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THREE COMMISSIONINGS OF WORKERS FOR RHODESIA are reported in this issue. See page 316.

ALSO IN NORTHERN RHO-DESIA until sometime in December is Pastor Edgar Hoenecke, chairman of the Board for World Missions. The Board was convinced that the launching of two new undertakings required his presence there. These projects are the founding of a Bible Institute (for the training of native workers) and the establishment of a dispensary. Mrs. Hoenecke, a nurse of wide experience, is with her husband to aid in getting the dispensary under way. Pastor Hoenecke will report in these pages as the two projects develop.

A CORRECTION in the Resolutions on Union Matters (Sept. 10 issue, page 295): The reference to the 1939 Proceedings should be page 59, not 159. This same error occurs in the copies of the Resolutions which were sent out from President Naumann's office.

AT OUR RECENT CONVENTION the President of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod told us that, in his concern for the outcome of our Convention, he had urged 2500 young people of the Walther League gathered in their convention to pray for us, and that they, by formal resolution, had set aside convention

time for such a prayer. Shortly afterward, however, we learned of another feature of that convention which was not reported to us.

This unreported feature was a flagrant piece of unionistic practice: the Walther Leaguers were addressed by Bishop Hanns

Lilje. To realize how bad this was, you must know who Bishop Lilje is. He is the Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hannover, one of the German state churches. This church, though Lutheran in name, is shot through and through with modernism and unbelief. Bishop Lilje, moreover, is a former president of the utterly unionistic Lutheran World Federation and still is a moving spirit in it. In short, the Bishop cannot by any stretch of the imagination be classed as an orthodox Lutheran; he is a heterodox Lutheran, a Lutheran leader who allows, advocates, and defends doctrines and practices which fly in the face of the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions.

Yet this man was invited to address the convention of the Walther League, the official young people's organization of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Through this arm of its youth organization the Missouri Synod was practicing church fellowship with a representative of a manifestly false-teaching Lutheran church body, with a persistent errorist. We have italicized the last words to em-

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The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us. I Kings 8:57

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The Urgency of Reconciliation

Jesus in His Sermon on the Mount said: "If

thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother

hath ought against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift." Jesus here pictures to us a Jew who had gone to the Temple to bring an offering, an animal sacrifice, which was the way in which the Old Testament worship chiefly expressed itself. As he entered the holy confines of the Temple, which holy place moved him to do some soul-searching, he remembered that someone had something against him, that in some way he had offended him and had done nothing about it since.

What was he to do? Just forget about the unpleasant experience? According to Jesus, he was to leave his gift before the altar and first be reconciled with his brother before offering the gift. Such an attempt at reconciliation was more important just then than offering the gift and performing such an act of worship.

That is something for us to take to heart. We are at odds with a brother. We have offended him, or at least he thinks that we have done him a wrong, and we act as though it had not happened. We go right along with our acts of worship: we pray, we go to church, we make our financial contributions and go to the Lord's Table as though all were right between us and our offended brother.

Jesus does not want our acts of worship until we have endeavored to make things right with our brother. He considers that the most important thing for us to do under the circumstances. That is to have precedence. That is what we must be willing to do or God will reject all our services. That is something which calls for the utmost haste, something which permits of no delay or postponement.

IM. P. FREY

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Jesus Caused A Split "So there was a division among the people because of him (John 7:43). Thus He caused a split. This was not the only time that Jesus said something that angered people, made them turn their back on Him, even made them want to kill Him. He did not, in the interest of preserving harmony, make compromises between His doctrine and the beliefs of Pharisees or Sadducees. And yet Jesus desired with all His heart and soul that all people might come to the truth and be sayed.

Jesus blessed the peacemakers and called them sons of God. He admonished His followers to love one another and to bear each other's burdens. (See, for instance, II Corinthians 13:11.) He desired unity; but there is no record anywhere in Scripture that He desired a union of men on any terms but the terms of the Gospel that He had come to establish on earth.

It was not a brotherhood, a union, of all men under one Creator that He sought. That union of common man-

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hood under one Creator already existed without His preaching and would exist today, even though Christ had never become man. The union that He sought was one of the Saints, who become Saints through faith in His doctrine.

E. E. KOWALKE

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Drifting One of the fears expressed by overseas Lutherans who have ties with the Synodical Conference has been concerning the future course of the Missouri Synod, if the Wisconsin Synod should declare the fraternal bonds between the two synods severed. Their anxiety about the welfare of the Missouri Synod was communicated to our delegates when a letter from our brethren in the Church of the Lutheran Confession in Germany was read at our Synod convention last month. Our German brethren feared that the once sturdily confessional Missouri Synod might consort with lax and compromising Lutheran bodies if she became separated from her confessional sister, the Wisconsin Synod; the Missouri Synod, they feared, would then be in grave danger of drifting into associations with liberal and unionistic Lutheran groups in the Lutheran World Federation and forfeit her precious heritage.

Such fears imply that the Wisconsin Synod has been a confessional anchor in the Synodical Conference; otherwise these fears would be relatively meaningless and groundless. During the past 20 years our Synod's insistent warnings and protests against the drift toward more liberal attitudes and policies and practices in the Missouri Synod were, under God, a restraining force, even if these exhortations were frequently not heeded. As long as God's Word permitted its testimony to serve as a confessional anchor, our Synod was willing to be that anchor. But a dragged anchor we could not be, nor would God's Word permit us to be; we would lose our own Scriptural moorings.

The anxiety of the overseas brethren is also the dilemma of those who cast in their lot with the Missouri Synod. The Missouri Synod has drifted from the moorings to which she once held fast 30 years ago; and that in spite of the fact that the Synodical Conference ties were still binding. Now these ties have been severed, and in the heart of every faithful Synodical Conference Lutheran a great fear will not down — if a synod has drifted in spite of confessional moorings, what will be its course without them?

C. TOPPE

Luther On Being Carefree

We should learn to believe that in Christ we have a Lord who provides also for our body and temporal life. Therefore we should beat down and overcome the worry that unbelief creates. For through examples of many kinds He arouses us to faith because He wants us to become people who are entirely without worry about their own persons, so far as both their physical and spiritual . . . life are concerned.

Studies in God's Word:

God's Word: Keeping Unity In Peace

And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration. Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said. It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. And the saving pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch: whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith (Acts 6:

In the Epistle for this Sunday we are urged to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. We are reminded that, as imperfect human beings work together in any organization, problems and misunderstandings will arise and must be met. The sixth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles shows us how the early Christians met and solved a problem that threatened the peace and unity of their congregation.

Proper Decision

The Christian Church was growing rapidly. The Apostles and others were busy each day in the Temple and in private homes preaching and teaching

Jesus. Many people believed their message and joined the Christian community. The Christians showed their faith in various ways, including their care for the poor. In an age when there was no public relief or welfare service this work assumed great proportions. Especially widows are mentioned as receiving help from the Christians.

While the members of the congregation were largely Jews, there were actually two different groups of Jews. One group was from Judea and followed the ancient Jewish culture. Another group had lived outside Judea and had learned and followed the Greek language and culture. It is likely that the contacts of most people were limited largely to their specific group so that the members of one group were hardly acquainted with the members of the other. It was not surprising, therefore, that the Judeans were not aware of the needs of some of the Grecians and that some Grecian widows in need of help did not receive any.

The situation could have become a bad one, with the congregation divided. The Twelve did not summarily issue an order but rather assembled the congregation and laid the problem before them. The disciples were engaged in the work of preaching and teaching. This was a full-time job, and more. It certainly would not be reasonable for them to cut down on their work of preaching and teaching to become more involved in the relief program. They therefore suggested that the congregation choose seven qualified men and appoint them to a relief committee. The congregation agreed to do this.

Effective Action

The resolution which was passed was not allowed to degenerate into a pious platitude. It was immediately translated into effective action. The committee was chosen, with careful consideration given to the qualifications of the men.

They were to be men with a reputation for honesty. They would be handling substantial sums of money. The congregation should be able to have the confidence that the money would be handled properly.

They were to be men full of the Holy Ghost. There was no placing of men on a committee in the hope that they might eventually become interested in the Christian Church. Rather those who had demonstrated that they had accepted the Gospel and meant to be faithful to it were entrusted with this important position.

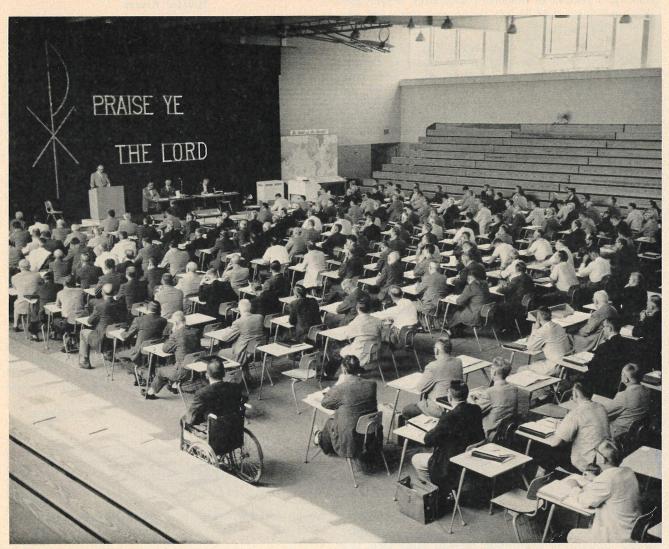
They were to be men full of wisdom. More than honesty and a desire to serve their Lord were required. They were to be men who were capable of handling the delicate job tactfully so they might solve the congregation's problem rather than add to it. We would do well to consider these three qualifications when we name men to responsible offices in our congregations today.

When we look at the names of the men who were chosen another thought comes to mind. The names are Greek names rather than Jewish names. The congregation, wanting to do the right thing, placed on the committee persons who would have the best opportunity to know just which persons had been neglected.

The congregation had had a problem. It had not decided to ignore it in the hope that, if they left it alone, maybe it would go away. Instead, they came to grips with the problem openly, honestly, and directly. They recognized that unity is not something achieved once for all but is something that needs to be worked at constantly if it is to be maintained and preserved. Such a congregation could also carry on an aggressive mission program, offering the Gospel to all with the result that "the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith."

JOHN SCHAADT

Convention Reports - Part Two



The Convention at work. Essayist Prof. E. E. Kowalke at the lectern; President O. Naumann presiding, flanked on the left by Prof. L. Found, parliamentarian, and on the right by Prof. H. Vogel, secretary. The delegate in the wheelchair (foreground) drove his car all the way from Los Angeles.

Inspiration From The Word

When men have to discuss important matters relating to the building of Christ's kingdom, solve difficult problems involving the spiritual welfare of our members at home and abroad, and make decisions which will have far-reaching consequences, they need the guidance and strength of God's holy Word. Such was provided our delegates at the Synod Convention by means of the divine services, the daily devotions, and the essays.

The Opening Service

The opening service with Holy Communion was held the morning of Tuesday, August 8, at St. John's Church in Wauwatosa. The Synod Vice-President Irwin Habeck addressed the assembled delegates and visitors on the basis of II Timothy 2:2. According to his theme, "Our Place in History," he pointed out that we as a Synod are heirs of the past. We have received a precious Gospel heritage from our fathers. As debtors to the future we owe it to the future generations to pass this on to them.

The Morning Devotional Services

All sessions of the Convention were opened with a devotional service. In the morning services conducted in the high-school auditorium the sermonettes emphasized

various phases of the Synod's work. The first of these devotions was conducted by Professor J. P. Meyer of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wisconsin. He spoke on a portion of Solomon's dedicatory prayer contained in I Kings 8:57, 58. His theme was "The Lord, our God, be with us as He was with our fathers."

The other speakers, their texts, and their themes were: Professor Carl Lawrenz of the Seminary at Mequon, Revelation 3:11, "Hold fast to my Word"; Pastor Karl Gurgel, Leviticus 19:33, 34, "A vital concern for the spiritual welfare of the strangers to the household of God"; Pastor Edgar Hoenecke, Isaiah 66:19-21, "God promises us a great miracle before Judgment Day: the success of Christian world missions"; Professor Martin Albrecht of Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota, Proverbs 23:26, "My son, give me thine heart"; Professor Carleton Toppe of Northwestern College, Watertown, Wisconsin, Isaiah 52:7, "The beauty of our ministry"; Synod Vice-President Karl F. Krauss, Romans 12:1, "Our reasonable service"; Pastor E. Arnold Sitz, President of the Arizona-California District, Luke 24:29, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening."

The brief devotions for the afternoon and evening sessions, held in the High School gymnasium, were led by Pastors Gerhard Struck and Arno Voigt. These consisted of a hymn, Scripture reading, prayer, and benediction.

The President's Address

The President of our Synod, Pastor Oscar J. Naumann, began the actual convention sessions with an inspiring address which called to mind the precious trust we have — the glorious answer to the question, "What must I do to be saved?" This trust we must fulfill by

our continued preaching of the Gospel. In this way we will be praising the Lord.

Helpful Essays

All the delegates profited also from the two essays read by Professor Frederick Blume of the Seminary and Professor E. E. Kowalke of Northwestern College. Professor Blume's essay was entitled "Why we are certain that the Bible is the Word of God." In Part I he discussed the situation confronting us in the world of biblical scholarship today; in Part II, how we believe the Bible came to us; in Part III, how we will use this Bible which is the Word of God; in Part IV, our heaven-wrought certainty: the Bible is God speaking to us.

Professor Kowalke's essay was of an entirely different nature, but was also very informative and enlightening. His topic was "An evaluation of the present ministerial training course." Both essays were discussed, then accepted with thanks. They will be printed in full in the Convention Proceedings.

The closing service for the Convention took place in the High School auditorium Wednesday, August 16, at 7:30 p.m. The sermon was delivered by Pastor Manfred Lenz, president of the Minnesota District. Basing his words on Nehemiah 4:16-18, Pastor Lenz spoke about "Our Common Task," showing the great work which we have to do in building the Lord's kingdom and also the great battle we must fight against our spiritual enemies.

Those who planned the nourishment from the Word for the Convention did well; those who dispensed the spiritual food served well. Many delegates expressed their gratitude for the guidance and strength they had received through the services and devotions.

R. GOEDE

Educational Institutions

An Acute Problem: A Continuing Shortage of Manpower

In its report to the Synod, the Planning Committee for the Educational Institutions brought these facts into focus:

"The Synod is operating a system of preparatory schools, colleges, seminaries for training teachers and ministers."

"The needs (present and projected) for these academies and colleges must be determined by present conditions and future potentials in various areas. This committee deemed it necessary to examine, completely, the over-all organization of educational facilities of Synod.

"For that purpose all institutions of Synod were inspected and conferences were held with the various Boards and Committees related to the entire manpower production program.

"The needs of every institution have been tabulated by the committee with the help of the Boards of Control and Faculties of the various schools.

"From a report of estimated future manpower needs, furnished to us by the Manpower Committee, we realize that the number of graduates in the ministry must be increased 100% over the present average. The Board of Education informs us that a 100% increase in teacher graduates is necessary. The growth of our area high

schools will necessitate an increase in secondary school-teachers."

Technical Assistance for A Vast Project: An Educational Consultant

Obviously, any steps taken to provide an adequate solution to the problem of doubling our output of workers for pulpit and classroom will involve either vast expansion of present facilities on existing campuses or the erection of an entirely new facility on a new site. In either case the fulfillment of our Synod's needs would involve the expenditure of millions of dollars.

Because of the magnitude and complexity of our educational operations, the Planning Committee felt that it would be wise to engage the services of an independent educational consultant to study our educational facilities and make recommendations. This feeling was shared by the Synodical Council for they had encouraged the Board of Trustees to engage such a consultant. The Synod in convention ratified this action.

Since any building activity at our synodical schools may be affected by the evaluation of the study now being made by the educational consultant, and since this study will not be completed before February 1962, the convention resolved to: suspend work on all plans, con-

templated and previously approved; to refrain from authorizing new work; to act on the recommendations of the Planning Committee following their evaluation of the consultant's report, either at the next regular convention or at a special synodical convention called for this purpose.

Looking Ahead: Site for Milwaukee College Purchased

Even though the above resolutions called for a temporary suspension of new projects, the purchase of a site for a new college in the Milwaukee area was authorized by the convention. This was done because it was felt that a college in or near Milwaukee would almost certainly remain in the over-all structure of our educational program. Good business practice indicated that a suitable site should be obtained while land is still available. The convention empowered the Board of Trustees to secure a 55-acre site on the southwest corner of Bluemound and Sunny Slope Roads, near Milwaukee, at a cost of \$235,000. This site had been located and recommended by the Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers' College Board.

Synodical Academy for Arizona-California District

Another opportunity for our Synod to widen the field of its educational program could not wait for the report of the educational consultant. The Southern Arizona Boys' School at Tucson, Arizona, a preparatory

school complete with all facilities, became available for purchase. Since it was felt that this school would meet our needs and because it seemed to be good stewardship to acquire an academy in this fast-growing area to serve as a feeder school for our colleges, the Synod in convention instructed the Board of Trustees to secure this property. The cost will probably be under \$300,000.

A Resume of Other Resolutions Affecting Our Schools

A \$100 annual educational fee for students at our Theological Seminary was authorized. A resolution to make the one-year vicarage obligatory instead of optional was adopted. A professor will be called soon to work in the fields of music, liturgics, and Church history. Northwestern College, Watertown, Wisconsin, was authorized to establish a second music professorship and to acquire two additional professorages. The Board of Trustees was authorized to acquire a parcel of land adjacent to the campus if it becomes available.

The self-study for accreditation is continuing at Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota, and it will require the full time effort of one faculty member. Two additional professorships were authorized together with the necessary housing.

Work at all of our Synod's academies, colleges, and at our Seminary has progressed favorably. Reports of their work were heard and read with interest and received with thanks.

GERHARD FRANZMANN

Home Missions

Almost 2,000 years ago, a man stood on a hillside in a small and rather obscure country with a little band of disciples. He was not a wealthy man with servants at his side, nor an earthly king with an army behind him, but to all appearances just a lowly carpenter's son, a man who had not even where to lay his head. Yet he spoke with authority, and things began to happen. "Go ye therefore," he told those men with him; "Go ye INTO ALL THE WORLD, and preach the gospel to every creature." It must have seemed a strange command and a particularly hopeless mission, for they were so few in number, their message was so new and unbelievable; and the opposition had already demonstrated how formidable it was on that grim day we call Good Friday. Yet to this very day we see the results of that command in an ever widening circle of people who have been brought into the kingdom of our Lord.

Under the Spell of the Old Command: "Go"!

That same command it was which brought almost 300 pastors, teachers, and laymen together in Milwaukee for the 36th Convention of our Synod, delegates representing some 300,000 Lutherans of the Synod, all involved in and concerned with that commission which the Lord gave to His Church so long ago. While these delegates deliberated on many items of business pertaining to the kingdom of God, what concerned them as much as anything were the various reports telling what our church has been doing the past two years about that command of Jesus, "Go ye therefore."

Hindrances in the Work

Pastor Karl Gurgel, chairman of the Board for Home Missions, reported briefly on the work done in our various Districts. The delegates heard that we have 170 mission congregations, with almost 13,000 communicant members. On the one hand, they heard of all the work that was being done, but they also learned what could NOT be done during the past biennium — and it was not because of lack of opportunity, for even in our so-called Christian land with all its thousands of churches and a hundred million professing Christians, there are on every side fields white unto harvest, with the grain rotting on the stem for want of laborers. The work of missions was severely hampered by a twofold shortage, that of manpower which has left some mission congregations calling many months in vain for a pastor, and that of funds, which has caused a large and tragic backlog of projects which had to be held up. The seriousness of the situation is amply demonstrated by the fact that in the past year ONLY SIX NEW MISSION FIELDS could be opened!

A Step That Should Give Relief

The 36th Convention of our Synod was historic also in this respect that something was done to improve this situation; delegates heard some very heartening news in the form of a new plan suggested by the Board of Trustees with respect to the Church Extension Fund. Our readers perhaps know that this is a revolving fund from which monies are loaned to mission congregations to purchase lots and erect chapels. While this fund is a sizable one,

amounting to three million dollars, yet it has not been adequate to meet the ever-growing demands of our mission fields, and up to this time it was against the policy of Synod to borrow any funds to augment the Church Extension Fund. However, recognizing that sound business practice does permit borrowing for capital investment for expansion purposes, the delegates authorized the



Men of the Home Missions Board

L. to r.: L. Groth (Nebr.); W. Diehl (Ariz.-Calif.); H. Paustian (West. Wis.); E. Schulz (Dak.-Mont.); W. Krenke (Colo.); K. Gurgel, Chairman; H. Engel (Mich.) Absent: A. Voigt (N. Wis.); R. Wiechmann (SE. Wis.); L. Sabrowsky (Pac. NW.)

Board of Trustees to do so. This step, in a practical way, means that most, if not all, of the projects which had to be delayed will be given the green light within a very short time — which should cause rejoicing in the hearts of all who are concerned with missions, and that must mean all sincere Christians.

A New Mission District

Indication of the vast potential in the rapidly-expanding Far West was given in the granting of Mission District status for the California area. It was revealed that a thousand people are moving into one city each day, and

that in the last decade, seven million people have taken residence in Southern California. Obviously such a large field could be served only with much difficulty by the Mission Board with Arizona headquarters, and the new arrangements will permit more extensive work to be done by men who are on the scene.

Servicemen and Students Away from Home

Pastor Paul Kuehl, chairman of the Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission, reported that regular contact is being maintained with 3000 servicemen of our Synod. The commission was urged to continue and intensify its department of student work at various colleges and universities attended by our youth.

Madison Student Mission

It was reported that the Calvary Student Chapel in Madison is now serving 1,800 students in facilities designed for 300, and that the peak is by no means in sight; for with the increased emphasis on education in our age, the Synodical Conference student enrollment at the University may rise to 3,000 by 1970. Bearing these things in mind, the delegates approved the expenditure of \$184,500 for its share (41%) of the cost of erecting a new chapel on the Madison campus. Present enrollment of Synodical Conference students at the University numbers approximately 1,500, of whom about half are from Wisconsin Synod congregations. Delegates were assured that the emphasis at the Calvary Chapel continues to be on the preaching of the Word, not on social activities. Whereas there was a time, we are told, when about 35 students attended the Sunday service, today over 600 worshipers make up the average congregation, with a maximum attendance of about 1,100 on a Sunday. In addition, students also gather for midweek services and Bible classes, and the adult instruction course last year attracted no fewer than 44, which surely makes Calvary Chapel a very remarkable mission opportunity.

"Go ye therefore." Those words of the Lord still ring in our ears as we enter another year of mission work. May the Lord, who is opening so many doors for us, give us the wisdom and zeal and strength to enter those doors, to His glory and to the salvation of many blood-bought souls!

H. PAUSTIAN

Evangelism

The subject of evangelism received a great deal of attention at the Convention. Both the discussions on the floor and the report of the floor committee gave evidence that there is in our Synod an earnest will and determination to employ more fully this form and method of proclaiming the Gospel to our fellow Americans. We shall let the first resolution, as adopted, speak for itself.

Resolution No. 1
Subject: Evangelism

Scriptural evangelism is 'witnessing to the hope that is in us.' To help us improve our ability and zeal to 'witness to the hope that is in us' is the scope of work of our Commission on Evangelism.

WHEREAS, The Great Commission and privilege of the Church is to 'make disciples of all nations', and WHEREAS, Our zeal for the truth of the Gospel

should be matched by our zeal to spread this truth, and

WHEREAS, The growth and redistribution of population offer unparalleled opportunities for gaining souls for the Savior, and

WHEREAS, The members of our congregations represent a reservoir of witnesses whose abilities have remained largely untapped, and

WHEREAS, The Lord's statement, 'Ye shall be witnesses unto me' (Acts 1:8) applies to all Christians, and

WHEREAS, The work of our pastors can be supplemented by enlisting the help of our membership, and

WHEREAS, It is your committee's considered opinion and firm conviction that many of our laity could be enlisted for active witnessing, if shown how, therefore be it

Resolved, a) That the Evangelism Commission be commended for the production of 'Gaining and Reclaiming Souls,' and be it further

Resolved, b) That the Commission be directed to produce materials and to suggest evangelism programs in keeping with our theology and practice and that such materials be made available as soon as possible to our pastors and members, and be it further

Resolved, c) That the Commission offer its services to the faculties at our Synodical schools in presenting studies on evangelism, and be it further

Resolved, d) That the necessary monies for materials and administration be made available to the Commission in the Synodical budget.

But the delegates were convinced that the Commission on Evangelism would have to be reconstituted, if the tasks assigned to it by the above resolution were to be carried out with the fullest effect and on a Synod-wide scale. Therefore they passed this further resolution:

WHEREAS, Witnessing for Christ is the personal privilege and responsibility of every member of the 'royal priesthood,' and

WHEREAS, Increasing interest in the cause of personal mission work on the part of the laity throughout the Synod indicates the necessity of intensifying and expanding our efforts in the area of evangelism in the most effective manner possible (cf. Synodical Proceedings in 1957 and 1959), and

WHEREAS, The Evangelism Commission needs personnel and machinery to produce and disseminate appropriate materials to the constituency of our Synod; therefore, be it

Resolved, a) That the Synod Commission on Evangelism be reconstituted in the following manner:

- 1. This Commission shall consist of:
 - a) an Executive Committee of three;
 - b) The chairman of District Commissions on Evangelism.
- The Executive Committee, consisting of a chairman, a vice-chairman, and a secretary, shall be appointed by the president of the Synod.

The next Resolved provides for the necessary constitutional changes.

Then follows:

Resolved, c) That District Commissions on Evangelism shall be constituted in the following manner.

- The chairmen of the District Commissions on Evangelism shall be appointed by the respective District Presidents.
- 2. The District presidents, in consultation with the chairmen of the District Commission on Evangelism, shall appoint up to five other members to the District Commission on Evangelism, striving to enlist interested representatives from each conference.
- The District president shall arrange for a staggered tenure of office.

The Commission on Evangelism will do its work faithfully and zealously, we are sure. Now, won't you do your part? You will, if this spirit is in you: "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20).

W. H. F.

Sidelights Of The Convention

The 36th Biennial Convention of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod met at Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 8-17, 1961. The new Wisconsin Lutheran High School stands as a beautiful monument, witnessing to the power of God's love, for this love led our Lutheran brethren to provide in this way for the spiritual welfare of the Milwaukee area youth. Oh, what Christian congregations can do when God gives them the heart to do it! And they can do this without stinting on their duties to the Church at large! But not only was the physical plant adequate for the Convention. Consider also the many individuals and groups that were active in caring so efficiently for the physical well-being of delegates and visitors. Roll call the first day showed that 170 voting delegates, 101 advisory delegates had to be cared for, in addition to the hundreds of visitors. An estimated 850 meals a day were ably served in the cafeteria. The bulk of the work necessary to make the Convention run smoothly was done by the regular staff of Wisconsin Lutheran High

School, assisted in all departments by students of the High School and of Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers College, plus volunteer ladies from Wisconsin Synod churches in and around Milwaukee.

The air of the Convention seemed charged from the beginning with both fear and hope. The mood on the last day seemed definitely one of hope and confidence. Now, the feeling seemed to be, with the air cleared, we will, under God, go forward undismayed, in every department, in carrying out the Convention theme: "Praise Ye the Lord"!

All committees, both standing and floor, carried out their work efficiently. The men who reported for the committees had everything organized and knew what they were talking about. The agenda for each session was prepared and adopted in the preceding session. Working tirelessly for order and efficiency were especially the Courtesy Committee, the Resolutions Committee, the



Reese Bullis, president of Apache congregation at Peridot, Arizona, with Missionary Richard Seeger of Japan.

Steering Committee, and the Press Committee. The public press was given every consideration.

Guests at the Convention included both official and unofficial visitors from near and far. Some addressed the Convention, while others just listened. Among those recognized by the Chair were: from The Lutheran Church -Missouri Synod, Dr. Martin Franzmann as official representative, and President J. W. Behnken, Vice-President A. Nitz as observers; from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod: Dr. J. Anderson, Prof. Milton Otto, Prof. B. Teigen; from the Synod of Evangelical Lutheran Churches: Pastors S. G. Mazak and John Bajus. Representing the Synodical Conference were: Dr. John Daniel, Dr. J. Bradac, and Dr. K. Kurth. Official greetings received in writing and read to the Convention came from the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Australia, the Synod of Evangelical Lutheran Churches, the Lutheran Church of Rhodesia, and the Rev. F. W. Noack of Australia.

Dr. Wm. Schweppe, just returned from Rhodesia, Africa, favored the Convention with his presence and a brief address. Another special favor accorded the delegates was the presence and address of Mr. Reese Bullis, an Apache, and the president of our Indian congregation at Peridot, Arizona. Mr. Bullis spoke from the fullness of his heart in expressing his and his people's gratitude, that the Lord had moved the hearts of Wisconsin Synod Lutherans to bring the Gospel to them. Mr. Bullis also expressed the prayer that the Gospel would not be taken from them. Another speaker from one of Synod's far-flung fields was Missionary Richard Seeger of Japan, who presently is on a furlough from Japan. Missionary Seeger emphasized both the difficulty of his work and the joy over the success the Lord is granting His servants in Japan.

One did not have to be a keen observer to note that this was a hard-working Convention. "This is serious business," said the delegates. They said so by sticking to their seats, by their attention to the matters under

discussion (many involving weighty and far-reaching changes), by the earnestness of their remarks.

Another thing worthy of mention was the unusually large number of visitors, especially in the meetings devoted to the discussion of intersynodical relations. The Courtesy Committee printed 850 copies of the report of Floor Committee Number 2, and still they ran short.

Although two days were added to this Convention, there still wasn't too much time for extra-curricular activities. A sad note was the funeral of the consecrated treasurer of the Synod on the first day of the Convention. The Convention expressed its thanks to God for the service he had rendered and sympathy to the family for its loss of Mr. Niedfeldt. Other events included the commissioning in Oshkosh on Synod Sunday of the former Secretary of the Synod, Pastor Theo. Sauer, as missionary to Rhodesia, Africa, and recognition of President O. J. Naumann's 25th anniversary in the ministry. President Naumann's anniversary was also celebrated on Synod Sunday. The anniversary service was held at Mt. Lebanon Church with Pastor A. Schewe, a classmate, delivering the sermon. The next day President Naumann personally thanked the Convention and asked that no further gifts be given. Old friendships were renewed and new friendships made whenever time would allow between sessions and committee meetings. Some even managed to squeeze in class reunions, e.g., the Northwestern class of 1936.

Synod Sunday also found many pastoral delegates visiting in the homes of nearby friends and classmates. But most of these visitors had to "speak" for their Sunday dinner.

As at previous Conventions, only this time more so, the halls, nooks, and spare rooms were filled with displays of Synod's work in different fields. Pictures and slides were shown, depicting various phases of Synod's work. Perhaps the most "unique" presentation and "success" story came from the Arizona delegation's presentation of a "school for sale" and "school sold."

The Convention also witnessed another "first" when, during the opening service on the last day, Prof. John Meyer inducted Synod's officers into office: President O. J. Naumann, First Vice-President I. Habeck, Second Vice-President O. Siegler, and Secretary N. Berg.

After President Naumann had again encouraged all members of Synod courageously to take up the Lord's work and not to grow weary, the Convention closed at 8:30 p.m. on August 17, 1961, as it began ten days earlier — with song and prayer. Soon the building was empty as the delegates quickly sped to their respective homes, leaving the work voted on to be carried out to all the members of our Wisconsin Synod. May God give us grace, so that in all our work for the Savior, both on the congregational and the synodical level, we carry forward the theme of the Convention: "Praise Ye the Lord"!

S. KUGLER

The Budget For 1961-1962

General Administration			\$ 198,109.00
Board for Information and Stewardship			37,870.00
Educational Institutions			1,180,663.96
Theological Seminary		\$123,325.00	1,100,000.90
Northwestern College			
		258,931.00	
Dr. Martin Luther College		345,905.00	
Michigan Lutheran Seminary		183,760.00	
Northwestern Lutheran Academy		75,672.96	
Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers College		56,420.00	
Nebraska Lutheran Academy		650.00	
Academy subsidies		50,000.00	
Additions to assets, professorages		86,000.00	
Home for the Aged			63,020.00
Missions			1,636,701.28
Administration:			
Home Mission Board		1,920.00	
Foreign Mission Board and Expansion		38,656.00	
Indian Mission		178,423.00	
Colored Mission		94,319.00	
Home Mission		848,105.42	
Pacific Northwest	\$ 67,032.00	Wall Day to a	
Nebraska	100,309.00		
Michigan	122,646.20		
Dakota-Montana	74,109.00		
Minnesota	103,976.42		
Northern Wisconsin			
Western Wisconsin	69,271.00		
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Southeastern Wisconsin	83,735.00		
Colorado	60,006.00		
Arizona-California	97,900.00		
Refugee Mission		71,049.86	
Madison Student Mission		194,275.00	
Northern Rhodesia Mission		80,612.00	
Japanese Mission		84,863.00	
Spanish Mission		14,478.00	
Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission		30,000.00	
General Support			106,241.50
Indigent Students			17,019.00
Board of Education			30,249.64
Reserve for Depreciation, Institutions			149,567.40
Teacher Certification			5,500.00
Capital Investment			235,073.00
Commission on Evangelism			23,250.00
Synodic	11,500.00		23,200.00
District	11,750.00		
Grant to Free Church of South Africa	11,100.00		10,000.00
Pension Plan			50,000.00
Arizona Academy			350,000.00
			330,000.00
TOTAL BUDGET REQUESTS			¢ 4 002 264 70
			\$ 4,093,264.78

STEWARDSHIP CONFERENCE

Wisconsin Synod

Date: October 24, 25, 1961, 8:00 a.m.

Place: Ambassador Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

All members of District Boards for Information and Stewardship are

to attend. Further details will be mailed to members.

NORMAN W. BERG, Chairman Board for Information and Stewardship



Miss Barbara Welch

A Worker for the Medical Mission

Miss Barabara Welch, age 22, was commissioned as nurse to the dispensary in Northern Rhodesia, Africa, on Sunday, June 25, 1961, at St. Marcus Church, Milwaukee, the Rev. Paul Knickelbein, pastor. Preaching for the service was Pastor Waldemar Hoyer, Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, a member of the Executive Committee for Northern Rhodesia. Pastor Arnold Mennicke, Winona, Minnesota, chairman of the committee, officiated at the commissioning, assisted by Pastor Hover and Pastor Theodore Sauer, who has accepted a call as superintendent of the Mission. Pastor Knickelbein served as liturgist for the service. A reception sponsored by women of St. Marcus Church was held after the service.

In preparation for her work in Rhodesia, Miss Welch took a special eight-week course in tropical medicine and will spend about three months at the Lutheran Hospital at Eket, Nigeria. After that she will join Mrs. Edgar Hoenecke, Mesa, Arizona, who will set up the dispensary program in Rhodesia. Miss Welch left for her new duties about July 15.

The dispensary which is now being constructed is to be opened in September. The medical mission in Northern Rhodesia is being sponsored by the women's organizations of our Synod.

A. L. MENNICKKE

Moving Forward In Rhodesia—— Three Workers Are Commissioned

Raymond Cox Commissioned

July 9, 1961, was a memorable day in the history of Good Shepherd Congregation, West Allis, Wisconsin, for on that day one of its sons was ordained and commissioned as missionary to our Synod's mission in Northern Rhodesia, Africa.

The church was filled on this comparatively cool evening as Raymond G. Cox, a June graduate of our Theological Seminary at Mequon, was commissioned in a very impressive serv-The young missionary was ordained by his pastor, the undersigned, and was commissioned by Pastor A. L. Mennicke, of Winona. Minnesota, chairman of the Executive Committee for Northern Rhodesia. The sermon, based on Acts 8:26-39 and preached by Pastor Mennicke, was most inspiring for the missionary and for all present. Pastor A. Halboth, president of our Southeastern Wisconsin District, Pastor L. M. Voss, who baptized Missionary Cox, and Pastor T. Sauer, who has also accepted a call to Northern Rhodesia. assisted in the service.

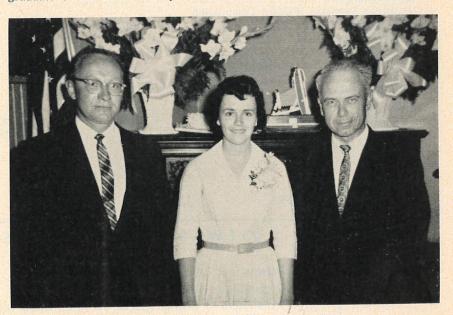
Missionary Cox has been a lifelong member of Good Shepherd. He is a graduate of its Christian day school as well as of the joint Lutheran High School in Milwaukee. After graduating from high school, Mr. Cox attended the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee for a year. He then enlisted in the Marine Corps for three years, serving in Korea. Seeing so many people without the truth of God's Word started him thinking. However, returning home, he decided to enter Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa, to study veterinary medicine. But before long he began to realize that the ministry was his calling.

The following fall (1956) Mr. Cox entered Concordia Seminary at Springfield, Illinois. He vicared for a year in our Wisconsin Synod at South Shore and Germantown, South Dakota. Mr. Cox then completed his last year of study at our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary.

Mr. Cox was married on August 6, 1955, to Miss Lois Stewart of La Grange, Illinois. The Cox family includes Gregory 3, Lynnea 2, and Michael 8 months. Mrs. Cox holds a B.S. degree in Art Education from the former Milwaukee State Teachers' College.

The Cox family left for Africa on September 7.

M. SCHWENZEN



Pastor R. G. Cox, assigned to Lusaka field.

Miss Welch, nurse, serving our medical mission.

Pastor Theo. Sauer, now serving as Superintendent of Rhodesia Mission.



The Sauer Family
L. to r.: Paul, Mrs. Sauer, Pastor Theo. Sauer, Marilyn



Missionary Sauer receives a heartfelt "Godspeed!" from President O. Naumann.

Pastor T. Sauer Commissioned —— Will Serve as Superintendent

On Sunday, August 13, Pastor Theodore Sauer was commissioned as superintendent of our mission in Northern Rhodesia, Africa, thereby bringing to a close his pastorate of Grace Lutheran Congregation, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, where he had served for five years. He had previously served for 15 years as pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Livonia, Michigan.

The Rev. Edgar Hoenecke, chairman of the Board for World Missions, Phoenix, Arizona, preached the sermon using as his text the opening verses of the thirteenth chapter of Acts. The Rev. T. J. Mittelstaedt served as liturgist. The commissioning service was read by the Rev. A. L. Mennicke, chairman of the Executive Committee for Northern Rhodesia. Assisting were Pastors Hoenecke, Mittelstaedt, and W. R. Hoyer.

Pastor Sauer was born May 25, 1915, in Saginaw, Michigan. After receiving his grade school training in St. Paul's School, Saginaw, he attended our Synod's Michigan Lutheran Seminary at Saginaw, Northwestern

College in Watertown, and the Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon. He was ordained into the Holy Ministry February 16, 1941.

He has held various District offices and served on a number of Synod boards and committees. Since 1955 he has been the secretary of our Synod.

Pastor and Mrs. Sauer and their two children, Marilyn and Paul, left for Lusaka, Northern Rhodesia, Africa, the beginning of September.

A. L. MENNICKE

Christian Missioners An Appeal

The recent convention of our Synod authorized the Board for World Missions to send out teams of Christian Missioners, according to the proposal described in the pre-convention issue of *The Northwestern Lutheran*, placing \$25,000 at the disposal of the Board for this purpose.

Briefly, the program provides for the commissioning of teams of two

men each, either two pastors or a pastor and a very consecrated layman, to be sent to designated centers of influence in some foreign country to establish indigenous Lutheran churches there. The elder pastor ought to be a man of experience and achievement, one who has proven himself to be a successful missionary and organizer, one who is no longer tied down with the responsibility of raising a family and who with his wife would be willing to venture for the Lord in obedience to His command and promise: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel — and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." The other man, although preferably a younger man, ought to meet about the same qualifications.

We now appeal to our membership for any information which will lead us aright to establish this program:

 Fields — any information or suggestion which will lead to the selection of a center of influence in some foreign country, accessible to us. 2. Men — suggestions of names of likely candidates for this responsible assignment.

Please, address your suggestions to: REV. EDGAR HOENECKE, Chairman Board for World Missions Box 1904, Lusaka Northren Rhodesia, Africa

Note: The Board for World Missions will take action on this matter after the chairman's return from Rhodesia in mid-December.

* Mrs. Philip Froehlke *

Adelhaid Froehlke, age 64, nee Wegner, widow of the late Pastor Philip Froehlke, died of cancer on August 22, in Columbia Hospital, Milwaukee. She was born in Milwaukee on September 29, 1896, the daughter of the late Emil and Apollonia Wegner. Soon after birth she was received into God's kingdom of grace through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. She attended Jerusalem Lutheran School and was confirmed in that church in 1908. On October 5, 1921, she was united in holy wedlock with Pastor Philip Froehlke of St. Matthew's Lutheran Congregation, Appleton, Wisconsin. This marriage was blessed with three daughters; two died in infancy. Pastor Froehlke preceded her in death in 1938. Following her husband's death, she returned to Milwaukee, was employed by Columbia Hospital, and at the time of her death was the hospital's executive housekeeper. She was a faithful member of Jerusalem Lutheran Congregation. Funeral services were held on August 25, by her pastor, Eldor A. Toepel. Interment was in Oak Hill Cemetery in Neenah, where Pastor S. Johnson conducted the graveside rites. She is survived by one daughter, Carol, Mrs. Jerry Schoekert; two grandsons; three brothers, Emil, William, and Armin Wegner; and three sisters, Mrs. Hertha Arndt, Mrs. Apollonia Kaiser, and Miss Magdalene Wegner.

"I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us" (Rom. 8:18).

Golden Wedding Anniversary

On July 16, 1961, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ramthun, lifelong members of David's Star Church, Kirchhayn, Jackson. Wisconsin, were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. Many friends and relatives joined them in the service and celebration held in the parish hall. In the absence of the pastor, Prof. Armin Schuetze addressed the jubilarians on the basis of I Samuel 7:12. A thankoffering of \$41.85 was given for the Church Extension Fund of our Synod. "Abide with us: for it toward evening, and the day is far spent."

PAUL J. GIESCHEN

Briefs

(Continued from page 306)

phasize what really makes this a case of unionistic, forbidden religious or church fellowship. Whether Bishop Lilje said anything that was false and dangerous or not - we shall have something to say on that in our next issue — is not the deciding factor.

This is the point: God tells us and all who love the truth to avoid such as Bishop Lilje (Romans 16:17, 18). Instead, he was placed before these young people of the Missouri Synod as a teacher or preacher who would help them in their faith and the practice of it-exactly as an orthodox theologian or church leader of their own body would be. Obviously, giving a known errorist such a place of honor and authority to teach is not avoiding him. It is fellowshiping with him.

What kind of fellowship was it? Why, pulpit fellowship. To preach, to teach, to guide, and admonish men in regard to the saving way of Christ - that is the purpose and function of the pulpit. The same purpose and function was assigned to Bishop Lilje by the invitation extended to him. "But there was no formal church service, no chancel, no pulpit," we hear someone saying (and this is exactly what has been said in defense of similar unionistic practices). Isn't such an argument really beside the point, in view of the facts? Would we say a man did not preach because, on occasion, he proclaimed Christ to a budding mission congregation from the bare platform of some rented hall, instead of doing so from a pulpit at the edge of a chancel?

"Would you allow a ULC pastor or one from Bishop Lilje's church in the pulpit of your church?" we asked a Missouri Synod layman. "Why, no!" was his somewhat shocked reply. Then we pointed out that this Bishop Lilje affair was practicing pulpit fellowship in every way as real and unionistic and deserving of censure and condemnation. He saw the point, we believe. Oh, that many more in Missouri would see the point — and say so where it counts!

REQUEST FOR MUSIC TEACHERS

Dr. Martin Luther College and High School is in need of piano and organ instructors for the coming school year, 1961-1962. We therefore request that names of candidates be sent to the Chairman of the Music Department, Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minn.

MARTIN ALBRECHT

A REQUEST FOR NAMES

The undersigned would appreciate learning the names and the addresses of Wisconsin Synod families living in the Beloit, Wis., and Rockford, Ill., area. He would also appreciate being notified of families intending to move into this area.

Pastor Roland C. Hillemann Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 2447 Park Ave. Beloit, Wis.

JUNIOR CHOIR ROBES AVAILABLE

Thirty-six junior-choir robes for children from 9 to 13 years of age are being offered for sale at a very low price. For particulars write to:

Mrs. Dick Winter 605 N. 11th St. Norfolk, Nebr.

PASTORS' INSTITUTE—AUTUMN COURSE

This fall the faculty of our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary at Mequon, Wisconsin, plans to offer an institute of two courses of six lectures each on Monday afternoons Oct. 9 through Nov. 13, 1961.

The lecture period on each of these Monday afternoons is planned for 1:45 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. A 30 minute discussion period will follow each lecture.

The courses offered will be:

- Exegetical Homiletical Treatment of the Gospels of the Pentecost cycle, by Prof. Gerald Hoenecke.
- II. Survey of Theology from Kant to the Present, by Prof. Frederic Blume.

Registration for the institute is to be made in the Seminary Office at a fee of \$5.00.

ADOLPH C. BUENGER, Secretary Board of Control

APPOINTMENTS Nebraska District

Pastor Donald Grummert appointed 2nd Vice-President to succeed Pastor John Martin, who accepted a call into the South-eastern Wisconsin District. Pastor Frederick Werner appointed Chair-

man of the District Stewardship Committee to succeed Pastor John Martin.

L. GRUENDEMAN, Vice-President

ITEMS FOR CHURCH AVAILABLE

Trinity Lutheran Congregation of Nicollet, Minn., will give a baptismal font and a set of globe-type light fixtures to any con-gregation which will provide for the trans-portation. Address communications to: Nathanael Luetke, Box 126, Nicollet, Minn.

AN OFFER

Altar with picture of Good Shepherd (13 ft. high, 3 ft. wide), pulpit with lamp (6 ft. high, 60 in. wide), baptismal font (42 in. high). Altar is natural-finish oak. Free to any mission congregation, if they come and get it. Write to:

Pastor Henry F. Koch Zion Ev. Lutheran Church Morgan, Minn.

D.M.L.C. 1961 Choir Record

Long-play record of selections sung on the 1961 Concert Tour. Also available:

\$4.50 postpaid.

Please send orders to: Prof. Martin Albrecht College Heights New Ulm, Minn.

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

DAKOTA-MONTANA

EASTERN DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Time: Sept. 26, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Place: Trinity Lutheran Church, Clear Lake, S. Dak., J. Brandt, host pastor.

Agenda: Communion service. Report of the Delegates to the Synod Convention.

H. A. BIRNER, Secretary

TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Oct. 9, 1961

Morristown, S. Dak.

9:00- 9:25 Opening Devotion 9:25- 9:30 Reading of the minutes of previous conference 9:30-10:30 Practical Lesson in Social

Studies, Miss Mary Umnus

Recess Practical Lesson in Music, 10:50-12:00 Prof. Wm. Birsching Noon

1:15- 1:30 Devotion; Reading of the minutes of morning session
1:30- 2:45 The Gifted Child, Mr. Morton Schroeder

2:45- 305 Recess 3:05- 3:35 Business Meeting 3:35- 4:00 Your Problems and Mine (Round Table Discussion), Miss Rhoda Arndt

MINNESOTA

NEW ULM DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Place: St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, New Ulm, Minn.; F. Nitz, host pastor. Time: Oct. 4, 1961, 9:30 a.m.

Agenda: The proceedings of the 36th Convention of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod.

ALVIN R. KIENETZ, Secretary

. . MANKATO PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Oct. 3, 1961, 9:30 a.m.

Place: St. Paul's Lutheran, North Mankato. Agenda: According to assignments.

Preacher: A. Martens (alt., E. F. Peterson). M. BIRKHOLZ

NEBRASKA

CENTRAL PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 26 and 27, 1961; opening session at 10:00 a.m.

Place: Grace Lutheran Church, Oskaloosa, Iowa; W. A. Wietzke, host pastor.

Sermon: Wm. H. Wietzke (L. Groth).

Papers: The Ministry Is not to Be Regarded as a Sacrifice, M. Weishahn; Isa 9:6, 7, Wm. H. Wietzke; Rev. 5:1-6 W. A. Wietzke.

Reports: President, Synod Convention, Mission Board, Board of Education, Academy, Financial.

W. A. WIETZKE, Secretary * *

SOUTHERN DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Place: Gresham, Nebr.; D. Redlin, host pastor.

Date: Sept. 26-27, 1961.

Time of first session: 10:00 a.m.

Speaker: Nommensen (Rockhoff).

Papers: Augustana XVII (antithesis), Manthey; May Tithing Be Used as a Guideline for Proportionate Giving? Gruendeman; Augustana XVIII, Snyder; I Cor. 15, Greenwald; The Sixth Commandment as it Pertains to Christian Youth, Lichtenberg.

Christmas Record, 1960. Price per record: Reports: Convention, Mission Board, demy Board, Stewardship, Financ Please send orders to: Please announce to host pastor.

C. NOMMENSEN, Secretary

ROSEBUD PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Oct. 10 and 11, 1961.

Time: 10:00 a.m. CST.

Place: St. John's, Witten, S. Dak.; D.

Plocher, pastor. K. W. STRACK, Secretary

NORTHERN WISCONSIN

WINNEBAGO TEACHERS' CONFERENCE First German Ev. Lutheran School Manitowoc, Wis. Sept. 28-29, 1961

Thursday

9:00-10:00 Opening Service

Announcements—Election Committee 10:00-10:30

10:30-10:45 Recess -Assemble for sectional meetings

10:45-11:50

Discussion Unit "Creation to Abraham," K. Peterman Discussion Leader, W. Roekle Discussion Unit "Creation to Abraham," R. Oswald Discussion Leader, A. Meyer Grades 7-8

Grades 5-6

Grades 3-4 Aims and Procedures of Teaching a Bible Lesson, Mrs. Wolfrath

Discussion Leader, P. Umland Aims and Procedures of Teach-Grades 1-2

ing a Bible Lesson, E. Hagner
Discussion Leader, L. Quandt
Kindergarten A Religious Unit (Hymnology),

Mrs. Raap
Practical Demonstration of
Rhythm Band, Mrs. Manthey
Discussion Leader, Mrs. Ewerdt

12:00- 1:00 1:00- 1:30 1:30- 1:45 Dinner

Displays, Kaukauna Faculty Devotion, Chairman

Enrichment Activities for the Gifted, E. Rolloff (for grades 1:45- 2:45

Enrichment Activities for the gifted, M. Meyer, (for grades 1-4)

2:45- 3:15 3:15- 3:30 3.30- 4:00 Business Meeting

Recess
Report of the Board of Education—Wisconsin Synod

Friday

9:00- 9:15 9:15-10:15 Devotion, Chairman Report of the Synod Delegates and the District President Recess

10:15-10:30

10:15-10:30 Recess
10:30-11:30 The Church year in Music
(Easter and Post Easter)
Section 1 Choir, O. Schenk
Section 2 Grades 5-8, E.
Leitzke
Section 3 Grades K-4, L. Liese
11:30-12:00 Report of the Visitors' Workshop

shop

12:00- 1:30 Dinner

1:30- 1:40 1:40- 2:40 Devotion, Chairman

The Teacher's Call, Prof. R. Hoenecke

2:40- 2:50 2:50- 3:20 3:20- 3:45 Recess Conference Evaluation

Business Meeting Closing Service

3:45

DISTRICT MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Time: Monday, Sept. 25, 12 noon to Tuesday, Sept. 26, 12 noon.

Place: Enterprise, Wis., St. John's Church; F. Weyland, pastor. Communion service: Monday evening, T. Hoffmann, speaker.

Agenda: To be arranged by Planning Com-

Notify host pastor, if unable to attend.

CARL W. VOSS, Secretary

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN

DODGE WASHINGTON PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Oct. 10 and 11, 1961.

lace: St. Luke's Ev. Lutheran Church, Knowles, Wis.; Gale A. Maas, pastor.

Opening Holy Communion service 9:30 a.m. Preacher: Carl J. Henning (alternate: Philip Huebner).

Essay assignments: Gen. 6, Exegesis, C. Weigel; Malachi, E. Breiling; Admonishing the Weak, G. Maas; Objective and Subjective Faith, B. Hahm; Alcoholics and Alcoholism, W. Sauer; Exegesis, I Cor. 6, W. Krueger. CARL J. HENNING, Secretary

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Teachers

Bradtke, Edward T., Box 32, Jenera,

Kalfahs, Gus, B. 244, Hustisford, Wis. Koestler, Arlen L., 236 N. Farragut St., Bay City, Mich.

Kuether, William, 307 South Lake St., Neenah, Wis.

MISSION FESTIVAL

12. Sunday after Trinity

David's Star Church, Kirchhayn-Jackson,

Offering: \$2,241.84. P. J. Gieschen, pastor.

ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

Ordained and Installed

Pastors

Cone, Chester E., Sr., as pastor in Good Hope Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebr., by William H. Wietzke; assisted by F. Werner, D. Grummert; June 25, 1961.

Ehlert, Ronald, as pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Clatonia, Nebr., by H. C. Schnitker; assisted by L. Gruendeman, C. Nommensen, W. Greenwald, and David Redlin; July 9, 1961.

Lindquist, J. Edward, as pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Valentine, Nebr., by K. A. Fuhlbrigge; assisted by J. Engel, K. Strack, G. Tiefel, Jr., and A. Werre; Aug. 6, 1961.

Michel, Robert H., as pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Newton, Iowa, by J. Mahnke; assisted by W. Sprengeler, M. Weishahn, W. A. Wietzke; July 23, 1961.

Schmeling, Gerhard, as pastor of St.
John's Lutheran Church, Rib Falls,
Marathon Co., Wis., and as pastor of
Zion Lutheran Church, T. Rib Falls,
Marathon Co., Wis., by A. Schumann;
assisted by G. Krause; Sept. 3, 1961.

Werre, Alvin G., as pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Batesland, S. Dak., and as pastor of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Martin, S. Dak., by K. Fuhlbrigge; assisted by D. Plocher and J. Engel; July 2, 1961.

Teachers

Bradtke, Edward T., as principal Trinity Lutheran School, Jenera, O by M. Bradtke; July 30, 1961. Jenera, Ohio,

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