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How This Started

FOR SEVERAL YEARS there has been a feeling among officers of the Society of the Descendants of the Schwenkfeldian Exiles that there should be some medium of communication between the members. Up to this time there have been two meetings a year. Members at a distance had no connection with the Society, no way of knowing what was done, no knowledge of the papers there delivered.

They will have in the future.

This Exile Herald is unpretentious. It may never grow very large, but it has possibilities. We plan to send it to each member of the Society four times a year, and if it comes to a descendant of a Schwenkfeldian exile who is not a member of the Society, the receipt of it is an invitation to send for an application blank and enroll. The dues are \$3 a year. The Secretary is Dr. J. E. Burnett Buckenham, and his address is Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa.

Next Meeting at Pennsbury

The Board of Governors of the Society met February 20 in the office of Ex-Judge William W. Porter, Philadelphia, and decided that the usual spring meeting of the Society should be held in the Schwenkfelder Historical Library at Pennsbury, Pa., May 11. Upon the suggestion of Judge Porter the meeting was set for Sunday, and the services will be of a nature fitting for the day. The plan is to invite attendants to bring their basket supper. The Library will be open at 2.30 and the meeting will begin at 3 P. M.

This meeting will give members of the Society an excellent opportunity to study some of the priceless treasures in the Library. Pennsbury is about fifty miles from Philadelphia, and arrangements will be made for special busses from Collegeville, Norristown and Philadelphia, if necessary, in order that members may make the trip easily.

DR. JAMES M. ANDERS, *President*
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First Vice-President
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Schwenkfeldian Descendant on the Job

Owen J. Roberts, now much in the public eye as one of the attorneys of the Government in charge of the investigation into the Teapot Dome oil mess, is a former vice-president of the Society.

Re-elect Three Governors

Three members of the Board of Governors whose term of office recently expired have been re-elected for another term: Mrs. Linwood Righter, Prof. Samuel K. Brecht and Henry S. Kriebel.

New Members Accepted

New members accepted by the Governors at the recent meeting were: Dr. Warren Z. Anders, Collegeville; Morrell Z. Anders, Philadelphia; Mrs. Carrie Kindig Ruth, Lansdale; Rev. E. Wilbur Kriebel; Norristown, and Dwight Earl Bechtel, Philadelphia.

Books Still Available

Copies of the Genealogical Record of the Schwenkfelder Families, a book of 2000 pages, may be obtained from W. C. Meschter, American Preserve Co., Third Street and Lehigh Avenue, Philadelphia.

In the Library

The Historical Library at Pennsbury is filled with interesting objects. One can see there, for example, the original will of February 17, 1707, in which Melchior Schultz, of Lower Harpersdorf, Silesia, bequeathed to his intended wife, Susanna Kriebel, the sum of 100 florins to be paid to her in the event that he should die prior to their marriage. With this unique document he gave a Saxon coin of the year 1696. Both the coin and will are at Pennsbury, having been given by descendants for the benefit of all visitors.

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