

Amherst Presbyterian Church

The First 150 Years



Amherst, Virginia

1831

1981



Rev. William H. Johnson

Amherst County Historical
Museum
Amherst, Virginia 24320

WORDS OF CONGRATULATIONS AND CHARGE FROM YOUR PASTOR

"Celebrating our past for the strength of the future" is the slogan developed by the Anniversary Coordinating Committee.

I am grateful to be with you as we celebrate together the past one hundred-fifty years and I congratulate you!

As your pastor I feel compelled to charge you for the future.

Wes Seeliger, a tall Texan, published an exciting satire, "Western Theology," in which he describes two completely different theological stances for the local congregation, the Body of Christ. **Settler Theology** plays it safe. It discourages the asking of questions, worships the status quo, and pays homage to a church that is safe, sane, and self-satisfied. **Pioneer Theology** talks about what life can be and what it really means to truly live in and for Christ — wildly, dangerously, joyfully! Life on the trail is never dull, and the pioneer knows that being on the "Renewal or Bust" wagon train led by the Trail Boss (God) is the ultimate adventure!

As you face the future, my brothers and sisters, look deeply into yourselves and see if there beats the heart of a contented, purring settler, or a raring-to-go pioneer who risks his life to find it!

William H. Johnson

Historical Sketch — Amherst Presbyterian Church

An anniversary may be a point from which we look backward or a beacon to light the way to greater achievement. In the 150th year of its existence, the Amherst Presbyterian Church stands on the threshold of greater opportunity for service.

A group of 16 Presbyterian Christians of Amherst County met at the county Courthouse on May 26, 1831, and organized a church known then as The Amherst County Presbyterian Church. Champe Carter was elected the first Ruling Elder.

Among the first ministers, who are referred to as "bishops" in the original church records, were the Revs. William S. Reid, Jacob D. Mitchell, Francis Bowman, Isaac Cochran, James F. Baxter and Samuel W. Blain. The church was one of the first to be organized in the town of Amherst.

In the church's first decade or so, the session met in a large field beside the Courthouse. Services were held once a month in the Episcopal church at New Glasgow, now Clifford, and elsewhere in the county, including Elon and Pedlar Fork.

By 1852 the church membership had grown to 40. Among the supply ministers in the early years was the Rev. L. C. Vass, who left to become a Chaplain in the Confederate Army in 1862.

It was during the pastorate of the Rev. David Tease, who had served the church as an Elder beginning in 1850, that the building that still stands today was constructed. John B. Robinson and Robert M. Brown were named to a committee to raise funds for the building. Mr. Brown donated the property on which the church was built. The deed was recorded on August 12, 1878.

The building, which has undergone several major remodelings over the years, was completed by 1880.

The Rev. Collins Stokes, who had served as an assistant with the Rev. Tease, became the church pastor in 1880 and served until 1883. The membership roll grew to 79 during his leadership.

Among the pastors from that point to the turn of the century was the Rev. Daniel Blain, who served from 1890 to 1896. His son, the Rev. J. Mercer Blain spent his life as a missionary in Hanchow, China.

The Sunday School, known as the Sabbath School at the time, was small in the early 1900s. S. H. Wauchope was superintendent and a statement found in a Session book records the size: "We have only two entire families and they send their children to the Sabbath School." They were the families of Mr. Wauchope and Elder I. P. Wailes.

At about the same time, an outpost Sunday School was or-

ganized at the Ogden School House, which was later moved and became the Coolwell School. It was the beginning of an association between the Amherst and Coolwell Presbyterian churches that was to last more than 50 years. The Coolwell Sunday School was organized by Mrs. Sarah Preston Wailes, who taught a Bible class there on Sunday afternoons for a number of years. By 1920, the class had an enrollment of 46.

The ministry of the Rev. J. A. Thomas brought a renewed spirit and growth to the church between 1913 and 1923. In the years between 1914 and 1920, membership grew from 36 to 120 and the Sunday School membership in 1915 was 52.

In a summary of his pastorate written some years after he had left Amherst, Rev. Thomas recalled the situation in Amherst when he was called by the West Hanover Presbytery to assume his duties with the group of five churches. In addition to the one in Amherst, there were churches at Elon, Pedlar Mills, Oak Grove and Tye River in Nelson County.

"The churches throughout the field were small in membership, discouraged and practically hopeless. There were not more than 40 families and 70 members, but many of the families were of old Presbyterian stock and cultured." He noted that shortly after beginning his work in Amherst, the families "were quickly enthusiastic, loyal and active." He referred to the first manse erected in 1916 in Amherst as a "lovely home which made the pastor and his family happy and contented."

"The work was hard and exacting," he continued, "but pleasant and joyous. God's blessing seemed to be upon every effort.

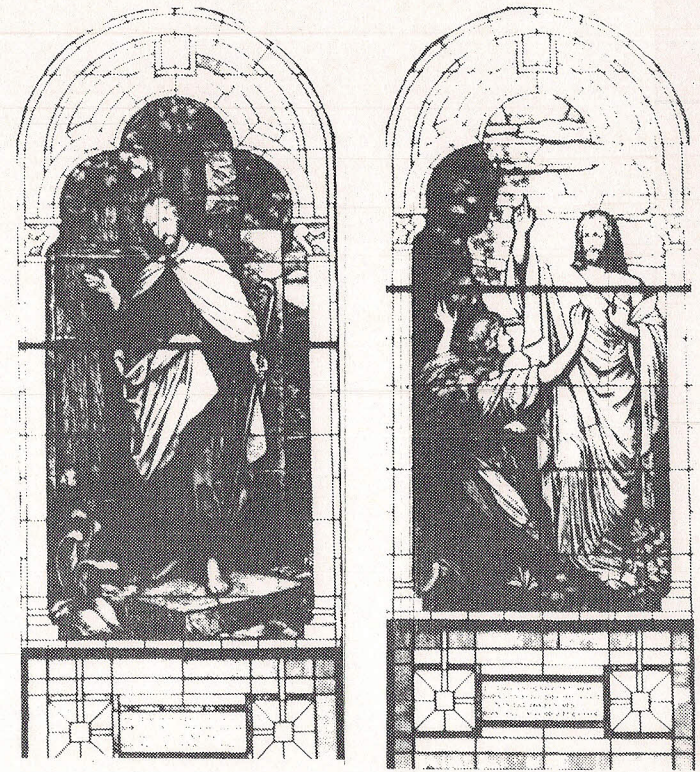
The Home Mission Committee of the Presbytery and the other churches in the field contributed funds for construction of the Manse in the spring of 1914. The building and a two-acre lot cost about \$2,600. "Labor and material were then cheap," he wrote.

"In less than two years," the Rev. Thomas wrote, "the church began to grow and take on new life and encouragement; new Elders and Deacons were elected and members were frequently added to the church."

The "Ladies Aid Society" first appeared on the church records in 1914 when there were 18 members. The group later was called the "Woman's Auxiliary," and today, of course, the women's organization is known as "Women of the Church." Through the years the women have not only contributed to the life of the church spiritually and otherwise, but they have faithfully recorded their and the church's activities.

The total contribution to benevolences by the first church women was \$27.50. In 1923, benevolences had grown to \$306.

When the superintendent of Home Missions of the West Han-



Memorial stained glass windows in front of sanctuary

over Presbytery, headquartered in Charlottesville, decided that the Rev. Thomas needed a car to get around to the churches in his field, he wrote to Mrs. I. P. Wailes, president of the Ladies Aid Society, seeking help to raise the funds.

In a letter dated April 30, 1917, the superintendent noted that the churches had been regrouped with the Rev. Thomas in charge of the churches in Amherst, Monroe, Elon, Pedlar Mills and Tye River. Hugh H. Hudson noted that all of the churches "are on a macadam road, or can be reached by rail. If Mr. Thomas only had a Ford machine, his burdens would be very much lightened."

Hudson asked each of the churches for \$50, which would be added to outside funds for the car. "This is the time of year that a car is especially needed, and what is done ought to be done quickly. Interestingly, Mr. Hudson did not want the minister to know that he had contacted the ladies about raising the money. In closing his letter to Mrs. Wailes, he wrote, "Of course it would be best not to

mention this to Mr. Thomas at this time." Unfortunately, church records do not show whether Mr. Thomas ever got the "Ford machine."

Mr. Thomas undertook the first major remodeling of the church around 1917. In his recollections he wrote that the building "was plain and dingy in appearance and needed renovation. The whole church became enthusiastic" about the project, which was paid for by pledges and bank loans.

A Lynchburg architect by the name of Chesterman drew plans for the new work and Mr. Thomas wrote that the architect "expressed great admiration for the old building, which was perfect in its proportions and modeled after many churches in northern Italy."

Included in the remodeling project was the installation of a furnace, new pews and the stained glass memorial windows, which came from a factory in St. Louis. The pulpit, presumably the same one in the church today, is one that had been discarded by the Waynesboro Presbyterian Church because it did not correspond to the new building that had been erected there.

The project cost about \$9,000, \$6,000 of which had been paid when Mr. Thomas left the church in 1923. The last \$400 of the debt incurred for the renovation was paid in 1943.

Mrs. Sadie Wailes Walker, daughter of Sarah Preston Wailes, notes in a narrative of the church history done for the Woman's Auxiliary that the Rev. J. M. Duckwall served as a supply minister



Rev. Sherwood S. Day



Rev. Roger L. Bush

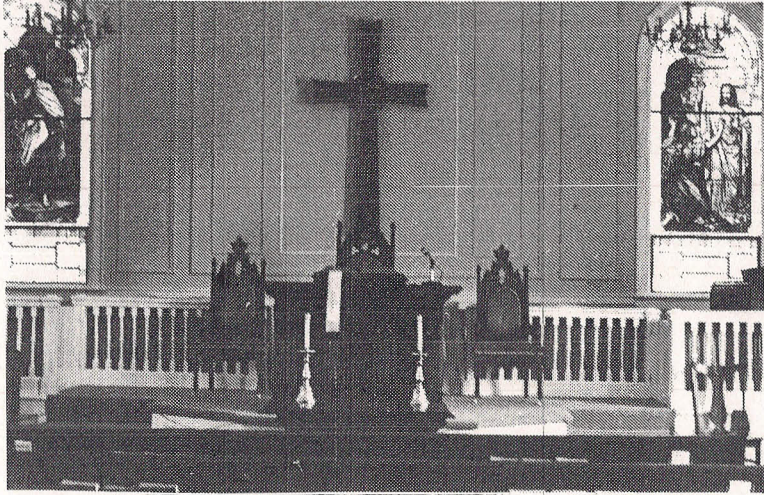


Dr. and Mrs. Graham Gilmer — 1957

for the church from 1931 to 1935. She noted that his sermons were "instructive" and that he was instrumental in organizing the Young People's Vacation Bible School, which was held for three summers in the Amherst Presbyterian Church.

The church was again remodeled in 1938 and new basement rooms were completed in 1944 for use by the Sunday School and for family meals.

In 1941, for the first time in more than a decade, the church had a resident pastor. He was the Rev. Sherwood S. Day, who divided his time between the Amherst Church, the Coolwell mission and the Tye River Church. Mr. Day preached on the second and fourth Sundays each month. The pulpit Bible and book marks were given



Interior of church

to the church in 1945 in memory of the Rev. Day's mother.

Although records of his ministry are sketchy, Mrs. Mabel G. Edwards recorded in a history done for the Women of the Church that the Rev. Day took an active part in all aspects of life of the town and had a special interest in the well-being of the young people.

A. P. Eskridge, who had been an elder since the late 1920s, was clerk of the Session in 1941. He held that position until the early 1960s. Upon his death in early 1966, the Session approved a resolution expressing appreciation for the long and faithful service he gave to the church.

Dr. Graham Gilmer became pastor of the church on Sept. 1, 1953. A native of Pulaski County and graduate of Hampden-Sydney College, he had been pastor of Rivermont Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg for 30 years. When he took over the pulpit, the Amherst church returned for the first time in years to full-time "preaching." Dr. Gilmer maintained a great interest in the Coolwell church and conducted services there each Sunday at 10 a.m. and at the Amherst church at 11 a.m. Church membership in 1954 was about 75.

Sunday schools at both churches grew to the point that new buildings had to be constructed to accommodate the classes. The educational building, or "annex" at the Amherst church was built in 1956.

A scholarly and soft-spoken man, Dr. Gilmer and his wife, the former Lena Tucker Richardson, contributed immensely to the church through evangelistic services and work with the Sunday school. Any student taught by Mrs. Gilmer will remember her ad-

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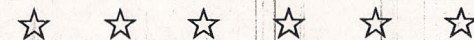
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AMHERST, VIRGINIA

Eleven O'clock Worship

May 31, 1981

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

As the music begins let quietness come. In the oneness of our fellowship in Christ let us pray for an awareness of God's living presence and courage to open our eyes to the light of what is and what shall be as God acts in his world through his people.

- ★ Prelude
- ★ Call to Worship
 - Invocation and Lord's Prayer
- ★ * Hymn # 437 "The Church's One Foundation"
 - * Apostles' Creed (Hymnal - page 12)
 - * Gloria Patri
 - Special Music
 - Prayer of Confession—Declaration of Pardon
- * Hymn # 108 "God of Our Life, Through All the Circling Years"
 - Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession
 - Welcome and Announcements
 - Hymn # 111 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"
 - Offering
- * Doxology and Prayer of Dedication
 - Anthem
 - Scripture—Matthew 16:13-26
 - Sermon—"I Give You Keys"
- * Hymn # 434 (tune only) Anniversary Hymn
(words printed in bulletin)
- * Benediction
- * Postlude

* The congregation will please stand

★ Ushers may seat worshippers

Welcome to all on this joyous occasion of our 150th Anniversary! We invite you to join us in the Fellowship Meal following worship today.

We are pleased to have The Rev. Charles E. Parrish preaching today. He is pastor of Harmony and Massies Mill Presbyterian Churches.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated on Sunday, June 7, 11:00 a.m.

Attention all women! A date to put on your calendar is Sunday, June 7. The June meeting of the WOC will take place at the home of Ruth Joy at 2:00 p.m. Don't miss the treat planned for you! Barbara Cotton will tell and show slides of her experiences in Tunisia.

To help prepare yourself for worship next Sunday, read Acts 17:1-9.

An Anniversary Hymn

(Sung to the tune of Hymn 434)

Everliving God, our Father,
Unseen Source of truth and love;
Evermore your children gather,
Drawn by grace your word to prove;
Eager children of your kindnesses
Come to pray and be restored;
Here we meet to know the promises
You fulfill in Christ, our Lord.

Quickly pass the years among us,
Ways and customs change with age;
Many times deep doubts assail us,
Strife and sorrow take their wage.
Yet from years gone by your witnesses
To the love and peace of Christ
Keep us mindful of your goodness
True to him, how'er enticed.

Future years come fast upon us,
What they bring we cannot know.
We are sure your love within us
Will true calm and strength bestow.
Make us ready for the richnesses
Which each day you give to those
Who are waiting for the gladnesses
You are longing to disclose. Amen.

—Henry Kuizenga

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monition "to read your Bible."

In pointing out one of the reasons he entered the ministry, Dr. Gilmer told the Lynchburg News in 1955: "We Christians have a message which we must deliver to the world. We do not all have to enter the ministry to deliver this message. You may do more good in your occupation than I do in mine. Just seek to carry out His purpose for you in leaving you here as a witness. Accept Christ as your Saviour and then ask Him what He would have you do."

The Women of the Church had the first church bulletins printed in 1955, and the church women organized a remodeling and re-painting of the sanctuary in 1961.

Although Dr. Gilmer lived in Lynchburg, the Session voted in 1963 to purchase the Phillip Page property on Garland Avenue in Amherst for a Manse. The house cost \$25,000.

Dr. Gilmer asked the Session to accept his resignation in July 1964, but it was more than two years later before he resigned his pastorate at the age of 78.

In a letter to Dr. Gilmer written on the day he retired from Amherst, Oct. 2, 1966, the church membership expressed its gratitude to him "for your partnership in the Gospel from your first day with us until now."

"You and Mrs. Gilmer," the letter said, "wanted us 'to rejoice in the Lord always' in big events and little events; indeed, you made us a rejoicing church family..."

"The Women of the Church promise to carry on your tradition



Rev. Norman Wilhelm

of family suppers with Esther Holbert, Inez Wood, Jenna Barrett and Margie Burks specially charged to give both Mrs. Gilmer's good measure and her good taste in a casserole 'all pressed down and running over.'"

The letter recalled some anxieties about financing the new addition and redecorating the sanctuary, but noted that the funds were provided one way or another.

Finally, it concluded, "whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, we have thought upon because you have smiled them to us — with or without your glasses, with or without gout — in our Christenings, in our Weddings, and in Homecoming for us. In short, for 13 years you have lived before us 'I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.'

"We are proud that 'you did not run in vain from Lynchburg to Amherst, that you did not labor in vain' because 'we join now in imitating you in what we have learned and received and heard and seen in you, we shall do.' We shall always hold you and Mrs. Gilmer in our hearts. We shall ever thank God in all our remembrance of you."

Dr. Gilmer served as a supply pastor for the Coolwell Church from 1967 to 1969 and was honored at a "Dr. Graham Gilmer Day" observance at Coolwell in June 1971. He died at his home in Lynchburg on Sept. 18, 1976.

The Rev. Robert N. Lominack Jr. was called to the pastorate on Aug. 28, 1966, from York, S.C. He served the church for nearly four years until June 1970 when he notified the session that he had accepted a call to Ocean View Presbyterian Church in Norfolk, where he remains pastor today.

In April 1967, the Amherst church's formal relationship with the Coolwell church was dissolved. The congregation voted to allow Coolwell to withdraw, establishing Amherst as one church with a full-time pastor.

The church issued a call to the Rev. Roger L. Bush to accept the pastorate in August 1971. He accepted and was installed on Oct. 31, 1971. Rev. Bush became an active member of the community and still lives in Amherst. He resigned as pastor on June 30, 1973.

The Rev. Norman N. Wilhelm succeeded Rev. Bush and was installed as pastor of the church on Jan. 29, 1974.

Although the church membership dropped to 107 in late 1974 it increased by the end of the Rev. Wilhelm's pastorate in December 1979 to almost 120.

Rev. Wilhelm worked tirelessly with the church's young people. Even though the number of youngsters in the church had dwindled, the Sunday School and youth programs prospered under his guidance.

The Rev. William H. Johnson was installed as the church's present pastor on Jan. 1, 1980. He came to Amherst from the Altavista Presbyterian Church.

Even though the Rev. Johnson has served as minister for only a year and a half, his challenging and spiritual leadership in that short time has brought a unity of purpose and commitment that inspires the entire congregation. We are privileged to have him guiding us in this Sesquicentennial Year and know that this celebration will help lead to a stronger future for the Amherst Presbyterians.

Although this history has neglected to mention the various Elders down through the years, seven of the nine current Elders have contributed a combined total of more than 150 years of service to the church. They are Harold H. Higgins, Donald Price and I. Paul Wailes, with 27 years each; Frank T. Burks Jr. and Bailey G. Wilkins with about 20 years each; and Joyner T. Dameron and Norman B. Patteson, with 16 years each.

Jan Y. Osinga, who along with his family, has contributed significantly to the life of the church since the 1950s, has been an Elder for nine years and Herbert Trotter was elected an Elder three years ago.

G. H. C. Wailes was installed as an Elder in 1920 and served until 1977, when his membership was transferred. Mr. I. Paul Wailes has the longest membership in the church, having joined in 1911.

Much of the early church history comes from information collected by the Rev. J. L. Sherrard from a Session book through 1910. Unfortunately, it has been lost. The late Mrs. Sadie Wailes Walker, Women's Auxiliary historian, compiled a history in 1935 and Mrs. Preston H. (Mabel G.) Edwards, Women's Auxiliary historian, kept a detailed history through the early 1940's. Records from the mid-1940's through 1960 are missing from the church, but Session books from 1961 to the present were invaluable in bringing the church history up to date.

Robert C. Wimer
May 1981

Early Circuit Preachers —

Rev. William S. Reid
 Rev. Jacob D. Mitchell
 Rev. Francis Bowman
 Rev. Isaac Cochran
 Rev. Wm. Hammersley
 Rev. John H. Bocock
 Rev. James F. Baxter
 Rev. Samuel W. Blain

Called "Bishops"

Rev. Wm. V. Wilson (moderator 1845)
 Rev. Daniel Kese 1849
 Rev. L. C. Vass 1862
 Rev. John K. Harris 1865-69
 Rev. David Tease 1870-79
 Rev. Collins Stokes 1880-1883
 Rev. R. A. Robinson 1887
 Rev. Daniel Blain 1890
 Rev. George H. Ray 1896-1908
 Rev. J. L. Sherrard 1909-1912
 Rev. J. H. Thomas 1912-1923
 Rev. James McSeig 1923-1924
 Rev. Charles Montgomery 1926-1931
 Rev. J. M. Duckwell (supply) 1931-1935
 Rev. A. T. Francis (supply) 1935-1941
 No Resident Ministers from 1931-1941
 Rev. Sherwood S. Day 1941-1952
 Rev. Graham Gilmer 1953-1966
 Rev. Robert H. Lominack Oct., 1966-July, 1970
 Rev. Roger L. Bush Oct., 1971-July, 1973
 Rev. Norman E. Wilhelm Dec., 1973-Dec., 1979
 Rev. William H. Johnson Jan. 1, 1980

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Membership Directory — 1981

This roll of active members of the Amherst Presbyterian Church includes the names of children. The asterisk beside the name of children indicates that they have formally united with the church.

Apple, Mrs. John	Lawhorne, Mr. E. T.
Armstrong, Mrs. Gregory T. *Edna, *Elizabeth	Linn, Miss Mary R.
Baker, Mr. & Mrs. E. H. Jeffrey	Masencup, Mr. & Mrs. W. E., Jr.
Baldock, Mr. & Mrs. A. W. Susan, Ashby	Mason, Mr. & Mrs. A. L. *Lee, *Alisa
Bradley, Mrs. Katherine B.	McConaghy, Mr. & Mrs. J. M.
Breedlove, Mrs. B. P.	McMahon, Miss Helen H.
Dabney, Don, Todd, Tom	Minton, Miss B. J.
Browning, Mr. & Mrs. D. M. Eric, Heather, Guinevere	Mumford, Mrs. W. R.
Burks, Mr. & Mrs. F. T.	Osinga, Mr. & Mrs. J. Y. *Ieke, *John
Chipley, Miss Mabel M.	Patteson, Mr. & Mrs. N. B.
Clements, Mr. & Mrs. C. M.	Patteson, Mr. & Mrs. R. W. Denny, Anna
Cobb, Mrs. K. R.	Price, Mr. & Mrs. D. H.
Cotton, Miss Barbara A.	Puckett, Mr. & Mrs. R. W. *Gwyn, *Chris, Andy
Cotton, Mrs. R. B.	Raine, Mr. & Mrs. D. A.
Dameron, Mr. & Mrs. J. T., Jr. *Letha, *Calvin	Rice, Mr. & Mrs. C. A. *Sherry Ann
Driskill, Mr. & Mrs. D. A. *Mark	Stinnett, Mr. & Mrs. E. C.
Faris, Mr. & Mrs. J. N. *Robin, *Ginger	Swift, Mr. & Mrs. J. G. *Sandra, *Connie
Fell, Mr. & Mrs. W. K. *Danny	Sycora, Mrs. N.
Giles, Mr. & Mrs. M. A. Jennifer, Scott	Trotter, Mr. & Mrs. H., Jr.
Greer, Mr. & Mrs. W. E.	Turner, Mrs. F. L., Jr. Frank III, Ellen
Helms, Mrs. Barbara *Joey, *Barbara Lewis, *Chris	Turner, Mrs. N. A. *Judith
Higgins, Mr. & Mrs. H. H.	Wailles, Mr. I. Paul
Jennings, Mr. & Mrs. G. M. *Karen, *Derek	Whitley, Mrs. A. M.
Jennings, Mr. G. M. Jr.	Whittaker, Mr. & Mrs. F. M. Emily, Andrew
Jennings, Mrs. Pamela D.	Wilkins, Mr. B. G. *Lynne
Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. T. W. *Nancy, Susan	Williams, Mrs. M. L.
Johnson, Mrs. W. H.	Wilhelm, *Norman E., Jr. *Stanton, *Francis, *Elizabeth
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