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BRIEFS by the Editor

A NEW SUPPLY OF TEACHERS for our Christian day schools was added through June graduates at Dr. Martin Luther College. In this issue we present the pictures and assignments of the four-year graduates. There are 66 of them. Lack of space does not permit us to publish the names and assignments of the special students and the three-year graduates. The two groups together number 19.

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THERE ARE 24 MORE FOUR-YEAR GRADUATES than there were last year. Here we have to say the same thing that we said in regard to the number of candidates for the preaching ministry: The Lord of the Church has been good to us. He is answering our earnest prayers. Let our thanksgiving be joyous and deep.

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LET THERE BE NO DAMPER put on our gratitude by the remembrance of an unfulfilled goal. We refer, of course, to the shortage of teachers which will still exist after these new teachers enter their classrooms. This situation remains a most vexing problem. The Synod Convention in August

will grapple with it, and for the effort to solve it, the delegates will need all the vision, wisdom, and courage which they and we can pray down from heaven.

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BUT LET NOT A GREAT BLESSING BE DIMINISHED in our eyes on that account. First in order is genuine, joyous gratitude over God's undeserving gifts. Grateful hearts will be more ready and fit to deal with the problems which still confront us.

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THE CONVENTION OF THE Synod is less than six weeks ahead. Secretary Paul Hanke has a detailed announcement regarding it in this issue (page 207). From the President's office we have received the list of floor committees. They are found on pages 205 and 206.

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CONVENTION PREVIEWS WILL BE GIVEN IN OUR NEXT TWO ISSUES. These will acquaint you with the many weighty items of business which the Convention delegates will have to dispose of. But they are matters which involve not only the

Convention delegates. They concern all of us, since they all have to do with the continuation and extension of the Gospel work for which we have joined together in our Synod, and for which we have pooled God-given spiritual and material resources.

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A "NEW" PRESEMINARY TRAINING PROGRAM has born its first visible fruits. See the account on page 202.

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SOME APPRECIATIVE COMMENTS have reached our desk. We share a few of them with you. A Minneapolis woman writes:

"This short letter is a feeble attempt to express my deep appreciation for our *Northwestern Lutheran*. The editorials, the Scripture lessons, the articles in "By the Way" — everything is so interesting and inspiring. . . . May God bless the writers and all who make this periodical possible, and may He preserve their health and strength to carry on for a long time to come."

Here are paragraphs from a letter written by a lady who is not a member of our Synod, but who is acquainted with it from her youth and appreciates our confessional position:

"I wish to say this about *The Northwestern Lutheran*. Reading it is like opening all of the doors and windows and feeling a lovely fresh breeze blow in. I read it from cover to cover, and I can find nothing to
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The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us. 1 Kings 8:57

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Editorials

The Blessing of the Unselfish The feeling that the Synod dollar is in competition with the local dollar persists in a number of communicants and congregations. Money given to the Synod is looked upon as money lost to the congregation. The Synod budget is said to hurt the home budget.

It is difficult to prove from statistics that local needs suffer in congregations where Synod contributions are above average, particularly where Synod contributions are presented as opportunities rather than as levies or dues. There are many congregations that set examples in Synodical contributions, yet their local needs are as well taken care of as they are in congregations where Synodical contributions are low.

Giving to others stimulates rather than depresses giving for home purposes. It is not merely because giving is also a habit, and the more we exercise this habit, the more dependable our giving for home purposes will also become. It is rather that giving to others and for others has a wholesome effect on the selfish heart that is a barrier to all giving. The more unselfish we become in our giving, the greater will be our response to any local need that asks our support, whether it be the teachers' salaries or a new organ or remodeling the parsonage.

The more outlets there are for giving, the more natural all our giving becomes. Giving is like love; the more outgoing it is, the more we have for ourselves. A husband and wife who do not welcome children into their home because they want to have all their love for themselves do not have as much love as do the husband and wife who freely share it with their children. The family that lives only for the benefit of its own members has less love to enjoy in its own midst than does the family that includes others in its love. Like love, giving also profits by giving.

Above all, the promise of our Savior encourages giving to others: "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

This applies to individual Christians; it also applies to congregations. God blesses unselfish congregations as He blesses unselfish Christians.

CARLETON TOPPE

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"Pat" Answers The Scriptural answer to religious questions is referred to with increasing frequency as the "pat" answer. This term is applied in an obvious tone of contempt. "Pat" answers, from the lofty viewpoint of those who use this term with such disdain, belong to the past; and they reflect either a conspicuous lack of learning or a stubborn addiction to ancient superstition on the part of those who accept them.

A knowing disbelief toward the faith of the fathers is the accepted approach, and the mark of the true

scholar is to debunk rather than to teach. The approved answer to questions of a religious nature is that there is no answer. It is presumed that no one can speak with certainty about God or about the origin and destiny of man.

More and more this skepticism is creeping into the speech and writing of religious spokesmen and eroding the position of church bodies which once held "the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." What this trend, if it continues, will lead to is not difficult to foresee: A glorified agnosticism as the accepted position of the churches, and utter confusion among those who look to the churches for answers.

In this atmosphere of doubt the declarations of faith written by St. Paul are almost startling. In words charged with conviction he declares in his Second Epistle to Timothy: "I know . . . I am persuaded." The steadfast faith of this ancient Apostle is a far cry from the modern doubter's, "I don't know" and its accompanying inference, "Neither does anyone else."

Paul had definite answers to sincere questions. And these answers have come down to us through the Holy Scriptures. These answers provide the sincere seeker with sure direction, being able to make him "wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." And the answers are so comprehensive "that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

If these are called "pat" answers, so be it. They are straight answers nevertheless. And being "given by inspiration of God," you can believe them.

IMMANUEL G. FREY

God Is Speaking In The Word

People think: If I could hear God speaking in His own Person, I would run so fast to hear Him that my feet would bleed. . . . If in former times someone had said: I know of a place in the world where God speaks, and when you arrive there, you hear God Himself talking; and if I had come there, had seen a poor preacher baptize and preach, and people had said: This is the place; there God is speaking through the preacher; he is teaching God's Word — then I no doubt would have said: Ha! I have taken pains to come here, and I see only a minister! We should like to have God speak with us in majesty; but I advise you: Do not go there. So experience certainly teaches. If He were to speak in His majesty, you would see what a running would begin, as there at Mount Sinai, where, after all, only the angels spoke; yet the mountain smoked and trembled. But now you have the Word of God in church, in books, in your home; and this is as certainly God's Word as if God Himself were speaking.

— Luther, quoted in *What Luther Says*
Plass (Concordia)

Studies in God's Word: Does Hatred Bother You?

Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.

Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth (I John 3:13-18).

What does it take to bother you? Can the malice of a business competitor provoke you into an unthinking urge to "get even"? Does the careless noise of neighbors fill you with sleepless bitterness? Does someone's neglect of common courtesy stir you to acid comment about the state things are in nowadays?

Whatever it is, there is undoubtedly something that particularly irks you. When your pet peeve bothers you, do you realize that not just one, but two evils are threatening you? There is the external irritation, which can cause you discomfort or even harm. But there is also your own response to be concerned about! You may fall into the trap of responding to a wrong by committing another wrong!

Hatred is an extreme form of ill will and malice. It clearly illustrates this double danger to us: other people's hatred for us can bring harm to us; our own hatred for others can bring us into eternal jeopardy. For both dangers the Word of God offers protection.

From Without

Christians live on earth in the midst of those whose hearts and minds are filled only with earthly goals and earthly ideas. The children of this world have no reason to help the children of God reach their heavenly goals; they only seek to draw Christians away from the way to life. And when their allurements are rejected by Christians, the world and those who love it become furious with the child of God.

Isn't that tragic? A child of God, eager to share goodness and blessings both in this life and for eternity, is greeted with scorn, rejection, and hatred by worldlings who are helpless and doomed. Rightfully we should be welcomed as liberators by sin-laden worldlings.

If we were overcome by surprise at experiencing the world's hatred, we might yield to a panicky, false conclusion; we might think that something about us needs changing to conform with the world's attitudes and desires. Nothing could be more wrong than that! You don't have to hate and harm your neighbor in order to get along, no matter how often the world gloats: "Nice guys finish last!"

Rather than join the world in hatred, we can wear the world's hatred as a badge identifying us; it marks us as being, like Jesus, in the world but not of the world (cf. John 17:14ff.). Surely, it is clear that hatred and murder and every thought of bringing harm to a neighbor identify those who "abide in death." We, on the other hand, "have passed from death unto life." By the forgiveness of our sins, by the new life as believing children of God into which we have been born again, we have been made different — a blessed difference. The world's hatred only shows us that difference more clearly; let us rejoice to see it. Hatred from without cannot harm us — it can even reassure us.

From Within

But hatred can open another front in its attack on us. It seeks a beachhead within our own hearts. Hatred is a great bother and a dangerous threat to us also when *we* are doing the hating.

It is hatred, you know, for us to prolong someone's need by standing idle when God has equipped us with the means to ease his suffering. To fail to do the right thing is just as wrong as doing the forbidden thing. To fail to help the neighbor harms him just as much as if we deliberately set out to hurt him.

Both the public press and the legal profession in our country today are discussing the wisdom and practicality of "Good Samaritan laws." Shocked by well-publicized cases of apathy on the part of bystanders who failed to offer help to victims of brutal crimes, they are wondering if local or national governments can use laws to get citizens to help one another.

Christians shouldn't need the laws of the state to urge them to show helpful love to the neighbor. "For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another" (I John 3:11). Not with empty words, not with the mockery of unkept promises, but with honest deeds let us show that the love of God dwells in us and expresses itself through us.

But what of this: "We ought to lay down our lives for the brethren"? Can we really do that? Doesn't every nerve in our body, every instinct in our brain urge us to make things easy for ourselves, no matter what happens to someone else? Yes, but there is a power greater than the impulses of our flesh. God's love for us moved His Son to lay down His holy life for us. In that love we find both our security from the hatred enemies direct at us and also the grace to love others.

Don't let hatred bother you! God's love is greater than the world's hatred!

PAUL H. WILDE

LOOKING AT THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

Information and Insight

POINT OF NO RETURN

By the time these words appear in print the Forty-sixth Delegate Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod will have become history. But at the moment this copy is being written, Missouri's Convention, scheduled for June 16-26 at Detroit, is still nearly a week off.

This Detroit Convention will mark a *crucial point* in Missouri's 118-year history. Her officials still claim publicly that theirs is a conservative Lutheran body. They will have a chance, partially at least, to prove this allegation at Detroit by emphatically refusing to join the proposed new Lutheran Council in the United States of America (LCUSA). This new inter-Lutheran agency, due to begin operation on January 1, 1967, will replace the old National Lutheran Council. If she should decide, however, to join the LCUSA, Missouri will find herself involved in ever-expanding cooperative religious endeavors with the two other largest Lutheran bodies in America — the liberal ALC and LCA. Truly, this is Missouri's hour of decision!

Elsion Ruff, editor-in-chief of *The Lutheran*, official periodical of the LCA, indicated with this recent comment which way the wind is blowing: "People who are well informed seem certain that the Missouri Synod will decide to be a member of this council. In any event, that is the official recommendation which will be brought before the Detroit Convention by Missouri's own Commission on Theology and Church Relations. Moreover, this same Commission will further recommend that the Missouri Synod authorize "a thorough and critical exploration" of relationships with the ultraliberal and unionistic *Lutheran World Federation* "with a view to coming to grips with unresolved issues." In fact, the Commission will urge that, if possible, a full report on future relationships with the LWF be presented already to Missouri's next convention in 1967.

It appears, therefore, that the conservative *Lutheran News* had valid grounds for expressing its fears for Missouri's future as follows:

"Both conservative opponents and liberal supports of the LCUSA recognize that a vote for the LCUSA in

1965 almost certainly means eventual membership within the Lutheran World Federation. Missouri Synod liberals are not expected to wage a major battle for LWF membership at the 1965 convention but will take 'one step at a time' by first steering the Missouri Synod into the LCUSA.

"Membership within the LCUSA is also recognized by both conservative and liberal leaders as a step towards full membership in the National and World Council of Churches. Some LCA officials, who are expected to have a prominent voice within the LCUSA, are already leading spokesmen for the NCC."

After you have finished reading this, check last week's newspapers once again for reports of whatever action Missouri may have taken with regard to membership in the LCUSA. If you find that the unexpected has happened, rejoice! Then there still is hope for Missouri. But if, as anticipated by those who are "well informed," Missouri has voted to go along with the LCUSA, then weep! For our erstwhile sister synod, which shared our conservative stand for nearly a century, may have plunged recklessly beyond the *point of no return*. And the rest of the road is all downhill!

MARTIN LUTZ

GOD'S IN HIS HEAVEN

Rejoicing over another springtime in another country in another century, Browning sang:

*God's in his heaven —
All's right with the world!*

This spring, 124 years later, the viewer of the temporal and spiritual scene is tempted to say: "All's wrong with the world!" and wonder whether the cause of the mess isn't to be found in the contemporary conspiracy to drive God from His heaven.

In previous eras believers could assume that atheists were a foolish minority in lands that had been reached by the Gospel. Today there is such a rise in atheism that the Vatican establishes a special Secretariat for Nonbelievers with the task of keeping up with the various forms of atheism and of the environments in which it manifests itself.

In his book, *A Christian Natural Religion*, John Cobb, using the phi-

losophy of Alfred Whitehead as a basis, proposes to transform the Eternal, Changeless God into a non-static deity who will not scandalize devotees of the modern dynamic physics.

On the twentieth anniversary of his execution in Hitler's concentration camp, Dietrich Bonhoeffer is honored as a modern prophet who has made significant contributions to today's theology by urging that God, as we have known Him, is incomprehensible to the contemporary world, that thinking and speaking about Him should be attempted in nonreligious terms, that a new relevance for religion must be sought in involvement in the affairs of men.

The schemes of modern theology and the swell of modern atheism notwithstanding, God's in His heaven and will remain there, changeless and eternal, seeking to transform lost sinners by the work of the Spirit and the Word of the Gospel.

He will not be driven from His throne. He will not transform Himself to conform to some new viewpoint. Until He speaks in judgment on His day, He wants His Church to proclaim to lost sinners the message that the merits of His Son the Savior have led Him to declare, "All's right with the world!"

RESISTING THE CRAZE FOR "RELEVANT" RELIGION

There is so much current propaganda for making Christianity "relevant" to this special time of the twentieth century, that one is tempted to conclude that all "but me and thee" are participating in this drive. It is comforting to note that on occasion there is some unexpected support in resisting this or that phase of the craze.

Commenting on the Gallup Poll finding that 45 per cent of the people believe that religion is losing its influence while just eight years ago the figure was only 14 per cent, the national Catholic Action weekly, *Our Sunday Visitor*, in its May 9 *Operation Understanding* edition remarks:

"Many will see this as a sign for the need for acceleration of renewal in religious communities, that religion might be made more relevant

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THE 1965 FOUR-YEAR GRADUATES

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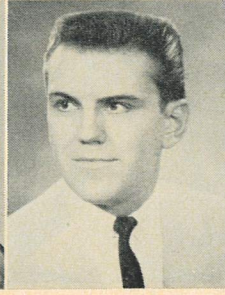
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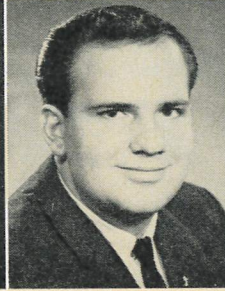
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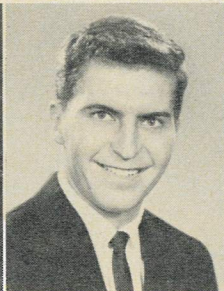
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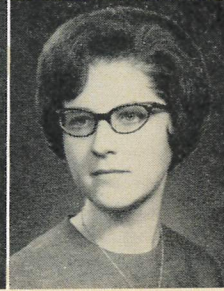
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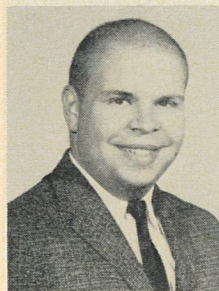
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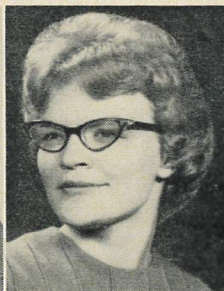
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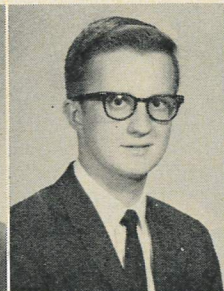
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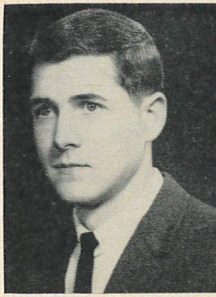
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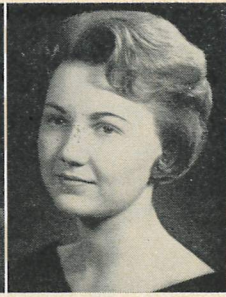
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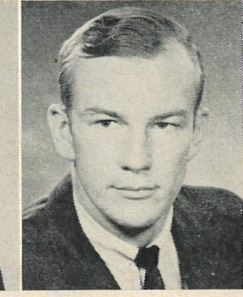
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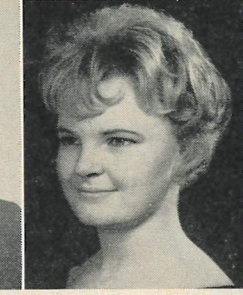
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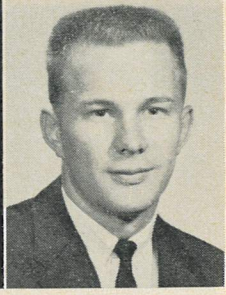
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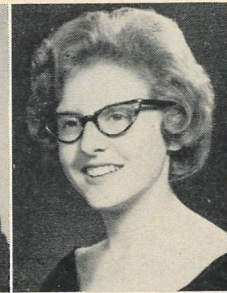
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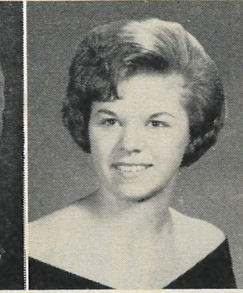
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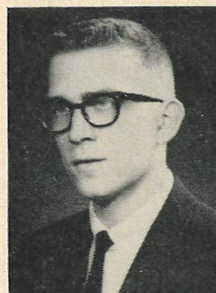
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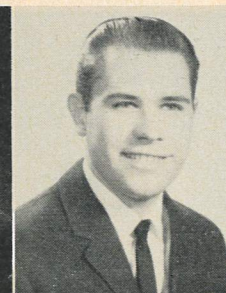
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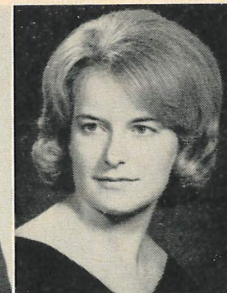
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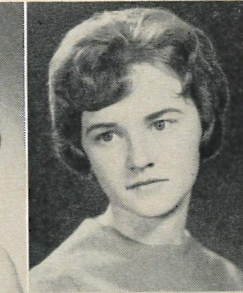
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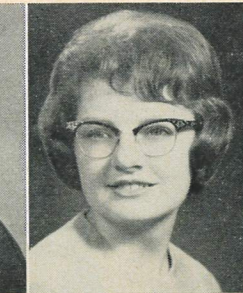
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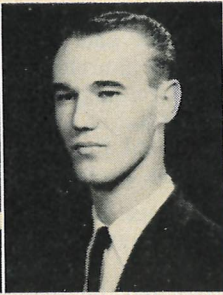
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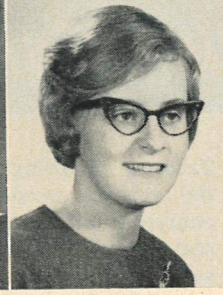
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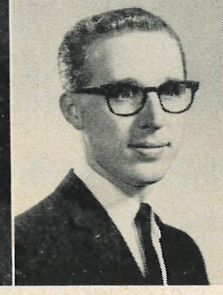
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What do
you mean..



Justification?

UNIVERSAL JUSTIFICATION

Not Universalism

Modern theology, no matter what its guise may be, loves to harp on the notion, that since God is love, He couldn't possibly send anyone to hell, that is, if there is a hell. The argument runs something like this: God created all men. So all men are His children, whether they accept Him or not. Furthermore, God demonstrated His love for all men when Christ died for all. Since Christ died for all, then *all* men are saved; and whether they believe this or not, all men will eventually wind up in heaven, again, if there really is such a place. This is called universalism, and, of course, is very appealing to natural man. For no matter what a man believes or does, he knows he is going to have a share in "the inheritance of the saints in light."

Contrary to Scripture

Appealing or not, this philosophy of religion is positively contrary to what God so plainly tells us in His Word. For example, take this well-known statement of Jesus, recorded by Mark (16:16b), which rules out all ideas of universalism, "He that believeth not (i.e., in Christ) shall be damned." Or, take this crystal-clear statement of the Apostle of love, John, who gives the purpose of his Gospel (20:31), "But these things are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God: and that believing ye might have life through his name." Again he says: "He that believeth not (i.e., on the Son) is condemned already" (John 3:18b). In the light of just these two statements how can anyone still maintain that all men are eternally saved?

Justification Is Universal

Yet God's declaration of man's justification is universal, for we all know "God so loved the world," . . .

so that no one "should perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Yes, we know that "God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved" (John 3:17). Now when Christ died, the sinless One for the sinners, and when He later, as He predicted, rose again from the grave, then and there God declared the whole world of sinners just, forgiven, righteous *for Christ's sake*. So man's justification was now an accomplished fact, as Paul points out (Rom. 4:25), "Who was delivered for our offenses, and was *raised again for our justification*."

So the fruit of Christ's death and resurrection is not that He merely opened up a way for men to be reconciled to God; and that God is now ready and willing to forgive man's sins, provided certain conditions are met. No, Christ actually did reconcile man to God, so that God no longer holds man's sins against him, but in His heart God has actually forgiven all sins to all men. So on God's part man's forgiveness is not merely a possibility, it is an accomplished fact, a reality, which is in no wise affected by man's attitude. So there is not a single soul in the whole world whom God has not absolved from his sins, be they great or small. This is objective or universal justification, a fact so solid that nothing "shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord" (Rom. 8:39b).

Apprehended Only by Faith

Of course, this assurance of forgiveness becomes the sinner's personal possession only by faith, for this "righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith" (Rom. 1:17). Whosoever does not accept God's offer of pardon in Christ, won't have it, for in Hebrews 4:2b we read: "The word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it." But that's another side of the story.

KENNETH W. VERTZ

Direct from the Districts

Pacific Northwest

Pastoral Conference

The 1965 Spring Pastoral Conference of the Pacific Northwest District was held at Bethesda Lutheran Church, Portland, Oregon, on April 27-29. Pastor G. Haag was the host. Two things highlighted this conference. The first was the 15-minute devotions which opened each session. The theme of these devotions was "Ambassadors For Christ." They brought a wealth of encouragement to the assembled brethren. The second highlight was the afternoon devoted to the District Mission Board report. It was evident from this report that the Lord has continued to bless our District, not only with faithful workers, but also with more and better facilities and, above all, with a gratifying increase in communicant membership.

Church Dedications

Calvary Ev. Lutheran Church, Bellevue, Washington, dedicated its new church to God's glory on May 2. Calvary's own pastor, Paul Pankow, officiated at the morning dedicatory service. Pastor George Frey of

Tacoma, Washington, preached for the evening service. Calvary's new church is of an A-frame design and seats about 165 comfortably. After seven and a half years of waiting for their first church, the members of Calvary are indeed thankful to the Lord for this beautiful new church.

Grace Lutheran Church, Seattle, Washington, dedicated its new church to the glory of God on May 16. The resident pastor, A. H. Zimmermann, conducted the morning dedication service and preached the dedication sermon. Pastor T. R. Adascheck of Yakima, Washington, preached for the evening service of praise. Grace Congregation was organized in 1942, but until now has had to use makeshift, temporary facilities. It is with deepest gratitude to the Lord that the members of Grace now are to worship in a truly adequate and attractive church for the first time. The church is of traditional design and yet incorporates many modern features. With the balcony it seats about 225.

New Furnishings

Pastor Charles Tessmer of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Yakima,

Washington, reports that members bought and built 11 new pews for their church. These pews replace the folding chairs which had been used for a number of years to supplement the existing pews. The cost of the project was \$1,325.00

Grace Lutheran Church of Zillah, Washington, recently redecored the chancel of its church. Members donated the material and built a new altar and pulpit. They also repainted the chancel and installed new overhead lights, all by volunteer labor.

Faith Lutheran Church of Tacoma, Washington, received a surprise Easter gift. Two members gave the congregation a new Baldwin electronic organ. Pastor Melvin Teske reports the new organ is a vast improvement over their old instrument.

Vacancies Filled

Through the assignment committee of our Synod, the Lord has filled two vacancies in our District. Trinity Lutheran Church of Eugene, Oregon, had called unsuccessfully 15 times before their prayers were answered in the person of Pastor Jon Mahnke. Our mission in Spokane, Washington, also had called many times but now will have Pastor John Henning as their new shepherd. We warmly welcome these fellow workers into our District.

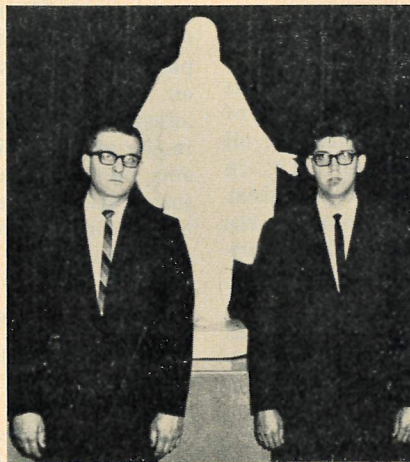
A. H. ZIMMERMANN

Graduates in a New Program

Preseminary Course at Bethany

On June 4, 1965, Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, Minnesota, granted special certificates of achievement to two young men of our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, signifying that they had completed their studies under a Special Preseminary Training Program. These young men are Richard F. Hennig and Luther J. Wendland.

Since 1962 our Synod has entered upon an arrangement with Bethany Lutheran College of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, by which this institution of our sister synod offers a special program of preseminary ministerial training. Under it men over 21 years of age, especially also married men, who have not followed our Synod's regular program of pre-



The first graduates of the Special Preministerial Training Program: (l.) Luther J. Wendland, and Richard F. Hennig

seminary training may acquire the necessary college credits to qualify for enrollment at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. Enrollment in this program of special ministerial training requires a recommendation from our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary's Committee on Special Admissions.

The enrollment of these two graduates at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in September 1965 will represent the first results of this special training program. God willing, three more men will finish their preseminary studies at Bethany in 1966. All told, a total of 14 men have enrolled at Bethany under this special program during the past three years. Eleven of these, including the two graduates, may be regarded as still active. Several new enrollments for the coming school year are being processed.

Richard F. Hennig had worked as a salesman for the Brock Tool and Supply Company at Chicago, Illinois, for four years before he enrolled at Bethany. Having previously done some college work, he earned sufficient added credits during two years at Bethany to meet the minimum entrance requirements at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. He is 25 years

old, married, and has a three-year-old daughter.

Luther J. Wendland graduated from Dr. Martin Luther College in 1959 with a Bachelor of Science in Education degree. From 1959 to 1963 he served as principal and teacher of the upper grades at Gethsemane Lutheran School, Omaha, Nebraska. During his two years at Bethany he

supplemented his college education with the necessary language credits which are vital for Biblical and theological study at our Seminary. Mr. Wendland is 27 years old and likewise married. The Wendlands have two small children.

May the Lord continue to bless also this program to furnish our Church with a more abundant supply of pastors!
CARL LAWRENZ

Seminary Graduation and Installation Service

The Lord is continuing to give gifts to His Church for its edification. This was evident again on June 1 at the graduation service of our Seminary. No fewer than 32 young men had completed their work at the Seminary and were presented to the Church as gifts of God for the work of the ministry. Of these, 30 had

been assigned to positions in our Wisconsin Synod. One was returning to Lakeside Lutheran High School in Lake Mills, Wisconsin, from which he was on a year's leave of absence to complete his ministerial course. The other was called into the ministry of our sister synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. In addition to this,

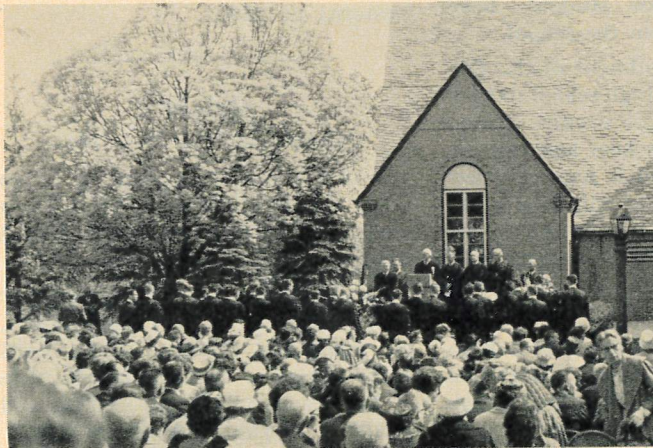
the graduation service was also the installation service for the newly called professor for our Seminary. Pastor Wilbert Gawrisch of Rhineland, Wisconsin, was installed in the position that was vacant since the death of Prof. Joh. P. Meyer last November. So the Lord was also giving a gift to His Church in filling this vacancy at our Seminary.

(Upper, left) The Seminary graduates in procession at the beginning of the commencement rites.

(Upper, right) One of the graduates receives his diploma, which confers the Bachelor of Divinity degree.

(Lower left) A view of the unusually large audience, the graduates, the faculty.

(Lower right) Professor Wilbert R. Gawrisch is installed as a member of the Seminary faculty. From the left: Professor W. R. Gawrisch, Professor C. J. Lawrenz, and Pastor H. W. Cares, chairman of the Seminary Board of Control.



Prof. Carl Lawrenz, president of the Seminary, addressed the large gathering, one of the largest present at a graduation, on the basis of Acts 2:41-47. Addressing himself particularly to the newly called professor and to the graduates, he showed how "this Word of God calls our attention to SOME VITAL SPIRIT-WROUGHT GRACES WHICH CAN INDEED MAKE OUR CHURCH AND ESPECIALLY ALSO ITS MINISTRY TRULY PROFICIENT FOR THEIR GOD-GIVEN TASKS." The first of these graces is "faithful appreciation of God's Word." Only as the members of the faculty and the young men taking up the work of the public ministry abound in this grace will they be and remain proficient instruments of God to further His kingdom.

Where there is true appreciation for God's Word, there the Holy Spirit can also endow men with the further "grace of fervent and active Christian love." The Christian who through the Word daily enjoys, with a thankful, believing heart, the rich gifts of redemption and salvation in Christ "will also not become weary of giving in love, of himself and of all that he has, to supply the needs of men, and to further the work of Christ's Church."

The third Spirit-wrought grace to which Prof. Lawrenz directed the hearers' attention is that of "grateful contentment." Only as the members of our Synod and all of its leaders in the public ministry receive this grace will we become proficient as God's instruments in spreading

His blessed Gospel among men. "Then the joy of sharing the blessings of the Gospel with the spiritually needy and the confessionally concerned in our own country, the joy of bringing Christ and His eternal treasures to the spiritually destitute in Hong Kong, in Puerto Rico, in Zambia, Malawi, and in Japan — all this will mean more and give greater satisfaction than a few added earthly comforts, conveniences, and pride-gratifying possessions for ourselves."

God grant that our Seminary may be the means through which He may give an increasing number of gifts to His Church! May He ever endow us all with the Spirit-wrought graces that will make us proficient for our God-given tasks!

ARMIN SCHUETZE

ITEM FROM OUR NEWS BUREAU

Northwestern College Graduates Centennial Class:

On Thursday, June 3, Northwestern College, a preministerial training school of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod, conferred upon a centennial class of 41 seniors the B.A. degree. Most of the class will continue their studies at the Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wisconsin, to become pastors of the Wisconsin Synod.

Northwestern College, situated on a beautifully wooded 36-acre campus in Watertown, was opened on September 14, 1865, as the nation was emerging from the sorrows of the Civil War.

The name of the school has twice been changed in the hundred years. It opened in 1865 with the name "Wisconsin University." When the school was chartered by the legislature in 1867, the name was changed to "Northwestern University." The "University" became "College" in 1910.

The educational pattern of the school was established by its third president, Dr. August F. Ernst. Ernst consciously patterned it after the German "gymnasium" with its rigidly required courses and its emphasis on the languages and humanities. This pattern, according to its present president, the Rev. Prof. Carleton A. Toppe, "is basically the same today."

"All of our students," said Prof. Toppe, "are required to learn He-

brew, Greek, German, and Latin. Even the names of the high-school classes reflect the old 'gymnasium' idea: sexta, quinta, quarta, and tertia."

Dr. Franz Pieper, who was a powerful influence in American Lutheranism, was a member of the first graduating class in 1872. Pieper became president of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, 15 years after his graduation and served until 1931. He was also president of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod for 12 years. Two other brothers were also graduated from Northwestern in later classes: Reinhold, who served as president of Concordia Seminary, Springfield, Illinois, and August, who was president of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wisconsin.

Since 1872, 1,509 students have been graduated from the school.

The current enrollment of the College (including its high-school department) is 460, almost evenly divided between the high school and college. Although the school is nominally co-educational, there is only one co-ed in the college at the present time. The faculty numbers 25 professors — there is no ranking — and three instructors.

The presidents of the school have had a remarkable tenure. After two who served briefly, the third president, Dr. Ernst, served from 1870 to

1919. He was succeeded by the Rev. Professor Erwin E. Kowalke, who retired in 1959, though he is still a member of the faculty. Prof. Toppe was elected to succeed Prof. Kowalke in 1959.

Coinciding with graduation week ceremonies was the appearance of the 332-page official history of the school, *Centennial Story*, written by Prof. Kowalke.

The centennial year celebration will close with the school serving as host to the Thirty-eighth Convention of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod, August 4-11.

The Wisconsin Synod maintains five other educational institutions — academies, colleges, and a seminary — for training pastors and teachers with an enrollment (including Northwestern) of 1,850.

Briefs

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complain about except that it is too small, the articles are too brief, I can read them too quickly, and I wish it were weekly instead of biweekly.

"And now I also wish to you, your Synod, and all of its congregations, the grace and blessing of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that you will be able in the future to remain as firm and steadfast as you have in the past."

Looking at the Religious World

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to the world. There is another possibility though. It is that the people may sense that in its effort to become relevant to the world religion is losing some of its spiritual impact. Religious communities would do well to remember that while it is well that religious leaders get into the world, they should make certain the world doesn't get into them."

All the acclaim Rome has gained by its so-called *aggiornamento* or renewal in accordance with the needs of the times elicits this word from Dr. W. Herberg, religious editor of *National Review*:

"It is part of the vocation of the Church of Christ (I should say) not to be forever adapting itself to the changing times but to stand firm and resolute for the eternal truth about God, man, and the world over against the endlessly shifting panorama of intellectual fashion and social interest."

Asked why he did not participate in civil rights marches, which to many are the current epitome of religious relevancy, Dr. Billy Graham is reported to have replied:

"I think my ministry is a little bit different from marching. . . I've said often that the most segregated hour of the week is 11 o'clock Sunday morning. We can't point an accusing finger at the secular world when the churches are not integrated."

EDWARD C. FREDRICH

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August 4 to 11, 1965

Northwestern College
Watertown, Wisconsin

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Mr. Walter Goeckerman, Zion, Monroe, Mich.
Mr. Herbert Welter, St. Paul's, Litchfield, Minn.
Mr. Wilmar Scheible, St. John's, Bowdle, S. Dak.
Mr. Everette K. Jorgensen, St. Peter's, Weyauwega, Wis.

No. 12 On Resolutions

Prof. C. J. Trapp, Chairman
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Rev. E. A. Sitz
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Teacher T. W. Zuberbier

No. 13 Report of the Board of Education

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Mr. Charles Kirst, St. James, Milwaukee, Wis.
Mr. Orville Miller, Emanuel, Forestville, Wis.
Mr. Joseph Urban, St. Peter's, Sturgeon Bay, Wis.
Mr. Jerold Filbrandt, St. Paul's, South Haven, Mich.
Mr. Adolph Kulisheck, Trinity, Belle Plaine, Minn.

No. 14 Press Committee

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No. 15 Constitutional Matters

Report of the Committee on Executive Secretaries and Mission Administration

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Teacher Harlan Hagen
Teacher Robert Kolander
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..... St. John's Lewiston, Minn.
..... Calvary, Milwaukee, Wis.
Mr. Herman Schneider, St. Paul's, Appleton, Wis.
Mr. Herman Onnen, Zion, Garrison, Nebr.
Mr. Robert Hulke, Divinity, St. Paul, Minn.

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General Relief
Pertinent Memorials**

Rev. Kenneth Vertz, Chairman
Rev. Lawrence Lillegard
Rev. Armin Engel
Rev. Luther Voss
Rev. E. Penk
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Teacher Raymond Spangenberg
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Teacher Arvon Peter
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Mr. Christian Sandman, Nain, West Allis, Wis.
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Mr. Albert Martin, Zion, Peshtigo, Wis.
Mr. Gust Klatt, St. Matthew's, Danube, Minn.
Mr. Adolph Plieskatt, Emanuel, Flint, Mich.
Mr. Herman Michael, St. Paul's (Argo Twp.), White, S. Dak.

No. 17 Steering Committee

Rev. Norman W. Berg, Chairman
Rev. C. W. Mischke
Rev. R. W. Scheele

No. 18 Report of the Board for Information and Stewardship

**Audio-Visual Aids
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Rev. W. Koepsell
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Teacher LeRoy Levenson
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Mr. R. Buehrer, St. Paul's, Mauston, Wis.
Mr. James Schallow, Fairview, Milwaukee, Wis.
Mr. Arthur Radloff, Zion (Omro Twp.), Omro, Wis.
Mr. Fred Vander Kuur, Peace, Carlock, S. Dak.
Mr. L. Steinberg, St. John's, Redwood Falls, Minn.
..... Hope, Detroit, Mich.

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

A new mission congregation has been founded in the eastern metropolitan area of San Diego. Services are at 9 a.m. at Grossmont College, Fine Arts Lecture Hall. Send names of interested persons living in the suburbs of La Mesa, El Cajon, Spring Valley, Lemon Grove, Bostonia, Santee and Lakeside to:

The Rev. Lowell Smith
4562 Clairemont Drive
San Diego, Calif. 92117

EASTERN SAN DIEGO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

An independent Lutheran congregation at Alpine, Calif., has applied for membership and is being served by the California Mission Board. Services are at 9 a.m. at the Alpine Woman's Club. Send names of interested persons living in the east county area to:

The Rev. Lowell Smith
4562 Clairemont Drive
San Diego, Calif. 92117

COMMUNION VESSELS NEEDED

Request from a mission

A mission recently begun in Kalamazoo, Mich., has need of Communion vessels. Transportation charges will be paid. Contact: Pastor L. Meyer
25 S. Woodrow
Battle Creek, Mich. 49015

REQUEST FOR NAMES

Please send to undersigned the names and addresses of Wisconsin Synod people living in or moving to: Stockton, Hays, Natoma, Plainville, Phillipsburg, Stuttgart, Woodston, Alton, Osborne, Hill City, all in Kansas.

Pastor J. B. Erhart
615 N. 2nd St.
Stockton, Kans.

CHOIR ROBES NEEDED

King of Kings Lutheran Church of Garden Grove, Calif., is looking for 25 used choir robes. Please contact Mrs. Robert E. Evans, 118 Amalfi Dr., Santa Ana, Calif.

EXPLORATORY SERVICES

Moorhead, Minnesota

Moorhead, Minn.—Fargo, N. Dak., area exploratory services and Sunday school are being conducted regularly in Moorhead, Minn. Location: the "Senior High Area" in East Moorhead at 518 Birch Lane. Time: 8:30 a.m.; Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.

NEW MISSION AT TRAVERSE CITY, MICH.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod has begun a mission station at Traverse City, Michigan. The mission congregation, Concordia, meets at the Elsie C. Thirby Building, Washington and Rose Streets. Sunday school is held at 10 a.m. and services at 11 a.m. Please refer Wisconsin Synod people moving into this area to the Rev. Robert A. Moldstad, Box 143, Suttons Bay, Mich. 49682. Phone: BR 1-2271.

REFERRALS WANTED

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod has established a mission congregation in Waterloo, Iowa. Please send the names of any Wisconsin Synod families moving into this area to:

Rev. Paul Petersen
1745 Mitchell Ave.
Waterloo, Iowa

REQUEST FOR NAMES

Christ the King Lutheran Church, Wisconsin Synod, Whittier, California is holding services in the American Savings and Loan Ass'n, 15725 Whittier Blvd., with Sunday school and Bible class at 9:15 a.m. and divine worship at 10:30 a.m.

If you know of prospects in Whittier, La Habra, La Mirada, Brea, Fullerton, La Puente, Hacienda Heights, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Montebello, Downey, Los Nietos, Industry, Walnut, or surrounding cities, let them know of these services and notify the undersigned of their address. Do not send mail to the American Savings and Loan Ass'n address.

Pastor Gilbert Seager
661 Rye Avenue
La Habra, Calif. 90631

WISCONSIN SYNOD OPENS MISSION IN CLEVELAND-AKRON AREA

This group is now worshipping in the R. B. Chamberlain High School, located on highway 14 in Twinsburg, Ohio, at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday. For further information, contact Mr. Frederick G. Hurner, 4213 N. Gilwood, Stow, Ohio; Phone 688-7126.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER CAMP IN MICHIGAN

Killarney Lutheran Camp, located near Adrian, Mich., offers Christian instruction and outdoor recreation for children, ages 9-14, from Michigan and Ohio. For applications, write Killarney Lutheran Camp, R.R. 1, Onsted, Michigan 49265. Applications for employment at the camp may be directed to Rev. R. F. Westendorf, 1032 Leith St., Maumee, Ohio 43537.

MISSION FIELD IN NEED OF DOCTOR South Africa

A physician, for a two-year tour of duty, is needed at the Lutheran Hospital connected with the mission in fellowship with us in South Africa on the Swaziland border called Itshelejuba. Anyone interested please contact Pastor F. Dierks, 45 Marist Road, Homestead Park, Johannesburg, South Africa.

A. L. Mennicke, Chairman
Executive Committee for the
Lutheran Church of Central Africa

NEBRASKA DISTRICT YOUTH CAMP

Nebraska District Youth Camp sponsored by the congregations of the Nebraska District, will be held from August 15 to August 21, 1965, for boys and girls — ages 10 through 17 — at the Nebraska State 4-H Camp at Halsey, Nebr.

The camp also has facilities for family groups.

For further information write to:
Pastor Julius Manteufel
1313 P Street
Aurora, Nebr. 68818

SERVICES AT CANADIAN SOO

Travelers on the Lake Superior Circle Tour are invited to attend services at Our Savior's Ev. Lutheran Church in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. The church is one-half block north of Highway 17 — East at 339 Elizabeth Street. Time of service during July and August: 10 a.m. EDT—. Otherwise at 11 a.m.

RESULT OF COLLOQUY

Oble Wm. Yoder has submitted to a colloquy for entrance into the teaching ministry of our Synod and has been found to be in confessional agreement with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and is eligible for a call.

2nd Vice-President G. Press
Prof. Martin Albrecht
Michigan District President N. Berg

REQUEST FOR COLLOQUY

The Reverend William H. Wiedenmeyer has made formal request for a colloquy covering acceptance into the ministerium of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

E. Arnold Sitz, President
Arizona-California District

RECORDS

Monaural records of most of the numbers of the 1964-65 Northwestern College Male Chorus Centennial Concert are available and for sale at the price of \$2.98. Please send your order and check to:

Arnold O. Lehmann
501 College Ave.
Watertown, Wis. 53094

NOMINATIONS

Michigan Lutheran Seminary

The following have been placed in nomination to fill the professorship in physics and mathematics at Michigan Lutheran Seminary.

Mr. Richard Fitzenreiter, Green Belt, Md.
Mr. Willis Hadler, Bylas, Ariz.
Mr. Allan Just, New Ulm, Minn.
Mr. Kenneth Kamke, Midland, Mich.
Mr. Jerome Kruse, Adrian, Mich.

The Board of Control will meet on Tuesday, July 6, at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of calling a man from this list. Any correspondence regarding the nominees should be sent before that date to:

Mr. Gerald Cudworth, Secretary
34235 Blackfoot Lane
Wayne, Mich. 48185

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH CONVENTION OF THE WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

The Thirty-eighth Convention of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod will meet, God willing, August 4 to 11, 1965, at Northwestern College, Watertown, Wis.

The opening service with Holy Communion will be held Wednesday, August 4, 10:00 a.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, N. 6th and Jones, Watertown, H. E. Wicke and H. E. Paustian, pastors. Pastor John C. Jeske, chairman of the Board for Information and Stewardship, will preach the sermon. The closing service will be held Tuesday, August 10, 7:30 p.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church, 605 4th Street, Watertown, K. A. Timmel, pastor. Pastor J. C. Dahlke, president of the Northern Wisconsin District, will preach the sermon.

The centennial of the founding of Northwestern College will be observed at a special service to be held on the College grounds Sunday, August 8, at 3:00 p.m.

The opening session of the Convention will be held in the gymnasium of Northwestern College, Wednesday, August 4, at 2:00 p.m. Delegates are asked to arrive early enough that registration may be made before the beginning of the session.

Daily sessions will be held as follows: morning, 9:00 to 11:45 a.m.; afternoon, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.; evening, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Housing for the delegates will be provided in the two dormitories on the College campus. Meals will be served to all bona fide delegates in the college cafeteria. Visitors will be served if tickets are purchased in advance of the meal. Note: Room and board will be available to a limited number of visitors and will be offered on a first-come-first-served basis.

Reservations for housing must be made by July 20. Kindly address all requests for reservations to the Convention Housing Committee, College Circle, Watertown, Wis. 53094.

Mail sent to delegates during the convention should be addressed in care of Northwestern College, Watertown, Wis. 53094. Delegates may be reached by telephone by calling 261-0719 or 261-4352.

PAUL R. HANKE, Secretary

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

DAKOTA-MONTANA

EASTERN DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: Tuesday, July 6, 1965.

Time: 9:00 a.m. (CST) beginning with a Communion service.

Place: St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Altamont, S. Dak.

Agenda: Study of reports and memorials in preparation for the Synod Convention. Each congregation is expected to send a delegate.

C. E. Cone, Jr., Secretary

NORTHERN WISCONSIN

MANITOWOC DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Place: Cleveland, Wis.

Date: July 25, 1965.

Time: 8 p.m.

Host Pastor: G. F. Cares.

S. KUGLER, Secretary

DISTRICT PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Place: St. John's, Two Rivers, Wis.

Host Pastor: T. Stern.

Date: Oct. 25, 26, 1965.
(Particulars later)

S. KUGLER, Secretary

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE DELEGATE MEETING

Time: Sunday, July 11, 1965, 2:30 p.m.

Place: Our Savior's Ev. Lutheran Church, Zion, Ill.; Norman Barenz, pastor.

Agenda: 1. Opening Devotion, host pastor; 2. Business Matters, Election of Visitor and Sub-Visitors; 3. Report of Interim-Committee, Pastor Norman Barenz, secretary; 4. Review of "Book of Reports and Memorials" by assigned reporters.

An evening meal will be served at 5:00 p.m., after which the meeting will resume until all the matters on the agenda are acted on.

FRIEDEL C. SCHULZ, Visitor

INSTALLATIONS

Pastors

Frank, Gustav, as pastor of St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Ixonia, Wis., by Prof. Erwin Scharf, assisted by Professors Erwin Schroeder and Orville Schlenner; May 30, 1965.

Janke, Martin, as pastor of Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, Fond du Lac, Wis., by C. L. Reiter; assisted by Ph. Janke, D. Bitter, K. Gurgel, L. Ristow, J. Petrie; June 13, 1965.

Kolander, Donald E., as pastor of Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, Pewaukee, Wis., by F. H. Zarling; assisted by C. Krug, L. Hallauer, M. L. Stern, and M. Volkman; June 6, 1965.

Pommeranz, Norman, as pastor of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Hemlock, Mich., by F. P. Zimmermann; assisted by V. Thierfelder, H. Buch, W. Wagner, F. Jungkuntz, and R. Yecke; May 2, 1965.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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Jefferson, Wis. 53549

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 3616-32 West North Avenue
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53208

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WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD
1965 Pre-Budget Subscription Performance
 January through April

District	Subscription Amount For 1965	4/12 of Subscription	Four Months — January through April			
			Offerings Received in 1965	Per Cent of Subscription	Offerings Received in 1964	Per Cent Increase for 1965
Arizona-California	\$ 63,096	\$ 21,032	\$ 14,898.32	70.8	\$ 22,974.08	35.2*
Dakota-Montana	106,096	35,365	31,669.49	89.6	38,763.83	18.3*
Michigan	424,090	141,363	128,463.62	90.9	133,704.15	3.9*
Minnesota	522,213	174,071	183,069.01	105.2	210,964.39	13.2*
Nebraska	95,810	31,937	28,289.81	88.6	36,068.21	21.6*
Northern Wisconsin	536,902	178,967	201,503.01	112.6	237,815.67	15.3*
Pacific Northwest	20,521	6,840	9,413.40	137.6	6,712.00	40.2
Southeastern Wisconsin	662,451	220,817	210,868.67	95.5	231,553.95	8.9*
Western Wisconsin	596,878	198,960	196,642.32	98.8	238,222.38	17.5*
Total	\$3,028,057	\$1,009,352	\$1,004,817.65	99.6	\$1,156,778.66	13.1*

* Decrease

Budgetary Operating Statement

July 1, 1964 to April 30, 1965

	THIS YEAR		LAST YEAR	
	April 1965	Ten Months July through April 1964-65	April 1964	Ten Months July through April 1963-64
Budgetary Income:				
Offerings from Districts	\$278,122.65	\$2,398,214.74	\$376,775.75	\$2,475,858.54
Gifts and Memorials from Members	3,702.71	39,686.44	4,392.98	14,668.88
Bequests for Budget	—	—	306.87	1,306.87
Trust Funds Income	—	—	—	19,516.57
Ed. Chgs. from Educ. Inst.	30,896.02	542,272.38	34,376.01	469,853.77
Other Income	150.90	3,782.31	162.18	9,483.35
Total Income	\$312,872.28	\$2,983,955.87	\$416,013.79	\$2,990,687.98
Budgetary Disbursements:				
Worker-Training	\$189,517.24	\$1,855,167.17	\$159,839.40	\$1,586,738.26
Home Missions	71,073.81	729,050.08	69,955.81	758,630.74
World Missions	40,595.59	378,117.39	67,729.45	396,189.43
Benevolences	24,061.82	231,061.96	17,406.89	169,673.75
Administration and Promotion	25,166.04	207,416.36	14,882.40	197,568.13
Total Disbursements	\$350,414.50	\$3,400,812.96	\$329,813.95	\$3,108,790.31
Operating Gain or (Deficit)	(37,542.22)	(416,857.09)	86,199.84	(118,102.33)

Detail of Budgetary Disbursements

	Ten Months — July through April		
	1964-65	1963-64	Increase or (Decrease)
Operations and Maintenance			
Worker-Training	\$1,314,408.67	\$1,109,591.33	\$204,817.34
Home Missions	596,955.81	575,921.17	21,034.64
World Missions	374,642.47	351,635.42	23,007.05
Benevolences and Pension	231,061.96	169,673.75	61,388.21
Administration and Promotion	194,985.26	186,463.36	8,521.90
Total	\$2,712,054.17	\$2,393,285.03	\$318,769.14
Fixed Assets — New			
Worker-Training	\$ 19,924.50	\$ 14,646.93	\$ 5,277.57
Home Missions	94.27	57,699.57	(57,605.30)
World Missions	3,474.92	25,982.01	(22,507.09)
Administration and Promotion	1,741.10	414.77	1,326.33
Total	\$ 25,234.79	\$ 98,743.28	(\$73,508.49)
Appropriation for Future Capital Investments			
Worker-Training	\$ 520,834.00	\$ 462,500.00	\$ 58,334.00
Home Missions	132,000.00	125,000.00	7,000.00
World Missions	—	18,572.00	(18,572.00)
Administration and Promotion	10,690.00	10,690.00	—
Total	\$ 663,524.00	\$ 616,762.00	\$ 46,762.00
TOTAL BUDGETARY DISBURSEMENTS	\$3,400,812.96	\$3,108,790.31	\$292,022.65

Norris Koopmann, Treasurer
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