

some time before the Seminary bought the property. Before the Editor arrived a lot of work had been done to restore the lawns, etc., and the Editor continued in this sort of work throughout his Seminary days... flitting from classroom to lawn mower, snow plow, etc., depending on whatever needed done at the time. The damage of Hazel to the property cannot easily be described today..it was a sort of vegetation carnage of the first level.

More than forty major sized trees were downed! Every driveway to the property was blocked by fallen trees and power lines. In addition to the major trees, there was no accounting for all the smaller ones and ornamental bushes that were simply blown out of their places. Among the forty were two sycomores, one with a bole of 56 inches and a near-perfect shape and another with a bole of 66 inches although not so perfect in form. A huge black willow with a limb span of 150 feet was dismantled and a Kentucky coffeetree of more than eighty feet in height was thrown down. Several large maples were uprooted, some large elms were torn in half, so to speak, and a prize spruce--a specimen for the books--was just gouged out of the earth. It took a day of solid axe work to open the driveways and the Editor would spend much of the winter removing the carnage of the storm and creating great clouds of smoke with the burning of brush. As students could not get onto the property (although about 30 lived on the grounds), classes were suspended one afternoon and it was hoped that some not in class would help the Editor in the cleaning up work...and many did.

A few years later Hurricane Diane struck. Fewere major trees were downed at Faith but there was still considerable loss. Ironically oe or two badly weakened trees (the Editor though there was danger every day of them falling on someone) withstood both of these storms and may be standing yet today! But a large oak gave up to Diane, another large coffeetree, and a massive honey locust. , Some firewood was salvageable but when