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***Peek into the Past:*** One of the features of Mr. Hood's pastorate was the more efficient organization of the educational program. The Session appointed a committee for the oversight of the Sunday School and monthly Sunday School teachers meetings were established. In 1935, a group of young couples came to ask that a new class consisting of both young women and young men be formed. Mr. Cy Harkey accepted responsibility for teaching the class which very soon adopted the name, "The Harkey Class". In 1999, this class continued to be an active class with some of the original members still being a part of the group.

In June, 1940, Mr. Hood resigned as pastor to accept a call in Rutherford County. Resolutions of appreciation were offered to him, Mrs. Hood and their family for their untiring efforts in all phases of the church and community. Mr. Hood died in 1943 at the age of 62. The decade of the 30's had been a difficult time in the life of the congregation, community and nation. (*The Presbyterian Gathering on Clear Creek*)

***Interesting Fact:*** When the new manse was built in 1935, a pole barn was built at the bottom of the hill behind the manse so that Mr. Hood's mule could be housed. He needed the mule to cultivate his large garden located between the cemetery and the road where the parking lot is now. (*The Presbyterian Gathering on Clear Creek*)

***A Musical "Note":*** The members of the Mint Hill String Band rendered special music at the evening service of the Senior Christian Endeavor officers' installation. (*The Presbyterian Gathering on Clear Creek*)

### ***Important National Events:***

1933 – Franklin D. Roosevelt becomes the 32nd President with John Nance Garner as Vice President. They are the last president and vice president to be inaugurated on March 4.

1939 – Nazi Germany invades Poland and World War II begins.