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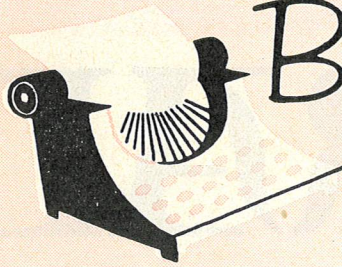
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"The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us." I KINGS 8:57





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## Dedication At Northwestern College

The dedication of the four new buildings at Northwestern College is being arranged for the opening day of the Synod convention at Watertown, Tuesday, August 21, at 7:00 P.M. This service will also be the opening service of the convention. Pastor Oscar Naumann, the president of the Joint Synod, will preach the sermon.

On the Sunday preceding this date, on August 19, there will be open house at the college. All buildings will be opened for visit and inspection. Someone will be present at each of the buildings to guide the visitors and answer their questions throughout the afternoon. A lunch will be served to those who desire it in the new dining hall.

The *Minaret*, a paper published in the interest of Mohammedan Missions, brings us the sad news of the death of Dr. Henry Nau. Dr. Nau served for many years as president of Immanuel Lutheran College, Greensboro, N. C., a Synodical Conference college for Negroes. Before the Synodical Conference began work in Nigeria, Africa, Dr. Nau was sent over to survey the field. His favorable report led the Synodical Conference to begin work there. After retiring from Immanuel Lutheran College in 1950 at the age of sixty-nine, he accepted a call to carry on mission work among the Mohammedans in India. The *Minaret* writes of Dr. Nau: "In one sense of the word Dr. Nau was many things: a brilliant linguist, a captivating conversationalist, a profound thinker, and certainly a staunch defender of the faith. Yet most of us will remember him especially in another light. Over and above everything else he was a

man with a vision. The thought of the millions the world over who live and die without Christ was like a burning coal within his bosom that would not let him rest for a moment."

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Of every dollar given for philanthropy in the United States, religious groups receive 53 cents, the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare reports. In 1954 philanthropic giving was \$5,401,000,000, of which churches and religious agencies received \$2,850,000,000.

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Sixty years ago this month The Lutheran Children's Friend Society, Milwaukee, was incorporated in the state of Wisconsin. Its newsletter reports: "The thought of organizing a society within the Synodical Conference Lutheran churches which should have for its objective 'foster home care' and 'placement of homeless, neglected, rejected, and dependent children' had been discussed and debated in smaller groups and then finally brought to the attention of the mixed pastoral conference of Milwaukee in the early spring of 1896 by a number of pastors, including Pastors J. F. Rubel, August Pieper, and John Schlerf. A committee was appointed to proceed with plans for the organization of such a society. The committee proceeded to call a meeting of representatives from all Synodical Conference congregations in Milwaukee and surrounding territory on March 9, 1896, at the school auditorium of Trinity Church. It was unanimously decided to organize such a society under the name of the Ev. Lutheran Kinderfreund Society of Wisconsin." The Society reports that in the past 60 years over 5,000 children have been cared for in one way or another. At the present time there are over 200 children under the care of the agency. During the course of the past 60 years over 500 children have been placed into adoptive homes. May the Lord continue to bless its work of love!



# Editorials

**The Care of the Soul** Within a few weeks millions of American children will once more be exposed to the educational enterprise. The physical conditions under which many of them will attend school will be deplorable. Few cities have been able to keep pace with the demands imposed upon their school systems by the increased birth rate. Log cabin schools and crowded classrooms, however, are in themselves minor inconveniences. The most important matter is *what is being taught there*. Vocational skills are important, but of greater consequence is the care of the soul. If it is true — and it is our conviction that it is — that there is no profit for a man if he gains the whole world and loses his own soul, then infinite care is necessary in the education of the soul.

Since the Lord Jesus Himself is the Living Bread from heaven which alone nourishes and sustains the soul, education for the Christian means that the soul is formed and developed and sustained by this Living Bread. That is why we are happy that over 20,000 children of our Wisconsin Synod will be able, day after day, to eat the Bread of gladness in 235 parish schools. That is the preparation for life which is truly worth its salt.

It should be the concern of each of us who believes that the education of the soul is the soul of education to direct every effort and spare no pains in establishing and maintaining a parish school. And where there is such a school, we ask that the Lord bless and prosper its efforts in feeding the soul with the Bread of Life.

JAMES P. SCHAEFER.

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**Another Significant Dedication** The Wisconsin Synod will meet in an adjourned session at Northwestern College, Watertown, from August 21-23. The purpose of the convention is familiar to all our readers: an evaluation of our fraternal relations with The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. The report of our Union Committee, which attended the convention of the Missouri Synod at St. Paul, reflects a certain amount of hope in a situation which had been deteriorating rapidly. Since this improvement is a testimony to the power of the Holy Spirit and His Word, our delegates will surely rejoice.

There will, however, be an added occasion for rejoicing. During the convention week the buildings

erected at Northwestern during the second phase of our building program will be dedicated, the Rev. O. J. Naumann, president of Synod, delivering the dedicatory address. The buildings to be dedicated include a new dining hall, college dormitory, and a chapel-administration building. These are tributes to the success of our Gift for Jesus collection — they will stand long after the collection will have been forgotten.

Except for a music hall addition at Dr. Martin Luther College, this concludes a decade of improvement at our existing Synodical schools. As we look back over that decade we have much to be thankful for: the Lord of the Church who blessed our plans; Christians who loved their Savior and contributed from their treasury that the Lord's work might not suffer; the responsible officials who made such wise use of the money which was allotted them; pastors and congregation boards without whose cooperation collections for the amounts needed would have been impossible; and the prayers of the saints for the success of our work. Through these we have what we have today. Nothing, we hope, will destroy or disturb that spirit of thanksgiving on the day of dedication.

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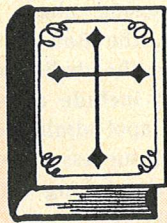
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**And Now to Fill Them** The building program of our Synod was undertaken not only to replace obsolete buildings but also to expand facilities. For years the reports of our officials have reflected a shortage of pastors and teachers. This year, for example, the President's Report indicates a shortage of at least 25 pastors. It is not open to argument that in the years to come the shortage will be critical. This serious problem, of course, is not restricted to our Synod alone. Practically all religious church bodies are suffering from a shortage of workers. A wholesome increase in interest in the things of the spirit and population increases have brought more and more people to church. This sets before us missionary possibilities undreamed of fifteen years ago.

We can only seize these opportunities as our schools train the workers. To date our enrollments have not even approached the need. Practically, the matter is in the hands of our mothers and fathers whether we shall grow or stagnate. Fathers and mothers, in word and deed, must hold before their children the glory of that ministry which proclaims to people who sit in darkness the Light of the world. Parents must have a will to urge and encourage their children to become pastors and teachers though that might mean sacrifice at home. We say it again: we need consecrated parents who will set before the eyes of their children, and keep it there, the service of the Christian ministry.

JAMES P. SCHAEFER.





# Studies in God's Word

## ETERNITY

### Hell

(Fourth Continuation)

WE concluded our last study with the question, What will hell be like? For our warning of the seriousness of the matter, let us listen to some statements of the Scriptures.

#### The Nature of Damnation

In a summary way it can be said that damnation will be a separation from God. Note the words that Jesus will use in announcing His judgment on the last day. He will say: "*Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels*" (Matt. 25:41). — When Jesus rejoiced about the faith of the centurion at Capernaum and took his case as a token of many souls to be gained from among the Gentiles, He complained about the lack of faith among Israel: "*But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth*" (Matt. 8:12). Such expressions as "depart" and "be cast out" occur quite frequently. They indicate that the condemned will be separated from God.

But is that so bad? Are there not many people who wish that there were no God? Do they not turn their back on God, try to forget and live without God? And does it not frequently seem as though such people were more prosperous than God's faithful children? So it may seem. But let us not forget, they are not yet separated from God. They have deserted God, but He has not yet deserted them.

Remember, they are still living on earth. This is God's earth. He has created it. He preserves it: the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord. St. Paul reminded the blind idol-servers at Lystra that God "left not himself without witness, in that *he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness*" (Acts 14:17). Yes, as Jesus says: God "maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth

rain on the just and on the unjust" (Matt. 5:45). Yes, also those people who want nothing to do with God and who think that they have separated themselves from Him, still live only by the blessing of the Lord. He gives them food and drink and clothing for their body; He preserves their health and protects them from injury and harm and pain; He grants a certain peace and joy to their hearts, so that they are not consumed by the terrors of anguish and despair. It is, as Paul summarized it in his great address on Mars Hill in Athens: "In him we live, and move, and have our being" (Acts 17:28).

Let God withdraw His hand, and they would soon change their tune. Then they would realize that without God's protecting hand their body would be racked with unspeakable pain, and their soul tortured with excruciating agony. Look at Jesus Himself when He hung on the cross forsaken by God! Yet He clung to His God and rescued His soul out of the pains of hell.

What it means to be separated from God is expressed in the Scriptures by such terms as damnation, death, destruction, and the like. In sending His Gospel into all the world Jesus said that "he that believeth not shall be *damned*" (Mark 16:16). To the Jews He said that on the last day "they that have done evil" shall come forth "unto the resurrection of *damnation*" (John 5:29). Heb. 10:27 speaks of a "fearful looking for of *judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.*" Damnation is such a terrible thing that to be crushed by a mountain will seem like a boon by comparison. To the weeping women at Jerusalem Jesus said that when judgment will come to the "dry trees" they will "begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us" (Luke 23:30). The book of Revelation repeats this word. In one of the visions John heard how some people in their extreme anguish "said to the mountains and rocks,

Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" (Rev. 6:16, 17).

That is a faint picture of what damnation means.

*Death* is a very common expression for the condition in hell. Already in Paradise God used the word to indicate what it means to be separated from Him. As long as man stayed with God he had life; but if he would try to break away from God by transgressing His commandment, God said to him, "Thou shalt surely die" (Gen. 2:17). And Paul repeats: "The wages of sin is death" (Rom. 6:23).

Since what we ordinarily call death is of limited duration, because a resurrection is to follow on the last day, the condition of the damned in hell is called the "second death." The Lord holds out the promise to those who are faithful unto the end: "He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death" (Rev. 2:11). Again: "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years" (Rev. 20:6). The same chapter describes the second death for us thus: They "were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death" (v. 14). This description is repeated in the next chapter. Speaking about the unbelievers, who persist in their sins, it says: They "shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death" (Rev. 21:8).

If we bear this description in mind we can readily understand why damnation in hell is called "destruction." In warning against the "broad way" and the "wide gate," Jesus says that it "leadeth to destruction" (Matt. 7:13). Paul calls it a "sudden destruction," which they upon whom it will come "shall not escape" (I Thess. 5:



3). Rather, they "shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power" (II Thess. 1:9). Note how he here combines the idea of destruction with that of separation from the Lord.

We list one more passage, in which Paul pleads with us to resist the lures of deceitful riches: "They that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition" (I Tim. 6:9).

This should be sufficient to warn us of the seriousness of hell. But Scripture has much more to say on this point, which we shall, God willing, take up in some future studies.

(To be continued)

J. P. M.

## From A Wider Field

Dear Editor:

"... if you ministers would keep quiet, we laymen could settle the whole thing in a few minutes."

According to a pungent report in *The Christian Century*, this remark was heard out on the sidewalk in front of the convention hall in Minneapolis during the sessions of the E.L.C. (Evangelical Lutheran Church) last month. As it turned out, the laymen did settle the whole thing, with the help of a goodly number of ministers!

The issue before the House was on the question of whether the E.L.C. should join the World Council of Churches, that ultraunionistic federation of church bodies which doctrinally stands for everything and nothing in particular. As you probably know, the final vote was 1,434 to 685 in favor of membership.

It is well to remember that the E.L.C. is the continuation of a church body which, as the Norwegian Lutheran Church, until 1917 struggled to preserve its orthodoxy. In that year, however, ministers and laymen delegates settled another "whole thing" in a few minutes. This time it was a controversy over a correct and a false presentation of the Scriptural doctrine of Election. The document adopted in 1917, known as the Opjoer or The Madison Settlement, compromised on the issue. In order to bring three Norwegian Synods together into one body, Opjoer permitted both the true and the false to stand side by side, enjoying equal rights in the Church.

Once a church body has done that officially and as a matter of policy, its future course is predictable, and nothing in all the world will reverse

it except a full and deliberate about-face. But only a handful of pastors and congregations left the body which had adopted Opjoer. Many others who had protested the fatal step remained, believing that their continuing testimony would somehow bring about a correction. The only answer their witness received, however, was a progressive deterioration of confessional standards. The time came when the E.L.C. joined the unionistic Lutheran World Federation. And today it is ready to toss what it has left of the Truth into the void of the World Council of Churches. For a church that has enjoyed the heritage of Martin Luther, this is the bottom of the slide.

We may assume from the record of the convention that there are at least 685 pastors and laymen in the E.L.C. today with troubled consciences. At the convention they resisted manfully this final plunge of their church into the odious brotherhood of denial. They willingly endured rather heavy-handed abuse for their efforts to re-awaken a confessional consciousness in their body. But it was much too late — for their church and for them. They must have been smitten with sharp pangs of emotion when they heard the clinching argument hurled against them by delegate Senator Quie, who is quoted as having said: "You can't witness in any field unless you enter it. . . . The World Council wants us to come and help bear witness. Let us do it now."

The worm had finally turned and showed its ugly tail. It was on that very same false premise that the conservatives had remained within the body after Opjoer, in contradiction to a clear divine command; and now their theory was turned

against them to work their final defeat. As the aged ex-president of the E.L.C., Dr. J. A. Aasgaard, so naively put it: "I was here in 1917 when the three Norwegian Synods joined to make the E.L.C. I heard the same thing said about our uniting bodies then that is here said about the World Council of Churches, so that doesn't scare me a bit." Nobody, it seems, had the presence of mind or the courage to tell the venerable doctor that in exhibiting his lack of fear he had unveiled to public gaze the fruit of forty years of unionistic thinking.

It is only too true, in a manner of speaking, that once the ministers keep quiet, laymen will settle the whole thing in a few minutes. At Minneapolis, many ministers had ceased testifying to the Truth. They spoke, but not as the oracles of God; and those who did speak so were talking in a unionistic vacuum where their speeches were not heard by any hearts except their own. Amid such silence of the shepherds, what will the flock do? What will the laity do after it has been taught by the clergy how to compromise confessional issues and strive toward a least common denominator in matters of doctrine? This is an art quickly learned and never forgotten.

For us to stand aloof from the fate of the E.L.C., as though it did not concern us, would be the height of folly. E.L.C. stands before the Synodical Conference today as a completed case history of the affliction known as unionism.

"And the Lord answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it" (Hab. 2:2).

E. S.



## The Antichristian Religion of the Freemasons and other Lodges

**L**ODGES are secret societies international in scope, enticing many, and disastrous to the faith of millions of Christians. A former president of our country, John Quincy Adams, has appropriately called them a secret empire. The members of the lodges are bound together by a terrifying oath not to reveal any happenings in their midst, are taught to place their own fraternity above the brotherhood of man, and tragically are led to believe that the religion professed by their secret order is better than the Christian religion and that it offers a sure promise of a blessed hereafter to all who remain faithful to its precepts and demands. Thus a terrible intellectual and moral fraud is perpetrated upon them. A sad disillusionment after death will reveal to them that their ultimate and eternal lot is in hell and not in heaven. It is a disheartening fact that more than fifty per cent of all of the men of our country belong to one or the other lodge.

The masterpiece of Satan in the seducing of souls from the true faith in Christ is the religion of the Antichrist, the Roman Papacy. Closely related, however, is the antichristian religion of the lodges. Paul speaks of the Antichrist in II Thessalonians 2, John of the many antichrists in his First Epistle (chapter 2). The religion of the lodges is antichristian in character. We shall limit ourselves in the main to the Freemasons, the mother of all lodges.

In their origin the Freemasons pretend to go back to the masons who built Solomon's Temple. Some even want to go back still farther to Noah, the builder of the ark. Some would also like to see in Jesus, the carpenter's Son, a Mason. Such historical vagaries have already been discredited by Masonic leaders such as Mackay, a former 32nd degree Mason. In reality, the Masonic order dates back to the days of the Free-thinkers or Deists in England, and to the French Revolution. The English Deists emancipated themselves from the Church of England, basing their religion on three postulates: a belief in a deity, virtue, and immortality. Theirs was a natural, rationalistic religion in opposition to

the revealed Christian religion. Voltaire, the French scoffer, was a Mason, Goethe and Lessing in Germany also. Very many presidents of our country also were Masons, beginning with George Washington.

The word 'lodge' is derived from the workshop erected by the masons near a cathedral for the construction and maintenance of the same. Today the word is used for both the meeting place or hall of a local branch and the body of members of such a branch.

One of the basic tenets of all lodges is their denial of the Trinity. The Freemasons accept Jews, Mohammedans, Brahmans, and others as members. Only outspoken atheists are excluded. They all deny the deity of Christ and with it the Trinity. The Freemasons place all religions on the same level, the different religions they view but as sects. Their own Masonic religion is considered to be the acme of all religions, revealed only as the inner light to Masons. The Christian may retain his belief in a Triune God, the Jew in his Lord, and the Mohammedan in his Allah, but of all members it is required that they recognize the Grand Architect of the Universe of the Masons as the supreme and real ruler over all. As Deists they merely believe in a Supreme Being and disbelieve the Christian revelation of the Triune God.

The Jew looks to his Old Testament, the Mohammedan to his Koran, the Brahman to his Vedas, the Christian to his Bible as the source of all revelation and authority. The Masonic religion considers all of them but as guides to its own true inner light. Their own glorified human reason has induced them to create their own god and way of salvation. The Masonic religion pretends to be an international world religion. We Christians confess: "We all believe in one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." This doctrinal truth has been distorted by the Freemasons and their kin: "We all believe in one and the same god, Christian, Jew, Turk, and Hottentot."

The heart and soul of our Christian religion is the doctrine of our justifi-

fication through grace and faith in Christ Jesus alone. Such a way of salvation is completely eliminated in the Masonic religion. For the Masons, Christ is not the Son of God and Savior of mankind. He was a mere man, setting a good example as did Mahatma Gandhi of India. The Masons want to enter their own lodge heaven through their own virtuous life, patterned not after the Law of God, but rather after the precepts and morals of their own religion. They boast of their own merits as did the Pharisees of old. In the religion of the Antichrist the good works of the members of that church are fundamental for salvation and the merits of Christ are practically annulled. In the religion of antichristian Masons, Christ and His merits are rejected altogether. It is a religion of self-righteousness pure and simple.

Today the lodges have lost much of their former appeal. Large insurance companies have risen to take their place. Clubs, such as the Rotarians, Kiwanians, and Lions, have robbed them of much of their social nimbus. It is no longer considered essential to belong to a lodge to play a prominent role either in politics or society, and yet the secret societies continue to lure many into their nets. The question arises: Can a Christian be a member of a lodge? We shall let Scriptures give the answer. Paul writes to the Corinthians (II Cor. 6:14-18): "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers . . . What part hath he that believeth with an infidel? . . . Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate . . . and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

In agreement with this clear Word of God, our Lutheran fathers did not permit the members of their church to join a lodge or, if detected as members, to remain in their midst. This has been the practice of all truly conservative Lutheran churches and congregations. Since the lodge members were and still are aware of this firm stand, many of them try to hide their membership in the lodge in order to remain members of



the congregation. Many are still being misled to join an antichristian lodge. Where this becomes evident, it is the sacred obligation of the Christian congregation, especially of its pastor, to deal with such an erring member in an evangelical way, so that he may come to see the error of his way, repent, give up his membership in the lodge and stay with the Christian congregation. Where all admonition fails, final separation is the inevitable step. Delay of action, refusal to practice church discipline is not the Christian and brotherly way to deal with such an erring soul. A definite time and mode of procedure cannot be set for all

cases. The pastor and the local congregation, however, are responsible to God and the Church for prompt and proper evangelical action. They will be held responsible by the Lord of the Church.

The liberal Lutheran churches of our country have no scruples about receiving and retaining lodge members, since they swell their numbers, seemingly lend prominence to their church, and help to fill their coffers. Others seem to think that they can retain lodge members as associate members. They allow them to contribute, but not to have a voice in the affairs of the congregation. Such a practice is also unscriptural, con-

trary to the clear Word of God: "Come out from among them, and be ye separate." Grave is the responsibility of the church at large, the local congregation, and the pastor. A lax and dilatory practice can only spell ultimate disaster. In the end there will be final condemnation of the churches and the world by the Lord and Judge. All members are to be warned of the antichristian religion of the lodges and to be asked to take no part in them. There can be no halting between two opinions. God's Word alone decides the issue. May we all be warned and heed the admonition to be and remain faithful to the end! H. A. KOCH.

## The Southeastern Wisconsin District Convention

THE regular convention of the Southeastern Wisconsin District was held July 16-19 at Siloah Church in Milwaukee. In attendance were 250 registered delegates — pastors, teachers, and laymen. The keynote of the convention was suggested by Pastor Arthur Halboth, president of the District, in the opening service: Ye shall be witnesses unto Me. Seven speakers who conducted the opening devotions at each session kept this note before the convention.

The most significant item of business before the convention was the evaluation of the report of the Church Union Committee. Professor E. Reim, president of the Theological Seminary at Thiensville, and Pastor K. Krauss, second vice-president of Synod, presented this report to the District. The report was discussed freely and at length. The convention expressed itself in a resolution that "we wish to express agreement with the Standing Committee's (Church Union Committee) evaluations and convictions." The convention also expressed its gratitude to the Lord of the Church "for the hope which is evidenced in the Report."

An essay, Scriptural Confession-alism in our Witnessing for Christ,

was presented to the convention by the venerable Professor M. Lehninger, professor emeritus of our Theological Seminary. "All Christians," Professor Lehninger said, "are witnesses for Christ." A Christian, on account of his faith, cannot but be a witness for Christ. Witnessing for Christ is "preaching the salvation of sinful mankind as an *accomplished fact*, achieved solely by the vicarious atonement of the Lord Jesus." Professor Lehninger pointed out that our work of witnessing for Christ is by no means at an end. For after two thousand years of preaching the peace of God, Christians "constitute only a small fraction, a minority, of the population of the earth."

Because of his advanced age — over 80 years — this was undoubtedly the last time that Professor Lehninger would be privileged to address a convention of his beloved Synod, which he has served faithfully for over sixty years. Note was also taken by the convention of over sixty years of service by two other veterans: Pastor John Brenner, former president of our Synod, who is still active in a large congregation; and Professor John P. Meyer, who is carrying a full teaching load at

our Theological Seminary. May the Lord continue to bless his faithful servants, was the prayer of President Halboth.

The mission report, presented by the retiring chairman of the Mission Board, Pastor J. Mahnke, was gratifying. During the past two years a number of missions had gone self-supporting and several others will do so in the near future. Pastor Mahnke spoke of fields which surround us in abundance, fields which promise a rich harvest. Lack of funds hinder us from entering them. A record was established, we believe, in a mission field at Zion, Ill., served by Pastor Carl Leyrer. This mission, organized by Pastor Leyrer, will be self-supporting within three years. Pastor Mahnke was thanked for the many years of efficient service which he had given the District by his work on the Mission Board.

The following officers were elected for a two-year term: Pastor Arthur Halboth, president; Pastor Herman Cares, first vice-president; Pastor Adolph Buenger, second vice-president; Professor H. Vogel, secretary; and Pastor Herbert Kuske, essay recorder.

JAMES P. SCHAEFER.



## "Negative Attitude!" Is That Bad?

AMONG the various terms and phrases that have arisen during the present age of the Church is also this one — "negative attitude." It is intended as a term of reproach, something that is bad, that shouldn't be found in the Church. In contrast, it is emphasized, we should concern ourselves with the "positive" approach, "positive" theology — not always pointing out and dealing with what is evil and wrong, but concentrating, teaching, and rejoicing in that of Scripture which does not have a "No!" connected with it.

In general this might be well and good. There might be a point in it. But when one considers the source of the accusation, "negative attitude," and how it is used, he has reason to question whether it is so bad. The weight of evidence seems to be that the bemoaning of a "negative attitude" arose within that which is liberal, theologically speaking. It is another way of saying we don't want to deal with controversial issues, we don't want to rebuke and fight error, we don't want to avoid that which is contrary to sound doctrine. To cover up the sorry mess of falsity and wickedness that is present in liberalism it is very convenient to reprove those who, in holy awe of God's Word, will not stand for it as having a "negative attitude."

This brings up the memory of something that happened to our family, which also could have happened in any family. One of the boys, like the rest of the family, enjoyed good health. He was strong and sound of body and limb, in fact, unusually so, to the point of being well-built physically and somewhat of an athlete. Once, while rowing a boat at a picnic, a blister formed under a callus on his hand. Seemingly a minor injury, an innocent thing. But in a short time there was pain in the lymph gland, then red streaks up the arm, then high fever and delirium. You can well imagine what happened in the family. All other activity was stopped. There was only one concern — everyone concentrated on one thing — eliminate the infection. The doctor was called. Day and night medication

was applied. With much anguish, tears and prayer, they diligently applied themselves to that which could well have caused death. I don't recall that anyone in the family concerned themselves in the least or rejoiced in the fact that the rest of the body was healthy and in good shape. And I don't recall anyone reproving them for concentrating on the very negative thing or removing the infection.

Now, we might say, that's a nice little story, full of pathos, but what do you want to prove with it? This is not at all a far-fetched illustration of what can happen in spiritual things. Jesus says as much when he tells us, "Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?" and advises, "Purge out the unclean leaven." That's quite negative, is it not? But it must be heeded. That which is unscriptural, that which is ungodly, that which is unclean, becomes, as it were, an insidious infection, a poison, which can destroy and bring death, if it is not dealt with with utmost concern and concentration. Dealing with it could hardly appear other than negative. But we had better deal that way, lest we die!

Is this supposedly obnoxious "negative attitude" so very unscriptural? Consider a moment. We are told by our Lord, "Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion walketh about, seeking whom he may devour," and also this, that he may indeed make his approach unto us as a "wolf in sheep's clothing." There we are made to realize quite clearly that a wary, questioning attitude might be very wholesome, in fact, our spiritual life may depend upon it. That is why Scripture says, "Prove all things," also, "Try the spirits." One hesitates to use the word "suspicious," and yet considering with whom we are dealing there might be such a thing as an acceptable, a wholesome suspicion. We should never forget that in saying "No!" very positively, we can indeed be saying "No!" to the devil.

It would be an interesting study to consider the negative element in the work of the Prophets, the work of

Jesus, the work of Paul and the Apostles and the model sermons they preached as found in Acts, and the work of Luther. It becomes apparent that the negative was very much present and was used as a foil for the positive, even as Scripture says, "The light shineth in darkness." The truth becomes more brilliant and clearly seen when laid against the background of untruth and error. It is a sound pedagogical principle, whether teaching theology or how to block in football, not only to show the right way, but also to point out the wrong.

Either with undue emphasis on the positive or by ignoring the negative one could overlook the two-sided nature of the work of a pastor, as presented to us in the 23rd Psalm concerning Jesus Himself, as the Good Shepherd, "He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters," but also this, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Christ not only did the positive, establish a righteousness for us on which we might nourish and feast our sin-starved souls, but also the negative — He turned and fought for us against the devil and all his hosts. In this day it might well be true that the mettle and measure of a pastor is shown by his willingness to fight for his flock. That means he will in a very negative way have to oppose the many "isms" that threaten us, which would include pointing out by name, repeatedly and completely, those that particularly endanger us — liberalism, unionism, lodgism, and scoutism. If that be negative, let it be. I thank God for it! As a pastor in this age of liberalism I am not so much concerned or disturbed whether I have a negative attitude, but whether by carelessness, indifference, or evil influence, I am becoming a "hireling, who leaveth the flock and fleeth when he seeth the wolf coming." May God keep us worthy of the name "pastor"!

G. S.





## Dedications

### ANNIVERSARY AND DEDICATION

#### Zion Congregation Rhinelander, Wisconsin

It does not happen often in the history of a congregation that it enjoys four reasons, or even five, should it so choose, for holding

speaker in these two morning services was Professor Carl Lawrenz, chairman of our Synod's Board of Education. The guest organist was Mr. Frederick Manthey of Manitowoc, a former member of the Zion faculty.

In an afternoon service it was Zion's privilege to dedicate a new

Zion for many years. It seemed most fitting that this memorial for him should be dedicated on the twenty-fifth anniversary of Zion School, for it was through his ardent interest in Christian education and with the assistance of his material support that a Christian Day School was made humanly possible in the Zion of twenty-five years ago. Mr. Abendroth will be remembered by many members of Synod, too, as a former member of the Mission Board of the Northern Wisconsin District and as the head of the Robbins Flooring Company, under which name



Interior — Zion Lutheran Church, Rhinelander, Wis.

festival services on the same day. And yet that was the happy experience of Zion Congregation at Rhinelander, Wis., on this past June 3.

In two forenoon services on that day Zion observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of her Christian Day School. In the latter of these two services an anniversary class of twenty-five boys and girls were graduated from Zion School. The

organ to the service of God. This new organ, a two-manual Moeller organ, with seventeen ranks of pipes and chimes, costing a total of somewhat over \$21,000, was a gift to Zion Congregation from the heirs of the late Albert Abendroth, given in his memory.

Before his death in October, 1954, the late Mr. Abendroth had been a devoted member and benefactor of

many a helping hand was extended to Synod's missions, our charitable and educational institutions, as well as to individual congregations.

When the news reached Zion that the new organ was about to be delivered, the membership resolved to meet this gift with a memorial of gratitude in the form of a complete renovation of the interior of the church. The Schanbacher Church



Decorators of Springfield, Ill., were engaged, and the work was completed in time for June 3, so that in that afternoon service the newly renovated church was also rededicated.

The speaker in the afternoon service was Professor Martin Albrecht of Dr. Martin Luther College in New Ulm. The organist was Miss Ruth Uhlig, a former member of the faculty at Zion. At 4:00 o'clock that same afternoon, a dedicatory recital was played on the new organ by Mr. Bruce Backer, at the time a senior at our seminary.

As was suggested above, a fifth celebration might have been added to this already festive June 3 at Zion, for it was the exact date of the seventh anniversary of the congregation's radio broadcast. Ever since Trinity Sunday in 1949, the full late service each Sunday morning has been broadcast, as have also the festival services on occasions like Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Thanksgiving. Nearly \$10,000 have been spent by the congregation during the past seven years for this service for the sick and the shut-ins in the Rhinelander area. This anniversary, however, was observed by Zion on a Sunday two weeks later.

Twenty teachers have taught for longer or shorter periods of time at Zion School during the course of the past twenty-five years. One of them, the first teacher and principal of the school, Mr. Louis O. Keup, served for twenty-two of the twenty-five school years. His services were interrupted by his sudden death in August, 1953. The other nineteen teachers who served are as follows: Mr. Edmund Hellmann (1931-33), Miss Irmgard Koch (1931-36), Mr. Frederick Manthey (1934-47), Miss Leona Meyer (1936-44), Miss Marvel Fuhrmann (1944-46), Miss Ruth Uhlig (1946-52), Mr. Wilbur Hatzung (1947-52), Mrs. Merton Bettendorf (1949-56), Mrs. Doyle Sprague (1951-53), Mr. Willard Lueders (1952-55), Mrs. Willard Lueders (1952-53), Miss Lois Hellermann (1952-present), Mr. Bruce Backer (1953-54), Miss Doris Pankow (1953-54), Mrs. Leo Schoeneck (1953-present), Mr. Rudolph Schultz (1954-55), Mr. Norman Stellick (1954-present), Mr. Richard Buss (1955-56), and Mr. Wayne Zuleger (1955-56).

Five years ago it was Zion's privilege to dedicate a new school to the Lord's service. The enroll-

ment during the course of the past school year was 190. It is with genuine joy and gratitude to the Lord that Zion looks forward to the beginning of the new school year in September with a complete staff, in the form of the following personnel:

Mr. Norman Stellick, Principal  
Mr. Frederick Blauert  
Miss Joyce Pautz  
Miss Beverly Rehwinkel  
Miss Lois Hellermann  
Mrs. Leo Schoeneck

May the Lord of the Church continue to bless Zion School as richly as He has in the past!

ERWIN SCHARF.

### DEDICATES SCHOOL ADDITION CELEBRATES JUBILEE

#### Redeemer, Tucson, Arizona

Our Mission in Tucson, Ariz., had a unique service on May 6, when the congregation dedicated a two-room addition to its school and surprised its principal, Mr. Carl T. Metz, by celebrating his 50th anniversary as a Lutheran teacher.

Pastor E. A. Sitz, president of the Ariz.-Calif. Distr., spoke, and special music was supplied for the occasion by the school children and the choir. The jubilarian, who had just returned from San Manuel where he had conducted a Sunday School, was unaware that the celebration was for him until the beginning of the service at 4:30 p.m. Congratulatory messages were received from the former congregations he had served, from classmates, relatives, and many former students and friends.

Mr. Metz was graduated from the Teachers' Seminary at Addison, Ill., on June 16, 1906. He served congregations in Heilbroon, S. Dak., Racine, Wis., and St. Joseph, Mich., where he remained for 35 years as teacher and principal. After 40 years of service, Mr. Metz ostensibly retired

in 1946 and moved to Texas on account of his wife's health. Nevertheless, he did some substitute teaching there.

When Redeemer started its school in 1948, it prevailed upon him to come to Tucson on a temporary basis. He began with 27 pupils, but because of increased enrollment another teacher was added that fall. Other teachers were added in 1950, '51, '52 and '53. In 1954 another male teacher was called to relieve Mr. Metz of regular classroom duties, so that he could give his full time to the school as principal and to the church as assistant to the pastor. This he did without salary.

He has also been serving several inmates at the State prison in Florence and conducting a Sunday School at San Manuel, Ariz. Mr. Metz recently passed a colloquy for the ministry and is looking forward to being ordained as a pastor this fall. Thus 50 years of service to the lambs of Christ has been rounded out and by the grace of God he hopes to continue serving in the Lord's Church.

After the service in church the congregation of over 500 assembled in front of the school addition, where the rite of dedication was read by the undersigned, assisted by Mr. Metz.

This two-room addition, 27 ft. by 70 ft., was built by the members and paid for without outside help. It is occupied by the kindergarten and first grade children. The former kindergarten and first grade rooms were made into a multipurpose room.

Redeemer Congregation is grateful for the help given by Synod these past years. It is especially thankful that the Lord sent a man like Mr. Metz to guide its school during its formative years. May our Lord continue to bless him with good health and vigor of mind and body!

PAUL HEYN.

## Anniversaries

### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard F. Vogel of Jefferson, Wis., observed the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage in a special service held at St. John's Lutheran Church of Jefferson on June

21, thanking God for His manifold blessings bestowed upon them during their married life at the same altar at which they were united in marriage in 1906.

Pastor Richard Mueller addressed fitting words to them and their friends and relatives who had



gathered to celebrate the occasion with them, basing his remarks on Gen. 32:10. The undersigned, the son of the jubilarians, who with his wife observed the twentieth anniversary of their marriage on the same day, served as liturgist.

The jubilarians brought a thank-offering of \$50.00 for the Church Extension Fund as a token of their gratitude for God's continued blessings upon them.

HEINRICH J. VOGEL.

#### TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

On June 24, St. Luke Congregation, New Lisbon, Wis., and St. Paul Congregation, Mauston, Wis., assembled with their pastor, A. Winter, to gratefully acknowledge God's blessings so evident in their midst. The occasion was Pastor Winter's 25th anniversary in the holy ministry, which, for the congregations, meant a long and faithful and uninterrupted ministry. Pastor Winter had accepted a call to Randolph and had preached his farewell sermon that morning. It was therefore also a parting moment. But instead of sadness overshadowing the joy, this very fact all the more intensified and solemnized the true purpose of the occasion. Pastor F. Gilbert of Slinger, a classmate, preached on Psalm 46:1-3. After the service, the ladies of both congregations served a lunch to all the guests. Several tokens of love and esteem were presented to the jubilarian.

R. C. BIESMANN.

#### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Addressing the couple on the basis of Ps. 139:17, their pastor reminded the Wm. Dobbersteins of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Hortonville, Wis., of God's precious thoughts toward them through their fifty years of wedded life. A goodly number of friends and relatives were present on June 21 in the church parlors to help the couple observe the joyous occasion.

E. B. FROELICH.

#### RECESSED SESSION 33rd CONVENTION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN JOINT SYNOD OF WISCONSIN AND OTHER STATES

The 33rd Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Wis-

consin and Other States meeting at Saginaw, Mich., August 10 to 17, 1955, resolved to reconvene in a recessed session in 1956. This recessed session will be held, God willing, at Northwestern College, Watertown, Wis., August 21 to 23, 1956.

The session will open with a devotional service on Tuesday, August 21, at 10:00 a. m. The opening service and dedication of the new buildings at Northwestern College will be held that evening at 7:00 p. m.

Professor E. E. Kowalke will read an exegesis of Romans 16:17 and 18, and its application, at the beginning of the sessions.

All delegates will have their quarters in the college dormitory. The Housing Committee will use the official list of delegates in the 1955 Convention Proceedings to make arrangements. Delegates desiring to commute every day will please notify the Housing Committee to that effect no later than August 5.

Delegates are to provide their own bedding: pillow, pillowcase, sheets, and blanket. These may be mailed to the College and will be available upon arrival of the delegate.

Delegates will register upon arrival and receive their room assignment, meal tickets, and information concerning the convention program.

A limited number of visitors may obtain meals and rooms by special arrangement with the Housing Committee. Kindly address the Convention Housing Committee, care of Professor G. Horn, Northwestern College, Watertown, Wis.

THEODORE SAUER, *Secretary.*

#### NOMINATIONS FOR PROFESSORSHIP

The Missionary Board in its meeting on June 12, 1956, "resolved to issue a call for candidates for a professorship at Immanuel Lutheran College, Greensboro, N. C., and to publish notice to this effect in the official church papers of the constituent Synods of the Synodical Conference and the 'Missionary Lutheran.'"

Congregations are now kindly requested to place names of candidates in nomination for this professorship. The professor-elect is to teach religion and such subjects as agreed upon by the members of the faculty and the Board of Control of Immanuel Lutheran College.

Names of candidates should be forwarded during the next six weeks to

The Missionary Board of the  
Lutheran Synodical Conference  
210 North Broadway  
St. Louis 2, Missouri

PAUL BOECLER, *Secretary.*

#### WANTED

Two women to work in the kitchen and dining room at Dr. Martin Luther College. Room and board furnished in addition to salary. Address replies to:

Prof. John Oldfield  
Dr. Martin Luther College  
New Ulm, Minn.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Pastor Harris Kaesmeyer of Palos Heights, Ill., has accepted the call to the office of Dean of students at Michigan Lutheran Seminary, extended to him by the Board of said institution.

OSCAR FREY, *Secretary.*

#### CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

**RED WING DELEGATE CONFERENCE**  
Place: St. John Lutheran Church, Red Wing, Minn.; G. Barthels, host pastor.

Date: Tuesday, August 28, 1956.  
Time: 9:00 a. m. Holy Communion for the pastors.

Speaker: Ralph Goede. Alternate: Leonard Schmidt.

Business: A report of the business of the District and of the Synod.

NORMAN E. SAUER, *Secretary.*

#### WISCONSIN RIVER VALLEY DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Conference will meet at 10 a. m., Monday, August 27, 1956, at St. Peter's of Tn. McMillan, A. O. Pautsch, host pastor, to hear reports of the Special Session of Joint Synod.

WALTER P. SCHEITEL, *Secretary.*

#### ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

(Authorized by the Proper Officials)  
Installed

##### Pastors

**Borgschatz, B. A.**, in St. Paul's Church, Platteville, Wis., by R. Jungkuntz; Fifth Sunday after Trinity, July 1, 1956.

**Kuehl, Paul**, in St. Paul's Church, Cudahy, Wis., by H. J. Vogel; assisted by Prof. E. Reim; Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 15, 1956.

**Lange, William**, in St. Paul's Church, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., by G. O. Krause; Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 8, 1956.

**Pope, Reginald E.**, in Redeemer Church, Mandan, N. Dak., by W. TenBroek; assisted by H. Johne, E. Otterstatter, P. Press, and E. Schulz; Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 15, 1956.

**Reede, Roy H.**, in Our Savior's Church, Wausau, Wis., by J. Henning; assisted by J. Schaadt; Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 15, 1956.

##### Teacher

**Steiner, Paul**, as principal, organist, and choir director in David's Star Church, Kirshayn, Wis., by P. J. Gieschen; Fifth Sunday after Trinity, July 1, 1956.

##### Ordained and Installed

##### Pastors

**Capek, Allen D.**, in St. John's Church, Rising City, Nebr., and Calvary Luth. Mission, Osceola, Nebr., by G. P. Eckert; assisted by P. Eickmann, H. Kruschel, A. W. Fuerstenau, R. W. Shekner; Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 8, 1956.

**Haag, Gerhardt**, in Woodland Park Church, Portland, Ore., by L. Sabrowsky; assisted by C. H. Bernhard; Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 8, 1956.

**Lothert, Leroy**, in Christ Church, Swan



Creek Twp., Saginaw, Mich., by C. Frey; assisted by J. Brenner, O. Drevlow, O. J. Eckert, and A. Schwerin; Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 8, 1956.  
**Zimmermann, Roland F.**, in Willow Lake Lutheran Church, Willow Lake, S. Dak., and Bethlehem Church, Twp. Hague, Clark Co., S. Dak., by G. F. Zimmermann; assisted by C. Hanson in the former and M. Schroeder in the latter congregation; July 15, 1956.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

**Pastors**

**Franzmann, Werner H.**, 2427 W. Roosevelt Drive, Milwaukee, Wis.  
**Haag, Gerhardt**, 908 N. E. 109th Avenue, Portland 16, Ore.  
**Lange, William**, 251 Ninth Avenue, North, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.  
**Reede, Roy H.**, 1236 Eighth Avenue, S., Wausau, Wis.  
**Zimmermann, Roland F.**, Willow Lake, S. Dak.

**Teacher**

**Steiner, Paul**, R. 1, Jackson, Wis.

**MISSION FESTIVALS**

**Third Sunday after Trinity**

St. John Church, Hancock, Minn.  
 Offering: \$655.34. E. Hallauer, pastor.

**Fourth Sunday after Trinity**

Grace Church, Twp. Maine, Marathon Co., Wis.  
 Offering: \$270.11. E. H. Kionka, pastor.

**Fifth Sunday after Trinity**

Zion Church, Tn. Wayne, Washington Co., Wis.  
 Offering: \$370.17. M. Volkmann, pastor.

**PACIFIC NORTHWEST DISTRICT**

**Annual Report**

1955 - 1956

Congregation	Budgetary		Spec. Bldg. Coll.		Ch. Ext. Fund		Other
	Last Qtr.	Year	Last Qtr.	Year	Last Qtr.	Year	Charities Year
Clarkston, Bernthal .....	\$ 67.50	\$ 423.50			\$	\$	\$ 79.00
Ellensburg, G. Sydow .....	157.80	559.53					2.00
Eugene, Albrecht .....	132.91	289.85		5.00			33.00
Mountlake Terrace, Baur ..	62.34	336.84					
Omak, Zimmermann .....	300.00	1,025.99					110.00
Orofino, Bernthal .....	40.77	125.69					134.00
Palouse, Witt .....							50.00
Portland —							
Grace, Sabrowsky .....	407.88	1,398.40			59.67		425.92
Woodland Park, Vacant .....	38.55	38.55					
Rainier, Vacant .....		119.75					37.50
Seattle, Franzmann .....	180.00	525.50					
Snoqualmie, Lueckel .....	98.50	469.00					30.00
So. Cle Elum, G. Sydow ..		98.03	40.00	40.00			
Spokane —							
Gethsemane, Dommer ...	77.55	351.82					87.05
St. James, Karnitz .....	56.52	56.52					
Shadle Park, Zarling ....	157.56	236.36					
Trinity, Witt .....	244.81	547.81					111.74
Tacoma —							
Faith, Nitz .....		515.44					43.11
St. Paul, Madson .....	870.00	1,383.67					175.00
Twisp, Zimmermann .....		54.22					
Withrow, Greve .....							
Yakima —							
Grace, Adascheck .....	529.50	2,100.45		30.00	13.00		608.75
Redeemer, Frey .....		541.80					69.00
Zillah, A. Sydow .....	130.25	446.25					62.00
Dist. Pastors in Convention							48.00
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>\$3,552.04</b>	<b>\$ 11,644.97</b>	<b>\$ 40.00</b>	<b>\$ 73.00</b>	<b>\$ 52.67</b>	<b>\$2,106.07</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>

F. E. PETERSON, District Cashier.

**TREASURER'S STATEMENT**

July 1, 1955, to June 30, 1956

**Receipts**

Cash Balance July 1, 1955.....	\$	59,326.47
Budgetary Collections .....	\$	1,810,074.92
Revenues .....		324,203.41
<b>Total Collections &amp; Revenues...</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,134,278.33</b>
<b>Non-Budgetary Receipts:</b>		
Luth. S.W.C. — Prayer Book .....		548.87
Miscellaneous .....		2,200.00
<b>Total Receipts</b> .....		<b>2,137,027.20</b>

**Disbursements**

**Budgetary Disbursements:**

General Administration .....	126,848.01
Theological Seminary .....	69,330.67
Northwestern College .....	198,019.14
Dr. Martin Luther College....	240,639.49
Michigan Luth. Seminary ....	138,199.08
Northwestern Luth. Academy	70,042.95

Winnebago Teacher Program	45,115.01
Home for the Aged .....	44,327.45
Missions — Gen. Administr.	
Home Missions .....	154.44
Foreign Missions .....	502.12
Indian Missions .....	210,279.51
Colored Missions .....	57,585.75
Home Missions .....	674,325.58
Refugee Mission .....	57,853.44
Madison Student Mission .....	24,178.46
Rhodesia Mission .....	54,259.23
Lutheran S. W. C. ....	10,650.56
Japan Mission .....	7,687.54
Winnebago Luth. Academy	3,000.00
General Support .....	88,259.70
Indigent Student Support.....	1,810.00
Board of Education .....	15,070.81
Depreciation on	
Institutional Buildings.....	34,393.24
<b>Total Budgetary Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 2,172,532.18</b>
Cash Balance June 30, 1956.....	\$ 23,821.49

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF BUDGETARY COLLECTIONS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

For period of July 1 to May 31

	1954-55	1955-56	Increase
Collections .....	\$ 1,679,008.59	\$ 1,810,074.92	\$131,066.33
Disbursements .....	1,970,529.31	2,172,532.18	202,002.87
<b>Operating Deficit</b> .....	<b>\$ 291,520.72</b>	<b>\$ 362,457.26</b>	<b>\$ 70,936.54</b>



ALLOTMENT STATEMENT

Districts	Comm.	Receipts	Allotment	Deficit	Per-cent
Pacific Northwest	1,454	\$ 11,643.98	\$ 14,540.00	\$ 2,896.02	80.08
Nebraska	6,735	62,026.05	67,350.00	5,323.95	92.09
Michigan	23,152	225,329.26	231,520.00	6,190.74	97.32
Dakota - Montana	7,283	67,590.60	72,830.00	5,239.40	92.80
Minnesota	38,739	303,329.22	387,739.00	84,409.78	78.23
Northern Wisconsin	45,851	362,626.07	458,510.00	95,883.93	71.23
Western Wisconsin	48,840	349,311.07	488,400.00	139,088.93	71.52
Southeastern Wisconsin	47,909	402,624.12	479,090.00	76,465.88	84.03
Arizona - California	2,899	20,000.16	28,990.00	8,989.84	68.98
<b>Totals</b>	<b>222,862</b>	<b>\$ 1,804,480.53</b>	<b>\$ 2,228,969.00</b>	<b>\$ 424,488.47</b>	<b>80.95</b>

C. J. NIEDFELDT, Treasurer.

DONATIONS SENT DIRECTLY TO TREASURER'S OFFICE

For June, 1956	
For Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission	
Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, St. Louis, Mich.	\$ 38.45
Mrs. Vincent Paris, Hagerstown, Md.	1.00
Memorial wreath in memory of Mrs. F. Schulties, given by Mr. and Mrs. E. Schley, R. 6, Sturgeon Bay, Wis.	2.00
	\$ 41.45
For Missions	
Pastor F. Zarling, Iron Ridge, Wis.	\$ 10.00
From Home for Aged Lutherans, Wauwatosa, Wis.	328.41
Mr. and Mrs. Milton N. Owens, Mankato, Minn.	5.00
	\$ 343.41
For Church Extension Fund	
Memorial wreath in memory of Emil R. Damm, given by Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson	\$ 5.00
Memorial wreath in memory of Mrs. Walter Vertz, Sr., given by Rev. and Mrs. G. Press, Rev. and Mrs. Ph. Press, Pauline and Barbara Press	5.00
Memorial wreath in memory of Rev. Louis B. Mielke, given by Mrs. Louis B. Mielke	5.00
N. N.	1.25
	\$ 16.25
For Parsonage Fund	
Prof. J. P. Meyer, Thiensville, Wis.	\$ 30.00

Zion, Colome	289.10	
St. John, Herrick	305.72	
Zion, Mission	228.08	442.00
St. Paul, Naper	274.00	
Faith, Platte	50.60	9.50
Memorial—Mrs. Katherine Vander Hamm		2.00
Calvary, Valentine	51.41	
Zion, Valentine	117.28	142.81
St. Paul, White River	76.57	
Trinity, Winner	294.24	
St. John, Witten	110.91	10.00
St. Peter, Wood	9.56	
Southern Conference		
First, Aurora	160.22	39.00
Christ, Beatrice	82.62	255.00
Emmaus, Beatrice	121.19	68.25
St. Paul, Broken Bow	153.63	
Zion, Clatonia	458.63	16.05
Memorial—Fred Schroeder		76.00
Zion, David City	10.24	
St. John, Firth	624.90	
Grace, Geneva	213.83	
Memorial—Fred Luethke		5.00
Trinity, Grafton	192.64	
Redeemer, Hastings	269.32	
Bethlehem, Irving	40.00	
Mt. Olive, Lincoln	398.45	5.00
Grace, Milford	59.19	
St. Paul, North Platte	35.00	35.00
Calvary, Osceola	30.00	70.45
St. Paul, Plymouth	855.60	265.66
St. John, Rising City	114.85	
St. Mark, Sutton	195.52	
Nebr. District Pastoral Conference		60.82
	\$ 15,732.50	\$ 2,586.12

NORRIS KOOPMANN, District Cashier.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT REPORT

April 1 to June 30, 1956

Central Conference			
Congregations	Budgetary	Special	Other
Good Shepherd, Cedar Rapids	\$ 125.61	\$	\$
Redeemer, Council Bluffs	66.53		
Lincoln Heights, Des Moines	185.72		
Grace, Fort Madison	19.30		
Immanuel, Hadar	971.07	5.00	
Trinity, Hoskins	491.37	85.00	
Grace, Newton	249.88	145.20	
St. Paul, Norfolk	1,323.94	22.00	
Memorial—Mrs. Clara Johnson			7.00
Gethsemane, Omaha	216.91		
Memorial—Frank Jensen		3.00	
Good Hope, Omaha	65.00		
Good Shepherd, Omaha	80.00		
Grace, Oskafoosa	21.00		
Memorial—Mrs. Elizabeth Herling		10.00	
Grace, Sioux City	457.09		
St. John, Stanton	1,084.31	138.50	
Immanuel, Washington	66.67	67.00	
Colorado Conference			
Mt. Olive, Colorado Springs	290.00		
Mt. Olive, Denver	159.95	32.00	
Memorial—Mrs. M. J. Wehausen		5.00	
Pilgrim, Denver	75.83	24.00	
Zion, Fort Morgan	421.95		
St. James, Golden	62.91	100.00	
Trinity, Hillrose	55.62	137.08	
Mt. Olive, Lamar	63.82	202.80	
Memorial—Albert and Augusta Koch	5.00		
St. Paul, Las Animas	39.39	30.05	
Calvary, Littleton	25.37	43.00	
St. Matthew, Loveland	60.28		
St. John, Montrose	73.00		
St. John, Platteville	73.06		11.80
Our Savior, Pueblo	160.00	54.00	
Rosebud Conference			
Zion, Bonesteel	123.51		
St. John, Brewster	214.54		
Grace, Burke	177.55		
Peace, Carlock	144.66		
St. Paul, Colome	358.76		

NORTHERN WISCONSIN DISTRICT

April, May, June, 1956

Fox River Valley Conference

Congregation — Pastor	Budgetary	Special Building
Algoma, St. Paul, Schabow, A.-Toepel, K.	\$ 1,697.00	\$
Appleton, Bethany, Hallemeier, D. E.	1,017.45	
Appleton, Mt. Olive, Ziesemer, R. E.	2,350.64	
Appleton, Riverview, Thierfelder, F. E.	557.14	
Appleton, St. Matthew, Johnson, S.	1,557.22	
Appleton, St. Paul, Brandt, F. M.	5,000.00	3,470.00
Black Creek, Immanuel, Wood, A.	925.10	10.00
Bonduel, Friedens, Schewe, E.	864.04	
Carlton, St. Peter, Kuether, W. A.	190.10	140.00
Center, St. John, Bergholz, H.	160.00	25.00
Clayton, Immanuel, Sommer, O. A.	351.30	
Dale, St. Paul, Ploetz, E.	342.00	
Ellington, Trinity, Waldschmidt, R.	488.36	
Freedom, St. Peter, Zehms, E. J.	727.46	12.45
Green Bay, First, Krueger, E. H.	1,246.30	
Green Bay, St. Paul, Voigt, A. W.	1,595.20	34.20
Greenleaf, St. Paul, Croll, Melvin W.	110.00	
Greenville, Immanuel, Sommer, O. A.	1,510.00	
Hortonville, Bethlehem, Froelich, E.	2,210.79	
Kasson, Bartholomew, Croll, M. W.	241.00	5.00
Kaukauna, Trinity, Oehlert, P. T.	1,348.15	122.00
Kewaunee, Immanuel, Zink, W. F.	1,781.41	203.50
Kimberly, Mt. Calvary, Habermann, E.	408.61	
Kolberg, Emanuel, Zell, W.	710.33	
Liberty Grove, Christ, Fuhbrigge, W. G.		
Maple Creek, Immanuel, Nommensen, W. B.	688.90	
Nasawaupee, Salem, Stern, T.	100.00	
New London, Emanuel, Pankow, W.-Heidemann, F.	1,720.00	
Stephensville, St. Paul, Waldschmidt, R.	145.03	
Sturgeon Bay, St. Peter, Baganz, T.	1,338.27	376.80
Sugar Bush, Grace, Nommensen, W. B.	1,400.00	
Valmy, St. John, Henning, O. C.	113.10	568.60



Waupaca, Immanuel, Reier, F. A. ....	688.09	.....
West Jacksonport, Zion, Fuhlbrigge, W. G. ....	166.55	.....
Woodville, St. John, Hertler, A. ....	500.00	.....
Wrightstown, St. John, Pussehl, H. E. ....	588.02	.....
Zachow, St. Paul, Schewe, E. ....	818.62	184.00

Conference Totals ..... \$ 55,434.18 \$ 5,151.55

**Lake Superior Conference**

Abrams, Calvary, Scherf, H. ....	478.88	.....
Bark River, Mich., St. Paul, Henning, W. ....	676.42	.....
Beaver, St. Matthew, Pingel, L. ....	151.55	.....
Carbondale, Mich., St. Mark, Schaller, G. ....	173.40	.....
Cedarville, Mich., Our Saviour, Koenig, L. J. ....	37.50	.....
Coleman, Trinity, Pingel, L. ....	415.90	.....
Crivitz, Grace, Mueller, R. ....	600.32	.....
Daggett, Mich., Holy Cross, Schaller, G. ....	427.78	.....
Escanaba, Mich., Salem, Lutz, W. F. ....	1,054.94	.....
Florence, St. John, Krueger, W. ....	327.45	.....
Gladstone, Mich., St. Paul, Hoffman, T. ....	212.40	.....
Green Garden, Mich., St. Paul, Albrecht, E. ....	165.80	.....
Grover, St. John, Hellman, A. A. ....	252.72	.....
Iron Mountain, Mich., Mt. Olive, Ruege, J. ....	259.05	.....
Lenä, Our Saviour, Schmidt, W. ....	144.50	.....
Marquette, Mich., Calvary, Albrecht, E. ....	248.60	.....
Menominee, Mich., Christ, Thurow, T. ....	891.80	378.38
Oconto Falls, St. Paul, Schmidt, W. ....	92.50	154.00
Peshtigo, Zion, Geyer, Kurt ....	1,087.74	.....
Powers, Mich., Grace, Manteufel, J. ....	301.25	.....
Rapid River, Mich., St. Martin, Hoffmann, T. ....	138.91	.....
Sault St. Marie, Mich., Emanuel, Koenig, L. J. ....	478.67	.....
Sault St. Marie, Ont., Our Saviour, Koenig, L. ....	.....	.....
Sault St. Marie, Ont., Schlicht, R. ....	.....	.....
Stambaugh, Mich., St. Peter, Tiefel, G. ....	686.20	.....
Tipler, St. Paul, Krueger, W. ....	37.90	.....

Conference Totals ..... \$ 11,114.84 \$ 512.58

**Manitowoc Conference**

Brillion, Trinity, Siegler, V. J. ....	1,590.55	356.25
Cleveland, St. John-St. Peter, Bode, E. N. ....	907.10	.....
Collins, St. Peter, Weyland, V. J. ....	700.00	.....
Denmark, Christ, Wadzinski, A. ....	446.41	.....
Gibson, St. John, Seim, K. ....	186.05	.....
Henrysville, Immanuel, Wadzinski, A. ....	352.40	.....
Kiel, Trinity, Behm, E. G. ....	621.86	.....
Liberty, Trinity, Kugler, S. ....	1,887.76	32.00
Manitowoc, Bethany, Roekle, A. ....	1,000.00	512.76
Manitowoc, First German, Koeninger, L. H. ....	2,867.50	36.00
Manitowoc, Grace, Gieschen, W. W. ....	400.00	.....
Maribel, St. John, Koch, R. G. ....	934.45	30.00
Millersville, St. Paul, Heier, O. ....	725.00	.....
Missicot, S. Peter, Zell, E. ....	598.45	11.50
Morrison, Zion, Koch, H. A. ....	1,464.74	270.63
Newtonburg, St. John, Kneuppel, F. C. ....	107.32	.....
Pine Grove, St. Paul, Maas, G. ....	1,066.15	5.00
Reedsville, St. John, Wendland, J. J. ....	190.25	2.00
Rockwood, Rockwood Luth., Zell, E. ....	563.59	.....
Town Schleswig, Zion, Hartwig, W. J. ....	214.43	.....
Shirley, Immanuel, Maas, G. ....	153.69	.....
Two Creeks, St. John, Seim, K. ....	71.45	.....
Two Rivers, Our Saviour, Breiling, E. A. ....	1,197.49	.....
Two Rivers, St. John, Haase, W. G. ....	.....	.....

Conference Totals ..... \$ 18,766.94 \$ 1,036.14

**Rhineland Conference**

Argonne, Peace, Bunde, G. ....	173.15	.....
Bruce Crossing, Mich., Bethany, Bergfeld, F. ....	806.70	.....
Crandon, St. Paul, Bunde, G. ....	152.65	.....
Eagle River, Christ ....	686.71	.....
Enterprise, St. John, Weyland, F. C. ....	208.60	.....
Hiles, Christ, Bunde, G. ....	12.60	.....
Hurley, St. Paul, Schlei, C. ....	1,580.16	.....
Mercer, Zion, Schlei, C. ....	386.66	.....
Minocqua, Trinity, Bauer, P. ....	151.11	.....
Monico, Grace, Weyland, F. C. ....	.....	.....
Phelps, St. John, Bergfeld, F. ....	.....	.....
Rhineland, Zion, Scharf, E. ....	.....	.....
Wabeno, Trinity, Unke, G. ....	.....	.....
Woodruff, First, Bauer, P. ....	.....	.....

Conference Totals ..... \$ 4,158.34 \$

**Winnebago Conference**

Caledonia, St. John, Engel, A. L. ....	140.00	.....
Campbellsport, Immanuel, Kahrs, H. A. ....	700.00	.....
Dundee, Trinity, Kahrs, H. A. ....	740.39	.....
E. Bloomfield, St. John, Schwartz, H. M. ....	956.78	65.00
Eldorado, St. Paul, Wojahn, W. A. ....	336.33	.....
Eldorado, St. Peter, Wojahn, W. A. ....	504.42	.....
Fond du Lac, Faith, Mattek, J. W. ....	304.00	.....
Fond du Lac, Good Shepherd, Bitter, D. ....	473.95	.....
Fond du Lac, Redeemer, Reim, R. ....	751.74	20.00
Fond du Lac, St. Peter, Pieper, G. ....	2,250.90	.....
Forest, St. Paul, Siegler, O. ....	657.72	.....
Green Lake, Peace, Krug, C. L. ....	1,017.45	.....
Kewaskum, St. Lucas, Kantess, G. ....	514.05	.....
Kingston, Zion ....	338.66	.....
Manchester, St. Paul, Wadzinski, W. ....	765.38	.....
Markesan, St. John, Kobs, G. ....	.....	.....
Marquette, St. Paul, Wadzinski, W. ....	.....	.....
Mears Corners, Trinity, Hartwig, P. G. ....	122.81	.....
Mecan, Emanuel, Oelhafen, W. J. ....	519.23	.....
Menasha, Bethel, Tiefel, A. ....	1,052.70	.....
Montello, St. John, Oelhafen, W. J. ....	1,258.85	.....
Neenah, Grace, Wichmann, W. F. ....	424.00	.....
Neenah, Martin Luther, Hartwig, P. G. ....	545.05	.....
Neenah, Trinity, Schaefer, G. A. ....	2,786.04	.....

N. Fond du Lac, St. Paul, Kuschel, B. G. ....	1,248.15	.....
Oakfield, St. Luke, Koepsell, C. ....	1,252.37	.....
Omro, Zion, Ziesemer, R. D. ....	156.10	.....
Oshkosh, Faith, Kaiser, H. ....	182.31	15.00
Oshkosh, Grace, Sauer, T. ....	1,335.20	2.00
Oshkosh, Immanuel, Mittelstaedt, T. J. ....	848.48	.....
Oshkosh, Martin Luther, Kleinhans, H. O. ....	1,575.00	.....
Oshkosh, Pickett, Grace, Kleist, R. W. ....	.....	.....
Princeton, St. John, Strohschein, W. ....	2,267.70	.....
Readfield, Zion, Engel, A. L. ....	186.85	.....
Red Granite, Trinity, Eggert, P. C. ....	30.00	45.00
Ripon, Mt. Zion, Ziesemer, R. D. ....	665.64	.....
Salemville, St. John ....	99.25	.....
Seneca, St. Paul, Eggert, P. C. ....	564.52	.....
Van Dyne, Zion, Weissgerber, W. ....	568.33	.....
Wautoma, Peace, Laper, A. D. ....	707.20	.....
Weyauwega, St. Peter, Wicke, H. ....	4,062.44	.....
Winchester, St. Peter, Engel, A. L. ....	.....	.....
Winneconne, St. Paul ....	1,085.30	.....

Conference Totals ..... \$ 33,757.27 \$ 147.00  
Miscellaneous ..... 304.59

District Totals ..... \$103,514.16 \$ 6,847.07

**Memorial Wreaths**

In Memory of — Sent in by	Amount
Mrs. Herman Bohm — E. Schewe, Zachow.....	\$ 1.00
Mrs. Alvin Broehm, Sr. — P. T. Oehlert, Kaukauna....	5.00
Julius Bubolz — E. Scharf, Rhinelander.....	12.00
Dennis Buss — E. J. Zehms, Freedom.....	12.45
Emil Buss — J. J. Wendland, Reedsville.....	5.00
John F. Deno — P. T. Oehlert, Kaukauna.....	22.00
Mrs. Ida Eckert — E. Schewe, Zachow.....	3.00
Mrs. Theo. Felland — W. F. Lutz, Escanaba.....	5.00
Mrs. Herman Flieth — P. T. Oehlert, Kaukauna.....	3.00
Rev. Harold Grunwald — H. Wicke, Oshkosh.....	15.00
Mrs. Walter Klusmeyer — L. H. Koeninger, Manitowoc..	56.50
Theo. Krenke — W. Pankow-F. Heidemann, New London	20.00
Mrs. Wm. Kriehn — H. A. Koch, Morrison.....	10.00
Mrs. Clarence Kroening — E. Schewe, Zachow.....	3.00
Reinhardt Kuehl — P. T. Oehlert, Kaukauna.....	3.00
Louis Lautenschlager — H. Wicke, Weyauwega.....	2.00
Mrs. Ferdinand Lemke — P. T. Oehlert, Kaukauna....	29.00
Mrs. Theodore Lemke — H. A. Koch, Morrison.....	35.00
Mrs. Alma Kohls Levenenz — L. H. Koeninger, Manitowoc	10.00
Mrs. Oscar E. Lindemann — L. H. Koeninger, Manitowoc	12.00
Mrs. Bertha Marzahl — P. T. Oehlert, Kaukauna.....	5.00
Mrs. Albert Neubauer — L. H. Koeninger, Manitowoc	3.00
Mrs. Fred Olm, Sr. — P. T. Oehlert, Kaukauna.....	30.00
Carl Peterman — V. J. Siegler, Brillion.....	1.00
Mrs. Henry Ploetz — P. T. Oehlert, Kaukauna.....	5.00
Ernest Raaths — E. Schewe, Zachow.....	3.00
Bernard Reinke — E. Schewe, Zachow.....	8.00
Otto Rogow — H. Wicke, Weyauwega.....	11.00
Fred Schoenick — H. Wicke, Weyauwega.....	3.00
Louis Timm — R. Waldschmidt, Ellington.....	10.00
Robert Vogel — E. Bode, Cleveland.....	10.00
Mrs. Karl Waack, Sr. — L. H. Koeninger, Manitowoc....	14.00
Father of Rev. H. G. Walther — W. E. Schmidt, Oconto Falls	5.00
Minnie Wessel — A. Schabow-K. Toepel, Algoma.....	89.00
Miss Louen Winter — W. F. Lutz, Escanaba.....	5.00
Gustav Zirbel — A. Schabow-K. Toepel, Algoma.....	23.00

Total ..... \$ 488.95  
GEROLD C. HERZFELDT, District Treasurer.

**MICHIGAN DISTRICT  
July 1, 1953, to June 30, 1956  
Southwestern Conference**

Pastor	Budget	Bldg. Fund	Church Ext.	Non-budget
L. Meyer, Allegan .....	\$ 1,279.38	\$	\$ 201.84	\$
H. Juroff, Battle Creek .....	667.42		36.80	
N. Berg, Benton Harbor .....	2,393.76	661.50	232.00	
E. Wendland, Benton Harbor .....	10,167.10	966.60	559.97	
R. Schaller, Coloma .....	3,027.48	178.44	49.00	44.73
C. Kipfmiller, Dorr .....	455.00		57.50	
G. Struck, Dowagiac .....	2,570.25	95.00	129.50	42.30
E. Tacke, Eau Claire .....	1,567.92		65.00	
C. Kipfmiller, Hopkins .....	2,200.00		290.50	
J. Thrams, Muskegon .....	1,198.49	5.00	96.00	
L. Meyer, Otsego .....	332.30		39.10	
A. Maas, Sodus .....	2,318.95		300.00	
W. Westendorf, South Haven .....	3,665.44		358.81	
H. Zink, Stevensville .....	5,141.61	250.70	545.50	
W. Zarleng, St. Joseph .....	130.00			
H. Walther, Sturgis .....	1,196.62		159.65	
Pastors of S/W Conf. ..			5.00	

**Southeastern Conference**

A. Baer, Adrian .....	3,709.18		425.00
M. Radtke, Ann Arbor ..	901.31		162.00
M. Spaude, E. Ann Arbor ..	604.20		94.00
O. Kreie, Belleville .....	1,175.58		
I. Weiss, Center Line, including \$47.96 from Sunday School .....	1,432.52	257.05	123.76
O. Schlenner, Detroit, including \$2.32 from Sunday School .....	1,534.43	100.00	241.50
W. Valleskey, Detroit ..	2,632.59		157.50
E. Zell, Detroit .....	1,494.82		92.00
E. Frey, Detroit .....	1,475.10	50.00	25.00
H. Hoenecke, Detroit .....	2,255.43	172.50	128.00
J. DeRuiter, Detroit .....	2,111.50		76.75



P. Dumas, Detroit	101.31		20.10
Dexter	340.15		48.28
W. Wagner, Findlay	1,673.94		88.00
E. Schmelzer, Flat Rock	394.81		106.37
H. Buch, Greenwood	1,317.00	100.00	200.00
W. Voss, Jenera	4,305.00	50.00	1,317.14
M. Bradtke, Kenton	463.10		71.75
K. Krauss - L. Koeninger, Lansing	14,823.93	1,070.00	857.00
F. Zimmerman, Lansing	1,506.64		118.50
J. Westendorf, Livonia	1,197.10		537.00
W. Koelpin, Livonia	3,999.43		656.00
P. Kuske, Maumee	251.00		33.63
E. Schmelzer, Monroe	319.74		93.78
G. Cares, Monroe	4,207.86		323.85
A. Bauman, Monroetown	1,042.21	42.87	
A. Hueschen, Morenci	577.78		31.00
A. Walther, Northfield, including \$15.00 from Cong. and Men's Club	2,380.00		300.62
E. Hoenecke, Plymouth	3,651.74	25.00	564.50
C. Schmelzer, Riga	3,162.63		378.85
H. Engel, Saline	4,628.52	86.26	695.00
A. Wacker, Scio, including \$100.00 from Clara Schaible (Northern Rhodesia)	3,272.55		177.00
A. Walther, South Lyons, including \$15.00 from Ladies Aid	635.88		101.50
A. Jeschke, Tecumseh	1,326.11	604.50	
W. Wagner, Tiffin	121.84		
R. Timmel, Toledo	4,200.00		420.00
Toledo, Arlington	2,000.00		311.00
R. Scheele, Toledo	3,263.07	1,028.12	107.25
L. Rasch, Warren	708.15	12.00	50.00
A. Bloom, Waterloo	1,054.64		278.97
G. Press, Wayne	6,929.67		653.50
K. Koepf, Williamston	1,199.90		220.00
H. Buch, Yale	1,209.97	50.96	91.80
S/E Conference			20.00
<b>Northern Conference</b>			
M. Schroeder, Bay City	5,596.94	324.55	864.25
J. Vogt, Bay City	1,468.69		
J. Brenner, Bay City	9,150.00	1,134.00	379.00
E. Kasischke, Bay City	5,320.10	65.00	205.12
H. Schultz, Brady, including \$5.00 from Ladies Aid	1,091.56		263.00
M. Koepsell, Broomfield	550.23	62.25	17.00
H. Schultz, Chesaning, including \$5.00 from Ladies Aid	2,017.37		228.00
R. Voss, Clare	1,322.28	30.74	109.00
E. Renz, Custer	625.21		43.00
M. Kell, Durand	507.29	100.00	77.00
E. Leyrer, Elkton	502.13	183.00	20.00
B. Westendorf, Flint	4,131.19	87.00	219.00
R. Holtz, Flint	1,783.56		160.00
W. Steih, Florida	182.30		41.92
A. Kehrberg, Frankenmuth	1,956.50	443.00	99.00
A. Schwerin, Freeland	1,965.39		5.00
A. Clement, Glennie	23.75		
A. Schultz, Hale	1,028.95		39.50
M. Koepsell, Hamilton	275.51	30.09	46.00
O. Drevlow, Hemlock	1,576.11	150.00	150.00
W. Krueger, Kawkawlin	2,490.78	452.00	171.06
H. Lemke, Lincoln	809.96	83.90	56.00
A. Maaske, Manistee	1,450.00		118.40
E. Hillmer, Marlette	286.77		32.89
H. Schaible, Mayville	1,004.92	240.00	105.78
E. Hillmer, North Branch	906.52	178.65	50.00
K. Vertz, Owosso	7,240.00	1,616.04	575.00
F. Schroeder, Pigeon	5,604.86	49.00	440.15
M. Koepsell, Remus	813.55	23.75	123.00
P. Wilde, Saginaw	839.19		105.00
O. Frey, Saginaw	3,556.35	51.70	557.00
H. Eckert, Saginaw	2,138.33	51.00	272.00
O. Eckert - R. Gensmer, Saginaw	12,549.89	785.50	1,405.70
E. Renz, Scottville	1,004.89		64.50
Sebewaing	2,300.00	522.00	134.39
T. Frey, Standish	258.76		26.60
T. Frey, Sterling	668.80		108.15
N. Maas, St. Louis	1,421.98		248.50
Swan Creek, Saginaw	1,094.12	44.00	82.00
M. Kell-Swartz Creek	663.02	70.00	112.00
L. Newman, Tawas	3,278.22		1,586.00
R. Frey, Vassar, including \$19.29 from Sunday School	1,218.09	220.91	256.50
T. Horneber, Zilwaukee	2,946.35		514.68
Northern Pastoral and Delegate Conference		48.12	
Northern Pastoral Conf. Rev. E. Renz and Rev. A. Maaske		10.00	5.00
Northern Pastoral and Teachers Conference			48.25
Northern Pastoral and Teachers Conference			49.55
Mich. Dist. Teachers Conf.			10.00
Northwestern College Dormitory Students		51.85	
Aid Association for Lutherans, No. 1504		5.00	
Totals	\$225,329.26	\$ 12,912.53	\$ 23,743.96
Of the non-budget money there was \$174.53 for War Relief, balance sent direct to institutions.			\$ 994.08

Memorial Wreaths (Included Above)

	Amount
In Memory of - Sent in by Mrs. Sophie Kruezfeldt - Bay City, St. John	\$ 2.00
Edward Bgiesner - Brady	5.00
Wm. Sack - Chesaning	8.00
Christian Appold - Frankenmuth	2.00
M. C. Pfeiffer - Frankenmuth	6.00
Christian Sonner - Frankenmuth	2.00
H. L. McCorkle - Frankenmuth	2.00
Henry Jacobi - Frankenmuth	2.00
George Witt - Frankenmuth	2.00
Mrs. Hilda Bender - Frankenmuth	12.00
Mrs. Adelaide List - Frankenmuth	3.00
Edmund Blohm - Frankenmuth	2.00
Mrs. Otto Boehlke - Frankenmuth	5.00
Albert Loesel - Frankenmuth	5.50
Mrs. Louise Reichle - Frankenmuth	2.00
Mrs. Gustave Guetlech - Pigeon	40.00
Herman Hoppe - Pigeon	2.00
Herman Winkel - Pigeon	15.00
James Curran - Pigeon	3.00
Joe Kossanke - Pigeon	2.00
Henry Elbing - Pigeon	355.00
Mrs. Mary Thede - Pigeon	10.00
Carl Gerstenschlage - Pigeon	11.00
Leonard Leipprandt - Pigeon	3.00
Archie Miller - Pigeon	5.00
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