

Life Summary of
Robert James George McClurkin
(December 8, 1911 - May 6, 1956)

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JOHN W. PRITCHARD.

***The Ladies' Missionary Society of Second Boston contributed \$15 to foreign missions, not \$1,500.

***Robert James George McClurkin was born at the Covenanter Manse, Lisbon, N. Y., on Friday, Dec. 8.

***The ladies of the College Hill congregation held a rummage sale in Beaver Falls the second week in December.

***The Covenanter pulpit of the Barnesville congregation was declared vacant on Sabbath, Dec. 10, by the Rev. D. B. Elsey.

***Mr. Robert Fleming, of the Coldenham congregation, died Wednesday,

Dec. 13. Will be buried Saturday the 15th. eH was about 74 years of age.

***Mrs. Nettie Houghton Gregg, wife of Albert S. Beymer, of Pittsburgh, died on Saturday, Nov. 25, 1911. She was the eldest daughter of Mr. John R. Gregg.

***The L. M. S. of Geneva congregation sent a barrel of clothing and other goods to the Southern Mission and one to the Jewish Mission the first week in December.

***It is the intention to sell Dr. R. J. George's book, "The Covenanter Pastor", at cost. At present, this is down to \$1.50, and it may go lower, as orders are still coming in.

***The Thanksgiving sermon of Rev. J. M. Foster was published in the Citizen of Boston Dec. 9. Rev. Dr. G. M. Elliott, of St. Augustine, Florida, worshipped in the Second church that day.

***Rev. J. M. Coleman preached in the Geneva church on Sabbath evening, Nov. 26, to a large audience, and J. Boyd Tweed gave a fine discourse to the same congregation on Sabbath evening, Dec. 3.

***On Wednesday evening, Nov. 29, Mr. Robert McKnight was installed into the eldership in Geneva congregation, and Messrs. Brainerd Metheny, George Graham and George Rader were ordained and installed as deacons.

***The members of the Sabbath School class at Sharon, Iowa, taught by the late Mr. James Kenedy, recently adopted a series of resolutions expressing their appreciation of her services and their regard for her memory.

***We note the death of Mary Montgomery, wife of William Montgomery, at her late residence, 118 Waverly Place, New York City, Nov. 18, 1911: one of the old members of the Second Reformed Presbyterian congregation, New York.

***Married, at the Geneva Reformed Presbyterian parsonage, by Rev. J. C. Slater, on Nov. 21, 1911, Miss Nellie Lawson and Mr. James Gold. Immediately after the ceremony they left for Oakland, Cal., where the groom is engaged in business.

***One of Walton's oldest members, Miss Isabel Easson, passed away Nov. 10. Miss Easson was a sister of Henry Easson, our former missionary to Cyprus. She was always a most loyal Covenanter and a faithful worker. She has gone to her reward.

***The Rev. J. C. McFeeters, D.D., will give his Illuminated Lecture in Y. M. C. A. Hall, Twenty-third street building, New York City, on Thursday evening, January 18, 1912, at 8 o'clock. Admission free. Arrangements were made by the pastor of Third New York.

***Mr. John R. Lyons, a Covenanter of Marissa, Ill., who is in his 98th year, dictating a letter to his niece for us, says: "I always enjoy hearing what the CHRISTIAN NATION has to say. I wish you and your paper success." Those are words of cheer from pretty close to the gates of gloryland.

***The pastor and a few members of the Denison congregation have just

finished a series of evangelistic meetings at a mission station in the country. Rev. R. A. Blair was present and preached three evenings. These meetings are being followed by class instruction for those who expressed their intention of living a Christian life. The nightly audiences of the meetings averaged nearly one hundred.

***Wanted:—Persons knowing the names of Covenanters, or persons who would be interested in the Covenanter cause, in or about San Francisco, Cal., to furnish me the name, with address if possible, at once. Let me have them if possible not later than Jan. 15, 1912. I would also like to have the names of any Covenanters, or persons who would be interested in the Covenanter cause in or about Vancouver, B. C., or Winnipeg, Man.—J. S. THOMPSON, Home Mission Secretary, Prosser, Wash.

***Editor CHRISTIAN NATION: The committee on Systematic Beneficence has been requested by Synod to ascertain the number of tithers in the Church and recommend literature which will help to awaken interest in this Christian duty. The pastors and correspondents of the congregations in the Church will receive requests to report the number of their respective congregations who are giving the tithe, and it is earnestly desired that these reports be in the possession of the chairman of the committee not later than Dec. 30. The committee will also be glad to receive copies of the best tracts on this subject which may be known to members of the Church. The efforts of the committee so far have not been successful, but more energetic efforts are being made, which, it is hoped, will soon produce results.—J. M. WYLIE, 4222 Terrace street, Kansas City, Mo.

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WOMAN'S WORK FOR CHRIST.

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becoming a part of Scientific Temperance Instruction; the latter being combined with Work Among Lumbersmen. All the other departments still retain their former superintendents.

The symposium on the equal suffrage question was a splendid feature of the afternoon. The four speakers on the subject, who come from suffrage States, were: Mrs. H. F. Griffith, of California; Mrs. Adrianna Hungerford, of Colorado; Mrs. Margaret B. Platt, of Washington, and Mrs. Lulu L. Shepherd, of Utah. Mrs. Frances H. Ensign, of Ohio, also gave a splendid address on the subject.

Wednesday evening was the Platform Night, when some of the choicest oratorical efforts of the convention were made by Mrs. Ella A. Boole, of New York; Mrs. Florence D. Richard, of Ohio; Miss Christine I. Tinling, of Virginia, and Mrs. Lulu L. Shepherd, of Utah. Mayor Seidel, of Milwaukee, who was hindered by absence from the city from taking his place on the program at an earlier meeting, found it convenient to be present at this meeting and gave a candid talk to the delegates. He is a Socialist and frankly confessed that he did not altogether agree with our views, but he believed we could agree to work together for the youth. He believes something is going to happen soon along this line, and it is beginning to happen already.

It was at this meeting that invitations were received from Portland, Oregon; from Indianapolis, St. Louis, Rochester, New York, and other cities for the next two years' conventions. Later it was decided to meet in Portland, Oregon, in 1912.

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Letters From The Churches

The Editor of the CHRISTIAN NATION will be glad to receive news letters regularly and promptly from every Covenanter Congregation, both in this Country and in Great Britain.

Vernon, Wis.

To the Readers of the Christian Nation:
 Mrs. Samuel Lowry is suffering from throat trouble.

The hay fields have produced an abundant yield.

Miss Jane Dudley has spent a week in Fondulac sightseeing.

Miss Ina Plumb has been entertaining Milwaukee guests for a week.

The United Presbyterians here are keeping things lively with church socials.

Miss Nettie McNeil has returned home from visiting friends in Milwaukee and Beloit.

The evening of July 19 we had a severe electrical storm, but thankful to say, it did little damage.

Mrs. H. G. Patterson, with aid of an extra teacher each Sabbath p. m., is teaching the Sabbath School class these two days in the absence of our pastor, Rev. H. G. Patterson, who is in Hopkinton, Ia.

Lisbon, N. Y.

To the Readers of the Christian Nation:
 Our annual communion was held June 30. Robert Park was the pastor's assistant and gave us good preaching. The Monday sermon on "Personal Work" set us to thinking. The acting remains to be done.

Familiar faces at the sacramental feast were missing this year. Mrs. Elizabeth Hargrave Reynolds, of Potdam, N. Y., has passed away. Mr. and Mrs. John Cranston and Mrs. Agnes Smith could not be present because of feeble health.

Mrs. Wm. Robson has been confined to her home since the latter part of the winter with sciatic rheumatism, but was, in the good Providence of God, enabled to be out on communion Sabbath.

John A. Hargrave and Robert James George McClurkin were presented by their parents for baptism.

Esther, Anna and James Smith and Jennie McIlwee, who have been away

teaching, are home for the summer vacation.

Luther Smith has been elected superintendent of the Sabbath School, and Janette Robson, secretary and treasury.

Los Angeles, Cal.

To the Readers of the Christian Nation:

Mrs. Dodds, mother to John G. and Edwin, and her son James from La Junta, are with us, and enjoying our California summer.

Two Allen brothers from Nebraska worshipped with us July 7. They are working in the orange orchards near Ontario, Cal.

Miss Mamie Caskey is visiting her friend, Mrs. Winger, at Owengo, Cal.

Rev. W. C. Allen spent a couple of days with friends when passing through on his way to his family in Oakland.

Miss Ruth McDonald is spending a couple of weeks with friends in Santa Ana.

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Oakdale, Ill.

To the Readers of the Christian Nation:

Mr. and Mrs. Cargill Boyd are the proud parents of a little son since the 16th. Mrs. Rachel Holmes, of Old Bethel congregation, Mrs. Boyd's mother, is here looking after its interests.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Kemps are entertaining their son, Luther, and wife and children, of St. Louis, during the latter's vacation.

Mr. Jno. Piper attended the funeral of Mr. Douglas, of Coulterville, recently.

Mr. Kennedy Auld has returned from Iowa, where he has had employment.

The news of the death of Mrs. Rebecca Robb, of California, was received by relatives at this place not long since. She was sister of Mrs. James Thompson and Mrs. R. S. Carson. Sympathy is extended to these sisters, who have lost a brother, Mr. Jno. Speer, and two sisters, Miss Jourmale and Mrs. Robb, inside of the past year.

A severe electrical storm visited this

community Sabbath afternoon, the 21st, after service. Mrs. Samuel Torrens, one of our members, was stunned by a bolt of lightning in her home during the storm, but has recovered. A horse was killed in Mr. Robert Luney's barn the same afternoon. It was owned by his son-in-law.

Miss Ethel Torrens and sister, Anna, of St. Louis congregation, were guests of friends at this place recently.

Our pastor and wife enjoyed a trip up the Illinois river not long since.

Mrs. Nannie Morrison had the pleasure of entertaining her son, Ralph, for a week while on his vacation. We are always glad to have our Oakdale boys make these return visits.

Grandma Torrens, although in feeble health, is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. McNair, of St. Louis, this week.

National Reform Work by J. R. Dill.

To the Readers of the Christian Nation:

On Sabbath, July 7, it was the privilege of the writer to speak in the interests of National Reform in Faggs Manor Presbyterian church, Chester County, Pa., fifty miles from Philadelphia.

Faggs Manor Classical School was established near to this church in 1739. Rev. Samuel Blair was its first principal. The Rev. Samuel Davies, president of New Jersey College, the Rev. John McMillan, one of the founders of Jefferson College, and the Rev. John Foss, founder of Dickinson College, were students from Faggs Manor Classical School.

Faggs Manor Presbyterian congregation will number some four hundred communicants, and are, with but few

exceptions, farmers, and are of the more substantial and steadfast type of Presbyterians. The day being a perfect gem among days, the house was well filled, and the attention given to the speaker as near to perfect as can be, I think. My theme in this service as announced was, "The Church's Larger Mission." The Rev. Frank Malen is pastor over this congregation. The speaker was very kindly entertained at the home of the minister from Saturday until Monday. In the evening of the same day I spoke in the Presbyterian church, Cochranville, two miles distant from Faggs Manor. The service in this village was a union between the Presbyterians and Methodists. My theme in this place, as stated, was, "The Sabbath for Man." Again the attention of the hearers was all that we could desire.

Respectfully submitted,
 J. RENWICK DILL.

GENEVA COLLEGE NOTES.

The Normal Department that has just closed was the largest and most successful in the history of the College. The attendance was more than double that of the previous year. The outlook for the fall opening is very bright. There will be a large number of new students from Covenanter homes from various parts of the country, and the number of local students will be larger than usual.

Prof. Long, the new Physical Director, will be on hand before the opening of College to get things in shape for his work. He is already showing great interest in his work by getting into touch with prospective new stu-

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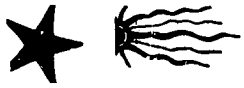
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NOTICE TO YOUNG PEOPLE.

The Kansas-Iowa Y. P. Convention last year requested the Y. P. Secretary to ask all the Conferences and Conventions this year to vote on whether they favor a national Covenanter Y. P. Convention to be held at Winona Lake, Ind., in 1928. Each Society is asked to consider this matter and tell its delegates to the summer conferences where it stands. This question should be carefully considered before the Conferences begin. —D. H. Elliott.

***Miss Anna Hawthorne, of Third New York, has gone to Maine for four weeks in July.

***During the summer the address of Frank D. Frazer and family will be Mineral, Wash.

***Dr. R. J. G. McKnight assisted at the communion services at North Union on Sabbath, June 29th.

***Elder Lawson Faris and wife, of Santa Ana, have been visiting at Bloomington, Indiana, since Synod.

***Dr. M. M. Pearce, President of Geneva College, is to be at the Tri-Presbyterial Camp at White Lake this summer.

***Tom Slater, son of Dr. T. M. Slater, of Montclair, left July 2nd for Fulton, N. Y., where he will spend the summer.

***Mrs. Chas. Lindsay and daughter Grace, of Montclair congregation, are spending the month of July at Camp Nyoda, New Jersey.

***Herbert Gatsch, of Second New York, has recently graduated from Stuyvesant High school and expects to attend New York University.

***Budget folders containing information on the new Synodical Budget have been mailed to all congregations in numbers designed to place one in every home.

***If your Stewardship Thermometer is worn or dirty, send to the Forward Movement Office for a new one. A new edition is just off the press. Several orders are in already.

***Dr. James Withrow, of Ohio State University, was a visitor in the Christian Nation office last week on his way home after a trip of several weeks to the West Indies.

***Miss Marcia Robinson, of Portland, Ore., congregation, is spending the summer in the East visiting her sister, Mrs. E. W. Jones, of Second New York, and other relatives.

***Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Fulton, of Youngstown, have moved out to their place in the country near Boardman. Their house is not completed as yet and they are camping while the work is going forward.

***Mr. and Mrs. George O. Pritchard and daughters, Gladys and

Mildred, of Montclair congregation, motored to White Lake July 3 to stay over the week-end visiting Rev. and Mrs. John H. Pritchard.

***Eugene R. Curry, of Winchester congregation, having just completed his course in Business Administration in Harvard University, is taking a trip abroad visiting England, France, Italy and Switzerland.

***The young ladies of Cambridge congregation have been busy winning medals in W. C. T. U. silver medal contests this past winter. Elizabeth Carlin, Marion Faris and Greeta Morton Coleman are all wearing them.

***The Rev. A. A. Wylie is to be in charge of the praise services at White Lake this summer. Mr. Wylie's leadership at the two former encampments made the praise services memorable for both art and devotion.

***Mr. and Mrs. Moore, of Washington, Iowa, visited their son Earl at Geneva College during commencement week, and their daughter at Bloomington, Indiana, since Synod. Miss Moore is a very successful Chiropractor in Bloomington.

***William J. Mitchell, of Second New York, has just graduated from Washington High school. He won a Columbia scholarship for editorial work. A play which he wrote has been accepted by Walter Baker Co., publishers, for which he received \$80.

***Rev. Robert Park and family and Miss Lena Tomasson, enroute by auto to the coast, spent Sabbath, June 29, with the La Junta, Colorado, congregation. Rev. Park preached at both services and his messages were very much appreciated and enjoyed.

***Mrs. Sarah Isabell McElhinney, a member of the Morning Sun Congregation, died June 17, 1924, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Caldwell. She was 82 years of age. Her husband died 42 years ago. She leaves three children, David, James Melvin and Mrs. Caldwell.

***Connellsville:—Following an appropriate sermon by the pastor on the Christian Amendment, the petition sent out by the Witness Committee was presented and endorsed by the congregation and friends without a dissenting vote. The same was forwarded to the President of the United States.

***The impression that David Edgar Thompson, of Canonsburg, Pa., who was drowned at Beaver Falls, was studying to be a minister is a mistake. He was a student of engineering and so far as his most intimate friends knew, it was his intention to take up the same work in Geneva next year.

***At the promotion exercises of Latimer Junior High School in Pittsburgh, Robert McClurkin was one of eighteen in a class of over 300 9th grade pupils to receive a scholarship pin for having a majority of "A's." Robert was the youngest member of

his class. He received also a special award for his work in the dramatic club during the year.

***Montclair Sabbath School had their annual outing in Verona Park Saturday, June 28th. The attendance was large and all had a wonderful time with games, races, boating and eating. A big feature was the ball game between the men and women which resulted in a tie. Mr. John Hunter, a brother of Mrs. Slater, and his son Paul were welcome guests.

***In a recent letter Dr. W. J. McKnight writes: "On returning from Synod I was encouraged and greatly pleased to learn that the First Boston Congregation had had an exceptionally good prayer meeting on the Synodical Sabbath during my absence, and that the talks and prayers had taken a deeply sympathetic memorial coloring in connection with the death of the two boys at Geneva."

***Young People's Summer Conference dates are as follows:

Pacific Coast	August	6-10
Kansas	"	12-14
White Lake	"	9-23
Rose Point	"	15-25
Ohio	"	21-24
Illinois	"	20-21
Iowa	"	20-22
Colorado	"	22-23

Y. P. Secretary.

***Attention of the Young People is again called to the "Soul Winning Letter Contest" to take place at all the Conventions this summer. Twenty-five dollars in prizes are offered to the winners. Turn to the two letters published in the Christian Nation of May 28. You are to write a reply to letter Number Two. Let each Society conduct a preliminary of its own to pick the best from the Society.

***F. F. Reade was appointed to declare the pulpit of Miller's Run congregation vacant, which he did on June 22nd, he and S. G. Conner exchanging pulpits for that day. Mr. Reade visited in all the homes of the congregation while there. A Mission School is maintained at the mining town of Bishop which looks promising, with proper oversight and hard work, for the beginnings of a Covenanter community.

***On June 22nd, in the Sabbath School at Bishop conducted by Rev. S. G. Connor, thirty-two mission pupils remained for preaching and as good order prevailed as might be seen with the same number of Covenanter children unaccompanied by parents. A boy about twelve brought sister, two and a half years old, and cared for her in Sabbath School and the preaching service, and also gave brotherly oversight to another small sister. It was a sight worth seeing.

***Mrs. A. G. Robinson, of First Boston, has been suffering for some time from an almost total loss of sight. She is now under treatment in the hospital. Yesterday, from the time of this writing, an operation was

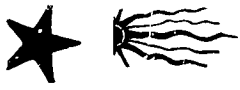
performed, which has every promise of restoring her sight. When Mrs. Robinson suffers every person in First Boston suffers with her, for she is one woman whom every member of the congregation has reasons to honor and love.

***The call to serve as Moderator of Synod has this among its many pleasant consequences: One learns anew the extent of his circle of friends. Among the letters and telegrams that were delivered to the Rev. G. M. Robb conveying the pleasure others took in his call to the Moderator's chair at Winona Lake was one from Quinter, Kansas. It read: "Congratulations from your old congregation." Mr. Robb was pastor of the Quinter congregation from 1914 to 1920.

***The Budget Poster prepared this year contains Synod's Budget and has blank spaces to be stamped in with the amounts of the local budget, the congregation's share of Synod's Budget and the total amount, which figure is stamped in red. The same poster is going to all. Where the amount of the local budget was not reported the blank is left for congregations to fill in if they desire.

***The County W. C. T. U. Institute met in Oakdale June 24, 1924, in the U. P. church. On account of the condition of the roads many were prevented from attending. Those who were privileged to attend found the program as carried out helpful and inspiring. The County President, Mrs. Jennie Parlier, gave us a splendid Review of the field. Mrs. Billington, in song and story, interested the children. Dr. Wylie spoke on the Bible in the Public Schools, showing the necessity of training our youth for Christian citizens. In the evening Mrs. Billington, State Worker, gave a lecture on Christian Citizenship. We must safeguard the children. Put no stumbling block in their way to a clean, pure manhood and womanhood.

***The service in Merrimac Mission, Boston, was conducted by Rev. J. M. Foster Tuesday evening, July 1. The text: Judges 15:19. The Spirit clothed Himself with armour and he was strong as God. Every Christian may be so clothed. Jonathan Edwards, Spengem Whitefield, Moody, Gypsy Smith, Billy Sunday are the inflamed men of the Spirit. The Spirit was present at the Mission. Mr. Carey and eight workers from the Central Congregational church of Dorchester came. He told of God's answer to his prayers in raising up his sick wife. Mr. Irish testified that God had restored his sick daughter in response to his prayers. Many hands were raised for prayer. A man who had back-slidden came forward to get help. Capt. Fritz declared that Christ cured him of the tobacco habit. He was a slave to the filthy weed and God freed him. Our bodies are God's temples and must not be defiled. Keep thyself pure.



Notes

***J. M. Johnston will furnish the prayer meeting comment for November, and J. B. Gilmore for December.

***Rev. Paul D. White, of our Indian Mission, is to be the assistant at the Eskridge Communion, October 12th.

***Robert Lytle and Bruce Lytle, members of First Beaver Falls congregation, are very seriously ill with typhoid fever.

***Rev. A. A. Wylie, pastor of Syracuse congregation, was in Cambridge, Mass., September 25-29, assisting at communion.

***Miss Lytle Stormont and Miss Helen Funk, both recent Geneva graduates, are to teach in our Southern Mission this year.

***Did the membership of the Covenant Church grow during the past year, or fall behind? Send today for a copy of the Minutes of Synod and learn for yourself.

***Mrs. J. C. McKnight returned to her home in Orlando the first day of October. The friends in Blanchard have enjoyed her presence through these weeks.

***Do you know what last Synod did with reference to deacons having representation at this meeting regularly with elders? Send today for a copy of the Minutes.

***The College Hill congregation will celebrate the Lord's Supper the second Sabbath of October. The pastor will be assisted by ministers who worship with the congregation.

***James McFarland has entered the freshman class at Syracuse University. Cameron May, of Coldenham, has returned for his second year. Both boys are pre-medic students.

***Mr. D. I. Renfrew and family motored to Washington, D. C., September 23rd, where they visited Mrs. Renfrew's sister, Miss Sarah Renfrew, and incidentally did some sight-seeing.

***Robert McClurkin, of North Union congregation, is in the sophomore class at Allegheny High School this year. Mae Hartzell and Alice Hartzell are in their junior year at Penn Township High School.

***Some of our smaller congregations have sent in a large order this year for the Minutes of Synod. We would like to publish a report from pastors as to what percentage of their families have taken copies.

***Mr. and Mrs. Sam McKnight returned home to Kansas City from Blanchard after spending their vacation among friends there. Their presence has been greatly appreciated in the congregation.

***Mr. G. G. McLaury, elder in Coldenham congregation, but who, these years, has been in the South, has been

visiting his many friends in Coldenham. All would be glad if Mr. and Mrs. McLaury would decide to return to the Coldenham region.

***Eunice L. McClurkin, of North Union congregation, who has been ill with malaria following the ten days spent at Rose Point Camp during the convention, was able to drive out with the family for the church services on Sabbath, September 28th.

Paul D. McCracken, second year student in the Seminary, is reported practically cut of danger after a very serious attack of typhoid fever. Wycliffe, Paul's younger brother, is still critically ill with the same malady at his home in Beaver Falls.

***The new church edifice of the College Hill congregation is now under roof. The contractor assures that it will be complete on schedule time (Thanksgiving Day). Members of the congregation are anxiously looking forward to its occupancy.

***Correction:—The report of the Tri-Presbyterial Camp at White Lake, was credited in last week's Christian Nation to Miss Lucy Franke, instead of to her sister, Miss Lily Franke. The continuation of the report will be found on page 11, of this issue.

***Miss Fareeda Awad, teacher in our Girls' School, Latakia, and sister of Rev. Khaleel Awad, has been called to her heavenly home. Fareeda has been one of the loyal workers and is deeply mourned by all who were touched by her consecrated life.

***Greeley, Colorado, reports fine rains, relieving the drought and the weather ideal for fall. Colorado just can't be beat anytime. Crops fair and people more hopeful. Great prospects for Northern Colorado being the great oil producing center of the future.

***Mrs. W. J. McKnight, of Boston, Mass., who broke her leg while at the Thousand Islands in August, is spending some time at the home of her sisters, the Misses Ella and Agnes Scott. We are glad to report that Mrs. McKnight is recovering nicely.

***Mrs. A. A. Wylie was installed as Superintendent of the Children's Department of the Onondaga Council of Religious Education at their recent convention. Mrs. D. R. MacAllister addressed the Children's Conference at this convention on "The Use of Story-Telling and the Picture in Primary Teaching."

***Miss Edna Purvis, a teacher in Beaver Falls schools, and Mr. Stanley Purvis, a student at Geneva, are confined to their home on College Hill with a severe attack of typhoid fever. Miss Mildred Robinson, a B. F. H. S. student and member of College Hill congregation, is ill with the same disease.

***Attention is called to an editorial in this issue concerning the excellence of the Minutes of Synod and the duty of every minister, officer and member of the Covenant Church,

either having a copy, or having access to one. Send in your order with 50c to Mr. Tibby, Penn building, Pittsburg, Pa.

***The Coldenham congregation passed through a very pleasant and profitable communion on August 31st. Dr. F. M. Foster dispensed the Sacrament. We all enjoyed having Dr. F. M. Foster and daughter Hazel over the week-end of August 31st. They stopped at the home of Mr. George H. Arnott on the Ridge.

***On the last Sabbath of August, the Coldenham congregation showed forth the Lord's death in the Communion supper. The attendance was very good, and the interest well sustained through all the services, which were conducted by the pastor of Third New York. The congregation is praying for a pastor, and the "field is white for the harvest."

***During the past week the pastor of the Utica congregation had occasion to speak twice concerning the investment of the life. On Tuesday the Martinsburg High School was addressed, and on Friday the Boy Scouts of Utica. It is a God-given privilege and a real joy to speak to young people about making their lives count for the most.

***Pittsburgh Presbytery stands adjourned to meet in the Wilkesburg church the fourth Tuesday of October (the 28th) at 10 P. M., Eastern Standard Time. The forwarding of Elders' certificates will be greatly appreciated by clerks. Sessional records are due for examination at this meeting.—R. W. Redpath, Clerk, Beaver Falls, Pa.

***The editorial herewith published concerning the Minutes refers to the fact that for many years the people are failing to buy copies of the Minutes of Synod, a large number of unsold copies being left on Mr. Tibby's hands, and raises the question if there is any relation between this situation and a falling membership. What do you think?

***Miss Pearl Weeks, of our Mission in China, spoke in the Geneva College chapel, on the evening of September 7th, to a union meeting of the College Hill and Geneva congregations. Most of the audience had never met Miss Weeks, and were glad to see her and to hear the interesting description of idol worship in China which she gave.

***Topeka young people have been shifting with the beginning of the school year. Andrew Robb is teaching in the High School at Morrill, Kansas; Elizabeth McClelland in that at Mayetta; and Helen Lyons at Arkansas City. Samuel Boyle has gone to Geneva. Margaret Godfrey, of Washington, Ia., Ruth Lathom, of Princeton, Ind., James Mulligan, of Billings, Okla., May Keys, of Winchester, Kans., Elma Hohmes and Helen Mitchell, of Topeka, have re-

sumed their work in the Topeka schools.

***Special prayer seasons have been held by the Young People's Society of the College Hill congregation for those struck down by the epidemic of typhoid seemingly coming from some infection at the Rose Point Camp. There has been a quiet asking, "What is God speaking to me through this?" Miss Mildred Robinson, the only one of our delegates so far afflicted, is happily around the turn for the better. Reports from our other delegates at the Camp will be heard the first Sabbath evening of October. Everything points to a banner year in the Society's work.

***Correction: Dear Christian Nation—In your issue of September 24, page eleven, column three, in the Notes on the Prayer Meeting Topic, in the next to the last paragraph, inadvertently an injustice was done. It was a printer's error that the proof-reader overlooked. The quotation marks were omitted from the lines beginning with, "We realize that bad social conditions will not right themselves by a general process of social revolution," and continuing to the end of the paragraph. Honesty is a prime requisite in a minister as well as in a layman. Thank you.—Yours sincerely, Walter McCarroll.

***Many of us have had or have known about direct answer to prayers, but few of us have experienced any answer more definite than this. Action was taken at Rose Point Conference on the suggestion of Mrs. W. J. Ward, camp matron, to send a committee of three to ask two storekeepers' who made a practice of carrying on trade on the Lord's Day, to discontinue the practice. Before going on the errand the committee met and asked God's blessing and guidance. As a result both merchants definitely pledged themselves to refrain from selling merchandise on Sabbath, not only during the period of the conference, but on future Sabbaths as well.

***We call attention to our witness committee's note in last week's issue concerning their tract, "Nicknaming the Sabbath," and advise all our pastors to secure and distribute this among our own people. The almost universal habit of calling the Lord's Day "Sunday" has a tremendously hard pressure upon those of us who hold to the Scriptural names for the Sabbath, and cases are not unknown, especially among our younger people where they are falling in with the language of their companions. Give them this tract, and let them have a chance to know the history of this profane name for God's sacred day, and the reasons we have for the exclusive use of the names God has given it. Send today for a consignment of these to the Witness Committee, 2325 Osgood street, Pittsburg, Pa.

★ Notes

***Dr. W. W. Carithers attended Synod and all were delighted at the measure of his returning health.

***Dr. and Mrs. James McCarroll and little daughter, of Denver, Colo., were visitors at Synod at Winona.

***On Decoration Day Geneva College defeated Duquesne University by a score of 5 to 2 in a tennis match on the Geneva courts.

***While Rev. Paul D. McCracken still lives at Rose Point, his post office address has been changed to R. F. D. 6, New Castle, Pa.

***Rev. Thomas McFall, of Somerset, Nova Scotia, was a very welcome visitor in Montclair and Wilkesburg on his way to Synod.

***Mrs. Elizabeth Smiley, of Silverton, Oregon, worshipped with the Portland congregation during their spring communion services.

***The sad word has come of the death on June 7th of Frederic, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy George, of Scottsdale, Arizona.

***Mr. James Torrens, of our Chicago congregation, has recently gone to Santa Ana, Calif., to live. His new address is 801 East Third street.

***Samuel Boyle, of our Topeka congregation, a Senior in Geneva College, has been elected president of the College Y. M. C. A. for the ensuing year.

***Dr. J. Renwick Wylie, of Beaver Falls, has of late been doing considerable preaching for Dr. Savage, pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian church, N. S., Darlington, Pa.

***Action on the overture on changes in Testimony was delayed till the next meeting of Synod to give the sessions opportunity to vote upon it. Many sessions failed to do so.

***An indication of the volume of work done at Geneva College may be seen in the total expenditures of the school for the year just closed. \$251,340.33—over a quarter of a million dollars.

***The total number of volumes in the Geneva College library is 14,536. Three hundred of this number have been added within the past year. The library has a seating capacity of 115 and is often crowded to capacity.

***There were enrolled a total of thirty this last year on the teaching staff of the school of Liberal Arts in Geneva College. Including the teachers in the Summer and Extension schools, there are approximately another thirty.

***We are glad to inform our readers that the splendid series of articles on congregational singing, signed by "A Precentor," which we ran in our columns, were written by Mr. David M. Dodds, precentor of our Kansas City congregation.

***Dr. and Mrs. Paul Pritchard stopped off over Sabbath, June 5th, with Mrs. H. S. Pritchard in Montclair. They were driving home to White Lake from Catawba College, North Carolina, where both Dr. and Mrs. Pritchard teach.

***Rev. C. T. Carson preached the Baccalaureate sermon for the Sterling High School. He chose for his text, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God?" using Ruskin's seven lamps of architecture as points, truth, memory, beauty, sacrifice, strength and life.

***A system of Honors has just been decided upon in Geneva College whereby students of superior attainment, by extra reading as prescribed, may gain special scholastic distinction. This system displaces the traditional Valedictory and Salutatory honor system.

***There was this past year a total enrollment of 266 girls in the Physical Education classes of Geneva College. The training of these girls in gymnastics is under the direction of Miss Edna George of our College Hill congregation and for a number of years past physical director for women in Geneva.

***The total tuition received from the students in the Geneva College Extension school this past year was \$24,786 and the total salaries paid for teaching in this department \$19,435. This leaves a balance of over \$5,350, not including charges for overhead expenses which will total less than half that amount.

***Portland congregation greatly enjoyed a visit with our missionaries from China, Rev. and Mrs. Julius A. Kempf, now on furlough after nine years of continuous service. They brought us good news of the power and progress of the truth of Christ where it is patiently and faithfully taught.

***Among 166 students of Allegheny county—high school, parochial and private—in a mental test conducted May 11th by the exceptionally able youths' committee of the Allegheny County Civic Club, Robert J. G. McClurkin, son of Rev. and Mrs. Walter McClurkin, stood second. Thirty-two awards and eighteen preliminary awards were made.

***Rev. G. R. Steele preached on May 29th at the union services held in Spencer Hall. It was a Memorial Day service. His text was Psalm 144:15: "Happy is that people whose God is the Lord." He used this opportunity to preach to the people some good Covenant doctrine. Many expressed their appreciation of it. The old soldiers said they liked it, too.

***Prof. Earl A. Moore, of the English department in Geneva College, expects to take graduate work for his Ph.D. degree next year in the Indiana State University at Bloomington. His wife, Cleo Bryan Moore,

a graduate of Geneva in the class of 1913, will take most of his regular work in Geneva during his absence. Mrs. Moore has for a number of years had charge of college classes in the study of English.

***A meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions was held in Philadelphia, Tuesday, May 17th. At this meeting Mr. Chester Hutcheson was appointed headmaster of the boys' school in Latakia. He will enter the Biblical Seminary for one semester's work before sailing for the field. Members of the Board met with the China missionaries for a conference in regard to the situation in China the day before Synod opened.

***This past college year ended with Geneva champions of the Tri-State Conference in football, cross-country running and track meets; third in basketball and tennis playing. Intramural athletics were indulged in to a greater extent than ever before. Seventy-three per cent of the male student body participated in basketball and baseball. Thirty girls also played basketball, winning five out of six intercollegiate games.

***Hebron congregation enjoyed a very pleasant sacramental season closing May 29th. Rev. J. D. Edgar was present as assistant. The people greatly enjoyed his preaching. One name was added to the roll of membership. A friend of the pastor had brought him a bottle of water from the River Jordan and a portion of it was used in baptizing Eugene Cameron Stevenson, son of Ed and Fanny Stevenson. People enjoyed the visit of Miss Florence Edgar, who came with her brother from California.

***For the third successive year Geneva College on Decoration Day won the Tri-State Conference track and field meet. In this meet there were five contesting colleges Geneva winning 101 1-3 points against a total of 73½ on the part of all her contestants. Seven conference records were exceeded during the day, Geneva making five of the seven. She won thirteen first places and tied in the fourteenth out of a possible sixteen, in addition to a number of second, third and fourth places. Among the winners were Dwight Piper and John McKnight both Covenanters, the latter of whom has been the captain of the team for the past year and who at the close of the day's events was awarded a silver cup.

***The annual Spring festival of Geneva College, held in the Reeves Stadium, May 27, was this year an exceptionally successful affair. It is held each year under the efficient directorate of Miss Edna George, Geneva's physical director for women, assisted by Miss Isabelle Stewart, both of the College Hill congregation of our Church. It was participated in this year by approximately one hundred of Geneva's girl students and a few boys who represented Generals Washington, Grant, Lee and Dewey and Abraham Lincoln and his negro

slave. The evening's performance was entitled "Visions of Old Glory" and consisted of three episodes representing, respectively, the Spirit of the Indians, of the Wilderness and of Patriotism. Under the last named were portrayed interesting scenes in war days—the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Civil, Spanish-American and World Wars. A special feature of the occasion was the skillful horseback riding of Mrs. Marguerite McCreary, of our Geneva congregation, impersonating Paul Revere in his famous ride. The principal characters in the evening's performance were Covenanters, among them being Mary Stormont, Maude Slater, Gertrude Lee, Elizabeth McIsaac, Mrs. McCreary, James Stewart, William Tacey and James Steele.

***The services in the Merrimac Mission Tuesday evening, May 31st, were conducted by Rev. J. M. Foster. The text was: "But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite he hardened his heart." Ex. 8:15. All nations have the proverb of the sick man's vows and the well man's sins. "Because sentence against an evil is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil." Eccl. 8:11. The Lord Jesus Christ has purchased a reprieve for all the human race. In this sense He tasted of death for every man. Sinful men count God's "waiting to be gracious" as indifference. But the barren fig tree, after three years' endurance, is cut down by the Proprietor Husbandman. After Noah had preached one hundred and twenty years to his contemporaries, God shut him in the ark, and destroyed the world of the ungodly with the flood. "God saw the wickedness of man that it was great and that every imagination of his heart was only evil, and that continually: and it repented Him that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him in His heart." Gen. 6:5, 6. God waited for Sodom and Gomorrah to repent and sent just Lot to warn them. But the day came when the angel hastened Lot and his daughters out of the cities and destroyed them with fire and brimstone. The Christians warned Jerusalem for thirty-seven years, but in 70 A.D. the Roman legions came and destroyed the city, 1,100,000 perished, and to this day the Jews have been "the tribe of the wandering foot." But the Christians in the city delayed the judgment. Titus led his legions back from the city and encamped. The Christians fled from the city, crossed the Jordan and took refuge in Mount Pella. Then Titus returned to his bloody work and razed the city. God allowed the nations of Canaan forty years to fill up the cup of their iniquity to the brim before the armies of Israel were suffered to enter in and drive them out. Men despise the riches of God's grace in waiting long. But the delay, when abused, only serves to accumulate God's wrath and make their destruction all the more full and dreadful. Sinner, flee to Christ for refuge, before it is too late.

★ Notes

***A baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blackwood, of Quinter, Kansas, on June 27th.

***Dr. and Mrs. Walter McCarroll, of Second New York, are taking a motor trip through Vermont.

***Dr. and Mrs. Paul Pritchard have been visiting recently in Walton, the former home of Mrs. Pritchard.

***Can the Psalms be used with confidence of success in evangelistic work? Ask somebody from Barnet.

***The summer address of Dr. M. M. Pearce, President of Geneva College, will be c/o Mrs. James Graham, McGees Mills, Pa.

***John W. Pritchard, of Detroit, is spending the summer in Montclair, N. J., with his grandmother, Mrs. Harriet S. Pritchard.

***Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Tibby, of Pittsburgh, and their sons are spending July at Sherwood Forests, Md., on the Severn River.

***Miss Winifred McLam and Miss Agnes McLam were home from teaching in time to attend the evangelistic meetings at Barnet.

***Misses Bernice Alexander and Ruth Henderson, of Geneva College, are with "the Home Folks" in Walton, N. Y., for the summer.

***Miss Lilian Henderson and Mr. Robert Russell were among the fifty-seven graduates of the Walton, N. Y., High School this year.

***Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Weir and child, and Miss Lola Weir will arrive in New York from Cyprus July 22 on the S. S. Roma, Italian Line.

***We are sorry to note the passing away on July 5th of Mrs. Agnes McCormick Mitchell, wife of Rev. J. T. Mitchell, of Mosgrove, Pa.

***Mrs. Margaret Bosthwick, of Walton congregation, is ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. Gregory, at the time of writing, July 7th.

***Friends of the American Bible Society will regret to learn of the death on June 22nd of Rev. Arthur Clayton Ryan, D.D., General Secretary of that Society.

***Mr. James Hutton, member of the Walton congregation, recently received his Ph.D. degree from Cornell University. Dr. Hutton will teach next year in Cornell.

***Prof. Hilton Alexander, Principal of the Wellsville, Ohio, High School, visited a few days at the home of his parents in Walton, N. Y., before entering Columbia Summer School.

***Mr. and Mrs. Robert McNeill have come over from Connecticut to New York State and have purchased a home in Walton. The Walton congregation bids them a hearty welcome.

***On Friday morning of the communion at Barnet the pastor baptized

Lydia Maria Richardson, her daughter Thelma Gladys Richardson, and James Alden Brock, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brock.

***Visitors at the recent communion at Barnet included Misses Adelphe and Pauline Faris of First Boston, (who are sojourning in our midst), Russell Faris, Misses Margaret Finlayson, Elizabeth and Anna Carlin of Cambridge.

***A Young Women's Missionary Society of Hebron community has been organized recently with Miss Isabel McConnell as President, Miss Marjorie Tippin, Vice President, Miss Esther Stevenson, Secretary, and Miss Marie Woodside, Treasurer.

***Paul Davis, of our Princeton, Ind., congregation and a 1927 graduate of Geneva College, is this summer working for Cameron Patterson, a graduate of Geneva in the class of 1926. The two are house builders on College Hill.

***Katherine Brock, Marion Brock, Lydia Richardson, Thelma Richardson, Robert Self, Beulah Somers and Ruth Somers confessed their Christian faith in the Barnet meetings, and the first four were received into the Church at this communion season.

***Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Gregg expect to spend the last two weeks of their visit in the United States with relatives at 23 Hancock Ave., Yonkers, N. Y., then sail from Montreal about July 16th. Mr. Gregg writes: "We have had a superb holiday."

***Miss Dorothy Slater, daughter of the Rev. Dr. John C. Slater and wife of the Geneva congregation, is spending the summer with her friend, Miss Mary Stormont, at the latter's home in Princeton, Ind. Both will be Seniors the coming year in Geneva College.

***In this issue appears the Standard of Efficiency as adopted by the Women's Missionary Synodical this year. All others are incorrect. Cut this Standard of Efficiency out and paste it into your Uniform programs. Suggestions for its use will come in the Nation. Watch for them.

***The L. M. S. of the Barnet congregation recently held a called meeting at the home of Mrs. Lex Morrison, to which were invited the ladies of the West Barnet Society. Mrs. Greer reported the recent Synodical at Winona Lake and gave several missionary readings.

***The climax in the Barnet meetings came the last night, Sabbath, following communion in the morning. With a look back and a look ahead what better text than the one Dr. Greer used, Song of Solomon 3:4: "I found him whom my soul loveth: I held him and would not let him go."

***Ministers' wives sometimes have birthdays. The lady of Brookside Manse (Barnet congregation) is no exception. About 20 women sprung a surprise on Mrs. Smith at the home of Mrs. Will Faris that will not soon

be forgotten. Presents too numerous to mention were to be carried home later.

***One of the best meetings held recently at Barnet was the one for men at 2:30 Sabbath afternoon. It was attended by some 60 men of the neighborhood. Both Dr. Greer and Mr. Steele spoke a telling message on Christian Manhood and Purity. What neighborhood does not need enlightenment and stirring up on this subject?

***On July 2nd I moderated a call in the New Alexandria congregation. Licentiate R. C. Fullerton was elected on the first ballot and the call was made unanimous. Signatures of the whole congregation were affixed to the call and the New Alexandria folks are hoping that Mr. Fullerton will be led to accept their call.—R. J. G. McKnight.

***Some of the older members of Barnet congregation were able to attend the services of the communion who cannot always be present: Mrs. Sarah Manchester, Mrs. Maria Gates, Mrs. Victoria Hunter, Mr. Corwin Whitehill, 80 years old on July 2nd and still smiling, Mr. Henry Caldwell, Mr. J. C. Morrison and Mrs. Vina Keenan of Groton.

***Mr. J. W. Eastman, whose farm is 15 miles from the church, (how many would drive that with horse and buggy as faithfully as he does?), on a recent Saturday entertained a few friends in Barnet congregation, with their children. It is always a privilege to go to Mr. Eastman's home, for undoubtedly his pleasure in his hospitality equals if not exceeds that of his guests. The children never forget a visit to his pond and brooks.

***The pastor of Barnet was recently asked to officiate at the funeral of Frederick Laird, of West Barnet. The deceased was 29 years old and from the age of 2 years had suffered from the effects of infantile paralysis and had gradually grown more helpless. Dr. F. H. Laird, the father, is pastor of the West Barnet Presbyterian Church. "The sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us."

***Although he lived most of the time in McKeesport, Pa., during recent years, Utica congregation has suffered a distinct loss in the death of the late Mr. J. H. Kirkpatrick. Whether at home or at a distance he always was a generous supporter of the work of our congregation and of the Church as a whole. His widow and large family we commend to God who takes away the sting from death.

***Miss Ellen Bone, of our Barnet congregation, is employed by the District Nursing Association at Lisbon, New Hampshire. She is a loyal supporter of the work at Barnet, and made her first visit to her home church under the present pastorate. Taking advantage of a chance for a vacation she has sailed for an extended trip in Europe in company with

her brother and his family. Before leaving, she was able to attend the Monday evening service of our meetings and visit with friends until Tuesday afternoon. May she have a fine time on the outing and come back refreshed.

***On the night of July 4th, which felt almost like winter, a few of the Barnet Covenanters saw the pictures showing the mission work of the United Presbyterian Church in Egypt. Rev. J. Howard Boyd, of Tanta, was in charge. He has seen 25 years' service in Egypt and looks like he has thrived on it. He has visited Troodos in Cyprus, and knows the McCarrolls and doubtless others of our Levant missionaries. He looks and talks like a Christian, and the pictures are splendid; nor do they tell the half of the story of need and redemption. Doubtless many Covenanters will have opportunity to witness and listen.

***Robert J. G. McClurkin, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. C. McClurkin, a member of the June graduating class of Allegheny High School, was one of the two taking Highest Honors in a class of 170, of which he was the youngest, and was Salutatorian at the Commencement Exercises held on the evening of June 30th at Carnegie Hall, East End, Pittsburgh. He was also awarded, on Commencement evening, the much coveted medal given annually by the Alliance Francaise for especially meritorious work in French. Robert is a member of Eighth Street, Pittsburgh, congregation, Dr. D. H. Elliott, pastor.

***The Cameronians of the Second Church, Philadelphia, gave an entertainment on Friday evening, May 27th. Miss Isabel Dill opened the program with a piano solo, which was followed by a reading by Miss Charlotte MacElreavy. The young people sang a group of songs—parodies on some of the old time melodies. Miss

EXPENSE OF SEMINARY EDUCATION.

There seems to be a misapprehension on the part of some young men as to what expense will be involved in attending Seminary. For the information of prospective students it should be stated that the Church has generously provided for the support of young men while in the Seminary.

The Board of Control pays a stipulated sum into the funds of the Seminary for the upkeep of the building and the rooms are free to students. In addition to free rooms the Board of Control estimates the necessary expenses of each student, including carfare, and the amount granted in cash has in most cases been sufficient to cover the necessary expenses of the students during the first two years.

At the end of the second year students are licensed to preach and are able to make enough to see them through the third year. Room rent is free for the entire course. I know of no Seminary which makes a more liberal provision for students during their Seminary course. The cost of an education in our Seminary cannot be pleaded as a reason for attending any other Seminary than ours or for not coming at all. The expense is less than living at home. The Church deals generously with its candidates for the ministry.

R. J. G. McKNIGHT.

Young People's Page

SOCIETY DOINGS.

An Intermediate Society has been organized in Syracuse, New York, from the younger members of the C. Y. P. U. and from the older members of the Juniors. They have elected officers and are launching out with enthusiasm. The first Sabbath, they brought in three new members into their society. They are learning the Psalm which is given in the Young People's Page each week, in preparation for the Winona Convention. "We expect to enlarge our society by personal work," they say.

The New Concord C. Y. P. U. is having a contest, following the plan given in the Witness recently. The President divided the society into two teams, with captains over each. The President, however, is the only one who knows the personnel of each side. Points are given for various things. "Our meetings have been very interesting and varied as to program since we engaged in this plan. We advise others to try it," they write.

Many compliments and appreciations of the Young People's Page have come to us. Also, some suggestions as to news and other items which the readers would like to have. We will follow these out wherever possible, and would like to have others. If you know of something which you feel would improve the page, write it to your Secretary.

The Selma C. Y. P. U., which was only recently organized, enjoyed a social in the basement of the church, the latter part of March.

Almonte C. Y. P. U. held its February business meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bowes, in celebration of their's and Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Bowes's wedding anniversary. After the business meeting, a short program was given and a social hour enjoyed by all.

A group of the Sterling young people meet as a prayer group in the homes of Rev. J. D. Edgar and Rev. Charles Carson, on Sabbath afternoons. They spend a part of the time in singing Psalms, but most of the time is used in prayer for those things which are most prominently and urgently before the Church. The young people enjoy this time of prayer together.

COMMIT THIS WEEK.

Psalm 91, number 248, verses 106. The number last week was 222, stanzas 5-8.

MAKE YOURSELF NECESSARY.

"Make yourself necessary," is a motto suggested by Governor Alvan T. Fuller of Massachusetts, while speaking at a recent luncheon in Boston. He urged every member of the group to make himself necessary to his organization.

There is a question in the minds of some whether anyone is ever necessary, but we can all agree with Governor Fuller that we can make ourselves necessary to our young people's society and our Church in the sense in which Governor Fuller is speaking.

A young people's society can accomplish a great deal more in helping build up the home congregation if each member of the society is determined to make himself or herself necessary to it.

The next time you get a few minutes, why not sit down and think how you can make yourself necessary to your C. Y. P. U. and to your Church?

MISSIONARY'S AMMUNITION.

"What have you in that bag, Brother Kim?" asked Bishop Lambuth of a grizzled old tiger-hunter.

"Ammunition," answered Kim, as he pulled out a New Testament.

"Do you no longer hunt tigers?"

"No, Moksa, I am hunting men."

So runs a quotation from Mrs. Montgomery's book, "The Bible and Missions." Read it! It will stir you. It is in no sense a dry book.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

(Covenanter Intelligence Test.)

21. Give total of bequests received last year.
22. What was the total income from bequests last year?
23. How much did your society contribute to the Budget last year?
24. How much do you think you can raise this year?
25. What did your socials cost last year?
26. How much did you pay for your topic cards this year?
27. Total number of Covenanter Young People enrolled in all societies last year?

28. How many congregations in our Church have parsonages?
29. What was the enrollment of your congregation last year?
30. How many new members received into your congregation last year?

MAKING GOOD.

One of our C. Y. P. U. men, who is finishing his Seminary course this spring, is evidently "making good." Listen to the following:

"I wish that you could have attended Mr. Vos's ordination service. There were about three rows of kiddies sitting up in front, all of whom Mr. Vos had either brought into the Church or had something to do with them being there. He is certainly a hustler, if results are any criterion. You will indeed find him a builder."

These words are quoted from a letter written by another C. Y. P. U. man who attended the ordination and installation of Mr. Vos and who himself is a booster.

Perhaps, some other young people can get a suggestion for their efforts in the Church's work from the plan Mr. Vos uses in Miller's Run. Mr. Vos and his workers have gathered in a large number of children and are training them up in Christ and the Covenanter Church. They have been divided into three groups according to age. Each group might be called a "young people's society in the making."

We venture the opinion that if Mr. Vos and his faithful people follow their plan faithfully for five years, they will have a young people's society out of these groups which will be the envy of us all.

In most neighborhoods, there are children and young people who can be gathered in and trained into fine, effective Christians, and who, after a few years, will make excellent Covenanters. Why not reach out and bring a group into your Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Societies, or whatever organizations you may have, and assist your pastor in building up your congregation? You will enjoy it.

THIS WEEK'S COMMENTS.

Robert J. G. McClurkin, who furnishes the comments on the Young People's Topic printed in this issue, is the son of Rev. Walter McClurkin who is doing such excellent work in these columns from week to week.

Young People's Union

By ROBERT J. G. McCLURKIN.

Topic for Sabbath, May 5, 1929.

SERVICE A WAY TO LEADERSHIP.

Matt. 20:20-28.

Psalms: 37:3-6, No. 98; 41:1, 2, 11, 12, No. 112; 67:1-3, No. 177; 91:10-12, No. 250; 112:1-6, No. 307; 119:1-3, No. 317.

References: Matt. 19:28; 23:11; 18:4; 20:28; Mark 9:35; 10:42, 43; I Peter 5:2, 3; Luke 9:48; 22:27; John 13:4, 14; Phil. 2:7; Rom. 12:1; Col. 3:24.

For Discussion.

1. Why should a leader be humble?
2. How can we qualify for leadership?
3. What should be our aim in life?
4. Give illustrations from history showing that service is essential to good leadership.

Leadership and service are co-ordinate terms that belong together; each term implies the other. Without serving his following to the best of his ability, no leader can be truly great. History has proved this fact time and again. Caesar succeeded marvelously well when his only thought was to add more territory to the empire which he served, and to keep the subjugate tribes in order, so that his empire might be the better. Even when he had been named Dictator, he succeeded as a leader, for he accomplished many reforms which enabled the people of his day to have better living conditions. However, when he began to cast selfish and covetous eyes at a royal crown; when he began to think less of serving the people under him than of himself and his own advancement; when his empire took second place to himself in his thoughts,—then came his downfall.

Everybody is naturally egoistic—far more so than he ought to be. The leader is the man who best realizes the small part that he actually plays in the world, who recognizes that he is merely one of many millions, and that the best he can do is to help some of the millions around him. Someone has called the leader “the man who best understands those around him.” The statement is obviously true, for without a keen insight into the feelings, the emotions, and the character of others, no man can be a successful leader. Equally true is the fact that man has found no better way of gaining that necessary insight than by serving those others whom he may sometime lead. A man can gain no knowledge of the problems and diffi-

culties of others if he spends all his time and effort in trying to push himself along, in “looking out for Number One.” So, the leader must serve, or he can never attain to the heights of leadership.

And certainly, leadership is a desirable thing,—an aim worthy of the aspirations of Christian youth. You know, some people are like balloons. When a balloon is started off, you can set no definite goal for it. You just launch it into the air, and hope that the winds will carry it away from the sea, and that the winds will be strong enough to move it along at a decent rate of speed. Some people resemble balloons in that they just float through life, buffeted by air currents, with no idea as to where or how they will end up. Then, some people are like aeroplanes which can buck headwinds and fight ahead to a definitely ascertained goal. It is of the latter class that leaders are formed. And it is to the latter class that all Christian Young People should belong.

There has always been something romantic about a locomotive. The huge wheels, the powerful pistons, the puffing, so suggestive of latent power, the long, lean shape, suggesting speed—all combine to give a romantic appeal to the locomotive. But the locomotive very, very seldom keeps all his power to himself. Practically always, behind it you will find a string of cars, incapable of moving under their own power. If you have the latent power to fit you for a job as locomotive, don't be a freight car!

Junior Topic

By MISS MARY A. McWILLIAMS.

Topic for May 5, 1929.

GOD'S BEAUTIFUL, WONDERFUL WORLD.

Ps. 135:6, 7.

Psalms: 8:1-9; 19:1-6; 65:5-13; 95:1-6; 97:1-6; 104:1-35.

References: Gen. 1:1-31; Gen. 9:12-16; Prov. 8:22-31; Ps. 90:1, 2; Ps. 147:4; 147:8-10; Ps. 147:15-18; Ps. 148:1-14.

Dear Boys and Girls:

This is God's world. It is God's world because He created it. Some so-called scientists tell us differently. They have many wise views which they tell as facts, but the proofs are hard to establish. God's Word says He created the world, and as God has always told the truth, this is more likely to be right than the opinions of men who really know nothing about it. Christ tells us that He was with God when the heavens and earth were

created. He helped create them. He knows who created them and how they were made.

This is God's world because He is its ruler. Many nations and peoples refuse to acknowledge this. They prefer to serve Satan. But God makes even the disobedience and wrath of men to do His will and work for His glory and the good of His people. So God's overruling does more than all men's wilful sinfulness.

This world of God's is a beautiful world. We have hideous cities and many unlovely places, but sin has made them so. The beauty of the Alps, the fascinations of the tropical forests, the magnificence of mighty rivers, and the majesty of the sea speak of the beauty of the world as God made it. There are beauty spots of nature all around us, but often the commonplaceness of them hinders our appreciation. A city backyard today is filled with apple and peach trees in bloom, and their pinkness and whiteness speak of God's regard for even the least things. God must love beauty. He has made so much of it.

This beautiful world of God's is also a wonderful world. We are not geologists, archeologists, astronomers, biologists, or scientists of any sort, so probably we miss many of the wonders of this great world of ours, but we can appreciate the wonders of a sunset, the flowers, plants, trees, fruit, and grains; the marvel of a baby and its growth to manhood or womanhood. We can not, perhaps, tell much about the composition of rubies, diamonds, pearls, opals, and other stones, but we can enjoy their marvelous beauty. Butterflies and birds, elephants and tiny mice speak to us of the wonders of this great world of ours. Thus we might multiply the marvelous wonders of nature.

The crowning wonder of all nature is man. Who can understand himself? We need a guide who can show us not only the path of life but can reveal us unto ourselves. Such an one is God. Let us worship and adore Him as Creator and King; but let us reverence and obey Him as our Father and Redeemer.

***Greeley, Colorado, has just passed through an exciting campaign, precipitated by the effort to open the Movie Theaters on Sabbath. The question was submitted to a vote of the people, and was overwhelmingly defeated. Our people were very active in the campaign and contributed largely to the result. Elder R. L. Orr, of the Greeley Session, submitted a strong article which was published in the Greeley Tribune.

tion as well as in the young people's work. "Last year and this, she has been sent by our School to the Oskaloosa Training Camp where she has received valuable training for being a leader in Church activities. She also received the honor of being invited by the State Council to attend the training camp at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin."

Miss Mary Schofield, who a short time ago joined the Los Angeles Society, is at home convalescing from an operation for appendicitis. She is well on the road to recovery, for which we are grateful.

The Los Angeles C. Y. P. U. had its share of public school graduates this spring. Those graduating from Junior High School were: Nan Forsyth, Betty Robinson, Ilene Harris, and LeRoy McBurney; and those from High School: Catherine McBurney and Louise Crockett. LeRoy McBurney received the Kiwanis award, a gold medal, for all-around scholarship and general activities. He also held the offices of class president and student body president during the year.

Another society is eagerly looking forward to their Presbyterian Conference. Miss Crockett writes from Los Angeles, "The entire society is awaiting, with eager anticipation, the C. Y. P. U. Convention at the Pacific Palisades, from August 7-12. That is a time of refreshment, in the spiritual as well as the physical, for all who attend."

Young People's Union

Topic for Sabbath, September 1, 1929.

BEING LOYAL TO OUR WORK.

Matt. 16:21-25; Neh. 6:1-3.

Psalms: 15, 40, 123, 128, 81.

Bible Readings: Loyal workers, Exod. 35:5, 30-35. Loyal stewards, Matt. 25:14-30. Work with your might, Eccl. 9:10. Supreme loyalty, Acts 20:17-24. Loyal unto sacrifice, I Cor. 9:11-15. God's promise, Rev. 2:10.

FOR DISCUSSION.

1. Why do people shirk work?
2. Why should we be faithful in our work?
3. What is the real meaning of "loyalty"? Illustrate.
4. How can we cultivate the spirit of loyalty?

BY ROBERT McCLURKIN.

Loyalty to work is a virtue that has

been frequently and highly praised and comparatively seldom practised. Almost anyone will discourse lengthily on the marvelous benefits accruing to the man who obeys all the orders of his employer, and is always willing to work. Very few of those people, however, find it either necessary or convenient to be loyal to their work.

That we all have in us a streak of laziness, we must admit. Everyone dreams at some time or other of getting rich, and spending long, sunny days in lolling about the deck of a richly furnished yacht. Of course, there's no harm in dreaming, unless that dreaming begins to interfere with our work. Too often, the dreamer is the one who lacks all interest in the job he has to do, and keeps all his interest steadfastly fastened on something practically impossible of attainment. Dream, if you like to dream, but be loyal to your work.

Christians should have a special incentive to perform their tasks faithfully and well. Since it is Christ's example that we profess to follow, we should find it easy to secure a precedent for actually being loyal to our work. Certainly, no one ever had any harder task to carry through than Christ did. Certainly, no one would ever have found it easier to step out from under a task which was so hard. And if you don't believe in its difficulty, take your own sins, multiply them by four or five decillion, and reflect for a while on the fact that it was the sum total of all those sins which composed the burden which Christ had to bear. It would have seemed to any of us a hopeless task. Yet Christ undertook it, and carried on to a glorious triumph the most difficult work the world will ever see.

Compare your job to Christ's. See just how pitifully easy it seems, when contrasted with the one your Savior so successfully completed. Then, if you have ever felt disloyal to your job, bow your head in shame, for you have fallen short of His example. And let us all resolve that, hereafter, we will carry on in our tasks, so that we may—at the close of our lives—point to a finished work, and be proud to claim it as ours.

Junior Topic

BY MISS MARY A. McWILLIAMS.

Topic for September 1, 1929.

SAVING FAITH.

Eph. 3:16-19.

Psalms: 116:1-10; 27:11-14; 31:19-24; 37:1-7; 40:1-4.

References: Col. 1:2; II Cor. 7:1;

Heb. 12:14; I Thess. 5:23; I Jno. 1:10; Rom. 7:18; Rev. 7:23; Phil. 3:12; Gal. 5:17; I Pet. 2:11; Rom. 6:14; I Jno. 5:4; Eph. 4:15, 16; II Pet. 3:18; II Cor. 3:18; II Cor. 7:1; Heb. 10:39; II Cor. 4:13; Eph. 1:17, 18, 19; Eph. 2:8; Rom. 10:14, 17; Heb. 11:1.

Dear Boys and Girls:

Faith, trust, confidence are words that figure largely in present day business. Because of them we have banks, large business corporations, bonds, investments, building and loan associations, and many other things which make American business of today so complicated. Where faith and confidence in one's fellowmen is lacking, as in some Oriental countries, men hesitate to put their money into banks, buy bonds, or make investments. They do not get together to form large business companies, or loan money much. Present day business is largely built on faith in our fellowmen.

Let us then continue this faith into the spiritual world. Faith begins with God. Man finds that he can trust God, rely on His promises, and draw interest on any investment of time or money in God's work. Then he discovers that he can also continue this to reliance upon those of his fellowmen who also believe God and obey Him. The law is one.

The ability to believe in God comes from Him through His Holy Spirit. You remember Ezekiel's vision of life which came to the dry bones in the valley. Even so the Spirit of God comes to man dried and parched—dead in sin, and gives new life so that he lives and moves in God's world. Perhaps the Spirit uses the Bible to awaken our souls, or He may use a preacher or teacher of the Word; but with the reading of the Scriptures or the preaching and teaching of the gospel goes the breath of God's Spirit, giving light and life.

Then by faith we know that there is One God, the Creator of all; One Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, Redeemer of men; and the Holy Spirit, who completes the triune God, one and indivisible. So believing in God and in His Son Jesus, we take Him to be our God, Jesus as our Savior, the Holy Spirit as our Guide and Comforter. We rest secure in Jesus Christ, looking to Him for salvation, confident that He is able and willing to lift us out of the pit of sin and set our feet in the strait and narrow way that leads to Eternal Life in the Father's house.

There is a faith that is not saving. The devils know Christ is the Son of God, and tremble. Judas knew Christ to be divine, and hung himself be-

ert Trumbull, Mr. Robert Sloan, Miss Mary Kenwell, and Miss Anna Patton will be in charge of athletics.

The dining room and kitchen are also in the basement. The kitchen is exceptionally well equipped, having a beautiful range and steam table, both of which were donated by members of the congregation. The installation of a beautiful coffee urn was also made possible by the generous contributions of various members.

A fine electric bulletin board has been placed on the corner of the church building. The money to purchase this bulletin board was secured by the Young People's Society, one good friend contributing \$100.

We feel sure that we have in our church a building second to none for beauty, comfort, and modern appointments, and one where we hope to do greater and better work for the advancement of the Master's kingdom.

RECEPTION NIGHT.

By E. Arnetta Elliott.

On Monday evening, January 27, between three and four hundred people gathered for the first meeting in the new church. The main auditorium was beautifully decorated for this gala occasion. Two lovely pots of green ivy trailed down over the two pedestals on the platform. A huge basket of roses and pussy-willows, presented by the Allegheny congregation, graced the small table in front. Large ferns formed a lovely background for the choir. No one could help but enter into the spirit of thankfulness, with such a lovely edifice and beautiful decorations.

Mr. Morton Boyd, chairman of the congregation, took charge of the devotional exercises. After this, Dr. W. A. Russell, representing the building committee, directed the program. Mr. Knox M. Young, chairman of the building committee, formally delivered the keys to the congregation. Mr. J. K. Tibby, president of the board of trustees, with a few well chosen words, accepted the keys for the congregation. Letters of congratulations were read from Dr. J. Alvin Orr, pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church of Allegheny; Dr. G. W. Shelton, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Elzie Dill, formerly Miss Wickerham, and Mr. Walter P. Fraser, president of the McCann company. Miss Patton, our city missionary, extended a welcome to the community. And we must not forget the two songs, "Banner Blue" and "The Little Brown Church," which were well sung by our choir. Rev. A. A. Wylie adjourned the meeting with prayer and the benediction.

Following the program, the audience made a tour of inspection through the building. Many compli-

ments were passed on the church. All of us are proud of the new building as well as thankful for God's leadership and direction through the entire undertaking.

THE DEDICATION SERVICE.

By Robert McClurkin.

Perhaps the most memorable of all the evening services of the week in which we opened our new church was the one on Tuesday evening when the new church was dedicated. And quite fittingly there were more people there to appreciate the service, for both the audience and the Sabbath School room were filled to capacity.

Rev. R. A. Blair delivered the invocation, after the congregation had sung the 122d Psalm. The Scripture, read by Dr. W. J. Coleman, was a part of Solomon's prayer at the dedication of the new temple he had built in Jerusalem. These opening exercises served to put us all in the right spirit, and we felt the solemnity and the glory of dedicating a new church to service in the kingdom of God.

Dr. D. H. Elliott, the pastor, ably recounted some history of the Central Allegheny and Pittsburgh congregations, and the events which led up to their union and the building of our new church. Afterwards, the bronze tablet to the memory of former pastors of the two congregations was unveiled by Eleanor Reed, daughter of Rev. R. C. Reed, who ministered so faithfully and well to the former Central Allegheny congregation, and was co-pastor of Central-Pittsburgh congregation until his death. The unveiling of the tablet was followed by prayer by Dr. E. A. Crooks.

The service reached its height, however, with the dedication address by Dr. M. M. Pearce, president of Geneva College. His text was Rev. 1:20, "The seven candlesticks are the seven churches." And from that text he brought us a truly inspirational message. As he told of the Church's duty—to reveal Christ—of the importance of that task, and of the necessity for keeping close to Christ if we are to succeed, we felt a new sense of responsibility for the duties we had undertaken when we dedicated the church to God.

The dedicatory prayer by Rev. T. C. Sproull set before us more clearly the holy, the supreme, the pre-eminent duty and privilege of making this church worthy of the great service to which it has been set apart.

After singing the first four verses of the 103d Psalm, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. Brooks Reed, a son of Rev. R. C. Reed.

We feel moved to attempt great things for God through the medium of our new church building. We have dedicated our church to God; let us dedi-

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amount required for weak congregations this year from the Home Mission Conference.

It is hoped that if this plan seems feasible, the presbyteries already will have, or shortly will, put it into operation.

There is no plan suggested for Sabbath Schools, as most of our Sabbath Schools have a working plan. Our failure here lies along two lines. First, we let children who are brought into the Sabbath School slip through our fingers during the "teen" age. We should seek their conversion in a thorough manner, and should so indoctrinate them that they will unite with our Church and become substantial members. Second, we fail in bringing adults into our Sabbath Schools. In going over the matter with a number of schools, we find that very few adults from the neighborhood have been brought in for instruction. It takes more consecration and more tact and more power to bring them in. However, we should not try to excuse ourselves because they are hard to reach. Let us make this year a banner year in the number of adults brought into the Sabbath School and, through it, into the Church.

If the Sabbath School force will throw its strength into the development of the "family evangelism plan," there will be more permanent results in building the Kingdom and the congregation. The reason is a simple one. Where the whole family is reached with the Gospel and a family altar established, it is much easier to hold converts than where one or two members only are Christians.

CENTRAL-PITTSBURGH'S NEW CHURCH.

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cate ourselves to His service and keep so close to Him that we may be of the utmost service in His kingdom.

HISTORICAL SKETCH.

(Delivered by Dr. Elliott in connection with unveiling the memorial tablet.)

It would seem appropriate tonight that a bit of history be given about the congregation that will worship here. It is said in the 145th Psalm that "One generation shall praise thy works to another." The earliest trace of Covenanters in Pittsburgh goes back to 1779. Rev. John Black was placed over the first congregation in 1800, and the ordination service took place in the old court house on Market Street. This was Pittsburgh's first congregation of Reformed Presbyterians. Most of this congregation, with their pastor, left in 1833.

The second pastor was the Rev. Thos. Sproull. The congregation built a church on Lacock and Sandusky Streets in Allegheny. It was then known as the congregation of Pittsburgh and Allegheny. By 1855, the church became too small and seats had

to be placed in the balcony. The congregation became so large that Dr. Sproull asked either for an assistant or for a division of the membership. For this reason, a number withdrew and formed a congregation on the Pittsburgh side. Thus the Pittsburgh congregation was organized October 31, 1865. On May 14, 1866, Rev. A. M. Milligan became the pastor. The church was then built on Eighth street, which, without furnishings, cost \$27,750. This has been the place of worship for almost 60 years.

Another thread we wish to trace is that of the Central Allegheny congregation. The Allegheny congregation moved from the Lacock Street church into a new church on Sandusky at Diamond Street. On October 24, 1870, a group withdrew from this congregation and organized the Central Allegheny Church and built on Sandusky Street near Ohio. Rev. J. W. Sproull became the pastor. The congregation continued to worship in this building until less than two years ago. The original Allegheny congregation continues its work and is located now on Perrysville Avenue.

The Central congregation and the Pittsburgh congregation joined unanimously in one organization and became the Central-Pittsburgh congregation by an act of Presbytery, February 14, 1928. The united congregation has until now worshipped in the Eighth Street church. When I read the history of the movements of the early days, this union was as peaceable as a June morning, in comparison.

Now, as we dedicate this new house of worship, it is fitting that we pause long enough to pay tribute to the faithful pastors who laid down their lives in the service.

We have erected here a tablet to the memory of the pastors who have served until death and whose work continues in the lives of those who remain.

We wish to unveil this bronze tablet to the memory of the departed ministers of Central and Pittsburgh and of Central-Pittsburgh congregations.

(Here the audience arose and faced the tablet as it was unveiled.)

The inscription is as follows:

Central-Pittsburgh Reformed Presbyterian Church
United, February 14, 1928

Dedicates This Tablet

To the Faithful Pastors Who Served Until Death
CENTRAL

John W. Sproull, D.D.—1871-1909

Robert Cameron Reed, D.D.—1916-1928

PITTSBURGH

Alexander McLeod Milligan, D.D.—1866-1885

David McAllister, D.D., LL.D.—1887-1907

Thomas H. Acheson, D.D., Ph.D.—1908-1925

CENTRAL-PITTSBURGH

Robert Cameron Reed, D.D., Associate—1928

"Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."—II Tim. 4:8.

4. Louis K. Taber, Master of the National Grange.
5. Prof. Feldman, Dartmouth.

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***Rev. S. G. Commer moderated a call at Milier's Run on February 15 in favor of Ray Wilcox which was made unanimous.

***The Greeley L. M. S. held their February meeting, with a covered dish luncheon, at the home of Elder and Mrs. D. Finley Faris.

***Rev. Remo Robb has been honored by being elected secretary of the Seattle Presbyterian Minister's Association for the year 1931.

***A reception and dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin W. Copeland, recently married, was given at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dunn, at their home near Greeley, Colorado.

***Following the recommendation of Presbytery that we have training in singing, the session of Kansas City congregation arranged to have their precentor, Mr. D. M. Dodds, conduct study in singing for six Wednesday evenings, using three-quarters of an hour in the first part of the prayer meeting. The plan is working well.

***Mr. J. A. B. Walker passed away on January 4 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. O. Ferguson, at Denison, Kansas, aged 82½ years. During the last week of his life, he felt the nearness of the end of life on earth and the beginning of the heavenly life where he looked for union with Christ and reunion with loved ones gone before.

***Robert J. G. McClurkin, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. C. McClurkin, graduated from the University of Pittsburgh on February 11, 1931, with the B.A. degree. There were 187 graduates. One received "Highest Honor" and two "High Honor." Robert was one of the two "High Honor" graduates. He will continue

his studies for the present toward his M.A. degree. He is a member of the Central-Pittsburgh congregation.

***The Greeley young people, to the number of about thirty-five, were delightfully entertained by the Denver society on the evening of February 6. After girls' and boys' basketball games, in which the hosts gracefully yielded the victory to their guests, a sumptuous banquet was served, followed by a conference presided over by the Presbyterian President, Prof. Ernest Tweed, in which plans were laid for the summer conference.

***A nurse, who is taking care of an invalid sister in my home, who is an earnest Christian, a devout member of the Christian Missionary Alliance Church, was reading my 'Covenanter Witness' of January 14. When she read Rev. F. H. Lathom's sermon on, 'I am come to send fire on the earth,' she said it was the best thing she had ever read. She asked me to loan her the 'Witness,' so that she could read the sermon to some members of her Church, which I did gladly." From a letter recently received.

***The mid-winter reunion of the Tri-Presbyterial held in Montclair, February 21-23, was of unusual merit both as to attendance and spiritual interest. One hundred and twenty-nine guests were served by the entertaining society in the First Congregational church of that city. The attendance by societies appears to be as follows: Second Philadelphia, 20; Newburgh, 14; Third New York, 14; Second New York, 10; Cambridge, 8; White Lake, 7; Boston, 5; Coldenham, 4; Third Philadelphia, 1; Geneva, 1; Sparta, 1; Cyprus, 1; Local, 33. It will be an occasion long remembered with gratitude.

***The New Alexandria congregation and community were greatly shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Miss Mary O'Brian, a life-long member of the congregation. She has spent the 82 years of her life in this community and most of the time was a resident of New Alexandria. As she was crossing the street in front of her home on Friday evening, January 23, she was hit by an automobile and so seriously shocked and injured that she died in the Greensburg Hospital a few hours later. A great number of her neighbors and friends attended the funeral services, which were conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. C. Fullerton, on Monday afternoon, at her late home. Although death came suddenly, it did not find her unprepared. She was a good, Christian woman, one who was

always ready and willing to do her Master's will.

Hemet, California.

On January 1, as is our custom, the members of the Hemet R. P. congregation gathered at the church for the annual New Year's dinner, each family accompanied by a well-filled basket. Upon our arrival, we found a set of beautiful new dishes for use in our church dinners. A note with the dishes informed us they were a gift from our pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Thompson, and Mr. and Mrs. James Carson, of Denver, Colorado. From the exclamations heard on all sides, and the use made of the dishes, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson must realize something of our appreciation of their kindness. We take this opportunity to thank Mr. and Mrs. Carson for their share in the gift. Come and use the dishes with us, sometime, Mr. and Mrs. Carson.

It was a great pleasure to have Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thompson and daughter, Mrs. Ralph Huston, with us on New Year's Day.

Several of our members have been victims of "flu" and severe colds. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wylie have been confined to their home for several weeks. Mr. D. R. Holliday, Rev. J. S. Thompson, and daughter, Mrs. Vogt, have all been on the sick list. Knox McCloy, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McCloy, was quarantined at Christmas time for scarlet fever. They are welcomed back to their usual place again.

The Adult Bible Class very reluctantly accepted the resignation, as teacher, of Dr. J. S. Thompson, as he felt the burden of other duties was too great to continue his work with his class. Mrs. A. M. Thompson is proving a worthy successor and has been conducting interesting and helpful lessons.

Our pastor has substituted, for the usual evening sermon, a study of the Bible, beginning with Genesis. The study is based on definite questions graded so that they hold the interest of child and grown-up alike. Much interest is manifested by both the members and adherents of the Church.

Miss Margaret Vogt was a member of the Junior High School spelling team, which participated in the annual contest of the same grades of the schools of Riverside County. The ten best spellers in these grades comprise the team.

On January 15, a social was held at the church celebrating the birthdays of several members. Martin McCloy,

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***Communion was observed at Mercer, Pa., on October 18. The pastor was without an assistant.

***Central-Pittsburgh Mothers Club held its opening meeting on October 7. Dr. Elliott delivered a message.

***Friends of Lenox College will be interested to know that the freshman class this year is much larger than usual.

***Miss Mildred McMillan, of the Greeley congregation, is teaching for her third year in the schools of La Salle, Colorado.

***Sabbath, October 4, was rally day at Central-Pittsburgh school in Faith Chapel. Licentiate Sam Boyle gave a chalk talk.

***The Hopkinton congregation expects to hold a series of evangelistic services, beginning October 13 with preaching by the Rev. Paul Coleman. The Lord's Supper is to be observed on the 18th.

***Communion was observed by the Central-Pittsburgh congregation on Sabbath, October 11. Rev. R. A. Blair was the assistant, preaching Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Sabbath evenings.

***Miss Jennie B. Ferguson, of the Hopkinton congregation, who has been teaching in a home for crippled children at Atlantic City, is at home on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. B. M. Ferguson.

***Thanksgiving services were conducted by Rev. George R. Steele in the Cornwallis church on October 12. In connection with these services, Mr. Nelson Morton was ordained and installed a ruling elder in the congregation.

***Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Edgar, of Hopkinton, were surprised by a number of their friends who gathered on the evening of September 28 at their home to help them celebrate their 26th wedding anniversary. Miss Loretta Edgar, of Washington, D. C., and Albert, who is attending the State University at Ames, were not

able to be present. The "bride and groom" were not too greatly surprised to enjoy a good time with their friends.

***Mrs. Ella M. Reed, of Hopkinton, is now eighty-four years of age yet as young in action as many women of fifty. In honor of her birthday, a number of relatives and friends gathered at her home on September 30, bringing their dinner with them and enjoying an evening of good cheer and Christian fellowship.

***The following young people of Central-Pittsburgh congregation are enrolled in "Pitt" University this fall: Robert McClurkin, under a special Fellowship, is studying for his Master's degree; Eunice McClurkin has entered on her Junior year; and John Tibby, Jr., has enrolled for the first year. Walter See has entered upon another year's work in "Tech."

Wilksburg, Pa.

Over ninety were present on Sabbath morning, September 27, at the annual rally day and promotion exercises. There were eleven promotions from grades ranging from the cradle roll to the senior department; eight of the eleven received diplomas for completing satisfactorily at least three-fourths of the required supplementary work, as outlined in Rev. E. L. McKnight's course of study.

The children's part of the program consisted of the reciting of Psalms, Catechism, Bible stories, and memory verses, learned during the year. Following this part of the program, our pastor, Rev. T. C. McKnight, spoke briefly. In his remarks, he brought out a most excellent thought, especially applicable to groups of people small in number. "It doesn't make so much difference *where* you come from as *what* you bring with you."

Our superintendent, Mr. D. C. Ward, then presented the certificates of promotion and prizes for attendance. Six children received these prizes two of which were first prizes for attending fifty Sabbaths or more.

Tuesday evening, September 29, the Young People's Missionary Society held its first meeting of the fall in the seminary building. There was an excellent attendance and a fine, enthusiastic meeting. After the regular devotions and business meeting, Dr. Grace Martin, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Martin, gave a very interesting address on the customs and dress of the Chinese. During her remarks, she showed us a family of dolls in native costume. She also exhibited miniature cooking utensils while she talked of the kind

of food they ate and their manner of preparing it. This unique way of illustrating her talk helped us to understand our Chinese brothers better than ever before. Dr. Martin has but recently returned from Shanghai, where she is a member of the faculty at the Margaret Williamson Hospital for Women. Her special line of work is pediatrics.

Following Dr. Martin's talk, Miss Rhoda Beatty, in behalf of the society, presented Mr. and Mrs. Carson Hamilton with a lamp as a token of its best wishes to this couple. Mrs. Hamilton, before her marriage, was Miss Gertrude Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Anderson.

Our fall communion will be held the third Sabbath of October. Because of financial conditions, which everyone so well understands, the pastor will conduct the Sabbath services unassisted. However, he and Rev. E. L. McKnight, of Allegheny, will exchange pulpits for the preparatory services. Prior to these services, Mr. McKnight, our pastor, takes a part of the Junior hour each Sabbath evening and conducts it as a communicant's class.

Selma, Alabama.

After two months' vacation, the pastor and his family returned greatly invigorated and strengthened for another year's work. They report a very delightful trip, visiting as many congregations as possible, travelling as far west as Denver. Rev. Kingston occupied the pulpit in Selma, and his preaching was very acceptable. The interest in the congregation has been up to the standard during the summer. The prayer groups were well attended. The mid-week prayer meeting has been exceedingly interesting, about sixty in attendance. Two weeks ago last Wednesday evening, six united with the Church. One man, about 50 years of age, on the following Sabbath, was baptized. Several others have intimated their desire to join in the near future. Quite a considerable interest has been manifested in the subject of Baptism, that is, as to the mode of baptism. The pastor preached on the subject for two consecutive Sabbaths, endeavoring to show that so far as the Scripture is concerned there is no authority for immersion. His arguments were manswerable. He invited a free discussion.

During the summer, Mrs. Skinner, one of the teachers in Knox Academy, conducted a course of study in the Shorter Catechism in connection with the Young People's prayer meeting. Mrs. Skinner proved quite effi-

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***Dr. and Mrs. A. J. McFarland plan to sail from New York to Syria on September 6.

***Mrs. J. S. Waddell, of the Almonte congregation, passed away, after a brief illness, on May 22.

***Born to Mr. Calvin David Fenton and Mrs. Hazel Foster Fenton, on April 25, 1932, a son, Calvin David.

***Prof. and Mrs. W. R. White, of State College, Pa., were called to Almonte on account of the illness of Mrs. White's mother, Mrs. J. S. Waddell.

***Mrs. White will remain at her former home for the month of June. Prof. White returned to State College after the funeral of his mother-in-law.

***Rev. W. T. K. Thompson, of Mercer, Pa., the retiring moderator of Synod, received the degree Doctor of Divinity at the Geneva Commencement on June 7.

***On May 24, Bessie, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Waddell, of Almonte, became the wife of Mr. Isaac McKee, formerly of Rathfriland, Ireland.

***Mr. B. C. Terry was the delegate to Synod from Orlando. He came with the pastor and family, who drove through in their car and who are staying for their vacation in Wilkinsburg, Pa., and Delhi, N. Y.

***Robert J. G. McClurkin, of Central-Pittsburgh congregation, and Mary McKitrick, of Allegheny congregation, received Master Degrees at the recent commencement of the University of Pittsburgh. Robert will be 21 years old his next birthday. Mary—well, Mary says, if she lives till the thirty-first of February, she will be fifteen, past.

***Immediately after commencement at Geneva College, Prof. Robert Park started for Nova Scotia, where he will preach for about three months. Prof. Park drove from Beaver Falls in his auto as last year's experience in Nova Scotia demonstrated the immense value of a car in the work there.

***The Orlando congregation has four graduates this year. Miss Dorothy Chestnut and Mr. Paul Donahue graduated from Orlando High School, Miss Clarabell Terry from Ocoee High School, and Mr. Carroll Terry from the University of Florida. An unusual feature in connection with Miss Terry's graduation is that last year her sister Nanna was valedictorian of her class and, not to be outdone, Clarabell was valedictorian of her class this year.

***Rev. Robert George Ramsay, D. D., brother-in-law of the late Rev. T. J. Allen, and a brother of Mrs. Carson, of our Oakdale, Illinois, congregation, died in Erie, Pa., on May 30, after a brief illness. Dr. Ramsay had served as pastor in Columbus, Ohio, Lexington, Ky., Sharon, Pa., and Erie. He is survived by his widow, one son, George, of Trovo, Utah, and two daughters, Janet Ramsay, of New York City, and Mrs. David Adams, of Milwaukee, Wis.

***The oldest member of the Orlando congregation, Mrs. Louisa Brooks Smith, fell asleep in Jesus on May 26. Very few attain to the years that the Lord granted to her. She was well on the way to the 100 mark, being over 96 and a half years old. It almost seems impossible to think that she was born away back in 1835. Living most of her life in New England, she was a Congregationalist until coming to Florida a few years ago; but, until she was confined to the house because of weakness, she was a faithful and interested member of the congregation. Truly with long life did the Lord satisfy her and now He has shown her His salvation.

Los Angeles, California.

The Los Angeles congregation has been shocked and saddened during a single week by the deaths of two members, both of which were quite sudden and totally unexpected.

Miss Clara McClure, while alighting from a street car, was run into by a high school boy who apparently did not see her in time to stop his car. Her death was almost instant. The funeral was conducted by Rev. David Calderwood at the Brown Brothers Funeral Parlors in Los Angeles, on Saturday, May 14. Miss McClure was a teacher in the Los An-

geles City Schools, being Supervisor of Craft Work for the schools. Internment was at Los Angeles.

Mr. Oliver Wylie had been ill during the winter, but had quite recovered, and had been in his usual place of worship in God's house on the Sabbath for several weeks. On the afternoon of Wednesday, May 18, he was suddenly stricken with a heart attack and dropped dead at his desk. Mr. Wylie had been an able and interested worker among us since he came with his family from the East several years ago. His Sabbath School class of young men will miss him greatly, as will we all. The body is to be sent East for burial.

Dr. W. T. K. Thompson assisted at our spring communion season, and his messages were appreciated by every one. Eight new members were received into the congregation. One family of father, mother, and daughter were baptized as well. Members whom we missed from their accustomed places were Mrs. W. R. Marvin and Miss Elizabeth Forsythe, both of whom have been confined to their beds with arthritis for many weary months.

Olathe, Kansas.

Our communion was held the second Sabbath of April. Rev. J. R. Latimer was the assistant. We had an accession of three. One adult and one infant were baptized.

Dr. Tippin and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hemphill visited relatives in Sterling and Wichita, Kansas, the last week in April. Dr. Tippin attended a dental convention at that time.

Our Juniors gave a pleasing program in honor of Mother's Day which all enjoyed.

One of our young ladies, Miss Corinne Kerr, graduated this spring from our Olathe High School, and William Robb completed his college course in Warrensburg, Mo.

Mrs. Ida Moore was called to Elgin, Ill., her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Milligan, having submitted to a severe operation. She is getting along nicely.

Dr. Dan Stormont, wife, and two children, of Evanston, Ill., visited over the week-end and Decoration Day with relatives.

Mr. John Moore is not improving as his friends had hoped.

Mrs. Helena Archabal, of Tuscarora, Nevada, is visiting relatives and friends in Olathe.

Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Robb, of Fresno, Calif., made a short visit with relatives here.

Rev. and Mrs. Latimer spent a week in their son's home in Emporia. Rev.

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public speaking, wet press, and law enforcement, to carry forward prohibition and other moral reform work in the county. The address of the evening was made by Robert E. Corradini, of New York, Executive Secretary of the Foundation for Narcotic Research and Information. In his excellent address, he stressed the fact that the prohibition fight centers around alcohol, and that instruction in the nature and effects of the use of alcohol must be given to all our people and especially to our youth in the public schools if prohibition is to be retained and made effective.

Central-Pittsburgh.

Rev. Roy C. Fullerton assisted at the Central-Pittsburgh communion services which closed on the second Sabbath of October. He brought helpful messages from the Word of God, and the congregation was pleased with his ministry.

Our Mother's Club is made up of mothers in the community about the church who for the most part are not members of the Church. The club meets on the first Wednesday afternoon of each month. A speaker brings an evangelistic message at each meeting. Rev. R. C. Fullerton spoke at the October meeting, and Dr. Elliott addressed the November meeting, at which between 60 and 70 mothers were present.

The Missionary Society held its annual thankoffering meeting on the evening of November 2. The Intermediate Society, under the direction

of Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. K. M. Young, gave an original playlet. Miss Alice Ringland, of the South African General Mission, gave a missionary address. The thankoffering amounted to \$96.93.

The Junior Society, under the direction of our city missionary, Miss Anna M. Patton, meets every Tuesday afternoon. A program is prepared and carried out with the assistance of a group of older girls. The attendance at the meetings has been as high as 93.

Five of our young people are students in Geneva College: Arnetta Elliott and Vida Bish, Juniors; Elizabeth Young, Ruth Piper, and Edna Mae Bish, Sophomores. Eunice McClurkin is a senior and John Tibby, Jr., is a sophomore in the University of Pittsburgh. David Boyd is taking first year work at Washington and Jefferson. James Young is taking post graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania and Robert McClurkin is taking some work at the University of Pittsburgh which will be credited on his Doctor's degree.

Third New York.

Although 'silent for some time, Third New York has been busy at work and at play. On Friday evening, October 28, the parsonage assumed a festive air, decorated in black and orange with cats and witches and skeletons about. The Young People's Society was being entertained at a Hallowe'en party. Mrs. Calvin Fenton led a program of snappy, happy games. After delicious refreshments, suggestive of Hallowe'en, the party started all over again and good-byes were said at a late hour.

After dinner at the Stewart home on Friday evening, September 23, Samuel Young and the family were grouped about the piano, singing. They sang lustily and he was well surrounded, for he heard nothing until he turned round and found the Young People's Society in full possession of the room. He was confused to find that he had had an audience for five minutes. But that was not all. They had him running from cellar to garret, from living room to kitchen stove, following clues that ended in numerous packages for him. It was the young people's way of bidding him Godspeed as he left for Bangor Seminary in Maine, where he begins his study for the ministry. We wish you well, Samuel.

The congregation had the pleasure of entertaining New York Presbytery at their meeting here. It gave

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a fine opportunity for making new Covenanter acquaintances and the short period of fellowship together was greatly enjoyed by us.

The Young People's Society is making use of suggestions received at White Lake this year in regard to the Standard of Efficiency. A special secretary has been appointed to take care of efficiency records. We have begun the study of the Young People's Manual. Once a month the Manuals appear in our meeting as Dr. Foster leads the discussion.

On Columbus Day, three carloads of young people, led by Mr. Thomas Neely, social chairman, braved a blustery wind and spent the day at Poundridge Reservation, forty miles from New York. They cooked steak over open fires, hiked over the beautiful trails, and returned feeling the day had been well spent.

A Brand New Society.

Everyone likes new things. Second Church, Philadelphia, just organized a brand new Junior Society. Miss Sarah Archer is the Junior Superintendent and is doing a splendid work. The boys and girls are very enthusiastic about their society.

Juniors, you haven't forgotten about the CHALLENGE, have you? Here are the first names to go on the HONOR ROLL:

Eleanor Augustine.
Florence Augustine.
Margaret Crawford.
Robert Crawford.
Ruth Lewis.
Dorothy Lewis.
Bruce Stewart.
Mabelle Wittenborne.

The 1933 Psalter.

The new edition of the cloth back Psalter, as ordered by the late Synod, is now ready for distribution. With an attractive cover and several corrections in the text and music, it makes a neat appearance. If your Psalter is worn out, get one of the new ones at \$1.25 a copy, postage free.

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Young People's Page

By REV J D EDGAR

COLDENHAM, N. Y.

Beginning on its second year, the Coldenham C. Y. P. U. last October elected the following officers:

President, Robert McClurkin

Vice-President—Bert Sheeley

Secretary—Dorothy Nelson

Treasurer—Bevier Jansen.

Under the President's leadership, we have swung into action with renewed vigor. The seven committees have been active in performing their respective duties.

The Sabbath evening meetings continue to be attended by an average of twenty-five young people. Everyone takes part willingly when called upon. Topics are well-prepared. We are grateful for the encouragement given by visitors from Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, New York, and elsewhere, who say they have never attended more interesting meetings.

A dozen Coldenham young people went to the White Lake Reunion Banquet in Newburgh, New Year's Day. Our entire group eagerly looks forward to the possibility of a large delegation's going to the National Conference at Winona. Enthusiastic plans have already been laid for the raising of a Winona Fund. The months intervening between now and August will be busy with carrying these plans into effect. (Editor's note: We hope the Coldenham correspondent will enlighten the rest of us as to what these plans are so we can use some of them, too.)

The C. Y. P. U. social events loom large upon Coldenham's social calendar. More than fifty enjoyed the Thanksgiving social at the Manse. An equally large number were present when three one-act plays were presented New Year's Night. Smaller groups often drop in at the Manse in the evenings to play games, sing songs, and chat.

WINONA EXHIBIT CONTEST

Ray Wilcox, Manager

Some one has said that the "Business of young people is to be OUT OF ORDER." Woe unto a church or nation whose young people are conservative. There is abundant evidence that our young people are not "IN THE RUT." They are not taking the order of the day without asking questions and they are as uncompromising as the martyrs of old. It is a good sign. Anyone who follows in the steps of Christ will be RADICAL—yes, he will be called FANATICAL—in his uncompromising attitude toward SOCIAL INJUSTICE and inconsistency.

Young people of the Covenant Church,

since you are THINKING on these things WHY NOT EXPRESS your thoughts? Put them in black and white so that others will know how the wind blows. If you have a conviction which you feel like saying—SAY IT. Ideas come to life when expressed on POSTERS. Put your thoughts into words that will BURN their way into our consciences. Illustrate them with VIVID PICTURES that shout their meaning to the eye and soul. We have IDEALS that will TURN THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN Why not EXHIBIT THEM?

Calendars and suggestion sheets were mailed out to every congregation in the Church. If Uncle Sam hasn't delivered yours, then write at once to Ray Wilcox, Utica, Ohio. There are a few left. Time is on the wing! Don't wait until July to start working on this contest. Some of you have already finished part of the work. DECORATE your society room with contest material until time to leave for Winona.

All of the artists in the CARTOONIST'S CLUB may enter work in the EXHIBIT CONTEST as well as all of the young people not in this club. Don't forget—there will be PRIZES for best Presbyterian exhibit—best society exhibits—and best individual exhibits. Prizes will be awarded on originality, difficulty, neatness, etc. Give each person in your society something to do!

WINONA MEMORY PSALMS

Have you started to commit the Memory Psalms for Winona? Did you see the list on this Page two weeks ago? If not, you had better look them up!

But, lest you have lost your paper, we shall repeat them!

The first four were given and are as follows:

Psalm 1, No. 1a, 1-6.

Psalm 2, No. 4, 1-8.

Psalm 4, No. 6, 1-4, 8.

Psalm 5, No. 8, 1-3.

The new ones this week are:

Psalm 8, No. 13, 1-7.

Psalm 9, No. 16, 1, 4, 5.

We suggest that all commit these selections; sing them in your young people's society; ask your pastor to explain them and use them in the church services; and ask the Wednesday evening prayer meeting leader to use them.

If we want to sing them well together at Winona, we must know them; understand them; and sing our parts accurately; and so far as possible, make them a part of our own soul's experience. How we can lift up our souls to God, with all of the warmth and fervor of our being in

the use of these inspired songs! Can't you almost hear the singing as you think of it?

A WINONA SONG

Here's another new Winona song. We hope to have more from time to time for you to learn and sing in your C. Y. P. U. social gatherings. There were some dandy original songs sung at some of the pep-meetings for Winona in the Presbyterian Conferences last summer.

This particular song comes to us through Ray Wilcox from Rev. J. K. Robb. Dr. Robb says he took it from an old Y. W. C. A. song book and adapted it to Winona. He further vouches that the music is as good as the words. He has offered to run off enough copies of the music so there will be one for each Young People's Society. We have written to him for these, and as soon as they arrive, you will each receive one. Now put it to good use when it comes. Don't let it lie hidden away somewhere. Have your Music Committee take charge of it and see that each of you learn the words and the music.

Here are the words:

In the state of Indiana

There's a haunt that we hold dear;

On the shore of Lake Winona,

Where we gather year by year.

Here we find our inspiration

For the work we love to do;

There is rest for mind and spirit,

Joy and consecration, too.

When our conference here is ended,

And we bid our friends adieu,

We'll return to duties waiting

With a strengthened purpose new.

And the Old Blue Banner standard

Will forever be our guide,

For we're bound for one great purpose

Though we're scattered far and wide.

"If after kirk you bide a wee,
There's some wad like to speak to ye;
If after kirk you rise and flee,
We'll all seem cold and stiff to ye.
The one that's in the seat with ye
Is stranger here than you may be.
All here have got their fears and cares,
Add you your soul unto our prayers;
Be you our angel unawares."

"Any coward can fight a battle when he's sure of winning—but give me the man who has pluck to fight when he's sure of losing."

This space is reserved for the names of those congregations who are sending their first contributions to the 1935 Budget for the Lord's Work during April, 1934.

Please advise us if your name belongs here.

START NOW!

Mrs. Groom, and Foster and Sam Dickey of New York.

At a congregational business meeting in August two new deacons were elected: Miss Grace Mae Arnott and Robert J. G. McClurkin. They were ordained and installed in September. Theodore May, who had been congregational treasurer, is away attending Rider College, Trenton, New Jersey. Mrs. George Arnott was elected treasurer in his place.

Rev. McClurkin and Mr. George Arnott, elder, attended the meeting of New York Presbytery at White Lake in October. Mr. McClurkin was chosen Moderator for this year.

Mrs. Grace Arnott has been aiding plans for the establishment of an Endowment Fund for the upkeep of the Coldenham Cemetery. Early in November, Mr. Andrew W. Stevenson, the seventeenth in direct line, a grandson of the Andrew W. Stevenson who was pastor at Second New York, came to visit the grave of his great-grandfather, Dr. J. B. Willson, who was buried in the Coldenham Cemetery. Mr. Stevenson expressed an interest in the work here. The congregation was saddened to hear later that their new-found friend passed away after an operation for which he returned to his home in Los Angeles.

NEWBURGH, NEW YORK

At our mid-week service, Mr. Ward is teaching us lessons from the life of Christ as it is recorded by Matthew. A short devotional service is held first, conducted by a member of the congregation.

Several members of our Women's Missionary Society spent Thursday, March 29th, sewing for St. Luke's Hospital. Practically every member of this organization as well as many other women in the church belong to the "Hospital Guild." The March meeting of the Women's Missionary Society was held in the home of

Miss Carlisle. After the business and readings were concluded, we had a delightful social time.

A Winona Committee composed of the Executive Committee and the chairmen of the different committees of the C. Y. P. U., held a meeting at the home of the president in February and made plans for raising money to send delegates to the Winona Conference in August. The girls are making and selling candy each week-end and the boys arrange for groups to "bowl" each week, charging each one ten cents an evening. On Friday evening, March 30th, we had a supper at the church. The girls prepared the meal and the boys did the dishes. There were thirty-two present. Eldred Ross played two solos on the xylophone. \$6.50 was added to the Winona Fund. On the last Sabbath night of each month, we are studying "The Day." After the chapter has been presented by one of the members of the Society, we have discussion.

At the Consecration Meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society on Sabbath evening, April 1st, Miss Edith Hannon and Mr. Warren Hannon joined the Society as active members. The subject for consideration was "Does the Resurrection Make Any Difference in Our Lives?" Rev. A. Potter of Lynn, Massachusetts, who was spending the week-end in Newburgh and who was a guest at our meeting, gave us a very fine talk. Among the thoughts which he gave, there are two which stand out in the mind of the writer and which I cannot help but pass on to those who will read these notes. If the Resurrection is to make any difference in our lives, first, we must have the mind of Christ—in the small things of life, as well as in the great. Second, we must have the idealism of Christ—the Divine nature of Christ's work for our own lives. We had an attendance of thirty-six at this meeting.

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JOSIAH McILROY

Josiah McIlroy, a life-long member of the Covenant Church and of this community, died at his home in Sparta, Illinois, March 21st, at the age of seventy-seven years. He was interested in young people and served as Sabbath School Superintendent for many years. For a quarter of a century, he had been an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. In the home are left Mrs. McIlroy and daughter, Miss Minnie, who are lonely without the loving companionship of husband and father.

MRS. FLORENCE HERRICK STERRETT

Mrs. Florence Herrick Sterrett, widow of J. Z. Sterrett, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. V. Huebner, Topeka, Kansas, April 7, 1934. She was born near Sparta, Illinois, but spent the greater part of her life near Clay Center, Kansas. She was a member of the Tabor Reformed Presbyterian Church until it was disorganized. Since the death of her husband in 1928 Mrs. Sterrett has made her home in Topeka and has been a member of the Topeka Congregation. She is survived by six sons and two daughters.

Mrs. Sterrett always adorned herself with a meek and quiet spirit, was patient in tribulation, rejoiced always in hope, and took Christ and His Word as her constant companion. She was one of God's overcomers.

Saturday, May 5. Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed by thy name! Matthew 6:9.

If we thought of God's glory first—as in the Lord's Prayer—and gave the secondary place to our needs, we should please God and gain our petitions better than we do.—Fausset.

A. F. Atchison in appreciation of her work.

On April 5th, a very enthusiastic meeting was held at the home of the pastor at which there were about thirty present. A covered dish lunch was served at noon followed by a program. The annual reports were given followed by a playlet presented by the young girls of the Intermediate Young People's Society. The initiation of the new officers was conducted by the pastor and the society adjourned with a new purpose to carry on our work for the coming year with renewed consecration and devotion to the Master whom we serve.

EASY (?) WINONA MONEY

Editor *Covenanter Witness*:

I have been asked to speak at Winona on "The Pioneer Work of the *Covenanter Church*." The theme ought to cover not only the past but the present, and with this idea I would like to get the mind of the young people on the social and political program which they believe the Lord Jesus desires his people to advocate at the present hour. To this end a prize of ten dollars is offered to the Young People's Society sending in the best program or platform. Use the money for your Winona fund. The platform may be drawn up by an individual or a committee, but in order to be eligible for the contest it must be adopted by a society. At least one meeting should be spent in discussing it. Help may be gotten from any available source. Three qualified judges will make the decision as to which is best in form and substance. The *Witness* will doubtless be ready to provide space for the publication for one or more.

The platforms should not exceed a thousand words. Make them specific. Treat of whatever you deem desirable, welfare problems such as child labor, economic problems, international problems. Send in all platforms by JUNE 15 to John Coleman, 2915 College Avenue, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

THIRD PHILADELPHIA

Third Philadelphia had a most enjoyable communion season, April 1st to 8th, with the Rev. Samuel E. Boyle assisting.

Rarely are communion discourses so helpful and appropriate as were his. He was unsparing of his time and strength in the effort to promote the sacramental spirit. With earnest and sweet persuasiveness, he preached the unsearchable riches of Christ. There was a sweetness of disposition, a clarity of thought, a spiritual maturity unusual in so young a messenger. The challenge of his final discourse—an appeal for "pioneering with Christ on the world's frontiers"—will not soon be forgotten.

A fund of love and interest and a vol-

ume of prayer will follow this young servant of Christ to South China. Many of the brethren in our other churches in Philadelphia united in worship with us Thursday and Sabbath evenings.

It was a fine communion, with not a single disturbing factor to mar its spiritual delights. Miriam McClay and Jean MacKnight united with the church on profession of faith. We thank God for this time of refreshing from His presence.

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

Miss Esther Latimer, Director of Nurses in the Child Welfare Association of Danville, Illinois, came to visit friends and attend communion.

The Women's Missionary Society held an all day meeting Thursday, April 12th, with Mrs. John Kennedy. The time was spent sewing.

Communion was held Sabbath, April 8th. Rev. Paul White was ably assisted by the Rev. G. R. Steele and Rev. R. S. McElhinney. Miss Florence Palmer united with the church.

Mrs. Ralph Hunter of Trenton, New Jersey, was called home on account of the serious illness of her father.

Miss Jane McFarland and niece, Jennie Mae and nephews, John and Paul have moved to Walkersville, Michigan, to make their home.

It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst Moore McMillan, a beloved member of our congregation. He was born at Redding, Pennsylvania, May 29, 1850, and departed this life April 13, 1934. He married Laura J. Fishbaugh September 24, 1884. She and two sons and two daughters survive. Funeral services were held in the church and were in charge of Rev. Paul White.

NEW CASTLE NOTES

Our congregation feels that it has reaped a great spiritual awakening from the services of Rev. J. D. Edgar. Mrs. Edgar was with us for the week of March 26th and communion Sabbath, April 1st. A larger percentage than usual were present. Five new members united with the church. Horace Morgan, Harry Sager, Reid Sager, and Kenneth Filban were received by profession of faith and Mr. Clarence Campbell by letter.

Tuesday evening following communion the ladies of the congregation served a fellowship dinner in the dining room of the church in honor of Rev. Edgar and the new members who were received into the church. Dr. and Mrs. Blackwood, who have just returned from a short visit in Florida, were also honor guests.

On December 25th, visitation day (Every Member Canvass) was observed. Eight teams of two members each visited the different homes of the congregation. The topic of conversation was not so much the financial condition of the church as the spiritual condition. Where the Spirit

is given the chance to work, there need be no worry for the financial condition.

The spring Thank Offering meeting of the Women's Missionary Society was held March 22nd. Mrs. Weir, our returned missionary (from Cyprus) was the principle speaker of the evening. Mrs. Grant Fisher gave a reading and Mr. David Reese sang a special number. Following the meeting a tea was served.

A committee has been appointed in our congregation whose function is by combined effort to fill every pew in the church. The committee has formed an organization which reads set portions of the Bible each week, and meets on Wednesday evenings to discuss portions read and to pray for success and guidance in their work.

COLDENHAM, NEW YORK

The Ladies' Missionary Society, in cooperation with the local W. C. T. U., presented a three-day quilt exhibit at the Manse early in December. The rooms were filled with more than eighty interesting quilts and coverlets, some over a hundred years old. The Ladies' Missionary Society has held two all-day sewing meetings lately: one at the home of Mrs. T. A. Merritt, where garments were made to send to the Southern Mission, and where the luncheon celebrated the birthday of the society's president, Mrs. Grace Arnott; and the other at the home of Mrs. G. O. Thompson, where garments were cut and basted for the Jewish Mission.

The Sabbath School Entertainment was given at the church the Thursday after Christmas. After the program, gifts and prizes were distributed.

Coldenham had a busy, happy holiday season. There were no services in our church Sabbath, December 31st, as we participated in the meetings in Newburgh where the White Lake Reunion was held. Reunion delegates were entertained in the homes of the following Coldenham members: Mr. Hugh Robinson, Mrs. T. A. Merritt, Mrs. Russell Scott, Mrs. George Arnott, Mrs. Alex Weddell, and also at the Manse.

We miss one of our elders, Mr. McLaury, who is in Orlando, Florida, but are glad to hear from him frequently. Doctors Margaret and Sadie and Miss Hannah Morrison have recently gone to enjoy the climate of Palm Beach.

Dr. Cameron May, resident physician at Cornwall Hospital, is close enough to slip away occasionally and attend church services and functions.

Robert McClurkin has been in Western Pennsylvania since the early part of January, as a traveling investigator on a CWA project under the direction of the State Library of Pennsylvania.

Contributions of Congregations

April 1, 1934 - October 1, 1934

Congregation	Share	Paid	Congregation	Share	Paid
Denver	850.00	200.00	Belle Center	235.00	20.00
Greeley	1,150.00	96.00	Bellefontaine	120.00	
*La Junta	200.00	200.00	Cincinnati	265.00	15.00
Bethel	600.00	5.00	Hetherton	120.00	10.00
Bloomington	850.00	46.70	Jonathans Creek	435.00	49.00
Oakdale	950.00	103.05	New Concord	485.00	194.00
Old Bethel	450.00		Southfield	550.00	58.00
Princeton	250.00		United Miami	415.00	10.00
Selma	200.00	50.00	Utica	325.00	57.50
			Delburne	42.00	6.00
Chicago	252.00	9.00			
Hopkinton	518.00		Fresno	50.00	
Morning Sun	916.00	70.50	Hemet	145.00	61.37
Lake Reno	147.00	19.50	Los Angeles	1,355.00	181.00
Sharon	1,168.00	111.00	*Portland	35.00	39.00
Vernon	96.00	50.00	Santa Ana	720.00	50.00
Washington	60.00	21.00	Seattle	495.00	5.00
Winnipeg	98.00	43.00			
Beulah	525.00		1st Philadelphia	1,210.00	114.25
Blanchard	520.00	80.00	2nd Philadelphia	1,210.00	877.50
Cache Creek	275.00	35.00	3rd Philadelphia	3,710.00	1,211.27
Clarinda	1,400.00	200.00	Orlando	270.00	28.91
Denison	525.00	54.00			
Eskridge	235.00	98.70	Allegheny	1,150.00	529.00
Hebron	480.00	6.00	Bear Run	240.00	
Kansas City	875.00	250.00	Beaver Falls	950.00	89.00
Olathe	875.00	100.00	Central Pittsburgh	4,000.00	25.00
Quinter	525.00	78.00	College Hill	1,850.00	10.00
Stafford	220.00	32.50	Connellsville	150.00	
Superior	325.00	3.86	East End	685.00	7.00
Sterling	1,400.00	278.51	Geneva	1,375.00	355.46
Topeka	830.00	192.75	Little Beaver	150.00	
Winchester	1,490.00	70.00	Mercer	420.00	
			Miller's Run	775.00	140.00
Barnesville	50.00		New Alexandria	1,430.00	
Barnet	320.00		New Castle	1,400.00	630.00
Boston	255.00		Parnassus	875.00	300.00
Bovina	355.00		Rehoboth	110.00	35.00
Cambridge	375.00	83.00	Rose Point	265.00	
Coldenham	255.00	5.00	Union	300.00	9.00
Cornwallis	125.00		Wilkinsburg	2,580.00	216.45
Montclair	290.00		Youngstown	110.00	71.00
Newburgh	960.00				
2nd New York	2,755.00	900.00	Almonte	378.00	15.00
3rd New York	730.00	382.64	Lisbon	100.00	40.00
Walton	840.00	225.00	Lochiel	200.00	42.91
White Lake	190.00	105.00	Syracuse	957.00	
			York	365.00	40.00

*Paid in full.

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and other relatives visited at Coldenham. They took pictures of the church and cemetery. Mr. Stevenson had been greatly interested in the history of Coldenham church.

On Saturday, May 12th, the Sabbath School children gathered and arranged wild flowers and lilacs. The next day, Mother's Day, a pretty bouquet was presented to each mother present.

A congregational meeting was held in the church, Monday, May 21st. The officers were re-elected for the coming year: Mr. Hugh Robinson, chairman; Mr. Rus-

sell Scott, clerk; and Mrs. George Arnott, treasurer.

On Friday evening, May 25th, the local W. C. T. U. held a community meeting in the church in the interest of their Scientific Temperance Instruction Department. Thirty-four pupils of the three district schools had entered an essay, a poster, or both, in the S. T. I. contest. The Coldenham W. C. T. U. awarded cash prizes to the winners before an interested audience of more than 120.

On June 2nd, the Ladies' Missionary Society and C. Y. P. U. co-operated in

serving a Cafeteria Supper in the basement of the church.

On Children's Day, June 10th, the younger members of the Sabbath School drilled on a Scripture Text Alphabet in the closing exercises of the school.

Having remembered mothers and children on special days, we could not but observe Father's Day, June 17th. Each father was presented with a rosebud for his coat lapel and a wall placard bearing a Scripture passage.

Dr. Cameron May, a member of the Coldenham congregation, who has been resident physician at the Cornwall Hospital, has opened an office in Cornwall-on-Hudson, for the practice of medicine and surgery.

On July 18th we took into the congregation and into our hearts another new member—Robert Boynton, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Scott.

Eleven representatives of Colenham attended the Winona Conference in August: Mr. Hugh Robinson, elder; Mr. T. A. Merritt, the pastor and his family and five delegates of the C. Y. P. U.—Catherine Earl, Evelyn Fond, Marion Hansche, Dorothy Nelson, and John Shearer.

At a sewing meeting at the Manse early in September, the members of the L. M. S. completed the garments to be sent to the Southern Mission.

Theodore May returned to Trenton, N. J., to begin his second year at Rider College; **Robert McClurkin is teaching at Perkiomen, a private school near Philadelphia**; Eunice McClurkin is in Pittsburgh doing graduate study at the University of Pittsburgh; Fay Corey has returned to Florida to continue her studies there; Dorothy Nelson is spending a few months with relatives at Palisades Park, N. J. We miss these young folks in the Sabbath services and in the social activities.

MILLER RUN

Rev. W. J. McBurney preached in the home pulpit on the Sabbaths of the Conference. No official announcement has been made before this of our great pleasure in the coming of the McBurney family. We are glad that Caroline is teaching in a school near her new home here.

John C. Hulick went in July to CCC Camp, and is now at McAlevy's Fort, Pa.

Miss Etta Thompson is troubled by the sinking of her house and barn due to the coal mine beneath. Her brother, George R. Thompson had the same worry about his home some months ago, but it seems to be stable again.

The mush ball team, made up largely from John McBurney's class, won first place in the eastern section of the Wabash District Church League. They were defeated by the western section champions. Playing managers come from Mr. Will-

in this lesson is the Kingship of Jesus. Secondly comes the fact that our nation through her Constitution does not recognize this, and then the conclusion that, therefore, Christians should not uphold this Constitution by voting. Send to the Witness Committee, Millvale Branch 4, Pittsburgh, for "That Strange Covenanter Conviction" by F. H. Lathom, and ask for other free literature. Make this lesson so simple and plain that when playmates ask your Juniors why their parents are not voting, they can tell them.

LESSON: I used to wonder about the words on our Banner, "For Christ's Crown." Tonight, we shall find out what they mean.

First, let us look up some verses in our Bibles. Let us read Rev. 19:16. To whom is this high title given? One of the rulers in the world today calls himself "king of kings," yet there are many rulers over whom he has no control. Our verse refers to a King who is over all the kings in the world. Who can he be? Perhaps we can find out by reading more about Him. Compare verse twelve with Rev. 2:18. Compare verse thirteen with John 1:1. We know that "the Word" is Jesus. In I Tim. 6:14, 15, this very name is given to Jesus. Let us read Rev. 19:16, putting the name "Jesus" instead of the pronoun. Jesus is King of kings; He is Lord of lords. Other verses which prove this: Jesus is ruler of kings, Rev. 1:5. He is our King, Isa. 33:22. God made Him King, Phil. 2:9-11. He is King now, Mt. 28:18.

A crown is the sign of a ruler. "Christ's Crown" refers to Christ's being our King. And now, what does it mean to be "for Christ's crown"? What does it mean to be for Christ, our King?

First, it means *loyalty*. The color of this banner is true blue. In the dictionary, Webster says that because the Covenanters chose that color, the very name "true blue" now stands for thoroughgoing loyalty. True-blue Covenanters have always been loyal to King Jesus.

And loyalty means obedience to Jesus' law. Who remembers that part of the Lord's Prayer which speaks of His kingdom and of obeying His law as the angels do in heaven? Let us sing Ps. 103:13-15, No. 276.

But Jesus is King of the whole earth, not just of the Covenanters. So all the nations should show their loyalty to Him by recognizing Him as King and obeying His law. Does our own nation do this? Let us see.

Years ago, when our nation started, a group of men wrote out just what the United States of America stood for. This writing was called the Constitution. When they were writing this Constitution, Benjamin Franklin asked that

they have prayer and ask God's help. But the other men did not heed this request and when the great Constitution was finished, it did not acknowledge Jesus as our nation's King nor did it say anything about obeying the Bible which is His law. I do not believe that such a Constitution is very loyal to the King of kings, do you?

Sometimes, we are asked to swear to uphold this Constitution but we cannot do this because the Constitution is not loyal to Jesus. Not long ago, Mr. McKelvy and I tried to register as American citizens, for we love America and want others to know it even though we live in a foreign land. We could not register though, because we could not swear to uphold our Christless Constitution.

If your father were elected a Senator or Representative, he would have to promise to uphold this Constitution. It would be wrong for him to do this. Then do you think it is right for him to ask someone else to do it for him? If I vote next Tuesday and help elect a man to be Senator, I am putting him in an office where he has to swear to uphold our Christless Constitution. If it is not right for me to swear this, I do not think it is right for me to help make another person swear it. That is the reason why I cannot vote.

It will be splendid when America changes her Constitution and says that she stands "for Christ's crown" and for His great law, the Bible! Then the liquor law will be unconstitutional because it is unscriptural. Then the divorce laws will be unconstitutional because they are unscriptural. Then the Sabbath-breaking laws will be unconstitutional because they are unscriptural. And then we shall be glad to promise to uphold our Christian Constitution and to vote for others who will do it, too. Let us pray that our beloved United States of America may soon be "true blue" for Jesus, her King.

Read Ps. 2:4-9, No. 3. God the Father speaks concerning Jesus, vs. 4. Jesus speaks, vs. 5. God speaks to Jesus, vs. 6, 7. And then the Psalmist turns to the world—to our America, in vs. 8, 9. Close by singing this Psalm.

Bible Questions - - - - -

By G. Mackay Robb

(SERIES FORTY-ONE)

1. On what mountain did Elijah withstand the prophets of Baal?
2. On what mountain did Abraham prepare to offer up Isaac?
3. From what mountain were the Ten Commandments given?
4. On what mountain did the ark land after the flood?

5. From what mountain did Christ ascend into heaven?

6. On what mountain did God appear to Moses in the burning bush?

7. On what mountain was Moses buried?

8. On what mountain is Jerusalem located?

(The answers to these questions will be given next week.)

ANSWERS TO SERIES FORTY

1. A fig tree (Matthew 21:19).
3. Alnum trees, fir trees, and cedars of Lebanon (II Chronicles 2:8).
4. The bay tree (Psalms 37:35).
5. A juniper tree (I Kings 19:4).
6. "—palm tree: —cedar—."
7. An oak tree (Genesis 35:4).
8. "—and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree" (Isaiah 55:13).

C. Y. P. U. Notes

Several members of the Coldenham C. Y. P. U. are away this winter: Arthur Bache at Syracuse University; Vincent Bahr at New Paltz Normal School; Fay Corey at Florida State College for Women, Tallahassee; Marion Hansche is working in New Windsor, and Ruth Hansche in New Paltz; Eunice McClurkin is continuing graduate work at the University of Pittsburgh, and **Robert McClurkin is teaching in the Senior School of the Perkiomen Private School for boys**; Dorothy Nelson has begun training in Christ Memorial Hospital, Jersey City, and Edith Nelson is attending Albany State Teachers' College. While we miss those who are away, the members at home are efficiently "carrying on"—in the Sabbath evening meetings, in the social times, and in interesting newcomers and non-members in the community in joining with us in study and service. Copies of the weekly church bulletin are mailed regularly to all these young people, and a joint C. Y. P. U. letter is sent to each from time to time.

The Blanchard C. Y. P. U. have begun a book study and are enjoying the change in program as well as getting some information on great missionaries and missionary reformers.

The Chicago C. Y. P. U. was represented at Lake Geneva Summer Camp Conference by nine persons. Seven others were visitors. Y. M. C. A. College Camp is an ideal place for Summer Camp, for holding a conference and for recreation. The situation is beautiful and healthful.

The C. Y. P. U. Topic for October 27 in last week's issue was written by J. C. Mathews instead of G. Mackay Robb as given.

Honor to Mr. James M'Kellar Greenock

The whole community in Greenock, and especially the people of our Greenock Church, feel proud of the heroic act of Mr. James M'Kellar, of Greenock Congregation, who rescued a lad from drowning on June 22nd and who, on November 19th, was publicly thanked by Provost Bell of Greenock at a meeting of the Corporation, and was presented with the certificates of the Carnegie Hero Fund Trust and Royal Humane Society, along with a check for £10 from the Carnegie Trust. Mr. Kellar is a clerk in the Royal Bank of Scotland at Greenock.

The rescue took place at Chriswell Farm, occupied by his uncle, Mr. Alex Watters, elder in Greenock Congregation. A seven year old boy, James Mulholland, with his father was in the vicinity at the time of a Sabbath School picnic and fell into the mill pond. The father endeavored to rescue the boy but was drowned himself. Mr. M'Kellar hearing the cries for help ran and plunged into the pond and after repeated endeavors and great risk to himself succeeded in rescuing the boy and later brought out the body of the father. The names of Mr. Mulholland, who lost his life in attempting to rescue his son, and James M'Kellar were inscribed on the Illuminated roll of Heroes of the Trust. Mr. M'Kellar very humbly accepted and acknowledged the honor saying that he had done only his duty in rescuing one who was perishing.

Sterling, Kansas

At this the beginning of another year we would like to express a wish for all the congregations that it will be a time not only of material prosperity but especially of greater spiritual growth. Our blessings have been many and we trust we may be more worthy of God's continued love and care.

Our congregation had several things to make us happy at the beginning of this new year. On New Year's Day we had our annual get-together for the congregational dinner. Every one was in a happy mood and the day was a very enjoyable one. After the dinner we listened to an unusually interesting program by the children in the junior department of the Sabbath School. Miss Esther Dill had worked long and faithfully in training the children for the program. An older group of children put on a play under the direction of Miss Kathryn Huey.

Another thing that made the day enjoyable was the bountiful snow. From early in the morning till late in the night

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C. Y. P. U. TOPIC CARDS

Without names, 10 or more, 2c ea.

With names of congregation, officers, committees, leaders, \$2 for 50; 2c each after first 50.

THE COVENANTER WITNESS

beautiful large flakes of snow were falling. When we awakened the next morning a beautiful sight greeted our eyes. The glistening whiteness made us think of some lines from Whittier's poem. "We looked upon a world unknown, on nothing we could call our own."

The annual Rice County Bible Institute was held at Sterling College for a week in December. The Institute was considered the best ever. The enrollment exceeded by fifty any previous enrollment. The instructors from Sterling College who gave of their time and talent for a week of Biblical instruction, gave a real service to the Sabbath Schools of the county. Dr. E. K. Patton was one of the popular teachers. Mr. A. M. McCrea of our congregation was one of this year's graduates.

Those visiting with their home folks during the Christmas vacation were: Rev. and Mrs. James Henery of Winchester, Kan.; Grace Humphreys of Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Verle Oline and son of Topeka, Kan.; Sara Hay of LaCrosse, Kan.; Martha Hay of Ellsworth, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. Waldo McBurney and family of Beloit, Kan.; and Miss Grace Findley of Greeley, Col.

Rev. J. C. Mitchel recently showed us some pictures of our mission field in South China. These pictures showing our missionaries "in action" were very interesting.

McGaw - Williams

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ross Williams, 2061 South Clayton Street, was the scene of a very pretty wedding held at 3:30 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, December 7, when their daughter Doris was united in marriage to Waldo A. McGaw, son of the Rev. and Mrs. James S. McGaw.

The ceremony was performed by the bridegroom's father. Only immediate relatives were present. Those in attendance were Miss Bira Williams, sister of the bride, and Kenneth McGaw, brother of the bridegroom. The wedding is the cli-

max of a romance which started at Denver University, which the couple attended a few years ago.

Shelton - McClurkin

Early on the morning of December 24 at the home of the groom's grandparents Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McWilliams, in Pittsburgh, Pa., Mary Julia Shelton of Swissvale, Pa., and Robert J. G. McClurkin of Coldenham (New York) congregation, were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father, Rev. Walter C. McClurkin, in the presence of members of the immediate families. Mr. and Mrs. McClurkin left immediately for Pennsburg, Pa. where Mr. McClurkin is a member of the faculty of the Perkiomen School for Boys. Mrs. McClurkin is the daughter of Professor and Mrs. Whitford H. Shelton, and is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, where her father is head of the Modern Language Department.

Selma

The little daughter (thirteen months old) of Mrs. Rosa Webb Reagon, passed to the life beyond after a short illness of three days, Sabbath evening, December 29. Although the parents are much broken in heart, they humbly submit to the will of their Heavenly Father. The funeral services were held in the home, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Lawrence Bottoms, assisted by Dr. Johnston. May the Holy Spirit comfort these sorrowing parents.

S. M. Huey

Mr. S. M. Huey, the oldest member of the Sterling Congregation, was called to the Heavenly Home on Friday December 27, 1935. He had been confined to his bed for four months. He lacked less than two months of being nine-two years of age. He was a Civil War Veteran. He served well both his country and his church. The body was taken to Olathe, Kansas, for burial. His three children, Mr. R. J. Huey and Miss Lizzie Huey of Sterling, and Mrs. Marvin of Olathe, were at his bedside when the summons came to him.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1. *But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, . . . that no flesh should glory in his presence. I Corinthians 1:27-29.*

God chooses the weak things of the world to overthrow the mighty. The whole providence of God seems to be so constituted as to baffle the calculator.

—Joseph Parker.

Carl Lundell of Third New York congregation. They have our congratulations and best wishes.

The present corps of officers of our C.Y.P.U. is as follows: Charles Shaffer, president; Viola Fond, vice president; Ruth Hansche, secretary; and Eunice McClurkin, treasurer.

As chairman of the C.Y.P.U. Music Committee, Eunice McClurkin, after the devotional meeting each Sabbath evening, leads those present in a praise service for training in this part of our worship. Just one favorite each Sabbath evening, announced by members in turn, is sung, and then a selection with a tune with which many are not so familiar. The group is also reviewed each evening in the numbers and names of tunes formerly sung, and, yes, indeed, the number of the Psalm to which each tune is set.

Two carloads of our young people motored to Cambridge for the mid-winter Reunion of White Lake Campers. In the Bache car were Arthur and Gerard Bache, Evelyn and Gladys Fond and Eunice McClurkin. In the McClurkin car, besides pastor and wife, Mrs. Michael Fond, Marion Hansche and Dolores Kiess. All appreciated the generous hospitality and good fellowship of the brethren in Cambridge and Boston.

Having the idea that there were not enough individually owned Bibles and Psalters in the congregation, Dorothy Arnott Rau took orders and collected for and distributed a half dozen Bibles and about a dozen Psalters.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClurkin of Collegeville, Pa., spent three days of the Christmas holidays at the manse in which their mother's birthday was celebrated December 23, their third wedding anniversary, December 24, and then Christmas! Robert has an assistant professorship in the University of Pennsylvania and is doing his final resident work for a Ph.D. degree.

Eunice McClurkin is employed five days a week in the New York office of the Motor and Equipment Manufacturers' Association and helps with the work at home every week end.

BELLEFONTAINE

The Bellefontaine congregation began the new year by observing the Week of Prayer each afternoon except Thursday, the Fast Day, when preaching services were conducted.

One of our members, Miss Isabelle Templeton, who teaches in Wellsville (Ohio) High School, enjoyed her vacation with home folks. We are en-

joying the presence and fellowship of Miss McGee in our midst. Miss McGee made a tour of England, Scotland and Ireland last summer.

Our church building presents a nice appearance since it has been newly painted within and without.

During the past months prayer services have been conducted in the homes of our people and in a number of the homes outside the congregation.

In the past year preaching services have been conducted in the County Jail, the County Farm, in Cedarville, and in some other pulpits. The doctrine of Christ's Headship over the Nations has been presented. This same doctrine will be presented in other pulpits during the coming year as opportunities present themselves.

The Lord's Supper will be observed by our congregation the second Sabbath of April.

The Ohio Presbytery and the Women's Presbyterial will meet with us in May.

CAMBRIDGE

Our mid-week prayer meeting of January 4th was given over to writing letters to our Senators and Representatives in congress, as suggested by Dr. Dickson's letter to the Women's Missionary Societies.

The Young People, in their meetings, are taking up studies in the Fundamentals of the Christian faith. These studies follow the regular meetings, and are conducted by the pastor.

Our sympathies are extended to Mr. William Denham in the passing of his son Elmer during the time when Mrs. Denham was ill in the hospital with pneumonia. We are glad for the late word that Mrs. Denham seems on the road to recovery.

The January Women's Missionary Society meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Ethel Gibson. We were glad to have Mrs. W. W. Reynolds, of Utica, and her daughter, Mrs. Robert Carson, at the meeting. Mrs. Reynolds led the devotions on "Christ's Kingship and Missions." The society is busy this winter making stuffed toys and we find this is both interesting and puzzling work!

The Young Women's Missionary Society met January 20 at the home of Mrs. Robb. Thirteen girls were present. Alice Cummings led the devotions. The Mission Study Book being used is "Princely Men in the Heavenly Kingdom." This winter the girls are dressing dolls that will be sent to some mission for next Christmas.

ANNA BROWN

On January 17, 1939, friends gathered on the snow-clad hill-side of the little cemetery just outside New Alexandria to lay the remains of Anna Brown in their last resting place.

She was a sister of the late Howard and William Brown. Born and raised on a farm near New Alexandria, later they moved into Pittsburgh. For many years she was a member of the old Eighth Street congregation, later she united with the East End church. Always a devoted Covenanter, and always hostess in a home well known for its generous hospitality.

SHERIDAN M. SMITH

Mr. Sheridan M. Smith passed away after a brief illness at the home of his cousin, John Duguid of Olathe, with whom he had lived for several years. He was 73 years of age.

His mother, Margaret Ann (Duguid) Smith came to Kansas from Indiana with her parents when Sheridan was a small child. The father had died in Indiana. Soon after their arrival in Kansas the grandfather died so that the boy, like Timothy, was trained in the unfeigned faith of his grandmother and mother and accepted their faith.

A life-long member of the Covenanter Church, Mr. Smith was a good Bible student and well informed on current events. He will be missed by all.

Saturday, February 25

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil. Psalm 23:4.

This "valley" does not refer primarily to the death of saints, although that may be involved. The "valley of the shadow of death" is this world, sunk in sin and shame. In the midst of this we walk. We are in the world, although we are not of it. Around us, on every hand is sin and its wages, "death." It is in such a valley we walk: and it is in such a valley that He gives us promise—"I will be with thee."

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COLDENHAM

Though not heard from recently, this oldest living Covenanter congregation in America still lives. Diabolical raids on members and property in Coldenham are still met with determined resistance. In the frequent, well-attended and delightful fellowships of the people, devotional, social, recreational and otherwise, one can almost see at times a miniature model of the kingdom of heaven taking shape. The manse itself, in its dress of white asbestos shingle siding, colonial green trim, and harmonizing setting, already ranks among the "Better Homes and Gardens."

Coldenham observed the Lord's Supper October 22. Rev. J. Paul Wilson of Barnet, Vermont was the pastor's assistant. Young and old were delighted with his preaching. Three teen-age girls of our Sabbath School united with the church at this time and were baptized: Edith Chase, Bessie and Ruth Gillespie.

On June 25, baptism was administered to Lucia May, infant daughter of Carl F. and Jacqueline Stockford Lundell of Brooklyn, L. I. Dr. F. M. Foster, Carl's pastor, who was vacationing in the vicinity at the time, assisted in the latter baptism.

Charles and Ruth Hausche Shafer who were married in the church June 29, 1939 in the presence of over a hundred witnesses, are now cozily settled in their own home in St. Andrews, about four miles from the church they have learned to love. Sabbath Day callers are never allowed to detain them from public worship, but are invited to accompany them and sometimes do. In their own car they usually bring some of their neighbor's children. Both are regular teachers in our Sabbath School, tithers, good personal workers, and boosters of the Covenanter cause in Coldenham.

Members in training elsewhere whose personal work we miss at home, are Gerard Bache and Evelyn Fond in Geneva College, and Marion Hausche in a Nurses' Training School in New York City. **Robert McClurkin is researching for a Ph.D. in the University of Pennsylvania.**

Of our C. Y. P. U. group, Arthur Bache is in Hartwick College, Ernest Hausche in Pratt Institute, and Jane Thompson in Keuka College. Dorothy and Sylvia Nelson are nursing in New York Hospitals.

The new officers of the C. Y. P. U. now confronted with the task of recruiting the membership are: Viola Fond, president; Julia Holmes, vice-

president; Dolores Kiess, secretary; and Alexander Weddell, treasurer.

A new Junior Society of about twenty members is functioning under the leadership of Eunice McClurkin.

Our W. M. S. were delighted to have as their recent guest Miss Elizabeth Forsythe of the Jewish Mission. Her own personal account of incidents in connection with the work there was a stimulus to us. She spoke at a luncheon and Tenth Anniversary Shower at Mrs. A. R. Scott's home October 31, at the annual Thank Offering meeting at the manse November 3, and to the Sabbath School November 5. Our women are endeavoring to show their interest in the Jewish Mission in a practical way. They have also sent boxes of clothing and articles for the bazaar to the Southern Mission, and bedding for the Aged People's Home and for the Seminary. Their Thank Offering of \$43.85 goes to the Treasurer of the Synodical W. M. S.

Elder George H. Arnott who with Mrs. Arnott attended the last Synod, is depleting his dairy stock, but not his stock in the Covenanter Church.

Elder Hugh Robinson with the pastor attended the recent meeting of Presbytery in Third New York. The night before both enjoyed a visit in the home of Mr. Robinson's cousin, Mrs. Evan W. Jones of Woodhaven, L. I.

Weekly bulletins are regularly is-

Tuesday, December 12

Or despiseth thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance? Rom. 2:4.

Where is the capacity for heaven to come from, if it be not developed on earth? The discipline of life is a preparation for meeting the Father. When we arrive there to behold His beauty, we must have the educated eye; and that must be trained here. —Henry Drummond.

Wednesday, December 13

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is begotten of God, and knoweth God. I John 4:7.

Love is all happiness, love is all beauty,
Love is the crown of flaxen heads and hoary;
Love is the only everlasting duty;
And love is chronicled in endless story
And kindles endless glory.

—Christina Rossetti

sued by the private secretaries at the manse, distributed at the church, and mailed to friends and adherents in the community. In this way our testimony for Christ reaches some who seem to have forgotten that He is the Lord whom they should worship and whose law they are bound to obey. "Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men."

FRESNO

Rev. J. D. Edgar conducted our communion services unassisted October 29. It was a pleasure to have Mrs. T. G. Graham of Chowchilla with us. We were glad to receive Mrs. Charles Thayer and her mother, Mrs. Godfrey, into our membership. There were two baptisms, Marcia Eleanor Thayer, and Virginia Aileen Miller, daughter of Leo and Faith (Chestnut) Miller of Holister, whom we were glad to have with us.

Dr. R. H. Martin gave an address in the church on the liquor problem on his way south. Some of the other ministers of the city were present and assisted in the devotions.

Rev. Burt Wilson, president of our Home Mission Board, was with us one Sabbath in November. We enjoyed his messages morning and evening and in the Young People's Meeting. It was a pleasure to meet Mr. Wilson and his family. Fresno congregation has had a great deal of help in past years from the Home Mission Board, which made it especially nice to get acquainted with its President.

Mrs. John Walkinshaw recently underwent a serious operation. We are glad to report that she is home now and getting along very nicely. Mrs. Rena Gibson of Santa Ana, her twin sister and a trained nurse, is with her.

The adult S. S. class is having a class social once a month. In October we held a house warming at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thayer. It was a joyous occasion.

On the evening of November 10 the class gathered at the parsonage for a surprise for Mr. and Mrs. Edgar. Lively games that we played when we were young, were enjoyed. A blanket was presented to the Edgars to help keep them warm in Chicago.

Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Edgar and little Allison left us for the east, Monday morning, November 20. We shall surely miss them, and will be looking forward to their return after Synod. The Young People surprised them by coming to the parsonage early Monday morning and singing several Psalms,

hope that her recovery will be complete. 11

A reception will be held in the church parlors Tuesday evening April 23 to welcome Rev. and Mrs. Willson.

Miss Kathrine Coleman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Coleman, represents our congregation in the Geneva College Glee Club this year. She is with the Glee Club on their eastern tour.

Miss Louis Ward has been visiting in Washington, D. C., this week and enjoying the cherry blossoms.

HEBRON

A group of four young men from Sterling College, with Joe Copeland as chairman, gave us a fine inspirational service Sabbath morning April 6.

The March meeting of our W.M.S. was held with Mrs. Lorena Milligan. Mrs. L. J. McConnell and Mrs. Henry Dunn were chosen as delegates for the Presbyterial to be held May 1 and 2 at Sterling. The following officers were elected for the coming year: president, Mrs. James Copeland; vice president, Mrs. Raymond Milroy; secretary, Mrs. James Hatfield; treasurer, Mrs. Sadie Greenlee; assistant treasurer, Mrs. R. J. Mann.

Recent letters from Clark Copeland to relatives and friends here are most encouraging indeed. They tell of deeper interest and working of the Spirit among the students.

We have just gone through a very helpful communion service under the direction of our pastor, Rev. J. C. Mitchel who gave us very searching messages on "The Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross." The weather throughout the meetings which began Wednesday evening, was most pleasant, making possible the attendance of all resident members, excepting a few who were ill. The attendance, including children, at the closing meeting Sabbath night was 87.

Our annual Sabbath School dinner and congregational meeting was held at the church Saturday, April 6, with a pot-luck dinner. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Glen Milligan, superintendent; Dale McMahan, assistant superintendent; Donald Copeland, secretary and treasurer; Clara Mann, assistant. Mrs. Dale McMahan and Betty Dunn were chosen Junior superintendents; J. Beatty Copeland, chairman of the congregation, with Miss Ethyl Dunn, clerk.

Mr. L. J. McConnell has been laid aside for several months with a heart ailment, and we were rejoicing in his

steady improvement, but he has not been so well recently. We miss both him and Mrs. McConnell from our services.

Charlene Marie, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hatfield, was baptized Sabbath morning, April 14, preceding the communion service. Mrs. Hatfield was formerly Miss Edna Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Simpson, near Abilene, are the proud and happy parents of a little daughter, Maridean Lee, who came to make her home with them last December. Mrs. Simpson was formerly Miss Marie Woodside.

Mrs. J. R. W. Stevenson accompanied Ruth Mitchel home for Easter vacation and made us a short visit. We are always glad to have her visit us.

COLDENHAM

Coldenham congregation is gladly anticipating the pleasure of welcoming delegates to the annual Women's Presbyterial of New York, scheduled to meet here May 14 and 15. The church auditorium has been newly decorated, while the congregation, meanwhile, worshiped in the basement. Extensive repairs and improvements are also in progress at the manse.

The time of our spring communion has been postponed this year to the first Sabbath of May.

Richard Cameron May, born December 8, 1939, son of Dr. and Mrs. R. C.

May of Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, was baptized in Coldenham Church on March 17, 1940.

The newest member of the congregation is Megan Joan, born March 25, 1940, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. G. McClurkin of Philadelphia, Penna.

New interest and action is being shown in our Sabbath School. The effort to increase the attendance in the winter months of the first quarter raised it from the yearly average

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Aged People's Home ..	3,800.00	1,247.73	728.27	52%
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While we came far short of the Goal, yet we are thankful for the above and our thanks go out to the members, treasurers, and pastors for their assistance in securing the above. Thank you.

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the *Covenanter Witness*: On May 12, 1940, that of Megan Joan, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClurkin; and on July 7, 1940, that of Charles Winslow, born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Shafer on May 10, 1940.

Among our members whose presence we miss at home, are Gerard Bache, a first year student in our Seminary; Evelyn Fond, a Senior in Geneva College; Marion Hansche, a nurse practicing in New York City; **Robert McClurkin, who this year is teaching Economics in Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa.;** and Eunice McClurkin, employed in New York but home every weekend.

Our Women's Missionary Society has sent donations to the Home for the Aged, two hundred pounds of used clothing to Selma, a box of jellies to the Seminary, and held a gratifying Thank-offering meeting at the Church on Thanksgiving Day.

It was Coldenham's pleasure to entertain about a hundred guests from nearby sister congregations at a Psalmody Festival November 11. "Teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs" in this way should result in the improvement of our praise in the public worship of God.

WALTON

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McKee of Walton attended church Sabbath day. While returning home in the afternoon Mr. McKee was blinded by the sun as his car collided with another car. No one was hurt; but fenders were dented;

Milton Rouse of Fleming, New York, who lives in Cayuga County where his home was before the death of his parents, called at the homes of Mrs. Orlena Robb and Thomas Doig sometime ago. Walton, New York people have recollections of Mr. Rouse as a toddler who came to live at the Doig home for many years before his return to the state orphanage and his recitations of the Catechism and the whole poem of Paul Revere's Ride, and his kind deeds to all.

Mrs. and Mrs. A. M. Thomson of Walton, N. Y. are visiting their son Arch at Randolph Field, Texas and also anticipate a visit to relatives in California.

Mrs. Gilchrist of Walton has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Anna Mae Gilchrist, to Charles N. Stewart, Jr., son of Charles N. Stewart of Renselaer. The marriage will take place on Saturday,

December 28, at the Reformed Presbyterian church in Walton, New York.

FIRST PHILADELPHIA

The Rev. Roy C. Fullerton of New Alexandria, very ably assisted throughout our Comunion Season. His messages were clear and practical and the whole occasion was one of spiritual uplift and helpfulness. Rev. Roy Fullerton is always welcome to First Philadelphia.

As noted elsewhere in the *Witness*, two of our girls, Miss Mildred B. Kuehne and Miss Dorothy E. McConnell have been recently married. We are glad they have not left Philadelphia, but are living within reach of the Church. We wish these young couples much joy in their married life.

Miss Jessie A. Smith has rented her home and gone for the present to New York City. We greatly miss her and she can be assured of a warm welcome when she returns.

Mr. William Jackson, Sr. who lives with his son Wililam C. Jackson, Jr. in Allentown, Pa. was again able to be at the Communion. Mr. Jackson is the oldest living member of our congregation, having celebrated his 93rd birthday last October.

Our First Philadelphia Congregation has been greatly saddened and has suffered a distinct loss in the death of Mrs. Ella V. Steele, widow of the late Samuel H. Steele. A more extended notice appeared in another issue of the *Witness*.

The downstairs auditorium, together with the Pastor's study, Prayer Meeting Room and kitchen of our Church have all been redecorated and necessary repairs made. The whole first floor now presents a fine appearance.

Mrs. Greer was recently invited to give a demonstration of "Bible Story Telling" before a large group of ministers and Christian workers of various denominations. These talks and illustrations were well received as was evidenced by the questions and expressions called forth, relative to helpfulness and effectiveness of this type of teaching.

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On October 22 the Pastor and his wife entertained Mr. and Mrs. James S. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rogers, celebrating respectively the 55th and 45th wedding anniversaries of these worthy couples. "With long life and honor will I crown thee."

A HOOSIER FAREWELL

On November 8, the Bloomington congregation gave our family a formal farewell dinner. Mrs. John Kennedy, chairman of the congregational social committee, presided. Musical selections were rendered by the younger members of the congregation. Representatives of the Ministerial Association spoke and presented the writer with the book, "The Nazarene."

The next part of the program consisted of a series of "vocal numbers." Ellen Mae Curry, Jeanne Stone, Mrs. Alpha Moore, and Dean H. L. Smith, presented a pocket book to each member of our family. The five purses contained a total of \$98.80. A scrapbook containing pictures of almost all the members of the congregation, a guest log book, new psalters, and other gifts were received. Kind words were spoken, and warm handclaspings were exchanged. Lumps in our throats refused to be swallowed, and it was impossible for us to say "Thank you" as we would have liked to have said it. For over ten years our hearts have been knit together in love, and it was hard to say "good-bye" to the members of the Bloomington congregation and to the friends who have been so kind to us. We thank God for the gift of such friends.

Paul, Margaret, Wendell, Roaslie,
and Lyman White

McCONNELL-JOHNSON

Miss Dorothy Estelle McConnell and Mr. Herbert Charles Johnson were married October 12 in the Sellers Memorial Church, Highland Park, Philadelphia, the bride's pastor, Dr. S. E. Greer officiating. White cut flowers and palms decorated the Church. The bride presented a beautiful picture in her ice blue satin gown with long veil to match. The three bridesmaids wore becoming autumn colors. Mr. James S. McConnell, the bride's father gave her in marriage, and vows were exchanged while the organ was softly played. A reception was held at the bride's home immediately following the wedding ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have gone to housekeeping in their own new home in Westgate Hills, a suburb of Philadelphia. Their many friends wish them long life and happiness together.

STAR NOTES ---

***To the women of the Church:—

Dear Friends, Each of you:

To have a Biennial meeting of the Synodical this year, or not to have a Biennial this year, that is the question.

The voting so far has been undecisive. Many women say "I think there should be a meeting, but I cannot come." Others say "We should have a meeting if there are enough women who could attend."

So we are making this final effort to get something tangible on which to base a decision.

Can you attend the Biennial meeting this year?

Will every woman who plans to be there if we have it, please write me a card at once. We must come to a decision very soon.

Mrs. J. K. Gault, President W.M.S.
Rossiter, Pa.

***The *Covenanter Witness* is glad to have been able to complete our year within our assigned allotment from the Church budget with a comfortable balance and the Service Print Shop is rejoicing that they have been able to pay the interest to the Church on its investment at 6 per cent; all this in spite of the increased cost of production. The *Witness* is also rejoicing over a greatly increased list of subscribers and a much extended field of service.

***Mrs. Margaret Amanda Patterson, for sixty-two years a member of the Northwood Reformed Presbyterian congregation, passed to her heavenly home on Tuesday evening, March 24, following an illness of three years.

***Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe E. Redpath, a son, Roger Paul, March 15, 1942. (Olathe)

***The C.Y.P.U. topics for May and June will be studies from *Pilgrim's Progress*. Every home should own a copy of this, the world's second best book. Order from *The Covenanter Witness*, price \$1.00.

***Margaret Roberta ("Bobbie") Lundell, who arrived January 21 in the Carl F. Lundell family, Brooklyn, came to visit in Coldenham recently with her father, mother (nee Jacqueline Stockford), and sister, Juanita, and on April 5 was baptized in the Coldenham *Covenanter Church*.

***Prof. Robert J. G. McClurkin of the Coldenham congregation is

now on the Economic Defense Board as analyst of economic reports from the Far East and has moved with his family to Takoma Park, Maryland, just outside Washington, D.C.

***Prof. Robert J. Robinson of Walden, N.Y. has been elected principal of Wallkill High School where he has been teaching and later served as vice-principal since his graduation from Geneva College.

***Miss Donna J. McFarland of Denver, but more recently living in California, was married on February 14 to Mr. Ralph G. Kerr of Alhambra, California. They will reside in Alhambra.

***The Pacific Coast Presbytery is planning to hold the Palisades Convention this year as usual. If any *Covenanter* ministers are thinking of going to California this summer during the month of August, they might send the information to Rev. J. Ren Paterson as someone from another Presbytery on the program adds interest.

***Santa Ana congregation observed the Lord's Supper on April 4, with Dr. P. J. McDonald assisting.

***A western pastor writes that he has talked with a number of boys who are in the army and navy service and "they greatly appreciate the *Witness*. They tell me they have great difficulty in getting to read it themselves for someone else is always reading it."

***It will be of interest to our readers to know that the Woman's Synodical is taking under advisement the possibility of sending *The Witness* to the reading rooms of all army and navy camps. A little substantial encouragement from their friends would probably hasten their decision.

***Dr. E. C. Mitchel and wife will be leaving Portland, Oregon about April 20 to go back to Winnipeg where they previously worked for a number of months, to take up the work in the congregation there.

***The Rev. J. G. Vos has accepted the call of the Hebron congregation and is to be installed on or about April 29.

***The Rev. W. A. Aiken has just called our attention to the fact that the Sabbath School comments for April were credited to him when they should have been credited to another. The other in this case is Rev. Waldo Mitchel of Sparta, Illinois, and we are sorry not to have given honor to whom honor is due.—Editor.

***The United Presbyterian church has been having evangelistic services during the last week of March with

Rev. E. G. Russell doing the preaching.

***Mrs. S. A. Coulter of Olathe had the misfortune to fall and break her right arm April 8. She is at her home and is as comfortable as can be expected.

***Mr. and Mrs. George Milligan of Olathe announce the engagement of their daughter Georgia to Mr. George H. Brooks of Oil City, Pennsylvania. Mr. Brooks is in officers' training at the Great Lakes Naval Training School in Chicago. The wedding will take place in May.

***Mrs. Jennie Aikin was buried in the Olathe cemetery April 7. She had lived here the greater part of her long life, and was loved and respected by all who knew her. A beautiful Christian life and beautiful in death. "Her children arise up, and call her blessed." The funeral was conducted by Dr. Paul Coleman, a former pastor, with the Rev. Paul McCracken reading the Scripture and Dr. Taggart leading in prayer, the pastor of Olathe not being at home.

***The pastor of Olathe congregation will assist in Communion services in the Second Philadelphia congregation April 12.

***Mrs. Will Wehrman and Mrs. Wm. Barfknecht were hostesses at a party at the annex April 3 honoring Mrs. Cintha Nelson and daughters, Ruth and Violet. The afternoon was spent visiting and at games after which refreshments were served. The honor guest was presented with a parting gift. Mrs. Nelson left the next morning for Jefferson City, Oklahoma; Ruth and Violet for Wichita, Kansas. (Beulah)

***John Knox Wylie passed to the Heaven Home March 30 at the home of his sister Mrs. W. G. Martin in Santa Ana. Mr. Wylie was well known around Topeka. His sister Emma accompanied the remains to Quinter, Kansas for interment. He came from the home of his brother Oliver of Quinter to California about the New Year and has been a patient under Mrs. Martin's loving care through these months. His was a happy homegoing.

***The Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association having in charge the Aged People's Home held its Annual meeting April 15, 1942 at 10:30 a.m. in the Community House on Union Ave. and North Diamond St., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. The Directors of the Association met in the same place at ten o'clock the same morning.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She will see that it is used for that purpose. Thank you.

***By the goodness of our faithful friend, Robert Holmes of Ballymoney, North Ireland, and the kindly care of our Heavenly Father, we have received a check from Mr. Holmes for all the British Isles subscribers, including the island of Australia, for the year of 1943. Mr. Holmes faithfully performs this service for us year by year and without commission. May God bless him with long life and his continued usefulness in our prayer.—EDITOR.

***The Oakdale, Illinois congregation observed the Lord's Supper Sabbath, April 18. Rev. R. W. Piper, a son of the congregation, was the assistant. Rev. Mr. Piper brought us splendid messages at each service and on Saturday afternoon had the honor of baptizing two little grandnieces, Ruth Ann, daughter of Sgt. Archie E. Woodrome and wife, nee Miss Helen Piper, and Doris Jean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Brammeier. Mrs. Brammeier was formerly Miss Dorothy Piper. Many friends and relatives welcomed Mr. Piper to his home town and congregation and, as is usual under such circumstances, the United Presbyterian congregation worshiped with us in the Sabbath evening service. At this time Mrs. Lyle Torrens was received by certificate from the United Presbyterian church. Rev. Mr. Piper conducted the mid-week prayer meeting and preached the following Sabbath when the pastor was absent at Sparta declaring the pulpit vacant.

COLDENHAM, NEW YORK

Notwithstanding stormy Sabbaths during the winter, an average attendance of about forty was maintained by the Sabbath School. At the holidays a Christmas party was held, and book prizes were given for attendance and memory work.

Records of the past eight years show that attendance rewards of more than six hundred books have been distributed to Sabbath School scholars and teachers, in addition to Bibles, New Testaments, Bible portions, and Psalm Books given for memorizing Scripture passages.

Due to gas and tire rationing, the Women's Missionary Society did not hold meetings during January, February and March this year, but the members kept up their interest, prayers, and contributions for the missionary work of the church. The

monthly meetings were resumed in April.

The fiscal year of the congregation was closed with the same numerical force, all local expenses met, and an increased amount paid to the general work of the church at large.

At our spring sacramental occasion, both congregation and pastor appreciated the assistance of Dr. F. E. Allen, a classmate of the pastor in college, and now at Hopkinton, Iowa, the pastor of a former member remembered with affection by the people of Coldenham—Mrs. Alice Patton Joseph. Dr. Allen's fellowship and ministry were helpful and inspiration to us all.

The Midweek Bible Class meets each Thursday at the Hansche home. The members have read through the Bible, in course, and are now studying the Shorter Catechism and reading Bible proof texts thereon. Increased attendance attests to the interest in this study.

Peter Robert McClurkin arrived on December 5, 1942, the son and heir of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. G. McClurkin, of Takoma Park, Maryland. It is reported that he is happy and contented in his new surroundings, and enjoying the companionship of his parents and sister, Megan Joan McClurkin. Megan Joan spent several weeks with her grandparents at the Manse this winter.

David Kingston Arnott is employed by the Grumman Aircraft Corporation, Bethpage, Long Island. Eunice L. McClurkin is listed as an Engineering Aide with the same concern.

Dolores Kiess recently accepted a position with Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corporation of Newburgh. Betty Rau and Jacqueline Lundell have been working at the Hotel Washington.

Two of our Sabbath School scholars recently united with the church on profession of faith: Messie Lois Fletcher and Doris Elizabeth Fletcher.

Carl F. Lundell united with Coldenham congregation by certificate from Third New York congregation. Theodore M. May, at his own request, has been certified to Third New York.

Elder Hugh Robinson, suffering from an infected foot, and Mrs. Robinson, have recently been detained from the public ordinances, much to the regret of themselves and their brethren. Mrs. Robinson recently spent a few weeks visiting her sister

and friends in Beaver Falls and Pittsburgh.

Elder G. G. McLaury of Orlando was appointed Coldenham's delegate to Synod, with David M. McGibbon alternate.

FIRST BEAVER FALLS

Private First Class Robert N. Fenchel and Betty Coates of Ellwood City, Pennsylvania were united in marriage April 1 at Boloxi, Mississippi. Mr. Fenchel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fenchel of Patterson Heights and was also an assistant superintendent of our Sabbath School. He is stationed at Keesler Field, Mississippi.

during the week of April 11 to 18,

Preparatory services were held followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on April 18. Dr. George Coleman assisted Rev. R. I. Robb during the services and at the communion table. Donald Wenkous and Norman B. Javens were received into the membership of the congregation by confession of faith.

On Easter Sabbath two babies of members of our congregation were baptized: Barbara Jean Steel, daughter of Joseph and Martha Steel, and Paul Wilbert Senior, son of Howard and Iva Senior.

On the afternoon of Easter Sabbath our pastor conducted services at the County Home for the Aged in New Brighton, Pennsylvania.

Dr. J. Boyd Tweed has been ill but is slowly improving and we are hoping for his speedy recovery, that he will soon be able to be with us again.

Mrs. S. A. Nesbitt of our congregation has been removed to her home from the Montefiore Hospital in Pittsburgh, where she underwent an operation recently. Mrs. Nesbitt is recovering nicely from her operation and will soon be able to be with us again.

We are glad to report that Mr. Walter Mandeville and Mrs. H. J. George have recovered from their recent illness.

Miss Madeline Woods of Clarinda, Iowa and Miss Alberta McDonald of Southfield, Michigan worshiped and communed with us on April 18. We were glad to welcome them and have them worship with us.

First Lieut. Raymond A. Shot-singer was killed in action on the Tunisian Aerial Front. Lieut. Shot-singer was a navigator of his own flying fortress and chief navigation officer of the squadron. He also was a graduate of Geneva College with

eighty-four letters supply the words that are required below, using each letter only once, and using all the letters.

1. A sharp instrument that made slavery perpetual.
2. Something closely associated with arrows. Not a bow.)
3. An instrument of King Saul's that was stuck in the ground.
4. An animal mother whose name sounds like a watch barrier.
5. A sharp toothed cutting instrument.
6. A land that makes one think of sleep.
7. Two very primitive weapons probably the first ones ever used).
8. A worker in iron.
9. Goliath's coat (but he didn't work in the post office).
10. Smallest conceivable amount (next to a mote).
11. What Samson had to do in prison.
12. The kind of folk on whom Jesus laid hands in His own country.
13. Seven green things Samson was bound with.
14. Something harder than flint.
15. The patron goddess of Ephesus.
16. A certain type of warfare in connection with which Israel was forbidden to cut down fruit trees.
17. A great Syrian general.

Answer to the last puzzle, "Charade": Absalom, Caiaphas, Delilah, Ham, Lot, Malachi, Esau, Eglon, Omri, Obed, Rehoboam, Rueben. The initials, when arranged, give the name Chedorlaomer.

STAR NOTES

***On September 26 the pulpit of the New Castle congregation was supplied by Dr. Robert Clarke of Geneva College. On October 10, in the absence of Dr. Blair, who was assisting the Rev. Paul Wilson in communion, Dr. Clarke preached for the Parnassus congregation.

***Drs. M. M. Pearce and Robert Clarke of Geneva College attended the inauguration services October 16 of the recently elected president of Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa.

***A fifth contingent of Army Air students arrived at Geneva the night of October 12 to take the place of a group of an equal number who graduated the week previous and were transferred to Nashville, Tennessee. The new recruits were from twenty-four different states. They came to

Geneva from Greensboro, North Carolina.

***Dr. Younger, a native of Austria who received his education in Vienna, is in charge of a Geneva choir of twenty-five girls and boys, all civilian students. The choir is practicing and planning for the usual Christmas entertainment.

***The hour for the weekly broadcast from Geneva College has recently been changed from 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon to 3:00 o'clock. The broadcast lasts for three-quarters of an hour each Thursday. The Army Air students ordinarily utilize a portion of each hour and the Beaver Falls ministerial Association occupies two-thirds of the time each alternate week, while the acting drama class has the remainder of the time weekly.

***The pastor of the New Alexandria congregation was assisted in communion the third Sabbath of October by the Rev. Samuel E. Boyle, pastor of the Sterling congregation. He also assisted the pastor of the Geneva congregation in similar services the fourth Sabbath.

***Dr. John Coleman of Geneva was the preacher for the Eastvale congregation at both the morning and evening service the third Lord's Day of October. The congregation plans to observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper the first Sabbath of November.

***The pastor of the First Beaver Falls congregation had for his assistant at Communion the third Sabbath of October the Rev. Melville Martin, pastor of the Slippery Rock congregation. He was accompanied by Mrs. Martin who, on the preceding Friday, led the student body of Geneva in group singing, following the chapel hour.

***The Rev. Samuel Boyle of Sterling, Kansas, while on an Eastern trip in October, addressed the students of our theological seminary in Pittsburgh on the subject of Foreign Missions with special reference to the preparation necessary for effective work, particularly in China where he labored successfully for a period of years until war conditions made it advisable for him to return to this country.

***David George Schaal, a member of the College Hill congregation, was on the evening of October 18 united in marriage to Miss Jean Sahli in the First Methodist Church, Beaver Falls, of which the bride is a member, her pastor officiating. Mrs. Schaal is a graduate of Allegheny College and also of the Carnegie Li-

brary School in Pittsburgh, while the groom is a Geneva graduate. Mr. Schaal is a son of Frederick Shaal who for a score and more of years has been the superintendent of buildings and grounds at Geneva College. His bride is a daughter of one of the prominent merchants of the Beaver Valley. The couple are for the present making their home in Cleveland, Ohio, where the groom is doing graduate work at Western Reserve University and where the bride is employed in the Cleveland library.

***Thousands of copies of the September issue of the Christian Statesman, the petition to the United States Senate for a Christian World Order, and a copy of the reprint in the Congressional Record of Dr. R. H. Martin's editorial in a previous issue of the Statesman on "America's Responsibility for a Christian World Order" are being mailed these days from the National Reform office in Pittsburgh to pastors of different Christian denominations, together with a letter requesting them to preach on the subject, obtain signatures to the petition and see that the same is forwarded to the United States Senate.

***Baptized on October 3 at Kansas City, Thomas Plantz Robb III, son of Captain and Mrs. T. P. Robb. Dr. T. P. Robb I was for many years the loved pastor of the Sharon, Iowa congregation.

***Robert McClurkin of the FEA recently flew to South America on a secret mission for the Government.

GENEVA CONGREGATION

Clarence Young who is now working in Akron, Ohio, visited home recently.

Bob Dean left for service in the Navy on September 10. Before he left, the C.Y.P.U. had a party in his honor at the home of his sister, Mrs. Lucille Henery. Bob has been fortunate enough to get a short furlough home recently.

The Young Ladies Missionary Society held its September meeting at the home of Mrs. Lucille Henery. The October meeting was at Mrs. Ernest Lathom's home, and Mrs. Russell Lathom was the co-hostess.

The Sabbath School's annual Rally Day was held on October 3. After several of the younger classes had shown what they had been learning, diplomas and certificates of recognition were presented. Pins for a year's perfect attendance were presented to Brainerd Metheny, S. R. Davis, Erla Jean Willson, and Stewart McCready;

A WORD OF THANKS TO MEMBERS OF THE 1944 SYNOD

Yes, it was something of a disappointment to go out to Winona Lake and then, because of illness, miss all the meetings of the Pre-Synodic Conference and the Synod. Still, there were compensations and not the least of these were found in the kindnesses and the thoughtfulness of friends.

And so we want to say a word of thanks. We want to thank the members of Synod for the offering which was taken to help meet emergency expenses. We want also to thank those who so willingly and efficiently ministered in so many ways. Nor would we forget those who came to the hospital on Synod Sabbath afternoon and sang Psalms. Above all, we want to thank you for your prayers.

God has been good. There has been rapid regaining of strength since returning home. The doctors have given several examinations, and more are yet to come. After these have been completed, we will know more definitely as to how soon lecture work can be resumed.

RUTH R. AND G. MACKAY ROBB

COLDENHAM LETTER

The privileges of public worship continue here every Sabbath. In the absence of the pastor on Synod Sabbath a well-attended prayer meeting was led by Mrs. William Terwilliger.

At the spring observance of the Lord's Supper our pastor had the assistance of Dr. R. C. Ward in the preparatory services. At this time the congregation welcomed into the number of its communicant members the one who was the first infant baptized here during the present pastorate, Thomas David Weddell.

The sacrament of baptism has been administered three times in recent months: On April 30 to Philip Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Shafer; on May 28 to Peter Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. G. McClurkin; and on July 2 to David Kingston, son of Mr. and Mrs. David K. Arnott.

Our newest members are M/Sgt. and Mrs. A. H. McGinnis. They are members of Mrs. A. R. Scott's Sabbath School class, and have been adherents here for some time. On the eve of his sudden transfer from Stewart Field and their departure for points west, they indicated their desire to unite with the Covenanters Church. They were given the opportunity to subscribe to its principles, and did. It is their hope, and ours,

that they will locate here after the war.

Not lacking in zeal for God's House our elders, in age as well as in office, have retrenched on their farms. Last winter's spell of pneumonia weakened Hugh Robinson, and grippy colds David McGibbon. George Arnott, since the spring woodsawing, is minus the thumb of his right hand. Gillespie McLaury intimates that he has not found the "fountain of youth" in Florida.

A Young Woman's Missionary Society was organized at the Hansche home the evening of June 30. The officers are: Jacqueline Lundell, president; Marion Hansche, vice president; Dolores McPhillips, secretary, Ruth Shafer, treasurer, Gladys Fond, program director.

Viola Fond was surprised by an early spring "shower" at the home of Mrs. Raymond McPhillips. Since then she has enjoyed a visit from her fiancé, Sgt. Charles Belknap. Viola is now working in Hempstead, Long Island.

Both Captain R. C. May and Pfc. Carl Lundell have enjoyed recent furloughs with their respective families, the former making his first acquaintance with his daughter Jeanne born February 6. More recently Mrs. May and Dickie have visited Captain May in Tennessee.

Robert Hansche, now stationed at Quonset Point, Rhode Island, has frequent brief visits home. Marion Hansche is spending part of her vacation with relatives in Rhode Island, and part with her niece, Nancy Ann, newly-born daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hansche, Jr., in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

There have been many comings and goings: All the natural descendants of the pastor and wife enjoyed a happy family get-together at the Manse over Memorial Day week end. Mrs. Flora Kiess and daughter, Dolores McPhillips, spent the same week end with relatives in Connecticut. July fourth week end, the David K. Arnott family of Bellmore, Long Island, visited at the A. M. Weddell home, and worshiped with us. Misses Grace Mae and Bess Arnott are spending their vacation at Ocean Grove, New Jersey.

We were glad to welcome at the church services on various Sabbaths Paul Loker and bride of Walton, the James Beattys of Allendale, New Jersey, Thomas Henderson and his bride of Walton, and Mrs. Gasner.

Mrs. Elizabeth Townsend, since the death of her sister, Margaret Gordon, has removed from Danbury, Con-

necticut, to make her home with her brother, William Gordon, near Coldenham.

During the pastor's absence from home June 30, two neighbors, with a good-performing cultivator and a hoe, cultivated a good share of his garden. And that is just another evidence of the fine spirit of helpfulness and co-operation characteristic of the Coldenham folk.

As these notes are being written, July 3, we were shocked to hear of Evelyn Fond's serious injury while vacationing at Lake Mohonk. Thrown from a horse—frightened by the noon fire siren—she suffered a skull fracture and other bone bruises, and severe nervous shock. She is now resting comfortably, with good hopes of recovery, at St. Luke's Hospital in Newburgh.

HEBRON, KANSAS

Our communion services May 14 were conducted by our pastor, Rev. J. G. Vos, with Rev. June McElroy of Superior assisting.

We are happy to welcome the Henry Copeland family back into our midst. Henry reported for military service in June and is now stationed at Camp Barkley, Texas.

Eugene Henry was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Copeland on June 30.

Mrs. Myrtle McConnell and Mrs. Olive Brown of Kansas City visited in the Alvin Dunn home. Mrs. McConnell is remaining for two weeks, but Mrs. Brown has returned to her work in television.

The Juniors are collecting a library for their use. Lee Copeland made and donated the book case.

Rev. J. G. Vos took the month of June for a vacation, spending considerable time with his father in Michigan.

Mrs. C. L. Young of Sterling spent several weeks here with her sister, Mrs. R. Mann, and other relatives and friends.

Scott Milroy spent a week end with his home folk in May, from camp.

Miss Beth Copeland and Mr. Raymond Bennett of Sterling were married May 2 in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Copeland.

A shower was given by Miss Myrtle Tippin and Mrs. Orris Marshall in honor of Miss Beth Copeland, in the Marshall home. She received many lovely gifts.

The W.M.S. and Blue Banner met jointly in May for an all day meeting. Presebyterial reports were given.

The W.M.S. entertained the Blue Banner in June at the regular meeting. After a program refreshments

ents. Sgt. O'Neil has returned to overseas duty.

James Calderwood is back in Pearl Harbor after being at sea for three months.

Watson was in a hospital in England where he was operated on for an injured foot caused by a piece of shrapnel. He has received the purple heart, and has been returned to combat service in France.

Leah B. Ramsey AMM 2/c of Norman, Oklahoma, is enjoying a short furlough with her parents. Her friends were happy to be invited in for an evening's visit with her.

On September 19 Rev. E. R. Hemphill was in New York attending a meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Dr. and Mrs. Dickson and daughter Betty Jo are now located in their new home at 198 Fair Oaks Park, Needham, Massachusetts.

Reports from White Lake Camp tell us of a very successful conference. Those attending from our congregation were Tommy Smyth, Arthur Cutter, William Stewart and Rev. Mr. Hemphill.

During our pastor's vacation, Mr. Frank Woods of the Allen Emery Wood Co. spoke on August 13. He gave a personal testimony of the power of the Holy Spirit in being born again into the Kingdom of God. On August 20 and 27 Mr. Robert C. Harbach, Director of Child Evangelism for Eastern Massachusetts was the speaker.

A Community Canvass was made Sabbath afternoon, September 17, preceeding our Rally Day Services on September 24, which were well attended.

A congregational supper and fellowship meeting was held at the church Friday evening, September 22. Elder W. C. Stewart presided during the discussion period, at which time plans and suggestions for the future work of the church were discussed.

WALTON, NEW YORK

The month of August has been unusually warm for Walton. Gardens have matured rapidly, which in turn has kept housewives busy with their canning. It has been pleasant to welcome a number of visitors to our midst throughout the month.

During the vacation of our pastor we were privileged to listen to the messages of the Rev. W. J. Sanderson who spent five weeks here with friends and relatives. Mr. Sanderson is a native of Walton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lathom and Ellen spent a part of their vacation in New York City. Mr. Lathom preached for the New York congregation the first Sabbath of the month. He was called home by the death of Mrs. Helen Gault.

Mrs. Gault died at the Smith Hospital on August 4. She had long been a loyal and faithful member of the Walton congregation. Her two nieces, Mrs. Thomas Park and Mrs. G. M. Robb were able to be here at the time of her death. Burial was in the Walton cemetery. Mrs. Gault will be remembered by many who enjoyed the hospitality of her home both here and at New Alexandria, Pennsylvania, where her husband, Rev. J. R. Gault was pastor for some time.

We were all saddened by the tragic news of the death of First Sergeant Herbert Price in the service of his country on the island of Saipan, June 30. A memorial service has not yet been held in the hope that Walter Price might be home for it. Walter is in the Navy. The congregation extends sympathy to the bereaved parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Price, and to the brothers and sister, Walter, Erwin, Andrew and Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Loker gave a party for the young people and the Men's Club near the first of the month. It was well attended. After the games refreshments were served.

Walton had a larger delegation at White Lake Camp this year than for many years. The Young People's Society sent Thomas Rowley and Kenneth MacNaughton as their representatives. The Women's Missionary Society sent Marion MacNaughton. Altogether, we had some twelve people present for three days or more from our society, beside an extra carload the second Sabbath. Two honors came to our society from the camp. Our group won the cup for C.Y.P.U. efficiency, and Grace Robb was elected president.

On August 12 in the First Presbyterian Church Delhi, Miss Isabelle Hinckley was united in marriage to Mr. Howard Gilchrist, an elder in our congregation. Before a bank of white phlox and green ferns the couple took their vows with Dr. Cameron Reed officiating, assisted by the Rev. Frank Lathom. The bridesmaids were Miss Peggy Hinckley, sister of the bride, and Miss Blanche Gilchrist, sister of the groom. The matron of honor was Mrs. Chas. Holdridge, sister of the bride. The best man was Robert Russell, brother-in-law of the groom. Miss Grace

Robb of our congregation sang. A reception was held in the church parlors after which the couple left for Niagara Falls. They are now at home in their newly furnished apartment on upper East Street.

Visitors for the month include a number of former residents. The Misses Ruth and Lillian Henderson have spent some time with their mother. Mr. and Mrs. John Crawford and daughter Jean of our New York congregation were here, also friends of Miss Crawford. Some of the Bovina people have been able to worship with us a couple of times. Evelyn Alexander was in town for a short time and worshiped with us one Sabbath. Douglas Thomson and his wife were here a few days.

Mrs. A. M. Thomson, Jr. has returned to her home in Texas. We are sorry to see her go. A. M. Thomson, Sr., has recovered some from a heart attack and has resumed some of his duties. Gladys Robb has returned to Binghamton to take up again training as a Cadet Nurse.

Ensign Herbert Davies is visiting his family here, having completed his first work in the navy in Plattsburg. In a few days he expects to go on to New Orleans.

The pastor and his wife entertained the young people and their friends at the manse the last Thursday evening of August. After some hilarious games, delicious refreshments were served. The army and the navy were represented by William Sluiter, the brother of Mrs. Thomas Henderson, and Ensign Herbert Davies.

COLDENHAM, NEW YORK

None of our group is troubled about unemployment. At home, school, office, or far afield, all are busy. Whatever the service, military, civil, educational, clerical, industrial, agricultural, or otherwise, everyone is reminded from the pulpit, or by letter, of his high calling, "the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Captain R. C. May and Pfc. C. F. Lundell are now somewhere in England; Robert Hansche in the Southwest Pacific; M/Sgt. A. H. McGinnis in Seattle, his wife being with him.

Mrs. Raymond McPhillips, if not in the army now, is doing clerical work with her husband in the Port Co. army post near Prince Rupert, B. C.

As Chief Cargo Officer for the Air Transport Division of the F.E.A. Robert McClurkin is on a mission to India, via South America and Africa, and expects to fly over the Hump into China.

seek carnal rewards, yet anyone who answers the call and works wholeheartedly for the Lord will find great pleasure in it. Some of the attractions of the Covenanter pulpit are the truths that ministers are called to preach in them, the high moral standard that is upheld, and the assurance of the success of our cause because it is God's cause.

At the present time the Sovereignty of Jesus Christ should present a strong incentive to young men to preach the Gospel. The acceptance of this truth by the nations of the world would change world history. The conviction that Christ is sovereign has called three of our ministers into the work of the Christian Amendment Movement. Pastors also are finding opportunities to preach this timely doctrine. Christ's promises give assurance of success.

III. Personal responsibility to answer the call of the ministry. Young men and boys should be encouraged to consider this call. The Gospel must be preached that sinners might be saved for the glory of God. And the call to preach must be answered by those whom Christ calls if they are to receive God's richest blessings.

In deciding whether this call is for you, consider your qualifications, such as health, speaking ability, mental ability, education, and spirituality. But remember that an inferiority complex will not relieve you of responsibility if Christ calls you. It did not relieve Moses. If the call keeps ringing in your ears and weighing on your heart, do what you can to qualify and prayerfully follow the Lord's guidance.

Things to do.

1. Examine the records in the Minutes of Synod to see how many ministers are needed in the Covenanter Church.
2. Find out who are the students in our Theological Seminary.
3. See the leaflet "Why I Am Glad To Be A Covenanter Minister" for reasons for entering the ministry.

STAR NOTES.....

***Margaret Mae Boyle arrived Monday, August 5, at Topeka, Kansas, to make her home with Rev. Samuel E. and Grace Boyle, and her big brother Scott. Mother and baby have been very well.

***The Rev. A. J. McFarland vis-

ited Winona Lake, Indiana, saw Mr. and Mrs. LeToruneau, managed to get an afternoon hour on the program to give his lecture, and had a good audience to hear it. Mrs. Billy Sunday was one of the names on the list of Christian Patriot subscribers sent in by Mr. McFarland.

***Dr. J. D. Edgar and the Rev. A. J. McFarland visited Dr. Wilbur Smith, the author of magazine articles two years ago on John Quincy Adams' effort to get a Christian amendment adopted by the House of Representatives in 1844, and presented the work of the Christian Amendment Movement for his consideration. Dr. Smith received the literature given him with enthusiasm, and promised to give our work a boost on his Saturday noon broadcast, August 10, over Station WMBI in Chicago.

***A. J. McFarland spoke four times on Sabbath, August 11, in Indianapolis. Three of these lectures were in Pilgrim Holiness churches. He met a woman in one of these churches who is a worker with Ballington Booth in the "Volunteers of America". She wants a flannelgraph set and our lecture on the Christian Amendment for her own use. At the Cadle Tabernacle Mr. McFarland spoke to about 200 people and received a number of subscriptions to the *Christian Patriot*. He spent the week of August 13-18 at our own C. Y. P. U. camp near Indianapolis, Camp Bethany.

***W. M. S., attention. Some weeks ago, an envelope containing coins was taken from our Print Shop mail box between Saturday and Monday. If you ordered uniform programs and have not received them, please advise us; it may have been your order. D. R. T.

*** (This has no connection with the above). The Christian Amendment Movement has moved their office into the Service Print Shop building. We welcome their fellowship and cooperation.

***In the letters of Marjorie Allen, in a recent issue of the Witness the name Dale was added to her name. "Someone had blundered."

***Mrs. R. C. Redpath of Olathe, Kansas, announces the marriage of her daughter Lillie to Mr. E. Dodds Balph of Beaver Falls, Pa. The wedding took place at 8:30 P. M. Thursday August 8 at the home of the bride's mother. Mr. and Mrs. Balph are members of the College Hill Congregation, Beaver Falls, Pa. They will be at home in Beaver Falls after September 1, 1946.

CHURCH NEWS

COLDENHAM, N. Y.

The July meeting of the W. M. S. was at the home of the president. Mrs. Russell Scott was the leader of the devotionals.

Miss Eunice McClurkin enjoyed a vacation along the St. Lawrence and also flew to Pittsburgh for a few days visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. Hugh Robinson has been confined to his home by illness and we are thankful he is now much improved. We hope he will soon regain his full strength.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClurkin and family were recent visitors at the Manse. The children, Joan and Peter, are spending the summer with their grandparents in the Manse.

Misses Marion Hansche Bess Arnett and Grace have had pleasant vacations at Ocean Grove, N. Y.

Those from Coldenham who were in attendance at the White Lake Junior Conference are: Charlotte and Eleanor Gordon, Norman Silvertsen, Robina Thorn, Carolina Welling, Pat-sy Innes and Richard VanCook.

The Coldenham Social Club has adopted some worthwhile aims: Discussion Group at the Manse every Sabbath evening; Promotion of Wholesome Recreation in Social gatherings for the young people of the community; and participation in a worthy project.

CHINA MISSIONARIES ARRIVE

The following was sent us by Mrs. J. H. McBurney of Cannonsburg, Pa.

To the readers of the "Covenanter Witness." Our four missionaries, the Misses Dean, Stewart, Adams and Scott, sailed from Galveston, Texas, June 4, 1946, expecting to be in Hong-kong July 14.

There were five other missionaries, those nine being the only passengers on board a freighter, carrying rice, clothing and fertilizer to China. This freighter had never carried passengers before and was on its first voyage across the Pacific. They passed through the Panama Canal, a very novel and interesting experience, saw beautiful country and lots of flowers, and a monument where 1500 men lost their lives by an unexpected blast, when the canal was under construction.

The four occupied a room 8x10 ft. in which was a cupboard 3½x2 ft., a washbowl with hot and cold water,

rules for everyday living? Some people speak of Christianity as being impractical, but where will you find anything more practical?

In these days of moral confusion and deep unrest those who have the Word of God need not be puzzled and wonder what to do. If we build into our own lives these Christian virtues we need not worry about the future. For discussion:

1. Why do we need to get back to basic things from time to time?
2. Will civilization ever outgrow the need for these basic virtues? Explain.
3. Do you think these virtues are being taught or caught in most of our homes today? Give reasons for your answer.
4. Why is Christianity sometimes called impractical?
5. Why do we find it so hard to live up to the ideals we find in God's Word?

Prayer periods:

Make this a real PRAYER meeting. Use the suggestions for prayer found in the Prayer Meeting Manual or make your own suggestions and invite requests for prayer. Use one or two prayer-promises or prayer-commands to help create the atmosphere of prayer.

STAR NOTES.....

***Miss Marjorie E. Allen, in a recent letter, asks if there are any Young People's Societies which would like to get some English Bibles from the American Bible Society for prizes for the pupils in the Bible classes in the Latakia Schools, for learning the Shorter Catechism and a series of Bible verses.

***The Hopkinton congregation met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McGlade on the evening of November 22 to celebrate with them their 40th wedding anniversary, and to leave with them a reminder of their love and best wishes by giving them a beautiful ruby coffee percolator ensemble.

***The Thank-offering meeting of the Missionary Society of the Hopkinton congregation met on the evening of November 15 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Joseph under the leadership of Mrs. C. K. Greer, Thank-offering Superintendent. Devotional services were held and talks were given by different members and the Thank-offering given is approximately \$178.00.

***Mrs. Beth (McGlade) Finley was home in Hopkinton for a few days recently to enjoy with her parents and others the celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary.

***Robert J. G. McClurkin has been appointed as assistant director (international) of the Economic Bureau of CAB to succeed John Sherman who resigned to become executive secretary of the Air Coordinating Committee.

McClurkin immediately prior to assuming the CAB post was director of the aircraft division of the Office of Foreign Liquidation Commissioner, which is charged with disposal of war surplus located overseas. Previously he was assistant chief of the air division of the Board of Economic Warfare and Foreign Economic Administration from 1942 to 1945. He has had wide personal observation of transport operations throughout the war through his work with OFLC. Before entering Government service he was a professor of economics at the Wharton School of Business of the University of Pennsylvania.

—From Aviation News

***The Flannelgraph stories for children provided by our women's presbyterial are given in some of the homes of the Eskridge community, during the week. Sabbath, November 24, the story of Daniel in the Lions' den was given by a member of the Eskridge Sabbath School in the Harveyville Methodist church by their request. The adult classes requested that the story be given before the entire school. The auditorium was well filled and Harveyville is enthusiastic about adopting this method of teaching Bible stories to children.

***Miss Marjorie Hill and Mr. Nikista Chysostomou were the speakers at our annual Thank-offering service Thursday evening, November 21. The Juniors under the direction of Mrs. Lucille Henery and Mrs. Dean gave Bible verses in accordance with the pictures they held of Jesus, the Bible, parents, food etc., for which they were thankful. (Geneva)

CHURCH NEWS

THE AGED PEOPLE'S HOME

Mrs. Evan Jones has been confined to her room for some time with illness. Prayers are requested for her also.

The Rev. C. A. Dodds is expected

to arrive in the near future, to serve the Home in the capacity of a handy man. He will also have opportunity for some chaplain duties, which will be very much appreciated.

Mrs. J. L. Mitchell
Press Committee,
Board of Managers

The Rev. Kermit S. Edgar conducted a preaching service on Sabbath, November 17, at 4 p. m. Rev. Edgar volunteers his services once a month for such a meeting.

SELMA, ALABAMA

Our Fall Communion was held Sabbath September 22. The Pastor brought us some able messages which made the occasion a real spiritual shower. Quite a few were permitted to partake of this Sacrament. We had three accessions, Mrs. Dazerine Mills, Miss Lula Belle Underwood and her brother Watt. It is a pleasure to welcome these young people to our Christian fellowship.

Mrs. Nellie Rhodes Duffy and her daughter of Detroit were our church guests while here this summer. Nellie left Selma in 1919 and this is her first visit back home.

The C. Y. P. U. gave a pre-Halloween Social October 25 in our recreation hall. A nice group of young people played games, bobbed for delicious apples and were cheered by a weird fortune teller. The bright crepe decorations and floating balloons added color and gaiety for the group.

The tallest Oak in the forest of the Selma congregation was called to her heavenly home the morning of October 26, Mrs. Martha Annie Evans, age seventy-six. Bright, robust, and cheerful was her attitude day by day. A loyal active member in Church, L. M. Society, Sabbath School and Mothers Club. To know her was to love her. Her passing came as a shock to the entire church. Having suffered a heart attack, she passed away immediately. Three sons came for the funeral, Mr. Albert Evans of Buffalo, Mr. and Mrs. Ester Evans of Montgomery, Mr. George Evans of Cleveland, Mr. Theodore Grant, a grandson of Detroit, Mr. Joseph H. Evans of Washington and a granddaughter of Atlanta, Ga. She was laid to rest Wednesday October 30 in the family plot in East Selma.

Mrs. Mary Ann Walker, another one of our faithful members, was called home November 12. She had been a patient sufferer for more than four years. Mrs. Walker lived with her daughter Mrs. Evelyn Rivers who cared for her so tenderly throughout her long suffering. She

ment at present. Yet if it can be livened up by means of speech contests, which should be progressive and kept going by a skillful director, or by such films as "That Boy Joe," "God of Creation," "God and the Atom," and by singing pep songs, perhaps people would not find them so "dry."

Frances Willard stressed three methods of working: education, agitation and legislation. The first we promote in the ways mentioned. The others by women going about with petitions for local option, for closing of bars on Sabbath, or to protest licensing sale of liquor in grocery stores, or opening of taverns or beer gardens near our towns. By writing letters to our representatives expressing our interest in bills we hope to see passed, to magazines protesting against radio advertising of liquor and tobacco, warfare goes on in all our presbyteries. As long as the wet forces present new attractions to sell their wares, we must contrive new methods of combating them.

STAR NOTES...

***The Clarinda congregation is rejoicing over the word received from Dr. C. T. Carson that he will accept their call and hopes to take up his work among them about February 1.

***Mrs. Pearce and family wish to thank the members of the church for the many comforting letters that came during our recent bereavement. Words are inadequate to express the comfort they have brought us. We can only say "Thank you and God bless you!"

***A little girl came to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Henning. Vicki Lynn is their first baby. Mr. and Mrs. George Henning are the grandparents. (Southfield)

***The Civil Aeronautics Board has announced that it has appointed Robert J. G. McClurkin as director of the Bureau of Economic Regulation. Mr. McClurkin is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Walter C. McClurkin of Coldenham. Mr. McClurkin has served as assistant director (international) of the Bureau of Economic Regulation since October 30, 1946. During this period Mr. McClurkin was a member of the United States delegations to the first and second assemblies of the International Civil

Aviation Organization and also served on the ICAO Commission on a multilateral air transport agreement. Prior to his employment by the board, Mr. McClurkin served as director of the Aircraft Division in the office of the Foreign Liquidation Commissioner of the Department of State, where he was responsible for sale of surplus aircraft and aeronautical equipment to foreign customers, and for negotiations concerning disposal terms for non-combat aircraft included in lend-lease settlements.

***Mr. McLeod Braum, 76, the father of the late Mrs. Mabel Caskey, one of our former missionaries in Cyprus, died at his home in Denison, Kansas, on December 17. The funeral service was held in the United Presbyterian Church in Denison the following Monday.

***Pfc. David E. Lawson, a member of the Geneva congregation, was killed in Germany September 13, 1945. A service was conducted in his home September 29 by his pastor, attended only by the family and near relatives. His body was brought back to this country, and a service was held in the Scott Funeral Home on October 31, 1948, conducted by his pastor. Burial was in the Concord Methodist cemetery, near Beaver Falls.—J. B. Willson.

CHURCH NEWS

OAKDALE, ILL.

Oakdale Pastor and Wife have "Open House." On Sabbath morning, October 17, each attendant of church was given an invitation to "Open House" for the following Wednesday evening 7-10 p. m., signed by the pastor and family. The congregation responded heartily and were very royally entertained. After visiting together we were given the privilege of going upstairs and into every room in the house. We were then invited to the dining room, by the gracious hostess where the table was beautifully decorated with the last of the season's flowers. A candle burned brightly at each end of the table, where we were served very tasty cakes, baked in her own kitchen. Also coffee, tea, cheesets, nuts, and mints. Not only the members of the congregation, but also friends and neighbors were made welcome.

At the close of the evening a wor-

ship service was held by singing of the 121st Psalm, Scripture reading, and prayer.

As we said good-bye we were thankful for the hearty welcome received and were thankful that Rev. and Mrs. Wilcox had heard the Lord's call to this part of His vineyard, and may we as servants of Him press forward delighting to do the worthwhile things toward the advancing of Christ's kingdom. and may we find pleasure as we labor together as pastor and people.

SECOND PHILADELPHIA

The Fall Communion of Second Church, Philadelphia was held on the second Sabbath of October. Rev. Bruce C. Stewart, a "son of the manse", was the assistant and gave both inspirational and practical messages. It was a delight to have Bruce and Roselyn in our midst. It was a unique Communion Season because the pastor, Rev. Frank L. Stewart, announced to the congregation his intention of accepting a call to the Olathe, Kansas, Congregation. There were many sad hearts and moist eyes. The occasion will be one long to be remembered.

We were glad to have Richard Stewart Adams join the church at this time on profession of faith. Prof. John Murray of The Westminster Theological Seminary was present on this occasion. We are always glad to have him worship with us and observe the Communion Service.

The October meeting of the Cameronians was held at the church, with the Jileks as our hostesses for the evening. There were four visitors present—Emily Baxter, Mary Hoopes. John McElwee and William Bunker—who added to the enjoyment of the evening.

The Women's Missionary Society met on Saturday afternoon, October 9, at the beautiful home of the Misses Sarah and Deborah Archer in Paoli, Pa. A very delicious luncheon was served before the meeting and all had a delightful time. We were happy to have Mrs. Thomas Fox and Mrs. Bruce C. Stewart present. Mrs. Albert Ferguson led in the Devotional Period on the subject, "The Christian's Walk—In Light" Mrs. Thomas Nimick and Mrs. James A. Carson reviewed chapters of our Mission Study book, "Out of the Labyrinth." Our Synodical Treasurer, Mrs. James A. Carson, urged us to remember the

tions stressing the religious side of life, as well as the secular group. Dr. J. Boyd Tweed was lauded for his interest and activity as advisor of the C. S. U.

QUINTER, KANSAS

The Week of Prayer was observed in Quinter by three union services. They were held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings in the R. P., the Methodist, and the Brethren churches. Each minister took charge of the service in his own church.

The World Day of Prayer was observed by our community by a good attendance and program at the Methodist church. We were urged to have prayer often every day through 1950. Let this day of prayer only mark the beginning. Thoughts about prayer were a willingness to say, "God's will be done, not our will." Silence: "Be still and know that I am God." Talk to God, talk with God, not at God. Love God, fellow man and enemies, thanking God for all His benefits.

The W. M. S. had a Thank-offering meeting February 22 at the church. A large number of our congregation enjoyed a supper. Then Mrs. Hobart Haney led the group in playing charades. Baskets of balloons were tossed in the air and each person received one. On each balloon was a name of a mission. Then the different groups acted out a skit characteristic of that mission. Mrs. Joseph Mann led the devotionals, which were a great spiritual blessing to all present. Topics were, Prayer, Praise, and Ingathering. The Junior part in the program was a great inspiration to us all to hear their voices in prayer with God. Mrs. Haney is doing a good work among the Juniors and we pray every Junior could and would grasp this great opportunity.

Rev. Tweed was visiting in the Grahams' homes and attended the Thank-offering meeting.

We were glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Grady Steigal and children of Topeka and Miss Rhea Beth Armbruster of Wakeeney worship with us Sabbath February 12.

Beth McBurney, Maurine Ulrich, Jimmy Haney and Mary Jane McBurney took part in a recital given recently in our community by Mrs. Norman Petty and her piano pupils.

Mrs. Stafford visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Wylie and sister, the Hobart Haney family.

Mrs. Ellithorpe visited with us February 26.

Miss Mary Baertch of Manhattan College and her room mate, Miss Betty Graham, spent the semester vacation in the home of Betty's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Graham and Roland.

Robert Mann of K. S. A. C. spent

the semester vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mann, and with his brothers Matt and Austin.

Miss Mary Ann Oneil of Winchester, attending college at K. U., spent the week end visiting in the homes of Calvin Chestnut and Alfred Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Sterrett of Ellis, Kansas, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sterrett, and attended church services.

Mrs. Marie (Graham) Tice visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ewing and baby attended church services.

David Long and his sister Mrs. Bessie Laws worshipped with us Sabbath evening.

The out-of-town relatives who attended funeral services for John Francy were: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Francy, Gillespie, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Alden Hall and children of Topeka, Mr. and Mrs. Warnock Bailey and three children and Mrs. Wilma (Bailey) Donney of Colorado, and Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Nuss and baby of Wilson, Kansas. Officiating clergyman was Rev. Paul Faris.

Our February Woman's Missionary Society had an all day meeting with Mrs. Vera Ulrich. Six members were present. Mrs. Kenneth Hurd of Superior, Neb., was a helper and guest. Quilting and working on children's garments to be sent to missions was pastime of the day. At noon time all partook of a covered dish luncheon. Happy Birthday was sung for the February birthday members — along with the cake, yes, and ice cream. Our president, Mrs. Hobart Haney, very amicably presented Mrs. Rev. Paul Faris the friendship embroidered basket design quilt as a birthday gift from the society. The devotionals were read by Mrs. Ray Crabtree. Topic: The Inactive Christian. James 2:17-26. Mrs. Paul Faris, Mrs. Lloyd Ewing, and Mrs. G. R. McBurney discussed the various topics.

Our society held several all day work meetings the past month. We miss those of our members who have gone out from us but know they are a big help in God's vineyard where they are.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dill of Sterling and family and Leonard Mann of Bayfield, Colo., worshiped with us Sabbath February 19 and visited their mother, Mrs. Rose Mann.

COLDENHAM, N. Y.

The Misses Grace and Bess Arnott were hostesses to the W. M. S. on January 10, and on February 21 the members met in the Manse. Mrs. A. R. Scott conducts the missionary book review at these meetings.

Howard Arnott, of Long Island, and his son Cari and family, spent the week-

end of January 28-30 with her sisters, Misses Grace Mae and Bess Arnott, and worshiped with us on Sabbath, January 29.

On February 3, 1950, James McLeod McClurkin arrived to make his home with the Robert J. G. McClurkin's. The McClurkins live in Rockville, Maryland, and have two other children — Megan Joan and Peter Robert.

Aaron P. Baxter of Walden was 91 years old on February 12. On that day he and Mrs. Baxter honored Coldenham congregation by attending services there with their daughter and her husband — the Robert J. Robinson's.

A surprise birthday party for the pastor at the Alex Waddell home on Friday evening, February 17, was attended by a large group of members and friends. The pastor appreciates the congregation's many and varied remembrances of his birthday: the cards, the surprise party, the gift, the "Happy Birthday" cake. It is his wish that he may merit and continue to have the love and affection expressed.

Carolyn and Bonnie Sue Bache, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard I. Bache, underwent tonsilectomies on Monday, February 20, at Cornwall Hospital, and are now convalescing at their home in Coldenham.

The pastor was called to Pennsylvania by the death of his aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, on February 19 at Beaver Falls. While there he visited the Misses McWilliams in Pittsburgh, and attended on Wednesday evening, February 22, the preaching by Seminary students in College Hill Church, Beaver Falls.

MARGARET SLATER METHENY

Margaret Slater Metheny was born near Canonsburg, Washington County, Pennsylvania, October 10, 1866. She attended Geneva College in 1889-'92. September 1892, she married Dr. S. A. S. Metheny, who had graduated from Geneva in 1890 and was at the time of his marriage attending Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia.

In 1896 she went with her husband, Dr. Metheny, to Mersine, Asia Minor, Turkey, where he had been appointed to work as a missionary physician with his father, Dr. David Metheny, by the Covenant Board of Foreign Missions. There she lived until 1900 when the Methenys were forced to return to the United States because of their son's health.

She resided in Philadelphia many years with her family to which a daughter had been added. After Dr. Metheny's death she moved to Montclair, N. J., where she lived until she went to live near her daughter, Mrs. R. Eugene Curry, in Westchester County, New York, near Greenwich, Connecticut. There she died after several month's illness, Jan-

SYRACUSE, N. Y.

The officers for the W.M.S. for the year are President, Mrs. C. D. Murphy; Vice President, Mrs. Wm. Pinkerton; Secretary, Mrs. Edson Ely; Treas., Mrs. James Park.

The closing session of the Released Time Bible class was held May 22. The parents were invited and refreshments were served by the Social Committee of the W.M.S., Mrs. Elmer Shaw, chairman.

T. S. PATTERSON

Mr. T. S. Patterson, an elder in the New Alexandria congregation for the last sixteen years, died May 5, 1956. He was ordained to the eldership on May 5, 1940. He was a good man, full of the Holy Ghost and of faith. He served his Lord and the congregation well, and will be missed.

ROBERT J. G. McCLURKIN

Robert J. G. McClurkin died May 7, 1956, in an Air Force Hospital at South Ruislip, near London, England, of spinal meningitis. He had gone to London early in January, 1956, on assignment from the State Department in Washington, to study for a year at the Imperial Defense College. His family joined him there on April 7. Services and interment were held on May 24 at Rockville, Maryland. Surviving him are his wife and three children, his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Walter C. McClurkin of Coldenham Manse, Walden, New York, and his sister, Eunice L. McClurkin, of Latakia, Syria.

"YOU SAVED MY LIFE"

A recent letter from a man in California was sent to the AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY, 21 West 46th Street, New York 36, N.Y., which points up the value and necessity of such a work as that in which they are engaged. In part it reads as follows: "Today I was on the way to end things, as conditions were so bad I did not want to live any more. I had lost all of my family, friends, no job, dirty and ragged. I did not know which way to turn, no food in three days, and other things were happening in proportion to me . . . I got into a condition where I had become desperate and needed help and as it never did come, I was ready for suicide. I then found a tract called 'I Was A Night Club Entertainer' that you put out. I read it over very carefully . . . It was my last hope . . . Thanks to the tract, it was the means of saving my life as well as my soul."

BLESSING IN DISGUISE

The following anonymous poem illustrates how a disappointment may sometimes be a blessing in disguise.

"Oh, the anguish of Mary, the depth of despair,
When she came to the tomb and the Lord was not there,
As she desolate stood, with her balm and her myrrh,
And His winding sheet only was waiting for her!
But oh, the blackness of death, life's utter despair,

R Paul Mathews
7418 Penn Ave
Pittsburgh 8 Pa

Had she come to the tomb and the Lord had been there,
Lying wrapped in the sheet with the balm and the myrrh,
And no risen Redeemer had waited for her!

"VICTORY THROUGH CHRIST"



Covenant Heights Conference July 17-22, 1956

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Rev. Howard Elliott
Rev. Don McClurkin
Dr. G. M. Robb
Dr. Remo I. Robb

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ties are many and common. The problem of the refugees was discussed and those who are giving their whole time to it seemed to feel that all that has been done is merely a drop in the bucket when compared to the needs. Dr. Robert Munger of Berkeley, California, a seemingly very active evangelistic pastor, took part in the conference just mentioned and spoke in the Protestant Community Church each night during that week. These meetings were open to the public and each evening the church was full. He had other meetings at the Seminary and at the American University while he was in Beirut. Later we heard that Dr. Munger went to Adana, Turkey, to speak to a group of American soldiers stationed there. Miss McClurkin and Miss H. Fattall were in Beirut during the vacation and enjoyed hearing several of Dr. Munger's addresses.

Our group was saddened, and sorrowed with Eunice McClurkin, at the news of the death on May 7 of her only brother Robert. A great number of friends and acquaintances showed their sympathy by calling at the home of Miss McElroy and Miss McClurkin on one of the afternoons of the following week.

Baptism and the Lord's Supper were the high points of the last two Sabbaths of May. During several weeks before communion the pastor held a series of classes for those who wished to join the church. Fourteen joined and of those 12 are young people of families of the church and two are wives whose husbands are already members. The babies are pictured with their parents and the pastor, Mr. Awad is in both pictures.

Please pray for the churches here and for the raising up of leaders who will be willing and able to carry on the Lord's work.

Yours in His Service,

"With Good Courage We Say, The Lord Is My Helper"

by Elizabeth E. Weir

At the last meeting of the Foreign Mission Board in N. Y. it seems that one of the questions was "Are our missionaries in Cyprus safe?" How shall I answer? All of us are safe if we are in the place God wants us to be. That statement is not original with me but I think of it so often these days. When you read the death toll over Memorial Day you will agree with me that even the U. S. can be a very unsafe place.

As for what has been happening, let me quote the opening paragraph of notes by the Larnaca correspondent of the leading English newspaper of the island:

"After 10 hectic days of almost everything, communal disturbances, strikes, appeasement meetings, curfews, bombs and a ban on places of entertainment and vehicles, and a power failure which paralyzed everything and made the town look as a dead city, Larnaca began living again."

During one of those curfew days we laid to rest the mother of Rev. Argos and Rev. Spiros Zohdiates. She had been ill for some time. Fortunately Argos had been over from Greece to see her this spring.

You remember, perhaps, of our writing of the death of Miss Helen Egyptiades last fall. Her death left her older sister very much alone. She went to live with relatives in Greece. We are glad to hear that she is well and comfortable.

The long-looked-for Evangelistic meetings ended three days ago on Sabbath June 3. We had curfew the first night but Mr. Weir and I managed to get across the street to the boarding house where he gave his sermon to the boarding students. Part of the sermon dealt with the challenge "Love your enemies." The rest of the week the meetings went on as usual. Our boarding department had dropped from 165 to 50 at the time and very few of those were willing to attend, but the church people and outsiders attended well. Some were in our church who had never entered there before. We had put a lot of prayer into those meetings—the Sabbath School teachers, the Young People, the Fellowship groups—so we could have said they were a great benefit for us, had no outsiders come.

We have felt a slump in the Fellowship Groups, but that can be expected when we think that school wasn't going on for a long time and the classes that were being held were irregular, and that no other student activities were going on. Add to that the fact that some of the parents of these students had come through massacres in other countries and had left some of their members behind, and you have a fear that is easily understandable.

Once a week we are having a Child Evangelism class with Miss Miles who is Child Evangelism representative in Cyprus. This class, too, has been irregular, due to curfew and fear. But we hope to get through the course and have a two-week Daily Vacation Bible School in Larnaca during July and in Nicosia probably the same month. Only the other day one of the teachers-to-be said, "Do you think you can have a D.V.B.S? Will the children come?" That is for you and me to ask God. Please pray with us that it may be possible. "It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish." They need the Gospel now more than ever.

After many beginnings and stoppings we have called our students back to school only for review and preparation for examinations, which we shall give as soon as possible. We had hoped to continue but interracial riots began in Larnaca. Since we have an international school we couldn't face such a situation. Students have been given their choice of returning these few days or preparing at home for examinations. Practically all who had not found jobs have returned and the spirit is good. We began the examinations for three of the classes today.

The Hutchesons are booked to arrive in N. Y. on the S. S. "United States" on July 30. Then we shall have to work very hard to keep from missing them.

We are planning to have a mission Conference with our missionaries from Syria the latter part of August. Neither mission field is a very satisfactory place for a meeting, so we are considering going to Zahleh in Lebanon. It will be good for our morale to all get together.

Yesterday we attended the funeral of a young English teacher of our neighboring school. He had

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