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BRIEFS by the Editor

No doubt many in the Synod are awaiting some word as to when the educational survey being prepared by Dr. Robert J. Keller and Mr. Charles Bruening, of the University of Minnesota, will be put into the hands of the responsible groups for study. This survey was authorized a year ago. The purpose was to provide guidance in the vast problems confronting us in regard to the course we shall follow in training enough workers. The size of the task before us is indicated by the estimate of the consultants that we shall have to train 100% more pastors and 100% more teachers within the next 10 years. This projection was included in the oral report lasting five and one-half hours which the consultants gave on May 15.

At that time the complete, printed report was tentatively promised for June 15. However, that date was not met. The latest word is that the report will be ready by mid-July. Shortly after it is received, three groups will meet to consider the facts and findings which the consultants will present. These groups are: the Planning Committee for the Educational Institutions of the Synod, the Advi-

sory Committee on Education, and the Board of Trustees. Each group will meet separately. Then all three groups will have a joint meeting. Out of this study will come a report which will summarize the facts presented in the survey and will evaluate the findings of the consultants.

The publicizing of this information will be an extremely important step. As we stated at the outset, the task which the Lord places before us is one of major proportions. We would say "of staggering scope," if we did not approach it with faith in our Lord and in the power of His Word. But it is a glorious task. In all its phases, it has to do with supplying the manpower for preaching and teaching the Gospel to more and more souls, in more and more places.

From such a task no child of God in our Synod wants to be excluded. He wants to have a part in it; he wants a chance to pray for its success and to give toward its execution. The rank and file of our members, therefore, must have ample information regarding this vast undertaking. The key man in relaying this information to the congregation is, of course, the pastor. Only he can see to it that all

his members receive the information which will prompt them to exercise their fellowship with all the members in our household of faith by carrying out this vital Gospel work, and to find an outlet for their faith in the grace of giving for this cause of their Redeemer. If the pastor should fail in this — which God forbid! — then his members would be deprived of this golden opportunity to serve their Lord with gladness, in the great task of spreading His glorious, saving name.

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Many of you have very likely been reading reports concerning the recent convention of The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod. In some areas the papers, we know, have given this convention a rather thorough coverage. But we hear that in other areas the information carried by the papers has been quite scanty. In view of the action our Synod took at its 1961 convention in regard to The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod, accurate news regarding this critical convention is important for all of us. As you know, the members of our Commission on Doctrinal Matters were observers at that convention. The Commission will prepare an evaluation of the Missouri Synod convention for the members of our Synod. This evaluation will appear in THE NORTHWESTERN LUTHERAN.

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

Neither Fish Nor Fowl

The theory of evolution represents human beings as having ascended from mud and slime through 1500 million years of gradual development until, after countless generations, the climax of life has been reached in Man today.

Scripture teaches us that in the beginning of time God created Adam and Eve in His image. Before that moment of time when God formed a human being from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, man was not.

These two accounts of man's origin have provoked efforts to harmonize them. Men who feel they have an obligation to Scripture and at the same time want to pay their respects to science have made the attempt to reconcile evolution and creation by showing that both may be right. Moses and Darwin are represented as having kissed each other and as now living together in mutual respect and amity.

In his book, *The World — Its Creation and Consumption*, the German theologian Karl Heim develops the kind of reconciliation formula that has found favor with a number of Lutheran intellectuals. According to Heim, God took out of its environment a hominid (manlike or man-becoming creature) on its evolutionary way to becoming civilized man (perhaps in the million-year Pleistocene age preceding the period of recorded history), placed it in a "district which is geographically congenial," raised "this little creature to His own level, and [made] Man His companion, His partner." God thus elevated a creature to human dignity. As a consequence of God's election, man also received a "commission to rule over [creation] with divine authority." So Karl Heim would marry Scripture to science.

This explanation prompts questions. Were there only two hominids in existence at the time when God reached down into the evolutionary stream and selected a creature for His special purposes? What about the other hominids from whose number God chose Adam and Eve? Did they never achieve the rank of Man? Did God by-pass or dispense with the process of slow evolution when He made the manlike creature Man? If not, were the other hominids well up on the ladder leading to Man's estate? Were they near-Men? How many tens of thousands of years did it take God to develop Man from his hominid stage? Why did God bother to create Eve out of Adam if there were already plenty of hominid adams and eves available? And so on —. And what about Man's soul, Man's sin, and the image of God?

The kind of reader for whom the Bible was written will, in turn, be amused, amazed, and outraged when he searches Genesis 1 and 2 and the rest of Scripture, which speaks in terms of Genesis 1 and 2, for the answers Heim assures him are to be found there, or when he looks for the statements that prove that Moses accepts or presupposes evolution prior to creation. Only by distorting or ignoring Scripture can one maintain that the Spirit-authored Bible supports Darwinian science.

It must occur to the thinking Christian that formulas like Karl Heim's are neither fish nor fowl. Such contrived compromises do violence to consistent evolution and

affront and despoil divine revelation. God has yet to grant anyone a license to work both sides of the street that way.

C. TOPPE

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Building A Right Superstructure

Paul writes to the Corinthians: "Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." Christ as the Savior is the only solid foundation for the Church and for faith. But in almost the same breath he adds: "Let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon." That does not mean that the superstructure is a matter of indifference, that in other respects you may believe and live as you please.

Some argue: I believe that Jesus on the cross paid for all my sins. If I now live in sin and join the world in its ungodly pursuits, no real harm will come to me. Paul was already charged with teaching that sort of thing. But he was horrified at the suggestion. He exclaimed: "God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?" Again he reminded that God hath called us unto holiness. How timely, then, is the warning: "Let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon."

Let us also apply it to the doctrines which we hold or do not hold. It is the fashion to say: As long as I believe in Jesus as my Savior, whatever doctrines I accept or reject otherwise will not make a particle of difference. How does that square with the warning: "Let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon"? Is false doctrine so harmless? The Bible continually warns against false doctrines and false teachers. It certainly would not do so if it were immaterial as long as one holds to the fundamental doctrine of salvation through Christ alone.

The Bible warns concerning false doctrine: "It doth eat like a canker." Is cancer only dangerous when it has attacked vital organs? If it gains a foothold, it will soon spread to them. Even a seemingly harmless false doctrine is a serious threat to your saving faith. If you open your door to it, it will immediately begin its devastating and destructive work. "A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump."

Why, then, take chances with your immortal soul? Why dabble in things which may prove eternally disastrous? How much better to occupy ourselves with things which will promote the eternal welfare of our souls. Let us be concerned about the foundation, but also about the superstructure.

IM. P. FREY

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A Common Law

It is a law of economics that bad money, if tolerated, will drive good money out of circulation.

That seems to be the law in nature, too. This spring two handsome tree swallows established residence in my

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Studies in God's Word: The Exalted Calling of the Christian

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light to all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven (Matthew 5:13-16).

When we studied Old Testament Bible History for the first time, I'm sure the story of Sodom and Gomorrah made a deep impression on us. Who can forget the wickedness of these cities and their total destruction by fire and brimstone? And yet, as ripe as they were for the judgment of God, these cities might have been spared for the sake of ten righteous men. Think of it! Only ten righteous men would have averted that terrible destruction.

That makes one do a little thinking. What a tremendous responsibility the righteous have in this world! What an important function they have to perform! What an exalted calling they have among men!

Christians Function As Salt

The above words of Jesus, a portion of His Sermon on the Mount, were spoken to His disciples, to believers. When Jesus says, "Ye are the salt of the earth," He is speaking to Christians, not to anyone else. Christians are the only ones that can function as salt. For where faith in Christ does not motivate man's actions, then even those things which the world regard as good deeds are an abomination in the sight of God.

One of the functions of salt is to preserve food and check its decay. Similarly, the presence of the believer in the world helps to preserve

the world and arrest its decay. The world would soon rot in its separation from God if it were not for the restraining power of the Christian. It is the Christian who holds back the judgment of God and keeps it from being poured out over an ungodly world. Remember Sodom and Gomorrah! Ten righteous men would have averted their doom. It is self-evident, therefore, that if the believers are to function as salt to preserve the world from decay, they must be well preserved themselves. If for some reason salt loses its savor, becomes flat and tasteless, there is no way in which those properties may be restored. You might still throw it on an icy sidewalk. It might help to keep someone from slipping. But the preservative qualities are gone.

A Christian who has lost his savor, who has ceased to function as salt, whose Christianity has fallen into decay and become an empty form, has likewise lost his preservative qualities. He now does more harm than good. Instead of arresting the world's decay, he only hastens its advance. The Christian who has lost his savor, who still maintains an outward connection with the church as a form of burial insurance for instance, but gives no evidence of his faith in word and deed, undoubtedly does more to confirm scoffers in their unbelief than all the subtle arguments of atheists and infidels.

They Serve As A Light

The natural function of a light is to shine. It cannot hide its brilliance but it is in the very nature of light to spread out and illuminate everything that surrounds it.

Jesus now makes two statements which emphasize that Christians also naturally function as a light. "A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid." No doubt, His hearers were reminded of Jerusalem. Because of its natural location, it was plainly visible to the surrounding region. So it is also with a child of God. He will be

noticed by those around him. He cannot hide his light. People will see him.

Jesus uses another illustration. He says that people do not light a candle and then hide it under a bushel. That would defeat the purpose of lighting it. No, they put it on a candlestick, in a prominent position, where the most people will benefit from it.

The application is obvious. Christians are to let their light shine so that people will see them. Translated into practical, everyday living, this means that our lives are to reflect Christ. People are to see Christ in what we say and do. Don't think for a minute that the world isn't watching the Christian. It expects him to be different because of his contact with Jesus. When it sees no difference, the name of Christ is put to shame.

Many people never go to church or look into the inside of a Bible. You and I are the only contact they have with Christ. On the basis of what they see in you and me, their opinion of Jesus is going to be formed. What a tremendous responsibility we have! What an exalted calling! Someone has well said, "Be careful how you live; you may be the only Bible that some folks read."

But isn't this boastfulness to let our light shine, that men may see our good works? Oh, but we're not doing them to be seen of men. We're not even conscious of being seen. It's the natural function of a Christian to do good works. He will act the same whether anyone is looking or not. The important thing is not that they glorify us, but that they glorify our Father in heaven; that because of us they may be compelled to say, "If that's what Christianity does, I'd like to know more about it."

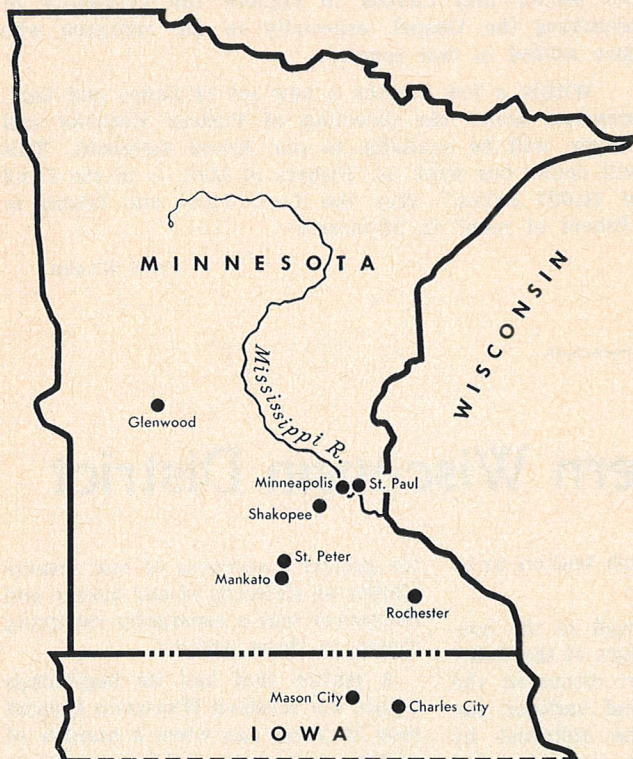
May we never, never underestimate or lose sight of the exalted calling we have as Christians and with God's help faithfully discharge the function that we have as the salt of the earth and the light of the world!

C. MISCHKE

News FROM OUR Missions



Your Home Missions in Minnesota



Minneapolis

1. St. Philip's, vacant, 1948
2. Brooklyn Lutheran, Brooklyn Park, W. Dorn, 1960
3. Bloomington Lutheran, Bloomington, J. Hoenecke, 1951, (school)
4. Forest Crest, Bloomington, L. Lindloff, 1958
5. Timothy, St. Louis Park, L. Lindloff, 1951, (school)
6. Institutions: A. Frey, E. Eberhart

St. Paul

1. Divinity, Hayden Heights, D. Kolander, 1954
2. Mt. Zion, Highwood, D. Kolander, 1947
3. St. Andrew's, St. Paul Park, A. Zenker, 1947, (school)
4. Institutions: A. Frey, E. Eberhart

Glenwood, Calvary, F. Stern, 1942

St. Peter, St. Peter State Hospital, M. Wehausen, 1944

Mankato, Mankato Collegiates, M. Birkholz

Mason City, Iowa, Gethsemane, John Chorowsky, 1956

Charles City, Iowa, Cross, R. Uhlorn, 1946

Rochester, Resurrection, R. Reimers, 1956. Also serves hospitals in Rochester.

Shakopee, Mt. Olive, L. Lothert, 1952

Fishers of Men

Minnesota, known throughout the world for its iron mines, flour mills, the Mayo Clinic, and the legends about Paul Bunyan, has perhaps gained its chief renown for its more than 10,000 lakes, which attract fishermen from all parts of the nation. Minnesota, which name is composed of two Sioux Indian words, "sky-blue" and "water" has a greater water area than any other state. Here is the source of the mighty Mississippi, which wends its way until it finally empties into the Gulf of Mexico. Here is Minnehaha Falls, made famous by Longfellow in "The Song of Hiawatha" ("where the Falls of Minnehaha flash and gleam among the oak trees, laugh and leap into the valley," and where the rivers rush through the "palisades of pine trees.")

In the Minnesota District also we gratefully accept our Lord's invitation: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men," and like Peter and John, "forsake our nets" and follow Him. We "fish" where He sends us; we use His "net," and we know that He alone determines the "catch."

Observing our "fishermen" at work, we start at the west and visit the city of Glenwood, located on beautiful Lake Minnewaska, where Pastor F. Stern, who has served His Lord in many capacities for over 50 years, is our missionary.

Next we drive to Minneapolis, the city of lakes, with 22 lakes within its borders. Brooklyn Park, a suburb to

the north, has recently dedicated a new chapel, and it is served by Pastor W. Dorn. To the west of Minneapolis, we enter St. Louis Park, Pastor L. Lindloff, where he and his members are awaiting construction of a two-room addition to their Christian day school. To the south we drive into Bloomington, near the home of the Minnesota Twins, and find Bloomington Lutheran Church, Pastor John Hoenecke, with a Christian day-school enrollment of 144. Forest Crest, a few miles to the west, will soon begin construction of its new chapel. In south Minneapolis is St. Philip's, serving our colored brethren. St. Philip's and Forest Crest will soon install their new pastor, the Rev. Theo. Kuske. We have been granted a summer vicar to explore new mission fields, particularly to the north of Minneapolis.

Near the capital city, St. Paul, we behold Divinity Lutheran Church, served by Pastor D. Kolander. Divinity purchased a church building some years ago with money collected in a special Minnesota CEF offering. In St. Paul Park, Pastor A. Zenker, plans are to erect a new school building to continue the Christian day-school program.

Driving south to Shakopee, we visit Mt. Olive, served by Pastor L. Lothert. Still farther south we enter Rochester, the home of the Mayo Clinic, where Pastor R. Reimers not only "lets down the net" in Resurrection

Lutheran Church, but also visits the convalescent patients that are referred to him.

We now leave Minnesota and cross the border into Iowa to visit Mason City, Pastor J. Chworowsky, where a new chapel was dedicated some years ago, and then drive to Charles City to Cross Lutheran, Pastor R. Uhlhorn.

As part of our work as "fishers of men" we do institutional work in the Twin Cities, Rochester, St. Peter, and Red Wing. Student centers are maintained in Mankato, Morris, and in the Twin Cities.

Since it takes a great deal of thorough training to become competent "fishermen," we rejoice in the two schools in our District, St. Croix Lutheran High School in St. Paul, and Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm.

If it is the Lord's will, we may soon cross the northern border into Canada to explore the possibility of preaching the Gospel, especially to the refugees who have settled in that country.

Within a few months a new set of slides and tape, prepared under the direction of Pastors Kosanke and Geiger, will be available to our Synod members. This will depict our work as "Fishers of Men — in the Land of 10,000 Lakes." May the Lord bless our labors as "fishers of men" in Minnesota!

JOHN RAABE

Convention of the Western Wisconsin District

Northwestern College's chapel pews, vacated by the student body on June 8, were filled with worshipers from many walks of life a few days later when the delegates to the District convention met there for an opening Communion service on the afternoon of June 11. Some 230 pastors, teachers, and lay delegates from widely separated areas of the large District worshiped and communed together. Pastor Walter G. Voigt of Merrill was the preacher for this service. In the opening business session held in the college gymnasium, President Richard Mueller read his biennial report to the District. "Go! Work in My Vineyard" was the theme of his report. He pointed out the privilege and responsibility of being a worker in the Lord's vineyard and the need for faithful and loyal kingdom workers.

On Monday evening Pastor Richard Mueller, Jr., missionary to Northern Rhodesia, presented an illustrated lecture on the work being done and

the opportunities which beckon us in that area.

Two essays were read to the convention. "The Procedure of the Call," by Pastor R. Siegler, discussed the nature of the call and outlined the steps that should be followed by pastors and teachers and congregations when calls are received or when calls are being extended. Pastor T. Bradtke's essay on "Christian Burial" offered practical information on this subject. Because the burial service is an evidence of the close relationship between doctrine and practice, pastor and congregation must be guided by sound Scriptural principles. Both essays were received with gratitude by the delegates.

The bulk of the convention's work was undoubtedly very similar to that done by the other Districts of the Synod which have met in convention this month. Our Synod's work was carefully reviewed by diligent committees, whose reports were read and accepted by the convention. The need

for greater awareness of our responsibility as stewards of our money and manpower was a constantly recurring theme in these reports.

A matter that had its beginnings within the Western Wisconsin District over 30 years ago when a number of pastors were suspended from membership by the District was prayerfully considered by the convention. The resolutions which were adopted by the convention are found under "Announcement of Convention Action" on page 221.

A closing service of evangelism was held in the College chapel on Wednesday evening. The Rev. Herman Winkel preached the sermon.

Results of the major elections were as follows: president, Pastor Richard Mueller; first vice-president, Pastor Norbert Paustian; second vice-president, Pastor Carl Mischke; secretary, Pastor Elmer Prenzlow, Jr.; District cashier, Mr. Donald Rice; Mission Board, Pastor Henry Paustian and Mr. J. W. Jung.

G. FRANZMANN



A Lantern to Our Footsteps

God's Reply to Our Questions

**Topic: How Is the Word
"Beseech" To Be
Understood in
Romans 16:17?**

Why We Speak of Romans 16:17 Again

Several articles in this column have treated various aspects of the passage referred to in our question. For this reason one is hesitant to write another article on it. It may appear as though undue emphasis is being given to one single passage in the Scriptures. Yet, since this passage is referred to in our resolution suspending fellowship relations with The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and since it has been distorted and misunderstood, certain aspects of it needed clarification. A reader has inquired about the significance of another word in this passage. This reader had heard a remark to this effect: "Since this passage begins with 'Now I beseech you,' this cannot be understood as a *command*, but only as a 'plea,' which may or may not be obeyed as we are inclined." The question then is: How is the word "beseech" to be understood? Does it change the meaning and importance of the passage?

The Christian and the Will of God

We need to remember to whom these words are addressed. The readers are called "brethren." These are Christians. This means the words are addressed to such who love the Lord Jesus, who in so far as they are Christians will have the mind of Christ (I Cor. 2:16). The Christians delight in the Law of God after the inward man (Rom. 7:22). Since they delight in God's Law, it no longer is law for them in the real sense. The will of God as it becomes known in the Law no longer comes from without, forcing upon them with threats an unwilling obedience. But the inward man, the new man who believes in Christ, now delights in that which is the will of God. God's will becomes his will. And so the Christian is no longer under the Law with its threats and demands, as St. Paul writes, I Timothy 1:9; Galatians 5:18.

The Will of God Expressed in Romans 16:17?

Now the question is this: Is that which Paul is beseeching the Christians to do the will of God or not? That God's children cannot make common cause with error, is obviously the will of God. Not only in Romans 16:17, but at various times the Scriptures testify to this. If this passage now gives expression to God's will in this matter, the Christian does not ask: Is this a command that I must follow, or is this merely advice that I may follow or not, according to my own inclination? The Christian will not look for "loopholes" to evade following the will of God. It is true, his flesh will still oppose

God's will, will still mislead him, make it difficult for him to do the good which he according to his inward man desires. But, as a Christian, the will of God will be his delight. He will recognize the will of God not only as that which he should do, but also as that which he according to the new man in him wants to do.

The "Beseech" Is Just Right

The fact then that the word "beseech" is used does not make what is stated any less the will of God than if the word "command" were used. The use of the word "beseech" in so many of the New Testament admonitions shows the spirit of the relationship between the Christian and his God. It is one in which the heavenly Father comes to those who believe in the Lord Jesus, who through Christ have become His beloved and loving children, and shows them His will, bidding them follow their new man who will joyfully respond to His Word.

The Obedience God Looks For

This also shows us how the kind of obedience God looks for may be inspired in Christians, also obedience to the "command" of Romans 16:17. It will not be brought about through laying down the Law and demanding obedience to it. It is not simply a matter of legalistically considering this as something that must be followed because the Synod has passed a resolution to that effect. Any such a legalistic approach can only result in a formal, mechanical adherence to the letter of the Law, to an external conforming to certain demands, though it may be done unwillingly. And such obedience that does not flow out of faith in, and love for, Christ is hardly what St. Paul is calling for when he says: "Now I beseech you, brethren."

An Appeal to Loving Service in This Matter

These words rather address themselves to Christians, instructing, admonishing them. They appeal to them, for the sake of Christ and the truth which He has revealed to them, to separate themselves from those who persistently cling to error. And how should the Christian be otherwise minded, knowing what his Savior has done for him, loving the Word that has revealed to him the truth about his salvation? Obedience thus motivated will not be a forced obedience, but a loving service to his Lord. "Now I beseech you, brethren" — what a powerful appeal to Christian faith!

ARMIN SCHUETZE

Graduation at Northwestern College

One of the three oldest living graduates of Northwestern College, Pastor emeritus J. H. Schwartz, of Bloomer, Wisconsin, was a speaker at the annual alumni reunion on the college campus the day before commencement. Seventy-two classes, or 93 per cent of the graduates of the college, have since followed him and his classmates into the ranks of Northwestern alumni.

From 1890 to 1962 is a very long time. These long years span the administrations of at least a dozen presidents, embrace periods of prosperity and depression, run from the horse-and-buggy age to the space age. In unbroken succession the classes have been graduated; the regularity of their appearance has made them appear almost commonplace and routine.

What is significant about a class whose graduation is only an annual duplicate of that of a long series of similar graduations, whose appearance is no more wonderful or unique than is another birthday in the life of an aged man? The unchanging pattern might seem to be monotonous and uninteresting to one who has seen scores of such events succeed each other.

But that is not the way we see a graduation at Northwestern — as only another day in an unvarying historical monotony.

Each graduation is a first-time experience for the students, so memorable for them that we find ourselves seeing it through their eyes as they mark this significant day in their lives. Each year there are parents whose first son or daughter is being graduated, and their deep interest in reaching this milestone in their lives catches our emotions up with theirs.

From time to time there is also a uniqueness about a graduation that captures our attention. Perhaps it is an anniversary year in the history of the school, or the class may have been an especially able one and have been a particular credit to the school. Without exception, the members of the class may be going on to the Seminary. The class may have been unusually small, or unusually large in size. This year, for example, the college graduating class, with 43 members, was the largest in the school's history, more than a fifth larger than the largest class previously graduated.

But aside from all such distinctions, each graduation is a special event at Northwestern because it is a renewed pledge to the Church that there will be students at our Seminary, and a few years hence there will be pastors to stand in our pulpits and missionaries to open new fields. It is because they will maintain and expand the Church's ministry that we welcome the graduation of each class with anticipation and joy. These graduates are the Spirit's gift to the Church, prayed for and thanked for;

that makes their graduation a matter of interest and concern to us—every year.

In addition to the 43 college graduates, there were also 49 graduates of the preparatory department. Most of these young people will continue their studies for the preaching and the teaching profession in our Synod

The list of 1962 College graduates follows:

Delbert Begalka, Castlewood, S. Dak.
 James Behling, Wauwatosa
 Douglas Bode, St. Paul, Minn.
 Larry Cooper, La Crosse
 Larry Crawford, Portage
 James Diener, Hartford
 Theodore Eisold, Milwaukee
 Larry Ellenberger, Norfolk, Nebr.
 Daniel Falck, Neenah
 Herbert Filter, Adrian, Mich.
 Peter Franzmann, Clayton, Mo.
 Thomas Franzmann, Milwaukee
 Wallace Gaulke, Rio Creek
 John Henderson, St. Petersburg, Fla.
 John Henning, Milwaukee
 Jerald Jeskewitz, Manitowish

James Koch, Milwaukee
 Reinhart Kom, Moberg, S. Dak.
 James Mumm, Watertown
 Donald Ninmer, Kiel
 Walter Oelhafen, Montello
 Theodore Olsen, Milwaukee
 Carl Pagel, Green Bay
 Norman Paul, Newton, Iowa
 Karl Plocher, Glencoe, Minn.
 Joel Prange, Watseka, Ill.
 Keith Roehl, Watauga, S. Dak.
 Martin Scheele, Flint, Mich.
 Gary Scheuerlein, Saginaw, Mich.
 Wayne Schneider, Two Rivers
 Gary Schroeder, Caledonia, Minn.
 Gerold Schultz, Lena
 Wayne Schulz, Denmark
 Paul Seiltz, Greenleaf
 Thomas Spiegelberg, Menasha
 Sheldon Twenge, Chokio, Minn.
 Stephen Valleskey, Detroit, Mich.
 Roger Vomhof, Goodhue, Minn.
 Myrl Wagenknecht, Glendale, Ariz.
 Ronald Waterstradt, Kenosha
 Roger Zehms, Green Bay
 Larry Zessin, Sturgeon Bay
 Ernest Zimdars, Philmont, N.Y.

C. TOPPE



President C. Toppe distributing diplomas at the Northwestern graduation

District Meeting -- Dakota-Montana

The casual observer, attending this year's meeting of the Dakota-Montana District, might well have expressed the spirit of the delegates with the words of the Psalmist: "Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Add the fact that the weather was cool and that the prairies of the Dakotas have not been so green and lush with grass for some years, and one sees further reason for the pleasant days of the convention. Even the rise of the waters of Lake Oahe, which will have its shore line not far from the campus of Northwestern Lutheran Academy, where the convention was held, seemed to put the delegates into a buoyant frame of mind.

Strength From the Word

The main stress of the convention, of course, was laid upon the hearing and learning of the Word of God. Vice-President H. Birner preached in the opening services on the morning of June 19. Basing his sermon on Psalm 11, Pastor Birner urged the convention to "guard the foundations of the Church." He admonished the brethren not to weaken these foundations by yielding to the plea for expediency in determining the doctrine and practice of the Church. Rather, we must be on guard against the subtle arrows of false doctrine that would destroy and crumble the true foundation of God's Word. Such guarding is the more important because it wards off the terrible judgment of God which He threatens to send upon those who neglect the true foundations and seek to establish the Church upon foundations of their own making.

The daily devotions, conducted by Pastors Putz and Meier, paid particular attention to the business of each session, whether it was doctrine, missions, or Christian education.

The Essay

Professor A. Schuetze of Synod's Seminary at Mequon, Wisconsin, delivered the doctrinal essay at the convention. His theme was "Neo-orthodoxy, the New Threat to Our Christian Heritage." Neo-orthodoxy is that new theology which has taken

over large areas of Protestantism within the last two or three decades. It is also active in the Lutheran Church of our own land. The movement opposes the Liberalism which flows from the theory of Evolution and its philosophical offspring. Nevertheless, it also opposes the truth of the Scriptures as the divinely inspired Word of God. Therefore it threatens our Christian heritage which rests alone on the Scriptures. To combat this new threat to our faith, we must be strong in the Lord, holding firmly to the Word of God in all its truth and purity.

Presidential Report

The presidential report of President Schumann stressed the wonderful liberty which is ours in the possession of our Confessions. One cannot value the Confessions too highly nor overestimate their importance for our faith.

The Spirit of the Convention

The business of the convention naturally was routine. Committees studied the "Report to the Districts" and presented the necessary information to the District. The absence of any tendency to favor a "crash program" in Synod's work was quite noticeable. But the convention did not show a "do-nothing" attitude either. One might best express the attitude of the convention with the word "sober."

This soberness was very much in evidence in the discussion of the needs of the educational institutions. The consensus of the delegates appeared to be that the study by an educational consultant was a good thing. But now Synod must prove earnestly what is good for it and what is within the attainable according to the gifts which the Lord has given our members.

Considerable time was spent in discussing the main work of our Synod. The Mission Board reported on the work within the District and a number of missionaries supplemented this report by relating their blessed experiences in their home congregations. Slow but steady progress would sum up these reports well. As is the

case in all Districts, our work was seriously hampered by the lack of manpower and funds. Long vacancies in a number of congregations, both independent and mission, seriously curtailed the work of the Lord in those areas.

A Sad Note

The only sad note in the convention was occasioned by the report of the president that several men had again left our fellowship in order to join with those who have separated themselves from us. The convention confirmed the suspension of Pastor G. Hinz, which had been announced by the Praesidium some time ago. The committee which dealt with doctrinal matters proposed, and the District accepted its proposal, that, in regard to the Church of the Lutheran Confession, our (General Synod's) Commission "give serious consideration to the grievous charges of willful and deliberate disobedience of Scripture made against us by the CLC."

Election Results

The elections resulted chiefly in the re-election of the incumbents. Pastor W. Schumann was re-elected president, Pastors H. Birner and L. Wurster will serve as the vice-presidents for the coming biennium. Pastor C. Spaude was elected secretary and Mr. J. Leidle as cashier for the District. Pastor Dobberstein and Mr. Schull will continue to serve on the Mission Board.

"Burning Hearts and Telling Lips"

The closing services were conducted by Pastor M. Janke, the chairman of the Mission Board. His message was particularly fitting for pastors and delegates returning home from a synodical convention. He urged them to manifest "burning hearts and telling lips" in returning to the task of building and edifying the Church of Christ at their respective homes.

May the Lord continue to bless our District to the edifying of His Church and the glorifying of His holy name!

K. G. SIEVERT

What do
you mean..



Original Sin ?

A Deadly, Dread Disease

Our bodies may suffer from a dread disease like cancer. Yet we distinguish between the body itself and the disease with which it is afflicted. Similarly, a distinction must be made between our nature and the inherited corruption of original sin. But in reality this corruption is so deep and permeates our nature so completely that no one except God can separate the corruption of our nature from the nature itself. Even an Apostle Paul is compelled to cry out, "O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?"

The sinfulness of our human nature since Adam's Fall is no mere outward blemish, no superficial spot. It is like a dread disease. It affects the whole of man. And as far as man is concerned, this disease is incurable. Natural man has no ability whatsoever to help himself.

Among the Jews leprosy was regarded as a symbol for sin. It was an apt comparison. The leper, ostracized from society, calling out to all who came near, "Unclean! Unclean!" was a living portrait of sin's shocking character. The repulsive appearance of the decaying members of the leper's body, the utter hopelessness of leprosy's victims, the inevitable but slow and agonizing approach of death as the disease progressed to its advanced and final stages — all this was vividly descriptive of the hideous nature and dreadful consequences of sin.

As leprosy ravages the body, so sin has completely corrupted man's nature. It has infected and poisoned his whole being. "I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing," the Apostle Paul confesses concerning his sinful nature. He is speaking for us all.

Our Lutheran Confessions point out that, according to Scripture, original sin has a twofold nature. It is on the one hand, a complete lack, a total absence, of the holiness and righteousness which God requires. And, on the other hand, it is an active desire and lust for that which is evil. "Since the fall of Adam," our Augsburg

Confession teaches, "all men begotten in the natural way are born with sin, that is, without fear of God, without trust in God, and with concupiscence." (Concupiscence is evil lust, the sinful desire of the heart for that which is evil.)

Every child of God has the same experience as Paul. "The good that I would," Paul says, "I do not; but the evil which I would not, that I do." We Christians must continually struggle against the evil inclinations of our Old Adam, as the sinful nature which we have inherited from Adam is also called. And so often the flesh is victorious!

Let no one, therefore, imagine that original sin is an insignificant, minor thing. It is no trifling matter. "This hereditary evil," as our Confessions teach "is so great and horrible that only for the sake of the Lord Christ it can be covered and forgiven before God in the baptized and believing. Moreover, human nature, which is perverted and corrupted thereby, must and can be healed only by the regeneration and renewal of the Holy Ghost."

What a mistake it is to think that original sin is nothing serious! On the basis of Scripture our Confessions plainly declare, "This disease, or vice of origin, is truly sin, even now condemning and bringing eternal death upon those not born again through Baptism and the Holy Ghost."

Through Baptism, however, we are cleansed of the guilt of *all* sin. "Baptism doth also now save us." Through Baptism, therefore, the guilt of original sin is also completely washed away. But the renewal of our perverted and corrupted human nature is only begun in this life. Having been "born again" through Baptism, we do have a certain ability to resist our sinful desires and to do that which is good and acceptable unto God. But this renewal will not become perfect until we enter heaven.

WILBERT R. GAWRISCH

*All mankind fell in Adam's fall,
One common sin infects us all;
From sire to son the bane descends,
And over all the curse impends.*

*Thro' all man's pow'rs corruption
creeps
And him in dreadful bondage keeps;
In guilt he draws his infant breath
And reaps its fruits of woe and death.*

*From hearts depraved, to evil prone,
Flow tho'ts and deeds of sin alone;
God's image lost, the darkened soul
Nor seeks nor finds its heav'nly goal.*

*But Christ, the second Adam, came
To bear our sin and woe and shame,
To be our Life, our Light, our Way,
Our only Hope, our only Stay.*

*As by one man all mankind fell
And, born in sin, was doomed to hell,
So by one Man, who took our place,
We all received the gift of grace.*

*We thank Thee, Christ; new life is
ours,
New light, new hope, new strength,
new powers:*

*This grace our every journey attend
Until we reach our journey's end!
Amen.*

Convention of the Southeastern Wisconsin District

"Be of good courage, and let us behave ourselves valiantly for our people, and for the cities of our God: and let the Lord do that which is good in his sight." In the opening service at St. John's Church, Wauwatosa, Pastor Adolph Buenger used these words of I Chronicles 19:13 to set forth the purpose of the convention. In this service the delegates were further strengthened for their task by partaking of the Lord's Supper.

The convention proper opened at the Wisconsin Lutheran High School later that morning of June 12, 1962. After President Halboth had read his address, the election committee began its work, but before ballots were distributed, President Halboth requested that the convention give the presidency into other hands.

The Devotional Services

Each morning and afternoon meeting began with a devotional service. The speakers and their themes follow:

Pastor Richard Balge, "The Power to Witness" (Acts 1:8); Missionary Richard Seeger, "King Asa and the Wisconsin Synod" (II Chron. 15:7); Pastor Harold Eckert, "A Colt for the Lord" (Mark 11:1-3); Prof. Robert Krause, "In the Footsteps of the Savior" (John 1:35-37); Pastor Lyle Hallauer, "Christ's Prayerful Concern for the Church" (John 17:11-21); Pastor Robert Voss, "Witness for Christ" (Acts 4:20). Missionary Richard Mueller also gave a lecture, with slides, on the work in Northern Rhodesia, during one noon recess.

The Elections

The president, Pastor Adolph Buenger; the first vice-president, Pastor Waldemar Pless; the second vice-president, Pastor Herman Cares; the secretary, Professor Heinrich Vogel; the cashier, Mr. G. W. Sampe; District Mission Board members: Mr. Isaac Sader, and Pastor Frederick Tabbert. District Board of Education members: Mr. James Albrecht, Mr. Glen Barnes, Pastor R. W. Brassow.

The Essay

Because of the large number of weighty reports to be discussed at this convention, only one essay was read. "The Layman, a Witness for Christ" was the topic treated by

Pastor Erhard C. Pankow. A listing of the divisions of his essay will indicate as well as anything the scope of his treatment: I. What Is Evangelism? II. Why Stress Lay Evangelism? III. Motives for Lay Evangelism. IV. Qualifications for Lay Evangelism. V. The Field for Lay Witnessing. Each assertion was carefully and plentifully supported by Scripture statements and examples. Pastors, teachers, and laymen present received from the essay a clearer picture of the work to be done through a lay evangelism program and a strong incentive to be about the execution of such a program.

The Reports

All the reports in the booklet prepared for the District conventions received careful attention. Naturally, some of these had a greater claim on the attention of the delegates than others. One of these was the Report of the Planning Committee for the Educational Institutions of the Synod, for the Synod has before it proposals that may radically change our educational setup or, at the least, bring about an expansion of our facilities far exceeding anything similar in the past. [See "Briefs by the Editor"—Ed.]

Another matter that provoked considerable interest and discussion was the recommendation that older men (who generally also are married) be given their years of college work at Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, Minnesota, an institution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. This program is already being put into effect. The convention expressed its approval of this solution for a difficult and urgent problem.

The convention also gave earnest thought to the report of the Commission on Doctrinal Matters. There was some discussion of the Commission's refusal to resume doctrinal discussion with the Committee on Doctrinal Unity of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod because it found "no indications of developments that would insure a profitable meeting according to the interpretation of our synodical resolution on that point." But then the delegates resolved to "approve of the procedure which had been followed" by the Commission on Doctrinal Matters.

Naturally, the \$600,000 deficit in our budgetary collections was a matter of grave concern. The delegates expressed themselves rather vigorously against a moratorium on the monthly budgetary allotments to the Church Extension Fund or any other measure which would obscure the seriousness of the deficit, so that all of us may face the situation squarely and then labor so much more doggedly to end it.

The missions of the District were presented to the convention by means of a printed brochure. Chairman Lyle Hallauer presented additional information and answered questions that came from the floor. All the missions of the Synod were considered.

A report by the Synod Vice-President Irwin Habeck on the Pre-Budget Subscription System was supplemented by showing the slide lecture, "It's Up to You," which depicts the first steps to be taken in putting the system to work.

Miscellaneous

The members of the Steering Committee, the Courtesy Committee, and the Host Committee are to be commended for their contributions toward a smoothly run convention.

The convention gave Pastor Arthur Halboth a rising vote of thanks for his 12 years of service to the District as its president.

ITEM FROM OUR NEWS BUREAU

Bible School Head Named:

Pastor Ernst H. Wendland, Benton Harbor, Michigan, has been named head of the Bible School to be opened early next year in Lusaka, Northern Rhodesia, by the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod.

The announcement was made at Synod headquarters by Pastor Arnold Mennicke, vice-chairman of the Board for World Missions, and chairman of the executive committee for Northern Rhodesia.

The municipal council of Lusaka has granted the Wisconsin Synod a 99-year lease of a plot of land three miles from the center of the city, and the Synod has allowed \$10,000 to begin construction of the school.

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Direct from the Districts

Michigan

On May 20 Pastor C. H. Schmelzer performed the dedication rites at a new educational building for his congregation, St. John's, Riga, Michigan.

Installation services have been held recently at St. Paul's, Saginaw, Daniel Jungkuntz is the new assistant pastor; at the Yale-Greenwood Parish, Darvin Raddatz is the new pastor; at Trinity, Elkton, Robert Krueger is the new pastor; at St. Matthew's, Free-land, Richard Yecke is the new pastor; and at Peace, Livonia, Robert Mueller is the new pastor.

Our District still has vacancies at St. Matthew's, Benton Harbor; St. Paul's, Manistee; the Remus-Broomfield parish; St. Mark's, Flat Rock; Faith, North Monroe; at the new mission in Wyoming; and the new mission in Detroit.

We would like to introduce the new writer of the Michigan District Column. Pastor Victor Thierfelder, of Bethany, Saginaw, has been appointed to serve in this capacity. We urge the members of our District to give him their support.

HANS A. SCHULTZ

Nebraska

St. Paul's of Naper broke ground for a new church on May 27. The building will be of lightweight block with brick veneer, with laminated arches and wood decking. There will be a full basement with individual Sunday-school rooms built in.

On June 12 St. John's of Brewster had occasion gratefully to recall the Lord's goodness and mercy, for on that date 50 years ago their present pastor, Pastor E. C. Birkholz, was ordained into the ministry. By the grace of God he still is able to serve

in the Lord's kingdom. During his long pastorate he served congregations at Roscoe, South Dakota, Danube and Olivia, Minnesota, St. James, Minnesota, North Platte, Nebraska, and Brewster, Nebraska. In the anniversary service that was held, Pastor Walter Siffring of Longmont, Colorado, stressed the wonderful privilege of working in the Lord's vineyard. After a dinner an informal gathering was held, with Pastor Kenneth Strack of Naper serving as toastmaster. Also honored on this occasion was the Rev. E. A. Birkholz, a twin brother, who also observed 50 years in the ministry. To God all praise and glory!

On July 1 Pastor Hugo Fritze, formerly of Norfolk, Nebraska, was installed as pastor of Redeemer of Council Bluffs, Iowa. Pastor Fritze is president of the Nebraska District.

F. A. WERNER

Editorials

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birdhouse and busily began building their nest of dry grass and feathers. They had made a good start when a pair of sparrows moved in. When the swallows swooped down on the sparrows from a telephone wire above the birdhouse, the sparrows discreetly moved out of danger. But they soon came back to investigate and take possession. The swallows put up a rather good fight at first, but eventually gave up because the sparrows were so persistent. The sparrows never really fought; in fact, they seemed rather good-natured about the business. They just kept coming back, no matter how often they were chased, and finally they prevailed; the swallows left. That spoiled it for everybody, and now the entrance to the birdhouse is stuffed shut for the season.

The same law applies in the Church. Bad practice and false doctrine, if tolerated, will finally take over and drive out the good. Liberal practices and liberal

doctrines that do not pay very strict heed to the Bible usually appeal to what is called common sense. These doctrines and liberal practices seem to be so reasonable, and they agree so well with the ideas that happen to be popular. They fit in well with what everybody seems to be believing at the moment. They are popular, they require no sacrifice on the part of those that hold them, and they entail no risk of loss of prestige in the eyes of the rest of the world. What sounds more intriguing than a proposal that for the sake of peace one ought to tolerate a little error!

The Bible warns against such easy tolerance. "A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." It isn't necessary to add much yeast to a lump of sweet dough in order to sour the whole lump. Therefore, says the Lord: "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees." The disciples understood that He spoke of the doctrine of the Pharisees and Sadducees. St. Paul uses still stronger language when he warns against two teachers who erred concerning the truth: "Their word will eat as doth a canker." E. E. KOWALKE

Item From Our News Bureau

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The Bible School will be chiefly operated to prepare natives for the ministry. About 25 applications are already on hand for the school. Pending the erection of the Bible School, two native missionaries are being

trained at the Lutheran Seminary at Obot Idim, Nigeria. They are expected to complete their training next June.

According to Pastor Mennicke, it will be early fall before Pastor Wendland will be able to leave the country and take charge of the school.

Anniversaries

Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hopkins of St. John's Lutheran Church, Tappen, North Dakota, on June 24, 1962.

A Thank You For a Special Gift

Students of the Wisconsin Lutheran High School
and of the Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers' College

Dear Students,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your check for \$1,149.90, which amount you gathered this past school year to be used for the chapel fund of the Japan Mission.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to you for your generosity, and to your school for teaching you to be mission-minded.

The future of our Synod and our foreign mission program will be in good hands if the new generation will grow up with your spirit and love for the Lord's work.

May our Savior abundantly reward your gift of love, and may He continue to bless your school!

In Jesus our Lord,

HARRY SHILEY, Chairman
Executive Committee for Japan

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONVENTION ACTION

WESTERN WISCONSIN DISTRICT

SUBJECT: REPORT OF COMMITTEE No. 16:
PROTESTANT STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT

In response to the overture of the 1961 General Synod Convention (Proceedings, p. 195) relative to the Protestant matter; be it

Resolved, That the Western Wisconsin District's suspensions of members of the subsequently formed Protestant Conference be removed because of the reasons advanced by the Synod's COMMITTEE ON PROTESTANT MATTERS (Proceedings, 1961, p. 195): "resolutions . . . clouded over with uncertainties"; their "scope in doubt"; "the vote on . . . the resolutions . . . not unanimous"; "interpretation put on the resolutions . . . unclear and . . . various."

Note: This resolution refers only to corporate actions of the Western Wisconsin District; and be it further

Resolved, That proper notification be made of this action; and be it further

Resolved, That we adopt the suggestions brought forward by the PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO STUDY THE PROTESTANT CONTROVERSY AND THE RECENT RECONCILIATION EFFORT:

"A. That the District Praesidium appoint a group of individuals to attend the next conference of the Protestants.

"B. That pastors, teachers, and laymen be encouraged to study the issues involved and seek to reestablish contact with the Protestants on an individual basis.

"C. That all of us pray for the day when mutual confidence will be restored and we again share in the outward fellowship of faith.

"D. That we urge the Protestants to regard these resolutions as a sincere and earnest effort on the part of this District to heal the breach between us."

(Signed)

E. E. Kowalke, Chairman
H. C. Oswald, Secretary
H. C. Nitz
W. W. Gieschen

Ralph Herold
Bruce Schlueter
Harvey Nauman
Elmer Behrens

ELMER J. PRENZLOW, JR., Secretary
Western Wisconsin District

CAMP CROIX

Dates: August 12-18: boys and girls, grades 4-6.

August 19-25: boys and girls, Jr. and Sr. high.

Location: Norway Point, St. Croix State Park, Hinckley, Minn. A beautiful park of forest interspersed with open meadows, abounding with wildlife.

Accommodations: Rustic cabins in four villages. Central dining hall, infirmary, craftshop.

Staff: Pastors, teachers, and laymen of the Wisconsin Synod are members of the staff. One staff member per eight campers.

Activities: Morning and evening devotions, Bible study, nature study, singing, swimming, hiking, handicraft, and other outdoor activities.

Camp fee: \$17.00 per week.

Registration blanks and information are available from:

Rev. Paul V. Borchardt, Director
209 W. Seventh St.
Hastings, Minn.

ALASKA ADDRESSES WANTED

Anyone knowing of Wisconsin Synod Lutherans who are residing in Alaska or who are moving there is asked to send names and addresses to:

Pastor Lee Sabrowsky
1804 N.E. 25th Ave.
Portland 12, Oreg.

Or

Pastor R. L. Wiechmann, Chairman
General Board for Home Missions
2611 Kinnickinnic Ave.
Milwaukee 7, Wis.

WORLD'S FAIR — SEATTLE

The Seattle World's Fair began April 21 and will continue through October 21. Since there will undoubtedly be many members of our Synod visiting the fair, we are listing our Wisconsin Synod churches in the Seattle area, together with the times of services.

Grace Lutheran Church
11050 Greenwood Ave. N.
Seattle 9:00 a.m.

Salem Lutheran Church
233rd S.W. and 56th W.
Mountlake Terrace 11:00 a.m.

Calvary Lutheran Church
N.E. 6th St. and 164th Ave. N.E.
Bellevue 11:00 a.m.

For further information call, WISCONSIN SYNOD INFORMATION SERVICE, in Seattle, PRospect 8-0753 or write to the Rev. A. H. Zimmermann, 11050 Greenwood Ave. N., Seattle 35, Wash.

A. H. ZIMMERMANN

REQUEST FOR NAMES

Our comparatively new mission congregation in Sheboygan is trying to contact Wisconsin Synod Lutherans living in the Sheboygan area. Send names and addresses to the undersigned. Services are held in the Y.M.C.A. Building (South Entrance) each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Pastor S. Kugler
R. 1—Box 215
Manitowoc, Wisconsin

NAMES REQUESTED FOR NEW MISSION

Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Please send the names of people who have moved into the Fort Lauderdale area or are planning to do so to the undersigned, who is pastor of our Synod's new mission at Fort Lauderdale.

The Rev. Reginald Pope
121 S.E. 9th Street
Pompano Beach, Fla.

REQUEST FOR NAMES

An effort is being made to contact Wisconsin Synod Lutherans in Dayton, Mansfield, Galion, and Greenfield, Ohio. If you know of anyone who has moved to one of these cities, or plans to move in the near future, please send the name and address to:

Pastor Keith Haag
Box 172
Kenton, Ohio

BUDGETARY OPERATING STATEMENT

July 1, 1961, to May 31, 1962

Budgetary Income:	
Offerings from Districts	\$2,255,998
Offerings from Others	4,988
Income from Educational Insts.	302,079
Income from Home for the Aged	70,405
Other Income	43,430
Total Budgetary Income	\$2,676,900
Budgetary Disbursements:	
Worker Training:	
Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary	\$ 100,975
Northwestern College	238,496
Dr. Martin Luther College	320,076
Michigan Lutheran Seminary	163,454
Northwestern Lutheran Academy	74,883
Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers College	49,429
Nebraska Lutheran Academy	288
Professorages for Educational Insts.	40,178
Academy Subsidies	22,000
Winnebago Teacher Program	1,905
Winnebago Lutheran Academy	2,750
Student Aid	14,697
Board of Education	24,893
Teacher Certification	4,221
Inst. Income to Special Bldg. Fund	275,575
Depreciation charges on Inst. Bldgs.	124,640
Foundation for Reformation Research	5,000
Total Worker Training	\$1,463,460
Home Missions:	
General Board for Home Missions	\$ 4,086
Home Missions	809,412
Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission	15,984
Commission on Evangelism	2,650
Madison Student Mission	6,964
Total Home Missions	\$ 839,096
World Missions:	
Board for World Missions	\$ 13,820
Indian Mission	145,835
Northern Rhodesia Mission	79,705
Japan Mission	42,901
Refugee Mission	63,247
Spanish Mission	8,128
Negro Mission	58,234
Grant to Free Church of South Africa	10,000
Total World Missions	\$ 421,870
Benevolences:	
General Support	\$ 97,503
Home for the Aged	81,496
Total Benevolences	\$ 178,999
Administration and Promotion:	
General Administration	\$ 224,766
Board for Information and Stewardship	42,991
Total Administration and Promotion	\$ 267,757
Total Budgetary Disbursements	\$3,171,182
Operating Deficit, May 31, 1962	(\$494,282)

() Denotes a red figure

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

NEBRASKA

DISTRICT CONVENTION

The twenty-third biennial convention of the Nebraska District will be held July 17-20, 1962, in St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Plymouth, Nebr.; H. Schnitker, pastor.

The opening service with celebration of the Lord's Supper will be held Tuesday morning at 9:00 a.m.

Pastor W. Sprengeler will deliver the essay: "The Nicene Creed."

The closing service will be on Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m.

All lay delegates are to provide credentials prepared by their congregation.

A nominal fee for meals will be charged. Lodging will be provided.

Please announce in due time.

MILTON F. WEISHAHN, Secretary

NOTICE

Cause for Suspension Removed

Pastor Joel C. Gerlach has removed the cause for his suspension. The Praesidium of the Arizona-California District therefore thankfully declares Pastor Gerlach eligible for a call into the ministry of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod.

(Signed)

E. Arnold Sitz, President

R. H. Zimmermann, First Vice-President

I. G. Frey, Second Vice-President

ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

Installed

Pastors

Broecker, C., as pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Ixonia, Wis., by N. E. Pautian; assisted by O. Pagels and E. Wendland; June 10, 1962.

Schewe, Erwin C., as assistant pastor of Friedens, Kenosha, Wis., by A. Buenger; assisted by A. Schewe; June 17, 1962.

Sellnow, Donald, as pastor of Christ Lutheran Church, Monominee, Mich., by R. Biesmann; assisted by A. Gentz, D. Laude, H. Scherf, and V. Schultz; July 1, 1962.

Ordained and Installed

Pastor

Raddatz, Darwin, as pastor of Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church, Yale, Mich., by R. Scheele; assisted by C. Frey, P. Kuske, R. Krueger and W. Herrmann; also as pastor of Emanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, T. Greenwood, St. Clair County, Mich., by E. Frey; assisted by C. Frey, W. Borgwardt and R. Krueger; June 17, 1962.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Pastors

✓ **Found, Charles E.**, 750 East Baseline Rd., Phoenix 40, Ariz.

East Fork Lutheran Nursery, Rev. Charles E. Found, 750 East Baseline Rd., Phoenix 40, Ariz.

✓ **Nommensen, Carl**, 1435 State St., La Crosse, Wis.

✓ **Raddatz, Darwin**, 8335 Brockway Rd., Yale, Mich.

✓ **Sellnow, Donald**, 616 11th Ave., Menominee, Mich.

✓ **Steffenhagen, Warren R.**, E. 3215 16th Ave., Spokane 33, Wash.

BUDGETARY ALLOCATION AND RECEIPTS

Eleven Months of Year — July 1961 through May 1962

Districts	District Allocation of		Offerings Received	Per Cent	Deficit
	Comm.	Budget for 11 Months			
Pacific Northwest	1,400	\$ 22,341	\$ 16,385	73.3	\$ 5,956
Nebraska	6,853	109,395	75,277	68.8	34,118
Michigan	26,285	419,573	288,627	68.8	130,946
Dakota-Montana	7,245	115,643	82,982	71.8	32,661
Minnesota	38,747	618,497	384,784	62.2	233,713
Northern Wisconsin	47,714	761,629	427,850	56.2	333,779
Western Wisconsin	51,278	818,521	424,110	51.8	394,411
Southeastern Wisconsin	51,392	820,336	515,679	62.9	304,657
Arizona-California	4,149	66,220	40,304	60.9	25,916
	235,063	\$3,752,155	\$2,255,998	60.1	\$1,496,157

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS

Pastor Albert A. Winter of Randolph has been appointed as a Visitor of the Central Conference to replace Pastor Carl Mischke recently elected Second Vice-President of the Western Wisconsin District.

Pastor E. E. Prenzlow, Sr., of Cornell has been appointed as the Visitor of the Chippewa River Valley Conference to replace Pastor T. Zaremba, who has left our Synod.

In view of the resolutions recently passed at the twenty-third biennial convention of the Western Wisconsin District at Northwestern College, Watertown, Wis., Pastors H. C. Nitz, V. Prange, and H. Wicke have been asked to attend the Protestant Conference to be held at Manitowoc, Wis., beginning June 30.

R. W. MUELLER

REQUEST FOR NAMES

The Wisconsin Synod is opening a new mission in Spokane, Wash. Anyone knowing of Wisconsin Synod Lutherans who have in recent years moved, or are moving, to any place in the Spokane, Wash., area are requested to send names and addresses, if possible, to the undersigned. We will begin conducting services sometime in July, if possible.

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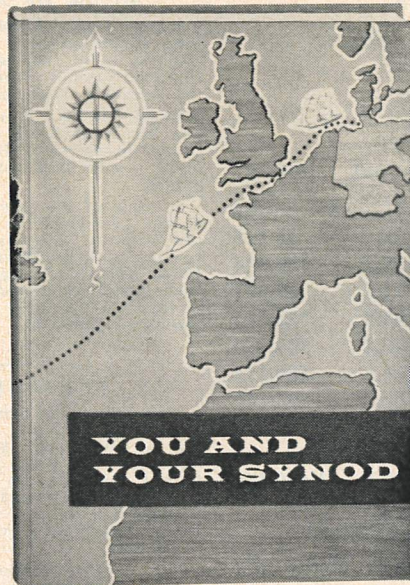
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Pastors of the Pacific Northwest District at their missionary conference	10.00
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