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FUNDS RECEIVED FOR PROPERTY PURCHASE**B. D. Phillips gives \$27,750
for new site**

On December 31 the Society received \$27,750 from Mr. B. D. Phillips of Butler, Pa., to be used to purchase property for a permanent building site. The gift was made with the understanding that a more central location in the University center be secured than the Grand Avenue lots bought last summer by DCHS.

Mr. Phillips, long interested in the Society's program for the preservation and use of brotherhood historical materials, wanted the Society to have the best possible location for its proposed building.

The Phillips family has been noted for its contributions to brotherhood causes. Thomas W. Phillips, Sr., made many gifts to churches missionary organizations and educational institutions. Thomas W. Jr., and B. D., have kept up the philanthropic tradition established by their father.

**19th Avenue Lots Purchased
from Vanderbilt**

Arrangements have been completed by DCHS for the purchase of property at 1101 Nineteenth Avenue South, from Vanderbilt University.

The lots, facing east, extend 155 feet on Nineteenth and have a depth of 135 feet. A better location in the University center would not be possible. Scarritt College is across the street on the East, Peabody College adjoins on the south, and Vanderbilt University school of Religion on the west. The Joint Universities Library is only a block away and the Disciples Divinity House is close by.

The large brick house will be razed in the near future. Plans are being made by Hart, Freeland and Roberts, Nashville Architects, for the building. Actual construction work may start this summer on the 20,000 square foot structure.

No decision has been made concerning the disposition of the property on Grand Avenue purchased last summer.

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Indexing Conference Held

A conference concerning the indexing of the files *The Christian-Evangelist* was held in Nashville, Wednesday, January 5. The all day affair, sponsored by DCHS, was for the purpose of determining the need for an index, the form it should take, and its scope.

In attendance were the following interested persons: Dr. W. H. Cramblett, president of the Christian Board of Publication, Dr. Lin D. Cartwright, editor of *The Christian Evangelist*, and Dr. Glenn McRae, literature editor of the Christian Board, all of St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. M. W. Jones, librarian of the School of Religion, Butler University, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mr. Roscoe M. Pierson, librarian, Bosworth Memorial Library, The College of the Bible, Lexington, Ky.; Mr. C. G. Sparks, librarian, Mary Conts Burnett library Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Tex.; Enos E. Dowling, Dean of Graduate Studies, Lincoln Bible Insitute, Lincoln, Ill.; Dr. Robert N. Broadus, Librarian, Chrisman Memorial Library, David Lipscomb College, Nashville; Mr. Herman A. Norton, Director, Disciples Foundation, Vanderbilt University, Nashville; Dr. Ed-



The Nashville Tennessean Photo

Pictured are: left to right, (seated), Edward A. Henry, W. H. Cramblett, Claude E. Spencer, Lin D. Cartwright. (Standing), Robert A. Broadus, C. G. Sparks, M. W. Jones, and Roscoe M. Pierson.

ward A. Henry, Cataloger, Joint Universities Library, Nashville; and Miss Buder and Mr. Spencer of the DCHS staff.

The Society hopes to secure a grant-in-aid with which to carry on the indexing

Chris Buder to Christian Board

On Monday, January 17, Miss Christine Buder began work as librarian at the Christian Board of Publication.

Early in 1952 Miss Buder became a member of the staff of DCHS and served efficiently as secretarial assistant and assistant curator. Prior to her service with the society she was assistant librarian of Culver-Stockton College, Canton, Mo., for three years.

After graduating from Culver-Stockton College in 1948 with a major in business administration and economics she had her professional library training at the University of Illinois where she received her master's degree.

Miss Buder is unusually well qualified for her new position as the first librarian of the Christian Board. Her experience as a student assistant in the Henry Barton Robison collection at Culver-Stockton and her work with the society have given her a knowledge of brother hood life and literature that is outstanding. This combined with fine professional training and genuine ideals of service foretell a great future for the reorganization and expansion of the Christian Board library.

Recently she has become interested in the place of lay women and ordained women ministers among Disciples and expects to continue her research in this field.

project. It is estimated that several years will be required to make the more than a quarter of a million entries necessary for the master index on cards.

An indexer and a typist will be added to the DCHS staff whenever necessary funds are secured for the proposal.

An announcement was made in the December HARBINGER AND DISCIPLIANA that a grant-in-aid had been made by the Christian Board of Publication for the micro-filming of the files of *The Christian-Evangelist*.

Arrangements have been made with the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, to begin micro-filming of the periodical in a few weeks.

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For 1955: What?

Starting a new year is intriguing business. Opportunity is offered in compiling reports of the year just past to assay the achievements and mistakes that have been made. This weighing of accomplishments against failures should result in some pertinent New Year's resolutions.

We have been working on reports since the first of the year. Those reports will be printed in the February HARBINGER AND DISCIPLIANA. There you will read all about Society activities for 1954. Services rendered and materials received will be enumerated. Where our money came from and for what it was spent will be shown. The questions of the stewardship of money and materials entrusted to the Society for perserving the brotherhood's heritage will be answered.

Although we are interested in our immediate past as shown in this report we are more interested in what is happening now and what is coming in the future.

Encouraging is the fact that through the generosity of Mr. B. D. Phillips we now own our first choice of a site for our building. Certain developments make possible the starting of construction this summer. A complete building can be planned; not one erected in units as formerly announced.

1955 will not be an easy year for the Society staff. So many and varied activities must be carried on. The planning of a building to be used as our headquarters with adequate facilities for our library and archives for the years to come will take considerable time. The selection of proper

equipment to go in the building is of primary importance. Hasty decisions now can mean much grief in the future.

Ways and means of securing additional funds for the building must be carefully worked out. Brochures must be prepared telling our story. Many trips must be taken and many letters must be mailed before those funds will come to us.

Our current operating budget must be considerably increased during the next few years. Time must be spent in presenting our cause before churches if we are to receive sufficient funds with which to carry on our works in our own building and with an adequate staff.

Since the only reason for our existence is to be of service we must continue to answer questions through personal contact or by mail. We must be ready to help research students and writers. Loan packets of materials must be sent to churches on request.

The search for books, pamphlets, periodicals, pictures and other materials must go on. Those materials, when received, must be processed and integrated into our various collections. An effort must be made to step up the sorting and cataloging of items now on hand.

Always must be kept in mind our long range goal of a great research library in keeping with the influence and importance of our movement to the American scene.

Claude E. Spencer

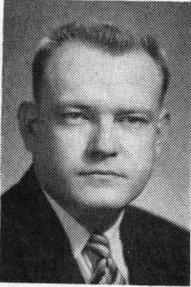
Apologies

This issue of THE HARBINGER was slated to carry the story of the start of a \$40,000.00 campaign for building funds for the Society permanent building. Recent developments made it necessary to re-make the issue, thus delaying its publication. Some of these developments are published on the front page. Other events will continue to "make news" for the Society and for the Disciples of Christ in months to come.

Our apologies for being late. However, we hope that THE HARBINGER will carry such welcome news for DCHS supporters in the future that its arrival will be eagerly anticipated, late or on time.

Jim McKinney.

JIM'S JOURNEYS . . .



In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

Sunday, November 21 thru Wednesday, December 1—CHATTANOOGA for revival at new East Ridge Christian Church. Minister Howard McCloy and members extend wonderful hospitality. Most pleasant experience. Invite me back sometime.

Thursday, December 2 thru Friday, December 17—NASHVILLE. Rather uneventful period; crowded with letter-writing, making reports, meetings, planning for upcoming building campaign. Lull before the storm.

Saturday, Sunday, December 18-19—To Virginia; thru rain and snow and dark of night, etc.

Monday, December 20—Visits with Garnett Day (First) and Ramon Redford (Memorial) at LYNCHBURG.

Tuesday, Wednesday, December 21-22—BUTLER, PA., for encouraging conversations with Mr. B. D. Phillips, Mr. T. W. Phillips, Jr., and associates re DCHS building plans. This issue carries story of manner in which these Disciple laymen are continuing philanthropic generosity instituted by their father, the late Thomas W. Phillips, Sr.

Thursday thru Saturday, December 23-25—Home for the holidays. LYNCHBURG and BEDFORD (Virginia) for visits and feasts with in-laws and family. DCHS enthusiasts will long remember Christmas, 1954, as the big turning point in Society affairs. What finer Christmas present than for the Society to be able to purchase the choice building site in the Nashville University Center area—long regarded as our No. 1 choice—and to begin planning the erection of a DCHS building of quality and distinction! Our

dreams are beginning to come true, and we are truly grateful.

Sunday, Monday, December 26-27—Hurried trip to NASHVILLE to clear up details of Society affairs.

Tuesday thru Thursday, December 28-30—Back to Virginia to pick up family, pack toys, say good-byes and reluctantly leave the crumbled vestiges of a wonderful Christmas.

Friday, Saturday, December 31-January 1—Playing host to the Hadden tribe (Clarks-ville, Tennessee, First church)—Bill and Margaret and 4 offspring. Experiment works: the new house (built from proceeds of radio, biz, not DCHS) is big enough to sleep 10, by utilizing all floors. Remember those old-fashioned holidays as a kid when you sleep on a "pallet" by the fireplace. Modern kids can use this experience too.

Sunday, January 2—Off for Oklahoma.

Monday thru Thursday, January 3-6—Delightful visit to campus of Phillips University, ENID, for Oklahoma's Ministers' Institute. Bringing along display of documents, books, source material to illustrate Prof. C. K. Thomas' lectures on Alexander Campbell as editor and translator of the New Testament. Thanks to Pres. Briggs, Dean Shirley, Prof. Thomas, Harvey Wilfred, et al, for fine first visit to Phillips; and to Lelan Akins and others for privilege of attending institute to hear outstanding speakers Barney Blakemore, Dale Fiars.

Friday, January 7—Back to NASHVILLE for brief look at mail.

Saturday, Sunday, Monday, January 8-10—Up north again. Despite snow, sleet, fine visit in home of Mr. B. D. Phillips, BUTLER, PA., discussing with Phillips family DCHS future. Dropping in on services at North Street Church of Christ, chatting with Quentin Grey, minister. Return to NASHVILLE in time for most of Tennessee Ministers' Institute. Friend Mark Rutherford makes big hit as guest speech-maker. More about that, and Society New Year progress, next month. Keep an eye on DCHS. Big things in offing.

Jim McKinney

SPENCER'S OBSERVATIONS

Executive Committee: The affairs of the Society between annual meetings of the Board of Directors are managed by an Executive Committee of seven members. The Committee is composed of the four officers of the Board, plus three additional members elected by the Board.

The first meeting of the Committee recently chosen at Miami was held Friday night, December 4. Present were William G. West, Chattanooga, Tenn., Dan C. Kenner, Memphis, Tenn., and Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Forrest F. Reed, Charles C. Crouch, and J. Philip Hyatt of Nashville. Also present were the DCHS staff who are ex-officio members.

The fourth Tuesday evening in each month has been set as a regular meeting date through 1955.

The Committee reviews the work of the staff and makes plans for the future expansion of the Society.

Services: The other day we had a call for Alexander Campbell's will. Fortunately we have the printed *Copy of the Will and Codicil Thereto, of the Late Alexander Campbell, of Bethany, W. Va., and Notice of Contest Thereon*, a 13 x 18 inch broadside. We had a photostat negative made, and several positive prints. Anyone interested in securing a copy can have one for only eighty cents, post paid.

Slides: A most popular hobby among some of our members is taking color photographs and making 2 x 2 slides. I am certain that many shots have been made of events and scenes that have significance for our Society. These would be valuable additions to our present very small collection of less than 100 slides.

What do we want? Anything concerning the work of our churches, organizations, educational institutions, and ministers is acceptable. Persons, buildings, and activity scenes are all wanted.

When slides are sent to us, they should be so marked that they can be readily identified. A separate description of the scene should be made, including the date the photograph was taken and under what circumstances.

Visitors: Mr. and Mrs. John D. Zimmerman, Topeka, Kans., stopped by on their way to the International Convention in Miami. Mr. Zimmerman brought several bound volumes of *The Kansas Messenger*, of which he was the editor for many years. Other pre-convention visitors were Comer D. Shacklett, Roselle, N. J., Ray M. Beauchamp, Twin Falls, Idaho, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Decker, Fort Wayne, Ind.

The Curator, Claude E. Spencer, reports each month his observations concerning the work of the Society. Topics for consideration will include services rendered, publications issued, visitors to the library, materials received, DCHS finances, the work of the staff, technical processes, and other items that may be of interest to our readers.



After convention visitors have been Mr. and Mrs. Thad N. Wells, Oklahoma City, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. James Handly, Tampa, Fla. Tennessee ministers who called were James N. Kelly, Jr., Shelbyville; William J. Hadden, Jr., Clarksville; and Jonas M. Berkey, Columbia.

O. L. Castleberry, Instructor in Speech, Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pa., spent a few hours here in November talking about his proposed doctoral dissertation on The Role of Preaching in the Restoration Movement. He plans to return the middle of December for a week's work.

A few days ago Jim and I had the privilege of showing our new property at 1802 and 1804 Grand Avenue to Christian Board President W. H. Cramblet.

Personal: By the time this issue of THE HARBINGER AND DISCIPLIANA is printed and in the mail, the Christmas season will be past. At this writing I am contemplating its approach with considerable pleasure as Mrs. Spencer and I hope to visit our son and his family in Shreveport, La., for a few days around Christmas.

It has been more than a year since we have seen grandchildren Mike, aged 5, and Terry, aged 2, and their parents, John and Marjory Ann. John, a captain in the air force, is currently at Barksdale Field.

HAVE YOU

PAID YOUR

1955 DUES?

THE "ADDRESS" THAT REVIVED THE SACRED NAME CHRISTIAN

by Colby D. Hall

With the permission of the author, newly elected president of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society, we are pre-printing a chapter from a proposed book about Rice Haggard. Dr. Hall, Dean Emeritus of Brite College of the Bible, evaluates the significance of *An Address to the Different Religious Societies on the Sacred Import of the Christian Name* by Rice Haggard, which DCHS published in June 1954 as FOOTNOTES TO DISCIPLE HISTORY, NO. 4. Single copies may be secured by sending thirty-five cents to the Society.

As an author, Rice Haggard produced one book—a thirty-one page pamphlet—besides his editing of hymn books. It was published in Lexington, Kentucky, in 1804, and was reprinted in a periodical in New Hampshire in 1809; so it must have had a fair circulation. In harmony with his plea for the exaltation of Christ above all names, he withheld his own name from his publication in these words:

Some may, perhaps be anxious to know who the author of the following pages is, his name, and to what denomination he belongs. Let it suffice to say, that he considers himself connected with no party, nor wishes to be known by the name of any—he feels himself united to that one body of which Christ is the head, and all his people fellow members.

Because of this modesty—rather his consistency—no name was attached and it was easy to lose. Barton W. Stone mentions it (in his autobiography) as does nearly every writer on church history of that day, but naturally libraries did not list it under Haggard, for it had no author on the title page.

Its genuineness and identity were established. The persistence and ingenuity of a determined scholar-librarian is to be thanked for the discovery. He pursued the trails with the intrepidity of a mountain climber. That literary explorer was Mr. John W. Neth, Jr., Librarian and Professor in Milligan College, Milligan, Tennessee.

Mr. Neth has told the exciting story of the chase in the five-page Preface to the reprinted (in modern type) version of the original booklet, issued by the Disciples of Christ Historical Society, June 1954. That exciting story we shall not mar by an attempted re-telling. It is readily available to anyone.

Here we shall merely undertake an analysis of the message and an estimate of its value and influence.

Its influence can be measured, not by the book itself, for it was "lost" too long, but by its message. Its value lies in the "big idea" which it presented. This "big idea" was couched in the very title, "the sacred import of the Christian name." He stuck to this text.

It was printed in 1804 in old style type. The first copy I saw was a photostat of the original. The first sentence read: "A disciple

of a scholar, or learner; such were the followers of Christ—students under him their Lord."

Anyone who has ever tried to read this style knows the confusion it causes. My eye caught on these "f's" to the confusion of thinking. Incidentally, in the new edition the linotypist was bothered, too; he left in one "p" (on page 31, second paragraph, line 4), making a familiar quotation read, "clear as the fun, etc." Well, this stumbling in the reading so confused my mind that on my first attempted reading I gained a general impression that his argument was rather commonplace and unimpressive.

But since reading it in the "English" to which I am accustomed, it comes out as an essay of strength and clarity. Its arrangement is clear and concise, its arguments are sound, and fortified by scriptural quotations; its illustrations are from common experiences. His main contention seems well sustained.

Like the modern newspaper reporter, he states the gist of his story in his first paragraph. That one paragraph stretched out to a page and a half; but that was mostly by reason of his quotations of Scripture to sustain his points.

In this section he makes the points that the name Christian was given by "divine appointment," or an "oracular nomination," for all followers of Christ; thus removing any casualness or temporary nature from it. "A disciple is a scholar, a learner; such were the followers of Christ—students under him their Lord. But when they were enabled to comprehend 'more', it was proper they should no longer be called disciples (learners) but *Christians*." This was the "new name" promised in Isaiah 62: 2, he claims, therefore, it is divinely ordained and *exclusively* authorized. Concerning this point, W. T. Moore quite aptly remarks, "The argument was quite ingenious, and if not conclusive, it certainly had philosophical and linguistic arguments to support it."* However, he does not rest his entire case on this one point.

He distinguishes between the "thing" and the "name." "The Roman Catholics having corrupted and lost the *thing*, acted consistently enough in laying aside the *name*. But what excuse should we plead for protestants, who profess to act upon the original plan; and yet are divided."

He then divides his theme: "The subject may be reduced to two general propositions. I. The requisites of a Christian, and II. Why the followers of Christ should be called Christians, and nothing else."

The "I" he disposes of quickly by naming "the requisites to constitute a Christian." With a sentence to explain each, he lists Reformation, Faith, Repentance, and Adoption. It may be observed that in 1804 neither he nor Stone had yet learned the place of Baptism.

With that simple elemental statement he leaves the requisites and goes to his main thesis. Under II, he states six reasons "Why the followers of Christ should be called Christians and nothing else."

1. Because the name is significant . . . the word Christ signifies anointed.
2. Because the scriptures favor that as the name most proper for the church. It was given by divine authority, as has been already shown. (He then quotes Paul and Peter.)
3. The Church of Christ is one body and one name is enough for the same body. He that changes his name generally has a design to it. (He cites Paul with the Corinthians, also the followers of Luther, Calvin, Arminius, etc.)
4. Because unscriptural names are spurious things—are divergent, having a tendency to disunite the body of Christ.
5. Because Christ and his church are often in scripture designated under the endearing relation of husband and wife. And there is real propriety in a woman being called by the name of her husband. . . .
6. The church of Christ is built of lively stones, a spiritual house. Knowing that a house divided against itself cannot stand, and to cut off all excuse for division he broke down the partition wall. . . .

The next division:

The question will naturally arise, whence came other names? I answer. They had lost the spirit of the christian religion and departed from the simplicity of the gospel . . . the church of Rome, foremost in pride, avarice, and ambition, made the first struggle and to accomplish her end gave herself names unknown before, such as the *Mother Church*, the *Holy Roman Catholic Church*, etc. . . . at length, some who could no longer support under the galling yolk of her superstitious deviations . . . entered their *protest* against her

. . . but as they were not themselves cured of the old infection . . . it is remarkable from the history of those times that the reformers themselves began to act in the same manner the church had done from which they separated.

In the next section he exposes the errors of Protestantism in matters of division. The striking feature of this section is the similarity of sentiment, ideas, and even words and phrases which are so familiar to all students of the Campbells. To keep oneself from feeling that Haggard learned his lesson from these great leaders, one must continually remind himself that these words were published *five years prior to the Declaration and Address*.

Let us continue our review by quoting a number of passages, occasionally underscoring familiar sentiments or phrases. Still referring to the Protestant divisions, he says:

Hence, each began to explode the *opinions* of the others, in order to extol his own; and that too, in *non essentials*, in things merely *circumstantial*. For these were trifles, about which only they could contend; because *their religion, being substantially the same*, they had nowhere else to begin. But they did not end there. For astonishing to relate, with respect to these *non essentials*, those worthy reformers parted . . . And the difference being then agitated, as it still is to this day, the consequence was that then the breach increased. Each party liked the other so little, they were not content to be called by the same name. Hence, it came to pass that each espoused the name, by which they chose to be distinguished from the rest.

Then comparing this situation to confining powder in a bombshell, resulting in explosion, he continues:

One thing I know, that wherever *non-essentials* are made *serious* terms of communion it will never fail to have a tendency to disunite and scatter the Church of Christ. It is certainly making *the door of the church narrower than the gate of Heaven*, casting away those whom Jesus has received.

The next section is a criticism of "partyism," introduced by "Take a fair view of partyism, and you will find the following things." These eight "things" he summarizes in realistic fashion, such as: the pride of leaders; waste of time and efforts; entanglements in "forms of government"; strengthening of the devil and discouragement of the lovers of peace; losses by overlapping; and finally, "if all the devils in hell had been engaged in ceaseless counsels from eternity, they could not have devised a more complete plan to advance their king-

**Comprehensive History*, p. 308. He quotes Haggard's argument and his words, but nowhere mention's his name.

dom than to divide the members of Christ's body."

Then he comes to the constructive phase: Here is a plan and a simple one too, which is designed to act as a healer of the breach . . . Come now my Christian brethren let us all agree that the mischiefs already done by partyism are sufficient, and more than sufficient . . . Let us now review the plan:

1. Then we are to worship one God, because he that does more is an idolator.
2. Acknowledge one Saviour, Jesus Christ. . . .
3. Have one confession of faith, and of divines, both in Europe and America have confessed the holy scriptures to be the only and sufficient rule. . . . let it be the Bible . . . A vast body
4. Let us have one form of discipline and government, and let this be the New Testament.
5. Let all Christians consider themselves members of one another. . . .
6. Let all Christians be members of one church.
7. Let all profess one religion. And let all be more solicitous about the *possession* than the *profession* of this one religion.
8. Let none be received as members but such as are made alive in Christ. . . .
9. Let none be excommunicated but for a breach of divine law. . . .

He then gives very interesting answers to "objections offered against a general union of Christians under one name," with this conclusion:

I believe every objection, which can be raised against a general union of Christians, arises from unbelief, pride, prej-

udice, a party spirit, etc., and the spirit of Jesus Christ in his members will destroy them. . . . Brethren, we are at the door of a gracious Providence and are invited in. . . . Would to God that those distinctions, which have so long abounded and troubled the Christian Church were vanished away and never to return, and that union and church communion were everywhere established upon the original simple principles of the gospel.

It is much to be lamented that the zealous reformers, when they burst asunder the cords of popish tyranny ever departed from the scriptural plan. . . . Brethren we are *expecting happier times* than the church has ever yet seen, when we shall "come up out of the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved" when she shall "look forth" the morning, fair as the moon, "clear as the *sun* [sic] and terrible as an army with banners."

This synopsis of Rice Haggard's one extant essay, expounding his favorite theme, we hope may aid the reader in gaining a conception of his case, and somewhat of the caliber of the man himself. We feel assured that all will come to this one conclusion; namely, that Rice Haggard truly belongs in the spirit and tradition of the Nineteenth Century Reformation Movement. To be sure, he learned several points after this writing, but he had already mastered the basic philosophy of Christian union. Professor Neth, the discoverer of the long-lost document, after his summary of the "plan and a simple one too" ventures this optimistic opinion: "This will seem to indicate that the Haggard Plan was prior to the *Last Will and Testament*, or the basis on which it was written."

Some ingenious literary critic with a fertile imagination could have a gay time figuring out the relations between Rice Haggard and Thomas Campbell!

McKINNEY NAMED TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, TENNESSEE COUNCIL

Nashville, Tennessee—James E. McKinney, executive director, Disciples of Christ Historical Society, Nashville, has been named as the Disciples of Christ representative on the executive committee of the Tennessee Council of Churches, according to a recent announcement from the Rev. C. T. Baker, Jr., Council executive secretary.

McKinney will serve on the Council executive committee during 1955. President of the Council is the Rev. Steadman Bagby, minister, First Methodist Church, Jackson,

Tennessee.

Some of the projects currently being sponsored by the Tennessee Council of Churches, representing 10 protestant communions, include: the Christian Rural Overseas Relief program, the holding of World Order Institutes, development of community-wide programs for the use and understanding of the Bible, holding of institutes for the town and country church, and the sponsorship of a regional training camp for church camp leaders.

FROM EARLIER DAYS

Rugged Country

That indefatigable evangelist and Bible Revision salesman, Jacob Creath, was quite impressed with the terrain of lower middle Tennessee and upper Northwest Georgia. In writing to the *Christian Evangelist*, May 1856, page 232, he said:

"I have not passed through so rugged and mountainous a country since I left the mountains of Arkansas last autumn, near the Indian territory, as I passed through from Nashville to Chatanooga, on the Tennessee river, and from Chatanooga to Atlanta, in Georgia, on my way to Montgomery. In this State. The precipices over which we passed were truly terrific, and the yawning gulfs and gorges were frightful. The seasons here are greatly in advance of the seasons in the Western and Northern States. When I left Louisville, Kentucky, the earth was enveloped in ice, and when I arrived here, four days after I left Louisville, I found the farmers planting corn and gardening, the birds singing, and nature was preparing to dress herself in her most beautiful and gorgeous attire. It seemed as though I had got into another world."

Christian Arithmetic

Alexander Campbell taught stewardship. In the June 1838 *Millemial Harbinger* he wrote:

"But most of all we want the peculiar liberality and arithmetic of the Christian Institution. This is a science that but few, if any of us, have ever understood as far as the Rule of Three. Paul's Rule of Three Direct runs thus: 'As the Lord has prospered every Christian in his trade or calling, so let him cast into the Lord's treasury.' Jacob had the honor of proposing to Heaven the tithe system: 'If,' said the Patriarch, 'God will be with me and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat and raiment to put on, so that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the Lord be my God: and of all that thou shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto thee.' Gen xxviii. 22. The more the Lord gave Jacob, the more Jacob returned to the Lord. So began the heavenly science of giving on the principle of the ratios.

"If, then, we were only as partially liberal as Jacob, how rich would be the Lord's treasury on earth, and how much stock would we have laid up in the Bank of Heaven. But Christians now-a-days too generally count their gain *loss*, and their *loss gain*, through their ignorance of the Chris-

tian Arithmetic; and therefore I shall have to write another essay next moon on this error."

Matched Giving

Alexander Campbell practiced stewardship. He proposed in the March 1855 *Millemial Harbinger*, page 163:

"As my wife took some stock in the Female Orphan Asylum at Midway, I feel disposed to be one of fifty to purchase the site, and to give \$500 to endow the Male Orphan Asylum [Walter Scott's project]. I will bind myself, or my heirs, when *forty-nine* shares, of \$500 each, are paid, to pay to each \$500. I have here, as Paul once said, written it with my own hand. Now, brethren, I publish this because I wish to stir up your pure minds, and to give you my best and strongest argument in proof of my conception of its value and great importance. We are all stewards of God's manifold bounties, and we have a sufficient assurance that 'with such sacrifices God is well pleased.' With these remarks we commend this noble enterprise to your highest Christian consideration and practical regard."

Women in the Church

John R. Howard in his "Officers of the Christian Church" in *The Christian Magazine*, Nashville, November 1852, pages 334-335, said:

"Belonging to the same class of officers as the foregoing [Deacons], we find the office of Deaconess, or female Deacon, in the church, and such a class of officers belonging to it. They are so nearly allied to the Deacon, in office and duty, that they will not require much attention from us, in addition to what we have already said."

Howard then goes on to define the term Deaconess and gives an historical sketch of the use of Deaconesses in the New Testament church. He then lists their qualifications and duties. A part of his conclusion follows:

"Hence every church should have them regularly chosen and set apart to the office. Women, too, from their sympathetic nature, from their sympathy for their own sex, would think and reflect much more on their wants and sufferings, and be more active and persevering in their succor and relief. And they are frequently the best aiders and comforters of the other sex, from their tender sympathies and kind offices, and the genial influence they can exercise. And it belongs peculiarly to them, to visit the sick and the afflicted, and administer comfort and relief to them, and the distressed . . . In consequence of the near and intimate relation of the wives of the Deacons to their husbands, they would per-

haps, where qualified, be the most appropriate to be made Deaconesses; as they could frequently operate in conjunction with their husbands, and thus greatly aid each other."

Still Pleasant!

The May 2, 1879 issue of the *Christian-Examiner*, Richmond, Va., had this to say about brotherhood book reviews:

"Why do those who write the book notices for our papers uniformly commend what ever is written by our brethren? It may be pleasant to authors, but is it just to readers?"

Review of Barton Warren Stone

From THE JOURNAL OF THE ILLINOIS STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Winter, 1954.

Barton Warren Stone: Early American Advocate of Christian Unity. By William Garrett West. (Disciples of Christ Historical Society: Nashville, Tenn., 1954. Pp. 245. \$4.00.)

This handsome volume should be of especial interest to Illinoisans, since Stone (1772-1844) spent his last decade in Jacksonville where he edited the *Christian Messenger*.

His career, however, has its widest significance in the area of Christian unity. Of Virginia Presbyterian background, he shared in interdenominational revivals in Kentucky (1801), leading a movement away from the churches under the simple name "Christian" (1804). Rejecting divisive creeds, Stone maintained fraternal relations with similar-minded groups, fusing with Alexander Campbell's followers into the Disciples of Christ (1832). Thus the yearning for a unified Christendom led to another Protestant denomination. Yet Stone's goal was that of the ecumenical movement, and he merits remembrance as a forerunner of the General Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Evanston in 1954.

Dr. West in this study places Stone's religious thought in its historical context. A central-minded Disciple, he skillfully minimizes contentious aspects, with few errors, and achieves deserved recognition for Stone. This Illinois native wishes, however, that Dr. West had used the 1907 and 1913 *Transactions of the Illinois State Historical Society* to elaborate on Stone's work during the Jacksonville years. Congratulations are due the Yale Divinity School, where Dr. West did his doctoral dissertation on Stone, to the sponsoring Society, and to the Disciples of Christ. Historians of American religious beginnings can only say to other faiths, "Go, and do thou likewise."

Oklahoma A. & M. College

—Theodore L. Agnew

Bethany Student

In January 1860, John Eldridge Burden, a student in Bethany College, wrote a letter to his father, Eldridge Burden at Lexington, Mo. Young Burden, who had just enrolled in Bethany, has some interesting comments about Bethany and its president Alexander Campbell.

The letter was written on stationery that had an architect's drawing of the gothic structure planned by Campbell after the fire of 1857. "This is not by any means a flattering picture of the college. In fact, I hardly think it does justice to the building," wrote Burden.

Bethany had been widely advertised as a healthy place. The new student did not agree. He wrote, "You speak of the health of Bethany as being good in summer as well as winter. You say tis the most *healthy*



place. I beg pardon to differ with you. You obtained your information undoubtedly from the president who tis admitted by all is in his dotage as regard'd worldly affairs. He hardly knows when there is one sick in his own domicile, much less any one in town. There is now no less than 3 or 4 students in this house, so sick as to be unable to get out of their rooms."

Burden's letter gives an authentic date for Campbell's "adoption" of an Indian boy when he says, "President C. has adopted an Indian boy whom he picked up in Kansas. I believe he treats him just like a son. Sends him to school here. Is trying to make a preacher of him. But I think he has rather poor material."

The letter has been loaned to the Society by Lewis A. McAdow, minister of University Park Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind., who is a grand son of John Eldridge Burden. For preservation it has been laminated.

WHAT'S NEW IN OUR LIBRARY

On these pages are listed, and sometimes described, the materials received during the past month. This includes gifts, exchanges, and purchases. So many gifts are received that acknowledgment of every item is impossible although every giver is mentioned.

GIFTS AND EXCHANGES

From November 25 to December 22, 48 receipts for materials were issued to:

Charles J. Adams, Virginia, Ill.
 Ralph G. Allen, Clarinda, Iowa
 Mrs. Grace Hall Barnhart, Orange, Calif.
 John F. Bellville, Charleroi, Pa.
 Reuben Butchart, Guelph, Ontario
 J. H. Cain, Clearwater, Kans.
 James W. Carty, Jr., Nashville, Tenn.
 Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis, Mo.
 H. Jackson Darst, Williamsburg, Va.
 R. C. Davis, West Point, Miss.
 First Christian Church, Marysville, Calif.
 W. M. Forrest, Cuckoo, Va.
 Charles Gresham, Dallas, Texas
 Kenneth C. Hanson, Redwood Falls, Minn.
 Alden Lee Hill, Los Angeles, Calif.
 Guy Hobbs, Chattanooga, Tenn.
 Basil Holt, Johannesburg, South Africa
 Howard Park Christian Church, Clarksville, Ind.
 Iowa Society of Christian Churches, Des Moines, Iowa
 Joint University Libraries, Religion Section, Nashville, Tenn.
 John S. Kenyon, Hiram, Ohio
 Miss Jeannette Moore King, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
 Mrs. L. W. McCown, Johnson City, Tenn.
 J. W. McKinney, Corsicana, Texas
 Minnesota Christian Missionary Society, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Missouri Christian Women's Fellowship, Jefferson City, Mo.
 C. B. Mobley, Palo Alto, Calif.
 The Nashville Tennessean, Nashville, Tenn.
 James A. Newman, Nashville, Tenn.
 Old Paths Book Club, Rosemead, Calif.
 Peachtree Christian Church, Atlanta, Ga.
 Pennsylvania Christian Missionary Society, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Robert Platt, Boston, Ky.
 Mrs. Charlotte Pyle, LaGrande, Ore.
 Forrest F. Reed, Nashville, Tenn.
 Gene Robinson, LaGrande, Ore.
 Daisy M. Robison, Effingham, Ill.
 Raymond G. Sherrer, Chatanooga, Tenn.
 W. E. Schultz, Bloomington, Ill.
 Ralph L. Sell, Dumas, Texas
 Miss Justina K. Spencer, Roanoke, Va.
 Earl West, Henderson, Tenn.
 Mrs. Guy Withers, Washington, D. C.
 R. I. Wrather, Nashville, Tenn.

Books

These books are new in our library:

Browder—*Browder's Pulpit*, 1888.
 Burleigh—*Sermons That Stirred a City*.
 Burton—*Biblical Exegesis*.
 Burton—*Comets and Collisions*.
 Burton—*The Mathematics of the Sky*.
 Burton—*Universal Education*.
 Burton—*Wireless Messages From Mars*.
 Cochran—*Boss Man*.
 Cochran—*Son of Haman*, original edition.
 Cochran—*The Story of the Lowly Gnome*.
 Davenport—*Cultural Life in Nashville, 1825-1860* (includes the story of Nashville churches)
 Fleming—*Letters From Europe*.
 Flower—*History of the English Settlement in Edwards County, Illinois*.
 Garrison—*Wheeling Through Europe*, 1900.
 Gates—*The Disciples of Christ*.
 Hanes—*Doak Family History and Genealogy*.
 Iden—*Upper Room Letters from Bible Lands*.
 Iden—*Upper Room Letters from Many Lands*.
 Inman—*Ventures in Inter-American Friendship*.
 Jennings—*Some Religious Talks by a University Professor*.
 Jensen and others—*Social Progress and Christian Ideals*.
 Jones—*The Inner Circle*.
 Jones—*The Spiritual Side of Our Plea*.
 Jones—*The Wisdom of God's Fools*.
 Kenyon—*American Pronunciation*, 10th ed.
 Kenyon and Knott—*A Pronouncing Dictionary of American English*.
 King—*The Word of the Cross*.
 King—*Sketches of Pitt County* [N. C.]
 A Brief History of the County, 1704-1910.
 Klingman—*Church History for Busy People*.
 Lowry—*The Martyr in Black*.
 Merritt—*Early History of Carter County* [Tenn.] 1760-1861.
 Purviance—*The Biography of Elder David Purviance*, original edition.
 Rijnhart—*With the Tibetans in Tent and Temple*, 6th ed.
 Shaw—*Memoir of Elder Elijah Shaw*.
 Smith—*Outlines of Lectures*.
 Thompson—*Spiritual Gifts*.
 Waits—*A College Man's Religion*.

BOOKS OF RECENT DATE

- Amason, Roger Irvin
A Study of the Christian Church, Bloomfield, Kentucky. Thesis. Lexington, Ky., The College of the Bible, 1954. 36 pages.
- Brown, Leta May
Hira Lal of India, Diamond Precious [with a foreword by Donald F. West] St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 224 pages.
- Carlson, Jessie B. (Mrs. John Eric Carlson)
At Church with Three Year Olds. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 254 pages.
Stories From Church [Fall] St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 32 pages.
- Cochran, Edward Louis
Rou's End. New York, Duell, Sloan and Pearce; Boston, Little Brown, 1954. 245 pages.
- Colina, Tessa
Bible Stories About Jesus. Cincinnati, Standard Publishing Co., 1954. 160 pages.
- Dornette, Ralph M.
Bible Answers to Popular Questions. Muskogee, Okla., Hoffman-Speed Print Co., 1954. 77 pages.
- Hill, Marilynne, ed.
They Went to India; Biographies of Missionaries of the Disciples of Christ. Rev. ed. Indianapolis, Missionary Education Dept., United Christian Missionary Society, 1954. 176 pages.
- Holt, Basil Fenelon
Joseph Williams, and the Pioneer Mission to the South-Eastern Bantu. Lovedale Press, 1954. 193 pages.
- Keeler, Ronald F.
Recreation Time for All Ages. Cincinnati, Standard Publishing Co., 1954. 127 pages.
- Keith, Noel Leonard
The Story of D. S. Burnet: Undeserved Obscurity. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 272 pages.
- Lemmons, Reuel Gordon
Abundant Living [2d ptg., with a Preface by M. Norvel Young] Rosemead, Calif., Old Paths Book Club [1954] 175 pages.
- Lunger, Harold L.
The Political Ethics of Alexander Campbell. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 304 pages.
- McAllister, Lester Grover
Thomas Campbell: Man of the Book. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 294 pages.
- McRae, Glenn
Teaching Christian Stewardship. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 158 pages.
- Pugh, Samuel F.
Between-time Meditations, 20th Century Psalms. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 63 pages.
- Roney, Ruth Bogart
From Entry Fee to 'fifty-three; History of Lawson's Three County Community. Lawson, Mo., Christian Women's Fellowship, Lawson Christian Church, 1953. 91 pages.
- Russell, Charles Taze and White, Lloyd Smith
Russell-White Debate. Rosemead, Calif., Old Paths Book Club 1954. 218 pages.
Standard Lesson Commentary, 1955, 2nd annual volume. Cincinnati, Standard Publishing Co., 1954. 451 pages.
- Stevenson, Dwight Eshelman
The Fourth Witness, a Bethany Bible Course. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 96 pages.
- Stubbs, Bettie
Bible Object Lessons for Boys and Girls. Cincinnati, Standard Publishing Co., 1954. 96 pages.
- Toner, Helen L.
The Quest for Personal Poise. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 79 pages.
- Trout, Jessie Mary
Like a Watered Garden. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 144 pages.
- Walker, Granville Thomas
Preaching in the Thought of Alexander Campbell. St. Louis, Bethany Press, 1954. 271 pages.
- Woods, Guy N.
A Commentary on the New Testament Epistles of Peter, John, and Jude. Nashville, Gospel Advocate Co., 1954. 408 pages.
- Zachary, James William
The Witness of the Spirits. Nashville, Gospel Advocate Co., 1954. 257 pages.
- Baxter, Batsell Barrett.
Speaking For the Master; A Study of Public Speaking For Christian Men. Rosemead, Calif., Old Paths Book Club, 1954. 134 pages.
- West, Earl Irvin.
The Life and Times of David Lipscomb. Henderson, Tenn., Religious Book Service, 1954. 288 pages.

The Northern Christian

Recently received from the Minnesota Christian Missionary Society are files of *The Minnesota Christian*, 1908-1920. Lacking for these years are only January, February, March, May, and October 1908; December 1910; January and February 1911; December 1913; June and July 1914; July 1915; October 1919; September 1920.

In 1921 the name was changed to *The Northern Christian*. Our library now has a complete file of the periodical under this title with the exception of these issues: February and March 1921; September, October and November 1922; June 1923; January and September 1926; November 1931; and November 1946.

For several years a *Yearbook* number was printed, a different size than the regular monthly issues. We have those from 1916 to 1931 inclusive.

WANTED

- Ladd—*Gospel Fishing*, 1910.
 Lamar—*The Life of Joseph Rucker Lamar*, 1926.
 Lamar, P. F.—*Practical Grammar*, 1870?
 Lambert—*Ramblings From Rome*, 1941.
 Lambert—*Russellism Unveiled*, 1940.
 Lampkin—*Our Money*, 1914.
 Lancaster and Johnson—*Debate* 1840.
 Landis—*Rabbah Taken; or, The Theological System of Rev. Alexander Campbell Examined and Refuted*, 1844.
 Lane, V. G.—*Poems*.
 Lanier, R. H.—All titles.
 Lappin—*Communion Manual*, 1935.
 Lappin—*Wren's Nest*, 1929.
 Larrimore—*Life, Letters and Sermons of T. B. Larrimore*, 1931.
 Larrimore—*Our Corner Book*, 1912.
 Lawrence—*Marion Lawrence, A Memorial Biography*, 1925.
 Lawyer—*I Married a Missionary*, 1943.
 Leach—*It Happened in Paraguay*, 1925.
 Ledlow—*Jesus and His Methods*, 1927.
 Lee, Arthur—All titles.
 Lee, C. M.—*A Wolf in Sheep's Clothing*, 1917.
 Lee, G. W.—*Life and Travels*, 1904.
 Lee, N. H.—*Immersionists Against the Bible*, 1856.
 LeNart—*A Child of Divorce*, 1922.
 Leonard—*The Children's Hour*, 1939.
 LeSueur—*Little Brother of the Wilderness*, 1947.
 LeSueur—*Nancy Hanks of Wilderness Road*, 1949.
 LeSueur—*Salute to Spring*, 1940.
 Letson, S. B.—All titles.
 Lewis, A. F.—*History of Higher Education in Kentucky*, 1899.
 Lewis, H. A.—*How to Conduct the Beginners' Department*, 1919.
 Lewis, H. P.—*Eb Peachcrop and Wife at the Fair*, 1906.
 Lewis, H. P.—*Hermit of Treasure Cave*, 1931.
 Lewis, H. P.—*Uncle Eb; the Man From Arkansas*, 1915.
 Lewis, J. T.—*A Review of "God's Woman."*
 Leys, W. A. R.—All titles.
 Lichtenburger—*Development of Social Theory*, 1923.
 Lichtenburger—*Divorce*, 1931.
 Lighfoot—*North of the Rio Grande*, 1949.
 Ligon, E. M.—All titles.
 Ligon, J. W.—*Paul The Apostle*, 1916.
 Limerick—*Gospel in Chart and Sermon*, 1897.
 Lindsay, David—*The Claims of Pastors of Churches and Preachers of the Gospel for Maintenance*, 1843.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*Adventures While Preaching the Gospel of Beauty*, 1913.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*Art of the Moving Picture*, 1915 and 1922.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*The Chinese Nightingale*, 1917.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*Collected Poems*.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*The Congo and Other Poems*, 1914 and 1933.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*The Daniel Jazz*, 1920.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*Every Soul Is A Circus*, 1929.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*General William Booth Enters Into Heaven*, 1913.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*Going-to-the-Stars*, 1926.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*The Golden Book of Springfield*, 1920.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*The Golden Whales of California*, 1920.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*A Handy Guide for Beggars*, 1916.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*Johnny Appleseed*, 1928.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*A Letter About My Four Programmes*, 1916.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*Letters to Joseph A. Armstrong*, 1940.
 Lindsay, Vachel—*Village Magazine*, 1910, 1920, and 2 issues in 1925.
 Linton—*More Than Coronets*, 1903.
 Lipscomb, A. B.—*Around the Lord's Table*, 1917 and 1934.
 Lipscomb, A. B.—*Christian Treasures*, 2 vols.
 Lipscomb, A. B.—*The Commercial History of the Southern States*, 1903.
 Lipscomb, David—*Civil Government*, 1913.
 Lipscomb, David—*A Commentary on the Acts of the Apostles*, 1896.

- Lipscomb, David—*A Commentary on the New Testament Epistles*, ed. by J. W. Shepherd. 5 vols. 1933-1942.
- Lipscomb, David—*Queries and Answers*, 1910.
- Lipscomb and Sewell—*Queries and Answers*, 1921.
- Lloyd, J. U.—*Etidorpba*, 1895.
- Lloyd, J. U.—*The Right Side of the Car*, 1897.
- Lloyd-George—*Better Times*, 1910.
- Lloyd-George—*Coal and Power*, 1924.
- Lloyd-George—*The Great Crusade*, 1918.
- Lloyd-George—*Memoirs of the Peace Conference*, 1939.
- Lloyd-George—*Organizing Prosperity*, 1935.
- Lloyd-George—*The People's Budget*, 1909.
- Lloyd-George—*Peoples Insurance*, 1912.
- Lloyd-George—*Slings and Arrows*, 1929.
- Lloyd-George—*Through Terror to Triumph*, 1915.
- Lloyd-George—*The Truth about Reparations and War Debts*, 1932.
- Lloyd-George—*The Truth About the Peace Treaties*. 2 vols., 1938.
- Lloyd-George—*War Memoirs*, 6 vols., 1933-37.
- Lloyd-George—*Where Are We Going?* 1923.
- Lloyd-George—*The Wit and Wisdom*, 1917.
- Books about Lloyd-George:
- Clarke—*Mr. Lloyd-George's Diary*, 1939.
- Davis—*Lloyd-George, 1863-1914*. 1939.
- Edwards—*David Lloyd-George*, 1929.
- Evans—*Life Romance of Lloyd-George*, 1916.
- Kiernan—*Lloyd-George*, 1940.
- Murray—*Lloyd-George*, 1932.
- London Punch—*Lloyd-George*, 1922.
- Spender—*Prime Minister*, 1920.
- Lobingier, C. S.—All titles.
- Lockhart, Clinton—*Apples of Gold* [poems] 1938.
- Lockhart, Clinton—*Messianic Message of the Old Testament*, 1905.
- Lockhart, E. G.—All titles.
- Lockhart, J. C.—*Dramas For Church Services*, 1939.
- Lockwood—*The Creation of Wealth*, 1915.
- Long—*A Short History of the Long Family*, 1898.
- Long and Rice—*The Spirit of Christ*.
- Longan, E. L.—*Parliamentary Rules Made Easy*, 1901.
- Longan, G. B.—*A Method in Primary Arithmetic*, 1901.
- Longan, G. W.—*The Grounds of Our Hope*, 1900.
- Lorenz—*Tom L. Johnson*, 1911.
- Lotz—*Founders of Christian Movements*, 1941.
- Lowber—*The Bible vs. Adventism*, 1892.
- Lowber—*The Highest Culture and Christianity*, 1915.
- Lowe—*Fifty Years at the American Bar*, 1942.
- Lowe—*Preacher by Proxy*, 1934.
- Lowe—*Snapshots*, 1910.
- Lucas and Ray—*Church Discussion: Baptists and Disciples*, 1873.
- Luckey—*A Defense of the Doctrine of the Trinity*, 1818.
- Lucy—*The Entertainer*, 1923.
- Lucy—*Through Prairie Meadows*, by Carol Elmore, pseud., 1904.
- Lucy—*Troubadour Trails*, 1943.
- Ludbrook—*Notable Hymns and Their Authors*, 1935.
- Ludbrook—*The Romance of the Roman Catacombs*, 1936.
- Lumley—*Means of Social Control*, 1925.
- Lumley—*The Propaganda Menace*, 1933.
- Lumley and Bode—*Ourselves and the World*, 1931.
- Lusby, J. W.—All titles.
- Luttenberger—All titles.
- Lyons—*Bible Ideals*. 1916.

1951 Area Assemblies

In 1951 the International Convention did not meet; instead there were 17 Area Assemblies held. Each had its own printed program. We have the programs of those held in Orlando, Fla., Washington, D. C., Springfield, Ill., and Seattle, Wash.

Needed are those from Little Rock, Ark., Wilson, N. C., Elmira, N. Y., Enid, Okla., Denver, Colo., Des Moines, Ia., Cleveland, Ohio, Lexington, Ky., Fresno, Calif., Kansas City, Mo., Chattanooga, Tenn., Indianapolis, Ind., and St. Thomas, Ontario.

"But, as it seems to me, a more unholy spirit appears no where, than in the columns of some of our religious newspapers. I do not wish to name any one, nor do I wish to contend with any one pledged to a party, and to sustain doctrines which unhappily he has made it his interest to maintain, true or false.

"I have been so disgusted with this unholy and unrighteous spirit, that I do not read, and I am resolved not to read, the breathings of any spirit that refuses to let both sides be heard, and that defends divisions among christians."

Alexander Campbell in *The Millennial Harbinger*, January 1836, pages 4-5.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY ARE:

- Theses Concerning the Disciples of Christ*, 1941. Out of print.
- Periodicals of the Disciples of Christ and Related Religious Groups*, 1943. \$1.00.
- An Author Catalog of Disciples of Christ and Related Religious Groups*, 1946.
\$7.50 (\$6.00 to members).
- What Is Disciple Historical Material?* by Dwight E. Stevenson, 1948. (Out of print)
- The Jerusalem Mission*, compiled by D. S. Burnet, 1853 (microcard reprint, 1951) \$1.50.

FOOTNOTES TO DISCIPLE HISTORY, a pamphlet series

- No. 1—*Alexander Campbell and His Relevance for Today*, by Eva Jean Wrather.
- No. 2—*The Lunenburg Letter, with Attendant Comments*, by Alexander Campbell.
- No. 3—*Barton W. Stone and Christian Unity*, by William Garrett West.

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SERVICES BULLETINS (Free)

- No. 1—*Local Churches and the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.*
- No. 2—*The Research Student and the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.*
- No. 3—*Educational Institutions and the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.*

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ABOUT THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Disciples of Christ Historical Society was established May 7, 1941, in St. Louis, Missouri, with the approval of the International Convention then in session. The organization of the new agency came as a result of the work of the Historical Commission appointed by the 1939 convention which met in Richmond, Virginia. It is the only organization among Disciples of Christ whose *sole* purpose is the locating, collecting, cataloging and arranging for use the historical materials of the brotherhood. The Society is custodian of International Convention and World Convention archives by official action of those conventions.

The purpose of the Society is to maintain and further interest in the religious heritage, backgrounds, origins, development, and general history of Disciples of Christ, Christian Churches, Churches of Christ, and related groups. The Society is not an opinion forming group.

From 1941 until 1946 the Society had no designated headquarters, and these years were spent largely in surveying the field, correlating the interest of various groups, and making plans. In 1946 the Society accepted the generous offer of Culver-Stockton College to set up its headquarters and archives there with the privilege of using the Henry Barton Robinson Collection as a nucleus around which the Society would build its own collection of materials.

Since April 1952, the Society's headquarters, library and archives have been in Nashville, Tennessee, located in the Joint University Library on the Vanderbilt campus. Nashville was designated as the permanent location of the Society because of the unique opportunity offered for participation in the building of an American church history center and for the subsidy granted by the Nashville Planning Committee which enabled the Society to further its expansion program. Plans are being made for the eventual erection of a building to house the rapidly growing collection of books, pamphlets, periodicals, manuscripts, and museum materials which the Society has been receiving since its formation.

The Society solicits all kinds of historical materials pertaining to the Disciples of Christ and related groups. Authors and publishers are requested to send copies of all new publications. Churches, organizations and institutions are urged to place the Society on their mailing lists to receive all printed materials.

The Society and Bethany College share joint responsibility, through the Campbell Home Committee, for the restoration, preservation, and management of the Alexander Campbell mansion at Bethany, West Virginia.

The current program of the Society is financed through the dues paid in by members. Individuals, local churches, institutions, and organizations are invited to share in the work of the Society by becoming members. Dues paid in are deductible for income tax purposes. Classifications of membership are as follows:

<i>Individuals</i>		<i>Local Churches</i>	
Annual Member	\$ 2.00 annually	Up to 200 members	\$ 10.00 annually
Founding Member (payment of \$1.00 per year 1941-1953) and thereafter	2.00 annually	200 to 300 members	20.00 annually
Subscribing Member	5.00 annually	300 to 400 members	30.00 annually
Participating Member	25.00 annually	400 to 500 members	40.00 annually
Life Member	50.00 one payment	Above 500 members	50.00 annually
Sustaining Member	100.00 annually	Sustaining (any church)	100.00 annually
Contributing Member	500.00 annually	<i>Institutions and Organizations</i>	
Life Sustaining Member	1,000.00 one payment	Annual membership	\$ 15.00 annually
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INITIAL BUILDING FUND OVER-SUBSCRIBED

Phillips' Gifts Received — Complete Building Planned

Events of recent weeks have marked an unparalleled advance in plans for the expansion and development of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.

In a confidential report to the Board of Directors January 24, 1955—some details of which can now be made public—Claude E. Spencer, curator, and James E. McKinney, executive director, announced completion and over-subscription of a \$40,000.00 building fund campaign.

The Society staff also revealed proposed plans to erect a permanent DCHS building in the University Center area of Nashville.

Plans now being prepared will be presented to the Brotherhood Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships at a March 1 meeting, with a request for clearance for a total building program and campaign to individuals. The Commission had authorized the \$40,000.00 Society building campaign in February, 1954, for the period July 1, 1954 to July 1, 1956.

Over-subscription of the goal—prior to the start of a formal campaign—was accomplished through the generosity of Mr. B. D. Phillips, Mr. T. W. Phillips, Jr., and the Phillips family of Butler, Pennsylvania.

The January HARBINGER announced receipt of contributions from Mr. B. D. Phillips for the purchase of a choice site for the Society building. In addition to a \$27,750.00 personal contribution received December 31, 1954, Mr. Phillips made other substantial donations in January which put the campaign "over the top."

In This Issue:

This is our annual report and summary number. Features, columns, and other items are not included. Highlights of the report are: **Comparison of Receipts from the Nashville Committee and from Other Sources**, page 25.

Building Plans, page 28

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The Phillips family also contributed generously to the building fund. Other personal donations, to be used as operating funds, have been received from Mr. T. W. Phillips, Jr.

Unsolicited contributions to the building fund have come to the Society in recent months from several other individuals and one church, prior to the launching of the campaign.

Hart, Freeland and Roberts, Nashville architects, are now drawing plans which are being considered and revised by a Building Committee appointed by the Executive Committee January 25. Dr. Charles E. Crouch, Nashville, is chairman of this committee. Other members are William C. Wilson, Forrest F. Reed, Claude E. Spencer, and James E. McKinney, all of Nashville.

The building being planned will be of Gothic architecture in keeping with the most prominent structures in the University Center. It will be designed to serve the present and future needs of the Society; providing housing for approximately 100,000 volumes in a four-tier stack unit, with private research study space, facilities for conferences and other brotherhood scholastic gatherings, public reading and display rooms, storage for films and records, facilities for photo-duplication, and offices for the Society staff. The building will be completely air-conditioned, fire-proof and humidity-controlled. The building will be designed and equipped to provide the best research study facilities available in connection with a major church history collection. It will stand as a landmark of the increasing interest among Disciples of Christ in their heritage as an American religious movement.

The Society building site at 1101-19th Avenue, South, provided by Mr. B. D. Phillips, will be cleared in the near future, with construction on the new building expected to begin this summer.

In preparing for the campaign now concluded, and for an extended campaign in the future, a "Sponsors Committee" of prominent Disciples has been set up. Participating on this Committee will be the members of the Board of Directors, as well as other leading Disciples in all areas of brotherhood service and responsibility. Comments received from members of the "Sponsors Committee" in reply to advance information regarding DCHS progress in recent weeks indicates general agreement that Society building plans should be pushed ahead to insure for the brotherhood a building of beauty and prominence in which will be housed the valued evidences of the heritage of Disciples of Christ, and in which will be carried on the research so necessary to an adequate understanding of the message and mission of the Disciples, past, present and future.

A complete listing of the members of the "Sponsors Committee"—persons who by the lending of their names and influence are endorsing the Society building program—will be published in an early issue of THE HARBINGER. It is also expected that the building plans will be available for publication in the near future, together with a complete listing of contributors to the building fund.

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ANNUAL REPORT AND SUMMARY, 1955

Our Beginnings

Early in the nineteenth century in America there developed in several places movements to achieve Christian unity through a restoration of the New Testament Church. Generally speaking, these movements were revolts from autocratic sectarianism and probably came about because of the political freedom being experienced in America.

Many of these movements were confined to a single congregation while others encompassed a large number of churches and split whole denominations. Such were two groups that merged in 1832 to become a brotherhood historically known as Disciples of Christ. The joining of Alexander Campbell's Reforming Baptists with Barton W. Stone's Christians created the beginnings of the largest Protestant communion indigenous to America.

Since the churches comprising the combined movements were new ones, mostly on the frontier, and were critical of the older denominational patterns, little attention was given to history and record keeping. Although both Campbell and Stone discouraged this attitude, there was little they could do to correct the situation.

By 1840, a few forward-looking individuals had begun to urge the systematic making and preserving of congregational records. One or two even went so far as to start libraries which they hoped would become depositories of brotherhood materials. A historical society was suggested in the 1890's, and one short-lived effort was made to start such a society in the early 1900's.

Although many persons seemed to think the historical society idea a good one, there was a lack of interest in local churches and among some leaders. With no agency responsible for the problem of financing a society, nothing was done toward support of any proposals made.

In 1939 a commission was authorized by the International Convention to study the need for, and the ways and means of forming, a society. With this act, cooperative Disciples achieved a maturity of thinking about their heritage.

Organization and Purpose

The Disciples of Christ Historical Society was established May 7, 1941, in St. Louis, Missouri, with the approval of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ, then in session.

The purpose of the Society, as stated in the Constitution, is "to maintain and further interest in the religious heritage, background, origins, development, and general history of Disciples of Christ, Christian Churches, Churches of Christ, and related groups."

The Society is the only organization among Disciples of Christ whose *sole* purpose is the locating, collecting, cataloging and arranging for use the historical materials of the restoration-unity movement from its beginnings in the early 19th century to the present time.

The Society is not an opinion-forming group.

As a special service agency of the brotherhood, the resources of the Society are open to any person regardless of creed or color.

Early Years

From 1941 until 1946 the Society had no designated headquarters and existed entirely as a voluntary organization with little or no budget. Individuals among the Disciples of Christ with particular interest in brotherhood history became members of the Society

and met annually to plan for the future, survey the needs and correlate the interests of various groups.

In 1946 the Society accepted the generous offer of Culver-Stockton College, Canton, Missouri, to set up headquarters and archives there with the privilege of using the Henry Barton Robison Collection as a nucleus around which the Society would build its own collection of materials. At this time the Society was formally chartered in the State of Missouri as a tax-exempt religious and educational organization, with Mr. Claude E. Spencer, librarian at Culver-Stockton College, as curator of the Society.

From 1946 until 1952 the Society collection of valuable historical materials grew rapidly. Services rendered were necessarily limited to the handling of materials, with some assistance rendered to writers, students and researchers. Long-range plans were made by the Society Board of Directors for the expansion of the Society into a full-time service agency, contingent on increasing support and a suitable location.

The Move to Nashville

On November 29, 1951, the Board of Directors designated Nashville, Tennessee, as the permanent location of the Society. In April, 1952, the Society archives, library and headquarters were removed to Nashville from Canton, Missouri. A staff of two full-time workers—the curator and the secretarial assistant—supervised the transfer of 12½ tons of materials to rent-free quarters in the two-million-dollar Joint University Library building in the "University Center" of Nashville.

Securing of this free space (for a five-year period) was only a part of the assistance rendered to the Society by the Nashville Planning Committee, the group who had first advanced the plan whereby the Society could be established in Nashville.

Leaders of the Nashville Committee whose vision inspired the enterprise were Mr. Forrest F. Reed and Miss Eva Jean Wrather. To Mr. Reed and Miss Wrather must go the major credit for organizing and promoting the Nashville effort to bring the Society to this great Mid-South city, so rich itself in Disciple history and tradition.

Heart of the Nashville proposal which was accepted by the Society Directors was a pledged subsidy fund of \$55,000.00, payable to the Society over a five-year period in order to underwrite the operating expenses of the agency during those years when a full-time program could be developed and launched.

The entire amount of the fund was raised by the Nashville Committee by April 1954, and is being paid in monthly installments, as pledged when the Directors voted to accept the Nashville proposal. This is the basis on which the fund has been allotted to the Society:

For 1952-53	\$20,000.00
1953-54	15,000.00
1954-55	10,000.00
1955-56	5,000.00
1956-57	5,000.00
Total	\$55,000.00

Without the generous assistance rendered to the Society by the Nashville Committee and those who contributed to the subsidy fund, it is doubtful if the Society could have realized the dream of its founders to become a full-time service agency in such a brief span of time. The brotherhood owes a great debt to those whose interest and insight made possible the move to Nashville and the establishment of the Society on its present basis of operation.

As will be noted from the schedule of payments to the Society from the Nashville subsidy fund, and from the comparative listing of receipts to follow, the brotherhood has not yet taken its full responsibility for the support of the Society. As the Nashville fund decreases, *the brotherhood-at-large must increase its support of the Society!*

Nashville Advantages

There were many reasons for the advancement of Nashville as an ideal site for the Society headquarters:

Nashville is a city of wide cultural, religious, educational and publishing interests. Library services available at the Joint University Library are invaluable for research work. Nashville's eleven colleges and universities attract thousands of students, many of whom avail themselves of Society services.

The Disciples Foundation of Vanderbilt University, operating the Disciples Divinity House, offers a close tie with graduate students doing research in the field of church history.

Nashville is fast becoming a center for research and writing in the church history field. In addition to the Society's extensive collection, the Methodists, Southern Baptists, and Congregational-Christians are also placing historical libraries in Nashville.

Churches of Christ, sharing a common history within the early restoration movement, have an accredited four-year college and strong publishing interests in Nashville. Excellent relations have been developed with individuals of the Churches of Christ, many of whom have utilized the services and resources of the Society.

For the first time, a national agency of the Disciples of Christ is located in the South, thus creating a closer tie with the main stream of brotherhood life and interests.

Geographically, Nashville offers easy access to students and educators from brotherhood seminaries and colleges. The city—internationally known as the "Athens of the South"—is located at a crossroads of travel between North and South, East and West.

Society Government

The Society operates under a Constitution and By-Laws as a chartered religious and educational organization in the State of Tennessee. (Contributions or dues paid to the Society are deductible for income-tax purposes.)

Society affairs are managed by a Board of Directors of fifty-one members, elected from the membership for three-year terms. One third of the Board is elected annually at the Society annual meeting, usually held in conjunction with the International Convention Assembly.

Directors represent every phase of brotherhood life and thought. Policies of the Society are set by the Directors at the annual meeting, or by the Executive Committee—composed of the officers of the Board and three additional Directors—which governs Society affairs between Board meetings.

The current membership of the Board of Directors:

Terms expiring 1955

Robert W. Burns, Atlanta, Ga.	Thomas E. Pletcher, New Castle, Pa.
Charles E. Crouch, Nashville, Tenn.	Comer D. Shacklett, Roselle, N. J.
A. T. DeGroot, Fort Worth, Texas	Howard E. Short, Lexington, Ky.
W. E. Garrison, Houston, Texas	Louis A. Warren, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Andrew P. Martin, Cleveland, Ohio	P. H. Welshimer, Canton, Ohio
Junius T. Moore, Sr., Charleston, W. Va.	William G. West, Chattanooga, Tenn.
J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis, Ind.	J. Clyde Wheeler, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Ronald E. Osborn, Celigny, Switzerland	Eva Jean Wrather, Nashville, Tenn.
O. Edgar Wright, Winfield, Kansas	

Terms expiring 1956

Wilbur H. Cramblet, St. Louis, Mo.	J. Phillip Hyatt, Nashville, Tenn.
Goldie Crossfield, Gadsen, Ala.	G. Curtis Jones, Nashville, Tenn.
H. Jackson Darst, Williamsburg, Va.	Raymond McCallister, Webster Groves, Mo.
Enos Dowling, Lincoln, Ill.	Hugh M. Riley, Dallas, Texas
Mayble M. Epp, Indianapolis, Ind.	Henry K. Shaw, Elyria, Ohio
Ross J. Griffeth, Eugene, Ore.	George C. Stuart, Bloomington, Ill.
Chester P. Hensley, Louisiana, Mo.	Jean S. Wake, Bowling Green, Ky.
Lamar Hocker, Dallas, Texas	Charles C. Ware, Wilson, N. C.
William C. Wilson, Nashville, Tenn.	

Terms expiring 1957

George G. Beazley, Jr., Bartlesville, Okla.	Woodrow W. Jones, Beaumont, Texas
W. B. Blakemore, Chicago, Ill.	Dan C. Kenner, Memphis, Tenn.
Harry M. Davis, Springfield, Ill.	Cleveland Kleihauer, Hollywood, Calif.
A. Garnett Day, Lynchburg, Va.	John E. McCaw, Des Moines, Iowa
Stephen J. England, Enid, Okla.	Warner Muir, Des Moines, Iowa
Mrs. Keith Epply, Anderson, Ind.	James DeForest Murch, Cincinnati, Ohio
Roy S. Hulan, Jackson, Miss.	Orval D. Peterson, Yakima, Wash.
Mrs. Harry Johnson, Tampa, Fla.	Forrest F. Reed, Nashville, Tenn.
Otto Westerfield, Kansas City, Mo.	

The Presidency of the Society is an honorary post to which is chosen annually an outstanding brotherhood figure who has made a significant contribution to the understanding of Disciple history. The President is honored by the Society with the Annual President's Dinner, held at Society headquarters in Nashville.

Officers of the Society:

Colby D. Hall, President

William G. West, Chairman of the Board

Forrest F. Reed, Vice-Chairman

Dan C. Kenner, Secretary

Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Treasurer

The Executive Committee is composed of the officers of the Board, and Charles E. Crouch, J. Edward Moseley, and J. Philip Hyatt.

Society Staff:

Claude E. Spencer, Curator

James E. McKinney, Executive Director

Miss Berdie May Lacy, Secretary

The Society Serves the Brotherhood

By Providing:

- a permanent repository for valuable historical records and materials
- an informational service, by mail or in person
- research study guidance
- assistance in the preparation of local, state or area church histories
- aid in planning anniversary programs and observances
- speakers and exhibits on historical subjects for all types of gatherings
- union catalog service
- microfilm and microcard service
- photostat service
- assistance in setting up libraries in churches and institutions
- feature articles on brotherhood history for periodicals
- guidance in the keeping of adequate local church records
- assistance to writers, editors, publishers, ministers, laymen, students

Services Report

January 1—December 31, 1954

Library Services:

Acknowledgements for receipt of materials	627
(Many individual acknowledgements were for hundreds of items to be placed in library and files.)	
Volumes added to library	607
(In addition, thousands of unbound periodicals, bulletins, letters, pictures, clippings, and museum items were received, classified and filed.)	
Loans of materials:	
to individuals	64
to churches	20
to organizations, institutions, etc.	7
Gifts and exchanges of materials	41
Microfilms and Photostats furnished	18

General Services:

*Research questions answered	189
(by personal visit, mail, telephone)	
*Thesis counselling	18
*Assistance to authors	11
Staff participation in state conventions	11
Staff participation in district conventions	7
Staff participation in International Convention	1
Staff participation in minister's institutes, retreats	3
Addresses delivered	76
Seminary lectures	4
Summer conference teaching	4 weeks

In addition to the activities and services listed, the Society staff assisted in the work of several important brotherhood groups during 1954:

Public Relations Committee, International Convention
 Time and Place Committee, International Convention
 Planning Committee, Tennessee State Convention
 Council of Agencies
 Brotherhood Study Committee on the Ministry

Publications Services:

Periodicals:

†THE HARBINGER AND DISCIPLIANA, (monthly) 12 issues

Pamphlets:

FOOTNOTES TO DISCIPLE HISTORY 2
Barton Warren Stone and Christian Unity,
 by William G. West
Address . . . on the Christian Name (reprint)
 by Rice Haggard.

Service bulletins:

"DCHS and Educational Institutions" 1

*NOTE: During this period, twenty-six (26) persons personally studied in the Nashville archives and library under supervision of curator Claude E. Spencer. Some of these spent only a few hours; others, as much as two weeks using our facilities and services.

†NOTE: THE HARBINGER is mailed monthly to DCHS members and a select list of churches throughout the brotherhood. Our average mailing now is about 3,800 monthly. Additional copies are given out at conventions, institutes, etc., and are mailed in quantity to churches requesting extra copies.

Books:

<i>Barton Warren Stone: Early American Advocate of</i>	
<i>Christian Unity</i> by William Garrett West.....	1
(published October 2, 1954, under subsidy of the	
Reed Plan of Publication)	

The Society is rendering more vital services to the brotherhood each month. Our work has been acclaimed by scores of brotherhood leaders. Only limitations of space and support keep the Society from enlarging the areas of service listed in this report.

It is the hope and prayer of those entrusted with the guidance of Society affairs that the next few years will see the Society firmly established in brotherhood life, serving adequately in a field too long neglected by our people.

Financial Statement

January 1-December 31, 1954

Balance on hand, January 1, 1954:

Bank balance	\$ 3,767.06
Petty cash balance	9.23

Receipts: \$ 3,776.29

General Fund

Memberships:

Individual, annual	\$ 1,517.00
" subscribing	525.00
" participating	25.00
" life	100.00
" contributing	500.00
Congregational, regular	1,396.30
" sustaining	1,000.00
" (contributions)	694.00
Organizational, regular	165.00
" sustaining	200.00
Institutional, regular	105.00
" sustaining	100.00

\$ 6,327.30

Nashville Committee	12,083.31
Gifts	1,867.17
Sales: Publications	470.88
Duplicate books	33.50
Microfilm, Photostats	40.85
Reed Plan of Publication	1,142.94
Christian-Evangelist Project	2,000.00
Loan from First American National Bank	987.50
Miscellaneous	160.00

Total receipts (general) \$25,113.45

Building Fund

Loan from Tennessee Christian Missionary Society	\$ 5,000.00
Loan from First American National Bank	11,000.00
Refund of earnest money (1804 Grand)	100.00
Refund of Electric service deposit (1802 Grand)	2.44
Rent from 1802 Grand	248.70
Gifts	211.40

Total 16,562.54

Total Receipts 41,675.99

Total Receipts plus January 1 balance \$45,452.28

Expenditures:

		<i>General Fund</i>	
Salaries			\$11,857.89
Pension Fund			1,484.37
Withholding tax			1,712.10
Publishing:			
THE HARBINGER	\$ 3,336.54		
FOOTNOTES	575.10		
Reed Plan of Publication	1,014.90		
			4,926.54
Travel and Conventions:			
Executive Director	1,874.07		
Curator	475.75		
International Convention	389.27		
			2,739.09
Executive Committee Expense			69.83
Telephone			224.78
Postage and Express			406.61
Supplies			350.11
Equipment (including truck expenses)			1,014.23
Books			11.67
Microfilm, Photostats			151.52
Promotional materials			418.57
Garrison Dinner			27.83
Miscellaneous			30.47
			\$25,425.61
Total			

		<i>Building Fund</i>	
1802 Grand Avenue Property:			
Cost	\$ 8,503.92		
Improvements	249.80		
			8,753.72
1804 Grand Avenue Property:			
Cost	7,557.30		
Sign	10.00		
			7,567.30
Loan Costs, recording, insurance, etc.			113.75
			16,434.77
Total			
Total Expenditures			41,860.38
Bank balance plus undeposited cash,			
December 31		3,583.69	
Petty cash balance		8.21	
Balance on hand December 31, 1954			\$ 3,591.90

In addition to this cash balance, DCHS received December 31 certificates for 370 shares of Philadelphia Dairy Products Company common stock, valued at approximately \$75.00 per share, with a total value of approximately \$27,750.00.

A Comparison of Receipts from the Nashville Committee and from Other Sources

January 1, 1952—December 31, 1954

Receipts from the Nashville Committee:		
1952		\$13,300.00
1953		15,450.00
1954		12,083.31
		\$40,833.31

Receipts from other sources:

Memberships:

Individual: 1952	.....	\$ 1,256.10
1953	.....	5,550.98
1954	.....	2,667.00

 9,474.08

Churches:

1952	.....	411.00
1953	.....	1,255.10
1954	.....	3,094.30

 4,760.40

Organizations & Institutions:

1952	.....	225.00
1953	.....	535.00
1954	.....	570.00

 1,330.00

Total from Memberships:

Gifts: 1952	.....	11.00	15,564.48
1953	.....	377.00	
1954	.....	1,816.17	

Sales: 1952	.....	45.00	2,204.17
1953	.....	480.23	
1954	.....	545.23	

Miscellaneous: 1952	.....	19.38	1,070.46
1953	.....	48.09	
1954	.....	160.00	

 227.47

Total from sources other than memberships 3,502.10

Total receipts from other sources: \$19,066.58

Your attention is called especially to three things shown by this report:

1. That since moving to Nashville approximately 70% of our receipts have come from the Nashville Committee; only 30% from other sources.

2. That an increasing amount *is* coming from other sources now. This year our receipts from churches to date are double the total for 1953.

3. The increase from other sources is not yet enough to compensate for the yearly reduction of the Nashville Committee subsidy, which will drop from \$833.33 monthly to \$416.66 monthly July 1, 1955.

Contributions of Churches to DCHS, 1954

Alabama:	Birmingham:	First Christian Church	\$ 50.00
California:	Arlington:	Arlington Christian Church	5.00
	Long Beach:	North Long Beach Christian Church	10.00
	North Hollywood:	First Christian Church	25.00
	Stockton:	First Christian Church	10.00
Florida:	Tampa:	First Christian Church (CWF)	125.00

Illinois:	Bloomington:	First Christian Church	25.00
	Champaign:	University Place Church	25.00
	Paris:	First Christian Church	50.00
	Quincy:	First Christian Church	50.00
	Waukegan:	First Christian Church	20.00
Indiana:	Greensburg:	Christian Church	25.00
	Indianapolis:	Downey Avenue Christian Church	25.00
		Northwood Christian Church	50.00
		Third Christian Church	50.00
		University Park Christian Church	25.00
New Albany:	Central Christian Church	25.00	
Iowa:	Cedar Falls:	First Christian Church	20.00
	Cedar Rapids:	Cedar Christian Church	80.00
	Clarinda:	Christian Church	10.00
	Creston:	First Christian Church	5.00
	Des Moines:	Capitol Hill Christian Church	20.00
		Central Christian Church	50.00
University Christian Church		50.00	
Kansas:	Atchison:	First Christian Church (CWF)	25.00
	Kansas City:	Westwood Christian Church	5.00
Kentucky:	Dawson Springs:	First Christian Church	10.00
	Hopkinsville:	Ninth Street Christian Church	50.00
	Lexington:	Central Christian Church	50.00
Louisiana:	Crowley:	First Christian Church	20.00
Maryland:	Cumberland:	First Christian Church	20.00
Michigan:	Detroit:	Central Woodward Christian Church	12.00
	Kalamazoo:	Central Christian Church	30.00
Minnesota:	Minneapolis:	Portland Avenue Church of Christ	12.50
	Rochester:	First Christian Church	15.00
Missouri:	Appleton City:	Christian Church	10.00
	Bowling Green:	First Christian Church	20.00
	Carrollton:	First Christian Church	25.00
	Flat River:	First Christian Church	20.00
	Hannibal:	First Christian Church	25.00
	Jefferson City:	First Christian Church	50.00
	Kansas City:	Budd Park Christian Church	12.50
		Independence Boulevard Church	10.00
		Jackson Avenue Christian Church	50.00
		King Hill Christian Church	25.00
	St. Joseph:	Wyatt Park Christian Church	25.00
		Hamilton Avenue Christian Church	50.00
	St. Louis:	South Street Christian Church	25.00
	Springfield:	First Christian Church	25.00
Trenton:	Webster Groves Christian Church	100.00	
Webster Groves:			
Nebraska:	Omaha:	First Christian Church	25.00
	Sidney:	First Christian Church	10.00
New York:	Buffalo:	Central Church of Christ	15.00

Ohio:	Akron:	Meade Avenue Church of Christ	10.00	
	Canton:	First Christian Church	200.00	
	Elyria:	Washington Avenue Church of Christ	50.00	
	Toledo:	First Christian Church	20.00	
	Wellsville:	East Church of Christ	30.00	
	Youngstown:	Central Christian Church	50.00	
Oklahoma:	Bartlesville:	First Christian Church	10.00	
	Chickasha:	First Christian Church	25.00	
	Oklahoma City:	Crown Heights Christian Church	50.00	
Pennsylvania:	Blanchard:	Church of Christ	51.30	
	Charleroi:	First Christian Church	10.00	
	New Castle:	First Christian Church (CMF)	50.00	
Tennessee:	Chattanooga:	First Christian Church	100.00	
	Clarksville:	First Christian Church	100.00	
	Jackson:	First Christian Church	30.00	
	Memphis:	Highland Christian Church	20.00	
		McLemore Christian Church	50.00	
		Macon Christian Church	10.00	
		Nashville:	Clay Street Christian Church	10.00
		Eastwood Christian Church	100.00	
		Vine Street Christian Church	600.00	
		Oak Ridge:	First Christian Church	10.00
		Paris:	First Christian Church	10.00
		Shelbyville:	First Christian Church	25.00
Texas:	Beaumont:	First Christian Church	62.00	
	Fort Worth:	University Christian Church	100.00	
	Lockhart:	First Christian Church	10.00	
	San Antonio:	Central Christian Church	25.00	
	Wichita Falls:	First Christian Church	200.00	
Washington:	Yakima:	First Christian Church	50.00	
West Virginia:	Beckley:	First Christian Church	10.00	
Wisconsin:	Janesville:	First Christian Church	10.00	

NOTE: This list does not include several 1954 memberships received in January, 1955.

Building Plans

For years, DCHS supporters have dreamed of a permanent Society building in which would be housed the growing Society collection of valuable historical materials and in which the most modern facilities would be provided for historical research and study. This dream building—to serve as the national headquarters of the Society—would be more than a library; it would be the brotherhood center for historical research, a cooperative service center to which could come people representative of all phases of brotherhood life. The dream building would be designed to serve present needs as well as the possible future expansion of the Society as the need for DCHS services increases.

It now appears that this "dream building" will become a reality! We are closer to our goal than even the most visionary DCHS prophet could have predicted ten, or even two, years ago.

WE ARE GOING TO HAVE THAT "DREAM BUILDING" FOR THE SOCIETY!! It will require a great deal of work, prayer and planning; but we are going to have it! There were times, however, when we could not afford to be so optimistic.
1952-1957

When the Society was located in Nashville in April, 1952, it accepted the offer of the Joint Universities Library (owned jointly by Vanderbilt University, Scarritt College, and Peabody College) of free space and facilities for a five-year period. This generous contribution, arranged by the Nashville Committee in addition to the cash subsidy provided, has enabled the Society to make great progress in the acquisition and arranging of a vast collection of invaluable historical materials now in the Society archives, library and museum.

Immediately following the Nashville move, Society officials began planning for the day when this period of "free housing" would end. A contract was made with a distinguished firm of Nashville architects, Hart, Freeland and Roberts. Preliminary plans were prepared.

Society officials had already selected their first choice for the location for the "dream building"; 1101-19th Avenue, South, directly across from Scarritt College, directly behind the Vanderbilt University School of Religion, and one block from the Joint Universities Library and the Disciples Divinity House. Within a radius of three blocks of this site are located the most prominent and beautiful buildings in the entire University Center. Indeed, this is the heart of the University Center.

By summer, 1954, it became apparent that the Society's limited finances would not permit further consideration of this location, even though our preliminary plans had been drawn with this site in mind. Realizing that the Society must make provision by April, 1957, to house the growing collection and to provide work and research facilities for the increasing number of persons availing themselves of the Society resources, another location was sought.

In August, 1954, by arranging loans from the Tennessee Christian Missionary Society and the First American National Bank of Nashville, the Society purchased two lots at 1802 and 1804 Grand Avenue, suitable for development of a unit-plan of construction for the Society building. This site, on the fringe of the University Center, provided for the use of a residence as office space. Plans were made to erect a small library "stack unit" adjoining this residence to house the Society materials. Options were taken on two adjoining lots to permit future expansion, if and when the Society could undertake construction of additional units.

A campaign for \$40,000.00 with which to pay for this property and construct the first unit of our building, authorized by the brotherhood Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships, was approved by the Society Directors in Miami. The campaign, authorized for July 1, 1954 to July 1, 1956, was slated to be announced in January.

The campaign was never formally announced.

By late December, 1954, the interest of certain individuals in the Society program had made possible a return to our original plans to erect a Society building combining beauty and functional efficiency at the location of our first choice, 1101-19th Avenue, South, heart of Nashville's many institutions of higher learning, the University Center.

As reported in the January HARBINGER, and in the front page story of this issue, the Society will always be indebted to Mr. B. D. Phillips of Butler, Pennsylvania. In providing this excellent site for the Society building and additional funds to inaugurate a total building program, both Mr. B. D. Phillips and Mr. T. W. Phillips, Jr. are carrying

on the tradition of Disciple philanthropy so admirably practiced by their father, the late Thomas W. Phillips (1835-1912), distinguished Disciple layman.

In the near future, the Society expects to publish plans for a building adequate for our present needs and engineered for expansion. Meantime, plans proceed for the development of a campaign for the funds necessary to complete this brotherhood research center. Society supporters have every reason to be optimistic that our "dream building" will become reality; and in the foreseeable future!

Financial Needs—Present

Operating Expenses:

The operating budget of the Society is raised *entirely* from annual dues paid in by members, individual and group, or by special gifts. The Society is not supported in any way by funds from other brotherhood regular or special campaigns or by "special day" collections from churches.

As the financial statement and the comparative report indicate, the Society annual budget of approximately \$25,000.00 must be increasingly borne by the brotherhood at large, as the subsidy from the Nashville Committee decreases.

During 1955 it will be necessary for the Society to have greatly increased support from churches and individuals throughout the brotherhood in order to continue the basic services rendered by the Society.

Local churches are urged to place the Society in annual budgets for "local congregational" or "sustaining" memberships.

Individuals are urged to become members of the Society and assist in the operating expenses of the Society through payment of annual dues or special contributions.

As summarized in this issue, the Society anticipates the erection of a permanent building with funds provided by interested individuals. Surely, local churches will want to share in the on-going of the Society program by placing the Society in annual church budgets and contributing the small annual church dues listed below. This is urgent!

The Society membership schedule is as follows:

<i>Individuals</i>	
Annual Member	\$ 2.00 annually
Founding Member (Payment of \$1.00 per year 1941-1953) and thereafter	2.00 annually
Subscribing Member	5.00 annually
Participating Member	25.00 annually
Life Member	50.00 one payment
Sustaining Member	100.00 annually
Contributing Member	500.00 annually
Life Sustaining Member	1,000.00 one payment
Patron Member	1,000.00 annually
<i>Local Churches</i>	
Up to 200 members	\$ 10.00 annually
200 to 300 members	20.00 annually
300 to 400 members	30.00 annually
400 to 500 members	40.00 annually
Above 500 members	50.00 annually
Sustaining (any church)	100.00 annually

Institutions and Organizations

Annual Membership	\$ 15.00 annually
Sustaining Membership	100.00 annually

Financial Needs—Future

Future expansion of much-needed Society services and projects must depend on the rate of increase in Society support from the brotherhood.

Future financing will be needed for:

1. Completion of the proposed Society building.
2. Necessary equipment, much of which is needed now, and other equipment will be needed when our building is completed.
Equipment needed now:
 - a. Letter and legal-size filing cabinets
 - b. Mimeograph machine
 - c. Vari-typer

Equipment needed on completion of our building:

 - a. Letter and legal-size filing cabinets
 - b. Tape recorder
 - c. Slide and filmstrip projector
 - d. 16 mm. projector
 - e. Screen
 - f. Blackboards
 - g. Microcard readers
 - h. Microfilm readers
 - i. Display cases
 - j. Office furniture of all kinds
3. Special projects:
 - a. Summer scholarships for special research
 - b. Publication of research materials
 - c. Reprinting of rare materials
 - d. Microfilming and microcarding of rare materials
 - e. Indexing of periodicals; pamphlets, etc.
4. Salaries for additional staff personnel as needed.

The Brotherhood Challenge

The brotherhood has long talked of the need for a historical society with an adequate program. Through the generosity of the people of Nashville and the untiring work of many individuals deeply interested in this neglected area of service, the Disciples of Christ Historical Society has been given an unprecedented opportunity.

"A people who have not the pride to record their history, will not long have the virtue to make history that is worth recording; and no people who are indifferent to their past need hope to make their future great."

The great brotherhood of Disciples of Christ is challenged to give the needed support to continue and expand the present program of the brotherhood Historical Society.

YOUR support is needed!

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Phillips Family Gives Memorial Building

Budget Commission Approves Equipment Fund Campaign

The Phillips family of Butler, Pennsylvania, will finance the construction of a \$400,000 headquarters-library building for the Disciples of Christ Historical Society as a memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, 1835-1912, distinguished Disciple layman, author and philanthropist.

News of the Phillips family commitment was made public following a February 22 meeting of the Society executive committee by Claude E. Spencer, curator, and James E. McKinney, executive director.

The Society building program will be underwritten by contributions from B. D. Phillips and T. W. Phillips, Jr., sons of the late Thomas W. Phillips, together with other members of the Phillips family. In addition to the memorial building itself, which is expected to cost more than \$400,000, other expenses, such as architect's fees, will be assumed by the Society benefactors.

As announced in earlier issues of THE HARBINGER, Mr. B. D. Phillips gave the Society funds late in December, 1954, with which to purchase the site where the memorial building will be located, 1101 Nine-

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Authorization was granted the Disciples of Christ Historical Society by the Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships, meeting in Indianapolis March 4, 1955, for a two-year campaign to individuals for \$50,000 with which to equip and furnish the new Society building.

Approval of the Society request was given after DCHS officials appeared before the Commission on March 1 and 2, to outline recent developments in the Society building program by the Phillips family of Butler, Pennsylvania, as a memorial to Thomas W. Phillips.

The \$50,000 building equipment and furnishing fund will be raised by an extensive campaign to individuals across the brotherhood from July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1957. Assisting in the promotion of this campaign will be the members of the Society Board of Directors and a special "Sponsors' Committee" which was being established late in 1954 prior to the recent developments which changed the DCHS building program plans.

This "Sponsors' Committee" will be activated and made responsible largely for the

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Editorial . . .

Our Permanent Building Assured

This is the wonderful news that was broken to the Directors on the evening of Washington's Birthday last, by our hustling Executive Director, Jim McKinney. He had something to do with completing it.

It seems like—it IS—a dream come true.

The Phillips family of western Pennsylvania, led by the brothers, T. W. Phillips, Jr., and B. D. Phillips, have agreed to underwrite the cost of the proposed Gothic-style DCHS library and headquarters building, at a cost of more than \$400,000.

This beautiful and useful structure is to be a Memorial to the father of that family, Thomas W. Phillips, Senior. He was a great Brotherhood leader and philanthropist of the past generation, who ended his earthly career in 1912. He made the plea of our Movement known around the world by his many investments and by his widely circulated book *The Church of Christ By A Layman*.

What wisdom is this!

Only recently, have most of us come to realize the vast importance of preserving the books and records of our Movement. Now there will be a place, well known and inviting, where students of the Cause may come for assured and complete information. Teachers, authors and researchers will find it the Mecca.

Full details of this wonderful gift will be told in this issue by our efficient Curator, Claude E. Spencer, and his staff.

This magnificent gift which stirs our

gratitude also presents a challenge to the individual donors and churches throughout the Brotherhood. The Phillips gift does not provide for the technical equipment, office furnishings and other essentials for equipping the building; an additional \$50,000 will be required for this purpose. We believe the response will be ready and generous. We can now put in our hundreds, knowing that it will put to work thousands. Let us go to it!

Colby D. Hall, President

Society Officials Study Plans . . .



The Nashville Tennessean Photo

. . . and preliminary sketches of the new Society building at a recent meeting of the DCHS executive committee. Smiling their approval are (front row, left to right), J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis; Dan C. Kenner, secretary, Memphis; and Forrest F. Reed, vice-chairman, Nashville. Standing are Claude E. Spencer and James E. McKinney.

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Jim's Journeys . . .

In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

Highlights of an eventful two months. *Tuesday, Wednesday, January 11-12*—Tennessee Ministers' Institute, **BETHANY HILLS**.

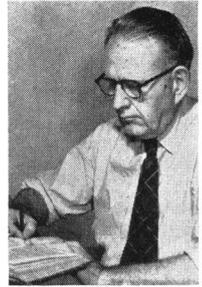
Sunday, January 16 thru Friday, January 21—Ministers' Week at Texas Christian University, **FORT WORTH**. Lecturers Dean Snodgrass, Bishop Kennedy, Dr. Sherrill. Excellent program, best of its kind. Dean Colby Hall, DCHS 1955 prexy, gives nice boost. Noel Keith, Granville Walker, others at this center of southwest Disciplesdom, extend warm hospitality. Roaming the town with old friend, C. R. Burcham (Crowley, La.); more frijoles at Joe's. Hugh Riley (Oak Cliff, Dallas) gives lift in exchange for radio conversation. Most enjoyable.

Tuesday, January 25—DCHS executive committee session plots intriguing future for Society building program, general operations.

Thursday, January 27—**SPRINGFIELD, TENNESSEE**, for address to annual open meeting Business and Professional Women. Pleasure to visit with, speak to, fine group community leaders in thriving mid-south town.

Remainder of January and most of February—Working (?) closely with Charlie Hoagland (Hart, Freeland and Roberts), our architect-designer, Spencer and other members of DCHS building committee on plans for new Society building. Incidental hazards:

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Spencer's Observations...

The Curator, Claude E. Spencer, reports each month his observations concerning the work of the Society. Topics for consideration will include services rendered, publications issued, visitors to the library, materials received, DCHS finances, the work of the staff, technical processes, and other items that may be of interest to our readers.

A coincidence: we were quite excited on the morning of February 23. *The Nashville Tennessean* had carried on the front page Jim Carty's story of the news of the Phillips family gift of a building for the Society as a memorial to Thomas W. Phillips.

Jim was giving a story to Bob Bell for the afternoon *Banner*. Miss Lacy was busy answering congratulatory calls over the telephone. John Carter of the Library Bureau of Remington Rand was talking with me about equipment for the building.

Into our office came Allan J. Hunter, a graduate student from Butler University looking for material for an M.A. thesis "Thomas W. Phillips' (1835-1912) Contribution to the Disciples of Christ"! Perfect timing. Although we knew Mr. Hunter was working on this particular research project and might visit our library, we did not anticipate his coming at such an opportune time.

Mr. Hunter spent the day with materials not available any other place. On leaving he commented that he had found exactly the sources to complete several chapters of his thesis.

Dissertations: In letters recently received we learn that the Society library will soon get three doctoral dissertations in which we have been interested.

Dr. Harold C. Svanoec, Central College, Fayette, Missouri, is sending his two volume

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Society Officials Inspect New Library Installations

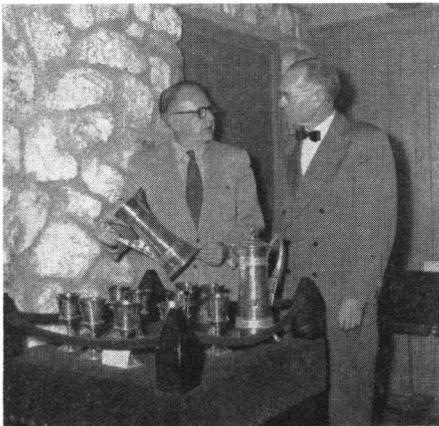
Claude E. Spencer and James E. McKinney, DCHS staffers, with Charles Hoagland, designer for Hart, Freeland and Roberts, Nashville architects commissioned to draw plans for the new Society building, inspected new library installations in three cities during a brief trip to Virginia and North Carolina, March 4-7.

With brief stops to visit with ministers at Rockwood and Knoxville, Tennessee, the Society officials spent time at Roanoke and Lynchburg, Virginia, and Montreat, North Carolina, gathering information and ideas for the planning of the new DCHS Phillips' memorial building.

Many new features of the Roanoke Public Library building, a \$580,000 structure erected in 1952, were explained by Harold

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Rare Communion Sets . . .



Jim McKinney Photo

. . . are inspected by Claude E. Spencer, DCHS curator, in the lobby-museum room of the Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed churches, Montreat, North Carolina. Dr. T. H. Spence, Jr., (right) director, explains features of the new Foundation building and collection during a recent visit by Society officials to Montreat and other new library installations.

Directors to Represent Society At State Conventions

Members of the DCHS board of directors and other supporters will represent the Society at several state conventions this spring with program addresses and displays of materials.

The Society will sponsor addresses on at least eight state convention programs. Displays of materials, supervised by DCHS members or directors, will be maintained at many other state conventions.

"It is necessary to call on our directors and members to assume this responsibility because of the building program which will keep the Society staff occupied for the next few months," said James E. McKinney, DCHS executive director, who is arranging the itinerary for Society representatives on state programs.

"The complete schedule is not yet worked out because of the great difficulty involved in keeping open the channels of correspondence between the Society and the various state organizations," McKinney said.

Directors who have been scheduled to date for speaking engagements on state convention programs include:

Hugh M. Riley (Dallas)—Colorado convention, Denver, April 21-23.

Mrs. Harry Johnson (Tampa)—Florida convention, St. Petersburg, May 14.

Dr. Raymond McCallister (Webster Groves)—Missouri convention, Chillicothe, April 26.

George D. Beazley, (Bartlesville)—Oklahoma convention, Oklahoma City, April 25-28.

Dr. Ross J. Griffeth (Eugene)—Oregon convention, Turner, June 29-July 3.

J. Edward Moseley (Indianapolis)—Tennessee convention, Jackson, April 26-28.

WANTED:

Local church histories and anniversary programs, both past and present. Several copies of each different one are needed in order to make up packets for loan purposes. Our stock of duplicates is running low because so many packets are now loaned out.

Campbell Heritage Guild

In the spring of 1954 there was organized in Bethany, West Virginia, the Campbell Heritage Guild. As stated in a recently published brochure, "Membership in the Guild signifies a deep interest in the contributions made by Thomas and Alexander Campbell to the religious, educational, and civic life of America. It also represents an active participation in the preservation and perpetuation of this heritage by means of creative work and study."

The organization elected Miss Pearl Mahaffey secretary-treasurer for 1954-55, and set up an active committee of five members to administer the affairs of the Guild. Of the 51 charter members, 39 of the women live in Bethany, six in Wellsburgh, West Virginia, and six in various parts of the country from California to Florida.

Several meetings of a social and educational nature were held during the past year. The members have taken an active interest in the current preservation and restoration project of the Alexander Campbell Home. In addition to holding two open houses at the Home, the ladies have shown many visitors through the historic mansion.

Other activities have included reading and study of the Campbell heritage and a participation in the maintenance of the Home. Future plans include the sponsoring of public lectures in Bethany concerning the Campbell tradition.

The Guild came into being at the suggestion of Glen Gresham, son of Dr. Perry E. Gresham, president of Bethany College. Mr. Gresham, a newcomer at Bethany, was appalled at the apathy he found there about local history and the Campbell influence. It was he who called the women together one Sunday afternoon in April and urged the formation of the Guild. At this first meeting Dr. Lester G. McAllister of the Bethany College faculty gave a talk on the life and work of Thomas Campbell. Both Mr. Gresham and Dr. McAllister are patron members of the Guild.

Persons desiring further information in regard to the Guild, and the possibility

Campbell Home Committee

The Campbell Home Committee met at Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia, February 28. Reports were made by various members of the Committee concerning the work done on the home during the past summer.

Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet announced that \$5,000 was available for the preservation of the "new parlor." This is the gift of Mrs. Catherine Campbell Watson and will be used mainly in restoring the famed Tele-machus wall paper.

Living in the new caretaker's quarters are Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Carnell. Mr. Carnell is on the Bethany faculty. The committee agreed that the Home was in the best condition it had been in for years, and commended the Carnells for the cleanliness and order seen everywhere.

Additional work authorized includes a new roof, the repair of the schoolhouse, and the restoration of the basement in which Alexander Campbell's family lived during the time Mr. Campbell conducted Buffalo Seminary.

Appreciation was expressed to Mr. Wade Pilchard for the fine way in which he had supervised the work now completed.

Hubert L. Barnett, chairman of the group, presided at the meeting, which was attended by Wilbur H. Cramblet, St. Louis, Missouri, Henry K. Shaw, Elyria, Ohio, Claude E. Spencer, Nashville, Tennessee, and Perry E. Gresham, Bethany, West Virginia.

Management of the Home is under the direction of the Committee. Three of the members represent DCHS, three represent Bethany College, and these six choose a seventh person as chairman. Other members not present at the meeting were B. R. Weimar and Warner G. Peterson of Bethany College.

The Home is legally owned by Bethany College, which received it several years ago from the Campbell Historical and Memorial Association.

of organizing chapters in other towns, should write to Miss Pearl Mahaffey, Bethany, West Virginia.

THE MISSIONARY SPIRIT OF A. McLEAN

by W. C. Chapman

This story, so characteristic of A. McLean, longtime president of the Foreign Christian Missionary Society, was sent to us by John Francis Belleville, minister of the First Christian Church of Charleroi, Pennsylvania. It is appropriate that it be printed during our year of stewardship. Mr. Chapman, who lives at Harrisville, New York, was a member of the class of 1893 at Bethany College.

It was in the autumn of 1889 that Bethany College, on the banks of the old Buffalo, enrolled one of the largest freshman classes of its history up to that time. This Class of '93 organized by electing the energetic J. E. Wayman as president, and then began looking for things to do.

Archibald McLean, a son of Old Bethany, and Secretary of the Foreign Christian Missionary Society, had just been chosen president of the College to succeed the revered and lamented W. H. Woolery. This honor came to Brother McLean as the brief fulfillment of a lifelong ambition to be a college president. But the brotherhood had drafted him to be the Secretary of the Foreign Christian Missionary Society, a post to which he felt an abiding loyalty. And so he continued to perform the duties of secretary during the two years of his college presidency.

The college year of 1889-90 had not progressed far when the vigilant and aspiring Class of '93 singled "Prexy" out as the object of its activity. They "viewed with alarm" the glistening sheen of his black Prince Albert suit and concluded that a new suit would be more in harmony with the dignity of his office. Accordingly, a purse of fifty dollars was made up by dollar gifts from members of the class.

Then, one morning in Chapel, our handsome and eloquent class president mounted the platform and in well-chosen words presented our gift with the stipulation that it be used to purchase a new suit of clothes. President McLean rose to the occasion, and with his characteristic brush of that lock of hair that curled over his forehead, in his most gracious manner thanked the Class for their appreciated kindness.

Two or three weeks flew by and we began looking anxiously to see our beloved "Prexy" step out in his new habiliments. But we were doomed to disappointment, for the old shiny suit still graced, or as we thought, disgraced, the chapel platform.

Able to restrain our anxiety no longer, we conducted an investigation and found, to our utter amazement, that our president had turned our fifty dollars into the hard-pressed treasury of the Foreign Christian Missionary Society. While we were deeply impressed with his zeal for the missionary cause, so dear to his heart that it took precedence over any consideration for personal needs or comforts, we were not to be defeated in our object.

So another meeting of the class was called and another fifty dollars was raised. To forestall any miscarriage of our plans, we sent for a tailor to come from a neighboring city to measure our President and deliver the suit to him. In due time our revered President appeared in Chapel dressed in a correct new suit which we thought more in harmony with the dignity of his office.

Warning

"In conclusion, let me especially urge again that we avoid the language of the schools in regard to the Trinity, the mode of the Divine existence, and all kindred questions. That we speak in regard to all these high mysteries in the language of the spirit. This is our only security. Standing on this ground, one can chase a thousand, and two can put ten thousand to flight. But the moment we leave this holy ground for the battlefield of the sects, we become weak as other men—nay, weaker; for we have almost forgotten our speculations, while they are at home in this sad cypress gloom—this land of apparitions, empty shades. What wonderous feats the knights of orthodoxy have performed in this dismal swamp. Lord, keep us forever on the *terra firma* of truth. Amen.

John Rogers' final words of a discourse delivered in Carlisle, Kentucky, on the First Lord's Day in June, 1860.

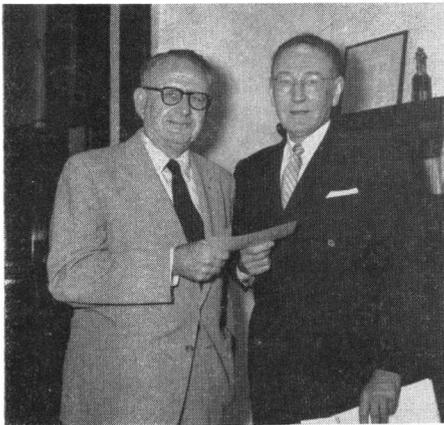
Christian-Evangelist Index

Word has been received that the Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis, Missouri, has definitely approved plans for the indexing of *The Christian-Evangelist* files. A yearly grant-in-aid for the project has been made to the Society.

This is the second part of a proposal to microfilm and index the complete file of the 92-year publication. An announcement was made in December that the microfilming part of the project had been approved. To date nearly 30 years have been microfilmed by the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. The work will proceed as complete volumes are secured from the Christian Board Library and other sources.

Tentative plans are being made to start the indexing about April 1. It is estimated that the total project will not be completed for several years. The cost will probably be around \$24,000.

History Is Made . . .



Jim McKinney Photo

. . . by the Disciples of Christ Historical Society as Claude E. Spencer, curator, left, presents a check for \$30,000 to Vice-Chancellor Madison Sarratt of Vanderbilt University in payment for the Society building site at 1101 Nineteenth Avenue, S., Nashville. Funds for the purchase of this valuable property were provided by Mr. B. D. Phillips, Butler, Pennsylvania.

The Church of Christ

by a Layman

F. D. Power commented at length, editorially, in the July 27, 1905, issue of *The Christian-Evangelist* on a new book just published by Funk & Wagnalls, entitled *The Church of Christ* by a Layman.

The publishers announced it as "A strong, remarkable and original work on the church from the viewpoint of a layman of decided convictions and wide commercial experience. The author prefers to have the book brought out without any hint as to his identity—to have its contents considered entirely from the standpoint of their intrinsic worth and without any reference to the particular mind that produced them."

After quoting the above publisher's statement, Mr. Power continued, "This at once arouses our attention and speculation as to the authorship; and opening the volume we are immediately struck with the reverent, scholarly, and Christian treatment of the great theme. ". . . Whoever its author may be, it is evident that he is a devout student of the Holy Scriptures and a genuine lover of his kind. An impartial and serious examination of this volume will, we are satisfied, aid in the solution of the most trying and tremendous problems which confront our modern church."

Mr. Power concluded by saying, "Our unknown author has done a good service and we trust he will meet with a wide reading."

A wide reading the book certainly had, for it went through at least 15 editions and was translated into the Hindu, Japanese, and Chinese languages, and perhaps others.

We have in our library the following printings:

1st Edition—June, 1905

3rd Edition—1906	10th Edition—1907
4th Edition—1907	12th Edition—1909
5th Edition—1907	14th Edition—1909
6th Edition—1907	15th Edition—1915

We do not have any of the foreign language editions. Any missing editions will be gladly received and promptly acknowledged.

Oh, yes. Who was the author? Thomas W. Phillips, 1835-1912.

Phillips Family Gives . . .

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teenth Avenue, South, in the heart of Nashville's University Center area. This property was purchased from Vanderbilt University last month for \$30,000. A brick residence on the property is now being razed. Construction on the new Society building is expected to begin this summer.

The Phillips family committment includes the total building program with the exception of the technical equipment and office furnishings for the completed building. Funds for this purpose will be raised by the Society.

"The new Society building will be one of the most beautiful structures ever erected by the Disciples of Christ," McKinney said. "The brotherhood will always be indebted to the Phillips family. This is a magnificent contribution."

Building plans are now being prepared by Hart, Freeland and Roberts, Nashville architects. In commenting on the plans, Spencer said, "This will be the most extensive structure ever erected to house the historical collection of a Protestant communion in America. It will provide the latest in modern research facilities. Graduate students, writers, and others interested in church historical research will be drawn to the new Society building from all parts of the world. We are most grateful that the Phillips family has taken this means of investing in the brotherhood past, present and future, as a memorial to their illustrious ancestor, Thomas W. Phillips, Sr."

The memorial building will be of Gothic design. It will be air-conditioned, fireproof and humidity-controlled, and will provide over 20,000 square feet of storage, work and study space in two stories and a full basement. The library unit of the building will accommodate more than 100,000 volumes.

The building will be located at the heart of the world-famed "University Center area" of Nashville. The site is the only location where all three of the major institutions in the Center come together. At 1101 Nineteenth Avenue, South, the DCHS building will be directly back of the School of Religion building of Vanderbilt University,

across the street from Scarritt College, and adjacent to the campus of Peabody College. The Joint University Library, where the Society has been temporarily located since moving to Nashville from Canton, Missouri, in April, 1952, is only one block west. The Disciples Divinity House is one block north.

Many new buildings have been erected in the University Center area in recent years. Methodist buildings, for the denomination's board of education and general board of evangelism, have been constructed, within one block of the Society site, during the past three years at a total cost of over \$2,500,000. Scarritt College has erected new buildings since 1951 costing about \$500,000. The State of Tennessee is planning a new \$1,000,000 hearing and speech clinic building which will be erected one block south of the DCHS site.

Thomas W. Phillips, Sr., for whom the building will be a memorial, was the founder of the T. W. Phillips Gas and Oil Company of western Pennsylvania. The Company is operated today by the Phillips interests and is engaged primarily in natural gas distribution.

Mr. Phillips was a brotherhood leader in the late 19th century and early years of the 20th. He wrote widely and was the author of numerous pamphlets and tracts. He was the author of *The Church of Christ By A Layman*, published in 1905. His brotherhood interests included support for many educational and benevolent institutions. Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma, was named for him.

Members of the Phillips family have continued to give generous support to brotherhood causes through the years since the death of Thomas W. Phillips in 1912. Notable have been the contributions of his sons, T. W. Phillips, Jr. and B. D. Phillips, and a daughter, Mrs. Grace Johnson of New Castle, Pennsylvania, to many educational institutions of the Disciples of Christ and the Churches of Christ.

Future issues of THE HARBINGER will carry more details on the Society building program. Building plans will be published when available.

Society Officials Inspect . . .*(Continued from Page 36)*

J. Sander, librarian. The Nashvillians were conducted on a tour of facilities at the new \$250,000 Lynchburg College Knight Memorial library by Charles Roseberry, Lynchburg College business manager.

At Montreat, North Carolina, T. H. Spence, Jr., director of the Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, pointed out many unique features of the new Foundation building, constructed in 1953 at a cost of over \$100,000.

Situated in the beautiful Blue Ridge mountains at the Presbyterian retreat center near Asheville, North Carolina, the building houses a vast collection of valuable materials relating to the Presbyterian and Reformed churches. Many visitors annually spend time in the Foundation looking over the collection of church historical materials and museum items. Constructed of native field stone and quartz stone, the building is a combination of modern and rustic in design.

Since this is the first and only building known to be erected exclusively to house a Protestant church history collection, many of the ideas developed there have value in the planning of the Society permanent building.

The Society expresses appreciation to those who were hosts for these visits. Information gathered will be of great value in planning the Society building, which will become the most extensive structure ever erected for the sole use of a single Protestant communion church history collection.

**HAVE YOU
PAID YOUR
1955 DUES?**

Budget Commission Approves . . .*(Continued from Page 33)*

drawing of attention to the vital need for securing the necessary funds to adequately equip and furnish the new Society building when it is completed late in 1956 or early in 1957.

Funds raised by this campaign will be needed to purchase technical equipment, such as microfilm readers, photo-duplicator, cleaning table, slide and 16 mm projector, sound equipment, etc., which will be used in the Society research program to be carried on in the new building.

The campaign is also expected to provide funds for the equipping of a museum room in the new building with adequate museum display cases and other furniture for the dramatic visual presentation of the many items of *Discipliana* which have long been stored because of the Society's lack of display facilities.

Office furniture of all kinds, including desks, tables, chairs, typewriters, etc., as well as furniture for the reading room—lounge section of the building, the kitchenette, auditorium, study rooms, and other special rooms, will be needed, and campaign funds will be earmarked for these purposes.

It is expected that complete plans can be announced in an early issue of *THE HARBINGER* of the organization of this campaign for equipment and furnishing funds. A listing of the members of the "Sponsors' Committee" will be printed in April.

Several unsolicited building fund contributions, from individuals and churches, have been received by the Society and will be placed in this fund. Other pledges have been received for future support when the formal "equipment-furnishings campaign" is announced.

The Budget Commission is a subsidiary organization of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ, of which the Historical Society is a reporting agency. Dean J. Clifford Shirley, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma, is Commission chairman.

We Want To Know...

Here are some questions for which we need answers. Some have been asked by individuals during the past few months; others have been raised as a matter of general investigation. Any help our readers can give us will be appreciated.

24. In early 1916 the *Christian Standard* issued a supplement to each weekly number.

We have the following ones:

- January 1, "Our Knowledge of God", by H. W. Everest
 8, "Man—Past, Present and Future", by Alexander Campbell
 15, "Jesus of Nazareth, the God-Man", by H. T. Anderson
 22, "Christianity Spiritual", by Isaac Errett
 29, "The Authority of the Bible", by J. B. Rotherham
- February 5, "Questions About the Bible", by Alexander Campbell
 12, "The Church and Preceding Dispensations", by W. H. Woolery
 19, "The Two Covenants", by Benjamin Franklin
 26, "Providential Protection of the Jews", by T. B. Larrimore
- March 4, "How to Study the New Testament", by M. M. Davis
 11, "Sin and Its Cure", by Aylett Raines
 18, "The Great Salvation", by F. G. Allen
 25, "The Sin Against the Holy Spirit", by J. V. Updike
- April 1, "The Jerusalem Church", by J. W. McGarvey
 15, "Ecclesiastic Polity", by A. I. Hobbs

When did this series of reprints start? How long were they continued? Who has copies of additional titles that can be sent to the Society Library?

25. C. C. Ware, curator of the Carolina Discipliana Library, Wilson, N. C., has this query for Campbell Scholars: "On page 168 of the 1850 *Millennial Harbinger*, Alexander Campbell refers to the Bible as comprising

'seventy-two volumes'. Question—Which of the Apocryphal, or Apolyptic books, non-canonical to Protestants, did Campbell add to the approved sixty-six to obtain his sum of seventy-two? Who will elucidate Campbell's statement?"

Jim's Journeys . . .

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writing few letters, reports, news stories, scripts for Armed Forces Radio Service.

Thursday, February 10—Fall out of favor by referring to meat course as "tough" (which it was) during emcee chore at annual Civitan Club ladies night festival. Oh, well.

Friday, Saturday, February 18-19—Hosting Nashville visit for Mr. B. D. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. B. D., Jr., Mrs. Dickson, from Butler, Pa. Looking over building site; session with architects; watching the TV fights. Thanks for coming.

Tuesday, February 22—DCHS executive committee session. And now it can be told!

Wednesday, February 23—We're plastered all over the front pages and there's historical (or hysterical) joy in Nashville today. I lost track of several days during this period.

Monday thru Wednesday, February 28-March 2—Up before the high tribunal. **INDIAN-APOLIS** for explanations, requests, conversations in connection with annual session Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships. Nobody mentioned it, but I suspect some records were set at this august gathering. At least, some eyebrows were raised. Satisfaction enough.

Friday thru Monday, March 4-7—Touring new library set-ups at **ROANOKE** and **LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA**, and **MONTREAT, NORTH CAROLINA**, with Spencer and Charlie Hoagland. What gluttons we mortals be!

Tuesday, March 8, until whenever you read this—Have you ever heard the classic definition of "coordinating"? Remind me to tell you sometime. That's what we're doing now, and for some time to come.

Jim McKinney.

Research in Progress...

In our December 1953 issue were listed seventeen persons doing research in the field of Disciple history or thought, which had previously been reported. Here is another listing of research carried on during 1954. Some of these studies may have been completed by now.

Austin, Spencer Peter. Indianapolis, Indiana. History of the United Christian Missionary Society, for a Ph.D., Boston University.

Bray, John L. Lexington, Kentucky. Life of Raccoon John Smith, for a B.D., College of the Bible.

Castleberry, O. L. State College of Pennsylvania. The Role of Preaching in the Restoration Movement, doctoral dissertation, Pennsylvania State University.

Farris, Clifton. LaGrange, Kentucky. Principles in Brotherhood Cooperation of the Disciples of Christ, for a thesis at Butler School of Religion.

Davis, Hattie. Washington, D. C. A Critical Analysis of the Theology of Alexander Campbell in the Light of the Basic Assumptions of Christian Education, for an M.R.E., Howard University.

Gearhart, E. W. Johnstown, Pennsylvania. The Churches of Christ, Wabash County, Indiana, for a thesis at Butler School of Religion.

Hahn, Jack. Vincennes, Indiana. A Study of the Doctrinal Contribution of Barton W. Stone, for a B.D., Butler School of Religion.

Hansen, Kenneth Christian. Redwood Falls, Minnesota. The Doctrinal Tendency in Disciple Hymnology, for an M.A., Butler School of Religion.

Hedrick, Richard M. Lexington, Kentucky. History of the Shepardsville, Kentucky, Christian Church, for a thesis at the College of the Bible.

Hunter, Allan J. Noblesville, Indiana. T. W. Phillips' (1835-1912) Contribution to the Disciples of Christ, for an M.A., Butler School of Religion.

Johnson, Harry Eugene. Sanford, Florida. A Doctrine of the Ministry for the Disciples of Christ, for an M.A., Vanderbilt School of Religion.

Lewis, Elmer C., Fayette City, Pennsylvania. Negro Education among Disciples of Christ, for a doctoral dissertation, University of Pittsburgh.

McCown, Mrs. L. W. Johnson City, Tennessee. A History of the Christian Churches in East Tennessee.

McCrae, Ian J. Des Moines, Iowa. A Study of Christian Board of Publication Curriculum Materials to Evaluate Ecumenical Teaching, for a B.D., University of Chicago.

Miller, Bruce E. Indianapolis, Indiana. History of the Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity, for an M.A., Butler School of Religion.

Perry, Lowell G., Des Plaines, Illinois. Rhetoric of Religious Broadcasting in Churches of Christ, for a Ph.D., Northwestern University.

Sutherlin, Paul R. Clayton, Indiana. Doctrine and Concerns of T. M. Johnson, for a thesis at Butler School of Religion.

Yates, Carlyle. Frederick, Oklahoma. Alexander Campbell's Doctrine of Church and Sacrament in the Ecumenical Setting.

From Earlier Days . . .

Not a Pulpit Pounder

Col. W. F. Switzler, Columbia, Mo., is quoted in *The Christian-Evangelist*, February 9, 1905, as saying about Alexander Campbell's manner of speaking, "He didn't make a great noise and jump over the chairs on the platform or in the pulpit. His style was conversational, hence his power and fascination in language—He did not indulge in oratory or demagogy."

Troubles of an Editor

Benjamin Franklin, editor of *The Western Reformer*, had trouble beyond his control, for he wrote in the November, 1847 issue, page 64:

"We determined this month to have our paper out earlier in the month, and ac-

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cordingly pushed our work forward just as fast as we possibly could; but all in vain: for the canal washed away just after our lot of printing paper started from Cincinnati; and thus prevented us from getting it almost three weeks. Seeing that the fates have turned against us so, that we can not get out a number till the very last of each month, we have now changed the day of publication to the *last Monday* in each month, until we shall have better luck."

Still a Question

In 1905 one of the burning issues of the year was to get fixed for all time the date of the annual general convention. *The Christian-Evangelist* printed letters from its readers arguing various dates. Part of a letter from the July 20 number is re-printed:

"We would say as business men that it would in our opinion be best to hold our national convention in July or August. It would afford the best opportunity for those to attend that would be most interested. It being vacation, educators, business men, farmers and mechanics, all ministers as well as laymen, would be glad to include the convention attendance as a part, at least, of their vacation term."

Harrison, Ohio.

Tebbs Bros.

And so the debate continues, even today!

*Spencer's Observations . . .**(Continued from Page 35)*

"The Preaching and Speaking of Burriss Jenkins," done at Northwestern University.

Thomas E. Pletcher, minister of the First Christian Church, New Castle, Pennsylvania, received his Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh, February 4, this year. We will receive his dissertation, dealing with early Baptist-Disciple controversy, soon.

Leslie L. Kingsbury, minister of the First Christian Church, Manhattan, Kansas, will receive his Ph.D. from the University of Edinburgh, July 8, 1955. "The Philosophical Influences Bearing on Alexander Campbell and the Beginnings of the Disciples of

Christ Movement" is the title of his dissertation.

All three men used the facilities of the Society for their research study. Dr. Swanoe spent several weeks working in our library while we were located in Canton, Missouri. Dr. and Mrs. Pletcher were there for a week, and Mr. Kingsbury was loaned materials while doing his residence work in Edinburgh, Scotland. In addition, many questions were asked and answered by mail.

Museum Material: Mr. H. L. Browning, Princeton, West Virginia, has given us a small book containing the notes of Alexander Campbell's early morning lectures before the students of Bethany College. The notes were made by Samuel A. Frazee, a Bethany student, February 11 to July 1, 1851.

Included is a description of "Father (Thomas) Campbell's farewell sermon." Student Frazee regretted "I had neither pencil or paper and therefore could not take notes as I wished." However he does describe Mr. Campbell's appearance and gives his impression of the sermon.

The book was forwarded to us by Mr. John M. Dunn, minister of the First Christian Church of Princeton.

Informational Sources: Thirty-two sources for special information were discussed at a regular meeting of the Nashville Library Club, March 3. Mrs. Elizabeth Fryer of the Nashville Public Library led the discussion and introduced several persons who gave five-minute summaries of the resources of their libraries. I had the privilege of telling about DCHS. The meeting was held in the Social Room of Scarritt College.

Out-of-town Visitors: John I. Gest, Elkton, Ky., Robert D. Chambless, Russellville, Ark., Charles Clayton Morrison and Richard E. Starkey, Chicago, Ill., Paul Andress, Ashdown, Ark., Lowell G. Perry, Des Plaines, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Marling, Jasper, Ala., James G. Tawery, Huntsville, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kerns, Livingston, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Simril, Canton, Mo., Miss Helen A. Barr, West Lafayette, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. James E. Murphey, Augusta, Ga.

Whats New in Our Library . . .

On these pages are listed, and sometimes described, the materials received during the past month. This includes gifts, exchanges, and purchases. So many gifts are received that acknowledgment of every item is impossible, although every giver is mentioned.

Gifts and Exchanges

From December 22, 1954 to February 25, 1955, 101 receipts for materials were issued to:

- Mrs. W. B. Ardrey, Paris, Ky.
 Morris L. Bailey, Woodbine, Ia.
 Belmont Christian Church, Roanoke, Va.
 Bethany Press, St. Louis, Mo.
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 Miss Jessie M. Burke, St. Louis, Mo.
 Robert W. Burns, Atlanta, Ga.
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 Robert D. Chambless, Russellville, Ark.
 Ben H. Cleaver, Cape Girardeau, Mo.
 College of the Bible Bosworth Memorial Library, Lexington, Ky.
 College of the Churches of Christ in Canada, Toronto, Canada
 Harold Converse, Waco, Tex.
 Larry Crane, Birmingham, Ala.
 Miss Ada Currie, Guelph, Canada
 F. Burton Doyle, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Elmore Church of Christ, Elmore, Ohio
 Miss Lois Anna Ely, Los Angeles, Calif.
 Burton Faust, Washington, D. C.
 First Christian Church, Arcola, Ill.
 First Christian Church, Benton, Ill.
 First Christian Church, Hobart, Ind.
 First Christian Church, Macon, Ga.
 First Christian Church, Morocco, Ind.
 First Christian Church, Iowa Park, Tex.
 First Christian Church, Waukegan, Ill.
 First Christian Church, CWF, Janesville, Wis.
 James M. Flanagan, St. Louis, Mo.
 Ernest L. Ford, Portsmouth, Ohio
 Fork Christian Church, Fork, Md.
 Robert E. Gartman, Enid, Okla.
 B. C. Goodpasture, Nashville, Tenn.
 Glenn Grimm, Ashtabula, Ohio
 Kenneth C. Hanson, Redwood Falls, Minn.
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 Edward A. Henry, Nashville, Tenn.
 Chester P. Hensley, Louisiana, Mo.
 Alden Lee Hill, Los Angeles, Calif.
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 J. Philip Hyatt, Nashville, Tenn.
 Richard L. James, Jacksonville, Fla.
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 Beryl S. Kinser, Youngstown, Ohio
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 Mrs. Chester E. Martin, Atlanta, Ga.
 Mrs. L. V. Mays, Pendleton, Ind.
 Memorial Christian Church, Ann Arbor, Mich.
 Mrs. H. L. Mitchell, New Castle, Ind.
 J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis, Ind.
 James DeForest Murch, Cincinnati, Ohio
 Walter L. Myers, San Gabriel, Calif.
 Robert G. Nelson, Cross Roads P. O., Jamaica, B. W. I.
 Miss Edith M. Noffsinger, Honolulu, T. H.
 North Tacoma Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Northside Christian Church, Omaha, Neb.
 Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Ore.
 Northwood Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Mrs. Loran Oaley, Brazil, Ind.
 Carroll N. Odell, Tipton, Ind.
 Ronald E. Osborn, Celigny, Switzerland.
 Mrs. Younger Osborne, Winchester, Ky.
 Orval D. Peterson, Yakima, Wash.
 Mrs. Harry Pierce, New York, N. Y.
 Robert Platt, Boston, Ky.
 Clayton L. Potter, Springfield, Mo.
 Forrest E. Richeson, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Lester B. Rickman, Jefferson City, Mo.
 Leslie Ross, Nashville, Tenn.
 W. E. Schultz, Bloomington, Ill.

Mrs. Rees Shanks, Canton, Mo.
 William B. Slater, Peoria, Ill.
 Harvey Baker Smith, Marshall, Mo.
 Ray C. Smith, Newport, Ore.
 Standard Publishing Co., Cincinnati, Ohio
 Omar Throgmorton, Jr., Little Rock, Ark.
 J. H. Walker, Berkeley, Calif.
 Charles C. Ware, Wilson, N. C.
 Miss L. Dee Warren, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Webster Groves Christian Church, Webster Groves, Mo.
 Gilbert Weidman, Quincy, Ill.
 Miss Avis M. Withers, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Mrs. Guy Withers, Jacksonville, Fla.

Local Church Histories

Here are listed local church histories and anniversary programs received in recent months:

Alabama

Birmingham. First Christian Church. *History and Beliefs Leaflet*, 1955

California

Alameda. Christian Church. *Brief History of the Christian Church* by S. L. McNut, 1906

Dinuba. Christian Church. *Fifty Years*, 1904-1954

Marysville. First Christian Church. *Diamond Jubilee Dinner Program and Historical Sketch*, 1879-1954

Pasadena. Central Christian Church. *Our 70th Anniversary*, May 1954

Vacaville. First Christian Church. *Centennial Celebration Program*, 1854-1954, with history by E. E. Shull.

District of Columbia

Washington. Fifteenth Street Christian Church. *Golden Anniversary*, 1904-1954

Hawaii

Honolulu. First Christian Church. *Historical Review*, 1894-1954

Illinois

Barney's Prairie Christian Church. *One Hundred Thirty-Fifth Anniversary*, 1819-1954

Granite City. Central Christian Church. *Fiftieth Anniversary*, 1901-1951

Hurst. Christian Church. *80th Anniversary*, 1951

Rochester. South Fork Church of Christ. *Centennial Celebration*, 1952.

Indiana

Daleville. Christian Church. *Ninety-third Anniversary Memoir*, 1845-1938, by Jacob J. M. Strite. Mimeographed.

Little Flat Rock Christian Church. *120th Anniversary*, 1950

Paragon. Christian Church. *A Brief History of the Christian Church* by Mrs. Florence H. Hodges, 1954

Iowa

Clarinda. Christian Church. *Diamond Anniversary*. 1879-1954

Clarion. Church of Christ. *History* by Alla Huntley and Others, 1943

Des Moines. Park Avenue Christian Church. *Golden Anniversary*, 1947

Indianapolis. Christian Church. *Centennial Observance*, 1854-1954

Lake City. Woodlawn Church of Christ. *Diamond Anniversary*, 1865-1940

Moorhead. First Church of Christ. *Anniversary Program*, 1891, 1903, 1943

Sac City. First Christian Church. *Fiftieth Anniversary*, 1945

Waterloo. Central Christian Church. *Golden Jubilee Program*, 1897-1947

Woodbine. First Christian Church. *Our Church, yesterday, today, and tomorrow*, 1952

Woodward. Christian Church. "History". Typescript.

Kansas

Atchison. First Christian Church. *Golden Jubilee*, 1882-1932

Atchison. First Christian Church. *A History of the Disciples of Christ and First Christian Church*, 1869-1954, by G. Harold Roberts

Clearwater. Christian Church. *A History*, 1884, 1904, 1954

Douglass. First Christian Church. *Anniversary Celebration Program*, 1954

Kentucky

Boston. Christian Church. *120th Anniversary and Homecoming*, 1954.

Jeffersontown. Christian Church. *History and One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary Services*, 1954

Missouri

St. Joseph. Wyatt Park Christian Church. *A Brief History*

Warsaw. Christian Church. "Some Historic Highlights of the Christian Church" by Martin T. Pope. Typescript.

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PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY ARE:

- Theses Concerning the Disciples of Christ*, 1941. Out of print.
- Periodicals of the Disciples of Christ and Related Religious Groups*, 1943. \$1.00.
- An Author Catalog of Disciples of Christ and Related Religious Groups*, 1946.
\$7.50 (\$6.00 to members).
- What Is Disciple Historical Material?* by Dwight E. Stevenson, 1948. (Out of print)
- The Jerusalem Mission*, compiled by D. S. Burnet, 1853 (microcard reprint, 1951) \$1.50.

FOOTNOTES TO DISCIPLE HISTORY, a pamphlet series

- No. 1—*Alexander Campbell and His Relevance for Today*, by Eva Jean Wrather. (Out of print)
- No. 2—*The Lunenburg Letter, with Attendant Comments*, by Alexander Campbell.
- No. 3—*Barton W. Stone and Christian Unity*, by William Garrett West.

	Prices		Prices
Single copies, post paid	\$.25	25 copies, post paid	\$ 4.50
10 copies, post paid	2.00	50 copies, post paid	8.00
	100 copies, post paid		15.00

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SERVICES BULLETINS (Free)

- No. 1—*Local Churches and the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.*
- No. 2—*The Research Student and the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.*
- No. 3—*Educational Institutions and the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.*

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ABOUT THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Disciples of Christ Historical Society was established May 7, 1941, in St. Louis, Missouri, with the approval of the International Convention then in session. The organization of the new agency came as a result of the work of the Historical Commission appointed by the 1939 convention which met in Richmond, Virginia. It is the only organization among Disciples of Christ whose *sole* purpose is the locating, collecting,

cataloging and arranging for use the historical materials of the brotherhood. The Society is custodian of International Convention and World Convention archives by official action of those conventions.

The purpose of the Society is to maintain and further interest in the religious heritage, backgrounds, origins, development, and general history of Disciples of Christ, Christian Churches, Churches of Christ, and related groups. The Society is not an opinion forming group.

From 1941 until 1946 the Society had no designated headquarters, and these years were spent largely in surveying the field, correlating the interest of various groups, and making plans. In 1946 the Society accepted the generous offer of Culver-Stockton College to set up its headquarters and archives there with the privilege of using the Henry Barton Robinson Collection as a nucleus around which the Society would build its own collection of materials.

Since April 1952, the Society's headquarters, library and archives have been in Nashville, Tennessee, located in the Joint University Library on the Vanderbilt campus. Nashville was designated as the permanent location of the Society because of the unique opportunity offered for participation in the building of an American church history center and for the subsidy granted by the Nashville Planning Committee which enabled the Society to further its expansion program. Plans are being made for the eventual erection of a building to house the rapidly growing collection of books, pamphlets, periodicals, manuscripts, and museum materials which the Society has been receiving since its formation.

The Society solicits all kinds of historical materials pertaining to the Disciples of Christ and related groups. Authors and publishers are requested to send copies of all new publications. Churches, organizations and institutions are urged to place the Society on their mailing lists to receive all printed materials.

The Society and Bethany College share joint responsibility, through the Campbell Home Committee, for the restoration, preservation, and management of the Alexander Campbell mansion at Bethany, West Virginia.

The current program of the Society is financed through the dues paid in by members. Individuals, local churches, institutions, and organizations are invited to share in the work of the Society by becoming members. Dues paid in are deductible for income tax purposes. Classifications of membership are as follows:

<i>Individuals</i>		<i>Local Churches</i>	
Annual Member	\$ 2.00 annually	Up to 200 members	\$ 10.00 annually
Founding Member (payment of \$1.00 per year 1941-1953) and thereafter	2.00 annually	200 to 300 members	20.00 annually
Subscribing Member	5.00 annually	300 to 400 members	30.00 annually
Participating Member	25.00 annually	400 to 500 members	40.00 annually
Life Member	50.00 one payment	Above 500 members	50.00 annually
Sustaining Member	100.00 annually	Sustaining (any church)	100.00 annually
Contributing Member	500.00 annually		
Life Sustaining Member	1,000.00 one payment		
Patron Member	1,000.00 annually		

<i>Institutions and Organizations</i>	
Annual membership	\$ 15.00 annually
Sustaining membership	100.00 annually

Officers of the Society

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The Executive Committee is composed of the officers of the Board and Charles E. Crouch, J. Edward Moseley, and J. Philip Hyatt.

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PRESIDENT'S DINNER SET FOR NOVEMBER 29

Society To Honor Colby D. Hall—Other Activities Planned

Tuesday, November 29, 1955, will be a red-letter day for the Disciples of Christ Historical Society. By action of the DCHS executive committee, this date has been set for the Annual President's Dinner, second in the series of Society-sponsored affairs honoring the Society president.

Dr. Colby Dixon Hall, Dean Emeritus of Brite College of the Bible, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, and President of the Society, 1954-1955, will be the guest of honor at a Nashville testimonial dinner, highlight of a complete program of activities at Society headquarters.

Following the tradition established by the Society on December 4, 1953, at the First Annual President's Dinner, Dr. Hall will deliver a major address on some phase of Disciple history. He will also be presented with a Society Citation in recognition of his significant contributions to the understanding of the heritage of Disciples of Christ.

November 29 marks four years to the day since the Board of Directors took action designating Nashville as the permanent location for the Society. This decision, made

on November 29, 1951, at a Directors' meeting in St. Louis, paved the way for the move to Nashville from Canton, Missouri, early in 1952. The Hall dinner also will provide the Society with an opportunity to express appreciation for the generous assistance of many individuals and groups in establishing the Society on its present basis, and to review four years of progress.

It is expected that many leaders and representatives from throughout the brotherhood will be present for the President's Dinner and attendant events. Program plans call for Dr. Hall to be introduced by Dr. Winfred Ernest Garrison, 1953-1954 Society president, professor of philosophy and religion at the University of Houston.

Activities being planned in connection with the Second Annual President's Dinner include a reception for Dr. Hall and other brotherhood leaders, a meeting of the Society Board of Directors and Executive Committee, and a possible corner-stone laying ceremony for the new Society building, construction of which is expected to begin this summer. The Society building is being

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Editorial . . .

A Stewardship Parable

Several years ago we heard a good stewardship story; one that pointed out how the Disciples sometimes had not taken advantage of opportunities offered because of a lack of understanding and vision. Although we have been told several versions of the story, we cannot document any one of them. The account we give here is a composite one, with some additional embroidery of our own.

Once upon a time there was a family named Smith (or Jones) who were members of one of our small churches. The family prospered and decided that their church should share in their good fortune.

Mrs. Smith went to her minister with the question, "What does the church need?" "The church needs a new carpet," said the minister. So the church got a new carpet.

But a carpet seemed a very small part of the total program of the church, and the family was not entirely satisfied. "What else can we do?" they queried. "The church needs a new roof," the minister replied. So the church got its roof.

This sort of thing went on for some time. The church building became most complete. But still there was a feeling on the part of the Smiths that there were other possibilities for service to the total brotherhood than gifts for local church buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith next turned to the field of education. They approached one of our college presidents with the question, "What does your college need?" "We need some new rugs in our girls' dormitory," he said. So the girls' dormitory got new rugs.

But rugs seemed a small part of the total educational program of the college. They again asked, "What else does your college need?" "We need new equipment in our chemistry laboratory," they were told. So the chemistry laboratory became very well equipped.

The Smiths made several attempts to really invest their money in something they considered to be of outstanding worth to their church and to humanity. Everywhere they were requested to buy carpets, or roofs, or furniture. They became discouraged. Seemingly there was nothing big enough for them in the church to which they belonged. They went out on their own and established a university—an institution that today is one of the great centers of higher education in America.

This story, apocryphal though it may be, has been duplicated several times by families like the Smiths, whose interest in the brotherhood and willingness to practice their ideal of stewardship was not matched by the vision of brotherhood individuals and groups. Men and families can be challenged to give in support of an imaginative and vital program of service.

Through the generosity and vision of the Phillips family, the Disciples of Christ Historical Society is near to the realization of a beautiful and most adequate headquarters building. Will the Society have the vision to develop a program of service in keeping with that building and truly representative of the heritage of our great American religious movement? A program that will offer a challenge so great that individuals, families, and churches will want to have a full share in its support? A pro-

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Jim's Journeys . . .

In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

Tuesday thru Saturday, March 8-12—Nashville office routine. Analyzing building information gathered on earlier trip to Virginia, North Carolina.

Sunday, March 13—Pulpit guest, Ninth Street Christian Church, HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY.

Monday, Tuesday, March 14, 15—Quiet time.

Wednesday, Thursday, March 16-17—PITTSBURGH, PA., for conversations re Society building plans for Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips.

Friday, Saturday, March 18-19—More conversations, arrangements in Nashville. Meeting with DCHS officials, architects.

Sunday, March 20—Pulpit supply, First Christian Church, FULTON, KENTUCKY.

Monday, March 21—Conferences, meetings, etc.

Tuesday, March 22—Important session, DCHS executive committee. Problems highlighted by financial situation. Let's hope the time comes—in regard to our operating budget—when we don't have to worry about that next bill. You can help. How about checking to see if the Historical Society is in your church budget? If not, we'd appreciate your assistance.

Wednesday thru Saturday, March 23-26—Follow-up on details of building program, with some time for letters to ministers about church budget support, vitally needed.

Sunday, March 27—Morning service, First Christian Church, FULTON, KENTUCKY,

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Spencer's Observations...

The Curator, Claude E. Spencer, reports each month his observations concerning the work of the Society. Topics for consideration will include services rendered, publications issued, visitors to the library, materials received, DCHS finances, the work of the staff, technical processes, and other items that may be of interest to our readers.

Periodical: A new quarterly periodical of 58 pages recently received from an unknown source from Charlottesville, Virginia, is *The Seminary Review*, Vol. 1, No. 1, October, 1954, published by the Cincinnati Bible Seminary of Cincinnati, Ohio. According to the introduction, each number "will be focused upon a single theme. This opening issue appears as a symposium upon subjects introduced in a recent book, *Fifty Years of Attack and Controversy*, by Stephen J. Corey." Writers of the articles are John W. Wade, R. C. Foster, J. Willis Hale, and Harvey C. Bream.

Subjects for the three remaining numbers for the first volume are "Christian Worship," "The Ecumenical Movement," and "The Progress of Missions".

Subscription price of the review is \$1.00 a year.

Campbellites in Books: The who-done-it far comes across unusual items quite frequently. Recently, I bought a copy of *A Town of Masks* by Dorothy Salisbury Davis to read during a train trip. Chapter two aroused my interest because Campbell's Cove, the Indiana locale of the story, had been founded by a colony of Campbellites. The place attracted scholars because of its fine library; many of its religious volumes were an inheritance from the founders. Several times mention is made of the Christian Church in the town and its various members.

Archival: This past fall and winter we have brought two truck loads of the records and

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE STUDIES FINANCES

Urgent Need For Church Budget Support Stressed

The Society financial status was a primary discussion topic at the regular March 22 meeting in Nashville of the DCHS executive committee. In view of the impending reduction in the schedule of subsidy payments from the Nashville Committee, the Society directors agreed that the organization's most pressing need was for substantially increased support from throughout the brotherhood.

On July 1, 1955, the Society enters the fourth year of its arrangement with the Nashville Committee whereby the major part of DCHS operating expenses has been underwritten by a subsidy paid to the Society in monthly installments. During the period July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955, the Society will receive the total of \$10,000.00, paid in monthly installments of \$833.33. Beginning July 1, 1955, this will be reduced to \$416.66 monthly, totaling \$5,000.00 for the next fiscal year.

A study of Society receipts in recent years indicates clearly that more than 70% of the Society financial support since moving to Nashville, exclusive of building funds, has come from this Nashville Committee subsidy. Whereas receipts from local churches have increased considerably since 1952, when the Society received only \$411.00 from this source, the increase is not adequate for the Society's moderate needs in terms of operating funds.

In 1953, the Society received \$1,255.10 from local churches through budget support, either as contributions or as church memberships (outlined on the back cover of THE HARBINGER). In 1954, this support from churches had increased to \$3,094.30. Society officials have indicated that this figure must be increased many times in order to adequately underwrite the annual Society budget of approximately \$25,000.00, especially during the remainder of calendar year 1955, with the reduced subsidy from the Nashville fund.

Members of the DCHS executive committee and other Society officials have ex-

pressed the hope that many local churches will realize the Society's financial situation and respond with increased support within the next few months. Ministers are being urged to present the Society to their finance committees as a cause worthy of being included in church budgets. Letters have been forwarded to hundreds of brotherhood churches requesting consideration of membership in the Society through the payment of nominal dues.

Society officials are optimistic that the brotherhood will respond to this critical need for operating funds in the near future. With the opportunity offered by the generosity of the Phillips family in providing a permanent home for the Society, it is believed that local churches, and individuals, will join in a concentrated effort to substantially increase the Society's depleted operating treasury and place the organization on a firm financial basis.

Jim's Journeys . . .

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then up to DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY, for start of preaching mission.

Monday thru Sunday, March 28-April 3—Most enjoyable visit with Chuck Matthias and family, church people, at DAWSON SPRINGS. With time out for luckless fishing expeditions, concentrate on nightly services, plus fine food and fellowship.

*Sunday, April 3 thru*Sunday, April 10*—Close out Kentucky meeting; start another in Tennessee. SPRINGFIELD for week of services after dedication of sparkling new educational unit and remodelled church plant. Tom Hatchett and family to be highly commended for miracle wrought in reviving spirit of this courageous congregation, leading in outstanding building program. Pleasure to offer congratulations to hard-working group such as this; predict great future for reborn church in thriving community.

Jim McKinney

From Earlier Days . . .

Under this heading will be found interesting and unusual quotations from brotherhood periodicals, books, and pamphlets.

Descriptive

About S. R. Maxwell, St. Louis City Evangelist F. A. Mayhall said: "Coming to us from the Methodist Church, he has the enthusiasm of a Werley combined with the logic of a Campbell."

Christian-Evangelist

June 29, 1905, p. 837

Co-operation

In the May 1833 issue of the *Christian Messenger*, Barton W. Stone said: "Co-operation is the life of any cause, and division the death of it. Let us frown upon any attempt to divide us—Banish speculation from among us, and let not opinions be ever introduced as tests of Christian fellowship. If ever this be done, there is an end to unity, peace, and love.—Let it be our great object to make Christians."

Records Unnecessary

In the imaginary minutes of a church board facetiously reported in *The Christian Evangelist* December 28, 1905, the following was included:

"Committee on church recordist has to report that no records have ever been deemed necessary in this church and we mildly suggest to the present minister that this matter be handled with gloves and no stir be made in this direction. It will cost money to put the records in shape and it is a reflection on the old timers to hint that memory is not sufficient as record. We have ten old timers in the organization who can well recollect just who belongs and who does not belong to the church."

The Name

After more than 130 years of argument and discussion the question of what name the brotherhood should have has not been settled to everyone's satisfaction. Back in 1831 Barton W. Stone listed in the *Christian Messenger* of August several points of difference that was keeping the Baptist Reformers and the Christians from uniting. The name was one of the most significant of these items of difference. Stone takes

a dig at Alexander Campbell by saying, "We are sorry that the New Translation (Campbell's edition had appeared in 1826 and reprinted in 1828) purporting to give us that of Doc. Doddridge on the Acts of the Apostles, has rejected his, and given us another of Acts. XI, 26. Doc. Doddridge's translation is 'And the disciples were by divine appointment first named Christians at Antioch'. If this be a correct translation, then the matter is forever put to rest, that the will of God is, that the older name *Disciple* should cease, and the new name *Christian* should forever after take its place."

Future Known

In these days of rapid change we feel much like David Lipscomb who said in the opening issue of the *Gospel Advocate* for 1908, "Forty-three years' work editing the *Gospel Advocate*, among other useful lessons, has taught me not to rely on what I purpose to do for the future, especially along editorial lines. We purpose and plan. We know not the future. Counter currents arise and sweep us away from the course we had marked out for ourselves. New and unanticipated questions spring up and divert our minds and work into unthought-of channels. This happens so often and so constantly that it is folly to tell what we intend to do. Yet we may plan and purpose some things, if the Lord will."

A. C. in Canada

One hundred years ago, come July 26, Alexander Campbell, his wife Selina, and his daughter Decima journeyed to Canada just as lots of Disciples will be doing this summer. Using railroads, stage coaches, private carriages, and boats, the group traveled from Bethany, Virginia, to Canada via Cleveland, Ohio and Buffalo, New York.

In Canada, they visited (1) Niagara Falls, where they saw the sights and put up at the Cataract House; (2) St. Catharines, where Alexander drank medicinal spring water and took hot and cold baths for his rheumatism; (3) Jordan, where A. C. discovered a Christian congregation and gave them a Saturday evening sermon; (4) Era-

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MORE ABOUT THE *CHRISTIAN* NAME by Griffith A. Hamlin

The author, minister of the Christian Church of Hampton, Virginia, comes naturally by his interest in historical subjects for his father, Dr. Charles Hunter Hamlin, has taught history in two of our brotherhood colleges, Culver-Stockton and Atlantic Christian. Dr. Griffith, educated at Atlantic Christian, The College of the Bible, and Iliff School of Theology, is the author of *The Life and Influence of Dr. John Tomline Walsh*.

Dean Emeritus Colby Hall rendered a valuable work in his article on Rice Haggard and the name *Christian* which appeared in the January 5 issue of the *Christian-Evangelist*. In his splendid article Dean Hall showed how greatly Barton W. Stone was indebted to Haggard for advocating the use of the name Christian in place of denominational designations.

The Disciples of Christ Historical Society likewise is to be commended for its recent publication of *An Address to the Different Religious Societies on the Sacred Import of the Christian Name*, by Rice Haggard, 1804, recently found by John W. Neth, Jr. This address by Haggard was used by Stone to help him propagate the use of the name Christian. However, there is a further word that must be said about the use of the name Christian.

Dr. C. C. Ware pointed in that direction in his "Critical Notes on the Newly Discovered Rice Haggard Pamphlet" in the November issue of the *Harbinger and Discipliana*. Dr. Ware showed the close similarity between Haggard's Address and a sermon delivered by a Rev. Samuel Davies entitled "The Sacred Import of the Christian Name" in which Davies suggested the *elimination of all denominational designations*, and in their place to use only the name *Christian!* Many phrases and illustrations used by Davies were shown to be identical to those used by Haggard a generation later. A brief description of the work of Samuel Davies may help to relate his apparent influence upon Rice Haggard. Born in Delaware nearly fifty years before Haggard, Davies was ordained to the Presbyterian ministry in 1747. He began to serve churches in Hanover County, Virginia, about twelve miles from Richmond. Largely through his efforts the Hanover Presbytery was established in 1755—the first Presbytery in Virginia. Living in a colony in which the Episcopal Church was the established Church, Davies frequently found him-

self in conflict with the general Colonial Court for preaching without a license—a plan devised by the established Church to keep out dissenting ministers. He has been described as "the animating soul of the whole dissenting interest in Virginia".¹ Young Patrick Henry and his mother attended the Davies Church. Henry described Davies as the greatest he ever heard. The work of Davies was a boon to the liberal forces that soon rallied behind such men as Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, George Mason and others in disestablishing the Established Church and securing religious liberty and equality in Virginia. In 1758 Davies succeeded the famous Jonathan Edwards as President of the College of New Jersey (now Princeton University). He died there two years later. Some years after his death Davies' sermons were published in three volumes, passed through several editions, and quite possibly were read by Rice Haggard prior to his similar address in 1804. Remember, too, that Davies had lived and preached in Virginia, not more than sixty miles from the place that Haggard was to establish the first "Christian Church" in America in 1794! The Church was named Old Lebanon, and the remains of the building can be found in Surry County, Virginia.

But wait! The story is not finished yet. The name *Christian* has another advocate even prior to Davies. In his sermon on "The Sacred Import of the Christian Name", Davies *gave credit for the idea* to a Rev. Benjamin Grosvenor (1676-1758). That means the name Christian was advocated *at least one generation before Davies used it*. The Rev. Grosvenor, to whom Davies referred, was a Presbyterian minister in England who previously had been dismissed from the Baptist Church. He was also a writer and lecturer, contributing to the *Occasional Letters, 1716-1719*, edited by Ben-

¹H. A. White, *Southern Presbyterian Leaders*, (New York: Neale Pub. Co., 1911) Chap. VIII.

jamin Avery. In 1730 Grosvenor was awarded the D.D. degree by the University of Edinburgh. When Samuel Davies travelled in England in 1753 soliciting funds for the College of New Jersey, it is quite possible that he met Grosvenor because the two men were of kindred spirit. Whether he met him or not, however, Davies acknowledged his indebtedness to Grosvenor for the name Christian.

Is it possible that the name Christian was advocated by religious leaders even earlier than Grosvenor? Can it be traced back to the days of the Protestant Reformation two centuries before Grosvenor? Such a question is a rather bold one, and can be answered only by those who are more familiar with early Protestant history. This writer is unable to find anyone earlier than Grosvenor who advocated the use of the name *Christian* rather than denominational designations.

In spite of oversimplification and drawing conclusions without quite all the facts in hand—but with a great amount of circumstantial evidence—perhaps it could be said that the name Christian can be traced from Barton W. Stone to Rice Haggard to Samuel Davies to Benjamin Grosvenor. But it is extremely difficult to trace the genesis and development of an idea!

A Stewardship Parable . . .

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gram that will have value for every church, every organization, every educational institution, and every individual of the brotherhood, regardless of doctrine and opinion? A program that will be outstanding in the field of American church history? A program that will draw scholars and writers from all over the world?

We believe so.

Claude E. Spencer

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mosa, where he preached for two hours "in Bro. John Stewart's spacious barn"; (5) Esquesing, where the three accepted the overnight hospitality of Bro. Laird; (6) Toronto, where A. C. made two addresses in the "capacious Baptist Meeting-house", met lots of people, and inspected a Lunatic Asylum; (7) Bowmansville, where he spoke to the brethren on both Sunday and Monday; and (8) London, where he gave an address in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The return trip to the United States was made by way of Detroit, where A. C. preached three times. There they joined the D. S. Burnets. Both families went by lake steamer to Cleveland, where they separated; the Campbells going on to Bethany, and the Burnets to Cincinnati.

Did the mineral waters give A. C. relief from his rheumatism? Read all about his "cure", and other interesting facts of his tour of Canada, West, in the September issue of the 1855 Millennial Harbinger, pages 529-537.

Footnote No. 1. Reprinted

Alexander Campbell and His Relevance For Today by Eva Jean Wrather has been reprinted by the Society. An edition of 1500 copies was printed late in June, 1954, as Number One of a series FOOTNOTES TO DISCIPLE HISTORY.

This venture into the publishing field proved so popular that three additional numbers have been issued. (See page 63 for list and prices.)

The Number One FOOTNOTE has been out of print since early this year. Due to the steady demand, it is again available in single copies and quantity lots.

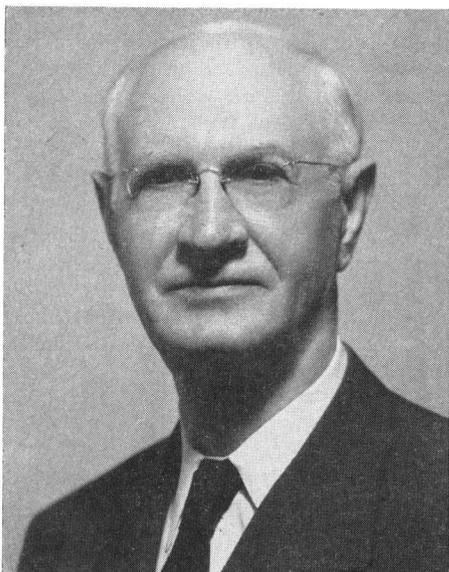
Is Your Church a Member of the Society?

President's Dinner Set . . .

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erected as a memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, Sr. (1835-1912), with funds provided by the Phillips family of Butler, Pennsylvania.

Those who attended the Garrison dinner in 1953 praised the Society highly for instituting the President's Dinner as a means of paying tribute to brotherhood individuals



who have made noteworthy contributions to the appreciation of the Disciple witness and heritage. The Society Constitution provides that the office of President of the Society shall be "an honorary position in recognition of significant contributions to church history or religious thought."

The President's Dinner was not scheduled in 1954, due to the fact that the International Convention Assembly was held so late in the year.

The date of November 29th has been cleared with numerous brotherhood leaders and has been given general approval. Since there will be no International Convention Assembly this fall, it is hoped that many DCHS members will plan to attend the Hall

Dinner in Nashville and visit the site of the new memorial building.

Program plans for the President's Dinner will be detailed in later issues of THE HARBINGER.

Spencer's Observations . . .

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correspondence of the Men and Millions Movement from Indianapolis, Indiana, to Nashville. MMM was the first campaign conducted cooperatively by organized Disciples for more than a million dollars for missions, education, and benevolence. When begun in 1913 only one million dollars was sought, but the final report in 1929 showed that nearly six million had been received.

This material had been stored in the Missions Building since the end of the campaign, where it gathered much dust. At present it is piled in my concrete block garage at 4706 Elkins, where it will have to remain until the Society building is erected. Then there will be a major cleaning, sorting, and filing job for someone.

Requests for Information: We have a lot of unanswered requests for information. These piled up while we were out attending various committee meetings and looking at library buildings. Since our return we have reduced the number, but as additional questions have been received, there is still a sizeable backlog on which to work. These will be answered shortly.

With building plan requirements to make, equipment lists to prepare, *The Christian-Evangelist* indexing project to get under way and supervise, the receiving and acknowledging of gifts of materials, and the processing of materials to do, there are just not enough hours in the day. Maybe we should strike for a 30 hour day!

1955 DUES?

What's New in Our Library . . .

On these pages are listed, and sometimes described, the materials received during the past month. This includes gifts, exchanges, and purchases. So many gifts are received that acknowledgment of every item is impossible, although every giver is mentioned.

Gifts and Exchanges

From February 26 to April 2, 61 receipts were issued to:

- Mrs. W. B. Ardery, Paris, Ky.
 John Francis Bellville, Charleroi, Pa.
 W. L. Blessing, Denver, Colo.
 Board of Church Extension, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Broadmoor Christian Church, Houston, Tex.
 H. L. Browning, Princeton, W. Va.
 James W. Carty, Jr., Nashville, Tenn.
 Robert D. Chambless, Russellville, Ark.
 Louis Cochran, Santa Monica, Calif.
 College of the Bible, Bosworth Memorial Library, Lexington, Ky.
 Commission on Brotherhood Finance, Indianapolis, Ind.
 F. Gwynne Cook, New Bedford, Ill.
 A. T. DeGroot, Fort Worth, Tex.
 First Christian Church, Alexandria, Va.
 First Christian Church, Bartlesville, Okla.
 First Christian Church, Butler, Mo.
 First Christian Church, Centralia, Ill.
 First Christian Church, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
 First Christian Church, Hobart, Ind.
 First Christian Church, North Hollywood, Calif.
 First Christian Church, Santa Fe, N. M.
 First Christian Church, Winston Salem, N. C.
 James M. Flanagan, St. Louis, Mo.
 B. C. Goodpasture, Nashville, Tenn.
 Kenneth C. Hanson, Redwood Falls, Minn.
 High Street Christian Church, Hamilton, Ohio.
 John Allen Hudson, Rosemead, Calif.
 Hull Street Christian Church, Denison, Tex.
 Joint University Libraries, Religion Section, Nashville, Tenn.
 Mrs. E. Kay, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Miss Jeanette Moore King, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
 W. P. Lamar, Atlanta, Ga.

- Maurice L. Marling, Jasper, Ala.
 Merriam Christian Church, Merriam, Kan.
 Garland S. Moore, Nashville, Tenn.
 Ohio Christian Missionary Society, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Ronald E. Osborn, Celigny, Switzerland.
 Orval D. Peterson, Yakima, Wash.
 Robert M. Platt, Boston, Ky.
 Mrs. Martha G. Ray, Louisville, Ky.
 Forrest F. Reed, Nashville, Tenn.
 Emory Ross, New York, N. Y.
 Rupert Christian Church, Rupert, Idaho.
 Earl T. Sechler, Appleton City, Mo.
 T. H. Spence, Jr., Montreat, N. C.
 Claude E. Spencer, Nashville, Tenn.
 Standard Publishing Company, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 United Christian Missionary Society, Dep't. of Religious Education, Indianapolis, Ind.
 University Place Christian Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Wilbur Wallace, Robersonville, N. C.
 Charles C. Ware, Wilson, N. C.
 E. T. Westrup, Monterrey, Mexico
 Mrs. Bird A. Wiley, Winterset, Ia.
 T. F. A. Williams, Lincoln, Neb.
World Call, Indianapolis, Ind.
 John D. Zimmerman, Topeka, Kan.

Anent the Newbern Case

In our issue for December 1954 a description was given concerning certain records in the Newbern, Tennessee, Christian Church Court Case of 1902-1905.

Additional records of this case are now on microfilm, thanks to Attorney Garland S. Moore, Nashville, who made the following available for our archives:

1. Original injunction filed November 29, 1902. Chancery Court, John S. Cooper, Dyersburg.
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| A. H. Nix | | J. S. McCorkle |
| A. F. McCorkle | Vs. | G. W. Grisham |
| H. M. Flatt | | W. L. Foulkes |
| W. S. Porter | | J. L. Dunn |

Includes a copy of the deed for church property, filed March 22, 1883.

2. Answers of defendants, filed January 7, 1903
Exhibits for the defendants include:
 - a. Printed (6p) folder *Questions of Honest Inquirers Concerning State Misdeeds* by A. I. Myhr.
 - b. Original subscription list for church building, October 6, 1879.
3. Petition of Comp Arnett to become a co-complainant, filed January 12, 1903.
4. Amended and supplemental bill filed, July 16, 1903, by the complainants.
5. Answer to the supplemental bill, filed September 17, 1903, by the defendants.
6. Answer of the Tennessee Christian Missionary Society, filed October 19, 1903.

Local Church Histories

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Iowa

Winterset. Church of Christ. Centennial Sunday, 1852-1952.

Missouri

Butler. First Christian Church. *History*. 1854-1954.

Pleasant Grove Christian Church. "History" by Mrs. Agnes Douglas. 1943. Typescript.

Montana

Billings. First Christian Church. *Golden Crown Jubilee*, 1904-1954

New York

Auburn. First Church of Christ. *Christian Only* by Mrs. O. F. McHargue, 1928?

Buffalo. Central Church of Christ. *Sixtieth Anniversary of the Founding*, 1950

New York. Park Avenue Christian Church. *The First Church of the Disciples of Christ in New York City; Historical Sketch* Prepared and Read by Robert Christie, 1910.

Tonawanda. First Church of Christ. *One Hundredth Anniversary*, 1853-1953

North Carolina

Farmville. Christian Church. *One Hundredth Anniversary*, 1854-1954

Newton Grove. Pleasant Union Christian Church. *Centennial Program*, 1954

Raleigh. Hillyer Memorial Church. *Forty Years of Hillyer Memorial* by A. M. Fountain, 1955.

Ohio

Akron. High Street Church of Christ. *One Hundredth and Fifteenth Anniversary*, 1954

Cortland. Christian Church. *125 Years of Christian Witness*, 1828-1953

Elmore. Church of Christ. *Centennial History*, 1852-1952

Portsmouth. First Christian Church. *Commemorating One Hundredth Anniversary*, 1854-1954

Youngstown. Central Christian Church. *60th Anniversary*, 1894-1954

Oklahoma

Cushing. First Christian Church. *50th Anniversary Program with Brief History*, 1903-1953

Oklahoma City. University Place Christian Church. *Fiftieth Anniversary*, 1905-1955.

Stillwater. Christian Church. *Golden Anniversary*, 1947

Pennsylvania

Canoe Camp Christian Church. *Ninetieth Year Anniversary Program*, 1849-1939

Erie. Church of Christ. *High-Lights of the Celebration* (50th Anniversary), 1938

Johnstown. First Christian Church. *110th Anniversary*, 1936-1946

Lancaster. Church of Christ. *Anniversary Program*, 1952. Includes history by W. A. Sherwood.

Tennessee

Red Bank. Church of Christ. *History*

Texas

Dumas. First Christian Church. "Historical Sketch", 1936-1954. Typescript.

Harlingen. First Christian Church. *Church Directory and Brief History*, 1954

Peoria. Christian Church. *Early History* by Mrs. Mamie Reed Bragg, 1954. Mimeographed.

Virginia

Evergreen Christian Church. *History* by A. J. Coffey. Typescript.

Portsmouth. Park View Christian Church. *A Tribute to the Past—A Challenge for the Future*, 50th Anniversary, 1905-1955

Richmond. Fairmount Avenue Church of Christ. *Golden Anniversary*, 1953

Roanoke. Belmont Christian Church. *Commemorating Fiftieth Anniversary*, 1904-1954.

West Virginia

Bethany—Memorial Church. *One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary*, 1829-1954.

More Cookin'

Here are some cook books received since "What's Cookin'" was published in the September, 1954, number.

Christian Church Cook Book; Tested Recipes published by the Dorcas Aid Society of the Christian Church, Benton, Ill., 1922. 68 pages.

CWF Cook Book. Christian Women's Fellowship, First Christian Church, Janesville, Wisconsin. 1954. 41 pages. Mimeographed.

50th Anniversary [Cook Book] 1905-1955. Christian Womans Fellowship, Evanston Christian Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1955. 64 pages.

The Williamston Cook Book, compiled by Woman's Council of the Williamston Christian Church, Williamston, N. C., 1945. 126 pages.

Pamphlets

The last listing of pamphlets received was in the July, 1954, issue.

These are new in our library since then: Ainslie, Peter—*The Disciples and Our Attitude Toward Other Christians*, 1922; *Religion In Daily Doings*, 1903.

Alexander, Mrs. W. M.—*New Horizons at Sixty*, n. d.

Ames, E. S.—*The Disciples and their Ideals*, 1907.

Andrews, L. H.—*Courtship, Marriage, Home, Divorce*, n. d.

Arbery, J. S.—*Visit Historic Duncan Tavern*, n. d.

Athearn, N. S.—*Religion at the Heart of the Christian University*, n. d.

Black, J. F.—*The Bible on Baptism*, n. d.; *Whose are the Scholars*, n. d.

Bolman, P. M.—*The Ministry of Music*, 1953; *The Reformation*, 1953.

Brewer, G. C.—*"What Must I Do to Be Saved?"*, 1943.

Brown, Bruce—*A Man's a Man for a' That*, n. d.; *The Second Mile*, 1916.

Bucalstein, Harry—*Palestine—too Much the Promised Land*, n. d.

Burns, R. W.—*God Lives in Homes*, 1954; *New Lives for Old*, 1954; *Serving Christ by Helping Others*, 1954.

Burton, A. M.—*Real Religion, Practical Christianity*, 1925.

Burton, C. J.—*Comets and Collisions*, 1919; *Wireless Messages From Mars*, 1919.

Cahill, I. J., and Bartlett, S. H.—*The Plain Truth About Baptism*, n. d.

Cahill, I. J., and Others—*Preacher and Church*, n. d.

Carlson, Dosia—*Sing-A-Song of Sunday*, 1954.

Cays, E. G.—*The Indwelling Presence of the Holy Spirit*, 1946.

Chapman, J. W.—*Conversion*, n. d.

Chastain, M. V.—*To Sell or Not to Sell*, n. d.

Clague, J. C.—*The Bible and the Restoration*, 1954.

Cobb, C. E.—*Some Questions Asked About the Church of Christ*, n. d.

Combs, G. H.—*Won't You Hold Us A Meeting?*, 192—?

Dampier, J. H.—*The Reasons Why Our Churches Should Believe in and Support Jewish Missions*, n. d.

Davis, C. C.—*Believing is Living*, 1943.

Davison, F. E.—*Charge it to my Account*, 1953; *How Red is the Church*; n. d.; *The Salt of the Earth*, 1953.

Delashaw, W. G.—*Church Government Before and After the Completion of the New Testament*, 1921.

Dennis, J. A.—*The Golden Wedge*, n. d.; *The Holy Spirit*, n. d.

Duhon, Remi—*Can A Person Have Religion and Be Lost*, n. d.

Fudge, B. L.—*Can A Christian Kill for His Government*, 1943?

Harris, Mamie—*Lend a Hand*, n. d.

Hayden, M. P.—*The Restoration Movement, What it is and What it Stands For*, n. d.

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Public Discussion of the Issues Between the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and the Church of Christ [Disciples] held in Kirkland, Ohio . . . 1884. Reprint edition reproduced and distributed by The Old Paths Book Club, Rosemead, Calif., 1955. 400 pages. Photo-litho-printed.

Butler, Pardee

Reply of Elder Pardee Butler, to attacks made by Elders Isaac Errett and Benj. Franklin, in Recent Numbers of the American Christian Review. Cincinnati. Published for the Author, 1859. 7 pages. Reproduced

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The Christian Baptist, Published Monthly; Edited by Alexander Campbell. Volume 1. Buffalo, Brooke County, Va., Printed and Published by A. Campbell, at the Buffalo Printing-Office, 1827. Reprint edition. Nashville, Tenn., Gospel Advocate Company, 1955.

This printing of the first volume, 1823-1824, is from the second edition as reprinted by Mr. Campbell. Since it is not photo-lithographed, there are some typographical errors and the paging does not follow that of the original.

Goodpasture, Benton Cordell and Moore, William Thomas, eds.

Biographies and Sermons of Pioneer Preachers. Nashville, Tenn., B. C. Goodpasture, 1954. 589 pages. Photo-lithographed. A reprint of W. T. Moore's *The Living Pulpit*, 1867, with Additional Material by Mr. Goodpasture, including Alexander Campbell's *Sermon on the Law*.

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PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY ARE:

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Periodicals of the Disciples of Christ and Related Religious Groups, 1943. \$1.00.
An Author Catalog of Disciples of Christ and Related Religious Groups, 1946.
 \$7.50 (\$6.00 to members).
What Is Disciple Historical Material? by Dwight E. Stevenson, 1948. (Out of print)
The Jerusalem Mission, compiled by D. S. Burnet, 1853 (microcard reprint, 1951) \$1.50.

FOOTNOTES TO DISCIPLE HISTORY, a pamphlet series

- No. 1—*Alexander Campbell and His Relevance for Today*, by Eva Jean Wrather.
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 No. 2—*The Research Student and the Disciples of Christ Historical Society*.
 No. 3—*Educational Institutions and the Disciples of Christ Historical Society*.

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ABOUT THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Disciples of Christ Historical Society was established May 7, 1941, in St. Louis, Missouri, with the approval of the International Convention then in session. The organization of the new agency came as a result of the work of the Historical Commission appointed by the 1939 convention which met in Richmond, Virginia. It is the only organization among Disciples of Christ whose *sole* purpose is the locating, collecting, cataloging and arranging for use the historical materials of the brotherhood. The Society is custodian of International Convention and World Convention archives by official action of those conventions.

The purpose of the Society is to maintain and further interest in the religious heritage, backgrounds, origins, development, and general history of Disciples of Christ, Christian Churches, Churches of Christ, and related groups. The Society is not an opinion forming group.

From 1941 until 1946 the Society had no designated headquarters, and these years were spent largely in surveying the field, correlating the interest of various groups, and making plans. In 1946 the Society accepted the generous offer of Culver-Stockton College to set up its headquarters and archives there with the privilege of using the Henry Barton Robinson Collection as a nucleus around which the Society would build its own collection of materials.

Since April 1952, the Society's headquarters, library and archives have been in Nashville, Tennessee, located in the Joint University Library on the Vanderbilt campus. Nashville was designated as the permanent location of the Society because of the unique opportunity offered for participation in the building of an American church history center and for the subsidy granted by the Nashville Planning Committee which enabled the Society to further its expansion program. Plans are being made for the eventual erection of a building to house the rapidly growing collection of books, pamphlets, periodicals, manuscripts, and museum materials which the Society has been receiving since its formation.

The Society solicits all kinds of historical materials pertaining to the Disciples of Christ and related groups. Authors and publishers are requested to send copies of all new publications. Churches, organizations and institutions are urged to place the Society on their mailing lists to receive all printed materials.

The Society and Bethany College share joint responsibility, through the Campbell Home Committee, for the restoration, preservation, and management of the Alexander Campbell mansion at Bethany, West Virginia.

The current program of the Society is financed through the dues paid in by members. Individuals, local churches, institutions, and organizations are invited to share in the work of the Society by becoming members. Dues paid in are deductible for income tax purposes. Classifications of membership are as follows:

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MINISTERS TO PACE EQUIPMENT DRIVE

\$10.00 Contributions Asked from Leaders for Building Furnishings Fund

by Jim McKinney

Ministers and professional leaders of the Disciples of Christ (Christian Churches and Churches of Christ) will be actively solicited to take the lead in a two-year campaign for funds to equip and furnish the new headquarters building for the Disciples of Christ Historical Society. The drive will be promoted July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1957.

The Society building is to be erected as a Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, Sr. (1835-1912), with funds provided by the Phillips family of Butler, Pennsylvania. Construction on the building is expected to begin this summer.

Those to whom the DCHS Building Equipment Campaign will be primarily directed include: ministers, general workers, administrative personnel, educators, seminary students, and other individuals in positions of brotherhood leadership. A minimum individual contribution of \$10.00 has been suggested. Students in preparation for the ministry will be asked to contribute \$5.00.

Interest Greatest

Society officials are agreed that interest in the DCHS program is, and should be, highest among ministers and brotherhood leaders. For this reason, the campaign will be directed initially to this group of approximately 5,000 individuals. By contributing to the Equipment Fund, each donor will be

sharing in the establishment of facilities that will be of major benefit to future brotherhood leadership.

The Society has been authorized by the Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships for a capital-askings campaign for \$50,000 with which to furnish and equip the new DCHS building. It is believed that the small contributions being requested of brotherhood leaders—together with more substantial contributions from other sources—will enable the Society to raise the amount needed during the period when the building is under construction.

Drive Begins July 1

Friday, July 1, 1955, is the date for the launching of the all-out drive to raise the Building Equipment Fund. It is hoped that a large percentage of the amount needed will be in hand—in cash or pledges—by Tuesday, November 29, 1955, when the Society plans to lay the cornerstone for the Memorial building. This ceremony is being planned as a part of the Annual President's Dinner activities.

The Equipment Fund campaign will be promoted by a direct mail approach to ministers and brotherhood leaders. Society officials are optimistic that the response to this mail approach will be prompt and affirmative.

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Editorial . . .

An Open Letter to Brotherhood Ministers

Dear Minister-Colleagues:

Laymen of our Brotherhood have often been called upon to respond to great appeals. Many of the appeals have been made by ministers calling on laymen for support. Now, Jim McKinney has worked out a new plan based on the support of ministers. The Phillips family, in one of the greatest examples of philanthropy ever undertaken in support of a religious historical organization, has given us a memorial building to house our priceless Brotherhood historical treasures. Four thousand ministers of our churches are being asked to help equip this building. Each minister is being asked to give a minimum of \$10.00 (larger gifts are acceptable). If all respond, this will go far in meeting our goal of \$50,000!

Certainly, as ministers calling often upon our laymen to support countless appeals for gifts, we must make this campaign victorious. We dare not fail.

To put it bluntly, we ministers are on the spot for a change. Personally, I feel that our ministers will respond, not only to demonstrate that they are good givers, but also to prove their interest in a phase of Christian history which gives us much of our present-day mission and challenge. By our response, we may encourage undreamed-of giving by other families to worthy causes all over our Brotherhood which cry out for support.

I enclose my check with this letter and earnestly appeal to every minister among us to respond quickly to this program originated by laymen for the good of us all.

Please send your gift today before this appeal is buried amidst the cares of a busy schedule.

William G. West, Minister
First Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Chairman of the Board of DCHS

Coming Up

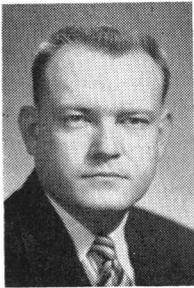
In the June issue we expect to picture a perspective drawing and the floor plans of the proposed Thomas W. Phillips, Sr., Memorial Building. During the months following we will show elevation sketches of the various sides of the structure.

If the time schedule works out according to present plans; specifications will be ready for contractors bids in July, the contract will be let in August, construction will start in September, and the cornerstone laying will take place November 29, the date of the Annual President's Dinner.

We shall keep our readers informed as to the progress being made during the construction of the building. Descriptions of various rooms, with their functions, will be given together with lists of equipment needed for the efficient operation of Society headquarters.

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*Jim's Journeys . . .**Spencer's Observations...*

In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

Monday, April 11 thru Saturday, April 16—After two weeks preaching at DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY and SPRINGFIELD, TENNESSEE, attempt to settle back into routine of promoting. Letters, news stories, conferences, planning, tearing down one building so we can erect another—the usual and unusual.

Sunday, April 17—Fill-in preaching for fine folks at First Christian Church, DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY.

Monday, April 18—I don't remember.

Tuesday, April 19—Off to INDIANAPOLIS, among other things.

Wednesday, April 20—Spirited sessions, Public Relations Administrative Committee, International Convention. Reviewing progress, planning future for what may well be most significant new program among Disciples of Christ. Director Ralph Neill, with able assist from Bob Lewis, Dr. Cook, off to a good start. Give him your support. (Give some of it to us, too.) Late afternoon airport rendezvous with Spencer, thence (get that word!) to PITTSBURGH.

Thursday, April 21—Conferences on building plans with Mr. K. R. Crumpton, of Hoffman and Crumpton, Pittsburgh architects, commissioned to design new Memorial building. Also with Mr. B. D. Phillips, Society benefactor and representative of the Phillips family, whose vision and generosity will make possible the magnificent new home for the Society. It will be very difficult to wait until building plans can be published, and

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The Curator, Claude E. Spencer, reports each month his observations concerning the work of the Society. Topics for consideration will include services rendered, publications issued, visitors to the library, materials received, DCHS finances, the work of the staff, technical processes, and other items that may be of interest to our readers.



Best Seller: For some time I have been intending to comment on *Who Are the Christian Churches and What Do We Believe?* authored by R. Frederick West and William Garrett West. This 36-page booklet is headed for the brotherhood best seller list, as it is now in its fifth printing, with a total sale of more than 5,000 copies.

The brothers West issued the work on their own, shortly before the International Convention Assembly in Miami last fall. The purpose of the pamphlet is to answer briefly the many questions asked by laymen about the Disciples of Christ; their history, beliefs and practices.

Cooperative Disciples have needed something like this for a long time. Many churches are ordering quantity lots for distribution to prospective and new members. Currently, it sells for 35 cents singly, 50 copies for \$16.00, or 100 copies for \$30.00, from Dr. W. G. West, 203 Hillcrest Avenue, Chattanooga, Tennessee. Rumor is that it will soon be taken over by the Christian Board of Publication of St. Louis.

Author-at-work: As I write this column, Louis Cochran, Santa Monica, California, is engaged in digging out source materials in our library for a biographical novel about Alexander Campbell; tentative title, *Immortal Heretic*.

After a few weeks here, he and his wife, the former Bess Robbins White, one-time editor of *World Call*, will spend a month or more at Bethany, West Virginia, soaking up

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Ministers To Spearhead Equipment Drive

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Unique Idea

The idea of directing a capital-askings campaign primarily to ministers and brotherhood leaders for their personal, individual contributions is unique. Brotherhood officials have indicated that such a plan has not been tried in the past. It is understood that ministers of local churches and other brotherhood leaders are always in the vanguard of contributors to brotherhood causes, but the proposal to solicit this group of leaders, individually and directly, is apparently new.

Officials, Ministers, Endorse Plan

Endorsement of the Society fund-raising plan has been given by many brotherhood leaders. Statements of approval have been received from several members of the "Sponsors' Committee" for the Building Equipment Fund drive. The plan was also approved by action of the DCHS Executive Committee at its regular meeting April 25th.

In a recent letter, Dr. Gaines M. Cook, executive secretary, International Convention of Disciples of Christ, said: "You may consider this letter as a pledge for my contribution of \$10.00 to the Building Equipment Fund Campaign. I have always favored a wide base of participation on any item which represents the entire Brotherhood. The new Historical Society Building will belong to all of us, and ministers in particular should become shareholders in the ownership of this magnificent building and its equipment. This can only be made real if we make an investment at least of the amount suggested. Personal solicitation is costly and I would, therefore, recommend that all receiving a communication lend their influence and support by a mail response. Let us consider this a privilege and enjoy the satisfaction that we have created something which will be truly significant to those who come after us."

J. Clyde Wheeler, minister, Crown Heights Christian Church, Oklahoma City, and a member of the DCHS board of directors, stated: "I think the idea of soliciting the

ministers for support of the Historical Society Equipment Fund is excellent. And to start the ball rolling, you will find enclosed my check for \$10.00."

Dr. J. Eric Carlson, general secretary, National Benevolent Association, St. Louis, offered congratulations to the Society on recent progress and commented on the proposed plan to raise the Equipment Fund: "Personally I feel that you have a very good idea. . . . The Carlsons will be very glad to participate in this project. In my opinion, your suggestion offers our ministers an unusual opportunity to share in a significant and distinctive manner in a project of great importance to our Brotherhood. Perhaps some special marker could be placed within the building to indicate that the building was furnished by the ministers of our fellowship. I believe most of our ministers will respond gladly to such a suggestion as you propose."

Other favorable comments have been received, among those are:

A. Garnett Day, minister, First Christian Church, Lynchburg, Virginia: "The idea of appealing to the professional leadership of our brotherhood for funds to equip the wonderful new building for the Society seems a laudable one to me. I shall be glad to have a part in it, not only as one of the above group and a member of the 'Sponsors' Committee,' but as one who was fortunate enough to 'sit at the feet' of the renowned Dr. H. Barton Robinson, professor of religion and philosophy at Cuiver-Stockton College, who started 'The Robinson Collection,' which was the forerunner of the Historical Society library. I count it an honor to be privileged to share in so worthy an undertaking."

Lester G. McAllister, dean of students, Bethany College, West Virginia: "It had never occurred to me before that the leadership of our brotherhood has not been approached specifically for funds. This is a splendid idea and should have wide accept-

ance and participation. All of us who are active as ministers or educators and leaders of the movement are most aware of our indebtedness to the past for the guiding principles by which we work. Because of this interest and value placed on historical material, I am sure you will have almost unanimous support of the project. You can count on my cooperation to the fullest and I will personally urge all of my friends in the ministry to do everything in their power to bring this project to a successful conclusion."

Dr. W. E. Garrison, professor of religion and philosophy, University of Houston, Texas: "The Disciples of Christ Historical Society is a service organization, and the ministers and students will get more direct service from it than any others. Consecrated laymen have carried most of the financial load, as they should. Here is a chance for ministers to show their appreciation of the generosity of others by doing their share."

Robert D. Chambless, minister, First Christian Church, Russellville, Arkansas: "Our ministers and other leaders have a great opportunity to do together that which all of us are doing poorly now: to undergird a program to make our people conscious of our heritage, in order that we might move constructively in this day—and then move sensitively toward the challenge of the future. Our Historical Society—may it become more truly 'ours'—can and will be a fruitful fountainhead of information, inspiration and leadership. Shrines of our early days, great buildings of stone for worship and education—all these are of prime importance. But let us not neglect answering the question of those in future days who shall ask, 'What mean these stones?'"

J. Stuart Wake, minister, First Christian Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky: "I wish to commend you on the plan to raise the Building Equipment Fund through the leadership of our Brotherhood. I am in hardy agreement with this and will be happy to forward my \$10.00 in the near future."

Dr. Warner Muir, minister, University Christian Church, Des Moines, Iowa: "The

plan to ask ministers and professional leaders of our Brotherhood to make modest contributions of \$10.00 (one-half the amount from students) is an excellent procedure. It means fulfilling the old and honored scriptural adage where one's treasure is, there his heart will be also. I shall be very happy to make my contribution to the project and feel that the Disciples are now so mindful of their past and hopeful of their future that they will be willing to invest in the enterprise now sponsored by the Historical Society."

Jim's Journeys . . .

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even harder to wait until construction starts this summer. Perhaps by then I'll really believe it!

Friday, Saturday, April 22-23—Conferences (in NASHVILLE) and more of same. I never knew there were so many boards and commissions in the city government. Reminds me somewhat of the Disciples.

Sunday, April 24—Supplying again at DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY.

Monday, April 25—Unveiling tentative building plans before session of DCHS executive committee (NASHVILLE); also proposal for promoting drive for building equipment money, namely, to solicit the brotherhood brass for contributions in small dribbles. It may not work, but it's worth a try.

Tuesday, April 26—Switch in plans. Had expected to be in JACKSON, TENNESSEE, for Vol state convention; instead, plan to go north and Spencer to south to assist Ed Moseley as Society representative in Tennessee meeting.

Wednesday, April 27 thru Saturday, April 30—INDIANAPOLIS for North American Christian Convention, Cadle Tabernacle. And it's a long walk from the hotel. Some really fine preaching, speech-making, at this conclave. Toss a bouquet to one of our directors, Dr. Enos Dowling (Lincoln Bible Institute) for splendid address on Walter Scott. Also to Mr. Frank Wiegand, Pitts-

burgh business executive, for excellent job pointing up possibilities for increasing power of the pulpit. I appreciate this opportunity to become acquainted with many individuals who have long supported DCHS program, others who may do so in future. Passing thought: Has anyone ever written anything on the subject of the Disciples and their conventions? Should be an interesting study. I'll check with Spencer.

Sunday, May 1—Back to DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY. These are truly long-suffering people. Their food is good, too.

Monday, May 2—NASHVILLE, and there's always something to do.

Tuesday, May 3 thru Thursday, May 5—MADISONVILLE, KENTUCKY for Bluegrass gathering of Christian Churches. New ideas, programs, being pushed. Jim Moak's president's address one of high points. Put Dr. Bowen's (COB) lectures in that category also. And, as always, first-rate preaching from my old pastor, now graduated to St. Louis, G. Curtis Jones. Record registration. And a good time was had by all.

Friday, May 6—NASHVILLE, to dust off the desk and check responses to weird suggestion that we ask ministers for money. Most responses indicate the preacher is no pauper, and that he will (and should) be interested in helping us equip the new building, especially at the rate of \$5.00 per year for two years. This is minimum, of course. Some checks already in. Maybe it'll work after all. I'M GOING FISHING! So there. Weather is warm, water right, crappie biting, kids are over the colds, wife is willing . . . so, let's go! Spring is here.

Saturday, Sunday, May 7-8—Don't disturb; except to go in to DAWSON SPRINGS to salute the fine ladies on Mother's Day with morning message. Remainder of time . . . we're loafing, at beautiful PENNYRILE FOREST STATE PARK in the woods of West Kentucky. If I don't make it back by next month, don't be surprised. I like it here.

Spencer's Observations . . .

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the atmosphere of the Campbell country. They will then go on to the Library of Congress for further research.

Delivery date of the manuscript to publishers Duel, Sloan and Pearce, Little, Brown & Co., has been tentatively set for July 1, 1956.

Mr. Cochran is the author of several novels, including *Row's End*, published in 1954, and *Hallelujah, Mississippi*, a study of small town life in the South during the early part of the present century, in 1955. Another novel, *Son of Haman*, has recently been reissued by Bantam Books in a pocket edition; and another, *Boss Man*, is to appear soon.

Trivia: And now comes Herman Norton, in the last stages of research for a doctoral dissertation about Confederate Chaplains, with the information that the last man to bid goodbye to General Lee after the surrender at Appomatox was Disciple preacher, E. A. Higgason, Bethany College graduate of the class of 1860.

Have you read Ethel Barrymore's observation concerning her attendance at one of Burris A. Jenkins' services in Kansas City, as told in her "Memories" in *May Ladies Home Journal*? A Roman Catholic herself, she wrote that Jenkins' service was interesting but, to her, utterly unlike church.

In Answer: A little 24-page booklet *Fifty Years of Digression and Disturbance* by Edwin V. Hayden is a review of Stephen J. Corey's book *Fifty Years of Attack and Controversy*. Mr. Hayden charges that the older missionary agencies of Disciples of Christ have made four important changes from former Scriptural teaching and practice, and that these changes have become centers of disturbance among Christian churches. The pamphlet may be secured from the author, 402 N. Wall Street, Joplin, Missouri, for 15 cents.

What's New in Our Library . . .

On these pages are listed, and sometimes described, the materials received during the past month. This includes gifts, exchanges, and purchases. So many gifts are received that acknowledgment of every item is impossible, although every giver is mentioned.

Gifts and Exchanges

From April 2, to May 9, 44 receipts were issued to:

George H. Alexander, Columbus, Ohio
 Lloyd N. Balfour, Boise, Idaho
 John Francis Bellville, Charlevoix, Pa.
 Bethany Press, St. Louis, Mo.
 Mrs. E. H. Bowles, Richmond, Va.
 Miss Genevieve Brown, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Reuben Butchart, Guelph, Ontario, Canada
 Miss Fanny Carlton, Orange, Calif.
 Robert D. Chambless, Russellville, Ark.
 Church of Christ, Stow, Ohio
 Homer M. Cole, Allendale, Ill.
 A. T. DeGroot, Fort Worth, Tex.
 First Christian Church, Neodesha, Kan.
 James Flanagan, St. Louis, Mo.
 A. M. Fountain, Raleigh, N. C.
 Mrs. Bertha Mason Fuller, Little Rock, Ark.
 Edward D. Hamner, Enid, Okla.
 Kenneth C. Hanson, Redwood Falls, Minn.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hardy, Nashville, Tenn.

H. H. Harmon, Cleveland, Miss.
 Edwin V. Hayden, Joplin, Mo.
 Donald T. Hogan, Hillsboro, Ill.
 Basil Holt, Johannesburg, S. Africa
 Iowa Society of Christian Churches, Des Moines, Ia.
 Mrs. Lawrence Jack, Spokane, Wash.
 Richard L. James, Jacksonville, Fla.
 Ludlow Christian Church, Ludlow, Ky.
 Garland S. Moore, Nashville, Tenn.
 Raymond R. Ohaver, Pittsboro, Ind.
 Old Paths Book Club, Rosemead, Calif.
 Ronald E. Osborn, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Peru Christian Church, Peru, Neb.
 G. Lynn Pugh, Mogadore, Ohio
 Mrs. John Rogers, Tulsa, Okla.
 Standard Publishing Co., Cincinnati, Ohio
 Guy L. Steele, Cape Girardeau, Mo.
 Student Work Office, UCMS, Indianapolis, Ind.
 C. C. Ware, Wilson, N. C.
 J. Clyde Wheeler, Oklahoma City, Okla.
 J. T. Whittal, St. Louis, Mo.

These Should Be in Your Library:

Footnotes to Disciple History

- No. 1 *Alexander Campbell and His Relevance For Today*, by Eva Jean Wrather, 2d printing, 16 pages.
 No. 2 *The Lunenburg Letter, With Attendant Comments*, by Alexander Campbell (Reprint from *The Millennial Harbinger*) 16 pages
 No. 3 *Barton W. Stone and Christian Unity*, by William G. West. 16 pages
 No. 4 *An Address to the Different Religious Societies on the Sacred Import of the Christian Name*, by Rice Haggard. (Reprint of the 1804 pamphlet) 32 pages

No's 1, 2 and 3 are twenty-five cents each; No. 4 is thirty-five cents. Post paid.

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ABOUT THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Disciples of Christ Historical Society was established May 7, 1941, in St. Louis, Missouri, with the approval of the International Convention then in session. The organization of the new agency came as a result of the work of the Historical Commission appointed by the 1939 convention which met in Richmond, Virginia. It is the only organization among Disciples of Christ whose *sole* purpose is the locating, collecting, cataloging and arranging for use the historical materials of the brotherhood. The Society is custodian of International Convention and World Convention archives by official action of those conventions.

The purpose of the Society is to maintain and further interest in the religious heritage, backgrounds, origins, development, and general history of Disciples of Christ, Christian Churches, Churches of Christ, and related groups. The Society is not an opinion forming group.

From 1941 until 1946 the Society had no designated headquarters, and these years were spent largely in surveying the field, correlating the interest of various groups, and making plans. In 1946 the Society accepted the generous offer of Culver-Stockton College to set up its headquarters and archives there with the privilege of using the Henry Barton Robinson Collection as a nucleus around which the Society would build its own collection of materials.

Since April 1952, the Society's headquarters, library and archives have been in Nashville, Tennessee, located in the Joint University Library on the Vanderbilt campus. Nashville was designated as the permanent location of the Society because of the unique opportunity offered for participation in the building of an American church history center and for the subsidy granted by the Nashville Planning Committee which enabled the Society to further its expansion program. Plans are being made for the eventual erection of a building to house the rapidly growing collection of books, pamphlets, periodicals, manuscripts, and museum materials which the Society has been receiving since its formation.

The Society solicits all kinds of historical materials pertaining to the Disciples of Christ and related groups. Authors and publishers are requested to send copies of all new publications. Churches, organizations and institutions are urged to place the Society on their mailing lists to receive all printed materials.

The Society and Bethany College share joint responsibility, through the Campbell Home Committee, for the restoration, preservation, and management of the Alexander Campbell mansion at Bethany, West Virginia.

The current program of the Society is financed through the dues paid in by members. Individuals, local churches, institutions, and organizations are invited to share in the work of the Society by becoming members. Dues paid in are deductible for income tax purposes. Classifications of membership are as follows:

<i>Individuals</i>		<i>Local Churches</i>	
Annual Member	\$ 2.00 annually	Up to 200 members	\$ 10.00 annually
Founding Member (payment of \$1.00 per year 1941-1953) and thereafter	2.00 annually	200 to 300 members	20.00 annually
Subscribing Member	5.00 annually	300 to 400 members	30.00 annually
Participating Member	25.00 annually	400 to 500 members	40.00 annually
Life Member	50.00 one payment	Above 500 members	50.00 annually
Sustaining Member	100.00 annually	Sustaining (any church)	100.00 annually
Contributing Member	500.00 annually	<i>Institutions and Organizations</i>	
Life Sustaining Member	1,000.00 one payment	Annual membership	\$ 15.00 annually
Patron Member	1,000.00 annually	Sustaining membership	100.00 annually

Officers of the Society

Colby D. Hall, President

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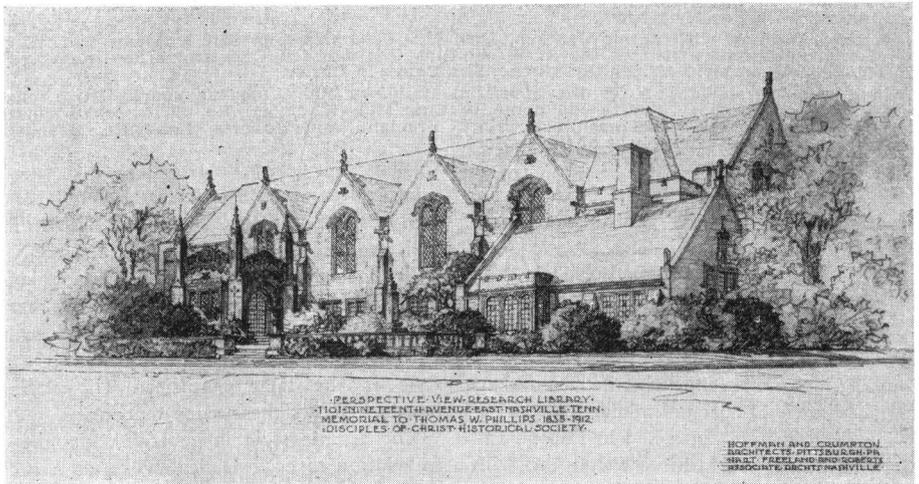
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Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Treasurer

The Executive Committee is composed of the officers of the Board and Charles E. Crouch, J. Edward Moseley, and J. Philip Hyatt.

The Staff

Claude E. Spencer, Curator
James E. McKinney, Executive Director
Miss Berdie May Lacy, Secretary

FUTURE DISCIPLE RESEARCH CENTER



A perspective view of the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, 1835-1922, as sketched by K. R. Crumpton. Plans for the building have been approved by the Society Executive and Building committees and by the Phillips family which is providing funds for its erection. Construction is planned to begin in late summer.

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ARCHITECTURE OF THE MEMORIAL TO THOMAS W. PHILLIPS

by K. R. Crumpton

For this issue of *THE HARBINGER*, the editors requested the Society architects to prepare a description and explanation of the design style to accompany release of the elevation sketches and floor plans of the new Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, future home of the Historical Society.

Kenneth R. Crumpton, designer of the Disciple Research Center, is a partner in the Pittsburgh architectural firm of Hoffman and Crumpton. Prior to the establishment of their own firm in 1939, Mr. Hoffman and Mr. Crumpton had been associated as head designers with Benno Janssen of Pittsburgh for nearly 20 years.

Mr. Hoffman took his architectural training at Carnegie Institute of Technology and Mr. Crumpton was trained in electrical engineering at the University of Wisconsin and in architecture at the University of Pennsylvania.

Among the many major projects planned and executed by Hoffman and Crumpton have been the Mellon Institute in Pittsburgh, the Westinghouse Educational Center, additions to the Shadyside Church, and banks for the Mellon National Bank and Trust Company and the Peoples First National Bank and Trust Company. The Society architects have also done four major parking garages for the City of Pittsburgh, several buildings for the U. S. Steel Corporation at Homestead and Morrisville, Pa., and plant construction for the Jones and Laughlin Steel Company. They have also designed several bridges for the State Highway Department on the new Pennsylvania Parkway system. At present the firm is planning and building two large general office buildings for the West Penn Power Co. and U. S. Steel, in addition to the Society project.

While associated with Benno Janssen, both Mr. Crumpton and Mr. Hoffman worked on the design and construction of the T. W. Phillips Gas and Oil Company office building in Butler, Pa., and on Mr. B. D. Phillips' home, Elm Court, in Butler.

In developing the design for the Memorial Building, Mr. Crumpton sought the counsel of Mr. Janssen, now retired to his home in Charlottesville, Va. He also worked closely with the Society's associate architects, Hart, Freeland and Roberts, Nashville, who will supervise the construction phase of the project.

The conception and design style of the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips is fundamentally Tudor Gothic. The Gothic style of architecture is primarily a live and virile style in that it is inspirational and creative as well as emotional. There are many well developed motifs for use in this style. Their combination and arrangement in harmonious composition is almost unlimited.

The Gothic style flourished in Europe and England during the 12th through the 16th centuries. The Continental influence was brought to England about 1140. There it developed and thrived, becoming distinctly English in concept during the 15th and 16th centuries.

Like many of the prototype buildings in England which were constructed in those

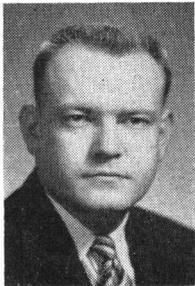
years, parts of the design and detail treatment of the Phillips Memorial are of the earliest period combined and harmonized with those of the later periods. In England, many of the buildings begun in the early part of the Gothic style era were added to and modified by the development of the style in the later centuries. The Society building shows these same tendencies.

The Gothic style is generally thought of in relation to ecclesiastical work, as a great deal of the development and emphasis of this style was in the construction of church buildings during its dominant period. However, it was broadly used for other types of structures, including many fine examples of domestic architecture. It has a style and

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Jim's Journeys . . .

In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

Sunday, May 8—Regretfully take our leave of PENNYRILE FOREST STATE PARK, western Kentucky, after too short two-day vacation.

Monday, May 9—Off for PITTSBURGH and points north and east.

Tuesday, May 10—Lunch in PITTSBURGH with Architect K. R. Crumpton (his sketch of new Memorial building on front cover); then on to BUTLER, PA., for pleasant visit with Mr. B. D. Phillips, other members of Phillips family, whose philanthropy will make possible the splendid new Society home, a valued addition to brotherhood life.

Wednesday, May 11 thru Friday, May 13—ELMIRA, N. Y., for New York-New Jersey Convention. Host Chuck Brooks gives cordial welcome. Opportunity appreciated to visit with Dr. and Mrs. Hampton Adams, others of the northeast area of Disciplesdom. Pleasure to note increasing interest in Society affairs.

Friday, May 13—With friend J. T. Whittall (Christian Board) enjoy drive down thru the Alleghenies to GETTYSBURG, PA., for overnight stop; then

Saturday, May 14—Visit to the battlefields, where time and nature have joined forces to heal war scars, leaving stone reminders of past heroism, less permanent than a man's words. On to MARTINSBURG, W. VA., for Capital Area Convention. Brief side trip to visit with old friends, Rhodes Artz and family, WINCHESTER, VA.

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Spencer's Observations...

The Curator, Claude E. Spencer, reports each month his observations concerning the work of the Society. Topics for consideration will include services rendered, publications issued, visitors to the library, materials received, DCHS finances, the work of the staff, technical processes, and other items that may be of interest to our readers.

Theses: The receipt of The College of the Bible Commencement Program for 1955 from Librarian Roscoe M. Pierson reminds me that over the country many students have completed theses dealing with various phases of the life, thought and history of the Disciples of Christ movement. At The College of the Bible nine students presented such theses for graduate degrees.

Although these are needed in our library, only about ten percent ever get here. We do request that graduate students have an additional copy of their theses typed for us. However, this is seldom done, because of the extra expense. Perhaps the time may come when the Society will have sufficient finances with which to pay the cost of the additional copy. Maybe an endowment fund can be set up for this purpose.

Church historians: The issuing of *The Local Church History Committee; Its Organization and Work*, mentioned elsewhere in this issue, causes me to recall that I have failed to mention two unusual items in the local church history field. The first is *First Year At Bethany Church*, a report by Mrs. Charles Mallory, the historian of the Bethany Christian Church, Fort Worth, Texas. The Bethany Church was organized February 25, 1950 and Mrs. Mallory's report is a carefully kept record, week by week, of the progress of the church during the first year. This can well be used as a guide by other church historians in preparing annual summaries of the work of their congregations.

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SOCIETY MEETING SCHEDULED NOVEMBER 29-30

The general meeting of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society will be held in Nashville, November 29, 1955. The time and place for the meeting—which will be open to all members of the Society—will be announced later.

The Society general meeting is usually held annually in connection with the International Convention Assembly. Because 1955 is the year for area assemblies, the DCHS executive committee has scheduled the general meeting this year to coincide with the Second Annual President's Dinner.

Other events being planned for this occasion include the laying of a cornerstone for the new Memorial building which will house the Society, a reception for the Society president, Dr. Colby D. Hall, and other brotherhood officials, and an organizational meeting of the new Board of Directors.

Society Elections

Society business to be acted on by the membership at the general meeting will include the election of seventeen directors to serve for three-year terms. Under the Society constitution, one-third of the membership of the Board of Directors is elected annually at the general meeting. The general meeting will also elect a new Society president, an honorary position, according to the constitution, "in recognition of significant contributions to church history or religious thought."

Election of the Society president will be the third such honor bestowed by the Society since the constitution was revised in 1953 to provide this method of recognition. Dr. W. E. Garrison, Houston, Texas, who served as Society president 1953-1954, was the first individual so honored. The current Society president, Dr. Colby D. Hall, is dean emeritus of Texas Christian University and Brite College of the Bible, Fort Worth, Texas.

Dr. Hall will preside at the DCHS general meeting, which will immediately follow the Second Annual President's Dinner. Highlight of the Dinner will be an address by Dr. Hall and the presentation by the Society of a citation to the distinguished Disciple educator, author and historian.

Members of the Society will be invited to the general meeting. It is anticipated that many DCHS members from throughout the brotherhood will be present in Nashville for the Dinner and the other activities of the occasion.

Annual Board Meeting

The new Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, November 30, for an organizational, review and report session. Officers of the Board will be elected at this meeting, as well as the members of the Society executive committee, which is composed of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Directors, and three additional directors named by the directorate at this organizational meeting.

The last meeting of the Board of Directors was held in Miami in October, 1954, during the International Convention Assembly. The Board meeting scheduled for November 30, 1955, will act on reports from the Society staff concerning the past year of progress in Society affairs. Important decisions are to be made at this Board of Directors session and plans are being laid to have a wide representation from the 51-member board.

Cornerstone Laying

Plans are also being made by a committee appointed recently by Board Chairman William G. West for an appropriate cornerstone-laying ceremony on the afternoon of Tuesday, November 29, for the new Society headquarters building at 1101 Nineteenth Avenue, South, in Nashville. Construction on the new building, which is being erected as a Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips with funds provided by the Phillips family of Western Pennsylvania, is expected to start in August or early September.

In cooperation with the Disciples Foundation of the School of Religion of Vanderbilt University, the Society also is planning a reception for Dr. Hall and other visiting brotherhood officials. The reception will be held following the cornerstone-laying on Tuesday afternoon, November 29. Details of the special events being planned will be given in later issues.

EQUIPMENT FUND CAMPAIGN TO START JULY 1

Ministers' Gifts Already Being Received;

Names of Contributors by November 1 to be Included in Cornerstone

Active solicitation by the Disciples of Christ Historical Society to raise a \$50,000 Building Equipment Fund with which to furnish the new DCHS Research Center will begin July 1, 1955. The campaign—authorized by the Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships—will conclude by June 30, 1957. It will be directed primarily to individuals.

A plan to raise a large percentage of the Fund by direct solicitation of the ministers and professional leaders of the brotherhood was announced in the May issue of THE HARBINGER. Several contributions have been received.

5000 Individuals

Comments received have been overwhelmingly in favor of the idea of approaching the brotherhood leadership for minimum individual gifts of \$10.00 payable at one time, or \$5.00 per year for each of the two years of the campaign. Students in brotherhood theological seminaries will be asked to contribute \$5.00 to assist in equipping the building.

The campaign to enlist support from ministers and other brotherhood leaders for the Building Equipment Fund will be conducted by direct mail solicitation. Copies of the May and June issues of THE HARBINGER, letters and pledge cards will be circulated to more than 5000 individuals in the initial appeal to underwrite the Fund.

Names in Cornerstone

Plans are being developed for appropriate recognition for individuals who make contributions to the Fund. By action of the Society executive committee, the names of all those who contribute to the Fund by November 1 will be included in a document to be sealed in the cornerstone of the new Memorial building at the cornerstone-laying ceremony Tuesday, November 29, 1955. A plaque probably will be included within the completed building, giving recognition to

those whose contributions will have made possible the adequate equipping and furnishing of the new Society headquarters.

It is hoped that a significant amount of the total needed will have been received, in cash or pledges, by November 1, in order that the names of the donors may be placed in the cornerstone.

Comments Favorable

Letters received by the Society in recent weeks indicate wide approval of the suggested plan. Dr. Myron C. Cole, minister, First Christian Church, Portland, Oregon, writes: "My reaction to your suggestion for ministers to contribute a minimum of \$10 to the building equipment fund is a big GO-AHEAD. I realize that ministers have many requests upon their time and money, but this is a significant venture at which we should have a go. You may not get as many to participate as you hope, but let's give it a try. Certainly, in a two-year period most anyone of us could give at least \$10!"

Dr. Perry Epler Gresham, president, Bethany College. "Enclosed is my check for \$10 toward the Fund. I believe you have a good idea."

Dr. Howard E. Short, professor, College of the Bible, Lexington, Ky.: ". . . sounds like an excellent idea to me. In a very real sense the assurance of a permanent Historical Society Library is of greatest concern to this very group of people. Only a handful of lay members of our churches will have occasion to use it. Without using it, the leadership cannot expect to serve as well as we should. The minimum gift suggested . . . does not seem beyond our reach. I shall be glad to do what I can in this area to help secure such gifts."

Lamar Hocker, minister, Mt. Auburn Christian Church, Dallas: "I heartily endorse the plan outlined, and will be glad to participate personally."

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FUTURE DISCIPLE RESEARCH CENTER

Floor-by-floor description

On the following pages are pictured the floor plans of The Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, 1835-1912, as designed by Hoffman and Crumpton, of Pittsburgh. The Society staff and the architects have had to pioneer in the planning of this structure, for there are no comparable buildings devoted to the historical work of an American Protestant religious group. The building is not a library building, as judged by the usual standard; it is much more than that. The various functions of the Society must always be kept in mind.

The purpose of the Society is four-fold: to locate, catalog, store, and make available for use the historical materials that have been produced by those religious groups which have grown out of the Restoration-Unity movement of the early 19th Century. Because the Society depends solely upon voluntary contributions (memberships) from individuals, churches, organizations, and institutions, it must carry on a well-organized educational public relations program.

Due to the nature of the work of the Society, and, therefore, the necessarily limited public use of the building, there is no need for large reading rooms, or for provision for the mass distribution of materials. Also, as at the present time, much of the reference work will be done by staff members answering questions by mail.

The building is much larger than is needed for current use; the stack area, particularly, has been planned to house the archival materials of churches, organizations, and institutions long into the future. Many of the rooms can be used for purposes other than those now assigned, should changing conditions make it desirable.

First Floor

There are eleven rooms on this floor, not including reception hall, corridors, closets and stack space. Here are the public and semi-public areas of the building. On the

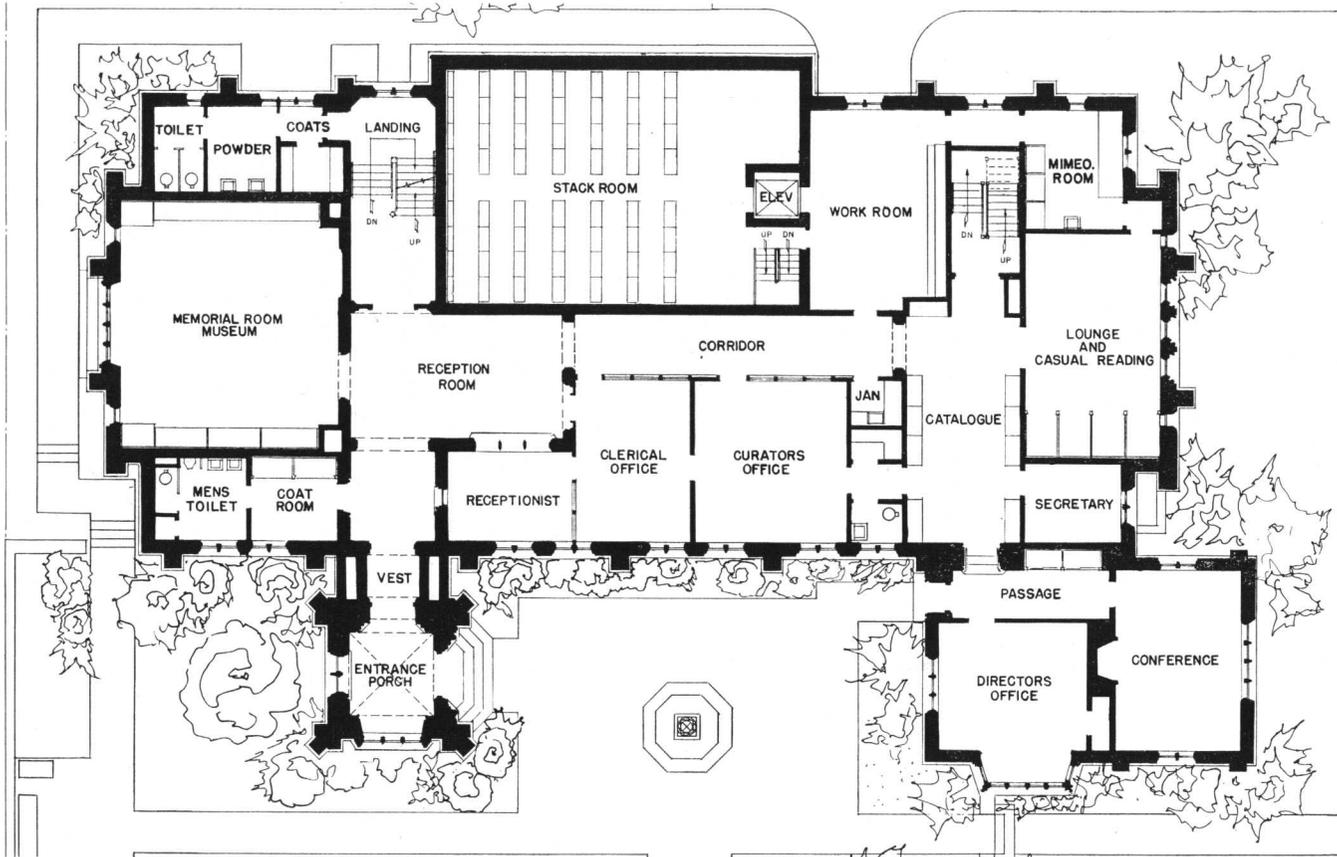
left of the central reception room are the museum and restrooms; on the right is the corridor leading to the staff offices, cataloging room, card catalog, reading and conference rooms.

Visitors to Society headquarters can be divided into several group types: Many will come to inspect the building and to exclaim over the treasures in the museum; others will come for casual reading, or for the answer to a puzzling reference question. Some will come for a week, or a month, or more, for intensive research into some phase of the Restoration-Unity movement, and its relationship to the American scene and the church ecumenical. For these people, the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips will become a true research center. All will enter through the front entrance porch into the central reception hall, where they will be directed to the proper individual, or room.

The Memorial Museum Room is designed to accommodate the latest types of museum display cases in which will be maintained permanent exhibits of rare and interesting items of *Discipliana*. This will be the "showplace" of the building. It is anticipated that future years will bring many thousands of visitors to the Society building, where a point of particular interest will be the dramatic display of historical materials in this museum room.

As the services of the Society expand in the future, new personnel will be added to the staff. The office, work and conference space on the first floor provides for this potential expansion. In addition to offices for secretarial work and offices for the curator and executive director, space has also been provided for a cataloguer, research consultant, and additional secretarial personnel. It is typical of the first floor, as of the entire structure, that the new Society building will be erected to serve not only the present but the future.

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Future Disciple Research Center

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Second Floor

Two stairways lead to the fifteen rooms (not including restrooms, corridors, and stack area) of the second floor; the public stairway from the central reception room goes up to a lobby, to the left of which is a conference room, to the right, the all-purpose lecture room; and the stairway on the other side of the building, which leads to the eight private studies on the right, and the kitchenette, utility and lecture rooms on the left.

The room designated "lecture room," for want of a better name, is an all-purpose room which will seat a hundred people by using folding chairs. It can be used for receptions, and for serving meals to small groups. At one end is a platform with a projection screen for showing slides, film strips, and motion pictures. At the other end is a room for storing audio-visual aid materials. Here is an ideal place for church groups to use for pilgrimage meetings and hear and see the story of the beginnings, development, and status of our movement.

On this floor, with easy access to the card catalog and staff offices on the floor below, are the private studies for individuals doing extensive research for theses or books. All are large enough to prevent claustrophobia, and all but one have outside lighting. The room from which these locked studies open can be used as a supplementary study room with individual desks.

The large conference room at the right of the public stairway can be used for small group meetings and for the display of temporary exhibits illustrative of special interests.

Basement

The full basement has seven main rooms together with corridors, toilets and closets. Main entrance from outside is through the receiving room, a room into which the Society truck can be driven to be unloaded. In one corner will be set up the facilities for mailing *The Harbinger and Discipliana*, various pieces of promotional literature, and the many items exchanged with libraries and individuals all over the world.

The processing room is entered from the receiving room. The unpacking, sorting, cleaning, fumigating, and repairing of materials will be done here, in preparation for cataloging. Exhibits for use in the building and for loan purposes will be prepared in this room.

The large storage room opening from the processing room will be used for the housing of duplicate materials for exchange and for sales material.

The photographic laboratory is small, as we do not expect to install micro-filming equipment, since there are several places in Nashville where the work can be done at reasonable cost. Only photocopy work and special reproduction jobs will be attempted.

The west side of the basement is given over to heating and air-conditioning equipment.

The Stacks

The stack area, six levels high, occupies the central rear of the building through all three floors. There are entrances from each floor by doors, and also through the elevator. The room is built like a vault, without windows. Here will be housed books, pamphlets, periodicals, letters, diaries, manuscripts, and all other printed or written materials.

In terms of books, nearly 150,000 volumes can be shelved. But since much of the Society's holdings will not be books, certain areas of each level will be left clear for filing cabinets, microfilm files, and special shelving.

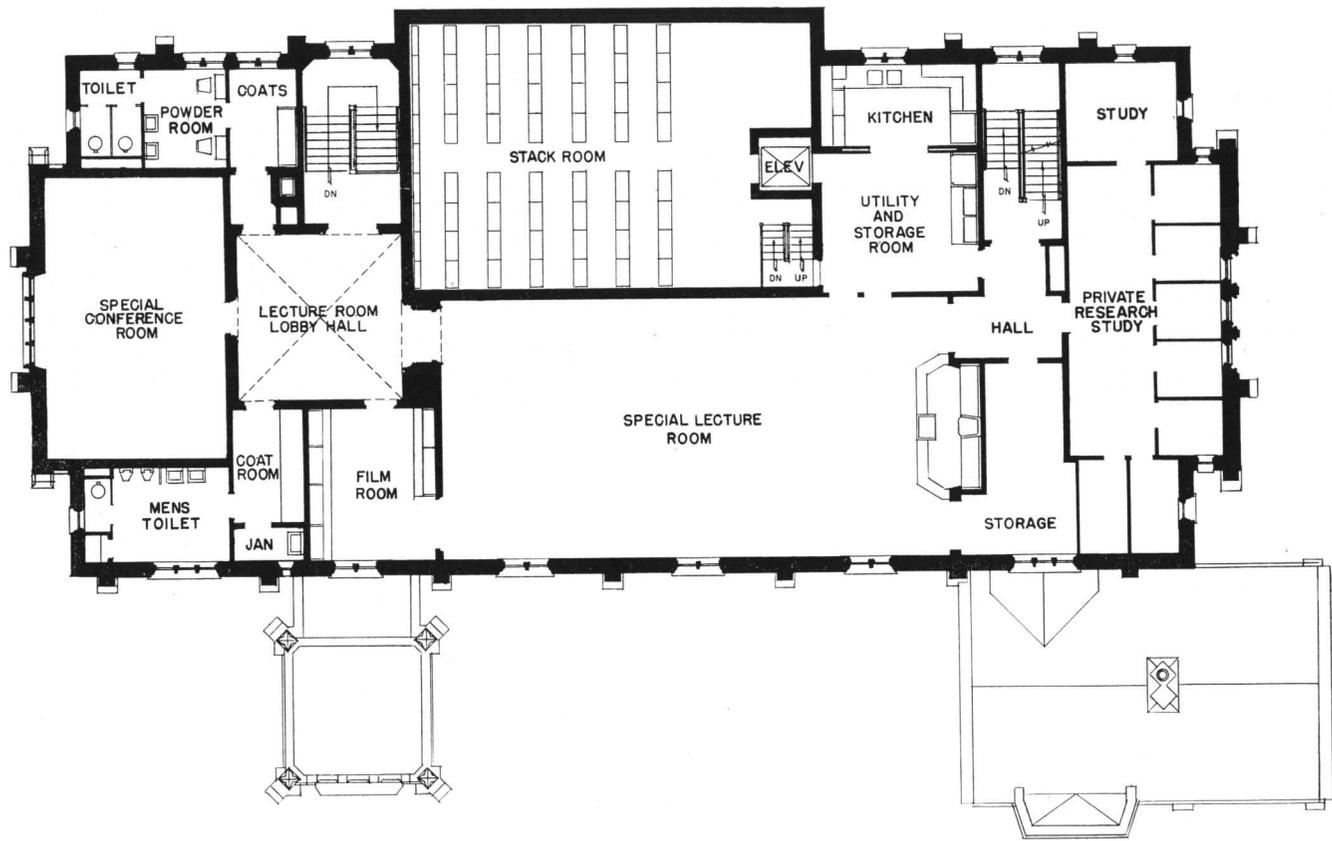
The top floor will be without furnishings of any kind, in order to meet the needs of a changing future.

Architecture of the Memorial

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quality in size—called scale—which distinctly appeals to most individuals. Structurally, it is a pure style, in that the fine, slender stone work divisions of windows, buttresses, finials, etc., so much in evidence in the style, are structural elements finely attuned to strength and beauty.

Selection of this style for the Memorial Building answered many questions of relationship between the Society and its home.



Architecture of the Memorial

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It presented an ecclesiastical atmosphere and combined harmoniously with the neighboring college and university buildings of Scarritt and Vanderbilt. It was also acceptable as a style which would have a living value in years to come; and, even though the period of its construction might be one devoted largely to the development of modern architecture, it would still compete successfully and be revered with the passing of time.

Throughout the design of the building and its parts, one will see the reflection of features borrowed from the Old World, from important buildings of the period, ecclesiastical and domestic.

The four-gable treatment evident in the 19th Avenue elevation has its prototype in Stokesay, Shropshire, England; the tower-like entrance porch was inspired from St. John Devizes Church, the end of the aisle. The main doorway in part was inspired by Canterbury Cathedral. Some of the other motifs and details are related to parts or portions of other well known English examples.

In addition, some of the doorway motifs and models were taken from the Scottish design period of the Tudor Gothic style. These are a bit more naive and quaint in their character, and after the building is completed one should experience real pleasure in comparing the different motifs and evaluating their various forms and moulding profiles.

The interior portions of the building will carry through the same expression of Tudor Gothic style as is evidenced in the exterior design. The main rooms and public spaces will be authentic in their design and detail conception. The business and work portions will be entirely modern in all their appointments, but they will still bear the imprint here and there to relate and tie them to the fundamental Tudor style.

The building will be entirely fireproofed and air-conditioned, and so constructed and finished as to necessitate a minimum of maintenance and upkeep. In this, the use of modern materials will in part diverge from those of the old Gothic period.

Spencer's Observations . . .

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The other is *Steps and Strides in Struggles* compiled by Ruth Black Aten for the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Fandon Christian Church, 1903-1953. This is a year-by-year record of a rural church in Illinois, with drawings, graphs, floor plans and maps, all done on the mimeograph, with additional mounted pictures. This excellent history shows what can be done through perseverance and ingenuity.

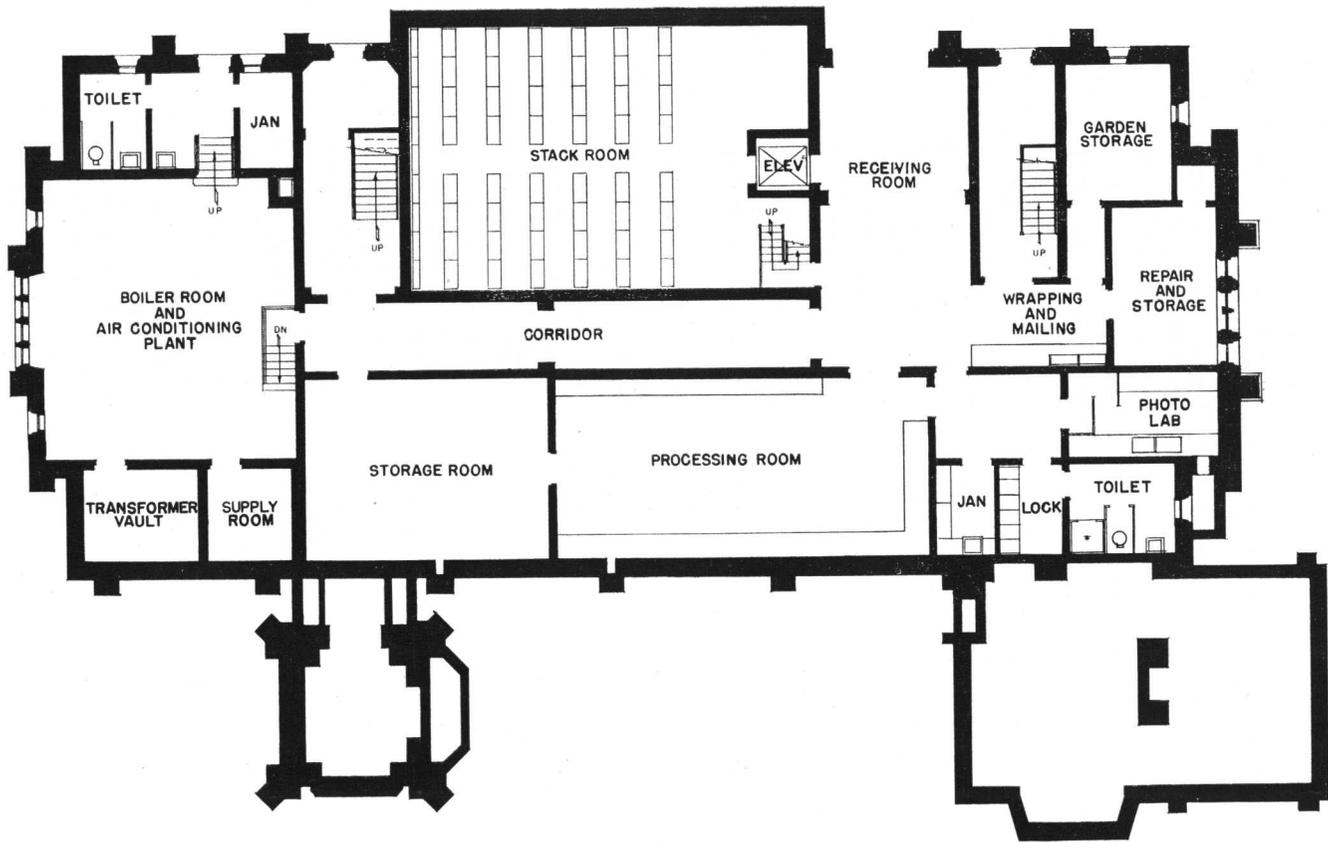
Back in Print: The Bethany Press is reprinting *The Declaration and Address* and the *Last Will and Testament* in a new, readable edition which will be ready for distribution this summer. It is being sponsored by the International Convention, our Society, and The Bethany Press. This printing will have a preface signed by J. Edward Mosely, Claude E. Spencer, and Darrell K. Wolfe, and will include the introduction written by F. D. Kershner for the edition issued by the International Convention in 1949. An appendix will have bibliographical data concerning the various printings of these two documents.

Pamphlets: Our movement has been a tract and pamphlet producing one. There are several thousand in our library and we know of several thousand more that we need. Undoubtedly there are yet other thousands about which we have no knowledge. Many of them were privately printed, in small editions. This type of material was generally thrown away as soon as read, and consequently is very hard to locate, even a few years after publication.

Occasionally some person does save materials of this sort. Recently, we received from E. B. Hensley, Sweet Springs, Missouri, a box of pamphlets and tracts from which we secured many new titles for our library. A few months ago we had a similar box from the Memorial Church at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

From a Far Land: For the past few years, R. A. Blampied of Nelson, New Zealand has sent a copy of the annual *Yearbook* of the

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Spencer's Observations . . .

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Associated Churches of Christ in New Zealand. The one for 1954-1955 has just been received. Contained in it are the program and reports of the Thirty-Third Annual Conference held in Palmerston, North, April 7-11, 1955. The statistical tables show a membership of 3847 in 51 churches as of January 31, 1955. Mr. Blampied is minister of the largest church, Nelson, with 336 members.

Our file of the *Yearbooks* is complete from 1927-28, with the exception of 1928-29, 1938-39, 1940-41, and 1950-51. Many of the earlier ones were sent to us by A. L. Haddon, editor of the *New Zealand Christian*.

Jim's Journeys . . .

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Sunday, May 15 thru Tuesday, May 17—Excellent spirit prevails at conclave of Disciples from Washington, parts of West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland. Thanks to President J. Lloyd Black, Bill Lineback, other convention officials for permitting DCHS a program spot, opportunity to inform Capital Area Disciples of Society progress. Congratulations to host Clifford Bucy for dual job stage-managing and song-leading, also for one of the most impressive new church plants yet seen. Considering amount of work done by lay people of the church, and the beautiful results, this ranks as an inspiring achievement.

Wednesday, May 18—Pack up, say goodbyes, and with passenger Emmett Dickson (National Christian Missionary Convention) head south, down the Valley to ROANOKE, VA. Traveling with Tiny Dickson is unique experience; I should have a larger car. They don't make cars to suit my pocketbook and his size. Real pleasure to show off springtime splendor of my old stamping grounds—the Blue Ridge, the Parkway and Skyline Drive—to native Texan. Brief visit with M. C. Dickson (Loudon Avenue Church), then on to see the folks at BEDFORD and LYNCHBURG, VA.

Thursday, May 19—Return to NASHVILLE.

Friday, Saturday, May 20-21—Back to the office with time out for speech to CWF ladies, Bellevue Christian Church, NASHVILLE.

Sunday, May 22—Supply visit DAWSON SPRINGS, KY., with evening baccalaureate address at D. S. high school.

Monday, May 23 thru Sunday, June 5—Uneventful time. DCHS executive committee meeting, May 24, discuss finances again. If words were money, we'd all be millionaires. Hearing before city zoning appeals board, May 25, clears way for completion of plans for Memorial building, released in this issue. Sunday, preaching at Dawson Springs, Kentucky, May 29 and June 5, breaks monotony. Some time spent on manual for local church history committee, issuing stories rebuilding program, working up campaign materials for equipment fund drive, etc. I have noticed that it is the "et cetera" that absorbs the time.

Jim McKinney

History in Local Church

The Local Church History Committee: Its Organization and Work is a new mimeographed publication by the Society's Executive Director, James E. McKinney. It is part one of a service manual intended for local church historians and church history committees.

Due to the many demands for such a manual, the Society has long planned to publish one. The present printing, intended for experimental and critical use only, has been sent to a number of interested leaders for their comments and suggestions.

Part two of the manual to be prepared by Curator Claude E. Spencer will deal with methods of locating, collecting, processing and preserving local church historical materials. The complete manual will be ready for distribution in 1956.

A very limited number of copies of *The Local Church History Committee* are yet available to church leaders who will promise to read it critically and report any suggested changes, deletions or additions.

Equipment Campaign

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Harry M. Davis, new minister, Ninth Street Christian Church, Hopkinsville, Ky.: ". . . this should be done. We have too long neglected making provision for our historical materials and this gives us an opportunity to correct our negligence. Please count me in."

Dr. Colby D. Hall, Society President, 1954-1955: "Who in any congregation usually knows more of Disciple history and thought than anyone else? The Preacher, of course. He therefore should be out in front in supporting such an appeal as this. Hence, I believe this call is fair, reasonable and right. Before we are through, the cost will be more than \$600,000, provided by the Phillips family. We preachers put in \$50,000 and put much more than half a million to work. A whopper of an investment. (May I whisper a word in the ear of the preachers? Let several of your men, your best side-kicks, in on this good deal, just a few of them.)"

Dr. Seth W. Slaughter, dean, Bible College of Missouri, Columbia: "I agree so thoroughly that I am enclosing my ten dollars with this letter."

Excellent Plan

Dr. J. Warren Hastings, minister, National City Christian Church, Washington, D. C.: "Wow! What an excellent plan you have! To think that I, a Disciple of Christ minister, can have part in furnishing the wonderful new Historical Society building for ten dollars. Thus, I too, can have part in keeping our wonderful heritage alive. My check is enclosed."

J. Edward Moseley, writer, Indianapolis: "Ministers, who appeal so often for funds in behalf of worthy causes, can be counted on to have a share in providing the necessary equipment for the Thomas W. Phillips Memorial Building of The Disciples of Christ Historical Society. Many preachers will use the library for research. Those who never will can appreciate the need for adequate equipment and facilities in the building. The growing understanding of the priceless heritage of the Disciples will be demonstrated by the response of the ministry to this challenge."

These and other similar comments indicate general acceptance of the appeal to be made by the Society for leadership support for the Equipment Fund. Already the Society has received contributions from individuals and churches in response to the announced plan. These are voluntary gifts and do not represent any direct solicitation. Regular listing of contributors will be published, by states, starting in the July HARBINGER.

Early Contributors

Those who have contributed voluntarily to date (press time, June 10) are listed below:

Mrs. W. B. Ardery, Paris, Ky.	\$ 5.00
Homer Brooks, Nashville, Tenn.	12.00
Henry L. Erlewine, Marion, Ind.	25.00
Burton Faust, Washington, D. C.	3.00
Christian Church, Appleton City, Mo.	10.00
First Christian Church, Bloomington, Ill.	10.00
Perry E. Gresham, Bethany, W. Va.	10.00
First Christian Church, CWF, Tampa, Fla.	375.00
First Christian Church, Young Adults Class, Tampa, Fla.	45.00
Glenn Grimm, Ashtabula, Ohio	5.00
Colby D. Hall, Fort Worth, Texas	100.00
J. Warren Hastings, Washington, D. C.	10.00
Allen R. Huber, Jackson, Ohio	10.00
Ira A. Kirk, Rocky Mount, N. C.	10.00
John Long, Long Beach, Calif.	10.00
J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis, Ind.	10.00
Mrs. J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis, Ind.	10.00
Roger T. Nooe, Nashville, Tenn.	50.00
Orval D. Peterson, Yakima, Wash.	10.00
Donald E. Reese, Vienna, Va.	10.00
Seth W. Slaughter, Columbia, Mo.	10.00
William G. West, Chattanooga, Tenn.	10.00
J. Clyde Wheeler, Oklahoma City, Okla.	10.00

\$760.00

New Members

LOCAL CHURCHES

Since January 1, 1955 the following congregations have for the first time supported the Society, either through the payment of membership dues, regular or sustaining—indicated by "M") or by a contribution:

Arkansas

Ft. Smith. First Christian Church M

California

Los Angeles. Hollywood-Beverly Christian Church M

District of Columbia

Washington. National City Christian Church M

Illinois

Bloomington. First Christian Church M

Indiana

Zionsville. Christian Church

Iowa

Bloomfield. Christian Church

Kansas

Manhattan. First Christian Church

Kentucky

Bowling Green. First Christian Church
Russellville. First Christian Church M

Missouri

Kansas City. Country Club Christian Church M

Kansas City. Ivanhoe Park Christian Church

New Mexico

Albuquerque. Monte Vista Christian Church M

North Carolina

Raleigh. Hillyer Memorial Christian Church

Greensboro. First Christian Church

Oklahoma

Oklahoma City. First Christian Church M

Oklahoma City. University Place Christian Church

Tulsa. First Christian Church M

Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh. East End Christian Church

Tennessee

Murfreesboro. Central Christian Church M

Texas

Dallas. Lakeview Christian Church M

Virginia

Richmond. Seventh Street Christian Church

Washington

Seattle. University Christian Church M

Gifts and Exchanges

From May 10 to June 7, 52 receipts were issued to:

Mrs. William B. Ardery, Paris, Ky.

Arkansas Christian Missionary Society, Little Rock, Ark.

Rhodes M. Artz, Winchester, Va.

Earle Barclay, Hastings, Neb.

R. A. Blampied, Nelson, New Zealand

William L. Blessing, Denver, Colo.

Miss Genevieve Brown, Indianapolis, Ind.

James W. Carty, Jr., Nashville, Tenn.

CWF, Christian Church, Canton, Mo.

John B. Cobb, Nashville, Tenn.

J. R. Farris, Melbourne, Fla.

Clement Few, Paris, Texas.

First Christian Church, Frankfort, Ky.

First Christian Church, Fullerton, Calif.

First Christian Church, Jackson, Miss.

First Christian Church, Mason City, Ill.

James Flanagan, St. Louis, Mo.

Carrel W. Flewelling, Decatur, Ill.

Miss Ada L. Forster, Oakland, Calif.

Mrs. Bertha Mason Fuller, Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. W. H. Gwin, Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. C. S. Goodknight, Pasadena, Calif.

Gospel Advocate Co., Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Kenneth C. Hanson, Redwood Falls, Minn.

E. B. Hensley, Sweet Springs, Mo.

E. K. Higdon, Indianapolis, Ind.

Highland Christian Church, Denver, Colo.

Benjamin Hollis, Salisbury, Mo.

John Allen Hudson, Rosemead, Calif.

Miss Helen Johann, Madison, Wis.

Hugh Kelly, Milford, Ill.

Jim Kelly, Jr., Shelbyville, Tenn.

T. G. Kerns, Livingston, Tenn.

J. David Kidwell, Union City, Tenn.

Rex Lawson, Rupert, Idaho

Allan W. Lee, Fort Worth, Texas.

Victor McAnallen, Nashville, Tenn.

Charles C. Mills, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Nashville Tennessean, Nashville, Tenn.

Roscoe Pierson, Lexington, Ky.
 Robert Platt, Boston, Ky.
 Harry Purviance, Lubbock, Texas.
 David A. Rowand, Wilksburg, Pa.
 Miss Gladys Scheer, Lexington, Ky.
 William G. Shoop, Buffalo, N.Y.
 Charles C. Ware, Wilson, N.C.
 George D. West, Nashville, Tenn.
 T. F. A. Williams, Lincoln, Neb.

Local Church Publications

We are currently receiving 451 local church periodicals and weekly orders of worship. Below are listed those that have been added to our files during the past six months:

Alabama

Montgomery. Cloverdale Christian Church. *Mid-Week Reminder*

Arkansas

Little Rock. Base Line Christian Church. *Base Line Christian News*

California

San Diego. East San Diego Christian Church. *Christian Caller*

Colorado

Aurora. Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Idaho

Couer d'Alene. First Christian Church. *Christian Chimes*

Grangeville. First Christian Church. *The Midweek Call to Worship*

Illinois

Arcola. First Christian Church. *Arcola Christian*

Chicago. Morgan Park Christian Church. *Morgan Park Mirror*

Virден. First Christian Church. *Church News*

Indiana

Indianapolis. North Tacoma Christian Church. *North Tacoma News*

Indianapolis. The Williams Creek Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Jeffersonville. First Christian Church. Orders of Worship

New Albany. Central Christian Church. *Central Christian Messenger*

St. Paul. Christian Church. *The Church Mouse*

Iowa

Clarinda. First Christian Church. *Newsletter*

Lenox. Church of Christ. Orders of Worship

Kansas

Abilene. First Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Atwood. Christian Church. *The Christian Newsletter*

Manhattan. First Christian Church. *Manhattan Christian*

Pratt. First Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Kentucky

Bowling Green. Christian Church. *Along Church Street*

Buechal. Fairview Christian Church. *The Fairview Christian*

Lexington. Broadway Christian Church. *The Harbinger*

Maryland

Fork. Christian Church. *Forkcast*

Fork. Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Michigan

Kalamazoo. Central Christian Church. *The Central Chimes*

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Wanted

There is a steady demand for back issues of *The Harbinger and Discipliana*. Started in 1941 as *Discipliana*, the periodical was issued in mimeographed form, quarterly, for three years. With the July, 1953, number, the name was changed to *The Harbinger and Discipliana*, and the publication became a monthly.

Unfortunately, copies of these numbers are no longer available:

May, October, December, 1941

April, 1942

April, 1944

October, 1945

January, April, and October, 1946

July, 1949

October, 1950

April, 1952

The Reviews

and Barton Warren Stone: Early American Advocate of Christian Unity

"... deserves a careful reading by discerning people. In August of 1954 the Churches of the world met in Evanston, Illinois to discuss their unity. In 1827 Barton Warren Stone, a voice crying in the wilderness of division, called for a national convention or conference to discuss various matters relating to Christian Unity. This was the first time a religious voice had been raised on American soil advocating such a plan. This early reformer would have felt at home at Evanston."

Southern Observer
November, 1954

"This book is a deep study—a thorough doctoral dissertation on the part of the author. Every line deserves to be read in order to get the feeling of Barton W. Stone."

Register of Kentucky Historical Society
January, 1955

"[The Author] describes effectively the cultural, personal, and doctrinal differences in the views of Stone and Campbell, and displays the ability to interpret the sociological, theological, and historical aspects of his subject."

The United States Quarterly
March, 1955

"[The Author] tells his story with an objectivity not usually connected with authors so close to their subjects, nor does his concern with Barton W. Stone blind him to the importance of the national scene. Sufficient tribute to his impartiality is the fact that he elevates Stone to a position of importance among the founders of the Disciples of Christ without detracting from the glory of Alexander Campbell, who has formerly been assigned the major role. The book is solidly documented and contains a full bibliography."

American Historical Review
April, 1955

These Should Be in Your Library:

Footnotes to Disciple History

- No. 1 *Alexander Campbell and His Relevance For Today*, by Eva Jean Wrather, 2d printing, 16 pages.
- No. 2 *The Lunenburg Letter, With Attendant Comments*, by Alexander Campbell (Reprint from *The Millennial Harbinger*) 16 pages
- No. 3 *Barton W. Stone and Christian Unity*, by William G. West. 16 pages
- No. 4 *An Address to the Different Religious Societies on the Sacred Import of the Christian Name*, by Rice Haggard. (Reprint of the 1804 pamphlet) 32 pages

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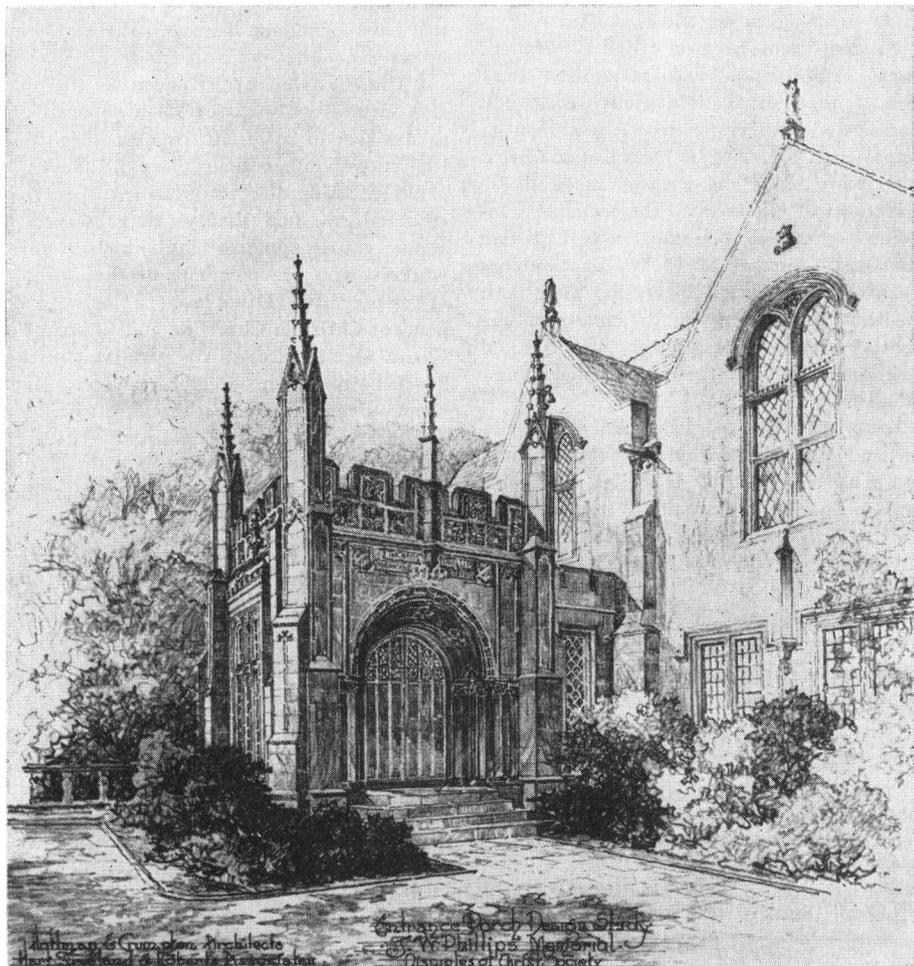
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EQUIPMENT FUND CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY

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Holtzman & Gumpston, Architects
1001 Broadway, New York 17, N.Y.

Entrance Porch, Design Study
Phillips Memorial
Disciples of Christ Society

Editorial . . .

Brotherhood

Recently we have been asked to define what we mean when we speak of the brotherhood. For those who question our meaning, the following editorial has been written.

Several million people today can trace their religious origins to an early Nineteenth Century American movement for Christian unity. The leaders of this movement, Alexander Campbell, Thomas Campbell, Barton Stone, and Walter Scott, advocated the union of Christians upon the basis of a return to the principles of the New Testament teachings, as opposed to the sectarian practices of the times.

The movement has been called by different names; "reformation" and "restoration" have been applied to it at various times and places. Its members were early known as Reformers, Christians, or Disciples of Christ. Its opposers used the terms "Campbellites" or "Stoneites" to identify the members. Individual churches were known as Christian Churches, Churches of Christ, or Churches of Disciples of Christ. Never has there been one name satisfactory for the divergent elements of the whole group. Locality and background have largely determined individual usage.

Today there are sharp differences of opinion and practices within the total group. There are co-operative Disciples of Christ, independent Christian Churches, and Churches of Christ (non-instrumental music and non-Missionary Society), all having a common heritage.

The Disciples of Christ Historical Society was formed for the purpose of locating, collecting, preserving, and making available for use the historical materials of this common

heritage. The Society is incorporated in Tennessee as a non-opinion-forming group.

The Society was organized as the result of the recommendations of a commission authorized by the International Convention. Although it works within the framework of the co-operative agencies of the Disciples of Christ and receives ninety percent of its support from co-operative sources, it considers itself obligated to serve the total brotherhood.

In the past we have tried, with equal efforts, to locate and collect past and current materials from all segments of those groups that have a common heritage. We have tried to serve equally and impartially all persons and churches who have come to us for help. Any failures of such service have been due to the lack of materials, or because of staff limitations, rather than through intent.

On checking the records of the services rendered, we find that we have served in about equal numbers individual research workers who are members of the churches of co-operative Disciples of Christ, independent Christian Churches, and Churches of Christ. Our services to co-operative churches have been much greater than to non-cooperative, or to Churches of Christ. The reason: we have not been asked. The services can be had on request.

It is significant that this impartial attitude has, in recent years, resulted in larger and more widespread support from individuals and groups representing varying viewpoints within the total brotherhood. This objective stand must be considered the cornerstone of our future development.

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Subscription to THE HARBINGER AND DISCIPLIANA is included in the membership dues of the Society.

EQUIPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

Ministers, Leaders, Respond to Initial Appeal

Contributions to the Building Equipment Fund of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society are being received daily in response to the first appeal sent to brotherhood ministers and leaders in a general mailing July 1, when the campaign officially began.

The campaign for \$50,000 with which to furnish and equip the new Disciple Research Center is scheduled to conclude by June 30, 1957.

The building itself is being given the Society by the Phillips family of western Pennsylvania as a Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, 1835-1912. Construction is slated to start within a few weeks. Site of the Society building—which will cost more than half a million dollars—is 1101 Nineteenth Avenue, South, in the heart of Nashville's University Center area.

Many Small Contributions

The Equipment Fund is being started by appeals to brotherhood leaders for small contributions. Ministers and others in positions of leadership are being asked to give personal donations. A minimum contribution of \$10.00, to be paid at one time, or at \$5.00 per year for each year of the campaign, has been suggested for ministers. Students are being asked to contribute \$5.00.

Other individuals, groups, churches and organizations are encouraged to contribute to the campaign to insure adequate equip-

ment and furnishings for the new Society building.

Cornerstone Names

Names of contributors to the Fund by November 1, 1955, will be included in a special listing to be sealed in the Cornerstone of the building. It is hoped that progress on the building will be such that a Cornerstone-laying ceremony can be planned in connection with the Second Annual President's Dinner, slated for Tuesday, November 29, 1955.

Other plans are also being developed for appropriately recognizing contributors to the Equipment Fund.

Fall Solicitation Planned

Further solicitation of brotherhood individuals will be planned for this fall in order to raise a sizeable percentage of the total needed before the laying of the Cornerstone. Because of the expense involved in seeking small individual donations, the campaign will be conducted largely by mail. It is hoped that ministers and others receiving communications from the Society will be prompt in signing and returning pledge cards, or remitting their contributions.

Contributors to Date

In addition to the early contributors listed in the June HARBINGER, the following persons or groups have contributed and/or pledged to the Equipment Fund:

		Paid	Additional Pledged
	<i>Alabama</i>		
George E. Wascovich	Mobile	\$ 10.00	\$
	<i>Arkansas</i>		
Robert D. Chambless	Russellville	5.00	5.00
Mrs. J. H. Fuller	Little Rock	10.00	20.00
	<i>California</i>		
Harsh J. Brown	Los Angeles	5.00	5.00
Harry J. Hill	Garden Grove	10.00	
Marvin E. Smith	Stockton	10.00	
Kenneth A. Stewart	Long Beach	10.00	

		<i>Paid</i>	<i>Additional Pledged</i>
<i>Colorado</i>			
CYF, South Broadway Christian Church	Denver	2.50	
<i>Florida</i>			
A. D. Hermann	Jacksonville	5.00	
<i>Georgia</i>			
Homer W. Haislip	Valdosta	10.00	
Clarence W. Thomas	Winder	10.00	
<i>Illinois</i>			
Harry Baker Adams	Carbondale	10.00	
O. E. Bennett	Mason City	10.00	
W. B. Blakemore	Chicago		10.00
Robert L. Lemon	Havana	10.00	
T. E. Morton	Marion	10.00	
J. L. Pennington	Blue Island	10.00	
L. M. Smith	Chicago		10.00
*George A. Stuart	Bloomington	10.00	10.00
<i>Indiana</i>			
Mrs. Keith Epply	Anderson	10.00	
Joseph B. Fitch	Rensselaer	5.00	
R. A. Gray	Greensburg	10.00	
Robert L. Lewis	Indianapolis	10.00	
George Earle Owen	Indianapolis	10.00	
Jo M. Riley	Kokomo	10.00	
D. Erwin Sheets	Indianapolis	10.00	
Mrs. Mae Yoho Ward	Indianapolis	10.00	
Louis A. Warren	Ft. Wayne	25.00	
<i>Iowa</i>			
Warner Muir	Des Moines	10.00	
Fred D. Sawyer	Bloomfield		10.00
Mrs. David H. Shields	Grinnell	10.00	
(In memory of David H. Shields)			
<i>Kansas</i>			
LeRoy Hay	Emporia		10.00
Leslie L. Kingsbury	Manhattan	10.00	
Harries S. Young	Cimarron	5.00	
<i>Kentucky</i>			
Mrs. W. B. Ardery	Paris	10.00	
Dr. and Mrs. Riley B. Montgomery	Lexington	10.00	
George V. Moore	Lexington	10.00	
Henry Noble Sherwood	Louisville	10.00	
Howard E. Short	Lexington	10.00	
<i>Michigan</i>			
J. D. Groff	Benton Harbor	5.00	
Kenneth B. Seeley	Kalamazoo	10.00	
<i>Minnesota</i>			
Harold D. Wiltz	Minneapolis		15.00

* This was erroneously reported in the June HARBINGER as a contribution from the First Christian Church of Bloomington, Illinois.

		Paid	Additional Pledged
<i>Missouri</i>			
J. Eric Carlson	St. Louis	10.00	
Wilbur H. Cramblet	St. Louis	10.00	
E. B. Hensley	Sweet Springs	10.00	
G. Curtis Jones	St. Louis	10.00	
Raymond McCallister	Webster Groves	10.00	
E. T. Sechler	Appleton City	10.00	
W. Elbert Starn	St. Louis	10.00	
Otto Westerfeld	Kansas City	25.00	
<i>Nebraska</i>			
J. H. Bartholomew	Scottsbluff	10.00	
C. C. McCaw	Lincoln	10.00	
<i>New Jersey</i>			
Sam F. Freeman, Jr.	East Orange	10.00	
<i>New York</i>			
Edward L. Laakso	Bronx	10.00	
Lester R. Snell	East Aurora	10.00	
<i>Ohio</i>			
Albert O. Kean	Columbus		10.00
Andrew P. Martin	Cleveland	10.00	
<i>Oklahoma</i>			
Tom B. Clark	Buffalo	10.00	
W. A. Cook	Guymon	10.00	
Chester E. Gleason	Hobart	10.00	
Lee Marsh	Sallisaw		10.00
G. Edwin Osborn	Enid	10.00	
Carlyle Yates	Frederick	5.00	5.00
<i>Oregon</i>			
Charles H. Addleman	Portland	10.00	
Myron C. Cole	Portland	10.00	
Ross J. Griffith	Eugene	10.00	
H. E. Jull	Mill City	10.00	
<i>Pennsylvania</i>			
Mrs. M. R. Gabbert	Pittsburgh	15.00	
(In memory of Dr. Mont Robertson Gabbert)			
W. R. Vivrett, Jr.	Pittsburgh		10.00
<i>South Carolina</i>			
James W. Sosebee	Columbia	10.00	
<i>Tennessee</i>			
Charles E. Crouch	Nashville	10.00	
A. Preston Gray	Kingsport	10.00	
Dan C. Kenner	Memphis	10.00	
Thomas G. Kerns	Livingston		15.00
Miss Berdie May Lacy	Nashville	10.00	
James E. McKinney	Nashville	10.00	
Tom O. Parrish	Memphis	10.00	
Claude E. Spencer	Nashville	10.00	

		Paid	Additional Pledged
<i>Texas</i>			
W. S. Dykes	McCamey	10.00	
Robert W. Funk	Fort Worth		10.00
Kenneth M. Hay	Dallas	10.00	
Lamar Hocker	Dallas		10.00
Alan C. Lynch	Sulphur Springs	5.00	5.00
Hugh M. Riley	Dallas	10.00	
Paul T. Thompson	San Antonio	5.00	
<i>Virginia</i>			
Linwood Coleman	West Point	5.00	5.00
H. Jackson Darst	Williamsburg	10.00	
C. B. Reynolds	Clifton Forge	10.00	
Jacob J. M. Strite	Roanoke	10.00	
Cash Receipts		\$ 747.50	
Cash Receipts Reported in June HARBINGER		760.00	
Total Cash Receipts		\$1,507.50	
Total Pledges			\$ 175.00
Grand Total		\$1,682.50	

SPONSORS' COMMITTEE FOR EQUIPMENT FUND

For some time we have promised to list the membership of the Sponsors' Committee for the Building Equipment Fund. Changes in Society plans have necessarily delayed publication of this list of 101 prominent Disciples who have endorsed the DCHS building program.

The Sponsors' Committee was first set up in the fall of 1954 when it appeared that the Society would launch a campaign for \$40,000 to erect the first unit of permanent Society building. The drive was to begin January 1, 1955. It was never started. Instead, the Sponsors were notified that the Society had been given a valuable building site by Mr. B. D. Phillips and sufficient funds to plan a complete building. The Committee was then expected to assist in raising whatever funds were necessary to complete the building.

This spring, the Committee (the membership of which had now grown considerably) was notified that the complete building, with the exception of equipment and furnishings, would be given by the Phillips family of Pennsylvania as a Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips. The Sponsors were asked to assist in a drive to bring in \$50,000 for the Equipment Fund. There was general agree-

ment with the plan suggested for solicitation of the brotherhood ministry and leadership for small contributions toward this fund.

Thus, the Sponsors' Committee was never really activated, other than as recipients of Society communications noting the progress of the building program. With the publication of this list of membership of the Committee, the Society serves notice that the Sponsors are being called to active duty to assist the Society to push to a successful conclusion the present campaign for Building Equipment Funds.

Members of the Committee include key individuals in many areas of brotherhood life who are vitally concerned in the future progress of the Society, particularly in the DCHS building program. Those names indicated by an asterisk are members of the Board of Directors of the Society.

Hampton Adams, New York, N. Y.

Mrs. William B. Ardery, Paris, Ky.

Mrs. James T. Avery, Richmond, Va.

Lawrence W. Bash, Austin, Tex.

*George G. Beazley, Jr., Bartlesville, Okla.

*W. B. Blakemore, Chicago, Ill.

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Letters . . .

Mail received by the Society in recent weeks, in answer to the call for contributions to the Building Equipment Fund, has included many expressions of enthusiastic support from brotherhood leaders. The editors believe these statements are of interest to a wider audience. With the permission of the authors, excerpts are printed herewith.

Sirs:

We feel this is a fine step forward for our people and are happy to have the privilege of having a part in it.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Bennett
First Christian Church
Mason City, Illinois

Dear Sirs:

I begin this brief message with two words universally acclaimed as among the sweetest and most euphonious of the English language: FIND ENCLOSED. May this modest cheque of ten dollars add something to the symphony of the above repeated words. May the chorus swell until it ends in one grand oratorio of brotherhood achievement.

A. Preston Gray
Kingsport, Tennessee

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is my check for \$10 but I think that fellow Jim ought to be shot for ever dreaming up such a devilish idea. There are sure to be a hundred imitators. Only the Good Lord has any idea where it will stop. Besides, I thought it was a preacher's job to persuade other folks to give—not to have to do it.

Clarence W. Thomas
Winder, Georgia

Dear Mr. Spencer:

The giving of \$10 per is one place that will not be denied to any minister—even a woman. So, here it is, with joy. This DCHS building will be a monument to all Disciple ministers in which their life work may be recorded by a grateful people. Later I will send \$10 each for my deceased father, Jacob C. Mason, and my husband, James H. Fuller, both of whom gave themselves for the Disciple ministry without stint of time or service.

Bertha Mason Fuller
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Jim:

I am in full accord with your plans for equipping the new building. Enclosed is a check for five dollars; I will send another for the same amount at least by next month. It is good to have this opportunity to share in the work there.

Linwood Coleman
West Point, Virginia

Dear Sirs:

Please find enclosed a check for my part in the Equipment Fund Campaign for the new building. I like this appeal for a job all of us can do together.

J. Wilfred Walker
Guthrie, Oklahoma

Dear Sirs:

Find check attached according to the request enclosed. *The Harbinger* is a helpful little piece of mail that I have come to read closely. Thanks.

Dan Groff
Benton Harbor, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is my contribution of \$10.00 to the Equipment Fund Campaign. Your idea of soliciting the leadership is a good idea and let us trust that a good subscription shall follow. Our example is needed in order to show our people that we practice what we preach.

Edward J. Laakso
Second Church,
Disciples of Christ
Bronx, New York

Gentlemen:

It was a thrilling moment when I first learned that the ministers of our brotherhood were being asked to provide the equipment for the new location of the archives of the Society. My thought was who would be more willing to help preserve all the

history of our great brotherhood and make it as easily accessible as possible for all to use than the leaders and ministers.

Thank you for the opportunity to thus share in as long lasting a project as this. Enclosed is my check for \$10.

Lester R. Snell
Church of Christ, Disciples
East Aurora, New York

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find check for \$10 indicating my participation in the Furnishing Fund of the building which the Phillips family is making possible for the Society. I sincerely hope that there will be a fine response to this appeal by the ministers of our Brotherhood.

J. Eric Carlson,
General Secretary
The National Benevolent Association
of the Christian Church
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Jim:

I am attaching a check to this letter together with a request in remembrance of one of my dearest friends, Dr. Mont Robertson Gabbert, who passed away in Pittsburgh on April 3, 1955.

In response to your communication of June 30, regarding the funds for furnishing the new Historical Society's building, this check for \$15.00 should be applied. I would appreciate it if—when your records go into the cornerstone—they would indicate "in memory of Dr. Mont Robertson Gabbert."

Dr. Gabbert served the University of Pittsburgh for 34 years, and for the greater part of that time was the head of the Philosophy Department. He was an ordained minister

of the Disciples of Christ, a native of Kentucky, a graduate of Transylvania and Chicago Universities. At his death he was a life-elder of the East End Christian Church. We have lost an irreplaceable friend, counselor, and comrade. The brotherhood has lost one of its most brilliant intellects and loyal supports.

My own check for this cause will be forthcoming.

William R. Vivrett
East End Christian Church
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

Am happy to enclose my check as response to your announced campaign for securing Equipment Funds for the Society's building.

If my brethren respond as rapidly as they desire their congregations to do in such special efforts, you should be successful by November 29th!

Kenneth B. Seeley
Central Christian Church
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Dear Jim:

Enclosed is my \$10 for the equipment in the new Disciple Research Center. I think this is a wonderful idea and I am happy that our historical records are to be so well housed. I will always appreciate the help which the Historical Society gave me by providing many of the necessary materials in my research on the philosophical background of Alexander Campbell for my Ph.D. Degree at Edinburgh University.

Leslie L. Kingsbury
First Christian Church
Manhattan, Kansas

READERS' COMMENTS WELCOME

Letters, such as those printed above, are always welcome at Society headquarters. We look forward to receiving comments and suggestions, not only in regard to the Society building plans and program, but on all phases of Society activity.

We hope our readers will continue to share with us their reaction to Society plans. The Disciples of Christ Historical Society was founded to serve the brotherhood. Your ideas on ways to improve these services, your comments on what we are presently doing, and your suggestions for future projects—all are welcome. Keep the letters coming in. We plan to publish them as space permits.

—The Editors

Jim's Journeys . . .



In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

Sunday, June 5 thru Sunday, June 26—Usual and unusual office routine in *NASHVILLE* as DCHS prepares plans for new building, details of solicitation campaign to individuals for building equipment fund; interspersed with weekend visits to pastor-less First Christian Church, *DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY*.

Sunday, June 26 thru Friday, July 1—*EU-REKA, ILLINOIS*, for well-attended adult conference directed by Hilton Windley. Pleasure to visit beautiful Eureka College campus, serve on faculty with Harry Adams, Velva Dreese, J. D. Montgomery, and others.

Saturday, Sunday, July 2, 3—Stopover in west Kentucky for fishing, preaching, visiting with friendly folks at *DAWSON SPRINGS*.

Monday, Tuesday, July 4-5—Nothing worthy to report; just *NASHVILLE* routine.

Wednesday, July 6—Enroute south with stop at *CHATTANOOGA* to chat with Howard McCloy (East Ridge Christian Church), others; also to see sights from Lookout Mt.

Thursday, July 7—Visits in *ATLANTA* and points south to *MACON*.

Friday, Saturday, July 8-9—Calling on *MACON* friend, C. O. McAfee, then pushing north to Virginia.

Sunday, July 10—drop in on board member A. Garnett Day (First Christian Church), *LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA*.

Monday, July 11—Visit with W. T. Dunn, *LYNCHBURG*, to pick up load of valuable materials for DCHS library; on to *RICHMOND*, via *DUNDAS, VIRGINIA*.

Tuesday, July 12—Visits with Mrs. Daisy Avery, Wayne Bell (Seventh Ave.), others in *RICHMOND*; stopover at *ASHLAND* to see George Williams (Slash Church, Hanover County); also pleasant afternoon chat with Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Forrest, Miss Evelyn Spencer, at old Pendleton homeplace, *CUCKOO, VIRGINIA*.

Wednesday, July 13—South Piedmont District Convention, *GRETNA, VIRGINIA*, for all day session with oldtime dinner on the grounds. Transportation courtesy Rex Tiltonson, Allen Stanger (Lynchburg College) and Ross Terrell (Euclid Ave., Lynchburg). Gracious host Bill Weeks, program people Myron Kaufman, Kelsie Martin, contribute to highly enjoyable day. Thanks.

Thursday thru Saturday, July 14-16—Return to *NASHVILLE* for check-ups: on materials, money, mail and myopia (mine).

Sunday, July 17—This is getting to be a habit. Supplying again for fine folks at *DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY*. "Tribulation worketh patience."

Monday, Tuesday, July 18-19—Attempting to persuade some very stubborn waterfowl to assume certain symmetrical positions.

Wednesday, July 20—From *NASHVILLE* to *ASHEVILLE*.

Thursday, July 21—*CHRISTMOUNT* Assembly Grounds for discussions of ways, means of utilizing this beautiful (and cool) Carolina hill country in the Disciple cause. Thanks to Mrs. L. T. New, Harry Berry, for including DCHS among brotherhood brass in evidence.

Friday, July 22—Long way home, via *VIRGINIA*, to pick up family and back to *NASHVILLE*.

Saturday thru Tuesday, July 23-26—The Office, with time out for preaching and visit to start of Tennessee Adult Conference, *BETHANY HILLS*, near *NASHVILLE*. Also Tuesday session of DCHS executive committee.

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Spencer's Observations...

The Curator, Claude E. Spencer, reports each month his observations concerning the work of the Society. Topics for consideration will include services rendered, publications issued, visitors to the library, materials received, DCHS finances, the work of the staff, technical processes, and other items that may be of interest to our readers.



Campbell Letters: A few weeks ago, while looking through the 1903 file of *The Christian Evangelist*, we discovered in the August 20 issue an intriguing article titled, "A Package of Letters," written by W. D. Ryan, minister of the Central Church of Christ, Syracuse, New York. Mr. Ryan described and quoted passages from several letters written by Alexander Campbell and members of his family to Elder Timothy Brewster of Ellesburgh, New York, between 1825 and 1835. The letters were then owned by Miss Ada Brewster, a member of Central Church in Syracuse.

Since it is our business to locate and secure letters of this kind, we immediately wrote to Vere E. Gillespie, minister of the South Geddes Street Church of Christ in Syracuse, asking for information concerning Miss Brewster and the letters. This seemed to be the best place to start in trying to trace the present location of the letters.

A few days ago we had Mr. Gillespie's reply. Miss Brewster was a faithful member of the South Geddes Street Church at the time of her death several years ago. Seemingly, there are no surviving relatives. The house in which she lived has been torn down to make way for an extensive housing project. No one knows what happened to the letters. They may have been destroyed after her death.

Of course there is always the possibility that some enterprising person, on reading

The Christian-Evangelist article in 1903, may have immediately contacted Miss Brewster and secured the correspondence from her; or, she may have made some disposition of the letters before her death.

It is our hope that we may eventually locate this valuable material. Should any of our readers have any information concerning these letters, we surely would like to hear from them.

Not only are we interested in this particular correspondence, but in all Campbell, Scott, Stone, Smith, Johnson, Errett, and other leaders' letters. We have many now in our collection; we know the location of many others, and always welcome new letters or information as to the location of others.

Using Drama: J. Edward Moseley, in the recently published revision of his *Using Drama in the Church*, suggests that perhaps someday the Disciples of Christ will make effective use of a symphonic pageant to depict the famous Cane Ridge Revival and other phases of their background and beginnings. There would seem to be no end to the possibilities of such projects, on both the national and regional levels.

Then, too, there is the need for plays about the history of the Disciples to be written for presentation by local church groups. There is a demand for such material, but at the present time little or nothing is available.

What Price Union: We recently discovered in an old scrapbook a most interesting item indicative of union sentiment in Kentucky in 1861; carefully pasted on the page is a swatch of printed cotton twill, in two shades of brown, red, white and blue, with shield figures having the inscription "Union" on them. There is a note written beside the cloth, saying, "Piece of dress worn by Mrs. Ben B. Groom, Winchester, Ky., November 23, 1861."

Then, fifty pages later, there is an obituary of "Mrs. Lizzie C. Groom," who died at Miller's Hotel, in New York City, April 1, 1882 "in the prime of life." She was the

wife of Ben B. Groom, formerly of Vine-wood, Clark County, Kentucky. Funeral services were held in the Main Street Christian Church in Lexington, Kentucky, by James W. Harding. Mr. Harding states that for many years he had been associated with "Brother Groom" in the eldership of the Winchester Church.

Jim's Journeys . . .

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Wednesday, Thursday, July 27-28—Abbreviated teaching assignment at above-mentioned adult conference; with small opportunity to catch even smaller fish.

Remainder of hot July days—Reading, writing and arithmetic, with speechmaking on the side; the standard formula for fund-raising.

Jim McKinney

Editorial . . .

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We shall continue the same impartial policy and anticipate a much larger program, which will be possible by the erection of the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips. The building and equipment alone will not insure a larger program; in addition, there must be funds for increased operating expenses for staff and materials.

Our services are offered to the *total* brotherhood. We solicit *total* brotherhood support.

Claude E. Spencer

Mistakes Do Happen!

Even though the first page of the June issue of THE HARBINGER AND DISCIPLIANA was checked by both the Curator and Executive Director a serious error was immediately discovered when the printed copies were delivered. In the caption below the perspective sketch of the proposed building the dates for Thomas W. Phillips were incorrectly printed. Instead of 1835-1922 the dates should have been 1835-1912.

Did You Miss Us?

For several reasons the regular July issue of THE HARBINGER AND DISCIPLIANA was omitted. Instead, this 16-page August number is being published earlier. Factors contributing to this decision included the desire to return to our scheduled publication date of the 10th of each month, which has been impossible during the past several months when rapidly changing developments in the Society building program made necessary a later publication schedule.

Also the editors felt that a July issue might not be effective because of the large number of HARBINGER readers on vacation. Incidental to the omission of an issue was the fact that Society finances dictate that we stretch each dollar of our limited publications budget as far as possible. We trust our readers have missed the July number, but that they will understand our situation. It is hoped that THE HARBINGER can now be published on schedule and that your copy will be received regularly by mid-month.

Suggestion: How about encouraging some of your friends to become members of the Society so that they will receive THE HARBINGER? The \$2.00 annual membership dues for individuals includes a year's subscription to the Society monthly. We believe many persons would be interested in receiving the paper if it could be called to their attention.

Sponsors' Committee

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What's New in Our Library . . .

On these pages are listed, and sometimes described, the materials received during the past month. This includes gifts, exchanges, and purchases. So many gifts are received that acknowledgment of every item is impossible, although every giver is mentioned.

Gifts and Exchanges

From June 8 to July 28, 79 receipts were issued to:

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 Joint University Libraries, Religion Section, Nashville, Tenn.
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 Charles C. Ware, Wilson, N.C.
 Woodrow W. Wasson, Nashville, Tenn.
 P. H. Welshimer, Canton, Ohio
 George A. Williams, Ashland, Va.

Local Church Publications

Local churches are increasingly placing our name on their mailing lists. The names of church papers and bulletins recently received for the first time is continued from our June issue.

Additions to Local Church Publications

Arkansas

Russellville. First Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Florida

Ft. Lauderdale. First Christian Church. *Church News Letter*

Illinois

Stanford. First Christian Church. *The Christian Messenger*

Indiana

Boone Grove. Christian Church. *The Christian Messenger*

Carlisle. Shaker Prairie Christian Church. *Shaker Prairie Data*

Milroy. Christian Church. *Newsletter*

Kansas

Cimarron. First Christian Church. *Cimarron Christian Church Life*

Michigan

Saginaw. First Christian Church. *First Christian Chronicle*

Mississippi

Tupelo. First Christian Church. *The Church News*

Missouri

California. First Christian Church. *The Christian Invitation*

Kansas City. University Heights Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Overland. Christian Church. *The Messenger*

Kansas City. Antioch Community Church. *The Antioch Messenger*

Kansas City. Ivanhoe Park Christian Church. *Ivanhoe Christian*

New York

Brooklyn. Ridgewood Christian Church. *Homelike News*

North Tonawanda. Payne Avenue Christian Church. *The Payne Avenue Christian*

Ohio

Marion. Central Christian Church. *Central Christian Gazette*

Salem. Christian Church. *The Christian Guide*

Toledo. Central Christian Church. *Central Church Visitor*

Toledo. East Christian Church. *Christian Visitor*

Uhurichville. First Christian Church. *The Christian*

Oklahoma

Hobart. First Christian Church. *The Crusader and Orders of Worship*

Tulsa. East Side Christian Church. *East Side Christian Crusader*, an edition of the *Tulsa Herald*.

Oregon

Milwaukee. Church of Christ. *Milwaukee Christian*

Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh. Central Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Washington. First Christian Church. *The Christian Visitor*

Tennessee

Livingston. Christian Church. *The Christian Link*

Milligan College. Hopwood Memorial Christian Church. *The Buffalo Creek Christian*

Nashville. Clay Street Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Springfield. Christian Church. *News from the Springfield Christian Church*

Texas

Alice. First Christian Church. *Newsletter*

Alice. First Christian Church. *The Visitor*

Beaumont. Northwood Christian Church. *Northwood Notes*

Borger. First Christian Church. *The Christian Chronicle*

Denison. Hull Street Christian Church. *The Hull Street Herald*

Denison. Hull Street Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Dumas. Christian Church. *The Christian Criterion*

Hereford. First Christian Church. *Christian Caller*

Jacksonville. First Christian Church. *News of the Pews*

Luling. First Christian Church. *News-letter*

Vernon. Central Christian Church. Orders of Worship

Victoria. First Christian Church. *The Christian Caller*

Weatherford. Central Christian Church. *Central Communicative*

Virginia

Salem. First Christian Church. *First Christian Church*

Washington

Ellensburg. First Christian Church. *News-letter*

Pasco. First Christian Church. *The Mid-Week Call-to-Worship*

Rosalia. Christian Church. *The Rosalia Reporter*

Spokane. Central Christian Church. *The Central Times*

England

Birkenhead. Church of Christ. *Alvanley Messenger*

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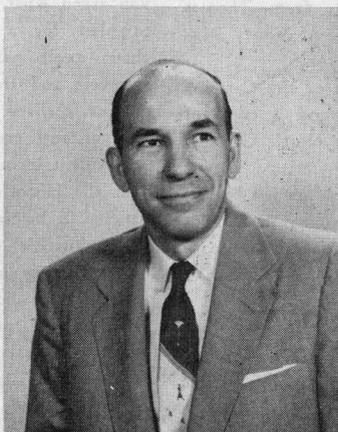
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A FELLOWSHIP OF RESPONSIBILITY

By J. Edward Moseley*

No history is ever made or written without the collaboration of many people. Every person has a connection with the past and this interest, though latent perhaps for years, can be stirred. This means that each Christian in every congregation has a responsibility. There is no church history, however fascinating, without cooperation, or lack of it, every day in every congregation by every member. Only as Disciples of Christ now join this fellowship of responsibility will it become possible for future historians to tell the complete and accurate history of our brotherhood.

In the short history of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society, there are three noteworthy years: 1941, 1952, and 1955. Formed in 1941, during the St. Louis International Convention of Disciples, the Society's sole purpose is to discover, collect, preserve, and make available for use, materials about our brotherhood that will strengthen the understanding of our religious heritage for today and succeeding generations. In 1952, when its archives and headquarters were removed to Nashville, Tennessee, it became a full-time service agency. Its affairs are governed by a board of fifty-one members



and regular reports are made to the International Convention. The year of 1955 will be remembered for the beginning of construction on the Society's magnificent Tudor-Gothic headquarters building in the heart of Nashville's University Center, gift of the Phillips family of Pennsylvania.

Among other things, the Historical Society has created a distinctive place for itself in three respects: (1) it is the only national service agency of the Brotherhood with headquarters in the South; (2) it is prohibited by its constitution from taking sides in any of the brotherhood's divisive issues and is, therefore, the only brotherhood agency working with all Disciples; and (3) it is setting a pattern for a fuller understanding of Disciple history in a developing ecumenical research center where any person is welcome for study at any time.

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Fellowship and Responsibility of Time

The Historical Society needs the assistance of every member of every congregation in the entire brotherhood. As a Christian, you are part of a fellowship and, therefore, have a definite responsibility. Some of your free time might be used to help locate, collect, and transmit to

*The gist of an address delivered at the Tennessee State Convention of Disciples of Christ in the First Christian Church at Jackson, on April 28, 1955. Mr. Moseley, first president of The Disciples of Christ Historical Society, is now a member of its executive committee. A free-lance writer, and a contributing editor of *World Call*, he resides in Indianapolis, Indiana.

future generations, valuable historical materials. Your search may take you into the attic or basement of most any house, but particularly old ones, to secondhand book stores—even into the wastebaskets of your own church! More often than not, it will be the least likely place—the last one that you would think would yield a rare treasure. This discovery of materials is a continuing task that requires the help of interested persons in every church.

Such finds of valuable data are exciting indeed to research scholars. In a Seattle bookstore I found the first annual of Drake University, with helpful items about the early days of that educational institution. I obtained an autographed copy of one of Dr. Peter Ainslie's books in a Washington store. I was surprised to locate a rare copy of E. D. Howe's *Mormonism Unveiled* (1834) among the scattered remains of one of our church college libraries. This volume, which cost ten cents, was then quoted by professional used book dealers at \$27.00. It contained a letter, dated in 1831, from Thomas Campbell, accepting the challenge of Sidney Rigdon to debate the *Book of Mormon*.

Dr. Charles C. Ware, Curator of the Carolina Discipliana Library, recently found a copy of the elusive minutes of the first North Carolina Convention of the Disciples of Christ. It was between the leaves of an old Bible owned by the great-grandson of one of the original leaders of that assembly. All copies of the four-page printed leaflet had been lost for more than a century.

If you will use a little spare time, your search may lead you to discover this record of the past in various forms. More familiar types are old letters, diaries, journals, photos of groups and individuals, church minutes and records, periodicals, newspaper clippings, bulletins and announcements, posters, reports, pamphlets, and books. Anything printed, even in mimeo-

graphed form, about any activity in one of our churches, by any of our preachers or lay leaders, old or recently issued, needs to be saved. If you question its value, save it anyhow, and send it promptly for safekeeping in fireproof quarters to the Disciples of Christ Historical Society, Joint University Library, Nashville, Tennessee. Competent authorities there will determine its value after careful examination. What you may regard as worthless may be a rarity for which scholars are daily searching.

Fellowship and Responsibility of Talent

Time is not the only asset that you can use in exercising your responsibility in this Christian fellowship. You have talents, even though you may not realize it, that could help to extend this fellowship of responsibility.

Your local church is likely to have an important anniversary ahead. Do you know anything about it? How complete and accurate are the historical materials now at hand? Have you asked what part you could have in helping to plan for a significant celebration? What about exact names and dates of the charter members and former pastors? If these are not correct, perhaps you are a party to the perpetuation of real errors. Examples of this tragedy are evident in our history books. Do you realize that the Historical Society can likely render assistance in helping to unravel tangled threads of your church's history?

The Society has an abundance of materials to provide such aid. Partial studies by competent persons have already been made about many areas of general interest and information on these is readily available. Expert help on adequate source materials about most any subject of the life and thought of the brotherhood is ready for use. Indexes of various media have been started and other indispensable research tools are waiting for the use of researchers. In addition,

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there is a limited loan service of various types of published historical data, bibliographical aids, and microfilmed materials not otherwise available.

If your church building does not provide fire-proof quarters for storing valuable and rare materials—and few of our church structures do—then by all means waste no time in having the responsible officials of your congregation consider depositing your rare minutes and other records with the Historical Society right away. There they will be as safe as man's ingenuity can make them.

There are numerous ways in which you may render valuable aid to necessary research. First, consider an illustration of how inaccuracies may unfortunately be continued indefinitely. Earlier this year a Hoosier congregation observed its 125th anniversary. A newspaper report about it, given state-wide circulation, stated that "Alexander Campbell, accompanied by his song leader, Barton W. Stone, appeared at the church in 1859, according to church records." What a travesty of the real facts! No record that church historians know about indicates that Stone was ever a song leader for Campbell—certainly not in 1859, since Stone died in 1844!

An intriguing possibility for future research is a recent suggestion that Davy Crockett was a follower of Alexander Campbell. The "King of the Wild Frontier" might have been, although no church historian seems to be aware of any authority for such a statement. Who knows where some elusive factual data may yet be discovered that will clarify this matter?

Again, Dr. Lin D. Cartwright, editor of *The Christian-Evangelist*, is writing a book about the origin and meaning of the confession of faith used in our churches. He needs facts about when, where, and by whom the usual confession was first used in a Christian church or Church of Christ. What is known by anyone concerning the background of the statement? Was it an adaptation from other religious pioneers on the frontier? His problem is typical of those that plague research scholars. Any clues in solving such a problem will be welcomed.

The Jackson Church apparently was organized in 1849. James J. Trott, missionary hero among the Cherokee Indians, then the Tennessee state evangelist, reported the organization in the *Christian Magazine* (October, 1849, p. 391). The congregation, like many others in the South

during the Civil War, probably suspended activities during the hostilities because its members were dispersed. The ministry of the church was likely resumed in 1867, as indicated by the cornerstone data of this building. If this assumption is correct (more research may change it), then the First Christian Church of Jackson is already more than one hundred years old! This suggests the need of an effective brotherhood Historical Society that can help ferret out the facts.

Trott, incidentally, was chairman of the Tennessee Cooperation Meeting when it was convened in 1848. This was the forerunner of the present Tennessee State Convention of Disciples which has had an uninterrupted existence since 1890. Details about these matters should be set forth in my projected history of the Tennessee Disciples of Christ. This state was at the heart of the controversy over instrumental music and missionary societies. Before the division of 1906 among our churches there were 900 congregations in Tennessee. Why has our brotherhood, with its plea for Christian unity, suffered division? We do not seem to have learned anything by it, else why is the brotherhood again dividing? The records need to be fully explored. When they are, as I am undertaking to do, the Tennessee history may well be the most significant state history of the Disciples ever written or published. There is much fiction that needs to be sifted from fact.

You participate in the Historical Society when you definitely accept your responsibility to share as you can in the program of this service agency.

Fellowship and Responsibility of Treasure

This fellowship and responsibility may also be assumed and shared by giving of your possessions.

The new permanent Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, the headquarters building of the Historical Society, assured by the generous gifts of the Phillips family of Western Pennsylvania, will soon be under construction. It will provide adequate facilities for the most extensive research center of any Protestant body anywhere. It will be a lovely fireproof Tudor-Gothic Structure, air-conditioned with humidity control, in the heart of the University Center of Nashville, Tennessee, where the campuses of Vanderbilt University, Scarritt College, and Peabody College join. Shelf space will be provided in the floors

of stacks for 150,000 volumes. It is estimated that the building will cost over \$600,000.

Ministers of the Disciples are being given the opportunity, during a campaign for \$50,000, to provide the building's necessary equipment. Never before have the preachers been asked to contribute in such a campaign. They will not be the main beneficiaries of the research center, but they can readily understand the need for adequate facilities. A number of them in the years to come will use the building and equipment and make their contribution to the perpetuation of a glorious religious heritage. Certainly the ministers, and friends who will share in this effort, will not fail to respond to this notable gift to the brotherhood from the Phillips family.

Since the Historical Society does not have any endowment funds, its operating expenses must come from individuals and local churches. Frankly, right now, our financial plight is a desperate hand-to-mouth existence. Memberships (there are various types) are needed from both individuals and churches. The Society does not participate in Unified Promotion. The generous subsidy from Nashville citizens that made possible the move to Nashville in 1952 is fast running out and in two more years will all be spent.

Every member of this brotherhood has a responsibility to share our dynamic heritage with those who shall come after us. You may not do your share in the church evangelistically by urging other persons to accept Christ. If not, you can have a share in making "our plea" known to others by assuming your responsibility to help extend the favorable influence of the Historical Society to future generations. Whatever your theological views, this is an unparalleled opportunity for you to join in this fellowship of responsibility. Despite differences in viewpoints, all members of Christian churches and Churches of Christ can work together through the Historical Society.

A concert pianist was asked one Sunday if he would like to attend church services. The artist promptly replied, "Yes, if you can take me to hear a preacher who will tempt me to do the impossible." The opportunity is here now for the Historical Society and will not wait. Whether our heritage survives and the good is passed on depends on what each one of us does. Will you join other concerned Disciples and promise:

I am only one

And I cannot do everything.

But I can do something

And *what I can do, I will do!*

Yours is the privilege of becoming a definite part of a growing fellowship of responsibility. What is your answer, as a Christian?

Jim's Journeys . . .



In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

The month of August, with a few days on either side—Don't get around much anymore. The missus is laid up for a spell, so I'm making like a housewife. (You should taste my chocolate malt layer cake; on second thought, we can't afford to lose even one reader.)

Culinary activity aside (and I wish it were), the month was mixed with a generous amount of legwork—to and from library, doctor's office, hospital, children's rooms, etc., etc.; a dash of preaching to friends at Dawson Springs, Kentucky; sprinkled with study of building plans, a *soupcou* of teaching at Advance Regional Conference, Bethany Hills, Tennessee; strongly flavored throughout with considerable concern over our (mine and DCHS) financial status, which prompts the following essay. (We want us to pay my salary next month.)

The New Building is Wonderful . . . BUT Expenses Go On!

Society supporters need to be reminded that the Society's need for regular operating funds has not abated. Since the announcement some months ago of the complete underwriting of the Society Building costs by the Phillips family of Pennsylvania, some individuals and churches have assumed that this marked the end of the Society's financial problems.

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EQUIPMENT FUND CONTINUES TO GROW

Contributions Received Daily

Society officials report satisfactory progress for the first two months of the Building Equipment Fund campaign, started July 1, with initial solicitation of brotherhood leadership for small contributions.

The two-year campaign for \$50,000 with which to furnish and equip the Society's new permanent headquarters building in Nashville is being stepped up with more active solicitation planned for this fall and winter.

Contributors to be Recognized

A second direct-mail appeal to ministers and other leaders of the brotherhood, recently forwarded, is expected to result in substantial response during October and November. Names of contributors prior to November 15 will be sealed in the Cornerstone of the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips during a ceremony expected to take place November 29 on the occasion of the second

President's Annual Dinner.

Society Officials urge prospective donors to return their pledge cards and contributions promptly in order to make this Cornerstone list as complete as possible.

Acknowledgement Cards Sent

Each contributor to the Equipment Fund Campaign to date has been mailed a handsome receipt card bearing an artist's sketch of the new Society building and an expression of appreciation. A number of members of the Society and other individuals have made voluntary contributions to the campaign without solicitation; and, as the printed lists have shown, some contributions received from individuals have exceeded the suggested minimum of \$10.00 from brotherhood ministers and leaders.

Contributions to the campaign since the printing of the August HARBINGER follow:

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JIM'S JOURNEYS . . .

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This is far from the actual situation!

The Society has three basic accounts: the Building Fund (supplied by the Phillips family); the Building Equipment Fund (slowly growing from contributions by brotherhood individuals); and the Operating Fund (supplied primarily in recent years by a generous subsidy from the Nashville Planning Committee and supplemented by membership dues from individuals, churches and organizations).

These three accounts are *not interchangeable!* Our operating expenses must be paid out of the Operating Fund. And this is our greatest current worry.

If the Phillips family can supply the Society with a magnificent new building, and if the ministry and leadership of the brotherhood can supply the funds to properly equip and furnish the building; then, surely, the brotherhood-at-large, through small annual membership dues from individuals, churches and organizations, can maintain the Society's modest operating budget.

What can you do?

There are a number of churches which have become members of the Society in recent years through payment of Regular Congregational Membership dues ranging from \$10.00 to \$50.00, or Sustaining Membership dues of \$100.00 annually. Many of these churches have not maintained their Society membership for the current year. Perhaps the dues checks will be forthcoming. Perhaps you can speed the process by inquiring as to whether your church's membership dues are current.

If your church is not a member of the Society, it ought to be. Your influence is needed to help bring more current operating support to the Society through local church memberships.

Staff promotion for memberships, individual and local church, has necessarily been curtailed in recent months due to the planning and development of the Society building program. The staff now calls on you for assistance.

The brotherhood-at-large, individuals and churches, is charged with the responsibility to maintain this service agency, created by the brotherhood. May we anticipate early receipt of DCHS membership dues from your church?

**Excerpts from Letters Re:
Equipment Fund Campaign**

"It is perfectly wonderful what progress has been made by the Society and I congratulate you and all others available for credit. Had the new historical shrine been proposed on strictly modern box car design, I should have deplored it."

Reuben Butchart
130 Delhi St.
Guelph, Ontario, Canada

"I am most happy to add my contribution to the Building Fund. This is a wonderful thing that we as a Brotherhood are doing. May it be the means of spreading the Good News to a world hungry for the Truth."

Greta J. Brown
(Mrs. Richard E.)
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"The HARBINGER reached my desk today, and I certainly want to have a part in the building equipment fund and enclose my check for \$10.00 for that purpose."

C. H. Wetterau
Nashville, Tennessee

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NOVEMBER 29TH — PRESIDENT'S DINNER

Committees Named to Plan Event Honoring Colby D. Hall

Planning activity continues in preparation for the Second Annual President's Dinner, to be held in Nashville, Tuesday, November 29, 1955, honoring Dr. Colby Dixon Hall, Dean Emeritus, Brite College of the Bible and Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, and President of the Society, 1954-1955.

Committees have been appointed by Dr. William G. West, DCHS Board Chairman, to complete plans for the Society-sponsored event which is expected to draw a wide gathering of brotherhood leadership to Society headquarters for the testimonial dinner and attendant activities.

Hall Address Featured

Highlight of the President's Dinner will be an address by Dr. Hall on some phase of Disciple History. Following the tradition established by the Society at the First Annual President's Dinner, December 4, 1953, honoring Dr. W. E. Garrison, the Society will also present Dr. Hall with a special citation in recognition of significant contributions to the understanding of the heritage of Dis-

ciples of Christ. It is expected that Dr. Garrison will be present to introduce the guest of honor, Dr. Hall.

Many prominent brotherhood leaders will be in Nashville for this occasion, including members of the DCHS Board of Directors, which will hold its annual meeting on Wednesday, November 30. Other Society committees will use the occasion for special meetings.

Sealing of Cornerstone Box

A special ceremony at the site of the new Society building—the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips—is being planned for Tuesday afternoon, November 29, four years to the day since the Society Directors took action designating Nashville as the permanent Society location. This ceremony will climax in the sealing of the cornerstone box which will later be placed in the cornerstone of the new building. It has been hoped that a cornerstone-laying ceremony could be planned for this occasion, but delays in building plans preclude this type of program.

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Editorial . . .

by J. Edward Moseley

WANTED IN 1959: A MAJESTIC DRAMA ABOUT DISCIPLES

Last summer I was privileged to attend a performance of "Wilderness Road," the stirring symphonic drama by Paul Green, that celebrated the centennial of Berea (Ky.) College. The first summer's production was in the Indian Fort Amphitheatre near Berea under the able direction of Dr. Samuel Selden. A thrilling play about mountain people, climaxing in the Civil War, there was never a dull moment with action on three stages, music, singing of ballads and hymns, folk dancing, and comedy interspersed with tragedy.

The professional production used 100 singers and actors, mostly students and townspeople who were carefully trained. One of the leading roles was taken by Burnett Hobgood, born at Lotumbe in the Belgian Congo, the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hobgood, retired Disciple missionaries. A graduate of Transylvania College and Western Reserve University, young Mr. Hobgood, who played the part of Squire Sims so well, is an associate professor of drama and speech at Catawba College, Salisbury, North Carolina.

"Wilderness Road" is first-rate drama, written and produced on a professional scale and that has accounted for its widespread appeal. Paul Green is a master playwright with an evangelistic passion for stories of Americana that are worth telling time and again. The winner of the Pulitzer Prize in drama, he is the renowned author of "The Common Glory" and "The Lost Colony," and other comprehensive plays about moving aspects of America's glorious heritage.

The director, Dr. Selden, coaches the famous Carolina Playmakers at the University of North Carolina. He is the son of Presbyterian missionaries to China. He has been advisory director of the noted Cherokee Indian play, "Unto These Hills." He was the original stage manager of Green's Pulitzer Prize play, "In Abraham's Bosom."

While seeing and hearing "Wilderness Road," my thought was stimulated about a possible symphonic drama concerning the beginnings of the Disciples of Christ. The 1950 Oklahoma City International Convention, I recalled, recommended "appropriate recognition" of the 150th anniversary of the adoption and publication of Thomas Campbell's *Declaration and Address*. This celebration will occur in 1959 and the holding of the International Convention in Pittsburgh that year makes it a logical time and place for a dramatic production on a grand scale, under the best of professional direction, about our religious heritage.

The dramatic form that Mr. Green calls "symphonic drama" provides an excellent means of recovering the majestic sweep of Disciple beginnings in terms of the noble Greek drama. With effective use of the spoken word by vivid characterization, choral and symphonic music, such a play about the pioneer struggles of our spiritual forefathers could become a valid contribution to Americana. A mere pageant, on the other hand, would simply seek to portray abstract ideas.

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SOCIETY PRESENTS HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP and Citation to Edward Scribner Ames

Dr. Edward Scribner Ames, beloved former minister of the University Church of Disciples of Christ, Chicago, was presented with an Honorary Life Membership in the Disciples of Christ Historical Society and a Citation for outstanding contributions to the brotherhood at Chicago, October 7. The presentation was made by James E. McKinney, DCHS executive director.

The membership and accompanying citation was voted to Dr. Ames by the Society board of directors in October, 1954, at the annual meeting in Miami. Dr. Ames becomes the fourth person to be honored by the Society* with an Honorary Life Membership, and the second to be presented with an achievement citation.

Joins Select Group

Other Honorary Life Members of the Society are: the late Dr. Henry Barton Robison, for 34 years head of the Department of Religion, Culver-Stockton College, Canton, Missouri; Mr. T. F. G. Patterson, curator of the County Armagh Museum, Ireland; and the late Reverend Alfred Scott, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Aforey, Ireland, where Thomas Campbell became pastor about 1798.

In 1953, Dr. W. E. Garrison, a former member of University Church, Chicago, now professor of philosophy and religion at University of Houston, was presented with a Society citation during his term as DCHS president.

Long and Distinguished Career

Dr. Ames was pastor of the University Church for forty years, retiring in 1940. His association as Dean of the Disciples Divinity House of the University of Chicago began in 1927 and continued until 1945. The Society citation recognized Dr. Ames' "long and distinguished career as philosopher, educator, author and minister."

The citation continued:

"Through your lectures and writings in the field of philosophy, psychology and religion,

you opened a new era of scholarship for Disciples of Christ; and in your leadership of the University Church and the Disciples Divinity House of the University of Chicago, you challenged a new generation of Disciples to rethink their own heritage in the light of the knowledge and critical spirit of the Twentieth Century.

"As a founder of the Campbell Institute, you have helped provide the ministry of the Disciples of Christ with a unique and continuing forum for free inquiry, where the genius of our past may constantly be invoked to stimulate and enrich the thought of the future."

The citation was hand-lettered in red, gold and black ink on parchment paper and was signed by the President and officers of the Society.

Dr. Ames was presented with the citation and Honorary Life Membership card in a private ceremony at his home, attended by a number of his close friends and former parishioners, including two charter members of the University Church, Charles Wakeley and S. S. MacClintock.

Significant Anniversary Program

At the Sixty-First Anniversary Dinner, commemorating the first meeting of the Church on October 7, 1894, the citation was read to a large gathering of members of the University Church and re-presented to Mr. MacClintock to be returned to Dr. Ames. J. J. Van Boskirk, ad interim minister at University Church, arranged for the Society participation on this anniversary program.

A unique feature of the anniversary dinner program included a reenactment of the ceremony of dedication of the present University Church building on October 7, 1923, with special music by B. Fred Wise and other members of the congregation of the historic church. Board Chairman Alex Coutts presided at the dinner. Guest speaker was Professor Samuel C. Kincheloe of the University of Chicago, who spoke on the theme, "A New Dispensation."

CONSTRUCTION BIDS TO BE OPENED OCTOBER 25

Contractors Study Plans

Complete plans and specifications for the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips are now in the hands of a number of qualified Nashville contracting firms which are expected to bid for the general contracting work and special mechanical items on the new Society building.

Tuesday, October 25, 1955, has been set as the date for opening bids, by action of the Society's Executive and Building Committee on advice of Hart, Freeland and Roberts, Associate Architects. Most of the complex assortment of plans and specifications have been in the hands of prospective bidders for more than a month. Final drawings were received from Hoffman and Crumpton, Architects, Pittsburgh, on October 1 and distributed immediately to contracting firms.

Outstanding Firms Invited

Because of the nature of the project, the bidding will be by invitation only. Twelve prominent Nashville general contracting firms have been invited to submit bids. Competi-

Wanted in 1959

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It is none too early for a group to begin consideration of a symphonic play about Disciples. Failure to begin in time forced abandonment of plans for a dramatic production last year during the celebration of the 150th anniversary at Cane Ridge of the *Last Will and Testament of the Springfield Presbytery*. Attention should soon be given to selection of the best possible writer of the script, the planning and raising of adequate finances, arranging for a suitable amphitheatre and a cast, et cetera.

Bethany College at Bethany, West Virginia, about fifty miles from Pittsburgh, seems a logical place to stage such a production. It might be continued summer after summer. Students and townspeople could likely be used with a few experienced actors to take the leading parts. In addition to Bethany College, the International Convention, the Council on Christian Unity, and

tive bids have also been invited from other Nashville firms specializing in certain mechanical items in regard to the building which will be put under separate contracts. These include work on the heating and air-conditioning, plumbing, elevator and electrical phases of the construction.

Construction to Start Soon

It is expected by the DCHS Building Committee—which is charged with the responsibility for studying the bids in conjunction with members of the Phillips family of Pennsylvania, who will underwrite the building cost—that a contract for general work can be signed within a short time after opening of bids. Construction work would begin as soon as possible after selection of these firms is made. It is hoped that work on the structure will be underway prior to the Annual President's Dinner, Tuesday, November 29.

the Disciples of Christ Historical Society ought to be interested in sponsoring such a majestic drama. None should be satisfied with an amateur production.

Friends with whom I have discussed such a play have been most encouraging about possibilities. I know that many other persons in the brotherhood will readily share in any plans reached by a responsible committee. Therefore, I am proposing to the Executive Committee of the Historical Society that it consider this suggestion. If the group approves the general idea, then it might authorize a committee to proceed immediately to explore the possibilities of such a symphonic drama.

Editorial Comment

The suggestion made by Mr. Moseley was discussed by the DCHS Executive Committee September 27 and the following resolution was passed: "That the Chairman appoint a committee of three persons to investigate and consider possibilities of the production of a professional "symphonic drama" on the beginnings of the Disciples of Christ in connection with the celebration in 1959 of the 150th anniversary of the publication of Thomas Campbell's *Declaration and Address*."

OBELISK COMMITTEE SEEKS SUGGESTIONS

One of the many unique features being incorporated into the new Society headquarters building will be an obelisk to be erected in the center of the forecourt garden of the building. An unusually attractive feature of the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, the obelisk will visually portray the central ideas of our 19th Century reform movement. On each of the four sides of the obelisk will be the name of one of the "big four" pioneer leaders of the early movement—Barton W. Stone, Thomas and Alexander Campbell and Walter Scott—a bust of the man in bas-relief, and one or two brief excerpts from his writings setting forth the genius of the man and the movement.

A committee of three—Miss Eva Jean Wrather, chairman; Dr. Howard E. Short of the College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky; and Dr. Ronald E. Osborn of Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana—has been appointed by the chairman of the Society's Board of Directors to select the quotations for the obelisk. These quotations, the committee believes, should both individually typify the man and collectively express the major emphasis of the movement. Therefore, before making the final selection, the committee desires to assess the best thinking and, as far as possible, discover the common mind of the brotherhood on this important question.

Some of the suggestions before the committee are as follows:

Barton Stone

Let the unity of Christians be our polar star.

Let every Christian begin the work of union in himself.

Thomas Campbell

Where the Scriptures speak, we speak; and where the Scriptures are silent, we are silent.

The church of Christ upon earth is essentially, intentionally, and constitutionally one.

Alexander Campbell

We have decided to open the gates of admission to the Church as wide as the gates of heaven.

Our platform must be as long and as broad as the New Testament.

Walter Scott

The terms of the Ancient Gospel—faith, repentance, baptism, remission of sins, gift of the Holy Spirit, and eternal life.

The grand saving truth is, that "Jesus is the Christ." This is the bond of union among Christians, the essence of all revelation.

Brotherhood leadership has been solicited for suggestions for other quotations which might better represent the men and give a clearer conception of the total movement. Miss Wrather reports that a number of splendid suggestions have been received to date, but that the committee wishes to receive more comments and suggestions before making a final decision. A committee meeting is scheduled for November 29, the date of the Annual President's Dinner, and suggestions should be received prior to this date.

All correspondence concerning the project should be sent to the committee chairman, **Miss Eva Jean Wrather, 4700 Elkins Avenue, Nashville 9, Tennessee.**

An early issue of *The Harbinger* will be devoted to this special feature of the new Society building, listing the selections for quotations and sketches of the obelisk design.

Letters . . .

"Here's my \$10.00 for the Equipment fund. I hope your campaign goes over the top, and it will, if our preachers are interested—and they should be."

John H. Booth
280 S. Downey Ave.
Indianapolis 19, Indiana

"Inclosed please find my contribution of \$10.00 . . . This is one of our worthy and visionary attempts. May it serve the fine purpose intended by the Brotherhood is my sincere prayer . . . Please accept the gift in memory of John L. Speight, deceased."

Henry F. Speight
First Christian Church
Fayetteville, N. C.

CHRISTIAN-EVANGELIST INDEXING RESUMED

Work on *The Christian-Evangelist* Indexing Project was resumed October 3 when Mrs. Paul Mills joined the Society staff as indexer. Originally started April 1 with John Lipscomb in charge, the project was temporarily suspended when Mr. Lipscomb resigned June 30.

As previously announced, the project is being financed by a subsidy from the Christian Board of Publication, present publishers

of the periodical. A selective index to the more than 90 years of the paper will be made. Included in the project is the micro-filming of the files.

Mrs. Mills, a graduate of Abilene Christian College and of the Library School of George Peabody College for Teachers, was assistant librarian for two and a half years of the Methodist Publishing House Library in Nashville.

November 29 . . .

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Reception and Tours Planned

In conjunction with the Disciples Divinity House of Vanderbilt University, the Society will sponsor a reception for Dr. Hall and other visiting dignitaries in the lounge of the Vanderbilt School of Religion, one block from the site of the new Society building. A tour of prominent buildings in the University Center is also being planned.

Methodist Dining Hall Selected

The President's Dinner will be held in the cafeteria of the Methodist Board of Education at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 29. This is a beautifully appointed dining hall seating approximately 250 persons. Through a glass wall fronting on the Scarritt College plaza, visitors to the President's Dinner will be able to view construction work underway on the new Society building one block away. The cafeteria is Nashville's only non-segregated dining hall. Use of the dining hall in the new Board of Education building at 1001 Nineteenth Avenue, South, is being permitted for this occasion by the gracious cooperation of Methodist officials.

Send Reservations Promptly

Tickets for the President's Dinner at \$2.00 per plate. Reservations are being received at Society headquarters. All those planning to attend the Dinner are urged to send reservations in promptly. Address: Dinner Committee, Disciples of Christ Historical Society, Joint University Library Building, 419-Twenty-first Avenue, South, Nashville 5, Tennessee.

Letters . . .

"I was very happy to know that the Phillips family is building the headquarters library in Nashville . . . I am glad to have a part with my fellow ministers in equipping this building. Enclosed find a check as my contribution for ten dollars."

Paul C. Howle
First Christian Church
Athens, Georgia

"Enclosed find our ten dollars for the furnishings. Now our easternmost churches will be represented, in fact, our only churches in Maine. The idea suggested of having us ministers contribute was a good one, and I am happy to forward this small contribution."

Donald Stockford
Christian Temple, Church of Christ
Lubec, Maine

"Enclosed is my personal contribution of \$10.00 for the Building Equipment Fund. I count it a real pleasure to be able to share in a small way in the new Disciple Research Center by helping to equip it adequately. I trust that there will be a good response from the ministers of Christian Churches and Churches of Christ.

There is a great wealth of material related to the Restoration Movement and we as ministers of this great movement need to see that it is preserved for future generations in the best possible way.

May God bless the Phillips family and others like them who have our Plea at heart and are willing to give sacrificially to preserve materials related to it."

Paul A. Remick
Lemoyne Church of Christ
Lemoyne, Pennsylvania

Jim's Journeys . . .



In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

We all survived.

September 1-15—Cleaning up the kitchen, preparatory to changing cooks. (See September column for explanation of above.)

Thursday, September 15—Time out for speech to men of Elkton Christian Church, ELKTON, KENTUCKY.

Sunday, September 18—Another change-over. Installing Bob Platt as new minister, First Christian Church, DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY. (I knew if I stayed with this thing long enough, that they would get tired and hire a preacher.) Thanks very much, and best wishes to a great group of western Kentuckians.

Tuesday through Saturday, September 20-24—Going, coming and staying on a trip to the yonder side of the Mississippi. Bouncing over Arkansas with Mrs. Bertha Mason Fuller, beloved Christian leader and friend. (The truck furnishes transportation to, and almost fro. Back to within 40 miles of Nashville, when the clutch slips its last. In the dark of night, naturally. Nearest garage—about three miles, that-a-way. I should be used to these minor incidents by now.) At any rate, stops were made at LITTLE ROCK, GOULD, SEARCY, FLAT ROCK, FORREST CITY and MEMPHIS. Thanks to everyone for hospitality, especially to Mrs. Fuller, who seems to thrive on Wednesday night prayer-meetings, followed by late (very late) suppers. Seriously, it was a wonderful time, and I enjoyed it. Thanks. (And the truck was fixed, and I got home, and it will probably happen all over again soon.)

Tuesday, September 27—Executive Committee session. Wrestling with tribulation. Except for mountains for promotional paper work, conferences, committee meetings, chasing here, chasing there, nothing much happened until:

Thursday and Friday, October 6, 7—CHICAGO for presentation of honors to Dr. Edward Scribner Ames, explained in story elsewhere. After sleeping (HA!) on train up, midnight confab with Disciple Divinity House inhabitants very stimulating. Same with early morning rise to meet Harold Fey for transportation to station to catch another slow roller. Meeting and chatting with Dr. Ames about DCHS building activity high-point of trip. Pleasure to be guest at University Church dinner, make friends with Chicago folks. Thanks to Joe Van Boskirk for arrangements.

Saturday, October 8—From the Illinois Central to Western Kentucky Stages; CHICAGO to FULTON, KENTUCKY to MAYFIELD, KENTUCKY.

Sunday, October 9—Supplying for the Christian Church, BENTON, KENTUCKY. One advantage of this job: I never lack for seeing new faces, making new friends.

Monday through Thursday, October 10-13—Out go the general letters pleading for increased church support; and out I go, on next train for St. Louis and points west. What a schedule! It certainly isn't boring.

Jim McKinney

"It is with genuine pleasure that I am privileged to enclose my check for \$10.00 to apply on The Equipment Fund, Disciples of Christ Historical Society."

Clement Few
Paris, Texas

"Enclosed please find \$3.00 for the Equipment fund campaign. I would like to have it credited in memory of Enoch C. Browning (1836-1925). It is interesting to note that his lifespan almost paralleled that of Thomas W. Phillips, in whose memory the building is given."

Ethel M. Rule
7109 Browning Road
Highland, California

BROTHERHOOD RESPONDS TO EQUIPMENT CAMPAIGN

New Contributors Listed

Society efforts to raise \$50,000 fund for equipping and furnishing the new DCHS headquarters building have met with increasing response from brotherhood leadership—to whom the campaign has been primarily directed—in recent months.

Contributions are received daily from ministers and others in positions of leadership throughout the brotherhood in answer to direct-mail solicitation. The two-year drive—slated to conclude June 30, 1957—will be intensified as construction progresses on the

new Society building being given to the brotherhood by the Phillips family of Pennsylvania as a memorial to Thomas W. Phillips (1835-1912).

Ministers and brotherhood leaders are being asked to subscribe \$10.00 or more, in cash or pledges, to the fund which will be used to equip the new building when completed early in 1957.

Contributors to the equipment fund since the printing of the September issue of *The Harbinger* are:

	Paid	Additional Pledged
<i>Arkansas</i>		
Robert R. Eisenlauer Camp Chaffee	\$ 10.00	\$
<i>California</i>		
L. R. Ellett Lawndale	5.00	
Mrs. Lillian L. Fisher North Hollywood	10.00	
(In memory of S. Grundy Fisher)		
Clyde A. Fleming A. P. O. San Francisco	10.00	
S. D. McLean Santa Barbara	10.00	
Harlan D. Morris Fresno	10.00	
<i>Colorado</i>		
Mrs. Carrie M. Howland Denver	10.00	
<i>Florida</i>		
First Christian Church, Young Adults Class Tampa	25.00	
H. Eugene Johnson Tampa	25.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Johnson Tampa	50.00	
Paul B. Johnson Tampa	50.00	
John C. Updegraff Ft. Lauderdale	10.00	
<i>Georgia</i>		
Harry J. Berry Savannah	5.00	5.00
<i>Illinois</i>		
Lee E. Davis Sterling	5.00	5.00
C. W. Flewelling Decatur	10.00	
R. K. Kistler Illiopolis	10.00	
S. H. Kuntz Flanagan	10.00	
Byron C. Lambert Chicago	5.00	
Donald E. Littlejohn Dixon		10.00
Garth Maynard Rock Island		5.00
Charles Clayton Morrison Chicago	10.00	
John D. Trefzger Waukegan	5.00	5.00
J. J. Van Boskirk Chicago	10.00	
<i>Indiana</i>		
Spencer P. Austin Indianapolis	10.00	
George Walker Buckner Indianapolis	10.00	
Central Christian Church Anderson	50.00	
C. O. Hawley Indianapolis	10.00	
R. L. Howell Zionsville	10.00	
J. D. Montgomery Indianapolis	10.00	
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Peightal Greenfield	10.00	
Franklin G. Rector Indianapolis	10.00	
William Robinson Indianapolis	10.00	
G. L. Tudor Elkhart	10.00	

		Paid	Additional Pledged
<i>Iowa</i>			
J. L. McCurdy	North English	\$ 1.00	\$
H. E. Wakelin	Washington	5.00	5.00
<i>Kansas</i>			
Claude G. Large	Mission	5.00	5.00
Donald C. Moss	Jewell	5.00	
<i>Kentucky</i>			
Farris Clifton	LaGrange	10.00	
Roscoe M. Pierson	Lexington	10.00	
Claude E. Stinson	Harrodsburg	10.00	
F. N. Wolfe	Earlington	10.00	
<i>Minnesota</i>			
Henry Esch	Garden City	5.00	5.00
Forrest F. Richeson	Minneapolis	5.00	
<i>Missouri</i>			
Lin D. Cartwright	St. Louis	10.00	
D. B. Davis, Jr.	Belton	10.00	
Floyd W. Frye	Houstonia	5.00	5.00
M. L. McConnell	Lee's Summit	5.00	
<i>New Jersey</i>			
Comer D. Shacklett	Roselle	10.00	
<i>North Carolina</i>			
Paul C. Duncan	Charlotte	10.00	
Wilbur Wallace	Robersonville	10.00	
Travis A. White	Wilson	10.00	
<i>Ohio</i>			
John L. Bray	Tiffin	10.00	
Fred E. Harrell	Shaker Heights	10.00	
Beryl S. Kinser	Youngstown	10.00	
P. H. Welshimer	Canton	5.00	5.00
<i>Oklahoma</i>			
Guy E. McPherson	Hooker	10.00	
Sheldon V. Shirts	Enid	10.00	
<i>Oregon</i>			
Howard Hutchins	Oregon City	5.00	5.00
Hugh Lomax	Portland	15.00	
Guy J. Wright	Eugene	10.00	
<i>Pennsylvania</i>			
John Francis and Sarah Fredericks Bellville	Charleroi	10.00	
N. Q. Grey	Butler	10.00	
Elmer C. Lewis	Fayette City	10.00	
John Franklin Paules	Bloomburg	10.00	
James F. Smith	Mather	10.00	
<i>Tennessee</i>			
Mr. and Mrs. H. Carter Abney	Nashville	10.00	
(In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jones)			
James W. Carty, Jr.	Nashville	6.00	
Herman A. Norton	Nashville	10.00	
T. O. Slaughter	Memphis	10.00	
Mrs. Joseph Warren, Sr.	Nashville	10.00	
<i>Texas</i>			
E. O. Coble	Texarkana	10.00	
N. W. Conner	Carrollton	5.00	
W. E. Garrison	Houston	50.00	
Roy Martin	Hillsboro		20.00
Ernest Miller	Lampassas	5.00	
John S. Mullen	Childress	10.00	
Herbert L. Polinard	Houston	10.00	
John W. Reeves	Snyder	5.00	5.00
Powell A. Smith	Kerrville	5.00	
James G. Ulmer	Ft. Worth	10.00	
E. L. Young	Gainesville	10.00	

	Paid	Additional Pledged
<i>Virginia</i>		
Griffith A. Hamlin	Hampton \$ 10.00	
S. Vernon McCasland.....	Charlottesville * 5.00	5.00
Allen B. Stanger.....	Lynchburg 2.00	
<i>Washington</i>		
Ben F. Gerking	Spangle 5.00	5.00
C. W. Lambert.....	Seattle 10.00	
Cash receipts	\$ 909.00	
Cash receipts previously reported	2,045.50	
	\$2,954.50	
Pledges		\$ 95.00
Pledges previously reported, unpaid		200.00
Total pledges		\$ 295.00
Grand total		\$3,249.50

NEW LOCAL CHURCH MEMBERS:

In the June issue was published a list of congregations that had for the first time supported the Society, either through the payment of membership dues, regular or sustaining, or by a contribution. The following list shows additional churches giving support for the first time. Society membership is indicated by "M" following the name.

			<i>Maryland</i>
		Bel Air	Mountain Christian Church
			<i>Mississippi</i>
		Meridian	First Christian Church M
			<i>Missouri</i>
		Kansas City	University Heights Christian Church
		Overland	Christian Church
			<i>New York</i>
		New York	Park Avenue Christian Church M
			<i>Ohio</i>
		Stow	Church of Christ M
			<i>Oklahoma</i>
		Enid	Central Christian Church M
			<i>Pennsylvania</i>
		Butler	North Street Church of Christ M
		Williamsport	First Church of Christ
			<i>Tennessee</i>
		Livingston	First Christian Church M
		Memphis	Central Christian Church
		Union City	First Christian Church M
			<i>Texas</i>
		Dallas	East Dallas Christian Church M
		Dallas	Oak Cliff Christian Church M
		Hereford	First Christian Church
			<i>Washington</i>
		Wenatchee	Central Christian Church
			<i>Arkansas</i>
Fayetteville	First Christian Church		
Russellville	First Christian Church		
			<i>Florida</i>
Tampa	First Christian Church	M	
			<i>Illinois</i>
Oak Park	Christian Church		
			<i>Indiana</i>
Indianapolis	Central Christian Church	M	
Jeffersonville	First Christian Church		
Kokomo	Main Street Christian Church		
Rensselaer	First Christian Church		
Terre Haute	Central Christian Church	M	
			<i>Iowa</i>
Albia	First Christian Church		
Ames	Church of Christ		
Waterloo	Central Christian Church		
			<i>Kansas</i>
Fredonia	First Christian Church	M	
Kansas City	Central Christian Church	M	
			<i>Kentucky</i>
Morganfield	Christian Church	M	
Winchester	First Christian Church		
			<i>Louisiana</i>
Shreveport	Kings Highway Christian Church		

All church contributions received in 1954 were listed in the Society's annual report, which appeared in the February *Harbinger*. Many of those churches have continued their support this year.

Collector's Corner . . .



Curator Claude E. Spencer comments each month on new and unusual materials recently discovered and acquired by the Society. Bits of Disciple-lore about events, places, and people as gleaned from library holdings will be brought to the reader's attention. Library and archival wants will be discussed.

Since starting this column last year we have been unsatisfied with the name "Spencer's Observations," but continued to use it for want of a better one. Now Jim McKinney comes up with the suggestion that it be changed to "Collector's Corner."

This undoubtedly is a better name, because we have been rambling on each month about materials received or wanted to the exclusion of nearly everything else. Then, too, we have always been a collector—just born in us, we guess; postage stamps, cigar bands, books, bookplates, campaign badges—almost everything collectible has had our attention at sometime during our life.

Elsewhere in this issue information is given concerning *The Christian Director, A Book For the Disciples of Christ in Arkansas, 1892*. The discovery of items like this is one of the things that makes our job so enjoyable. An hour spent in going through the *Directory* resulted in our learning of three periodicals not listed in our *Periodicals of the Disciples of Christ*, and in our gaining other valuable information.

We are certain that there are yet to be discovered many other pamphlets, books, and periodicals, that are unknown today. There must be attics filled with the accumulation of the hoarders of past generations of Disciples. Help us get into those attics!

"John Taylor and Day of Controversy" by Dorothy Brown Thompson in *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, July,

1955 is descriptive of John Taylor's *The History of Clear Creek Church and Campbellism Exposed*. This little pamphlet, recently secured by the Kentucky Historical Society, was printed in Frankfort, Kentucky in 1830. Only two copies are known to have been preserved.

Mrs. Thompson's review of the pamphlet, supplemented by many references to another Taylor book, *A History of Ten Churches*, is a valuable source of information concerning our early Kentucky churches and their members.

Thanks to Mr. Bayless Hardin, secretary of the Kentucky Historical Society, we now have in our library a microfilm negative of *The History of Clear Creek Church and Campbellism Exposed*.

The Register for July also has another article of great interest for Disciples. This is "The Rogers Family and Old Cane Ridge," by Julia S. Ardery of Paris, Kentucky. Rogers genealogy is given together with excerpts from the journals of William Rogers. More will be printed in the next number of *The Register*.

Since January 1, 1952, we have been issuing numbered receipts for materials received as gifts or exchanges. (Not included are periodicals regularly sent to us by more than 700 churches and publishers.) Receipt No. 2000 was written August 31 for a clipping from *The Houston Post* of August 22, 1955. Appropriately enough this was headlined "4 Years Ago When He Was 76, Dr. Winfred Ernest Garrison Chose Texas, 'In My Years of Discretion'."

The article gives a play-by-play account of the daily activities of this octogenarian who is acting chairman of the Department of Philosophy and Religion at the University of Houston. In addition to teaching, Dr. Garrison does some sculpturing, writes books (issued in August is *Disciples of Christ and Christian Unity*), conducts a weekly T-V program, composes music, plays the violin, and acts as consultant at ecumenical conferences.

In 6½ feet of newspaper column, not including two large pictures, is told the life
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Whats New in Our Library . . .

On these pages are listed, and sometimes described, the materials received during the past month. This includes gifts, exchanges, and purchases. So many gifts are received that acknowledgement of every item is impossible, although every giver is mentioned.

Gifts and Exchanges

From August 2 to October 11, 1955, 97 receipts were issued to:

- Court O. Adams, Ionia, Mich.
 Affton Christian Church, Affton, Mo.
 Mrs. W. B. Ardery, Paris, Ky.
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 St. Louis, Mo.
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 brary, Lexington, Ky.
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 Clement Few, Paris, Tex.
 First Christian Church, Arcola, Ill.
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 First Christian Church, Canton, Ill.
 First Christian Church, Clarksville, Tex.
 First Christian Church, Jackson, Tenn.
 First Christian Church, Jeffersonville, Ind.
 First Christian Church, Marion, Ind.
 First, Christian Church, Mount Sterling, Ky.
 First Christian Church, Ontario, Calif.
 First Christian Church, Salem, Ore.
 First Christian Church, Topeka, Kan.
 James M. Flanagan, St. Louis, Mo.
 Mrs. Ernest Forbes, Bald Knob, Ark.
 Fork Christian Church, Fork, Md.
 Mrs. J. H. Fuller, Little Rock, Ark.
 Charles Hume Funk, Snow Hill, Md.
 Dr. W. E. Garrison, Houston, Tex.
 Gospel Advocate Book Club, Nashville, Tenn.
 W. H. Griffith, Worthington, Ind.
 Kenneth C. Hanson, Redwood Falls, Minn.
 Bayless Hardin, Frankfort, Ky.
 R. L. Harrell, Long Beach, Calif.
 LeRoy Hay, Enid, Okla.
 E. K. Higdon, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Eulis H. Hill, Little Rock, Ark.
 Henry E. Hill, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Robert M. Hopkins, Jr., Lexington, Ky.
 Howard Park Christian Church, Clarksville,
 Ind.
 Iowa Society of Christian Churches, Des Moines,
 Ia.
- Mrs. Jeanette Hughes Kremer, Lebanon, Tenn.
 Illinois Christian Missionary Society, Blooming-
 ton, Ill.
 J. Vernon Jacobs, Phoenix, Ariz.
 Walter Wilson Jennings, Lexington, Ky.
 Joint University Library, Nashville, Tenn.
 Miss Helen Johann, Madison, Wis.
 Allan W. Lee, Dallas, Tex.
 Liberty Christian Church, Liberty, Mo.
 J. Geoff Long, Elizabethton, Tenn.
 C. O. McAfee, Macon, Ga.
 Memorial Christian Church, Ann Arbor, Mich.
 J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Bruce Nay, Glennville, Ga.
 W. H. Neeriemer, Hobart, Ind.
 Robert G. Nelson, Cross Roads P. O., Jamaica
 Nevada Christian Church, Nevada, Ia.
 Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Ore.
 Oak Cliff Christian Church, Dallas, Tex.
 The Old Paths Book Club, Rosemead, Calif.
 Mrs. Younger Osborne, Winchester, Ky.
 Robert L. Platt, Dawson Springs, Ky.
 C. L. Pyatt, Lexington, Ky.
 Mrs. C. A. Rule, Highland, Calif.
 W. E. Schultz, Bloomington, Ill.
 E. T. Sechler, Appleton City, Mo.
 Jay Smith, Pine Grove, W. Va.
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 Standard Publishing Co., Cincinnati, O.
 Alva W. Taylor, Nashville, Tenn.
 John Thompson, Miami, Fla.
 Clyde Thogmartin, Emporia, Kan.
 Robert Tobias, Indianapolis, Ind.
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 Charles C. Ware, Wilson, N. C.
 Washington Avenue Church of Christ, Elyria,
 O.
 Jorge Wenzel, Ashland, Ohio
 J. W. West, Lynchburg, Va.
 William G. West, Chattanooga, Tenn.
 Woodlawn Christian Church, Lake City, Ia.
 Mrs. Edward L. Young, Gainesville, Tex.

Arkansas in 1892

"For Christ and the Church" was printed at the head of the cover page of an unusual little pamphlet of 40 pages just received from Mrs. J. H. Fuller of Little Rock, Arkansas. The title is: *The Christian Directory, A Book for the Disciples of Christ in Arkansas, 1892.*

The Author, Rose L. Marley of Jonesboro, stated in the introduction that "The Directory will from this date, be published annually, and will contain the number of Christian Churches in the State, the condition and annual progress of each; also, the name and address of every preacher in the State and reports from all our workers. This issue is but a starting point, and is not all, by any means I intend the Directory to be."

Even though the author of the little orange covered booklet was not satisfied with her first effort, there is a lot of information about Arkansas churches and people. One hundred forty-six churches were named in a list which was admittedly incomplete; reports were included for 48 of them. Strangely enough, the names and addresses of 146 preachers were also given. Biographical sketches of 14 church leaders ended the directory.

Cooperative work was discussed; missionary meetings for the year were listed and the reports of the State and district evangelists were printed. The State Financial Secretary, J. B. Marley of Jonesboro (the author's husband?) had traveled 800 miles and preached 115 sermons in four months. Cash and pledges amounted to \$320.16.

Only three papers were listed as being published in the State in 1892: *The Christian Reporter*, ed. by J. M. Ratliff, "late of Texas"; Newport; *The Gospel Echo*, ed. by D. W. Moore, Harrison. These new periodicals were evidently supporting the cooperative cause. Undoubtedly there were opposing papers.

Pea Ridge Academy, in Benton County, had just become a college. This institution, opened as Pea Ridge High School in 1874, continued after 1880 as Pea Ridge Academy, was under the direction of its founder, John R. Roberts, a transplanted Missourian and graduate of Abingdon College in Illinois.

Did Rose L. Marley succeed in issuing the *Directory* annually as planned? If so, did later editions carry the imprint of the Times Printing Office, Jonesboro, as did this one? Perhaps with the later reorganization of the missionary work of the State, a directory, year book, or annual report was officially issued. Who can give this information?

Books of Recent Date . . .

In this column will be found a bibliographical listing of books of recent date that have been received in our library the past few months.

Blessing, William Lester.

Hallowed Be Thy Name. Denver, Colo., House of Prayer for All People, 1955. 111 pages.

The Trial of Jesus. Denver, Colo., House of Prayer for All People, 1955. 83 pages.

Buder, Christine

How to Build a Church Library. St. Louis, Mo., The Bethany Press, 1955. 60 pages. Illus.

Burke, Verdia

The Workers' Congregation, A Manual on Planning and Conducting the Workers' Conference. St. Louis, Mo., The Bethany Press, 1955. 64 pages.

Carter, John Ed.

Standard Lesson Commentary, 1956. International Sunday School Lessons. Third Annual Volume. Cincinnati, The Standard Publishing Foundation, 1955. VII, 448 pages. Illus., maps.

Clift, G. Glenn

Guide to the Manuscripts of the Kentucky Historical Society. Frankfort, Ky., Kentucky Historical Society, 1955. iv, 185. Indexed.

Council on Christian Unity.

A Response to Evanston; A Response of Disciples of Christ in the United States and Canada to the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches, Evanston, Illinois, August 15-31, 1954. St. Louis, Mo., The Christian Board of Publication, 1955. 47 pages.

Davison, Frank Elon

Thru the Rear-View Mirror. St. Louis, Mo., The Bethany Press, 1955. With an introduction by Irvin E. Lunger.

DeWalt, Don

Sacred History and Geography; A Workbook and Teaching Manual on the Seventeen Historical Books of the Old Testament. Rosemead, Calif., Old Paths Book Club, 1955. 496 pages. Illus., maps.

Finegan, Jack

India Today! St. Louis, Mo., The Bethany Press, 1955. 208 pages. Illus. Indexed.

Garrison, Winfred Ernest

Christian Unity and Disciples of Christ. St. Louis, Mo., The Bethany Press, 1955. 286 pages. Indexed. Has an introduction by George Walker Buckner, Jr.

Hazel Green Academy. Former Students Association.

Seventy-five in Fifty-five. Hazel Green, Ky., 1955. 103 pages. Illus. The 1955 Year Book of the Association.

Huston, Frank Claude

One Hundred Hymns and Gospel Songs. Jacksonville, Fla., Author, 1955. 120 pages. Music.

Jacobs, James Vernon, comp.

450 True Stories From Church History; A Unique Collection of Facts, Highlights, Striking Incidents and Illustrative Anecdotes From the Lives of Famous Church Leaders. Grand Rapids, Mich., Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1955. 147 pages. Indexed.

Jennings, Walter Wilson

Transylvania, Pioneer University of the West. New York, Pageant Press, 1955. x, 321 pages. Illus. Indexed.

Robinson, William

Our Peace; A Discussion of the Epistles to the Ephesians Especially With Regard to the One Church. Eugene, Ore., Northwest Christian College, 1955. 34 pages. Mimeographed.

The N. C. C. New Testament Lectureship for 1955.

Smith, Maud Baird, comp.

The Baird Family. Paris, Texas, Author, 1954. 100 pages.

Vonk, Idalee (Wolf)

Devotional Programs for Women's Groups. Cincinnati, Ohio, Standard Publishing Foundation, 1955. 96 pages.

West, John William

Sketches of Three Pioneer Preachers; Elder Ezekiel Evans, Elder Cyrus Holt, Elder P. D. West, and the Religious Work of Their Descendants. Lynchburg, Va., Author, 1955. 52 pages.

Revised Editions

Griffeth, Ross John

The Bible and Rural Life, rev. ed. Eugene, Ore., Northwest Christian College, 1955. 107 pages. Illus.

First published 1937 by the Standard Publishing Co.

Moseley, Joseph Edward

Using Drama in the Church, rev. ed. St. Louis, Mo., The Bethany Press, 1955. 96 pages.

First published, 1939.

Robinson, William

The Biblical Doctrine of the Church, rev. ed. St. Louis, Mo., The Bethany Press, 1955. 245 pages. Indexed.

First published, 1948.

Reprints

Campbell, Thomas

Declaration and Address and Last Will and Testament by Barton W. Stone and Others. St. Louis, Mo., The Bethany Press, 1955. 114 pages.

Completely reset in modern type.

The Christian Baptist, ed. by Alexander Campbell. Volumes 2, 3, and 4, 1824-1927. Nashville, Tenn., Gospel Advocate Co., 1955.

Not photolithographed. Type is more readable than in the original. Very few typographical errors.

Lard, Moses Easterly

A Review of Rev. J. B. Jeter's Book Entitled "Campbellism Examined", With An Introduction by Alexander Campbell. Rosemead, Calif., Old Paths Book Club, 1955. x, 9-297 pages.

Photolithographed from the edition issued by J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia, 1857.

Moody, Joseph Burnley, (Baptist) and Harding, James A., (Disciple)

Debate on Baptism, and the Work of the Holy Spirit in Which the Place of Baptism in the Gospel Economy, its Design, and the work of the Holy Spirit in Conversation Are Considered. Nashville, Tenn., Gospel Advocate Co., 1955. 566 pages. Cover title: *The Nashville Debate.*

Photolithographed from the 1889 edition.

Srygley, Fletcher Douglas

The New Testament Church; Editorials Which Appeared in The Gospel Advocate From 1889 to 1900, compiled and edited by F. B. Srygley. Nashville, Tenn., Gospel Advocate Co., 1955. 319 pages. Indexed.

Photolithographed from the edition of 1910.

Young, Charles Alexander, comp.

Historical Documents Advocating Christian Union; Epoch-Making Statements by Leaders Among the Disciples of Christ for the Restoration of the New Testament—Its Ordinances, and Its Fruits. Rosemead, Calif., Old Paths Book Club, 1955. [8] 5-365 pages.

Photolithographed from original edited issued by the Christian Century Co., Chicago, 1904. The reprint has an additional two and a half page preface, unsigned.

Collector's Corner . . .

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story of the man who has retired several times, but always gets involved in new duties and responsibilities.

Twice president of DCHS, Dr. Garrison is a valued friend.

On November 18, 1827, in the Baptist Meeting House at New Lisbon, Ohio, Walter Scott accepted the confession of William Amend and baptized him the same day. According to Scott's biographer, William Baxter, "Mr. Amend was, beyond all question, the first person in modern times who received the ordinance of baptism in perfect accordance with apostolic teaching and usage."

We have never seen any reference as to who was the first woman baptized by Scott under his interpretation of Acts ii: 38-39, although Dwight Stevenson indicates in his *Walter Scott, Voice of the Golden Oracle* that women were among the fifteen persons baptized by Scott by the following Sunday.

According to a recent photograph received from Mrs. Jeanette Hughes Kremer of Lebanon, Tennessee, the woman was Elizabeth Conover! Her photograph has inscribed on the front, "First woman baptized by Walter Scott on Acts 2: 38," and on the back, "Elizabeth Conover, baptized by Walter Scott, 1827."

The notations were made by Jasper Seaton Hughes, the father of Mrs. Kremer.

These Should Be in Your Library:

Footnotes to Disciple History

No. 1 *Alexander Campbell and His Relevance For Today*, by Eva Jean Wrather, 2d printing, 16 pages.

No. 2 *The Lumenberg Letter, With Attendant Comments*, by Alexander Campbell (Reprint from *The Millennial Harbinger*) 16 pages

No. 3 *Barton W. Stone and Christian Unity*, by William G. West. 16 pages

No. 4 *An Address to the Different Religious Societies on the Sacred Import of the Christian Name*, by Rice Haggard. (Reprint of the 1804 pamphlet) 32 pages

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Editorial . . .

WORDS OF APPRECIATION

It is appropriate that this special November issue of THE HARBINGER AND DISCIPLIANA should be released during the Thanksgiving season and that it should include some expression of gratitude for the unparalleled expansion of the program of the Society during the past year.

Certainly, in each issue of this little journal since its founding, the editors have been conscious of the growing interest in the Society, and have attempted to convey their appreciation for it. The special occasion, for which this issue serves as a program, calls for some specific words of appreciation. This is our "thank you" to:

The Brotherhood-At-Large: for demonstrating increasing vitality of interest in the heritage of the Disciples of Christ and related groups, for making available stronger financial support for our program, and for the growing acceptance of Society services. This is a service agency. It exists to serve the brotherhood. We are grateful for the indication that the brotherhood will support those agencies which it has created to serve.

The Board of Directors: brotherhood leaders, all—who give their time and attention to the broad policies which govern the Society program; who lend their abilities and their influence because of their vital concern for the preservation of our great heritage.

The Officers and Executive Committee: a small group of dedicated individuals who

have caught a vision of what this Society can contribute to the brotherhood, present and future, and who take time from their very busy schedules to meet monthly, and on call, to plan for the best use of Society resources. During the past year, especially, the executive committee has been confronted by and accepted tremendous responsibilities in meeting brotherhood obligations. Each one of this seven-member committee has done extra duty under difficult circumstances. No committee could have served better.

The Nashville Planning and Finance Committee: for their vision and courage in making possible the Society's permanent location in Nashville; for generous sharing of time and money; for achievements which at times seemed impossible. Credit must go to two persons above all others: Mr. Forrest F. Reed, Nashville businessman, now vice-chairman of the Society Board, and Miss Eva Jean Wrather, writer and historian, now Society treasurer. They prophesied, and they worked.

The Nashville Community: for making possible the development of the Society program in an atmosphere of cultural and historical appreciation; for offering educational resources and academic hospitality to more than confirm the honored title, Athens of the South, specially to Dr. A. F. Kuhlman and associates at the Joint Universities Library, for temporary housing.

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The Second Annual President's Dinner . . .

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- November 28: 2:00 p.m.—Meeting of the Survey Committee
Dan C. Kenner, Chairman
Faculty Lounge, Wesley Hall
- 6:00 p.m.—Meeting of the Inscriptions Committee
Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Chairman
- November 29: 9:00 a.m.—Meeting of the Executive Committee
Faculty Lounge, Wesley Hall
- 10:30 a.m.—Meeting of Disciples Students,
to Herman A. Norton, Chairman
- 2:00 p.m. Disciples Divinity House
- 2:00 p.m.—Tour of the University Center
Assemble at Disciples Divinity House
2005 Grand Avenue
- 3:30 p.m.—Reception for Dr. Hall
Main Lounge, Wesley Hall
- 6:30 p.m.—The Second Annual President's Dinner
Dining Hall, Methodist Board of Education
1001 Nineteenth Avenue, South
Tickets: \$2.00
- 8:30 p.m.—General Meeting of the Society
Dining Hall, Methodist Board of Education
- November 30: 9:00 a.m.—Meeting of the Board of Directors (1954-1955)
Faculty Lounge, Wesley Hall
- 10:00 a.m.—Convocation of Vanderbilt School of Religion
Stockham Chapel, Wesley Hall
Dr. Howard E. Short, Speaker
(Directors will adjourn to attend)
- 2:00 p.m.—Meeting of the Executive Committee (1955-1956)
Faculty Lounge, Wesley Hall

The Second Annual President's Dinner . . .

COLBY D. HALL: A PASTOR'S PASTOR

by George C. Stuart

An appreciation of our president, reprinted by permission from *The Christian-Evangelist* of February 3, 1954. Mr. Stuart, minister of the First Christian Church, Bloomington, Illinois, is a member of the Board of Directors of the Society.

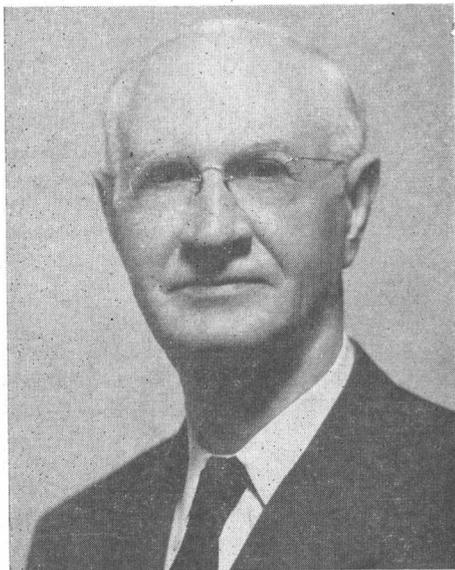
Colby D. Hall's actual ministry began as a missionary to Texas. I am certain that the dean emeritus of Texas Christian University and Brite College of the Bible would refuse this designation, but his own words are against him.

A few days ago he wrote, "When I was in Transylvania, I belonged to a YMCA group studying missions. The group was somewhat of a volunteer group. In it were big Ray Eldred, who went to Africa; little Jimmy Ogden, who went to Tibet; and Guy Inman, who has given all his life to Latin America. I went to Texas with as much devotion to a definite task as any of them." To educate and uphold the Christian ministry has been a life-long missionary task for this now retired but still untiring Christian pastor, professor, dean, author, and patient advisor of preachers.

Recently, Granville Walker, minister of the University Christian Church, Fort Worth, acknowledged the remarkable impression which Dean Hall had made upon his life and ministry with these words, "The Dean has always been to me a pastor's pastor." The majority of the preachers who serve Texas churches and many more who fill important and historic pulpits across the land can testify also that no preacher boy ever had a better friend, a more demanding, yet kinder critic, or a more worthy example than Dean Colby D. Hall.

Teacher

Since September, 1912, Dean Hall has been associated continuously with the fortunes of Texas Christian University. While he was minister of the Central Christian Church in Waco, the then President Frederick D. Kershner of TCU asked the young Kentuckian to leave the preaching ministry to become a teacher of Latin. Colby Hall replied that there were many who could teach Latin but the supply of preachers was



short, and he intended to remain where he was. Then President Kershner changed his approach. He told of plans to start a Bible College and indicated that if the young preacher would come first as a teacher of Latin he would become a teacher of the Bible, helping to train preachers, in a short time. With this bait, Dr. Kershner got his teacher.

Administrator

In 1914, Brite College of the Bible was inaugurated, and Colby Hall began as professor and "Bursar," which latter title soon became dean. In 1920, he was asked to become dean of the University as well. By this time he had established himself as a man who could say "no" when needed and as a man who could get things done.

Soon after Dean Hall became dean of the College of Arts and sciences, the business manager informed him that the University could not afford a system of bells to regulate

the class periods. Dean Hall replied by putting his long-standing motto, "Do it now," into action. He hired a one-armed boy who needed a job to ring an old-fashioned dinner bell every hour on the hour as a class signal. Needless to say, it was not long before the business manager found the funds to install a system of warning bells.

This quality of determination, added to a strict sense of justice, soon established Dean Hall as a respected academic monitor. Yet, these qualities were tempered always by a love and concern for individual students, and many an obstinate boy or girl received another chance at the last moment. Dean Hall writes of the source of this understanding in his dedication to Addison Clark of his *History of Texas Christian University: A College of the Cattle Frontier*, TCU Press, 1947, "Once, you almost expelled me from school. Guy Inman and I, young upstarts, had declined to attend the classes of the professor of English, because he had insulted, in the columns of the *Collegian*, the state president of the Christian Endeavor, a visiting speaker at the University. That professor was your son, 'Little Addie.' This made it embarrassing to you. I'm sorry. That understanding attitude you took, despite your stern eye and rebuking words, has helped me to retain many a boy in TCU through the years. You set the example of balancing the permanent good against the temporary bad."

Under his deanship, TCU was accredited in 1922 and Brite College in 1941, the second Disciple seminary to qualify.

Historian

His subject is Church History. His own massive comprehension of the great movements and men of Christian history inspires a high quality of scholarship among his students. It has also guided many to interpret the pastoral task in terms of its historic function as well as its immediate challenge. But it is to no sterile scholarship which he points. Once he said, "Oh, I'm not pleading for the kind of scholarship that

sticks out on a man. If it does, you may know that there's not much of it. We don't want scholarship that obtrudes itself life fresh paint; but rather hides like the foundations of a house, solid and serving but out of sight." He added, "A preacher should be scholarly if possible, but human at any cost."

Through the years, many honors and brotherhood responsibilities have been brought to him. Recently, he served as president of the Texas Convention. In 1935, Transylvania awarded him the honorary LL.D. degree for his work with the Southern Association of Universities and Colleges. In May of 1953, the University Christian Church of Fort Worth, Texas, dedicated its education and fellowship building to the dean who had also been the church's first full-time minister in 1909.

Writer

Dean Hall has been trying to retire since 1943, when he let go the deanship of the University. One after the other he is relinquishing the many responsibilities he has assumed over the years to younger hands he has helped to train. But he is rapidly taking other jobs. Besides the history of TCU already referred to, he is publishing in early January his latest book, *Texas Disciples*.*

But, always, at the heart of his writing, his academic career and his preaching has been his concern for the education and elevation of the Christian ministry. Truly, he has been a "pastor's pastor." His door is always open to the young preacher.

One of his former students wrote a few weeks ago, "Whenever I contemplate a new venture in the church or any departure from the traditional ways of doing things, I first seek his guidance. I have never found him lacking either in wisdom, grace or goodness; and I find it easy to regard him as one of the truly great personalities of our brotherhood."

So say we all.

**Texas Disciples*, by Colby D. Hall. Fort Worth, Texas Christian University Press, 1953.

The Second Annual President's Dinner . . .

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J. E. Windrow	George Peabody College for Teachers Nashville
Darrell K. Wolfe	The Bethany Press St. Louis

The Second Annual President's Dinner . . .

In Honor of
DR. COLBY DIXON HALL
 President of the Society
 1954-1955



PROGRAM

DR. WILLIAM G. WEST, *Chairman of the Board, presiding.*

- Invocation John E. Hibbard
*Minister, Eastwood Christian Church
 President, Nashville Disciple Ministers Association*
- Remarks of the Chairman Dr. West
Minister, First Christain Church, Chattanooga
- Address of welcome Dr. C. Madison Sarratt
Vice-Chancellor, Vanderbilt University
- Recognition of the Directors Claude E. Spencer
Curator, Disciples of Christ Historical Society
- Recognition of Representatives and Guests James E. McKinney
Executive Director, Disciples of Christ Historical Society
- Recognition of the President Dr. W. E. Garrison
*Chairman, Department of Philosophy and Religion
 University of Houston*
- The President's Address Dr. Colby D. Hall
*Dean Emeritus, Texas Christian University
 Brite College of the Bible*
- Benediction Barton A. Dowdy
*Minister, Seventeenth Street Christian Church
 President, Nashville Association of Churches*



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY

DR. COLBY D. HALL, *President of the Society, presiding.*

- Minutes of the previous meeting (Miami, October 26, 1954) Dan C. Kenner
Secretary, Disciples of Christ Historical Society
- Report of the Nominating Committee William J. Hadden
Committee Chairman
- Election of Directors (terms expiring 1958)
- Election of the President (1955-1956)

The Second Annual President's Dinner . . .

MENU

Celery Hearts	Olives	Carrot Sticks
Roast Tennessee Turkey		Cornbread Dressing
	Cranberry Sauce	
	Giblet Gravy	
Snowflake Potatoes		Garden Peas
	Lettuce Wedges—Russian Dressing	
	Hot Rolls	
Coffee		Tea
	Neapolitan Ice Cream	
	Cookies	



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The Dinner and Ticket Committees: Forrest F. Reed, Chairman, Mrs. Charles E. Crouch, Mrs. Edward H. Duncan, Jr., T. Burton Huffman, George M. Meadow, Bryan Jones, A. J. Smith, Jr., Miss Frances F. White, Miss Eva Jean Wrather

The Reception Committee: Dr. J. Philip Hyatt, Chairman, Herman A. Norton, Mrs. A. J. Smith, Jr., John Payne

The School of Religion, Vanderbilt University: Dr. John Keith Benton, Dean

The Disciples Divinity House, Vanderbilt University: Herman A. Norton, Dean

The Joint University Libraries: Dr. A. F. Kuhlman, Director

The Nashville Planning and Finance Committees: Forrest F. Reed, Chairman

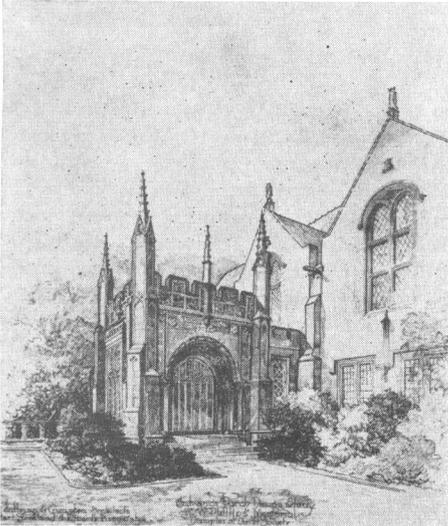
Dinner Music: Mrs. Myrtle Koch Mooney, *Piano*
 Vine Street Christian Church
 Miss Helen Sims, *Violin*
 Belmont College

The Christian Women's Fellowship of Vine Street and Woodmont Christian Churches

Memorial Building Construction Starts

\$823,717.08 in Contracts Awarded—Ground-Breaking Held

Members of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society building and executive committees took part Wednesday, November 16, in ground-breaking exercises at 1101 Nineteenth Avenue, South, as excavation work began on the site of the new Society building, the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips (1835-1912).



Officials Start Project

Forrest E. Reed, vice-chairman of the DCHS Board of Directors, assisted by Miss Eva Jean Wrather, treasurer, Dr. Charles E. Crouch, chairman of the building committee, and Claude E. Spencer, curator, turned the first shovel of dirt to officially get construction of the nearly one million dollar project underway.

Construction on the building, to be erected as a Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips (1835-1912) with funds provided by the Phillips family of western Pennsylvania, will require 12 to 15 months to complete.

Contracts Awarded

The general contract for \$690,249.48 was awarded to Foster and Creighton company. Buchi Plumbing company was given the \$82,828.00 contract for heating, plumbing and airconditioning. Edenfield Electric company will handle electrical work on a

\$32,319.60 contract; and Nashville Machine and Supply company will install the \$18,320.00 elevator system. These contracts total \$823,717.08. This does not include the \$30,000 site, contributed by Mr. B. D. Phillips, or the architects' fees and building equipment costs.

Contracts were signed for the Society by Claude E. Spencer, curator, and Miss Eva Jean Wrather, treasurer. The contracts were approved by a five-member building committee, composed of Dr. Crouch, chairman, William C. Wilson, Reed, Spencer and James E. McKinney, DCHS executive director; and by the Society executive committee on Thursday, November 3.

First for Disciples

"We are especially pleased to award contracts to these prominent Nashville firms," Spencer stated, "because of their long and successful record in this area. Much planning and study has gone into the designing of the Memorial building, to insure not only a beautiful and permanent Society home, but one in which the functions of the Society can be efficiently performed."

"The brotherhood will always be indebted to Mr. B. D. Phillips and other members of the Phillips family for their generosity in providing this lasting Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, a distinguished Disciple layman and author. This is another 'first' for the Disciples of Christ—a permanent repository for our historical materials and a center for graduate research study which will be unequalled in any other Protestant communion," Spencer added.

Unique Building

The three-story Memorial building, constructed of Indiana limestone, will include a six-tier stack unit providing space for more than 150,000 volumes. Other features of the building include: an auditorium-lecture room with connecting kitchen, a museum, casual and private study rooms, conference rooms, processing and cataloging rooms, photoduplication lab, and offices and work spaces for the Society staff.

EQUIPMENT FUND GROWS

Contributions Received from 33 States

More than \$3,500 has been received to date in cash and pledges for the Society's Building Equipment Fund. Goal of the two-year campaign, started July 1, 1955, is \$50,000. The Fund will be used to purchase necessary office furnishings and technical equipment when the new Society building is completed.

The Equipment Fund drive has been directed primarily to the ministry and leadership of the brotherhood through direct mail solicitation for small individual contributions. The amounts contributed individually have ranged from \$5.00 to \$100.00. Several churches and local church organizations have contributed to the Fund.

Since the campaign was announced July 1, 1955, 284 individuals and 7 churches, representing 33 states and the District of Columbia, have made cash contributions. In addition, pledges have been received from 13 individuals in 7 states. Indiana, Illinois, Tennessee, and Texas head the list of states from which individuals (mostly ministers) have contributed to the Equipment Fund.

Individuals

Indiana	38
Illinois	24
Tennessee	23

Texas	23
Missouri	20
California	17
Kentucky	15
Ohio	12
Virginia	10
Pennsylvania	9
Iowa	8
Oklahoma	8
Florida	7
Georgia	7
Oregon	7
West Virginia	7
Kansas	5
Michigan	5
New York	5
North Carolina	5
Washington	5
Minnesota	4
Arkansas	3
Nebraska	3
District of Columbia	2
Arizona	2
New Jersey	2
South Carolina	2
Alabama	1
Colorado	1
Idaho	1
Maine	1
Maryland	1
Mississippi	1
<i>Churches and Organizations</i>	
Colorado	2
Florida	2
Indiana	2
Missouri	1

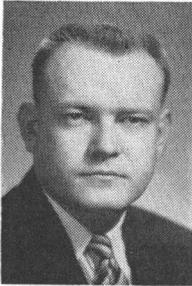
Contributors to the Equipment Fund since the October issue of *The Harbinger* are:

		Paid	Additional Pledged
Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Lunger	Arizona Tucson	\$ 10.00	
E. H. Kicklighter	California Long Beach	10.00	
Archie E. Vincent	Lakeport	10.00	
Westwood Christian Church	Colorado Denver	10.00	
George H. Holwager	Florida Homestead	5.00	
Carl R. Cheek	Georgia Augusta	10.00	
E. G. Orahood	Sandersville	10.00	
Ernest E. Thompson	Macon	10.00	
Enos E. Dowling	Illinois Lincoln	10.00	
W. J. Jarman	Champaign	10.00	
Orville C. Miller	Urbana	10.00	
William F. Pitman	Fort Sheridan	10.00	
Miss Maida Young	Hamilton	20.00	

(In memory of W. B. Young and B. F. Manire)

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Jim's Journeys . . .



In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

Thursday, October 13—Off for KANSAS CITY.

Friday and Saturday, October 14-15—Conferences with Otto Westerfeld, DCHS director, others, in K. C.; talks with Wayne Testerman, Christian Church Commission, secretary, re new church development in line with some parttime planning whenever I get home. On to TOPEKA.

Sunday through Tuesday a.m.,—October 16-18—Speaking to adult class, First Christian Church, TOPEKA, Sunday a.m.; to Kansas Centennial convention, Monday a.m. Thanks to Lowell Bryant, host pastor, and to Wright Lunsford, convention prexy, for highly enjoyable mid-West hospitality.

Tuesday, October 18—Back to K. C. for more conferences, on to ST. LOUIS.

Wednesday, October 19—ST. LOUIS to HUNTINGTON, W. VA. for evening speech to Central Christian Church fellowship dinner, courtesy Mrs. Frieda Patton and the CWF. Host Joe Garshaw and friends very gracious.

Thursday, October 20—Transporation courtesy Joe Garshaw to BECKLEY, W. VA., for well-attended state convention, ably presided over by friend Lyle Newman.

Friday, October 21—Early a.m. speech to above Disciple gathering; late p.m. departure via PRINCE, W. VA., for CINCINNATI.

Saturday, October 22—Back home, late.

Sunday, October 23—BENTON, KY., for Sunday a.m. services at Oak Level church and BENTON First church; back to NASHVILLE for p.m. start of temporary duty assisting in organization new congregation, DONELSON, TENNESSEE.

Week of October 24—Activity centers around executive committee session, Tuesday, October 25, opening building bids same day, checking details, two-day trip for conferences in PITTSBURGH, PA., with architects and others re final selection contractors for Memorial project. Back by Saturday, late.

Sunday, October 30—BENTON, KY., and DONELSON, TENN.

Monday, Tuesday, October 31, November 1—More details to check; generally nurse-maid signing of contracts, etc., etc.

Wednesday, November 2—MAYFIELD, KY., to First Christian Church for speech to CWF ladies; thanks due to Howard Baxter, others, for invitation. Easy trip; through tornadoes.

Remainder of week, and up to date—Contracts signed now; let's get to work. Ground-breaking, Wednesday, November 16, and we're underway. Aside from more visits to hospital, sending out invitations to President's Dinner, Sunday preaching at DONELSON, few other matters—nothing much to report. I hope nobody asks me soon what I do for a living.

Jim McKinney



BUILDING CONTRACTS SIGNED

Claude E. Spencer, curator, and Miss Eva Jean Wrather, treasurer, sign contracts Monday, November 7, totaling \$823,717.08 for construction of the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips (1835-1912). Looking on, left to right: Wilbur F. Creighton, Jr., vice-president, Foster and Creighton Company, general contractors; Forrest F. Reed, DCHS vice-chairman, and Martin S. Roberts, Hart, Freeland and Roberts, Nashville, associate architects.

Equipment Fund Grows

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	<i>Indiana</i>		
David Bobo	Indianapolis	10.00	
Lewis H. Deer	Indianapolis	10.00	
John A. Farr	Jeffersonville	10.00	
George A. Harris	Anderson	10.00	
Archie Mackey	Hammond	5.00	5.00
William Martin Smith	Indianapolis	5.00	5.00
Hollis L. Turley	Indianapolis	10.00	
Mrs. Roy Waggener	Rushville	10.00	
Donald F. West	Indianapolis	5.00	
	<i>Iowa</i>		
Amos S. Cobbey	Vinton	5.00	
Dr. and Mrs. John E. McCaw	Des Moines	10.00	
	<i>Kentucky</i>		
Homer W. Carpenter	Louisville	5.00	
C. R. Hickman	Louisville	10.00	
F. Ralph Miller	Ludlow	10.00	
	<i>Maryland</i>		
J. Arthur Mott	Hyattstown	5.00	
	<i>Michigan</i>		
Floyd A. Emshwiler	Petoskey	10.00	
E. H. Longman	Flint	10.00	
Louis O. Mink	Detroit	10.00	
	<i>Minnesota</i>		
Harold Wiltz	Minneapolis	5.00	
	<i>Mississippi</i>		
Bert R. Johnson	Utica	10.00	
	<i>Missouri</i>		
Paul B. Rains	House Springs	10.00	
Lester B. Rickman	Jefferson City	10.00	
Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Simril	Canton	5.00	5.00
	<i>Nebraska</i>		
Marcus D. Bryant	Lincoln		10.00
	<i>New York</i>		
Howard R. Dungan	North Tonawanda	10.00	
	<i>Ohio</i>		
W. D. Brook	Youngstown	10.00	
Chloe E. Kelly	Cleveland	10.00	
Keith L. McNeill	Bellefontaine	10.00	
	<i>Pennsylvania</i>		
Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Vivrett	Pittsburgh	10.00	
	<i>Tennessee</i>		
Forrest F. Reed	Nashville	10.00	
	<i>Texas</i>		
Robert W. Funk	Fort Worth	10.00	
W. Oliver Harrison	Corpus Christi	10.00	
	<i>Virginia</i>		
James Clayton Pippin		5.00	5.00
	<i>West Virginia</i>		
Mrs. Charles M. Eddy	Weirton	10.00	
Louis F. Fleming	Triadelphia	1.00	
A. H. Wilson	Beckley	5.00	5.00
Cash Receipts,			
since October <i>Harbinger</i>		\$ 426.00	
Cash receipts previously reported		2,954.50	
Total cash receipts		\$3,380.50	
Pledges			\$ 35.00
Pledges previously reported, unpaid			175.00
Total pledges, unpaid			\$ 210.00
Grand total			\$3,590.50

Collector's Corner . . .



Curator Claude E. Spencer comments each month on new and unusual materials recently discovered and acquired by the Society. Bits of Disciple-lore about events, places, and people as gleaned from library holdings will be brought to the reader's attention. Library and archival wants will be discussed.

Are churches becoming historically minded? From the list of local church histories which we have recently received it would seem that churches are giving more attention to their origins and development than ever before. Perhaps this is due to the fact that churches are growing older, with many of them achieving the hundred year mark. Whatever the cause, more churches are celebrating anniversaries and producing printed histories.

Some of the histories published this year are of book status, with hard backs.

Your attention is called to *Seventy-five Rewarding Years*, a history of the First Christian Church of Portland, Oregon; a cloth bound book of 105 pages. Then there is the *Story of the Portland Avenue Christian Church*, published by the renamed First Christian Church of Minneapolis, Minnesota, another cloth bound book of 69 pages.

A History of the Christian Church of Mexico, Missouri, reprints a history originally written by Mamie Craig and Mary Virginia Houston in 1925 and brings the story up-to-date, by J. E. Lowry. It, too, is a hard back of 131 pages.

Most unusual is the format and size of *Three Quarters of a Century of Christian Service in the Heart of the Capital City of Kansas*, just published by the First Christian Church of Topeka, Kansas, in celebration of its seventy-fifth anniversary. The cover and page styling resemble present day college annuals. This is the first history of this type that I have seen produced by any of our

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Words of Appreciation

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Mr. B. D. Phillips, Mr. T. W. Phillips, Jr., and other members of the Phillips family of western Pennsylvania: for making possible the realization of a dream. The Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips (1835-1912) will be much more than a building. It will be a monument. Yes, to a distinguished brotherhood layman and author. It will also be a living monument to the brotherhood which Mr. Phillips loved, and to which he gave so much of himself, in time, talent and financial resources. Members of the Phillips family have displayed rare vision in providing this home for brotherhood historical materials; a permanent repository to which scholars for generations to come will look for assistance in serious research study, and to which all of us can come for information and guidance to a more informed understanding of the mission and message of the Disciples of Christ. Among all Protestant bodies, none can claim equal facilities to that which is now being erected as the permanent home of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society. Our rightful pride in this brotherhood achievement is tempered with gratitude to those who are making this dream come true.

The list could be far longer: individuals and groups who have given materials, whose membership dues keep our operation going, who understand and encourage new approaches to old problems, who see our history as light on today's pathway—all these are recognized in these words of appreciation.

For more than 150 years, the Disciples of Christ have shared in the building of a Kingdom, motivated by a cause, once unpopular, now largely accepted: the essential Oneness of God's people. To the pursuit of our task to preserve the record of this Quest for Christian Unity, this Society has been dedicated.

To all those who have helped, these words of appreciation are directed. We covet your continued support and interest. Our work is just beginning.

Caude E. Spencer
James E. McKinney

What's New in Our Library . . .

On these pages are listed, and sometimes described, the materials received during the past month. This includes gifts, exchanges, and purchases. So many gifts are received that acknowledgement of every item is impossible, although every giver is mentioned.

Gifts and Exchanges

From October 11 to November 9, 63 receipts were issued to:

H. Parr Armstrong, Fort Worth, Tex.
 Earle Barclay, Hastings, Neb.
 Ray M. Beauchamp, Twin Falls, Ida.
 R. A. Blampied, Nelson, New Zealand
 Mrs. Herbert Bland, Gower, Mo.
 Mrs. Joseph Bordwell, Riverside, Calif.
 Mrs. B. H. Bruner, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Reuben Butchart, Guelph, Ontario, Canada
 Frank S. Campbell, Noblesville, Ind.
 James W. Carty, Jr., Nashville, Tenn.
 Central Christian Church, Childress, Tex.
 Central Christian Church, Granite City, Ill.
 Central Christian Church, Wenatchee, Wash.
 Coldwater Christian Church, Coldwater, Kan.
 Cromwell C. Cleveland, Newport News, Va.
 Mrs. M. C. Darnell, Frankfort, Ky.
 A. T. DeGrott, Fort Worth, Tex.
 Mrs. Samuel P. Denton, Nashville, Tenn.
 Ralph M. Dornette, Muskogee, Okla.
 Mrs. Charles E. Duff, Mt. Sterling, Ky.
 Weems S. Dykes, McCamey, Tex.
 First Christian Church, Hobart, Okla.
 First Christian Church, Jacksonville, Fla.
 First Christian Church, Maryville, Mo.
 First Christian Church, Mexico, Mo.
 First Christian Church, Minneapolis, Minn.
 First Christian Church, Monessen, Pa.
 First Christian Church, San Jose, Calif.
 First Christian Church, Sheridan, Ind.
 First Christian Church, Topeka, Kan.
 First Christian Church, Yakima, Wash.
 James M. Flanagan, St. Louis, Mo.
 Arthur Fleming, Parsons, Kan.
 Mrs. J. H. Fuller, Little Rock, Ark.
 W. E. Garrison, Houston, Tex.
 Gospel Advocate Book Club, Nashville, Va.
 Glenn Grimm, Ashtabula, O.
 Mrs. Robert R. Gun, Frankfort, Ky.
 A. L. Haddon, Dunedin, New Zealand

Edward A. Henry, Nashville, Tenn.
 Alden Lee Hill, Los Angeles, Calif.
 John M. Hoffmann, San Leandro, Calif.
 Norman E. Jacobs, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Harold C. Kime, Altadena, Calif.
 W. H. Leake, Maurertown, W. Va.
 Clarence E. Lemmon, Columbia, Mo.
 J. Goff Long, Elizabethton, Tenn.
 Ludlow Christian Church, Ludlow, Ky.
 J. Edgar McDonald, Jr., San Marcos, Tex.
 Bruce Nay, Glennville, Ga.
 Northwood Christian Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Eugene S. Ograd, Topeka, Kan.
 H. S. Parker, New York, N. Y.
 Orval D. Peterson, Yakima, Wash.
 Roscoe M. Pierson, Lexington, Ky.
 Paul B. Rains, St. Louis, Mo.
 David Reese, Chandler, Okla.
 E. T. Sechler, Appleton City, Mo.
 Ben W. Sinderson, Adel, Ia.
 Standard Publishing Foundation, Cincinnati, O.
 Joseph C. Todd, Austin, Minn.
 Hugh B. Warner, Kansas City, Kan.
 J. W. West, Lynchburg, Va.

Local Church Histories

Here are listed local church histories and anniversary programs containing brief historical sketches which have been received since our previous report in the March and April issues.

Arkansas

Fort Smith. First Christian Church. *Celebration of the Centennial, 1954.* 12 pages.

California

Fullerton. First Christian Church. *Souvenir Book 50th Golden Anniversary, 1905-1955.* 32 pages.

Idaho

Pocatello. Central Christian Church. *40th Anniversary, 1915-1955.* 24 pages (mimeographed).

Illinois

Allendale. First Christian Church. "Historical Sketch," 3 pages. (Typescript)

Chicago. Hyde Park Church of Christ. *Silver Anniversary 1894-1919*. 27 pages. Cloth. (Contents include sketches by W. D. MacClintock, Herbert L. Willett, Edward Scribner Ames, Amabel R. Monilaw and Thomas Noble MacBurney.) This congregation is now The University Church of the Disciples of Christ.

Mason City, First Christian Church. *90th Anniversary*, 1953. 28 pages.

Milford. Christian Church. *75th Anniversary of the First Building*. 1954. 4 pages. (mimeographed)

Indiana

Jeffersonville. First Christian Church. *A History, 1830-1955*, 46 pages.

Little Flat Rock Christian Church. (Rush County) *125th Anniversary, 1830-1935*. 8 pages.

Noblesville. First Christian Church. *A History of the Church, Published on the Occasion of its 121 years of Service in Noblesville and 100 years in its Present Location*, by Frank S. Campbell, 1955. 24 pages.

Pittsboro. Christian Church. *Centennial, 1854-1954*. 20 pages.

Sheridan. First Christian Church. *Church Guide*, 1955. 30 pages. (Mimeographed)

Worthington. First Christian Church. *History of First Christian Church . . . Over 100 Years of Progress, 1850-1955*, compiled by William H. Griffith. 59 pages.

Kansas

Coldwater. Christian Church. *History, Revised and Brought Up to Date*, by Vivian Replogle, 1953. 4 pages. (Mimeographed.)

Neodesha. Christian Church. *History*, 1955. 60 pages. (mimeographed)

Topeka. First Christian Church. *Seventy-fifth Anniversary; Three Quarters of a Century of Christian Service in the Heart of the Capital City of Kansas, 1880-1955*. 35 pages. Cloth.

Kentucky

Antioch Christian Church, Fayette County. *The Life and Times of Antioch Christian Church, 1827-1952*. by Clayton Gooden. 7 pages.

Bethany Christian Church, Morgan County. "Bethany Church," Chapter 7 in *A Brief History of Our Early Life and Morgan County, Kentucky*, by Harlan R. Brown, 1950. 83 pages.

Lexington. Castlewood Christian Church. *Thirtieth Anniversary Program*, 1955. 13 pages. (mimeographed)

Mt. Sterling. First Christian Church. *Presenting The First Christian Church*, 1955. 15 pages.

Mt. Zion Christian Church, Madison County. "A Historical Sketch," by Walter T. Moores. 13 pages. (typescript)

Oxford. Christian Church. "A History," by John D. Trefzger. 24 pages. (typescript)

Sturgis. First Christian Church. *The "Christians Only" of Cypress Creek*, by Lester E. Pifer. 1953. 33 pages.

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Collector's Corner

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churches. Several have been published by Southern Baptist churches.

When church histories are written and anniversaries are observed there must be people who are interested in carrying out these projects. Either officially or unofficially, these individuals are church historians.

Our Society wants the names and addresses of the historian and the chairman of the history committee of every congregation that has such designated officials. Also wanted are the names and addresses of individuals in each local church who are interested in church history.

A recent acquisition is the original minutes of the first meeting of the church at Riverside, California, September 6, 1885. Thirty members constituted the church that day, having been called together by Elder J. R. Hand. The record was made by W. W. Noland, Clerk, the grandfather of Mrs. Joseph Bordwell of Riverside, who gave the document to the Society for safekeeping. Minister B. Frank Cron of the Riverside First Christian Church secured the gift for us.



MEMORIAL BUILDING GROUND-BREAKING

Forrest F. Reed, vice-chairman of the board of directors of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society (fourth from right) prepares to turn the first shovel of dirt at 1101 Nineteenth Avenue, South, Nashville, at ground-breaking exercises Wednesday, November 16, officially starting work on the new Society home, the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips (1835-1912).

Looking on are members of the DCHS executive and building committees, Disciple leaders, and representatives of religious and educational institutions in the University Center. Left to right: George D. West, executive secretary, Tennessee Christian Missionary Society; Robert C. Evans, Hart, Freeland & Roberts, associate architects; Dr. J. Philip Hyatt, Vanderbilt School of Religion; Wilbur F. Creighton, Jr., vice-president, Foster and Creighton Company, general contractors; Dr. Charles E. Crouch, professor of economics, Vanderbilt University, and chairman, DCHS building committee; John E. Hibbard, minister, Eastwood Christian Church; Miss Eva Jean Wraether, DCHS treasurer; Dr. Arthur Wayne Braden, minister, Vine Street Christian Church; Dr. Frank F. Drowota, minister, Woodmont Christian Church; Mr. Reed; James E. McKinney, DCHS executive director; Claude E. Spencer, DCHS curator; and Herman Norton, dean, Disciples Divinity House of Vanderbilt University.

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ENGLAND ELECTED 1956 PRESIDENT

West Re-elected Board Chairman; Executive Committee Named

Dr. Stephan J. England, Dean of the College of the Bible, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma, was elected President of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society for 1956 at the Annual DCHS Meeting following the Second Annual President's Dinner program Tuesday, November 29.

Dr. England, who also serves as Professor of Church History and New Testament at Phillips, becomes the third person to be honored with the position of Society President. The DCHS constitution provides that the office of the President of the Society shall be "an honorary position, in recognition of significant contributions to Church History or Religious Thought."

Seventeen Directors whose term expired in 1955 were re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Society for new three-year terms.

Dr. Henry E. Webb, Minister of First Christian Church, Erwin, Tennessee, and Professor at Milligan College, was named to fill a vacancy on the Society Board created by the resignation of Dean Enos Dowling of Lincoln Bible Institute.

Election of the new Society President and the new Board Members followed the Second Annual President's Dinner, which featured an address by Dr. Colby D. Hall, Fort Worth, Texas, retiring president. Dr. Hall was introduced by Dr. W. E. Garrison, Houston, Texas.

A number of brotherhood leaders, as well as members of the Society from Tennessee, Kentucky and Arkansas, assembled in Nashville for the Society activities, including a tour of the educational facilities in the University Center, where the new Society building, the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips, is being erected, and a reception for Dr. Hall and other distinguished guests of the Society.

More than 220 persons attended the dinner at the Methodist Board of Education dining-room. The program climax came with the presentation to Dr. Hall of a citation for distinguished service to the Disciples of Christ. The scroll called attention to Dr. Hall's various contributions as pastor, teacher, administrator, and historian, and read as follows:

"DISCIPLES OF CHRIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO COLBY DIXON HALL preacher and teacher, historian and administrator, valued counselor and 'pastor of pastors' . . . our honored president, 1954-1955

"This citation is presented in recognition of long and distinguished service to the brotherhood of Disciples of Christ. Through more than half a century, your wise counsel and guidance in the training of ministerial leadership has magnificently exemplified the pioneering spirit of this distinctive American

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religious movement. Your warm and sympathetic insights into the problems of developing Disciple ministers, and your vast comprehension of the trends and motivations of this modern quest for Christian unity, have inspired a new standard of humane scholarship for both pulpit and pew. Your leadership as educator and administrator has helped develop in a growing area of Disciplesdom a strong center for the training of the future leadership of the Disciples of Christ."

Other official activities of the Society included the organizational meeting the new Board of Directors and of the 1956 Executive Committee. Dr. William G. West, Chattanooga, Tennessee, was re-elected Board Chairman. Forrest F. Reed, Nashville businessman, was re-named Vice-Chairman. J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis, was named Secretary, and Dr. Charles E. Crouch, Professor of Economics, Vanderbilt University, was elected Treasurer. Three other Directors named to the seven-member Executive Committee were: Dr. J. Philip Hyatt, Nashville; Dan C. Kenner, Memphis; and Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Nashville. New officers, including the President, will assume their duties on January 1, 1956.

Committee sessions to study various phases of the Society operating program and building project were held during the three days of activities in Nashville. The Inscriptions Committee, Miss Eva Jean Wrather, chairman, with Dr. Ronald E. Osborn and Dr. Howard E. Short, held several meetings to consider proper means of dramatically presenting the Disciples' mission and message in the symbolism of the new building, especially in the selection of quotations for the obelisk to be erected in the building fore-court. These quotations will represent the "Big Four"



West Presents Hall Citation

Dr. Colby D. Hall, Ft. Worth, Texas, (left), President of the Historical Society, 1954-1955, receives Society citation for distinguished service from Dr. William G. West, DCHS Board Chairman and toastmaster at the Second Annual President's Dinner, November 29, 1955. Center are Mrs. Hall and Dr. W. E. Garrison, Chairman of the Department of Philosophy and Religion, University of Houston. Dr. Garrison, the 1953-1954 Society President, introduced Dr. Hall at the Nashville testimonial dinner.

pioneers, the Campbells, Scott and Stone, and will be used in connection with the monument which will bear bas-reliefs of the four leaders.

A Survey Committee, headed by Dan C. Kenner, Memphis, with Harry M. Davis, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and J. Edward Moseley, Indianapolis, met to study the Society's place in brotherhood life, and possible organizational patterns to best accomplish Society projects.

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CLIMBING OUT OF THE VALLEY

by Colby D. Hall

The President's Address, delivered at the Second Annual President's Dinner, Nashville, Tennessee, November 29, 1955.

Dr. W. E. Garrison was not the first Disciple preacher to obtain an earned Ph.D. degree, but he was in the first hatching.

One of my long-time colleagues at Texas Christian University, Dr. Clinton Lockhart, was the first Disciple preacher to earn a Ph.D. degree, which he received from Yale in 1894. That same year and from the same institution, Winfred Ernest Garrison earned his B.A. degree. The latter, Dr. Garrison, along with several other embryo scholars, went, then, to the then stripling university in the West, the University of Chicago, and earned his Ph.D. in 1897. He first came to my attention when he was president of a school for boys in New Mexico, and later, the Head of the Claremore Schools in California. From that he returned to Chicago, as the Dean of the Disciples Divinity House.

I recall that while he was in this hard-working job, he made a visit to the campus of Texas Christian University, where I was also a Dean. Just about that time the public press had released a story about a certain dean—I believe it was in Canada—who had been shot to death by some disgruntled student—or was it a disgruntled professor—. Dean Garrison then declared that he was going out of the deaning business—it was too dangerous.

Disregarding his warning, I continued in the Dean business; fortunately for us and for the world, he was promoted to a Professorship.

Have you heard the definition of a "Dean?" There are several variations of it, but by this one I was once presented to an audience: "A Dean is a college teacher who is too dumb to be a professor and too smart to be a president, so they make a work horse out of him and give him the title 'Dean.'" Several excellent scholarly professors I have advised to decline a deanship; it robs a man of his opportunity to develop his scholarship. Don't I know? For thirty-three years I was one Dean and for twenty-three of those same years I was two Deans.

I have a double alibi for any lack of scholarship. But here is Dr. Garrison, not only a professor and a scholar, but after Chicago got through with him because he was presumably too old to teach, he has been a professor for a decade and more in the University of Houston, and this autumn, at the age of eighty, was promoted to be the Head of the Department of Religion and Philosophy.

Significant Occasion

To members of this Society who chose me as the President, the second term as an honorary position, I wish to express my sincere appreciation, as well as my surprise. I am indeed highly honored, and appreciative especially for this occasion and this opportunity. It was Dr. Garrison who notified me of this honor last fall after the Society's meeting. He flew from Miami to Fort Worth, I fancy just to give me the good news; and incidentally, to deliver a lecture there.

The beginning of construction on the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips marks a new chapter in the story of the Nineteenth Century Reformation Movement. This fact demands, therefore, it seems to your speaker, some recognition on this occasion of the place of this entire Movement in history, and more specifically, the relationship of this Society to that Movement and its history.

Valley of Neglect

As I have reviewed the situation in my mind, these later years, one fact has deeply impressed me: We as a people are just now emerging from a long valley of the neglect of history—our history and the history of others. To clarify and substantiate that statement, and to blame no one more than myself, I will illustrate it out of my own personal record.

Here I am, enjoying the recognition of the highest honor that can come to a Disciple as an historian. Yet the teaching and writing of history is a minor, rather than a major activity in my career. I was a college pro-

fessor for fifteen years before I taught my first course in Church History. And I was almost fifty years old at the time. That subject had been taught in Brite College of the Bible by Brother Chalmers McPherson, the Professor of New Testament. When he passed away in 1927, no one asked me to teach Church History. I was the Dean, and I appointed myself to that post; there was no one else around to take it.

The fact that we had neglected it at Brite College was not our fault. It was an inheritance. Among my teachers in old Addison were Addison Clark and J. B. Sweeney, those most gallant pioneers of our Brotherhood in Texas. They never mentioned the history of our Movement, much less taught a course in it. At the College of the Bible in 1899-1902, my teachers were such pioneers as McGarvey, Loos, DeWeese, and Grubbs. During my three years there, I drove (by horse and buggy) to Paris, several times and, of course, within a few miles of old Cane Ridge Meeting House. But, during those three years, I never heard of Old Cane Ridge, and was never told by them. Those hardy pioneers, we must assume, were too busy making history to pause to teach it.

I am reminded of a *bon-mot* gotten off by the chairman of our Joint Board in our county after a report from one of our congregations which had been so long drawn out that it was boresome. He was a high school principal, and he remarked: "You remind me of a complaint that is often brought to me by some students in our classes in history. They say, 'It takes longer to read history now than it did to make that history in the first place.'"

That was not the only shortage in those days of college. In the College of the Bible there was one course in Church History taught by the Professor of Exegesis, I. B. Grubbs. He wrote his own textbook, and it was quite condensed when you compare its 164 pages with Walker's 624, or Schaff's eight fat volumes. And there were no library references to other books, either. That style had not become popular with professors.

Brother McGarvey, in his class in Sacred History used, in addition to his lectures, only

two books: the *Bible* and McGarvey's *Lands of the Bible*. That was in the era of—not B.C.—but B. L., "before libraries"—for college students, at least. You can see why I did not start out as a Professor of Church History. You can see, also, that we were in the valley of the neglect of church history!

Our friend and competent historian, Earl West, in his Volume II of the *Search for the Ancient Order*, joins in our lament over the "scant knowledge of the historical background of the issues the church now faces," and tells of this episode: When John F. Rowe visited one of "our colleges" in 1883, he asked a professor if the students were taught the rise and progress of the "current reformation" and whether they were acquainted with the literature of our distinctive plea. The professor replied: "They are not, and, as for myself, I have not read up."

Reaction Against Authoritarianism

This neglect of church history is not by any means confined to the Reformation of the Nineteenth Century. Indeed, Dr. Robert Hastings Nichol presents this neglect as a feature of modern reformers, and especially of American reformers. His expression is to be found in the *Church History* periodical of which he was the distinguished editor and is now succeeded by his brilliant son, James Hastings Nichol. In the issue of September, 1942, he published an article on "The Nature and Meaning of the Church." He first quotes John Locke's famous definition of the Church as:

The Church, I take to be a voluntary society of men, joining themselves together of their own accord in order to public worship of God in such manner as they judge acceptable to Him and the effectual salvation of their souls. (p. 188)

This individualistic, independent concept of the church is quite detached, indeed, when compared with the stiff and strait-laced, ecclesiastical, authoritarian concept of the Anglican and Roman Churches. The independent concept, of course, came as a reaction against the older authoritarian one.

Dr. T. C. Hall, in his *Religious Background of American Cultures*, traces the

source of this more free concept, to the Independent Movement in England which gave rise to the Congregationalists and related currents. But Dr. Nichol argues that the real sense of detachment of the church from history arose on the American frontier! He says: "The typical American frontiersman was a rugged individualist, separated from history, indifferent to traditions and conventions, contemptuous of book learning, striking out in new paths in all directions.

Some of these phrases remind you of Alexander Campbell, who was a disciple of John Locke, as you know. In fact, Dr. Nichol finds the main explanation of this "separated from history" concept in American frontier thinking, rather than in the Independents of England. And he uses the Nineteenth Century Reformation of Alexander Campbell and Barton Stone to prove his point! For he adds: "This same thing [separatedness from history], individualism, is strong in one large denomination which is of native origin, the Disciples of Christ," then he adds "which would uphold the thesis that this thought about the church is an effect of American environment." And I may add: Which upholds my thesis that the "current reformation" has been "separated from history" or as I have expressed it, has been passing through the valley of the neglect of history.

This citation from so distinguished an historian as Dr. Nichol goes to show that our Movement is a part of history, and that we cannot get away from history, no matter how much we try to do so.

Other Areas Neglected

In this respect, we are not unique. Many a period and phase of history has suffered neglect by its heirs, and by scholars. The study of history of the Near East and the Far East has been very dimly recognized in our American colleges until within the past fifty years. I recall how surprised I was when Professor Roberts of our Department of History placed on my desk his catalog copy one spring; I discovered two new courses I had never heard of before: *The History of the Far East*, and one on the *Near East*. That was in 1922.

On another occasion, I was surprised and shocked to discover what slight attention was paid to American history by the great universities of the world outside of America. I was listening to a lecture by a highly cultured scholar from India, Suyd Hossain, on the topic, A Comparison of the Cultures of the East and the West. Of course, to him, the East was India. I got that and accepted it. Throughout his remarks, I observed that all of his citations concerning the West were taken from European History. I kept wondering when he would come to American history. Finally he did; and it was final, indeed, so short it was. He said, "As for America, its history is too brief and too recent to be considered in this comparison." Just like that!

So, ours is not the only history that has served time in the valley of the neglect of history.

Restoration Motive

But now let us observe that our neglect of history in our Movement has some logical explanation, if not justification. Our fathers of this Nineteenth Century Reformation aimed to go, you might say, back of history—at least back of medieval history, and make a fresh beginning with the first century church. According to Thomas Campbell's *Declaration and Address*, the plan was to "take things up just where the Apostles left them, that, thus disentangled from the accruing embarrassments of the ages we may stand on the same ground on which the Church stood at the beginning."

With this view, what need had the pioneer for history? We have found that it is not quite that simple. We can change the course of history; but we cannot shake it off. We are a part of history, despite our desires. But we can shake off this neglect of the study of history, and by that very process, the more successfully modify the present current of history.

We have been long enough in this valley. There is one good thing about a valley. If you keep on travelling, with your eye on the sky, someday you are bound to reach the hilltops that make it a valley. There is

abundant evidence that we of the "current reformation" have been thus climbing. Some few sample evidences we will take time to enumerate.

Editorial Pioneers

One of the striking features of the early years of our Movement was the abundance of periodicals. The "editors itch" was widespread and "catching." Of course, periodicals are not history, but they afford an abundant and rich source from which to dig it out. The same may be said of autobiographies and reminiscences, of which we have quite a number. Not a one of our pioneers left behind a day-by-day account of his personal doings in "Journals," like those of Wesley and Asbury. Humility prevailed over pride and a sense of historical importance.

But these excellent autobiographies are a rich mine for the historian. I shall never forget the thrill I experienced in discovering the *Works of Barton W. Stone*, including his autobiography; I believe it was in my father's library, bound in calf skin, even then dusting away. I was only a lad. It thrilled my soul even more than *Diamond Dick*, *The Yankee Detective*, which at about that time I had been reading. Yet we all know how inadequate a story of Stone's life that was, written in his later years, when memory was dim. The most surprising fact about the whole matter is that it was not until 1932 that an adequate biography of Stone was published. That was by our comrade of indefatigable research, Charles Crossfield Ware. As I read and re-read Ware's story of Stone, I am impressed that C. C. Ware must have traced every pathway that Stone ever trod, and turned over every rock he ever touched.

Other autobiographies to be appreciated are those of Samuel Rogers, Elijah Goodwin, David Purviance, Joseph Thomas, T. W. Caskey, and others. Recently in digging out the data concerning another long-neglected pioneer, Rice Haggard, I have developed a fresh appreciation of these grass-roots recordings of our frontier forefathers.

Of similar importance are the biographies of pioneers, written by their brethren of the next generation. F. D. Srygley made a lasting contribution by his several books about

T. B. Larimore, including *Larimore and His Boys*. It was my pleasure to hear Brother Larimore through a series of sermons in his later years, and I have some distinct memories of him. William Baxter preserved the unique career of Walter Scott, until Dwight Stevenson came along to complete the task in his more recent biography. The most substantial of all of these, of course, is the *Memoirs of Alexander Campbell* by the saintly Dr. Richardson. But the most popular one, by classroom students' test, at least, is John Augustus Williams' *Life of "Raccoon" John Smith*, who was a sort of forerunner of the later Davy Crockett, the man whose story has proved the virility of T.V. advertising in our generation.

Colleges, Librarians, Publishers

In this rise out of the valley of the neglect of history, our colleges have taken a leading part. Also, we owe much to our librarians; those quiet busy bees, working in their book-shelf hives. I will mention two, to represent them all. We all appreciate the energy and persistence of John W. Neth, Jr., of Milligan College in seeking, and finally discovering that long-lost pamphlet of Rice Haggard on *The Sacred Import of the Christian Name*.

Perhaps we should regard the climax of this series of libraries and librarians the Henry Barton Robison Collection, at Culver-Stockton, inaugurated in 1924, and the Librarian, Claude E. Spencer, whose imagination, faith and hard work has made this Society a reality.

Librarians cannot collect books unless and until they are published. There was a notable list of publishers, also, in the early days, whose interest and often whose sacrifices, enabled these books to get into print. One interesting item which I discovered just recently in reading J. Edward Moseley's *History of Georgia Disciples* is the fact that our esteemed colleague, Dr. Robert Burns, of the Peachtree Church in Atlanta, is a grandson of the John Burns who had a publishing house in St. Louis and ultimately sold out to the Christian Publishing Company.

This audience, I am sure, is familiar with the continuation of the old Christian Publishing Company: how in 1909, through the

generosity of R. A. Long, it became the Christian Board of Publication, a corporation, owned, not by any individual or group of individuals, but by the Brotherhood at large; and operated for them by a Board of Directors. This is done on the pattern so widely used in these days by colleges and foundations of both Church and State.

The affairs of this Board are open to public inspection through its reports to the International Convention, of which it is an agency. Those reports show that this Christian Board, through its history down through 1954, has contributed to the various agencies of the Brotherhood more than a million dollars. To be exact, \$1,029,116.89. Through the courtesy of its president, Dr. W. H. Cramblet, I learn that its commitments for the year 1955 amount to \$40,000, of which \$16,240 has already been paid. For this plan, and for its success, we are indeed grateful.

Best Sellers or Poor Sellers

Now, anyone who has ever aspired to become the author of a book, and has gone so far as to approach a publisher on the subject of printing it for him, has learned that not every book is a "best seller." In fact, the vast majority of them are not even "good sellers." At least, not good enough to pay for the cost of their printing and circulation. We are aware, also, that some of the most desirable books on church history and doctrine belong in this class of "poor sellers," not for the lack of quality, but the want of enough readers, who will pay for them.

Some of us are anxious enough for such books (on history and doctrine) to be published that we could wish that some of the profits of the publishing houses that arise from the wholesale printing of so-called "Sunday School supplies" could be turned into the lesser profitable publishing of these valuable, yet less popular, types of books.

Doubtless, that is the very thing the Christian Board has been doing. At least we can express our appreciation for their recent more liberal policy of publishing, at much risk to themselves, such books as the *Bethany History Series*. Such encouragements to scholars will surely stir more devotion of

time and labor in the producing of books of serious and permanent value to our people.

Tribute to Christian Board

While on this subject, I should like to offer congratulations to the Christian Board on its recent appointment of a full-time Director of the *Bethany Press*, in the person of Mr. Darrell K. Wolfe. Under the chairmanship of Dr. Oreon E. Scott and the brilliant executive management of the president, Dr. Wilbur Cramblet, (who learned his financial management in the school of hard knocks of college administration) the Board is destined to drive ahead and to prove a boon to the development of interest in the field of history and doctrine.

Now, naturally, these publishers, both the Christian Board and the *Gospel Advocate*, and others, may well respond to this gentle "plug," by reminding us that the best commendation we could afford them is not words, but the purchasing and circulation of these books of permanent value on which they are investing and risking.

Viewing the Horizons

Now that we have begun to climb out of the valley of the neglect of history, on the shoulders of our fathers, and by the help of our publishers and the newer generation of writers, Garrison, DeGroot, Ware, West, West, and others, let us look around the horizons and view some future possibilities of the Historical Society, beyond the daily routine of its helpfulness.

One item is very clear; by the editorial of the Curator, Mr. Spencer, in his editorial in the last August number of the *Harbinger and Discipliana*, defines what he means by "the Brotherhood." He includes all parties and persons in that stream that has flowed from the Campbells, Stone and Scott, and others. This is the conception which I have held all along; it is the view which I have always taught in my classes.

Now, in the middle of the Twentieth Century, we find this continuous stream of history in three recognizable groups. Not necessarily in three distinct organizations; each of these groups has some organization, but each one recognizes organizations as merely servants.

This division is regrettable, to be sure. And in view of our plea for Christian Union, tragic. Nevertheless, we are not so bad off as some of our neighbors.

Spirit of Understanding

There is one thing to be said about our three distinctly recognizable groups: they all come from the same source, the same historical impulse. If anyone should hesitate to recognize us as brothers, no one can deny that we are, at least, cousins. I dare hope, and here gladly express that hope, that the use of this historical library may become the means of helping us all to recognize more adequately the oneness of our Movement. Mr. Spencer already has reported that the theses writers from all three of these "recognizable groups" are utilizing the resources of the Library about equally. May this practice and this spirit of cooperation continue.

As we intensify the study of the history of our own Movement, we will necessarily deepen our understanding of other Movements in history that have run concurrently with ours or preceded it. For any true student of history must become aware of the truth that these historical currents are interrelated. I have long been convinced that our Reformation is a part of, and, indeed, a continuation of, the Sixteenth Century Reform. Always I welcome books with such titles as *The Continuing Reformation* or the *Unfinished Reformation*. We may not concur with all their claims, but they stimulate and clarify our thinking in this field.

The Stream of History

If we are true historians and sincere scholars, we must recognize that other Reformers have made genuine contributions. Luther made a contribution: he shocked the European people from their bondage to the Pope. He proclaimed the supremacy of the Bible. To be sure, he was so much of a medievalist that he substituted a creed to interpret the Bible, and all other Protestant bodies followed him in that, until ours. But he made the start! Calvin helped to break the spell of subservience to the papacy by his extreme insistence on the sovereignty of God; he strove to establish the observance of

the Lord's Supper weekly, and he favored immersion as baptism. But even Calvin was not strong enough to carry the day on these issues against the entrenched habits of thoughts of his generation.

Even the Church of England made a step toward our modern reform in the Act of Toleration of 1689, despite the fact that it was limited, reluctant and compelled. John Wesley made a positive, profound, constructive correction of medieval practices by his insistence on personal decision for Christ, as over against the older concept of wholesale entrance to the church through citizenship in the State. Of course, he carried it to the extreme of the mourner's bench practice; but we can better combat that practice when we know the background from which it came. As for the Baptists, they were the first to renounce the authority of the State in all church affairs. To be sure they got it mixed up with creedalism, authoritarianism and predestination, but we must credit them for a valiant fight for freedom.

One by one, as we comprehend these contributions, we are the more able to see clearly our own contribution to this on-going stream of reformation. Nothing is more delightful to the teacher in a course on our own Reformation than to analyze the errors of the Medieval Church, trace those that were eliminated or softened by the several units of the Protestant Reformation, then show one by one, how these remaining errors were tackled by Stone, and Campbell, and countered successfully. That process enables us, honestly, to ascertain and clarify some of our own tendencies to error, often repeating the former ones. That may not be too enjoyable to the dogmatist, but it is wholesome for the ultimate truth.

New Light from the Past

In our climbing the hills out of this valley of neglect of history, we have not yet reached the mountain top. We are still in the foothills. This is evidenced by the productivity of the younger generation of historians among us. We find this in the *Bethany Historical Series*, just mentioned. These younger scholars have discovered neglected major personalities, and dug deeper into the

old sources, such as the *Millennial Harbinger*, and brought out neglected phases even in Alexander Campbell.

This re-study of the early sources of the Movement is paying dividends. Earl West has done a good job of digging into some periodicals that have not been so easily available to older scholars. The value of this deeper digging has been shown, also, by Dr. William G. West, our genial and scholarly Chairman of the Board, in his excellent Address, "A Brief Study in the Origin, Nature, and Mission of the Disciples of Christ," which he delivered before the Study Conference on Ecumenical issues in Chicago in the summer of 1954, just prior to the Evanston Assembly of the World Council of Churches, and more recently published in the *Shane Quarterly*. These have both shown that the old bones are not all as yet picked over. There is much to be dug out of the early periodicals of the movement, if they can be gotten at.

The recent announcement of the micro-filming of the file of the *Christian-Evangelist* is quite gratifying. It is to be hoped that the files of all the early periodicals on wide circulation may receive the same treatment. This should be a challenge to some men and women of financial resources to become church historians by proxy, by making donations that will enable these files to be micro-filmed.

The re-study of early sources may well include the field of early American history, for our Movement was not done in a corner. It developed during the yeasting period of our America, and is closely related in ideals and purposes.

Tribute to Thomas W. Phillips

But allow me to close with a tribute to the pioneer Disciple for whom this new building is to be named. I wonder if you did what I did. I got down my copy of that old book *The Church of Christ By a Layman* and read it again, and then I read it again, for in the first re-reading I sensed

something I had not discovered years ago when it was a new book. I found that it was not designed to entertain me, as a Disciple of Christ, to please my fancy and tickle my Campbellian predilections. It seemed to me to be addressed to someone who had never heard of Christ, or at least, had never understood the Christian religion. It reminded me of a youthful experience: When I was in the gosling stage as a Christian worker, we had a class of Chinese students in our Sunday School. At a meeting one day we divided the Chinese boys about among us, one to each. I was told to teach my Chinese boy just what Christianity is. This was a challenge! Believe me, I sweated. You pastors ought to try that; get down to the simple fundamentals.

That is about what Thomas W. Phillips, Senior, did in his book, and that is why it went over so big in so many countries and so many tongues. It traces the life of Christ step by step. It does not argue, it recites: the greatest story ever told. That is probably why he omitted his name from its title page. *Jesus was all.*

So, we honor the name and memory of Thomas W. Phillips as a true prophet of the Nineteenth Century Reformation, and we express our gratitude to these worthy sons and daughters of his, and pray the blessings of our common Heavenly Father on them and all their families.

A Prayer for the Future

May that same Heavenly Father give us, His children, guidance and a portion of His Spirit. Especially do I make this prayer sincerely for you of the younger and middle generations of the Reformation. May you do a better job than we of the generation now retiring. May you use more love than logic, may you be more concerned for loyalty to Christ than to orthodoxy; and may you keep a watchful eye on the pure ideals of Jesus our Savior and King, and less on the remarks and criticism of your human brethren.

An Appreciation to the Phillips Family

(An action of the Board of Directors of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society.)

The Disciples of Christ Historical Society has been greatly encouraged in its important work by the most generous gift from the Phillips family of funds for the construction of a Memorial building in honor of Thomas W. Phillips. We know of no other religious communion in America which has equivalent facilities for its historical collection. We believe that the beauty and the efficiency of this building will serve not only to memorialize the name of one of our most honored leaders, but also to call the attention of the religious world in general and of historical scholars in particular to the movement launched by the Campbells and Stone, and to the great principles for which we plead as a people. It is our conviction that this library will become a center, not only for our own historians, but for present-day leaders in many communions who are concerned about the issues of Christian unity, democracy, and other great causes which have meant much to our people.

Meeting at the time of the Second Annual President's Dinner, the Board of Directors of the Disciples of Christ Historical Society hereby records its very deep appreciation of this great gift, its satisfaction that the work of construction is now under way, and its determination to enlist the support of individuals and churches for a continuing program on the part of the Society which will use these splendid new facilities to the full, thus honoring Thomas W. Phillips and serving the cause to which he devoted his splendid mind and strength and stewardship.

Done at Nashville, Tennessee, this thirtieth day of November, 1955.

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Most of the official representatives of various brotherhood institutions and agencies who were present to honor Dr. Hall and visit the site of the new Society building were listed in the November HARBINGER

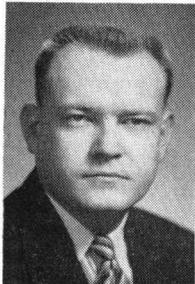
AND DISCIPLIANA, which served as a program for the President's Dinner. In addition to those listed, the following representatives and visitors were present:

- Judson Allen, Historical Commission, Southern Baptist Convention
 Bob Bell, Jr., Religious News Editor, the *Nashville Banner*
 Professor Merl R. Eppse, Tennessee A. and I. University
 Professor August Meier, Fisk University
 Alex Mooty, Tennessee Christian Missionary Society
 Roscoe M. Pierson, College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky
 Miss Inez Burns, Maryville, Tennessee
 Mrs. C. C. Callis, Lebanon, Tennessee
 Robert D. Chambless, Russellville, Arkansas
 Mrs. J. H. Fuller, Little Rock, Arkansas
 Mr. and Mrs. James Harned, Dawson Springs, Kentucky
 Mrs. L. W. McCown, Johnson City, Tennessee
 John W. Neth, Jr., Milligan College, Tennessee
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nichols, Murray, Kentucky
 Thomas O. Parrish, Memphis, Tennessee
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Platt, Dawson Springs, Kentucky
 Lone Sisk, Milligan College, Tennessee
 Buford Utley, Memphis, Tennessee
- Strong delegations from the Nashville churches were present for the Dinner program, as well as other Society activities during the period.

Wanted:

- Men in Gray* by Robert Catlett Cave. Nashville, Tenn., Confederate Veteran, 1911.
The Kentucky Revival by Richard McNemar, (any printing; 1807, 1808, 1837, 1846.)
The Life, Conversion, Preaching, Travels and Suffering of Elias Smith. 1816 or 1840.
 McNemar, Richard—*The Kentucky Revival*, various editions
 McQuiddy, J. C.—*The Profitable Word*, 1925

Jim's Journeys . . .



In this column the Executive Director, James E. McKinney, gives each month his travel observations. Here are his day-by-day experiences as he goes about his business of interpreting the work of the Society to individuals, churches, organizations and institutions.

Latter part of November and early December—Planning, presenting one of our President's Dinners can be time-consuming affair, but quite worthwhile. (Thanks to all those who helped make this a most successful occasion.) Also some time spent on annual reports, paperwork, in connection with annual Board meeting, special committee sessions, other significant DCHS affairs in NASHVILLE.

Wish you could have been with us for the November 29th events, climaxing with Dean Hall's address after welcome by Vice-Chancellor Madison Sarratt of Vanderbilt, introduction by Dr. Garrison; program participation by other favorite people. How about the next annual President's Dinner, honoring Dean England, being slated for Des Moines next October, during International Convention, so that more DCHS members and friends can attend? We'd be glad to have your reaction. Drop us a note. Mail it, I mean.

Tuesday thru Friday, December 6 thru 9—ST. LOUIS for interesting session with Local Church Life Committee of the Home and State Missions Planning Council, re-projected manual on "The Local Church History Committee: It's Organization and Work." Which lengthy title simply means our suggestion for increased emphasis by local church in understanding and appreciating our brotherhood heritage and that of the individual church. Manual now being revised for early 1956 release. Thanks to

Sam Pugh and others for courteous reception of the idea and suggestions for improvements. ST. LOUIS trip also gives opportunity to visit with Society friends, make few new approaches in line with our greatest current need, namely, increased operating fund balance.

From then 'til now—Readying 1804 Grand for use as office quarters during construction of new Memorial Building. If you have visited our setup recently, you well realize necessity for move. All of which brings out the latent "do-it-yourself" tendencies . . . so, with paintbrush poised, we move to the attack. My conclusion—confirmed by associates—is that there are a few other things I can do better than paint. What with frozen plumbing, daily bouts with the furnace, this has been quite a gay time. But we finally made it. (See back page.) I'm told by professionals that the paint and turpentine will wear off in time—off of me, that is. This is a good time to take off for Christmas.

Will you permit me a closing editorial?

Here it is: Your Historical Society ends 1955 in the strongest position it has ever enjoyed. It was just about one year ago that we began to realize our most visionary desire: a beautiful and permanent headquarters. As you know, the Memorial to Thomas W. Phillips is now under construction.

Only one factor mars the jubilant spirit which was so evident during the late November meetings. This is the realization that we must now concentrate on our regular operating financing. We need your help. And we shall need it throughout 1956 and for years to come. An increase in Society receipts for the regular operating budget is imperative.

If you, individually, or your church, have surplus funds as you end the year 1955, and if you are interested in a truly worthwhile brotherhood cause as beneficiary of your stewardship, may we call this Society to your attention. Thank you.

Jim McKinney

ALEXANDER CAMPBELL AND THE REVISED STANDARD VERSION

by C. K. Thomas

The author states that this article is adapted from some conclusions arrived at in a thesis entitled "Alexander Campbell as Translator of the New Testament," recently presented for the Th.D. degree at Princeton Theological Seminary. Professor Thomas, who has been at Princeton this fall, will return to his duties in the College of the Bible, Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma, about January 1.

The publication of the Revised Standard Version of the New Testament in 1946 brought wide attention to the problem of modernizing the language of the Scriptures. In the light of this interest, the work of Alexander Campbell comes to be of special significance. In 1826 Campbell published a New Testament which he had edited from the translations of George Campbell, of Aberdeen, James Macknight and Philip Doddridge. These translations were supplemented by others, especially that of Charles Thomson, to produce a resultant text of the New Testament. In 1828, a second edition was published. In this, the modernization of words which was found in the first edition was retained and extended and the translation was made a true "modern language" translation, by the modernization of the pronouns, *thee, thou, thy, ye* and others. The archaic verb ending *eth* and *est* were also discarded in favor of more modern usage. In 1832, a third edition was published, further modernizing the style and making improvements throughout the text. This represents Campbell's most mature work on that version. He did, however, revise the Acts of the Apostles for the American Bible Union and this was published in 1858. Campbell's New Testament is listed by Goodspeed as the first modern language translation of the New Testament made in America.

**Problems of New Testament Translation*, by Edgar J. Goodspeed, Chicago, 1945, page ix.

The significance of Alexander Campbell's work in this connection can best be seen in a survey of words which Campbell has used in preference to the readings of the King James Version. The best basis for

this survey of modernization is the booklet edited by Dean Luther A. Weigle on *Bible Words That Have Changed in Meaning*, (New York, 1955). In this work Weigle lists 404 words which appear in 522 passages in the New Testament. A comparison of Alexander Campbell's New Testament with the readings of the ASV and the RSV presented by Weigle, shows a very interesting trend. In 126 of the passages, or 24% of the time, Campbell retains the King James wording. These cases include such words as *admire* in II Thess. 1:10 where the ASV and the RSV have *marveled at*; Rev. 13:3, *as it were*, where ASV has *as though it had been* and the RSV, *seemed to have*; Matt. 6: 6 *closet* where ASV has *inner chamber* and RSV has *room*; and in Heb. 13:16 and Gal. 6:6 Campbell retains *communicate*, where the word is retained in ASV but where the RSV reads *shared*. A very exceptional case, which apparently was an oversight, was the retention of *bowels* in II Cor. 6:12, where the ASV and RSV read *affections*. Elsewhere, Campbell reads the same Greek word as *tender affection*.

The changes from the King James Version are especially significant. In 48 cases or about 9.4% of the time, Campbell makes significant modernizations but not in the words of either the ASV or the RSV. The most striking feature of the whole study is the way in which Campbell anticipated the readings of the RSV. Campbell's readings, in the words under consideration, anticipate exactly the readings of the ASV in about 18% of the cases. They anticipate the RSV exactly in 26% of the cases listed by Weigle as modernizations. A comparative listing of the words will best illustrate this.

<i>Passage</i>	<i>KJ</i>	<i>Campbell's Reading</i>	<i>RSV Reading</i>
Matt. 1:18	on this wise	thus	in this way
6:25	take thought	be anxious	be anxious
9:10	sit at meat	being at table	sit at table
25:27	exchanger	banker	banker
Mark 9:6	wist not	knew not	did not know
Luke 10:41	careful	anxious	anxious
11:27	pap	breast	breast
14:10	have worship	do you honor	be honored
John 3:8	listeth	pleases	pleases
13:26	sop	morsel	morsel
Acts 13:7 etc.	deputy	proconsul	proconsul
17:10	wink at	overlook	overlook
21:15	took up our carriages	making up our baggage	make ready
26:14	pricks	goad	goad
27:30	under colour as though	under pretense that	under pretense of
Rom. 1:2	of the seed of David	descended from David	descended from David
1:13	let	hinder	prevent
3:4 etc.	God forbid	by no means	by no means
I Cor. 3:9	husbandry	field	field
13	charity	love	love
II Cor. 8:1	do you to wit	make known to you	want you to know
I Thess. 4:15	prevent	anticipate	precede
5:15	feeble minded	faint hearted	faint hearted
I Tim. 4:12	conversation	behavior	conduct
II Peter 3:9	to us-ward	toward us	toward you

This is a sampling of the modernization of some words presented by Alexander Campbell in his New Testament (1826-1832). It must be remembered that Campbell edited his New Testament from previously existing translations and claimed little or no credit for originality in the basic work. The remarkable fact is, however, that in the modernization of archaic words, as well as many other features, Campbell and his sources anticipated many of the modernizations which come to us today in the RSV and which, some one hundred twenty-five years after Campbell's time, appear as fresh and living as our everyday conversation.

Local Church Histories

Here are listed local church histories and anniversary programs containing brief historical sketches which have been received since our previous report in the March and April issues.

(Continued from November)

Maryland

Beaver Creek. Christian Church. 1833-1933 *Centennial Anniversary Celebration*. 6 pages.

Cheverly Christian Church. "Some Records of the Cheverly Christian Church, formerly known as Tuxedo Christian Church and Magruder Christian Church," compiled by Lillian Prewitt Goodknight. 1955. 12 pages. (typescript)

Minnesota

Minneapolis. Portland Avenue Christian Church. *The Story of the Portland Avenue Christian Church*, by Winworth Williams, 1955. 70 pages. Cloth. This congregation is now the First Christian Church.

Missouri

Calhoun. Christian Church. "History," compiled by Mrs. W. J. Chapman. 3 pages. (typescript)

Mexico. First Christian Church. *A History*, compiled by J. E. Lowry, 1955 (includes previous history 1842-1925 by Mamie Craig and Mary Virginia Houston). 131 pages. Cloth.

Nebraska

Hastings. First Christian Church. *The Sixtieth Anniversary 1885-1945*. 16 pages.

Lincoln. First Christian Church. "75th Anniversary Meeting, January 28, 1944, a talk on the history of the church," by T. F. A. Williams. 18 pages. (typescript)

New York

Buffalo. Richmond Avenue Church of Christ. *75th Anniversary, 1870-1945*. 16 pages.

North Carolina

Armenia Christian Church. Lenoir County. "Historical Sketch," by C. C. Ware. 4 pages. (typescript)

Ohio

Steubenville. First Christian Church. *The 125th Anniversary Celebration, 1955*. 12 pages.

Oklahoma

Tulsa. First Christian Church. *Fiftieth Anniversary, 1902-1952*. 28 pages.

Oregon

Portland. First Christian Church. *Seventy-five Rewarding Years, A History, 1955*. 105 pages. Cloth.

Salem. First Christian Church. *The Centennial Story, 1855-1955*, compiled by Opal and Leslie Carson. 39 pages.

Pennsylvania

Kingston. Westmoor Church of Christ. *50th Anniversary, 1899-1949*. 8 pages.

Pittsburgh. Knoxville Christian Church. *Golden Jubilee, 1890-1940*. 8 pages.

Wilksburg. Christian Church. *Saga of the Christian Church of Wilksburg; A History of the First Fifty Years*, by Mary Byrne Dawson, 1951. 44 pages.

Tennessee

Bristol. Central Christian Church. *A Historical Sketch*, by Gilbert H. Easley, 1942. 8 pages.

Chattanooga. First Christian Church, C. W. F. *History of the Women's Work in the First Christian Church*, by Mrs. Andrew Smith, 1954. 31 pages. (mimeographed)

Nashville. Seventeenth Street Christian Church. *History Sketches* by Mrs. Charles D. Bennett, 1939. 12 pages.

Washington

Tekoa. First Christian Church. "History", "Names of Ministers" and "Remodeling and Building Spots," prepared by Mrs. Lena Clark. (typescript) 20 pages.

West Virginia

Charleston. First Christian Church. *Golden Jubilee Anniversary, 1891-1941, A History*, by James W. Merricks. 92 pages. Plastic binding.

FOOT NOTES TO DISCIPLE HISTORY

- No. 1 *Alexander Campbell and His Relevance for Today*, by Eva Jean Wrather, 2d printing, 16 pages.
- No. 2 *The Lunenberg Letter, With Attendant Comments*, by Alexander Campbell (Reprint from *The Millennial Harbinger*) 2d printing. 16 pages
- No. 3 *Barton W. Stone and Christian Unity*, by William G. West. 2d printing. 16 pages
- No. 4 *An Address to the Different Religious Societies on the Sacred Import of the Christian Name*, by Rice Haggard. (Reprint of the 1804 pamphlet) 32 pages
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