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Mr. Ben Browne, of Elkins Park, Pennsylvania, who taught his pupils to have depth and perception. Although Mr. Carter had no college degrees, his interests were wide and varied: travel, reading, music, study, the theatre, were all important parts of his youth.

In 1936 he married Verna G. Oettel. They had two children, Mrs. J. Tamborelle (Kathleen M.) of Germantown, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. J. Alloway (Virginia S.) of Burlington, New Jersey. They moved to Lower Bucks Count, Pennsylvania ten years later and became members of Bensalem Methodist Church. It was here his work as a Lay Preacher began. He was lay leader for two years and also a dedicated Sunday School teacher and youth counselor for over twenty years. He received his license to preach and he served locally for several years. He was district lay reader for the Northeast Conference for four years and became the lay preacher of Raubsville Methodist Church in 1966 serving there one year. At this time he retired from his position as purchasing agent for International Resistance Co. after having worked there twenty-five years. He then became the pastor of the Penns Park Methodist Church from 1967 until his death in 1972. He also served on the Evangelical Committee at conference level. His death came very suddenly on Monday, November 27, 1972. The funeral service was held at Penns Park Methodist Church on Friday afternoon, December 1. The Rev. J. Val Hastings of the Bensalem Methodist Church, and the District Superintendent, Dr. Harold Peiffer, officiating. In his address Mr. Hastings, who knew Mr. Carter very well, summed up his whole outlook on life in this way:

He loved God's world — Seeing it as good, majestic, inspiring.

He loved God — As active layman and pastor he gave himself fully to the spiritual truth and joys of the Christian faith.

He loved — Knowing the happiness of loving and being loved as husband, father, grandfather. He loved life.

He — was his own unique person. There is no duplicate or copy, no one can ever take his place. In life he was not afraid and in death he is not destroyed.

He was buried in Newtown Cemetery, Newtown, Pennsylvania. He is survived by his two children, six grandchildren, his sister, six nieces and nephews and his wife who resides in Cornwells Heights, Pennsylvania.

— Verna O. Carter (Mrs. Harry)

❖ WILLIAM HENRY ANDERMAN was born in Philadelphia, Pa. on January 17, 1896 to John and Eva (Eckert) Anderman. He lived in both Philadelphia and Bucks County during his early years.

After leaving school in the sixth grade, he had a conversion experience at the age of 15, in the Montgomery Square Methodist Church and soon felt the call to the ministry, although he lacked the education.

He attended Mr. Hermon Preparatory School in Massachusetts and Brown Preparatory School in Philadelphia. His education was interrupted by World War I when he served as a sergeant in the 304th Engineer Corps, 79th Division of the United States Army serving in Europe. After the war he returned to school to prepare for the Methodist ministry.

After completing his schooling at Brown, he entered Ursinus College and later the University of Pennsylvania. In lieu of seminary, he took the Conference Course of Study as prescribed by the Church. He joined the Conference in 1923 and was ordained deacon in 1925 and as elder in 1927.

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His ministry began in 1920 at Penn's Park where he served 1920 - 24; and was followed by Tobyhanna, 1924 - 26; Canadensis, 1926 - 32; Tremont Circuit, 1932 - 35; Emmanuel, Roxborough, Philadelphia, 1935 - 40; Providence Avenue, Chester, 1940 - 58; and Darby, 1958 - 61. He retired in 1961 and during his retirement spent his summers in the Poconos and his winters in Florida.

In addition to his ministry to the churches he pastored, he served on many boards and committees of the Conference. He served many years as Secretary of the Conference Board of Evangelism, and as a Trustee of the Methodist Hospital. He worked for the General Board of Evangelism of the church and directed a Program of Evangelism for the Kansas Nebraska Area and also traveled to Alaska and Cuba.

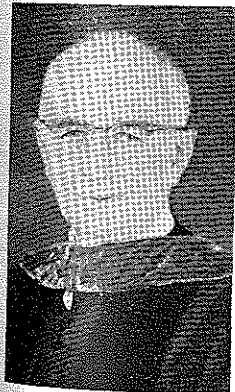
He had an active interest in Chester Heights Camp Meeting and served there and at other Camp Meetings in various capacities. In several different communities he served as Chaplain of V.F.W. Posts and other veterans organizations. He was a member of the Optimist Club and was honored in the Chester Club on several occasions. While in Delaware County he was active in radio broadcasting and did much to further this work there.

He had been in failing health since his retirement and had numerous hospital experiences. He died in Lebanon, Pa. on December 12, 1972. Funeral services were conducted from Providence Avenue United Methodist Church in Chester on December 15, 1972 with the Rev. Dr. George S. Hewitt and the Rev. Mr. Thomas N. Smiley officiating. Interment was in Ivy Hill Cemetery in Philadelphia.

His survivors include four children: the Rev. William H. Anderman, Jr. of Frederick, Md.; the Rev. Carl A. Anderman of Columbia, Pa.; the Rev. Thomas E. Anderman of Lebanon, Pa.; and Mrs. Camillo J. Marusco, Jr. (Thelma) of Woodlyn, Pa.; a sister, Mrs. Susan Markley of Hyattsville, Md.; a brother, Mr. Charles B. Anderman of Lansdale, Pa., and fourteen grandchildren.

— Carl A. and Thomas E. Anderman

♦ DR. JOHN W. LUCKENS, retired pastor of First United Methodist Church, Shamokin, died Friday, December 15, 1972, in Shamokin State General Hospital, age seventy. This widely known minister, who served the Shamokin church for twenty-two years, until his retirement in 1968, was in failing health for four years.



John Wengert Luckens was born at Schuylkill Haven, Pennsylvania, March 31, 1902, a son of Thomas E. and Emma (Steib) Luckens. Following his graduation from the Schuylkill Haven High School in 1921, he attended the Pierce School of Business in Philadelphia, for one term, 1921 - 22.

Called to enter the Christian ministry, he received his quarterly conference license from his home church on April 21, 1922, signed by the superintendent, Dr. S. C. Enck. He entered Lebanon Valley College in September of that year and was graduated with the class of 1926, receiving a bachelor of science in education degree. In the fall of 1926, Mr. Luckens entered Bonebrake Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, and was graduated with a bachelor of divinity degree in 1929. On September 19, of that year he and the former Rheta H. Saul of Schuylkill Haven were married.

He received his annual conference license on September 30, 1927, signed by Bishop William M. Bell. Under signature of Bishop Grant D. Batdorf, he was ordained an elder in the Church of The United Brethren in Christ, October 1, 1929. He received a doctor of divinity degree from Lebanon Valley College in