries Memorial congregation has made, both in membership and finances.

We continued to have Bro. Rufus Bishop from Nicaragua with us on several occasions. Brother Bishop showed his moving pictures to the young people and to the Woman’s Missionary Society. The first reel depicted the missionary work, while the second revealed the results of missionary work. Mrs. Bishop also spoke to the woman’s department of the Sunday school.

A final Building Fund drive was launched to erase the indebtedness on the Christian Education Building. As of July 1 the amount still owed was $23,006. The total raised, as figured from members during the effort amounted to $17,694.27. We feel greatly encouraged by this wonderful response and hope that through continued effort our debt be paid in full by December 31, 1946.

R. GORDON SPAUGH,
CLAYTON H. PERSONS,
Assistant.

CLEMMONS.

In September and October some interesting midweek prayer services were conducted, led by different members and the pastor. These events were in preparation for our special meetings to be held early in November with the third to the fourth Sunday in October. We had about the usual Sunday attendance throughout the month, actually 57 on three consecutive evenings with a high of 67. There was a fine spirit along with excellent messages from night to night. We greatly appreciate the help given by the following brethren: O. E. Stimpson, James P. Crouch, J. G. Brunner, D. L. Rights and E. W. Turner. Another time of fellowship and blessing was the house-comings on the 28th when 150 were present to hear the message which Bishop Pfohl brought in the morning. At 12:45 a basket dinner was served which was enjoyed by 170 people. At 2:15 we gathered in the church for the lovefeast and listened to two interesting talks by the former pastors, L. G. Luckenbach and R. C. Bassett. Howard Conrad sang two numbers and Mrs. J. K. Pfohl, again as in previous years on this day, had charge of the music. Many thanks to all who helped us on this day.

Conducted the funeral service of E. P. Mulligan, age 92, on the 3rd and assisted in that of Mrs. Addie Burke on the 29th.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPP.

The Woman’s Auxiliary held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Br. and Sr. Clyde Snyder on the evening of the 11th. We were glad to receive into the fellowship of our church Br. and Sr. Walter Robertson on the evening of the 14th, by letter of transfer.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

UNION CROSS.

The Woman’s Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. Minnie Smith on the evening of the 12th.

EDGAR A. HOLTON.

HOPFENWELL.

Our midweek prayer meetings for the month have been very well attended and very helpful. Last week Robert Spaulge asked us by opening up the house and building fires, but he was called to serve his country. Another young man, Henry Junior Haynes, has volunteered to do this for us this winter. Young men of this type are not so plentiful but we are glad we have some of them.

Our Christian Endeavor group is doing a fine work, meeting every Sunday evening. A social meeting was held at the home of Wilma Pope on Thursday, October 18, at which time officers were elected as follows: president, Mrs. Elsie Helderman; vice president, Mrs. M. C. Crouch; secretary, Mildred Snyder; reporter, Wilma Pope, and treasurer and secretary, Edith Morton.

The Woman’s Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. J. C. Morton on Friday, October 19. Donations were made to nurses’ salaries and pastor and wife spoke in all the services at Macedonia, carrying through a full Mission Day program for that congregation.

We are indebted to Bro. David Weinhard for conducting the morning service on October 28, and to Mrs. Kaltreider for conducting the midweek service while we attended the Ministers’ Retreat at Roaring Gap.

WM. A. KALTREIDER.

FRIEDBERG.

On October 15 this writer accepted a call to become pastor of the Friedberg and Enterprise congregations. On Sunday, October 21, he was ordained and installed by the Rt. Rev. J. Kenneth Pfohl. It was, indeed, a happy and heartwarming day in the life of the church. For many kind greetings he is deeply grateful. With God’s help, as a congregation, face the tasks before us, and with His assistance we shall succeed in some measure.

The board of directors met on October 25 at which time it was decided to put on a drive to increase the endowment fund of Friedberg Graveyard. This drive is necessary that we may have sufficient funds to keep the graveyard in the best possible condition. The Woman’s Auxiliary held its monthly meeting recently. Hos...

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tesses were Mesdames Charlie Myers and C. M. Zimmerman and Miss Rosette Myers. The group voted to donate $200 toward the graveyard fund.

The young people held their fall rally at the church this month. About seventy were present, among whom were servicemen S. H. Fishel, Hubert Polk, and Francis Long. The Woman's Auxiliary served a delicious dinner—the kind one gets only in the country. The Rev. B. T. Mickey, Jr., gave a very appropriate address on "The Postwar World."

The Spach-Spaugh reunion was held on Sunday, October 28, Dr. Herbert Spaugh of our Charlotte congregation brought us the morning address. Friedberg Band played several selections. A picnic dinner was served on the church grounds at noon. A business meeting was held in the afternoon with Dr. Adelaide L. Fries presiding. It was a joy for us to have lineal descendants of the founder of this congregation with us.

Also this month the church school Workers' Conference was held at the church. Ways were discussed to how to improve our school. We agreed to adopt a modified rotation plan for our assistants next year. Plans for our Christmas program were also discussed. Bro. I. W. Fishel was the leader.

The former pastor, Bro. John W. Fulton, and his family have moved to their new home at 519 Church St., Winston-Salem. We wish Bro. Fulton much success in his new work.

We are sorry to report that three of our members are confined to Winston-Salem hospitals: Mrs. C. M. Zimmerman and Mr. H. R. Anderson are at the City Memorial and Mrs. Mary Polk is at the Baptist. It is our hope they will soon be with us again.

RICHARD F. AMOS.

CALVARY.

The Rev. Charles B. Adams spoke at the annual young people's banquet at which the fall work of the youth of the church got under way. Afterthoughts of the occasion left the feeling that something worthwhile had been accomplished. Under the guidance of Mrs. Nell Starr, Eugenia Shore and Betty Crowe Jones, students in public school music at Salem College, have successfully begun practices with junior and high school choirs. Sunday night meetings with two groups divided on the basis of interest have been instituted under the direction of the church assistant and the supply pastor.

Supplying the pulpit on the first two Sundays of the month were the Rev. Richard Amos and the Rev. David E. Weinland. To these, to the other ministers and to the Bishop, who have faithfully helped Calvary in emergency, we express our thanks.

At a meeting of the Brotherhood, wives being present as guests, Dr. Francis Ansonome of Salem College spoke on India. Newly elected president Bert Fordan encouraged the men to continue the work of the Brotherhood. Cooks P. W. Blum and Fred Tatsum kept serving after serving of hot fried oysters coming from the kitchen, and a real fellowship prevailed.

On Sunday of the 21st, Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler, member of the Provincial Elders' Conference, installed the officers of the four boards—Elders, Trustees, Christian Education, and Missions. Following this service of consecration he then presented the supply pastor and set him in office, using the Bible and a veritable host of others. The Board of Elders, W. E. Shore, deserves highest praise along with the chairman of the Board of Elders, W. E. Shore, and a veritable host of others.

New officers for the Trustees have been named: chairman, W. C. White; vice chairman, H. J. Conard; treasurer, C. F. Hege; secretary, George D. Taylor; assistant secretary-treasurer, B. T. Vernon.

JOHN W. FULTON, Supply Pastor.

LEAKSVILLE.

As a result of the revival service the latter part of September, six people came into our church on the first Sunday in October. They were Lottie V. Wray, Lillie K. Herndon, and V. P. Griffin by the sacrament of baptism; and Ola Mae Backner, and Mrs. George A. Whitten by transfer.

Iris Jane Tullech, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tullech, was presented to the Lord by the sacrament of infant baptism. The Holy Communion was also administered at this service.

In the closing part of the Sunday school day on the first Sunday in the month the beginners and primary departments, under the direction of Miss Ruth McConnell, presented an interesting Promotion Day program.

Our seventeenth church anniversary service was held the second Sunday in the month with good attendance and interest. Bishop Pfohl brought a challenging message. A picnic luncheon was held on the church lawn, as usual. Some of our members were able to attend the annual lovefeast of the Foreign Missionary Society at the Home Church that afternoon.

In the absence of the pastor, who was attending the Moravian Ministers' Retreat at Roaring Gap, Bro. W. P. Berrier kindly held the mid-week prayer service on the 24th.

Six of our ladies and the pastor attended the Provincial Woman's Auxiliary luncheon meeting at the Home Church on the 16th. Circle One of our Auxiliary had a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Sam Burnette on Oct. 2, and on the following Sunday turned over $269.85 which it had raised for the parsonage fund. Circle Two met at the home of Margarette Zimmerman.

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Kirk's on October 8, at which time there was an interesting discussion on the different offices of the church. It was voted to sell Christmas candy and raise at least $20 toward the parsonage fund by Christmas.

Our young people met at the home of Ola Mae Buckner on October 12 to make candy for former members of the society who are in the armed forces.

Our junior society had a Halloween party at the W. C. A. on October 29 with sixteen present. The pastor and his wife moved into a house which is located not far from the church on October 17. On the following evening they received a pleasant surprise when the members of the Woman's Auxiliary pounded them. Plans are being continued to build a parsonage as soon as possible.

JOHN H. KAPP

FAIRVIEW

Beautiful October weather and an increasing number of returned service men enable us to report another month of better than average church attendance. At the date of this writing in early November the pastor is aware of thirteen men on our honor roll who are civilians again. They are A. V. Barringer, Jr., Spencer Crutchfield, Joe Crutchfield, Robert Crutchfield, Lindsay Crutchfield, William Hardister, Rayner Faust, David Harrison, W. L. Putnam, Jr., William Reigh, J. Burton Snyder, Jr., L. S. Styers, Jr., and Raymond Vaughn. Of these W. L. Putnam, Jr. proceeded to re-enlist for a period of three years. The choir under Paul Pegram has begun rehearsals for special Christmas music. Attendance at rehearsals too has been better than average. At one rehearsal twenty-six were present, a record number for some years.

Although there were no fatalities on Fairview's honor roll, one of our members lost her husband, Lt. E. J. Kirby, Jr. was declared dead by the War Department after missing for more than a year following an air raid in Austria. His wife is the former Sylvia Putnam, a life-long member of Fairview. Two small children also survive.

A beloved figure was a visitor at our morning service on October 29, namely the Rev. C. A. Weber of Staten Island, uncle of the late C. O. Weber. Brother Weber spoke briefly to the congregation. He was in North Carolina to attend the graduation of his grandson, Herbert Weber, at the University of North Carolina. Herbert plans to enter Moravian Theological Seminary within the next year to study for the ministry. We were happy to have him bring us the Sunday night message at a recent service.

We are looking forward to a congregational fellowship supper on Thursday, November 15, with Dr. George Maize of the First Presbyterian church as our speaker. The Members of Board of Trustees are sponsoring the supper and the Woman's Auxiliary is preparing and serving it.

JOHN R. WEINLICK

MOUNT AIRY.

Brother and Sister C. D. Crowell left on October 8 for a winter's sojourn in Florida.

Promotion Day exercises on October 7 brought out a large attendance at the morning service. The recitals of memory work brought forth favorable comments upon the work of our Sunday school teachers. Bibles were presented to ten graduates of the primary department.

Circle One was hostess to the Auxiliary on October 11. Mrs. H. K. Rondthaler of Winston-Salem came and spoke on "Woman's Work in the Church." Her remarks were heard with interest and benefit. Mrs. C. T. Leinbach and Miss Clara Miller came with the speaker of the evening, their presence adding much to the enjoyment of the meeting. Attendance was forty-five.

Constantine L. Hiatl, charter member of this congregation and our oldest male member, was called home to glory on October 22. The funeral was held in our church and interment was made in our graveyard. Our prayer and sympathy are with his devoted wife and children.

The second Sunday in October is Missionary Sunday with us. One hundred twenty-four names were read on the Honor Roll for the first quarter of the fiscal year. Many new members were secured for our Foreign Missionary Society. Now we have thirty-five. In the evening several men participated in the service by reading selections regarding missions, reading the Scriptures, offering prayer, ushering and playing in the brass quartet.

Our ministerial candidate, Andy Griffith, sang the offertory solo on Sunday morning, October 28. Andy is making a good record in his studies at the University of North Carolina.

Our annual Halloween Party and Bazaar was again sponsored by the Auxiliary. It was held on Saturday, October 27. Refreshments, candy and baked goods were offered for sale. The crowd bought willingly; so that total receipts for the evening amounted to $154. The net proceeds will be added to the fund for improving our church kitchen.

H. B. JOHNSON

CHRIST CHURCH.

The 49th anniversary of Christ Church congregation was a happy day with large congregations, inspiring services and much encouragement as we entered our fiftieth year. Dr. Walter K. Allen was our speaker and brought us a most helpful message in the lovefeast.

With many of our members scattered over the world it was most fitting that many should respond to the invitation offered by World-wide Communion Sunday. The growing interest in this service brings joy to our hearts.

Our congregation regrets the resignation of Mrs. Clifford Bair as organist. She has rendered a distinctive service to our church. Despite this loss, the choir has manifested a degree of loyalty which is most commendable. Recently choir members were the guests of the Board of Visitors at a supper served by the Auxiliary. It was an occasion of "thank you" and inspiration. The Rev. Edward T. Mickey, Jr. brought a message of challenge and instruction. Our junior young people have...
V. Pack, §

I went to our S¥8, veterans, the firat our best. wide Communion date. That 100 isley, a group Mrs. mimely, had 43 members. The reception of Building Committee Chairman Fred members to 69. The church, the proceeds of which had beginning of the present pastorate, The burden of the work through service brought our total mem- the annual the church was 43 years of age the family of our late the champion claiming seven. The consumption of hot dogs, with present for our fiftieth anniversary month. The church school were ,e under our church school. At 11 fr h' service of the 21st we at Mizpah and at 7 o'clock 0 f our Woman's Auxiliary, Bro. Almon R. Carr, who has been a teacher in our church school. At the same time little Almon Frank- in Carr was presented to the Lord through the sacrament of baptism. Events which attracted the at- tention of our congregation were: the Training School, the Salem Congregational Council, the rally of the Home Church Auxiliary, and the annual meeting of the For- eign Missionary Society in which we were able to enroll 34 new members. The Christian sympathy of the congregation is again extended to the family of our late Sister Virginia Crooks Jackson. SAMUEL J. TESCH.

MORAVIA.

The big event of October in this little congregation was the ob- servance of our 49th anniversary on the 21st. The lovefeast was held at night with a most gratify- ing attendance. The Rev. Charles B. Adams, pastor of our Ardmore Church in Winston-Salem, made the address. It was pointed out that next year we shall be fifty years old at the beginning of the present pastorate, the church was 43 years of age and had 43 members. The reception of Mrs. John Rufus Lee, Sr., at this service brought our total mem- bership to 69. Our goal is to reach 100 by our fiftieth anniversary date. That will mean much great- er progress than we have been able to make thus far, but we shall do our best. On Sunday afternoon, October 28, a group of our women met at the church to organize a Woman's Auxiliary. The night before they had put on a successful supper at the church, the proceeds of which went to our Building Fund.

It was an added pleasure to have present in our anniversary lovefeast three of our servicemen who have recently been discharged, namely, Marion Ledbetter, Robert Isley and Glenn Kirkman, all over- seas veterans, the first named a wearer of the Purple Heart. Each has a brother still overseas. Charles Isley, Navy, home on leave, was also present. We hope nothing will prevent every member from being present for our fiftieth anniversary next year.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

BRO. LUCKENBACH'S REPORT.

On the afternoon of October 2, assisted with the funeral of Mrs. Carrie Hampton Johnson, a mem- ber of Fairview. At 10 a.m. on October 7 conducted the service at Mizpah and at 7:30 preached in the opening service of New Eden revival. A grave side service was held on October 11 for the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrell V. Pack, at which I assisted. On October 14 had charge of the service at Mizpah at 10 a.m. and at King at 11 a.m. On the 21st at 11 a.m. conducted the service at Wachovia Arbor, hav- ing been present at their Sunday school session at 9:45 a.m. The 28th was a full day with a service at Bethesda at 11 a.m. from which we drove to Clemmons for the fel­ lowship dinner at 12:30 p.m., and spoke in the thir- teenth Homecoming Lovefeast.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

PRIESTS MEMORIAL.

The new building rapidly nears the place where we can begin using it. The concrete floor is laid, the windows are all in place, the belfry and the roof finished, the heating system completed. When the lower auditorium and some of the class­ rooms are ready the date for the first service will be set.

Members and friends have con­tributed over $25,000 in new gifts toward the payment of the construction costs.

The burden of the work through these long months has fallen on Building Committee Chairman Fred Fansler. He made a statement to the annual Salem Congregational Council and modestly omitted any reference to the endless hours of work which this task has demand- ed.

The Communion for the World­wide Communion Sunday was a very inspiring service since it was one of the very few where two denominations actually worship­ped in the same service on that day. Relations with the Con­gregational Christian Church have been of the very best for the year that we have been guests in their building.

Mrs. R. W. Thorpe and Mrs. Harold Petree were in the Provin­cial Training School classes during the early part of the month.

R. C. BASSETT.
Shore was one of the first life members. We also added several active contributing members from this congregation.

The Rev. Charles B. Adams, en-route to Moravia where he was an anniversary lovefeast speaker, addressed our young people at their regular Sunday night meeting on the 21st.

Our Board of Trustees took much pleasure in announcing the appointment of Bro. B. C. Stafford as the caretaker of our church and church premises, including the graveyard. He began his new duties on November 1.

We have completed the payment of our pledge of one thousand dollars to our sister congregation of Greensboro for the erection of a new church. Our Own Building Fund continues to grow steadily, though not as rapidly as we might wish. However, we have the assurance of additional funds when it becomes possible for us to start building operations. That time cannot come too soon, for we are much handicapped by our inadequate facilities.

At this writing Mrs. John Foster Stewart is recovering in the hospital from a serious and painful operation. Her husband, one of our stewards, Natty, was granted an extended leave to be with her through this ordeal.

Very few of our young men in the armed forces have returned from overseas or received their discharges, but we are expecting some of them home for Christmas.

We are now in the midst of preparations for the observance of our 75th anniversary on November 18, a report of which will be given next month.

WALSER H. ALLEN.

BETHESDA.

Sunday school attendance continues to increase gradually and the congregation is readily adjusting itself to the newly adopted time schedule. Each department is being given the opportunity to plan and conduct the opening worship.

Thus far we have ten pupils who have perfect attendance records, something new in the history of our school. Both teachers and pupils are enthusiastically working out plans for the approaching Christmas program. Such plans are shaped with the purpose of reaping the fullest possible blessings out of the Christmas season.

A new surge of interest and activity is springing up among the older youth people’s groups. Several new members were received, and twenty were present at the Weiner roast held at Miller Park on October 10. Peggy and Erline Jones sponsored a Halloween party for the above group on October 24, and provided an splendid evening of entertainment.

A drive is being made to raise funds for the installation of plumbing facilities in the church. A special offering will be taken once a month for this purpose.

The pastor wishes to extend his thanks to C. M. Hedrick and Bro. Baynes for conducting prayer meetings during his illness, and to Bro. L. G. Luckenbach for supplying the pulpit on the 28th.

Gracie Nichols and William Pickens were married at York, S. C., on October 25. The bride is a member of our congregation.

EGBERT G. LINEBACK.

NINETY-TWO PER CENT OF NEW YORK’S YOUTH UNTOUCHED.

Some startling figures about the youth of New York, our nation’s largest city, were revealed by the Metropolitan Church League, a periodical issued by the Greater New York Federation of Churches. The article states that of the one million youth in New York City between the ages of 16 and 25, only 180,000, or 18 per cent, are of Protestant background. Of these 180,000, only 12 per cent regularly attend a Protestant Church Sunday school, young people’s society, or the religious activities and programs of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. In other words, only two percent of the total youth population of the city attend any Protestant religious organization.

The same survey shows that 8.4 per cent of the city’s youth attend Roman Catholic services, and only 1.2 per cent attend Jewish religious services.

This means that the remainder, 92 per cent of New York’s young people, are untouched by any religious activity whatever.

Here is one of the Church’s great tasks.

DEATHS.

Hiatt — Constantine Lafayette, aged 80 years, on October 12, 1945, Funeral at Grace Church, Mount Airy, N. C., conducted by the Rev. H. B. Johnson. Interment in the church graveyard. Charter member of the congregation.

Jackson — Virginia Louise, m. n. B. Crooks, on October 17, 1945. Funeral conducted from Vogler’s Chapel by the Rev. S. J. Tesch. Further services and interment at Maiden, Caldwell County, N. C.


INFANT BAPTISMS.


Phillips — Wynona Lynn, infant daughter of Joseph L. and Mary McKaungh Phillips, born June 3, 1945, was baptized in the Kernersville Church on October 7, 1945, by Dr. Walter H. Allen. Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. John M. Brown, Miss Camille Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Shore.


ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

For October, 1945

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A Happy and a Blessed Christmas, and a Prosperous and Successful New Year to you all!

Wherever you are—here at home, in other parts of our highly favored country, in England, on the Continent of Europe, on the islands of the sea, in far away Alaska, Nicaragua, Honduras, South America, Labrador, Africa, Tibet, Jerusalem, or in the various theatres where the war has been fought—we are thinking of you at this blessed Christmastide, and praying that the God of Peace will fill your hearts with all joy and peace in believing.

During the long, cruel years of war, even communication between many of us has been interrupted, but now that the fighting is over (we pray it really is) we look forward to the time when we may not only correspond freely, but when our church leaders may clasped hands in brotherly love, and confer together on how best to carry forward our beloved International Unity. Surely the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love is the strongest of all ties. Let us pledge ourselves anew to the task of strengthening it still more, as a tangible illustration of the one thing our world needs, yes, in this atomic age MUST have, namely, a sense of oneness in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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OFF THE PRESS:

"WHERE FIELDS ARE WHITE."

Volume Three in the “Know Your Church Series” of Moravian Publications Ready For Distribution.

It was the ambitious desire of the Inter-Provincial Board of Christian Education of our American Moravian Church to publish one volume a year in the “Know Your Church Series” of books. The first one, entitled “Meet Nicaragua,” came from the press in 1939. The second, “The Moravians—A World-Wide Fellowship,” followed in 1940, but since then there has been nothing further until now. Consequently, we are very happy to announce a resumption of the series in the publication of “Where Fields Are White,” a volume on “Stories of Moravian Missions.”

The first two volumes were sold for ten cents per copy, but this one, owing to the rise in publication costs, is priced at twenty-five cents—but it’s worth a dollar! Here are mission stories, mostly hitherto unpublished, which will warm the heart, and should become by-words in many a Moravian home.

Several people had part in making this volume possible. Bishop Clement Hoyle started it, Bro. Werner Marx arranged much of the material, and others contributed various articles. The Western District Christian Education Board saw it through the press, as it was printed in Greenbaya, Wisconsin. By all means get a copy for your shelf of Moravian books—if you haven’t such a shelf, here is a good opportunity to start one.

THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SOUTHERN PROVINCE.

The Fullness Of Time

“Where the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son.”

—Gal. 4:4.

“And a superscription also was written on Him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.”


In one of His most familiar parables the Lord Jesus Christ taught the great truth that the growth of a seed is very largely dependent upon the quality and condition of the soil. Seed whose fell among thorns, or upon stony ground, as well as that which fell upon the hard, beaten path where it could not grow at all, brought no fruit to perfection. Only such as fell into good soil bore fruit. This parable was spoken to enforce the truth that unless the Gospel falls into the good soil of the heart, it will be lacking in permanent results. The application of this is that men and women must prepare their hearts to receive the Word of God.

This, only on a much larger scale, is exactly what God Himself did before He sent His Son to earth to sow the seeds of the Gospel. He prepared the soil first. Otherwise the coming of Christ would have been little or no avail. Therefore it was not until the fulness of the time was come" that He sent forth His Son.

Just what is meant by “the fulness of time?” We are able to make this inquiry because the events which preceded it lie far enough back in the past to permit of our viewing them in the proper perspective. In doing so we are able to recognize with gratitude the hand of God in the history of the world. There is a divine, overruling Providence which operates not merely in our individual lives, but also upon the entire course of human life in its national, political, social and moral aspects. We can see the hand of God as by His providential pre-arrangements He prepared the world for the coming to earth of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Written above the cross on which our Lord was crucified was an inscription, the most interesting fact about which to us in our age is that it was written in three languages, in Greek, in Latin, and in Hebrew. This was done so that everyone in Jerusalem on that day could read it. All who read at all could read in one of these three languages, many could read in two, and not a few in all three.

The special significance of all this is that the “City of God” had been built at the confluence of three great civilizations. Three great streams, starting from their earliest sources, met and mingled just at the time when it was essential to the spread of a new religion that just such an event should occur. We trace, necessarily very briefly, the course of these three streams from their early source to their meeting in the Apostolic age.

(1) The most important is, of course, the Hebrew. The call of Abraham, when one family was selected to keep and hand down the deposit of divine truth, the series of providences whereby the ancestors of the Jews found themselves in Egypt, their long captivity on the banks of the Nile, the work of Moses, through whom the slaves were moulded into a nation, all these events are traced in the Old Testament, and represented as taking place under the immediate direction of Jehovah.

Thus the peculiarities of the Hebrew civilization did not consist in the culture of the imagination and the intellect, like that of the Greeks, nor in the organization of government, like that of Rome, but in religion. This was its distinguishing feature. The frequent festivals of the Jewish people, their miracles, their Scriptures, their prophets, their constant sacrifices, all were connected with their religion. There was a distinctly religious life. Religion was not confined to the learned or wealthy class, as was the case with the Greeks and Romans, but was for all use and benefit of all. The poorest peasant of Galilee had the same right to it and part in it as the wisest Rabbi of Jerusalem.

But even more than this, how different was the kind of religion the Jews possessed. It taught them how to live. There were instruc-
we find that the chief characteristics of the Greeks were the high perfection of the intellect and imagination, a restless activity of mind and body, and a love of the beautiful.

These qualities produced, first, a wonderful language. Greek is the richest and most delicate tongue that the world has ever seen, so far and because of that was well suited to convey Christian ideas to the world. It was no accident that the New Testament was written in it. No other language could so well express the highest thoughts and the worthiest feelings of the intellect and heart.

But how did it come about that Greek was so universally understood? Largely as a result of the conquests of Alexander the Great. This young man brought the whole of the then civilized world under his sway, with the inevitable result that wherever the Greek power held sway, the language of the Greeks was heard. Thus the Jews who were scattered about because of the persecution in the language of the Greeks that it was necessary to translate the Old Testament into it.

In all this we see how wonderful the way was prepared for the spread of the Gospel. When St. Paul started his missionary journeys he could preach to the Gentiles in a language they could understand. Although he was a Jew, he was born and brought up in a city where Greek was the common language, and wherever he went he had no difficulty in making himself understood. Suppose this had not been the case. How greatly handicapped would he have been!

Although the Greeks made other contributions to the advancement and spread of Christianity, none and its language was by far the most important. They built cities in which Jews lived. They opened up new lines of communication. But they also spread corruption. Athens and Corinth became two of the very worst cities on earth and thus demonstrated the weakness of man’s powers if unassisted from above.

(3). As in the case of Greece, Rome had its part in bringing to pass "the fulness of time." The Greek power died out, but not before the Greek civilization had had time to penetrate and imbue the Roman world. Therefore when Roman power arose, Greek civilization was not crushed. Rome did not kill the civilization of the civilized world, it has seen useful and under one great organization. Naturally therefore followed new opportunities of travel, and the opening of new channels of communication. Thus Rome provided for the advancement of that religion which it so bitterly persecuted, and later adopted. When Paul got into trouble he could claim the protection of that government of which he was a citizen, for its power extended wherever he went.

Thus we can understand how it was that when Jesus Christ was hanging on the cross, the Jew, the Greek traveler or merchant, and the Roman soldier could read the inscription above it each in his own tongue. Here were three races which God chose for the working out of His purposes. Then "when the fulness of the time was come," He "sent forth His Son." The verses following this one reveal the reason for the sending of God’s Son into the world, and should fill our hearts with gratitude. There we read—"But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

The great central truth of this passage is that through Christ we are sons of God, and heirs of God. All that God feels toward His Son, He also feels toward us. All that Christ inherit from His Father, we too shall inherit, for we too are sons. This is perhaps the most important truth the mind of man has ever expressed. And it is one which will make our observance of the Christmas season more joyful than ever if we keep it before our eyes.

A copy of our Danish Moravian Mission periodical Missionblad is once again coming to the desk of Brother Herbert B. Johnson every month. From the November issue he gleaned the following excerpts from letters written by Danish missionaries in Africa.

Brother Elmo Knudsen, stationed at Rungwe, Nyassa, wrote on September 17:

"The last four months have been a sever strain upon my strength. It is no small task to carry the responsibility of a young church with 25,000 members. Up to today God has granted me the strength to carry on, and everything has
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Sister Margaret Pedersen writes from Bristol, England, October 8: "I left Tabora, East Central Africa, on September 11, and arrived in London on the 22nd, having made the entire journey by airplane. Had a fine trip. In November I hope to come to Denmark. I feel much better now."

Of the Jens Hansen's no word has been received for a month. All that is known about him is that they have flown to South Africa and are to take ship from there to Europe. We are not able to appoint someone permanently. Our native helpers and preachers will assist in carrying on the work.

W. Hartman of Zineka also got severely ill when traveling on the train from Pieter Maritzburg to Matatiele. He was at once brought to the hospital and operated upon. It took some time before he recovered. The doctor has advised that he should be retired as soon as circumstances allow. He is already over 40 years in the service of this Mission and will be 70 years old next year. Also, three of our native ministers got seriously ill and had to go to the hospital. All this brought home to us our greatest problem - to get the necessary reinforcements for the ministry.

We had tried all the years to get Bro. Deth released - he was interned in 1940. We never succeeded. The Speaker of Parliament, Mr. van Coller, who is a friend of our mission, tried to help us but twice was refused by the Chief Control Officer. So he advised us to get a personal interview with General Smuts, the Prime Minister, when he would come to Queens-town on the 18th of September. This was granted to us. Our interview consisted of Bro. Motha, Bro. A. Hartman and myself. We were accompanied by Mr. van Coller and another gentleman, Mr. Duncan, who belonged to the secret service in the Queenstown district where our Shiloh church is located.

General Smuts shook hands with us and asked us to take seats. Even Sister Deth and Sister Motha were allowed to enter. Mr. van Coller introduced us and voiced the opinion that grave injustice had been done to Bro. Deth. Also, Mr. Duncan stressed the fact that nothing wrong was known to them about Bro. Deth, that a certain policeman had gone over his head to denounce Bro. Deth secretly, to try to get a good report for himself. General Smuts listened attentively and put some questions to us. I explained to him our difficult position, our shortage of ministers and asked for his sympathy and consideration. He asked me where I come from, and when I told him from Labrador he laughed and said: "Good gracious, that's from the end of the world." A secretary took notes. Our interview lasted about half an hour. Before we parted I presented General Smuts with a copy of "The Advanced Guard Two Hundred Years of Moravian Missions." He thanked me and said he knew Genadendal and the Rev. Schmidt there. He was kind and friendly to us and shook hands again with all. No decision was given, however.

On the 28th of September Bro. Deth was released and returned to Shiloh, to our great relief. . . . There are still some restrictions about what he may do, but we hope they will be removed shortly. We have further succeeded to get three native candidates for the ministry who will go to the South African Native College at Fort Hare, in the beginning of next year, to attend a theological course of two years duration. We shall try everything in our power to carry on and to attain self-dependence in a sound, steady and constitutional way.

With best regards,
Yours sincerely,
W. BOURQUIN.

Moravian Mission Bethel, Alaska
Nov. 11, 1945.

WHO PROMISED BROTHER DEBBIE A TENT? Dear Brother Rights:

Last spring when I had such a delightful visit in Winston-Salem, I answered an advertisement for gospel tents, that is something we have been wanting to get because it would be very useful to us in our work up here during the

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LETTERS
INTERVIEW WITH GENERAL SMUTS

Miss Kayane
P. O. Cedarville
East Griqualand
South Africa
25th October, 1945

Dear Brø. Allen:

I thank you very much for your kind and cheerful letter of the 21st. We too appreciate it very much if we can remain in contact with each other and share joy and sorrow in our common work.

The last months were a trying time for us as there was much sickness amongst our ministers. In July I got news that the Rev. W. Blohm had to be brought to the hospital at Umtata. He had contracted pneumonia and was coughing blood. We always hoped he would recover, but after a month he sent word to me asking for Holy Communion. When I went down to fulfill his wish I could see that there was really no hope. He if only to hear some one speak in Danish instead of four or five strange tongues daily. It makes me happy to see the Missionblad once more.

So far with Brother Kaudsen, now a few lines from Sister Johanne L. Larsen, R.N., written at Usoke on October 7: "It is difficult for some of us to continue at work so many years without a visit to our homes.

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I cannot believe the summer has gone and winter is here, and I haven’t written you for almost a month. It isn’t because I do not think of you often and love you—on the contrary, you have been in my thoughts and prayers often. My time has been taken up with things that were possibly less important, and the time flies so fast here that you sometimes find yourself wondering where the day has gone and what you have accomplished.

Winter surely came in with a bang and caught us off our guard. However, the workmen got busy and removed the boats and scows from the river and just in the nick of time, for the ice is fast freezing. Last Monday dawned with a snow storm, the first of the season, and a regular Alaskan blizzard it was. But that evening it calmed down and the following day was cold but lovely outside. On Wednesday, the Rev. Harry Trodahl and I made a trip to Bethel with some of the children for X-rays, etc., before winter arrived to stay. We just made it in time for two days later ice was running in the river and slough, and now they are nearly frozen over. We had a couple of weeks before we are able to travel, which means we are completely isolated except for radio. We still have some open places in the river in front of the buildings so the workmen from Kewalu are able to cross via canoe, then hike up and back across the tundra, which is three miles. These are our nearest neighbors. The only white people living there are the U. S. Government teachers.

This morning, Sunday, we awakened to find another snow was falling quite heavily and to the delight of the children and the writer. This kept up until noon, when just as suddenly as it started snowing it stopped. There were several inches of snow on the ground and the trees were covered. It was too beautiful for words.

It was my Sunday afternoon duty with all the children, and we were very excited! I took the bigger boys and girls down in the woods while the little ones had their rest. We built a big fire, having taken along some dry kindling and matches, and then we all scouted around to find dead logs. Soon we had a roaring fire, then returned to the Orphanage to get the little folks. We all went back, toasted marshmallows, and, as the children said, had van-ea-ah-fun climbing trees and running here and there, burying ourselves in the snow.

One of our boys who is just twelve and who is a cripple, has recently come to us being dismissed from the hospital, watched the other children climb trees and then with a note of pathos in his voice, said: "I wish I could climb that tree." I pointed out one which had fallen part way and suggested that he try that one, then walked over there and said: "Carlo, there will be no cripples in Heaven." He smiled and said: "No!" He is such a wonderful child and we all adore him. Please pray for him that God will always be near to comfort him in his hours of distress. And could several of you readers send him words for Christmas? You just do not know how much those things mean to these children. They simply made his day.

It’s cold tonight. After services I took a look at the thermometer and it read six above zero. A few more days like this will mean we can get to Bethel and have mail. Sometimes we must wait for four weeks for mail during the free-up and break-up, so when you miss one day getting mail think of us missing five and six weeks at a late Kelly Denton Walker, on November 16, 1945. Funeral conducted by the Rev. J. Kenneth Pfohl. Interment in the Salem Graveyard. A member of the Home Church.

DEATHS:

Jones—Carl Wesley, aged 44 years, on November 6, 1945. Funeral held at Grace Moravian Church with interment in the church graveyard. The Rev. H. B. Johnson officiated.

Peelle—Gary Dean, infant son of Otis and Fannia (Johnson) Peelle, on November 19, 1945. Funeral was conducted by the Rev. H. B. Johnson, with interment in Salem Methodist Graveyard near Mount Airy.

Children—George Herbert, aged 59 years, on November 26, 1945. Funeral conducted by the Rev. H. B. Johnson in Grace Moravian Church, with interment in Salem Methodist Graveyard.


REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES

HOME CHURCH.

History was written by the Home Church congregation during the month of November. We observed our 174th anniversary in November. We observed our 174th anniversary during the month of November. We observed our 174th anniversary in November. We observed our 174th anniversary during the month of November. We observed our 174th anniversary.

Social occasions for the young people included an o'possum hunt for more than one hundred members of the senior and young people's departments. This was held at "Arden Farm," the country home of Brother and Sister T. Holt Haywood. The intermediate department held a party at the church. Mrs. M. E. Miller is the new superintendent of this department. The young people were host to more than four hundred young people of the Province at a turkey dinner on the last Thursday.

Attendances are much larger than last fall. Sunday school attendance is averaging more than one hundred more per Sunday than a year ago. Junior, intermediate, and senior discussion groups are meeting each Sunday evening following a light supper served by the church hostess, Mrs. R. B. Diehl. Special services during November included: a music program by the combined young people's choirs of the church on the evening of the 18th; the annual Thanksgiving service at 10:30 on the morning of the 22nd; and the Salem Congregation Workers' Lovefeast on the afternoon of the 25th.

BETHANIA.

The work of restoration on the church made much progress during October and November, and every indication is that the Christmas and New Year services will be held there for the first time since the fire of November, 1942. Painting of the interior, the last major task, began the first week in December following the completion of the indirect lighting system. The furnace and the organ were installed early in the fall. The only work that definitely will not be finished will be the installation of pews which are not available at this time. Present plans are to use temporary seating until the best grade of pews are again on the market. Our young people's work took on new life with the inauguration in November of a series of meetings which are held every other Sunday. These begin with a light supper served by the circles of the Woman's Auxiliary and feature varied program of services of worship and inspiration. Bro. Joe Gray conducted a campfire service for the group on November 4. A social was also held in the Congregation House the Friday following Thanksgiving Day.

Thanksgiving services were held in the traditional manner on the morning of Thanksgiving Day. The auditorium was decorated by the Girl Scouts. The offering of food went to the Salem Home and the offering of money to the Building Fund. That afternoon the men of the church gathered and removed the stumps of trees to the west of the church to make way for new trees to be planted soon.

The circles of the Auxiliary met in Bethania on November 20 as follows: No. 1 with Mrs. L. T. Butner, No. 2 with Mrs. J. H. Ritchie, and No. 3 with Mrs. A. D. Wolf. The Mamie Kapp Phillips class held its November meeting with Mrs. Emma Fishel and Mrs. Fannie Nifong.

The F. Walter Grabs Class held a Halloween party and meeting at the Congregation House on October 20. Officers for the year were chosen with Mrs. Melvin Hunter elected teacher, Mrs. Carl Riddle, assistant teacher, and Watts Yarbrough, president.

Two weddings were performed during October and November. The first was the marriage of Miss Dorothy Briggs to Marvin Hunter. This ceremony was performed at the home of the bride on October 20. The second was that of Miss Doris Briggs to J. E. Boone. This marriage took place at the parsonage on Thanksgiving Day, November 22. The brides are twin sisters and both are members of the Mizpah congregation.

The pastor assisted at the funeral of Burke A. Wilson who was...
held at the Pfafftown Congregational Christian Church, of which the deceased was a member, on October 23. Bro. Wilson was the father of Mrs. T. S. Scott and Miss Annie Wilson, two of Bethania's members. To them and to the other members of the family we extend our sympathy.

We are happy that Mrs. John Kearney and Miss Addie Leinbach, who have been ill, are much improved.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

OLIVET.

Several improvements have been made to our church property this fall. The most noteworthy is the installation of a blower to our hot air furnace, which puts heat where it is needed—in the church and Sunday school rooms—and adds to the comfort of all. Also by way of improvement was the rewiring of the basement and the installation of two out-door lights which illuminate the lawn and the parking areas in the front of the church. This latter item was donated by the Jim Yarbrough Class of the Sunday school and not only gives more and better light, but removes a fire hazard as well.

An added service was provided our people by the creation of a nursery for small children. Furnished by the Girl's Auxiliary, it is under the direction of Mrs. Gordon Conrad. Arrangements are now provided to take care of small children during the church and Sunday school hours, and parents are urged to take advantage of this service.

The gift of $100 from the Woman's Auxiliary and the promise of $50 from the Men's Class has made it possible for us to purchase 25 copies of the new Moravian Hymnal which will replace the Offices of Worship. These books have been ordered and should be in use by the New Year.

Two new beginnings have been made during October and November. The first was the inauguration of junior choir practice and a children's Bible hour which meets every Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Children are able to ride the school busses to the church for these activities and the response has been excellent. The second new beginning was the inauguration of a youth fellowship hour which meets every other Sunday during the term served by the circles of the Woman's Auxiliary and other organizations at 5:45 p.m. and is followed by varied programs of worship and inspiration. On November 11 Bro. Joe Gray conducted a camp fire service for the group.

A Thanksgiving service was held at the church on Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving Day, sponsored by the Sunday school. In spite of the heavy rain storm a large group attended both the service and the fellowship hour which followed. The offering for the Salem Home was larger than ever. Miss Annie Wilson, Ruth Atwood, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Virgil C. Atwood, who died on Nov. 2, was buried in the Olivet Graveyard on Nov. 4. The funeral was conducted from Vogler's Chapel by the pastor.

Mrs. V. M. Beroth and Mrs. J. O. Algood who have been seriously ill are much improved and are now at home following a stay in the hospital.

GEORGE G. HIGGINS.

ARDMORE.

The Men's Bible Class had Bro. R. Gordon Spaugh, pastor of the Home Church, as speaker at its monthly meeting. Bro. Spaugh gave a thought-provoking message on what being a Christian really means.

During the past month the mid-week service themes have been on the subject, "Lessons for Soul Winners," designed to instruct in visitation evangelism.

The Woman's Auxiliary completed a year's planning and preparation with its bazaar held in the Bungalow on Saturday, November 17. The ladies are to be congratulated on the success of their effort which added over four hundred dollars to the Building Fund.

At least twenty-two of our workers attended the annual Workers' Lovefeast of Salem Congregation, held at the Home Church on the last Sunday in November.

There was a noticeable increase in the amount of foodstuffs brought to the Thanksgiving service for the use of the Salem Home. The Eagle Patrol of our Boy Scout troop assisted in delivering the food to the Home. Thank you.

A called meeting of Church Council approved the immediate erection of a Scout Hut, to be built behind the present bungalow. It is planned to build a one-room structure, 24 x 36 feet, which will be the permanent home of our four Scout troops, and will be shared temporarily by one of the departments of our Sunday school until our new religious education building can be erected. Overcrowding in the smaller children's departments has become a serious problem.

The following occasions were significantly observed: World Order Sunday on November 11; the November Thirteenth Festival Holy Communion with the second largest attendance we have had at this sacrament; and on the last Sunday in the Christian church year the theme was "The Christian Year in Song," in which appropriate hymns were used to cover each season of the Christian year.

On the last Sunday of the month, after the pastor had concluded an announcement in the opening worship of Sunday school, he was caught completely off balance when Bro. C. C. Fussell, the superintendent, grasped his arm and detained him long enough to present him with a mysterious envelope in the name of the Sunday school. Some of the birthday greetings contained therein were signed by hand; others bore the neatest engravings of George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Alexander Hamilton. Thank you.

CHARLES B. ADAMS.

OAK GROVE, PROVIDENCE AND FULP.

Never let it be said that the ministry doesn't have its rewards! We are leaving this beloved parish with a warm spot in our hearts for all those whom we served for over six years. We leave with the feeling that our work was never perfect, nor complete, but we feel assured that through the cooperation and help of our members and with the blessings of God, definite progress has been made.

Our charge increased spiritually, numerically, and financially. We launched three building programs together. One, the parsonage at Oak Grove, was completed. Providence has funds for a new parsonage and Oak Grove is raising funds for a new church and Sunday school building.

We feel we leave this charge with the good will of all our members and we know that the work will go forward with the guidance of God and under the leadership of the incoming pastor and his wife, Br. and Sr. John H. Kapp. We commend them to this parish and ask God's blessing upon this new relationship.

Gifts from the congregation were graciously bestowed upon us. Feeling unworthy of these lovely acts of gratitude, we accepted them in the spirit of humility, but, frankly, our emotions were uncontrollable, and the three of us were deeply moved.

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In our first pastorate we made many blunders and mistakes which the Christian love of our members enabled us to overcome. In the greatness of heart that comes only from walking with God they were willing to forgive and forget. For this spirit we are truly thankful.

The years of war unconsciously knitted us together in a bond of love and understanding that can never be broken.; So relationships will continue in eternity.

We could write on, but we hope that our readers will understand partially what we mean by "reward"!

"Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above." J. CALVIN BARNES.

RURAL HALL.

Rural Hall has not been idle during the month. Holy Communion for November 13 was not so well attended as we might have hoped, but sickness and bad weather conspired to keep some of our people away. The weather was a blessed one, nevertheless.

Our Young People’s Union has again been meeting each Sunday evening under the leadership of Mrs. M. M. Trivett. The group has grown renewed interest. We hope for even more.

On Sunday morning before Thanksgiving we held our Thanksgiving service. Offerings in food and money were given to the Salem Home. We set out to count our blessings, but found them too numerous to number in so short a time.

The pastor spoke to the chapel group at Rural Hall School. It was for him a happy occasion.

Our choir has at last found time and interest for regular rehearsals. Not many small churches are blessed with so well-balanced a choir, men. We say it not boastfully, but in appreciation. We are uniting with the choirs of Rural Hall’s four other churches in a service of Christmas music to be held in the Baptist Church on Sunday, December 9, under the leadership of the ministers of the community.

Our Auxiliary held a party for Service Day in the Province, on November 15. A good time was had by all, and the Service Day offering amounted to fifteen dollars.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

BETHABARA.

November is always a great month for Bethabara. The anniversary of the founding of Wachovia on the second Sunday this year brought us no less blessing than always. The Sunday school and Holy Communion in the morning were full services and happy ones, and the lovefeast in the afternoon was crowded. Bishop Pfohl brought us a message full of challenge. At these services our band and choirs brought music worthy of the occasion.

On the Wednesday night before Thanksgiving we held our Thanksgiving service, and though the weather was a rainy one, some fifty of our people joined in a happy service to praise God for His goodness. Offerings of foods and money were given to the Salem Home.

On the following Thursday night, nineteen of our young people attended the Rally held at the Home Church. This organization, under the direction of Mrs. Harold Allen, is growing in interest and in numbers after having experienced a period of dreaminess.

The end of the war made us rejoice beyond measure, but the indirect results were hard on our congregation. In one single month we have lost two entire families. Bro. Frank Steelman and his family have moved to Booneville to take up permanent residence there, and Bro. W. E. Vernon and family have moved to Denver, Colorado, taking their church letters with them. We miss them all, and pray God's rich blessing upon them in their new homes.

We observed College Prayer Day on Sunday, November 25. If services over our church in other congregations were as earnest and filled with interest as that which we experienced, there can be no doubt of the progress of our College and Seminary.

E. T. MICKEY, JR.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Is it true that when Moravians get together they have to eat? Be that as it may, you can get more of them together when there is food than at any other time. The semi-monthly gathering of the Workers’ Council was held around the table whereon the Auxiliary served a most delicious supper to a large group. Mrs. E. H. Holton was in charge of the program and presented Mrs. Stuart Bondurant as our speaker. Mrs. Bondurant brought us face to face with the magnitude of our task and in a most forceful manner challenged us to complete consecration.

Two Thanksgiving services observed the season. On Sunday the 18th the Gleaners Class had charge of the church school worship when members of the entire school brought their gifts to be arranged in a beautiful display on the platform. Later these were arranged in baskets and carried to families in the community. On Thanksgiving Day at 10 o’clock another service of thanksgiving and praise was held with 49 present.

Two gatherings attracted a number of our people. The Workers’ Lovefeast of the Salem Congregation was attended by more than twenty-five, which was the minimum set in the announcement.

The Union Rally was attended by 17 young people and their leaders. The opinion among our representatives was that it was one of the most enjoyable and helpful of recent years.

The general renovation of the parsonage is about complete. With new gutting, new steps, fore and aft, and a complete paint job on the exterior our parsonage begins to attract attention. Hardly had the painters removed their ladders before we began to have applications for apartments.

Among the activities of the month we note: a cottage prayer meeting with Mrs. Walter Wood on Dudley St.; funeral services for Mrs. C. J. Wood of Argonne St., 95 years old; speaking to Hanes High assembly; gathering with the adult classes of Immanuel Church, School; and speaking to the Kernersville congregation.

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SAMUEL J. TESCH.

FRIES MEMORIAL.

Ever hopeful that we shall soon be getting into our new building, the congregation is rallying to the Building Fund with a year-end effort to raise $2,500. This will bring our gifts to almost $28,000. To all those who have helped us and are still planning to help we say, "Thank you!"

The young people were represented at the Rally at the Home Church by 15 persons. "A good time was had by all." Another good time was the Benefit Musical which was produced by Bro. L. C. Swaim and attracted a large congregation. There was enthusiastic response to the musicians.

The Third World Order Sunday was observed with appropriate Sunday services.

The Life of Christ in pictures has been sold in considerable quantity, and seems to fill a need in every home where there are children.

Among the visitors for the month was Bro. A. H. Bahnson who attended one of our evening services. Attendance averaged 32 for the month of November.

RALPH C. BASSETT.

GREENSBORO.

Considerable interest on the part of our members was shown in the Sunday evening meetings held during this month which were centered around the history, customs, beliefs, and practices of our Moravian Church. While we are cognizant of the impossibility of covering adequately so much material in so short a time, we feel that these meetings, held as discussion groups, evoked an interest which has not hitherto been evidenced.

The prevalence of flu in our city and community did much to hamper attendance at all services during the past month. We sincerely hope that all in our congregation who have been ill may have a speedy recovery.

The pastor is grateful to the Church Committee and the congregation for their response to the appeal of the local Council for the Instruction of Bible in the Public Schools. When the former teacher, Miss Alice May Holmes, was compelled to relinquish her work because of ill health, this Council appealed to our Committee to release the pastor for twenty-four hours of teaching per week. Thus 135 pupils are hearing the Word of God for one hour each day—young people, many of whom attend church only about one-third of the time.

We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Leslie who became parents of a second child, Paul Carroll. May he be preserved to prove a blessing to his parents and a joy to his Maker.

I. HOWARD CHADWICK.

CALVARY.

A series of mid-week services were held this month with the Lord's Prayer as the central theme. After the message the group has been encouraged to give personal testimony or to relate experiences in witnessing to others of Christ. World Order Sunday was observed by the printing of the Preamble of the United Nations' Charter in the bulletin and by a program given in the opening of the Sunday school, at which Dietz Walker read selections of the Charter and Mary Ann Hege responded with fitting Bible passages.

Adult advisors of the young people, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Hege, sponsored a party for the young people, Bro. Hege providing the games and Mrs. Hege the refreshments. The Rev. F. T. Miske, Jr., spoke to the young people on Friendship at a meeting of the Sunday night group. This meeting closed a series on the general theme of Friendship. The supply pastor for three Sunday nights had given an introduction to the gospels.

Our Thanksgiving service was well attended, and the program included a recitation by Tommie Ann Pomdexter, the Scripture was read by Frederick Hege, a selection by the junior and high school choir, and a message by the supply pastor. Over $300 has been received as a Thanksgiving offering for the Elders' Fund.

Thanks to the Reverends George Higgins, Charles B. Adams, and John R. Weinfuch, and Dr. Howard Rondthalter for their assistance in the Holy Communion of the 18th.

To the family of little Eva Jane Walker, age 14, and beloved among our youth, we express sympathy in her unexpected passing.

We welcome Mrs. Donna Kiger Fettler into the congregation, who was also her little daughter, Jeannette Ruth, who was received by infant baptism.

The presence of the returned servicemen, especially as they appear in church, is appreciated by the entire congregation.

Dr. Edmund Schwarze has left the hospital and will visit with his family for the next several weeks. He plans to return to Calvary in January.

JOHN W. FULTON.

FRIENDS.

November was a month of special services or meetings. The Bar- raca-Philadale Forsyth County Union held its rally at the church on November 4. The pastor made the address and love-feast was served.

On November 11th, we observed Armistice Day, giving thanks to God that He has again blessed the world with an era of peace.

The workers of the congregation held their annual love-feast at the church this month. Bro. Egbert G. Lineback brought us an inspiring sermon entitled "Faith and Good Works." Although the weather was very wet, we had a good number present.

We held our Thanksgiving service on the third Sunday night. The church band gave a thirty-minute musical program preceding it. Martha Jean and Polly Ann Snyder gave a skit. The pastor preached a sermon, Canned goods were produced and a silver offering was given to the Salem Home.

A special college Prayer Day service was held on November 25. A fine response was shown by all present. The offering was larger than had been anticipated, showing that the people at Friedberg are keenly interested in the future of our Moravian Church.

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congregation went to the Home Church on November 29 for the Thanksgiving Rally. They heard a splendid address by Dr. Joseph W. Garrison of Greensboro, N. C. Prior to the sermon of the evening, a period of fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

Our programs for the Christmas season are rapidly taking form. The adults of the church school will present a play entitled "The Message of the Christmas Angels." Those taking part are Myrtle Miller, Howard Teash, Richard Rierson, Virginia fishel, Cromer Fishel, Robert Miller, Lewis Swaim, Betty Woolsey, Ethel Nifong, Verl Nifong, Evelyn Tatsumi, and S. H. Fishel, Jr.

Brook O. George assistied the pastor in the wedding of Mary Kathleen Reich, a member of this congregation, and Daniel C. Sides, of Advent, on December 1. The dieners enjoyed an oyster stew at the church weekly.

We are happy to report that so many of the sick in our congregaition are now recovering, namely: Mrs. C. M. Zimmerman, Mrs. Lowen Weaver, Mrs. C. Miller, Mrs. Clyde Sink and little David Linnback.

We also welcome back all the returning servicemen. It will be a happy day when all of them can be with us.

RICHARD T. AMOS

NEW PHILADELPHIA.

The month was one of many activities on the part of the various organizations. Regular business meetings were held by all of them. The Men's Class of the Sunday school met with F. G. Crater, Sr. The Faithful Workers Class met at the parsonage and elected teachers and officers for another year. Circle One of the Woman's Auxiliary met with Mrs. W. H. Craver and Circle Two met in the home of Mrs. W. F. Brown. The Auxiliary sponsored a fellowship luncheon on Wednesday the seventh for the women of the congregation. A delegation from the Home Church Auxiliary was present and brief talks were made by several of the members and visitors.

At the morning service on the second Sunday five new members were received into the fellowship of the congregation. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barber and Mrs. Fred H. Shutt came to us by transfer, and Howard C. Aylworth and Fred H. Shutt were received on confession of faith and by adult baptism.

The young people enjoyed several special features during the month. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Clare entertained the group at their home on the second Saturday evening and served a delicious chicken stew, dumplings and coffee. A camp-fire service was held near the church on the third Sunday evening led by Joe H. Gray, Jr. A number of the group attended the Young People's Rally held at the Home Church on the evening of the 29th.

Regular mid-week prayer services were begun anew on the first Wednesday evening and the attendances, thus far have been encouraging. A Thanksgiving service was held on the evening of the 21st. A cash offering was received on the Sunday previous for the Salem Home. The pastor conducted one of the prayer services at Bethesda during the month.

Moravian College Prayer Day was observed on the fourth Sunday. In the afternoon of the same day eighteen members of our choir and some six or eight other members of our congregation participated in the 49th anniversary of the Mayodan congregation.

Two weddings were performed by the pastor, Odell Johnson and Maxine Brown on Saturday evening the 19th and Mack C. Smith and Barbara Cline on Friday evening the 30th.

A grave-side funeral service was conducted by the pastor on Friday afternoon the 30th for the infant twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Adams. Burial was made in the church graveyard.

Quite a number of our servicemen are being discharged and are now returning home. Others are at home on furlough. Perhaps this accounts for the higher attendances upon the Sunday school sessions and church services. The work for the month was most encouraging.

HOWARD G. POLTZ

LEAKSVILLE.

Practically all of our morning worship services for the month of November were of a special nature. We had a patriotic service on Sunday, November 11, at which time also those who had been in either World War I or World War II were recognized. Special emphasis was given to Christ as the Chief Elder of our church and a Holy Communion service was held in connection with it on November 18. We observed College Prayer Day on the fourth Sunday.

Our Thanksgiving service was held on Wednesday evening, November 21. Members of the congregation were asked to bring canned food and offering for the Salem Home. The response was even better than last year.

The two Woman's Auxiliaries met at the parsonage on the last Tuesday in the month to trim candles. Although it was a new experience to most of those present it didn't take them long to find out how it was done, and their work looked as though they were veterans.

With the first Sunday in December the pastorate of the present minister closed. The church gave him a "Lifetime" pen and pencil set, and to his wife money for a lace tablecloth. We are deeply grateful for these gifts. Since the minister and his wife have been in Leaksville, they have grown to love the church and the people. Thirty-nine new members have been added to our church in less than two years, with a loss of only three—making a total gain of 36. The membership now is 158. A lot has been purchased for a parsonage and almost a thousand dollars have been raised toward its erection. In departing the pastor and his wife wish for our Leaksville congregation God's continued blessings and guidance.

JOHN H. KAPP

ENTERPRISE.

This has been a month of the pastor's getting acquainted with the members of the congregation. A willingness to work with the new pastor is being manifested daily. We wish we had more time to spend here at Enterprise, but

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The entire congregation served a chicken pie and oyster supper to the public at the church recently. The net profit totaled $189.30 which was turned to general expenses of the church.

The young people also were busy during November. They served a country ham and fried chicken supper to the Men's Bible Class of the Baptist Church. The young people also were well represented at the Fall Rally at the Home Church on November 29.

Several of our servicemen returned during the month, namely: Clint Ebel of the Seabees, Junior Bowman and Edward Hege of the Army, and Fred Hege of the Navy. We welcome them back into the fellowship of this congregation.

RICHARD P. AMOS

KERNERSVILLE.

November being anniversary month for this congregation, this event usually occupies the major part of our attention. The anniversary sermon was preached on the 11th, on Friday night the 16th we had a fellowship supper and on Sunday the 18th two very largely attended and blessed services, namely, Holy Communion in the morning with a new record attendance for that occasion, and the lovefeast in the afternoon. After the fellowship supper, for which 150 were present, the pastor gave a brief review of the 75-year history of the congregation, and Dr. R. G. Abernathy of Winston-Salem entertained us by throwing on the screen about 100 beautiful pictures in natural color, some of them made by his fellow Camera Club member, Sam F. Vance, Jr.

At the Holy Communion two infants were baptized, namely, Salie Fulton Vance, a daughter of Fred and Iah Albert Vance, and Chery Lynn, daughter of Varrick and Erna Hendrix Mooney. Also, Elaine Ogbum Fluyt, recent bride of M/Sgt. John R. Fluyt, was received by letter of transfer.

Several families brought dinners which they ate in our commodious church kitchen, then at 3 p.m. our hand, augmented by several players from Friedland, presented a program of chorales on the church lawn. Two of our own experienced trumpeters came home for the week-end and thus enabled us to have the customary trumpet quartet for the opening of the lovefeast. Our church is supposed to seat at most 200, but the ushers reported 311 present in the lovefeast. Among the visitors were Bro. R. E. Bahnson of the Provincial Elders' Conference and Mrs. Bahnson; Dr. and Mrs. George R. Hoath, veteran missionaries of our church; Bro. O. E. Stimpson, pastor of Friedland, our mother church, together with members of the Friedland Official Boards; and Bro. Samuel J. Teach, our guest speaker who delivered an inspiring anniversary address. Music for the day was tops; our combined choirs were on hand with a lovely new anthem, and our soloists, Mrs. Samuel R. Pruitt, Jr., never sang better. It was a thrilling and happy day about which much more could be written, and for which we are deeply grateful.

WAITE R. ALLEN

CLEMMONS.

The Church Board held its regular monthly meeting at the home of J. G. Bogan and the Woman's Auxiliary met with Mrs. C. A. Hall at which time preparation was made for the Civic Club turkey supper. Three prayer services and four regular preaching services were held. Assisted in three funerals viz: Miss Carrie L. Stroupe, of Clemmons, on the 1st; Mrs. Clara Fishel Snyder of Advent on the 9th; and Mrs. Elanora L. Chitty on the 10th. Preached the anniversary sermon at Mayodan on the 25th. We are glad to welcome back to our church the three sons of J. A. Hall who have been in the service, viz: Henry, Grady and Kenneth; also B. B. Hampton, F. Eugene Hunter and Wayne Kishline and many other boys of the community.

On the third Sunday morning Thanksgiving service with offering for the Salem Home was held.

EDGAR O. HOLT

FAIRVIEW.

One of the highlights of our church activities during November was the fellowship banquet on November 15 when over 200 ate together in the basement auditorium of the church. The main address was given by Dr. George Manue of the First Presbyterian Church. Rev. C. Williams, toastmaster, also called upon the various other clergymen present for a few words. They were Bishop J. K. Pfahl, the Rev. Douglas L. Rights, former pastor, L. G. Lumkenbach, and the two sons of the congregation, the Rev. George G. Higgins and the Rev. J. Calvin Barnes. Special guests were some ten or twelve recently returned servicemen. The affair was sponsored by the Trustees and the Auxiliary served the meal.

Approximately a third of our seventy-seven men on the service honor roll have been discharged and are wearing civilian clothes again. One of the problems of these men, many of whom are married, is that of housing. The housing shortage in Winston-Salem is critical and a recent newspaper report speaks of trailers being brought to the city to ease the situation somewhat.

To all of our non-resident members and servicemen still away from home a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

JOHN R. WEINLICK

IMMANUEL.

This has been a month of heart-warming services and a variety of interests in church life. A quartet of gospel singers brought a message in a number of songs to our largest congregation of the month—152.

The Men's Bible Class was host to the Connie Pfahl and the S. F. Code classes at a dinner meeting. Over a hundred were present. Former pastors Allen and Teach were heartily greeted and brought brief messages.

The S. F. Code Class had its annual soup supper at the church with about forty present. Under the leadership of Mrs. Joan Code...
tion that there will be no delay in having a full-time pastor due to the measles. If each of us will give his prayerful interest and financial support, as most of us have these last months, our program will not only be completed but joyfully so. Bro. R. L. Teague, treasurer, reports $4,776 cash in hand.

The boards have witnessed to their interest in the matter of what Christians may do for world peace by arranging for a series of lecture-forum hours by Dr. Francis Anscombe. This was done in cooperation with the board of Waughtown Presbyterian Church.

O. E. STIMPSON.

HOPE.

On the evening of the 8th the regular monthly Auxiliary meeting at the home of Mrs. J. W. Allen. The Church Board meeting was held at the church on the evening of the 10th. A Thanksgiving service was held on the morning of the 11th. The program will be Thanksgiving service. Miss Ruth Pitts, a member of our congregation and on the staff of Radio Station WAIR, sang a solo for the service. Miss Pitts has taken the responsibility of directing our choir. Her work has not only shown marked results but has been a source of pleasure to herself and the members of the choir.

A beautiful floral arrangement made our church an inspiring place for the marriage of one of our most loved young women, Mary Reel, daughter of Bro. and Sr. Henry Reel. She became the bride of Lieut. Thomas Petty of Sherman, Texas, at 6 p. m. November 29.

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WILLLOW HILL.

On the first Sunday a memorial service was held for Arthur M. Hiatt who was accidentally killed in Germany on June 25. We were assisted by the Rev. Granville Gwyn.

A Thanksgiving service was held on the 29th. The offering of cash and food stuff was given to a very needy family of the community.

We are now able to report that the furnace has been installed and is ready for use.

W. CLYDE DAVIS.

November has been a month of excellent attendances at services, enthusiasm in the Sunday school, good singing by our choir, and continued evidences of the goodness of our people's hearts. Looking forward to the November 13th Communion we had a rededication service on the first Sunday. The number present for the sacrament was not as large as on a former occasion, but the presence of the Spirit was felt by a number in marked degree.

How thoughtful and generous are those of the household of faith! There can be no doubt about the thankfulness of Piedmont congregation. In addition to potatoes, pumpkins, etc., the pastor delivered to the Salem Home 134 jars of canned food. A number of these were half-gallons.

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TRINITY.

On the evening of November 4, three members were received into church membership: Betty Jean Cash by adult baptism; Fred and Donald Stovall by confirmation.

Thanksgiving service was held according to long established custom. The church was decorated with provisions brought for Salem Home. Ernest Mickey, C. C. Payne, and C. B. Williams were the decorators this year. A large quantity of flour was noticeable, adding liberally to the supply of the Home (Mrs. Yorke, the matron of the Home, stated that last year the donations of flour were sufficient to take care of all needs except for fifteen pounds she purchased). The travel lecture this year was "A Voyage Down the Yadkin-Great Pee Dee River," with W. D. Fishel, giving the serioption scenes of the voyage.

On the day after Thanksgiving Day the juniors had a wonderful time riding the trolley train to Bethabara. They rode past the Rev. E. T. Mickey, Jr., pastor of Bethabara, led them on an historic trip to view the site of the settlers' cabin, the fort, the hill-top graveyard, and the church.

Sunday school made its best showing in attendance on the eighteenth of November with 337 present.

Married on the 10th, Miss Violet Bostian and T/Sgt. Ashley Stonestreet; on the 17th, Miss Vista Lawson and Sgt. George S. Davis, Jr. Miss Lawson was our choir director.

DOUGLAS L. RIGHTS.

MOUNT AIRY.

The Festival of November Thirteenth was observed on the second Sunday with infant baptism, Holy Communion, and the reception of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Reeter and their son Jack D. Reeter, by letter. In the evening Brother George Higgin of Bethania brought us a fine message during our lovefeast.

We were glad to have Sister Higgin and little Miss Margaret in our midst also.

A heavy downpour of rain curtailed the attendance at our annual Thanksgiving prayer meeting. Interest and participation in the program on the part of all present made up for the lack in numbers. The offering for the Salem Home was larger than in any year. We likewise participated in the union service of the churches of our city held on Thanksgiving Day morning at the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Our second annual young people's banquet was held on November 23. Brother E. T. Mickey, Jr., was again the choice for our speaker. He brought a most earnest message to youth on "My Church And I." His impromptu organ recital which followed the banquet was enjoyed by all who had been present. The banquet was provided and served by the good women of our Auxiliary, Mrs. A. S. Williams was hostessmistress and Mrs. P. A. Westmoreland presided at the piano. Mildred Pruett reelected a selection, and Deacon Lee Boyd learned that he must stay in the big road hereafter.

Our sympathy is again extended to the Carl W. Jones, Otis Peeler and G. Herbert Childress families in their recent bereavements.

H. B. JOHNSON.

BBO. LUCKENBACH'S REPORT

On Nov. 4 held the fifty-second anniversary of Wachovia Arbor, which was organized by Bishop Rondhaler. Dr. A. D. Thaeler was the first pastor, serving in connection with Calvary. After a brief sermon at 11 a.m., the lovefeast was served followed by the Holy Communion. Bro. Henry C. Snyder of the Home Church had charge of the music. Also conducted the service at the same place on Nov. 18.

LEON G. LUCKENBACH.

BETHESDA.

The devoted planning and work of our Sunday school teachers and leaders for the busy season of Christmas is worthy of special recognition, and a greater number of children in the community are being attracted to the work of the Sunday school than ever before.

The annual Christmas program sponsored by the children of the Sunday school will be presented on Christmas Eve, and the Christmas Lovefeast and Candle Service will be held on the following Sunday.

We are happy to announce that the mimeograph machine, ordered several months ago, has at last arrived. The possession of such an important article is not only greatly facilitating the clerical work of the pastor but also weekly bulletins are being given added dignity to the services. We express our gratitude to Mrs. Gracie Pickens and C. V. Everhart who have kindly consented to handle the task of mimeographing the weekly bulletins.

On November 27, the Woman's Auxiliary planned and conducted a special Thanksgiving service. The special music rendered by the Bodenhamer sisters and Bro. Johnny Maynard gave added inspiration to the service. Brother Richard Ams, one of our newest recruits to the ministry, was warmly wel-