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

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St. Paul menaced by the enemies of the Gospel in Jerusalem.

## THE CORNER STONE OF THE SEMINARY

Our various schools have again opened their doors to receive the children and youths for instruction and training. We, Lutherans of the Wisconsin Synod, have our own schools: parochial schools, high schools and academies, a college, a normal school, and a theological seminary. Why?

Is it for the sake of competition?

Then we had better close our schools at once. We have no business to compete with any one, least of all with the state and its institutions. There is but one reason for the maintenance of a separate school system; but it is a sufficient and very cogent reason. It is this that we firmly believe that the training of our children must rest on an altogether different foundation from the one on which the state builds. Or expressed in another figure, our education must draw its strength from an altogether different fountain, one to which the state as such has no access.

What is that fountain, or that foundation?

Look at the picture accompanying this article. It represents the corner stone of the seminary building at Thiensville. The lettering of the inscription is a little different from the ordinary, but not very difficult to read. The three lines are: SOLA GRATIA — SOLA SCRIPTURA — SOLA FIDE. These words mean: Only by

grace (or: by grace alone), only by the Scripture (or: by Scripture alone), only by faith (or: by faith alone).

These words denote the foundation on which all the work done at our Seminary must rest; they indicate the spirit we try to instill and cultivate in our students at the Seminary; they express also the aim for which the graduates of our Seminary should strive in later years in their church work which the Lord may assign to them. — Thus, in the last analysis, these words indicate the characteristic peculiarity of all our school work from the kindergarten up through the Seminary. It will be well worth our while to devote a little study to them.

When we say, By grace alone, we naturally refer to God's grace, not to our own. Many people are very graceful in their actions, graceful in their way of saying things, graceful in their entire behavior. But that is not what we have in mind when we say, By grace alone. We refer to God's grace.

What is God's grace?

We realize at once that grace, mercy, compassion, kindness, pity, longsuffering, patience, love denote very closely related states of the heart. Love is the general term, and all the others are, as it were, only different

facets of the same gem, love. They express the different ways in which love manifests itself under different conditions.

To illustrate. Pity is a certain form of love. It presupposes that some one is in misery, or in pain, or in distress. Then love moves you to feel with him, to try to help him out of his predicament. When we see love act in this way under these definite circumstances, then we call it pity. — Patience is another form of love. We are now not thinking of the willingness of a sufferer to endure pain without complaining; that also is called patience, but it is not the emotion of which we are speaking. We have in mind a situation something like this. A mother tries to teach her child to walk. The child is still very weak. He tries to stand on his feet, but is as yet unable to balance himself properly. He gets up from one side, only to fall down on the other. What will a loving mother do? Will she scold him for his clumsi-

ness? She will try to help him, she will encourage him, she will express genuine happiness at every little progress her child may make. Tomorrow she may have to begin all over again, but she does so willingly, joyfully until after many a failure her little boy masters the lesson. In such a case her love is called patience.

What then is grace? It is that form of love which

manifests itself over against sin and guilt. When love meets a sinner laden with the bloody guilt of his sins, when it stirs as it is moved by that horrible condition, it is not only pity and compassion, which feels sorry for the plight and attempts to alleviate the pain; it is more. It is not only patience and long-suffering, which is ready to wait for results no matter how long they may be in coming; again it is more. It reacts as grace. How? Being a pure love, it is indeed horrified by the heinousness of sin; being a righteous love, it is moved with indignation at the haughtiness of the sinner: but then it does not stop at mere pity, trying to ease the burden of suffering a little which the sinner has brought on himself, it attacks the evil at the root and aims to free the sinner of his sin and guilt altogether. It stands ready to forgive.

It is not quite adequate to say that grace takes the precedence over justice. Grace remains holy, just, and righteous throughout. Grace does indeed come to a sinner and says to him, "Fear not; your sins are forgiven, your guilt is blotted out." That, however, is not the beginning. Grace has been active long before it takes that step.



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# Editorials

THE FATHER OF THE RIGHTEOUS SHALL GREATLY REJOICE

THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

The Father of the Righteous Shall Greatly Rejoice

These are words of Solomon with which he encourages fathers

to give serious attention to the training of their sons. Bringing up children properly is tedious work; but when the Lord blesses the efforts of faithful parents, and the children grow up in true Christian virtues, in righteousness and wisdom, great joy will more than recompense parents for their labors. That is what Solomon proclaims in the words at the head of this paragraph. Here are the verses immediately preceding and following (Prov. 23, 22-26): "Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old. Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom and instruction and understanding. The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice; and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him. Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice. My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways."

In our trying days we need special and repeated encouragement to carry on the difficult task of child-training, made doubly difficult by the peculiar circumstances due to the war. To underscore the seriousness of the situation we quote from an address of J. Edgar Hoover, director of F. B. I., whose routine work daily brings him face to face with the matter of juvenile delinquency. Said Mr. Hoover.

"Unless we meet and conquer it, crime among our teen-age youth will stain our cause and shadow our victory. We can win this war, and still lose freedom for all in America. For a creeping rot of moral disintegration is eating into our nation. — The arrests of teen-age boys and girls, all over the country, are staggering. Some of the crimes youngsters are committing are almost unspeakable. Prostitution, murder, rape. These are ugly words. But it is an ugly situation. If we are to correct it, we must face it.

"The other day a friend of mine, who is a police chief, saw a fifteen-year-old girl coming out of a tavern. She had obviously been drinking. The chief knew her, and knew her family — respectable, serious-minded people. Shocked, he took the girl home to her mother. He told me about it as an example of how even the best homes are being hit. — But to me, the rest of his story was even more significant. He had expected the child's mother to be upset, and she was — but not in the way that he had expected. She was upset because of the indignity he had inflicted on the girl by bringing her home. Of course the girl had done wrong, she admitted; but she could have been allowed to look out for herself. That, the

mother insisted, was the way to develop a child's character.

"And that, I insist, is the kind of crackpot theory which has laid the groundwork for our present surge of teenage trouble. Every new case that comes to my desk adds to the overwhelming evidence that when youth commits crime, a greater crime has already been committed in the home by failure to instill, by precept and example, the fundamentals of common decency."

Let every father and every mother with renewed zeal and heartfelt prayer do their bit to bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

J. P. M.

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The Communion of Saints IV "Endeavor to keep the unity of the spirit in

the bond of peace." Certain mistakes are easily made in such endeavors, against which we must guard, else with the best of intentions we may do more harm than good. While we think that we are strengthening the communion of saints we may actually be undermining it and working toward its ruin. How can that be?

The body of Christ is a spiritual body, the communion of saints is a spiritual thing. In this respect it is altogether different from all organizations here on earth. When men wish to join in a body they meet and discuss their common interests; they draw up a constitution and adopt by-laws. They affix their signatures to the basic document. Then they organize, they elect officers, and are ready for business.

That is not the way the communion of saints is brought about. It is not the work of men, it is the work of the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost converts sinners, He produces repentance and faith in their hearts. By this operation He joins the individual sinners to their Savior. But by this same operation He also joins one converted sinner to the other and makes them members of the spiritual body of Christ, of the communion of saints. It is very much like the growth of a family. By being born into this world a child not only becomes the son, or daughter, of his parents, but is made by the same act to be the member of a certain family. It is bound to the other children of the same parents as a brother or sister. By the same love by which a child is bound to its parents it is also bound to its brothers and sisters. St. John once said: "Everyone that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him" (1 John 5, 1).

How does the Holy Spirit produce this new life of faith and love, which is at the same time the tie that

binds the Christians together in the communion of saints? As God in the beginning breathed the breath of life directly into the nostrils of Adam, whom He had formed of the dust of the ground, and he became a living soul, so the Holy Spirit might today enter directly into the hearts of sinners and there effect the changes of a new birth. But that is not the way God chose to do things. He appointed His Word to be the vehicle by means of which the Holy Spirit will enter into a heart and will do His work in that heart. It pleased God by the foolishness of *preaching* to save them that believe (1 Cor. 1, 21). For the Gospel of Christ is a power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth (Rom. 1, 16). Holy Scripture, given by inspiration of God, is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness (2 Tim. 3, 16).

Through the Scripture, only through the Scripture, the Holy Ghost does all His work here on earth. Through the Scripture He creates new life in the hearts of the individuals, and through the Scripture He joins the hearts together in the communion of saints. If, then, we are eager to strengthen the communion of saints, we know that we can do it in no other way than by diligently applying the Word of God, and ourselves to the Word of God.

Here some people raise the objection that the Scriptures are very difficult to understand. There are many passages, they say, which men have been studying for ages, and have not yet been able to make out exactly what they mean. How can such passages unite the hearts? Rather,

if you stress them too much you endanger the communion of saints, you separate and set one faction against the other. It is best to forget about doctrines drawn from such passages: they are not essential. Let each one have his own opinion, but in spite of such differences let them unite and cultivate the communion of saints. On this basis the king of Prussia tried to bring together the Reformed and the Lutherans in his land, although they do not agree on the Lord's Supper, the Lutherans believing in the real presence of the body and blood of Christ, while the Reformed assume only a symbolical representation of an absent body and blood. The result was a sham union. It cannot be otherwise when people agree to disagree.

The plan of salvation is presented to us very clearly in the Scripture. All doctrines that God wants us to accept and hold are also clearly set forth. If there are some passages of which we fail to grasp the meaning at once, we can be sure of one thing: they do not contain a new doctrine. Therefore we should first of all, by a diligent search of the Scriptures, strive to become firmly rooted and grounded in the doctrine as they are taught in the clear and unmistakable passages. These then will shed light on such passages as at first seemed dark. And the communion of saints will be strengthened.

Never treat any doctrine of the Scriptures as an open question. It is the Scripture that unites, and to ignore the Scripture is to poison the unity of the spirit at its very source.

J. P. M.

#### THE CORNER STONE OF THE SEMINARY

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#### The Foundation of Grace

God's grace first laid the foundation on which all its subsequent actions could rest securely. It selected and prepared a Lamb which would take away the sin of the world. That Lamb was God's Son Himself. In the fulness of time God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons (Gal. 4, 4.5). That was God's grace. On the basis of that sacrifice God's grace now approaches the sinner with the message of cheer that his sins have been forgiven, and that he may confidently call God his Father. Paul speaks about this grace in the very next verse: "God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father" (v. 6).

How wonderful is God's grace! We know how difficult we often find it to believe that God is our Father. We know how often we forget that God is our Father and then talk and act as though we had some one else for our father. But God's' grace through the Spirit keeps right on reminding and assuring us. — And God's grace began already in eternity, not only by selecting and preparing the Lamb for the sacrifice, not only by mapping out in a general way the procedure of approaching, of winning, of holding us, not only by devising the proper

means of doing this work: no, grace looked at each one of us individually and predestined us unto the adoption of sons and unto eternal life and glory.

Grace made the beginning, grace carried out the work, grace will see it through to the end. *By grace alone*.

The above is a mere sketch of God's grace. Grace is inexhaustible. All eternity will resound with the paeans of triumph, glorifying the grace of God. — But what is the connection between the grace of God and our educational endeavors?

J. P. M.

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## STUDIES IN THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION

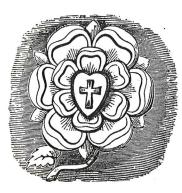
By Professor John Meyer

Art. XIV. Of Ecclesiastical Order

Of Ecclesiastical Order they teach that no one should publicly teach in the Church or administer the Sacraments unless he be regularly called.

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In our first study on this Article we tried to get a little clearer on the two terms *publicly* and *in the church*. In the present study we shall take a look at the task assigned to the church on earth. What does our Lord want His church to do till He returns for judgment?



Our Article uses two words. The first is to teach, the second, to administer the Sacraments. No more, no less.

There are many today who would assign other duties to the church. The world has hurled itself into a terrible war. Much pro-

perty is being destroyed, many invaluable treasures of art are ruined irreparably, thousands of lives are lost. People say, the church failed in its duty, it should have prevented the war. Others maintain that the church is not at fault, but the governments, because they did not consult the church and failed to heed the advice of the church. These men now demand that the church must be given a voice in the coming peace conferences. — All these men assign to the church the duty of regulating world politics.

Others refer to the relation between labor and capital. They point out that capital is often brutally inconsiderate of the physical and economic and hygienic and cultural well-being of the laboring class. They proclaim it as the duty of the church to raise the standard of living for the underprivileged. On the other hand, they point to strikes and riots caused by the laboring class, and again they demand that the church should do something about it. They maintain that the first function of the church must be to improve the social conditions.

In short, the church is held responsible for all the evils in the world, and the task is assigned to it to remove them or at least to lighten them and make them more bearable.

Our Article does not mention these things with one syllable. That was not because our fathers at Augsburg overlooked them, or forgot about them; no, they discussed

them very plainly — but in other Articles, not in the one on Ecclesiastical Order. They considered that these things belong to another field, not to the one assigned to the church. They speak about them in Article XVI, Of Civic Affairs, and again in Article XXVIII, Of Ecclesiastical Power, where they complain that "some have awkwardly confounded the power of the church and the power of the sword," and define that "civil government deals with other things than does the Gospel. The civil rulers defend . . . bodies and bodily things against manifest injuries, and restrain men with the sword and bodily punishments in order to preserve civil justice and peace."

To the church our fathers at Augsburg assigned the task to teach and to administer the Sacraments.

This is the task which our Lord Himself assigned to the church. When He was about to ascend into heaven He said to His disciples: "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. And lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world" (Matth. 28, 18-20). In the Gospel according to St. Mark the words are reported in an even more condensed form: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be damned" (chap. 16, 15, 16).

The apostles seem to have had other ideas, more in keeping with the ideas of those that demand a political or economic reorganization of society from the church. They asked the Lord: "Wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom of Israel?" But He rebuked them sharply: "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in His own power." And then He summed up the work He expected His disciples to perform in the one word witnesses: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth" (Acts 1, 6-8). No more, no less. Always the same at all times and in all places.

The Lord Himself declined every honor beyond this preaching of the Gospel. When the people tried to make Him their king, after He had wonderfully fed the multitude with five barley loaves and two small fishes, "he departed again into a mountain himself alone" (John 6, 15). When someone asked Him to help him settle his estate with his brother, Jesus answered: "Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?" (Luke 12, 14). Before Pilate He testified under oath: "My kingdom is not of this world." And He stated as His sole purpose: "To

this end was I born and for this cause came I into the world that I should bear witness unto the truth" (John 18, 36.37).

Thus the task of the church remains to teach and to administer the Sacraments.

A great and blessed task it is. There is none greater in the world. According to Matth. 16, 19, it is often called the Office of the Keys, because Jesus, in speaking of it, said to Peter: "I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven." Article XXVIII of the Augsburg

Confession, to which we referred above, states the following as the opinion of our teachers, "that the power of the Keys . . . according to the Gospel, is a power or commandment of God, to preach the Gospel, to remit and retain sins, and to administer the Sacraments. For with this commandment Christ sends forth His Apostles, John 20, 21ff.: As My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you. Receive ye the Holy Ghost, Whosoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosoever sins ye retain, they are retained. Mark 16, 15: Go, preach the Gospel to every creature. — This power is exercised only by teaching or preaching the Gospel and administering the Sacraments, according to their calling, either to many or to individuals. For thereby are granted, not bodily, but eternal things, as eternal righteousness, the Holy Ghost, eternal life. These things

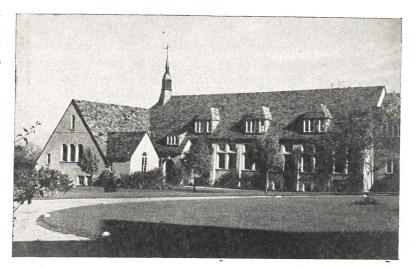
cannot come but by the ministry of the Word and the Sacraments, as Paul says, Rom. 1, 16: The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. Therefore, since the power of the church grants eternal things, and is exercised only by the ministry of the Word, it does not interfere with civil government; no more than art art of singing interferes with civil government."

Since this is the commission of the church, to teach and to administer the Sacraments, the church holds the highest, the most beneficial office on earth. It is the service of eternal salvation to lost sinners. It brings peace on earth, not a cessation of warfare, but a peace of the heart which all the troubles of this sinful world, not even death itself, can disturb. It is a peace which passes all understanding (Phil. 4, 7). This service of the church also causes rejoicing in heaven. The father of the prodigal son rebuked his elder son when he refused to rejoice at his brother's return: "It was meet that we should make merry and be glad; for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found" (Luke 15, 32). This parable was told by Jesus to illustrate what He had said a little while before: "Likewise there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth" (v. 10).

Let us always remember, and rejoice, that "the power of the church has its own commission, to teach the Gospel and to administer the Sacraments."

## OPENING DAY AT THE SEMINARY

THE basement of a dormitory is not exactly the most pleasant place in which to hold an opening service of the Seminary. Those of us who have been privileged to attend these opening services year after year have accustomed ourselves to worship in the appealing chapel of the Seminary with its churchly atmosphere. This could not be done this year as the chapel is receiving the touches of artists in church decoration. The next time we gather at



the Seminary for the closing service, or possibly for the Christmas concert, we will find the chapel altered. The brushes of the church decorators ought to add much to its natural beauty.

#### The Service

The basement was well filled with just a few vacant chairs in the front of the room. As in other years the service was opened with the singing of a German choral — "Now do we pray God the Holy Ghost." The joy of joining in the singing of hymns with the young men who a few years hence will, God willing, be active in the ministry, is indeed a wonderful experience. Such an audience makes the hymns ring to gladden one's heart.

Professor M. Lehninger had charge of the service this year. He chose as his text the words of Paul written to the Corinthians and recorded in the second book, chapter five, verse 20 and 21: "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For he hath made him to be sin for us who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." On the basis of these words Professor Lehninger spoke on the office of the minister and on the message of the ministry. Some people would like to have the Church entangle itself in the affairs of this world, especially at this time of unrest, said the professor. Some even envision the Church sitting at the "peace table" at the conclusion of this global struggle. They demand that the Church do something to change the world by possibly

forcing Christ and His kingdom on the unwilling people of the earth. The Church, however, has quite another function on this earth and that is to bring to the sinstricken world the message of reconciliation.

The minister of Christ is Christ's ambassador, that is, His representative. This is a very responsible office. As such he represents the King of kings and must speak the words of his King. He dare not misrepresent Him by saying things the King has not bidden him to say. Nor dare a minister forget the honor that is his by being chosen as such an ambassador. If it is considered to be a high honor to represent an earthly king who is able to appreciate the honor to represent the Lord of lords?

And, the *message* of Christ's ambassadors — what is it? A message of condemnation because the world hath not believed on Him? Men would, no doubt, have it that way. Two of Christ's disciples once asked the Lord to send down fire from heaven upon a city in Samaria because the people there would not entertain Christ. And who would say that God were unrighteous if He did utterly destroy man for his stubborn resistance over against God's grace and proffered salvation? Yet, the message of the ambassadors for Christ is not a message of condemnation but a message of *peace* — God has laid your sins on Jesus and has made you righteous in Him. Now we plead, beg, beseech you, in Christ's stead — accept that message, believe it and be saved.

Professor Lehninger's sermon was not only well delivered but it filled the heart with encouragement and great joy to be counted worthy to be such a messenger, with such a great message. We hope to see the sermon in print to give many more the opportunity to read and study its contents. We will need the encouragement it contains for the days to come.

W. J. S.

## OPFNING DAY AT NORTHWESTERN

**I** T was an attentive and serious audience that gathered at Watertown, Wisconsin, for the opening service at Northwestern on Monday, September 21.

Professor Kowalke, taking his theme from the fifth chapter of first Thessalonians, spoke as seriously to the audience that comfortably filled the gymnasium for this opening service. Professor Kowalke spoke of the times and seasons in which the apostle addressed the words of the fifth chapter to the Thessalonians and the time and season in which we are living today. He reminded his audience of the fact that like the Thessalonians we too are not "in darkness" but are "children of light and of the day" who rejoice in the knowledge of God and have rereceived from Him the three most excellent gifts faith, hope and love; these gifts that will outlast time and endure in eternity. In this faith in the Son of God who gave Himself for us and through whom we have the hope of eternal life and who has planted in us love toward God and man — we are able to face the days and the events now upon us as well as the days to come.

#### "Quench Not the Spirit"

In these trying times in which our country has "gone all out" for victory and needs and demands every one's efforts, our young men at our colleges may become troubled in mind about the part they are playing toward this end. People may look askance and with suspicion at them, may even call them slackers and say so openly. There is danger in this. The Spirit might be quenched: the Spirit who moved them to enroll in this school established to prepare men for the ministry. Our nation and the world that will survive this war will need them and



their services after the war. The world and our nation will need the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This they will be prepared to bring them. This they ought ever to bear in mind, lest by undue worry over what people may think of them and say, they be tempted to "quench the Spirit" that prompted them to seek their education at this school and for the very purpose of becoming a messenger of the peace of God. They may have to suffer now to play their part later. Surely, all who were privileged to hear Professor Kowalke's address went home or to their studies with a lighter heart.

#### Enrollment

God has again blessed Northwestern College with a good enrollment of young men. New students number about sixty. Approximately forty of these will enter the Sexta Class or the first year high school. The remaining twenty will enter the various other classes. Some of the new students have received their preliminary education at one of our other institutions and others elsewhere and will now continue their studies at Northwestern. Were it not for the fact that a rather large class was graduated last year and that quite a number entered the armed forces of our country, the dormitories of our college would be taxed to the very capacity. As it is, the enrollment is about average. Let us not, however, underestimate the gift of these young men whom God has given us at this time. We are convinced of one thing - we will need these boys in the days to come and need them badly, every one of them. The time may not be so far distant that we will experience a shortage of ministers. Let us pray God that He ever keep them mindful of their purpose lest some fall by the way-side and never enter the ministry. Let us, by all means, continue to pray the Lord of the Harvest to send forth laborers into His harvest; and let us pray earnestly for it.

### A Change In Policy

It may be well to mention the fact again that a change in policy has gone into effect this year in regard to the purchasing of supplies. To accommodate parents and students and to facilitate the purchasing of books, stationery and other supplies the college maintains a "book store." This arrangement is a convenience for the students and for the parents as well. It is, however, only an accommodation. In the past years purchases could be made on a charge account. This has been discontinued. All books and supplies must now be paid at the time of purchase. The tremendous work that each professor must carry will not permit any one of them to do any extra work, especially that of taking care of the charge accounts in the "book store." This policy is a wise one and no doubt will meet with general approval.

God grant professors and students a blessed school year!

W. J. S.

## MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY

THE new school year at Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Saginaw, Michigan, was opened with a divine service on the morning of September 7. At this service Prof. Armin Schultz addressed the audience that filled our assembly hall to capacity.

Although we had expected a large number of new scholars, yet the enrollment of forty-one new students exceeded our keenest expectations by far. It greatly sur-



passes the enrollment of any of the previous thirty-three years of the existence of the Seminary. The enrollment in the ninth grade (twenty-five boys and eight girls) likewise is greater than ever before. The population of the dormitory equals the previous high mark. At present there are thirty-three boys in the dormitory, but there are good prospects of an increase. The total enrollment, however, falls three short of the previous high mark, that of the year 1931-32. Today seventy-eight scholars have been enrolled.

Since the enrollment in the dormitory is large and since we have some difficulties to obtain the necessary supplies, all our pastors, teachers, and members of our congregations are kindly requested to begin as soon as possible to send us some provisions.

May the gracious Lord be with us in the school year that has begun, and may He bless the work of teachers and scholars.

Otto J. R. Hoenecke, Dir.

### ANNIVERSARY AND DEDICATION

In April of this year St. James had its fifteenth birthday. On August 22, 1943, somewhat belatedly and yet within the year, we were privileged to observe our anniversary, combining with that celebration the Festival of Dedication. We have seen once again the gracious hand of our Heavenly Father.

A decade and a half ago the Mission Board of our Synod, convinced that it had a choice location for the establishment of a new church, built an elaborate basement on the present site. The cost of this, including the lots, approximated twenty-four thousand dollars. For the first several weeks, and up until February, 1928, when the present pastor arrived, services were conducted by guest pastors, most of them conscripted from the faculty of Concordia College of St. Paul. On April 25, 1928, St. James was formally organized.

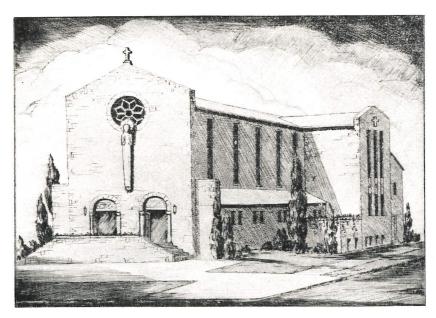
From the beginning St. James enjoyed a good growth. The little band of twenty-seven communicants which comprised the membership at the time of organization had grown into a company of eighty by year's end. Each succeeding year brought in a fine influx of new members. Today the congregation numbers seven hundred and fifty communicants and approximately one thousand souls. The Sunday School which began with four pupils and two teachers includes three hundred members and a faculty of twenty-seven instructors at the present time. In looking over the church records we notice that 400 baptisms and 424 confirmations are recorded. These figures include 73 adult baptisms and 195 adult confirmations.

Aften ten years under the Mission Board, St. James became a self-supporting congregation. That same year, 1938, the last payment was made on the basement and the mortgage burned. This was also the year when the congregation began to overflow the auditorium. It is in the nature of the average person to wish to see as well as hear while worshiping. If these privileges are denied for any length of time there is bound to be discouragement. This was precisely the condition confronting St. James. The ushers complained that the people were beginning to rebel against being seated in side rooms. It was pointed out that we were turning away prospects. This constituted the strongest possible arguments for completing our building. In 1940 the Planning Board created some years earlier was augmented to form the Building Committee and instructed to select an architect.

Plans and specifications which included lengthening the building seven feet and carrying back transepts were completed in the fall of 1941. Bids were received but these far exceeded our expectations. Changes were made and new bids called for. These were acceptable. Building operations began in the fall of 1941.

Now the church is finished. It is a magnificent structure. It is distinctive, modern, spacious, strong, churchly. Every inch of it suggets quality. It is an edifice in the creation of which expert craftsmen were able to use the very best materials. Above all things the structure is conducive to worship.

There is romance in building a house, a ship, an airplane. But the building of a church is a privilege. Not so long ago the church simulated a subterranean tunnel, or as some were wont to regard it, a catacomb. A huge pile of stone of all shapes and sizes occupied the lots immediately to the south. Today that stone stands



St. James Lutheran Church

reborn in the walls of the superstructure. Two huge blocks of stone left over from another building project have been transformed into magnificent figure of Christ dominating the facade. The beams were once standing timber in nearby forests. The marble used in altar, pulpit, lectern and font were once crude stone buried in the quarries of Spain as well as in the hills of our own Minnesota. These fabrics have been fashioned into a temple where we of common faith will engage in the highest acts of which Christians are capable — the communing with our Heavenly Father through Jesus Christ.

A description of a new church edifice usually includes the statement that the design is in one of the old styles of architecture—Gothic, Romanesque, Renaissance, Colonial, etc. However, the architecture of St. James Church is entirely modern in design. Height, attentuated window openings, with stone lintels, ruggedness, and unaffectedness characterizes the style. Churchliness, solidity, sim-

plicity, genuineness, and individuality were qualities given foremost consideration.

The church edifice, although new has been, in a sense, a part of St. Paul for over a half century, for almost all of the stone used came from the old city hall and court house. Originally this stone was quarried at Kasota, Minnesota. This stone was hand split into sizes as required for the construction of the walls. Some additional stone was purchased for color blending.

The church has a high clerestory and low side aisles. Balconies are provided in each transept — one of the Senior Choir and the other for the Junior Choir. There is no balcony over the narthex. A screen made of white oak, with twisted columns and richly carved capitals, and with windows, separate nave and narthex. For overflow attendance the narthex screen windows can be opened to accommodate those who are obliged to remain in the narthex during the service.

The interior walls are of variegated shades of buff colored brick with Kasota stone trim. The floor in the narthex is of clay tile; in the chancel the floor is clay tile with stone borders; in the nave, side aisles and transepts floors are of mastic tile. Chancel steps are of stone. The ceilings are of wood. The large trusses supporting the nave roof are of wood.

The rear walls of the sanctuary, sacristy and choir rooms are temporary and some time later, if and when the need arises, the sanctuary can be made deeper. The pastor's sacristy and the choir room will be enlarged also at such a time. The present rear wall of the sanctuary is to be decorated in blue and gold, using fabrics.

Conduit has been installed for a public address system and it is intended to install the complete system at a later date.

The altar is of Rojo Alicante marble, a red marble from Spain. The pulpit, lectern,

and baptismal font are of Kasota stone. The communicants' rail will be of wrought iron.

The seating capacity of the main floor is 525 and in the two balconies 100, for a total of 625 adult seats in pews.

The exterior walls are of Kasota and some Mankato stone in variegated colors but with pale pink predominating. The long narrow windows in the nave and transepts emphasize the height. Provision has been made for double glass in all windows, and the stained and leaded glass will be placed on the interior side and set directly into the stone jambs.

The stones having been split and dressed by hand, into many different sizes and with the joints varying in width, we have a true broken ashlar wall.

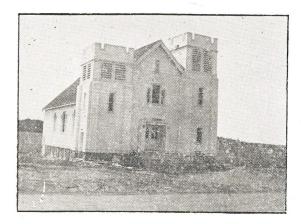
Dedication services were held on August 22. Three services were held. In the morning service Pastor Paul

Dowidat preached the sermon. In the afternoon service Pastor W. J. Schaefer occupied the pulpit. In the evening service Pastor Herbert Lindemann was the speaker. May the Lord bless our new church home and make it a haven of refuge for many sinners who will find in the preaching of His Word the one thing needful and be saved.

C. F. Bolle.

## CHURCH DEDICATION

I N August it was the blessed privilege of Zion's Ev. Lutheran Church of Town Rib Falls, Marathon County, Wisconsin, to dedicate its newly erected place of worship to the glory of God. The day of rejoicing was celebrated with three services. In the morning Pastor Fred Bergfeld based his English sermon on Psalm 87, 1-3.



Zion Ev. Lutheran Church

The German sermon based on Luke 19, 1-10 was delivered in the afternoon by Pastor G. E. Neumann. In the evening another English service was held, Pastor R. C. Horlamus basing his message on Isaiah 66, 1.2.

The church building is located  $5\frac{1}{2}$  miles north of Marathon and is in the same parish with St. John's of Rib Falls. The frame building with white asbestos siding, insulated walls, and asphalt roofing is  $36\times64$  feet. Ornamental beams and four electrolieres adorn the interior walls proceeding from buff tones to white on the ceiling. Adjoining the sanctuary with its altar and lectern is the baptismal font on the left and the pulpit on the right.

Zion's has 39 families, 128 communicants, and 164 souls.

May God's Kingdom, established here, comfort and save all sinners within its reach through its precious means of grace.

R. C. Biesmann.

When you see a church that's empty
Though its doors are opened wide:
It is not the church that's dying,
It's the members who have died.
(Edgar Guest)

# 1 INDIAN MISSION 8 FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY 3 SUNDAY, OCTOBER TENTH

In Grateful Acknowledgement

of the grace of our Lord who has permitted our Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States to carry on the ministry of the Word among the Apache Indians of Arizona these fifty years, since October 9, 1893,

#### Let Us Assemble

in our churches throughout the Synod to commemorate the anniversary in a Synod-wide service of thanksgiving on Sunday morning, October 10, 1943, or some other Sunday in October.

The Executive Committee for Indian Missions.

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

#### EIGHTIETH ANNIVERSARY

After eighty years, July 18 again fell on a Sunday. It was on July 18, 1863, that St. John's Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Lomira, Wisconsin, dedicated its first church building, the congregation having been founded and organized on January 29 of the same year.



With joyful services St. John's congregation observed its eightieth anniversary of church founding on the eightieth anniversary of its first church dedication, Sunday, July 18. Pastor G. Thiele, Milwaukee, preached in the morning English service, and Pastor E. E. Rupp, Manistee, Michigan, in the afternoon German service. On Tuesday evening the congregation

again met for divine service in which Pastor A. Dornfeld, Fox Lake, reminded all hearers of their Confirmation Day and its important significance. The celebration of Holy Communion in this same service brought the festivities to a close.

"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory." E. C. Rupp.

#### EIGHTIETH ANNIVERSARY

On July 25, 1943, Zion's Congregation of the Town of Leeds celebrated the eightieth anniversary of its organization. The few Lutherans that had settled in the Town of Leeds had been served several years previous to its organization by pastors: Broun, Duburg, and Liefeld of our sister congregation in Columbus. Those men often made this distance of 16 miles afoot, in order to bring the

word of salvation to the few scattered Lutherans in this vicinity. Services were then held at North Leeds. In 1863 on June 14, Pastor Liefeld succeeded in organizing Zion's Congregation with 21 members. He continued to service the congregation for another four years. In 1866 the congregation built its first church in South Leeds. This was replaced in 1913 by a larger and more modern church, which however was destroyed by fire on Easter Day of 1940. A new church edifice has taken its place. The first resident pastor of Zion's was Pastor A. Opitz.

The congregation has been served by 12 pastors. They were: Pastors Liefeld, 1863—1867; A. Opitz, 1867—1869; J. Dagefoerde, 1869—1873; J. Sauer, 1873—1880; J. Hacker, 1881—1884; J. A. Petri, 1885—1901; A. Pieper, 1901—1909; G. Stern, 1909—1918; C. Baerwald, 1918—1924; E. Schoenicke, 1925—1928; H. Allwardt, 1928—1931; and the undersigned since 1931.

The offering at this celebration amounting to \$189.49 was applied to the Synod's Debt Retirement and to the Spiritual Welfare Commission.

Eighty years of God's Grace! What a blessing! May God, for Jesus' sake, continue to bless Zion of Leeds!

H. Geiger.

#### SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

On Jubilate Sunday, May 16, 1943, the Zion Ev. Lutheran Church of Town Schleswig, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, was privileged to celebrate her sixtieth anniversary. From a small beginning Zion has grown to a large country congregation. Through the grace of God Zion has received God's richest blessing. On this day Zion assembled in her house of worship to hear Pastor Wm. Kuether, a former pastor, and Pastor Leonard Koeninger, Visitor of the Manitowoc Conference, and to give thanks unto the Lord for His guidance and blessing. The offerings brought on this day were an expression of thanks and amounted to \$574.08.

Today Zion numbers 303 souls, 246 communicants, and 112 voting members. The following ministerial acts have been performed during the sixty years: 728 baptized, 644 confirmed, 217 married, 261 buried.

The following pastors have served Zion: Rev. Martin Denninger, 1883-1907; Rev. George Denninger, 1907-1913; Rev. L. Witte, 1913-1920; Rev. Wm. Kuether, 1920-1928; and since 1929 the undersigned.

In 1934 the congregation rebuilt the parsonage, after a devastating fire had destroyed the property, into a modern bungalow type dwelling, having all modern facilities. In 1938 the congregation also renovated the church, moving it fifty feet back from the highway and installing modern equipment at a cost of \$8,300.00.

Zion today acknowledges the Lord's grace and goodness and confesses, "Not unto us, O Lord, but unto Thy holy Name give glory." Zion will ever remember May 16—not only as a day when she was edified by the sermons and the beautiful singing of the Northwestern College Quartet, but as a day when she rededicated herself to her God.

Rev. Harold Grunwald.

## FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY St. Paul's Church, Cudahy, Wisconsin

With services befitting the occasion St. Paul's Church of Cudahy, Wisconsin, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its founding in the week from June 20 to 27. Three services were held the morning of June 20, one German and two English, with the first two pastors of the congregation as guest speakers, President John Brenner, who served the congregation from 1896 to 1908, and the Rev. F. Zarling, pastor from 1908 to 1911. At four o'clock in the afternoon a Musical Vesper Service was held, at which the Rev. Arthur Voss gave a brief address and Donald Larson played a number of selections on the new Hammond Electric Organ.

Since the congregation has maintained a Christian Day School as long as it has had its own pastor, it was only fitting that one of the anniversary services be devoted to the cause of Christian education. This was done in a service held Wednesday evening, June 23, the sermon at this service being delivered by the Rev. Paul Pieper, pastor from 1912 to 1922. After a banquet of members on Friday evening the week's festivities came to a close on the next Sunday morning with German and English services, at both of which Holy Communion was celebrated and the Rev. Paul Gieschen, pastor from 1922 to 1927, served as guest preacher.

Founded on July 17, 1893, with six members the congregation in the fifty years of its existence has grown to a membership of 225 families, 485 communicants and 652 souls. St. Paul's is the oldest church in the city of Cudahy, having been founded in the same year in which the city itself came into existence through the erection of the Cudahy Bros. Packing House, seven miles southeast of the center of Milwaukee, along the shore of Lake Michigan. Until it called its first pastor in 1896 the congregation was served by the sainted neighboring pastors, the Rev. B. P. Nommensen of Milwaukee and the Rev. F. Koch of South Milwaukee.

The present church building was erected immediately after the founding of the congregation and was dedicated the following May. Util 1926, when a new and modern school building was erected, the basement of the church served as quarters for the school, the greater part of the time divided into two classrooms. The parsonage was erected in 1900 and completely renovated in 1941, almost entirely with volunteer labor.

From the beginning of this year to the end of June the congregation was at work raising an anniversary thankoffering, which totalled about \$7,500.00. About \$5,000.00 of this sum was used to renovate the church for the occasion. A new front wall with three gothic arches was built in the nave of the church, the chancel area enlarged, new lanterns and beautiful art glass windows installed, and the entire interior beautifully redecorated. A Model D Hammond Electric Organ was also purchased and installed in the choir area built into the rear of the

church. The balance of the money is to be used for debt

"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give glory, for Thy mercy, and Thy truth's sake." These words of Psalm 115 were chosen as motto for the celebration. May the Lord, who alone deserves credit and praise for the good which during the fifty years of its existence has been done in and through the congregation, continue to guide and bless St. Paul's Church with G. Hoenecke. His mercy and truth!

#### TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

The fact that Pastor F. W. Loeper has for a quarter of a century been a "steward of the mysteries of God" in Christus Church in Richmond, Wisconsin, and in St. John's in Whitewater, was fittingly observed in a special service at the latter place on the evening of Sunday, July 18, 1943.

Pastor O. W. Koch of Lowell, Wisconsin, conducted the jubilee service and preached the sermon, on the basis of Ps. 116, 12-13 reminding the jubilarian of God's blessings, of his personal unworthiness, and of his gratitude for the unmerited mercy.

The service was followed by a social hour in the church basement. A meal was served, congratulatory speeches were held by members of the parish and fellowpastors, and gifts were presented on behalf of both con-H. C. N. gregations.

#### TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

Despite travel restrictions and the sweltering heat of Tune 27, almost the entire church membership, many conference brethren, and relatives assembled in Cross Lutheran Church, Rockford, Minnesota, to celebrate with Pastor S. Baer the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the Christian ministry, and also to honor him and his wife on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary.

The jubilarian, accompanied by Mrs. Baer and Pastor O. K. Netzke, who was best man at the wedding twentyfive years ago, was led to the altar by members of the Church Council at the opening of this extraordinary evening service. The Visiting Elder, Pastor Wm. C. Nickels, preached the sermon, basing his simple, encouraging words on 1 Tim. 1, 12. Pastor E. R. Berwald conducted the altar service. Two appropriate selections of sacred music were sung by the choir.

At the close of the service Pastor Baer, stirred by this generous display of esteem and regard, responded in true humility with words of gratitude to God for all His benefits and with a solemn resolution to serve with renewed fidelity as the Great Shepherd continues His favors.

The entire assembly then proceeded to the roomy, fittingly-decorated parlors of the church's substory for a

special reception and a delicious luncheon. The undersigned secretary of the conference acted as master of ceremonies. During the social period several pastoral brethren and representative parishioners delivered appropriate addresses. Messages of congratulations from district officials were read. A substantial purse was presented Pastor and Mrs. Baer as a token of appreciation by members of the congregation. A gift of two theological books was received from the visiting pastors.

Pastor Baer was ordained and installed July 21, 1918, at Streeter, North Dakota. His first parish included the areas around Streeter and Hazelton. In 1925 he accepted a call to Zeeland, North Dakota. Twelve years later, in May of 1937, he answered God's call to minister to Cross Lutheran Church, Rockford, Minnesota, his present parish. During his years of ministry he has also served the church at large. For many years he held offices of trust and responsibility as a Board member of Northwestern Lutheran Academy at Mobridge and as a member of the Mission Board.

May God's richest blessings and His past safe guidance abide with him in the future.

M. J. Lenz.

#### TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

On July 11 Zion's Church of Morton, Minnesota, observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of Pastor M. J. Wehausen's ordination and the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of Pastor and Mrs. Wehausen. Schierenbeck of Sanborn, who has for a number of years served with Pastor Wehausen on the District Mission Board, delivered the sermon. During the social hour after the service representatives of the various church organizations and of the Redwood Falls Conference extended congratulations.

Pastor Wehausen began his ministry among the Apaches in Arizona. He then served Trinity Church at Johnson, Minnesota, and, since 1936, Zion's Church in Morton, Minnesota.

May the Lord grant him many years of service in His church! Т.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THE GENERAL SYNODICAL COMMITTEE

God willing, the General Synodical Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 13, 1943, at 9 A. M., in St. John's School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

#### Group Meetings

The General Mission Board - Monday, 10 A. M.,

The School Committee - Monday, 10 A. M., Jerusalem School.

The Conference of Presidents - Monday, 8 P. M., St. John's School.

The Board of Trustees - Tuesday, 10 A. M., St. John's School. Representatives of Educational Institutions -

Tuesday, 10 A. M., Grace Church.

The Spiritual Welfare Commission — Tues
Salem Church Hall, 1916 East Thomas Avenue. - Tuesday, 2 P. M.,

John Brenner.

#### NOTICE

The Seminary and Northwestern College Boards met in joint session on September 29 to call a professor of music. After a lengthy discussion it was resolved to postpone the selection until after the meeting of the General Synodical Committee meeting. President Brenner reported the appoint-Committee meeting. President Brenner reported the appointment of Mr. Ernst Winter of Lebanon to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Edwin Boldt as member of the North-western College Board. The College Board elected Mr. Harold Schumann as a member of the Trust Funds Committee to succeed Mr. Herbert Moussa, deceased.

K. Timmel, Sec'y.

#### CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES FOX RIVER VALLEY PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Fox River Valley Pastoral Conference will meet October 19 and 20, 1943, beginning at 9 A. M., at the St. Paul's Church, Algoma, Wisconsin, the Rev. Karl F. Toepel, Algoma, Wisconsin.

Confessional Sermon: F. Uetzmann (A. Voigt).

Exegetical-homiletical treatise on Rev. 3, 7-13, W. Pankow; Isagogics on Ecclesiastes, H. Wicke; The Woman's Position in the Church, R. Ziesemer; The Salvation Army and its Teaching, E. Hinnenthal; What is meant by "A Life of Repentance" in the first of Luther's 95 theses?, W. Kuether; Catechesis on the first part of the Third Commandment Ir. Repetitsher. ment, Im. Boettcher.

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Old Papers: Predestination in the present Union Movement, A. Werner; The Literalness of Paul's Old Testament Quotations in His Letters to the Galatians, W. Zink; The Term "Kingdom of God" and Its Unscriptural Application, M. Croll; Types of Old Testament Sacrifices and Their Significance, P. Oehlert.

The local pastor, K. Toepel, requests your announcement to be made early.

Victor Weyland, Sec'y.

#### SOUTHWESTERN PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Southwestern Pastoral Conference will meet October 5 and 6 at St. Matthew's Church, Benton Harbor, Michigan, H. Haase, pastor. The first session will open at 9:30 A. M.

Papers: Exegesis on 2 Tim. 2 and 4; Catechetical Instruction, Pastor H. Haase.

Confessional: N. Engel, W. Westendorf. Sermon: A. Hoenecke, H. Hoenecke.

Please announce in due time.

R. A. Gensmer, Sec'y.

#### WESTERN PASTORAL CONFERENCE OF THE DAKOTA-MONTANA DISTRICT

The Western Pastoral Conference of the Dakota-Montana District will meet October 5 and 6 at Hazelton, North Dakota, Pastor G. Ehlert. Opening sessions at 9 A. M. (M. W. T.).

Papers, Old: Who is the Anti-Christ?, E. Krueger; When are Members of a so-called Christian Congregation to be Regarded as Mission Material?, P. Albrecht. New: Prayer Fellowship, W. Herrmann; 1 John, Prof. K. G. Sievert; The Woman's Part in the Christian Congregation, E. Eberhart.

Sermon: H. Bergholz (H. Birner). E. L. Mehlberg, Sec'y.

#### DODGE-WASHINGTON COUNTIES' PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Dodge-Washington Counties' Pastoral Conference will meet, Deo volente, on October 12 and 13, 1943, at Woodland, Wisconsin (H. Schaar, pastor). The first session will begin at 9 o'clock.

Essays: Vater Unser, G. Bradtke; Exegesis of 1 Peter 4, 1-6, Ad. von Rohr; The Roman Doctrine of Repentance and to What Extent it is Found in the Sectarian Churches, G.

to What Extent it is Found in the Barthels; Boy Scouts, F. Marohn. Sermon: W. Sauer; E. Rupp; R. Pietz. Confessional Address: F. Zarling; G. Barthels. Geo. A. Barthels, Sec'y.

#### SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Southeastern Michigan Pastoral Conference will meet on October 12 and 13, 1943, at Jenera, Ohio (John Gauss, pastor). The opening session begins at 10 A. M., E. W. T. Papers: The Scripturally Correct and Evangelical Practice in Dealing with Lodge Members in our Congregations,

Pastor E. Hoenecke; Exegesis of 1 Corinthians 10, Pastor George Luetke; Exegesis of 1 Corinthians 11, Pastor W. Valleskey; Sermon for Criticism, Pastor H. Muehl. Sermon: Pastor F. Zimmermann, Pastor G. Press.

Confessional Address: Pastor John Gauss.

Kindly have your announcement in the hands of the local pastor before October 8.

Theo. Sauer, Sec'v.

#### MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Mississippi Valley Pastoral Conference will meet, D. v., on Tuesday, October 5, 1943, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Arcadia, Wisconsin (H. W. Neubauer, pastor). Opening Communion service at 9 A. M. Sermon: H. Backer; H. Bentrup.

Papers: Exegesis of Eph. 4, 11-16, H. Bentrup; "The Dangers of Substituting Prayer for God's Means of Grace," H. Kesting; "What Can We Do To Improve Bible Reading Among Our People?" H. Backer; Isagogical Study of Revelation, H. Kuckhahn; "What Can We Do To Improve Attendance at the Lord's Supper?" F. Ehlert.

Substitute Paper: Book Review, K. Gurgel.

Theo J. Mueller, Sec'y.

## EASTERN DAKOTA-MONTANA PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Eastern Dakota-Montana Pastoral Conference will meet on October 27 and 28 at Gary, South Dakota (Wm.

Heaven," H. Schnitker; "Exegesis on Jas. 5, 13-20," W. Zickuhr; "Christ's Descent Into Hell, Nature and Purpose," Benj. Hahm.

Sermon: W. Dorn; H. Buch.

Timely announcement to host pastor, please! H. A. Schultz, Sec'y.

#### EASTERN PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The Eastern Pastoral Conference of the Southeast Wisconsin District will meet on October 26 and 27 at Newburg, Wisconsin (A. Maaske, pastor), beginning at 9:30 A. M.

Wisconsin (A. Maaske, pastor), beginning at 9:30 A. M. Sermon: L. Hallauer; H. Hartwig, substitute. Papers: Continuation of Hebrews, chapter 6:7, A. Buenger; Exegesis of chapter 7, M. Albrecht; "Arguments of the Chiliasts and Millennialists," E. Ebert; "Can Creation and Supernatural Acts Be Explained in the Light of Science?" A. Krueger; "Excommunication. 1) Who is to be excommunicated? 2) Shall he be dealt with as mission material?" M. Rische; Committee Report on: "Meaning and Import of Ordination." Ordination.

A. Nicolaus, Sec'y.

## ROSEBUD DELEGATE CONFERENCE

The Rosebud Delegate Conference of the Nebraska District will meet at Carlock, South Dakota (S. Kugler, pastor), October 12 and 13, 1943, at 10 A. M., C. W. T. Papers: The Lord's Prayer, L. Groth; Isaiah 6, S. Kugler;

1 Timothy 2, W. Oelhafen; Problem of Cursing and Swearing, R. Stiemke; Using Witchcraft or Practicing Superstition, H.

Speaker: N. Sauer (Ellwein).

Wm. Neujahr, Sec'y.

#### CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEBRASKA DISTRICT

The Central Conference will meet on October 28 and 29, at 1105 S. Cornelia Street, Sioux City 20, Iowa.

Early registration stating time of arrival, is requested by

the host pastor, Rev. Lee Sabrowsky.

Ray Brei, Sec'y.

#### CENTRAL CONFERENCE

The Central Conference will convene at Friesland, Wisconsin (Walter Krueger, pastor), October 26 and 27, 1943.
Order of Business: Tuesday, 10 A. M., Opening and Roll Order of Business: Tuesday, 10 A. M., Opening and Roll Call. 10:15, Exegesis of Galatians (chapt. 3, 1-14), Prof. M. Franzmann. 11:45, Financial Report by Pastor M. Raasch. 1:30, Opening. 1:45, The Pastor As Shepherd According to John 21, 15-17, Pastor I. G. Uetzmann. 3:00, Is it Divisive of Church Fellowship to Deny that the Pope is the Anti-Christ?, Pastor F. Loeper. — Wednesday, 9:00, Opening. 9:15, Report of Committee on Lodges, Spiritual Welfare Commission. 1:30, Opening. 1:45, Interpretation of Common Service, the Order of Holy Communion, Pastor K. Timmel. 3:00 Business and Pastoral Problems.

Sermon (English): H. C. Nitz, H. Warnke.

H. Geiger, Sec'y.

#### WISCONSIN STATE TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

The annual Wisconsin State Teachers' Conference will be held on Thursday and Friday, November 4 and 5, at Christ Church, Rev. H. Cares, pastor, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Please send requests for quarters promptly to Mr. E. Arndt, 1218 West Greenfield Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

#### PROGRAM

#### Thursday Morning

Inspirational Address, Rev. M. J. Nommensen; Substi-

tute, Rev. C. Lawrenz.

How Modern is Christian Education? Rev. W. Schumann;
Substitute, Why A Christian Teacher In A Christian Day
School For My Child, Dr. F. Blume.

Assignments, C. Finup; Substitute, How to Cope With

Individual Differences in Pupils, M. Dommer.

#### Thursday Afternoon

Drawing, E. Sievert; Substitute, Civics in the Grades,

M. Zahn.

The Merits and Demerits of Homework, L. Keup; Substitute, The Value of a Kindergarten for Our Schools, Miss L. Schimmelpfennig.

Choir Rehearsal, C. Wacker.

#### Friday Morning

Representative of the Dr. Martin Luther College Faculty. Comments, F. W. Meyer. Business Meeting.

#### Friday Afternoon

The Proper Use of the Law and the Gospel in the Teaching of Religion, Rev. P. Gieschen; Substitute, Biblical Antiquities, Dr. A. Klinck.

Book Review, Miss A. Sievert; Substitute, Panel Discussion, How Can We Induce More Pupils to Attend Our Christian Day Schools.

Closing Address, Rev. I. Habeck; Substitute, The Blessings of a Christian Day School, Rev. Th. Mahnke.
R. C. Jacobs, Sec'y.

#### INSTALLATIONS

Exercising authority vested in him by District President E. Behm, the undersigned on September 12 installed the Rev. T. Redlin as pastor of Friedens Ev. Lutheran Church at Wautoma, Wisconsin. Pastors F. Reier and H. Warnke assisted. May the Lord's blessing be with the pastor and his congregation.

Address: Pastor T. Redlin, Wautoma, Wisconsin. Irwin J. Habeck.

Authorized by President H. Kirchner of the Western Wisconsin District, Teacher Edgar Wehausen was installed as teacher of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Fox Lake, Wisconsin, on September 5. May the Lord who gave us our new school continue to bless us and our teacher.

Address: Mr. Edgar Wehausen, Fox Lake, Wisconsin.

A. G. Dornfeld.

Authorized by President R. O. Buerger, the undersigned installed Pastor Adalbert Schultz as missionary among the Apache Indians in the Canyon Day-Cedar Creek field on August 29, 1943. Pastor E. E. Guenther assisted.

Address: Pastor Adalbert Schultz, Whiteriver, Arizona.

Arthur P. C. Kell.

Authorized by President A. Ackermann, Candidate Richard Poetter was installed as teacher of St. John's Ev. Lutheran School, Fairfax, Minnesota, September 5, 1943, the eleventh Sunday after Trinity. The Lord bless the work Im. F. Albrecht. of His servant.

Upon authorization by President R. O. Buerger of the Southeast Wisconsin District, the undersigned installed Mr. Ferdinand Schultz as teacher of the Fairview School in Milwaukee the second Sunday after Trinity.

Address: Mr. Ferdinand Schultz, 437 South 73rd Street, Milwaukee 13, Wisconsin.

Paul A. Behn.

Complying with the request of Rev. Im. P. Frey, President of the Nebraska District, the undersigned installed Rev. E. A. Knief as pastor of Lincoln Heights Lutheran Mission, Des Moines, Iowa, on September 12, 1943, the twelfth Sunday after Trinity. May the work in this new city mission prosper under the gracious guidance and blessing of our God and Savior

Address: Rev. E. A. Knief, 3322 S. W. 8th Street, Des Moines 15, Iowa. L. Sabrowsky.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Rev. Harold A. Hempel, 119 N. Court Street, Pope County, Glenwood, Minnesota.

Rev. Martin F. Sauer, emer., 2837 South Lenox Street, Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin.

#### NOTICE

Any mission congregation in need of an altar (white, size 6'×11') and a baptismal font, kindly communicate with the undersigned.

Rev. Norman Schlavensky, Route 2, Box 81, Peshtigo, Wisconsin.



## MISSION FESTIVALS

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"GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD"

Trinity Sunday

St. Luke's Congregation, Germantown T. T., So. Dak. Offering: \$90.10. Chas. E. Found, pastor. St. Matthew's Church, Danube, Minnesota. Offering: \$758.41. W. J. Schmidt, pastor.

First Sunday after Trinity

St. John's Church, Town Helen, McLeod County, Minn. Offering: \$267.65. H. H. Schaller, pastor.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Zion Church, Broomfield, Isabella Co., Michigan. Offering: \$112.05. D. Metzger, pastor.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

St. John's Church, Shennington, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$54.00. G. H. Geiger, pastor.
St. John's Church, Oakwood, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$294.43. M. F. Plass, pastor.
Peace Church, Wilmot, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$247.04. R. P. Otto, pastor.
St. Matthew's Church, St. Charles, Minnesota.
Offering: \$180.00. H. Kuckhahn, pastor.
Zion Church, Chesaning, Michigan.
Offering: \$349.95. Roland H. Hoenecke, pasto Zion Church, Chesaning, Michigan.
Offering: \$349.95. Roland H. Hoenecke, pastor.
Immanuel's Church, Medford, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$429.07. R. W. Mueller, pastor.
St. John's Church, Wrightstown, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$185.40. F. C. Uetzmann, pastor.
St. Peter's Church, Indian Creek, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$266.46. Frederic Gilbert, pastor.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Our Redeemer Church, Wabasha, Minnesota.
Offering: \$58.43. H. F. Muenkel, pastor.
Zion's Church, Bruce, South Dakota.
Offering: \$66.50. H. C. Buch, pastor.
Immanuel Church, Globe, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$228.61. Adolph Schumann, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Manistee, Michigan.
Offering: \$108.00. E. E. Rupp, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Town Herman, Sheboygan Co., Wis.
Offering: \$175.88. H. A. Kuether, pastor.
Belleview Church, Buckeye Township, Illinois.
Offering: \$50.00. Erwin Schewe, pastor.
Salem's Church, Veefkind, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$93.11. L. Lambert, pastor.
Trinity Church, Raymond Twp., Franksville, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$158.70. G. E. Schmeling, pastor. Our Redeemer Church, Wabasha, Minnesota. Offering: \$58.43. H. F. Muenkel, pastor.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

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Zion Church, Garrison, Nebraska.
Offering: \$146.50. H. H. Spaude, pastor.
St. Luke's Church, Town Knapp, Jackson Co., Wisconsin.
Offering: \$65.90. G. H. Geiger, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Platteville, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$92.84. Fritz H. Miller, pastor.
Immanuel Church, Paris Twp., Franksville, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$100.20. G. E. Schmeling, pastor.
St. John's Church, Sterling, Michigan.
Offering: \$115.00. J. R. Zink, pastor.
Trinity Church, Lime Ridge, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$172.35. A. H. Dobberstein, pastor.
St. Peter's Church, Eldorado, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$89.58. W. A. Wojahn, pastor.

#### Ninth Sunday after Trinity

courtland Church, Courtland, Minnesota. Offering: \$128.92. M. C. Kunde, pastor. St. Peter's Church, Brodhead, Wisconsin. Offering: \$42.62. Erwin Schewe, pastor. St. Paul's Church, Norfolk, Nebraska. Offering: \$765.71. W. W. Gieschen, pastor. St. John's Church, Salemville, Wisconsin. Offering: \$85.60. T. W. Redlin, pastor. Martin Luther Church, Neenah, Wisconsin. Offering: \$51.50. A. F. W. Geiger, pastor. St. Paul's Church, Hustler, Wisconsin. Offering: \$132.24. Frederic Gilbert, pastor. Peace Church, Carlock, South Dakota. Offering: \$121.20. S. Kugler, pastor.

#### Tenth Sunday after Trinity

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St. Paul's Church, Argo Twp., South Dakota.
Offering: \$110.00. R. A. Kettenacker, pastor.
Grace Church, Yakima, Washington.
Offering: \$244.00. T. R. Adascheck, pastor.
St. John's Church, St. Clair, Minnesota.
Offering: \$181.72. A. H. Mackdanz, pastor.
Zion Church, Town Omro, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$49.50. O. Hoyer, pastor.
Grace Church, Burke, South Dakota.
Offering: \$138.30. S. Kugler, pastor.
Zion's Church, Town of Leeds, Col. Co., Wisconsin.
Offering: \$314.35. H. Geiger, pastor.
Trinity Church, Omak, Washington.
Offering: \$107.89. W. Amacher, pastor.
Zion Church, Clatonia, Nebraska. Offering: \$107.89. W. Amacher, pastor.
Zion Church, Clatonia, Nebraska.
Offering: \$585.31. E. C. Monhardt, pastor.
Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Jamestown, No. Dak.
Offering: \$176.15. O. W. Heier, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Winneconne, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$113.00. O. Hoyer, pastor.

#### Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

St. Markus Church, Town Lebanon Dodge Co., Ixonia, Offering: \$119.20. Eldor A. Toepel, pastor. Offering: \$119.20. Eldor A. Toepel, pastor. Andrew-Grace Church, Town Maine, Marathon Co., Wis. Offering: \$264.57. M. F. Liesener, pastor. First Lutheran Church, Windsor, North Dakota. Offering: \$58.60. O. W. Heier, pastor. St. John's Church, Herrick, South Dakota. Offering: \$169.10. S. Kugler, pastor. St. Paul's Church, Hazelton, North Dakota. Offering: \$410.66. G. J. Ehlert, pastor. St. Paul's Church, North Freedom, Wisconsin. Offering: \$251.71. A. W. Loock, pastor. St. Jacob's Church, Grass Lake, Michigan. Offering: \$167.00. H. A. Muehl, pastor.

#### Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Trinity Church, Ellington, Wisconsin. Offering: \$215.50. Emil Redlin, pastor. Offering: \$215.50. Emil Redlin, pastor.
Zion Church, Akaska, South Dakota.
Offering: \$156.65. B. A. Borgschatz, pastor.
Emmanuel Church, Town Herman, Dodge County, Wis.
Offering: \$177.33. A. C. Schewe, pastor.
Zion Church, Town Theresa, Dodge County, Wis.
Offering: \$102.68. A. C. Schewe, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Ixonia, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$453.24. E. M. Schroeder, pastor.
St. Paul's Church, Remus, Michigan.
Offering: \$166.00. D. Metzger, pastor.
Immanuel Church, South Shore, South Dakota.
Offering: \$122.24. Chas. E. Found, pastor. St. Paul's Church, Naper, Nebraska.
Offering: \$182.16. N. E. Sauer, pastor.
St. Peter's Church, Helenville, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$401.12. Edw. C. Fredrich, pastor.
Zum Kripplein Christi Church, Town Herman, Dodge Co., Wisconsin.
Offering: \$230.00. G. Bradtke, pastor.

#### **BOOK REVIEW**

The Heritage of the Reformation prepared by Dr. J. M. Weidenschilling. Print, Concordia Publishing House. Price, 5 cents each; 50 cents a dozen; \$3.50 per hundred. Those who are looking for material for a Reformation program or service for children will find what they want in this booklet. It is arranged so that it may be assigned to groups or individuals.

Annotated Pocket New Testament by Theodore Graebner.
Print, Concordia Publishing House. Pages, 45.

This pamphlet contains the second Epistle to the Corinns and the Epistle to the Galatians. What we have said thians and the Epistle to the Galatians. What we have said of this effort to present to our people a Bible with notes is true of this volume. We hold that in the measure that this venture will make Bible reading and understanding easier for our Bible, it is a welcomed addition on the book market.

Lutheran Confessional Theology by C. H. Little, D. D., S. T. D. Print, Concordia Publishing House. Price, \$1.25.

This volume contains an exposition of the Augsburg Confession and the Formula of Concord. As we understand it, this book was written especially for the laity of the church to give them a better understanding of the great confessional writings of the Lutheran Church. It will well serve this purpose and laymen will do well to have this book in the home.

W. J. S.

#### TREASURER'S STATEMENT July 1, 1943 to August 31, 1943 Receipts

Receipts	
Cash Balance July 1, 1943	\$ 39,788.26
Budgetary Collections:	
General Administration\$ 19,906.23	
Educational Institutions 5,160.01 Home for the Aged 879.05	
Spiritual Welfare Commission 3,545.88	
For Other Missions	
Indigent Students 207.81 General Support 808.58	
School Supervision	
To Retire Debt	
Revenues	
Total Budgetary Coll. and Revenues\$ 57,501.45	
Non-Budgetary Receipts:	
U. S. Govn. Bonds Matured\$ 19,981.00 From Debt Retirement Committee 21,000.00	
Miscellaneous	
Total Receipts	\$ 98,502.25
	\$138,290.51

#### Disbursements

Disbursements	
Budgetary Disbursements:	
General Administration\$	6,715.12
Theological Seminary	2,960.44
Northwestern College	6,707.12
Dr. Martin Luther College	9,545.74
Michigan Lutheran Seminary	4,678.04
Northwestern Lutheran Academy	2,104.61
Home for the Aged	1,859.65
Missions — General Administration	8.66
Indian Missions	4,743.41
Negro Missions	15,207.90
Home Missions	30,171.31
Poland Mission	1,180.85

Madison Student Mission Spiritual Welfare Commission General Support School Supervision	4,762.47 3,889.00		H. G. Froese, Davisville, R. I	2.00 5.00 5.00 1.00	3 15	4.00
Total Budgetary Disbursements		\$ 95,317.66	For Mission	100.00		
Cash Balance August 31, 1943		\$ 42,972.85	N. N., Michigan\$ N. N., South Milwaukee	2.00	10	2.00
Allotment Stateme			C. J. NIEDFELI	\$		2.00
Districts Comm.	Receipts	Allotment \$ 642.00	C. J. NIEDFELI	)1, 11ca	surcr.	
Nebraska       4,715         Michigan       16,980         Dakota-Montana       5,586         Minnesota       34,014	\$ 167.48 993.94 4,672.95 3,489.45 14,580.00 8,707.92	\$ 642.00 2,829.00 10,188.00 3,351.60 20,408.40 23,762.40	DAKOTA-MONTANA DISTRIC July 5, 1942 to June 30, 1943 Eastern Conference		Nor Budge	
North Wisconsin	10,950.38 9,790.65	24,852.00 27,268.20	H. Schultz, Altamont\$ R. Bretzmann, Arco R. Kettenacker, Argo Twp H. Buch, Aurora	186.45 $307.12$		
Total 188,836	\$ 53,352.77	\$113,301.60	H. Buch, Bruce. K. Bast, Carpenter. W. Zickuhr, Clark	$147.45 \\ 5.00 \\ 99.40$		2.00
Districts Deficit Pacific Northwest\$ 474.52 Nebraska 1,835.06	Surplus	Percent of Allotment 26.08% 35.13%	H. Schultz, Clear Lake	225.06 $6.30$ $221.46$ $597.95$		7.00 5.00
Michigan	127.05	45.86%	E. Bode, Estelline	143.87 134.16	,	4.00 27.00
Dakota-Montana	137.85	104.11% 71.44%	W. Lange, Gary. C. Found, Germantown W. Dorn, Goodwin.	292.11 $246.48$ $327.06$	-	2.00
North Wisconsin       15,054.48         West Wisconsin       13,901.62         Southeast Wisconsin       17,477.55		36.64% 44.06% 35.90%	W. Sprengeler, Grover B. Hahm, Hague Twp.	1,034.90 294.24 187.27 371.74	1	28.00
Total\$ 60,086.68	\$ 137.85	47.08%	B. Hahm, Henry R. Bretzmann, Hendricks R. Kettenacker, Hidewood Twp	334.42 396.11		2.00
Collections for Cha			H. Schnitker, Mazeppa Twp	215.90 637.76		12.00 $10.50$
Cash Balance June 30, 1943	\$ 4,168.93		K. Bast, Raymond	370.41 $407.58$ $444.47$		
Collections for Chapels	76.50 1,416.92		W. Meier, Pres., Watertown W. Zickuhr, Willow Lake	965.67 $205.00$		16.00
Less Disbursements	\$ 5,662.35 200.00		Eastern Conference Total Western Conference		\$ 13	83.45
Available for Loans August 31, 1943		\$ 5,462.35	B. Borgschatz, AkaskaA. Schuetze, Athboy	289.93 $59.91$ $127.88$		
P. S. Requisition for August operati Northwestern College was not	on expense	s, from the in time for	R. Reede, Bison. P. Albrecht, Bowdle. A. Hoff, Brockway O. Lemke, Burt.	646.46 80.00		
this report.  C. J. NIEDF	ELDT, Tr -	easurer.	A. Sippert, Carrington H. Mutterer, Carson B. Borgschatz, Cheyenne Agency	$   \begin{array}{r}     34.27 \\     45.00 \\     3.60 \\     117.06   \end{array} $		
DONATIONS SENT DI TO TREASURER'S C			A. Hoff, Circle R. Reede, Date H. Russow, Dupree. O. Lemke, Elgin	75.00 58.25 394.00 130.95		
July 31, 1943 to August	31, 1943		H. Russow, Faith H. Birner, Faulkton H. Mutterer, Flasher	103.22 36.00		
For Spiritual Welfare Co	mmission		A. Hellmann, Gale	65.59 $453.96$		
S/Sgt. Cliff. E. Wahl, New Orleans Miss Emma Krueger, Barron, Wis	. 5.00		W. Herrmann, Hague	257.53 343.87 71.81		
Pfs. Orville W. Lillge, New York Mr. A. R. Sielaff, Milwaukee, Wis	1.00		R. Reim, Hettinger H. Birner, Ipswich	113.15 217.89		
Mrs. Charles Genger, Milwaukee, Wis Mrs. Bruce Cameron, Crystal Falls	. 1.00		O. Heier, Jamestown	462.65 $117.00$		11.50
Dest W E Bandomir and Mrs. W. E			H. Rutz, Lemmon	225.72 166.13		
Bandomir, Wauwatosa, Wis	10.00		J. Bade, Marmarth W. Wiedenmeier, Morristown	75.00 $198.02$ $106.80$		
Cpl. C. O. Ziebell, Camp Wallace Tex	5.00		W. Wiedenmeier, Miner	4.49 $558.51$		
Pvt. Oliver Seefeld, Sarasota, Florida Donald Schaller, New York, N. Y	a 2.00		A. Hellmann, Mound City	$\frac{229.79}{176.73}$		
Sort Otto C Wege Prote, Texas	10.00		A. Birner, Paradise	32.67 40.07		
Pfc. R. E. Busiahn, Sioux Falls, S. D Cpl. D. H. Rieke, San Francisco, Cal	. 5.00		W. TenBroek, Rapid City	146.41 3.00		
Pfc. Norman A. Hertzfeld, Ft. Stags	5.00		H. Lau, Roscoe	1,095.59 12.70		2.50
Apache Indian Group, c-o Rev. A. M Uplegger, San Carlos, Ariz.			A. Eberhardt, Sturgis. E. Mehlberg, Tappen. P. Albrecht, Theodore.	$   \begin{array}{r}     65.44 \\     376.38 \\     172.82   \end{array} $		
Dfo Wilbert A Hermel Camp McCo	y 5.00		B. Borgschatz, Tolstoy	108.08 47.65		
Pfc. D. M. Petersen, Camp Philip Put R A Nesvacil Camp Crowder	2.00		K. Sievert, vac., Trail City	171.42 $190.27$		
St. John's Lutheran Church, Union, III	10.00		J. Wendland, Valley City	101.44 $101.32$ $92.35$		4.00
Sgt. W. R. Falk, New York City, N. Y Mr. A. W. Coppens, Fond du Lac	. 15.00		O. Heier, Windsor W. Herrmann, Zeeland			10.00
Pfc. Roy Krug, Savannah, Ill Trinity Luth. Mission Soc., Marinett	1.00		Western Conference Total			18.00
Miss Ido Kuehl Neenah Wis	3.00		District Total	District T	reasure	
Pfc. Geo. Loehr, Great Bend, Kansa	s 3.00	.00				