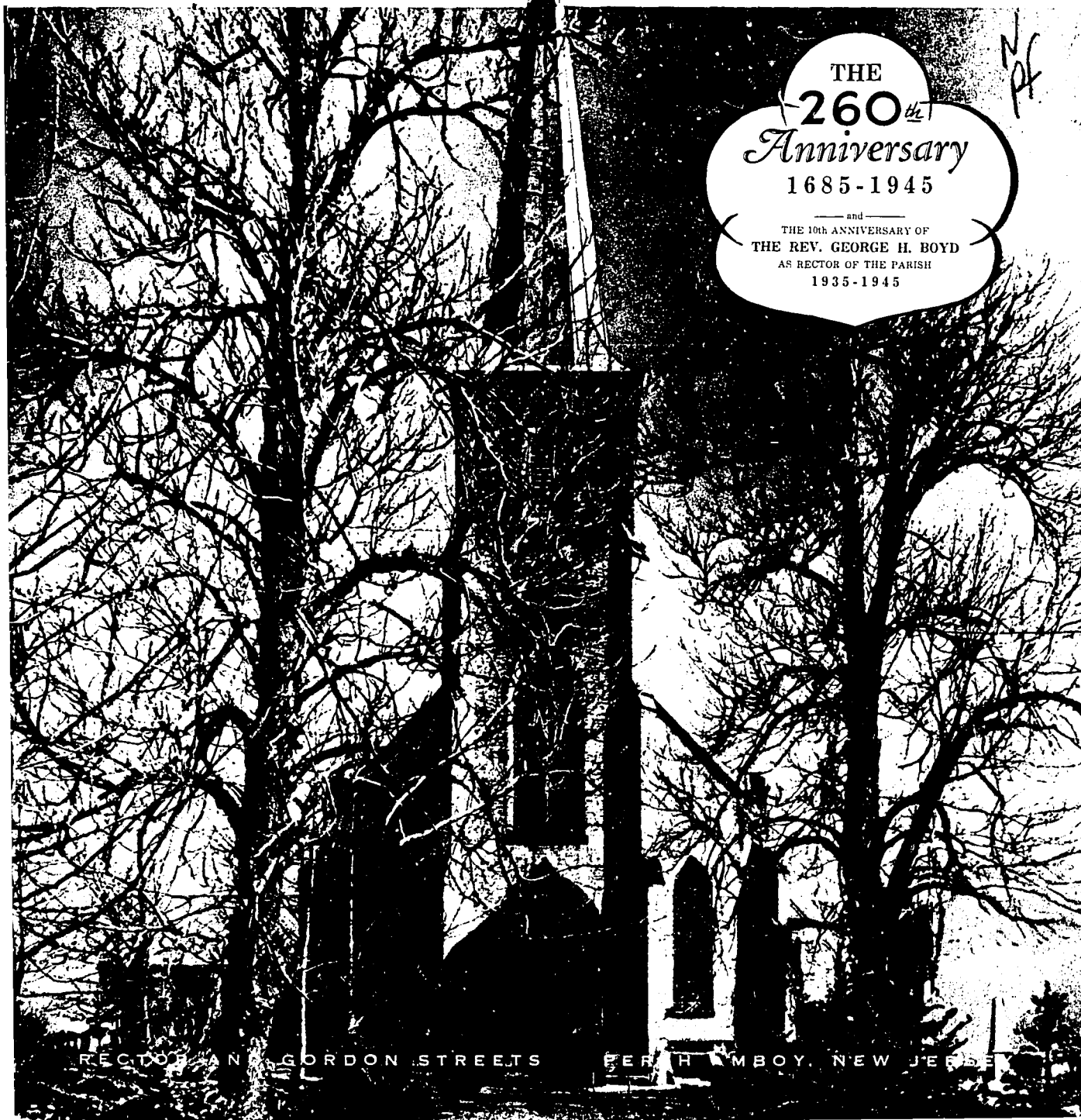


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St. Peter's Episcopal Church



THE
260th
Anniversary
1685-1945

— and —
THE 10th ANNIVERSARY OF
THE REV. GEORGE H. BOYD
AS RECTOR OF THE PARISH
1935-1945

RECTOR: AN GORDON STREETS

PER H AMBOY, NEW JERSEY

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

The Rev. Herbert R. Denton, Master of Ceremonies

ORGAN PRELUDE:

PROCESSIONAL HYMN The Hymnal No. 464

PSALM 15 The Prayer Book, Page 357

THE LESSON St. John 12:20-32

NUNC DIMITTIS The Prayer Book, Page 28

THE APOSTLES' CREED The Prayer Book, Page 29

PRAYERS:

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO THE BISHOPS:

BLAIR WOOD COMPTON, representing the parish, will present a Processional Cross to Bishop Tucker.

BARBARA ANN DEAN, in the name of the children of the parish, will present flowers to Bishop Tucker.

FRANKLIN GUMBS, for the parish will present flowers to Bishop Gardner.

HYMN No. 489 The Hymnal No. 489

THE SERMON The Right Reverend Henry St. George Tucker
D. D., S. T. D., L. L. D.
Presiding Bishop of the Church

THE OFFERTORY:

THE BURNING OF THE MORTGAGE:

Mr. George Durrue and Mr. Charles K. Seaman, Sr.

JUBILATE DEO The Prayer Book, Page 15

BENEDICTION:

HYMN No. 428

RECESSIONAL HYMN The Hymnal No. 523

ORGAN POSTLUDE:

The Presiding Bishop and the Clergy will be in the Parish House after the service to meet the members of the congregation.

COMMEMORATING THE 260th ANNIVERSARY
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BISHOPS

The Right Reverend Wallace John Gardner, D. D., S. T. D.
Bishop of New Jersey

The Right Reverend Alfred Banyard
Suffragan Bishop of New Jersey

The Very Reverend Henry B. Todd, II
Dean of Northern Convocation

The Rev. George H. Boyd, Rector

The Rev. Herbert R. Denton, Ass't Rector

The Rev. W. Northey Jones, D. D., Rector Emeritus

WARDENS

William C. Horley

Charles K. Seaman, Jr.

VESTRY

Gordon A. Baldwin
Vernon T. Brown
Perry Dean
Ulysses S. Garrison, P. S. W.
Joseph Mosher
Lt. Walter Norman
* Past Senior Warden

C. Stewart North
Sgt. Stephen Rinyak
Edward H. Ryan, Sr.
Harry Springer, Sr.
Harold J. Stoney, P. S. W.
William H. Watson, Clerk

HONORARY VESTRY

William R. Bunten, Sr.
Malcolm Campbell
J. Logan Clevenger
Louis T. Golding
Lucien B. Horton
Edward P. Loud
John W. McKeown, Sr.

Dr. William C. McGinnis
Robert J. McNitt, Sr.
Daniel P. Olmstead
Charles M. Peterson
Charles K. Seaman, Sr.
John E. Shoe
Thomas S. Trueman

Foreword

This is a grand occasion for all of us. Two hundred sixty years are a long time. During these years God has been good to St. Peter's Church and we should be very grateful.

My ten years have been happy ones in this parish and in the community. My one prayer is that, through you, God will continue to use me for work in His Kingdom in the days ahead.

It is impossible for me to name each one who has played such an important part in making this anniversary a success. However, I wish to extend my sincere thanks to the Right Reverend H. St. George Tucker, the Right Reverend Wallace John Gardner, and the Very Reverend Henry B. Todd, for being with us at this service. To Dr. William C. McGinnis who spent long hours in research, preparing the history of the parish; to Mr. George Seaman for photographing the historic windows; to Mr. Joseph Mosher, Mr. Harold J. Stoney, and their splendid committee for making this anniversary book possible; to Mr. William Watson, chairman, Mr. Perry Dean, Mrs. Karl A Lindner, Mr. J. Logan Clevenger, the Rev. Herbert R. Denton, Mrs. Louis P. Booz, II, Mr. T. Vernon Brown, Mr. Gordon A. Baldwin, Miss Evelyn Mason and their committees for handling so well all the details attendant upon such an undertaking as this.

God bless each and every one of you!

George H. Bonye

Rector.

**THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON**

July 28, 1945

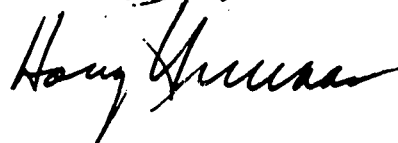
Dear Mr. Boyd:

The two hundred sixtieth anniversary of the founding of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Perth Amboy is an event of deep significance in the religious life of the community. It should be an inspiration to all in our generation to know that the founders of this country — wherever the pioneer spirit led them — first made generous provision for those twin American institutions: the church and the school.

So it was in our first beginnings along the Atlantic seaboard and so it was through all succeeding generations as the thirteen original colonies expanded into forty-eight sovereign states.

I trust through long years to come that all associated with this venerable parish will be steadfast in their witness to the faith received from their fathers.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Harry Truman", written in a cursive style.

Very Reverend George H. Boyd,
Rector,
St. Peter's Parish,
Perth Amboy, New Jersey.



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

October 25,
1945

My dear Mr. Boyd:

On behalf of the people of New Jersey, may I extend greetings to the congregation of St. Peter's Episcopal Church upon the happy occasion today of the celebration of the Two Hundred and Sixtieth Anniversary of your church.

The observance of two hundred and sixty years in the service of God is an occasion at once solemn and joyous. To rejoice and be glad upon this anniversary is consistent with true Christian spirit when we reflect upon the spiritual gains and moral uplift that can be accredited to the influence and training of this grand old church.

My congratulations upon this momentous occasion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Walter D. Edge".

Governor.

Very Reverend George H. Boyd, Rector,
St. Peter's Episcopal Church,
222 Rector Street, Perth Amboy, N. J.

WEE:BTB

LAMBETH PALACE
S.E.1.

9th August, 1945.

Dear Mr. Boyd,

I am interested to know that the Church of St. Peter's Parish is about to celebrate the Two Hundred Sixtieth Anniversary of its first service in 1945.

When I was Bishop of London, I not infrequently got letters from Parishes in the United States, who were celebrating their foundation, which took place when they were still under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of London. It is a moving thing that you should treasure these historic links and look with affection to this Church of England from which you have sprung. In these days the ties which bind the two Sister Churches grow ever deeper. As in the Political sphere, united friendship and action between our two peoples, is of the first importance for the well-being of the World, so Our two Churches have a great part to play in directing that world to the Christian Faith and Christian Principles without which there can be no peace.

May God's Blessing rest upon you and your congregation and prosper you in the Service of the Kingdom of Christ.

Yours sincerely,

Geoffrey Cantuar.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP

September 14, 1945

My dear Dean Boyd,

I am writing to express my appreciation for the invitation to take part in the celebration of the two hundred and sixtieth anniversary of the first service in St. Peter's Parish.

While I am glad it is possible for me to be present for at least a part of the celebration, I do want formally to extend my hearty greetings and congratulations to the Rector, Vestry and congregation for the fine service rendered by St. Peter's during the past two hundred and sixty years.

An Anniversary is an opportunity not only to thank God for His help in the past but to dedicate ourselves to His future service. I pray, therefore, in the years which lie ahead, God will so guide and bless your Parish that it will make even greater contributions to the cause of establishing His Kingdom here on earth.

With kind regards, I am

Yours faithfully,


PRESIDING BISHOP

The Very Reverend George H. Boyd
Rector, St. Peter's Parish
Perth Amboy, New Jersey



Diocese of New Jersey

The Right Reverend William J. Gardner, D.D.
200 West State Street
Camden, 2, New Jersey

October 1, 1945.

The Rev. George H. Boyd,
183 Rector Street,
Perth Amboy, N.J.

My dear Mr. Boyd:-

It is a most inspiring moment in the history of St. Peter's, Perth Amboy, this 260th Anniversary of the Parish. Doubtless the phases of the history of our country will be reviewed during the Commemoration - for the history of the Church is also the history of the State and it would be most profitable to relate these two histories. But always to me an Anniversary is the opportunity to look at the Parish itself as surviving all these years and these phases of history, to see how the Parish has matured to face the problems of the future. We learn from our past how to face the future. Surely to all it will be apparent that in this most pregnant year we shall all be called upon to give of our best to help shape the future of our country - to lay the foundation for the revival of our democratic life and ideals and to bring the life and influence of our Master to bear upon the life of the world.

How does St. Peter's Church stand in the light of these responsibilities? Perhaps the one way you can so determine this question is the manner in which your people, gay but determined, proud but yet humble, fearing and yet confident in the Master's service, rise from this Commemoration highly resolved to bring the fruits of their long history to bear upon the service to God and Country.

I pray for God's richest blessing upon all and each of you, and that St. Peter's Church, refreshed and inspired by this Anniversary, may continue in even greater strength and service.

Faithfully yours,

William J. Gardner



CITY OF PERTH AMBOY
NEW JERSEY

JOHN A. DELANEY
MAYOR

September 27, 1945

To: The Pastor and Congregation of St. Peter's Church

Churches that are old have about them an atmosphere that speaks of beauty.

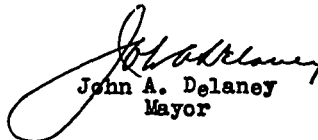
Residences and places of business in age almost always grow ugly, deteriorate and decay.

In one way it seems strange there should be this dissimilarity, in another, God's work and hand can truly be seen.

An institution dedicated for use in His honor and in His cause should grow old gracefully and should be sustained as a lovely monument to the good performed within its walls.

In every City, foremost in the minds and hearts of its people are a pride, a fondness and a love for its religious institutions, because all the decency in man emanates from them and from the principles nurtured and fostered in the training they give.

It is, therefore, with great happiness, that I, as Mayor of the City of Perth Amboy, for myself and for the governing body, send you on the 260th Anniversary of St. Peter's, our felicitations, knowing that every person in the City of Perth Amboy joins us in a prayer, first of thanksgiving for the great work done by your Church, and again that divine assistance will enable you to be with us even to the end of time.


John A. Delaney
Mayor

*A Brief History of St. Peter's Church
in Perth Amboy, New Jersey
1685 - 1945*

By William C. McGinnis, B. S., A. M., Ph. D.

"Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set."
—Proverbs 22:28.

I take this opportunity to acknowledge valuable assistance received in the preparation of this brief history, assistance given by the Reverend George H. Boyd, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Mrs. John A. Kilduff (Wanda Sienkiewicz Kilduff), Miss Sara B. Goldstein and my wife, Marion Boynton McGinnis.

W. C. McGinnis

Perth Amboy, N. J.

September, 1945

A coal barge or a long line of filled up coal cars has always had a fascination for me. But to carry coal to Newcastle is said to be a profitless thing, and without sense. In attempting to write a brief history of St. Peter's Church the first thing I thought about was Newcastle coal. The history of St. Peter's Church has already been written. It has been so well and so comprehensively written that another "History of St. Peter's Church" can add but little. And yet there is a good reason for my writing it. The good reason is the Reverend George H. Boyd, Rector of St. Peter's. He asked me to write a brief history of St. Peter's in connection with the observance of the 260th anniversary of St. Peter's parish in 1945. I think the word "brief" was stressed a bit. I have found source material among the histories and historical writings of William A. Whitehead, the Reverend John N. Norton, the Reverend James Chapman, the Reverend W. Northey Jones, the Reverend Dr. Walter Herbert Stowe, Mr. Harold Pickersgill, Miss Dorothea Ramsay, and in the church records, Proprietary minutes, minutes of the vestry of St. Peter's and the Living Church Manual—1945.

Mr. William Adeo Whitehead was born in Newark on February 19, 1810. He died in Perth Amboy on August 8, 1884 and is buried in St. Peter's churchyard just outside the east wall of the chancel. He was an eminent historian, his principal work being "Contribution to East Jersey History" published by D. Appleton & Company, New York, 1856.

The Reverend John N. Norton was rector of Ascension Church, Frankfort, Kentucky. He was an author of parish histories and biographies. He wrote the "Life of Bishop Croes" published by General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, New York, 1858.

St. Peter's in Perth Amboy for twenty-six decades has had an important part in the secular and spiritual life of the community. There is some confusion over the date of the establishment of St. Peter's. All members of the parish are familiar with the "St. Peter's Church, established 1698" which appears in connection with church notices. But at the present time, 1945, St. Peter's is observing its 260th anniversary. That would seem to point to the year 1685 as the year in which St. Peter's was established. The seeming discrepancy is accounted for as follows:

According to Whitehead's Contributions to East Jersey History "... the foundation in Amboy of the congregation of Protestant Episcopalians" was in 1685.

In 1695 the East Jersey Proprietors applied to Bishop Compton of London for a minister of the established church. As a result of this action Bishop Compton sent the Reverend Edward Portlock to Perth Amboy in 1698. Meanwhile a house had been built in Perth Amboy "at the charge of the general proprietaries" to be given as a church for the use of the town. This house was located near the ferry over the Raritan at the foot of High Street, according to Whitehead. On an early map the site is designated "Church lot." Whitehead says (p. 209), "It is presumed that the stone bearing the date 1685 inserted in the rear wall of the church recently taken down was from this building." This stone is in the church wall of the present church building. It was in the 1685 building that the Reverend Edward Portlock commenced the performance of his religious services.¹ St. Peter's Church, the oldest parish in New Jersey, held its first service in 1685. It was organized in 1698 and chartered by King George I in 1718.

A considerable number of towns in East Jersey were settled exclusively by immigrants who came not from Europe but from New England. Among these towns each one formed but one congregation or parish, and so had comparatively little difficulty

¹ Proprietary minutes.

in providing for religious services. The inhabitants were a unit in the matter of the denomination of the minister they wanted. The minister's salary, following the New England custom, was included in the annual expenses of the town and was raised by a general rate assessed upon all the inhabitants of the town. Newark, Elizabeth and Woodbridge were among the towns supporting their churches in this way.

The population of Perth Amboy was more heterogeneous. Many of the inhabitants were Quakers and Anabaptists. Many belonged to the Scotch Kirk and there were a few Congregationalists. The predominant religion was that of the Church of England, and that was the first organized religion, parish and church in Perth Amboy. The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts was organized in 1701. St. Peter's rectors were supported to a large extent by the Society until the Revolutionary War. The Society, the S. P. G. it was called, was founded by Dr. Thomas Bray who had been Commissary to Maryland.

In 1702 the old church was repaired and to some extent refitted. The erection of a new church was considered at that time.

July 30, 1718, a charter was granted to the congregation by Governor Robert Hunter, acting in behalf of his sovereign, George I, in which William Eier and John Barclay were appointed wardens; and Thomas Gordon, John Rudyard, Robert King, and John Stevens, vestrymen. This was the same year in which Perth Amboy received its charter.

William Eier was also the first mayor of Perth Amboy. Thomas Gordon was Speaker of the Assembly, Attorney General, member of the New Jersey Council, Registrar of the Proprietors, Judge of Probate, and for nine years was Receiver-General and Treasurer of the Province.

John Barclay held the following offices: Surveyor-General, Receiver-General, Register of the Court of Chancery, Commissioner of the Court of Small Causes, Clerk of the County Court of Common Right, of the Supreme Court and Court of Sessions. In 1704 he represented Perth Amboy in the Assembly.

John Stevens represented Perth Amboy in the Assembly and was a member of the New Jersey Council.

Governor Hunter was governor of both New Jersey and New York, 1710-1719. He had a home in Perth Amboy south of St. Peter's Church. Governor William Burnett, 1720-1727, bought the Hunter house and lived in it. He was a warden of St. Peter's. Governor William Cosby, 1732-1736, was vestryman and Governor John Hamilton, 1736-1738, was a vestryman and warden.

The list of names prominent in the early life of St. Peter's and the life of the colony is much too long to be included in full in this short history.

The land on which St. Peter's Church stands and other parcels of land were given to the church by Thomas Gordon, George Willocks, John Barclay and John Harrison.

In 1825 the congregation erected a tablet in the church bearing this inscription:

THIS TABLET
*is designed to express the gratitude of the
Congregation of St. Peter's Church in this city
to the benefactors of the said church,*

whose names follow:

GEORGE WILLOCKS

who died in 1729;

MARGARET WILLOCKS

who died in 1722;

THOMAS GORDON

who died April 28, 1722

and

JOHN HARRISON

*They loved the habitation of God's house and
the place where his honour dwelleth.*

Erected A. D., 1825.

After receiving the charter the congregation began the erection of the church. Begun in 1719 it was dedicated in 1722. The bell of St. Peter's was given by Captain Philip Lytheby, a Scotchman who was a sea captain. The bell's inscription was, "In Perth Amboy My Sound Enjoy, 1789." This building was of simple architecture, being an oblong building forty-eight feet long and forty feet wide. But it was a stone building and strongly built. In 1852 the old building was removed and replaced with the present church edifice.

Someone once wrote that the history of an institution is the lengthening shadow of a man. The history of St. Peter's church is the lengthening light of the good deeds of these men of a by gone day. They were faithful servants of the Lord, and what they did was founded on faith, a dual faith, their religious faith and faith that the Congregation of St. Peter's Church in the generations ahead would use their gifts for the glory of God and the welfare of man.

They had faith that St. Peter's Church from generation through generation would be one of the many humble things used in the accomplishment of God's eternal purpose. And who shall say that that faith has not been justified and fulfilled in the many years that have come and gone in which St. Peter's has been a part of the life of Perth Amboy. Here is exemplification of the truth that "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." That is the faith possessed by these men of St. Peter's in the first days and of men and women like them in all the years since those first days.

Within the walls of St. Peter's Church, in a long succession, many infants have been baptized and later confirmed. Here many members of the parish have pledged their marriage vows, taken part in the worship of God and in the fellowship of goodly people. And many of them lie in the churchyard which surrounds their beloved church. It is fitting that this is so. The present day worshippers cannot but be affected by thoughts of mortality and immortality as they pass through the field of graves into the church. Whitehead (p. 220) quotes a writer¹ who says. "With old Sir Thomas Browne I love to see a church in a graveyard, for even as we pass through the place of graves to the temple of God on earth, so we must pass through the grave to the temple of God on high."

¹ William C. Prime.

Although the old church on the site of the present St. Peter's was dedicated in 1722 it was not until September 23, 1728 that pews were ordered built. At this same meeting resolutions of thanks were passed by the vestry to the widow of Reverend John Talbot for the present of a silver chalice and ewer, and a silver paten bearing the date 1612.

The church has a chalice and a paten and cover and flagons given by Queen Anne in 1706.

"There are five pieces altogether of this period. Perhaps the older pieces were added later from the Queen Anne bounty. A description of these five pieces follows:

"One chalice—height 7½ in. Paten Cover 5 in. diameter. Four marks. 1. Britannia. 2. Lion's head crowned. 3. Old English capital G and small i, Gi (maker's mark). 4 London date letter for 1705-1708. Courtland inscription on each, Annae Reginae, made by Wm. Gibson, Corey Lane, London, who first registered his mark April, 1697.

"One Paten 4¾ in. diameter, four marks. 1. Britannia. 2 Lion's head. 3. Pa in shaped shield (maker's mark). 4. London date letter F, from 1721-1722.

"Credence Paten 8¼ in. diameter. Only marks B. R. in a circle twice repeated, a similar Paten in possession of Trinity, N. Y., evidently of Queen Anne period.

"Flagon 11 in. high, only mark S. S. in a square. A baptismal bason with the same mark as Saint George's, Hempstead, L. I., is inscribed 1735."

There is also the valuable Rowson chalice and paten. These were given to the church through the will of Miss Mary E. Rowson. Miss Rowson was a school teacher and at one time operated a private school for girls in Perth Amboy. She left money in 1935 for a memorial for her parents and her brother to be purchased under the direction of the rector. In 1935 the Reverend George H. Boyd purchased the chalice and paten executed in gold, silver and precious stones. They bear the names of William B. Rowson and Elizabeth B. Rowson, the parents; William S. Rowson, the brother; and Mary E. Rowson, the donor.

In April, 1764 the vestry authorized a committee "to carry on the outside walls of the church as far as the end of the steeple and enclose it, and to build a plain spire on the top of the steeple, and do any other matter the vestry shall think necessary towards completing the same." The cost of these additions was defrayed by means of a lottery which was drawn in 1764. Whitehead (p 226) says, "It was not then considered contrary to good morals to encourage lotteries, and schemes for every kind of object were yearly set on foot."

Lotteries were used in most of the colonies to raise funds for various purposes. Lotteries began about 1720. They are known to have been used in Philadelphia in 1720. Between 1720 and 1730 lotteries had so increased in New Jersey that in 1730 an act was passed prohibiting both lotteries and raffling, their prevalence having "given opportunity to ill-minded persons to cheat and defraud divers of the honest inhabitants" of the province. This act was particularly aimed at lotteries for the disposal of "goods, wares and merchandise." There appeared to be no great objection to lotteries for money. As a consequence by the later 1740's there was hardly a town in New Jersey that wasn't using lotteries to raise money for one or more objects.

† Rev. Dr. W. Northey Jones—The History of St. Peter's Church—p. 32.

Some of the lotteries recorded by Whitehead (pp. 322-324) are as follows:

"Elizabethtown Lottery, for building a parsonage—1,050 pounds to be raised, 1500 tickets at 14 shillings; 304 prizes only, the highest being 60 pounds."

"One in New Brunswick to relieve Peter Cochran from imprisonment for debt; and another at the same place for completing the church and building a parsonage—337 pounds, 10 shillings to be raised, the highest prize being 100 pounds."

"One at Amwell for finishing the Presbyterian meeting house—the sum required 630 pounds."

"One to raise 1,500 pounds for the benefit of the Church in New Brunswick."

"In 1760 there was a Parsippany lottery for purchasing ground and building a parsonage, and another at Bound Brook for finishing the Presbyterian church—the sum to be raised, \$750."

The first rectory was the George Willocks house, given to the church in 1722. This building had been the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Willocks, members of St. Peter's. The second rectory was built in 1815 at 222 Rector Street. In 1914 in the rectorate of the Reverend W. Northey Jones the second rectory was sold and was moved directly back from its old location to a new location on Water Street. It still retained its original street number, 222, which is the correct Water Street number. A new rectory was built, the present one, in 1914 and was first occupied by the Reverend W. Northey Jones and his family.

The clergy of the eastern part of America frequently met at St. Peter's parish and took steps to secure the Episcopate of America. In the first thirty years of the corporate life of the Episcopal Church in New Jersey nine diocesan conventions were held here. The first diocesan convention after New Jersey became a diocese in 1785 was held here. In 1786 a convention held in St. Peter's adopted a memorial and presented it to the general convention which resulted in the rejection of a proposed book of common prayer and obtained the consecration of Bishop White and Bishop Provoost and later secured the Book of Common Prayer.

On October 2, 1771 the third meeting of "The Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Children of Clergymen in the Communion of the Church of England in America" held its third annual meeting in St. Peter's. The sermon was delivered by the Reverend Thomas Bradbury Chandler, Rector of St. John's Church in Elizabethtown. The first meeting of the society had been held in Philadelphia and the second one in New York. Both Governor William Franklin of New Jersey and Governor William Tryon of New York were members of the society.

New Jersey became a diocese in 1785, a hundred years after the first Episcopal service in New Jersey was held in Perth Amboy and, as Whitehead says (p. 29) "was the foundation in Amboy of the congregation of Protestant Episcopalians."

New Jersey was a diocese for thirty years before it had its first Bishop. John Croes (pronounced Crooes), 1762-1832, began his Episcopate in 1815. Bishop Croes was of Polish ancestry and was a convert to the Church.* The name was originally spelled "Kruitiz". He was born in Elizabethtown, New Jersey on June 1, 1762. He was the

* The Episcopal Church, Walter Herbert Stowe, p. 13.

son of Jacob Croes, a native of Poland. He was a soldier in the Continental Army. He was consecrated on November 19, 1815, the consecrators being Bishops William White (Pennsylvania 1st); John Henry Hobart (New York, coadj., 3d Bp.) and James Kemp (Maryland, suffr. 2d Bp.). Bishop Croes laid the foundation upon which the second New Jersey Bishop, George Washington Doane, built the strong and enduring superstructure of the Episcopal Church in this state. Dr. Walter Herbert Stowe, President of the Church Historical Society, refers to Bishop Doane as the greatest of New Jersey Bishops.¹

In 1778 when John Croes was only sixteen years of age he was called out to do military duty in the cause of Independence. He belonged to the regiment commanded by Colonel Philip Van Cortlandt. During the month of June, 1778 the company of which he was orderly sergeant was on duty in Newark. About this time the legislature of New Jersey passed an act to raise three companies by enlistment to guard the river and the sound from Newark to Amboy. He was a member of one of these companies under Captain Robert Neil. He was later appointed a recruiting sergeant and was stationed in Newark in January, 1780. In 1781 young Croes was appointed sergeant major under Lieutenant Colonel Ely.

The New Jersey Convention for 1794 met at St. Peter's Church in Perth Amboy. The opening sermon was preached by the Reverend Mr. Croes. At the Convention of 1795 held in Christ Church, Shrewsbury, the Reverend Mr. Croes again preached the opening sermon. The Convention of 1796 appointed the Reverend Mr. Croes Treasurer of the diocese. He was one of the delegates to the General Convention of 1797. The Convention of 1798 met in Trinity Church, Newark, and again the Reverend Mr. Croes preached the opening sermon.

Mr. Croes began his church career as a lay reader in Trinity Church, Newark. He was lay reader at Trinity Church when at a meeting of the parish of the Swedish Church in Swedesboro on Easter Monday, April 13, 1789, the following note was made: "The members present, though not a board, express their desire that Mr. John Croes, a candidate for holy orders, shall be requested to read prayers and a sermon in the church when the rector shall not attend; and that the contributions which shall then be made be presented to him for his services as aforesaid." Mr. Croes went to Swedesboro and officiated as a lay reader until the time of his ordination.

The church at Swedesboro was not originally an Episcopal Church but was incorporated under "The Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Church." The name was "Trinity Church." The vestry of Trinity Church, the Swedish Church at Swedesboro, on January 24, 1790, called Mr. Croes to serve as rector. Mr. Croes was ordained Deacon by Bishop White of Pennsylvania in St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, on the 28th of February, 1790. He accepted the call to Trinity Church, Swedesboro, which then became an Episcopal Church. He was advanced to the priesthood on the 4th of March, 1792. He stayed in Trinity Church at Swedesboro for twelve years (1789-1801). In August, 1800 Mr. Croes received a call from Grace Church, New Brunswick, which he refused. After receiving a second call from Grace Church he became rector of that Church in 1801.

Not only was the first convention after New Jersey became a diocese (1785) held in St. Peter's in 1786, but the first annual diocesan convention at which New Jersey had a Bishop of its own met in St. Peter's, Perth Amboy, August 28 and 29, 1816. Bishop John Croes, elected in 1815, delivered his first annual address as Bishop at this convention.

¹ The Episcopal Church, A Miniature History, The Church Historical Society, Philadelphia.

In June, 1815 Dr. Croes was chosen by the Convention of Connecticut to fill the office of Bishop of that diocese. The immediate result of this was that the New Jersey diocese decided to elect a Bishop of its own. The New Jersey Convention met in St. Michael's Church, Trenton, in August, 1815. The Reverend Dr. John Croes was elected the first Bishop of New Jersey. The consecration of Dr. Croes took place in St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, on Sunday, November 19, 1815. Concerning Dr. Croes' election as Bishop, the Reverend James Chapman, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy, at that time, wrote, "The testimonial in his favor as Bishop-elect was signed by all the members of the Convention, in which twenty churches were represented, and all the clergy entitled to vote for a Bishop, except one, were present. Dr. Croes being almost unanimously recommended to the office of Bishop in his native State—to which many circumstances strongly attached him, and which he could not have left without much regret—declined the flattering invitation which he had received from another diocese, assuring the clergy and laity of that diocese of his high regard and sincere gratitude for the kind opinion which they had entertained of him, and of his qualifications for the Episcopal office."¹

It will be noted that John Croes, the Revolutionary soldier boy, before being elected Bishop had become the Reverend Doctor Croes. His early education had been, to a large extent, obtained without the benefit of formal schooling. He did much reading. He became a teacher in Newark at the close of the Revolutionary War. He taught as assistant to the Reverend Dr. Alexander McWhorter, who was a noted teacher, and who was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Newark for forty-eight years, 1759-1807.

The Reverend Mr. Croes had close connection with and several correspondents at Nassau Hall, the college at Princeton (now Princeton University). In September, 1797, the trustees of Nassau Hall conferred on him the degree of A. M. In 1811 Columbia College (now Columbia University) conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

Bishop Croes died July 30, 1832, aged seventy years. The funeral services were held in Christ Church, New Brunswick. There was no funeral discourse. The anthem and the lesson were read by the Reverend John M. Ward, rector of St. Peter's Church, Spotswood, and the service at the grave near the chancel was pronounced by the Reverend James Chapman, rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy.

Bishop Croes was a great man. He was a hardworking boy. His father was a sadler. His mother ran a small bakery and baked her own wares. As a small boy John was delivery boy and seller for his mother. He studied hard; taught school and continued to study so that he became a lay reader after serving his country in the Revolution. He was a member of the faculty of Queen's College (Rutgers) after becoming rector of Christ Church, New Brunswick. "Previous to 1801 Queen's College had to all intents and purposes been dead for eleven years. Mr. Croes was the man who revived it from this low estate, and gave it a name to live."² †

In 1785 Mr. Croes married Martha Crane, daughter of Elihu and Hannah Mix Crane of Newark. Mr. and Mrs. Croes' family consisted of eight children, five boys and three girls. Two of the sons became clergymen of the Church. John the eldest, born September 22, 1787, was educated at Nassau Hall and for a time taught in the grammar school of Queen's College (Rutgers).

¹ Sketch of the Life of Bishop Croes, by the Reverend James Chapman, New York Churchman, September 15, 1832.

² "A just statement of Bishop Croes' labors in Queen's College, now Rutgers College, was published in the New Brunswick Freonian, in 1854, signed R. B. C."

† Life of Bishop Croes—John N. Norton—p. 123.

Bishop Croes' prominent traits of character were industry, perseverance, and uprightness. He wrote well and was a good preacher.

A tablet in Christ Church, New Brunswick, bears this inscription:

Beneath the Chancel
Are deposited the remains of the
RIGHT REVEREND JOHN CROES, D. D.
First Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.
Born in New Jersey, he held the office,
And performed the duties of a Christian Minister,
In his native State, for more than forty-two years,
the last thirty of which were devoted to the service of this parish.
On the 30th of July, 1832, he closed a useful life,
and calmly slept in the Lord,
In the 71st year of his age, and the 17th of his Episcopate.

Beginning with the first duly appointed rector, the Reverend Edward Portlock in 1698, there have been twenty-three rectors of St. Peter's Church. Their names and the years of their rectorates will be found at the end of this paper. There were church services by visiting and temporary clergymen from 1685. Of the twenty-three rectors who have served St. Peter's Church since 1698 nine, including the present rector, the Reverend George H. Boyd, served ten years or more. The longer rectorates to date were those of the Reverend William Skinner, 36 years (1722-1758; the Reverend James Chapman, 33 years (1809-1842); the Reverend James Leach Lancaster, 21 years (1893-1914); the Reverend W. Northey Jones, 20 years (1914-1934); and the Reverend George H. Boyd, 10 years (1935 to date).

In the three or four decades leading up to the Revolution, Perth Amboy was one of the most important towns in America. It was the capital of the Province of East Jersey. Here was the seat of government of the colony. Government House was here. Just before the Revolution the Governor was William Franklin, son of Benjamin. The Governor and Lady Franklin lived here and attended St. Peter's. In 1765 Lady Franklin, wife of Governor William Franklin, presented a surplice to the church, for which thanks were returned by a delegation of the vestry appointed for that purpose.

At that time the Reverend John Preston was rector, and he was the chaplain of the 26th Regiment of England's soldiers quartered in Perth Amboy. The rector, like the Governor, was a Tory and staunchly loyal to the English cause. The congregation of St. Peter's was divided on the questions and problems involved in the war between the colonies and the mother country. The Reverend John Preston was rector until 1777.

Both Perth Amboy and St. Peter's Church, while not in the field of battle, were in the path of war leading to and from battle. The church was occupied in turn by the American Army and the British Army. In a letter written by Mr. Preston, January 2, 1777, to the Secretary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, he referred to Perth Amboy as having been made a garrison town by "the Rebels" and wrote, " they crowded 6,000 or 7,000 men into this little town and filled the houses with soldiers, and took the church and made a Barrack of it." The church was badly damaged. If it had not been of substantial construction it would have been destroyed. Whitehead (p. 230) quotes the Reverend James Chapman as writing as follows concerning St. Peter's Church in the Revolutionary War period: "The sacred edifice was soon laid open to the injuries of the weather; the works in the inside were torn to pieces; the floor, cleared of the pews, was occupied as a stable for horses, and the graves and monuments

were exposed to injury by the destruction of the fences:—Against the headstones fires were lighted by the soldiers to prepare their food, and the tombstones they occupied as tables for the meals which they thus prepared.”

The bitterness arising from the Revolution divided churches and families. In a speech to the Council and Assembly, February 25, 1777, Governor Livingston said, “They (the British) have plundered friends and foes alike. They have warred upon decrepit age; warred upon defenseless youth; and in their rage of impiety and barbarism profaned edifices dedicated to Almighty God!”

We must not think, however, that the Americans were not also guilty of shameful deeds. Colonel Christopher Billop, a member of a Perth Amboy family on Smith Street, lived on a large estate on Staten Island, across from Perth Amboy. The Billop house is well known to Perth Amboy people as the Conference House, situated across the Kill Von Kull opposite Perth Amboy, and the site of the famous meeting between Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Edward Rutledge and Lord Howe. Christopher Billop was a colonel in the British Army. He was taken prisoner in his own house by a small detachment of continental troops, commanded by Captain Nathaniel Fitz-Randolph (or Randall) of Woodbridge, on June 23, 1779. There is no known record of where Colonel Billop was first confined, but in the following November he was sent to the Burlington jail. The sergeant of the guard escorting him carried the following mittimus:

“To the Keeper of the Common Jail
for the County of Burlington—Greeting:

“You are hereby commanded to receive into your custody the body of Col. Christopher Billop, prisoner of war, herewith delivered to you, and having put irons on his hands and feet, you are to chain him down to the floor in a close room in the said jail; and there so detain him, giving him bread and water only for his food, until you receive further orders from me, or the Commissary of Prisoners for the State of New Jersey for the time being. Given under my hand at Elizabethtown this 6th day of November, 1779. (Elisha Boudinot, Com. Pris. New Jersey.)”

Colonel Christopher Billop's real name was Christopher Farmar. He took the name Billop, which was the maiden name of his wife. He was a brother of Thomas Farmar, a supporter of the cause of the colonists. Thomas died in 1822. A tablet to his memory is on the north wall of St. Peter's Church and reads as follows:

This Tablet
is Gratefully Inscribed
to the Memory
of
Thomas Farmar, Esqr.
who
departed this life
August 27th, 1822
and whose remains are
deposited a few feet
from the North West corner
of this Church

For a long time after the founding of St. Peter's parish in 1685 St. Peter's Church was more or less connected with schools in Perth Amboy. The Reverend Robert McKean, Rector 1761-1767, was the first school master in Perth Amboy. He was an exceptionally able and learned man. He was school master of Perth Amboy from 1761. He was a doctor of medicine and practiced his profession in Perth Amboy and other parts of Mid-

dlesex County. In July, 1766 he was one of the founders of the New Jersey Medical Society and was the first president of the society which has been one of New Jersey's important organizations from that day to this. In 1923 the society erected on the north wall of the church a tablet inscribed as follows:

IN MEMORY OF
THE REV. ROBERT McKEAN, A. M., M. D.
FOUNDER AND FIRST PRESIDENT
OF
THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY
ORGANIZED IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
JULY 23, 1766.
THIS TABLET IS ERECTED
BY THE SOCIETY
1923

The existence of a school in connection with the parish appears in the minutes of the vestry in July, 1765. The Reverend Mr. McKean informed the vestry that a school house was immediately necessary because the barracks in which the school was then located could no longer be had without payment of rent. The vestry then built a school house at the northwest corner of Gordon and Rector Streets, where now stands the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Margaretten and family.

When the Reverend John Hamilton Rowland, Rector 1784-1787, resigned in 1787, Mr. Joseph Grove John Bend who was the village school master in Perth Amboy was appointed lay reader of St. Peter's. Mr. Bend remained in Perth Amboy only a few months. He was a candidate for holy orders and in 1791 became rector of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore. In subsequent years he was prominent in the Maryland diocese.

Mr. Bend's successor as teacher in Perth Amboy was George Hartwell Spieren, a young Irishman. Mr. Spieren came to Perth Amboy from Ireland arriving in New York in November, 1788. He was a graduate of Dublin University. He had been called by the vestry of St. Peter's Church to be rector as soon as he could obtain Holy Orders.

Mr. Spieren's place in the history of St. Peter's is unique. He was ordained to the diaconate in St. Peter's by Bishop Provoost of New York on July 8, 1788. Bishop Provoost, Bishop White of Pennsylvania and Bishop Madison of Virginia had just been consecrated at Lambeth Palace, London. The ordination of Mr. Spieren in St. Peter's was the first ordination in New Jersey. One week after his ordination to the diaconate Mr. Spieren was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Provoost in St. Paul's Chapel, New York. He was rector of St. Peter's, 1788-1790. This ordination, the first in New Jersey, is the subject of one of the stained glass windows placed in the church during the rectorate of Dr. W. Northey Jones. The Reverend James Chapman, Rector 1809-1842, was a teacher of Perth Amboy boys.

One of the longest and most important rectorates was that of the Reverend James Chapman, 1809-1842. Mr. Chapman was instrumental in getting the second rectory built (1815-1816). Mr. Chapman was a great scholar. His annual salary was only \$400. To supplement it he taught the boys of some of the prominent families in Perth Amboy. His granddaughter, Ruth R. Benton, has given to the Perth Amboy High School in trust the sum of \$1,500 the income of which is used to provide the Reverend James Chapman Prize annually for the member of the senior class having the highest standing in foreign languages, both ancient and modern. The first annual Chapman prize was awarded at

the High School graduation in June, 1934. Thus is the Reverend James Chapman's interest in Education in Perth Amboy perpetuated.

On the south wall of the church is a memorial tablet inscribed as follows:

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF
REV. JAMES CHAPMAN, A. M.
for Thirty Three Years
Rector of this Church

Born at Elizabethtown, May 15, 1785.
Ordained in St. Paul's Church, N. Y. in 1807.
Officiated, first in Trinity Parish, N. York,
In this Church from 1809-1842 and
Afterwards at Trinity Church, Woodbridge

A Sound Theologian, Faithful Pastor,
Patriotic Citizen, Consistent Christian.

He closed his useful and exemplary life
in this City, on April 6, 1857;
in the 72d. year of his age
and 50th. year of his ministry.

His remains lie in the adjacent family vault.

Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright,
For the end of that man is peace.

The Reverend W. Northey Jones, the twenty-second rector, and the third Jones to be rector of the parish, was rector twenty years, 1914-1934.

The first major accomplishment in Dr. Jones' rectorate was the erection of the present rectory. During his rectorate extensive repairs were made to the church and to the parish house.

The explosion of the Morgan Munition Plant at Morgan about two and a half miles distant directly across Raritan Bay from Perth Amboy occurred on October 4 and 5, 1918. Between ninety-five and a hundred people were killed by the first explosion. It is not my purpose to write on the Morgan explosion except to state briefly some of the effects it has had on St. Peter's parish. Every window on the south side of the church was shattered. Three of them were expensive memorials. The chancel window, representing the Ascension, and which was a memorial to the Reverend James Chapman, was broken. The ceiling fell and the plaster on the walls of the church was cracked.

Major repairs were made under the leadership of Dr. Jones. The old false ceiling was removed. An extra height of fifteen feet in the nave was thus gained. The old roof trees were brought into view. Then the roof was half timbered in chestnut. The old west gallery was taken down. The beautiful new chantry was built adjoining the old Sacristy. The chantry was built as a memorial to the Reverend James Chapman, Rector 1809-1842. The baptistry was at this time added. It was given by Mr. and Mrs. W. Parker Runyon in memory of their son, Cooper Hancock Runyon. The beautiful carved oak pulpit with canopy was given by the children of the late Cortland Parker of Newark.

Another improvement was the rood beam with the carved crucifix and figures of St. Mary and St. John. This was given by Mr. George F. Haney and his sister, Mrs. Frank Palmer, in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Haney.

The Latin inscription on the rood beam reads: "Lamb of God who Taketh Away the Sins of the World; Have Mercy Upon Us."

The series of six stained glass windows, a part of the church restoration in the rectorate of Dr. Jones, added much to the glory of the church. A detailed description of them is found in Dr. Jones' "The History of St. Peter's Church"—(pp. 121-130).

One of the results of the Morgan explosion disaster was that the parish was compelled to make and carry out a plan of restoration of the church. The work was well done through the hard work and drive of the rector, Dr. Jones, and under the direction of Mr. Percy Fowler, a good architect whose services the vestry secured.

The explosion was a contributing cause of the removal of many of the old Perth Amboy families from the town. As a result of the increased population due to the war real estate values were inflated and rents were very high. The movement of well to do families out of the town had already begun but the explosion accelerated it. In the twelve months period following the explosion the parish lost eighty communicants who moved away. This movement was by no means confined to members of St. Peter's Church. Today many industrialists, business men and professional men of Perth Amboy live out of town.

Dr. Jones retired in 1934 at which time the vestry made him rector emeritus and voted him a pension for life.

The twenty-three men who have served God as rectors of St. Peter's Church from 1698 when the Reverend Edward Portlock became the first regular rector have included several outstanding men. They were men who held prominent places in the Diocese of New Jersey, men who would have made their marks in any profession of their choice if they had not heard and heeded the call of God to serve Him as leaders and doers of the Word as His ministers on earth.

Some of these men have already been mentioned in this brief history. The necessary limits of a brief history prevent the recounting and recording that their service and accomplishments so richly deserve.

The Reverend Jasper David Jones, Rector 1804-1839, was one of the most eminent men of the Church in New Jersey. At a diocesan convention in St. Peter's on December 19, 1804 the Reverend Mr. Jones was elected President pro tempore and presided. In 1805 Mr. Jones was elected a member of the Standing Committee.

The Reverend James Leach Lancaster, Rector 1893-1914, was a Virginian. He was pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Holly Springs, Mississippi, when he decided to receive orders in the Episcopal Church. He became Rector of Trinity Church, Mobile, Alabama, and then Chaplain of the University of the South. He was an eminent clergyman and was prominent in the life of Perth Amboy. He was President of the Perth Amboy Savings Institution. He was a member of the Board of Health and was a leader in the Red Cross in New Jersey. During Mr Lancaster's rectorate the chancel was repaired and extended and in 1909 the parish house was built. Because of ill health Mr. Lancaster retired and on January 13, 1914 the vestry in recognition of his long years of

faithful service to the people of the parish elected him rector emeritus with an annuity of \$600 for life.

The Reverend George H. Boyd became rector of St. Peter's Church in 1935. At the present time the list of communicants has three times as many names as when Mr. Boyd began his service in God to the people of this community. There have been three hundred baptisms, one hundred eighty-four confirmations and one hundred seventy-three weddings, exclusive of those in the missions.

The endowment funds have been improved by the disposal of some property and the reinvestment of funds. The endowment funds are in excellent condition. The mortgage on the rectory (\$10,000) which was owed in full when Mr. Boyd came will be paid off and will be burned at the anniversary service, October 25, 1945.

In 1938 a missionary program was instituted when St. John's Mission, Fords, became a Chapel of St. Peter's parish. In 1941 the supervision of the Chapel of Our Saviour, Cheesequake, was taken over. In 1942 St. John's Chapel, Sewaren, and Trinity Church, Woodbridge came under the supervision of St. Peter's. As a result of the good work done in these mission churches, Trinity Church, Woodbridge, called one of St. Peter's Vicars, the Reverend William H. Schmaus, to be rector of that church. In 1945 St. John's Chapel, Fords, and St. John's Church, Sewaren, were released under the supervision of the Archdeacon. The oversight of the Chapel of Our Saviour, Cheesequake, is still held by St. Peter's.

The Christian Service program of the parish includes the use of nine hospital beds and four wheel chairs which are loaned to the sick. There is a parish visiting nurse. The parish ambulance was given to St. John's Chapel, Fords, so that the St. John's First Aid Squad might be formed.

Repairs have included a new wall around the churchyard and redecoration of the interior of the church, the rectory and the parish house. A new steeple was built in 1936.

The parish house is a center of community activities—boy scout meetings, teen-age canteen, basketball, hobby shows, art exhibits, etc. These are in addition to the regular use of the parish house for vestry meetings, meetings of the men's club and the several women's organizations, the choirs and the Sunday School.

During the rectorate of the Reverend George H. Boyd memorial gifts have been presented in the names of the people listed here:

Elizabeth Stiles Parker Campbell
Anna Wedeen Booz
John Sheppard
George Horley
Mary Williams
Richard Hibbitt
The Zehrer Family
John Jorgen Jorgensen
Alan Ramsey Hawley
David S. Boyd
James S. Boyd
David G. Boyd
Esther Sutherland Kant
Helen Gertrude North
Sarah Gifford Chapman Neilson
N. Bayard Neilson
Louise Chapman Neilson
Wilson Sofield
A. Franklin Sofield

William S. Duncan
Walter G. Quackenbush
Annie G. Quackenbush
Henry Toft
Albert Rhodes
Fritz Abegg
Charles Edward Springer
William B. Rowson
Elizabeth B. Rowson
William S. Rowson
Mary E. Rowson
Cleveland Forbes Benton
William Henry Pope Benton
Elizabeth Forbes Benton
Louisa Forbes Benton
Susanna Foster Forbes Benton
Jennie Regan
A. Franklin Sofield Family

Thank Offering gifts have been made by the following:

Charles K. Seaman, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Preston
Mrs. Charles K. Seaman, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Knute Hansen

The energetic and dynamic rector of St. Peter's occupies an important place in the life of Perth Amboy. Some of his activities outside his church work are: Chaplain of the fire department and police department; civilian chaplain of the Coast Guard Armory; member of the Board of Governors of the Perth Amboy General Hospital; president of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis and Health League; member of the U. S. O. Board, Civilian Defense and British War Relief.

He has also served on the Diocesan Boards of Social Service and Missions and as Trustee of the Cathedral Foundation. In 1943 Mr. Boyd was elected Dean of the Northern (N. J.) Convocation.

The rotating system has been adopted whereby the wardens and vestry now serve stipulated terms.

One fifth of the current income (non-endowment) is now devoted to missions.

Through the work of the S. W. A. M. S. every man and woman from St. Peter's serving the armed forces has received mail, stationery, church papers and Christmas gifts. Every member of the parish discharged from the armed services receives an inscribed Bible from the church.

The following priests have been assistants in the rectorate of Mr. Boyd:

Rev. William G. Berndt.....1936-1938
Rev. J. Raymond Kittenger.....1938-1939
Rev. William Hannigan.....1940
Rev. William H. Schmaus.....1940-1944
Rev. Herbert R. Denton.....1943-

In the ten years of the Reverend George H. Boyd's rectorate to date his work for the church as already shown has been fruitful. He has the support of a united parish. He has the cooperation of a vestry which considers its chief function to be to uphold the hands of the rector and to be his assistants in the parish. This does not mean that communicants, wardens and vestrymen all see eye to eye with the rector in all of his plans, activities and procedures. They don't; and the rector would be the last person to want them to. A strong rector will surely have some disagreements with a strong vestry, but church welfare depends upon both a strong rector and a strong vestry, both recognizing the fact that their service is not for self but for God and for their fellow men.

Among any group of clergymen in any city the Reverend George H. Boyd would be considered a powerful and eloquent preacher and a good Bible scholar. He would prefer to be called a Bible student. In the pulpit and out of it he is humble and confident, meek and forceful, gentle and dynamic, kind, and at times, uncompromising. He has a stern Scotch look for a thing he doesn't like and an Irish-like love for happy things. Our Rector is not exactly a high Churchman although he says "neither" with a long "i". He allows his assistant, the Reverend Herbert R. Denton, to say it with a long "e".

The written history of any church is usually a chronicle of the activities of the men. That is true of St. Peter's Church. In all I have read in the historic source material concerning St. Peter's Church there is very little mention of the women of the church. There was Mrs. Willocks, wife of George Willocks. He carried out her death bed request that the Willocks house be given to St. Peter's. Then there was Lady Franklin referred to on a preceding page, and whose gift of embroidered linens and hangings for the pulpit and altar, made by her own hands, is recorded in the vestry minutes. There were the women of the Forbes, Benton and Chapman families.

The unwritten history of St. Peter's Church would show, as in the case of almost any church, that the women of the parish have done a large part of the work of the parish. The Altar Guild, the Girls Friendly Society, the Choir Mothers, the Art Guild, the S.W.A.M.S., the Women's Guild, the Girls' Choirs and the Women's Auxiliary are organizations with continuous programs of Christian service in the parish. It would not be possible to name here individually all the devoted women workers of the church even in the past five decades, and that is true also of the men. Here are some members of St. Peter's who are outstanding in either the type or the length of their service or in both: Mr. U. S. Garrison, former vestryman and warden, and for many years Sunday School Superintendent; Mrs. U. S. Garrison, Sunday School teacher and choir mother; Mr. C. M. Peterson, former vestryman and treasurer; Mrs. C. M. Peterson; Mr. D. P. Olmstead for many years a vestryman; Miss Florence Garretson, Miss Gertrude Martin and Mrs. Stephen Compton, long time members of the choir; Miss Georgiana Smith of the Altar Guild; Miss Margaret Wight and Miss Dorothea Ramsay of the Women's Auxiliary and the Art Guild; the two Seamans, Charles K. Sr., and Charles K. Jr.; Mr. J. Logan Clevenger; Mr. Robert J. McNitt of the Boy Scout Committee; Mr. William Horley, Clerk of the vestry and vestryman; Mr. John Shoe, former vestryman; Mrs. Shoe; Mr. Anton Hanson, for many years a faithful worker in the Sunday School; Mrs. Louis Booz; Miss Agnes Loud, Mrs. Clark Ayres; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stoney; Mrs. Thomas Norman; Lt. Walter Norman, vestryman, now in the Army; Mr. William H. Watson, Clerk of the vestry; Mr. George Durrue; Mr. William R. Buntin, Sr., former vestryman; Mr. Harry Springer; Mr. Vernon Brown; Mr. Edward P. Loud; Mr. Louis T. Golding and Mr. Thomas S. Trueman.

St. Peter's in Amboy, next month, October, 1945, will celebrate two hundred sixty years of religious service. In the early years of her existence some of her devoted laymen sons were the illustrious sons of the colony. They sat in the humble seats of St. Peter's and worshipped God. In secular and government affairs they sat in the seats of the mighty. Others of her sons there were who worshipped God and served Him and who were not illustrious sons of the colony and who did not sit in the seats of the mighty. The names of these and of many like them will not be found in the chronicles of the church or of the city, but they are known of God, and they live for ever in His Eternal light.

For more than two centuries and a half the people of St. Peter's have sung and believed the Jubilate Deo, ending with "For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth from generation to generation." For twenty-six decades the people, Sunday after Sunday, have departed with the Rector's admonition "Depart in peace; be kindly affectionate one to the other." and with the benediction. Let us have faith that from generation to generation the people of St. Peter's Church shall continue to hear, at the close of the service, the rector pronounce the familiar words of the benediction: "The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace, both now and evermore, Amen."

RECTORS OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH

Edward Portlock	1698-
John Brook	1704-1707
Edward Vaughn	1709-1711
	1714-1722
William Halliday	1711-1713
William Skinner	1722-1758
Robert McKean	1763-1767
John Preston	1769-1777
Abraham Beach	1782-1784
John Hamilton Rowland	1784-1787
George Hartwell Spieren	1788-1790
Henry Van Dyke	1791-1793
Richard Channing Moore	1793-1803
Jasper Davis Jones	1804-1809
James Chapman	1809-1842
James Hamble Leacock	1845-1848.
Horace Edgar Pratt	1849-1854
Alexander Jones	1855-1871
Albert Rhett Walker	1871-1877
James Orlando Drum	1877-1878
Everard Patterson Miller	1879-1892
James Leach Lancaster	1893-1914
William Northey Jones	1914-1934
George Hogan Boyd	1935-



THE RIGHT REVEREND
WALLACE JOHN GARDNER,
D. D., S. T. D.,
Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey



THE RIGHT REVEREND
HENRY ST. GEORGE TUCKER,
D. D., S. T. D., L. L. D.,
Presiding Bishop of the Church

THE BISHOPS OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY



The Right Reverend
John Croes, D. D.
1815-1832



The Right Reverend
George Washington Doane
D. D. L. L. D.
1832-1859



The Right Reverend
Wm. Henry Odenheimer
D. D.
1859-1874



The Right Reverend
John Scarborough
D. D. L. L. D.
1875-1914



The Right Reverend
Paul Matthews, D. D.
1915



Right Reverend
Albion Williamson Knight,
D. D., Bishop Coadjutor
1923-1935



Right Reverend
Ralph Ernest Urban, D. D.
Bishop Suffragan
1932-1935



THE REVEREND W. NORTHEY JONES
Rector Emeritus



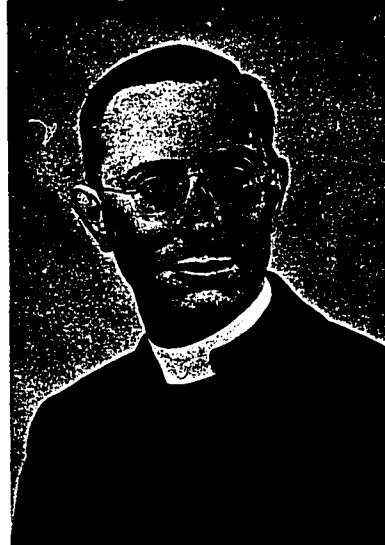
THE REVEREND GEORGE H. BOYD
Rector Since 1935



THE REVEREND HERBERT R. DENTON
Assistant Rector



VERY REVEREND
HENRY BALDWIN TODD, II
Dean of the Northern Convocation



REV. WILLIAM H. SCHMAUS
Former Vicar



INA M. BAILEY, R. N.
Parish Visiting Nurse



MRS. ROY B. DEY
Parish Secretary

Memorial Windows



Here the three men sent by Cornelius come to the house of Simon the tanner, while St. Peter lies asleep on the roof.

Here the Convention at Perth Amboy, in 1764, of twelve leading Clergymen of New York and New Jersey petition the English Government for a Bishop.

In Loving Memory of
James Marsh Chapman
1863-1918

Here St. Peter healeth the paralytic.

Here Queen Anne giveth to the Bishop of London, A. D., 1706, Communion Silver for some fifteen Churches in America.

Mary Scott Newport
Born December 12, 1833
Died August 18, 1885



Here Our Lord washes the feet of St. Peter.

Here Governor Hunter, 1718, gives the Charter of King George I to the Rector and Vestry of St. Peter's Church.

In Loving Memory of
John Ford Arnold 1811-1874
Vestryman of this Church
1837-1856
and his wife Rebecca Campbell
Arnold 1821-1894

Here the shadow of St. Peter effecteth a cure.

Here the Reverend John Preston, Chaplain to King George III, 26th Regiment and Rector of St. Peter's Church administers Holy Communion to 20 communicants, the Sunday before Christmas, 1776.

In Loving Memory of
Corporal Edward Booz
Private George Dell
Private Oscar Schroeder
who made the supreme sacrifice
In the World War 1918



Memorial Windows



Here Our Lord calleth to St. Peter
to become a fisher of men.

Here Bishop Provoost of New York
holds the first ordination in New
Jersey of George Hartwell Spieren,
Rector designate of this Parish,
July 9, 1788.

In Memorium
Jacob Lewis 1764-1824
and his Wife
Elizabeth Gallison Lewis
1766-1831

Here Our Lord healeth Malchus,
whose ear St. Peter had cut off,
saying "Put up thy sword".

Here John Adams, Benjamin Frank-
lin, and Thomas Rutledge wait at
the quay for the barge of Lord
Howe to take them to the quarters
of that British General to confer
about Peace.



In Loving Memory of
Emma J. Barter
Daughter of
Rosina E. Raymor
and Mother of
Harry Platt Barter
Died 1924



In Memory of
Rev. William Skinner
John Parker and James Parker

Elizabeth Parker Campbell
1852-1886



Memorial Windows

To the Glory of God—
in loving memory of
William H. P. Benton
Louisa Forbes, his wife,
and their son William H. Benton

Erected to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of
Isaac Thorn Golding
October 20, 1835 - July 20, 1909
and
Margaret Baquet Golding, his wife
February 17, 1838—
April 7, 1914



In Memorium
James Marsh Chapman,
his wife, Louisa Johnson Chapman,
and his brother,
Joseph Eleas Chapman



ALBERT RHODES
U. S. Army Dem. Sqd.
Born: Mar. 7, 1924
Died: Nov. 18, 1944



CHARLES EDWARD SPRINGER
Midshipman, U. S. Navy V-12
Born: Sept. 6, 1925
Died: June 29, 1944



RAYMOND PETER POULSEN
Lt. 391st Armored Field Art. Bn.
Born: Aug. 5, 1916
Died: Mar. 3, 1945



EUGENE MASON CLARK
PFC U. S. Marine Corps
Born: Nov. 14, 1922
Died: Oct. 15, 1943



ROBERT WILLIAM MILLER
Gunner's Mate Second Class
Born: June 22, 1921
Died: Feb. 14, 1945



2nd LT. PAUL KEEN SEAMAN
752 Bomb. Sq., 458 Bomb. Gp.
Born: May 17, 1921
Died: Mar. 2, 1944



JOHN PERSHING SHEPPARD
Staff Sgt. U. S. Army Air Force
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Died: Mar. 29, 1944

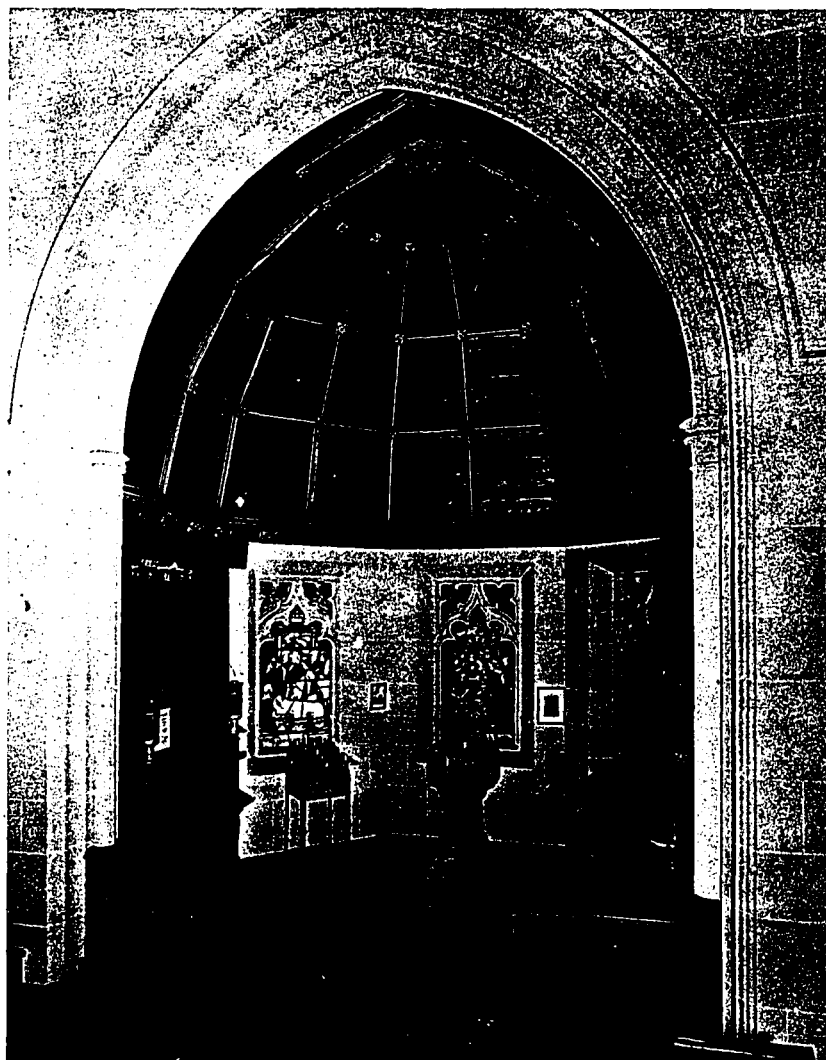


EMIL ALBERT FREY, JR.
Staff Sgt. U. S. Air Force
Born July 24, 1914
Died: Oct. 15, 1944

We pay tribute to our members who served in the Armed Forces during World War II, and to our many friends, all of whom were remembered in prayer at our Altar:

William Allen	James Duffell	Edward McNitt	Bernard Rosenvinge
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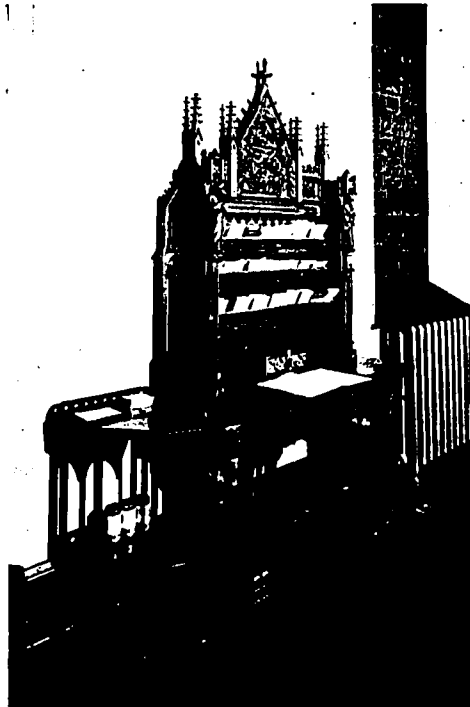


THE RUNYON MEMORIAL BAPTISTRY
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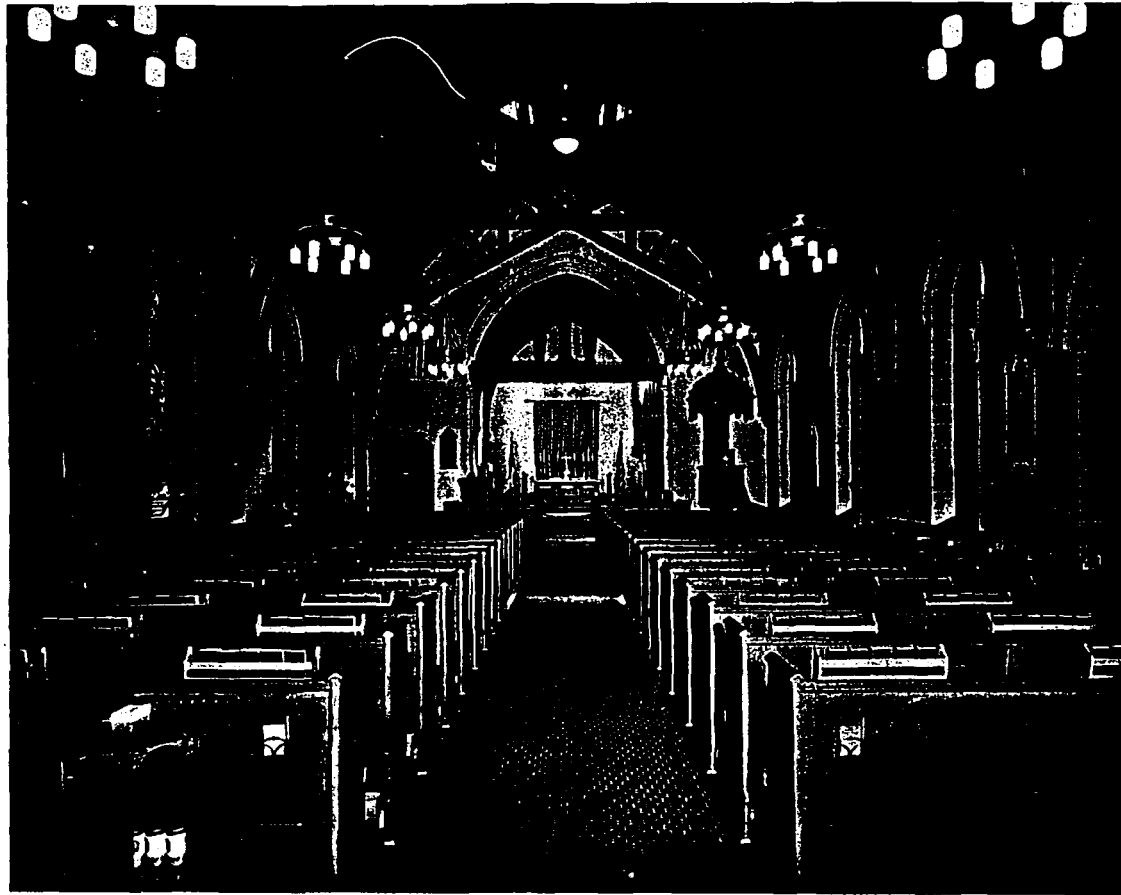
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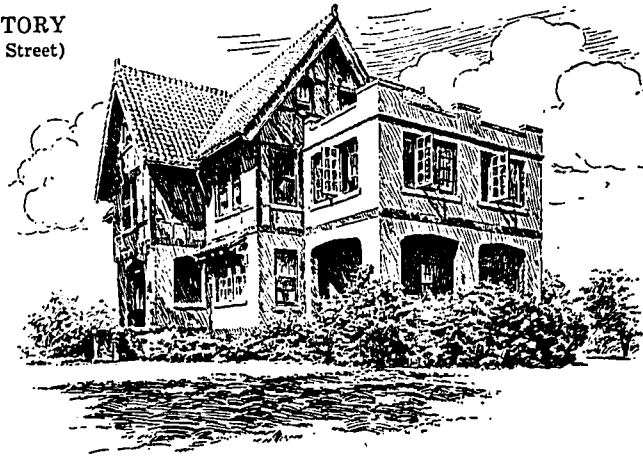


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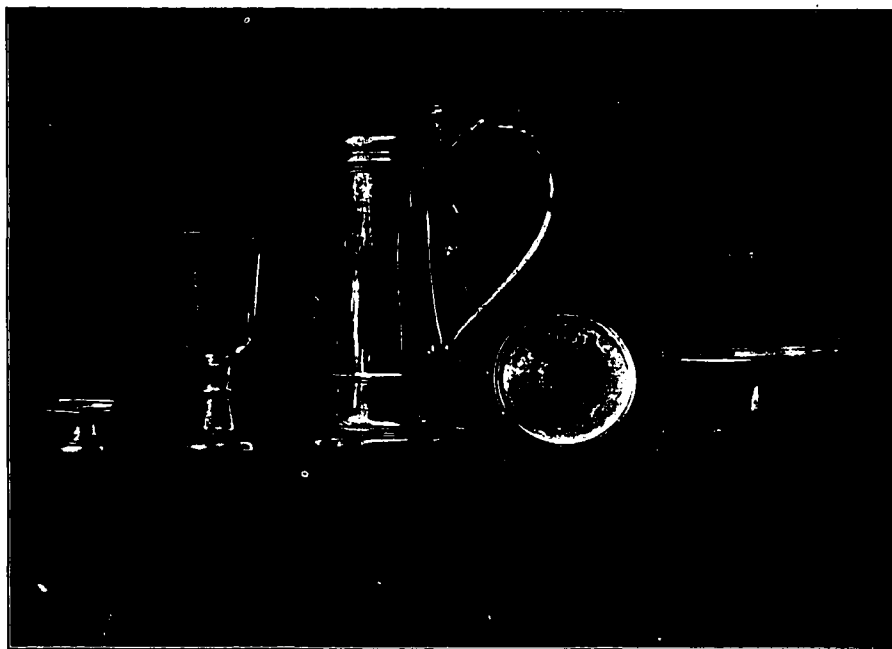


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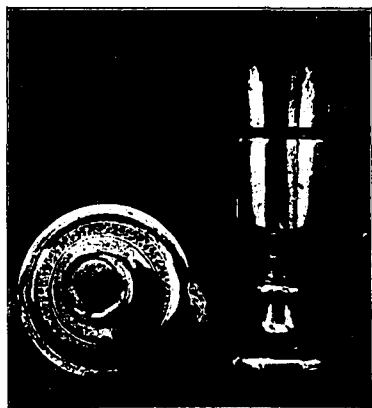


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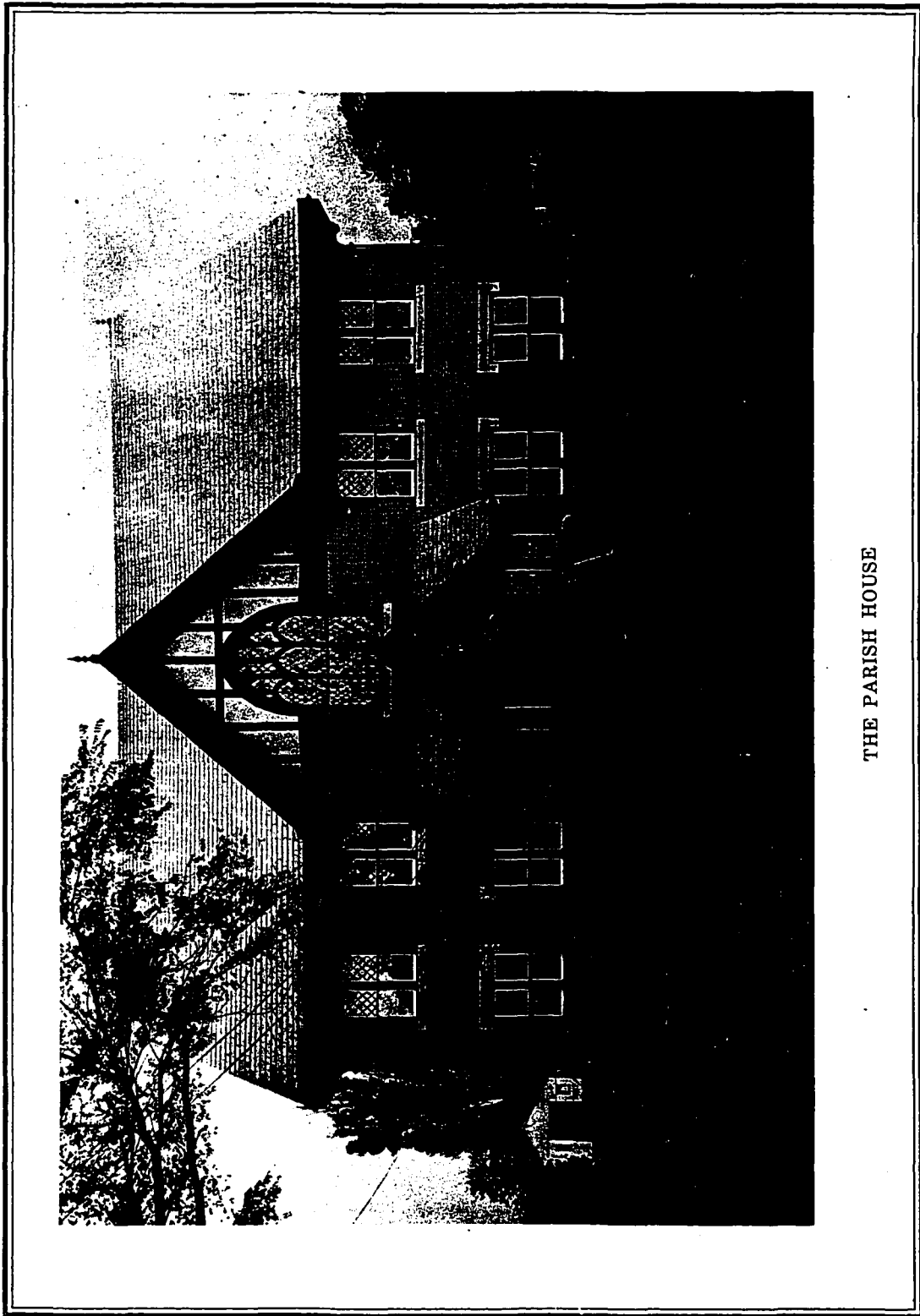
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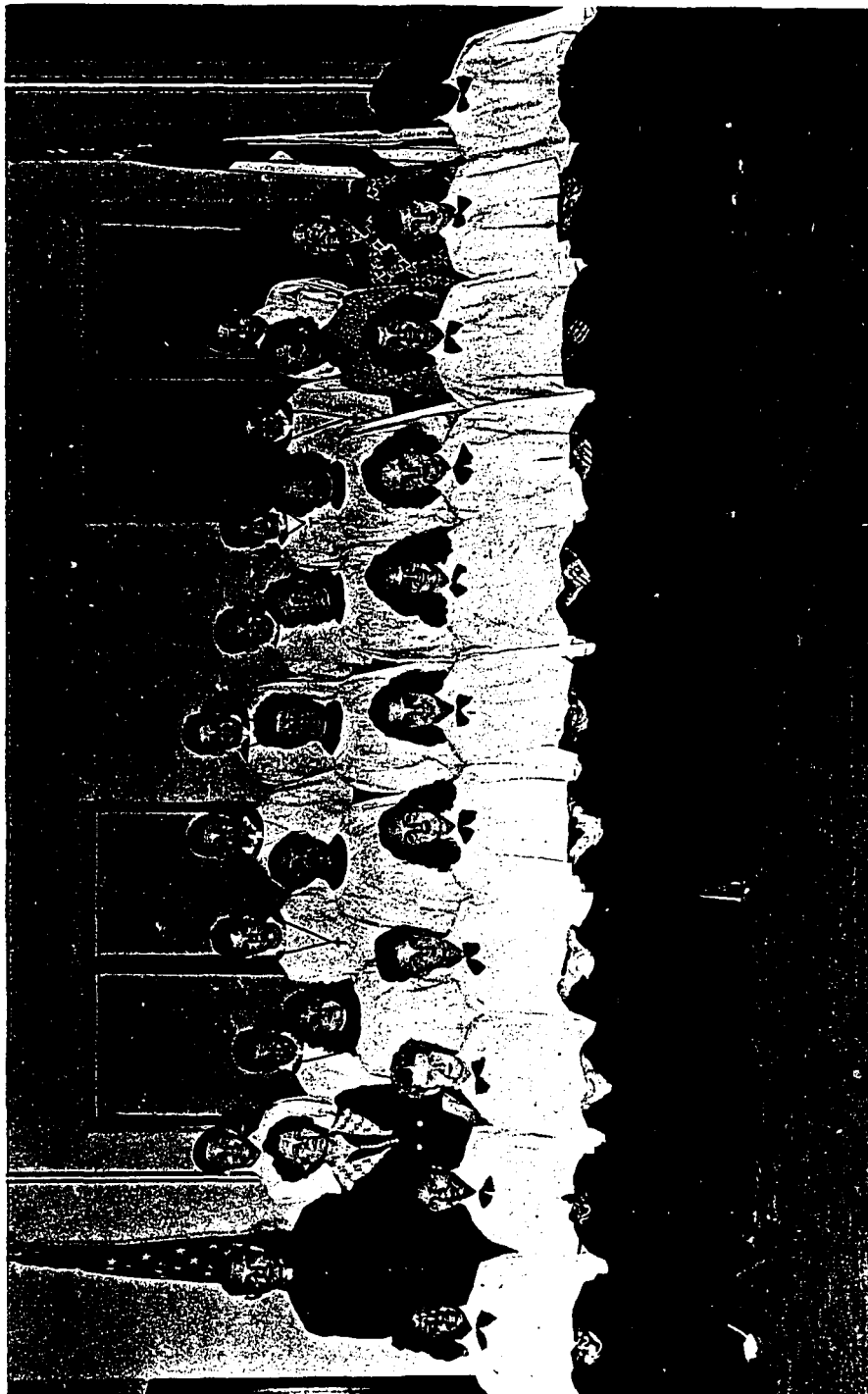
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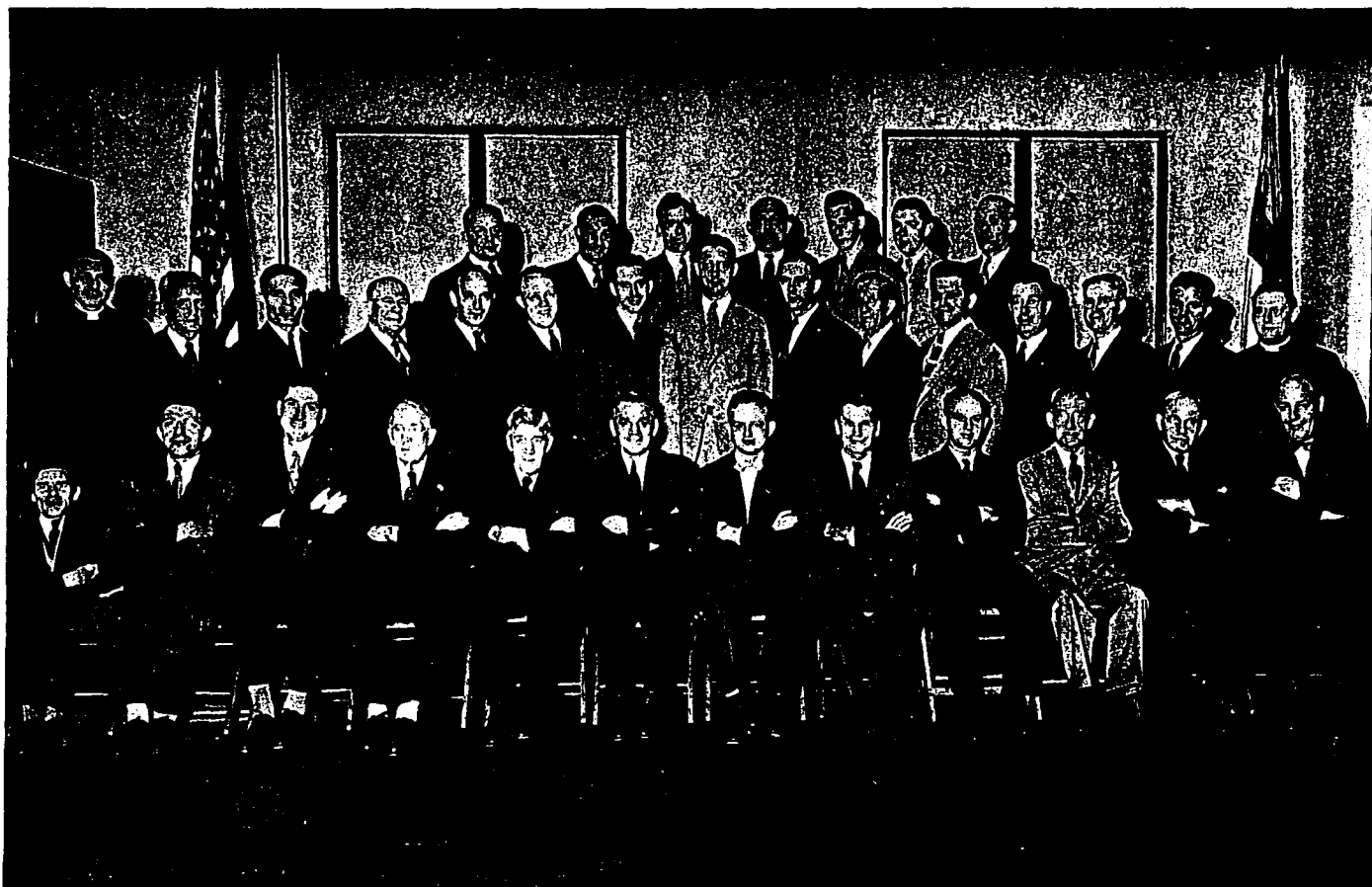
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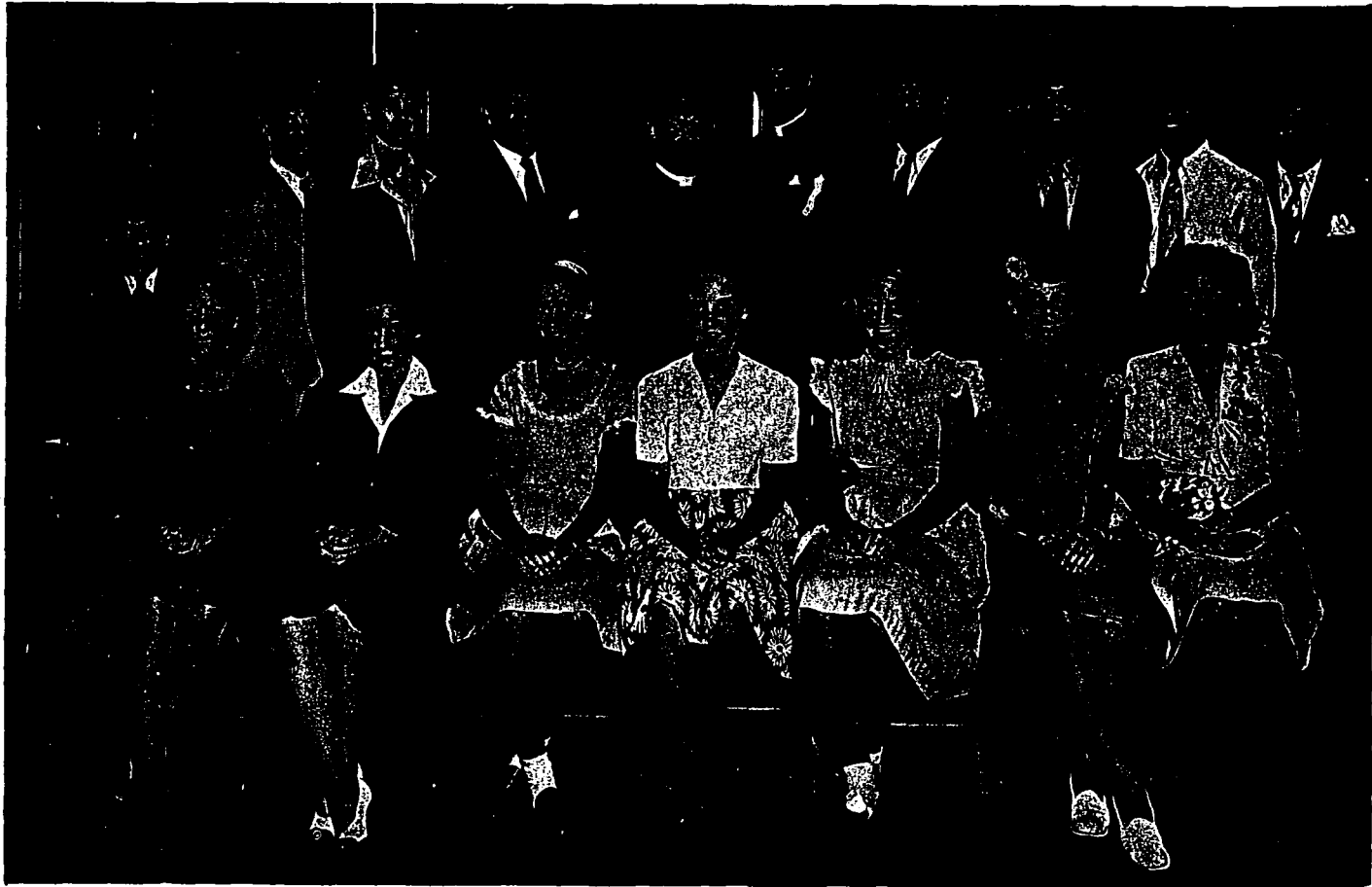
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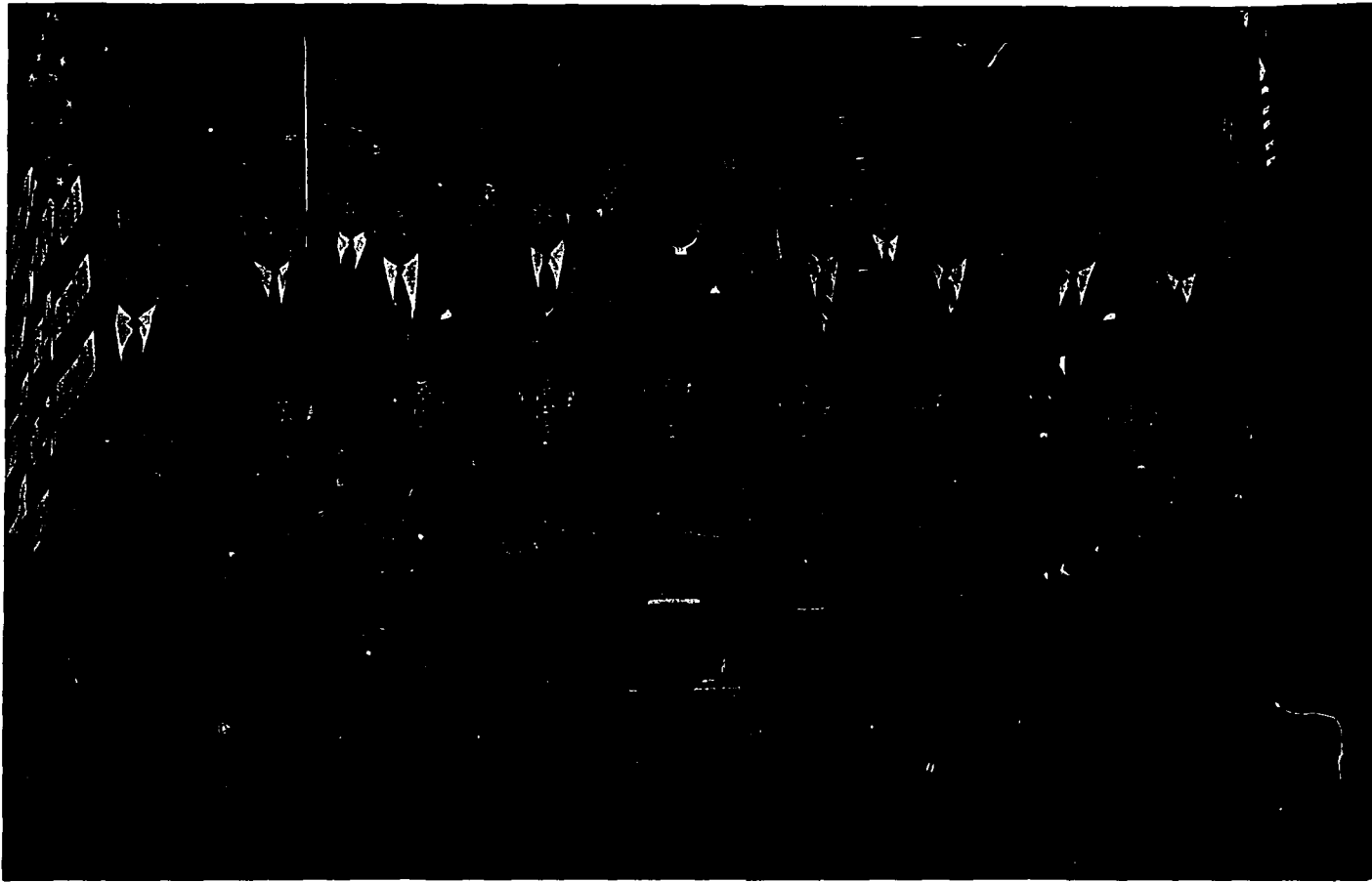
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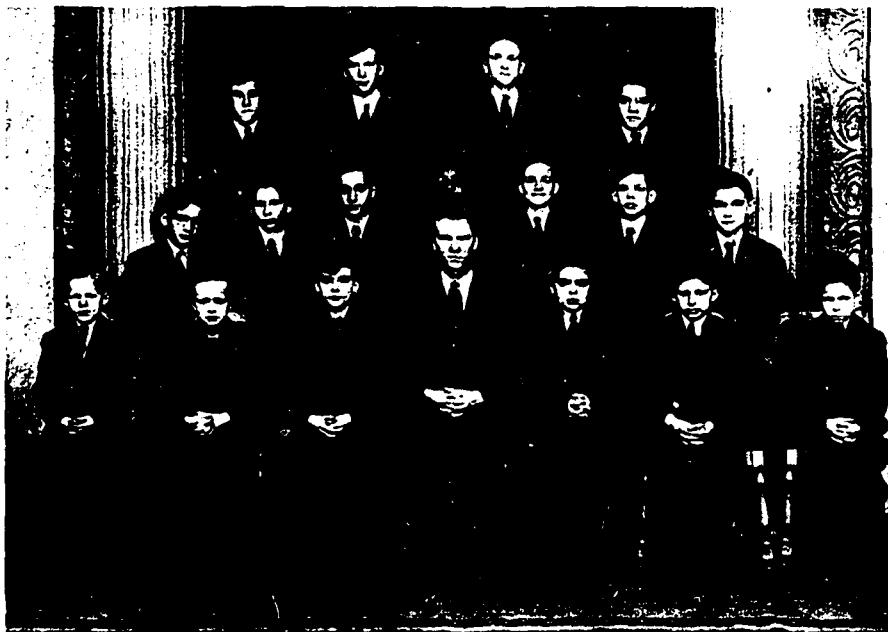
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