

# The Northwestern Lutheran

The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers; let Him not leave us, nor forsake us. 1 Kings 8:57.

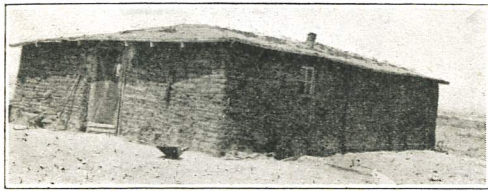
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## 1901 The Nebraska District 1926 and its Twenty-fifth Anniversary

Nebraska is part of the so-called "Louisiana Purchase", that vast country between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains, sold to the United States by Napoleon in 1803. Great herds of buffalo were roaming over its broad plains. Game of all kinds abounded. For decades thereafter various tribes of Indians were left



A Pioneer Sod House

in undisputed possession. Until the middle of the last century the interior of Nebraska was unknown to the white man. But when the news of the fabulous fertility of the Pacific Northwest were spread in the eastern states, people commenced to traverse it in order to reach the promised land of plenty. When the goldrush to California was on in 1849, big caravans of adventurers were carried across the Missouri River at Council Bluffs, Iowa, into this part of the "Great American Desert" on



J. M. Heckendorf

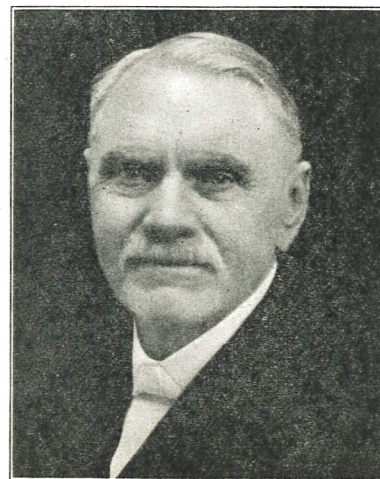
their way to the end of the rainbow. A few army posts were established for the protection of these pilgrims of a questionable civilization against the attacks of roving bands of Indians. Except for these soldiers and the hunters and trappers who soon learned that here was afforded them a splendid opportunity to ply their trade,

the footprints of the "paleface" were but sparsely made on Nebraska's soil till the time of the civil war. After congress had passed the free homestead act northern soldiers and others began to avail themselves of the



M. Pankow

opportunity to own a farm of their own. The first homestead in the United States in accordance with this act was taken by Daniel Freeman seven miles northwest of Beatrice, Neb. Journeying on the "Blue Valley Drive",



Jul. Kaiser

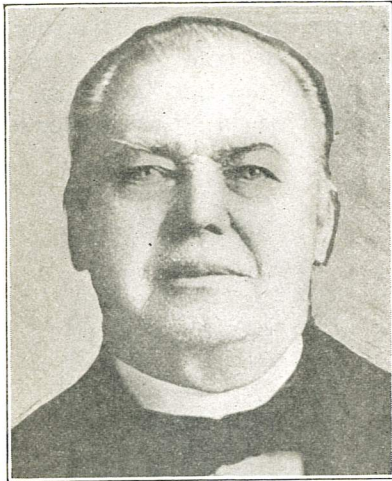
the tourist passes a memorial tablet erected on the old Freeman place reminding him of the far-reaching influence of this congressional act on the settlement of the Middle-West.

Then an undulating prairie, timbered only where rivers and creeks could call a halt to the devastating

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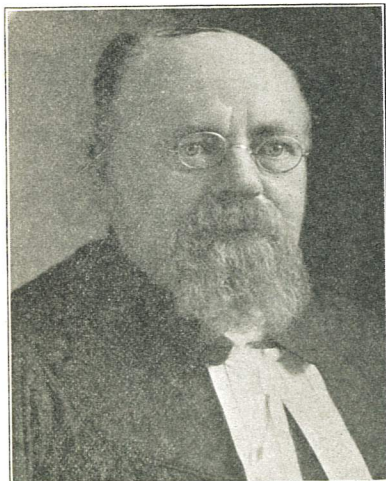


prairie fires, a veritable wilderness — now a great agricultural region, dotted with splendid farms, with acres upon acres of wheat and corn, with lowing kine on the meadows and swine in the alfalfa-pastures! Then perhaps not one human habitation — and were it only a humble sodhouse — from fifty to a hundred miles — now farmstead after farmstead, villages, thriving towns



E. Strube

and beautiful cities! In the seventies and eighties of the last century greater and ever greater numbers of people from the East and from foreign shores found their way into Nebraska, among them many Lutheran Germans and Scandinavians. Here the virgin prairie soil was ready for the breaking plow; here a chance was offered to the tiller to enjoy the fruit of his labor without having to



Th. Braeuer

spend a lifetime of hard work in felling trees and uprooting the stumps. True, many became disheartened and left, some of whom returned later. But those doughty pioneers that weathered the storms and stood their ground won out in the end. In spite of drought, the awful prairie fires and the grasshoppers, which, according to the tales of our oldest settlers, came in such clouds

that they darkened the sun, which several times devoured all vegetation, the growing crops, the grass, even the leaves on the trees, these courageous men and women saw the dawning of a brighter day. Railroads were built into the state and the transportation solved. Thus one of the worst features of early pioneer-life — the isolation from the outside world and the lack of marketing facilities for the surplus crops — was eliminated.



Ph. Hoelzel

Nebraska, having no valuable minerals, no oil, coal and but little waterpower, is a state whose chief industry remains farming. Outside of the metropolis Omaha and Lincoln, the capital, both railroad centers, there is no town in the state with more than 15,000 inhabitants. Little wonder, then, that our congregations are recruiting their membership almost exclusively from the farming population, in all countries the most conservative.



A. F. Sieglar

No, ours is decidedly not a land of tornadoes in summer and blizzards in winter — a fitting domicile perhaps for wild Indians and cowboys! Here is a state that offered great material advantages over many other regions for the homeless of the earth, indeed! But not a paradise, as may be seen from the above. "In the sweat of the face shalt thou eat bread" is true here as



anywhere. Not a paradise, for it is man, enmeshed in sin, doomed to eternal perdition, in spite of all his efforts at righteousness remaining an abomination in the sight of the holy God, who populates this land. "What is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" Without the light and the power of the Gospel of Christ man will not and cannot find the way

**How did our Wisconsin Synod come into Nebraska?**

After a trip of exploration into the Nebraska country by three men, held in general esteem and trusted by their neighbors and friends, their reports being highly favorable — in the following year 1866 a number of Lutheran people left their old home near Ixonia, Wis., in 53 "prairie schooners" drawn by oxen and horses.



J. Witt, President



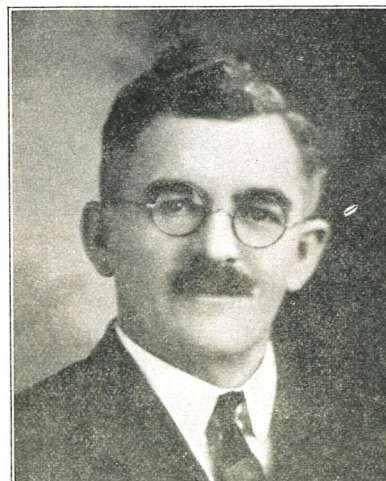
A. B. Korn, Secretary

to his eternal home above, although he knows that death will call him from his earthly home. Jesus is the way. "Ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a Lamb without blemish and without spot." 1 Pet. 1:19. To know him is life eternal John 17:3. "God so loved the world that He

Taking their cattle and sheep along, they went on the long trek over land to far off Nebraska — a Lutheran congregation on the march — and finally settled where now is situated the flourishing city of Norfolk. In 1867 their pastor J. M. Heckendorf followed his congregation. A log church was built and served till 1878. They were without synodical connection. But after the death of Rev. Heckendorf Pastor M. Pankow was called and on



E. C. Monhardt, Vice-President



Ph. Martin, Director of Missions

gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16. "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? So, then, faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." Rom. 10:14, 17. What an opportunity for the church, the church of the pure Word, our Lutheran church!

the day of the dedication of their new church installed into his office by Professor A. Ernst of our Northwestern College at Watertown, Wis. Thus it was that our synod came to Nebraska.

Pastor Pankow was soon asked to minister also to the congregations in Hadar and Stanton, and was the founder of our church at Hoskins. About 1880 — the



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exact dates not being at hand — the Rev. H. Brandt became the pastor of the Stanton church. The Rev. F. Koch came to Hadar not much later. In 1882 Pastor Brandt opened a preaching station ten miles northeast of Stanton which in 1890 was organized as the St. Paul's congregation in Stanton County. Hoskins was served by our neighboring pastors until, in the middle of the nineties, Pastor J. Dowidat was called.

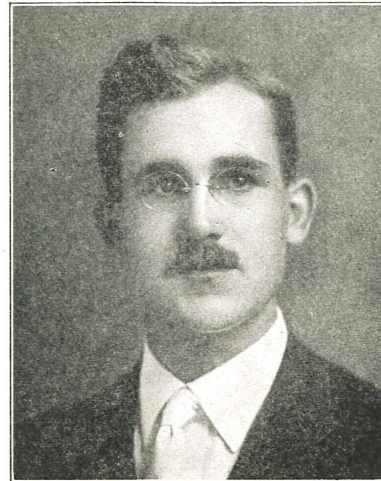


M. Lehninger

Through the missionary endeavors of our men the Lutherans settling near the new town of Winside were gathered into a church; its first pastor came in the fall of 1893 in the person of Rev. L. Rauch.

In southern Nebraska the Zion church near Clatonia was the first one to come to us. In 1883 this congregation had been organized under the guidance of Pastor Tr. Haessler of the Missouri Synod. Some of the members having been affiliated with the Iowa Synod, the congregation decided to call a man who belonged neither to the Missouri nor to the Iowa Synod. The man chosen was the Rev. J. Kaiser, who was installed as pastor at Clatonia in January 1884 and later applied for membership in our synod. In 1885 some Lutheran families near Cortland and Firth asked for the ministrations of a Lutheran

pastor. Pastor Kaiser served them until in 1893 a church had been built. On November 19th of the same year Pastor M. Lehninger, being duly called, took charge as the first resident pastor. At Plymouth we have another instance of a congregation composed of a membership with different former church connections and finally calling on our synod to supply their pulpit. The records



Wm. Wietzke

show that it was in existence in 1882 under the pastorate of Rev. Tr. Haessler, pastor of a Missouri Synod church northwest of Beatrice. Rev. W. Bergholz was the first Wisconsin man sent out. But after a brief stay of a few months he returned to Wisconsin on account of ill health. Pastor E. Strube succeeded him and served from the fall of 1889 till 1903. He was one of the veterans of our



W. Baumann

synod and entered the ministry as early as 1860, Fountain City and Buffalo City being his first parish. Mention must also be made of Fillmore County, where some mission work had been done by Missouri pastors from an adjoining county (1883), until in 1889 our synod was asked to send a resident pastor to the Shickley-Grafton parish, after a congregation served by General Synod



pastors had united with the other Lutherans there. Rev. C. G. Kleinlein was one of our first men in that field. In 1885 a small Lutheran flock in the northwestern part of Seward County had organized and called the Rev. K. Th. Gruber as its first pastor. After his death the congregation petitioned our synod to send them a minister. This wish was granted, and Pastor C. F. Duecker

our own synod. Even as it was, a few of our congregations had joined synod. Of course, the great distance from the center of synod precluded the sending of delegates to its sessions with any degree of regularity, and a personal participation in the activities of the synodical meetings by our pastors and laymen as representatives of the congregations was really impossible. How could



A. Schumann

ministered to this church near Gresham since 1890. In 1893 a church was organized near Surprise and has been in charge of the pastors of St. Paul's near Gresham till 1904.

**The Nebraska District**

From the last eighties to the time of the organization of the district our pastors met in conference once or



A Modern Farm House in the West

our people ever become acquainted with synod and its work but by observing it close at home? Was it not obvious that, since they could not go to synod, synod had to come to them? And there was another consideration! Synod's mission board, men living in the state of Wisconsin, could not properly appraise the conditions in our state. They knew the opportunities on their fields at home; but how could they be aware of our needs and take care of the mission field here? There were whole settlements of Lutheran people from Germany and other countries who became an easy prey to various reformed sects in the seventies and eighties, because our church



E. Friebe

twice a year. Among the pioneers of our synod in Nebraska, whose names do not appear elsewhere, we mention here the pastors A. F. Siegler, E. Stevens, E. A. Klaus and A. Vollbrecht. In the course of these years it became more and more apparent to our men that something had to be done to awake and develop a healthy interest in the work of our church and especially that of

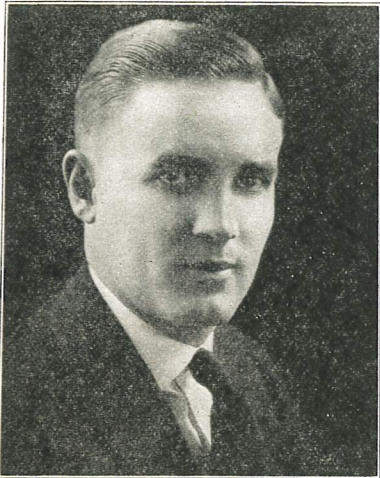


H. Kuckhahn

had no men here to provide for its own children. Although our sister-synod of Missouri was early in the field — and many flourishing congregations bear witness to-day to the faithful work of these missionaries — the supply of men was utterly inadequate to garner the harvest. Without infringing upon their work in any way, therefore, our synod could now have a goodly



number of congregations in this state, if we would have had one or more missionaries here at that time. Might synod not have been able to spare at least one man for this field, had the men at the helm then visualized the urgency of the call for help in the mass of spiritually neglected Lutherans? As it was, our pastors have done the best they could under the circumstances. But they



G. Press

were all hampered by the performance of their pastoral duties and by the teaching of week-day school in their respective parishes; which labor clearly had the first call on their time and strength. There was no man available who, free from all other ties, could have given his undivided attention, could have devoted all his energy, to mission work. Hence the fact that we have only a small number of congregations, scattered through the eastern part of our state.



Ed. Hahn

Our pastors felt — and it became the standing topic of discussion in their meetings — that Nebraska ought to have a separate, even though very small, district of our synod with its own synodical meetings and with its own mission board. After a somewhat extended correspondence with the synodical officers of that day and

with the approbation of synod the Nebraska District came into being at a meeting of pastors and delegates of congregations in St. John's Church near Firth in the year 1901. It comprised the pastors G. Gruber, R. Gruber, Ph. Hoelzel, G. Kirschke, Kluge, M. Lehninger, G. Press, E. Redlin, C. W. Siegler, E. Strube, J. Witt. Five congregations were represented by lay-delegates, viz. St. Paul's



B. Lange

of Winside, Trinity of Hoskins, St. Paul's of Norfolk, Immanuel of Hadar, St. Paul's of Gresham. The first officers were: Rev. Ph. Hoelzel, president; Rev. G. Gruber, vice-president; Rev. C. W. Siegler, secretary; Mr. E. W. Zutz, treasurer; Rev. M. Lehninger, visiting elder. Members of the first mission board were: Rev. J. Witt, chairman; Rev. G. Kirschke; Mr. F. Burger. Now the question of the relation of the district to the rest of synod came up. The difficulty was this: Should our district



Th. Bauer

be subordinate to Wisconsin or should both, Nebraska and Wisconsin, be coordinate to each other? And there was the further question, whether, and how, this new arrangement within the Wisconsin Synod would affect the status of the General Synod of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan and Other States. The best and simplest



solution of these problems seemed to be that our district sever the ties binding us to the Wisconsin Synod and apply for membership to the general body as a coequal with the other three constituent synods. Although we felt constrained to take this step as the only way out of the predicament, some of us were rather hesitant and only reluctantly and regretfully admitted the necessity



Geo. Tiefel

of this step, fearing that we might become estranged from our mother-synod. We entered the larger body as the Ev. Luth. District Synod of Nebraska and Other States, and held our first meeting under the new name at Clatonia in 1904. Recently all these different synodical bodies have been amalgamated into the Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States with eight districts, one of which is Nebraska.

#### The Twenty-fifth Anniversary

Since the organization of our district a parish consisting of the older St. Paul's church and the new Bethlehem congregation in Stanton County was established in 1902. Its first pastor was Rev. E. Zarembo. Since 1903 Shickley and Grafton have separated, and each church has its own pastor, also Surprise (Rising City) since 1904. In 1902 another congregation near Garrison in Butler County asked our synod to give them a pastor, and Rev. E. C. Monhardt became the first resident pastor there. Almost all our congregations have joined synod and are represented by lay-delegates at our meetings.

The following pastors have been the presidents of the district during these twenty-five years: Ph. Hoelzel, Th. Brauer, M. Lehninger and the present incumbent J. Witt.

Mission work has been carried on by the district with varying success. Some fields which first seemed promising had to be abandoned; some are developing rather slowly, while again others have made gratifying progress. At present the district has missionaries stationed in three separate fields. Three in Central Nebraska: at Broken Bow, Custer County, at Brewster, Blaine County, at

Geneva, Fillmore County. Two in Iowa: in Brunsville and Sioux City. Eight in the Rosebud country of South Dakota, just across the Nebraska line. Several of these charges have become self-supporting in the last few years, others are approaching this goal.

In the early days all our pastors taught school to give our children the necessary Christian training. Some of them took care of several preaching stations besides teaching four or five days a week. This patient work has borne fruit, mostly hidden from our eyes, but which shall be made manifest on the last day. Who can gainsay us when we point to the number of Nebraska boys studying in our colleges at present to become pastors and teachers and to others who are already at work in the Lord's vineyard as ministers, professors or teachers? We say without fear of successful contradiction that the staunch adherence to the faith of our fathers found here and there among our church members is a legitimate fruit of the thorough indoctrination in catechism and bible history received in our Lutheran week-day schools. Here is the source of that virile Christianity that clings to the Bible as the infallible word of God and, therefore, the only true light and safe guide in life and death, when even children can and do give testimony of the faith that is within them, uphold their Lutheran church as the church of the pure word and cheerfully suffer vilification; when men are willing to lose their friends and business, their honor and position for conscience sake.

Of late the law of this state requires a course of study in private and parochial schools substantially the same as that prescribed for the public schools and forbids any

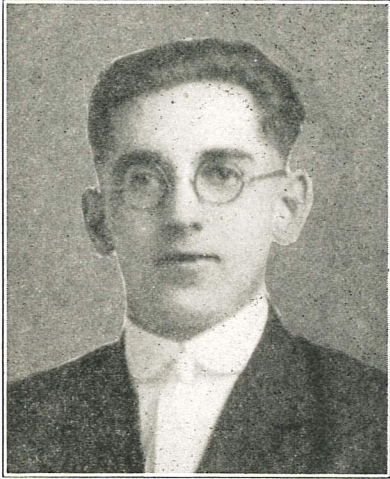


Fr. Brenner

person to teach in any school within the state of Nebraska without a teacher's certificate, issued by the state or county. This law is a hindrance to Christian education in more than one respect and especially does it work a hardship on our small congregations. Some of our larger churches have their own teachers who can devote their full time to the schoolwork and are able to satisfy the



demands of the state, while others are lagging in showing that Christian spirit of courage and self denial which should make us willing to sacrifice much in order to deliver to our children the priceless heritage of our Lutheran faith and to equip them with the only weapon with which they can withstand all the onslaughts of Satan. How can we better bring up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord than by the influence



F. A. Krueger

of a Christian home and of a school in which the Word of God rules supreme and permeates all activities? God grant us an unflinching zeal, and arouse us to the greatest efforts to overcome all obstacles that we may attain the desired result to give the children of our church the opportunity to know the scriptures which are able to make them wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus!

The foundations of a healthy church life have been laid by our fathers. Ours are the temptations peculiar to the children of the second and third generation, calling us to do battle and to prove our mettle. Indifferentism and worldliness are crowding in upon us on all sides. The lodge question has been agitated and fought out in some of our congregations, challenging us to continued watchfulness.

The language question also has become an issue in our day and must be handled with much patience and wisdom. We can not blind our eyes to the fact that more and more our preaching and teaching ought to be done through the medium of the English language. Our church maintains the scriptural position that the Word of God and the holy Sacraments are the only means of grace whereby the Holy Ghost brings sinful man to faith in the Savior Jesus Christ, "in whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace". Whatever our personal preference may be, as much as we prize the language of our fathers, the tongue in which Luther had taught and sung, the commission of our Lord is paramount: "Preach the gospel to every creature." In order to bring the blessed

message of salvation into the heart of man, we must strive to employ the language with which he is thoroughly conversant. There is, to our knowledge, no church in our district now in which German could or should be used exclusively.

#### How Will We Celebrate our Anniversary?

This brief sketch of the history of our district is to remind us of the many blessings of our God which He has showered upon us in spite of our many mistakes. If it were self-glorification we are seeking, we would, indeed, make ourselves an object of just ridicule. A sober retrospect presents this picture to our eyes: Often we were ready to despair and had become lukewarm in our stewardship, but He has been with His Word; it has not returned unto Him void, but has accomplished that which He has pleased and has prospered in the thing whereto He sent it. Often, after our flesh, we were ready to compromise with false doctrine, with worldliness, indifferentism and lodgism to gain favor with men as a progressive and broad-minded, a genuine American church — whatever that means; and yet through all these years He has given power to our faint hearts and strength to our weak knees, so that to this day we take our stand with our fathers in confessing our unflinching faith in the sure foundation of God's Word as the eternal truth and of the atoning blood of Christ in a tottering, sin-stricken world. We will, therefore, bow down before Him in mingled shame and gratitude and take our refuge to the mercy which was the publican's comfort. To "the Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering and abundant in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for



W. Zank

thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgressions and sins", we vow, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to work with greater zeal in obtaining eternal salvation for ourselves and for others. As priests and kings of the Most-High we will, henceforth, be ever more alive to the blessed privilege that we should show forth the praises of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Our life shall be a song of praise, a hymn of



thanksgiving with heart and hand, in word and deed. So help us God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose is the kingdom and the power and the glory for ever and ever! Amen. M. L.

### IN HIS NAME

A busy judge during war time determined to pay no attention to applications for charity pending the trial of a very important case. One day a soldier came into his office, poorly clad, his face bearing the deep lines of suffering. The judge, pretending not to notice him, continued his work. The soldier fumbled in his pockets for a long time, and then said in an uncertain, disappointed voice, as though he saw that he was unwelcome, "I did have a letter for you." The judge, acting against the promptings of a warm, generous heart, made no reply.

Presently a thin trembling hand pushed a note along the desk. The judge raised his face slightly, and was about to say, "I have no time for such matters as these," when he discovered the writing was that of his own son, a soldier in the army. He took up the note. It read in substance:

"Dear father: The bearer is a soldier discharged from the hospital. He is going home to die. Assist him in any way you can for Charlie's sake."

All the tender emotions of his soul were laid open. He said to a friend afterward: "I took the soldier to my heart for Charlie's sake; I let him sleep in Charlie's bed. I clothed him, and supplied him with every comfort, for the sake of my own dear boy."

My friends, God will never turn the needy away without a blessing for His dear Son's sake — for Jesus' sake. — Moody.

### THE USE OF THE ROSARY PROPOSED

We are indebted to the "Presbyterian" of Philadelphia for the following information:

Dr. James A. Beebe, dean of the School of Theology at Boston University, is reported, in *The Advocate of the Northern Methodist Church*, as proposing that a rosary be used by Protestants. He himself had been taught to pray, but not how to pray. His "Catholic playmates had better instruction in this matter." Dr. Beebe goes on to say:

"They are arranged in fifteen groups of ten each, each group standing for a 'mystery.' These fifteen mysteries are arranged in three large classes — five joyful, five sorrowful, and five glorious mysteries. In honor of each mystery, one 'Our Father,' ten 'Hail Mary's,' and one 'Glory be to the Father,' are recited. To practice the devotion properly, it is necessary to meditate on the subjects of the respective mysteries either before or during the recitations of the prayers. The devotion is equally well designed for social and private prayers."

What is prayer but a presentation of our desires to God for things agreeable to His will, with humble

confession of our sins and thankful acknowledgment of His mercies. If a man were in conversation with his mother or father upon such matters, would he need a string of beads to help him? Would he need fifteen groups of mysteries? Where does Dr. Beebe find authority for such a device? Did ever prophet or apostle or our blessed Lord use beads in prayer? Did David, in his confession and plea for mercy, use beads? Did Stephen use them when he was looking up to heaven and committing his soul to God? Did Christ use the beads when He hung on the cross and prayed for those who crucified Him? No, never; the beads came from a heathen source. Oh! why is it that these men who spend their time in academic cloisters become so unreal and mechanical in the most sacred things of life, in things pertaining to the highest glory of God and the highest good of man?

The Boston School of Theology is modernistic. It is surprising how easy it is for the Modernist to fall into the arms of "Mother Church," Rome. A few years ago Reginald Campbell, then the leader of Modernism, went into the camp of ritualism and is now a high-Episcopalian. A Congregational preacher in London celebrates the mass and has the confessional. Other Modernists in our country also recommend the confessional and other ritualistic features. A good many Modernists are aiming at "Church-Union" and would be willing to unite with Rome. But the Pope has too much sense to encourage that crowd.

— Our Hope.

### THE FILTH OF THE GUTTER

Under this striking simile Rev. S. C. Michelfelder, the newly chosen superintendent of the Lutheran Inner Mission Society of Pittsburgh, writes a timely editorial in the organ of the society, "The Inner Mission Worker." He traces much of the delinquency in both boys and girls to the influence of "the array of filthy little magazines that have crept on our news stands in the past few years"; and he rightly says: "The filth of the gutter is being bound up in magazines and sold as art and elevating reading." Then he tells this bit of experience:

"A father recently came into our office with a daughter whom he had rescued from a life of shame, and he said: 'The trouble began when my daughter started reading these magazines that were supposed to be stories from life.' By sad experience this poor misguided girl had to learn that real life don't turn out like the stories in the book. Experience was a good teacher, but the tuition fee was high." And he adds these words of warning and advice which parents should be swift to heed:

"Parents, look into the books and magazines your children are reading. You wouldn't feed them tainted food for fear that their bodies would become diseased. Are you as careful of their mind and soul? How can a mind and soul remain pure if it feeds on the filth of the gutter? Your children must read something. Help



them to get good books and magazines, and encourage them when they read what is clean and wholesome.

"By the way, do you set a good example by reading your Bible daily in their presence? Perhaps your negligence has opened the way for the devil to suggest a substitute."  
—Lutheran Standard.

### "WHEN NO MAN CAN WORK"

This may be the last year of your life. Time is hurried; I take my hour-glass and put it down before me many an hour, just to see that time is in a hurry and won't stop.

We haven't much time. You can not stay here long; you have got to go quickly; pretty soon you will be gone, and your hands will have rest for a million years. Work hard, thank God you have the chance to do it. Be so honorable in the world's industry, and so eager to serve, that you will covet the hours you sleep.

Pretty soon it will be time to stop; and a strange visitor will come by, and say: "Quit work!" You will say: "It is not night." But he will persist — — "Quit work!"

"It is only 2 o'clock; I have only just begun for the afternoon."

"Quit work!"

"It is not sundown yet, may I not work till night?"

"Quit work!"

"And you will lay down your hammer on the anvil, with your hands black with the smithy, and you will go out with him, and he will say to you: "It is time to quit work."

And you will say: "Will I be back in the morning?"

"No, not in the morning."

"Will I be back to-morrow?"

"No, not to-morrow."

"Where are you taking me?"

"I am taking you to a land very far off, and from whose 'bourne no traveler returns'. Come along. This is the way."  
— Bishop Quayle.

### MASSES FOR HIS OWN SOUL

The will of Monsignor Coffee of Carbondale, Pa., who died recently, has been made public. The "good father" left \$50 each for the repose of the souls of his father and mother — and \$1,200 for masses for his own soul.

This interesting news item naturally suggests several questions: If the priest had the power he claimed to have, why hadn't he prayed his parents out of purgatory long ago? Has he left them suffering there all these years merely because they hadn't left money to pay for their own son's prayers? If his parents were so sinful that he has been unable to secure their release from the purgatorial fire, why didn't he leave the \$1,200 for their masses, and the \$100 for his own? If he has led the kind of a life a priest is supposed to lead, why does

his soul now require \$1,200 worth of masses to secure its release from the punishment and torment of purgatory? Did his conscience prick him when he made his will?

Or do priests have a sort of "revolving fund" each one, dying, leaving it to his successor, to pay for masses — the object being to stimulate the interest of the laity by showing them that even the priests must spend money for masses for the repose of their souls? Does anyone know the answer?

— K. F. K. in The Northwestern Herald.

### NINE ARCHEOLOGICAL EXPEDITIONS AT WORK IN PALESTINE

A tenth is proposing to reopen excavations, the Parker-Millen group, which was engaged in 1908-11 in the excavation of the hill of Ophel. This work was interrupted by the war and also met with bitter opposition from Moslems and Jews. It had discovered the tunnel system that leads within, and found various valuable objects, — idols from Jebusite times, bronze pitchers, a bronze urn with marble pedestal, and the like. These are now in the Jerusalem museum and have been described in Pere Vincent's work, "Underground Jerusalem."

Pere Vincent, the leading authority on the archeology of Jerusalem, seems to acknowledge the theory of this expedition as valid. If it were not for this, one would be inclined to class the venture with those of an earlier time in search of buried treasure and sunken wrecks in West Indian beaches. The Swedish engineer, Dr. Johan Millen, insists that, under David's city were secreted at the time of the Babylonian capture of Jerusalem, the ark of the covenant together with many other Jewish antiquities and an immense mass of treasure; that the indications which point the way to this cache are found in cypher in the first chapter of Ezekiel; that these indications have been deciphered and explained by the Finnish scientist, Dr. Juvelius; and that those who have followed them have been led into the hill in a way to prove them correct to the millimeter.

Official archeology is skeptical; nevertheless, one will follow with interest the further course of this enterprise.

Meanwhile, as showing how trustworthy historical records may be in fixing the location of sites, it should be noticed that the Roman wall of massive size, just found by Dr. Mayer of the American School of Archeology and which is actually the wall built by Herod Agrippa in A. D. 37-44 and destroyed by Titus in 70, agrees with the measurements given by Josephus to within a foot. According to competent archeologists, this discovery makes more improbable than ever the identification of the site of the crucifixion and burial with that of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.  
— Sunday School Times.



## NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

## Announcements and Notes

The fall term at Northwestern College begins Tuesday, September 7. The names of new students should be in the hands of the president of the college before that time. All new students, on their arrival, should report first to the president, who will give them the necessary information regarding enrollment and will assign quarters in the dormitory. The dormitory will be ready for occupancy on Monday, September 6. The first meal in the college dining room will be served at noon, Monday, to those students who report before eleven o'clock.

On Tuesday, September 7, at nine o'clock all new students assemble in the chapel of the recitation hall and will be assigned to their classes. Those coming directly from the eighth grade of an elementary school must present a diploma or the last report received. Others must present their high school credits.

Items, besides board and room, which are payable on the opening day, amount to about \$18.50. These include a mattress, matriculation, athletic, and reading room fees, deposit, subscription to the "Black and Red" and lamp rent.

In several letters that came to the college this summer the question was asked whether students would be accepted even though they had no knowledge of German. A knowledge of German is highly desirable, but it is not an absolute necessity, since classes have been formed in which the German and Latin languages are taught through the medium of the English. Instruction in these two languages, and later also in Greek, is given through the medium of the English throughout the preparatory course. These classes run as nearly parallel with the regular classes in which the medium is German, as is possible. In the Freshman year of the college the classes are combined.

Regular instruction will begin Wednesday morning, September 8, at 7:30, and all classes will meet on that day according to the semester's schedule, for the full periods of fifty minutes.

Students who were conditioned in any branch at the end of the past school year report for examination Tuesday morning, September 7.

Pastor A. Sitz, who was called to the professorship made vacant by the resignation of Professor Probst, has accepted the call and will begin his work at the college at the opening of the new school year.

Pastor A. Zich of Green Bay and Pastor H. Koch of Berlin, Germany, have both declined calls that were extended to them, and on August 10th the board met once more and called Professor A. Schaller of our institution at New Ulm.

Among the more important repairs carried out during the summer were a renewal of the masonry at the

top of the gymnasium walls, where the wall extended above the roof, extensive work on the roof of the gymnasium, and the painting of the walls and ceilings of the chapel and halls in the recitation building. A tree expert from Madison did some very necessary surgery on some of the larger and more valuable trees in the college park, notably on the well-known elm that stands in front of the gymnasium. The college buildings and grounds are again in first class condition and ready for the new term.

Up to August 9 announcements of 39 new students had been received. Of these two intend to take a business course, five were indefinite, and 32 declared their intention of preparing for the ministry. This number of announcements compares very favorably with that received other years by the end of the first week in August.

E. E. Kowalke.

### REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE AUGUST 10th

For the third time within little more than a month the Board was called into session to fill the vacancies arising in the faculty. Dr. Koch, called in the meeting of July 20th, had cabled that he felt he must decline the call. It was now found imperative to turn to the faculty of New Ulm for a professor who could take charge of the higher classes in Greek, Latin, and German. The Board had hesitated to invade the faculty of a synodical institution heretofore, but under the circumstances the welfare of the whole work of the Synod seemed to demand that the individual units in that work subordinate their particular preferences to the general good. Professor Adelbert Schaller, of New Ulm, had done the work in Greek at New Ulm that fitted him to continue that work in the higher classes at Watertown. He was unanimously called. Pastor Buenger, and if possible President Bergemann, were appointed to represent our Board at the meeting of the New Ulm Board if this call is there discussed.

A report was submitted informing the Board that the sale of the Deere & Co. stock was profitably consummated. The matter of reinvesting the rentals of the two houses purchased with part of the proceeds of this sale was referred back to the Local Committee for further investigation. The Local Committee reported an offer to sell us the "Kammeyer" property which has been much improved in recent years and which to-day more than before is a most desirable addition to our holdings. At this time the Board did not see its way clear to authorize the purchase and the report was tabled.

The condition of Professor Schlueter is not improved and a resolution was passed to grant him a leave of absence for a year with full pay. He had not applied for this leave of absence but it was felt that



the Board should not expect him to perform such duties that were manifestly too trying for him at this time. Other matters concerning the manning of the teaching staff in a satisfactory manner were definitely arranged and settled so that with the opening of the Fall term the faculty can go ahead with its work without undue hardship, provided Professor Schaller accepts our call.

The meeting adjourned at noon.

H. Koller Moussa, Sec'y.

### CONSECRATION OF ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL

#### Baraboo, Wisconsin

Christian schools are not on the decline. Where earnest Christians honestly look at the world in which they live, they are just as determined as ever in the history of the Church to complete the household of their Christian economy by establishing their own school.

St. John's parish, at Baraboo, Wisconsin, had gone along for fifty years trying by various means to provide for its children in other ways. In the end they now find that to-day there is but one effective way to protect the children of Christians against the encroaching evils of the world, and that is by giving them the undivided attention of Christian training in their youth. St. John's parish school is the result of their experience.

All honor to those who have under difficulties maintained parish schools in past years. But none the less, honor is due those who overcome the inertia of habits of many years' standing and become young and vigorous again in making a fresh start.

St. John's has done its self-appointed task well. The school that was consecrated to its service on August 8th is modern in every respect and spacious. It has two splendid class rooms, a large assembly hall, and in the basement additional rooms that may prove most serviceable. It was not a building alone that engaged the attention of the parish, they decided to call a competent teacher and were fortunate in securing Mr. E. Ebert. And better still, St. John's did not only provide the tidy sum of \$30,000.00 to erect the school building, it did not only call a teacher, it is doing the best thing of all, it is sending its children into the school. The opening day will see not less than sixty children enrolled, very likely the number will be considerably higher, and very likely Mr. Ebert will be given further assistance in his task as soon as it becomes necessary. St. John's members have done so splendidly so far, that any further needs that may arise are sure to find them responsive.

The dedicatory act on August 8th was performed by the local pastor, Gerhard Pieper, the sermons at the two services were preached by President Bergemann and the undersigned.

The new building conforms to the style of the beautiful new church, erected some years ago, and rounds out the parish property in a pleasing manner.

May the blessing of the Lord attend all those whose earnest prayers and efforts have been rewarded by the successful issue of their undertaking.

H. Koller Moussa.

### † PETER SCHLEMMER †

After 24 years of service in the Lord's vineyard, the Rev. P. Schlemmer was called to his eternal home by the Lord at the age of 46 years, 6 months and 24 days.

He was born November 24, 1877, in Redwood Co., Minn., and received his early training there. After his confirmation he entered Concordia College in St. Paul and later studied at Concordia in Milwaukee. In 1902 he entered the ministry as a candidate from the Missouri Synod Seminary. During his ministry he served congregations in Arrat, Manitoba, Calgary; Inver Grove, Minn.; Fort Ridgely, Minn., and a year as instructor at Concordia in Milwaukee. The last 10 years he served at Flascher, N. Dak., and other mission stations. During the sessions of the Dakota-Montana District the news reached us of his death on June 18th. A delegation consisting of Rev. A. Blauert, A. Lenz and W. Krenke, left immediately for Flascher where services were conducted on Sunday the 20th. The remains were shipped to Mobridge where Rev. A. Sauer, A. Fuerstenau and E. Gamm had charge of the services in the church and on the local cemetery where he was laid to rest.

He is survived by his widow and two daughters, an aged father, four brothers and one sister. The Lord has taken from us a gifted and faithful servant!

E. G.

### CHANGE OF TIME

#### Nebraska District Convention

President J. Witt has requested me to announce the synodical meetings of the Nebraska District to take place at Clatonia, Nebraska, August 25th to 30th, 1926, one week later than previously announced.

A. B. Korn, Sec'y.

### FROM OUR CHURCH CIRCLES

#### Red Wing Delegate Conference

The Red Wing Delegate Conference meets at Oronoco, Minn., from the 14th to 16th of September.

The meeting begins on the 14th at 9 A. M.

The Intersynodical Theses will be discussed.

Preacher, English: Rev. Theo. Albrecht (G. Hertler).

Confessional: C. Hinz (W. Sauer).

Early announcement is requested.

Wm. Petzke, Sec'y.



**Redwood Falls Delegate Conference**

The Redwood Falls Delegate Conference will convene September 2nd and 3rd in the congregation of Pastor C. Schmidt, at Town Omro, Minn. The first session will begin at 2 p. m. on the 2nd. Divine services on Thursday evening at 8 p. m. Sermon: R. Heidmann (C. Bast). Confessional address: Aug. Pamperin (W. C. Nickels). Papers: "Intersynodical Thesis," Hy. Boettcher. "Exegesis," A. Baur. Early announcement requested. A. Baur, Sec'y.

**Winnebago Pastoral Conference**

The Winnebago Pastoral Conference meets, D. v., from September 20th to 22nd in Markesan, Wis., at Rev. W. Pankow's. The first session is to be on Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Pastors who have papers to read are: Pankow, Koeninger, Dasler.

Sermon: Im. Uetzmann (H. Kleinhans).

Confessional sermon: J. Dowidat (J. Schulz).

Don't forget to let the local pastor know whether you are coming or not. H. C. Klingbiel, Sec'y.

**Crow River Valley Pastoral Conference**

The Crow River Valley Pastoral Conference is to convene at Town Ellsworth near Litchfield, Minn., where Rev. M. Schuetze is pastor. There will be sessions from August 31st at 2 p. m., until September 2nd at 12 a. m. Henry Albrecht, Sec'y.

**Fox River Valley Conference**

The Fox River Valley Conference will meet in the church of Pastor A. Habermann at Bonduel, Wis., September 21st and 22nd. The following papers are on the program:

Exegesis of the Epistle lesson for Easter Sunday, Rev. A. Schlei (Rev. F. Schumann, Exegesis of a text of his own choice).

Life of St. Paul, Rev. G. Dettmann.

Dogmatical Theme, Rev. E. Sterz.

Sermon, Rev. Ad. Spiering (Rev. E. Sterz).

Confessional address, Rev. Phil. Froehlke (Rev. Aug. Herzfeldt). E. F. Sterz, Sec'y.

**Northern Michigan Conference**

The Northern Michigan Conference will convene in the St. Matthew Church at Tittabawassee, Mich., Rev. Paul Schulz, pastor, from the 24th to the 26th of August.

Conference begins at 9:00 A. M.

The following papers are to be read: Exegesis continued John 1, 19ff.; Rev. A. Hueschen. — English sermon read; Rev. K. Krauss.—Pastoral Anstand; Rev. O. Frey. — Exegetical work of the Gospel for Sexagesimae; Rev. L. Mielke.

Preacher: Rev. A. Westendorf (Rev. J. Zink).

Confessional address: Rev. Aug. Kehrberg (Rev. A. Hueschen).

Please announce or excuse yourself before the 10th of August, to Rev. Paul Schulz, R. F. D. 3, Freeland, Mich. Paul G. Naumann, Sec'y.

**Dr. Martin Luther College**

The new school year in Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minn., will begin September 1. In view of the fact that at the session of the Assignment Committee we had only 15 candidates to supply the 25 calls that had been presented, it is hoped that a large number of young men and women will enroll with us in order to prepare themselves for work in our Christian schools.

For catalog, application blanks and any other information, apply to E. R. Bliefernicht, 213 South Jefferson Street, New Ulm, Minn.

**Michigan Lutheran Seminary**

The new school year at Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Saginaw, Mich., will begin September 2. The pastors and teachers of our district are kindly requested to see to it that announcements of new scholars are made early. The announcements, especially last year, came in so late that there was hardly time to make the necessary arrangements.

Catalogs and any other information in regard to the school will be sent on request.

Otto J. R. Hoenecke,  
2200 Court St., Saginaw, Mich.

**Theological Seminary**

The theological Seminary at Wauwatosa, Wis., will open its new scholastic year with a divine service on September 8th at ten o'clock in the forenoon. All students are requested to appear on time.

Students entering this year should arrive on the 7th to report to the President and to present themselves to the other members of the faculty.

John Ph. Koehler.

**Twenty-fifth Anniversary**

On the 25th of April it had been twenty-five years since Pastor A. Lossner was installed in office. The members of his parish, Raymond and Paris, as well as his brethren in the Southern Conference felt that the anniversary occasion should not pass by without proper observance. Accordingly a goodly number of parishioners and conference members, in spite of the storm and rain with which the day closed, gathered with Pastor Lossner on the evening of the 21st of July to take part in an anniversary celebration.

Two former charges of the Rev. Lossner, Watford, Wis., and Amboy, Minn., presented their felici-



tations in writing or by delegation. President C. Buenger and the Rev. F. Gundlach delivered very appropriate addresses in the jubilee service and Pastor Lossner responded feelingly, giving glory to God for His guidance and help throughout a quarter century of service; the gifts with which the parishioners of Pastor Lossner and his conference brethren had bestowed their esteem were thankfully acknowledged by the recipient.

Following services the celebration took on a more social character, the ladies of the parish serving refreshments and the brethren of the conference contributing short speeches and reminiscences to the entertainment of the festival gathering. The celebration closed with the singing of the doxology, "Thank God from whom all blessings flow." F. Koch.

#### Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary

The fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Schaefer, members of St. John's Church in Ridgeville, Wis., was celebrated on Sunday, August 1. A brief address by the undersigned was based on Isaiah 46, 4. C. E. Berg.

#### Ordinations

Erich Schroeder, called as pastor of Garden Homes, Milwaukee, Wis., was ordained July 18, 1926, at the request of President C. Buenger, by H. Gieschen, Sr. Address: Rev. E. Schroeder, 1180 Bremen St., Milwaukee, Wis.

At the request of President Buenger, Candidate Edmund Sponholz was ordained in St. Mark's Church, Milwaukee, Wis., Sunday, June 27th, by E. Ph. Dornfeld.

#### Installations

At the request of President Charles Buenger the Rev. A. F. Krueger was installed as pastor of the Church of the Resurrection, Tippecanoe, on the 10th Sunday after Trinity. The Revs. Arthur Halboth and Raymond Huth assisted. Emil Schulz.

Authorized by President C. Buenger the undersigned on the first day of August installed the Rev. Edmund Sponholz as pastor of the Mt. Olive and St. John's Congregations at Mukwonago, Wis. Vicar L. G. Lehmann assisted.

Address: Rev. Edmund Sponholz, Box 311, Mukwonago, Wis.

Candidate Erich Schroeder called to assume the pastorate of Garden Homes Mission, Milwaukee, Wis., was installed by the undersigned on the 8th Sunday after Trinity, July 25.

Address: Rev. Erich Schroeder, 1180 Bremen St., Milwaukee, Wis. J. G. Jeske.

Pastor Arthur A. Gentz, having been ordained by Pastor M. Nommensen at Juneau, Wis., on July 11, was installed as Pastor of the churches at Powers-Wilson and Hermansville, Mich., on August 1, by Pastor M. Buenger. On August 8, by request of President B. Schlueter, I introduced him to his congregation at Fort River, Mich.

Address: Rev. Arthur A. Gentz, Powers, Mich.  
Christ. A. F. Doehler.

Authorized by the President of our West Wisconsin District, the undersigned installed the Rev. E. C. Dux on the 8th Sunday after Trinity in his new field of labors, Warrens, Shemington and Knapp.

Address: Rev. E. C. Dux, R. 1, Warrens, Wis.  
H. A. Pankow.

On the 8th Sunday after Trinity the undersigned, having been duly authorized by President G. M. Thurow, installed Mr. Erich W. Ebert as teacher and principal of the newly established parish school of St. John's Congregation at Baraboo, Wis.

May the Lord bless his work and prosper the new undertaking of the congregation.

Address: Mr. Erich W. Ebert, 620 Ash St., Baraboo, Wis. Gerhard Pieper.

On the 10th Sunday after Trinity, Mr. Theo. H. Lau, called from the Seminary at New Ulm, to teach the higher grades in the school of the St. Paul's Congregation at Green Bay, Wis., was solemnly installed in his office. May the Lord bless his work among our children.

Address: Mr. Theo. H. Lau, 438 S. Quincy St., Green Bay, Wis. Aug. F. Zich.

#### Notice

Those wishing to buy used school desks, please communicate with Rev. A. Spiering, New London, Wis.

#### Acknowledgment and Thanks

Northwestern College acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following: 2 quilts from the Sewing Society of the Fox Lake Congregation (P. Reim); \$5 from Miss Martha Kuske, Osceola, Wis.; 6 sheets and 1 pair pillow cases from the Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregation at Balaton, Minn. (P. Manteufel).

All gifts were intended for the hospital and sick room at the College. E. E. Kowalke.

#### MISSION FESTIVALS

##### Third Sunday after Trinity

Frontenac, Minn., St. John's Church, Wm. Petzke, pastor. Speakers: W. Sauer, W. Schramm, A. Koehler. Offering: \$215.45.

Oronoco, Minn., St. John's Church, F. W. Weindorf, pastor. Speaker: Prof. R. Janke. Offering: \$64.00.



## Fourth Sunday after Trinity

South Shore, S. D., Immanuel's Church, Fred Kolander, pastor. Speakers: J. Schwarting (German), K. G. Sievert (English). Offering: \$82.50.

## Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Germantown, S. D., St. Luke's Church, Fred Kolander, pastor. Speakers: Prof. C. Schweppe (German), E. R. Blake-well (English). Offering: \$128.65.

Enterprise, Wis., St. John's Church, W. G. Fuhlbrigge, pastor. Speakers: O. Gruendemann, Wm. Schink. Offering: \$50.00.

Altamont, S. D., St. John's Church and Gary, S. D., First Ev. Luth. Church, H. Lau, pastor. Speakers: K. Sievert, W. T. Meier. Offering: Altamont, \$60.00; Gary, \$67.00.—Total: \$127.00.

Town of Caledonia, Waupaca County, Wis., St. John's Church, F. C. Weyland, pastor. Speakers: I. Uetzmann (English), Herm. A. Scherf (German). Offering: \$21.84.

Readfield, Waupaca County, Wis., Zion's Church, F. C. Weyland, pastor. Speakers: I. Uetzmann (English), Herm. A. Scherf (German). Offering: \$70.00.

Nye, Wis., Grace Church, T. E. Kock, pastor. Speakers: J. C. A. Gehm (German), Wm. Petzke (English). Offering: \$79.61.

Hancock, Minn., St. John's Church. Speakers: M. Waechter (German), J. Guse (English). Offering: \$93.84.

## Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Hustler, Wis., St. Paul's Church, H. A. Pankow, pastor. Speakers: J. F. Henning, Student Otto Henning, P. Monhardt. Offering: \$124.11.

Sanborn, Minn., Zion's Church, Henry Bruns, pastor. Speakers: W. F. Kuehner, E. G. Birkholz, L. Brandes (English). Offering: \$286.19.

Rockford, Minn., Wm. F. Pankow, pastor. Speakers: W. Petzke, Walter Voigt. Offering: \$254.55.

Menomonie, Wis., Wm. Keturakat, pastor. Speakers: P. Schedler, L. Witte. Offering: \$500.00.

## Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Indian Creek, Wis., St. Peter's Church, H. A. Pankow, pastor. Speakers: E. Zaremba, J. G. Glaeser, C. E. Berg. Offering: \$80.93.

Sawyer and Nasewaupee, Wis., F. Schumann, pastor. (Joint Celebration.) Speakers: F. Uetzmann, R. Lederer. Offering: \$132.93.

Burt, N. Dak., Zion's Church, T. C. Voges, pastor. Speakers: F. E. Traub, W. F. Sprengeler. Offering: \$64.00.

Weyauwega, Wis., St. Peter's Church, M. Hensel, pastor. Speakers: H. Naumann, E. Behm, F. Reier. Offering: \$389.76.

Graceville, Minn., Mt. Olive Church, Im. P. Frey, pastor. Speakers: C. Schmidt, A. Gierke. Offering: \$120.06.

Verdi, Minn., Immanuel's Church, Paul W. Spaude, S. T. M., pastor. Speakers: Paul Gedicke, Aug. Pamperin. Offering: \$90.30.

## Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Lake Benton, Minn., St. John's Church, Paul W. Spaude, S. T. M., pastor. Speakers: Paul Albrecht, Wm. Lehmann. Offering: \$118.08.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

## To Illustrate the Catechism

Dr. Kropatscheck of the Evangelical Lutheran School Association of Germany writes the chairman of the Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Convention that the organization he represents has engaged the services of the dis-

tinguished painter, Professor Rudolf Schaefer, to prepare the sketches for an illustrated edition of Luther's Small Catechism to be published in the year 1929 when the four hundredth anniversary of the production of this incomparable manual of Christian instruction will be celebrated. This illustrated edition of the Small Catechism will be published under the auspices of the Evangelical Lutheran School Association of Germany which has corresponding members in many countries of Europe. It will be recalled that the Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Convention at its Hague meeting in 1925 decided to make arrangements for the second Lutheran World Conference in 1929 to signalize the jubilee year of the Smaller and Larger Catechisms and to center the attention of the Lutheran Churches of the world upon the fundamental work of Christian education. Similarly a joint committee of Lutheran Church bodies in North America is engaged at the present time in the preparation of a standard English text of Luther's Small Catechism.

## Selling Students

"A definite campaign was inaugurated by the Presbyterian Board of Christian Education last October," states The Presbyterian Magazine, "whereby the support of 800 students who annually come to the Board for financial help in their education would be underwritten by the men and women of the Church. A woman in Germantown adopted three students for a year. A church in St. Louis took three others. A member of the Board, a graduate of Syracuse University, said he would adopt two Presbyterian students asking for help from his alma mater. A total of 27 students were thus 'sold' in three weeks."

## Serving the Tourists

The Allgemeine Evangelische Lutherische Konferenz has issued a printed correspondence sheet from Miltitz calling attention to the little-known fact that a Lutheran Church exists in Zurich, Switzerland, and is serving tourists as well as providing a church home for emigrants going to that country. The church, which is located at Kirchengasse 13, is served by Pastor Kroeber whose parsonage is located at Vogelsangstrasse 7. Not only are services held in Zurich every Sunday morning at 9 o'clock but in addition Pastor Kroeber conducts services at St. Gallen every second Sunday in the month at 3 p. m. at Basel every first and third Sunday at 3:30 p. m., and at Loerbach on the first and third Sundays at 8 p. m.

## Hymns Universally Used

A Lutheran Church paper in Germany calls attention to the fact that Lutheran hymns are the same throughout the world and mentions particularly that "A mighty fortress is our God" is sung in 70 languages; that "O Holy Spirit, enter in," "Blessed Jesus, here we stand," "Wake, awake, for night is flying," and "Now rest beneath night's shadow" have been translated into 40 languages. "From heaven above to earth I come" and "Out of the depths I cry to Thee" are used in 38 countries. "See, world, thy life assailed" and "If thou but suffer God to guide thee" appear in the hymnals of 34 countries. The people of 25 nations sing Luther's famous "Now thank we all our God."

## Inherited

The installation of Eric Meurling as pastor at Kristdala, Sweden, to succeed his father brings to light a most interesting "family succession." Without exception the pastorate at Kristdala has been handed down from father to son for 218 years and almost without exception for 344 years.



To Conserve Pastoral Energies

Outside of the larger towns and cities the Lutheran Church of Denmark has 80 pastorates of 3 congregations each, 600 pastorates of 2 congregations, and 400 pastorates of 1 congregation. The annual convention of church councils held at Haderslev passed a resolution urging that all three-congregation pastorates should be reduced to 2 congregations each, in order to prevent the dissipation of energy of the pastors.

WEST WISCONSIN DISTRICT

July, 1926

Pastoren

A. Hanke, Whitehall	\$ 22.20
W. Motzkus, Salem, Barron, Osterkoll	9.70
W. Motzkus, Salem, Barron, Pfingsten	9.25
Henry Allwart, St. Peters, Brodhead	30.14
J. Klingmann, St. Markus, Watertown	80.05
Phil Lehmann, St. Markus, Richwood	19.03
M. A. Zimmermann, Christus, Burr Oak	63.30
M. A. Zimmermann, St. Paul, Melrose	3.35
J. Gamm, La Crosse	413.65
J. G. Glaeser, St. Paul, Tomah	50.90
A. W. Sauer, St. Martins, Winona	104.00
Karl Brickmann, St. Matth., St. Charles	40.00
Wm. A. Baumann, St. Kath., Rusk	193.50
H. Brandt, St. John, Neilsville	37.40
Heinrich Geiger, Salems, Hamburg	10.08
Aug. Bergmann, Gnaden, Town Maine	239.82
C. F. Kurzweg, Dreieinigkei, Town Norton	350.75
W. A. Baumann, St. John, Iron Creek	11.82
Wm. A. Baumann, St. Katharine, Rusk	7.53
Wm. A. Baumann, St. Katharine, Rusk	1.00
E. Walther, Friedens, Randolph	134.05
E. Abelmann, St. John, Alma	138.07
J. Mittelstaedt, St. Paul, Hillsboro	25.50
J. Mittelstaedt, St. Paul, Wonewoc	130.00
E. H. Palechek, Chaseburg	50.00
H. W. Herwig, St. John, Lewiston	671.20
C. F. Kurzweg, Town Norton	26.00
E. H. Palechek, N. N., Tp. Hamburg, Vernon Co.	25.00
J. Freund, St. Paul, North Freedom	5.00
Christ Sauer, St. John, Ixonia	12.00
Budget	\$2,688.67
Non-Budget	225.62
Total Summe	\$2,914.29

H. J. Koch, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS FOR THE NEW SEMINARY AND LIQUIDATION OF DEBTS

Month of July

Rev. Frank H. Senger, Bruce, Wis.	\$ 27.25
Rev. C. Strasen, Plymouth, Mich.	163.00
Rev. W. Fischer, Merrill, Wis.	37.00
Rev. E. Redlin, Appleton, Wis.	12.00
Rev. O. Hagedorn, Milwaukee, Wis.	75.00
Rev. A. Lossner, Twp. Raymond, Wis.	51.50
Rev. M. F. Rische, Kirchhayn, Wis.	105.31
Rev. Paul C. Eggert, Abrams, Wis.	112.50
Rev. Paul C. Eggert, Brookside, Wis.	86.65
Rev. Paul C. Eggert, Little Suamico, Wis.	32.25
Rev. L. F. Karrer, Andreas, Milwaukee, Wis.	445.00
Rev. R. E. Ziesemer, Appleton, Wis.	74.86
Rev. F. C. Manteufel, Balaton, Minn.	45.00
Rev. A. Eickmann, Dakota, Minn.	30.00

Rev. E. Walther, Randolph, Wis.	5.00
Rev. Eduard Zell, Rockwood, Wis.	21.30
Rev. W. P. Hass, Oconomowoc, Wis.	15.00
Rev. J. Klingmann, Watertown, Wis.	2,029.00
Rev. G. Luedke, Toledo, Ohio	294.75
Rev. C. W. Siegler, Bangor, Wis.	20.00
Rev. Wm. Petzke, Frontenac, Minn.	151.00
Rev. W. H. Lehmann, Darfur, Minn.	31.50
Rev. O. B. Nommensen, South Milwaukee, Wis.	40.21
Rev. C. W. Siegler, Bangor, Wis.	42.50
Rev. G. Hinnenthal, New Ulm, Minn.	168.00
Rev. E. G. Hertler, Hokah, Minn.	50.00
Rev. E. G. Hertler, La Crescent, Minn.	5.00
Rev. Carl W. J. Aeppler, Wauwatosa, Wis.	5.00
Rev. John Brenner, Milwaukee, Wis.	10.00
Rev. A. G. Hoyer, Princeton, Wis.	1,200.00
Rev. H. Geiger, for Salem, Hamburg, Wis.	50.00
Rev. W. G. Voigt, Monticello, Minn.	10.00
Rev. E. Abelmann, Alma, Wis.	20.00
Rev. W. A. Wojahn, Coleman, Wis.	51.50
Rev. W. A. Wojahn, Town Beaver, Wis.	134.00
Rev. J. H. Nicolai, Adrian, Mich.	70.00
Rev. G. Fischer, Acoma, Minn.	10.00
Rev. P. Burkholz, Thiensville, Wis.	20.00
Rev. J. Gauss, Jenera, Ohio	350.00
Rev. H. W. Koch, Friesland, Wis.	6.50
Rev. H. Wente, Crete, Ill.	87.50
Rev. R. Pietz, Lomira, Wis.	10.00
Rev. J. C. A. Gehm, Woodville, Wis.	66.50
Rev. J. C. A. Gehm, Cady, Wis.	84.00
Rev. G. Vater, Cataract, Wis.	20.00
Rev. R. Jeske, Caledonia, Minn.	200.00
Rev. A. Werner, T. Center, Wis.	363.52
Rev. J. H. Schwartz, West Salem, Wis.	20.00
Rev. Aug. Sauer, Vesta, Minn.	60.00
Rev. H. R. Zimmermann, Cochrane, Wis.	6.00
Rev. H. R. Zimmermann, Buffalo City, Wis.	1.00
Rev. Fred. J. Graeber, Wauwatosa, Wis.	123.80
Rev. H. C. Lietzau, Twp. Woodbury, Minn.	260.00
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Rev. C. F. Kock, Belle Plaine, Minn.	10.00
Rev. A. Jul. Dysterheft, T. Helen, Minn.	10.00
Rev. A. Habermann, T. Hartland, Wis.	18.00
Rev. A. Habermann, T. Angelica, Wis.	11.25
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Rev. Wm. Lindloff, Elkton, S. D.	5.00
Rev. J. F. Zink, Bay City, Mich.	199.00
Rev. A. J. Clabuesch, Remus, Mich.	5.00
Rev. H. Lau, Gary, S. D.	27.50
Rev. H. Lau, Altamont, S. D.	5.00

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Corrections

In the June receipts credit was given Rev. O. J. Peters, for \$100.00 from St. John's, Wayne, Mich., it should be St. Paul's, Livonia, Mich.  
Credit was given Rev. J. Mittelstaedt, for \$15.00 from St. Paul's, Wonewoc, Wis., it should be St. Paul's, Hillsboro, Wis.