

New pastor at St. Mark's Methodist



Rev. Roger Colvin

The Reverend Roger Colvin, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Easton, has been designated to assume the responsibilities of St. Mark's

United Methodist Church, Mount Joy, as of July 1. The new pastor, who lived in Manheim as a child, considers his church in Media to be his home congregation.

Colvin and his wife Phyllis attended Asbury College, Ky., and, after finishing college, spent seven months in Haiti with an independent mission. While Rev. Colvin was enrolled at Temple Seminary he served a two point charge at Morgantown, Pa. After an assignment in Wissahickon (Philadelphia), the Colvins were assigned to a field mission in Puerto Rico, where Roger served as chaplain at the University of Puerto Rico for eight years and was also the pastor of the English Language church.

The Colvin's have three children: -Richard (24); Carol (22), a secretary at Ingersol-Rand in Phillipsburg, N.J.; and Philip (12), at home.

The Colvin's have served at the First United Methodist Church of Easton for the past four and 1/2 years. They will be moving to Mount Joy near the end of June. The announcement of

the change will be made at the annual Conference Session at Lebanon Valley College, Annville, which runs from June 14 thru 17.

The present pastor, W. Richard Kohler, and his family will be moving to Palmyra, Pa., where Reverend Kohler is the new senior Minister of the First United Methodist Church.

Community Chorus to appear at 1st United Methodist

"No Greater Love" a cantata by John W. Peterson, will be presented by the Marietta Community Chorus on Palm Sunday, April 3, at 8 p.m. in First United Methodist Church, Marietta.

Featured soloists will be Rosalyn Barr and Jewel Schirmer, sopranos; Jackie Pickel, alto; Hoffman Charles, tenor; Robert Erdman, Sam Zuch, James Mc-

Dowell, baritones. The alto-tenor duet will be sung by Nancy Oberholtzer and Elvin Shannonbrook. Virginia Libhart is the director. Clara Bryant will play piano, and Margaret Miller, Organ. Donald Kugle will narrate.

Current officers of the Community Chorus are Hoffman Charles, president; Jean Smedley, vice-president and Clara Bryant secretary-treasurer.

Missionary to speak at Assembly of God

The Rev. Philip J. Cochran, an Assemblies of God Missionary to Zaire, will be the guest speaker Sunday, April 3, at 7 p.m. in the Assembly of God Church, Route #441 and Ormine Road, Marietta.

Since 1958 Mr. Cochran and his wife Edith have been working in upper Zaire. In their first years of service there, they helped to establish the first permanent medical clinic in Bodi. The clinic has helped thousands of people. Mrs. Cochran (an R.N.) worked at the clinic, ministering to expectant women, leprosy patients, and others.

The Cochranes have also been active in evangelism in Zaire. They taught religious education in high schools, held Bible refresher courses, initiated a youth camp program, and helped supervise the construction of the Tucker Memorial Church in Lsiro, the Capital city. Following the rebel prising of 1964, Mr. and Mrs. Cochran assisted in an aid program for homeless Zairian families.

In his last term of missionary service, Mr. Cochran served as chairman of the fellowship of Assemblies of God missionaries and as director of the International Correspondence Institute program of upper Zaire. He also supervised the construction of a number of church buildings and conducted Bible teachings seminars.

About his ministry, Mr. Cochran says, "Our opportunities have never been greater for reaching the educated youth of Zaire through Bible correspondence courses and teaching seminars. This is what was

want to do reach Zaire for Christ."

Mr. Cochran is a graduate of Kenley Bible College, Surrey, England. Mrs. Cochran received her R.N. diploma from Stockport Infirmary, England. She also holds diplomas in tropical medicine and infectious diseases.

Slides, National costumes and a missionary film will highlight this special missions rally. The public is invited.

Bicen Comm. disbands

by Cheryl Hallgren

The Mount Joy Bicentennial Commission will be disbanding in June after completing its final project, the organization of the 1977 Memorial Day Parade. The Commission will then be assimilated by the Mount Joy Community Council from which it was originally created. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gingrich, Co-chairmen of the Commission, wish to express their sincere appreciation for the co-operation and interest shown to the Commission by Mount Joy citizens.

The Commission was formed in 1974. Its first official event occurred on Saturday, February 7, 1976 with a ride by Paul Revere Gingrich through the town, after which a proclamation was presented by Boro Council announcing the Bicentennial Year. That evening a Birthday Ball was held at Donegal High School to celebrate the occasion.

Many events followed in the Spring: A Mount Joy area tour, Creation of an

official Boro Seal, poster contest for school children, the decorating of fire hydrants, a craft and hobby show, a week of festival activities; highlighted by a Memorial Day and Anniversary Parade, the dedication of a flag and flagpole to the community and the planting of a permanent Christmas tree in the War Memorial park. Through the co-operation of Mount Joy Merchants, organizations and citizens, the 1976 celebration was exciting and successful.

Many moments of the festivities are still available to the public before the Commission closes its books. A picture History of Mount Joy, Boro Seal glags, a book of photographs of the Mount Joy Bicentennial Events, Anniversary pins, and Commemorative plates can still be purchased by calling 653-1656 or 653-4657.

Monies collected throughout the year by the Commission will be given to the Mount Joy Community Council to be used for future community pro-

jects.

Again, thank you to everyone who helped to make 1976 a memorable year.

Magic show

On April 2nd the Manheim Township Middle School will present "An Evening of Magic." Sponsored by the Multiple Sclerosis, it will be an evening of fun for the whole family.

See local performers like Jeff Woodward, Barry McComsey and Brad Russo perform feats of mentalism, juggling, escapology, magic and ventriloquism.

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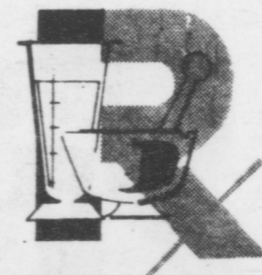
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