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REFSELL, LLOYD G.
1921 - 1967

Individual Questionnaire for

Biographical Record of Ministers

of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church (in America) and its parent synods:
The United Danish Ev. Luth. Church, The Danish Ev. Luth. Church Association
in America and The Danish Ev. Luth. Church in North America.

(Compiled for the Synodical Historical Archives)

Personal Data: (Please give all information you can)

Full name: Lloyd G Refsell

Born when: July 6, 1921 where: Forest City, Iowa

Son of Lloyd G. and Helen F. Refsell, Sr.
Baptized when and where: as infant. Parents moved to Minneapolis shortly after his birth, joined Central Luth. Church

Confirmed when and where: at age 14 in said church by whom: Dr. J. A. O. Stub

If immigrant, date of arrival in America: located where:

Date of ordination: Jan. 25, 1945 where: in some Norw. Luth. Church by whom: ?

If not in above synods, when and where accepted as member pastor of our synod: June 24, 1958

Retired from active ministry when: why:

Located where: occupation:

If dead, what date: Aug. 12, 1967 where: Eau Claire, Wis. cause: illness

Buried where: date:

Marriage: (1) to whom Dorothy Jean Milbrath date and place: 1952

Wife's birthdate and place:

Her parents: location:

If wife is dead, give date

(2) Second wife (if any; give same information about her)

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Lloyd G. Refsell

Chicago Luth. Seminary, Maywood, Ill. 1955-56
Union T. Col. Seminary, N.Y. 1949-50
Princeton Seminary, N.J. 1946-47

Children (give names and other information of interest, as occupation, spouse, and present address):

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Other information on family of historical interest, i.e., members in the ministry, missionary work, teaching and medical professions, etc.:

His brother, John Richard Rasmussen, born May 8, 1927 at Mpls. also became a minister in the Ev. Luth. Church (former Norwegian) in 1954 and served following churches, Trinity, So. Milwaukee, Wis. 1954-59; Edison Park (association), Chicago, Ill. 1959-61; then Christ the King, Denver, Colo. a former UELC church, now Am. Luth. Church. He married Dorothy Jean Milbrath in 1952

Educational Training: Give name of institution, location, and when attended.

High Schools: at Minneapolis

Colleges (Give also degrees attained): St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn. 1938-42 (B.A.); ~~Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn. 1942-45 (B.Th.); Union Seminary, New York, 1949-50; Chicago Luth. Seminary, & Topeka, Kan. Clinical Training 1955-56;~~

Theological Schools: Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn. 1942-45; B.T. Princeton Seminary, N.J. 1946-47 M.Th. Union Theol. Seminary, N.Y. 1949-50 Chicago Luth. Seminary, Maywood, Ill. 1955-56

Honorary Degrees received (give name of institution and date):

Other specific training:

Clinical Training, Topeka, Kan. 1955-56 at State Hospital there.....

Additional comment on above:

Ministerial Service. Please give in chronological order the names of congregations or charges served, and period of each.

In Norwegian Luth. Church:

Chokio & Alberta, Minn. 1945-46

Professor (assistant) of Philosophi & Religion at Wittenberg College 1947-49
Springfield, Ohio.....

Advance Study at Union Seminary and Columbia University, New York, and
also served as pastor St. Olav Luth. Church, Weehawken, N.J. 1949-51;

Pastor ~~Stark~~ Trinity Luth. Church, Sparta, Wis. 1951 - April 1955.....

~~Tankxixini~~ at Dana College, Blair, Nebr.
Ass't. Professor of Philosophi and Greek Sept. 1956-62

Professor of Philosophy & Religion, Capital University, Columbus, O. 1965-66

" " " , Wis. State University, Eau Claire, Wis. 1966- death

NOTE: Our previous biographical records were lost in the tragic fire that destroyed the office building of the Lutheran Publishing House, Blair, Nebr., Feb. 13, 1953, where the syndical historian also had his office. This accounts for the missing data in the records. He assured all cooperation in gathering this historically important data will be highly appreciated. Please fill in what you can perhaps with the assistance of others acquainted with subject. and we may either have it or borrow it please send it along. All our collection of cuts was also ruined in the fire. If you can refer us to any person, book or paper that can inform us further, we shall be very much obliged to you.

Return this report as soon as possible to

Offices held in Synod and Districts, and when:

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Other activities and official services-at-large (teaching, chaplaincy, editorial, etc., and period of each):

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Literary production (books and pamphlets): Give titles and when published.

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Additional information of interest:

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Date Aug 1968 Signed R.E.J.

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Chicago Lutheran Seminary, 1943-50
Chicago Lutheran Seminary, Woodstock, Ill. 1953-56

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S T. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
3rd & D Street, Millard, Nebraska
John R. Refsell, Pastor
K. M. Roisen, Interim Pastor

8 & 10:30 a.m. Trinity II June 23, 1968

PRELUDE: "Jesus I Shall Ne'er Forsake" Walther

HYMN NO. 173: "All Creatures Of Our God"

THE CONFSSIONAL SERVICE (pages 15 & 16)

The Introit - Choral (page 95)

The Gloria Patri (page 17)

The Kyrie (page 18)

The Gloria In Excelsis (pages 20-21)

The Collect (page 95)

The Old Testament Lesson: Proverbs 9:1-10

The Epistle Lesson: I John 3:13-18

The Alleluia (page 24)

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 14:15-24

The Apostles' Creed (page 5)

Children's Choir: "On The King's Highway"

(8:00)

Chancel Choir: "Sanctus" Gounod (10:30)

HYMN NO. 209: "God Of Our Life"

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR JOHN R. REFSELL

by Dr. E. G. Fritschel, President of
the Central District

THE SERMON: "Ambassadors Of Christ"

Sermon Text: II Corinthians 5:19-20

REMARKS by Pastor Refsell

THE OFFERING

ORGAN OFFERTORY: "The House Upon A Rock"

Weinberger

(page 27)

THE OFFERTORY

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN NO. 399: "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love"

THE BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDES: "Basse et Dessus de Trompette"

Clerambault; "Grand Jeu" Mage

Organist: Dr. Paul Neve

Liturgist: Pastor K. M. Roisen

Acolytes: Paul Nyquist, John Siert

Ushers: D. Chrastil, H. Cowan, S. Jones, G.

Krabbenhoft (8:00); H. Frost, H. Hibbeler,

M. Kastens, R. Lewis (10:30).

Flowers on the altar today are provided
by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Siert and Family.

Attendance last Sunday 409. Offerings:
Current \$817.81; Benevolence \$129.00; Building
Fund \$48.11. Sunday School attendance 234.

This noon--Congregational pot-luck dinner
will follow the 10:30 a.m. service. This will
be our first opportunity to get acquainted
with Pastor and Mrs. Refsell and family. Every-
one welcome.

Luther Leaguers attending the Field Day
at Church of the Master this afternoon will
meet here at the church at 4:15 P.M. Trans-
portation will be provided.

Sunday, July 7--The Sacrament of Holy Com-
munion will be administered at both services.

Couples' Group steak fry on July 7 at 6:00
P.M. at the Leonard Nelson home.

Semi-Annual Meeting of the congregation,
July 11th, at 8:00 P.M.

Daily Vacation Bible School for 1968, now
completed, had an enrollment of 37 Pre-School
pupils (of these 21 had perfect attendance);
and 164 pupils including Kindergarten through
Grade 7 (108 having perfect attendance). The
staff comprised 28 teachers and 30 helpers.

Workbooks and handicraft items are on dis-
play on the lower narthex and Sunday School
classrooms.

The theme "Tell the Good News" was shared
with the residents of the Good Samaritan Center
by Grades 3,4,5,6, who visited the Center, sang
for them, and delivered nutcups they had made.

The theme for the 7th grade Confirmation
Class was "God's Word for God's World". Their
display is in the Lounge and Room I.

John Richard Refsell, the son of Lloyd G. Refsell Sr., and Helen (Nelson) Refsell, was born May 8, 1927, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was baptized by the Rev. T. Hansen at Wallingford, Iowa, on June 27, of the same year. He received his catechetical instruction from the late Dr. J.A.O. Stub and publicly testified to his faith in Christ at Confirmation on May 12, 1940, at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Elementary and high school education were completed in Robbinsdale, Minnesota in 1945. In answer to his country's summons he served a year in the Combat Air Crew of the Naval Reserve. Upon his honorable discharge in 1946, he entered St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., from which he was graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1950. It was during his junior year in college that the persistent call of the Lord, which had often been rejected, finally was permitted to have its way. He entered Luther Theological Seminary in September, 1950, from which he was graduated in May, 1954:

On May 30, 1952, he was united in marriage with Dorothy Jean Milbrath at St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church in St. Paul, Minnesota, the ceremony performed by his brother, the Rev. Lloyd G. Refsell, jr. A year of internship was served under the guidance of the Rev. Hoover T. Grimsby at Ascension Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He has served Trinity Lutheran Church at South Milwaukee, Wisconsin from June 1954 to March 1959, and Edison Park Lutheran Church from March 1959 to September 1961. Also Christ the King Lutheran Church in Denver, Colorado, from September, 1961 to June of 1968.

It is a great privilege to be called as shepherd to a flock for the Lord, who is Shepherd of us all. Those who teach, preach, minister, and serve the church in other capacities bring the living truth to our communities in a special way. The people of God pray the blessings of the Holy Spirit on these servants as they go forth to serve.

Mrs. Lloyd Refsell, Formerly of Blair, Died Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Lloyd Refsell, former Blairite will be held Saturday afternoon at Radcliffe, Iowa with interment in the Radcliffe Cemetery.

Mrs. Refsell died suddenly Wednesday morning at her home in Columbus, Ohio. The Refsells moved to Columbus the middle of August. Rev. Refsell accepted a position on the Capital University faculty.

Mrs. Refsell, 45 years of age was born at Radcliffe. She is survived by her husband, Rev. Refsell; sons, Paul, a student at Dana College; Steve, a student at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn.; and Jon and Olaf at home.

Rev. Refsell was a member of the Dana College faculty for several years.

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