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at the
CHURCH DOOR
By JULIE CANDLER

While one-year-old Eric Macoskey slept in the nursery at First Baptist church, his mother and father were given a beautiful send-off last week by the congregation.

The board of deacons arranged the evening, a happy occasion despite the fact the church's members sincerely hate to lose the Rev. Dr. Robert A. Macoskey to his professional duties in Phillips, W. Va.

As there usually always is when Dr. Macoskey is around, there was a lot of laughter. Dr. Philip W. Lett, church moderator, kidded the witty young minister when his turn on the program came.

"They told me I was supposed to say something nice about him in three minutes," Dr. Lett said.

"I told them I wouldn't be able to go on that long."

THE FLOWERS on the reception table were arranged in a replica of a rustic donkey cart. The sign on the cart said "Phillipi or Bust!"

The message on the program

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that night sincerely expressed the sentiments of the members of the church.

"Dr. Macoskey has served this church and our Baptist cause in this area," it said, "with rare ability and devotion. As assistant pastor he shared fully in the varied tasks of the church as an eloquent preacher, an enlightening teacher, a winsome visitor and friend of young and old alike.

"This church congratulates him upon his appointment and pledges to follow his teaching ministry with continued interest and fervent prayer."

And from the church editor who didn't get a chance to formally say "goodbye" to him as he rushed through vacation preparations, may I add, "So long, Dr. Macoskey! You're the greatest!"

MY EYES always widen when I see anything about a photo contest. This one goes on the church page, because it's sponsored by the public relations division of the Episcopal church.

Photographers (amateur and professional) of all faiths are invited to enter the fourth annual church photo contest. They're giving \$400 in prizes for the best photos portraying the life and work of the Episcopal church. See your Episcopal clergyman for details, it says on the release we received.

DED YOU know that the Troy Pastors' Union, established last spring, was the result of the lifetime friendship of two Troy ministers?

Imagine the delight of the Rev. W. Donald Pennell, minister of First Presbyterian church, Troy, when he arrived at his new assignment last fall to find he wasn't totally among strangers.

His former pal from Detroit, the Rev. Ralph W. Janka, was working nearby as minister to the congregation of Troy Methodist church.

The two lived a block apart in northwest Detroit when they were boys. They went to Guelph elementary school, then on to Post Intermediate, Cooley high school, and Wayne state university together.

They supposed they would never see each other again when they went their separate ways after Wayne, Mr. Janka went to a seminary at Boston, Mass., for three years, and Mr. Pennell took his three years of theological training in Princeton, N. J.

THEN, after seven years' separation, they both happened to be



A Light to Shine in Philippi

"Remember us when you turn it on," said Mrs. Manson Hillman (right) as she watched the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Robert A. Macoskey open one of their farewell gifts, a lamp, from the congregation of the church attended the reception, at which Dr. Philip W. Lett, moderator of the church, presented Dr. Macoskey with a generous check from his many friends.

at the local church, Dr. Macoskey will be professor and head of the department of religion and philosophy at Alderson-Broadbent, a Baptist college. Several hundred members of the church attended the reception, at which Dr. Philip W. Lett, moderator of the church, presented Dr. Macoskey with a generous check from his many friends.

ment of the U. S. Army. Mr. Pennell's place was in the bass section.

THEY DO such interesting things in Birmingham area churches. Here are some of them.

North Congregational church has a "Tithers' club." Only requirement for membership is the "happy sacrifice of giving ten per cent of one's base income to the church."

St. James Episcopal church's woman's auxiliary took on a new project last spring: catering wedding receptions.

First Methodist church holds a "Golden Years" luncheon every spring. Only people honored with invitations are those men and women who have reached the age of 70 or over.

FOOD FOR thought department: comments about the Sunday school teachers who complain "We never get to church" in the Congregational Church of Birmingham, Newsletter:

"But there is also another sense in which these teachers, and the children they teach, do not miss 'church' on Sunday morning. In this sense, they may be more in 'church' downstairs than we are who worship upstairs. For the church is the fellowship of persons who are seeking to follow Jesus as Christians, and light certainly includes all levels of the building.

The Sunday morning worship service is indeed central to our life as a church—we call it "The Church at Worship," purposefully. But every church school class, every discussion group, and for that matter every fellowship group, every board or committee that meets during the week "wherever two or three are gathered together . . . there is the church."

"Nor is this a one-way street. Not all the Christian education takes place in the church school, either. The minister in the pulpit is a teacher. And—most of all, we know—is the worshipper in the pew. A tremendous amount of Christian education goes on in the fellowships, and in boards and committees. Perhaps the most important Christian education is our daily conversations. It is hard to name a group or an area of church life where Christian education is not going on.

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Two GUEST ministers officiated at worship services during the absence of the Rev. A. K. Buchholz, who served as Air Force chaplain for two weeks at Bakalar AFB in Columbus, Ind. They were the Rev. John Street of Covington church, Detroit, and student David Stuckmeyer of Grace church, Pontiac.

The congregation's annual men's retreat has been slated for August 22-23 at St. Clair Inn.

Ryan to Speak

In the vacation absence of the Rev. Frank Glabach, Granville C. Ryan of 550 W. Lincoln, Birmingham, will give the lesson Sunday at Birmingham Unity Center, W. Maple near Waterfall line. His subject will be, "A New Dimension in Religion," at 11 a. m.

Are you thinking of buying a new house? Then read the "For Sale—Houses" column on the Classified Ad page of this week's Eccentric.

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