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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*

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And We Beheld  
His Glory, The Glory  
As Of The Only  
Begotten Of The  
Father, Full Of  
Grace And Truth.

John 1:14



## OUR INCORRUPTIBLE CROWN

I Cor. 9, 24-27

THE Christian's incorruptible crown is eternal life in heaven. It is wholly God's gift. God provided it for us sinners through His Son, who blotted out our sin and guilt. Through faith in Christ as our Savior we possess eternal life and may hopefully look forward to its fullest enjoyment in heaven. Yet also such faith is wholly God's gift, wrought, nourished, and sustained through the Gospel. This incorruptible crown of eternal life — precious in itself and precious because of the divine love which gives it to us — we shall not want to lose.

### Let Us Ever Keep Our Souls Firmly Fixed Upon It

In making this exhortation the Apostle Paul employs a very vivid picture. "Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. . . . I therefore so run, not as uncertainly." This was language which the Corinthian Christians, to whom his exhortation was first addressed, could and would understand. On the Isthmus close to Corinth, the flower of Greece, its strongest and finest young men, met once every two years for a great national contest of athletic feats. There was nothing in which the Greeks as a nation took a greater interest than in these games and in the similar Olympic contests at Elis. The competitors trained themselves for months with utmost care, and the victors were honored as though they had won a great battle.

**Athletic Races** One of the leading features of these games was the foot race. The 600 foot race court, called the Stadium, presented a grand spectacle.

At the one end stood the row of competing athletes, eagerly awaiting the signal to start. At the other end was the judge, holding in his hand the prize, while all around, rising tier upon tier, were the seats crowded with enthusiastic spectators. With the signal given, all the runners would start off amidst animated shouts from the spectators. Gradually some runners would lag behind; only a few would stay in the lead; finally one alone would reach the goal ahead of all

the rest to receive the coveted prize. To win that prize the victor had firmly fixed his eye and his thought upon the goal; he had strained every muscle and exercised every faculty to reach it; he had pressed forward, completely forgetting what was behind him and around him; he had put into use all the fleetness and all the endurance that he had won by months of strenuous training.

**Our Spiritual Race** With such firm devotion our Christian hearts and minds ought to be fixed upon our heavenly prize. When we came to faith in Christ as our Savior we, too, entered a race course. It was for the purpose of running our life as a race of persevering faith. The prize graciously held out to us at the finish is nothing less than eternal life and joy in the blissful presence and fellowship of our God and Savior. This incorruptible prize is, however, not only attainable by one, as in the Isthmian games in which only one of many runners could possibly win the prize. Christ has won it for all through His vicarious atonement and in His Gospel graciously promises and extends it to all.

Yet instead of having the Gospel fix their souls ever anew and ever more firmly upon their incorruptible crown many Christians look too much behind them. Their attention is too much diverted to what they have already done. Content to have entered the race by baptism and to have continued in it by Christian instruction and confirmation, they gradually neglect God's Word and the Holy Sacrament. Or, they look too much to the side and watch what other Christians are doing. As they see others tire, falter, and give up, they, too, lose interest in the prize before them and lag behind. To strive earnestly for the heavenly goal means to persevere in faith until our dying day. Such enduring faith is not of our own doing and strength. Only God can work, nourish, and preserve it in us. He does so through the Gospel in Word and Sacrament. There He holds the heavenly prize out to us ever anew in pure grace for Jesus' sake and thus fixes our souls ever

anew and ever more firmly upon it in faith. Only through the power of the Gospel can we run our race with perseverance and finally obtain our crown.

### Let Us Willingly Renounce What Might Rob Us of It

Also in this admonition the Apostle Paul stays with the imagery of the Isthmian games. "And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible." And to exemplify in his own person what he means Paul goes on to say: "So fight I, not as one that beateth the air: but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway."

**Men Practiced Denial for a Corruptible Crown** Besides races there were also many other contests in the Isthmian games, wrestling matches, boxing bouts, fencing, discus throwing, gymnastic exercises of every kind. Down in the arena the athletes would perform their feats while an enthusiastic multitude looked down from their seats in the amphitheatre. The winner was always greeted with shouts of joy. And what was the prize which he obtained? Nothing but a wreath of pine twigs which was placed upon his head. It soon wilted away. There was great honor connected with it, of course, but also that lasted only for a time. In two years a new winner might dim every memory of the former victor's fame. Yet how these athletes practiced, and toiled, and denied themselves that they might win this corruptible crown! They would not think of yielding to their appetites and desires. They were most regular in their habits, indulging in nothing that might weaken their muscles or lessen their resistance. For months they went through their exercises with untiring rigor. In the contests themselves the pugilists did not futilely beat the air but sought to make every blow count, even as the runners strained every muscle and used every ounce of endurance in pressing toward their goal.

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## THE PRE-LENTEN SEASON -- BEHOLD YOUR SALVATION

### 1. Septuagesima — God's Grace

*Gospel* "For the Kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder which went . . . to hire laborers into his vineyard . . . some at the third hour . . . some at the sixth, the ninth, the eleventh hour . . . and when even was come they received every man a penny." The "law" of God's Kingdom the Church is grace, unmerited grace. If God would deal with us otherwise we would "all be justly punished for our offences (Collect)." Those who do not understand this grace of God will soon find occasion to murmur because of seeming injustices but, "Is thine eye evil, because the Lord is good?" Those who know this grace, by which they have been called into the Kingdom of God, will consider it the greatest privilege to have been called from a life of wastefulness, will labor gladly in His vineyard, and will cheerfully bear the burden and the heat of the day. The "penny" they leave to the Lord, for that too is a reward of grace.

*Epistle* The Israelites, all of them, were not only supplied with manna and water, but were fed, led, and saved by the Lord Jesus Christ. Yet with many God was not pleased and they were struck down in the wilderness, were eternally lost. The Christian, though he is saved by grace, fights the good fight of faith to lay hold on eternal life. Self-discipline dare not breed self-righteousness, but grace does not make self-discipline superfluous. Not our merit, but our need moves God to mercy. It is His grace and mercy which inspires us to use every ounce of strength to obtain the crown of life secured for us by Christ.

*Introit* The sorrows of death compassed me: the sorrows of hell compassed me about. In my distress I called upon the Lord: and He heard my voice out of His temple. I will love Thee, O Lord, my Strength: the Lord is my Rock and my Fortress. "O Lord, we beseech thee, favorably to hear the prayers of Thy people: that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by Thy goodness." (Collect) *The Lord will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble: and they that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee; for Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee. For the needy shall not always be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall not perish forever. Arise, O Lord; let not man prevail.*" (Gradual. Psalms 9 and 130.)

### 2. Sexagesima — God's Word

*Gospel* Jesus spake by a parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed . . . some fell by the wayside . . . some upon a rock . . . some among thorns . . . some on good ground. The seed is the Word of God." The purpose of the Word is to produce faith by which alone men can know the mysteries of the Kingdom of God, God's love for us sinners in Christ. Those in whom the Word does not produce saving faith, have no excuse. The Word is good and powerful, but hardness of heart, superficial hearing, and worldliness often prevent the Word from taking root. It is a serious, a tragic thing to reject, ignore, or despise one single Word of God.

*Epistle* Paul nor any Christian should boast, if the Word of God has produced good fruit in him. Paul is forced to do so because the Christians were being tempted to follow false teachers. He considers it foolish to boast concerning his sufferings, privations, dangers, responsibilities even his glimpse of paradise, but his boast is in God's grace which worked mightily through Him in spite of his own weaknesses and infirmities.

*Introit* Awake, why sleepest Thou, O Lord? Arise, cast us not off forever. Wherefore hidest Thou Thy face and forgettest our affliction? Our soul is bowed down to the dust: arise for our help and redeem us. We have heard with our ears, O God: our fathers have told us what work Thou dist in their days. "O God, who seest that we put not our trust in anything that we do, mercifully grant that by Thy power we may be defended against all adversities." (Collect) *Let the nations know that Thy name is Jehovah: Thou alone art the Most High over all the earth. O My God, make them like a wheel and like chaff before the wind.* (Gradual. Psalm 83.)

Oh, keep us in Thy Word, we pray;  
The guile and rage of Satan stay!  
Oh, may Thy mercy never cease!  
Give concord, patience, courage, peace. (292)

### 3. Quinquagesima — God's Love

*Gospel* "Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished." Jesus knowing that His hour had come, having loved His own, He loved them unto the end. (John 13) He is the "Son of David," the Messiah, Who had come to redeem the world. Oh what blessing to be permitted to cry out a "Kyrie" with blind Bartimeus to Him of Whom we know that He is the Son of God, Who out of love to us went up to Jerusalem to redeem us from sin and all its evil consequences. Lord have mercy!

*Epistle* "If I had not love, I am nothing." Love begets love. God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son. Herein is Love that God sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. We love Him, because He first loved us. If God so loved us, we ought to love one another. The greatness of our love is governed by the strength of our faith. All our gifts and deeds must be consecrated by love, all our actions are to be motivated by it, all our future will be made glorious by it.

*Introit* Be Thou my strong Rock: for an house of defense to save me. Thou art my Rock and my Fortress: therefore for Thy name's sake lead me and guide me. In Thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in my righteousness. "O Lord, we beseech Thee, mercifully hear our prayers and, having set us free from the bonds of sin, defend us from all evil." (Collect) *Thou art the God that does wonders. Thou hast declared Thy strength among the people. Thou hast with Thine arm redeemed Thy people: the sons of Jacob and Joseph.* (Gradual. Psalm 77.)

(With these pre-lenten meditations on the Propers of the Church Year we bring to a close this series begun with the first Sunday in Lent a year ago. May it have shown our readers how in the Church Year God's entire plan of our salvation is proclaimed and may it have convinced all that not only the Festivals are important, but that each Sunday is a Festival in its own right. Let us value the privilege of going to church that God may speak to us through His Word, and that we with our fellow members speak to Him with hearts, and hands, and voices.)

G. W. FISCHER.



# Editorials

**"Meeting a Challenge,"** This is written at a time when Protestant Christianity is promoting a new concept of the functions of the Church. The spirit of that concept may be gathered from the new expression now used so generally. That expression is "meeting a challenge." Aside from the fact that the thought conveyed in that expression militates against the traditional concept of the Church's function, this trite slogan actually threatens to divert the attention of the Church from its true Biblical commission as described by the Lord Jesus, Matth. 28, 19-20.

The Church is not commissioned to "meet challenges," but to teach the world whatsoever Jesus has commanded it to teach. To "meet challenges" is quite another thing. Jesus will take care of all "challenges." Let the Church take care of its humble and less quixotic work of first fortifying itself against assaults by the enemy. That will best be done by the arduous, faithful, and prosaic care of the souls it now has. Let us not go out to fight the devil's windmills only to find that the devil meanwhile has taken our fortress and strength, the Word of God.

This is not idle fancy. While the visible church is preparing to meet future "challenges," it is blissfully ignoring many of the intense assaults made upon it by the forces of darkness. Among these is the renewed vigorous attacks by Rome. The papacy is subtly undermining the liberty given man anew in the sixteenth century. It is now quite openly seeking to regain its erstwhile power over civil governments, to dictate religious and moral thought for nations, and to that end is appropriating to its use the public press, the radio, and the movie screen. Some of our best young people are lured into this church through mixed marriages, or marriages that guarantee for the Catholic church the offspring of these unions.

This is no challenge calling us into remote fields, but a vicious assault on the very heart of Christianity. We can not repel this assault by a mere annual Reformation Day sermon, nor by ridicule, nor by reliance on any inherited bias against the Catholics. It must be repelled by the Word of God, by careful and intelligent instruction backed up by prayer to God for help against this modern Philistine that threatens to ravage our fertile fields. That was Luther's principle; that must be the weapon of the Church of all ages.

May the Lord awaken us to the actual dangers confronting the Church and to a new dedication on our part to the Church's work. We dare not minimize the danger coming from Rome. We must teach, preach, and exhort tirelessly. To do that effectively we must ourselves have studied, in detail, the soul-destroying poison of Roman Catholicism; and we must be able

to analyze it in the light of history as well as in the light of the Word of God.

The above excellent dissertation is taken, by permission of the publishers, from the preface of Pastor E. G. Behm's enlightening book, *The Papacy Evaluated*. By all means buy the book; read it, study it, convince yourself that you may be able to warn others.

W. J. S.

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**Should Women Be Ministers?** That is the question that is being hotly debated in the Presbyterian Church at this time. Wherever Presbyterian conferences are being held these days that question has precedence over all other matters before the body. The question was brought up as an overture from the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., to make a change or to amend their denomination's constitution to admit women to the ministry of that church body. If the overture is ratified by a majority of conferences throughout the nation women will be allowed to become pastors and even bishops. Women may now become elders or deaconesses.

The question came up for debate in the Milwaukee conference, representing elders and pastors of that denomination in this area. Although the overture was defeated it is interesting to note on what grounds it was considered improper for women to become ministers. One minister thought that a woman could not "be a pastor of the average church and yet maintain a home and family." He also said, "I do not believe it would be conducive to the growth of the church. It would be looked upon as a fad or an obstacle in the path of a growing church," so the news item reads. Another minister observed, "It would be a good thing to have a few women around to clean up the messes that some of the men of the ministry have made. Besides, it would sharpen competition." Another remarked, "There is a place for women in the churches . . . but the Scriptures do not make it clear whether they should be ordained. Women were never chosen to follow in that profession, Jesus and the Apostle Paul chose men for the ministry, yet they received gratefully the help of women." Another said, "I know a woman who was the executive secretary of the suffrage association (here he threw up his hands in a significant gesture). Brothers, I beg of you to give the matter careful consideration."

As one reads these remarks one is a bit disappointed. We, as Lutherans, would expect these ministers to let the Scriptures speak on this matter and make the final decision. But, with the exception of one man, none of them referred to the Bible, the

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### What Subjects Owe To The Magistrates

**J**UST as the paragraph *What the Hearers Owe to Their Pastors*, which was not contained in Luther's original, was inserted later after the paragraph *For Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers*, so also after the paragraph *Concerning Civil Government* there was later added another one on *What Subjects Owe to the Magistrates*. It is found in Luther's Small Catechism as it was incorporated in the Lutheran Confessions, but is omitted in our synodical catechism (Gausewitz). The matter contained in it was discussed in our studies on Civil Government, so we need not repeat now. For the sake of completeness we here reprint the paragraph.

*Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's. Matth. 22: 21. Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers, etc. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience' sake. For, for this cause pay ye tribute also; for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom, to whom custom; fear, to whom fear; honor, to whom honor. Rom. 13: 1. 5ff. I exhort, therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and for all that are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. 1 Time. 2: 1f. Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, etc. Tit. 3: 1. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake, whether it be to the king as supreme, or unto governors as unto them that are sent by him, etc. 1 Pet. 2: 13f.*

#### For Husbands

*Ye husbands, dwell with your wives according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers be not hindered. 1 Pet. 3: 7.*

*And be not bitter against them. Col. 3: 9.*

In God's providence, in His preservation and government of the world, the institution of matrimony, and thereby of the family, plays a very important part. In the family God placed the husband at the head. How the husband as father of the family and as master of the servants should rule his house, will come up in two later paragraphs, which speak of *Parents* and of *Masters and Mistresses*. The present paragraph speaks about husbands in their relation to their wife.



#### According to Knowledge

A husband should be guided in his relation to his wife by knowledge. There is the constant danger that husbands make demands on their wives without due consideration. They let themselves be guided only by their own wishes, without giving any thought to the question whether it might not seriously inconvenience and embarrass their wife. To mention but one example, they will bring a friend home unexpectedly for dinner and, no matter how busy the wife was with other house work, take it for granted that she have a special meal ready for the extra guest. Or a man may, without a cause, be very unpunctual in coming home for his meals. Many things like that may happen, which show a woeful lack of understanding or of consideration.

Yet when Peter says "according to knowledge" he means much more than a little consideration. He wants husbands to understand God's designs in instituting marriage, particularly God's will re-

garding the relation of the two marriage partners. What, according to God's will, is the proper relation of a wife toward her husband, and of a husband toward his wife? When God created Eve to be Adam's wife, He said: "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet (or suitable) for him" (Gen. 2, 18). Adam should recognize Eve as a companion and as a helper suitable for him, of a kind with him. Adam was not lonesome in Paradise; there were so many wonderful things in God's creation to occupy his mind; but there was no companion of a class with himself, a companion who yet would regard him as her head. Then Eve was created.

This beautiful relation was changed through the fall. We are not now concerned with the change in the woman with the fact that she began to resent her subordinate position and tried to emancipate herself: we are concerned with the change in man, who, under sin, is always tempted to abuse his authority and to look upon his wife as his slave; as the Lord foretold the woman: "He shall (that is: surely will) rule over thee" (Gen. 3, 16).

This is what Peter means when he says "according to knowledge." The husband should remember God's will and guard against the dangers threatening from his sinful heart.

One particular thing Peter mentions in the text that a husband should always consider, namely, that his wife is the "weaker vessel." Neither physically nor mentally did the Creator give to the woman the powers of resistance with which He equipped the man. He made the man for the rough work that is to be done on earth, and He gave him a body that can take a bump, and a mind to survive a shock. He made the woman more delicate both in body and soul. This the husband should consider.

#### Vessel

This word calls for a little discussion. It may seem peculiar that both the husband and the wife should be called vessels, the wife being the weaker vessel. The Greek word here translated with vessel (German Bible: *Werkzeug*) has a wider scope than the English "vessel."



It means utensil, implement, equipment; and is frequently applied to persons in the sense in which we also sometimes call a person a "tool," meaning a helper.

Peter calls both husband and wife vessels because of the mutual assistance which they are to render one to another. Each one is to consider himself as the helper of the other, an implement for the other's happiness.

### Heirs Together

The physical well-being of husband and wife is not the chief purpose of a Christian marriage. They are to help each other spiritually. In this respect the husband is to remember that there is no difference between him and his wife before God. Peter calls both "heirs together," which in the Greek is but one word: *joint-heirs* (German: *Miterben*).

The blessing which they are called jointly to inherit is the *grace* of God. The husband stands in need of this grace as much as the wife. He is a sinner as well as she. And God has extended His grace to her as well as to him. Paul says that "there is neither male nor female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 4, 28). There is no special grace for the husband which the wife does not share. There may be certain functions in the church reserved to the husband, from which the wife is excluded, such as the public Ministry and the government of church affairs; but the grace is the same to both.

It is the grace of *life*. Not a life which is to begin only in heaven, no, a spiritual life which is created right here on earth in the midst of the valley of the shadow of death, a life which maintains itself over against the dangers that surround us, a life which survives death and the grave, a life which will shine forth in full glory after the resurrection.

How will a husband treat his wife if he looks at her as appointed by God to inherit the grace of life with him? Need we write an answer to this question?

### Hindered Prayers

"That your prayers be not hindered." Christian husbands want to pray. A Christian simply cannot live without praying. Just as breathing is natural to every man ordinarily, so is prayer to a Christian.

There are times when breathing may be very heavy. It has not stopped altogether, but there is something that hinders it. That is a symptom of disease. So there are times when a Christian's prayers do not arise freely, when some sin hinders them. When a husband neglects the ordinances of God which govern his relation to his wife, how can he hope that his prayers will soar freely to the ears of God and be pleasing to Him? They are hindered by his sin.

### Summary

St. Paul sums up the proper attitude of a husband toward his wife in one word: "Be not bitter against them."

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## OUR INCORRUPTIBLE CROWN

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*We Are Inspired by an Incorruptible Crown* The crown of heavenly bliss which Christ holds out to us will never fade away.

It will never diminish but will bring us endless joy and honor of the highest kind, surpassing everything that we are now able even to imagine. How willingly should we therefore abstain from everything that might harm, weaken, or dim our faith. Shall we be less earnest and careful about our incorruptible crown than the Isthmian athletes were about a garland of pine needles? Should we want to take a chance with tainted pleasures that will weigh upon our conscience and undermine our faith? Shall we be reluc-

tant to exercise our faith in prayer, in cross-bearing, in laboring for Christ's kingdom, in sacrificing for His cause? Shall we not rather welcome such exercises which tend to keep us in close and constant contact with God's Word and its treasures of grace? Shall not also we want to make every blow count as we face the opponents of our faith, Satan, the world, and our own flesh? Like Paul, let us "keep under our body" and bring it under subjection. That is, let us deliver well-placed and well-timed, stunning blows to our flesh with its sinful desires. To God's gracious Word and Spirit we shall ever need to turn for our strength.

C. J. L.

## EDITORIALS

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only authority in matters of doctrine and practice, and this man was not clear on the teaching of Scripture on that point. Although pious women come in for much and favorable recognition in the Scriptures yet God says 1 Timothy 2: 12, "But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence." And again 1 Corinthians 14: 34, "Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law." This ought to be clear enough for anyone who is interested in the will of God in regard to women-ministers. God clearly forbids it.

W. J. S.

## CHRISTMAS AFTERTHOUGHT

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**D**URING the past holidays no doubt many of us have heard a remark something like this spoken to a child, "You must have been very good to have Santa Claus remember you so well."



On the surface such words appear innocent enough, but in reality there lies in them a viewpoint that is directly opposed to the basic thought of Christianity.

The issue is not with the matter of Santa Claus. Children may be told of the old gent if he is kept on the level of a mother-goose character, the Sandman, Jackfrost, and the like, — all in the realm of make-believe. He can be enjoyed just as well that way. It is obvious that telling trusting children Santa Claus is a real person is nothing less than a lie. Trying to soften that a little by making it just a white-lie will not work. God and His Word know of no such thing. Even the dictionary calls a white-lie a "pious fraud."



The thought which is out of place among Christians is this, — because you have been good, you have received gifts. What is involved is the use of the reward motive for the purpose of bringing about good conduct.

We all know the scripture injunction concerning children, "Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." We use it much but do we understand it? A clear conception of what is meant will reveal what is wrong with this "be good, and be rewarded" business. It is to be feared that to many this passage means only to teach the moral precepts of the Ten Commandments and obedience to them, piously using Bible stories as incentives, in distinction to having children imbibe the weak and fickle morality of the world. True, the morality of the Ten Commandments is far superior to that of the world, being God's holy will and the absolute norm of good conduct, but it is still the death-dealing law. The Holy Spirit does not advise us to nurture unto death.

The correct understanding is gained from the passage, "From a child thou has known the holy scriptures which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." In connection with "faith in Christ Jesus" we nurture and admonish. We well know and believe that the one and only thing that ever occurred in this world which has any merit and worth in the eyes of God is the work of His Son on the cross of Calvary. We further know and believe that the one and only hope of sinful man is to attach himself to this work of the Son of God through faith and thus partake of its worth and merit. Thus we arrive at the fundamental proposition of Scripture and Christianity, which makes it what it is, the only hope of salvation, unique, different and distinct from anything ever conceived in the mind of man, — salvation by grace through faith in Christ, without the deeds of the law. How important and utterly exclusive this is Paul emphasizes when he writes, "And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work."

Now it is true, all of us earnestly desire to teach justification by faith with our

whole heart and seek to do so by instruction both at home and at church. But it is also true, we often undermine and sometimes completely destroy the effect of this teaching by using the reward motive in bringing about respectable behavior in our children. What happens is that with instruction the intellect of the child is trained to know the correct doctrine, but in reality by the use of the reward motivation a viewpoint (*Anschauung*) of faith in works is developed within them.

The common method found even among Christians is this. Before Christmas comes the warning, "If you are not good, Santa Claus will not bring you anything." Around the house, "If you will pick up your toys, I will give you some candy." When leaving for town, "If you behave yourself while I am gone, I'll bring you something." All along the line it is a matter of receiving a reward for doing certain works. It is not the least bit far-fetched that this concept is carried right over into the realm of spiritual things, — for my good works, God will reward me with eternal life. In fact, that is the natural belief of unregenerate man. When we use the reward motive we are quite definitely and actively furthering our children in what they by nature are inclined to believe and leading them directly into the paths of self-righteousness.

Since bribing behavior with a reward is so convenient, and seemingly is the easiest and quickest way to get results, the question might well arise, "What should be done instead?" "What training method is fitting to our Gospel of grace?" Begin with prayer. Through baptism our children have put on Christ, have been regenerated, have a new life created within them, have become a temple of the Holy Ghost. This should be the constant prayer

of parents, "Lord, keep my children in the baptismal covenant. Subdue the flesh, and give strength unto the new life in Christ. Give me wisdom that as Thy representative I may in all things further and develop that faith and life and salvation, all of grace, which was bestowed in the holy water of regeneration." To this end then we avoid the use of the reward motive and proceed with evangelical methods. When children are very young and have little or no understanding it is enough that they learn to obey simply because the parents speak. That is not impossible. God has so created children that they naturally love, trust and look up to their parents. By first being extremely circumspect and fair in our directions, and then firmly insisting on obedience the desired result can be produced without the use of rewards. Later on as understanding increases, the wisdom of salvation in Christ is gradually taught, therein supplying the knowledge and the motivating power for acceptable works in the sight of God, — fruits of faith done only out of love for Him who first loved us.

It is not said that children should not receive gifts and favors. Certainly parents love to do things for their children and well they may, but always in this wise, — make it a matter of love. "This we give you because we love you," keeping things on the plain of unexpected and undeserved favor. By all means avoid making a connection between works and rewards. It builds up hopes of recompense on the basis of personal merit, and makes of the child a nice little Pharisee.

Let us be on our guard what we say and do around children in this respect. None of us would care to be guilty of nurturing the young in anything else but salvation in the blood of Christ. G. SYDOW.

## NEWS FROM OUR STUDENT CHAPEL IN MADISON

**D**URING the fall months ten students and wives of students were instructed and confirmed. Five of these were also baptized. A new class has already been organized.

As reported earlier, the number of Synodical Conference Lutherans at the University is well over 1,000. A goodly

number of these are married, some have little children, all of which increases the number to be cared for. This great influx of Lutheran young people created a real emergency at our chapel. As a result the Joint Madison Board, at its last meeting, authorized the student pastor to secure part-time pastoral help. We are happy to



be able to report that we have found an excellent helper in Rev. Eugene F. Klug, who came to Madison with his wife on January 3 and was presented to the students at both services on January 5.

Pastor Klug's home is in Milwaukee. He is a grandson of the late Prof. M. Albrecht, one-time director of our Milwaukee Concordia College. Before completing his seminary course at St. Louis, he "vicared" for a year in Fairmont, Minnesota, assisting the pastor of St. Paul's Church. After his graduation he taught at Concordia College, Milwaukee, for two years and then served as a Navy chaplain. After his separation from the service, he

entered the graduate school of the University of Chicago, with Greek as his main subject. At the close of the fall quarter there, on December 21, he transferred to the University of Wisconsin in order to be able to assist at the chapel. Here his main work as part-time assistant will be to help with the visiting of the students in their living quarters. But he will also take charge of both services on one Sunday a month and will do part of the secretarial work. We are pleased with our assistant and his wife and pray the Lord to bless them!

WM. C. BURHOP,  
*Student Pastor.*

## CHRISTMAS WITH A MISSIONARY

BY PASTOR ROY GOSE, INSTITUTIONAL MISSIONARY

**U**NTO you is born this day — a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." These words of the angel of the Lord still bring comfort and cheer to the sinner. To the many afflicted at institutions these words are the only ray of cheer which reach them at Christmas time. Many of the patients have no known relatives or friends living. They sit day after day, year in, year out; in their lucid moments remembering "better" days and one-time friends. At



Christmas such memories become especially poignant, when they see some of their number come back to the Wards laden with gifts; while they have nothing. But great was their surprise and joy this past Christmas. The good people of ten Synodical Conference churches had remembered them. Hundreds of gifts had been placed into the hands of the institutional missionary for distribution to such forsaken and forgotten persons. All the parcels were wrapped "Christmassy" (some 500 by the missionary's wife and a few helpers).

Then the Christmas services! Several weeks earlier, the missionary's daughter, a seventh grader, asked him if a group of girls from Grace school in Oshkosh could sing Christmas carols for the patients at his services. Having the permission of

the local teacher and pastor, this offer was gladly accepted. So, his Chevy comfortably filled with eleven persons, the trip was made to two institutions. There the group sang four carols in two parts, and the "Congregation" joined in with the singing of four further well-known Christmas hymns and carols. The services were appreciated by all.

After the services, to treat the youngsters, we went for hamburgers. But one stand after another was closed. Finally near the outskirts of town we located one: a ramshackle building, with hardly enough room for us all. But it was clean. The owner was an elderly man. When he learned who we were and what we had done, he charged us only one dollar for all the "Burgers" and drinks. (The drinks, I may add, divided into nine parts.) So we requested the children to sing "Silent Night" for him. Hardly had they begun, when the man walked into a rear room. He returned shortly, leading his invalid wife. With tears in their eyes they listened to the singing. Then, with a sob, she thanked the children, adding that this was the first time in five years that she had heard "Silent Night." The couple hardly let us leave. And our young carolers were almost happier than they. One of them remarked shyly to the missionary, "Now I know why the Lord had all those other places closed today. He wanted us to come here and cheer up these poor people." — It was dark, almost six o'clock, before we deposited the last of

the tired but merry choristers at their respective homes. They had to be at their home-church at seven.

Early in the morning on Christmas Day we were on the "go" again. The first church service for the day was scheduled for 8:30 o'clock. We had more elbow room in the car today. Only three persons: the missionary, his wife, and their daughter (on her first vacation from New Ulm). The daughter went along to play several special Christmas numbers on the piano and to accompany the congregational singing. We soon came to the first institution. There the patients filled the chapel to capacity. Here also printed copies of the hymns and carols were distributed. All listened attentively to the Christmas message and joined whole-heartedly in the singing. After the service many came to extend their personal greetings. Several small gifts were presented the missionary. One was especially noteworthy: a beautiful white covering for the desk, which serves as altar and pulpit. A patient had embroidered a cross and chalice on it.

From here we went to our next institution. Here were gathered about 250 persons. The chapel had been decorated for Christmas. In the background was an 8x20 painting of the Nativity scene. Immediately in front of this was a full sized manger filled with straw, containing a replica of the "babe wrapped in swaddling clothes." All this was prepared by patients under the supervision of their therapy instructor. — To the right sat the choir, composed of patients. They had practiced for weeks, faithfully, for this special occasion: to sing for the others and to lead the congregational singing.

In the afternoon your missionary and his entire family went to a Home for Aged. The children took part in the service. Each of them playing a selection on the piano, speaking pieces, and singing. They were rewarded by the superintendent with a box of goodies. Our 7-year-old was especially excited and gratified.

In closing, your missionary again expresses his thanks to all who freely gave presents, cash, or themselves to help make this a joyous Christmas for many unfortunates and aged.



## CHURCH DEDICATION IN GLENWOOD, MINNESOTA

The First Sunday in Advent, December 1, 1946, was a day of great joy for the members of Calvary Ev. Lutheran Church, in Glenwood, Minnesota. On this day this little mission congregation dedicated its newly erected chapel to the worship of the Triune God. Although the thermometer suddenly dipped to 25 below zero, many friends from far and near



joined in the festival services, filling the chapel to capacity. The Rev. H. Hempel of Clark, South Dakota, first resident pastor of Calvary, was the guest speaker in the afternoon service. Another service was held in the evening, the Rev. H. Mutterer of Graceville, Minnesota, delivering the sermon. After both services the ladies of the congregation served lunch to all guests in the basement.

The chapel, designed by the pastor, measures 22x45 feet, with a front entrance 12x14 feet and a side vestibule 12x9 feet, and has a spacious sanctuary and a full basement. It is built of frame construction fully insulated. The exterior is finished with asbestos siding and the interior with plastered walls and sheetrock ceiling. Although the standlings are only 7½ feet, the interior height is 22 feet, creating a very worshipful atmosphere. This is attained by means of open ceiling construction supported by two heavy trusses. A very pleasing effect is obtained through an indirect lighting system.

Estimates on the cost of a chapel of this size and type usually range from \$12,000 to \$16,000. Yet this one was built for the surprisingly low sum of about \$4,500. Calvary was fortunate in several ways. Approximately three-fourths of the lumber was obtained from an old "Brethren" church purchased for \$425 which was

razed and transported to Glenwood entirely by volunteer labor. In this Calvary acknowledges with deep appreciation the fine co-operation and help of the Rev. H. C. Duehlmeier and members of his congregations in Hancock and Morris. This commendable missionary spirit helped not only to cut the labor item substantially, but also to encourage this little mission congregation in its undertaking and to strengthen the bond of Christian and synodical fellowship. As a result Calvary now has a beautiful new chapel with only a small loan of \$3,500 from the Church Extension Fund, making it possible for other mission congregations to draw so much more on this fund for much needed chapels, schools, and parsonages.

Some time in the near future we hope to bring you more information concerning the history of this mission and an interior view of this chapel.

May the Lord's blessing rest upon Calvary and all through whose help the erection of this chapel was made possible.

CHR. ALBRECHT, *Pastor.*

## OBITUARIES

### † MRS. BERTHA GRUBER †

Bertha Buth, was born at Gross Leistikow, Germany, August 27, 1866. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church in Germany. At the age of 18 years she came to America with her parents, two brothers and one sister and settled in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

In the year, 1889, she was married to Pastor Rudolph Gruber. Subsequently they lived at Baraboo, Wisconsin; Loganville, Wisconsin; Savanna, Illinois; Hoskins, Nebraska, and at New Prague, Minnesota. At New Prague they lived for fifteen years, Pastor Gruber serving Friedens Ev. Lutheran Church, Lanesburg Township, up to the time of his death, which occurred March 21, 1923. Seven children were born to this happy union: three daughters and four sons.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Gruber moved to Minneapolis and resided there until she came to New Prague in 1945 to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Dallmann. She had been ailing for a number of years and several weeks before her death she was afflicted

with pneumonia from which she never recovered. Throughout her illness she exhibited a firm faith in her Savior and unflinching Christian courage. Her daily prayer and desire was that her Savior might soon call her to her eternal home in heaven. Commending herself into the hands of her Savior she quietly and peacefully fell asleep in the Lord on August 21, 1946, at 9:30 P. M., having attained the age of 79 years, 11 months, and 21 days.

She leaves to mourn her death three daughters: Mrs. Robert Dallmann, New Prague, Minnesota; Mrs. August Born, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Mrs. Otto Knoll, Minneapolis, Minnesota; three sons: Arnold, Jordan, Minnesota; Arthur, St. Paul, Minnesota; Erhart, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Her husband, Pastor Rudolph Gruber, and one son, Eugene, preceded her in death. Other relatives who remain to mourn her loss are: three sons-in-law, five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, one brother, many other relatives and a host of friends.

Services for the deceased were held at Friedens Ev. Lutheran Church, Lanesburg Township, New Prague, Minnesota, on August 24, 1946, the undersigned officiating and basing his sermon on Deut. 33, 3. Her earthly remains were laid to rest in the Lanesburg Lutheran Cemetery, New Prague, Minnesota.

May the God of all comfort and grace cheer the survivors with the hope of a happy reunion on the day of resurrection.

ALFRED MARTENS.

### † MRS. MARTHA LANGE †

Mrs. Martha Lange was born in Coerlin, Germany, September 26, 1876. Soon after her birth she was baptized in the name of the Triune God. At the age of about 5 years she came to this country with her parents, who made their home in Ludington, Michigan. Here in her childhood she was instructed in the Christian doctrine and later, in the year, 1890, confirmed in our Lutheran faith. As an occupation she chose housework. In the year, 1910, on the sixth day of April, she was married to Rev. Henry Lange, then pastor of Frieden's Congregation at Ludington. In July of the same year she



came to Milwaukee with her husband, who had received and accepted a call to Nathanael Lutheran Congregation. Here she spent the remaining thirty-six years of her life and found her happiness and work as a devoted wife and mother of her two children. She was also always highly interested in her church, in the Ladies' Aid Society, and in other social activities. In October, 1944, after having had high blood pressure for some years, she suffered a hemorrhage and for some days was in danger of life. She recovered, but it left her an invalid from then on. Friday, November 29, she again became seriously ill and it was God's will that she should not recover. She passed peacefully away on the morning of Thursday, December 5, 1946. To mourn her death she leaves her husband, the Rev. Henry Lange, two sons, the Rev. William Lange of Gary, South Dakota, and Henry, Jr., student at our Theological Seminary at Thiensville, Wisconsin; one daughter-in-law, three brothers, three sisters, two grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends. She attained an age of 70 years 2 months, and 9 days. The funeral service was held at Nathanael Church on Monday, December 9, 1946. Pastor Wm. C. Mahnke addressed comforting words to the bereaved family, relatives, and the congregation using for his text Psalm 116, v 15: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." He also officiated at the grave.

May the eternal Lord of Life comfort the bereaved with the sure hope of the resurrection unto life everlasting.

P. W. KNEISKE.

## ANNIVERSARIES

### THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Pastor Paul E. Horn

On Sunday evening, November 24, 1946, the twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, the members of Christ Lutheran Church, Zumbrota, Minnesota, assembled in a special service for a twofold purpose. This service was arranged in honor of their pastor, the Rev. Paul E. Horn, in recognition of his twenty years of faithful service in their midst, and to commemorate his thirty-fifth anniversary of ordination to the holy ministry. The service was

in charge of the undersigned, who also preached the sermon based on Psalm 89, 1.

At the close of the service congratulatory messages were read and a token of esteem was presented to Pastor Horn by the congregation. Responding to these expressions of honor and esteem the jubilant expressed his sincere and humble appreciation.

May the Lord continue to abide with His blessings with pastor and congregation.

T. E. KOCK.

### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. and Mrs. William Schick and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Raedish, long time faithful members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church Tacoma, Washington, observed their fiftieth wedding anniversaries November 23 and December 15 respectively. In both instances a brief thanksgiving service was held at the church with the congregation well represented. Open house was held in the homes of both families for relatives and friends. May God bless them in the future as He has in the past!

ARTHUR SYDOW.

### TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

St. Paul's Congregation of Cudahy, Wisconsin, met on Sunday afternoon, December 1, to observe the twenty-fifth anniversary of their pastor, the Rev. Gerald Hoenecke. Ordinarily that is an occasion of great joy, but a note of sorrow was also in evidence, for the Lord had seen fit to call his servant, who had completed almost nineteen years of faithful ministry at St. Paul's, to another field of labor; the fact that Pastor Hoenecke would preach his farewell sermon one week hence, Sunday, December 8, gave rise to feelings of emotion on the part of members as well as the pastor and his family.

The special service found its key note in the well-directed address by Prof. John Meyer of our Theological Seminary; who based his remarks on 1. Tim. 3, 16, the ancient Church's hymn of praise, "Great is the Mystery of Godliness." All glory

was given to the Savior for the office of ministry. The same praises were found in the anthems by the choir and the songs sung by the children of the Christian Day School. The jubilant took occasion to express his thanks to his fellow Christians for their kind expressions, pointing humbly to St. Paul's words, 2. Cor. 3, 5: "Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God." The service was conducted by the Rev. Paul Behn, Milwaukee.

After the service the jubilant and his family were taken to the school auditorium, where a supper was served to members and guests. At the close of a well-planned program, at which Teacher Nolte served as toastmaster, Pastor Hoenecke was presented with a purse.

Having completed his training at our Theological Seminary (Wauwatosa) in 1921, Pastor Hoenecke served as tutor at the Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Saginaw, until 1923. He was ordained in November, 1921. Besides being tutor he served also in congregational work. The Lord called him to Shirley, Wisconsin, in 1923, where he labored until February, 1928. Then the Master transplanted him to St. Paul's, Cudahy. Not only did he serve his congregation faithfully, but his time and efforts were given also toward the work of our Synod, as second vice president of the Southeastern Wisconsin District, until recently as chairman of the District School Board, as member of the Seminary Board of Control, as associate editor of the Gemenide-Blatt, and as a member of the committee which prepared our new Sunday School course.

May the gracious Lord continue to bless His servant, and through him enrich many souls in his new field of labor, Sleepy Eye, Minnesota.

P. A. BEHN.

### TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

REV. LOUIS F. KARRER

In a special jubilee service, held on the evening of September 15, 1946, at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the twenty-fifth anniversary of the ordination of their pastor, the Rev. Louis F. Karrer, was observed.

The undersigned preached the sermon based on 1 Tim. 1: 12, in which he showed



the glory of the gospel-ministry, and Pastor Richard Buerger served as liturgist.

After the services a social hour was enjoyed in the parish hall, in which Pastor Richard Buerger served as master of ceremonies. Congregational addresses were here given and messages read, and the congregation presented the jubilarian with a purse that represented real generosity and esteem for their pastor's work. The Ladies' Aid served a luncheon.

Responding to these expressions of honor and esteem the jubilarian expressed his humble and sincere appreciation. Above all he praised and thanked God for all that He had done for him; for the privilege of being an ambassador of the Lord Jesus Christ; resolved to serve the Lord in the future as God's grace may afford him strength.

Pastor Karrer graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary, Springfield, Illinois, in June, 1921, and on July 3, 1921, was ordained to the holy ministry at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. From August, 1921 to April, 1924, he served Mt. Olive Lutheran Church at Mukwonago, Wisconsin, and since April, 1924, he has been pastor of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church.

May the Lord grant His servant many more years of faithful service in His vineyard.

A. HALBOTH.

**THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY**

October 27, 1946, marked the thirty-fifth anniversary of Pastor J. Martin Raasch in St. Paul's Congregation in Lake Mills, Wisconsin. After having served in the mission fields of the State of Washington for four years, Pastor Raasch came to Lake Mills, where by the grace of God he has been permitted to labor uninterruptedly for thirty-five years. To commemorate this occasion St. Paul's Congregation arranged a jubilee service for the evening of that day. Pastor L. C. Kirst, a classmate, had charge of the service and delivered the sermon.

After the service a social hour was spent in the church basement and the ladies of the congregation served a lunch. There a number of the members of the church as well as some of the brethren in the ministry spoke briefly offering congratulations.

During Pastor Raasch's thirty-five years in Lake Mills St. Paul's Congregation has enjoyed a steady, healthy growth. May the Lord continue to bless the labors of His servant.

W. E. ZANK.

**NOTICE**

Concordia Publishing House is planning an anthology of the work of Lutheran poets. It is the wish of the publishers and editors to make the anthology as representative of American Lutheranism as possible. Lutheran poets are herewith invited to submit their work for consideration. Selections will not be limited to poems strictly religious in theme. Please mail contributions to:

The Lutheran Anthology  
Concordia Publishing House,  
3558 South Jefferson Avenue,  
St. Louis 18, Missouri.

**NOTICE OF CORRECTION OF ERROR (\*)**

**LAKE SUPERIOR CONFERENCE**  
October, November, December, 1946

Congregation — Pastor Budgetary  
Marinette, Trinity, Gentz, A. A. .... \$1,012.68  
Marquette, Mich., Trinity, Roepke, W. .... 456.89

(\*) One item of \$186.26 received for Trinity, Marquette, Michigan, was inadvertently posted to the credit of Trinity, Marinette, Wisconsin. Please use the above figures rather than those appearing on the previous fourth-quarter report for Lake Superior Conference. Our sincere regrets for the discrepancy.

GERALD C. HERZFELDT,  
District Treasurer.

**CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES**

**TWIN CITY MIXED PASTORAL WINTER CONFERENCE**

The Twin City Mixed Pastoral Winter Conference will meet at Trinity Lutheran Church, St. Paul, Minn., A. C. Haase, pastor, on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 4 and 5. The opening session will begin at 9:30 A. M. Tuesday.

Essayists: Dr. M. Graebner; Dr. P. E. Kretzmann; Dr. P. W. Spaude.

Holy Communion Tuesday evening at 7:30. Confessional address: H. Winter; sermon: S. E. Lee. P. R. KURTH, Secretary.

**EASTERN PASTORAL CONFERENCE**

Place: Nain Ev. Lutheran Church, West Allis, Wisconsin.

Time: **Tuesday, February 4, 1947, 9:00 A. M.**  
Essay: Exegesis of Genesis 6, Pastor W. Keibel.  
Preacher: Pastor K. Lescow (Carl Leyrer).

J. F. BRENNER, Secretary.

**WEST-CENTRAL MINNESOTA MIXED CONFERENCE**

Time: February 4 and 5, beginning at 10:00 A. M.  
Place: Appleton, Minnesota (Pastor H. A. Faedtker).

Essays: 1) The Proper Interpretation of the Third Commandment; 2) The Third Use of the Law (Rule), T. Rehwaldt; 3) John the Baptist, his Life and Doctrine, A. Fellwock; 4) An Evaluation of the "Statement of the Forty-four, Chr. Albrecht; 5) A Re-examination of the Definition of Marriage, A. Gierke; 6) Religious Indifference in our Parishioners, Especially in their Attitude toward Lutherans not in Fellowship with us, S. Dorr; 7) Un-Lutheran Trends in the Lutheran Church (continued and expanded), Dr. P. Spaude; 8) Titus, Chapter 1, an Exegesis, W. Koch.

H. C. DUEHLMEIER, Secretary.

**NEW ULM PASTORAL CONFERENCE**

Place: St. Paul's Lutheran School, New Ulm, Minnesota.

Time: February 12, 1947, 9:30 A. M.

Essays: Outlines for a series of Lenten Sermons, M. Schuetze; Committee Report on Bible Reading in the Public Schools, R. Janke; Selective Fellowship, E. Schaller.

Preacher: F. R. Bliedernicht (M. Albrecht).

W. FRANK, Secretary.

**WATERTOWN AND VICINITY TEACHERS' CONFERENCE**

February 7, 1947

Morning Sessions

Upper Grades

9:00-9:10—Devotion.

9:10-9:40—Catechism: The Attributes of Christ, W. Tetting.

9:40-10:05—Language: A Letter of Application, C. Finup.

10:05-10:25—Discussion.

Lower Grades

9:00-9:10—Devotion.

9:10-9:40—Catechism: Introduction to the Commandments, M. Lillegard.

9:40-10:05—Spelling: Introducing New Words, L. Fenske.

10:05-10:25—Discussion.

10:25-10:35—Recess.

Joint

10:35-11:15—Major Causes of Reading Disability, G. Pape.

11:15-11:50—Business.

Afternoon Session

1:30-2:30—Developing the Technique of Questioning, O. Kolb.

2:30-2:45—Singing.

2:45-3:30—The Role of the School Library, Prof. E. Schroeder.

Substitute: An Approach to the Sciences in General and Its Application to Physics and Chemistry, Prof. Paul Eickmann.

VALBORG NESSETH.

**MANKATO PASTORAL CONFERENCE**

Special Session

Place: St. Paul's North Mankato, Minnesota; R. A. Haase, pastor.

Time: February 12, 1947, 9:30 A. M.

Essays: Boy Scouts, A. Martens; Veterans' Organizations, M. Lenz.

Preacher: L. F. Brandes (R. A. Haase).

H. H. SCHALLER.

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**MANITOWOC PASTORAL CONFERENCE**

Place: First German Lutheran, Manitowoc, Wisconsin (Pastor L. Koeninger).

Time: February 4, 1947, 9:00 A. M.

Preacher: A. Geiger (A. Wadzinski).

ROLAND EHLKE, Secretary.

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**ROSEBUD DELEGATE CONFERENCE**

The Rosebud Delegate Conference will meet at Calvary Lutheran Church, Valentine, Nebraska (E. Weiss), February 11, 12, 1947, at 10:00 A. M. C.S.T.

Papers: Exegetical and Practical Study of Is. 7, 14 and 9, 6-7, Sauer; Is. 10, Grummert; 1 Tim. 5, Ploetz; Confession, Groth; Is Engagement Equivalent to Marriage? Tills.

Speaker: Ploetz (Tills).

Please announce.

WM. NEUJAHR, Secretary.

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**THE SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE OF THE WESTERN WISCONSIN DISTRICT**

The Southwestern Conference of the Western Wisconsin District will meet at Baraboo, Wisconsin, February 11, 1947. Starting time: 9:30 A. M.

Works: Exegesis of Titus 2, O. Kuehl; Alternate Exegesis 2 Tim. 2, H. Paustian; When According to Scripture Is Prayerfellowship Out of Order, E. Toepel; First Letter in Revelation, Ph. Lehmann; Woman Suffrage, H. Kuckhahn; (Substitute works, A. Stuebs, H. Kirchner, A. Looek, G. Gerth.)

Conference Preacher: E. Mahnke; alternate, P. Monhardt.

E. G. TOEPEL, Secretary.

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**COLORADO MISSION DISTRICT CONVENTION**

The Colorado Mission District will be in session on February 11, 12 and 13, at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Lamar, Colorado. Sessions begin at 1:00 Tuesday noon, February 11.

Papers: Confessional Articles, A. C. Bauman; Second Peter, Roy Vollmers; The Religion of Anti-Christian Societies, Wm. Wietzke; The Vicarious Obedience of the God-Man, A. C. Bauman; Scouting in the Light of Scriptures, V. Tiefel.

Sermon: Pastor Lloyd Hahnke; substitute, Pastor W. Krenke.

Please announce yourself and delegate to host pastor the Rev. Herbert Witt.

V. TIEFEL, Secretary, pro tem.



**THE WINNEBAGO PASTORAL CONFERENCE**

The Winnebago Pastoral Conference will meet D. v. February 10, 11, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, North Fond du Lac, W. Wichmann, pastor.

Essays: Exegesis of Hebrews 5, Roy Gose; Introduction to Joel, Wm. Wojahn; Introduction to Amos, H. Kleinhans; Divorce in the Light of Scripture, G. Pieper; History of the Wisconsin Synod, A. Engel; The Catholic Church in the Light of Revelation, Wm. Hartwig; Joshua, a Type of Christ, R. Ziesemer; Review of Graebner's "Prayer Fellowship," Oelhafen; Christological paper on a Messianic Psalm, M. Drews; Communism, a Threat to Christianity, R. Reim.

Preacher: R. Reim (R. Gose).  
Kindly announce early to the host pastor.  
HEINRICH J. VOGEL, Secretary.

**CENTRAL PASTORAL CONFERENCE**

Time: February 11, 1947, at 9:00 A. M.  
Place: Marshall, Wisconsin (Pastor Kurt Lederer).

Essays: 9:15 A. M., Gal. 5, Pastor R. Jungkuntz; 10:45, Financial Report; 11:00 Communion Service; afternoon, 1:30, opening; 1:45, election of officers, and routine business; 2:00, another discussion on the question of Malicious Desertion; miscellany.  
Sermon: W. Zank, H. Geiger.  
H. GEIGER, Secretary.

**ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS**

(Authorized by the Proper Officials)

**Pastors**

- Luecker, C. H.**, in Trinity Church, Crawford Lake, Minnesota, and in St. John's Church, Montrose, Minnesota, by R. L. Wichmann; Karl Plocher, E. R. Berwald, E. Mehlberg, and S. Baer (at St. John's) assisting; Sunday after New Year, January 5, 1947.
- Bergholz, H. W.**, in St. John's Church, Township Center, Wisconsin, by D. E. Hallemeier, A. Voigt assisting; Sunday after New Year, January 5, 1947.
- Otterstatter, E. J.**, in Trinity Church, Flasher, North Dakota, by Paul Kuehl, first Sunday after Epiphany, January 12, 1947.
- Netzke, O. K.**, in Bethany Church, Township Emmet, Minnesota, by I. F. Lenz, first Sunday after Epiphany, January 12, 1947.
- Pankow, H. A.**, in St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Menomonie, Wisconsin, by E. E. Prenzlow, first Sunday in Advent, December 1, 1946.
- Schumann, Walter**, in Northwestern College, by E. E. Kowalke, first Sunday after New Year, January 12, 1947.

**CHANGES OF ADDRESS**

- Pastors:**
- Netzke, O. K., Renville, Minnesota, R. 3.
  - Otterstatter, E. J., Flasher, North Dakota.
  - Pankow, H. A., 1120 Ninth Street, Menomonie, Wisconsin.
  - Schumann, W. A., 819 Harvey Avenue, Watertown, Wisconsin.
  - Fritze, Hugo, 3510 Southwest Fifth Street, Des Moines 15, Iowa.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND THANKS**

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C. L. SCHWEPPE.

Dr. and Mrs. Howard Vogel of New Ulm, Minnesota, presented a gift of \$10.00 to the Music Department of Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota.

We herewith express our heartiest thanks to the kind donors for this liberal gift.

EMIL D. BACKER,  
Music Department.

The following gifts have been sent in for Dr. Martin Luther College Library: Dr. F. H. Dubbe, New Ulm, Minnesota, \$100.00; Mrs. Charlotte K. Sperling, Watertown, South Dakota, \$100.00, a memorial wreath for the late Mr. Sperling; Mrs. John Bruns, New Ulm, Minnesota, \$5.00, a memorial wreath for the late August Schilling, Delano, Minnesota. Our thanks to all the kind donors.

E. R. BLIEFERNICHT,  
Librarian.

"The Northwestern College Library Fund is in receipt of the following donations: Girls' Club, Lake Mills, \$5.00; in memory of Mrs. Wm. Kohlmeier, remitted by Pastor A. W. Looek, \$6.00; in memory of Miss Audrey Last by Mr. and Mrs. John Mattek, \$2.00; in memory of Mrs. Arthur Schlei from the students of Northwestern College, \$7.00. To all donors we express our kindest thanks.

E. M. SCHROEDER,  
Librarian.

Donations received by Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota, during the latter part of 1946: 671 bu. potatoes, 250 sacks vegetables, 115 sacks pumpkins and squash, 47 sacks cabbage, 50 bags onions, 150 lbs. beans, 1 box green peppers, 1 bu. tomatoes, 1/2 bu. green tomatoes, 42 qts. sauerkraut, 7 gal. pickles, 1 box cocoa, 10 lbs. cookies, 3 baskets miscellaneous package goods, 18 boxes oatmeal, 101 gal. lard, 380 lbs. flour, 28 lbs. butter, 165 doz. eggs, 4 qts. molasses, 3 qts. honey, 12 qts. sorghum, 1 bottle catsup, 8 lbs. coffee, 1 pt. French dressing, 11 jars mustard, 8 packages breakfast food, 6 lbs. spaghetti, 10 lbs. macaroni, 3 dressed chickens, 3 dressed hogs, about 200 lbs. dressed turkeys, 8 qts. canned meat, \$15 from the Ladies' Aid, Arlington, Minnesota; \$50 from the Ladies' Aid at New Ulm, Minnesota; \$244 from individual donors and from congregations.

These donations came from congregations served by the following pastors: Im. Albrecht, Fairfax, Minnesota; William Albrecht (G. Hoenecke), Sleepy Eye, Minnesota; Sam. Baer, Rockford, Minnesota; Theo. Bauer, Echo, Minnesota; E. R. Berwald, Buffalo, Minnesota; E. Birkholz, Redwood Falls, Minnesota; E. Birkholz, St. James, Minnesota; H. Boettcher, Gibbon, Minnesota; J. G. Bradtke, Arlington, Minnesota; E. H. Bruns, Delano, Minnesota; W. F. Dorn, Renville, Minnesota; H. C. Duehlmeier, Hancock, Minnesota; W. Frank, Morgan, Minnesota; E. G. Fritz, Fairfax, Minnesota; A. Fuerstenau, Boyd, Minnesota; W. P. Haar, Loretto, Minnesota; E. Habermann, Fairfax, Minnesota; G. Hinnenthal and W. J. Schmidt, New Ulm, Minnesota; H. Kesting, Vesta, Minnesota; T. E. Kock, Goodhue, Minnesota; M. Kunde, New Ulm, Minnesota; P. R. Kuske, Johnson, Minnesota; M. Lemke, Butterfield, Minnesota; Wm. Lindloff, Elkton, South Dakota; Im. F. Lenz, Olivia, Minnesota; M. J. Lenz, Alma City, Minnesota; A. H. Mackdanz, St. Clair, Minnesota; Elmer Mehlberg, Buffalo, Minnesota; H. A. Mutterer, Graceville, Minnesota; O. K. Netzke, Smith's Mill, Minnesota; K. Plocher, Litchfield, Minnesota; E. Schaller, Nicollet, Minnesota; Winfred Schaller, South St. Paul, Minnesota; H. Scherf, Morgan, Minnesota; R. Schierenbeck, Sanborn, Minnesota; H. C. Schnitker, Danube, Minnesota; Paul W. Spaulde, Lake Benton, Minnesota; H. C. Sprenger, Balaton, Minnesota; W. R. Voigt, Hutchinson, Minnesota; M. J. Wehausen, Morton, Minnesota; F. W. Weindorf, Goodhue, Minnesota; G. F. Zimmermann, Wood Lake, Minnesota.

We express our hearty thanks to all donors.

**HELP WANTED**

At East Fork Orphanage, White River, Arizona.

- 1—A Nurse.
- 2—An Assistant Nurse.
- 3—An Assistant Matron.

Here is an opportunity for service in the Kingdom for consecrated women of our church. Will you kindly communicate with Pastor F. Uplegger, superintendent, San Carlos, Arizona, for particulars.

EDGAR HOENECKE,  
Executive Secretary,  
Indian Mission.

**MEMORIAL WREATHS**

Dr. Martin Luther College Music Department, New Ulm, Minnesota, received two memorial wreaths. \$3.00 were given by Rev. and Mrs. W. Lindloff and children, Elkton, South Dakota, in memory of the late Mrs. W. C. Hellbusch. \$5.00 were donated by Miss Audry Pape of Medford, Wisconsin, in memory of the late Clarence Maerty.

Our heartiest thanks are herewith expressed to the above donors.

EMIL D. BACKER,  
Music Department.

A Memorial Wreath in memory of Mrs. W. E. Hellbusch has been received from W. T. Meier, Pastor, St. Martin's, Watertown, South Dakota.

It is in the amount of \$4.00 and given for missions by Flower Valley friends and neighbors, by Anna Steffenhagen, Red Wing, Minnesota.

EDGAR VANDREY,  
District Treasurer.

In memory of Prof. August Pieper, the following donations have been made to our Seminary Organ Fund:

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| The Church and School Boards of St. Peter's Church, Milwaukee                 | \$50.00 |
| The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Peter's Church, Milwaukee                      | 5.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoge, Mr. Fred Speerbrecher and Mr. and Mrs. Karl Jungkuntz | 5.00    |
| Anna, Louise and Reinhold Breutzmann  | 5.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schaeewe  | 5.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rediske   | 5.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Beck   | 2.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schewe  | 2.00    |
| Rev. and Mrs. W. Strohschein  | 2.00    |
| Rev. and Mrs. Ewald Tacke   | 2.00    |
| Rev. and Mrs. G. Bradtke  | 5.00    |
| Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Schaller  | 2.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. August Barteck   | 10.00   |
| Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Haltner  | 5.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gitz   | 5.00    |
| The Pieper Family   | 72.00   |
| Mr. Walter Getzel   | 10.00   |
| Thiensville Seminary Faculty  | 50.00   |
| Rev. K. K. Lederer  | 3.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Schroeder, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schroeder                    | 3.00    |
| Rev. H. C. Nitz   | 5.00    |
| Prof. C. August Hardt   | 3.00    |
| Rev. and Mrs. Theodore Stern  | 3.00    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Arnison  | 3.00    |

A number of other donations for this same purpose have been made during recent weeks by the following:

- Given by—In Memory of
- Mrs. Barney Ten Broek, Mr. Elmer Jameson \$ 1.00
  - Wm. H. Pryor, Mr. Clarence R. Hochmuth 10.00
  - St. John's, Root Creek, Pastor Wm. Mahnke, Mr. Clarence R. Hochmuth 62.00
  - St. John's, Root Creek, Pastor Wm. Mahnke, Mrs. Henry Lange 10.00
  - Minister's Wives Mission Circle, Mrs. Henry Lange 5.00
  - Prof. Joh. P. Meyer and Mr. H. F. Meyer 5.00
  - Mr. Burchard Behnken 5.00
- To all these donors we wish to express our sincerest thanks.

E. REIM, Bursar.

**BOOK REVIEW**

Where Are the People, by Sidney W. Powell. Pages: 223. Price: \$..... Abingdon-Cokesbury Press, New York-Nashville.

The author is the pastor of First Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, and "has long been prominent in civic, denominational, and interdenominational activities." His book is meant to help and encourage pastors in reaching the people to win them for Christ and in enlisting those who are won to share in the great work of winning others. While meeting much in the book as to doctrine and practise that needs rejection and correction our pastors may profit by the author's stress on a face to face ministry in the homes, by his encouragement to perfect themselves in the art of visitation, and by individual suggestions for approaching people to gain an audience for the Gospel message.

C. J. L.

We Beheld His Glory, by pastors of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (Norwegian). Pages: 242. Price: \$2.00. Print: Augsburg Publishing House, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The book contains sermons for the Advent season, Christmas and New Year's Day. Sorry that this volume reached us too late for the Advent issue of the Northwestern Lutheran.

W. J. S.

Greater Love Hath No Man, by Pastor Martin Walker and Pastor Theophil Schroedel. Pages: 106. Price: \$1.25. Print: Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Missouri.

This volume contains two series of Lenten sermons. The first series by Pastor Walker are based on New Testament text. The sermons are good. The second series presents old testament types of Christ. They are instructive and thought provoking.

W. J. S.

With Hands Uplifted, by Joseph L. Knutson. Pages: 159. Price: \$2.00. Print: Augsburg Publishing House, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

This is another volume of Lenten sermons. They are based on the Gospel account of the Passion story. The title of the book is taken from the first sermon theme. One may not be in sympathy with the writer's manner of presentation and exposition but the sermons will offer food for thought to anyone willing to read them.

W. J. S.



**The World of Justus Falkner**, by Delber W. Clark. Pages: 189. Price: \$2.50. Print: The Muhlenberg Press, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The student of church history will be amply repaid for having taken the time to read and study this book. It is a biography of a young German pietist who came to America in the beginning of the eighteenth century. It describes interestingly young Falkner's pioneer days among the pioneers of Lutheran origin, his difficulties, his ministry and the life of the church in those years of early America. The author has an interesting style. Once one begins to read the book there is no stopping until the last page has been read.

W. J. S.

**My Vineyard**, by Dorothy Hoyer Scharlemann. Pages: 202. Price: \$1.75. Print: Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Missouri.

Books of the type of this one will find a ready market in the church. This book will be read and re-read. The scene is laid in the Holy Land at the time of Christ and His disciples. The author depicts the people, the way life in those days, the

influence of Christ, the treachery of men, and the lovable character of others. We wish this book a wide circulation.

W. J. S.

**Is Masonry a Religion?** by Dr. Theodore Graebner. Pages: 76. Price: 25c. Print: Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Missouri.

The book contains another analysis of Freemasonry with an authentic history of its origin. "Is Masonry a Religion?" The author answers this question with an unequivocal, yes! His answer is taken from the books of Masonry and lets Masonry condemn itself.

W. J. S.

**Songs and Poems**, by Oscar R. Overby. Pages: 89. Price: 75c. Print: Augsburg Publishing House, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

This little volume contains songs and poems of spiritual and secular nature. Some are original and others are translated from the Norwegian by the author. We enjoyed reading them and believe others will enjoy them no less.

W. J. S.

**Emblems in the Gospels**, by L. B. Buchheimer. Pages: 188. Price: \$2.00. Print: Ernst Kaufmann, Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

Dr. Buchheimer and his writings are well known, therefore the author needs no introduction. This volume of sermons presents text taken from the parables of our Savior. They are good; generally short and to the point with apt applications.

W. J. S.

**A Soldier's Daughter**, by G. L. Wind. Print: Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Missouri. Pages: 76. Price: \$1.00.

This book ought to be well within the reading range of all children. The story is well told without overdoing. The reader will love little Lottie.

W. J. S.

**The Healing Hand of God**, by Alfred Doerffler. Price: 25c per set. Print: Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Missouri.

This set of meditations for the sick comes in loose-leaf form. We like that. They are easy to handle and easy to distribute in that form. Each devotion covers four small pages, 3 1/4 x 5 1/4 inches.

W. J. S.

**MICHIGAN DISTRICT**  
July 1, 1946 to September 30, 1946  
Southwestern Conference

| Reverend                   | Budgetary | Non Budgetary |
|----------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| L. Meyer, Allegan          | 88.60     |               |
| E. Lochner, Dorr           | 138.70    |               |
| C. Klonka, Dowagiac        | 41.65     |               |
| E. Lochner, Hopkins        | 801.37    |               |
| A. Hoenecke, Muskegon      | 261.00    |               |
| W. Westendorf, South Haven | 142.14    |               |
| H. Hoenecke, Sturgis       | 125.75    |               |

**Southeastern Conference**

|  |           |       |
|--|-----------|-------|
| A. Baer, Adrian  | \$ 161.50 | \$    |
| H. Buch, East Ann Arbor  | 27.54     |       |
| W. Valleskey, Detroit, including \$5.35 from Sun. School   | 115.78    |       |
| E. Rupp, Detroit   | 143.51    |       |
| N. Engel, Detroit  | 69.11     |       |
| G. Albrecht, Dexter  | 21.28     |       |
| F. Schroeder, Pindlay  | 47.66     |       |
| J. Gauss and W. Voss, Jenera, including \$50.00 from Luther Society and \$50.00 from Sunday School | 2,627.65  |       |
| K. Krauss, Lansing   | 887.75    |       |
| F. Zimmermann, Lansing   | 40.87     |       |
| T. Sauer, Livoma   | 194.67    | 15.00 |
| S. Westendorf, Monroe  | 509.23    |       |
| H. Muehl, Monroe Township  | 82.65     |       |
| E. Hoenecke, Plymouth  | 91.21     |       |
| A. Wacker, Scio  | 1,076.18  |       |
| A. Maas, South Lyons   | 143.75    |       |
| J. de Ruiter, Tecumseh   | 218.12    |       |
| W. Koelpin, Toledo   | 72.10     |       |
| P. Heyn, Van Dyke  | 130.71    |       |
| A. Bloom, Waterloo, including \$10.00 from Ladies' Aid   | 277.95    |       |
| G. Press, Wayne  | 456.89    |       |

**Northern Conference**

|                              |                     |                 |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| M. Schroeder, Bay City       | \$ 288.83           | \$ 2.00         |
| J. Vogt, Bay City            | 27.00               |                 |
| R. Hoenecke, Brady           | 891.14              |                 |
| D. Metzger, Broomfield       | 24.50               |                 |
| R. Hoenecke, Chesaning       | 650.50              |                 |
| N. Maas, Durand              | 18.25               |                 |
| E. Rupp, Elkton              | 199.58              |                 |
| V. Winter, Flint             | 154.55              |                 |
| A. Kehrberg, Frankenmuth     | 153.65              | 24.00           |
| R. Frey, Hemlock             | 135.85              |                 |
| R. Schaller, Mayville        | 35.95               |                 |
| A. Hueschen, Pigeon          | 856.91              |                 |
| D. Metzger, Remus            | 345.67              |                 |
| K. Vertz, Owosso             | 144.21              | 8.00            |
| N. Luetke, Sebawaing         | 446.43              |                 |
| Sheridan                     | 44.97               |                 |
| C. Leyrer, St. Louis         | 83.25               |                 |
| J. Zink, Sterling            | 116.07              |                 |
| J. Roelke, Tawas City        | 132.67              | 3.00            |
| W. Kehrberg, Vassar          | 142.99              |                 |
| R. Koch, Zilwaukee           | 348.85              |                 |
| Manistee                     | 7.50                |                 |
| O. Frey, Saginaw             | 171.25              |                 |
| H. Eckert, Saginaw           | 132.62              |                 |
| O. and O. J. Eckert, Saginaw | 590.64              |                 |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>\$ 15,135.41</b> | <b>\$ 52.00</b> |

NOTE: Of the non-budgetary money there was \$18.00 for Church Extension Fund and \$34.00 for non-synodical activities.

**Memorial Wreaths**  
(Included in above monies)

| In Memory of                | Sent in by       | Amount  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Mrs. Marie Wittkopp         | Bay City, Bethel | \$ 2.00 |
| Henry List                  | Frankenmuth      | 20.00   |
| Mrs. Dorothea Koppendoerfer | Frankenmuth      | 2.00    |

|                     |                   |       |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Prof. A. Sauer      | Frankenmuth       | 2.00  |
| Mrs. Mary Von Stein | Jenera            | 27.00 |
| Pastor C. Strassen  | Livonia           | 15.00 |
| Henry Dirker        | Saginaw, St. Paul | 2.00  |
| Mrs. Eugene Lochner | Tawas City        | 3.00  |

ALWIN R. BURKHARDT, Treasurer.

**WESTERN WISCONSIN DISTRICT**  
July, August, September, 1946

| Reverend                          | Amount    |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| H. F. Backer, Chaseburg           | \$ 500.00 |
| H. F. Backer, Town Hamburg        | 150.00    |
| Wm. Baumann, Neillsville          | 220.29    |
| H. E. Benstrup, Wilson            | 278.07    |
| H. E. Benstrup, Ridgeway          | 431.71    |
| Alvin Berg, Madison               | 22.79     |
| C. E. Berg, Ridgeville            | 420.50    |
| J. B. Beruthal, South Milwaukee   | 5.00      |
| R. C. Biesmann, Hurley            | 64.42     |
| R. C. Biesmann, Mercer            | 44.81     |
| L. M. Bleichwehl, Washington, Ia. | 26.50     |
| A. H. Dobberstein, Elroy          | 51.54     |
| W. A. Eggert, Watertown           | 888.18    |
| F. F. Ehlert, Eitzen              | 457.88    |
| A. J. Engel, Pardeeville          | 363.87    |
| Otto Engel, Stoddard              | 132.55    |
| Otto Engel, Bad Axe Valley        | 69.40     |
| T. Frey, Town Trenton             | 20.00     |
| G. H. Geiger, Shennington         | 105.78    |
| G. H. Geiger, Town Lincoln        | 28.61     |
| G. H. Geiger, Town Knapp          | 110.27    |
| Henry Geiger, Town Lepp           | 2.00      |
| G. Gerth, Town Merrimac           | 30.00     |
| G. Gerth, Caledonia               | 25.00     |
| G. Gerth, Greenfield              | 55.00     |
| M. Glaeser, Wonewoc               | 611.18    |
| A. Hanke, Town Norton             | 523.00    |
| R. C. Hillemann, Norwalk          | 49.10     |
| O. E. Hoffmann, Rib Lake          | 251.00    |
| O. E. Hoffmann, Town Greenwood    | 62.00     |
| H. Kesting, Pickwick              | 18.20     |
| H. Kesting, Minnesota City        | 17.59     |
| Wm. Keturakat, Cottage Grove      | 80.00     |
| H. C. Kirchner, Baraboo           | 731.97    |
| L. C. Kirst, Beaver Dam           | 211.80    |
| O. W. Koch, Lowell                | 25.00     |
| Theo. H. Mahnke, Auburn           | 22.00     |
| L. J. Koenig, Mosinee             | 119.22    |
| M. O. Koepsell, Spirit            | 81.89     |
| M. O. Koepsell, Prentice          | 75.22     |
| E. E. Kolander, Marathon          | 250.00    |
| R. P. Korn, Lewiston              | 672.72    |
| G. O. Krause, Little Black        | 14.50     |
| G. O. Krause, Stetsonville        | 330.00    |
| H. Kuckhahn, Tuckertown           | 413.77    |
| H. Kuckhahn, Lime Ridge           | 270.51    |
| C. F. Kurzweg, Cream              | 25.56     |
| C. F. Kurzweg, Cochrane           | 572.55    |
| C. C. Kuske, Green Valley         | 74.40     |
| C. C. Kuske, Rozellville          | 87.85     |
| L. Lambert, Rice Lake             | 220.91    |
| L. Lambert, Bruce                 | 7.00      |
| K. K. Lederer, Marshall           | 238.70    |
| P. Lehmann, Ableman               | 245.55    |
| Oscar Lemke, Rib Falls            | 61.00     |
| Oscar Lemke, Town Rib Falls       | 50.00     |
| M. F. Liesener, Town Maine        | 270.00    |
| F. W. Loeper, Whitewater          | 746.10    |
| F. W. Loeper, Richmond            | 500.00    |
| E. A. Mahnke, Hillsboro           | 342.81    |
| Theo. H. Mahnke, Bloomer          | 95.10     |
| G. C. Marquardt, Ringle           | 73.85     |
| G. C. Marquardt, Schofield        | 194.84    |
| A. L. Mennicke, Winona            | 186.96    |



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|---|----------|
| F. H. Miller, Platteville                         | 507.66   |
| P. Monhardt, South Ridge                          | 731.27   |
| R. W. Mueller, Medford                            | 181.70   |
| T. J. Mueller, La Crosse                          | 202.02   |
| F. A. Naumann, Nelson                             | 130.41   |
| F. A. Naumann, Alma                               | 85.00    |
| H. W. Neubauer, Whitehall                         | 209.21   |
| H. W. Neubauer, Arcadia                           | 123.86   |
| G. E. Neumann, Veeckind                           | 154.81   |
| A. Nicolaus, Helenville                           | 857.32   |
| Wm. Nommensen, Columbus                           | 1,897.50 |
| A. W. Paap, Johnson Creek                         | 762.27   |
| O. A. Pagels, Ixonia                              | 636.24   |
| H. A. Pankow, Beyer Settlement                    | 227.71   |
| H. A. Pankow, Poplar Creek                        | 131.73   |
| H. A. Pankow, Iron Creek                          | 210.87   |
| J. H. Paustian, Barre Mills                       | 688.78   |
| N. E. Paustian, Oconomowoc                        | 517.00   |
| Jack Petrie, Richwood                             | 11.00    |
| E. E. Prenzlou, Cornell, Keystone and Birch Creek | 259.65   |
| E. G. Rimpler, Doylestown                         | 221.50   |
| E. G. Rimpler, Fountain Prairie                   | 201.75   |
| A. W. Sauer and A. v. Rohr Sauer, Winona          | 676.01   |
| H. Schaller, Tomah                                | 395.95   |
| R. Schoeneck, Plum City                           | 245.76   |
| R. Schoeneck, Eau Galle                           | 8.45     |
| W. E. Schulz, Town Berlin                         | 395.00   |
| H. C. Schumacher, Milton                          | 471.45   |
| A. Schumann, Globe                                | 304.71   |
| W. A. Schumann, La Crosse                         | 540.45   |
| R. A. Stiemke, La Crosse                          | 23.90    |
| K. A. Timmel, Watertown                           | 368.02   |
| Eldor Toepel, T. Buckeye                          | 149.71   |
| E. A. Toepel, Monroe                              | 4.00     |
| E. G. Toepel, Onalaska                            | 107.75   |
| C. Toppe, Elmwood                                 | 267.62   |
| I. G. Uetzmann, Watertown                         | 109.46   |
| M. W. Wahl, Cambridge                             | 502.37   |
| W. E. Wegner, Moline                              | 42.50    |
| W. Weissgerber, Minocqua                          | 235.95   |
| W. Weissgerber, Woodruff                          | 148.58   |
| E. H. Wendland, Janesville                        | 46.50    |
| L. A. Winter, Prairie Farm                        | 464.78   |
| L. A. Winter, Town Dallas                         | 126.82   |
| W. E. Zank, Newville                              | 194.80   |
| H. R. Zimmermann, Randolph                        | 335.26   |

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| Budgetary                                      | \$ 27,806.55        |
| Non-Budgetary                                  | 231.53              |
| <b>Total for July, August, September, 1946</b> | <b>\$ 28,038.08</b> |

**Memorial Wreaths**

| In Memory of            | Reverend                   | Amount  |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| Mrs. Carl Roscovius     | C. E. Berg, Tomah, Rt. 4   | \$ 3.00 |
| Herman L. Schmidt       | Henry Geiger, Leeds        | 2.00    |
| Mrs. John Albers        | A. Hanke, Town Norton      | 4.50    |
| Mrs. Anna K. Martin     | R. C. Hillemann, Norwalk   | 4.00    |
| Robert Bernadot         | H. H. Kesting, Pickwick    | 3.50    |
| Lt. Robert L. Karnes    | F. W. Loeper, Whitewater   | 10.00   |
| Robert Rietz            | Theo. Mahnke, Auburn       | 22.00   |
| Robert Schultz          | W. Nommensen, Columbus     | 10.00   |
| Charles J. Reith        | Jack Petrie, Richwood      | 11.00   |
| Edgar Von Haden         | H. Schaller, Tomah         | 12.75   |
| Mrs. Carl Kortbein      | H. Schaller, Tomah         | 12.00   |
| Gerald Blackburn        | W. Weissgerber, Woodruff   | 21.00   |
| Mrs. Sophia Barganz     | W. Eggert, Watertown       | 5.00    |
| Mrs. Amelia Miller      | G. H. Geiger, Town Knapp   | 1.00    |
| Mrs. Anton Gensmer      | A. Hanke, Town Norton      | 32.25   |
| Henry F. Schultz        | O. W. Koch, Lowell         | 3.00    |
| Mrs. Bertha Miltzer     | O. W. Koch, Lowell         | 20.00   |
| Mrs. E. Sorenson        | L. Lambert, Bruce          | 7.00    |
| Frank Zietlow           | O. Lemke, Rib Falls        | 19.00   |
| Ruth Ann Spangenberg    | H. Schaller, Tomah         | 3.00    |
| Edward May              | H. Schaller, Tomah         | 5.00    |
| John F. Hellwig         | W. A. Schumann, La Crosse  | 43.00   |
| Mrs. Henry Schumacher   | E. A. Toepel, Monroe       | 4.00    |
| Rev. Ph. Koehler        | E. N. Wendland, Janesville | 6.00    |
| Mrs. Gust Vater         | L. A. Winter, Prairie Farm | 6.50    |
| 1st Lt. Willard Hinzman | L. A. Winter, Prairie Farm | 71.00   |
| 1st Lt. Willard Hinzman | L. A. Winter, Town Dallas  | 4.00    |
| Mrs. Gust Vater         | L. A. Winter, Town Dallas  | 3.00    |
| Fr. Sobrowski           | W. A. Eggert, Watertown    | 2.00    |
| Fred Siegler            | W. A. Eggert, Watertown    | 5.00    |
| Mrs. J. Gessert         | W. A. Eggert, Watertown    | 5.00    |
| Rev. Philip Koehler     | T. Frey, Town Trenton      | 20.00   |
| Rev. Philip Koehler     | A. Nicolaus, Helenville    | 5.00    |
| Fred Siegler            | N. E. Paustian, Oconomowoc | 2.00    |
| Edward May              | H. Schaller, Tomah         | 3.00    |
| Ruth Ann Spangenberg    | H. Schaller, Tomah         | 3.00    |

H. J. KOCH, Treasurer.

**SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN DISTRICT**

July, August, September, 1946

**Arizona Conference**

| Reverend                           | Budgetary | Non-Budgetary |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| N. Berg, Superior                  | \$ 11.75  | \$            |
| O. Hohenstein, Glendale            | 111.55    |               |
| W. R. Hoyer, Flagstaff             | 34.45     |               |
| F. G. Knoll, Flowing Wells, Tuscon | 75.00     |               |
| Karl F. Molkentin, Casa Grande     | 74.05     |               |
| Karl F. Molkentin, Coolidge        | 13.00     |               |
| Louis F. Pingel, Phoenix           | 75.43     |               |
| R. H. Zimmermann, Prescott         | 1.27      |               |

**Dodge-Washington Conference**

|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| A. G. Dornfeld, Neosho          | 259.62 |
| Frederic Gilbert, Cedar Lake    | 56.66  |
| Frederic Gilbert, Slinger       | 316.61 |
| Harvey Heckendorf, Town Lomira  | 187.53 |
| Harvey Heckendorf, Town Theresa | 106.05 |
| H. J. Lemke, Lomira             | 182.22 |
| W. O. Nommensen, Town Wayne     | 261.44 |
| E. P. Pankow, Hustisford        | 198.70 |
| W. P. Sauer, West Bend          | 783.85 |
| H. J. Schaaf, Knowles           | 19.39  |
| Alfred C. Schewe, Town Herman   | 207.12 |
| Alfred C. Schewe, Town Theresa  | 216.89 |
| F. Zarling, Iron Ridge          | 104.50 |

**Eastern Conference**

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Paul A. Behn, Fairview, Milwaukee              | 122.65   |
| Geo. W. Boldt, Lannon                          | 226.31   |
| John F. Brenner, Pewaukee                      | 100.00   |
| Adolph C. Buenger, W. Good Hope Rd., Milwaukee | 85.34    |
| L. Hallauer, Homehurst, West Allis             | 33.50    |
| L. Hallauer, St. Peter, West Allis             | 14.80    |
| Ph. Henry Hartwig, Hartland                    | 175.00   |
| G. R. Hillmer, Hampton Heights, Wauwatosa      | 31.46    |
| Gerald Hoenecke, Cudahy                        | 156.71   |
| Wm. P. Holzhausen, West Mequon                 | 55.06    |
| Walter Keibel, Nain, West Allis                | 214.07   |
| Arthur F. Krueger, Resurrection, Milwaukee     | 176.43   |
| Henry Lange, Nathanael, Milwaukee              |          |
| Kurt A. Lescow, East Mequon                    | 129.90   |
| A. H. Maaske, Newburg                          | 131.50   |
| J. Mahnke, Mt. Lebanon, Milwaukee              | 207.01   |
| Wm. C. Mahnke, Root Creek                      | 161.29   |
| C. A. Otto, Wauwatosa                          | 433.55   |
| Martin F. Rische, Kirchhayn                    | 1,193.12 |
| J. G. Ruege, Jordan, West Allis                | 391.47   |
| G. Schaller, Town Franklin                     | 136.60   |
| A. Schuetze, Thiensville                       | 167.44   |
| Arnold Schultz, Trinity, Milwaukee             | 268.52   |
| Melvin C. Schwenzen, Good Shepherd, West Allis | 247.44   |
| Harry Shiley, Waukesha                         | 117.55   |
| E. W. Tacke, Tess Corners                      | 464.35   |
| H. Woyahn, Grace, Waukesha                     | 166.70   |
| W. Zarling, Westowne, Waukesha                 | 44.40    |

**Milwaukee City Conference**

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| E. R. Blakewell, Divinity      | 112.14   |
| E. Blumenthal, Salem           | 160.47   |
| John Brenner, St. John         | 550.00   |
| Victor Brohm, Bethesda         | 425.69   |
| R. O. Buerger, Gethsemane      | 319.01   |
| P. J. Burkholz, Siloah         | 2,100.00 |
| Herman Cares, Christ           | 244.20   |
| John C. Dahlke, Jerusalem      | 489.21   |
| James de Galle, St. Paul       | 63.88    |
| E. Ph. Dornfeld, St. Marcus    | 505.78   |
| G. W. Fischer, St. Jacobi      | 660.78   |
| Arthur F. Halboth, St. Matthew | 497.57   |
| R. W. Huth, Messiah            | 264.52   |
| John G. Jeske, Divine Charity  | 284.60   |
| Louis F. Karrer, St. Andrew    | 88.90    |
| Herbert P. Koehler, St. Lucas  | 1,169.53 |
| Arthur C. Lengling, Saron      | 278.93   |
| Erhard C. Pankow, Garden Homes | 440.84   |
| Paul Pieper, St. Peter         | 778.64   |
| Wm. F. Sauer, Grace            | 310.88   |
| W. J. Schaefer, Atonement      | 570.00   |
| G. E. Schmelling, Bethel       | 220.08   |
| Erich C. Schroeder, Apostles   | 62.74    |
| Victor Schultz, Parkside       | 133.74   |
| Arthur Tacke, Zebaoth          | 617.05   |
| Arthur P. Voss, St. James      | 500.00   |
| Luther Voss, Ephrata           | 155.95   |

**Southern Conference**

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Geo. A. Barthels, Burlington                            | 417.36 |
| A. C. Bartz, Waukegan                                   | 67.85  |
| Carl Buenger-Adolph C. Buenger, Kenosha                 | 5.00   |
| Walter A. Diehl, Elkhorn                                | 489.10 |
| E. W. Hillmer, St. Luke, Kenosha                        | 203.45 |
| Edwin Jaster, Epiphany, Racine                          | 189.50 |
| Arnold Koelbin, Caledonia                               | 5.00   |
| A. Lorenz, Slades Corners                               | 738.10 |
| O. B. Nommensen, South Milwaukee                        | 572.24 |
| R. P. Otto, Wilmot                                      | 400.00 |
| W. K. Pifer, Bethany, Kenosha                           | 120.15 |
| M. F. Plass, Oakwood                                    | 97.05  |
| Gerhard Redlin, Crete, Ill.                             | 85.06  |
| J. Toepel, Town Maine, Cook County, Illinois            | 297.35 |
| Theo. Volkert, First Ev. Lutheran, Racine               | 606.09 |
| H. J. Wackerfuss, Evanston, Ill.                        | 78.35  |
| Irvin W. Weiss, Palos Heights, Ill.                     | 16.96  |
| Irvin W. Weiss, Worth, Ill.                             | 7.40   |
| Wm. H. Wiedenmeyer, Town Paris                          | 360.55 |
| M. S. B.  | 5.00   |
| Arizona Mission District, Robt. Wm. Schaller, Secretary | 29.00  |

\$ 25,739.74 \$ 7,015.50

(All following amounts are included in above totals)

**Memorial Wreaths (July)**

| In Memory of     | Sent in by    | Budgetary | Non-Budgetary |
|------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| Mrs. Fred Tretow | G. Schaller   | 5.00      |               |
| Edgar Stadler    | R. O. Buerger |           | 21.00         |
| August Rades     | R. W. Huth    |           | 4.00          |



|                          |                      |       |       |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-------|-------|
| George Pung.....         | John G. Jeske.....   | 2.00  |       |
| Mrs. Frances Getzel..... | Paul Pieper.....     | 15.00 |       |
| Alvina Krueger.....      | O. B. Nommensen..... | 9.00  |       |
| Herman Daehling.....     | O. B. Nommensen..... | 7.00  |       |
| Hedwig Kehe.....         | O. B. Nommensen..... | 4.00  |       |
|                          |                      | 21.00 | 46.00 |

**Memorial Wreaths (August)**

|                               |                         |        |        |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| Mrs. Auguste Pieper.....      | F. Zarling.....         | 7.00   |        |
| Rev. Ph. H. Koehler.....      | F. Zarling.....         | 47.00  |        |
| Edward Witte.....             | Adolph C. Buenger.....  | 5.00   | 3.00   |
| Mrs. Louise Dobberphul.....   | M. F. Rische.....       | 44.50  |        |
| John Neuman.....              | Arnold Schultz.....     | 2.00   |        |
| Mrs. Fred Tretow.....         | E. W. Tacke.....        | 3.00   |        |
| Otto Wollmann.....            | E. W. Tacke.....        | 21.00  |        |
| Robert J. Jahns.....          | P. J. Burkholz.....     | 2.00   | 2.00   |
| Mathilda Graese.....          | P. J. Burkholz.....     | 47.00  |        |
| August Raasch.....            | P. J. Burkholz.....     | 3.00   |        |
| Pfc. Lawrence E. Hilty.....   | E. Ph. Dornfeld.....    | 7.00   |        |
| Rudolph Ottenberg.....        | R. W. Huth.....         | 5.00   |        |
| Mrs. Oscar Wangerin.....      | John G. Jeske.....      | 24.00  |        |
| Mrs. G. Gugee.....            | Herbert P. Koehler..... | 2.00   |        |
| Mrs. Augusta Lochwitz.....    | Carl H. Buenger.....    | 5.00   |        |
| Ernst Boers.....              | Arnold Koelpin.....     | 5.00   |        |
| Raymond Riess.....            | Arizona Mission Dist.,  |        |        |
| Robt. Wm. Schaller, Secretary |                         | 29.00  |        |
|                               |                         | 114.00 | 142.50 |

**Memorial Wreaths (September)**

|                          |                         |        |        |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| Herman Krones.....       | R. W. Huth.....         | 10.00  |        |
| Julius Schenzel.....     | R. W. Huth.....         | 10.00  |        |
| Rev. Ph. H. Koehler..... | Herbert P. Koehler..... | 365.50 | 111.00 |
| William Friedrich.....   | Herbert P. Koehler..... |        | 14.00  |
| Mrs. Louise Keul.....    | Paul Pieper.....        | 20.00  |        |
| Mrs. Anna Schaeve.....   | Paul Pieper.....        | 6.00   |        |
| Dr. Walter Schaeve.....  | Paul Pieper.....        | 45.00  |        |
| Mrs. Katharine Otto..... | Luther Voss.....        | 10.00  |        |
| Dr. John Ludden.....     | Luther Voss.....        | 10.00  |        |
| Rev. Ph. H. Koehler..... | O. B. Nommensen.....    | 2.00   |        |
| Frank Guenther.....      | O. B. Nommensen.....    | 5.00   |        |
|                          |                         | 392.50 | 216.00 |

T. W. SAMPE, District Treasurer.

**MINNESOTA DISTRICT**

June, July, August, September, 1946

**Red Wing Conference**

| Reverend                                 | Budgetary | Non Budgetary |
|--|-----------|---------------|
| L. W. Schierenbeck, Austin.....          | \$ 186.99 | \$            |
| Gale Maas, Bay City, Wisconsin.....      | 137.23    |               |
| Theo. Haar, Bear Valley.....             | 198.00    |               |
| Jul F. Lenz, Bremen.....                 | 359.83    |               |
| E. G. Hertler, Brownsville.....          | 15.50     |               |
| Karl A. Gurgel, Caledonia.....           | 983.77    | 5.00          |
| Karl J. Otto, Charles City, Iowa.....    | 6.00      |               |
| H. F. Muenkel, Dexter.....               | 520.25    | 36.50         |
| Karl A. Nolting, Frontenac.....          | 410.25    |               |
| T. E. Kock, Goodhue.....                 | 225.00    |               |
| F. W. Weindorf, Goodhue, Grace.....      | 243.18    | 45.10         |
| F. W. Weindorf, Goodhue, St. John's..... | 524.42    | 181.25        |
| E. G. Hertler, Hokah.....                | 225.75    | 4.00          |
| E. G. Hertler, La Crescent.....          | 36.00     |               |
| T. H. Albrecht, Lake City.....           | 674.79    | 34.50         |
| C. A. Hinz, Mason City.....              | 300.00    |               |
| Theo. Haar, Mazeppa.....                 | 270.00    |               |
| T. E. Kock, Minneola.....                | 380.00    |               |
| Otto Klett, Nodine.....                  | 1,102.03  |               |
| N. A. Reinke, Oronoco.....               | 281.80    |               |
| N. A. Reinke, Poplar Grove.....          | 96.41     |               |
| Geo. W. Scheitel, Potsdam.....           | 450.00    |               |
| J. R. Baumann, Red Wing.....             | 10.00     | 7.50          |
| E. G. Hertler, South Ridge.....          | 436.25    |               |
| Karl A. Gurgel, Union.....               | 133.84    |               |
| Karl A. Nolting, West Florence.....      | 536.00    |               |
| Paul F. Horn, Zumbrota.....              | 1,053.50  | 241.50        |

**Mankato Conference**

|                                 |           |          |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| M. J. Lenz, Alma City.....      | \$ 694.85 | \$ 10.00 |
| W. Schuetze, Belle Plaine.....  | 532.63    |          |
| H. H. Schaller, Helen.....      | 495.12    | 16.75    |
| L. F. Brandes, Jordan.....      | 10.00     | 49.50    |
| A. Ackermann, Mankato.....      | 1,518.30  | 71.60    |
| R. A. Haase, North Mankato..... | 220.00    |          |
| A. H. Mackdanz, St. Clair.....  | 307.35    |          |
| O. K. Netzke, Smith's Mill..... | 148.00    |          |

**St. Croix Valley Conference**

|                                     |          |        |
|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| E. W. Penk, Baytown.....            | \$ 77.60 | \$     |
| A. W. Sarembe, Cady, Wisconsin..... | 210.00   |        |
| F. A. Werner, Centuria.....         | 46.40    |        |
| E. H. Bruns, Delano.....            | 574.60   |        |
| L. W. Meyer, Farmington.....        | 1,004.03 |        |
| E. W. Penk, Grant.....              | 19.35    |        |
| P. R. Kurth, Hastings.....          | 219.92   |        |
| R. J. Palmer, Minneapolis.....      | 361.67   | 100.00 |
| Paul C. Dowidat, Minneapolis.....   | 1,841.58 | 200.00 |
| A. H. Leerssen, Nye.....            | 47.25    |        |
| A. H. Leerssen, Osceola.....        | 63.75    |        |
| E. J. Zehms, Prescott.....          | 158.49   |        |
| F. A. Werner, Rock Creek.....       | 16.53    |        |
| F. H. Tabbert, St. Croix Falls..... | 8.00     |        |
| C. F. Bolle, St. Paul.....          | 578.25   |        |
| A. C. Haase, St. Paul.....          | 538.02   |        |

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| C. P. Kock, St. Paul.....                | 270.60 | 103.05 |
| J. Plocher and O. Naumann, St. Paul..... | 453.89 | 11.00  |
| W. Schaller, South St. Paul.....         | 249.14 | 91.39  |
| J. W. F. Pieper, Somerset.....           | 15.51  |        |
| J. W. F. Pieper, Stillwater.....         | 106.83 |        |
| A. W. Sarembe, Weston.....               | 20.00  |        |
| H. E. Lietzau, Woodbury.....             | 168.00 | 42.00  |
| Im. W. Bade, Woodville.....              | 218.00 |        |

**Redwood Falls Conference**

|                                      |           |          |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| J. G. Bradtke, Arlington.....        | \$ 520.09 | \$ 20.00 |
| A. C. Krueger, Cedar Mills.....      | 14.75     | 14.75    |
| W. J. Schmidt, Danube.....           | 106.27    |          |
| Theodor Bauer, Echo.....             | 502.86    |          |
| K. Neumann, Emmet.....               | 274.10    |          |
| E. Habermann, Essig.....             | 172.13    | 54.35    |
| Im. F. Albrecht, Fairfax.....        | 373.35    | 50.50    |
| E. Habermann, Ridgely.....           | 162.16    | 16.00    |
| Hy. Boettcher, Gibbon.....           | 191.91    | 119.32   |
| E. R. Gamm, Marshall.....            | 244.00    |          |
| Waldemar A. Geiger, Milroy.....      | 34.07     |          |
| M. J. Wehausen, Morton.....          | 816.35    |          |
| I. F. Lenz, Olivia.....              | 666.94    |          |
| A. W. Fuerstenau, Omro.....          | 687.60    |          |
| Edw. A. Birkholz, Redwood Falls..... | 768.78    |          |
| W. F. Dorn, Renville.....            | 657.00    |          |
| Waldemar A. Geiger, Seaforth.....    | 85.95     |          |
| E. G. Fritz, Wellington.....         | 815.00    | 28.50    |
| W. F. Dorn, Winfield.....            | 300.00    |          |
| C. W. A. Kuehner, Winthrop.....      | 295.52    | 178.05   |
| G. F. Zimmermann, Wood Lake.....     | 523.24    | 27.00    |

**Crow River Valley Conference**

|  |             |        |
|--|-------------|--------|
| W. G. Voigt, Acoma.....                              | \$ 1,093.10 |        |
| E. R. Berwald, Buffalo.....                          | 838.74      |        |
| P. R. Kuske, Interim, Clinton.....                   | 44.23       |        |
| F. R. Weyland, Crawford's Lake.....                  | 24.93       |        |
| Karl J. Plocher, Interim, Ellsworth.....             | 349.33      |        |
| P. R. Kuske, Interim, Graceville.....                | 40.20       |        |
| H. C. Duehlmeier, Hancock.....                       | 791.11      |        |
| Arthur W. Koehler, Hutchinson.....                   | 503.73      | 389.31 |
| Arthur W. Koehler, Interim, Hutchinson, Trinity..... | 27.00       | 83.70  |
| P. R. Kuske, Johnson.....                            | 783.73      |        |
| Karl J. Plocher, Litchfield.....                     | 972.61      |        |
| W. P. Haar, Loretto.....                             | 1,174.62    | 118.50 |
| A. C. Krueger, Interim, Lynn.....                    | 20.48       | 185.50 |
| R. L. Wiechmann, Monticello.....                     | 230.48      |        |
| F. R. Weyland, Montrose.....                         | 3.00        | 25.00  |
| H. C. Duehlmeier, Morris.....                        | 304.00      |        |
| E. L. Mehlerberg, Pelican Lake.....                  | 743.30      | 10.00  |
| S. Baer, Rockford.....                               | 719.56      |        |

**New Ulm Conference**

|                                       |              |             |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| H. C. Sprenger, Balaton.....          | \$ 86.60     | \$          |
| M. C. Kunde, Brighton.....            | 278.78       |             |
| Martin Lemke, Butterfield.....        | 96.48        |             |
| M. C. Kunde, Courtland.....           | 55.23        |             |
| Martin Lemke, Darfur.....             | 53.20        |             |
| H. A. Scherf, Eden.....               | 300.00       |             |
| R. F. Schroeder, Island Lake.....     | 140.00       |             |
| Dr. Paul W. Spaude, Lake Benton.....  | 70.41        |             |
| W. Frank, Morgan.....                 | 328.34       |             |
| G. Hinnenthal, New Ulm.....           | 1,120.38     | 60.50       |
| E. Schaller, Nicolet.....             | 1,711.75     | 31.75       |
| G. Theo. Albrecht, St. Peter.....     | 173.95       |             |
| R. Schierenbeck, Sanborn.....         | 390.00       |             |
| Wm. C. Albrecht, Sleepy Eye.....      | 414.85       | 12.00       |
| Dr. Paul W. Spaude, Verdi.....        | 48.35        |             |
| Edw. A. Birkholz, Interim, Vesta..... | 315.15       | 44.22       |
|                                       | \$ 43,209.69 | \$ 2,719.59 |

**Memorial Wreaths**

| In Memory of                   | Reverend                           | Amount  |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|
| Dorothy Rietman Armstrong..... | J. R. Baumann, Red Wing.....       | \$ 4.50 |
| Florence P. Nibbe.....         | J. R. Baumann, Red Wing.....       | 3.00    |
| Metta Ahrens.....              | P. E. Horn, Zumbrota.....          | 40.50   |
| Mrs. J. Biersdorf.....         | P. E. Horn, Zumbrota.....          | 21.00   |
| Mary Friese.....               | P. E. Horn, Zumbrota.....          | 79.00   |
| Christoph Klancke.....         | H. H. Schaller, Helen.....         | 16.75   |
| Mrs. A. P. Pollet.....         | A. Ackermann, Mankato.....         | 35.00   |
| Phil. Mattler.....             | A. Ackermann, Mankato.....         | 15.00   |
| Mrs. Frank Benhart.....        | F. A. Werner, Centuria.....        | 4.00    |
| Edward Wentlandt.....          | A. W. Sarembe, Weston.....         | 20.00   |
| G. A. Hoffmann.....            | I. F. Albrecht, Fairfax.....       | 7.00    |
| Ray Kiecker.....               | E. G. Fritz, Wellington.....       | 100.00  |
| Herbert Kiecker.....           | E. G. Fritz, Wellington.....       | 25.00   |
| John Renner.....               | C. W. A. Kuehner, Winthrop.....    | 23.00   |
| Mrs. Anna Bubolz.....          | C. W. A. Kuehner, Winthrop.....    | 64.75   |
| Anton Larson.....              | Arthur W. Koehler, Hutchinson..... | 24.50   |
| Sylvia Mae Sturges.....        | Arthur W. Koehler, Hutchinson..... | 37.50   |
| Mr. Albert Rick.....           | Karl J. Plocher, Litchfield.....   | 23.50   |
| Mrs. Henrietta Krussow.....    | Karl J. Plocher, Litchfield.....   | 19.00   |
| John Hagemann.....             | R. Schierenbeck, Sanborn.....      | 37.75   |
| Mrs. Claus Meinert.....        | Wm. C. Albrecht, Sleepy Eye.....   | 10.00   |
| Rev. Karl Brickmann.....       | W. Geiger, Vacancy, Vesta.....     | 148.72  |
| Richard Pagel.....             | E. G. Hertler, Hokah.....          | 10.00   |
| Mary D. Hinz.....              | J. R. Baumann, Red Wing.....       | 8.00    |
| Hen. Rose.....                 | J. R. Baumann, Red Wing.....       | 5.00    |
| R. C. Nieno.....               | A. Ackermann, Mankato.....         | 51.00   |
| Charles Engel.....             | A. Ackermann, Mankato.....         | 3.00    |
| Emil Richter.....              | A. Ackermann, Mankato.....         | 5.00    |
| Mrs. Harry Eckstein.....       | A. Ackermann, Mankato.....         | 4.00    |
| D. Schwartz.....               | I. F. Albrecht, Fairfax.....       | 21.00   |
| Mrs. R. Musch.....             | E. R. Gamm, Marshall.....          | 1.00    |
| Mrs. Edward Glassman.....      | Waldemar A. Geiger, Seaforth.....  | 5.00    |
| Mrs. Bertha Hohenstein.....    | W. P. Haar, Loretto.....           | 152.50  |



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| Frederick Modrow         | W. P. Haar, Loretto              | 18.00  |
| Wm. Krause, Sr.          | Dr. Paul W. Spaude, Verdi        | 21.00  |
| Chas. Horn               | Karl A. Gurgel, Caledonia        | 3.00   |
| Mrs. Arthur Stern        | H. F. Muenkel, Dexter            | 105.75 |
| John Buck                | T. H. Albrecht, Lake City        | 22.00  |
| J. C. Brunckhorst        | T. H. Albrecht, Lake City        | 7.00   |
| Mrs. John Kohn           | T. H. Albrecht, Lake City        | 5.50   |
| Raasch                   | P. E. Horn, Zumbrota             | 34.50  |
| George Zaun              | L. F. Brandes, Jordan            | 59.50  |
| Mrs. Hulda Urtil         | H. E. Lietzau, Woodbury          | 42.00  |
| Henry Heinecke           | M. J. Wehausen, Morton           | 110.00 |
| Gustav Adam              | Arthur W. Koehler, Hutchinson    | 31.00  |
| Erna Meta Vorbeck        | Arthur W. Koehler, Hutchinson    | 25.50  |
| Mrs. Bertha Schmandt     | Arthur W. Koehler, Hutchinson    | 40.50  |
| Mrs. Wm. F. Wandersee    | F. R. Weyland, Montrose          | 23.00  |
| Mr. Julius Zabel         | H. C. Sprenger, Balaton          | 2.00   |
| Mrs. Frank Wendland      | H. C. Sprenger, Balaton          | 7.00   |
| Mrs. M. Geldner          | G. Theo. Albrecht, St. Peter     | 5.00   |
| Mrs. Sophia Fuerstenberg | L. W. Schierenbeck, Austin       | 19.50  |
| Mrs. Anna Lutz           | Karl A. Gurgel, Caledonia        | 30.25  |
| Mrs. Arthur Stern        | H. F. Muenkel, Dexter            | 1.00   |
| Mrs. Ida Lau             | M. J. Lenz, Alma City            | 10.00  |
| Wm. Prail                | A. Ackermann, Mankato            | 37.00  |
| Adam Fischer, Sr.        | A. Ackermann, Mankato            | 51.00  |
| Gottlieb Knopf           | A. Ackermann, Mankato            | 1.00   |
| Marlene McMorrow         | W. Schaller, South St. Paul      | 73.00  |
| Carl Briest              | I. G. Bradtke, Arlington         | 18.00  |
| Mrs. Theodore Brandt     | J. G. Bradtke, Arlington         | 18.00  |
| Clifford Haggstad        | I. F. Albrecht, Fairfax          | 1.00   |
| Mrs. Otto Hagen          | I. F. Albrecht, Fairfax          | 69.50  |
| Lt. John Jacobson        | M. J. Wehausen, Morton           | 46.25  |
| James Allen Kober        | C. W. A. Kuehner, Winthrop       | 58.35  |
| Mrs. Mathilde Henschke   | G. F. Zimmermann, Wood Lake      | 17.75  |
| Mr. Emil Goltz           | G. F. Zimmermann, Wood Lake      | 75.25  |
| Carl F. Plath            | H. C. Duehlmeier, Hancock        | 70.00  |
| Mrs. Augusta Schumann    | W. P. Haar, Loretto              | 15.00  |
| Mrs. Ida Schwantes       | G. Hinnenthal, New Ulm           | 12.50  |
| Mr. Carl Kuester         | G. Hinnenthal, New Ulm           | 10.00  |
| Ludwig Mielke            | G. Hinnenthal, New Ulm           | 5.00   |
| The Rev. F. W. Huesner   | G. Hinnenthal, New Ulm           | 40.00  |
| Joanne Clara Froehlich   | E. Schaller, Nicollet            | 31.75  |
| Wm. Wischstaedt          | Wm. C. Albrecht, Sleepy Eye      | 2.00   |
| Mrs. Franz Maus          | Edw. A. Birkholz, Vacancy, Vesta | 27.50  |

H. R. KURTH, District Treasurer.

**TREASURER'S STATEMENT**

July 1, 1946, to December 31, 1946

**Receipts**

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Cash Balance, July 1, 1946                      | \$ 53,952.94        |
| <b>Budgetary Collections:</b>                   |                     |
| General Administration                          | \$136,182.55        |
| Educational Institutions                        | 37,157.80           |
| Home for the Aged                               | 1,835.90            |
| Spiritual Welfare Commission                    | 3,893.23            |
| For Other Missions                              | 239,893.76          |
| Indigent Students                               | 1,373.42            |
| General Support                                 | 7,979.80            |
| School Supervision                              | 902.15              |
| Revenues  | 60,105.44           |
| <b>Total Budgetary Collections and Revenues</b> | <b>\$489,504.05</b> |
| <b>Non-Budgetary Receipts:</b>                  |                     |
| Bequests from Hannah C. Stock Estate            | 1,114.63            |
| Payments on Mortgage Receivable                 | 600.00              |
| U. S. Government Bonds Sold                     | 100,000.00          |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>                           | <b>\$591,018.73</b> |

**Disbursements**

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| <b>Budgetary Disbursements:</b>   |                     |
| General Administration  | \$ 28,922.50        |
| Theological Seminary  | 15,052.62           |
| Northwestern College  | 50,519.93           |
| Dr. Martin Luther College   | 65,060.61           |
| Michigan Lutheran Seminary  | 23,477.08           |
| Northwestern Lutheran Academy   | 13,091.01           |
| Emergency Building Projects   | 2,394.70            |
| Home for the Aged   | 6,880.08            |
| Missions—General Administration   | 117.37              |
| Indian Mission  | 24,778.46           |
| Negro Missions  | 12,448.33           |
| Home Missions   | 144,508.29          |
| Poland Mission  | 3,764.94            |
| Madison Student Mission   | 504.41              |
| Spiritual Welfare Commission  | 5,707.16            |
| Winnebago Lutheran Academy  | 900.00              |
| General Support   | 18,667.00           |
| School Supervision  | 2,263.87            |
| <b>Total Budgetary Disbursements</b>  | <b>\$418,838.36</b> |
| <b>Non-Budgetary Disbursements:</b>   |                     |
| Advance to Church Extension Fund  | 65,000.00           |
| Accounts Receivable   | 25,000.00           |
| Equity in Synod General Offices and Northwestern Publishing House Building and Lots | 79,900.00           |
| <b>Total Disbursements</b>  | <b>\$588,738.36</b> |
| Cash Balance, December 31, 1946   | \$ 56,233.31        |

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P. S. Collections from the Minnesota District, Revenues and requisition from Theo. Seminary, for December, were not received in time for this report.  
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**ALLOTMENT STATEMENTS**

**Six Months Receipts and Six Months Allotment**

| Districts           | Communicants   | Receipts            | Allotments          |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Pacific Northwest   | 1,070          | \$ 3,694.70         | \$ 2,460.96         |
| Nebraska            | 4,715          | 13,863.41           | 10,844.52           |
| Michigan            | 16,980         | 55,377.53           | 39,054.00           |
| Dakota-Montana      | 5,586          | 22,788.73           | 12,847.80           |
| Minnesota           | 34,014         | 68,484.90           | 78,252.20           |
| Northern Wisconsin  | 39,604         | 98,338.47           | 91,089.18           |
| West Wisconsin      | 41,420         | 80,733.58           | 95,265.96           |
| Southeast Wisconsin | 45,447         | 84,705.24           | 104,528.10          |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>188,836</b> | <b>\$427,986.56</b> | <b>\$434,322.72</b> |

| Districts           | Deficit             | Surplus             | Percent of Allotment |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Pacific Northwest   |                     | \$ 1,233.74         | 150.14%              |
| Nebraska            |                     | 3,018.89            | 127.83%              |
| Michigan            |                     | 16,323.53           | 141.79%              |
| Dakota-Montana      |                     | 9,940.93            | 177.37%              |
| Minnesota           | \$ 9,747.30         |                     | 87.54%               |
| Northern Wisconsin  |                     | 7,249.29            | 107.95%              |
| West Wisconsin      | 14,532.38           |                     | 84.74%               |
| Southeast Wisconsin | 19,822.86           |                     | 81.03%               |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>\$ 44,102.54</b> | <b>\$ 37,766.38</b> | <b>98.54%</b>        |

**Six Months Receipts and Twelve Months Allotment**

| Districts           | Communicants   | Receipts            | Allotments          |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Pacific Northwest   | 1,070          | \$ 3,694.70         | \$ 4,922.00         |
| Nebraska            | 4,715          | 13,863.41           | 21,689.00           |
| Michigan            | 16,980         | 55,377.53           | 78,108.00           |
| Dakota-Montana      | 5,586          | 22,788.73           | 25,695.60           |
| Minnesota           | 34,014         | 68,484.90           | 156,464.40          |
| Northern Wisconsin  | 39,604         | 98,338.47           | 182,178.40          |
| West Wisconsin      | 41,420         | 80,733.58           | 190,532.00          |
| Southeast Wisconsin | 45,447         | 84,705.24           | 209,056.20          |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>188,836</b> | <b>\$427,986.56</b> | <b>\$868,645.60</b> |

| Districts           | Deficit             | Surplus | Percent of Allotment |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------|----------------------|
| Pacific Northwest   | \$ 1,227.30         |         | 75.07%               |
| Nebraska            | 7,825.59            |         | 63.91%               |
| Michigan            | 22,730.47           |         | 70.89%               |
| Dakota-Montana      | 2,906.87            |         | 88.68%               |
| Minnesota           | 87,979.50           |         | 45.77%               |
| Northern Wisconsin  | 83,839.93           |         | 53.98%               |
| West Wisconsin      | 109,798.42          |         | 42.37%               |
| Southeast Wisconsin | 124,350.96          |         | 40.51%               |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>\$440,659.04</b> |         | <b>49.27%</b>        |

C. J. NIEDFELDT, Treasurer.

**Donations Sent Directly to Treasurer's Office for December, 1946**

**For Spiritual Welfare Commission**

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Mr. Wm. H. Husemann, Syoceton, California   | \$ 5.00         |
| Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Green Bay, Wisconsin, Rev. A. W. Voight  | 5.00            |
| Carl Greif, Mesa, Arizona   | 1.00            |
| Mr. Wm. J. Miller, Paullina, Iowa   | 2.00            |
| Memorial Wreath in memory of Mr. Herman Sperling, given by Mrs. Herman Sperling   | 100.00          |
| Memorial Wreath in memory of Mrs. Margaret Catterfeld, given by Mr. and Mrs. John Robson, of Clare, Michigan, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Giebel of Saginaw, Michigan | 2.00            |
| Ladies' Aid, Zion Lutheran Church, Caledonia, Minnesota, Mrs. Alvine Meyer, Secretary and Treasurer   | 10.00           |
| Ladies' Aid, St. Paul's Church, Plymouth, Wisconsin, Mrs. Louis Peronne, Treasurer  | 15.00           |
| Memorial Wreath for Rev. Enno Dummling, given by Mrs. Henry Klaye, Monrovia, California   | 2.00            |
| Mr. and Mrs. John Dreier, Green Bay, Wisconsin  | 15.00           |
| Mr. Walter Dobberphul, Rockfield, Wisconsin   | 30.00           |
| Aid Association for Lutherans Branch No. 17, Kewaunne, Wisconsin  | 10.00           |
| Memorial Wreath in memory of Mrs. J. C. Schmidt, given by Miss Claire Redeker   | 2.00            |
|   | <b>\$199.00</b> |

**For Missions**

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Mrs. Fred Zielsdorf, Park Falls, Wisconsin | \$ 1.25        |
| K. Homburg, Snoqualmie, Washington         | 5.00           |
|  | <b>\$ 6.25</b> |

**For Church Extension Fund**

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Memorial Wreaths in memory of Mrs. A. G. Wacker given by: Mr. Alfred Jedele family and Mr. Robert Toney, \$5.00; Mr. Herman Renz family, \$20.00; Miss vona Reed, \$5.00; Miss Ruth Wilch, \$1.00; Miss Bertha Gross, \$10.00; Mr. Wilfred Scott, \$5.00; Mr. Carl Wacker, \$5.00; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Marshall, \$14.00; Mr. Elmer Koehler, \$5.00; Mr. Wm. Schnessler, \$5.00; Mr. Henry Elbing, \$5.00, and Saleum Lutheran Congregation Coloma, Michigan, \$10.00 | \$110.00        |
| Memorial Wreath in memory of Mrs. Ernestine Rosien given by: Mr. and Mrs. August Ballien, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ballien, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ballien, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wegner, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ballien  | 9.00            |
| Memorial Wreath in memory of Mrs. Sophia Gladsbrenner by her immediate family   | 55.00           |
|   | <b>\$174.00</b> |

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