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## AMONG THE CHURCHES

### DARLINGTON, PA.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Darlington Reformed Presbyterian Church met in the home of Mrs. Eva McHattie, July 1, 1943.

Mrs. Ellen Braden was the devotional leader, and she selected for her subject, "Faith in Miracles." The program was opened with group singing of Psalm 67, followed by a prayer voiced by Mrs. Martha McHattie. Mrs. Braden read a portion of the first chapter of John. Mrs. Eva D. Nagel read an article upon the subject. Several members read clippings. Mrs. Braden concluded the devotional program with the reading of an article, "Other Hands Than Mine." Some of the members offered remarks on miracles that take place today. A portion of the 25th Psalm and the praying of the Lord's Prayer in unison concluded this portion of the program.

On the literary program Mrs. Mollie Schmolly read an article, "This Is Our Hour." Mrs. Maud Watterson contributed a group of three poems: "Be The Best of Whatever You Are," "Life and Death," and "Your Mission." Mrs. Iva Graham read a clipping on "Church Missions."

The business meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. Iva Graham. Thirteen members and one visitor responded to roll call with a verse of Scripture.

The August meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Alice Watterson, and will be observed as a memorial meeting.

Funeral services for Mrs. Ellen Conkle were held July 3rd

in the home of Mr. W. J. Patterson, New Galilee, Pa., her brother-in-law, with whom she had made her home for a number of years. Rev. Samuel S. Ward was in charge assisted by Rev. W. W. Willis. We commend the relatives to the care of the Master who said "I will never leave thee alone nor forsake thee."

#### FAIRVIEW

Mrs. Pearl Grove Graham died in her home on Monday, May 10, after an illness of three years. Surviving are the husband, Harry Graham (one of the elders of our church). Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon at the home, with the Rev. D. Porter Williams officiating. Burial was in Columbiana Memorial Park. She had been a member of our church for a number of years, and also a member of the W. M. S.

Bernice Mae Dawson, age 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Dawson, died in her home here on Sabbath evening, June 27, from a heart condition from which she had suffered for many years. Surviving are the parents, one sister, and four brothers. When health permitted, she was a regular member of our Sabbath School. Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at the church, with Rev. D. Porter Williams officiating.

A daughter was born on May 1 to PFC and Mrs. Arthur Pflugh in the East Liverpool City Hospital. The baby has been named Donna Mae. Mrs. Pflugh is making her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Popp. Her husband is stationed at Camp Howie, Texas.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carothers on May 925 in the Rochester General Hospital. The baby has been named Arthur Dale.

Harry Ramsey, one of the trustees of our church, suffered a broken ankle as a result of being kicked by a horse. He is now able to be about the house with the aid of a cane, and expects to return to his work soon.

#### ON THE WAY TO INDIA

On the way to India, June 12, 1943.

Dear Friends:

We sailed from New Orleans the 9th of June. As we left the shores of the U. S., we thought of our many friends in America, and we knew that they would be remembering us at the throne of Grace.

We were in midocean six days and during that time we were able to present our work to two groups of people. As we sail

south to Panama, where we hope to mail this message, we are filled with gratitude to God in opening up this way to our return to India. And we wish to thank all the members of our church who have helped us in their prayers, and who have provided the means to send us out. May God bless you in the work in the home land, as we labor in that far-away land, in the field that God has put into the hands of our church.

There are 28 missionaries on this ship, bound for different parts of South America, Africa, India and China. There are six ladies who will go with us as far as India and then expect to fly to China. We are having very fine Christian fellowship each day; we take turns in leading the daily prayer meetings. Six of these missionaries are going to India; all of the India missionaries are returning from furlough.

JOHN C. and ELIZABETH TAYLOR.

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#### MEETING OF THE PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY

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The Philadelphia Presbytery met on the evening of July 25, 1943, in the Third church, Rev. Wm. P. Green, pastor; Mr. Thayer A. Westlake a member of the Fifth church, Rev. Theo. S. Wray, pastor; and being taken under the care of the Presbytery, preached an excellent sermon, which together with other trials was sustained by Presbytery. After being licensed to preach the Gospel, he was certified to the Western Presbytery for Ordination, as he goes to Los Angeles, to take up mission work in that Presbytery.

A summer Bible school has been successfully conducted recently in the northeastern part of the city under the direction of Revs Wray, and Green. A mission there is contemplated, with Mr. Carlos Lazzarro, a licentiate under care of Presbytery, and a member of the Third church, having charge of the work.

These young men are both graduates of Westminster Theological Seminary.

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For various reasons the July and August numbers had to be issued together this year.

We hope this will not occur again.



Rev. Robert Waldo Chesnut, Ph. D.  
Moderator of General Synod

**Minutes of the**  
**GENERAL SYNOD**  
OF THE  
**Reformed Presbyterian Church**  
**IN NORTH AMERICA.**

HELD IN THE FAIRVIEW REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH, FAIRVIEW, PA.

Rev. D. Porter Williams, Stated Supply.

May 20-24, 1943. 8 P. M.

**SESSION CXX.**

**First Sitting**

The General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America met in its 120th Session May 20th, 1943, at 8:15 P. M., E. W. T., in the Fairview Reformed Presbyterian Church, Beaver County, Pa. The meeting was led in very helpful devotional services by Rev. D. Porter Williams, Stated Supply of the Fairview Church, after which Dr. John C. Taylor, our Senior Missionary, Roorkee, India, the retiring Moderator, preached the opening sermon from the text, II Cor. 3: 18—"But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord."

This sermon was inspiring and helpful, calling on the church for self-examination. The Moderator used for his subject, Mirrors of God. The great responsibility of the membership of the Church was to see if the Lord was reflected in and through them.

General Synod was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator, who announced that the business of General Synod was now in order.

Rev. R. W. Stewart, reporting for Dr. R. W. Chesnut, presented the report of the committee on Devotional Exercises. It was adopted.



**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DEVOTIONAL  
EXERCISES**

The committee on devotional exercises would report as follows:

Friday morning, May 21,— Subject, the Church; its foundation, 1 Cor. 3:11. Leader, Rev. P. W. Duncan.

Saturday morning, May 22,— Subject, the Church; its Head Eph. 1:22, Leader, Rev. Theo. S. Wray.

Monday morning, May, 24,—Subject, the Church; its Mission, Matt. 28: 19. Leader, Rev. R. W. Stewart.

Respectfully Submitted. R. W. Chesnut, P. W. Duncan.

The following motion, made by Rev. Theo. S. Wray and seconded by Rev. Paul W. Duncan, was unanimously carried:

Resolved, that the hours of meeting and adjourning of the sessions of this General Synod be as follows: Meet each morning at 9 o'clock, the first one-half hour to be spent in devotional exercises; adjourn at 12 noon; reconvene at 1:30 P. M., and adjourn by resolution.

After necessary announcements the General Synod was adjourned by resolution, the Moderator calling on Dr. F. A. Jurkat to adjourn with prayer.

**The Second Sitting**

**Same Place, Friday, May 21st, 1943 — 9 A. M.**

The General Synod was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer by Rev. Theo. S. Wray. The Moderator then introduced Dr. Paul W. Duncan who proceeded to lead the devotional exercises upon the subject, "The Church, Its Foundation." Scripture I Cor. 3: 11. This was a very interesting and assuring devotional period.

The certificates of delegation from the various Presbyteries were then read as follows:

**CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATION OF THE PHILADELPHIA  
PRESBYTERY**

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America.

This certifies that at a regular meeting of the Phila-



delphia Presbytery, the following persons were appointed as delegates to the General Synod to meet in Fairview, Pa. May 20, 1943: ministers, Revs. R. W. Chesnut, T. S. Wray, William P. Green, and A. E. Parsons. Elders, principals: Waldo Chesnut, Duaneburg, Samuel Black, Fifth church Phila., Raymond Getty, Third church Phila.

Alternates, Ward Fidler, Duaneburg, Wm. Henry, Third church Phila. Norman Henry, Fifth church Phila.

Dr. R. W. Chesnut, was appointed principal on the Nominating committee, and Rev. A. E. Parsons, alternate.

Respectfully yours, Benjamin Blair,

Clerk of Presbytery.

**CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATION OF THE PITTSBURGH  
PRESBYTERY**

Certificate of delegation of Pittsburg Presbytery,  
To the General Synod:

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of Presbytery held in the First R. P. Church of Pittsburg, on April 6, 1943, the following were chosen delegates to the meeting of General Synod to be held in the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Fairview, Pa., May 20, 1943, at 8, p. m.:

Ministers, Revs. S. S. Ward, and D. Porter Williams.

Elders, principals. Wayne R. Duncan, R. W. Hammond, and Merle J. Elder. Alternates, Chalmers Elder, Dr. Vern S. Watson, Robert Chapman.

Member of Nominating committee, Rev. S. Ward.

Respectfully submitted, J. W. Graham. Clerk.

**CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATION OF THE OHIO  
PRESBYTERY**

This certifies that at a regular meeting of the Ohio Presbytery, held in Cedarville, Ohio, May 3, 1943, the following were elected delegates to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet in the Fairview Church, May 20, 1943.

Ministers, principals: Revs. W. R. McChesney, D. D. F. A. Jurkat. LL.D.

Ruling Elder, Felix McIntosh, alternate. Langley Turner, both of the Houston, congregation.

Member of the Nominating com. Rev. F. A. Jurkat.

F. A. Jurkat, Clerk.

CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATION OF THE WESTERN  
PRESBYTERY

This certifies that at a regular meeting of the Western Presbytery held in the Grand Cote Church, Coulterville, Illinois, Monday evening May 17, 1943, the following were elected delegates to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church to meet in the Fairview Church, Fairview, Pa., Thursday evening, May 20, 1943.

Ministers. Revs. P. W. Duncan, Grand Cote.

R. W. Stewart, Bethel, Dr. John C. Taylor, Rurki, India.

Elders, L. O. Robb, Grand Cote, Chas. Hood, Bethel, Nevin Chestnut, Republican City.

Alternates, Lester Fullerton, and Robert Curry, and S. H. Wasson.

Rev. P. W. Duncan, member of Nominating com,  
D. M. Reid, Clerk.

The roll of General Synod was then made up and called as follows:

THE ROLL OF GENERAL SYNOD

Ministers	Elders
R. W. Chesnut	Waldo E. Chesnut
Theo. S. Wray	Samuel Black
William P. Green	Raymond Getty
Alfred E. Parsons	Felix McIntosh
W. R. McChesney	L. O. Robb
F. A. Jurkat	Charles Hood
P. W. Duncan	Nevin Chestnut
R. W. Stewart	S. H. Wasson
John C. Taylor	Wayne R. Duncan
Samuel Ward	Robert H. Hammond
D. Porter Williams	Merle J. Elder

Absent, W. R. McChesney, Waldo Chesnut, Samuel Black, Raymond Getty, Felix McIntosh, and Nevin Chestnut.

The minutes of the first session were then read and on motion approved.

General Synod then proceeded to the election of officers. Rev. Theo. S. Wray nominated Dr. R.

W. Chesnut, Duaneburgh, N. Y., for Moderator. It was moved by Rev. Green that nominations come to a close and the clerk be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the nominee. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Moderator appointed Rev. Wray and Dr. Jurkat to escort the newly elected Moderator to the chair. Dr. Chesnut, in accepting his position, thanked the General Synod for the honor conferred and asked for the help and cooperation of General Synod being aware of his physical handicap. He spoke at length of the history of General Synod during his many years of service in the denomination.

Rev. P. W. Duncan and Rev. Theo. S. Wray were nominated for the office of Vice-Moderator. It was moved by Rev. R. W. Stewart, seconded by Rev. Wm. P. Green, that the nominations be closed. Motion carried. General Synod then proceeded to the election by ballot, the Assistant Clerk acting as teller. Rev. P. W. Duncan was elected.

It was moved by Dr. John C. Taylor, seconded by Rev. Theo. S. Wray, that R. W. Stewart be elected Stated Clerk and Rev. Samuel S. Ward be elected Assistant Stated Clerk. This motion carried.

It was moved by Rev. Green, seconded by Rev. P. W. Duncan, that the Stated Clerk be compensated from the Administration Fund in the sum of \$100.00, the Assistant Clerk \$50.00 from the same fund. This motion was carried.

It was moved by Rev. Wm. P. Green, seconded by Rev. P. W. Duncan, that the printed minutes of the 1942 General Synod, which convened at Sparta, Ill., be and hereby are declared to be the legal minutes of General Synod, with the following printing errors as noted:

Page 145: Adoption of recommendations should follow report of the Committee on Presbyterial Reports.

Page 146: The name of Wm. P. Green should be in the Executive Committee of the Foreign

Board instead of Samuel Black.

Page 148: The statement, "These salaries to be paid monthly," should read, "Payment to be made in monthly installments."

General Synod by vote extended the courtesies of the floor to Mrs. J. C. Taylor, J. W. Graham and Gordon Taylor.

Dr. John C. Taylor presented the report of the Saharanpur Presbytery.

#### REPORT OF SAHARANPUR PRESBYTERY

The annual meeting of the Saharanpur Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of India was held on March 15, 1943 at the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Dehra Dun. In the absence of the moderator, Padre Jaisre Singh, the meeting was opened by the Rev. John C. Taylor with prayer. It was moved and accepted that the Rev. J. C. Taylor serve as chairman. He then read a passage of Scripture. Three of the five ministers were present and one of the two elders. Those present included Rev. Edwin Fiske, Rev. Herbert Joseph, Elder David McKinney, and Rev. John C. Taylor.

Rev. Herbert Joseph was elected clerk.

It was voted that Mr. Sircar and Mr. Walter be given the privileges of consultant members.

The report of the previous meeting was read and approved.

The congregational and personal labor reports of the following were presented and accepted:

Mr. Abraham — Dehra Dun.

Rev. H. Joseph — Roorkee.

Rev. E. Fiske — Hardwar, Patthri, and Shahpur.

Elder D. McKinney — Leper Asylum, Roorkee.

Rev. J. C. Taylor — Evangelistic Camping Season.

There were: Baptisms — 13; communion services — 4; deaths — 2; and marriages — 3, reported.

A request was presented on behalf of the Dehra Dun Church committee for the ordination of their supply pastor, Mr. Abraham, formerly of the Assemblies of God Mission. The Presbytery examined and considered him, but did not favor the ordination at this time. It was voted that he be made, stated supply for D. D. Congregation until further developments should favor his ordination.

It was voted that the meeting should be adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Edwin Fiske.

H. JOSEPH, Acting Clerk.  
JOHN C. TAYLOR  
DAVID McKINNEY  
E. FISKE

The report was received and referred to the committee on Presbyterial reports.

Rev. Theo. S. Wray presented the report of the Philadelphia Presbytery.

#### REPORT OF PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, meeting at Fairview, Pa., May 20, 1943.

Two regular meetings of the Philadelphia Presbytery were held, both of which were of unusual interest, not only to the local churches where Presbytery met, but, we believe, will be of special interest to General Synod. The Fall meeting of Presbytery in Duaneburgh, N. Y., was climaxed by the installation of Rev. Alfred Parsons as pastor of the Duaneburgh congregation. After having been duly placed upon the Presbytery roll, a very fine service was held with various members of Presbytery taking part and visiting clergymen and friends uniting in wishing Rev. and Mrs. Parsons God's blessing upon the assumption of their new work.

Of particular interest in the business part of the Fall meeting was the authorization of Dr. Chesnut to prepare a history of the denomination, the same to appear serially in the Advocate and when completed to be assembled in some permanent form.

The Spring meeting of Presbytery at the Fifth Church in Philadelphia had as its chief interest the licensing of Mr. Carlo Lazzaro, a member of the Third Church who had been under the care of Presbytery. At the appointment of the moderator, Rev. Wray and Green acted as an examining committee.

After a rigid written examination in English Bible, Church History, Theology, and the submission of a paper on "Resurrection Imperatives," Mr. Lazzaro was duly licensed to preach the Gospel within the confines of Philadelphia Presbytery or wherever he may be called.

The Presbyterial statistical report is attached.

Praying for the Lord's blessing and guidance upon our church—

Respectfully submitted,  
T. S. WRAY.

The report was received and referred to the committee on Presbyterian reports.

Rev. Samuel S. Ward presented the report of the Pittsburgh Presbytery.

#### REPORT OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet at Fairview, Beaver County, Pa., May 20, 1943.

The annual meeting of the Pittsburgh Presbytery was held in the First R. P. Church of Pittsburgh on April 6, 1943.

At this meeting we were called upon to act on the request for the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Rev. H. C. Carson and the First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh and matters pertaining thereto. This request was complied with by Presbytery. Rev. Carson was authorized to declare the pulpit vacant on April 11, 1943. Rev. S. S. Ward was chosen moderator of Pittsburgh session during the vacancy with the power to moderate a call when the way was open. Rev. Carson resigned as moderator of Presbytery. We regret seeing him leave the R. P. Church and wish him success and God's blessings in his new field of labor, namely, Oakdale Presbyterian Church.

We would report the resignation of Rev. R. C. Knapp as stated supply at Fairview effective in November in order that he could enter the Chaplain Corps of the United States Army.

Fairview congregation requested the approval of Rev. D. Porter Williams, a retired minister of the Presbyterian (U. S. A.) Church, as their stated supply. Their request was granted and the name of Rev. Williams was added to Presbytery's roll as an associate member.

The reports on the spiritual condition of the various congregations under our care were very gratifying to Presbytery.

We report with sadness in our hearts the passing of Mr. S. A. Duncan, senior elder of Darlington congregation, on Nov. 2, 1942, and the passing of Mr. James Wilson, ruling elder of Pittsburgh congregation, on Jan. 25, 1941, whose death was not noted in last year's report.

We are happy to report the ordination and installation of

Mr. Merle Elder and Mr. James McIlldoon as elders of Pittsburgh congregation and Mr. Ralph H. Davis as elder of Fairview congregation.

The officers of Presbytery for the coming year are: Moderator, Rev. S. S. Ward; Clerk, Mr. J. W. Graham; Treasurer, Dr. R. Wayne Watterson.

The statistical report of the respective congregations is presented on a separate form.

Praying for the Lord's blessing on the work of His church, we respectfully submit our report.

SAMUEL WARD, Moderator

J. W. GRAHAM, Clerk

The report was received and referred to the committee on Presbyterial reports.

Dr. F. A. Jurkat presented the report of the Ohio Presbytery.

#### REPORT OF THE OHIO PRESBYTERY

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet in Fairview Church, Pa., on May 20, 1943:

The Presbytery roll consists of two ministers, W. R. McChesney and F. A. Jurkat, who have continued their work in Cedarville College, and in the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary, striving as well as they can to uphold the principles of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

The Houston Mission staff for the past year has consisted of Dr. and Mrs. John C. Taylor, Sr., Miss Elva Foster, Miss Leona Pearson, Miss Mary R. Adams, and Miss Susan Cunningham, (not on salary). We repeat our appeal of last year for manual training equipment. The removal of war workers has somewhat decreased the community, but we know that this can be only a passing phase.

Three meetings of Presbytery were held during the year. The first, held May 25, 1942, acted upon the request of the Philadelphia Presbytery for the dismissal of Rev. Alfred E. Parsons to the Philadelphia Presbytery, to accept a call to the pastorate of the Duanesburgh congregation. The request was complied with, and Rev. Parsons was in due time installed in his new charge. Rev. John C. Taylor, Sr., was appointed stated supply of the Houston congregation, the post just vacated by Rev. Parsons.

The second meeting, September 22, 1942, was called to act



upon the application of Gordon Ramsey Taylor, youngest son of Dr. John C. Taylor, Sr., to be taken under care of Presbytery as a collegiate student in prospect for the ministry. After examination, Mr. Taylor was received as a prospective divinity student, entering his junior year at Cedarville College, having taken his first two collegiate years at Muskingum College and University of Pennsylvania. He was recommended to the Lamb Fund and Cedarville College for financial aid, both of which were in due time granted. Mr. Taylor has done satisfactory work during the year, and in fact is already partially a seminary student. As more fully explained in the Report of the Seminary Professors, there are certain seminary courses which are also valid for collegiate credit, two of which he has taken during the year.

Dr. John C. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor served most acceptably in the Houston congregation for nearly a year. They are now taking advantage of an opportunity to return to their work in our India Mission, and the Houston pulpit is vacant.

We again urge upon the church at large to send students to the seminary at Cedarville, and to Cedarville College, in preparation for the ministry. Cedarville College has never made another denominational connection since its release from General Synod in 1928, and hence is in a sense still our college. The affiliation between the College and the Seminary offers excellent opportunity for students to combine courses, and thus materially shorten the time required for preparation for full ministerial work.

Presbyterial statistical report is attached. Praying for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the deliberations of the General Synod, we respectfully submit our report.

F. A. JURKAT, Clerk.

The report was received and referred to the committee on Presbyterial reports.

Elder S. H. Wasson presented the report of the Western Presbytery.

#### REPORT OF THE WESTERN PRESBYTERY

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, to meet in the Fairview Reformed Presbyterian Church, Fairview, Pa. May 20th, Greetings.

The Presbyterial Roll of the Presbytery continues as of last year. One regular meeting has been held during the year at which time routine business was carried out. Our Republican

City congregation is still without a Pastor and are very much discouraged having written the Presbytery feeling that they were unable to carry on in that field of labor. We plead for the prayers of the church for the work of the Lord in this portion of his vineyard.

During the summer of 1942, Presbytery cooperated with the Church Extension Board in sending Mr. Valentine to that field of labor and Miss Ramsey reports a very profitable summer's work. The work of our Los Angeles mission deserves the interest of the entire denomination.

The Presbytery feels the loss of the senior elders of the Sessions of the Grand Cote church, W. M. Fullerton, and D. C. Fullerton of the Bethel congregation.

The Presbytery would request continued help for Miss Ramsey in the sum of \$400.00 at least.

The statistics of the Presbytery are presented in separate form. Surely there should be a greater interest in the matters of the kingdom in these confused times. The materialistic philosophy of life has brought unto us the spirit of destruction. Only the spirit of self sacrifice and service of the Lord Jesus Christ instilled in human hearts shall be able to bring peace to a troubled world.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert W. Stewart, Moderator

D. M. Reid, Clerk

The report was received and referred to the committee on Presbyterianial reports.

It was voted that L. O. Robb take the place of S. L. Robb on the Board of Disabled Ministers.

It was voted that L. O. Robb take the place of Rev. H. C. Carson on the Board of Church Extension.

It was voted that Rev. D. Porter Williams take the place of Rev. R. C. Knapp; S. H. Wasson for J. A. Hocanson; L. O. Robb for S. L. Robb; Wayne Duncan for Henly McIntosh; Robert Hammond for Rev. H. C. Carson; Charles Hood for James S. Chestnut, all on the Home Mission Board.

**STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1943**

Auditing Committee—F. A. Jurkat, A. E. Parsons.

Presbyterial Reports—Theo. S. Wray, Dr. Taylor.

Presbyterial Records:

Philadelphia—R. W. Stewart, L. O. Robb.

Pittsburgh—P. W. Duncan, S. H. Wasson.

Ohio—Samuel Ward, Charles Hood.

Western—Theo. S. Wray, Merle Elder.

The General Synod then stood in recess.

This session of General Synod did not resume business.

**The Third Sitting**

**Same Place, Friday, May 21st — 1:30 P. M.**

The General Synod was called to order by the Moderator, Dr. R. W. Chesnut, who constituted the court with prayer.

The roll was called and the minutes were read and on motion approved.

Mr. Robert Hammond, elder of the Fairview Congregation, presented a program for the services to be held on the Lord's Day as follows:

**PROGRAM OF THE SERVICE ON SABBATH**

Sabbath School—9 A. M.

Morning Service—10 A. M.

Rev. D. Porter Williams, presiding

Rev. R. W. Chesnut—sermon

Rev. R. W. Stewart—Address to communicants

Sacrament of Lord's Supper

Young People's Meeting—7 P. M.

Evening Service—8 P. M.

Rev. D. Porter Williams, presiding

Rev. William P. Green—sermon

It was moved by Rev. S. S. Ward, seconded by S. H. Wasson, that the program prepared by the Fairview Session for General Synod's exercises on the Lord's Day be accepted. Motion carried.

Mr. J. W. Graham presented the report of the Committee on the Signs of the Times, as follows:

## SIGNS OF THE TIMES

In these dark times thousands of young American men and women are called upon to die for their country. Why should this be so? It is because of selfishness and greed. Men who desire power and world dominion have plunged the nations into bitter conflict. Men and women are called upon to relinquish the freedom of speech, thought and worship. It is in defense of these valued principles that men are making the supreme sacrifice. This world conflict does not affect certain classes within the nation, but reaches into every home. The service flag in the windows; the vacant chair at the table; The empty place in the Sabbath School class and church pew; the ache and worry in the hearts of fathers, mothers, wives and sweethearts, make us realize we are all engaged in the struggle.

The poem by C. B. Hamlet expresses the feeling in the hearts of loved ones at home for those who are in the service:

## MY SON HAS GONE AWAY

I watched him grow, this son of mine  
From baby boy to man,  
His milk-white skin burn raw and red,  
Then turn to deep, dark tan.  
I taught him how to play, to work,  
To make of life a game.  
We were so happy, he and I,  
Until the great war came.

The call to arms was clear and loud;  
He did not hesitate.  
His simple words ring in my ears,  
"I'll fight for home and State."  
And I am left alone, but proud;  
My son has gone away,  
And he, dear God, is in Your care,—  
Please bring him back some day.

Yes, we trust God to care for them and if it is His will, they will return to home and country.

Thousands are called upon to die! The rest of us are called upon to live!

How then, shall we live? Shall we take inventory at this time? Shall we seek the pleasures of sin for a season? If so,

a great variety is at hand from which to choose. Taverns, night clubs gambling joints are flourishing. Men and women stream in and out to spend the money earned under the stress of increased war production. "We must have our pleasure," say the workers. "Drink ——— beer, the beer that's mellow, that encourages fellowship," say the brewers' radio announcements. We are encouraged to believe that alcoholic beverages have a soothing relaxing effect on tired workers. Many workers spend long, hard hours at work in intense heat to earn their pay, only to lose it in a few minutes in a gambling house. Needless to say, the wife and family must suffer from such men's folly. Recently a superintendent in a nearby steel mill was asked to resign because he could not conquer Demon Rum.

We may choose to make Sunday our holiday without a thought to the real purpose of the day. Movies, sports, etc., being legalized, the American public seem to have forgotten that the Sabbath is a day to be kept holy.

It is easy to criticize others and in offering criticism we should be able to offer something in place of the evils that exist. The rest of us are called upon to live!

We still have the Rock to which we can cling when the storm of life's temptations would carry us away. We are all familiar with the rationing system: stamps are necessary to purchase certain foods, wearing apparel, etc. Many things which are not rationed are difficult to obtain. But—there is no rationing or shortage of God's mercies. We often think we may earn salvation by good works, forgetful that it is a gift of God. The challenge to us is, to live useful Christian lives that we might guide and help our fellow travelers.

We hear much about the post-war world and the terms of a just and durable peace. What are we doing to bring such about? What can the Reformed Presbyterian Church do to make this America a better place in which to live?

First: We are guilty of a carelessness that should be corrected; we must realize that our lives are preaching a gospel. We do not like to admit that we have been reluctant to ask someone to come to church or that we have been careless in the conduct of our own lives; but if we have not been guilty, why are there so many empty pews in our churches? We cannot say to "non-church-going" neighbors, "It's your duty to go to church and live conscientious Christian lives," and then be wolves in sheep's clothing in our own sphere. Reformed Presbyterians

must awaken to the fact that we are not a select group and that we will not automatically become residents of the Heavenly City because we have been known as R. P.'s here on earth. We must get our shoulder to the wheel and work if we are to do our part in making America better when our boys come home.

Second: What of the future of our denomination? The young people of today will be the men and women of tomorrow, and on their shoulders will rest the burdens to be borne. What are we, as a denomination, doing to prepare and encourage them for their future work? Have we ever invited our young people to have a conference at Synod time? Could a group representing every young people's society in the denomination not have a little help from Synod in organizing and financing an annual conference? Let us prayerfully consider whether we are fulfilling our obligation to them and to our denomination. Are we ignoring the sign on the horizon? Can't we read the handwriting on the wall? If we are to have a crop tomorrow, we must plant good seed today.

Third: We cannot go forward on our own strength alone. If we turn to God in faith, we shall be given strength for every task. Let us dust off the family altar; take the grace at meals out of the moth balls; get the go to church habit in condition; It's house cleaning time! Let us brighten up our appreciation for God's love.

In these days, things of military nature are constantly before our eyes. The shifting battle fronts; the gigantic losses of men and equipment; the sacrifice and heroism of officers and men. We must realize the strength of the forces of evil; they are well organized and use their weapons skillfully. If we are to march onward as Christian soldiers, we must be prepared to meet and overcome the counter attack of sin; and with unflinching courage withstand the charges of injustice and selfishness. Our General, the Almighty God, will lead us well; we have but to follow Him.

J. W. GRAHAM  
WILLIAM P. GREEN

The report was received and ordered published in the minutes.

Rev. Theo. S. Wray presented the report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance, as follows:

**LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE**

(Paper delivered at the meeting of the General Synod of the  
Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America at  
Fairview, Pa., May 20, 1943)

What to do and not to do on Sunday is a very important question facing every true Christian. At no time has the question of the proper observance of the Lord's Day been so acute as now. Under the pressure of war work many have to work on Sunday; others, while not actually engaged in Sunday work, are working so hard during the week that the only opportunity they have to be with their families and to take care of personal affairs is on Sunday.

A few houses up the street from where I live I noticed the occupant was busy painting his house on a Sunday morning. When I spoke to him, he said that it was the only time that he had and that he couldn't get anybody to do it for him. He works long hours during the week and is too tired to do it in the evenings. Under the circumstances is that man justified in painting his house on Sunday?

A short time ago I received a letter from my sister saying that her husband was so busily engaged in some new chemical war plant that Sunday to him was just like any other day. Now, forgetting for a moment his physical well-being, as a Christian is he justified in forsaking his church and neglecting the primary purpose of the Lord's Day?

Just what a Christian should or should not do on the Lord's Day is a problem which must be solved in the full light of God's word. The problem is not left entirely to man's conscience to settle for God's word and the Christ of God's word give us some fundamental principles. There has been much loose thinking on the part of conscientious Christians, ranging all the way from a strict Puritanical Sunday, in which all cooking is laid aside or prepared the day before, children's toys put away and long hours spent entirely in church, Bible study and prayer; to the wide-open Continental Sunday, with Sunday newspapers cluttering up the house, children playing about the neighborhood as on Saturday and, in normal times, creeping along the crowded highways in the family car.



**Historical Basis:**

Now let us look at the fundamental reason and basis for the Lord's Day. We are all aware of the fact that the first day of the week—or Lord's Day, as it is called in Revelation—had its origin in the resurrection of our Lord upon the first day of the week. There is no specific commandment setting aside the old Jewish Sabbath and prescribing the conditions of observing the Lord's Day; but our Lord did have something very definite to say about the Jewish Sabbath. He not only specifically condemned the Jewish method of observing the Sabbath; but He said that He was Lord of the Sabbath. In no relationship or application of His teaching did Christ make more remarkable claims for Himself. It was primarily for this that the Jewish leaders sought to kill Him.

Did you ever stop to think of the great emphasis which our Lord placed upon the observance of the moral law? How it was a matter, not only of outward obedience but a matter of the heart. It was not simply the overt act of stealing and killing and lust, but the very thought of it that was sin. Christ pushed the moral precepts of the Decalogue into the inner realm of thought and desire, thus making obedience to the moral law more difficult and exacting. Yet, at the same time that our Lord demanded obedience in spirit as well as in letter to the moral law, He fought for a more liberal and lenient interpretation of the law of the Sabbath. This difference, almost contrast, in emphasis upon the fourth commandment and other commandments of the Decalogue, is accounted for because the fourth commandment is a ceremonial law. All the other laws are moral laws. Moral laws are unchangeable and as immutable as the very attributes of God Himself. The ceremonial law may be altered. God's revelation of Himself to mankind is a progressive one. By means of signs, symbols and ceremonies the divine revelation of God was gradually unfolded until the full-orbed Rose of Sharon was fully revealed as the Saviour of the world. The atoning sacrificial death of Jesus Christ forever rent in twain the veil of the temple. Thereby He became the supreme and absolute sacrifice of which all others were but types. Thus ceremonial observance of animal sacrifices was forever done away with.

Now, some one asks, How do we know that the fourth commandment about "Remembering the Sabbath Day to keep it holy" is a ceremonial law and not an absolute moral law? Let

us look at a few Old Testament references.

**(1) As Observed in the Old Testament:**

Moses writes in Deut. 5: 15—"Thou shalt remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt and Jehovah thy God brought thee out hence by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm, THEREFORE Jehovah thy God commanded thee to keep the Sabbath Day." Did you ever ask yourself what the observance of the Sabbath Day had to do with the deliverance of Israel from the land of Egypt? Just this! That the Sabbath was a sign and type of God's deliverance. This is very specifically stated in Ex. 31: 16, where we read—"It (the Sabbath) is a SIGN between me and the children of Israel forever." When we remember that Egypt is always used in Scripture as a type of sin, we can more readily understand the redemptive significance of the Old Testament Sabbath. The Old Testament Sabbath looked forward to the redemptive work of Jesus Christ as Calvary. It is this redemptive principle which lies at the basis of the essential difference between the 4th commandment and the other commandments of the Decalogue. All of the other nine commandments are binding moral precepts admitting of no exception for any man in any age under any circumstance. The Sabbath law, on the other hand, has a ceremonial character which under certain conditions might be abrogated. The redemptive work of Christ, of which the Sabbath is a distinct type, was finally fulfilled in the resurrection of Jesus Christ on the first day of the week; and thus it was that the Old Testament law of Sabbath observance was superseded by the resurrection day of our Lord.

**(2) As Observed in Christ's Day:**

When we come to the New Testament I am sure that we are particularly concerned with what Christ had to say about the Sabbath. In considering the words of Jesus Christ let us not forget that He was still under the law. All that the Sabbath was a type of, was yet to be fulfilled when Christ spoke.

You will remember how Christ and His disciples were reprimanded by the Pharisees for picking the kernels of wheat on the Sabbath. Our Lord proceeded to lay down a fundamental interpretation—"The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath." Now what do these words mean? Surely in their absolute simplicity they mean that the Sabbath as an institution was subservient to man. Man's spiritual and physical

well-being were far more important than obedience to the letter of the law, particularly when that law had become perverted by so many absurd Rabbinical interpretations. Christ shows five ways in which the 4th commandment could be set aside:

1. David and his companions entered the sanctuary and ate the shew-bread on the Sabbath Day to satiate their natural pangs of hunger.

2. Temple duties allowed the setting aside of the rigid Sabbath laws as the priests on that day continued to perform their specified duties.

3. On the Sabbath a child of eight days old might be circumcised.

4. Mercy to animals was permitted in leading them to water or extracting them from pits into which they might have fallen.

5. External remedies were allowed when either loss of life or loss of limb was endangered.

While Christ Himself observed the C<sup>o</sup>d Testament regulations concerning the Sabbath, yet, nevertheless, He earnestly sought to inculcate into the blind Pharisaical minds, the Sabbath's true spiritual meaning and significance. For this reason our Lord purposely broke the many minute Rabbinical regulations and sought to abolish and supersede the common Jewish modes of Sabbath observance, which were but temporal and outward. Our Lord, therefore, in fulfillment of the spiritual aspect, and in view of his soon-approaching redemptive work upon Calvary, knew that the outward shell must needs be abolished. At the very heart of the spiritual aspect of the Sabbath, as we have already seen, is redemption. When Christ brought about the redemption of mankind by the resurrection on the first day of the week, it was only natural that the time and mode of observance should be changed.

### (3) As Observed in New Testament Church:

When we come to the days of the early Christian church, what do we find? At first the Christian church did keep the seventh day, primarily because they continued to meet with the Jews in the synagogues; but soon the first day of the week came to be recognized as the day on which the followers of Christ would meet to worship. When the Gentiles were admitted into the church, the question arose whether they should be required to keep the law of Moses. Did they have to be circumcised?

Did they have to make token sacrifices? Were they obligated to keep the Sabbath? It is to the glory of Paul that he fought for and won freedom for the Gentile Christians. Did you ever stop to think that at the first church council held at Jerusalem no mention is made of Sabbath observance in the requirements laid upon the Gentile Christians? This omission can mean but one thing. Already the first day of the week had superseded the Sabbath. Christian liberty, as proclaimed by Paul, excluded all the special feast days and seasons. This is particularly emphasized in Col. 2: 14-17. Here Paul definitely says that the Sabbath was a shadow—a type—of things to come, namely of the redemption of Christ.

In Acts 20: 7, as Paul is returning to Jerusalem from his third missionary journey, he stops at Troas to visit the Christians, and then we read: "Upon the first day of the week when the disciples came together, Paul preached unto them." Here we are specifically told that one of the four characteristics of the early church was observed on the first day of the week. The inference is very strong that the other items which make up the worship of the early church, such as prayer, fellowship and apostles doctrine, were also observed on the first day.

Furthermore, in I Cor. 16: 2, Paul specifically enjoins, "On the first day of the week let each one of you lay by him in store as the Lord hath prospered him." Thus giving was also to be characteristic of the Lord's Day.

Let us not confuse the Old Testament Sabbath with the first day of the week of the new dispensation. The Sabbath commemorates God's creative rest, the first day Christ's resurrection. On the seventh day God rested, on the first day Christ was ceaselessly active. The Sabbath commemorates a finished creation, the first day a finished redemption. The Sabbath was a day of legal obligation, the first day one of voluntary worship and service.

#### **Modern Observance:**

Now to get back to our original question, How is the Christian to observe the Lord's Day? Unquestionably there are five positive things which he is to do: (1) We are to continue steadfastly in the apostles doctrine. This implies teaching, the instruction of youth in the fundamentals of our faith and the indoctrination of the adults by a teaching ministry. (2) We are to break bread. In other words, to observe communion. Now

it is true that many Christian churches do not do this as often as that because of its impracticability. I have a very high respect for such groups at the Plymouth Brethren, Episcopalians and others who literally observe the breaking of bread on the first day of the week. (3) We are to enjoy fellowship. This means just what it says. Mutual comradeship, one with another in the things of the Lord. There is no place for Christian isolationist. One cannot truly worship God and remain separate from other Christians. (4) We are to resort to prayer. I believe this has reference to more than individual prayers. It refers to united prayers. (5) Finally, the Lord's Day is to be characterized by giving.

Nothing is said negatively. The age of grace is characterized by positiveness; the age of the law by negativeness. We are to LOVE the Lord our God with all our heart; we are to LOVE our neighbors as ourselves; we are to WORSHIP Him in spirit and truth.

Not a thing is said in the New Testament about Resting on the Lord's Day; about refraining from recreation; and desisting from the ordinary pursuits of life. Considerable latitude is given the individual Christian in this matter. But in saying this, let us remember that Christ is Lord of the Sabbath. It belongs to Him; it points to Him; it speaks of Him. As one of the functions of the Old Testament Sabbath was to commemorate the deliverance of Israel from Egypt, so one of the purposes of the New Testament's Lord's Day is to commemorate our deliverance from sin.

A few weeks ago I was visiting in a home of one of my members and was asked whether I thought it was right for a Christian to go to a baseball game on Sunday afternoon. I said, "I am going to answer your question by quoting D. L. Moody's reply to a somewhat similar question. When D. L. Moody was asked by a young convert whether he could be a Christian and still smoke, his answer was, "Yes, but you will be a dirty one." If you can litter up your home with the Sunday newspapers and spend hours reading what is mostly stuffing, if you can go to a ball game, mingle with a Godless crowd, most of whom will be taking God's name in vain; if you can go to the movies and watch and support Godless movie stars play upon your emotions and create discontent and arouse false appetites; if you can drive down to the shore, under normal circumstances and mingle with a crowd that is making a grand holiday out of a holy

day—and do it all to the glory of God, with a free conscience, then there is nothing in God's Word to stop you.

This may seem to be a radical departure from the traditional and even catechetical injunctions concerning observance of the Lord's Day; but I believe it is the only sane, consistent and Scriptural way to approach the problem.

One additional word should be mentioned. We are our brother's keeper. It is possible that you might work in your Victory garden on a Lord's Day afternoon and do so with a perfectly clear conscience and yet at the same time offend a weaker brother. If you knowingly distract another from the right observance of the Lord's Day, then you are guilty of sin. In this connection I believe that every Christian should think twice before they enter into any money transaction on the Lord's Day, for almost invariably the making of any payment involves keeping some one from the proper observance of the day. Except under very unusual circumstances I do not think the Christian has any right to make purchases on Sunday.

In conclusion let me stress again the great New Testament positive principle to every problem of life. To the Christian in this age of grace, it is not so much a question of the wrong abuse of privilege, as it is a question of the right use of privilege.

In the coal regions of eastern Pennsylvania the mules used for hauling cars below the surface are brought to the surface and allowed to graze over the Lord's Day. A small boy upon visiting his aunt in the coal regions asked why the mules were brought to the surface. Her reply was, "They are brought up into the light on Sunday to keep them from going blind." The boy thought a minute and then asked, "Do the miners come up for light, too?" Our blind, tired bodies and starved souls need God's sunlight; need to feed upon the manna of life; need rest and change.

"This is the Day of Light:  
Let there be light today;  
O Day-spring rise upon our night,  
And chase its gloom away.

"This is the Day of Rest:  
Our failing strength renew;  
On weary brain and troubled breast  
Shed Thou Thy refreshing dew.

"This is the Day of Prayer:  
 Let earth to heaven draw near:  
 Lift up your hearts to seek Thee there;  
 Come down to meet us here.

"This is the Day of Peace:  
 Thy peace our spirits fill;  
 Bid Thou the blasts of discord cease,  
 The waves of strife be still."

T. S. WRAY  
 S. H. WASSON

The paper was received and after quite a lengthy discussion of the use of the words Sunday, Sabbath and Lord's Day, was ordered published in the minutes.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was given by Rev. Samuel S. Ward and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

Fathers and Brethren:

The subject of evangelism is one which we in the Reformed Presbyterian denomination may well contemplate. Evangelism is a progressive term. We are small and diminishing in size. Peter in his great evangelistic effort at Pentecost added to the church three thousand souls, and after that date the records says that there still further additions to the church daily. We are preparing to take not only names from our church rolls, but churches from our Presbytery rosters. Our thoughts have long ceased to rest on expansion and now are placed with concern on the problem of existence. Perhaps this is just the trouble. We have become in many respects ecclesiastical introverts. For a person to be an introvert means loss of opportunity and influence. But for a church to become an introvert means suicide. If a church ceases to continue to reach out and carry on the great commission of her Lord, then she ceases to live spiritually. We have had the idea in our subconscious mind that we are to be true to the Spirit of the Gospel, and in this atmosphere of truth, in spite of our best effort of self-preservation go down to denominational extinction. But this is a self-contradiction. To be true to the Gospel is life, not a convenient way



to prepare to expire. In short, if we are a church of the Lord Jesus Christ, then we should have horizons broader than the carpeted aisles of our own church building. As an organization we should exist, not for ourselves, but for the salvation and the building up of every soul within our reach. And herein lies the difference between life and death for our denomination. If we are to live, we must have the Spirit that makes us go out in an evangelistic effort to establish and maintain outposts for the teaching of the Gospel. That is the burden of this report. The burning need for our own denomination is that we set ourselves to the task of organization and development of outpost schools. The fact that the Southern Presbyterian Church has suffered less than other branches of the denomination from Sabbath School losses may well be explained by the interest they have taken in just such a program. And we are very earnest in saying that for us the ultimatum is "Do it or die."

Aside from our OWN need for outposts, first let us look at the need in our country for spiritual training that the Sabbath School brings. There never was a period in the history of the United States when we taught less religion in our homes. And naturally enough it follows that there is no nation that even approximates our record of crime and divorce. The parents of today are unfit to teach their children the truths of the Bible or to lead them to a personal knowledge of the Lord Jesus. Instead of the Bible, the Sunday paper is the text-book. Instead of the Sabbath School, the children and parents are in the theater. Children go to the movies five times more often than they go to church, and while they are there, they learn five times as quickly. And in the public schools there remains no place for religion. In the city of New York, the school teachers discovered that 860,000 children were without any knowledge of the Bible and void of all sense of right and wrong. In the United States today, there are 27 million Protestant children without any religious education. Gentlemen, these facts promise nothing but ill for our nation, whether we win or lose the war. A despotism can prosper without the strength of character of its citizens. But a democracy cannot. From any possible angle, it is imperative that we give the children of our country the standards of a regenerate heart nurtured in the right way.

But some one will say that great as the need may be, we are a weak organization and have difficulty in keeping our own congregation together. And this is just the point. An outpost Sab-

bath School which will some day be of advantage to the denomination by forming a new church, has the immediate advantage of building up the home church. Let us look at a few examples. In a Baptist church of Attalia, Alabama, the people became concerned about the suburbs of that city where there were no Sabbath Schools. So they organized schools in these places, and since that time, this church has had more additions in membership than any other member of the Baptist association. Each superintendent of a branch Sabbath School is a member of the board of deacons of the home church. A mid-week prayer meeting is held in each branch church, and the attendance of the home prayer meeting has quadrupled. That church has been blessed greatly because of its outpost evangelism.

And even more astounding is the experience of Rev. Rosco S. Wilson of South Bend, Indiana. He came to a church in South Bend in 1931 when the membership could well worry about their own plight. They had a debt of \$106,000; 400 members with an attendance in the morning of less than 100. Rev. Wilson says that they were introverts, magnifying difficulties rather than opportunities. So he set about to widen their horizons. Almost the first thing he did was to start a teachers' training class. In a few years, they started a Sabbath School in a needy area outside the city limits. Today, they have these three former outpost Sabbath Schools, which are now self-supporting churches; they are in the midst of a tremendous building program; they have large contributions to missions, and their debt is paid. And all this in a hopeless congregation, because they organized outposts.

So, if our churches are weak, strengthen them with an outpost Sabbath School. This, gentlemen, would be the beginning of a program that would bring us to Synod with the pleasant task of welcoming new congregations into our midst. Dr. Henry W. McLaughlin says in the Christian Observer: "If a sufficient number of churches will organize new outposts and conduct in them a good program of religious education for a period of time, we will have plenty of new churches that will soon come to self-support without too much of a burden on the home mission committees."

Gentlemen, this is the road of life for our denomination; the road upon which the Lord told all His followers to walk. Will we go there?

We would recommend that Synod take definite steps, by strong recommendations to Presbyteries, that they explore the opportunities that surely exist, and in one year's time report progress in this matter of outpost Sabbath Schools.

SAMUEL WARD

The report was received and ordered published in the minutes.

The committee to examine the records of the Philadelphia Presbytery reported that they had examined said records and found them neatly and correctly kept with the exception that the minutes of 5-21-42; 5-22-42 and 10-9-42 had not been approved by any succeeding meeting.

The committee to examine the records of the Pittsburgh Presbytery reported that they had examined said records and found them neatly and correctly kept.

The committee to examine the records of the Ohio Presbytery reported that they had examined said records and found them neatly and correctly kept.

The committee to examine the records of the Western Presbytery reported that they had examined said records and found them neatly and correctly kept with the exception that the names of three elders of the Grandcote congregation elected this past year were omitted.

On motion duly made and seconded these reports were approved.

The following resolution was presented, voted upon and approved: Whereas, throughout this country the cost of living is increasing, the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church recommends to the sessions of the various churches that they request the Trustees of their churches that they endeavor to raise the salaries of the ministers in accordance to the general increase in the cost of living. A copy of this resolution is to be sent by the Stated Clerk of General Synod to the Clerk of

each Session of our church within 60 days and a reply is expected from the Clerks of the Session as to how this matter has been executed.

The following resolution was presented, voted upon and adopted: In view of pending Federal legislation expanding the Social Security Act to include ministers of those denominations which have no pension plan, General Synod would urge each local church to give serious attention in the near future to the Pension Plan as passed by the General Synod in 1942;

Resolved further, that the Clerk of General Synod send a special copy of this resolution to each clerk of session of each congregation.

At this time a special committee consisting of Rev. W. P. Green, Rev. Theo. S. Wray and Dr. F. A. Jurkat was appointed by the Moderator to bring in a report on the Pension Plan.

General Synod then adjourned by resolution, the Moderator calling upon Rev. Samuel S. Ward to adjourn the court with prayer.

### **The Fourth Sitting**

**Same Place, Saturday, May 22nd, 1943 — 9 A. M.**

The General Synod was called to order by the Moderator, who constituted the court with prayer. Rev. Theo. S. Wray was then introduced and led the court in devotional services upon the subject: The Church, Its Head. Scripture Eph. 1: 22.

The roll was called after which the minutes were read and on motion approved.

It was moved by Rev. Wray, seconded by Dr. John C. Taylor, that a committee be appointed to consider the necessity of printing more of the books of discipline and ecclesiastical catechism. Motion carried. The Moderator appointed the Committee on Discipline.

The Treasurer of the Administration Fund reported.

**REPORT OF ROBERT W. STEWART, TREASURER OF THE  
ADMINISTRATION FUND OF GENERAL SYNOD OF THE  
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, FOR THE —  
YEAR 1942-1943**

**Receipts**

6-17-42	Received Foreign Mission Board .....	100.00
5-19-42	Balance on hand .....	\$ 57.26
8-27-42	Received Treasurer Church Extension .....	125.00
10-13-42	Received Treasurer Theological Seminary .....	275.00
1- 9-43	Received Interest .....	.36

May 17, 1943, Total Receipts and Balance ....\$557.62

**Expenditures**

5-19-42	Bank Charges, Clay Center, Kans. ....	\$ .36
6-17-42	Dr. Chesnut, Deficit for las year .....	21.75
7-11-42	Minute Book for General Synod .....	6.60
7-29-42	Dr. Chesnut, Printing Minutes .....	75.00
7-29-42	Carl Stewart, Janitor .....	5.90
8-27-42	Rev. S. S. Ward, Salary .....	25.00
8-27-42	Dr. Chesnut, Printing Minutes .....	125.00
10-13-42	Dr. Chesnut, Printing Minutes .....	100.00
1- 9 43	Dr. Chesnut, Printing Minutes .....	100.00
1- 9-43	R. W. Stewart, Salary .....	50.00
5-17-43	Printing on Minute Book .....	1.00
	Check charges .....	.65

May 17, 1943, Total Expenses .....\$510.36

May 17, 1943, Balance on hand ..... 47.26

\$557.62

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. STEWART, Treasurer.

The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was given by Rev. A. E. Parsons and is as follows:

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE**

To the General Synod meeting at Fairview May 20th, 1943:

Gentlemen:

We have read carefully the splendid report of last year submitted by Rev. Samuel S. Ward and Elder Raymond Getty stressing the moral conditions in our army and training camps. The situation remains unchanged despite the protests of individual Christian people and various religious and temperance societies who have petitioned our law-makers to protect our youth of 18 years who heretofore have been protected by the laws of most states until they reached the age of 21. The liquor interests are thoroughly entrenched in our national government; the forces of temperance stand defeated so far as procuring legislation is concerned. We of the Church of Christ cannot accept defeat. Like the prophet we must instruct the young, "Precept upon precept, line upon line," and save, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, as many as we can from this master evil.

Let us turn to the economic aspects of the matter. We must win this war! This is foremost in the minds of us all. We are using the word "Victory" so often we are almost forgetting its real meaning—Victory bonds, Victory gardens, Victory models of various machines and articles (which usually means inferior quality). Victory is a precious thing. It can not be bought. It must be won! It must be won with the blood of our sons and by the sacrifices of us all. Should we utter this precious word, while within our national structure are the elements of defeat? Leading these elements of defeat is intemperance with its train of evils.

Business and manufacturing have been restricted and regimented. Yet the brewer's business has increased. Rubber and gasoline are scarce and rationed, but the beer trucks roll as usual. We take sugar with the end of our spoon but the brewers have thousands of tons of this same scarce stuff to sweeten their beverage. This in turn is sold to our defense workers and the result is a decrease in their efficiency.

We are assured by our government that there is an abundance of cereals, but feed dealers and farm cooperatives are warning dairymen that feed stocks are short and that we shall face a serious shortage next year especially in fats and pro-

teins which are vital to produce not only quantity but also quality of high grade milk. But thousands of bushels of barley, which is rich in fat, are brewed each day. And only the refuse of this good dairy grain is sold to dairymen. This costs the dairymen approximately as much as the barley cost the brewer. But the feeding value of this refuse, known as brewer's grain and malt, is rated about the same as corn silage, a low-grade feed with most of the fat and protein removed. Moreover, water is added to this malt. This forms about 75 percent of the total weight which is trucked to our farms with precious gasoline and rubber.

Volumes more could be written concerning absenteeism in our defense industries, airplane crashes at our training centers, and the debacle at Pearl Harbor. We believe that the responsibility for much of these elements of defeat in our midst can be laid at the door of the liquor traffic.

Oh, that our leaders were aware that righteousness is a nation's strength! Would that they take to heart these warnings given to Israel before it crossed the Jordan. These warnings are recorded in a selected verse from the 28th chapter of Deuteronomy:

"But it shall come to pass if thou wilt not harken to the voice of the Lord thy God to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day, all these curses shall come upon thee and overtake thee. Cursed shall thou be in the city and cursed shall thou be in the field. Cursed shall be thy basket and thy store and thou shall grope at noon-day as the blind gropeth in darkness and thou shalt not prosper in thy way and thou shall be oppressed and spoiled evermore and no man shall save thee. Thine ox shall be slain before them ever and thou shalt not eat thereof. Thine ass shall be violently taken away from before thy face and shall not be restored to thee. Thy sheep shall be given unto thine enemies, and thou shall have none to rescue them."

A. E. PARSONS

WARD FIDLER

The report was received and ordered published in the minutes.

Rev. Theo. S. Wray read the report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund.



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**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE LAMB AND  
SEMINARY FUNDS**

1937 E. Allegheny Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

May 20, 1943.

TO THE MODERATOR of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America to convene at the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Fairview, in Beaver County, Pa.

REVEREND SIRs:—

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Lamb and Theological Seminary Funds of the Reformed Presbyterian Church are herewith submitted:

The Synod will recall in the minutes of last year that property 2211 Wallace Street had been foreclosed and immediately sold. After the General Synod the Trustees were presented with an outstanding bill from Walter Lee Sheppard, Esq., attorney for the Trustees, that had not been paid him for his services. This bill amounted to \$75.74 and had to be paid out of the funds this year.

The Synod will also recall the Trustees mentioned the fact that property 2610 Swain Street had been sold. The money derived from the sale of this property has been placed in the Saving Fund and divided on the books belonging to both the Lamb and Theological Seminary Funds.

In July of 1942, the Trustees received a notice from the Building Inspectors of Philadelphia, that the properties on Judson Street had either to be removed or to be put in a safe condition to pass their inspection. This work cost the Trustees the sum of \$325.50.

In September of 1942, the Trustees were requested by Mrs. Mildred A. Tait of 254 S. Farragut Terrace to reduce the rate of interest on her mortgage from 6 percent to 5 percent. This request was granted by the Trustees.

On December 23, 1942, the Trustees placed a mortgage with Mr. Hugh M. Troland, Jr., on properties 3113-15-17 Reach Street and 834 E. Hilton Street for \$3600. at the rate of 4½% interest. This mortgage was placed from the funds belonging to the Theological Seminary Fund.

Attention Nominating Committee: The Trustees request that all the members of this fund be elected from Philadelphia, so that the Trustees could have a quorum at their meetings.

**ASSETS OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUNDS**

21 Pittsburgh Cincinnati Chicago &amp; St. Louis RR bonds \$21000.00

**MORTGAGES**

F. S. Stevenson 856 N. Ringgold Street .....\$1000.00  
 Dorothy M. Toothill 626 E. Cornwall Street ..... 1500.00  
 Samuel Black 6731 Rutland Street ..... 3000.00  
 Hugh Troland, Jr. 3113-15-17 Reach St. & 834 E. Hilton St. 3600.00

**REAL ESTATE**

2345 Nassau Street .....\$ 150.00  
 2347 Nassau Street ..... 150.00  
 532 N. 22nd Street ..... 4100.00

**ASSETS OF LAMB FUND**

11 Shares First National Bank of Philadelphia .....\$1547.75  
 4 Monogahelia Lt. & Power Co. bonds ..... 3840.00  
 10 Shares Phila. Co. \$5.00 preference Stock, no par value  
     obtained in exchange for Pittsburgh Allegheny &  
     Manchester Tractor Co. bonds which is listed at .... 1000.00  
 2 United States Defense Bonds — Series (f) ..... 2000.00

**MORTGAGES**

M. A. Taite (Noble), 252 S. Farragut Terrace .....\$4500.00  
 G. Mina, 812 N. Judson Street ..... 1500.00  
 Dorothy M. Toothill, 609 E. Cornwall Street ..... 1500.00  
 Dorothy M. Toothill, 849 E. Thayer Street ..... 1500.00  
 Note—Calvin Reilly ..... 200.00

**REAL ESTATE****City Assessments.**

2242 Callowhill Street .....\$6500.00  
 2309 Pennsylvania Avenue ..... 3200.00  
 2327 Pennsylvania Avenue ..... 3300.00  
 2329 Pennsylvania Avenue ..... 2700.00  
 2331 Pennsylvania Avenue ..... 2700.00  
 556 N. Judson Street ..... 1500.00  
 558 N. Judson Street ..... 1500.00  
 560 N. Judson Street ..... 1500.00  
 562 N. Judson Street ..... 1500.00  
 564 N. Judson Street ..... 1600.00  
 548 N. 23rd Street ..... 2400.00

**MORTGAGE INTEREST COLLECTED BELONGING TO THE  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUNDS**

Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1000 at

5 percent. Premises 856 N. Ringgold Street, due March 22, 1942 .....	\$ 25.00
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1000 at 5 percent. Premises 856 N. Ringgold Street, due September 22, 1942 .....	25.00
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1500 at 5 percent. Premises 626 E. Cornwall Street, due April 15, 1942 .....	37.50
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1500 at 5 percent. Premises 626 E. Cornwall Street, due October 15, 1942 .....	37.50
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$3000 at 5 percent. Premises 6731 Rutland Street, due September 21, 1942 .....	75.00
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$3000 at 5 percent. Premises 6731 Rutland Street, due Mar. 21, 1943 .....	75.00
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	\$275.00
Commission 5 percent .....	13.75
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	\$261.25

**MORTGAGE INTEREST COLLECTED BELONGING TO THE  
LAMB FUND**

Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1500 at 5 percent. Premises 812 N. Judson Street, due July 1, 1941 .....	\$ 37.50
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1500 at 5 percent. Premises 812 N. Judson Street, due January 1, 1942 .....	37.50
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$4500 at 6 percent. Premises 252 S. Farragut Terrace, due May 29, 1942 .....	135.00
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$4500 at 5 percent. Premises 252 S. Farragut Terrace, due November 29, 1942 .....	112.50
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1500 at 5 percent. Premises 609 E. Cornwall Street, due September 13, 1942 .....	37.50
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1500 at 5 percent. Premises 609 E. Cornwall Street, due March 13, 1943 .....	37.50

Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1500 at 5 percent. Premises 849 E. Thayer Street, due September 13, 1942 .....	37.50
Six months' interest on mortgage principal of \$1500 at 5 percent. Premises 849 E. Thayer Street, due Mar. 13, 1943 .....	37.50
	\$472.50
Commission 5 percent .....	23.63
	\$448.87

**LAMB FUND**

Balance 4-1-42 .....	\$2396.30
Rents .....	\$810.00
Mortgage interest .....	472.50
Dividends .....	451.00
..2610 Swain Street .....	5.00
Interest from Saving Fund .....	11.86
	\$1750.36
	\$4146.66

**Disbursements**

Taxes (1942) .....	\$706.72
Water Rents (1942) .....	60.00
Commission Col. Rents .....	40.50
Commission Col. Mtg. Interest .....	23.63
Real Estate Expenses .....	466.25
Purchase 2 Defense bonds (F) .....	2000.00
Rev. Jurkat (Taylor's education) .....	100.00
War Insurance .....	6.50
Liability Policies .....	43.33
	\$3446.93
Balance 4-1-43 .....	699.73
	\$4146.66

**SAVING FUND ACCOUNT**

Balance 4-1-42 .....	\$4326.57
Sale of property 2610 Swain Street—\$843.32 belonging to the Lamb Fund and \$1073.32 belonging to the Theological Seminary Fund .....	1916.64
Interest .....	23.72
	\$6266.93

Mortgage placed 3113-15-17—	
Reach St. & 834 E. Hilton Street .....	\$3600.00
Transferred to Lamb Fund .....	11.86
Transferred to Theol. Sem. Fund .....	11.86
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	\$3623.72
Balance 4-1-43 .....	2643.21
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	\$6266.93

## THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND

Balance 4-1-42 .....	\$1520.81
Rents .....	\$ 350.00
Mortgage Interest .....	275.00
Dividends .....	735.00
2610 Swain Street .....	6.37
Interest from Saving Funds .....	11.86
Received from Saving Funds .....	3600.00
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	\$4978.23
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	\$6499.04

## Disbursements

Foreclosure 2211 Wallace Street .....	\$ 75.74
Commission Col. Rents .....	17.50
Commission Col. Mtg. Interest .....	13.75
Water Rents .....	14.00
Taxes (1942) .....	195.50
Real Estate Expenses .....	15.50
Administration Fund .....	275.00
Corn Exchange Bank Box .....	6.00
Liability Policies .....	26.25
War Insurance .....	3.50
Salaries .....	600.00
Stationery and Expenses of Treasurer and Secretary .....	100.00
Mortgage placed .....	3600.00
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	\$4942.74
Balance 4-1-43 .....	1556.30
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	\$6499.04

## 2610 SWAIN STREET

Rents .....	\$ 80.00
Sale of property .....	1916.64
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	\$1996.64

Commission Col. Rents .....	\$ 4.00
Transferred to Saving Fund .....	1916.64
Transferred to Lamb Fund .....	5.00
Transferred to Theol. Sem. Fund .....	6.37
Taxes of 1942 .....	54.63
Water Rents .....	10.00

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\$1996.64

Respectfully submitted,  
 HUGH M. TROLAND, SR.

This report was approved and the financial report referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Moderator appointed Dr. John C. Taylor on the Committee of the Lamb Fund.

The report of the Publisher of the Advocate was given by Dr. R. W. Chesnut.

#### REPORT ON THE PUBLICATION OF THE ADVOCATE

The Editor and Publisher of the Advocate would respectfully report that during the year ending May 1, 1943, we have issued the Advocate each month during the year. The July number contained the Minutes of Synod, and the expense was paid from the appropriation made for that purpose.

The present account covers the expenses of 11 months and the Minutes, also the receipts from various sources. The subscription list remains about the same as last year.

#### Expenses

11 issues at \$30 each .....	\$330.00
Editor's salary .....	75.00
Total .....	\$405.00

#### Receipts

Rev. F. A. Jurkat for Minutes 1942 .....	\$ 5.00
Cedarville College advertisements .....	12.00
Subscriptions .....	113.50
Synod's appropriation .....	250.00
Total .....	\$380.50
Deficit .....	\$ 24.50
Expenses for printing 250 regular copies and 50 extra copies .....	\$150.00

Paid in full.

This is a saving of \$50 on former years.

The cost of the work remains the same as on other years, and we will need the same appropriation of \$250 if we continue the publication another year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. CHESNUT, Editor.

This report was approved and the financial report referred to the Auditing Committee.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the special committee on the Advocate of 1942 be continued for the year 1943.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Stated Clerk of General Synod secure a ream of official stationery for the use of the officers to contain the names of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk in their proper places, to be in possession of the Clerk and distributed by him. The bill to be paid from the Administration Fund.

General Synod then stood in recess.

This session of General Synod did not resume business.

### **The Fifth Sitting**

**Same Place, Saturday, May 22nd 1943 — 1:30 P. M.**

The General Synod was called to order by the Moderator who constituted the court with prayer.

The roll was called after which the minutes of the last session were read and on motion approved.

The Moderator appointed the Standing Committees as follows:

For the General Synod of 1944

Committee on Devotional Exercises—Rev. Samuel Ward, J. W. Graham.

Committee on Temperance—Rev. R. W. Stewart, S. H. Wasson.

Committee on Sabbath Observance—Rev. P. W. Duncan, L. O. Robb.

Committee on Evangelism — Rev. Theo. S. Wray, Samuel Black.

Committee on Signs of the Times—Rev. A. E.

Parsons, Waldo Chesnut.

Committee on Discipline—Rev. F. A. Jurkat,  
Chas. Hood.

Committee on Judiciary—Rev. Wm. P. Green,  
Raymond Getty.

Committee on Resolutions — Rev. Theo. S.  
Wray, Wayne R. Duncan.

The General Synod then stood in recess, to meet  
at the call of the Moderator.

### Resumed Session — 4:45 P. M.

It was moved and carried that the courtesies  
of the floor be extended to Dr. R. Wayne Watterson,  
Mrs. D. R. Weik and Norman McHattie.

Dr. R. Wayne Watterson presented the report  
of the Treasurer of the Robert Young Estate.

#### REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE ROBERT YOUNG BEQUEST

##### Receipts

Balance May 18, 1942 .....	\$ 960.07
Coupons U. S. Treas. Bond No. 15294D .....	21.57
Coupons U. S. Treas. Bond No. 15295E .....	21.57
Coupons U. S. Treas. Bond No. 15296F .....	21.57
	\$1024.73
Total Receipts .....	\$1024.73

##### Disbursements

Bibles — Third R. P. Church .....	\$ 25.00
Bibles — Samples — Darlington .....	1.10
	\$ 26.10
Total Disbursements .....	\$ 26.10

Balance May 20, 1943 .....

A bill of approximately \$300.00 for Bibles outstanding.

##### ASSETS

Three U. S. Treasury Bonds \$500.00 each .....	\$1500.00
Three U. S. Savings Bonds \$395.00 each .....	1185.00
Savings Account — John T. Reeves & Co. ....	3047.66
(This was a Certificate of Deposit trans- ferred to a savings account. Amount \$3000, plus interest of \$47.66)	
	\$4732.66



Total Assets ..... \$5732.66

Respectfully submitted,

R. WAYNE WATTERSON, Custodian.

This report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

It was moved by Rev. Theo. S. Wray, seconded by L. O. Robb, that the General Synod commend Dr. Watterson for his good work in sending Bibles to the churches and recommend that he proceed with his plan as stated for the securing and distribution of catechisms and that he cooperate with the Committee on Discipline in making plans for the printing of McLeod's catechism. Motion carried.

Dr. R. Wayne Watterson presented the report of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Board.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA  
GENERAL SYNOD**

Balance May 18, 1942 ..... \$1468.07

**Receipts from Contributions**

**Coulterville Church**

Ladies Presbyterial .....	\$ 31.36	
Congregation . . . . .	70.31	
Congregation (Designated —		
Contingent Fund) .....	15.00	\$116.67

**Darlington Churches**

Congregation . . . . .	\$ 35.79	
Sabbath School .....	17.50	
Young People's C. E. (Tuition) ....	36.00	
A Friend (\$35.00 Designated) .....	105.40	
Rachael Watt .....	100.00	\$294.69

**Duanesburgh Church**

Sabbath School .....	\$113.21	
Sabbath School (Tuition) .....	8.00	
Helping Hand Society .....	5.00	\$126.21

**Fairview Church**

Congregation . . . . .	\$ 22.68	
Sabbath School . . . . .	16.10	\$ 38.78
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Philadelphia — Third R. P. Church		
Congregation . . . . .	\$300.00	
Sabbath School (Tuition) . . . . .	72.00	\$372.00
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Philadelphia — Fifth R. P. Church		
Congregation . . . . .	\$126.79	
Women's Missionary Society . . . . .	15.00	
Sabbath School . . . . .	80.10	
Sabbath School (Designated Calif.) . . . . .	33.50	\$255.39
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Pittsburgh — First R. P. Church		
Congregation . . . . .	\$158.78	
Sabbath School . . . . .	44.35	
Sabbath School (Designated) . . . . .	34.41	
Women's Missionary Society . . . . .	55.00	\$292.54
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Republican City R. P. Church		
Women's Missionary Society . . . . .	\$ 5.00	
Mr. James Chestnut . . . . .	10.00	
Mr. Wallace Benson . . . . .	10.00	
Mr. Nevin Chestnut . . . . .	10.00	
Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Lathrop . . . . .	10.00	\$ 45.00
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Sparta — Bethel R. P. Church		
Congregation . . . . .	\$110.00	\$110.00
Miscellaneous Contributions		
F. A. Jurkat . . . . .	\$ 25.00	
W. R. McChesney . . . . .	25.00	\$ 50.00
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Total Receipts from Contributions . . . . .		\$1701.23
<b>Receipts from Investments</b>		
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Pref. Stock . . . . .	\$250.00	
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. C1445 . . . . .	7.50	
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. C1446 . . . . .	7.50	
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. C1447 . . . . .	7.50	
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. D441 . . . . .	37.50	
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. M2617 . . . . .	75.00	
First Federal Savings & Loan Assn. (No. 206) . . . . .	15.00	
W. J. Imbrie Endowment		

First Federal Savings & Loan Assn. (No. 605) . . . . .	51.00	
Youngstown Sheet & Tube Stock . . . . .	33.00	
Pennsylvania Railroad Bond No. 54189 . . . . .	45.00	
Pennsylvania Railroad Bond No. 76790 . . . . .	45.00	
United Corp. Cum. Pref. Stock . . . . .	144.00	
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 10384D . . . . .	12.50	
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 61844D . . . . .	22.50	
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 160435E . . . . .	45.00	
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 160436F . . . . .	45.00	
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 113529K . . . . .	41.25	
		\$ 884.25
<b>TOTAL</b> . . . . .		<b>\$4053.60</b>

**Disbursements**

California Mission

Martha Ramsey . . . . .	\$100.00	
Designated Contributions . . . . .	58.50	\$158.50

Kentucky Mission

S. J. Cunningham . . . . .	\$ 60.00	
Mary Adams . . . . .	450.00	
Rev. A. E. Parsons . . . . .	46.00	
Dr. John C. Taylor . . . . .	451.62	
Leona Pearson . . . . .	450.00	
Elva M. Foster . . . . .	600.00	
Contingent Fund . . . . .	150.00	
Insurance on Church . . . . .	52.50	
Designated Contributions . . . . .	44.41	
Contributions for Tuition . . . . .	116.00	
Interest on Mortgage . . . . .	15.00	
Miss Foster's Expenses to Synod . .	25.00	2460.53

General Expenses

Stationery and Postage . . . . .	\$ 8.54	
Receipt Book . . . . .	12.50	
Safe Deposit Box Rent . . . . .	3.60	\$ 24.64

<b>Total Expenses</b> . . . . .		<b>\$2643.67</b>
<b>Balance May 20, 1943</b> . . . . .		<b>\$1409.93</b>

## ASSETS

40 Shares Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Cum. Pref. Stock, Par \$100 . . . . .	\$ 4000.00
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. C1445 . . . . .	100.00
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. C1446 . . . . .	100.00
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. C1447 . . . . .	100.00
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. D441 . . . . .	500.00
Columbia Gas & Elec. Corp. Bond No. M2617 . . . . .	1000.00
22 Shares Columbia Oil & Gasoline Corp. Com. Stock, Par \$1.00 . . . . .	22.00
W. J. Imbrie Endowment First Federal Saving & Loan Assn. Cert. No. 605 . . . . .	\$1700.00
Youngstown Sheet & Tube Stock . . . . .	500.00 2200.00
First Federal Savings & Loan Assn. Cert. No. 206 (Thomas Smith Bequest) . . . . .	500.00
Pennsylvania Railroad Bond No. 54189 . . . . .	1000.00
Pennsylvania Railroad Bond No. 76790 . . . . .	1000.00
4½ Shares People's Building & Loan Assn., Par \$200.00	900.00
5 Shares People's Building & Loan Assn., Par \$200.00 (Rev. Savage Bequest)	1000.00
2½ Shares People's Building & Loan Assn., Par \$200.00	500.00
Savings Account—John T. Reeves & Co. (Samuel Price Bequest) — Changed from Cert. of Deposit to Sav- ings Account) Int. added . . . . .	1271.96
36 Shares United Corp. Cum. Pref. Stock, No Par	
100 Shares United Corp. Common Stock, No Par	
65 Shares United Corp. Common Stock, No Par	
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 10384D . . . . .	500.00
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 61844D . . . . .	500.00
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 160435E . . . . .	1000.00
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 160436F . . . . .	1000.00
U. S. Treasury Bond No. 113529K . . . . .	1000.00
First National Bank — Savings Account . . . . .	680.35
Total Assets . . . . .	\$18,874.31

## LIABILITY

Loan from the Board of Church Extension . . . . .	\$1500.00
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Respectfully submitted,

R. W. WATTERSON, Treasurer.

This report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The report of the Foreign Mission Board was presented by the Secretary pro-tem, Rev. William Green.

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS**

Fathers and Brethren:

The Board of Foreign Missions respectfully submits the following report:

We of the Foreign Board realize our great responsibility especially in the light of recent developments—the great conflict and havoc of war. We praise God for the protection of our missionaries and our work in India.

We are grateful for the excellent work carried on by Rev. and Mrs. John C. Taylor, Jr. Especially the recent reports concerning translation work. The native church has shown a real development. A young man, Herbert Joseph, and his wife Salome, have both finished the Seminary course. Herbert is now pastor of the Rurki congregation.

The extra year at home, of Dr. and Mrs. John C. Taylor, Sr., has proved a blessing. They have ministered to the Home Mission work in Kentucky, thus completing the cycle of our missionary activity—having been not only at Houston, and India, but also years ago at Los Angeles, Cal. Their presence has been a real blessing to us. We have come to know them better and to appreciate their sterling Christian character. We ask the prayers of all our members for them as they leave us to return to India.

In view of the recent increasing cost of living, and the decrease in investments the Board would request that the churches endeavor to raise their Foreign Mission Budget substantially.

The Treasurer's report has been received and is to be read on the floor of Synod.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Sr., be sent back to India, as our senior missionaries, and that he be superintendent of the Mission in India.

2. That Dr. and Mrs. Taylor be granted \$2500 for traveling expenses.

3. That the Budget be as follows:

a. Dr. and Mrs. John C. Taylor, Sr., salary \$1500; child allowance \$350 . . . . . \$1850

b. Rev. and Mrs. John C. Taylor, Jr., salary \$1500; child allowance \$100 . . . . .	1600
c. General Missionary Budget . . . . .	1800
d. Depressed classes . . . . .	600
e. Dearness allowance (Emergency allowance) . . . . .	300
f. Medicine . . . . .	200
Total . . . . .	<u>\$6350</u>

WILLIAM P. GREEN, Secretary.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

The first recommendation was adopted.

The second recommendation was adopted.

The third recommendation was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The report of the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board was given by Robert W. Stewart.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GENERAL SYNOD, IN N. A. CURRENT ACCOUNT**

**Receipts**

**3rd R. P. Church, Philadelphia**

12- 1-42	Congregation . . . . .	\$ 200.00	
4-30-43	Congregation . . . . .	200.00	\$ 400.00

**1st R. P. Church, Pittsburgh**

11-27-42	Congregation . . . . .	116.90	
11-27-42	Sabbath School . . . . .	26.88	
4-30-43	Congregation . . . . .	41.87	
4-30-43	Sabbath School . . . . .	17.47	203.12

**Bethel R. P. Church, Sparta**

8-27-42	Sabbath School, Birthday Offering . . .	6.19	
2- 3-43	Y. W. M. S., Special . . . . .	5.00	
4- 3-43	W. M. S. . . . .	10.00	
4-30-43	Congregation . . . . .	165.00	186.19

**5th R. P. Church, Philadelphia**

5-26-42	Sabbath School . . . . .	23.14	
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2- 3-43	Sabbath School .....	80.11	103.25
<b>Grandcote R. P. Church, Coulterville</b>			
11-12-42	Congregation .....	18.10	
2- 9-43	L. M. S. ....	40.00	
3-11-43	Congregation .....	15.50	
5-11 43	Congregation .....	23.00	96.60
<b>Los Angeles, Calif.</b>			
3-11-43	Sabbath School, Bible Woman .....	60.00	
3-11-43	Miss Ramsey, Support of Boy .....	35.00	95.00
<b>Darlington R. P. Church</b>			
5-26-42	Congregation, White Church .....	5.00	
5-26-42	W. M. S. ....	30.00	
8-27-42	Sabbath School .....	17.50	
4-30-43	Congregation .....	35.80	88.30
<b>Republican City, Clay Center, Kans.</b>			
8-27-42	W. M. S. ....	5.00	
11-27-42	Wallace Benson .....	10.00	
11-27-42	Nevin Chestnut .....	15.00	
11-27-42	James Chestnut .....	10.00	
2- 3-43	Mrs. F. C. Lathrop .....	15.00	55.00
<b>Fairview Church, Fairview, Pa.</b>			
5-26-42	L. M. S. ....	10.00	
4- 3-43	Sabbath School .....	10.73	
5-11-43	W. M. S. ....	10.00	30.73
<b>Duanesburgh, New York</b>			
11-27-42	Sabbath School .....	14.58	14.58
<b>Women's Presbyterial, Western Presbytery</b>			
8-27-42	Thank Offering .....	31.37	31.37
<b>Miscellaneous Donations</b>			
7-15-42	Miss Elsie Harbison .....	30.00	
10-29-42	Mr. Frank Harbison .....	50.00	
12-22-42	Rev. F. A. Jurkat .....	50.00	
3-11-43	A Friend .....	100.00	
3-11-43	A Friend .....	20.00	
4-30-43	Dr. W. R. McChesney .....	25.00	275.00

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6- 1-42	Interest Daily Balances .....	28.49	
12- 1-42	Interest Daily Balances .....	20.71	49.20
6-23-42	Interest Columbia Bldg. & Loan ....	11.25	
12-22-42	Interest Columbia Bldg. & Loan .....	11.25	22.50
1-14-43	Interest from Endowment .....	1000.00	
5-12-43	Interest from Endowment .....	833.52	1833.52
10-29-42	Home Mission Board by Dr. Taylor ..	34.95	
	Home Mission Board by Dr. Taylor ..	41.67	76.62
	May 12, 1943, Total Receipts .....	\$3560.98	
	May 12, 1942, Bal. in Current Acc. ....	4733.30	
	May 12, 1943, Total Receipts & Bal. ....	\$8294.28	

## Disbursements

6-13-42	Rev. H. C. Carson, Incidentals .....	10.00	
6-13-42	Rev. H. C. Carson, Foreign Mission Com. . . . .	25.00	
6-13-42	Rev. H. C. Carson, Fee for Convention	5.00	
6-17-42	Rev. R. W. Stewart, Adm. Fund ....	100.00	
7- 7-42	Miss Simonds, Copying Charter .....	.75	
7-11-42	Rubber Stamp and Pad .....	2.05	142.80
5-26-42	Specials of Miss Ramsey .....	95.00	
1-14-43	Specials of Bethel Y. W. M. S. ....	5.00	
5-12-43	Specials of Miss Ramsey .....	95.00	195.00
5-26-42	Dr. Taylor, House Rent .....	480.00	
5-26-42	Dr. Taylor, Travel Expense .....	36.33	
7- 9-42	Dr. Taylor, Medical Supplies .....	100.00	
5- 1-43	Dr. Taylor, Advance on Trip to India	500.00	1116.33
6-19-42	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary .....	325.00	
7- 9-42	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary .....	162.50	
7-31-42	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary .....	162.50	
9- 5-42	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary .....	162.50	
10-29-42	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary .....	120.84	
11-27-42	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary .....	241.68	
1-25-43	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary .....	133.58	
3-11-43	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary .....	112.37	
5- 1-43	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary, May 1943	162.50	1583.47



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5-26-42	Rev. and Mrs. John Taylor, Sal. & Bud.	500.00	
1-14-43	Rev. and Mrs. John Taylor, Sal. & Bud.	1000.00	1500.00
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5-12-43	Check Charges during year	2.75	
9-22-42	Postage	1.00	
10-13-42	Cable	4.24	
..12- 1-42	Postage	1.00	8.99
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	May 12, 1943, Total Disbursements		\$4546.59
	May 12, 1943, Bal. in Current Acc.		3747.69
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			\$8294.28

There is on hand 4½ shares Building and Loan paid-up stock received from Dr. Savage's Estate.

The following amounts have been received since this report was made up and will be carried in next year's report.

5th R. P. Congregation, Philadelphia	80.00	
Houston Mission	5.00	85.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. STEWART, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FOREIGN MISSION

BOARD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

GENERAL SYNOD, IN N. A.

MAY 12, 1943

ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT

Receipts

6- 1-42	Interest Daily Balances	5.88	
12- 1-42	Interest Daily Balances	7.42	13.30
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6-23-42	Irving Trust Co., Int.	38.37	
1- 2-43	Irving Trust Co., Int.	13.41	
2- 9-43	Irving Trust Co., Int.	47.50	99.28
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6-23-42	Serrick Corporation, Int.	11.00	
10-13-42	Serrick Corporation, Int.	11.50	
1- 2-43	Serrick Corporation, Int.	11.00	
4- 3-43	Serrick Corporation, Int.	11.50	45.00
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6-23-42	Public Service of Ind., Int. ....	62.50	62.50
7- 7-42	New England Power Assoc., Int. ....	10.00	
10-13-42	New England Power Assoc., Int. ....	10.00	
2- 3-43	New England Power Assoc., Int. ....	10.00	
4- 3-43	New England Power Assoc., Int. ....	10.00	40.00
7- 7-42	James Talcott Interest .....	4.00	
10-13-42	James Talcott Interest .....	4.00	
1- 2-43	James Talcott Interest .....	8.00	
4- 3-43	James Talcott Interest .....	4.00	20.00
7- 7-42	American Pr. & Lt. Int. ....	187.50	
10-13-42	American Pr. & Lt. Int. ....	187.50	375.00
7- 7-42	Electric Pr. & Lt. Int. ....	30.00	30.00
7- 7-42	Central Specialty, Int. ....	12.50	
11-13-42	Central Specialty, Int. ....	6.25	
1- 2-43	Central Specialty, Int. ....	6.25	
5-11-43	Central Specialty, Int. ....	6.25	31.25
7-13-42	2 New England Gas & Electric Bonds	928.53	
	Accrued Interest on same .....	20.56	949.09
7-13-42	80 Shrs. Puget Sd. Pwr. & Lt. ....	3271.87	3271.87
8-10-42	Chicago City Rwy. Int. ....	191.25	
1- 2-43	Chicago City Rwy. Int. ....	297.50	
2- 9-43	Chicago City Rwy. Int. ....	297.50	786.25
8-10-42	Sioux City Gas, Int. ....	50.00	
11-13-42	Sioux City Gas, Int. ....	50.00	
2-24-43	Sioux City Gas, Int. ....	50.00	
5-11-43	Sioux City Gas, Int. ....	50.00	200.00
8-10-42	250 Shrs. Public Service of Ind. ....	2549.55	2549.55
8-22-42	Nine 165 Broadway Bonds .....	2897.25	
	Accrued interest on same .....	56.31	2953.56

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9-12-42	Balance on N. St. Lucie Bonds .....	18.76	18.76
11-13-42	Republic Natural Gas, Int. ....	10.00	
5-11-43	Republic Natural Gas, Int. ....	10.00	20.00
2-11-43	200 Shrs. American Pr. & Lt. ....	4019.18	4019.18
2-13-43	100 Shrs. Electric Pr. & Lt. ....	3218.80	
	75 Shrs. Long Island Lighting .....	2152.19	5370.99
3-26-43	10 American Gas & Pwr. Bonds .....	5595.00	
	Accrued Interest on same .....	48.33	5643.33
4- 2-43	5 Seaboard Airline Bonds .....	1309.37	1309.37
4- 3-43	Chicago Southern Airline Int. ....	18.75	18.75
4-21-43	150 Shrs. Chicago Airline .....	1754.60	1754.60
5-11-43	Mass. Utilities, Int. ....	62.50	62.50
	May 12, 1943, Total Receipts .....	\$29644.13	
	May 12, 1943, Bal. on hand .....	473.98	
	May 12, 1943, Total Receipts & Bal. ....	\$30118.11	

Disbursements

7-13-42	9 Chicago City Rwy. Bonds .....	4284.00	
8-22-42	5 Chicago City Rwy. Bonds .....	2550.00	6834.00
7-15-42	Postage . . . . .	1.00	
2-13-43	Postage . . . . .	2.00	
3-18-43	Postage . . . . .	1.00	
3-26-43	Postage . . . . .	1.00	
5-11-43	Postage . . . . .	1.00	6.00
8-10-42	Nine 165 Broadway Bonds .....	2475.00	
	Accrued Interest on same .....	11.69	2486.69
2-14-43	Transferred to Current Acc. ....	1000.00	
5-11-43	Transferred to Current Acc. ....	833.52	1833.52
2-13-43	10 American Gas & Pwr. Bonds .....	5400.00	

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	Accrued Interest on same .....	12.67	5412.67
2-17-43	150 Shrs. Chicago Airline .....	1425.00	1425.00
4- 2-43	30 Chicago North Shore R. R. Bonds .	6450.00	6450.00
2-11-43	100 Shrs. Mass. Utilities .....	2950.00	2950.00
5-12-43	R. W. Stewart, Incidentals .....	50.00	
5-12-43	Lock Box Rent, 1-1-42 to 1-1-43 .....	2.40	52.40

May 12, 1943, Total Disbursements .....\$27450.28

May 12, 1943, Balance on hand ..... 2667.83

May 12, 1943, Total Disbursements & Bal. . \$30118.11

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. STEWART, Treasurer.

THE JOHN BUCHANAN MEMORIAL FUND ACCOUNT IN  
THE PROVIDENT TRUST CO., PHILADELPHIA

Receipts

6- 1-42	Interest Daily Balances .....	32.81
12- 1-42	Interest Daily Balances .....	17.34
2- 4-43	Provident Trust Co. ....	2790.13
5-12-43	Specials from Current Acc. ....	95.00

May 12, 1943, Total Receipts .....\$2935.28

May 12, 1942, Balance on hand ..... 3506.30

May 12, 1943, Total Receipts & Bal. ....\$6441.58

Disbursements

3- 4-42	Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary for 1941- 1942 and not given in last year's re- port . .....	225.00
8-10-42	Rev. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary and Bud- get . .....	1000.00
5-12-43	Rev. and Mrs. Taylor, Salary, Budget and depressed classes .....	1500.00
	Specials of Miss Ramsey .....	95.00
	Check charges .....	1.00

May 12, 1943, Total Disbursements .....\$2821.00

May 12, 1943, Balance on hand ..... 3620.58

May 12, 1943, Total Disbursements & Bal. ..\$6441.58

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. STEWART, Treasurer.

**ASSETS OF THE ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE FOREIGN  
MISSION BOARD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA**

1 Clyde Manor Apt. Bond (Defaulted) Partly Paid ....	\$ 500.00
2 Greater Pythian Temple Ass'n 5½-1937 (Defaulted) ..	2000.00
50 Shares Republic Natural Gas .....	500.00
40 Shares James Talcott .....	300.00
50 Shares Serrick Corporation .....	500.00
200 Shares Sioux City Gas .....	4000.00
10 Shares New England Power Assoc. ....	500.00
100 Shares American Power & Light .....	3000.00
100 Shares American Specialty .....	400.00
100 Shares Mass. Utilities Assoc. ....	3000.00
46 Shares Kansas City Public Service .....	300.00
30 Chicago North Shore & Milw. R. R. Bonds .....	7500.00
14 Chicago City Rwy. Bonds .....	7500.00
10 Shares Dodds Graniteware Preferred No Par Value	
10 Shares Dodds Graniteware Common No Par Value	
Working Capital in India .....	2000.00
Capital on hand to be invested .....	\$2500.00
	\$34500.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. STEWART, Treasurer.

The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Dr. John C. Taylor presented the report of the Committee on Presbyterian Reports as follows:

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRESBYTERIAL REPORTS

Your Committee on Presbyterian Reports has examined the reports of the Presbyteries of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Ohio, Western and Saharanpur.

We regret to report that the congregation of Republican City, Kansas, is very much discouraged and hope that some way may be found to revive this Church.

Ohio Presbytery reports one student (Gordon Taylor) under its care in Seminary. Philadelphia Presbytery reports the licensing of Mr. Carlo Lazzaro, a member of Third Church, who had been under the care of Presbytery. Philadelphia Presbytery also reports the installation of Rev. A. E. Parsons as pastor of the Duaneburg Church.

Saharanpur Presbytery reports that Mr. Abraham was appointed stated supply of the Dehra Dun Church in India. The congregation had applied for his ordination but after examination of the candidate Presbytery decided not to ordain him at this time.

Pittsburgh Presbytery reports the appointment of Rev. D. Porter Williams as stated supply of the Fairview Church, and his enrollment as associate member of the Presbytery.

The Pittsburgh, Houston and Republican City Churches are vacant. The Session of the Pittsburgh Church has been able to make arrangements for supplies for their pulpit, but, so far, no arrangements have been made for the other two Churches.

Your Committee recommends the granting of the request of Western Presbytery for continued help for Miss Ramsey in the sum of \$400.

Your Committee also recommends that the forms for congregational and Presbyterian reports be revised and that a committee be appointed to report their recommendations at the 1944 meeting of General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE S. WRAY  
JOHN C. TAYLOR

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

Recommendation number one was adopted.

Recommendation number two was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

It was voted that the courtesies of the floor be extended to the Misses Elva Foster and Lois Turner.

General Synod then adjourned by resolution. The Moderator called on Rev. R. W. Stewart to adjourn with prayer.

### **The Sixth Sitting**

**Same Place, Monday, May 24th, 1943 — 9 A. M.**

The General Synod was called to order by the Moderator, who constituted the court with prayer. Rev. R. W. Stewart was then introduced by the Moderator and led the court in appropriate devotions upon the subject, The Church, Its Mission. Scripture, Matt. 28: 19, 20. The roll was called. The minutes of the fifth sitting were read and on motion approved.

Dr. R. W. Chesnut gave the report of the Committee on Nominations as follows:

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS**

##### **Trustees of the Theological Seminary**

1944—Theo. S. Wray, Samuel Black, Hugh Troland.

1945—Harold Miller, William Henry, Robert Nelson.

1946—William P. Green, Raymond Getty, Robert Stewart.

##### **Board of Home Missions**

1944—P. W. Duncan, J. A. Hocanson, S. L. Robb.

1945—R. W. Watterson, R. W. Chesnut, Charles A. Hood.

1946—Felix McIntosh, Samuel Ward, F. A. Jurkat.

##### **Board of Foreign Missions**

F. A. Jurkat, R. W. Stewart, Theo. S. Wray, William P. Green, A. E. Parsons, Chalmers Elder, J. W. Graham, Raymond Getty, Samuel Black, Waldo Chesnut, C. L. Milliken, S. H. Wasson.

##### **Executive Committee of the Foreign Mission Board**

F. A. Jurkat, R. W. Stewart, William P. Green, Theo. S. Wray, Samuel Black.

##### **Board of Church Extension**

Theo. S. Wray, Raymond Getty, Norman P. McHattie, Samuel Ward, P. W. Duncan, William P. Green, J. W. Graham.

**Committee on Credentials**

R. W. Chesnut, P. W. Duncan, R. W. Stewart, Samuel Ward.

**Superintendents of Theological Seminary**

Theo. S. Wray, R. W. Stewart, Samuel Ward.

**Committee on Lamb Fund**

William P. Green, Samuel Ward, P. W. Duncan.

**Disabled Ministers' Fund**

F. A. Jurkat, R. W. Stewart, P. W. Duncan, A. E. Parsons,  
S. H. Wasson, L. O. Robb, Chalmers Elder.

**Board of Education**

F. A. Jurkat, W. R. McChesney, Wayne R. Duncan.

The report was adopted.

Dr. F. A. Jurkat offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved that General Synod has heard with extreme sorrow the news of the tragic passing of Samuel Osborne, an elder for 19 years in the First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh; and instruct the Stated Clerk to send a letter of condolence to the family.

The Committee on Discipline would submit their report as follows:

We would say no matters were presented to us during the year for adjudication. In regard to the Book of Discipline, we would recommend to General Synod that we as a committee be continued throughout the year to revise the Book of Discipline.

We would further recommend that steps be taken for the reprinting of McLeod's Ecclesiastical Catechism.

Committee, R. W. Stewart, F. A. Jurkat.

This report with its recommendations was adopted.

The Committee on the Pension Plan reported as follows:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PENSION PLAN**

The following report on the Pension Plan is presented by your committee.



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PROPOSED PENSION PLAN FOR THE REFORMED  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GENERAL SYNOD

The committees report follows:

**Introduction**

The necessity of a pension plan for our ministers is apparent. The Synod of 1941 appointed a committee to work on a pension plan for the ministers of our church. The committee made a report in 1942 which was published in the minutes of Synod for 1942, pages 143-144. The Synod approved the six recommendations of the committee which were made at that time. These recommendations were very meager as the committee was not certain what the sentiments of Synod would be. The Synod further instructed the committee to investigate more fully the offer of the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund and send the details to each eligible minister.

**1. Pension Plan Recommended.**

(1) The ministers of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, who are over the age of 50 at the time of the adoption of this plan shall be cared for under the committee of the Disabled Ministers' Fund. This fund is to be used for such needy cases and each church is urged to make a substantial contribution each year to said fund to help defray its expenses.

(2) The retirement age shall be set at 65 for our present active ministers and future ones. A pension of \$700.00 per annum shall be paid all ministers of the church who are under the age of 30, when they accept the plan, and who shall have made their contributions to the plan regularly from the time of their entrance into it until they attain the age of 65, and whose churches have paid their proper proportions during their period. For those over 30 years of age and under 50 years of age there will be a proportionate decrease in per annum benefits. (See affixed scale).

(3) The cost of the pension; i. e., the payment that must be made each year during active service to provide for a \$700.00 income or its proportionate decreased benefits will be divided into two parts; one-third to be paid by the minister himself, and two-thirds to be paid by the local church he serves. Any church paying less than a gross salary of \$1000 per annum can apply to General Synod to help defray the expenses of the needed premium.

(4) Every minister of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, on and after attaining the age of 65 upon retirement from active service; i. e., the relinquishment of any or

all salaried relationships in connection with the church, may participate in the pension plan, as hereinafter outlined.

(5) All ministers up to and including those who were 50 years of age, as of June 1, 1943, are eligible to participate in the pension plan in accordance with paragraph 2 and 3 above.

#### **II. Agency Selected from Pension Plan.**

A study was made of the pension or retirement plans offered by several agencies, the special Retirement Annuity offered by the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund for Life Insurance, was adopted as the pension plan and the Fund, as the agency through which to guarantee the proposed plan. This particular contract has been adopted by a number of other religious organizations and with certain amendments, is readily accepted as our pension plan. The Presbyterian Ministers' Fund is the oldest Life Insurance and Annuity Organization in this country. While it was organized in 1717 by Presbyterian ministers, it is neither a board nor a department of any particular Presbyterian church and its benefits are available to all Protestant clergymen.

#### **III. The Nature of the Contract.**

The contract provides that in consideration of a definite premium payment having been made each year, from the date of entrance into the plan to retirement age at 65, the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund, Philadelphia, guarantees a specific monthly income for life commencing at age 65. The yearly premium should be paid annually in advance or if this is not convenient arrangements may be made for installment payments.

The contract will provide the following benefits:

#### **IV. Income at Retirement.**

A guaranteed yearly income of \$700.00 for life for all those entering the plan before 30 years of age with a proportional decrease in payments for those above that age. There is an additional feature in the event of the annuitant's death in less than 134 months after income payments start. In this case the beneficiary will receive the balance of the monthly income payments until the total payments equal 134 months. However, if the annuitant survives past the 134 months the payments will continue to come monthly until the contract is terminated by death. The annuitant shall not have the privilege of electing either an optional settlement plan of income, or any other age at which income shall begin except with the approval and consent of General Synod and the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund.

#### **V. Death Benefits Before Retirement.**

Death benefits after the second to third year and before

retirement are never less than the premiums paid and are greater than the latter year.

In the event of the death of the annuitant prior to the retirement age of 65:

1. If the annuitant is married, the entire death benefit shall be payable to his widow or dependent children. If neither widow or dependent children survive the annuitant, this amount shall be paid one-third to any other beneficiary named by the annuitant and two-thirds to the Disabled Ministers' Fund, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod.

2. If the annuitant is not married, the death benefits shall be paid, one-third to any beneficiary named by the annuitant, and two-thirds to the Disabled Ministers' Fund, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod.

#### **VI. Death Benefits After Retirement.**

In the event of death after retirement and before the completion of the guaranteed minimum annuity period of 134 months:

1. If the annuitant is married, the remaining payments shall be paid in full as they fall due, to his widow or dependent children.\* If neither widow nor dependent children survive the annuitant the remaining annuities shall be paid one-third to any other beneficiary named by the annuitant and two-thirds to the Disabled Ministers' Fund, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod.

2. If the annuitant is not married, the remaining payments shall be paid one-third to any beneficiary named by the annuitant, and two-thirds to the Disabled Ministers' Fund of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod.

\*(The words "dependent children" as used herein shall mean any child or children under the age of 21 at the date of the death of the annuitant).

#### **VII. Cash Surrender Values.**

The contract may not be surrendered for its stated cash value except in the event of the termination of the annuitant's connection with the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, as minister thereof and then only upon the conditions hereinafter set forth.

#### **VIII. Withdrawal from the Plan on Termination of Connection with the Ministry of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod.**

In the event of the termination of connection with the ministry of the Reformed Presbyterian Church prior to retirement

age, the annuitant shall have the right to:

1. Withdraw his accumulated premiums in accordance with the table of guaranteed cash surrender values provided in the contract in which event two-thirds of said cash surrender values shall be returned to the Disabled Ministers' fund, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, or:

2. The annuitant may elect a paid-up Deferred Annuity under which no further premium payments would be required, in which event the local churches share of premiums previously paid would stand to the credit of such annuity, but would, in the event of death, be returned in accordance with the provisions set forth above concerning death benefits, or:

3. The annuitant may continue the contract as originally written in which event the premiums paid prior to withdrawal by the local church would be treated in accordance with the section immediately preceding; but, any premiums paid after withdrawal by the annuitant would be the property of the ministers and would be treated the same as premiums paid by him prior to withdrawal.

**IX. Withdrawal from the Plan on Termination of Any Connection with the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod.**

In the event of withdrawal from the plan because of termination of any connection with the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, prior to retirement age, the annuitant shall have the right to:

1. Withdraw his accumulated premiums in accordance with the table of guaranteed cash surrender values provided in the contract in which event two-thirds of cash surrender value shall be returned to the Disabled Ministers' Fund of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod and two-thirds of the accumulated dividends less any charges which may have been advanced to pay premiums, or:

2. The annuitant may elect, at the time of withdrawal, to reimburse the Disabled Ministers' Fund of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, two-thirds of the cash surrender value and two-thirds of the dividend accumulations plus any charges which may have been advanced to pay premiums and retain the contract individually with the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund.

**X. Dividends.**

This contract shall participate in the excess earnings of the Company and any dividends that are declared shall at all

times be under the control of the Disabled Ministers' Fund, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, and at maturity one-third, less any charges which may have been made against any individual contract, shall accumulate at compound interest as provided in said contract and be added to the guaranteed cash value of the contract to increase the retirement annuity at retirement age. The other two-thirds of the dividends shall at all times be under full control of Synod's Board of Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod. Dividend accumulations shall be subject to the conditions hereinbefore set forth relating to cash value and death benefits.

#### XI. Participation in Pension Plan.

1. Participating at the present time in the pension plan is purely voluntary on the part of the minister and church.

2. Ministers and churches who approve the plan and wish to participate should immediately fill in the date requested on the application blank for Retirement Annuity contract, and sign the application blank.

3. Individual Retirement Annuity contracts will be issued by the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund, Philadelphia, Pa., in the name of each minister who becomes a member of the plan. These contracts will be held by the Clerk of General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod, but a duplicate thereof will be furnished the individual minister upon request.

#### XII. Additional Retirement Annuity.

Ministers have the privilege of securing additional amounts of Retirement Annuity at the regular rates offered by the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund at the time such annuity is purchased.

XIII. Cost of Pension Plan Based on Annuity Rates Submitted by the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund, Philadelphia, Pa., for all our Ministers 30 years of age, and under 50 is herewith enclosed.

Pension Plan for the Reformed Presbyterian Church, General Synod — As of June 1, 1943. Installment Refund Life

#### Annuity Deferred to Age 65 — Male

Date of Birth	Age	Years to Retirement	Annual Annuity	Monthly Annuity	Annual Premium
3- 5-94	49	16	\$320.00	\$28.67	\$210.16
5-13-00	43	22	440.00	36.67	190.10
9-30-00	43	22	440.00	36.67	190.10
2-22-03	40	25	500.00	41.67	180.72
7-31-08	35	30	600.00	50.00	165.95

5-24-10	33	32	640.00	53.33	160.31
12-29-11	31	34	680.00	56.67	154.88
8-21-12	31	34	680.00	56.67	154.88

We present the following recommendations:

1. The Clerk of General Synod be empowered to enter upon and negotiate contracts between the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund, and the individuals and churches desiring the Pension Plan.

2. The Clerk shall have the power to negotiate all contracts, and they shall be held by Clerk of Synod in accordance with the provisions of the plan.

3. The Clerk shall be empowered to bill the churches and ministers for their share of premiums. These bills to be sent before or on April 1. These premiums shall be due May 1, after which date they shall be considered delinquent.

4. A copy of the above signed by the Clerk and Moderator of General Synod, and properly notarized concerning this action shall be sent to the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. GREEN, Chairman

F. A. JURKAT

T. S. WRAY

The report was adopted.

The report of the Board of Disabled Ministers was given by the Secretary, R. W. Stewart, as follows:

### **The Report of the Board of Disabled Ministers' Fund**

The report of the Treasurer of the Board shows the condition of our finances and indicates the Treasurer has paid to Dr. R. W. Chesnut \$150.00 as directed by General Synod and an additional \$150.00 upon the instruction of the executive committee and ratified by the Board meeting in full session.

The Board would bring before General Synod the following recommendations:

1. The payment of \$300.00 to Dr. R. W. Chesnut in consonance with the general purposes of the Fund for the ensuing year.

2. The Board would request that a special collection be taken up sometime during the year for the

current fund of the Board of Disabled Ministers.

Submitted by

Robert W. Stewart, Secretary.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

Recommendation number one was adopted.

Recommendation number two was adopted.

The report as a whole was adopted.

The report of the Treasurer of the Disabled Ministers' Fund was given by the Treasurer, Dr. F. A. Jurkat.

**REPORT OF TREASURER OF DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND**

Balance May 1, 1942 .....\$1852.55

**Receipts**

Dividends, Cincinnati Gas & Electric stock .....	\$ 10.00
Dividends, Columbia Gas & Electric preferred .....	10.00
Dividends, Columbia Gas & Electric preferred .....	75.00
Dividends, Pure Oil preferred .....	18.00
Dividends, U. S. Printing and Lithographing preferred ..	24.00
Dividends, American Rolling Mill common .....	5.70
Interest, Cedarville Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n ....	52.06
Contribution, Duanesburgh Congregation .....	6.80
Contribution, Third Philadelphia Congregation .....	50.00
Contribution, Fifth Philadelphia Congregation .....	115.00

\$2209.11

Disbursement, to Rev. R. W. Chesnut ..... 300.00

Balance, May 1, 1943 .....\$1909.11

F. A. JURKAT, Treasurer.

The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Dr. F. A. Jurkat reported for the Board of Education as follows: The only report we have is to refer you to the report of the Treasurer of the Board.

Dr. F. A. Jurkat gave the report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education.

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**REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Dividends on 36 shares C. N. & C. stock .....	\$216.00
Interest, Federal Farm Loan bonds .....	42.00
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	\$258.00
Disbursed to Cedarville College .....	\$258.00

**Assets**

36 shares Cincinnati, Newport, & Covington Light and Traction Co. Common Stock.	
3 39/47th shares Cincinnati, Newport, & Covington Railway Co. Capital Stock.	
1 43/47th shares Union Light, Heat, & Power Co. Capital Stock.	
\$700 in Consolidated Federal Farm Loan Bonds.	

W. R. McCHESNEY, Treasurer.

This report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The report of the Committee on the Advocate was given by Rev. Theo. S. Wray as follows:

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADVOCATE**

Your committee on the Advocate would make the following recommendations for the coming year:

1. We recommend that the Advocate continue to be published for the coming year under the same general arrangements as heretofore.

2. We recommend an appropriation of \$250 be made from the Administration Fund to supplement the printing of the Advocate for the ensuing year.

3. We recommend that the deficit of \$24.50 be paid from the Administration Fund.

4. We recommend that the editor and publisher of the Advocate be instructed to publish the minutes of General Synod and that the treasurer of General Synod be instructed to pay \$150 for the cost of the same from the Administration Fund.

5. We recommend that each pastor in General Synod submit an appropriate annual article as follows:

September, William P. Green; October, R. W. Stewart; November, A. E. Parsons; December, Theo. S. Wray; January, W. R. McChesney; February, S. S. Ward; March, Paul Duncan; April, F. A. Jurkat; May, Miss Martha Ramsey.

We praise the editor of the Advocate for his consecrated



and efficient service in preparing regularly with little outside assistance a commendable Christian magazine, as one of the strongest mediums to keep our scattered congregations together. We strongly urge that each pastor or qualified appointed representative, regularly submit local news items which would be of general interest.

THEO. S. WRAY  
F. A. JURKAT

Committee.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

The first recommendation was adopted.

The second recommendation was adopted.

The third recommendation was adopted.

The four recommendation was adopted.

The fifth recommendation was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension was given by Rev. Wm. P. Green.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF BOARD OF CHURCH  
EXTENSION OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA**

**MAY 22, 1943**

Columbia Gas and Electric Co., 9 months .....\$ 18.75

**Receipts**

Champion Paper and Fiber Co. ....	264.00
Pure Oil Co. ....	66.00
United Corporation, 15 months .....	16.00
James Adam Bequest .....	44.69
Home Protective Savings and Loan .....	60.00
Government Bonds—Coupons Series F .....	90.00
Government Bonds—Interest Series G .....	25.00
Home Mission Board—Interest 2 years .....	15.00
Los Angeles R. P. Church, Interest one year .....	11.50
Darlington R. P. Church, Interest one year .....	160.00

\$ 770.94

**Disbursements**

Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Ordnance .....	\$ 20.00
Rev. R. W. Stewart, Treasurer Administration Fund ..	125.00
Miss Martha Ramsey, Mission salary .....	300.00

D. M. Reid, Treasurer Student Minister Fund .....	115.66
Miss Martha Ramsey, Repairs Los Angeles Church .....	100.00
Beaver County Trust Co., Safe deposit box .....	2.40
	<u>\$ 663.06</u>
Balance . . . . .	\$ 107.88
Balance from last year .....	106.11
	<u>\$ 213.99</u>
Darlington R. P. Church—Payment on loan .....	1500.00
	<u>\$1713.99</u>

#### Assets

2 Shares Columbia Oil and Gasoline Corp., Com.	
5 Shares Columbia Gas and Electric Co., 5% Pref. ..\$	500.00
19 Shares United Corporation Com.	
5 Shares United Corporation—Cum. 3%	
11 Shares Pure Oil Co., 6% Cum. Pref. ....	1100.00
44 Shares Champion Paper & Fiber Co., 6% Cum. Pref.	4400.00
20 Shares Home Protective Bldg. and Loan, 3% ....	2000.00
1 United States Treas. Bond, Series F, 4¼% .....	1000.00
2 United States Treas. Bond, 2⅞¼ .....	2000.00
1 United States Treas. Bond, Series G, 2½% .....	1000.00
Irving Trust Co., James Adam Bequest .....	1550.00
Loan—Los Angeles Reformed Pres. Church .....	2300.00
Loan—Houston Reformed Pres. Church .....	1500.00
Loan—Darlington Reformed Pres. Church .....	2500.00
Beaver Co. Trust, Savings Account .....	\$1849.24
Interest . . . . .	24.82
	<u>1874.06</u>
Total . . . . .	\$21724.06

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN P. McHattie, Treasurer.

The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The General Synod then stood in recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

This session of General Synod did not resume business.

### The Seventh Sitting

Same Place, Monday, May 24th, 1943 — 1:30 P. M.

The General Synod was called to order by the Moderator, who constituted the court with prayer.

After the calling of the roll, the minutes of the sixth session were read and on motion approved.

Dr. John C. Taylor gave the report of the Committee on the Lamb Fund.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAMB FUND

Your Committee on the Lamb Fund would report as follows:

1. A request was made of the Trustees from the Ohio Presbytery during the past year for student aid for Gordon Taylor in the Cedarville Seminary. The same was granted and payment made.

2. A delayed request has been received from Saharanpur Presbytery for \$300 for Herbert Joseph's 3 years Seminary expenses in the Saharanpur Seminary. A further request for student aid for \$300 for Naranjan Lal for his 3 years expenses in the English Seminary at Jubbulpur will be received sometime during the present year.

3. We would remind members of General Synod that the Lamb Fund is available to aid any worthy Reformed Presbyterian student through any approved seminary. Nothing would delight your committee more than to see this fund put to its intended use. We would recommend:

1. That the amount given for student aid be increased from \$100 per year to \$150 per year for a single man, if thought necessary by the committee.

2. That the amount given for student aid for a married student shall be \$300 per year if thought necessary by the committee.

3. That Dr. F. A. Jurkat be reimbursed \$5 from the Lamb Fund which he advanced to John Taylor for student aid in 1938-1939, the same having been requested by the Western Presbytery in their recommendations of 1940 but which through oversight was not reported by the Lamb Fund Committee.

4. That all student loans be secured by a suitably executed note, guaranteed in writing by some reliable second party. In the events of the student's withdrawal from the denomination within five years after graduation, he shall be asked to pay back the loan in inverse proportion to the number of years he

has served the denomination. His Presbytery is ordered to collect the note before dismissing him.

5. We recommend that the Board of Trustees of the Seminary proceed to collect the \$200 loaned to Gavin Reilly from the Lamb Fund for his Seminary expenses.

T. S. WRAY  
JOHN C. TAYLOR

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

Recommendation number one was adopted.

Recommendation number two was adopted.

Recommendation number three was adopted.

Recommendation number four was adopted.

Recommendation number five was adopted.

The report as a whole was adopted.

Dr. F. A. Jurkat presented the report of the Auditing Committee:

We have audited the following financial reports and found them correct:

Administration Fund; Disabled Ministers' Fund; Theological Seminary and Lamb Fund; Board of Foreign Missions; Board of Church Extension; Board of Education; Robert Young Bequest; Board of Home Missions; and Publisher of the Advocate.

F. A. Jurkat

A. E. Parsons

The report was received and on motion approved.

At this time the Stated Clerk presented the new Minute Book that had been secured during the year according to General Synod's direction, and on motion was approved for the work done.

The following resolution was made by Rev. Wm. P. Green and seconded by Rev. Paul W. Duncan:

Resolved that the sum of \$600 be appropriated for the Administration Fund of the General Synod and that it be secured by assessing the Boards of the church as follows:

Theological Seminary Fund .....	\$325.00
Board of Church Extension .....	125.00
Board of Foreign Missions .....	100.00
Board of Home Missions .....	50.00
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Total .....	\$600.00

This resolution was adopted.

The report of the Home Mission Board was presented by the Secretary, Rev. Paul W. Duncan.

**REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD**

This is the report of the Board of Home Missions to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, meeting in the Fairview Reformed Presbyterian Church at Fairview, Pa., May 24, 1943.

As another year of Christian Endeavor has come to a close in our Home Mission fields in Kentucky and California we rejoice as a Board for the achievements and the accomplishments of our workers. Miss Ramsey always has worthwhile things to tell us and everyone is glad that in the providence of God, Dr. and Mrs. John Taylor, Sr., have been able to spend one year at Houston, Ky., in Home Mission work and as they plan soon to return to India to take up their life work again, we all wish them God's richest blessing and we accept Dr. Taylor's resignation from Kentucky Mission.

We indeed are deeply grateful to the Board of Church Extension for their aid to Miss Ramsey and for their goodly interest in the work at Los Angeles, Calif.

Requests of the Board of Church Extension to help carry on our work of Home Missions for

Clay Center, Kansas .....	\$150.00
Miss Martha J. Ramsey .....	300.00

The Home Mission Board brought the following resolutions before General Synod.

1. Resolved, That the general committee to supervise the Turkey Creek Mission be Dr. W. R. McChesney and Dr. F. A. Jurkat of Cedarville, Ohio, and that they employ the matron, teachers and superintendent and other workers.

2. Resolved, That the budget for this year be set at \$2500 and that this amount be granted for carrying on the Home Mission work during this year and that it be allotted as follows:  
 Missionary for Community .....\$450.00

Superintendent on basis of a year .....	600.00
Teacher and Matron, nine months .....	900.00
Incorporation of the Board .....	150.00
These salaries to be in monthly installments.	
Miss Martha J. Ramsey .....	100.00
Miss Cunningham, Houston, Ky. ....	60.00
For Contingent Fund .....	150.00
General Expenses .....	90.00
	\$2500.00

3. Resolved, That Miss Elva Foster be the superintendent of our Houston Mission.

4. Resolved, That the superintendent of our Houston Mission submit a financial statement of all gifts and funds received and disbursements to the Board of Home Missions, also that we heartily commend her for her fine report of the past year.

5. Resolved, That the Board of Home Missions pay the interest on the loan for the building of the new church.

6. Resolved, That we urge the churches to contribute first to the budget of the Board and then to the Contingent fund of the Houston Mission to aid in carrying on the work there.

7. Resolved, That Dr. Wayne Watterson be commended for his faithful services and the good work he has done for the Board of Home Missions and that we approve as a General Synod all bills he has paid.

8. Resolved, That Dr. Wayne Watterson be instructed to proceed with the incorporation of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, and he be empowered to take whatever legal steps are necessary, and that the Moderator and Stated Clerk of General Synod be empowered to sign all documents on this matter to which the signatures of General Synod are required.

9. Resolved, That we appoint Dr. John Taylor to see to the construction of a drain to protect the new church.

10. Resolved, That we as a Board and also as General Synod commend Miss Susan J. Cunningham, Dr. and Mrs. John Taylor, Misses Elva Foster, Leona Pearson, and Mary R. Adams, and all the good people of Turkey Creek Mission for their noble efforts in Christian work during the year in carrying on for the Master. Also we wish to commend Dr. McChesney and Prof. Jurkat for their continued interest and for all they have done through the years and furthermore in our Los Angeles Mission in California. We all are thankful and glad we have

such an efficient worker as Miss Martha Ramsey.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL WARREN DUNCAN, Secretary.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

Recommendation number one was adopted.

Recommendation number two was adopted.

Recommendation number three was adopted.

Recommendation number four was adopted.

Recommendation number five was adopted.

Recommendation number six was adopted.

Recommendation number seven was adopted.

Recommendation number eight was adopted.

Recommendation number nine was adopted.

Recommendation number ten was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

Upon a motion made by Rev. Theo. S. Wray, seconded by Dr. Taylor and carried, Rev. Samuel S. Ward was instructed to prepare a sketch of the life of Miss Mary R. Adams, a worker in the Kentucky Mission, and that it be published in the Advocate.

At this time Miss Elva Foster was given the floor of General Synod, and she gave a very interesting and encouraging report of the work done in the Kentucky Mission this past year.

A standing vote of thanks was given Miss Foster for her good work of the past year and for the interesting report to General Synod.

General Synod then stood in recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

#### **Resumed Session at 4:45 P. M.**

The Moderator appointed Rev. A. E. Parsons to take the place of Rev. Robert Knapp on the Committee of Resolutions.

The report of the Board of Church Extension was given by Rev. Wm. P. Green as follows:

#### **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION**

The Board of Church Extension has met and reports the following:

During the past year the Board has helped the Los Angeles congregation to improve the appearance of their church building by means of a coat of paint. The Board has contributed toward the support of Miss Ramsey and has aided in the preaching throughout the Los Angeles area.

It submits to Synod the following recommendations:

1. It is recommended that the Darlington R. P. Congregation be commended for the way in which they have met the partial repayment of their loan.
2. It is recommended that the sum of \$150 be made available to Western Presbytery for the Republican City Congregation, if necessary.
3. It is recommended that the sum of \$300 be appropriated for Miss Ramsey as per request of Western Presbytery.
4. It is recommended that the sum of \$1200 be appropriated to Western Presbytery for the purpose of establishing a new work in the Los Angeles area and to assist Miss Ramsey.
5. It is recommended that \$150 be appropriated to Philadelphia Presbytery for extension work in that area.
6. It is recommended that \$100 be appropriated to Pittsburgh Presbytery for extension work in that area.
7. It is recommended that \$25 be appropriated to Mr. Stuart or to some one whom he may designate for transportation, in order to conduct ordinances at Houston Mission.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. GREEN, Secretary ProTem.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

Recommendation number one was adopted.

Recommendation number two was adopted.

Recommendation number three was adopted.

Recommendation number four was adopted.

Recommendation number five was adopted.

Recommendation number six was adopted.

Recommendation number seven was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

Rev. Theo. S. Wray reported for the Committee on Federation as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FEDERATION

Your committee appointed at the 1942 meeting of Synod to approach and meet like committees appointed by other denom-



inations to consider and explore the possibility of a federation of Reformed churches would report as follows:

In November a conference of duly appointed representatives from the Synod of the R. P. Church of North America; the Associate Presbyterian Church; the Christian Reformed Church; the Orthodox Presbyterian Church; and the General Synod of the R. P. Church in North America, met in Pittsburgh. Revs. H. C. Carson and Theo. S. Wray represented our denomination.

Discussions centered around the possible basis on which truly Reformed in Faith Churches might co-operate for the purpose of preparing suitable Reformed literature, radio broadcasts and possible college. It soon became apparent that a doctrinal basis would have to be adopted to make the plan practical. As it proved to be impossible to get together on any such common doctrinal basis, the conference adjourned without making any recommendations.

While it seems impossible at the present to organize such a federation, we would recommend that the committee be extended to include Rev. Samuel Ward; and Mr. J. W. Graham, to promote a possible basis of federation with the Associate Church, and such other Reformed in Faith denominations, which the committee may deem best.

THEO. S. WRAY

A. E. PARSONS

Committee.

This report was adopted.

The report of the Superintendents of the Theological Seminary was given by Rev. Theo. S. Wray as follows:

#### THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary met in the Fairview Church, Industry, Pa., May 24, 1943. Examination papers were submitted by the professors and examined by the Board and granted due credit for the work done. The Board deeply regrets the fact that so few young men are pursuing the ministerial course and attending the seminary. We urge our ministers to hold up the importance of the call of the ministry before the young men of our denomination. We herewith submit the report of the dean and the professors of the seminary and recommend:

1. That the present salaries of \$300 a year for each of our professors be continued to be paid in November and February of 1943-44.

2. That credit be not given to a student for straight seminary diploma for a course already taken for college credit.

REV. THEO. S. WRAY

REV. R. W. STEWART

**REPORT OF THE DEAN AND PROFESSORS OF THE  
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL  
SEMINARY**

To the Superintendents of the Seminary:

An emergency session was held in the summer of 1942, to accommodate R. David Galey, Jr., of the Sewickley, Pa., U. P. Church, to enable him to take interchangeable courses, so that he could graduate from Cedarville College in August, 1942, and enter the United Presbyterian Seminary at Pittsburgh, Pa.

The 132nd session of the Seminary was opened Sept. 23, 1942, and closed May 14, 1943.

For lack of a better term we apply the term interchangeable courses to the courses in the Seminary curriculum that are also valid for college credit toward the A. B. degree in Cedarville College. In case a student later attends the Cedarville Seminary, and desires the B. D. degree from Cedarville College, he must replace the borrowed studies with others taken from the regular Cedarville College offerings. We ask the Superintendents to decide whether the same rule shall apply to those who desire only the diploma issued by the Board of Trustees of the Seminary.

Under the interchangeable plan, we had two collegiate students pursuing certain Seminary courses. Mr. Gordon R. Taylor carried Greek and New Testament Literature during the entire year, the Greek to Dr. McChesney, and the New Testament Literature to Dr. Jurkat. Richard Recknagel, Lutheran, of Springfield, Ohio, a sophomore, joined Mr. Taylor in the spring in New Testament Literature.

We earnestly urge all ministers, elders, and parents of young men in our church, to lay before young men the desirability and necessity of their entering upon studies for the Gospel ministry.

We recommend that the present salaries of \$300 a year for each of our professors be continued, to be paid in November and February of 1943-44.

Praying that God's richest blessing be bestowed upon our entire church and its work, we respectfully submit our report.

W. R. McCHESNEY, Dean.

F. A. JURKAT, Secretary.

The report was received and the recommendations taken up seriatim.

The first recommendation was adopted.

The second recommendation was adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

Rev. Samuel Ward reported that no matters had come before the Judiciary Committee for consideration.

The report was approved.

The report of the President of Cedarville College was presented. It was voted that these reports be received and printed in the minutes of General Synod.

#### REPORT OF IRA D. VAYHINGER, PRESIDENT OF CEDARVILLE COLLEGE

##### Summary of the Presidents' Report to the Board of Trustees

The College closes a successful year among all the vicissitudes of the times in which we live. The determination of the Board of Trustees to keep the College open and working has been fully justified by the events of the last semester. It has enabled us to keep the nucleus of the faculty, to continue our publicity, to retain the vital interest of our alumni and friends, and to keep a stream of gifts coming into the treasury.

The war took some 20 or more of our men, with a consequent loss of over \$2500 in tuition. The college could not get any allotment of government men for military training, because no college is used for governmental purposes that does not have dormitory facilities for at least 200 men. Other college problems were to meet with selective service boards to determine the status of the men; enlisting men in the reserve forces; conducting screen tests; changing schedules, and replacing instructors.

Actual operations on the college farm began in March, on a managerial basis, with the expectation to equip and stock the farm as far as possible, and operate with student help. William A. Boyce, a graduate of Berea College, was employed as

manager, with faculty status. The dwelling house was repaired at considerable expense. Tiling was repaired. The farm plan called for 100 acres of corn and soy beans. Tractor, plow, planter, cultivator, disc, and cultipacker were obtained with considerable difficulty on account of priorities.

The Farm Committee is co-operating with our national war effort, and adjusting the program to that end for the duration of the war. After the war, the farm plans will be quickly adjusted to the needs of the students. While the farm will meet the needs of the boys who have to work their way through college, it is being planned also to establish some industry that will meet the needs of girls.

Our financial program to get \$15000 from Cedarville and vicinity in three years has realized its first years quota. A like campaign is being planned for Xenia. The Women's Club of the Walnut Hills Cincinnati Presbyterian Church gives a \$50 scholarship every year, and is held up for emulation for other societies. About \$14000 yet is needed to get clear ownership of the farm, and we urge all friends of the college to help in this matter. The self-help idea is our best assurance of a permanent student constituency.

Rev. H. H. Abels, pastor of the local Methodist Church, and of journalistic experience, has been of great value during the past year in getting publicity for the college into Ohio newspapers, and expects to be even more influential next year. With the use of the farm for experimental projects, we can begin to get notice in farm papers. The religious and educational press has already been very obliging.

Our maximum enrollment during the year was 48. We can plan only from year to year, but since we are a Christian college, and since we have had to span the first half century by faith, we are not on untried paths. Her history, her character, her record of graduates, her program, and her friends, all bespeak for her a long and honorable career. The essential emphasis on building Christian character is still valid, and the place that Cedarville College holds in this new day, will be determined by the faith and sacrifice of the trustees, faculty, students, alumni, and friends.

(The President recommended that the Board grant the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Prof. Frank A. Jurkat, a member of the faculty of Cedarville College for 48 years, and upon Rev. Hubert H. Abels, pastor of the local Methodist church. This recommendation, along with the other recommendations appropriate to the commencement season, was complied with).

The report of the Treasurer of Cedarville College was presented.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF CEDARVILLE COLLEGE**

(May 1, 1942 to June 1, 1943)

**CURRENT FUND (For May, 1942)**

Balance, May 1, 1942 .....\$ 29.97

**Receipts**

**Endowment Income:**

First National Bank, Cincinnati, Agent for securities . . . . .	\$ 469.36	
Cumminsville rent . . . . .	45.00	514.36
Tuition . . . . .		2127.48
Diplomas . . . . .		40.00
Sundries, mostly Dormitory . . . . .		259.67
<b>Gifts:</b>		
Coulterville R. P. Church . . . . .	4.23	
Fifth R. P. Church, Philadelphia . . . . .	11.00	
Frank Creswell, Cedarville, Ohio . . . . .	100.00	
Glenna Basore, Cedarville, Ohio . . . . .	10.00	
Dr. W. R. McChesney, Cedarville Ohio . . . . .	100.00	
H. G. Pounsford, Cincinnati, Ohio . . . . .	100.00	
Other Alumni and Friends . . . . .	452.00	777.23

Total Receipts and Balance .....\$ 3748.71

**Disbursements**

SALARIES . . . . .	\$ 2385.91	
Student Loans . . . . .	600.00	
Cedarville High School, Practice Teaching . . . . .	120.00	
Dormitory Supplies . . . . .	179.84	
Commencement Expenses . . . . .	70.00	
Physical Education . . . . .	27.50	
Trustees' Expenses . . . . .	16.00	
Interest . . . . .	12.50	
Gas and Electric Light . . . . .	57.07	
Chemistry Breakage . . . . .	52.00	
Office Expenses . . . . .	46.95	
Publicity . . . . .	80.00	
Sundries . . . . .	47.04	\$3694.81

Balance, May 31, 1942 .....\$ 53.90

Dormitory Account transferred . . . . . 286.68

	\$ 340.58
<b>CURRENT FUND (June 1, 1942 to June 1, 1943)</b>	
Balance, June 1, 1942 .....	\$ 463.58

#### Receipts

#### Endowment Income:

First National Bank, Cincinnati, Agent for securities . . . . .	\$ 4149.72	
Ninth Street, Cincinnati property, rents . . . . .	932.80	
Cumminsville rent . . . . .	540.00	
Interest from Building and Loan Associations . . . . .	466.57	6089.09
Reformed Presbyterian Board of Education . . . . .		258.00
Tuition, Regular session . . . . .		10476.41
Tuition, Summer School, 1942 . . . . .		1737.67
Extension Courses . . . . .		353.00
Laboratory Fees . . . . .		334.00
Practice Teaching Fees . . . . .		320.00
Student Activity Fees . . . . .		304.00
Transcripts, Library, and Diploma Fees . . . . .		137.00
Health Fees . . . . .		27.00
Rent of Gymnasium . . . . .		284.25
Rent of Library . . . . .		60.10
Art and Typing Fees . . . . .		38.00
Interest from notes received . . . . .		295.93
Speaking Engagements . . . . .		85.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .		188.98

#### Gifts:

Cedarville Presbyterian Church . . . . .	\$ 241.50
Coulterville R. P. Church . . . . .	20.31
Fifth R. P. Church, Philadelphia . . . . .	22.75
Central Presbyterian Church, Lafayette, In. . . . .	10.00
Rev. W. R. Graham . . . . .	10.00
Women's Club, Walnut Hills Pres. Church, Cincinnati, O. . . . .	50.00
Karl Bull, Cedarville, Ohio . . . . .	50.00
William Conley, Cedarville, Ohio . . . . .	250.00
Joseph A. Finney, Xenia, Ohio . . . . .	100.00
Rev. D. R. Guthrie, Oil City, Pa. . . . .	12.00
G. H. Hartman, Cedarville, Ohio . . . . .	215.00
Walter C. Hiff, Cedarville, Ohio . . . . .	100.00
Rev. R. Dale LeCount . . . . .	6.00
Rankin McMillan, Cedarville, Ohio . . . . .	50.00
H. G. Pounsford, Cincinnati, Ohio . . . . .	100.00

Dr. Leo Anderson, Cedarville, Ohio .....	500.00	
Glenna Basore, Cedarville, Ohio .....	25.00	
A. J. Hostetler, Cedarville, Ohio .....	19.20	
F. A. Jurkat, Cedarville, Ohio .....	150.00	
Dr. W. R. McChesney, Cedarville, Ohio .....	100.00	
C. W. Steele, Cedarville, Ohio .....	50.00	
Ira D. Vayhinger, Cedarville, Ohio .....	125.00	
Mary Williamson, Cedarville, Ohio .....	23.40	
Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Hammond .....	125.00	
Rev. Wallace Iliff, Chicago, Ill. ....	100.00	
Clayton McMillan, Cedarville, Ohio .....	65.00	
Fred McMillan, Pittsburgh, Pa. ....	300.00	
Rev. H. M. Tenney, Columbus, Ohio .....	100.00	
Rachel D. Watt, Fairview Congregation, Pa.	50.00	
Other Alumni and Friends .....	3388.74	6358.90
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Total Receipts and Balance .....		\$27810.91

**Disbursements**

**Administration:**

Salary, President Vayhinger .....	\$ 3937.50	
Other Salaries .....	1091.65	
Traveling and Canvassing .....	481.00	
Publicity and Advertising .....	210.43	
Catalogs and Bulletins .....	269.76	
Board Meetings and Speakers .....	33.00	
Cedrus .....	561.36	
Tax Assessments .....	212.63	
Commencement Expenses and Entertainment	76.76	
Diplomas .....	44.98	
Miscellaneous .....	71.69	6990.76

**Office:**

Salaries and Wages .....	1701.41	
Telephone and Telegrams .....	118.17	
Postage .....	137.90	
Stationery and Records .....	163.02	
Legal and Accounting .....	150.00	
Repairs and Miscellaneous .....	54.36	2324.86

**Teaching:**

Faculty Salaries .....	10994.08	
Summer School Salaries .....	1100.00	
Practice Teaching and Extension Courses..	650.20	
Student Assistants .....	119.33	
Refunds .....	318.25	

Laboratory Supplies . . . . .	186.80	
Miscellaneous Supplies . . . . .	153.62	13522.28
Maintenance:		
Wages, Janitor and extra help . . . . .	1220.12	
Gas, Electric Light and Water . . . . .	368.24	
Coal . . . . .	1383.35	
Supplies and Repairs . . . . .	479.45	
Insurance . . . . .	258.52	
Supplies . . . . .	52.87	3762.55
Dormitory: Expenses, \$1754.46; less income, \$1364.43..		390.03
Athletics, Expenses, \$799.72; less receipts, \$348.83 . . .		450.89
Farm Operations . . . . .		636.26
Interest on Loans . . . . .		741.74
Interest on Annuities . . . . .		360.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .		44.80
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Total Disbursements . . . . .	\$29224.17	
Deficit, June 1, 1943 . . . . .	1413.26	

## OTHER ITEMS

Thomas Watters Scholarship Fund . . . . .	\$ 2609.61
Total Borrowings from Xenia National Bank . . . . .	17450.00
Girls' Dormitory Assets, Property and Equipment . . . .	6873.14
Equity in Farm, risen from \$1000 to . . . . .	7175.00

## LIST OF ENDOWMENT INVESTMENTS

Ninth Street Cincinnati property . . . . .	\$ 40000.00
Cumminsville property . . . . .	9000.00

## Stocks

10 Shares American Rolling Mill pfd. . . . .	1010.00
50 Shares Auditorium Hotel Co., V. T. C. . . . .	1.00
60 Shares Bank of Manhattan, 10 par . . . . .	1005.00
37 Shares Champion Paper & Fiber Co. 6% pfd. . . . .	3719.21
12 Shares Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co. 5% pfd. . . .	925.00
32 Shares Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. common . . . .	1.00
12 Shares Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. 5% pfd. . . .	1200.00
50 Shares Franklin-Adams P. C. . . . .	1.00
4.67 Goodyear Tire & Rubber common . . . . .	4.67
14 Shares Goodyear Tire & Rubber 5% pfd. . . . .	1162.50
23 Shares Harris Seybold-Potter Co. pfd., no par . . . .	1505.50
58 Shares Home Insurance Co. common . . . . .	1638.50
10 Shares Kroger Grocery & Baking Co. common . . . . .	283.00
16 Shares Marion Reserve Power Co. pfd. . . . .	1600.00
65 Shares Massachusetts Investors Trust . . . . .	1938.95
40 Shares National City Bank, Cleveland, common . . . .	1040.00
7 Shares Certain-Teed Products Corp., 6% pfd. . . . .	700.00



55	Shares Ohio Edison Co. 6% pfd. ....	5583.75
20	Shares Ohio Public Service 5½% pfd. ....	2040.00
25	Shares Pacific Indemnity Co., 10 par .....	993.75
17	Shares Pittsburgh Plate Glass common .....	1505.48
31	Shares Procter & Gamble common .....	1471.35
1	Share Style Center P. C. (now 318 Adams Bldg.)	1.00
10	Shares Textile Properties pfd. ....	10.00
20	Shares Toledo Edison 5% pfd. ....	1945.00
1	Share Tudor Court Co. V. T. C. ....	1.00
128	Shares U. S. Playing Card common .....	9470.00
8	Shares U. S. Printing & Lithographing Co. pfd. ..	46.24
12	U. S. Steel Corporation 7% pfd. ....	1411.50
10	Shares Walgreen Co. 4½% pfd. ....	1016.38

**Bonds**

\$2500	Adams, Franklin Buildings . . . . .	\$ 2500.00
1000	Argentine Republic . . . . .	902.50
5000	Auditorium Hotel, Cleveland .....	5000.00
1000	Dominion of Canada .....	917.50
2100	Cedarville Village 3% .....	2100.00
7200	Columbia Gas & Electric Corporation .....	7200.00
1000	Coronado Building, St. Louis, 6½% .....	1014.70
2000	Consolidated Federal Land Banks, 3% .....	2000.00
1000	Consolidated Federal Land Banks, 3¼% .....	1000.00
3500	500 5th Ave., Inc., 4% .....	2701.25
26000	40 Wall St. Corporation, 2½% .....	26000.00
2000	Good Samaritan Hospital 4% .....	2030.00
3000	Henry Clay Hotel, Ashland, Ky., 6¾% .....	3014.62
2200	Home Owners' Loan Corporation, 3% .....	2200.00
1000	Ohio & Little Kanawha Ry. 5% .....	1000.00
2000	Pennsylvania Co. Ry. 4% .....	2000.00
1000	Manitoba Canada 5% .....	10000.00
1000	Style Center Building (now 318 Adams Bldg.)	998.65
5000	Textile Properties 6% .....	5000.00
1000	Toronto Canada 5% .....	1055.00
1000	Tudor Court Apartments 5% .....	1000.00
1000	Tudor Court Apartments 3% .....	1000.00
1000	Wheeling Steel Corporation 3½% .....	985.00
1000	Winnipeg Canada 4½% .....	975.15

**Certificates, Etc.**

Home Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n, Xenia, Ohio ...	4848.00
People's Building & Savings Ass'n, Xenia, Ohio .....	750.00
Springfield Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n, Springfield, Ohio . . . . .	750.00

Frances McChesney Memorial Fund .....	5187.51
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Total Endowment Funds .....	\$177360.66
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**Changes in Investments Since Last Report**

6 Shares Columbia Oil & Gasoline common, called . \$	6.00
\$1000 Belvidere Apts. bond sold, with Rose Hill P. Cs.	999.50
\$5000 Champion Coated Paper bonds, called .....	5200.00
\$1000 Cincinnati St. Ry. 5½% bond, sold .....	1014.47
\$2000 Cincinnati St. Ry. 6% bonds, sold .....	2076.45
\$1500 Consolidated Federal Land Banks 4% bond, sold	1556.25
\$2000 Good Samaritan Hospital 4% bonds, called ....	2010.00
\$1000 Illinois Central Ry. 4% bond, sold .....	576.67
Withdrawn from People's B. & S. A., Xenia, Ohio ....	250.00
Withdrawn from Springfield F. S. & L. ....	329.20

Total . . . . .	\$ 14020.54
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**Re-invested**

60 Shares Bank of Manhattan, 10 par .....	\$ 1005.00
8 Shares Harris-Seybold Potter Co. 5% pfd. ....	478.00
58 Shares Home Insurance Co. common .....	1638.50
40 Shares National City Bank, Cleveland, common ..	1040.00
25 Shares Pacific Indemnity Co., 10 par .....	993.75
10 Shares Toledo Edison 5% pfd. ....	920.00
\$1000 Manitoba Canada 5% bond .....	1000.00
Paid on the College Farm .....	7175.00

At this point Rev. Wm. P. Green, in behalf of the congregation of the Third Church, Philadelphia, invited the General Synod to hold its sessions in May 1944 in the Third Church, Philadelphia. This invitation was unanimously accepted.

It was moved by Rev. Theo. Wray, seconded by Dr. John C. Taylor, that the Committee on Temperance be instructed to submit a copy of their paper to the American Anti-Saloon League and to other Christian papers as they deem best.

This motion was carried.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by L. O. Robb, and is as follows:

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS**

To the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, your committee would submit the following report:

1. Resolved, that the thanks of General Synod be given to the retiring moderator, Dr. John C. Taylor, for the excellent sermon preached at the opening of General Synod and that we request a copy for publication in the Advocate.

2. Resolved, that the thanks of General Synod be tendered to the pastor and people of the Fairview congregation for the interest and kindness shown in inviting General Synod to be their guests and for the kind attention and hospitality shown during the entire meeting of General Synod; and especially for the way the Fairview congregation provided for our physical needs and temporal comfort.

3. Resolved, that the Treasurer of General Synod be and hereby is authorized to present to the janitor of the Fairview Reformed Presbyterian church the sum of \$5.00 as an expression of our appreciation of the service rendered to General Synod.

4. Resolved, that the thanks of General Synod be extended to the editor and publisher of the Advocate for services of the past year.

5. Resolved, that the editor and publisher of the Advocate be instructed to publish the minutes of General Synod, and that the treasurer of General Synod be instructed to pay the cost of the same from the Administration Fund.

6. Resolved, that the thanks of General Synod be given to the treasurers and clerks of General Synod for their faithfulness and service.

7. Resolved, that we express our appreciation of the courteous, dignified and impartial manner in which the Moderator, Dr. R. W. Chesnut, and vice-moderator, the Rev. P. W. Duncan, have conducted the business of General Synod.

8. Resolved, that General Synod exhort the young men of our various congregations who are in military and naval service to hold fast to Christian principles and to purity of life, amidst the temptations that are so liable to beset them.

9. Resolved, that when General Synod adjourns it be to meet in the Third Reformed Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, on the third Thursday of May, 1944, at 8 P. M., war time, and that General Synod be opened with a sermon by Dr. R. W. Chesnut, the retiring Moderator, and the Rev. P. W. Duncan to be his alternate.

10. Whereas, we exist as a separate denomination because we believe in the distinctiveness of the Reformed Faith, be it resolved that the ministers instruct their congregations more

diligently in the distinctive doctrines of our Faith, and in the purity of life which these doctrines promote.

ALFRED E. PARSONS

L. O. ROBB

The report was adopted in its entirety.

It was moved and seconded that General Synod do now adjourn. Pending the reading of the minutes of the last session the motion was carried.

The minutes of the last sitting were read and approved. General Synod then adjourned. At this time the Moderator called to the pulpit Dr. John C. Taylor, asking him to lead in the adjourning prayer. The General Synod then joined in the singing of the 133rd Psalm, the Moderator leading. Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Moderator, pronounced the benediction and declared General Synod finally adjourned to meet in the Third R. P. Church, Philadelphia, Pa., on the third Thursday of May, 1944.

R. W. CHESNUT, Moderator.

P. W. DUNCAN, Vice-Moderator.

R. W. STEWART, Stated Clerk.

SAMUEL S. WARD, Assistant Clerk.



## CHURCH DIRECTORY

Moderator of General Synod, Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Duanesburgh, N. Y.

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Stated Clerk, Rev. R. W. Stewart, Sparta, Ill.

Assistant Clerk, Rev. Samuel Ward, Darlington, Pa.

Theological Seminary opens September 22, 1943. Closes week before Synod.

Day of Thanksgiving as appointed by authorities.

Dean of Seminary Faculty, Rev. W. R. McChesney, D. D.

Cedarville College opens September 22, 1943. President, Ira D. Vayhinger.

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Disabled Ministers' Fund, Rev. F. A. Jurkat, Cedarville, Ohio.

Board of Education, Rev. W. R. McChesney, Cedarville, Ohio.

Synod's Administration Fund, Rev. R. W. Stewart, Sparta, Ill.

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Rev. R. W. Chesnut, Pastor Emeritus, Duanesburgh, N. Y.

Mr. Carlo Lazzaro (licentiate), 2817 N. 11th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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Rev. F. A. Jurkat, D. D., Cedarville, Ohio.

Rev. W. R. McChesney, D. D., Cedarville, Ohio.

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Grand Cote, Rev. P. W. Duncan, D. D., Coulterville, Ill.

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Los Angeles, Miss Martha Ramsey, Sierra Madre, Cal.

Los Angeles, Rev. Thayer A. Westlake, Los Angeles, Cal.

Rev. John C. Taylor, M. D., Roorkee, India.

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