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## ENSIGN MOSES 'VISITS' FATHER IN HOSPITAL

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**Telephone Unites Briefly Naval  
Officer and Moravian Clergy-  
man in Hospital.**

A slender strand of copper wire spanning thousands of miles of land and water, the nimble fingers of uncounted telephone operators and the desire to ask, "How are you, father?" brought together one of Bethlehem's best-loved clergymen and his son, an ensign in Uncle Sam's Navy on duty in the far Pacific.

United by this tenuous thread late Wednesday afternoon were W. Vivian Moses, D. D., convalescing in St. Luke's Hospital from a recent surgical operation, and Ensign Vivian H. Moses. Informed several weeks ago of his father's operation, Ensign Moses took up the receiver "somewhere in the Pacific" and in the space of three hours, more or less, was conversing with his father in Bethlehem.

Word was received at the hospital at about 1:30 p. m. that a long distance message was on the way and at 4:30 the call came through. "You can imagine how thrilled I was when, taking up the receiver near my cot, I heard plainly the voice of my son, Vivian," said Dr. Moses today as he happily recounted the incident. "Vivian asked about my condition and especially cautioned me not to go to work too soon. He stated that he is quite well."

Dr. Moses said that he and Mrs. Moses had not heard from their son for over a year. He was at Pearl Harbor when the Japs made their infamous attack on December 7, a year ago, but escaped injury.

Ensign Moses was graduated from the Moravian Preparatory School and Lafayette College, from the latter in 1939. He enlisted in October, 1940, and went on a school training ship at first. He spent three months in intensive training at the Northwest University, where he was commissioned an ensign. He spent the next ten days at home with his parents. Afterward he went to California and was transferred thence to the Pacific theater. Ensign Moses is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity.

Dr. Moses, the father, came to the Moravian College and Theological Seminary in 1909 as a member of the faculty. He was consecrated Bishop in the Central Moravian Church last May, at the same time Dr. S. H. Gapp, was made bishop. The latter is the president of the Provincial Elders' Conference of the Moravian Church, North Province, North America and Canada. Dr. Moses is also dean of the Seminary department of the women's institution.

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