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THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

The one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Historical Society of the Evangelical and Reformed Church was observed at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, October 29, 1963. The Eastern Chapter of the Society served as host for the celebration.

The Centennial Address was delivered by Dr. Charles D. Spotts, Treasurer of the Society and long-time member of the Executive Committee, in Santee Chapel of the Lancaster Theological Seminary.

The anniversary banquet, which was held in Schnader Hall Dining Room of Franklin and Marshall College, was addressed by Dr. Winthrop S. Hudson, of Colgate Rochester Divinity School. Dr. James F. English, President of the Congregational Christian Historical Society, brought greetings from our sister society.

THE CENTENNIAL ADDRESS

The Society takes great pleasure in distributing to all its members and friends, with this mailing of THE REPORTER, a copy of the Centennial Address. This distribution is made possible in part by limiting this issue of THE REPORTER to a single sheet.

NEWS

We record with sorrow the death of Dr. William Toth, on June 21, 1963, in Columbus, Ohio, while on his way to St. Louis to assume a new position as the first full-time Director of the Foundation for

Reformation Research. He was active in the executive work of the Society since 1953 and editor of THE REPORTER from its beginning in 1958.

Professor George H. Bricker, Librarian of the Lancaster Theological Seminary, was appointed to the Executive Committee to fill the vacancy caused by Dr. Toth's death.

Dr. David Dunn, President of the Society, has been inactive in our work since the first of the year because of illness. After several weeks of hospitalization, he is now recovering nicely at his home. Dr. Charles D. Spotts has been serving as President, pro tempore.

MEETINGS

The Annual Meeting of the Historical Society of the Evangelical and Reformed Church was held at Marthasville, Missouri, Sunday afternoon, May 17, 1964.

A supper meeting of the Eastern Chapter of the Society was held in the refectory of the Lancaster Theological Seminary on Friday evening, May 22, 1964.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

The renewal memberships in the Society for 1964 are now due. The application blank at the bottom of this page is to be used for a renewal, or for a new membership.

Because of the important work that the Society is doing at this time in our United Church of Christ, the need for financial support from memberships is great. Your membership is solicited.

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TO: Historical Society of the Evangelical and Reformed Church
Fackenthal Library, Franklin & Marshall College
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Attention: Herbert B. Anstaett

Please enroll me as an active member of the Historical Society of the Evangelical and Reformed Church. I enclose herewith one dollar in payment of membership dues for 1964. Checks for annual dues will not be acknowledged.

Name

Address

Minister ☐ Layman ☐

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