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by the Editor

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As we did after the 1961 convention, we shall bring the convention reports in two issues (Sept. 8 and 22). Some of the reports in this issue are lengthy, but there was no help for it. A wide range of facts and resolutions in certain areas had to be covered, if we are to be well-informed members of our Synod and are to do our part of its work with intelligent zeal. We thank the reporters for their thorough work.

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Lutherans unable to agree on statement regarding Justification by Faith. That's the news which comes out of the Lutheran World Federation meeting in Helsinki. *Time*, *Newsweek*, and *The Lutheran Standard* (ALC) all report that the delegates twice re-

jected a statement on Justification after it had been approved by a committee. The statement was referred to the newly created Commission on Theology.

It is, of course, more than disturbing when Lutherans cannot agree on a statement dealing with Justification by Faith, "the cornerstone of Lutheranism," as *Newsweek* refers to it. No doubt the retiring president of the Lutheran World Federation, Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, had his misgivings as to how such a rejection of the statement would be received, for he "insisted . . . that the disagreement was only on theological approach and did not damage the common confession" (*Newsweek*, Aug. 19). *The Lutheran Standard* (Aug. 27) reported in this way: "Responding to a question, Dr. Fry emphasized that the assembly's unwillingness to receive the report in its present form does not mean that the Lutherans around the world thereby challenge 'our common confession of faith in the Unaltered Augsburg Confession.'"

We should like to believe such assurance, but we have trouble suppressing our disquiet and dismay. We

cannot forget that many of the Lutherans at Helsinki have lost the pure Word and the doctrine of the Word taught by the Scriptures themselves. When men tamper with the Word, sooner or later they will tamper with the cornerstone and keystone of all Scripture teaching: justification by grace alone, through faith in Christ alone. Our uneasiness grows when we read in *Time* that some theologians at Helsinki no longer consider justification by faith to be "the dominating theme of the New Testament." If it isn't, what would these theologians name as the chief doctrine of the New Testament?

Time and *Newsweek* also give the impression that the delegates considered the doctrine of justification with an eye on other Christian bodies, particularly the Roman Catholic Church, which for the first time had sent observers to an LWF assembly. According to *Time*, Roman Catholic theologians are much encouraged by what was said at Helsinki and what Lutheran theologians have otherwise been saying and writing. They have expressed the opinion that the cleavage between Roman Catholics and Lutherans regarding justification is not as great as it was in the past. Perhaps the reports we have seen are not complete and accurate. We hope so. We shall report in some way or other as to whether our first fears were well founded or not.

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The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us. 1 Kings 8:57

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Editorials

An Experimental Church School

Christian day schools are common in Synodical Conference circles. To have one is the goal of most congregations of that church body. In other Lutheran church bodies in our country they have been extremely rare and almost nonexistent. There are, however, signs of an increased interest. For instance, the July 31 issue of the *The Lutheran*, the churchpaper of the Lutheran Church in America, the largest Lutheran synod in our country, publishes on its cover a picture of some school children of Epiphany Church, Hempstead, Long Island, and prints a lengthy article on this school. It opened in 1954 with a kindergarten, and a new grade has been added each year ever since, except for one year because of construction delays. Next year the school expects an enrollment of 200 pupils. There are 15 other day schools in LCA congregations. This school is referred to as an experiment and as a pilot project, which is being closely watched to see whether other Christian day schools should be opened. The experiment is being studied by the responsible synodical board.

The Lutheran reports: "Last January the LCA Board of Parish Education authorized a study of the 'parochial school situation' and development of a proposed policy statement. The initial staff report will go to the board this month. A consultation on the Christian day school is planned for the middle of October."

The LCA represents the most liberal wing of the Lutheran church bodies in America. If it leads to the adoption of the policy of encouraging the establishment of Christian day schools, that is, if such schools are staffed by teachers who stand for and teach solid Bible truth, there is hope of a more fully indoctrinated laity in the future.

IM. P. FREY

A Privileged Child?

Among a synod's activities, world missions would seem to be a favorite child. A program of world missions gives a church body a sense of scope and achievement that its home projects do not supply. The foreign mission program has the appeal of the strange and the unusual. The call that comes from Africa's sunny fountains, from many an ancient river and many a palmy plain, to deliver their land from error's chain, has a romantic and emotional allure in addition to spiritual appeal. And the mission charge, "Preach the Gospel to every creature," is one of the best known and most respected mandates in all Scripture.

Yet the program of world missions does not enjoy all the advantages of a privileged child. Our Synod engages in a variety of activities: the training of pastors and teachers, home missions, welfare, publishing, promotion. All of these compete with world missions for funds from a Synodical treasury that cannot meet all our needs.

Foreign fields must also share a shallow reservoir of trained men with our congregations, home missions, and Synodical institutions. Even if the men are available, foreign fields have always been at a disadvantage in securing them because special qualifications are necessary in the case of the foreign missionary. He needs to be an especially consecrated and zealous, and at the

same time, discreet and stable person. Not many men are inclined toward this work; not many qualify for it.

Furthermore, the administration and operation of foreign mission fields is impeded by more difficulties than are encountered in mission fields at home. To the barriers of climate, language, and geography must be added those erected by unpredictable politics, jealous nationalism, bewildering and uncomfortable customs, strange and offensive manners and morals. It is demanding work that foreign mission directors and missionaries are called upon to do.

We should be grateful for the foreign mission work that is being done in our midst. World missions requires special attention; it does not enjoy automatic privileges.

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Primary Love

We are accustomed to say that the First Table of the Law treats of love to God and the Second Table of love to the neighbor. The love of God is mentioned first in the Ten Commandments. By its very nature it has the precedence. Love of the neighbor at the expense of love to God is unthinkable. Luther has introduced his explanation of the Commandments with the statement: "We should fear and love God that we may do (or not do)" so and so. Our observances of the Commandments are to flow out of the fear and love of God. The love of God must remain inviolate and must never be slighted out of a sentimental or perverted love to the neighbor, to spare his feelings and to remain on good terms with him.

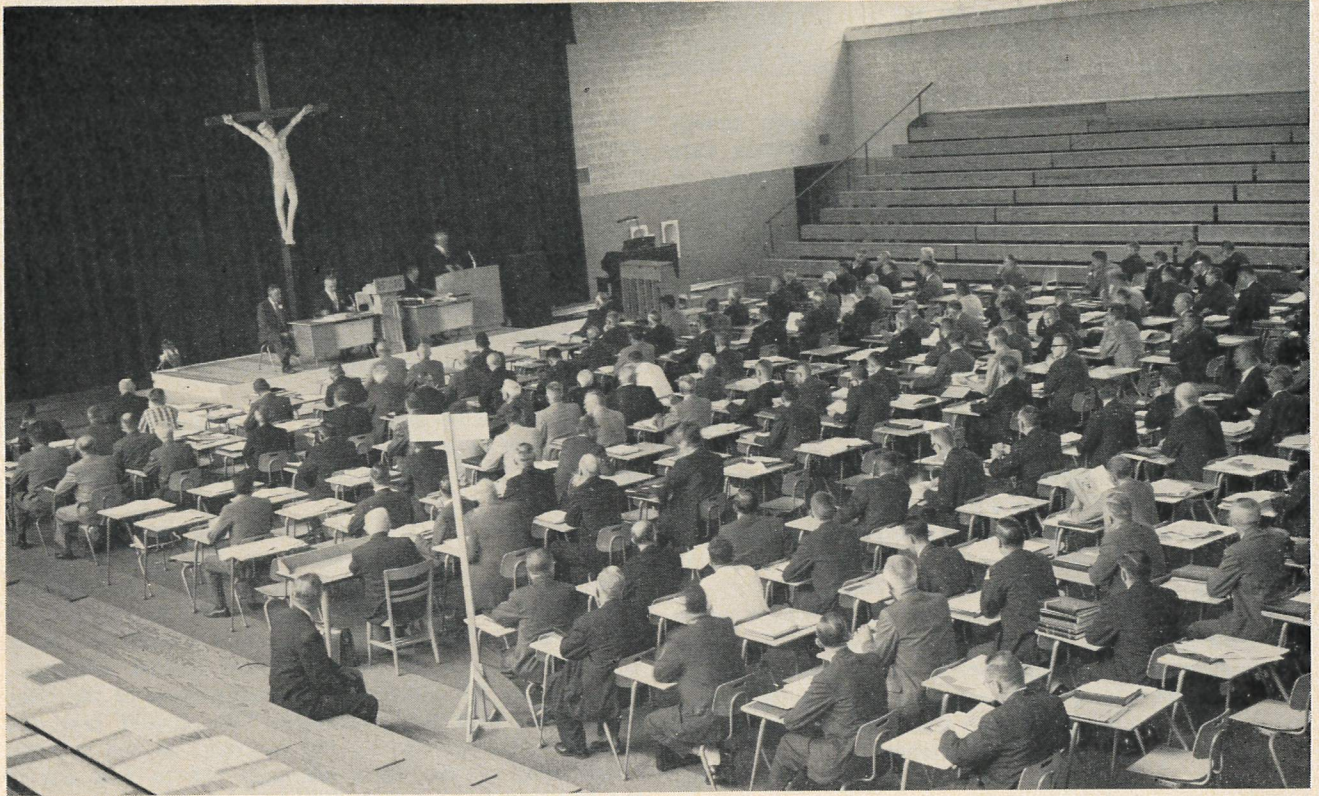
Jesus said: "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me." How difficult it is, how it goes against our grain to cause a split with parents and children or wife or husband or others to whom we are tied by the strong ties of blood out of loyalty to Jesus and His teachings! Such a break is usually considered too high a price to pay for loyalty.

Furthermore you can substitute any other name for father and mother, son and daughter, and the conclusion is the same. You can also make it read this way: "He that loveth some other church body more than me," and the same principle applies. Jesus and His teaching must remain the first consideration also there. If you split over that, it is particularly difficult because of the public outcry against the narrowness of the attitude. Taking such a course means to be looked askance at by the general public and the majority of churches.

But in spite of that, Jesus and His Word must tip the balance. Jesus and His Word must never be set aside for the sake of popularity and being well thought of by men. Another reason is that of not becoming partakers of their evil deeds as Scriptures call it. Nor should our purpose be to show our superiority (we can easily fall into the same fault), but it should be an act of love to win them back to the Truth.

Some may call that a negative religion, but, as a matter of fact, it is carrying out the positive wishes of Jesus.

IM. P. FREY



"YOUR ZEAL HATH PROVOKED VERY MANY" — Paul's words to the Corinthians could be applied to the convention delegates. Their zeal for the Lord's Gospel cause was evident. Let their zeal stimulate us to a like zeal in understanding and executing the program that was adopted.

Inspiration From the Word

Section I

The delegates to the convention journeyed from many distant points to assemble at Wisconsin Lutheran High School in Milwaukee. As they journeyed to the convention site they were inspired by many of the marvels of nature which God has given: the sunny slopes of California, the fruit orchards of Michigan, the placid lakes of Minnesota, the green beauty of the north Wisconsin woods. However, their greatest and all-important inspiration came from their journeys in God's Holy Word at the convention.

"A Solemn Word To Us Today"

In the opening service with Holy Communion our journey led us to the Book of Revelation 2:1-7. This inspired letter to the Church of Ephesus is also a solemn word to our congregations today.

This journey brought us a word of encouragement. As we look at the

tasks that lie before us as a church body we can be assured that the Lord will not fail us. We must frankly ask ourselves: "Will our love for the Lord and His Gospel be strong enough to do that which He would have us do?"

This journey also brought us a word of repentance. To the Ephesians the Lord said: "I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love." We must humbly bow our heads and confess that we have not always shown that first love which would have enabled us to measure up to all the responsibilities which the Lord gave us.

"Publish With the Voice of Thanksgiving"

President Oscar Naumann sounded the keynote of our convention from Psalm 26:7 in the presidential report. He encouraged us to get on with the

real business of our calling, namely to "publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all God's wondrous works." This calling is ours alone by grace. In this calling gratitude is our true motive. Through this calling our God is glorified and precious souls are saved. This theme was carried out and enlarged upon by our guides in God's Word.

"Every Christian A Witness for Christ"

After a restful night delegates resumed their devotional journey to the Book of Acts 1:8. Here we viewed no command, no admonition, but a simple statement of fact: The Holy Spirit comes and then "ye shall be witnesses unto me."

We have every reason to carry out the theme of our convention. Today there are 50 million more people in the world than one year ago. In our

country there are 7,750 more people at sunset than at the previous sunset. Forty per cent of these are born in totally unchurched homes. There are languishing souls in the very shadows of our church spires.

The great tragedy is not the population explosion. The great tragedy is that the Church is not keeping pace with the population increase. There are too many souls for whom Christ died on the cross who are not being led to the Savior. The very purpose of our lives must be to bring souls the Gospel message of their salvation.

We cannot pay off this responsibility with a mere mission offering. The early Christians understood what God meant when He said: "Ye are a chosen generation . . . that ye should show forth the praises of (God)." They went everywhere preaching the Gospel themselves and the results under God were spectacular.

We today want to pray for a rich, overflowing measure of faith, courage and vision. If the combined voices of 649 pastors reach far, how much farther will be the outreach of the combined voices of 236,000 who 'publish with thanksgiving' the glorious Gospel of Christ!

"Mission Zeal Gives Heed to Doctrine"

The next devotional excursion in God's Word took the delegates to Acts 8:4-6. Here we were forcefully reminded that mission zeal without doctrine is zeal without knowledge.

Our Lord had a great concern for lost souls. One cannot properly hear His encouragement to "pray the Lord of the harvest" and not be filled with zeal and enthusiasm. The early Christians showed that enthusiasm. Though they were scattered abroad, they went everywhere preaching the Word. They were reaching out with the full Gospel of our Savior to souls that were lost.

Our church today must have that mission zeal. Some say it makes no difference how you do it. Follow public opinion, they opine. Philip and the others were a people confronted with death and yet would not yield one jot or tittle of God's Word.

Jesus taught His wisdom from on high. We must follow His way. How



THE SYNOD'S OFFICERS FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS. Left to right: Pastor Gerhard Press, Second Vice-President; Pastor Irwin Habeck, First Vice-President; Pastor Oscar J. Naumann, President; Pastor Paul Hanke, Secretary.

clearly does not the Apostle tell Timothy (I Tim. 4) to give heed to sound doctrine! We want to follow the example of Paul, the greatest missionary of them all, who said: "For I have not shunned to declare unto you *all* the counsel of God" (Acts 20:27).

"Proclaim To Men The Everlasting Gospel"

The convention devotional circuit took us back again to the Book of Revelation. This time we stopped at chapter 14:1, 8. By the grace of God we have been given the everlasting Gospel. Through God's servant Martin Luther, the precious truths of the Bible that we are saved by grace alone, through faith in Christ alone, have been restored. There is no other name whereby we can be saved. We are entrusted with the privilege of proclaiming this everlasting Gospel to everyone.

We always want to remember that God chose us, not we Him. He took us to the foot of Calvary's cross and showed us our blessed Savior. He inspired love in our hearts for God. This love for Christ is the motive for our work at home and abroad as we bring the everlasting Gospel to all people in all places for all time.

"The Blessedness of Christian Service"

Constantly the delegates sought to be refreshed and inspired by God's Word. So they were led to Psalm

40:8. In this Messianic Psalm we hear the Savior speak of the great work that lay before Him. There is here portrayed not only a readiness to do God's work of saving the world, but also a joy to do that work.

This is clearly shown us in the Savior's life. Though there was a constant drain on His energies, He joyfully fulfilled these words: "I delight to do thy will, O my God."

A large task lies before us. Judged by its cost, this is the largest program our Synod has ever attempted. It will take an extra-special effort on the part of every Christian redeemed by Christ. Let us remember the joy of serving as the Savior did when He "gave his life a ransom for many."

"Is the Young Man Safe?"

Another arm of the church's work was held up for view as the devotional journey took us to II Samuel 18:29. David had many duties. Yet love ruled all of his dealings with men. This was also true when Absalom, his son, had rebelled against him. As David waited for the reports to come back, his concern was not how the battle had come out. His concern was "Is the young man safe?" David knew temptation. He, too, had experienced it. He had a parental concern for his son and wanted to help him.

We should have a parental concern for our servicemen and women and for our students at secular colleges and universities. Many young people

feel that since they are confirmed they are able to overcome any temptation. This is not realistic. They can fall away even though they love Christ. They go into a world which does not have the same philosophy of life. Are they spiritually safe? We want to follow them with the Gospel and keep them with the Lord. We dare not forget these young people who are royal priests before God by the shedding of the Savior's blood.

"Winning the Race Before Us"

One trek took us to view a 'race'; not a pennant race, not a political race, not an automobile race, but to view a race of people. For the Gospel is meant for all races. God will have all men to be saved (I Tim. 2:4), also the minority races in our cities, including the Negro.

There are no exceptions for those for whom Christ died. He gave Himself a ransom for all. There should be no exception in those whom we should win. By God's grace we must cultivate the will to win the race before us. These are not found just

in foreign mission fields. These people move into our neighborhoods. These mission fields come to us. We have a missionary task force of thousands of our members to win the race of people before us. We were all exhorted to win them by sharing the Gospel of salvation with them. Never do we want to give an impression that we are not interested in them.

"The Power of God"

In the closing service our journey took us to Romans 1:16. When we see the heathen before us, living without God and without hope in this world, we must say; "There, but by the grace of God, am I!" The wondrous Gospel of Christ worked the miracle of faith in our hearts. Other messengers brought the power of God to us; now let us bring it to others.

We may be small in the eyes of the world, but this should not deter us. The twelve disciples were small in number, but they turned the world upside down. They had the Gospel which is the power of God unto

salvation to everyone that believeth. We have the same Gospel and it has lost none of its power to this day. Having that Gospel, we can go forward with all confidence in Christ's name.

Thus with morning, noon, and evening devotions the delegates were constantly inspired with the Word. Thus they could go about their tasks with the prayer of the hymnist in their hearts:

*Be the banner still unfurled,
Still unsheathed the Spirit's sword;
Spread Thy Word in all the world;
Let Thy kingdom come, O Lord.*

The convention was grateful for the guides who led them on their journeys in God's Word. They were Prof. Carl Lawrenz (Mequon, Wis.); Pastor Erhard Pankow (Milwaukee, Wis.); Pastor Gerhard Press (Wayne, Mich.); Pastor Paul Heyn (Pomona, Calif.); Pastor Otto Engel (Danube, Minn.); Pastor Arnold Schroeder (Milwaukee, Wis.); Pastor Richard Poetter (Mito City, Japan); and Pastor Milton Burk (Milwaukee, Wis).

W. NOMMENSEN

Home Missions

Expand!

Through His Prophet Isaiah the Lord has said, "Enlarge the place of thy tent. . . lengthen thy cords" (Isa. 54:2). The 37th Biennial Convention of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod has responded by saying, "Expand!" Expansion on all fronts was the keynote of this Centennial Year Convention as can be seen from the motto chosen to guide the convention: "Publish with the voice of thanksgiving" (Ps. 26:7). Evident to any attentive observer was the delegates' desire to expand the Synod's mission program, both abroad and at home.

Urgent Opportunities

The chairman for the General Board for Home Missions, Pastor Ray L. Wiechmann, reported that new missions were opened or new mission sites were acquired at the rate of one per month in the past year. How-

ever, this "mission-a-month" program cannot keep pace with the opportunities presented by an expanding and migrating population. People are on the move from rural to urban areas, from the metropolitan to suburban in ever-increasing numbers. In addition, "our suspension of fellowship with The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, with its accompanying invitation to all who stand with us to identify themselves with us, has resulted in requests coming to us from many parts of the country." Already 22 states and one province of Canada in which our Synod is not yet represented have brought requests to be served with our conservative Lutheran doctrine and practice. Truly, never before has our Synod seen so many fields white to the harvest.

Efforts Made To Expand

Recognizing these urgent opportunities now before the Synod, the dele-

gates encouraged the General Board for Home Missions "to continue in its determination, based on faith, to open new missions in confidence in the Savior's promise." To provide for the orderly expansion of our home mission program the convention adopted a plan assigning unserved areas of the country, including Hawaii, Alaska and Canada, to the various Districts. Home mission work outside the continental U.S.A. is presently being conducted in Edmonton, Alberta, and Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada. The possibility is being explored of beginning work in Alaska and Hawaii.

Executive Secretary

Such an expanded mission program will make even greater demands of the administrative chairman of the Board than before when he was already overburdened in a part-time capacity. Accordingly, the delegates

created the office of Executive Secretary of Home Missions. This new office is to be filled on a full-time basis, leaving the Secretary free from any parish duties, thus enabling him to devote all his time to the complex responsibilities of administering our Home Mission program. It is to be noted, however, that this office is on a temporary basis until the next convention, pending a study made of the whole matter of having full-time executive secretaries. [See call for candidates, page 286. Ed.]

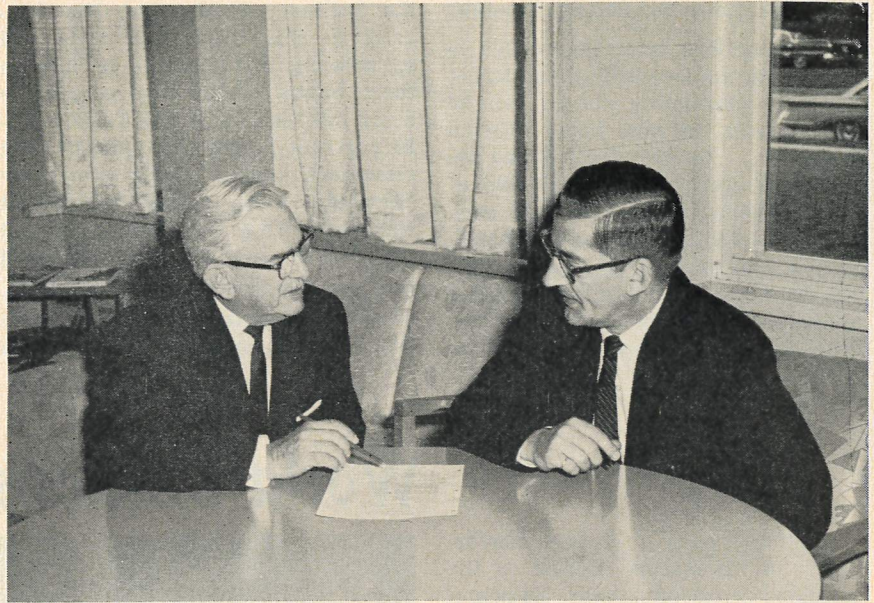
Inner Missions

"Preach the Gospel to every creature." This command of our Lord's includes the least of His brethren, the unfortunate who suffer under various circumstances: the sick, the poor, the handicapped, the prisoner, the homeless, the aged. These are also blood-bought souls who for the most part are confined to institutions where they cannot come to us for spiritual ministrations nor take part in our congregational life. But we can go to them with the One Thing Needful! In the past this has been done largely in associations formed with our former brethren in the Missouri Synod. But since our suspension of fellowship with that synod, such joint work must also come to an end. Can we now simply forget about our responsibility to these helpless neighbors of ours? The delegates to the convention said No! by instructing the Board for Home Missions to initiate and put into operation our own program of inner mission work wherever feasible. May we remember this new independent venture of our Synod with our prayers and support!

Members Away from Home

Our members are on the move, not only to new homes, but also to colleges and universities and to the different military bases. Serving the spiritual needs of our students on campus and our men and women in the Armed Services is the Lutheran Spiritual Welfare Commission, which coordinates its efforts with those of the Board for Home Missions.

The convention authorized this Commission to continue and expand its Contact Pastor Program. Begun during the last two years, this new



TWO MISSION BOARD CHAIRMEN — Edgar Hoenecke (left), chairman of the Board for World Missions, and Ray Wiechmann, chairman of the Board for Home Missions.

program now has 24 local pastors serving our members at 34 different military installations. Such an arrangement of having civilian pastors serving our members in the military is not only feasible; it is encouraged by the authorities for churches like ours who do not wish to participate in the military chaplaincy program. The reports so far are for the most part encouraging, but this new program is not without its problems. Difficulties sometimes arise out of the lack of experience with Armed Forces etiquette and organization. Accordingly, following the recommendation of Pastor Luther Voss, who has just completed a survey for the contact pastor program, the convention instructed the Praesidium to appoint one man to represent our spiritual welfare program before the Government and Armed Forces authorities.

The Student Service Committee reported that its success in serving the campus students has been limited by the lack of referrals to its file. Only 600 names were filed with its office the past year. It is hoped that as more names and addresses are directed to this office, the 26 campus pastors, all but one serving in a part-time capacity, will be able to serve our campus youth more effectively.

Madison Student Mission

A unique mission endeavor of our Synod is the Calvary Student Chapel at Madison, Wisconsin. Here, for many years, Lutheran students of the Synodical Conference have been served jointly by our Synod and the Missouri Synod. This past year 1,041 students signed religious preference cards specifying Synodical Conference affiliation, approximately one-half of them from the Wisconsin Synod. Indications point to an even greater attendance of our Lutheran students in the future. The need for serving these students cannot be denied when it is realized that some would not worship at all on Sunday without our student chapel there, while others might easily drift into student centers where the pure Word is not offered. Recognizing this continuing need but at the same time mindful of our suspension of fellowship with the Missouri Synod, the delegates encouraged the orderly dissolution of this joint mission project and the establishment of our own Madison Student Mission. It was reported that the Board will meet with the Missouri Synod representatives shortly after the convention to discuss the dissolution of the joint mission.

Will Our Love Be Strong Enough?

"Will our love be strong enough to bring forth the means by which larger Seminary graduating classes can be put to work in new home mission fields? . . . to do effective and independent work in the vital field of inner mission work, of student service, of the spiritual care of the handicapped and institutionalized?" This was the question put to the delegates by the speaker at the opening service, Prof. Carl L. Lawrenz, president of

the Seminary at Mequon. The delegates to this Convention responded by showing that measure of love in their hearts when they adopted a home missions budget of \$1,020,333—25 per cent higher than 1962-63. But remember, dear reader — these delegates were acting in YOUR BEHALF! They were confident that YOU share with them this thankful love for the Savior, that YOU, TOO, want to help bring the Light of Salvation to as many benighted souls as

possible. Will the delegates be disappointed? More important, will our Lord be disappointed? Not if we fully appreciate the many open doors He has placed before us! Not if by His grace we open our hearts to show that our love is strong enough! Not if we prayerfully seek His help! For He who commanded us to preach the Gospel also has promised to give us the means to do it, so that His Word shall not return unto Him void.

C. W. SPAUDE

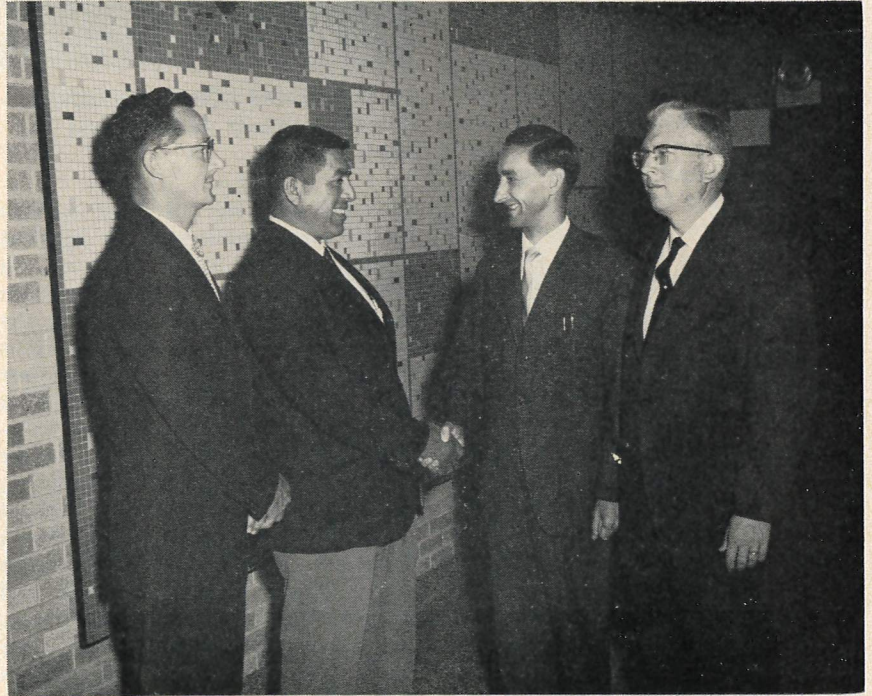
World Missions

"This has been a *mission* convention." In his closing address to the delegates President Oscar Naumann used these words to describe very aptly the Synod's 1963 convention. Time and time again the hearts of delegates warmed to the encouraging reports which came from our mission fields. How richly the Lord has blessed this spreading of His Word on foreign soil!

Heartening Progress In Africa

Let us first focus attention upon the African country of Northern Rhodesia. Only 10 years ago the Synod sent a lone missionary into this virgin territory. Presently we have six men working in this field. In the course of these 10 years about 550 souls have been received into God's kingdom of grace through the washing of Holy Baptism, while 191 vows of confirmation have been made to the Lord. Early next year a Bible School under the direction of Pastor E. H. Wendland will be established. Here native Africans will be given extensive theological training. It is our fervent hope and prayer that through this school the Rhodesians will become firmly grounded in the Word of God. Should the day then come when we are asked to leave this land, the eternal and unchangeable truths of salvation will be firmly established in their midst.

Readers of *The Northwestern Lutheran* recently were told of the new door which the Lord is now opening in the country of Nyasaland. Here is a land more densely populated than



FROM FARAWAY PLACES came these four men. Left to right: Pastor Arthur Guenther, Apache Mission, Whiteriver, Arizona; Mr. Raymond Enfield, chairman of the church council of our Apache Mission at Whiteriver, Arizona; Pastor Bernhard Hendschke, Church of the Ev. Lutheran Confession, Germany; Pastor Richard Poetter, missionary to Japan.

Northern Rhodesia and yet employing the same language which our missionaries have already begun to master. Two of our missionaries have initiated work in this promising new field.

Blessings In Japan

Missionary Richard Poetter from Japan addressed the delegates and joyfully told of new doors which have

been opened by our gracious Lord in this land of widespread heathenism. Recently a native Japanese minister, Pastor Yamada, expressed to Missionary Poetter his sore disturbance over false teachings which have made inroads into his parent church body. He asked to be accepted as a missionary for our people. His appeal comes as the Lord's answer to the fervent

prayers of our Japanese missionaries. They have long prayed that a native trained worker might aid them in their labors.

Further encouragement stems from the opportunity we now have of reaching more Japanese through a Sunday morning radio service. A new radio station in Mito has offered us 15 minutes of prime radio time every week. Not only has the Lord here opened to us a new avenue of approach; through Pastor Yamada we also have the voice to use this opportunity.

Christian Missioner Corps

Two years ago wheels were set in motion to begin a new type of missionary activity. Aptly called the Christian missioner program, the plan is to send two missionaries into promising fields. Working in a way similar to that used by the Apostle Paul, their aim will be to establish self-sustaining Christian congregations and then move on elsewhere. The convention was grateful to hear that Pastor Rupert Eggert has been the first to accept a call into this work. They heard him express in person his eagerness to enter this work and also request that his work be constantly remembered in our prayers. It is indeed our prayer that the Lord will abundantly bless this undertaking and soon provide a second man to work with Pastor Eggert.

The first field of operation will be the island of Puerto Rico. Delegates heard of the preliminary survey made of this field by Pastor H. C. Nitz and also had the opportunity to see pictures which were taken on this visit. Puerto Rico, however, is only a first step. It is hoped that this island will serve a bridge for extending work into Latin America.

Growth Among the Apaches

Work among the Apache Indians in Arizona is well known to our people. For many years this has been tedious and often discouraging work. Yet the Lord's blessings are abundantly evident. The Apaches are showing a greater interest and responsibility in their church than ever before. And do you know that one-third of the Apache population can be looked upon as our brethren in faith!



GOING TO PUERTO RICO — Pastor Rupert Eggert, who served in the Negro Missions in the South conducted by the Synodical Conference, has accepted a call as missionary to Puerto Rico.

Hardships In Germany

It is perhaps ironic that visible results of our missionary endeavors are least evident in West Germany, the very birthplace of our Lutheran church. The postwar boom in economy in this land has led to widespread worldly-mindedness, leading many to regard their church with gross indifference. Yet even here the Church in West Germany is assuming more and more of the responsibility for its financial support. Most distressing were the reports coming from the Eastern Zone, telling of the pressures and restrictions imposed upon our

brethren there. Concerning them the convention resolved: "That we pray the Lord of the Church to continue His blessings upon them and strengthen their faith and hope in Him." Will you not join in this prayer? Will you not faithfully come before God's throne of grace and remember in your prayers these afflicted brethren?

Mission work is not merely a serious obligation the Lord has placed upon us. It is a most blessed privilege. How grateful we can be that the Lord has preserved to us His

Word in its purity! This, however, also carries a solemn responsibility. President Naumann reminded the delegates that God has preserved this

priceless Word to us with the clear intent that we spread it. May God unite us in firmly dedicating ourselves to carry out His will faithfully!

May His rich blessings of the past upon this work stimulate us to an ever greater zeal!

D. MALCHOW

Preparing Those Who Are Apt to Teach

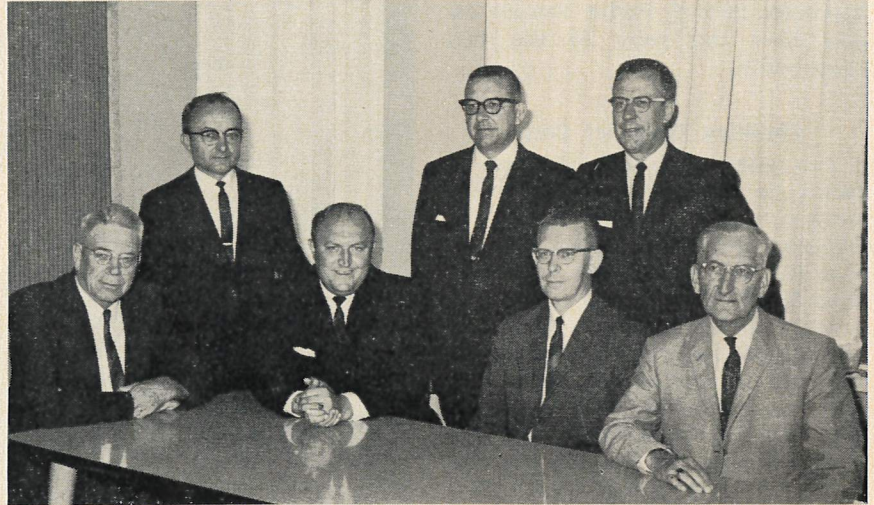
The 37th Convention of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod reaffirmed that our members are vitally concerned about letting the Word of Christ dwell in them richly, as the Apostle Paul enjoins us in Colossians 3:16. It was heart-warming to see the Synod's response to the needs of those young people who, prompted by God's Holy Spirit, are preparing themselves to "go and tell." To provide future teachers and preachers with the means and the instructors to make them "apt to teach" (I Tim. 3:2) the Word of Truth, was given due consideration in the overall picture of the Synod's work.

Increased Enrollments

This action was no doubt also encouraged by the fact that substantial increases in enrollment are anticipated at every one of Synod's educational institutions. Three of our schools expect the highest enrollments in their history. Especially in this its centennial year can we rejoice with the Seminary, which will have an enrollment of 116, 18 of whom have assignments as vicars for the coming year (a program which is being initiated as obligatory with the entering Junior Class).

To accommodate those who have worked at other occupations but now desire the work of the ministry, a special preseminary training course has been designed and put into practice at Bethany College, Mankato, Minnesota. This school is operated by our sister synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

For those who have financial difficulties, the Synod is planning to establish a Synod-wide scholarship program. Furthermore, area Lutheran high schools are given a subsidy for each graduate of such school as soon



THE PRESIDENTS OF OUR SYNOD'S WORKER-TRAINING SCHOOLS — Seated, left to right: Carl Schweppe, Dr. Martin Luther College; Robert Voss, Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers' College; Carleton Toppe, Northwestern College; R. A. Fenske, Northwestern Lutheran Academy. Standing, left to right: Oscar Siegler, Dr. Martin Luther High School; Conrad Frey, Michigan Lutheran Seminary; Carl Lawrenz, Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary.

as he enters the sophomore year at one of our colleges with the intention of becoming a full-time worker in our church.

Besides providing subsidies and needed facilities, the Synod has granted, excluding replacements, eight new professorships to the institutions for this coming biennium, plus whatever additional instructors may be necessary for Dr. Martin Luther College to carry out its assignment in view of the separation of college from high school, of a beginning secondary teacher-education course, and its expanded practice-teaching program. The requests for such professors will "be referred to, and left to the discretion of, the Advisory Committee on Education in consultation with the Board of Trustees and the Conference of Presidents." Seven professorships approved since the last

convention by the Advisory Committee were established.

Upgrading of Instruction

Since it is a prime concern of the Synod to upgrade the quality of instruction in our schools, it was voted to permit Dr. Martin Luther College to discontinue its three-year program for women in 1966.

Besides providing a sufficient number of instructors in order to equalize teaching loads, the Synod gave serious consideration to have our schools equip themselves with adequate libraries and to encourage the students to make the greatest possible use of them. Discussion also centered around the necessity of employing trained librarians.

To give opportunity for professional advancement in "directed study or work beneficial to the school, faculty

members may be granted leaves of absence." This past summer 15 faculty members attended universities. Among them are two completing their doctorates: Professor F. Blume of our Seminary, who was on leave this past year, and Professor A. Lehmann of Northwestern College. Sixteen others served as instructors at the summer session at New Ulm.

Opportunity for the study of God's Word, on which our whole philosophy of education rests, will be offered those teachers at our Synodical schools who received their training at secular schools and no formal instruction in the fields of religion and Christian education.

To help solve some of the difficulties concerning certification of our teachers in such states as Michigan, Ohio, and Nebraska, the Synod in 1956 instructed the Board of Education and the Board of Control of Dr. Martin Luther College to investigate what it would mean to accredit the latter (whether such a step were possible without compromising our Christian principles of education).

Approaching the University of Minnesota with its problem, the faculty

was asked to undertake a thorough program of self-study and to submit to a visit by a committee chosen by the University and composed of men representing five educational institutions in the State. Their unanimous recommendation for accreditation was approved by the University Senate. The final approval for accepting this accreditation was left to the Synod. Since the Board of Education and the faculty of the College "found nothing in the process of accreditation as performed by the University . . . contradictory to the educational principles of the church," and since it has the right to withdraw if its principles are violated, and because this accreditation will help to alleviate some of the certification problems confronting our teachers in certain states, the Synod approved of the accreditation of Dr. Martin Luther College as granted by the University of Minnesota. The proviso was added that the Board of Control of the College after each biennium "report on the effect of the accredited status of the College upon our educational principles and upon our certification problems."

Boards of Control

To give wider representation on the Boards of Control of its major schools, pastor and teacher candidates for these offices will henceforth be drawn from the Synod's five most populous Districts rather than from nearby localities. In consequence of its own directive to begin a separation of the high school from the college department at Dr. Martin Luther College, the Synod established a Board of Control for the high-school department.

School Openings

Registration for three of our schools is set for Labor Day; Northwestern College and the Seminary open a week later, and Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers' College on September 10. At 7:30 P.M., September 22, 1963, the first full-time faculty members for MLTC will be installed at St. James Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Those being installed are Pastor Robert J. Voss, president; Professor Siegbert Becker, and Professor Alfons Woldt. The president of the Synod, Oscar J. Naumann, will preach for the occasion. C. TRAPP

The Building Program At Our Synod's Schools

Growth and Change — God Be Praised!

Growth is a sign of life. By this token our Synod's schools are very much alive. They are growing beyond expectations. Enrollments are reaching all-time highs. There is every reason to believe that they will continue to increase even more.

Should we not be grateful to God for this rich blessing? Isn't there an answer here to what we have been praying for these many years? We desperately need workers in the mission fields, in our parochial schools, and in our church's pulpits. God is providing the potential workers for us. It is the task of our Synod's schools to prepare them for their work in the Church.

Growth is accompanied by change. Even as growth takes place, that which has served its purpose must be

removed. This condition, too, we find at our schools. Buildings which once were adequate have outlived their usefulness. Change makes it necessary to replace them.

Growth and change are continuous processes wherever there is life. Should either cease, life too will cease.

Concern for the life of our schools gives us every reason to maintain a *continuous* building program. Efforts that are merely sporadic are not effective in properly sustaining that life.

Our Efforts Thus Far

For some time we have been engaged in a well-planned building program. We had hopes that it would keep our activities geared to continuing growth and change at our schools. We envisioned it as a continuing pro-

gram. Till now, unfortunately, our efforts have not gained enough momentum to mesh with the needs as they have arisen. It is true that within the past 15 years much has been done at each of our schools. The administration-classroom building at Northwestern Lutheran Academy, the administration building at Michigan Lutheran Seminary to which an addition is presently being constructed as a replacement for "Old Main," the "New Look" on the campus of Northwestern College, the Music Hall at Dr. Martin Luther College, the recently dedicated dormitory addition at our Seminary, the 12-classroom wing being added at Wisconsin Lutheran High School to accommodate Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers' College — all these give evidence of recent and present activity. Nor should we forget the new dormitory at New Ulm,

for which ground has been broken and which will house 220 women. Yet there are requirements that all of this building activity has not caught up with.

Needs Confronting Us

Needs are still great. When they were being discussed on the convention floor last month, the delegates heard statements such as the following:

"There are 180 boys quartered in the building which was built to house only 120."

"Enrollments are increasing. They may double within 10 years. Yet even now dormitory space is lacking, classes must be divided, there are not enough teachers, there is not enough equipment."

"Some of our buildings are unsafe. They are firetraps."

That such conditions must have prompt attention, was recognized by the convention delegates. Resolutions that were adopted show this. Among them there are the following:

Some Construction Authorized

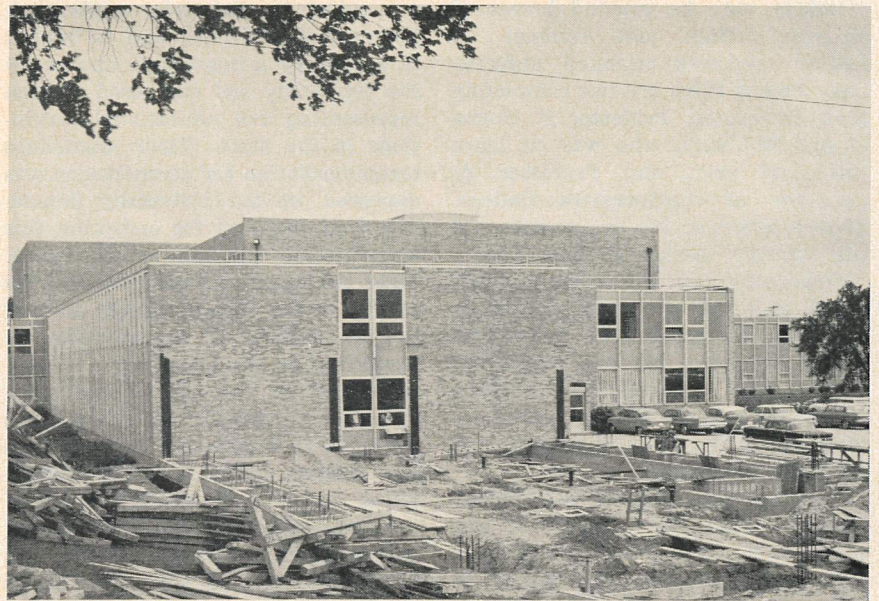
Resolved, That we grant the new refectory at Mobridge as an urgent replacement of the "White Building" . . . and that we grant remodeling of the boys' dormitory for the second year of the biennium.

Resolved, That further construction at Dr. Martin Luther College and Dr. Martin Luther High School continue as funds become available under the plan as projected by the Board of Trustees.

Resolved, That the replacement of the old 1875 dormitory at Northwestern College be undertaken as monies become available.

Only Urgent Needs Met

Will there be anything left undone when these resolutions have been carried out? Will not the completion of these projects be sufficient to take care of our schools and our worker-training for years to come? By no means. Only urgent needs are being met. There are others that require attention. Our building program must be a continuing one to maintain the



BUILDING FACILITIES FOR MILWAUKEE TEACHERS' COLLEGE — This addition to Wisconsin Lutheran High School will provide space for the operation of the College until the Synod determines the future of this school at the 1965 convention.

life of our schools and to meet the needs that growth and change are bringing with them. We refer to such needs as the following:

A List of Our Needs

a) Construction of a dormitory for boys at Dr. Martin Luther College after completion of the planned auditorium-gymnasium-student union-refectory building.

b) Development of the Dr. Martin Luther High School campus. Land has been acquired; preliminary drawings of a building-complex have been tentatively approved.

c) The replacement of the 1905 dormitory at Northwestern College soon after replacement of the 1875 building.

d) The development of a campus for the preparatory department of Northwestern College, in line with the policy of separating academy and college departments.

e) Renovation of existing dormitories at New Ulm and at Saginaw.

f) The development of a campus for Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers' College. At this time this school is being carried along on a temporary arrangement with Wisconsin Lutheran High School. A fine site has been

purchased for the projected campus, but further action regarding the future of this school has been tabled until the Synod convention in 1965.

g) The possibility of securing or building an academy for the Nebraska District. (At the August convention the Nebraska District offered to buy a complete campus at Wahoo, provided the Synod would take over the operation of the school. Present Synod policy and other considerations made it necessary to decline this very attractive and appealing proposal.)

h) The possibility of securing or building an academy for the Arizona-California District. This youngest of our Districts is situated in the fastest-growing part of the country and may well look forward to the establishment of an academy in its territory.

i) Should conditions warrant, the Northwest District may also seek to have an academy sometime in the future. Our Synod has not rescinded its expressed intention of establishing an academy in each District.

A Continuing Program A Wise Stewardship

At first glance these are near awe-inspiring and breath-taking projects.

Costs will run into millions of dollars. There can, of course, be no thought of carrying out all of this work at one time. Here again we see why a well-planned and continuing building program should be carried on. Monies should be set aside continuously in anticipation of needs, not sporadically collected when needs have become urgent. Doesn't a wise family do that in the management of its own household?

Our membership has grown to well over 300,000 souls. Our contributions, though certainly nothing to boast about, have provided several millions of dollars in the last decade for projects that have been completed. Why have we done this much? Why do we want to do more? Isn't it in response to our Savior's question: "What hast thou done for me?" He gave His life for us, to redeem us

from sin and to bring us eternal life. He is asking us to bring the message of salvation to our fellow men. He wants us to "publish with the voice (God's) wondrous works." He has commissioned us to preach the Gospel to all nations. Faithfulness in carrying out this commission will build the Church and keep it growing. As God gives us grace, we will bend our efforts to keep our building program a continuing one in anticipation of the needs that growth of His Church will bring.

God Builds — We May Help!

Each of us has a part in this program. How will we fill it? Let us humbly learn from one of the members of our Rhodesian Mission, Mr. M'hlanga, who said: "We didn't build

it. We were like children playing. We piled bricks on top of each other, but God was building His Church!"

God builds. He grants the privilege to help in building with the gifts that He has given. Let us pray Him to grant us an ever fuller understanding and realization of the truths so beautifully expressed in two of our hymns:

*All that I was, my sin, my guilt,
My death, was all mine own;
All that I am I owe to Thee,
My gracious God, alone.*

*We give Thee but Thine own,
What'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.*

PAUL G. EICKMANN

**100th Anniversary
Salem Ev. Lutheran Church
Woodbury Township
Minnesota**

"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake." In such a spirit the members of Salem Lutheran Church, on July 14, 1963, celebrated the hundredth anniversary of the congregation's founding. The members of Salem were encouraged to thankfulness and joy in two festival services. Pastor E. Zehms of Pardeeville, Wisconsin, a former pastor, addressed them on Genesis 28:16, 17 in the morning service. Pastor M. J. Lenz of Delano,

Minnesota, president of the Minnesota District, addressed them on Revelation 3:11 in the outdoor service in the afternoon. Friends from neighboring congregations of the St. Croix Conference and former members came to help in the celebration. Humble thankfulness filled the hearts of all as they thought over the Lord's blessings received through the Word and Sacraments the past 100 years. In 1863 the Gospel was brought to their fathers by Pastor Friedrich Hoffmann, then pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church of Baytown. Twenty pastors have continued to bring that Gospel to them in Word and Sacrament. Since 1958 the congregation has been served by Pastor A. Zenker. The congregation numbers 67 com-

municants and 88 souls. "And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it" (Ps. 90:17).

A. ZENKER

Briefs

(Continued from page 274)

We have received a number of requests for the Wisconsin Synod Catechism in Braille. We are, of course, happy that this way has been found to help our young (and some older) Christians who are handicapped by blindness. The catechism will be supplied out of legacy made to the Synod for help to the blind.

**WINNEBAGO TEACHERS' CONFERENCE
St. John's Lutheran School, Two Rivers, Wis.
September 26-27, 1963**

Thursday

9:00-10:00 Opening Service
10:00-10:15 Announcements — Election Committee
10:15-10:45 Board of Education — Wisconsin Synod
10:45-11:00 Recess — Assembled for Sectional Meetings
11:00-11:50 Grades 5-8 Discussion Unit "MOSES".....Richard Grunze
Discussion LeaderAlfred Gresens
Grades 1-4 "Our House of God".....Mary Ann Mitzenheim
Discussion LeaderGloria Beckmann
Kindergarten "Our House of God".....Mrs. G. Ehlert
12:00- 1:00 Dinner
1:00- 1:30 Displays — Social Studies — Manitowoc Faculty
1:30- 1:45 Devotion — Chairman
1:45- 2:45 "How Much Should Present-Day Science
be Stressed?"Elroy Bartsch

2:45- 3:15 Business Meeting
3:15- 3:30 Recess
3:30- 4:30 "Penmanship in Our Schools".....
.....Zaner-Bloser Representative

Friday

9:00- 9:15 Devotion — Chairman
9:15-10:15 "How We As Teachers Can Encourage Better Co-
operation Between Home and School".....Fred Mueller
10:15-10:50 Recess
10:50-11:50 "What Constitutes Promotion?".....Prof. Arthur Koester
11:50- 1:50 Dinner
1:30- 1:40 Devotion — Chairman
1:40- 2:20 Report of District President
2:20- 3:10 "Patriotism in Our Schools".....Walter Vater
3:10- 3:30 Recess
3:30- 3:45 Business Meeting
3:45 Closing Devotion

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Executive Secretary — Home Missions

The General Board for Home Missions is asking for names of candidates for the newly created office of Secretary for Home Missions. He shall be a called minister of the Gospel whose qualifications shall fit him for the office as described in the Book of Reports and Memorials (pp. 49-51). Please send names and information regarding your nominations to the undersigned no later than September 12, 1963.

Pastor Henry Paustian, Secretary
1025 E. Main St.
Watertown, Wis.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Northwestern College

The Synod in convention created a new professorship at Northwestern College. Members of the Synod are therefore requested to nominate men to fill this position. The man called will be asked to teach English in the High School Department. Nominations must be in the hands of the secretary not later than Sept. 9, 1963.

KURT A. TIMMEL, Secretary
612 Fifth St.
Watertown, Wis.

CALL FOR CANDIDATES

Board for World Missions

Authorized by the 37th Convention of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod, August 7-14, 1963, your Board for World Missions invites all members of the Synod to submit names of pastors as candidates for the office of Executive Secretary for the Board for World Missions.

Please submit information concerning the candidates and the reasons for your nomination.

Nominations are to be in the hands of the Secretary, Pastor W. R. Hoyer, 217 East Walnut, Sleepy Eye, Minn., no later than midnight, Sept. 12, 1963.

EDGAR HOENECKE, Chairman
The Board for World Missions

COLLEGE STUDENT WANTED

The Lutheran Residential Treatment Center operated by the Lutheran Children's Friend Society is recruiting a male college student, preferably in the upper classes, for its child care staff. The young man will be required to live at the center and to also spend some time working directly with the boys. He will receive his room and board, plus other benefits depending on the amount of time spent with the boys in activities.

The position will provide the student with many opportunities to supplement his college education by having the opportunity to be a part of a residential team consisting of groupworkers, caseworkers, houseparents, and teachers.

Requirements are a basic love for and an interest in children, the ability to be firm but gentle and a willingness to accept children whose behavior is not always acceptable.

Anyone interested is encouraged to contact the Lutheran Children's Friend Society, 8138 Harwood Ave., Wauwatosa 13, Wis., telephone BL 8-4542. Telephone calls or correspondence may be directed to Mr. Don L. Druckrey, Child Care Supervisor.

WANTED TO BUY

Six copies of the Concordia Triglotta for the reference shelf in our College library. They are needed for our symbolics course. Contact:

Prof. Carleton Toppe
Northwestern College
Watertown, Wis.

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

We regret to announce that Pastors G. C. Marquardt, Carl Broecker, and H. C. Oswald have withdrawn from our Synod and therefore are no longer in fellowship with us.

R. W. MUELLER, President
Western Wisconsin District

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"APT TO TEACH" (FS-19-ATT)

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The Centennial story of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. The history of our Synod's Seminary is traced from its earliest beginnings to the present attractive campus at Mequon.

SEMINARY DEDICATION SERVICE

3¾ ips. tape of two hours' duration carries the complete service as recorded on Dedication Sunday, August 11, 1963.

7½ ips. tape of one hour duration carries the highlights of the Dedication service including the sermon by Prof. J. P. Meyer.

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3614 W. North Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53208

NOTICE

Mr. William Neujahr has made himself ineligible for a call as teacher in our parochial schools.

ADOLPH C. BUENGER, President
Southeastern Wisconsin District

ITEMS AVAILABLE TO A MISSION

One set communion ware (silver-plated) consisting of chalice, flagon, paten and host box; one missal stand (brass) with round base; two offering plates, light oak.

Contact:

Zion Ev. Lutheran Church
Rev. Mentor Kujath, Pastor
2220 Ninth Ave.
South Milwaukee, Wis. 53172

NAMES WANTED — UNIVERSITY

TO ALL PASTORS! If you have any students attending, or about to attend, the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan, please instruct them, that when registering, they should specifically mention that they are "Wisconsin Synod" Lutherans. This will enable our Synod better to serve our students at this University. You might also have them contact: Rev. Robert A. Baer, 2542 Bellwood, Ann Arbor (NO 2-2091).

ROBERT A. BAER

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN SEMINARY SCHOOL OPENING

The new school year of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wis., will open with a special service on Monday, Sept. 9, 1963, at 10:00 a.m. All friends of our Seminary are cordially invited.

CARL LAWRENZ, President

NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE SCHOOL OPENING

Northwestern College will open its new school year with a service in the gymnasium at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 9. New students are to report at 9:00 a.m. the same day.

C. TOPPE

NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Milwaukee Lutheran Teachers' College

The 1963-64 school year will bring much that is new to the Lutheran Teachers' College in Milwaukee. For the first time the College will have instructors called by the Synod on a full-time basis. A new agreement has been reached with the Wisconsin Lutheran High School Conference extending use of the facilities for six years. A new addition is scheduled for completion in January. The student body should be the largest in the brief history of our Synod's newest teacher-training school.

The new school year will begin with a service in the Wisconsin Lutheran High School auditorium at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 10. Not only students and their parents, but also the people of our area are invited to attend the opening service.

ROBERT J. VOSS, President

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' CONVENTION — LAKE SUPERIOR

The thirty-fourth annual Lake Superior Sunday School Teachers' Convention will meet at Salem Ev. Lutheran Church in Escanaba, Mich., Sept. 15, 1963. The meeting will start promptly at 3:00 p.m.

MRS. JOHN KALLMAN, Secretary

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

ARIZONA-CALIFORNIA

GADSDEN PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 23, 1963.

Place: Good Shepherd, Tucson, Ariz.

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Speaker: H. Peter.

Agenda: Christ in the Pentateuch, C. Metz;
1 Cor. 1, M. Nitz; Our Communion
Liturgy, E. A. Sitz; The Mystical Body
of Christ, R. Paustian.

V. H. WINTER, Secretary

THE NORTHWESTERN LUTHERAN

DAKOTA-MONTANA

EASTERN DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Place: Trinity Lutheran Church, Hendricks, Minn., C. E. Cone, Jr., host pastor.

Time: Thursday, Sept. 19, 1963, opening with a Communion service at 9:00 a.m. (CST); no sermon.

Program: Report by the delegates to the Synod Convention. Each congregation is to have a lay delegate.

C. E. CONE, JR., Secretary

MICHIGAN

SOUTHWESTERN PASTOR-TEACHER-DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: Monday, Sept. 16, 1963.

Place: Hopkins, Mich.

Time: 9:00 a.m., Communion service.

Agenda: The Position of the Woman in the Church, including the Call of the Lady Teacher, J. Fricke; Synod Convention Report.

WAYNE BARTELT, Secretary

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NORTHERN PASTOR-TEACHER-DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 23-24, 1963.

Place: St. John's, Clare, Mich.; R. A. Schultz, host pastor.

Preacher: E. Schmelzer (alternate, M. Schroeder).

The conference opens with a Communion service at 9:00 a.m. Teachers and lay delegates are required to be present the first day only.

Only the noon meal will be served by the host congregation. Requests for lodging are to be sent in to the host pastor before the conference.

R. A. SCHULTZ, Secretary

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FLORIDA PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 24, 1963.

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Faith Lutheran Church, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Host pastor: W. Steih.

E. C. RENZ, Secretary

MINNESOTA

CROW RIVER PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Place: St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Hancock, Minn.; P. Wilde, pastor.

Time: Sept. 17 and 18, 1963, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Agenda: Homiletical Study of Rev. 2:12-17, H. Sauer; Isagogical study of Jonah, G. Geiger; The Real Presence in the Sacrament, T. Bauer.

Preacher: W. Neumann (alternate: E. Otterstatter).

Please announce concerning housing needs to the host pastor.

W. E. NEUMANN, Secretary

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REDWOOD FALLS DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: Tuesday, Sept. 17, 1963.

Time: 2:00-9:00 p.m.

Place: St. John's, Helen Township; P. Kuske, pastor.

Agenda: Reports of the Synod Convention.

GALE MAAS, Secretary

MANKATO PASTOR-DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 22, 1963.

Place: Trinity Lutheran Church, Belle Plaine, Minn.

Time: 2:30-5:45 p.m.

Agenda: Christian Burial, M. Wehausen; Report of delegates to the WELS Convention.

D. E. KOCK, Secretary

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MANKATO PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Oct. 1, 1963.

Place: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, No. Mankato, Minn.

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Confessional Speaker: M. Birkholz (R. Haase, alternate).

Agenda: Dan. 1, R. Schlicht; The Bride's Pastor Officiates, E. Petersen; Laying the Groundwork For a Christian Day School, R. Schlicht.

D. E. KOCK, Secretary

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ST. CROIX PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Tuesday-Wednesday, Sept. 17-18, 1963.

Place: Salem, Stillwater, Minn.

Time: 9:30 a.m. (Minn. Time), 10:30 a.m. (Wis. Time).

Preacher: C. Zuleger (alternate, A. Eberhart).

Agenda: Exegesis — Col. 2:16-3:4, by T. Kuske; Reports of Delegates to Synod Convention.

J. G. HOENECKE, Secretary

NEBRASKA

CENTRAL PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 24-25, 1963.

Place: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebr.; Wm. H. Wietzke, host pastor.

Time: Opening session at 10:00 a.m.

Sermon: Pastor M. Weishahn (R. Michel, alternate).

Agenda: Reb. 3:14-22, E. Lindemann; Formula of Concord—Epitome: Introduction and Article 1, M. Weishahn; God's Providence As Shown In Rom. 8:28 and Fatalism, E. Habermann; I Cor. 9, C. E. Cone, Sr. Also various reports.

Please announce to host pastor.

W. A. WIETZKE, Secretary

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SOUTHERN DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 24-25, 1963; opening session at 10:00 a.m.

Place: First Ev. Lutheran Church, Aurora; P. Manthey, host pastor.

Sermon: R. Ehlert.

Papers: An Isagogical Treatise on the Book of Amos, D. Schmeling; Augsburg Confession, Article 20, L. Gruendeman; Comparison of Discrepancies Between the King James and R.S.V. Translations, W. Wichmann.

Reports: Synod Convention, Mission Board, Academy Board, Stewardship, Financial, etc.

Please announce to host pastor.

PAUL A. MANTHEY, Secretary

NORTHERN WISCONSIN

RHINELANDER PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 9, 1963.

Place: Monico, Wis., Grace Lutheran Church.

Time: 9:00 a.m. Evening Communion service; preacher: E. C. Leyrer.

Agenda: Missionary Methods in the Light of the Book of Acts, M. Radtke; Con-

tinuation of the Study of Ephesians, J. Radloff.

J. RADLOFF, Secretary

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WINNEBAGO PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Monday, Sept. 16, 1963.

Time: 9:00 a.m. Communion service (B. Kuschel, preacher; J. Mattek, alternate).

Place: Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Neenah, Wis.; G. Schaefer, host pastor.

Agenda: Exegesis of passages in Table of Duties (cont.), G. Ehlert; Dan. 5, J. Hanson; The work of the Institutional Missionary, L. Winter; Reports, Assignments, Casuistry.

GLENN H. UNKE, Secretary

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MANITOWOC PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 16, 1963; opening Communion service at 9:00 a.m.

Place: Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Rt 1, Manitowoc, Wis.; S. Kugler, host pastor.

Preacher: G. F. Cares (A. Degner, alternate).

Agenda: Exegesis, Isa. 49:24ff, T. Stern; Sermon Study, A. F. Schultz; Roman Catholic Antenuptial Agreement, E. Behm; Study of the Word "Mysterion," D. Worgull; Open and Close Communion, A. Stuebs; Reports of Delegates.

Send excuses to host pastor.

A. F. SCHULTZ, Secretary

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FOX RIVER VALLEY DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 17, 1963.

Place: Immanuel Lutheran Church, Greenville, Wis., (8 miles west of Appleton); O. Sommer, pastor.

Time: 9:00 a.m.

C. SCHLEI, Secretary

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DISTRICT MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Time: Sept. 23, 12 Noon (CDT) to Sept. 24, 12 Noon.

Place: Christ Church, Eagle River, Wis.

Program: To be submitted by the committee.

CARL W. VOSS, Secretary

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DISTRICT PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Place: St. Peter's, Sturgeon Bay, Wis.; Theo. Baganz, host pastor.

Date: Oct. 28-29, 1963.

Opening Communion service: 10:00 a.m. (S. Kugler; alternate, W. Hein).

Papers: State Aid To Parochial Schools, Leader: W. Airdke; A Review of the Principles of Biblical Hermeneutics, P. Kolander.

Please send requests for lodging and valid excuses for nonattendance to the host pastor: Rev. Theo. Baganz, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Corner Maple & Lansing, Sturgeon Bay, Wis.

Except for breakfast, meals will be served at the church.

S. KUGLER, Secretary

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

DISTRICT PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 24-26, 1963 (from noon to noon).

Place: Grace, Zillah, Wash.; W. Widman, pastor.

Agenda: The pastor as administrator; When do we have a call to enter a mission field?; A review of the heathen religions as Israel entered the promised land; Isagogical study of Ezra; Homiletical study of Matthew 10:16-20; New Testament Exegesis, Galatians.

Please inform the host pastor of your intended presence or absence.

pastor: Rev. N. Theo. Baganz, St. Peter's

WESTERN WISCONSIN

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY PASTORAL CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 17 and 18, 1963.

Place: Zion Lutheran Church, Eitzen, Minn.

Program: Communion service, 9:00 a.m., Sept. 17; N. Gieschen, speaker (alternate: W. Gutzke). Continued study of the Apology, R. Kant; The Doctrinal Controversies of 1546 to 1580, K. Neumann; The New English Bible, Dr. P. Spaude.

H. ESSMANN, Secretary

WISCONSIN-CHIPPEWA RIVER VALLEY PASTORAL CONFERENCE

The pastors of the combined Wisconsin River Valley and Chippewa River Valley Pastoral Conference will meet Tuesday, Sept. 17, 1963, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 214 14th Avenue S., Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., William Lange, host pastor. Communion service at 9:00 a.m.; T. Bradtke, speaker (W. Frank, alternate).

M. KOEPESELL, Secretary

SOUTHWESTERN DELEGATES CONFERENCE

Date: Sept. 22, 1963.

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: St. John's, Sparta, Wis.

Business: Reports of Delegates to Synod Convention; Election of the Visitor and other officers.

L. W. MEYER, Secretary

ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

Installed

Pastors

Engel, Alfons J., as pastor of Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, Waupaca, Wis., by W. Pankow; May 26, 1963.

Kuske, David, as pastor of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Barre Mills, La Crosse, Wis., by W. Paustian; assisted by G. Albrecht, L. Lambert; Aug. 11, 1963.

Westendorf, Daniel D., as assistant pastor of Pilgrim Ev. Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minn., by R. Palmer; assisted by W. Dorn, H. Pankow, P. Siegler, H. Schewe, C. Wosje, J. Hoenecke; July 14, 1963.

Zink, Robert J., as pastor of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Tess Corners, Wis., by R. D. Balge; assisted by V. Prange, H. J. Zink, W. T. Krueger; Aug. 11, 1963.

Teachers

Brohn, David, as principal of St. John's Ev. Lutheran School, Lomira, Wis., by Carl J. Henning; Aug. 11, 1963.

Buch, Marcus, as teacher of the sixth grade of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran School, Tomah, Wis., by O. W. Heier; Aug. 18, 1963.

Ordained and Installed

Pastor

Zwieg, Larry G., as pastor of Friedens Ev. Lutheran Church, Bonduel, Wis., and St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Zachow, Wis., by A. Mittelstaedt; assisted by K. Timmel, A. Wood; July 28, 1963.

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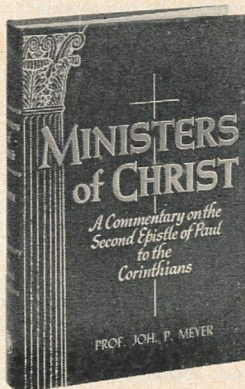
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