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CIVIL RIGHTS

Dr. Ben M. Herbster, President of the United Church of Christ, has issued the following statement concerning our responsibility toward the recently passed Civil Rights Bill:

The Civil Rights Bill has now become law. For that we are glad and thankful to God and to those who worked so hard for its enactment.

But law is not enough. While laws are important the "good society" never can be maintained on laws alone.

We must will to keep the law and to embody the spirit of which the law is but one expression.

To provide justice and equality for all men is the most important moral issue of our day. The Church is not expert in all fields, but it does have something to say about moral issues.

It is our responsibility to help all our people to give more than lip service in this forward step in the struggle toward justice which our government has enacted into law.

Love is necessary; and love and a sense of brotherhood are parts — essential parts.

Let us be about the task of making love and brotherhood an integral part of our life.

The first step has been taken. Let us steadily walk forward in the faith until the whole is completed.

NOTICE

During the week of August 10 when Mrs. Shatto is on vacation, Reverend Bishop will be in the office from 9 until 12:30, Monday through Friday.

Attention! Baltimore Churches!

Please reserve the following dates on your church calendar. On four consecutive Tuesdays, November 3, 10, 17, 24, a United Church of Christ Workers' Conference will be held at Grace Church, Baltimore, Maryland, 8:00 - 10:00 p. m. This Conference, formerly called "School of Religion," is being sponsored by the Christian Education Committee of the Baltimore Federation. Alert your teachers, workers, and leaders now, to make plans to attend the United Church Workers' Conference. More information will be forthcoming.

Health Insurance Increase - 1965

The Council for Church and Ministry has asked that all congregations be informed that there will be an increase of about 20% in the Health Insurance Plan for ministers in 1965. Those planning congregational budgets should take note of this.

SYNOD APPROVES BASIS OF UNION

At the Annual Meeting of Potomac Synod, delegates approved the Basis of Union which outlines the structure for the Central Atlantic Conference of the United Church of Christ by a vote of 78 to 36. Since the union had already been approved by the Middle Atlantic Conference and the New Jersey churches of the former Western New York Synod, and subsequent to our Meeting the Valley Churches of the Southern Convention voted its approval, actual work has begun on completing the union. The Constitution and By-Laws are to be presented for study in the late fall. The first United Conference will be held in St. Matthew's Church, Baltimore. The first Annual Meeting of the new Conference will be held at Hood College in June of 1965.

The Reverend Kenneth E. Bishop, who has been acting as part-time President of Synod since March, was elected as full-time President to fill the term of the Reverend Roy Snyder. Mr. Bishop will begin his full-time work in August.

A full report on all actions of Synod and Committee reports will be included in the printed Minutes which will be sent to all ministers and delegates.

Executive Council And Committees For Uniting Conference

In accordance with the directive of Potomac Synod, the Synodical Council at its Meeting on June 17, appointed the following persons to five committees recommended in the Basis of Union:

The Executive Council - Reverend Bernie Zerker and Reverend Paul B. Snead.

Constitution and By-Laws - Reverend Edouard H. Taylor and Reverend Lawrence N. Strunk.

Finance - Mr. J. Vernon Coblentz and Mr. William Blumenauer.

Personnel - Reverend L. Richard Batzler and Mrs. Guy A. Benchoff.

Nominations - Reverend Raymond F. Frankenfeld and Reverend Joseph H. Clem.

The committees met in Concordia Church on June 30 to organize and begin their work.

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NATIONAL YOUTH FORUM

Potomac Synod was represented by three persons at the National Youth Forum held in Washington, D. C., June 27 to July 3. Youth representatives were Miss Gail Garber, 920 Chestnut Drive, Harrisonburg, Virginia and Mr. Tim Dalke, Summit Avenue, Woodstock, Virginia. The Reverend Samuel Fogal, Baltimore, was the Synodical Advisor. The theme for the forum was "The Christian Person in Political Action" and was brought to life through Bible study and visits to Embassies, Congress, the State Department, the United States Information Agency, and other agencies. There were several speeches by prominent people on such topics as: "Faith and Political Systems," "Christian Persons and Spheres of Political Action," "Socialism, Welfare State, Freedom." Our Potomac Synod representatives gained much from attending the forum. Any church wishing guidance in its Youth Ministry in the area of the Christian faith and political action may contact any of the delegates who will be glad to share their experience and growth.

Reverend Samuel Fogal was elected to the National Board of the Youth Forum.

Bishops Move To Frederick

Reverend and Mrs. Bishop and son, C. Nicholas, will be moving to Frederick the first week in August, when Mr. Bishop will assume his full-time duties as President of Synod. Their home address at the Synod parsonage will be 408 South College Parkway and the telephone number 662-4768.

Going To The World's Fair?

If you are, why not set a day apart to visit the United Nations and the new Church Center for the United Nations. From May 11th through September 11, one and two day seminars will be held at the Center. Reservations for such seminars will be accepted in the order in which they are received. Cost is \$1.00 for adults, \$.50 for children, and no cost for ministers. The day's schedule starts at 8:30 a. m. and will include a UN session if one is scheduled for that day.

Daily briefings at 11:00 a. m. and 2:10 p. m. are available at no charge for those who cannot spend a full day. You are invited to visit the Church Center and the office of Dr. Herman F. Reissig of our Council for Christian Social Action. For information and reservations contact Dr. Reissig, Church Center for the United Nations, United Nations Plaza, New York City, 10017.

1964 STEWARDSHIP WINNERS

The Chairman of the Synodical Stewardship Committee, Mr. John C. Chatlos, has announced the winners in Potomac Synod's 1964 Stewardship Project. They are:

Essays

Group A: 1st - Sandra Marple, Christ, Martinsburg, W. Va.; 2nd - Thomas Culler, Christ, Middletown.

Group B: 1st - David Mayer, Bethany, Baltimore; 2nd - Dennis L. Keller, Christ, Middletown.

Group C: 1st - Margaret Baxley, Grace, Baltimore; 2nd - Erma Easter, Grace, Baltimore.

Group D: 1st - John C. Freudenberger, Immanuel, Catonsville; 2nd - Joyce M. Korinth, Grace, Baltimore.

Hymns

Group A: No entries.

Group B: 1st - Grant Streigel, Grace, Baltimore.

Group C: 1st - Joyce Law, St. John's, Middlebrook, Va.

Group D: 1st - Mrs. Erie C. Biser, Trinity, Adamstown.

Plays

Group A: 1st - Beverly Davis, Incarnation, Emmitsburg; 2nd - John Glass, Bethel, Baltimore.

Group B: 1st - Linda Bohlen, Zion (Stemmer's Run), Baltimore; 2nd - Terry Clark, Zion, Baltimore.

Group C: No entries.

Group D: 1st - Elmer E. Snyder, St. Paul's, Clear Spring.

Poems

Group A: 1st - Cheryl R. Voss, St. Matthew's Baltimore; 2nd - Kay Grant, Immanuel, Catonsville.

Group B: 1st - Barbara Hoffman, Salem, Hagerstown; 2nd - Leanne Riggs, Protestant Community, Baltimore.

Group C: 1st - Linda Buss, Christ's, Hagerstown; 2nd - Philip Eager, Bethel, Arlington, Va.

Group D: 1st - Erma Louise Stull, St. Paul's, Utica; 2nd - Ruth E. Bien, Bethel, Baltimore.

Posters

Group A: 1st - Barbara Dutterer, St. Mary's, Silver Run; 2nd, Karen Beachley, Christ, Middletown; Honorable Mention - Calvin Chatlos, Incarnation, Emmitsburg, Valerie Remsberg, Christ, Middletown; Charles R. Shank, Clear Spring.

Group B: 1st - Ken Raybuck, Protestant Community, Baltimore; 2nd - Elizabeth McCall, Protestant Community, Baltimore.

Group C: 1st - Sue Biser, Trinity, Adamstown; 2nd - Irvin Turner, Jr., Zion, Baltimore.

Group D: 1st - Clyde H. Roberts, Zion, Hagerstown; 2nd - Carmen Eyerly, Christ's, Hagerstown.

VACANCIES

Alexandria, Va. - Hope
 Baltimore, Md. - Northwest Mission
 Baltimore, Md. - St. John's (Catonsville)
 (Baltimore, Md. - Zion, Stemmer's Run
 Maugansville, Md. - Salem
 Middlebrook, Va. - St. John's
 Richmond, Va. - St. John's
 Rockingham Charge, Va. (3)
 Timberville Charge, Va. (2)
 Woodstock Charge, Va. (2)

A Personal Word From Chaplain Kopp

George Kopp, one of our Potomac Synod ministers in the service, wrote just previous to our Synod Meeting from the Marine Corps Air Station at El Toro, California. He includes a description of his work and a suggestion as to how we might help him in his ministry which we quote here.

"Here at El Toro, I am responsible for the religious needs of over 1,000 men, and the families of those who are married. Although I only get to preach once a month, my time is always occupied. I have two small groups of single Marines (both men and women); each group meets one night per week and usually goes on a tour or picnic on Saturday or Sunday. This is an attempt to minister to small groups. I also teach the Adult Bible Class on Sundays and carry on an extensive counseling program.

One of our big problems is in the area of marriage. It seems to be a national trend for people to marry at a younger age than formerly. In a civilian situation with the support of family, community, and church, a young couple seems to have a greater chance for success. In the military service, low pay, isolation from families, long hours with the possibility of months of separation, and the immaturity of the couple, all threaten the marriage. It seems to me that here our civilian churches could be working in greater depth to prepare people for marriage, particularly, men who seem likely to be candidates for military service. Even more desirable, would be to help them see the wisdom of postponing marriage until after completion of their service. Perhaps this could be done in the Youth Fellowship program. It would also help if local churches could keep their service men informed of their interest in them by such simple things as mailing them Sunday bulletins, letters, birthday cards, Christmas packages, etc. Such ties would help to strengthen the service man in the assurance that someone back home cares about him. He would be less likely to be trapped into a marriage by his loneliness."

NEW AUDIO-VISUALS

(Available from Synod Office)

"My Sister Hilwa" a 96-frame color filmstrip with recorded narration. Showing time 20 minutes.

This filmstrip was produced by the National Council of Churches in cooperation with the cooperating denominations for Church World Service. It shows the way in which the specialized agencies help to bring aid to many of the more than a million Arab refugees almost forgotten in the Holy Land.

"Goats for Ghana." These slides can be used either as an interpretation of the Church World Service project "Goats for Ghana" or to acquaint the people with the mission work of the United Church of Christ in Ghana. The presentation should take between 30 and 45 minutes, and can be used effectively with young people and adults. The tape is narrated by Reverend Donald P. Flick, formerly Chairman of the Potomac Synod United Promotion Committee

HOFFMAN HOME FOR CHILDREN

Jim Leamon, who will return this fall to the Lancaster Seminary as a middler, joined the Hoffman staff as a Recreation Leader for the summer. He has the recreation program in full swing. In addition to hiking, baseball, swimming, badminton, camping, leisurely chats with the youngsters, etc., Mr. Leamon has responsibility for a rather intensive physical training program. Before his arrival, one of the boys learned that he is six feet one inch tall, weighs two hundred and fifteen pounds, and was quite active in sports at Elmhurst College. The boy said, "Wow, we won't be able to pull anything over on him."

Mr. Leamon is living on the Hoffman campus with his wife, the former Carol Lillard, and their brand new baby daughter. Before beginning work on June 8 the Leamons visited in St. Louis with Mrs. Leamon's parents. Mr. Leamon is from Easton and is a son of St. Mark's Church.

CHAIRMEN OF SYNODICAL COMMITTEES will meet at Hood College on September 16, 1964

It is important — especially this year — that all chairmen be present.

QUESTION, PLEASE

Do you know her?

Do you know my friend?

Ah, say you do, that we

May talk about

Her love

Her friendship, and

The joy she shares

With all who live as she

And bear the name "Incurable."

Did you know her?

Did you know her when

She loved as you and I?

Her talents used

In love,

In service, and

In joyful word

To those she met each day

To bring to them the Saviour's love.

Have you seen her?

Have you seen my friend

Reading aloud to girls

Who cannot see?

Typing

With one good hand

Letters to those

Who serve their Lord abroad,

And spreading cheer where there is

need?

Can you see her?

Have I made it clear?

An earthen vessel, yes,

A broken one —

And yet

A steward, who

In love and joy

Is serving still her Lord,

Will He say, "Well done," at the end?

— Ruth E. Bien

(The above was one of the prize poems in the 1964 Stewardship Project)

and Pastor of Church of the Holy Trinity, Hagerstown.

**APPORTIONMENT STANDING
JUNE 30, 1964**

	Apportionment			Potomac Synod Ap.	
	Min. Quota	Challenge Q.	Total Paid	Quota	Total Paid
Hope, Alexandria	\$ 359	\$ 412	\$ 114.79	\$ 90	\$ ---
St. Paul, Ardmore	813	934	334.46	204	---
Bethel, Arlington	2303	2648	1,288.61	578	300.00
Concordia	2964	3409	2,004.89	744	200.00
Grace	3506	4032	260.50	880	680.00
Faith United, Rockville	1410	1622	466.24	354	354.00
Pilgrim, Wheaton	582	669	133.68	146	---
Trinity, Takoma Park	3243	3730	1,565.95	814	407.02
Trinity, Adamstown	1307	1503	---	328	---
Grace Trinity, Pearl	805	926	300.00	202	202.00
United Church, Annapolis	343	394	230.95	86	43.00
Bethany, Baltimore	3721	4280	---	934	563.00
Bethel, Baltimore	2000	2300	1,141.21	502	502.00
Christ, Baltimore	1338	1540	236.55	336	75.00
Faith & St. Mark, Baltimore	3036	3491	1,106.10	762	200.00
First & St. Stephens, Baltimore	3984	4582	1,433.00	1000	---
First United, Baltimore	3275	3766	1,352.23	822	420.00
Grace, Baltimore	2940	3382	775.00	738	738.00
Huber Memorial, Baltimore	4430	5095	1,363.00	1112	838.00
Messiah, Baltimore	3179	3654	1,625.00	798	399.00
Park Community, Baltimore	1594	1833	---	400	---
Protestant Community, Baltimore	2533	2914	260.00	636	50.00
St. Luke's, Baltimore	2725	3134	1,432.66	684	515.50
St. Mark's Marshall Park, Baltimore	1865	2144	---	468	468.00
St. Matthews, Baltimore	8876	10209	4,250.00	2228	1,500.00
St. Pauls, Baltimore	1410	1622	522.74	354	354.00
Trinity, Baltimore	1004	1155	335.00	252	252.00
United Evangelical, Baltimore	8350	9604	2,000.00	2096	1,000.00
Zion, Baltimore	2964	3409	841.00	744	186.00
Zion-Stemmer's Run, Baltimore	5800	6671	1,660.00	1456	1,456.00
Christ, Sharpsburg	1060	1219	592.50	266	133.00
Mt. Vernon, Keedysville	319	367	178.50	80	60.00
Trinity, Boonsboro	765	880	---	192	---
Immanuel, Cambridge	2263	2603	504.82	568	149.33
Benjamins, Westminster R.D. 2	996	1146	598.00	250	126.00
Jerusalem, Westminster R.D. 2	351	403	---	88	88.00
St. Matthews, Westminster R.D. 2	1052	1210	312.00	264	264.00
Immanuel, Catonsville	2972	3418	570.32	746	124.32
St. Johns, Catonsville	5402	6213	291.00	1356	1,356.00
Christ, Cavetown	1673	1924	469.00	420	210.00
St. Johns, Clearspring	1737	1998	937.00	436	236.00
St. Paul's, Clearspring	2231	2566	1,443.33	560	---
Incarnation, Emmitsburg	1171	1347	327.25	294	73.50
Evangelical, Frederick	6000	6900	3,355.00	1506	756.00
Grace, Frederick	6175	7102	2,889.70	1550	1,550.00
Christ, Funkstown	709	816	793.07	178	178.00
St. John's, Woodsboro	1546	1778	100.00	388	---
Walkersville	837	962	1,206.71	210	388.00
Good Shepherd, Glen Burnie	239	275	30.00	60	40.00
Christ, Hagerstown	9315	10713	9,315.00	2338	1,169.00
Church of the Holy Trinity, Hagerstown	1968	2264	633.41	494	123.50
Salem, Hagerstown	3028	3482	3,251.00	760	760.00
Zion, Hagerstown	4892	5627	5,305.12	1228	1,228.00
Jefferson	1633	1879	1,141.10	410	205.00
Lazarus, Lineboro	1291	1485	---	324	---
St. Marks, Snydersburg	797	916	300.00	200	200.00
Trinity, Manchester	2757	3171	1,100.00	692	---
Christ, Middletown	3857	4435	2,000.00	968	968.00
Resurrection, Burkittsville	231	266	258.00	58	58.00
First, Phoenix	175	202	40.00	44	---
St. Paul, Ridgely	215	247	---	54	---
Jacob's, Fairfield, Pa., R.D. 1	367	422	152.95	92	23.00
St. John's, Sabillasville	1020	1173	425.00	256	128.00
St. Stephens, Highfield	749	861	147.73	188	50.00
Silver Run, St. Mary's	3841	4417	536.00	964	964.00
Grace, Keysville	502	577	160.00	126	126.00
Grace, Taneytown	3267	3757	1,235.00	820	820.00
Apples, nr. Thurmont	394	459	141.00	100	50.00
Mt. Tabor, Rocky Ridge	574	660	128.00	144	---
Trinity, Thurmont	1713	1970	202.00	430	430.00
Tyrone Emmanuel (Bause)	2016	2318	561.32	506	250.00
Grace, Pleasant Hill	454	522	508.00	114	114.00
Mt. Pleasant, Frederick R.D. 1	813	934	---	204	---
St. Paul's, Utica	645	742	395.00	162	---
Zion, Charlesville	462	532	155.00	116	---
St. Pauls, Westminster	3689	4243	2,664.69	926	926.00
Christ, Conicville	717	825	---	180	---
St. John's, Hamburg	701	806	500.00	176	---
St. Paul's, Edinburg	677	779	757.00	170	170.00
St. Stephens, Harrisonburg	1474	1695	1,021.50	370	370.00
Emmanuel, Fishers Hill	908	1045	---	228	---
St. John, Harrisville	725	834	225.00	182	---
First, Brunswick	486	559	321.83	122	---
St. James, Lovettsville	446	513	126.00	112	---
St. John's, Middlebrook	1865	2144	302.76	468	230.00
Grace, Mt. Jackson, R.D.	757	871	467.50	190	143.00
St. John's, Mt. Jackson, R.D.	343	394	253.51	86	86.00
Trinity, Basey	438	504	161.50	110	55.00
St. Andrews, Weyers Cave	614	706	---	154	---
Trinity, Mt. Crawford	1153	1329	713.50	290	145.00
St. John's, Richmond	5864	6745	3,519.75	1472	736.00
St. Paul's, Roanoke	542	623	---	136	---
Brown Memorial, McGaheysville	1036	1191	100.00	260	100.00
Frieden's, Mt. Crawford	924	1063	---	232	---
St. Michael's, Bridgewater	566	651	387.00	142	142.00
St. Luke's, Timerville, Rd.	1163	1338	---	292	---
Trinity, Timberville	1092	1255	525.00	274	---
Centenary, Winchester	1768	2034	1,012.47	444	344.00
Mt. Calvary, Woodstock R.D.	462	532	---	116	---
St. Paul's, Woodstock	1896	2181	88.25	475	176.00
Christ, Martinsburg	3386	3895	1,902.45	850	425.00
Christ, Shepherdstown	781	898	286.10	196	---
Grace, Kearneysville	701	806	193.00	176	176.00
	\$202309	\$232680	\$85,241.20	\$50782	\$29,525.17

SYNODICAL CALENDAR

July 25 — Synodical Youth Cabinet, Hood College
 July 27-31 - Spiritual Conference Cedar Crest
 July 28 - Synodical Council
 August 4 - Christian Social Action, Hood College
 August 5 - Church and Ministry Committee - St. Matthews, Baltimore
 August 30 — College Students and Campus Ministry at Hood
 September 13 — Visitation Day, Pearson Unit, Homewood Church Home, Williamsport
 September 15-18 — Washington Consultation, Social Action Chairmen
 September 16 — Potomac Synod Committees and Synodical Council — Hood College
 September 23, 24 - Middle Atlantic Region Conference Executives
 September 27 — Visitation Day, Sadler Unit, Homewood Church Home, Carlisle
 October 1, 2 - National Missions with Dr. Lippy, Harundale Mall
 October 11 — Visitation Day, McDowell Unit, Homewood Church Home, Hanover
 October 11 — Organizational Meeting for Western Maryland Association; Organizational Meeting for Baltimore Association; Organizational Meeting for Southern New Jersey Association
 October 18 — Organizational Meeting for Shenandoah Valley Association; Organizational Meeting for Washington Association; Organizational Meeting for Northern New Jersey Association
 October 20-22 - U.N. Seminar
 November 3, 10, 17, 24 - Baltimore Federation Worker's Conference, Grace Church, Baltimore
 January 16, 1964 - Uniting Conference, Baltimore

Hillebrand Reports From Down Under

From the Wakari Hospital, Dunedin, New Zealand, Chaplain Herbert Hillebrand sends the following news of his work.

"As you know I have a four year appointment here. We arrived October 11, and have had a very interesting eight months. Wakari Hospital has about 200 beds; there are usually around 80 Presbyterian patients for whom I am responsible; in addition I look after the Presbyterian patients in a small chest hospital, and two small surgical hospitals; this adds 15 or 20 more. At the Theological Hall 1, I teach one course the first half of the year to first year students on 'Principles of Pastoral Counseling' and the last half of the year a course on 'Our Christian Faith and Pastoral Practices' to the third year students. In addition I have the first and second year men for clinical experience in the hospital — one day a week for six weeks in the first year and again the second year. This is a total of 21 hours each year for visiting patients and seminar discussion. Recently there was a refresher course for ministers at which I gave two lectures and late in June I am scheduled to go 100 miles south to conduct a two-day workshop on 'Pastoral Care of the Dying and Bereaved.' "

In Memoriam



HENRI L. G. KIEFFER

The Rev. Dr. Henri L. G. Kieffer, pastor of the Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ of Frederick for 36 years died Saturday, July 4, at the Homewood Church Home, Williamsport.

The Reverend Dr. Kieffer, 85, was elected pastor of the church in 1910 and served until 1946, when he resigned his pastorate and was elected pastor emeritus of the congregation.

Dr. Kieffer was born in Hagerstown in 1878, graduated from the Washington County High School in 1895, Franklin and Marshall College in 1899, and the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa., in 1905.

He was ordained in 1905 and for five years was pastor of the Trinity Reformed Church, Mercersburg, Pa.

Franklin and Marshall College conferred a Doctor of Divinity degree upon him in 1921.

The Rev. Dr. Kieffer served as President of the Maryland Classis of the Potomac Synod of the Reformed Church, as director of the Hoffman Orphanage, as a member of the Board of Regents of the Mercersburg Academy, and for 43 years as a trustee of Hood College.

He was the son of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. J. Spangler Kieffer. His wife, Margaret R. Roulette, predeceased him by 12 years. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Robert H. Pilgram and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Evangelical Reformed Church, Frederick, with Rev. Paul L. Althouse, pastor, officiating and Reverend Kenneth E. Bishop, President of Potomac Synod, assisting. Interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Hagerstown, Md.

R. PAUL SMITH

Richard Paul Smith, former President of the Potomac Edison Company and President of the Board of Trustees of Hood College, died at the Washington County Hospital, Hagerstown, Maryland, on May 6, 1964. He was aged 75 years.

A native of Woodsboro, Maryland, Mr. Smith attended public schools of Frederick County and was a graduate of Blue Ridge College. In 1909, he became private secretary to the general manager of the Washington, Frederick and Gettysburg Railway Company, one of the predecessors of the Potomac Edison Company.

In addition to the many civic activities and boards, he has been an active leader in the United Church of Christ. In addition to being the President of the Board of Trustees for Hood College, he has served on the Massanutten Academy Board; been a member of the Board of Trustees of Homewood Church Home; and served as a member of the Corporation, Lancaster Theological Seminary. He served nationally on the Board of National Missions. He was very active in his home church, Christ Evangelical and Reformed, Hagerstown, Maryland, being a teacher of the men's class and a member of the consistory.

The R. Paul Smith Residence Hall on the Hood College Campus was completed and dedicated in 1957 in honor of Mr. Smith's long and devoted interest in Hood College. He received an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters from Franklin and Marshall College.

The following children survive: Mrs. George A. Gardes, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Richard Harrison, Hag-

erstown, Maryland; and Mrs. Clayton Moyer, Waynesboro, Pennsylvania. Five brothers and two sisters survive including Reverend Nevin E. Smith of Hanover, Pennsylvania.

Funeral services were held at the Christ Evangelical and Reformed Church in Hagerstown, Maryland, with Reverend Lawrence N. Strunk officiating. Interment was in the Rest Haven Cemetery, Hagerstown, Maryland.

HOOD COLLEGE EXPANDS

The Hood College campus is now the scene of extensive construction activity as work has begun on two new buildings.

A 129-student residence hall is being built in the area between Coffman Chapel and Coblentz Hall. It will be designated Coblentz Memorial Hall in memory of the late Mrs. Oscar B. Coblentz, an alumna, and her late son, Edwin P. Coblentz, a former trustee of the college. The dormitory will permit Hood to increase its enrollment to about 775 students.

Additional and approved classroom facilities will be provided in the new arts center, being constructed on the front campus facing the college library. To house the academic departments of art, education, modern languages, and the speech division of English, it will be named the Tatem Arts Center in memory of Mrs. J. Fithian Tatem of Haddonfield, N. J.

The total cost of the building program will be about \$1.4 million, and both buildings are scheduled to be ready for use by September, 1965. Private contributions to the building fund now total about \$665,000, and the college will receive a loan from the Housing and Home Finance Agency toward the construction of the residence hall. Some \$250,000 is still needed to completely finance the two buildings.

POTOMAC SYNOD NEWS

Coffman Chapel, Hood College
Frederick, Maryland, 21702

Mr. J. Edwin Moyer