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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." 1 KINGS 8:57

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Whosoever Drinketh Of The Water That I
Shall Give Him Shall Never Thirst

John 4:15

THE CHRISTIAN

THE CALL INTO SERVICE

Trinity V

Gospel The Lord Jesus calls Simon Peter, the fisherman, to become a fisher of men for God's kingdom. Before Peter is ready for such a trying task he must be fully convinced of the power of Christ's Word by which souls are saved. The goodness of God in the miraculous draught of fishes (Romans 2, 4) brings Peter to repentance: "Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord." So in the full knowledge of his own worthlessness he is now ready to be sent by His mighty Lord to preach the Gospel by means of which alone men can be caught and saved.

Epistle Many years after his entrance into the service of the Lord Peter reveals the heart and mind of all who by the grace of God were called to saving faith and are privileged to serve the Lord in this evil world. Their attitude toward their brethren will be that of compassion and goodness, — toward the unbelieving world it will be one of fearless and patient zeal in doing God's will.

Introit Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice: Thou hast been my help. Leave me not, neither forsake me: O God of my salvation. The Lord is my Light and my Salvation: whom shall I fear? — "O God, Who hast prepared for them that love Thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward Thee, that we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire." (Collect) "Behold, O God our Shield; and look upon Thy servants. O Lord God of hosts: hear our prayer. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! The king shall joy in Thy strength: and in Thy salvation, how greatly shall he rejoice. Hallelujah. (Gradual — Psalms 84, 21, 1.)

Knowing Thee and Thy salvation,
Grateful love dare never cease
To proclaim Thy tender mercies,
Gracious Lord, Thy heavenly peace.
Sound we forth the gospel tidings
To the earth's remotest bound
That the sinner has been pardoned
And forgiveness can be found.
(L. H. 498)

THE NEW LIFE

THE BETTER RIGHTEOUSNESS

Trinity VI

Gospel The Triune God is the author and giver of all good things. He is the saving strength of His anointed. — To be admitted into God's Kingdom a righteousness is needed which surpasses the righteousness of the best people on earth. The righteousness of those who believe that they are keeping the commandments of God is either hypocrisy or reveals a lack of knowledge of the real demands of God's law. God has appropriated to the believer the righteousness of Christ, which alone is perfect and admits sinful man into the Kingdom of heaven. This righteousness produces a new spiritual life — a life of sincere love to God and our fellowmen.

Epistle We are buried with Christ by baptism into death, that like as He was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in the newness of life. By baptism God has freed us from the curse and power of sin and has thereby created in us a new life. By His death Jesus destroyed sin and by His resurrection He brought us the victory over death. This victory is made ours in baptism. Sin and death no more have dominion over us; the decisive victory is won. Our task is now to prevent sin from usurping the throne in our lives again. The strength for this task is given us by the living Christ through the Gospel and Sacraments.

Introit The Lord is the Strength of His people: He is the saving Strength of His anointed. Save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance; feed them also and lift them up forever. Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord, my Rock; be not silent unto me: lest, if Thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit." Lord of all power and might, who art the Author and Giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of Thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Thy mercy

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THE NEW LIFE

SERVANTS TO RIGHTEOUSNESS

Trinity VII

Gospel In the miracle of the feeding of the four thousand the Lord gives us a practical example of His injunction: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you" (Mt. 6, 33). Upon the multitude that concerned itself primarily with the learning of God's Word, the Lord Jesus had compassion and supplied them also with such things which they need for their temporal welfare. The Christian always seeks first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and the bread question second. We may then rest assured of the Lord's compassion with our bodily needs and of His power to supply us with those temporal things which are good for us.

Epistle For as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity, unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness. When we were in sin, we had no will to avoid sin and uncleanness, which are an abomination in God's sight and of which the end is death. Now having been freed from sin the believer has become a servant of God. God sanctifies him: produces such works of righteousness in the Christian which please the Lord — and at the end graciously gives him eternal life.

Introit O clasp your hands: all ye people. Shout unto God: with the voice He shall subdue the people under us and the nations under our feet. "O God, Whose never-failing Providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth: We humbly beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us." (Collect) Come ye children, hearken unto me I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Look upon Him and be lightened: and let your faces not be ashamed. Hallelujah! O, clasp your hands, all ye people: Shout unto God with the voice of triumph. Hallelujah! (Psalm 34 and 47. Gradual)

G. W. F.

Editorials

A Problem Of The Day The desire for higher education has reached a new high in the United States. All universities and colleges throughout our land have reached a point of saturation such as they have never experienced. Thousands of young people who applied for admittance had to be turned away. Much of this, of course, is due to the fact that many returned soldiers are knocking at the doors of these higher institutions of learning seeking admittance. The condition is such that many are pleading with our federal government to subsidize these schools and grant them fabulous sums of money for expansion to make it possible for them to accept and accommodate these youthful seekers after knowledge. But even this would not alleviate the present situation at this time.

But what about our own colleges and schools? The conditions there are essentially the same. Not one of our colleges has the facilities at the present time to house adequately the young people who have declared their intention to enter and prepare for work in the church. Some, no doubt, will have to be turned away. In fact, we know that one of our schools had to resort to this. Such a condition should never have been permitted to occur.

The thing that bothers us most about this condition is the fact that among the many that will enter the colleges and universities of our land will be many of our own young people, proportionately more than ever before since the G. I. Bill of Rights will give many the opportunity they would never had otherwise. The spirit of these schools will not leave them untouched; the unbelief rampant there will leave its marks. Let us by all means prepare our young people who will continue their education there for the trials they will have to face. That is the least we can do for them. Some will listen and take heed and be on their guard and come out of them, by the grace of God, unscratched. At most of our universities we have pastors and churches of our faith. Send a letter to these pastors, appraising them of the fact that John or Mary are at the school, asking them to look them up or, better still, give the young people a letter to these pastors and ask them to look up the church and the pastor. This may save some of them and keep them in touch with the church. We consider this one of the greatest problems of our day, one that we ought to be prepared to meet for the sake of the souls of those whom God has entrusted to our spiritual care.

W. J. S.

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How to Reduce a Saint to Plaster Until July 7, Rome had never canonized any citizen of the United States. That fact did not disturb

us very much. Neither does it seem that anything very important has happened now that Pope Pius XII has officially designated Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini a saint. Even though the pope spoke "infallibly," he added not a cubit to the stature of the nun who founded some sixty orphanages, schools and hospitals in the Americas before she died in Chicago in 1917. He did not remove grounds for reasonable doubt when he accepted as miraculous two alleged cures worked years after her death on persons who saw, or believed they saw, apparitions of Mother Cabrini. What he did was to create a myth, to pay a debt and to add to the income of the Vatican. The myth is that of supernatural character of a woman who worked sacrificially for a cause she believed in. The debt is the obligation owed by the church to a woman who did a great deal to preserve the adherence to Rome of thousands of Italian immigrants in this country, who accumulated a vast wealth of institutions and left behind her a missionary order of 4,000 nuns. The canonization of Mother Cabrini added to the immediate income of the church an amount estimated to be at least \$1,000,000. *Religious News Service* declares that "the process of canonizing a saint may not only take hundreds of years to complete, but is also very costly." Mother Cabrini attained sainthood so quickly because the archdiocese of Chicago, which championed her cause, is the richest in the world. Had she been alive, she would have found better uses for the money and better employment for the hundreds of ecclesiastics who used her canonization as the occasion for a junket to Rome.

— *Christian Century*.

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Search For Books The *Lutheran* reports: "Going to Scandinavia on June 28 to secure rights for American publication of European books was Dr. Carl C. Rasmussen, Gettysburg Seminary professor. Dr. Rasmussen will represent the United Lutheran Publication House. Four months will be spent by Dr. Rasmussen in a study of the current theological literature of the European countries. He will confer with authors and publishers regarding books deserving translation into English. A program of publication, expected to exceed any in previous history, is under construction. . . . New American books will be foremost on the coming publication lists, but a considerable number of translations will be included. First of these is *Road to Reformation* by Heinrich Boehmer, a life study of Martin Luther to the year 1521. It has been translated by Drs. John W. Doberstein and T. G. Tappert." If no other book is published except Boehmer's study of Luther, the Publishing House will render a valuable service to English readers.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT CONVENTION

THE fifteenth biennial convention of the Nebraska District of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States was held this year from June 19 to June 24 in the midst of the congregations at Gresham, Garrison, and Rising City, Nebraska. Each congregation played host to the convention for two days. Christian hospitality was excellently evidenced as the congregations served bountiful meals to all delegates totally free of charge for six whole days. One of the main reasons why the Nebraska District meets over Sunday for a six-day convention lies in the fact that the geographical area it covers is extremely large. If it met between Sundays, and all pastors wanted to attend all sessions, some of the pastors would have to drop services both on the Sunday before and the Sunday after the convention.

The body heard two papers, one entitled, "The History of the Lutheran Church in America, with Special Emphasis on the Union Movements from 1870 to 1890," by Pastor L. Gruendeman, and the other entitled, "The Boy Scout Movement in America," by Pastor E. Breiling. Both essayists were well acquainted with their subject and covered their respective fields very well.

Two services were held, one at Gresham with Pastor W. Wietzke filling the pulpit, and the other at Rising City with Pastor S. Kugler conducting the service. In the latter the Lord's Supper was celebrated.

The convention was privileged to have representatives of several of the standing committees of Synod in its midst. Professor E. Reim, who is a member of the Committee on Union and also of the Synodical Building Fund Committee, gave two interesting and enlightening reports on the progress of the Synod-wide thank-offering and on the latest problems confronting the Committee on Union. Teacher A. Meyer of the Sunday School Committee acquainted the body with the Sunday School literature which our Publishing House is now printing. He showed what painstaking effort the committee took to edit the Sunday School Lessons, the publication of which the last convention of Synod authorized.

The keynote of the presidential report was Paul's admonition, "Be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind." President Frey criticized the present-day trends within the church to compromise Christian doctrines and principles in an effort to escape the charge of religious isolationism and separatism and to avoid the hostility of the world. He urged all to let Christ's Word be their sole guide in life and thus resist the pressure of the world on the church to adopt the world's philosophy of life. In the statistical section of his report he called attention to the functioning of the Teachers' Conference since its creation within the district two years ago.

Two pastors, one teacher, and two congregations were received as new members of the district.

The standing committees of the district gave their various reports, which were then adequately discussed. Particularly heartening was the report of the Mission Board, for it showed that fine progress was made in the mission fields in spite of the housing problem with which a goodly number of the missionaries had to contend. The housing problem is not solved, but at present no missionary's family has

to be broken up on account of the inability of the missionary to find a place to live.

The convention resolved to assume the district's fair share of the Building Fund Drive on the basis of its 1944 communicant list and to make every effort to reach its goal by Thanksgiving Day of this year. The district also decided to memorialize Synod to establish an academy in its midst at the earliest possible time.

Election results showed the retention of practically all officers of the district.

President: Pastor Im. P. Frey.

First Vice-President: Pastor L. Tessmer.

Second Vice-President: Pastor W. Wietzke.

Secretary: Pastor A. Degner.

Treasurer: Mr. D. Moll.

Recording Secretary: Pastor H. Schulz.

Mission Board: Pastors E. Hahn, H. Fritze, and L. Sabrowsky; Teacher F. Eggers, and Mr. E. Martin.

School Board: Pastors H. Hackbarth and L. Gruendeman, and Teacher W. Neujahr.

Board of Support: Pastor H. Spaude and Teacher T. Schmidt.

E. A. KNIEF.

THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST DISTRICT CONVENTION

AFTER an opening service at 2:00 P. M., June 28, conducted by Rev. A. Sydow, local pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Tacoma, President F. E. Stern called to order the regular biennial convention of the Pacific Northwest District, and business got under way with local reports and the reports contained in the General President's report being assigned to committees for consideration. All of our seventeen pastors answered the roll call. Thirteen official lay delegates and the district Treasurer were also present.

The convention was privileged to hear an essay, "How are Children Best Reared So That They May Grow in Wisdom and

Truth," by Mr. F. W. Meyer, Executive Secretary of our Synod's Board of Education. Mr. Meyer also presented and explained the new Sunday School Lessons which are being prepared by a special committee of our synod. The essay provoked much discussion, and without doubt furthered our already awakening interest in this urgent matter of maintaining our own Christian Day Schools. In this connection the convention also discussed the matter of a Lutheran High School for our district and set up a committee to survey the possibilities of starting such an institution.

On Tuesday evening the convention service was held at which the pastors par-

book of Holy Communion. Pastor Stern delivered the sermon on a text from Exodus 14, 15, "And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto Me? Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward."

Election results: President, Rev. W. Lueckel; First Vice-President, Rev. F. Tiefel; Second Vice-President, Rev. E. Zimmermann; Secretary, Rev. A. Eberhart; Treasurer, Mr. Henry Karg; Doctrinal Recorder, Rev. G. Frey; Visitor, Rev. E. Kirst; Mission Board, Rev. F. Tiefel and Mr. W. Hoge (four year terms); (the Mission Board elected Rev.

T. Adascheck chairman); Board of Support, Rev. E. Kirst and Mr. G. Winkler; Auditing Committee, Mr. J. Woehlert, Mr. L. Schroeder, Mr. H. Voderberg; School Committee, Rev. E. Kirst and Rev. E. Zimmermann. Delegates to the Synodical Conference this year and the Joint Synod next year were also chosen.

We had an enjoyable convention. The weather was fine — also the scenery. Thanks to the generous hospitality of the St. Paul's Congregation, splendid food and lodging were provided without charge for anyone. May the blessing of the Lord rest upon our deliberations.

G. SYDOW.

NORTH WISCONSIN DISTRICT CONVENTION

NOT as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus." Philippians 3, 12. With these words President E. G. Behm keyed the fifteenth biennial convention of the North Wisconsin District of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States assembled in regular session at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, June 10 to 13. President Behm pointed out that the running had been somewhat easier in the past biennium, that substantial progress had been made, but that we have not yet attained. There is still much work left to do in Christ's Kingdom for us, his laborers.

The opening service, in which the Rev. E. Scharf of Rhinelander preached the sermon was a communion service at which all pastors, teachers, and lay delegates in attendance partook of the sacrament. Pastor Scharf was also designated chaplain to open all sessions with a brief devotional service.

At the opening session the roll call disclosed that 98 pastors and professors, 22 teachers, 85 lay delegates, and one visiting delegate were in attendance, a total of 206. President Behm had appointed eight committees for various phases of the convention's business.

The following district officers were elected: I. J. Habeck, president; F. M. Brandt, first vice-president; E. G. Behm, second vice-president; F. A. Reier, secretary; H. J. Vogel, recording secretary; Gerald Hertzfeldt, treasurer; W. Pankow and R. Gehrke, Home Mission Board; R. E. Ziesemer and T. Boettcher, Student Support; E. Schultz, A. Herrmann, and Chas. Bohl, Auditing Committee; H. Kleinhans and M. Zahn, District Board of Support; L. Koeninger, W. Hellermann, and W. Kuehl, District School Committee.

Two timely and interesting essays were read. The first was by Dr. Henry Koch and was entitled: "The Church, Its Essence and Its Marks, Its Weapons and Its Enemies." The second essay by Rev. Oscar Siegler bore the title: "A Historical and practical Study of Some Modern Trends Confronting the Lutheran Church in America."

The convention devoted considerable time to a report on the twenty-one mission stations in our district. This number includes nineteen congregations, most of which have recently substantially reduced their subsidy, and some of which are well on the way to becoming self-supporting, and two institutional missionaries serving the state, county, and local institutions in the Fox River Valley.

Mr. F. W. Meyer, Executive Secretary

of our synod's School Committee, reported a serious shortage of teachers for our parochial schools and that the new Sunday School material published by our synod will be available in book, pamphlet, and leaflet form, and will be ready in September.

The District Treasurer's report showed that 142 congregations with a combined membership of 40,960 contributed \$302,959.63 for synodical purposes during the past biennium. This is an increase of \$68,653.44 over the previous biennium, but still represents only 92 per cent of our quota of \$4.00 annually per communicant.

Reports on all educational institutions of our synod and on Indian, Negro, African, and Polish Missions, as well as on the Spiritual Welfare Commission were presented.

Prof. E. Reim and Pastor G. Fischer distributed and explained a special mimeographed report on the Synod Building Fund. After thorough consideration the District resolved to complete the raising of its portion of this fund, which it considers to be \$245,760. Congregations which have not as yet raised their share of this sum were encouraged to do so as soon as possible. Congregations unable to reach this goal by October 1 are to explain their difficulty to the respective visitor, who is then expected to assist in completing the project. The opinion was included in the resolution that congregations failing to raise their share by October 1 ought to borrow the balance, so that the collection can be completed and the building program begun.

Upon recommendation of the membership committee 11 pastors, 5 teachers, and 7 congregations were received into membership in the District.

Appreciative of the generous hospitality of St. Peter's Congregation and its pastors, G. Pieper and G. E. Bergemann, the convention closed Thursday afternoon, the closing service having been held Wednesday evening, at which the Rev. Harold Kleinhans of Oshkosh preached the sermon.

HEINRICH J. VOGEL.

Siftings

BY THE EDITOR

After A Long Delay the remaining four of six American Protestant missionaries selected by the Foreign Missions Conference to return to Japan have secured permission for their voyage. They are scheduled to sail June 13. The first two missionaries to be permitted to leave America have arrived in Tokio. Named last December, the missionary group has been six months securing government permission to get under way. The four sailing on June 13 are from the Congregational Evangelical and Reformed, Methodist, and Presbyterian churches. No Lutheran missionary has yet been given clearance.

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The American Bible Society has under preparation the publication of the first Braille Concordance of the Bible for the Blind. It will require ten large volumes. The Society hopes that the Concordance will be ready for distribution about July 15, 1946.

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Some Leaders in France according to *Religious News Service* are working for liberty of education in their country. A new constitution is being debated, and these leaders would like to see a paragraph incorporated which absolutely guarantees the freedom mentioned. "Leftist groups have not openly advocated abolition of church schools, but are solidly against subsidies for any but state schools."

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A Grievous Loss. Dr. Karl Martin Willkomm of the Ev. Lutheran Free Church of Germany died on June 1. It was a severe blow to this Church whose ranks were already depleted by the ravages of war. After many years in the ministry — he was ordained in 1898 — he was called as Director of the Seminary at Berlin-Zehlendorf in 1923. Here he labored for many years as teacher, editor, and author. Recently he was one of the leaders in conferences with other free churches in Germany (Breslau, Han-

nover, Hesse) with a view to union. Dr. Willkomm in recent correspondence indicated that he was looking forward with pleasure to the re-opening of the Seminary at Berlin-Zehlendorf. The Lord, however, willed otherwise. Dr. Willkomm suffering for years from a heart-ailment died of a stroke. So passed away a consecrated theologian and a staunch Lutheran.

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In His Address to the annual convention of the Augustana Synod, President P. O. Bersell made a plea for Christian unity, a union which will include every denomination from Lutherans to Catholics. He also urged the formation of a Lutheran federation in America and said that "selfish interests, racial traditions, parochial prejudices, and theological hair-splitting now stand in the way. After a federation the way will lead gradually to organic unity. That consummation may take many years, even a generation, but it will come." President Bersell seems to assume that the differences separating churches is more apparent than real. For union of Lutheran bodies in America — not to mention Catholics, and other Protestant churches — *fundamental* differences must be considered, to name but one, inspiration of Scripture. When fundamental differences have been cleared up then the way is open for a God-pleasing union — and not before. To us the inspiration of Scripture is not "theological hair-splitting."

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The State Supreme Court of Appeals in Virginia has ruled that a Virginia court cannot order anyone to attend Sunday school or church. Two delinquent boys had been ordered by a lower court to attend Sunday school and church, to be at home by 9:30 P. M., and to refrain from driving automobiles for one year. The higher court said: "No civil authority has the right to require anyone to accept or reject any religious belief or to contribute any support thereto. The growth of religion is not made dependent

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on force or alliance with the State." A consistent supporter of separation of church and state cannot but agree with the court's decision.

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Church State Issue in Wisconsin. Under this title the *Christian Century* published an editorial which condemned Joint Resolution 19-S, a proposed amendment to the state constitution, which will permit the state to provide transportation for any parochial or private school. This bill will be presented to the people of Wisconsin by referendum in the November elections. The author of the article, Charles R. Bell, opposes the bill on three counts. He first asks these vexing questions: "If a church school is to receive aid on the ground that members of the church pay taxes, then there is certainly no sound reason why other institutions supported by this same church should not receive help also. Upon what ground should a state give assistance to a school and deny help to a hospital? If children ought to be given transportation by the state, then the state might as well also see to it that a good roof is over their heads. And if one step is taken why not another? What is to prevent the church from asking the state to pay the salaries of the nuns and priests, who do the teaching?" For his second objection he lays down this axiom: "Wherever the state furnishes financial help, it is not long before the state begins to exercise control." Finally, the author claims, "It would be possible for this new instrument in the hands of the church to be turned into some evil. . . . One can imagine, for example, the financial pressure that might be brought by the church already established in a small town against any other churches coming in. Think of the efforts that might be made to keep some new evangelical sect out of a town on the ground that if they came in it would mean added expense to the county school bus system!" He concludes, "At the root of the whole question of state aid to religious institutions is the belief on the part of some that the church cannot survive without aid from the state. That kind of church does not deserve to live." The Rev. Charles Bell's remarks are of some significance.

TABLE OF DUTIES

For Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers

A bishop must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; not a novice; holding fast the faithful Word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers. 1 Tim. 3, 2ff.; Tit. 1, 6.

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WITH the words that a bishop must be one that ruleth well his own house Paul touches a qualification that is of utmost importance today. If there is one evil under which our time is laboring, it is the decline, almost the total collapse, of family life. Neither parents nor children seem to know their God-appointed place. Parents forget that God has assigned to them a position of authority in the house. He appointed them to be His representatives in guiding, in ruling, in training the children which He entrusted to them. If parents fail in their duty, is it any wonder if children never learn that they owe their parents respect and obedience? The family is the nucleus of the state. Every order of human society ultimately rests on the family. If, therefore, family life breaks down, we need not be surprised to see all order in the world upset.

It is not left to the choice of parents whether they prefer to coddle their children, to give them all the "rope" they want, and to let them tyrannize their surroundings; or whether they wish to assert their parental authority. God, in the Fourth Commandment, orders children to honor their fathers and their mothers, and He thereby imposes upon parents the duty to bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

A Part of the Parents' Sanctification

It may be much easier for parents to let children have their way than to correct them earnestly and instruct them

patiently. Particularly in our day it is very difficult for parents to do the proper thing. The philosophy is rampant in the world that children must be given an opportunity to express themselves without restraint. To direct the activities and the manners of children into the right forms by more than mild advice is regarded as stunting their character.

This philosophy totally disregards the fact of original sin. All children who since the fall of Adam have been born naturally into this world, have been conceived and born in sin. Their heart is corrupt, and every imagination of the thoughts of their heart is only evil continually. Give a child that is tainted with original sin the opportunity for self-expression, and it will without fail be original sin that expresses itself, and sin will grow intensively and extensively by such self-expression. But the proponents of this philosophy refuse to admit original sin. They maintain that children are innocent by nature. If they are only placed into the right environment, and if there are set before them living examples of the correct conduct, then they will express and improve their inbred goodness, and will grow up to be virtuous men and women.

This philosophy, as anti-Biblical as it is, makes its influence felt also in the homes and hearts of Christians. It is being dinned constantly into their ears by the press, by the radio, from the platform, so that it is difficult to escape its magic. It becomes the special task of Christian parents to resist the temptation and to make earnest efforts at asserting their parental authority. This is simply a part of their sanctification. God has placed them into the position of parents: He thereby gives them this special opportunity to show their appreciation of the forgiveness of their sins by properly ruling their own children. If they are remiss in their task, they are failing in their sanctification.

The Pastor's Task in This Matter

Just as Paul testified to the elders of Ephesus concerning his own labors in their midst: "I have not shunned to

declare unto you all the counsel of God" (Acts 20, 27); and at another place in the same farewell address: "I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have showed you and have taught you publicly and from house to house": just so must every pastor teach and train his flock in all the ways of God. It is not enough that he declare the forgiveness of sins to them for Jesus' sake; nor is it sufficient that in a general way he admonish them to walk as worthy of the great calling wherewith they have been called: he must point out in detail and with application to each individual what in any particular case are the fruits meet for repentance.

This includes, especially under present-day conditions, that he clearly point out what God's will is concerning family life and concerning the duties of parents toward their children. He must counsel and urge his members to show that they are reborn children of God in that they do not conform to the warped ideas of the world, but devote themselves wholeheartedly to their God-given task.

The Pastor's Example

No matter how earnest and how clear a pastor's teaching may be, it will lose much of its effectiveness if it is not supported by his example. For that reason Paul enumerates among the necessary qualifications of a bishop that he must be "one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity." Paul naturally does not want to say that every pastor must have children, that a childless man cannot serve as pastor. What he wants to inculcate is that a pastor, if he has children, must devote his first attention to their proper training. He dare not plead that the duties of his office in the church prevent him from devoting himself to his own children, rather, one of his first duties as a pastor is that he shows his greatest concern toward his own family.

In our day it is the rule that graduates from our seminaries are called at once into the ministry. They are then, with very few exceptions, still unmarried, so that this qualification of "ruling well their own house" cannot be checked. In Paul's day it was different. Then the men chosen for the ministry were "elder" persons, who as a rule had families. But the

demand of God still stands. Every pastor, when founding a family, must strive to be a good head of his own house, commanding the respect of his children. "With all gravity" Paul says. He does not say, With austere sternness. It is the very opposite of "gravity" if a person rules like an autocrat and a tyrant. This would be what Paul calls "provoking the children to wrath" (Eph. 6, 4). A father must be firm, but his firmness must be tempered with fairness and love.

"Black Sheep" in Pastors' Families

A pastor's children are not different by nature from any other children. They were conceived and born in sin. They have an Old Adam to trouble them just like all children that since the fall of Adam have been born naturally into this world. It is a great mistake, that will work much harm, if Christians expect the children of their pastors to be born saints.

Moreover, in addition to their inborn depravity and their natural averseness to correction and instruction by the Word of God, pastor's children are exposed to much severer temptations than other children. It is a matter of wide experience that some people seem to take a special delight in leading a pastor's child into mischief. The devil also, in order to discredit the Ministry, will make special efforts to seduce pastors' children. Thus pastors' children, just like the pastors themselves, need the support by fervent prayers of all members of the church.

In spite of all efforts there will be "black sheep" among pastors' children. Since the day that sin entered into the world there have been "black sheep". Adam and Eve had their Cain. David had his Absalom. Even among the disciples of our Lord there was a Judas Iscariot. In many cases the parents may be to blame, as Eli, who did not properly correct his sons (1 Sam. 2, 12-17. 22ff.). David had sinned grievously against the Lord when he committed adultery with Bathsheba and murdered her husband Uriah. Then the Lord had threatened as a heavy cross for David that He would raise up evil out of his own house (2 Sam 12, 11). Even when parents may not be to blame directly by some special sin, "black sheep" are always a heavy cross for pious fathers and mothers. If

a pastor who has been faithful in his efforts of training his children with all gravity is burdened with the cross of a "black sheep" among his children, he should receive the sympathy and intercessory prayers from his members.

A Conclusion From the Lesser to the Greater

To show how important it is that a pastor rule well his own house, that a person who fails in this respect cannot qualify as a pastor, Paul adds a remark (which is not found in our Catechism). He says: "For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?" (1 Tim. 3, 5).

The problems that arise in a family, as every father knows, are not always simple and easy. Yet they are limited

to a smaller circle. A congregation, embracing many families with no two exactly alike, naturally increases the problems manifold. Now Paul reasons that if a man is baffled by the comparatively few and simple problems of discipline and the like in a single family, how can he be able to administer properly a whole congregation so that the church of God be built up as God expects, and blood-bought souls be nourished and guided on their way to heaven?

Let every Christian in our day be faithful in ruling well his own house having his children in subjection with all gravity. And let pastors instruct their members by word and by example. And may the Lord pardon our past shortcomings and continue to bless us.

J. P. M.

NEWS FROM OUR FORMER POLAND MISSION

Our Present Personnel

WHAT has become of our former Poland Mission? We all know that the pastors and people of our Mission in Poland were driven out of their country and are now scattered throughout the various zones of military occupation in Germany. How are they faring there? We know from their letters and other sources, too, that they are in dire need. It could not be otherwise. They lost everything, when suddenly, unexpectedly, they were forced to flee the land of their birth. What are they doing today? Has their work, our work, now ceased? Not at all. We are able to tell you, that our missionaries, faithfully and fully, are doing the work for which the Lord and His Church has called them. True, they are not active in the old sphere. The scenes of their labor have shifted. This, however, the scene of activity, in itself is of small moment. We rejoice in this that our missionaries are doing that one work which so deeply and completely concerns us, the work for which we have called them and in which we labor together with them in the Lord — mission work. Permit us to bring you up to date in the history of our Poland Mission.

It is only proper to present to you, first of all, the present personnel of our mission. At the present time seven pastors are active in this mission. We mention first the Director of this mission, Pastor Wm. G. Bodamer. At this date he is still in this country. It is our fond and fervent hope, however, that presently he will be on his way to join his co-workers for a time and counsel with them. Six pastors are active in Germany, in the American, British, and Russian zones. These six pastors are mentioned in a report on a Pastoral Conference held in Memmingen, Germany, February 22-26, 1946. Four pastors, Gustav Maliszewski, Armin Schlender, Alfons Wagner, and Leopold Zielke were in attendance at this conference. Two pastors, August Lerle and Helmuth Schlender, living in the Russian zone, could not attend the conference. They could not obtain the necessary permits for travel. Three pastors, then, are missing from the ranks of our workers. Pastor Alfred Reit died in action. Pastor A. Napp is listed as missing in action. Pastor Henry Mueller died following an operation February 10,

1946, at Varel, Oldenburg, Germany. Our present personnel: Pastors Wm. G. Bodamer, Gustav Maliszewski, Armin Schlender, Alfons Wagner, Leopold Zielke, August Lerle, and Helmuth Schlender.

Their Present Task

In a strange land, under still stranger circumstances, our pastors are not inactive. Fact is, that in spite of all difficulties, they are doing a very intensive and highly blessed work. They do not work haphazard. On the contrary, it is a well considered and planned work. At the sessions of the Pastoral Conference at Memmingen the task confronting our missionaries was prayerfully considered. After thorough deliberations, evidencing a consuming love for souls, it was resolved, in the fear of the Lord, to seek and to serve the scattered people of our mission, some 5,000 in number, and, wherever possible, to gather them for regular worship at definite preaching stations. The Pastoral Conference commissioned Pastor Armin Schlender for this arduous task. March 8, 1946, he cheerfully entered upon this work, directing his pastoral attention and care to refugees of our Mission in the British zone. Preaching stations were established wherever feasible. March 29 Pastor Schlender was able to report, that over 200 souls, members of our mission, had been located. Three preaching stations had been established. Pastor Leopold Zielke was commissioned to assist Pastor Schlender in his work in the British zone. At the last report ten preaching stations were being served with the Word of Life. Services are well attended. Two hundred and more have attended some services. Attending these services, joining our Mission, are many from the ranks of Polish refugees formerly not connected with our congregations. Our missionaries assure us, that the Lord has given us a new and large mission field. They express fears, that they alone, with the present personnel, will not be able to do all the work as door after door for rich mission opportunity opens to them. In their sorrow and poverty they rejoice, that the Lord has so richly blessed their labors.

Our pastors, then, already are doing the very work we intended to ask them to do. Their labor in the Lord has not been in vain. Everlasting blessings attend their work.

Their Need

As we rejoice in the blessings showered upon us, let us not be unmindful of the needs which more and more become evident as we consider the plight of our brethren and their work thus far so richly blessed. Our missionaries and the people whom they serve are in great physical need. I am sure no one will doubt this statement. It is also true that intense efforts are being put forth to relieve this physical need. We pray, that we will be able to do still more in the near future. Let us, however, ever be mindful of the need of our brethren. Let us not relax in our efforts. Let us not grow weary in the promoting and the bringing of physical help for all war sufferers. Let us, one and all, resolve to help in ever increasing volume. Let us not grow weary in well doing. "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good to all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

A mere consideration and meeting of the physical needs of our brethren, however, will not suffice. Other urgent needs are brought to our attention as our missionaries write of their present task. They do not mention these needs, but they are clearly implied. We recognize a definite need for means of transportation, something to take them from place to place, to the homes, to the preaching places. How to meet this need must be determined. Whatever may be available and practicable must be provided. Places of worship, undoubtedly, too, must be provided. The Lord will show us how. Let us, however, be resolved and ready to meet their needs as we come to their aid.

Their Hope

As we speak of the hope of our pastors and people, it must be stated, first of all, that their hope rests on their Savior-God and on Him alone. This is evident in every letter received. We hear the constant refrain: "God who has helped us hitherto, will see us through." One marvels as one notes how our missionaries have turned down assured security

for themselves in declining calls to independent congregations in Germany, unhesitatingly casting their lot with their refugee brethren. Here is living faith, unwavering trust and confidence, unselfish service and sacrifice.

Their hope in the Lord, however, is inseparably bound up with their hope in the Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States. Let us never forget this. Rightfully they look to us for help. They are ever conscious of the fact that they are our missionaries, fellow Christians, members of our synod. It is their firm resolve to maintain this relationship.

Your Executive for Poland has given (these) our brethren every assurance, that all possible help will be extended to them as speedily as possible. We have informed them, that, to this very end, we are sending a commission to Germany. Applications for passports for Pastor Wm. G. Bodamer and Arthur G. Wacker are on file with the Passport Division of the State Department. An urgent plea has been made that these passports be granted as soon as possible. Word has been received that the Passport Division has referred the applications on to the Operation Division, Adjutant General's Office, War Department, for action. Pray, that the members of this committee may soon be on their way, that the Lord may protect them on their journey and bless their words and work unto the salvation of many souls.

ALFRED F. MAAS,

Executive Secretary.

Ann Arbor, Mich., June 28, 1946.

THE NEW LIVE

(Continued from page 242)

keep us in the same." (Collect) *Return, O Lord, how long? and let it repent Thee CONCERNING Thy servants. Lord, Thou hast been our Dwelling place in all generations. Hallelujah! In Thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me not be ashamed: deliver me in Thy righteousness: bow down Thine ear to me, deliver me speedily. Hallelujah.* (Psalm 90 and 47. Gradual.) Hymn: 366, v. 6.

RELIEF PROGRAM REPORT

WE ARE REACHING THE BRETHREN!

THE members of our synod know from our announcements and the literature sent out by us, that our first and foremost concern has been to reach our brethren in the faith in Europe, the members of our former Poland Mission.

We are happy to report that we have made contact with some of these displaced brethren. Having secured their addresses, we placed an order on July 13 with C-A-R-E (Cooperative American Remittances for Europe) for packages of foodstuffs, which will be sent directly to the individual brethren whose addresses we have. Thirty-nine such orders were placed, totaling \$1,110.00.

We shall not consume space here to describe our arrangement with C-A-R-E; that information is being sent to each congregation by means of a letter from our committee.

We do, however, desire to appeal to the members of our synod to give this relief program their whole-hearted support. In this connection we should like to quote from an appeal in St. Peter's (Milwaukee) *Messenger*: "Everybody remember, we are trying to come to the assistance, first of all, of our brethren in the faith who appealed to us for help. If our help spills over to others who are needy, no harm is done."

The treasurer of our committee has received a total of \$73,150.00 up to July 13. A number of congregations have averaged as much as \$10.00 per communicant for this purpose. It is interesting to note that these same congregations have met both their regular synodical budgetary remittances as well as their building fund quota. We are reminded of God's promise: "Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Galatians 6, 9.

It can also be reported that 241 congregations have shipped a total of 130,642 pounds of clothing for general relief, as of July 13. Quite likely all congregations which have sent clothing have not reported the poundage to the secretary of our committee. We urge them to do so.

Detailed information on the manner in which members of our congregations may send food packages to individual addresses in the American Zone in Germany is being sent by letter to all congregations. Members who desire to avail themselves of this service may obtain information from their pastor. The committee stands ready to be of service in this regard.

We repeat, we are now achieving our prime objective, contact with our brethren in the faith in Europe. But we have made only a beginning, to discharge our obligation over against our brethren. They were driven from their homes in Poland; they have lost everything; they are in dire need. **THEY ARE OUR BRETHREN! THEY PROVIDE US WITH AN INESCAPABLE OBLIGATION AND A GLORIOUS OPPORTUNITY!**

We appeal to our congregations in the name of our blessed Savior: "AS WE HAVE THEREFORE OPPORTUNITY, LET US DO GOOD UNTO ALL MEN, ESPECIALLY UNTO THEM WHO ARE OF THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH!"

KARL F. KRAUSS, *Chairman,*
Committee on Relief for War Sufferers.

CHURCH DEDICATION

Peace Ev. Lutheran Church,
Carlock, South Dakota

On July 14, 1946, the fourth Sunday after Trinity, Peace Ev. Lutheran Church of Carlock, South Dakota, dedicated its new church to the service of the Triune God, the members rededicating themselves to purity of doctrine and practice.

Peace Congregation, although still a

mission, is not a new congregation. It opened its church doors in affiliation with the Iowa Synod. In the early twenties it became affiliated with the Wisconsin Synod and joined the Burke, South Dakota, parish, formally joining our synod in 1946. Though numbering only 58 communicants today, Peace Church is a "feeder" congregation in the full sense of the word, sending its younger communicants into many states. The congregation is thankful for all that Synod

has done for it these many years. In gratitude to God and Synod the members of Peace worked hard and "gave hard." Their church, with a capacity of 150, is paid for. A mission collection of \$197.37 was raised on Dedication Sunday. The festival speakers were: L. A. Tessmer, Grand Island, Nebraska, the former pastor of the congregation; and L. F. Groth, Colome, South Dakota.

S. KUGLER.

August 4, 1946

ORGAN DEDICATION

On May 26 Trinity Church at Marinette was permitted to dedicated its new organ to the glory of God and place it into the service of the Lord. The organ, a Wangerin three-manual pipe organ, is built in two units with the swell and



great organ in a room adjoining the chancel and the echo organ and chimes in the tower. The cost was approximately \$8,000. With the organ dedication the congregation also brought to a close a complete church renovating program consisting of a new steam heating plant, lanterns for nave and sanctuary lights, Nu-wood ceiling and redecorating of the church and basement auditorium at a cost of \$9,000. All monies had been



gathered by voluntary individual contributions of the members in advance of undertaking the projects. The pastor, Rev. Arthur Gentz, conducted the service at which the undersigned preached on the

98 Psalm. Mr. W. J. Brockmann served as organist at the morning dedicatory service and at the afternoon and evening song services. Trinity Church has 560 communicants and conducts a Christian Day School with two teachers. May the Lord's blessing continue to rest upon Trinity of Marinette. G. W. FISCHER.

OBITUARY

† DR. M. WILLKOMM †

In a former number of the *Northwestern Lutheran* our readers were given on opportunity to see pictures and to read a description of the destruction of the seminary buildings of the Theologische Hochschule in Berlin-Zehlendorf, Germany. Now our church-papers must bring a report of a still more grievous loss which our brethren of the Ev. Luth. Free Church of Germany have suffered through the death of Dr. M. Willkomm, the Director of the Theologische Hoch-



Dr. M. Willkomm

schule. We grieve with our brethren, for "whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it" (1 Cor. 12, 26).

Dr. Willkomm was born in India on January 23, 1876. His father, the sainted Dr. O. Willkomm, was a missionary of the Leipzig Mission in India. For confessional reasons Dr. O. Willkomm together with three other missionaries severed his connections in 1876 with the Saxon State Church and the Leipzig Mission and returned to Germany, where he was called to serve the pastorates of the Free Church congregations of Krimmitschau in 1876 and of Niederplanitz in 1879. Here our Dr. Willkomm attended the one and only parish school which the Free Church could call its own, and thereafter the Gymnasium in Planitz, from which he graduated with high honors. The next step of a young German *Gymnasiast* would have

been to visit one of the many universities of the fatherland. In a family, however, where the Lutheran Confession was appraised more highly than the advantages of an university-education, there was only one place for the son to visit, who was to make the study of theology his life's work. This one place was the Concordia Seminary of our sister-synod in St. Louis. Dr. Willkomm studied at St. Louis from 1896 to 1898 and henceforth always spoke highly of his teachers and their confessional stand. In a post-war letter written to his former professor, Dr. L. Fürbringer, he recalls with gratitude the time when more than fifty years ago he sat at the feet of his professors, among whom were Dr. Franz Pieper, Dr. G. Stoeckhardt, Dr. G. Metger, and Dr. L. Fuerbringer. Called at first by St. John's in Planitz to assist his father, Dr. Willkomm also served pastorates in the Erzgebirge and in Alsace, and in 1919 succeeded his father in the pastorate of St. John's. Three years later he was elected president of the Free Church and in this same year, 1922, dedicated the Zehlendorf buildings to serve as a theological seminary. In 1924 he became the first president of this seminary. For more than twenty years Dr. Willkomm was privileged to serve the Free Church as professor and editor of the *Ev.-Luth. Freikirche* and of *Schrift und Bekenntnis*, as well as author of a number of writings on our Lutheran Confessions. In the year 1934 the Faculty of Concordia Seminary conferred on its alumnus the honorary title of Doctor of Theology.

Throughout World War II Dr. Willkomm remained at his post and with the assistance of Pastors P. H. Petersen of Berlin and K. Müller of Leipzig taught the few students who still were able to continue their studies. After the war he was waiting for the first post-war students to return. Yet he was not to see their return. The Lord of the Church willed otherwise. Having suffered from a heart ailment he died of a stroke June 1, 1946.

In him the Ev. Luth. Free Church has lost not only an able teacher of God's Word, but also a faithful "watchman unto the house of Israel." In a letter written twelve days before his death we read

concerning the union of Lutheran, Reformed and United Churches in Germany: "You see that the spirit of unionism has not at all vanished, as this union of churches amply proves. We rejoice, however, that the Breslau Free Church is of one mind with us that for conscience sake it is now impossible to join even the union of Lutheran churches in Germany." Such a union within the Evangelical Church of Germany has been formed, Dr. Willkomm informs us. He writes: "The Lutheran State churches have formed a union of 'United Lutheran Churches' in Germany under the leadership of Dr. Meiser, Bishop of Bavaria, but one hears nary a word about the un-Lutheran doctrine and practice of most of the State churches." Such judgment passed on the post-war developments of church affairs in the land of the Reformation is a clear clarion call of a faithful watchman on Zion's walls. Our Free Church brethren and we will sadly miss this service of a mature and seasoned judge of modern church events in Germany. Still more will we mourn his loss in view of the doctrinal discussions carried on between the Free Churches of Germany. It was the last but certainly not the least valuable service which he rendered the Free Church when with failing strength and as a hospital patient he wrote comments on the theses which formed the basis for the discussions carried on with the Breslau Free Church. We hope that these theses and Dr. Willkomm's elucidations will soon reach us for publication in our church-papers. As the teacher of all the pastors of our Poland Mission and as an esteemed colleague we want to honor his memory in accordance with Hebrews 13, 7-8: "Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever."

P. PETERS.

ANNIVERSARIES

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Prof. K. G. Sievert

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the ordination and installation of Prof. K.

G. Sievert of Northwestern Lutheran Academy, Mobridge, South Dakota, was celebrated by a group of pastors of the Western Conference of the Dakota-Montana District on June 11, 1946. A divine service was held at Zion Ev. Lutheran Church at Mobridge, South Dakota, in which Prof. R. A. Fenske, President of Northwestern Lutheran Academy, preached the anniversary sermon based on Jeremiah 9, 23, 24.

After the service the pastors and their families had supper together in the dining hall of the Academy. After the meal an evening of fellowship was spent in the Academy assembly room. A number of pastors gave congratulatory addresses, and messages of congratulations from the professor's classmates were read. Prof. Sievert was presented with a purse from the pastors of the District. The professor responded by giving glory to God for having had the privilege of serving his church for twenty-five years.

After completing his seminary work in June, 1921, Prof. Sievert was ordained and installed as pastor of the congregation at Willow Lake, South Dakota. In 1925 he followed a call to Grover, South Dakota. And since 1928 he has served at our Academy.

O. W. HEIER.

SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church,
Town Baldwin, St. Croix County,
Wisconsin

In three well-attended festival services held on June 30 Immanuel Lutheran Congregation of Town Baldwin, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, observed the sixtieth anniversary of its incorporation. Three former pastors of the congregation preached the festival sermons. The afternoon service was arranged as a confirmation reunion service, which was attended by a great number of those who spoke their confirmation vows at this altar.

In the morning service Pastor H. Wolter of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, on the basis of 1 Kings 8, 57, reminded the congregation of God's wonderful guidance and protection during its early history and

urged the members to pray fervently and trustingly for His continued guidance and gracious care. Pastor J. C. A. Gehm of Bay City, Michigan, speaking on the text, Revelation 3, 20, addressed to the reunion assembly the Savior's Plea, Open Unto Me Your Hearts. He showed that the Savior uses the confirmation instruction to open our hearts to Him and that all whose hearts are open to the Savior are made rich by His presence. In the evening service Pastor V. E. Schroeder of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, presented Psalm 87 as the Psalmist's Eulogy of Zion to urge the members to continued faithfulness because of the blessed state which the citizens of Zion enjoy.

The congregation thanked God that He had so graciously blessed it these sixty years with His pure Word and Sacraments. During this time it had been served by fifteen pastors. Its first church, built of logs in 1885, was replaced by the present frame structure in 1899. Its first parsonage was also of logs. The present brick-veneer house was built in 1906. From 1912 to 1938 a school house stood west of the church. It was sold when a basement was placed under the church building. The records show that at least 120 persons have been voting members of this congregation, 331 were baptized, 257 confirmed, 85 marriages were performed, 5,057 guests registered for the Lord's Supper, and 126 members have fallen asleep in the Lord. Present membership is held by about 165 souls, of which 115 are communicants and 41 voting members.

Since June 1, 1944, the congregation has no longer needed the assistance of synod in supporting its pastor since this assistance is now rendered by First Lutheran Church of Hersey, which is served by the same pastor. However, the assistance it has received for so many years caused the congregation to pass unanimously the following resolution of gratitude: *Whereas*, in looking back over the sixty years of our history, we find that we have been generously supported by the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States and its Mission Board for over forty years, and that during the forty-five years of our membership in that synod we have profited

tremendously from the good counsel and advice of its officials and the services rendered by its institutions, also its publishing house; *Be It Therefore Resolved* that on the occasion of our sixtieth anniversary we express our sincere thanks to this Synod, its Mission Board and Institutions, its officials and its entire membership for every assistance they have given this congregation. May the Lord repay them for that which we can nevermore repay."

IM. W. BADE.

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Mrs. Mary Loga	H. Gieschen	3.00
Leonard Ott	E. Schewe	8.00
Charles Link	E. Schewe	5.00
Mrs. Clarence Bengsch	F. Schewe	30.00
Ernst Gimm	H. Gieschen	10.00
John Rien	F. Zarling	1.00
Chas. Rietz	T. Redlin	10.50
Mrs. G. Vater	G. Vater	82.75
Mrs. Otto Luehmann	R. Korn	14.50
Mrs. August Lippert	L. Koeninger	16.00
Mrs. Bertha Kempfert	L. Koeninger	1.00
Caroline Muehlbach	K. Toepel	5.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Ruff	P. Pieper	10.00
Verna Marie Meyer	D. Kuehl	2.00
Mrs. Carl Kath	H. Nitz	10.00
Mrs. H. Else	H. Nitz	16.00
Previously Acknowledged		\$7,483.52
Total to June 30, 1946		\$8,877.37

We kindly request pastors or treasurers to use the regular Remittance Advices for memorial wreaths also. Both "Advices" and memorial wreath cards may be had at the Northwestern Publishing House.

The collection on July 13, 1946 was \$898,576.28

G. W. FISCHER, Finance Secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
SYNODICAL CONFERENCE

will open its thirty-ninth convention with a service on Tuesday, August 6, 10:30 A. M., at St. Matthew's Church, West Garfield Avenue and North 10th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Rev. F. A. Hertwig will deliver the sermon. Holy Communion will be administered in the same service. The convention essayist is Prof. Theo. Laetsch, D. D., who will speak on the topic, "The Holiness of God." Dinner and supper will be served in the congregation's parish hall at moderate prices. Delegates who desire quarters must send their request to the Rev. Arthur F. Halboth, 2221 North 10th Street, Milwaukee 5, Wisconsin, by July 15. GEORGE V. SCHICK, Secretary.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference of North America will meet for its thirty-ninth convention August 6 to 9 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in response to an invitation by St. Matthew Church, the Rev. Arthur F. Halboth, pastor. All overtures must be in the hands of the chairman, the Rev. E. Benj. Schlueter, 904 Nebraska Street, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, by July 1 in order to be included in the convention's printed agenda, copies of which will be mailed to each delegate prior to the meeting. Details in regard to the convention will be published later.
George V. Schick, Secretary.

MANITOWOC PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Time and Place: September 10, 1946, Maribel, Wisconsin, Paul Gieschen, pastor.
Sermon: W. Haase; A. Geiger.
Confessional: H. A. Koch; L. H. Koeninger.
Assignments: The Tenth Commandment with Special Application to Pastor and Congregation (continued), H. Eckert; Organization and Work of the Veterans of Foreign Wars evaluated in Light of God's Word, A. Roekle; Unionism, a Mixing of Law and Gospel, E. Kionka; Ordination, V. J. Siegler; Sanctification, the Call of a Christian for his entire Life, C. Thurow. Interpretation of the Passage: "They which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel," W. Haase; The Essentials of the Celebration of the Lord's Supper, H. Kuether; An Exegesis of Mt. 11, 12, R. Ehlike; The Causes of the Decline of the Ten Tribes of Israel, A. Roekle; Synopsis of Luther's Commentary on Gal. H. Pussehl; 1 Tim., E. Froehlich; Gal., H. A. Koch; Isaiah, W. Schink; Doctrinal Affirmation, H. A. Koch.
H. H. ECKERT, Secretary.

NOTICES

The Board of Regents of Dr. Martin Luther College at New Ulm has called Pastor Roland Hoenecke of Chesaning, Michigan, as Dean of Men for the institution.
HERBERT A. SITZ,
Secretary, Board of Regents.

Attention: Members of the Northwestern Wisconsin District!

As members of the interim committee which is to study our election procedure and to make recommendations for improving it, I have appointed the pastors Wm. Wojahn, H. Pussehl, and A. Voigt. Please acquaint them with your suggestions as soon as possible.
IRWIN J. HABECK, President.

Send your remittances to the following address: Gerald C. Herzfeldt, 1118 West Oklahoma Street, Appleton, Wisconsin.

LIST OF CANDIDATES

The following men have been proposed as candidates for seventh professor at Michigan Lutheran Seminary:

- Rev. Carl Bolle, St. Paul, Minnesota.
 - Rev. Conrad Frey, Detroit, Michigan.
 - Rev. Raymond Frey, Hemlock, Michigan.
 - Rev. Richard Gensmer, Coloma, Michigan.
 - Rev. Roland Hoenecke, Chesaning, Michigan.
 - Rev. Edwin Jaster, Racine, Wisconsin.
 - Rev. A. L. Mennicke, Winona, Minnesota.
 - Rev. G. Redlin, Crete, Illinois.
 - Mr. Luther Spaude, Lake Benton, Minnesota.
 - Rev. Erwin Scharf, Rhinelander, Wisconsin.
 - Rev. Gilbert Sydow, Ranier, Washington.
 - Rev. Emil Toepel, Cataract, Wisconsin.
 - Rev. V. Winter, Flint, Michigan.
 - Rev. Walter Zank, Waterloo, Wisconsin.
- The Board of Regents will meet Wednesday, July 24, 1946, 7:30 P. M. at the institution to issue a call to one of these candidates.
O. FREY, Secretary.
1441 Bliss St., Saginaw, Michigan.

DELEGATES

The following were elected as delegates of the Western Wisconsin District to the convention of the Synodical Conference to be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 6 to 9, 1946.

Pastors

- Rev. Wm. Eggert, Watertown, Wisconsin. (Alternate: Rev. J. Martin Raasch, Lake Mills, Wisconsin.)
- Rev. H. C. Nitz, Waterloo, Wisconsin. (Alternate: Rev. H. C. Kirchner, Baraboo, Wisconsin.)
- Rev. L. C. Kirst, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. (Alternate: Rev. Wm. Nommensen, Columbus, Wisconsin.)
- Rev. Emil Walther, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin. (Alternate: Rev. John Henning, Wausau, Wisconsin.)
- Rev. Norbert Paustian, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. (Alternate: Henry Gieschen, Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.)

Teachers

- Mr. E. Wilde, Lewiston, Minnesota. (Alternate: Mr. T. Zuberbieber, Winona, Minnesota.)
- Mr. Morton Schroeder, Madison, Wisconsin. (Alternate: Mr. E. Schumacher, Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.)

Lay-Delegates

- Trinity, Watertown, Wisconsin; Salem, Lowell, Wisconsin; First Lutheran, La Crosse, Wisconsin.
- G. C. MARQUARDT, Secretary, Western Wisconsin District.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT

The Michigan District of the Joint Synod of Wisconsin and Other States in convention assembled at Lansing, Michigan, on June 17-21, 1946, elected the following to serve as Delegates to the Ev. Lutheran Synodical Conference, in session at St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 6 to 9, 1946:

Pastors

- Rev. J. Gauss, Jenera, Ohio. (Alternates: Rev. E. Kasischke, Bay City, Michigan; Rev. M. C. Schroeder, Bay City, Michigan.)
- Rev. O. J. Eckert, Saginaw, Michigan. (Alternates: Rev. A. Kehrbeg, Frankenmuth, Michigan; Rev. N. Luetke, Sebawaing, Michigan.)

Rev. J. Martin, Toledo, Ohio. (Alternates: Rev. C. Frey, Detroit, Michigan; Rev. W. Valleskey, Detroit, Michigan.)

Rev. E. J. Berg, Benton Harbor, Michigan. (Alternates: Rev. H. J. Zink, Stevensville, Michigan; Rev. A. J. Fischer, Sodus, Michigan.)

Teacher

Prof. W. Franzmann, Saginaw, Michigan. (Alternates: Prof. M. Toepel, Saginaw, Michigan; William Fritz, Saginaw, Michigan.)

Layman

B. Schultz, Saginaw, Michigan. (Alternates: Harold Groh, Detroit, Michigan; William Trommer, Saginaw, Michigan.)

A. J. FISCHER.

Address: Mr. William O. Winterstein, 2115 Barnard Street, Saginaw, Michigan. O. J. ECKERT.

MEMORIAL WREATHS

A memorial wreath in the amount of \$12.00 has been received from Pastor R. D. Gehrke, Akaska, South Dakota. This was given by Gotthold, John, and George Sulzle in memory of their brother, Christian Sulzle, and designated for the Church Extension Fund.

EDGAR VANDREY, District Treasurer.

Some weeks ago a memorial wreath for the late Ray Ries was acknowledged. To this amount must be added the sum of one dollar, given later by one of his classmates. Our thanks to the kind donor. E. R. BLIEFERNICHT, Librarian.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Rev. Oscar J. Naumann, 727 Margaret Street, St. Paul 6, Minnesota.

MISSION FESTIVALS

- Exaudi Sunday**
Immanuel Church, Ward, South Dakota.
Offering: \$200.78. Wm. Lindloff, pastor.
- Pentecost Sunday**
Morton, Minnesota.
Offering: \$583.70. M. J. Wehausen, pastor.
- Trinity Sunday**
Immanuel Church, Town Eden, Brown County, Minnesota.
Offering: \$296.56. H. A. Scherf, pastor.
- Second Sunday after Trinity**
St. John's and St. Paul's Church, Tp. Newton, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin.
Offering: \$350.80. E. H. Kionka, pastor.
Trinity Church, Elkton, South Dakota.
Offering: \$187.75. Wm. Lindloff, pastor.
- Third Sunday after Trinity**
Our Savior's Church, Jamestown, North Dakota.
Offering: \$381.12. O. W. Heier, pastor.
- Fourth Sunday after Trinity**
Peace Church, Carlock, South Dakota.
Offering: \$194.37. S. Kugler, pastor.
Calvary Church, Valentine, Nebraska.
Offering: \$113.39. Edward Weiss, pastor.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATIONS

Authorized by President Karl Krauss of the Michigan District the undersigned ordained and installed Candidate Leonard J. Koeninger as pastor of the Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Mission Congregation at Ann Arbor, Michigan, on July 7, 1946. Pastors E. J. Berg, R. Scheele, and G. F. Albrecht assisted. May the Lord bless the missionary and the mission.

Address: Pastor Leonard J. Koeninger, 5 Parkview Place, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

L. H. KOENINGER.

Authorized by Pastor I. Habeck, President of the Northern Wisconsin District, the undersigned installed Mr. Roland A. Bode as principal of the St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran School at Green Bay, Wisconsin, on the third Sunday after Trinity. May the Lord bless the labors of His servant in the new field.

Address after September 1: Mr. Roland A. Bode, 722 South Quincy Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Authorized by President K. F. Krauss the undersigned installed William O. Winterstein as teacher of the intermediate grades of St. Paul's Lutheran School, Saginaw, Michigan, on July 14, 1946. May the Lord richly bless his labors!

**WESTERN WISCONSIN DISTRICT
January, February, March, 1946**

Reverend	Budgetary		
H. F. Backer, Cheseburg.....	\$ 500.00	R. J. Koch, Brush Prairie.....	54.00
H. F. Backer, T. Hamburg.....	200.00	R. J. Koch, Auburn.....	77.05
J. C. Bast, McMillan.....	115.00	M. O. Koepsell, Spirit.....	58.38
J. C. Bast, March.....	78.00	M. O. Koepsell, Prentice.....	45.30
Wm. Baumann, Neillsville.....	356.30	W. J. Koepsell, Goodrich.....	71.85
H. E. Bentrup, Wilson.....	79.00	E. E. Kolander, Marathon.....	190.00
H. E. Bentrup, Ridgeway.....	67.16	R. P. Korn, Lewiston.....	284.76
Arthur Berg, Sparta.....	416.92	G. O. Krause, Little Black.....	15.50
Alvin Berg, Madison.....	45.29	G. O. Krause, Stetsonville.....	194.10
C. E. Berg, Ridgeville.....	107.87	W. R. Krueger, Friesland.....	276.84
R. C. Biesmann, Hurley.....	220.02	W. R. Krueger, Dalton.....	138.63
R. C. Biesmann, Mercer.....	75.51	H. Kuckhahn, St. Charles.....	106.00
L. M. Bleichwehl, Onalaska.....	177.55	O. P. Kuehl, Indian Creek.....	120.14
T. P. Bradtke, Marshfield.....	216.35	O. P. Kuehl, Hustler.....	49.75
W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	940.36	O. Kuhlow, Jefferson.....	1,531.00
A. J. Engel, Pardeeville.....	117.41	C. F. Kurzweg, Cream.....	98.05
Otto Engel, Richwood.....	51.00	C. F. Kurzweg, Cochrane.....	62.92
Otto Engel, Hubbleton.....	33.00	C. C. Kuske, Green Valley.....	20.80
S. H. Fenske, Bruce.....	28.15	C. C. Kuske, Rozellville.....	73.03
G. T. Fischer, Bloomer.....	419.95	L. Lambert, Rice Lake.....	47.19
G. T. Fischer, Eagleton.....	495.63	L. Lambert, Veefkind.....	105.50
Gerhard Fischer, Mosquito Hill.....	14.36	K. K. Lederer, Marshall.....	105.50
Gerhard Fischer, Savanna.....	250.00	P. Lehmann, Ableman.....	108.21
E. C. Fredrich, Helenville.....	207.02	Oscar Lemke, Rib Falls.....	71.00
Theo. Frey, T. Trenton.....	78.86	Oscar Lemke, T. Rib Falls.....	62.00
J. B. Bernthal, South Milwaukee.....	3.00	M. F. Liesener, T. Maine.....	175.65
G. H. Geiger, Shennington.....	14.35	W. C. Limpert, Altura.....	46.46
G. H. Geiger, T. Lincoln.....	45.86	F. W. Loeper, Whitewater.....	638.44
G. H. Geiger, T. Knapp.....	31.87	A. W. Loock, North Freedom.....	34.50
Henry Geiger, Leeds.....	143.00	G. C. Marquardt, Ringle.....	73.04
G. Gerth, T. Merrimac.....	22.00	G. C. Marquardt, Schofield.....	194.52
G. Gerth, Caledonia.....	13.00	A. L. Mennicke, Winona.....	448.87
G. Gerth, Greenfield.....	17.00	F. H. Miller, Platteville.....	83.00
Henry Gieschen, Fort Atkinson.....	1,182.60	J. Mittelstaedt, Menomonie.....	155.25
W. E. Gutzke, La Crosse.....	203.00	P. Monhardt, South Ridge.....	102.50
A. Hanke, T. Morton.....	173.25	R. W. Mueller, Medford.....	280.80
John Henning, Wausau.....	287.66	T. J. Mueller, La Crosse.....	220.12
R. C. Hillemann, Norwalk.....	69.75	F. A. Naumann, Nelson.....	63.93
R. C. Hillemann, Wilton.....	17.75	F. A. Naumann, Alma.....	11.90
O. E. Hoffmann, Rib Lake.....	152.00	H. W. Neubauer, Whitehall.....	32.75
O. E. Hoffmann, T. Greenwood.....	35.00	H. W. Neubauer, Arcadia.....	34.35
R. Jungkuntz, Janesville.....	108.23	H. C. Nitz, Waterloo.....	295.23
R. Jungkuntz, Fort Atkinson.....	27.40	H. Nommensen, Fountain City.....	77.71
Herbert Kesting, Pickwick.....	36.91	M. J. Nommensen, Juneau.....	568.90
Herbert Kesting, Minnesota City.....	37.52	Wm. Nommensen, Columbus.....	1,530.34
Wm. Keturakat, Sun Prairie.....	171.28	E. J. Otterstatter, Tomahawk.....	158.71
H. C. Kirchner, Baraboo.....	504.36	E. J. Otterstatter, Tripoli.....	20.33
L. C. Kirst, Beaver Dam.....	406.70	A. W. Paap, Johnson Creek.....	213.22
L. J. Koenig, Wausau.....	152.79	O. A. Pagels, Ixonia.....	120.13
W. A. Koelpin, Mosinee.....	41.34	H. A. Pankow, Beyer Settlement.....	41.38
O. W. Koch, Lowell.....	826.42	H. A. Pankow, Poplar Creek.....	22.38
		H. A. Pankow, Iron Creek.....	32.81
		J. H. Paustian, Barre Mills.....	512.32
		W. A. Paustian, West Salem.....	271.86

E. E. Prenzlow, Cornell, Keystone, and Birch Creek.....	144.85
J. M. Raasch, Lake Mills.....	1,116.02
S. Rathke, Cameron.....	10.00
S. Rathke, Barron.....	1.00
E. Rimpler, Doylestown.....	31.00
E. Rimpler, Fountain Prairie.....	37.05
E. Rimpler, Fall River.....	54.60
A. W. Sauer, Winona.....	1,135.61
H. Schaller, Tomah.....	599.85
R. Schoeneck, Plum City.....	176.52
R. Schoeneck, Eau Galle.....	69.86
F. A. Schroeder, Stoddard.....	163.25
F. A. Schroeder, Bad Axe Valley.....	48.75
W. E. Schulz, T. Berlin.....	213.25
H. C. Schumacher, Milton.....	498.08
A. Schumann, Globe.....	82.80
W. A. Schumann, La Crosse.....	1,313.56
C. W. Siegler, Bangor.....	7.00
M. F. Stern, Ixonia.....	206.05
E. G. Toepel, Little Falls.....	27.62
E. G. Toepel, Cataract.....	76.94
E. A. Toepel, Monroe.....	36.07
E. A. Toepel, Brodhead.....	22.63
K. A. Timmel, Watertown.....	372.02
C. Toppe, Elmwood.....	155.80
C. Toppe, Ellsworth.....	17.33
I. G. Uetzmann, Watertown.....	178.02
F. C. Uetzmann, Ixonia.....	35.00
M. W. Wahl, Cambridge.....	201.51
E. Walther, Wisconsin Rapids.....	357.53
W. E. Wegner, Moline.....	42.50
W. Weissgerber, Minocqua.....	72.72
W. Weissgerber, Woodruff.....	36.75
E. H. Wendland, Washington.....	16.41
A. A. Winter, Mauston.....	452.17
A. A. Winter, New Lisbon.....	147.39
L. W. Winter, Prairie Farm.....	257.72
L. W. Winter, T. Dallas.....	37.70
W. E. Zank, Newville.....	180.00
W. E. Zank, T. Deerfield.....	188.78
H. R. Zimmermann, Randolph.....	229.56
G. W. Zunker, Fox Lake.....	517.36
G. W. Zunker, Elroy.....	52.95

Budgetary.....	\$ 29,220.64
Non-Budgetary.....	593.98

Total Receipts, January, February, March 1946 \$ 29,814.62

Memorial Wreaths

In Memory of	Reverend	Amount
Carl Ledebuhr and Aug. Mueller.....	Rev. H. E. Bentrup, Wilson.....	\$ 79.00
Lt. Robert Mitzner.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	7.00
Adam Karg.....	Rev. G. Gerth, T. Caledonia.....	15.00
Wm. Langhoff.....	Rev. Hy. Gieschen, Fort Atkinson.....	9.00
Mrs. Maggie Boese.....	Rev. Hy. Gieschen, Fort Atkinson.....	15.00
Mrs. Herman Wisch.....	Rev. W. E. Gutzke, La Crosse.....	3.00
Mrs. Wm. Parsch.....	Rev. John Henning, Wausau.....	7.00
August Zauft.....	Rev. H. C. Kirchner, Baraboo.....	2.00
Agnes Huber.....	Rev. W. Koelpin, Mosinee.....	11.00
Rose Marie Volkmann.....	Rev. R. P. Korn, Lewiston.....	20.00
Wm. Harder, Sr.....	Rev. G. O. Krause, Stetsonville.....	55.50
Louis Zahn.....	Rev. O. Kuhlow, Jefferson.....	12.00
Otto Stindt.....	Rev. J. Mittelstaedt, Menomonie.....	55.25
Mrs. Wm. Neubauer, Sr.....	Rev. J. Mittelstaedt, Menomonie.....	5.00
Mr. Harder.....	Rev. R. W. Mueller, Medford.....	1.25
Ist Lt. Allyn A. Suhr.....	Rev. H. Nommensen, Fountain City.....	30.00
Ben C. Lange.....	Rev. M. J. Nommensen, Juneau.....	27.60
Chas. Groth.....	Rev. Wm. Nommensen, Columbus.....	17.00
Pfc. L. Bergauer.....	Rev. Wm. Nommensen, Columbus.....	5.00
Lt. E. Yuds.....	Rev. Wm. Nommensen, Columbus.....	5.00
Mrs. Bertha F. Emilson.....	Rev. W. A. Schumann, La Crosse.....	2.00
Ernest Haack.....	Rev. C. Toppe, Elmwood.....	6.00
William Foth.....	Rev. E. Walther, Wisconsin Rapids.....	5.00
Pastor A. F. Ziehlendorf.....	Rev. Wm. Baumann, Neillsville.....	55.00
Mrs. Henry Klotke.....	Rev. T. Bradtke, Marshfield.....	31.50
Lt. Robert Mitzner.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	2.00
Mrs. Emma Hilbert.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	7.00
Mrs. Henry Radtke.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	2.00
Eleanor Ebert.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	8.00
Herman Strunk.....	Rev. Hy. Gieschen, Fort Atkinson.....	1.50
W. F. Jaehnke.....	Rev. Hy. Gieschen, Fort Atkinson.....	2.00
Mrs. Louise Habel.....	Rev. Hy. Gieschen, Fort Atkinson.....	36.00
Mrs. Emma Prust.....	Rev. Hy. Gieschen, Fort Atkinson.....	11.00
Mrs. Louise Rindfleisch.....	Rev. O. Kuhlow, Jefferson.....	16.00
E. W. Ebert.....	Rev. O. Kuhlow, Jefferson.....	3.00
Mrs. Hilda Lange.....	Rev. Wm. Nommensen, Columbus.....	4.00
W. W. Wehrs.....	Rev. J. H. Paustian, Barre Mills.....	25.00
Mrs. Hilda Lange.....	Rev. J. M. Raasch, Lake Mills.....	13.00
Mrs. Paul Teske.....	Rev. H. Schaller, Tomah.....	9.50
John Gerke.....	Rev. H. Schaller, Tomah.....	3.00
Henry L. Krueger.....	Rev. W. A. Schumann, La Crosse.....	2.00
Capt. Herman A. Rupp.....	Rev. W. A. Schumann, La Crosse.....	12.00
Miss Ida Peters.....	Rev. C. W. Siegler, Bangor.....	7.00
Robert Mitzner.....	Rev. K. A. Timmel, Watertown.....	4.00
Mrs. Louise Gerks.....	Rev. E. A. Toepel, Monroe.....	5.50
William Jackson.....	Rev. E. Walther, Wisconsin Rapids.....	11.00
Mrs. John Gessert.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	10.00
Rev. Gustav Kuhn.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	11.00
Lt. Robert Mitzner.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	3.00
Mrs. Josephine Felton.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	5.00
Mrs. Emma Hilbert.....	Rev. W. A. Eggert, Watertown.....	3.00
Albert Wendlandt.....	Rev. R. J. Koch, Bloomer.....	8.50
Alfred Harms, Jr.....	Rev. R. J. Koch, Bloomer.....	2.00
S/Sgt. Robert Klug.....	Rev. E. C. Fredrich, Helenville.....	2.00
Carl Yorde.....	Rev. O. E. Hoffmann, Rib Lake.....	2.00
Mrs. Caroline Richter.....	Rev. R. P. Korn, Lewiston.....	15.50
Mrs. Wm. Erdmann.....	Rev. R. P. Korn, Lewiston.....	9.00
Ernest Scholdt.....	Rev. A. L. Mennicke, Winona.....	14.00

Charles Tews.....	Rev. A. L. Mennicke, Winona.....	8.50
Mrs. Lemke.....	Rev. S. Rathke, Barron.....	1.00
Mrs. Wilhelmina Asp.....	Rev. W. A. Schumann, La Crosse.....	2.00
Mrs. Mathilda Low.....	Rev. W. A. Schumann, La Crosse.....	12.00
Mrs. Pauline Roehrl.....	Rev. W. A. Schumann, La Crosse.....	10.00
Arthur Schlueter.....	Rev. W. E. Zank, T. Deerfield.....	26.00
Mrs. Marie Schulz.....	Rev. W. E. Zank, Newville.....	13.50

H. J. KOCH, Treasurer.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946

Receipts

Cash Balance July 1, 1945.....	\$ 54,881.14
Budgetary Collections:	
General Administration.....	\$ 237,070.15
Educational Institutions.....	81,251.68
Home for the Aged.....	6,438.80
Spiritual Welfare Commission.....	31,929.35
For other Missions.....	374,476.91
Indigent Students.....	5,576.51
General Support.....	21,104.44
School Supervision.....	2,241.73
Revenues.....	110,671.65

Total Budgetary Collections and Revenues.....\$ 868,741.20

Non-Budgetary Receipts:

U. S. Government bonds sold and matured.....	\$ 502,905.00
Proceeds for sale of lots.....	800.00
Bequests.....	1,665.12
Payments on Mortgage Receivable.....	1,800.00
Sale of S. W. C. Parsonage.....	10,791.06

Total Receipts.....\$ 1,186,702.38

Disbursements

Budgetary Disbursements:

General Administration.....	\$ 46,194.91
Theological Seminary.....	39,558.88
Northwestern College.....	83,466.42
Dr. Martin Luther College.....	84,029.47
Michigan Lutheran Seminary.....	61,350.09
Northwestern Lutheran Academy.....	20,278.21
Emergency Building Projects.....	26,753.00
Home for the Aged.....	12,242.01
Missions - General Administration.....	471.82
Indian Mission.....	46,836.62
Negro Missions.....	22,087.45
Home Missions.....	262,722.61
Poland Missions.....	10,858.00
Madison Student Mission.....	1,523.66
Spiritual Welfare Commission.....	34,806.79
Winnabago Lutheran Academy.....	1,800.00
Indigent Students.....	1,117.00
General Support.....	35,818.65
School Supervision.....	17,953.91

Total Budgetary Disbursement.....\$ 809,899.48

Non-Budgetary Disbursements:

Institutional Missions-Parsonages.....	\$ 10,826.10
Advance to Church Extension Fund.....	100,000.00
Mortgage Receivable.....	14,000.00
U. S. Government bonds purchased.....	252,905.00

Total Disbursements.....\$ 1,187,650.58

Cash Balance June 29, 1946.....\$ 53,952.94

Allotment Statement for 12 Months

Districts	Communicants	Receipts	Allotments
Pacific Northwest.....	1,070	\$ 5,563.63	\$ 4,922.00
Nebraska.....	4,715	20,693.00	21,689.00
Michigan.....	16,980	90,944.12	78,108.00
Dakota-Montana.....	5,586	31,974.51	25,695.60
Minnesota.....	34,014	141,527.76	156,464.40
Northern Wisconsin.....	39,604	152,773.81	182,178.40
West Wisconsin.....	41,420	145,193.69	190,532.00
Southeast Wisconsin.....	45,447	166,748.90	209,056.20
Total.....	188,836	755,419.42	868,645.60

Districts	Deficit	Surplus	Per. of Allt.
Pacific Northwest.....		\$ 641.63	113.03%
Nebraska.....	\$ 996.00		95.40%
Michigan.....		12,836.12	116.43%
Dakota-Montana.....		6,278.91	124.43%
Minnesota.....	14,956.64		90.46%
Northern Wisconsin.....	29,404.59		83.85%
West Wisconsin.....	45,338.31		76.20%
Southeast Wisconsin.....	42,307.30		79.76%
Total.....	\$132,982.84	\$ 19,756.66	86.96%

Donations Sent Directly to Treasurer's Office

for June 1946

For Spiritual Welfare Commission

Memorial Wreath given by individual members of St. John's Lutheran Church of Sturgis, Michigan, in memory of Mrs. Louise Adams.....	\$ 3.50
Chester E. Schultz, Two Rivers, Wisconsin.....	5.00
.....	\$ 8.50

For Missions

From the estate of Tema Schaible.....	\$ 189.98
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C. J. NIEDFELDT, Treasurer.