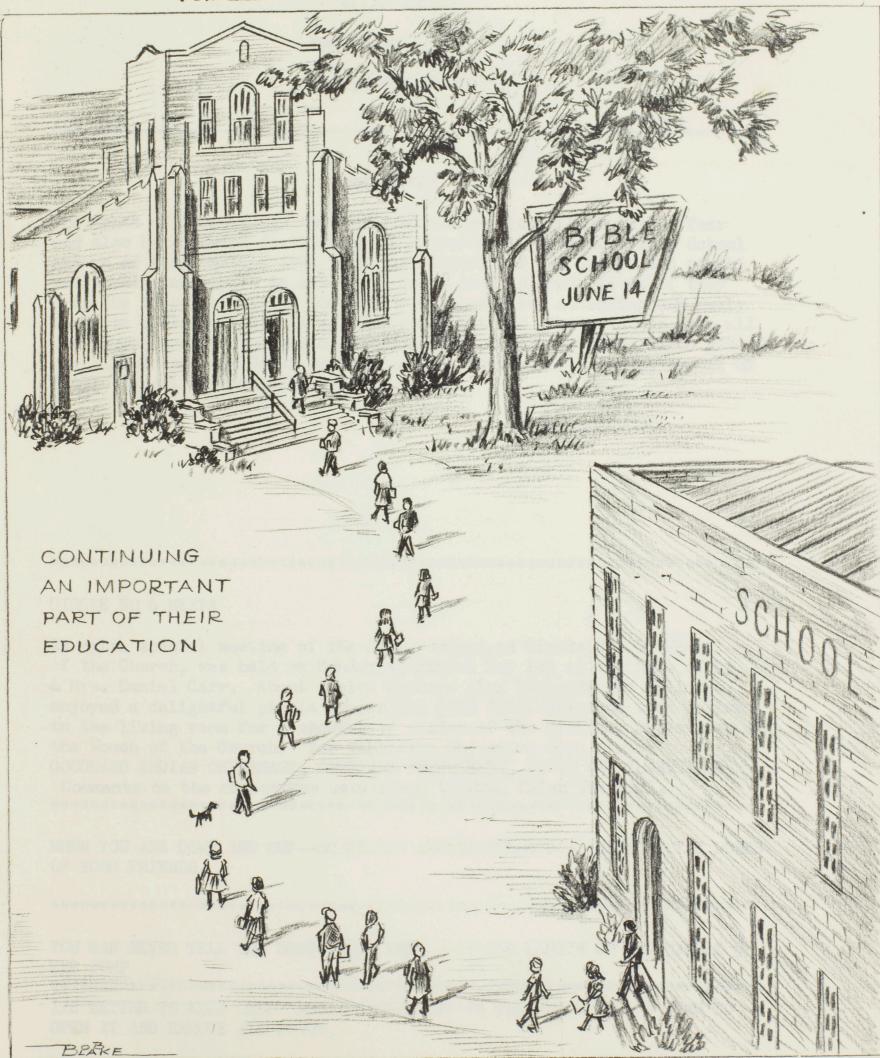




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## THE COVER

The Month of June brings the close of the regular Public School Year and also brings with it the opening of our Daily Vacation Bible School and we of Attic Anties feel that the Children of the Church and of the surrounding area will be missing a great deal in their lives if they drop the school habit for the summer without first attending our daily vacation bible school. We of the George Matthis class want to urge all our church members to envite every child of their aquaintance to attend our school and make Bob's picture on the front cover a living symbol of Public School out and Bible School in.

Dick Fehler

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CIRCLE NO 6 MEETS

OPEN IT AND REMOVE ALL DOUBT.

An extra special meeting of the newly organized Circle No. 6, Women of the Church, was held on Sunday afternoon May 1st at the home of Dr. & Mrs. Daniel Carr. About twelve members plux husbands and children enjoyed a delightful picnic supper and good fellowship and then retired to the living room for a showing of slides of the Birthday Objectives of the Women of the Church. The following Objective were listed: GOODLAND INDIAN ORPHANAGE, GUERRAND PRESBYEERY, RADIO AND TELEVISION,

Comments on the objectives were given by Mrs. Helen Kraybill.

WHEN YOU ARE DOWN AND OUT -- SOMETHING ALWAYS TURNS UP: USUALLY THE NOSES OF YOUR FRIENDS.

By action of the Board of Deacons and with the approval of the Session, the Church now has a full-time secretary, Mhrs.C. F. Wilson. The Church office will be open from 9:00 A.H. until 5:00 P.M., Honday through Friday. The Secretary's lunch hour is from 12:00 to 1:00 o'clock, at which time Mr. Carden will be present at the Church to answer any calls. Mrs. Wilson will be at the bank on Monday mornings. She will take over the work of the treasurer as well as be available for assistance to the various church groups.

Hrs. Robert Fearing will be our guest organist during the summer leave-of-absence of Mrs. A.L. Skillen. We wish to express sincere appreciation to Mrs. Skillen for her fine work and to all the members of the Chancel Choir and Church School.

Mr. Benjamin will be in charge of all the religious education activities in the church this summer and supply the pulpit in the minister's absence. We want to express our gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dorsey for their good work with the Pioneers during the past months.

Your Minister sincerely hopes that you will call upon him at any time he can be of any help to you. If there are personal, family, Church matters or problems you would like to talk over with him, he will be glad to see you. Do not hesitate to call and make an appointment.

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The Summer Religious Education Program will begin with one week of Vacation Bible School-June 14th through the 18th. Beginning at 9:00 A.M. the classes will run until 11:30 A. M. and will include four age groups: Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Pioneer. Mrs. Hampton, Mrs. Blake, and Mrs. King will be in charge of the first three departments. Mrs. Benjamin will teach the single Pioneer class. We hope that all families who have children with the four age groups will make every effort towards their attendance. Fifteen or more of the women of the church will be giving their time and effort to make this an intensive and successful week in the religious education, growth, and progress of your children.

The Junior and Pioneer Youth Fellowships of the Church will not meet regularly on Sunday evenings during the summer months, but will have occasional meetings and recreational programs planned for them. The Senior Youth Fellowship, however, will continue to meet weeklyevery Tuesday evening at 7:00 P.M.-- throughout the summer. YOUNG ADULTS

May was full of promises. and she kept them. Awed congratulations to the intellectual giants in our midst (William C. Bennett, Th.D. and Preston Leake, Ph.D.) a hearty "good for you"to Sue Williams, Janet Capps, Patricia Carpenter, Joy Stuart and Peggie Tew...they were capped in the recent Watts Hospital School of Mursing ceremony...and an audible sigh of relief for the Duke students and weary school teachers in our class who are out from under for a while..... The Charlie Vails will soon be on their way to another summer in Washington, having just moved into their new home. What will power! Florence Dickerson is making like the beaver with her scout camp plans, more power to her...Though we're happy they're about to settle down to a law practice in Pennsylvania, we were sorry to see Don and Marian Williams and little Panela Leave us. They'll be missed.

So will the Vails. Charlie is leaving us in capable hands, however. Boyd Daniels will be our teacher next week and on the last two Sundays in June we'll enjoy having with us Dr. Clarence Gohdes of the Duke English faculty.

Our Class is blessed with talent but we try not to brag. Next time you're near the Nursery Class take a look at the custombuilt easel, birdhouse and toy train. It took them until well past midnight but our men came through, burning the midnight oil.

Nursery projects behind us, we have decided to contribute as much as possible to our Church's Boy Scout troop. Jack Wilson's enthusiasm was contagious!

Naturally we played in May...had a chicken barbecue a la Jack and Laura Wilson at Duke Park in spite of what promised to be miserable weather. We had a lovely day after all and, which is more important, a genuine good time just being together.... all forty of us and assorted wee ones.

May was indeed gay.

#### "BLUES"

By Sid Boaz, Team Captain

LISTEN ---you blues'---the contest of attendence for the George Matthis Class will come to an end on Sunday, June 6th. On Sunday May 30th, the "whites" were in the lead. Every "blue" member getting an Attic Antic between now and June 6th, please come and bring up our points.

Let me impress upon you as "blue" members, or whatever your color, just because we do not have a contest the following Sunday, come on anyway--for I'm sure the class will get something exciting for another contest. We are all looking forward to the home-coming to climax our wonderful attendence.

The Junior Department expresses sincere appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Russell N. Barringer for their beautiful gift of pulpit furniture for the Junior Chapel of the Educational Building,

A special service of dedication of this furniture was held May 9, during the Worship Hour of the Junior Department Church School. Mr. Barringer presented the gift in honor of John L. Kirkland, Senior, and Dr. Bennett accepted in behalf of the Church. Mrs. Barringer has faithfully and lovingly taught Juniors for several years. It is with genuine gratitude we acknowledge the generosity of the Barringers, that expresses a love gift to Christ and to our Church.

GEORGE MATHIS CLASS ..... WHITES ..... BETSY BELL It is still kind of hard to tell which side will be the lucky winner of our contest, but I'll just have to boast a little and say keep up the good work "Whites" so we can keep our lead and win the contest.

Congratulations to our new"Doctor" We of Trinity Church are proud as can be about Dr. Bennett's elevation to this sublime degree.

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JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

ERY: The friend who holds up before me the mirror, conceals not my smallest faults, warns me kindly reproves me affectionately, when I have not performed my duty, he is my friend, however little he may appear so. Again, if a man flattering praises and lauds me, never reproves me, overlooks my faults, and forgives them before I have repented, he is my enemy, however much he may appear my friend....

#### KINDERGARTEN CLASS . . .

The topic of our lessons for the month of May is "God's Place For Families", with the following subjects:

We Work Together We Play Together We Have Guests We Learn About God We Worship Together

From these lessons we have tried to teach the children God's Plan for them, and to be courteous and helpful with their playmates, as well as in the home.

Each child has been given a prayer folder containing several prayers for children.

Children having birthdays during May are: John Lynch, Jimmie Petrea, Billy Wentz and Mancy Watkins.

The attendance has been very good.

NURSERY CLASS

There are twenty-five children enrolled, with three having a perfect attendance record. They are: Betsy Anderson, Kathy Crumpacker and Janet Krigbaum.

The Primary Department has had a very helpful unit on "God's Plan For Families! We have studied Bible stories about how children and adults have helped in families. Many songs, prayers and a litany were used. We enjoyed a visit from Dr. Bennett one Sunday. We invite anyone to visit us at any time so you may know our Department and what we try to do. We want all our children to plan to attend Vacation Bible School. Won't every parent encourage your child to come?