

Kovács, Imre. Ref. (1910 -

Minister of the Reformed Church in the U.S.  
(Lately called: Evangelical and Reformed  
Church) *Phoenixville, Pa 1940 4/2*

*Trenton, N.J.*

*new York*

As pastor of a small church in Trenton, he was national president of the Communist Organization: "Federation of Democratic Hungarians", which claimed 180,000 members even in its memoranda sent to the President, but dissolved into thin air from one day to other. He is now (1942) pastor of the Phoenixville, Pa. Hungarian Reformed church.

*To New York church, resigned Sept 1965, went to serve the Springdale - Reading, Pa. Eagle, Jan. 26, 1942*  
*Randim, Pa. churches, near Pittsburgh 1965 etc.*

## Wyomissing P.-T.A. To Hear Address By The Rev. I. Kovacs

### Hungarian Pastor Will Speak in School Auditorium

Comparing the experiences of living in other countries with living in the United States, the Rev. Imre Kovacs, pastor of the Hungarian Reformed Church, Phoenixville, Pa., will explain what it means to be an American at a meeting of the Wyomissing High School Parent-Teachers Association, Wednesday evening, in the auditorium of the borough High School.

The speaker will describe Central European nationalism, denominationalism and social maladjustments. Delving into the more than 17 nationalities in Yugoslavia alone, he will explain the real significance of the American "melting pot."

The Rev. Imre Kovacs was born in Pancsova on the Danube, then Hungary, now Yugoslavia, in 1910. His father is Hungarian, his mother German. At the age of four he spoke three languages, now five. He has studied in Hungarian, Serbian, German, Rumanian and American schools. He studied theology at Kolozsvar, Rumania (now Hungary), at the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Lancaster, Pa. (B. D. '31, at the Yale Divinity and Graduate School. He studied music and singing at the Westminster Choir School, Princeton, N. J., and at the Juilliard School of Music, New York. In 1936 he went back to Yugoslavia to work for the Y. M. C. A. as a traveling home missionary of the Reformed Church of Yugoslavia. He traveled through nine European countries, studying social conditions.

In 1937 the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. in this country invited him over here for a lecture tour in the Y. M. C. A. camps and Hi-Y clubs. Since then he has been working in an ever enlarging sphere to help people, especially young people, realize what it means to be an American.

*See A.M. Nepszava edit "A Kovacsotöröl" 1951 3/16 (under the other Imre Kovacs)*