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Red, White and Blue Flag

Red, white and blue flag,
Gracefully waving
Over the freeborn
And mighty land,
Stars in the blue field
Kindly toward heaven
Becken our hearts
And call us to peace!



Red, white and blue flag,
Ever proclaiming:
Freedom is power,
Freedom is life.
Banish forever,
Forces that sever,
Keep us united
Stalwart and free!

Red, white and blue flag,
Wonderful banner,
Liberty's symbol
Throughout the world.
Freedom and justice
Shall be victorious,
Under your guidance
Peace shall prevail!

—Adam Dan.—

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Ordination Address, June 18, 1944

EPH. 3, 17-19.

In his letter to the Ephesians Paul speaks about the love of Christ which passeth knowledge. In our generation knowledge and education has been regarded very highly, in fact so much that it almost has become a substitute for the Christian virtues of faith and love. Much knowledge often keeps the heart cold. People have all kinds of opinions about God and Christ and study the Scriptures without ever getting a clear conviction of Christ as their Savior and of His consuming love for the souls of men.

Holger Andersen, you are today being ordained as a minister of Christ, the most exalted calling any man can accept. A minister's efficiency depends not so much upon the amount of knowledge he has acquired as upon the love and faith which is in his heart. I pray with the words of Paul: "that Christ may dwell in your heart through faith to the end that you may be rooted and grounded in love." Only when you have come to the full conviction that Christ is your Savior, will you be able to love Him with your whole heart and bear witness of His love for the lost sinner. And that is the message the world needs now more than ever. Dead theology and secular knowledge give no peace to the yearning human heart or to the world at large, only a living message of God's living word and love revealed in Jesus Christ can bring peace.

It is not the social gospel the world needs, not a discourse on current events, on national or international policies, but the Gospel about God's grace for repentant sinners. Our generation is not sin-conscious and that goes for many of our church-members too.

We need a spiritual awakening, a Pentecostal fire to stir up the dying and flickering faith of our congregations; a wholehearted and sincere confession of our baptismal covenant every day. You cannot too often emphasize that in your sermons and your catechetical instructions.

With loving kindness and a sincere conviction admonish both young and old. Be a spiritual leader of the young people, a friend of children, visit the sick and old and shut-ins with a cheerful message and prayer. Keep in personal contact with the men in service and send them a message of good cheer reminding them of God's compassion and the love of Jesus Christ their Savior. Go prayerfully about your work and neglect not your family — and private devotions, it is the praying pastor who is most efficient as preacher, teacher and spiritual leader. Beware of becoming too official, remember you are a servant, be rather a humble servant than a despotic official in your dealings with the church council and the leaders of your church organizations. Do not look for honors or human praise, which often is nothing but empty flattery.

Be humble of heart and sympathetic and kind to every one who needs your guiding help and council. You may think, it is rather a great obligation for a young and inexperienced man, but remember the Lord is always ready to help those who are willing to work in His vineyard, to replenish their gifts and give them physical and spiritual strength for the work in His kingdom. A faithful servant of the Lord must always be mindful of his Lord's promise: "Whatsoever ye

shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Matt. 21, 22. Ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit and you will receive it.

"If you are rooted and grounded in love," the apostle says, "you may be strong to apprehend the breadth and the length and height and depth and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge." To know Christ's love is to love Him and that love is the mightiest power in the world, with that power in his heart Paul went out to evangelize the world, with that power the missionary and the minister of the Gospel today can evangelize that part of the world which has been entrusted to him as his field. May the Lord grant you and help you to become a true and faithful servant in His vineyard.

A. W. Andersen.

Reports Of District Presidents

To the 67th Annual Convention of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Medicine Lake, Minn., June 13-18, 1944.

DISTRICT NO. 1

John Pedersen

The big question among church men here in the East seems to be: "What can the church do for the reconstruction of the world when victory is won?" The church can do nothing if it has not done so already. The job of the church is not to step in with its political influence in times of distress and difficulty. The job of the church at all times is to prepare the heart and mind of its members to do what is just and honest. If that has been done the influence of the church will also be felt in the days of reconstruction. I think that can be said to be the attitude of our churches here in the East. With that in mind has there been worked the last year.

We had a very good and inspiring convention in Newark last fall. Among the things which were decided was this. We had a letter from the United Danish Lutheran Church, Atlantic District. They had at their district meeting in Brooklyn decided to invite us to join in the Bible Camp work. The U.D.C. has had a very successful camp at Lake Winnepesaukee, N. H., for many years. But because quite a few of our pastors and laymen have been along the later years, it was decided to invite us to make it a joint affair. Because of the good spirit which has always prevailed at that camp the years I have been along, and taken part, I recommended it to our district and it was carried. I know it will be a blessing to all who take part.

I have lately visited all the congregations in our district. Not very great changes have taken place during the past year.

In Hartford the work is going fine. The minister and congregation are working hand in hand, and the work is progressing nicely.

In Bridgeport they are busy preparing for their congregation's anniversary in the fall. We will at the same time have our District Meeting there. They are having a drive for \$4,000 to improve their property. We are sure it will be a great improvement.

Port Chester is served by Rev. Kildegard. They have a very nice little church, and we had a good inspiring meeting when I visited them. They have lately started to have some of the services in English, and I hope that will help them to keep the young people who otherwise might drift into other churches.

Bronx is still without a pastor, although when I was there they seemed to think they now had a chance to get their own pastor again. That has not been officially announced yet. The work has been kept going by Rev. Tarpgaard, we appreciate very much his kindness and thank him for the good work.

I happened to be in Newark on confirmation Sunday. The church was packed with people. I wish they could get their own full time minister, because with all the other work Rev.

Baden has it is impossible for him to take care of the ordinary pastoral work in the congregation. In spite of that handicap I can only say that the work in Newark is very promising.

The Perth Amboy congregation is very active. A fine spirit is prevailing. New members are still joining up and the work as a whole is going fine.

The Brooklyn congregation has been busy the last year improving their property. What a change has taken place. The whole building has been remodelled, a very fine piece of work has been done. Rev. Dorf is still serving the church. He resigned a couple of years ago; but as they have not been able to get another pastor he is still serving them.

In Troy the work is going as usual. There seems to be good cooperation between pastor and congregation.

The Portland congregation has during the last year lost quite a few of its good members, by death. Also do we miss the many young people who are in the armed service. That, of course, is equal for all congregations. We have not had any great changes in the past year. The work has been carried on as usual.

Our National President, Rev. Alfred Jensen, has visited our district and spoke for the Grand View College Fund. His visit was very much appreciated.

We have no great accomplishments to report for the past year. The work has been carried on faithfully in all our congregations. We look toward the future with hope, and we ask God's blessing upon our ministers and congregations, not only in this district but throughout the Danish Church. May the convention in Minneapolis be a good and inspiring one.

Respectfully submitted,

John Pedersen.

DISTRICT II

Holger P. Jorgensen

Over in Isaiah 46:3 we are told of the promise of God to carry His people and deliver them: "Harken unto me, O house of Jacob and all the remnant of the house of Israel, that have been borne by me from their birth, that have been carried from the womb; and even to old age I am He, and even to hoar hairs will I carry you; I have made and I will bear; yea, I will carry and deliver."

It is just as certain that God our Father will carry and deliver His people of this new dispensation. This assurance of God's continued sustaining and carrying power is what we are endeavoring to bring to our people in order to give them courage, assurance and fortitude in a world gone mad. What stands? God, who will carry and deliver His people.

We of the Christian church have a great message from God the Father through Jesus Christ to bring to anxious hearts.

I am sure that in some measure we have succeeded in doing this in our district this year. Our Michigan district feels keenly the meaning of total war. Two of our congregations, Detroit and Muskegon, are in the midst of war centers. That has its effect on our church. Yet, in spite of this handicap we carry on.

Our congregation in Muskegon together with the other five Lutheran churches is actively engaged in the work of the Commission on American Missions. These churches together with a full time worker from the Commission conduct Sunday School and services in two of the government housing projects. The authorities express much satisfaction and appreciation of the work of the Lutheran church. In that manner we can serve people from our churches from other communities who have moved to Muskegon for the duration, but cannot because of working hours and distance come to our churches.

As a whole the district has had a good year with some progress in all congregations.

With the exception of Juhl, all our congregations have pastors. The three new workers, Svend Holm, Verner Hansen and Willard Garred whom we bid welcome last summer, have greatly strengthened our district.

Central Church in Muskegon is in the midst of building the first unit of its new church. It is hoped that the building will be completed for occupancy after summer vacation. In spite of the war effort and lack of a church building there has been some growth in the church. Unquestionably the

BIBLE STORY SONGS

David The Shepherd Poet

Ps. 23.

David was feeding the flocks of his father,
Tenderly leading the ewes and the rams;
Boldly he fought with the bear and the lion
Risking his life as he rescued the lambs.
Ruddy and fair was this lad who so thoughtful
Guard the sheep with his staff and his rod;
Playing his harp as they slept in the starlight
Softly he sang as he thought of his God:

I shall not hunger, the Lord is my shepherd;
Kindly His sheep in green pastures He feeds.
I shall not thirst, for to clear living waters
Gently His flock for refreshment He leads.
I shall not fear, for my Shepherd is watching
All through the day and the night o'er His sheep;
So, though the wolf in the desert is howling,
Trusting in Him I lie down and I sleep.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of shadows,
Death has no sting and no evil I fear;
He with His rod and His staff walks before me;
He with protection and comfort is near,
And at the end of the journey a banquet
He has prepared in His mansions for me;
There with the cup of my joy running over
I by His mercy forever shall be.

S. D. Rodholm.

Mel.: Jesus, din søde Forening at smage.

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Grand View College, Des Moines, Ia.

church is stronger spiritually and financially than it has ever been.

Our Detroit congregation reports an increase in membership so that it now has the largest membership in its history. It had a confirmation class of 30 members. Funds for organ chimes have been collected.

In Grayling there has been a 300 per cent increase in Sunday school. Vacation school has also been held. The English language is now used at all morning services and Danish the last Sunday afternoon of the month. The pastor is also active in the community efforts. He has taken initiative part in the parents' committee of the Youth Guidance committee of Crawford Co. in connection with Child Delinquency. A survey of the church affiliations of the children of Grayling has been made. Efforts are now being made to contact the 300 children with no religious education.

Undoubtedly one of the outstanding events of the year was the 75th anniversary of Our Saviour's church at Manistee. This is the first 75th anniversary in the synod. It was, indeed, a splendid day of festivities. Much love and appreciation for the work of the church during those 75 years was felt and expressed by many home folks, visitors and messages. May God give this church a rich future. A few new members have been added this year.

In Greenville, Ludington and Grant the work has progressed.

There is, however, one exception to the general progress, namely in our church at Big Rapids. After repeated appeals from the eight members of our church there as to what could be done about a merger with the small Swedish church, I have contacted the Augustana authorities. Recently the district president, Rev. Landin, the secretary for Home Missions, Rev. Mattson of the Augustana synod, myself and representatives from ours and the two Augustana churches met at Big Rapids to discuss the situation, which is not bright for either of the churches. At that meeting it was decided to recommend a merger of the three congregations into a new one. The matter is now back in the hands of the respective congregations for final decision.

Our congregation is served about eight times a year from Manistee. Since the old people are passing away, it is felt that it will not be possible to continue much longer. Some solution will have to be made, and we are endeavoring to work out the best one.

Our church in Juhl is anxious for a pastor. Student Richard Sorensen and wife served the church well during the summer last year. Since then Rev. A. C. Kildegaard has served once a month and a district pastor once a month, thus giving them service every other Sunday. However, now that Rev. Kildegaard will soon be going to Bronx, there will be a new problem of serving Juhl adequately. It is hoped that Juhl may

soon get a pastor. A large field is waiting for a worker.

While I have not the final figures at hand, it appears that our district will almost if not meet its synod quota of 100 per cent. The figures at hand show that all but two congregations have met their quotas 100 per cent or better. Perhaps the other two have done as well before the end of the fiscal year.

Last fall the district held its annual convention at Grant. As you know Grant has been the scene of many grand meetings. This last meeting brought back many rich memories. However, it not only brought back memories, but also inspired to future building. The attendance was very good and a fine spirit of fellowship prevailed.

Most of all we thank God for His blessing during the past year. But we also thank our faithful membership. Our shortcomings and defeats have been everpresent. Nevertheless, we also feel that victories have been won. The gospel of salvation has been proclaimed. We have planted; God gives the growth.

DISTRICT III

Marius Krog

The year 1943 might well be designated the beginning of a new period in the history of District III. Within the span of little over two years all the congregations have extended their welcome to a new pastor. The district is now well supplied with ministerial workers; all of them men in their best years.

Since the last report was given, Rev. Holger Strandskov has moved from Tyler, Minnesota, to Dwight, Illinois; Rev. Ottar Jorgensen from Cedar Falls, Iowa, to the Trinity Congregation in Chicago, Illinois; and Rev. Harris Jespersen from Viborg, South Dakota, to Clinton, Iowa. We have thus reasons to hope that the district will move forward to a spiritually prosperous future.

Even though the allocation to this district of the synod budget was considerably higher per capita than the allocation to any other district, we are happy to be able to announce that this high quota was accepted without question or complaint by the congregations. Several of them have already met their full obligation and have done so gladly.

In this connection it should be stated that we in these parts feel very strongly that a change should be made in the method of allocating the synod budget. Many of the congregations have junior members who pay less to their respective congregational treasuries, than the congregations are asked to pay to the synod budget on their behalf. A large number of our young people are loyal to their churches, but it is hardly fair that the congregations should be penalized on that account.

During the winter we have had several Sunday School Teachers' Institutes. They have been held under the auspices

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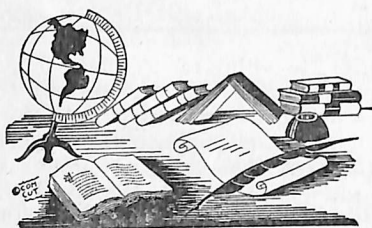
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Across the Editor's Desk

The Convention Grounds—The convention of our synod this year enjoyed the natural setting of a camp on a beautiful little lake only a short distance of about ten miles from Minneapolis, Minn. More than 7,000 people congregated at this place during the summer of 1943 for 10-12 different Bible camps and conventions. The camp was booked again for the entire season this year. Another group of several hundred young people had been scheduled for a meeting to be held simultaneously with our convention. But for some reason this meeting was cancelled.

Although this popular site is spoken of as a camp, the large chapel built of stone in which we convened would comfortably seat more than 700 people. More than that number could be served in the spacious dining rooms. The still larger auditorium also found on the grounds would accommodate an audience of 2,000 people.

The history of this large and spacious camp ground is very interesting. Rev. W. E. Paul, D.D., of Minneapolis is the founder and the superintendent of the so-called Mission Farm, or rather Mission Farms as there are four separate farms. We find that Farm No. 4 is spoken of as the Little Camp Among the Hills, and is located across the bay from the main camp. It is built around a large brick, old-fashioned farm home of ten rooms. This camp has facilities for 130 campers and has a beautiful little chapel of its own.

In 1926 Rev. W. E. Paul conceived the idea of erecting a home for transients, men who for various reasons had no home and who were unemployed, ill or aged. Little did he dream at the time that his first plans should develop into anything as far reaching as the present day camp. Rev. Paul had in mind some small

tract of land of probably about 15 acres not too distant from the city. A co-worker discovered the site on Medicine Lake, and 93 acres of wooded area was purchased with 8,000 feet of lake shore 10 miles from the city.

During the very first years 40 to 75 men found a home here especially during the winter months. Many of these would go out for employment during the summer. The woodlands of the area were opened to church and Sunday School picnics. A tabernacle was built in 1929 from the lumber of the old National Hotel, Rev. Paul and his men had been paid \$1,000 to tear the hotel down. And in 1929 the first larger conference, namely the Northwestern Bible Conference, was held on the grounds. Since then new buildings have constantly been added and many meetings and conventions are now held there each summer.

At the height of the depression 775 men were housed at one time on the four Mission Farms. They are taught handicraft and rustic furniture making. They also do all the farm work. All seats in the large tabernacle and in the chapel as well as in the dining hall and in the many wigwams, etc., are made in rustic style. A mattress factory was started on the farm and more than 1,000 mattresses have been made. We also noted in walking across the main dairy section of the farm a cheese and an ice cream factory. A fine herd of dairy cows provide the milk for the feeding of several hundred people every day through the summer. The milk is pasteurized immediately after milking in the farm's own plant.

Impressions From the Convention: As all convention guests lived on the grounds it was evident that this gave more time for conversation before and after the long and often tedious business sessions. We also noted that practically the entire delegation of pastors and laymen were present for the opening session every morning. This is quite unusual otherwise at many conventions.

We commend the officers of the convention for very efficient work. The convention chairman and his assistant guided the discussions and the deliberations with tact and fairness and at the same time kept the convention aware of its profound responsibility in all issues before us. The two secretaries without doubt surpassed any work done in this office before. At the convention a year ago we tried for the first time to furnish a mimeographed copy of the minutes from each day's session to each delegate and pastor. This procedure was continued this year and undoubtedly is a great help to all delegates present. With this added feature our secretaries gave probably one of the most complete and to the point reports ever effected at any of our conventions.

The fact that the Synod budget had been raised 106 per cent and that all reports from our various institutions and fields of work revealed a spirit of co-operation and hope for the future of our church undoubtedly helped to make all participants of this annual meeting feel that we were blessed with a good convention.

GRAND VIEW COLLEGE



Grand View College

It is rather quiet around the dormitory these days, with only four of the eight seminary students living here and two ex-junior college students working on repairs and general improvements. It has been quite warm here in Des Moines, and we are holding our classes in the early forenoon in an attempt to avoid the heat. As we did not have classes during convention week, some of us went to convention, and others went home or preached in one of our churches.

You might be interested to know that all of us the first half of this summer are studying philosophy of religion, the prison letters of Paul, the history of the Danish Lutheran Church in America, and the parable of Jesus. Classes this term are being conducted by Rev. S. D. Rodholm and Rev. A. C. Ammentorp. Rev. Ernest Nielsen, who is at present attending summer school in Denver, will conduct classes in the seminary during the second term of our summer semester. Mrs. H. Mailand, librarian, is now on a short vacation.

Since only breakfast and dinner are served at Holger Danske Young People's Home, those of us living here at the college decided to make our own noon lunches. We fellows don't think we are doing so badly; and by fixing our own lunches we can have more variety and better food than we were getting when we ate our noon lunches at a cafe.

On Monday evening, June 26, the seminary students entertained the seminary faculty and their families with movies of the two previous school years. Coffee was served in the seminary dining room after the movies.

Clayton Nielsen.

Summer Camp At Grand View College

The Seventh Annual Summer Camp at Grand View College will be held this year August 7-13 for youngsters of the age 12-15. The price will as last year be \$8.00 per person (\$7.00 when there are two or more from the same family). A bulletin with information will be in the hands of all pastors in the Middle West. Kindly write to me for information needed — and enroll before August 4.

Johannes Knudsen.

Military Exemption For Pre-Seminary Students

At the convention at Medicine Lake I was asked to give information concerning the exemption of pre-Seminary students. This information is found in a memorandum from the Selective Service dated May 13, and the following is a survey of its contents.

Classification in Class IV-D is granted to students who are accepted for admittance to a recognized Seminary and who are pursuing their pre-Seminary studies under the direction of the Seminary on a full-time and accelerated basis. They must present a statement from the Seminary that this is the case. Furthermore they must present a statement that they are preparing for and intend to enter the ministry, and finally they must present a statement from the authorities of the church that there is need for them in the ministry and that they have been formally accepted as candidates for the ministry.

If anyone would wish exact information and help, they are asked to write to me.

Johannes Knudsen.

Camp-Convention Program District IV D.A.Y.P.L.

Theme: Youth's Victory Lies This Way.

Wednesday, July 12.

- 2:00-5:30 p. m. Registration, settling, recreation.
- 5:30 (or 6) p. m. Supper.
- 8:00 p. m. Opening session. Rev. Verner Hansen, speaker.
- 9:30 p. m. Camp fire and evening devotions, Rev. H. P. Jorgensen.

Thursday, July 13.

- 7:30 a. m. All hands up!
- 8:00 a. m. Breakfast.
- 9-9:45 a. m. Morning devotions and Bible class. General study: Three of the Stewardship Parables of Jesus. 1. Stewardship of the social order: Parable of the Good Samaritan, Luke 10, 25-37. By Rev. Holger Strandskov.
- 10-10:45 a. m. Lecture: Christ For This Crises, Rev. Ottar Jorgensen.
- 11-12:00. Free period for that before dinner swim, etc.
- 12-1:00. Dinner.
- 1-2:00. Rest period, singing, etc.
- 2-3:00. Discussion: When Our Soldier Boys Return to Our Church and Societies. Led by Rev. C. A. Stub.
- 3-5:30. Recreation, games, swimming, etc.
- 6:00. Supper.
- 8-9:00. Singing, games, folk dancing, etc.
- 9:30. Camp fire and evening devotions, Rev. Verner Hansen.

Friday, July 14.

- Up and for breakfast as on Thursday!
- 9-9:45. Morning devotions and Bible study. II. Stewardship parables. Stewardship: The conquering life. Para-

bles of the tower and waging war, Luke 14, 25-35, Rev. Holger Strandskov.

- 10-10:45. Youth and the confusion of tongues. Gen. 11, 1-9, Rev. Ottar Jorgensen.
- 11-12:00. Free period.
- 12-1:00. Dinner.
- 2-3:00. Discussion. Rev. Willard Garred will choose subject.
- 3-5:30. Recreation and registration for convention.
- 6:00. Supper.
- 8:00. Opening meeting, Rev. Jorgensen.
- 9:30. Camp fire and evening devotions, Rev. C. A. Stub.

Saturday, July 15.

- Up and breakfast as the other two days.
- 9-9:45. Morning devotion and Bible study. III. Stewardship of Time. Parable of the Ten Virgins, Rev. Willard Garred.
- 10-12:00. Business session.
- 12-1:30. Dinner hour.
- 1:30-3:00. Business session continued.
- 3-5:30. Ball game, recreation, etc.
- 5:30. Supper.
- 7-8:30. Games, boating, etc.
- 9-9:30. Camp fire program with some local talent. Speaker and leader, Rev. Holger Strandskov.

Sunday, July 16.

- 11:00. Morning worship services and communion at little Denmark Church. Rev. Ottar Jorgensen preaching, Rev. Stub, communion.
- 1:00. Dinner.
- 3:00. Afternoon meeting. Rev. Verner Hansen.
- Closing meeting at the supper table!

Bring your World of Song book.

You will be required to live up to the rules of the camp as laid down by the management.

District V D.A.Y.P.L. Convention

The young people's convention of the Iowa district will be held in Newell this year from August 18 to August 20. We hope that both young and old from our congregations may find time to respond to Newell's invitation. We do not intend the meeting to be a retreat from the dark clouds over us but we do hope that it may be an inspiration to meet the tasks of today. Bring your World of Song with you.

Harold Petersen,

Dist. President.

Nain Luth. Church invites friends young and old to be our guests during the above mentioned meeting.

Please send your registration at least a week before meeting so we can make the necessary arrangements.

Hakon Jorgensen,

Newell, Iowa.

OUR WOMEN'S WORK

Mrs. Fylla Petersen, Editor, 2351 Chilcombe Ave., St. Paul 2, Minn.

This issue of "Our Women's Work" page brings you the reports of our three officers of W. M. S., as read at the convention at Medicine Lake.—Editor.

President's Report

"Dear Lord, in every blossoming tree,
In every bloom our garden knows
Thy marvelous handiwork we see,
Thy love we find in every rose
Lord, may the service which is ours
Reflect Thy glory as the flower."

Edgar Guest's prayer might very ably state that which could be the aim of our Women's Missionary Society.

I believe we have tried in the past year to be of service wherever we could best serve so that our work might reflect God's glory. If we have been negligent about helping in some place or other, it has been because we have not been aware of that need.

Although the staff of officers are new this year, we have done the best we have been capable of doing. I want to thank the officers who have served with me, for their cooperation and their services. We do not always learn of the results of our work but it has been our earnest desire to be as helpful as possible in both foreign and home missionary fields.

To Mrs. Edwin Hansen, who has been editor of the page in Lutheran Tidings entitled: "Our Women's Work", I wish to offer my sincere thanks. Her work has been splendid and the contributions to this page have been an inspiration to individuals and groups interested in this work.

"God builds no churches! By His plan
That labor has been left to man.
No spires miraculously rise,
No little mission from the skies
Falls on a bleak and barren place
To be a source of strength and grace.
The humblest church demands its price
In human toil and sacrifice.

The humblest spire in mortal ken,
Where God abides, was built by men.
And if the church is still to grow,
Is still the light of hope to throw
Across the valley of despair,
Men still must build God's house of prayer.
God sends no church from the skies,
Out of our hearts must they arise."

Very sincerely,

(Mrs.) Elmer Ness.

REPORT FROM W. M. S. SECRETARY

Maywood, Ill.
May 9, 1944

Greetings to you all assembled for our W. M. S. meeting. I regret that I can't attend this year but my thoughts and prayers will be with you.

I wrote the ten representatives for a report concerning the work in their districts and have received answer from six. Mrs. Viggo Nielsen, District 1, and Mrs. Holger Jorgensen, District 2, report the groups in their districts are not large

but faithful. Mrs. Earnest Nielsen, District 4, wrote it had been suggested at their district meeting to have each district representative responsible for one edition of "Our Women's Work" in Lutheran Tidings, the material to be of a devotional, instructive or informative nature. What do you think of this idea?

Mrs. E. Forstrup, District 8, reports that she doesn't think there are any organized mission groups out there. Mrs. Andrew Petersen, District VI, sends greetings and reports work continues as heretofore.

I am submitting Mrs. Holger Strandskov's letter as I think she has many good suggestions that would make worthwhile discussion about our women's work.

The letters of thanks from the seminary students were very appreciative not only for the material value but for the spiritual support behind the gifts. I hope we may continue to support these, our future ministers. Dr. Knudsen was pleased with our gift to G. V. C., as these gifts help to make nice improvements in our college.

May God strengthen our love and endeavors to carry on this important mission work for our Synod.

Sincerely,

Esther S. Petersen.

WOMEN'S MISSION SOCIETY

Receipts and Disbursements June 17, 1943 to June 9, 1944.

Receipts:

Cash on hand June 17, 1943	\$ 342.28
Gifts received from societies, mission groups and individuals	1,082.03
Collect. at 1943 convention for the Jubilee Fund	110.09
Interest on Chi., Mil., St. Paul and Pac. R. R. bond	48.09
Total	\$1,582.49

Disbursements:

Santal Mission	\$ 185.00
Jubilee fund	110.09
Mimeograph for Chaplain F. C. Lund	52.45
Rev. Vilhelm Larsen (car insurance)	33.66
Seaman's Mission	100.00
Porto Nova Mission	25.00
Gift to Lutheran Tidings	50.00
Gift to Grand View College	100.00
Rev. H. Strandskov (copyright fund for S. D. Rodholm Bible Songs)	50.00
Gift to Child's Friend	25.00
Lutheran Tidings directory	5.00
Bakery and corsages (anniversary party)	14.19
Communion set for Rev. A. Ammentorp	15.00
Mrs. Edwin Hansen (expense)	1.85
Mrs. Anna Stub (expense)	2.00
Mrs. Anna Berggreen (expense)	5.00
Christmas gift to Dr. Erling Ostergaard	10.00
Christmas gift to Dagmar Miller	3.00
Gift to candidate for ordination	30.00
Gifts to Seminary students	175.00
Bank service charges	2.72
Subscription charges	2.00
Mrs. C. B. Jensen (expense)	5.23
Total	\$1,002.19
Cash on hand June 9, 1944	\$ 580.30

Mrs. E. B. Jensen, Treasurer.

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OUR YOUTH IN U. S. SERVICE



Youths From Our Synod In The U. S. Service

Alden, Minn., 37 young men.
Askov, Minn., 114 young men, 5 WACS and 1 nurse.
Badger, So. Dak., 22 young men, 1 WAC.
Bridgeport, Conn., 29 young men, 1 WAC, 1 nurse.
Bronx, N. Y., 8 young men, 1 Wave, 1 nurse.
Brooklyn, N. Y., 62 young men, 2 WAVES.
Brush, Colo., 24 young men, Red Cross worker.
Cedar Falls, Iowa, 54 young men, 1 WAVE, 1 marine, 1 nurse.
Chicago, St. Stephen's, 24 young men.
Chicago, Trinity, 63 young men, 1 Red Cross worker.
Clinton, Iowa, 15 young men.
Cordova, Nebr., 19 young men.
Cozad, Nebr., 15 young men, 1 nurse.
Dagmar and Volmer, Mont., 26 young men.
Danevang, Texas, 48 young men, 1 WAC, 1 WAVE, 2 nurses.
Davey, Nebr., 9 young men.
Des Moines, Iowa, 41 young men, 1 nurse.
Detroit, Mich., 49 young men, 1 nurse.
Diamond Lake, Minn., 22 young men, 1 WAC, 1 WAVE.
Dwight, Ill., 40 young men, 1 WAC, 1

cadet nurse, 1 chaplain.
Easton, Calif., 15 young men.
Enumclaw, Wash., 21 young men.
Exira, Iowa, 10 young men, 1 WAC.
Fredsville, Iowa, 33 young men.
Gardner, Ill., 6 young men.
Gayville, So. Dak., 8 young men.
Granly, Miss., 13 young men, 1 WAC, 1 WAVE, 1 nurse.
Grant, Mich., 12 young men.
Grayling, Mich., 11 young men.
Greenville, Mich., 45 young men, 2 nurses.
Hampton, Iowa, 14 young men, 1 WAC.
Hartford, Conn., 38 young men, 1 WAVE.
Hetland-Badger, S. D., 19 young men.
Junction City, Ore., 36 young men, 2 WAVES, 1 nurse.
Kimballton, Iowa, 57 young men, 3 nurses.
Kronborg, Nebr., 27 young men, 1 nurse.
Lake City, S. D., 5 young men.
Los Angeles, Calif., 23 young men.
Ludington, Mich., 46 young men.
Manistee, Mich., 12 young men, 1 chaplain.
Marinette, Menominee, Mich., 21 young men.
Minneapolis, Minn., 28 young men.
Muskegon, Mich., 25 young men.
Newell, Iowa, 58 young men, 2 nurses, 4 gold stars.

Nysted, Nebr., 14 young men.
Oak Hill, Iowa, 19 young men.
Omaha, Nebr., 32 young men.
Parlier, Calif., 14 young men, 1 WAC.
Pasadena, Calif., 8 young men.
Perth Amboy, N. J., 51 young men, 1 WAVE, 1 Cadet nurse.
Portland, Me., 24 young men.
Racine, Wis., 49 young men, 1 Chaplain, 1 WAC.
Ringsted, Iowa, 52 young men, 1 WAVE.
Rosenborg, Nebr., 15 young men.
Ruthon, Minn., 30 young men, 1 nurse, 1 Spar.
Salinas, Calif., 25 young men.
Sandusky, Mich., 14 young men.
Seattle, Wash., 67 young men, 1 nurse.
Solvang, Calif., 50 young men, 4 young women.
Tacoma, Wash., 21 young men.
Troy, N. Y., 42 young men, 3 WAVES.
Tyler, Minn., 98 young men, 1 nurse.
Viborg, So. Dak., 29 young men, 1 Navy nurse.
Victory, Mich., 13 young men.
Waterloo, Iowa, 42 young men, 1 young woman.
West Denmark, Wis., 30 young men.
White, S. D., 3 young men.
Wilbur, Wash., 17 young men.
Withee, Wis., 51 young men, 1 nurse.

Total: 2137 men, 62 women, 3 chaplains in U. S. Service.

Please send the editor the latest number on young men and women in the U. S. service from your congregation.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

(Continued from page 3)

of the "Ministerium of Danish Lutheran Pastors in Chicago and Vicinity". Sunday School teachers from both synods have responded enthusiastically, and we are sure that the work in the various Sunday Schools has benefited by these gatherings.

The "ministerium" is a group of 7-8 pastors of both synods who gather every month in the various parsonages for spiritual and social fellowship. These meetings are always very friendly, and we all feel that this approach, — through the institutes and the ministerium — is by far the best which can be found toward cooperation between the two Danish Synods.

One aspect of the young people's work deserves special mention, namely, a system of Round Robin Letters. Some of the societies write letters to those who have left for the military service from their group. Their service men and women reply with letters to the society, and these letters are then copied and sent as one large letter to everyone in the service from the local group. The plan is working out surprisingly well, even though the Round Robins are sent to the various corners of the world. The service men and women are deeply grateful for these letters. We recommend that other groups adopt the plan.

DISTRICT IV

A. E. Frost

The church work within District IV has been carried on but without any outstanding happenings to report. Most felt is the absence of so many of our young men and women from our churches. Bereavement has come to several homes because of the war, thus bringing the world conflict nearer home to all of us. What is happening deep in the hearts of men and women in these trying days, only God knows.

We have experienced no great expansion within our church field during the year. No new mission fields have come to my attention. Perhaps more could be done in Moorhead, if we could support an energetic, full time pastor there. Perhaps

the problem is more the finding of the man for the work than the problem of financing.

The baptized membership as listed in the statistical reports from the congregations shows a combined increase of 69 members in eight of the congregations against a decrease of 55 members in the remaining three congregations. Whether this decrease is due to a more definite check-up of their membership than previously, I am unable to say. The fact remains, that we are barely holding our own.

The Danish and English Sunday Schools reveal a combined loss of 66 in their enrollment, whereas the Vacation Schools' enrollment remains about the same as last year. Only one Danish Sunday School remains in our District while two congregations also conduct a Danish Vacation School.

With the resignation of Rev. O. S. Jorgensen in Cedar Falls and Rev. Svend Kjær in Fredsville and their moving to other congregations before New Year, two vacancies occurred during the winter months in the same area. However, we were fortunate as always in having our college so near. The pastors and the seminary students and the pastors of the District willingly took their turn and both congregations were served almost every Sunday. We wish to thank Rev. Jorgensen and Rev. Kjær for their work during the years within this District.

In July Rev. A. C. Ammentorp was installed in the Luther Memorial church in Des Moines, Ia., thus ending that congregation's long search for a residing pastor. However, Rev. Ammentorp's new undertaking was saddened by the loss of his wife before the end of their first year together in this work, a loss of a friend also felt by many others.

In March Rev. Holger O. Nielsen moved from Junction City, Oregon, to Cedar Falls, Ia., where he was installed in Bethlehem church, thus filling one of the vacancies. Fredsville congregation is at the present time calling a pastor in the hopes of finding one.

We wish to welcome Rev. Ammentorp and Rev. Nielsen

into District IV and wish for them the best of success in their undertaking.

Within the District several meetings have been held locally to foster fellowship among the members of the congregation and those of the neighboring congregations. At least three of our District pastors celebrated their anniversary in the ministry during the year, namely Rev. H. Juhl, Rev. V. S. Jensen, and Rev. H. Plambeck.

The convention in Des Moines in September was well attended with representation from all but one of our congregations. Among other things it was decided to add a half day to our District convention so as to have time for more discussion of vital questions, especially those pertaining to Christian Education. This will be attempted at our next convention to be held in Kimballton, Ia., in September.

The Pastor's Institute held by Grand View College in April was attended also by a number of our lay people, which I consider to be a healthy sign. It was as refreshing and inspiring as ever. We are grateful to the sponsors as well as to the speakers for these institutes.

Financially District IV appears to be holding its own. The church indebtedness has been lowered substantially during the year. Our District quota to the Synod at this writing appears to come very near being met. At least nine of the eleven congregations are reported to be in with their quota 100 per cent or more. This is gratifying in view of the fact, that the G.V.C. Jubilee drive has also met good response in some of the congregations. In other congregations the drive is still on.

However, for some reason District IV failed to meet its quota to the Lutheran World Action in 1943. As yet I have no information as to the outcome of the drive this year. To me it seems, that we through L.W.A. have a wide open door to vast opportunities before us as we cooperate with other Lutheran church bodies and thus extend our horizon beyond our own field. It should not be necessary to beg people to give the small amount asked for to this cause. It has been suggested to me, that the result of the drive perhaps would be better, if we in our District, and perhaps in our Synod, divided our quota for L.W.A. on a contributing membership basis as so many of the confirmed members are absent from our congregations and our people forget or neglect to make up for the absent ones. On a contributing membership basis our quota would amount to about \$1.20 per member instead of \$.55 per confirmed member. With the greater amount placed before them, those of our midst who really contribute, would realize the greater effort needed. This method might at least be tried in our District.

Finally I wish to state, that many of our people have expressed their pleasure because "Lutheran Tidings" had come to their door as a membership paper. They have been highly pleased at the content of our church paper. May the good work be carried on.

A. E. Frost.

DISTRICT V

M. Mikkelsen

It may not be seen why I should wish to open this report by telling you that I attended in February the Minnesota State Pastors' Conference held at the Westminster Presbyterian Church at Minneapolis. Directly it has nothing to do with our work as such in the District. But it was a great experience not alone because of the outstanding speakers present to address us, but more so because of the fellowship that you shared with many other pastors engaged in a similar work as yourself and facing the same problems, struggling sincerely and in deep humility to serve in the cause which is the same everywhere regardless of denomination to which you may belong. Three of our own pastors in the District were present. I only wish that we could have been there one hundred per cent. The feeling of being small, and of being isolated was definitely extinct. I felt that in order to serve adequately in our home work, and in the district (also synod), this feeling of Oneness and of being united in a great sense with all believers which took possession of our souls must be realized much more by us all and influence our work. It must grip us and hold us when we convene at District meetings. Not that these have been dull and unimportant, far from, but perhaps a different attitude could prevail which would give us a larger conception of things and really put us to work

among our fellow men feeding "His lambs" as Christ told us to do, and strengthening our brothers as also was His command to us. Isolation is detrimental in its effect upon any church group, the larger the group the less this effect may be noticed, in the very small group it is a constant influence that may cause us to identify smallness with insignificance and inability.

The Holy Spirit certainly blessed us with His presence at the District meeting held at the West Denmark church in October, 1943, and we had a great meeting at which the call to serve came ringing through to each of us in the word of the message; but as usual the report must state that only a "handful" had accepted the summons to be present. The obligation to share the Christian blessings, to face the problems, and carry the mutual burdens, must be accepted by many more of us before we shall dare to steer the course out of the shallow waters into the breakers farther out on life's turbulent sea.

The year's program as presented in the president's report was accepted, and the delegates were instructed to report the findings and decisions of the meetings to their home churches, and as far as possible enlist the full support of each congregation in carrying out this program. Our full quota to the synodical budget was accepted. We adjourned with the understanding that each church would contribute its full share. The last report I had from the synodical treasurer showed still a few arrears to be made up before the close of the books for the fiscal year.

Also the Lutheran World Action is a part of our program again this year. I have no report at the time of this writing, but indications are that we shall meet our obligation. The Askov church is above its quota with more to come in. We hope to hear from others going over the top. This is one branch of the Church's work which is giving us a sense of working together with a large body of Christians, and helping to eliminate the feeling of isolation.

For the first time in five years we can report that all our churches are being served by resident pastors. Rev. John Enselmann moved from Tacoma, Wash., to Dagmar, Mont., in September, 1943, and is now serving the churches at Dagmar and Volmer, Mont., and Flaxton, N. D. This is the latest addition to our ministerial directory. With the exception of Rev. Bundgaard at Withee, Wis., the other pastors of the District have served us for a number of years.

The church at Withee, Wis., celebrated its 50th anniversary in October 1943. In March 1944, the Minneapolis church rounded 60 years of successful service among Danes in that city, the events were celebrated with proper church services attended by large and appreciative gatherings.

Last year we reported the loss by fire of the parsonage at West Denmark, Wis. It is with great pleasure and thanksgiving that we are able to report that a new and modern parsonage has been completed and that the pastor and family have moved into it.

It's a privilege to report on the work carried on. I could furnish more detailed information about the individual church. Afraid that it would tire the reader I shall omit such information from this report, and save it for presentation at our next District convention at Askov, Minn., in the fall of 1944.

The Sunday school work is carried on by very efficient teachers who deserve our appreciation and all the support that we can give them as parents and Christians.

Thanks to all who have helped to progress still further during the year, and helped to make the work a pleasure.

Report from the Danish Ev. Luth. Church in Northern Saskatchewan.

The presidents and trustees for this district are the same as in the year before.

1943 has been a quiet year for our work in the church, which has been carried on after schedule. Only a few of our members have moved away this year. The farming conditions are better, and we now hope to keep our membership without further loss.

At Canwood we have no loss in membership, the work has been regular, and the attention to the services has been good. The congregation has paid down \$100 on the property, the value of which is \$1300, and there is still several hundred bushels of wheat and barley in the granary. The congrega-

tion is considering the question of raising a building fund for a church. Our Ladies' Aid has in several years saved money for this purpose. Canwood is absolutely the most stabilized place within our working field in Northern Saskatchewan.

Clouston has declined a little, but is still a good little place for our work, which has gone after schedule.

Melfort has done fairly well the last year as far as the contribution to the church is concerned. But it is very difficult for the few Danish families, living very far from one another, to come together to our services.

Mayfair is not contributing, but still I do see the people there in the time of summer. Last summer I had three sermons at Mayfair, and they were better attended than the previous year. Two children were baptized at Mayfair.

The contribution to the church for 1943 was:

Canwood	-----	\$ 25.00
Clouston	-----	30.00
Melfort	-----	64.00
Mayfair	-----	00.00
Together	-----	\$119.00

With thanks for all good help from our church in America we send our greetings to our friends there.

Vilhelm Larsen.

DISTRICT VII

Ronald Jespersen

A report such as this can not give a great deal of information except of statistical nature, and a good deal of the District statistics are printed elsewhere in this book. If we are to make comparisons from statistics we can draw one as follows: For every dollar each member of District or the Synod has given the Synod to use, he, statistically, pays one hundred dollars or more in taxes; and for each dollar our Synod spends for one purpose or other, the nation spends a million or more for the purpose of war. In so far statistics are discouraging.

Nonetheless, the people have shown a willingness to give generously in many instances. Many congregations met their synodical quotas fully, increased salaries and made repairs and renovations. This was not done a few years ago. The desire then was probably as great, but the means were not. Two of the congregations that were in debt are now debt-free, in one instance because of the Christian kindness and generosity of an old couple who cancelled three thousand dollars worth of notes which covered loans they had made to the congregation.

There has been a slight membership increase. That does not say we are or are not a dynamic church organization. Membership figures, though true, are not necessarily indicative of spiritual activity. However District VII (not to the exclusion of any other District) has many fine people — and not all of them are in the "Danish Church".

At our annual convention last fall at Marquette, Nebraska, we adopted a simple constitution to guide us and make our action more determined and uniform, at least in the outward things. We also separated the annual Sunday School Institute from the District Convention and appointed a District Sunday School Superintendent. A resolution was adopted and sent to the national board to ask that specific time be given to Sunday School considerations at the annual convention.

The District no longer suffers as acutely from lack of ministers. None have moved out in the past year, and Rev. Howard Christensen and Rev. Steven Mogensen have moved into the District. Rev. and Mrs. Howard Christensen serve Cozad and Nysted, 100 miles apart; and Rev. Steven Mogensen is serving at Denmark, Kansas. Cozad and Nysted each have conditions that would make a full-time pastor for each place desirable.

Granly, Mississippi; Hay Springs and Rosenborg, Nebraska, are without ministers, although the latter has a student pastor from Blair who regularly serves the two Danish churches there. There are possibilities at all three places if anyone has the personal courage and stamina to go there to build up an established church.

As everywhere, we have less young people in our congregations. Yet, we feel we still have an active and good group of young people with us. We earnestly desire that those

who have had to leave us will come back and help us in the work.

For the younger young people, children's services have been tried in at least one congregation with good results. Sunday Schools and Summer Bible Schools have been on the increase in number and attendance in the District.

One of the older congregations of the Synod, Omaha, celebrated its seventieth anniversary April 29-30, 1944. This congregation was not as directly affected by the division of 1893-'94 as some of the congregations and so could more readily determine its founding date. The anniversary was a happy and joyous occasion.

It is unlikely that this covers all the mention-worthy happenings of the District, but one can not mention them all. Some ground has been prepared and some seed has been planted. As for the actual growth or yield, that is not in this writer's hands to either bring about or well to describe. God grant that our small efforts are not all in vain, and that our activity has been to His ends.

Ronald Jespersen.

DISTRICT VIII

Niels Nielsen

The growing tension of a world at war is bound to have its effect on our church work. Most of our young people have left us either to serve in the armed forces or to work at some defense project. They, as well as we whose task it is to "keep the home fires burning" are beginning to grow weary of the endless preparations for destruction.

A few changes have taken place during the past year. Enok and Nanna Mortensen much to our regret left California to take up the work in Tyler, Minnesota. We enjoyed working and visiting with them and the memories of the years spent in neighboring pastorates in California will not soon be forgotten. The ministers in this district have enjoyed a rare thing, namely, a very close harmony of thought and living which has been of great benefit to us as well as our congregations.

Two congregations in the district have called new ministers during the past year. Svend Markmann was called to the Pasadena congregation and started his work there in the late fall. Due to restrictions in travel and to the fact that Christmas was so near with all its extra work in the local congregations, I was unable to participate in the installation service, but Aage Møller and Ejnar Farstrup shared the day with the Pasadena congregation and represented the district in bidding Markmanns welcome back to California.

Shortly after Christmas Svend Kjær was installed in Salinas-Watsonville. I enjoyed spending the day with them and was happy to note that the congregation was eager to see the continued progress and growth of the work. Oakland, which for many years has been served by the Salinas pastor was not represented, but I understand that an arrangement has since been made for continued monthly service. It would, of course, be desirable that Oakland have its own minister and I am certain that there is a good field for a growing congregation there. But such a desire must come from that congregation and if such a wish were expressed I am sure that some minister would be glad to meet the challenge of working up a congregation in Oakland. We bid the new ministers and their families welcome to our district and hope they will feel at home among us and share with us, to the fullest extent, the joys of fellowship that is ours.

At last year's convention we discussed the possibilities of arranging fall meetings with visiting speakers in the different congregations, as it would no doubt be of great benefit to all concerned. To my knowledge only Los Angeles carried out the suggestion and had a fall meeting. When we can get more than our present meagre allotment of the precious fluid called gasoline the other congregations will no doubt follow suit.

During the past year we have had two visiting speakers namely Prof. A. C. Nielsen of Des Moines, Iowa, and Rev. A. W. Andersen, formerly of Chicago, now Tacoma, Washington.

As to our financial obligations to our synod, L. W. A., the Jubilee Drive and other projects no official pressure has been applied on the various congregations to meet their quota. I trust that such obligations have been met; pressure and super-salesmanship would only tend to become a nuisance.

Summer School was held again last year at Atterdag, Solvang under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Tarnow and Aage Moller and others whose names I do not know. Last year the attendance was larger than ever before as more than a hundred children were present. We are grateful to the leaders of the summer school for their untiring efforts and we hope that this project will tend to make Atterdag what it was intended to be: a gathering place for our youth.

No plans were made for a young people's camp last year as we were hesitant due to restrictions and shortage of help in most localities. But at the last minute the young people themselves demanded that we arrange for a summer camp, so Ellen and I, together with Tarnows and Aage Moller led a one-week camp at Solvang. We enjoyed the week immensely and I hope that we can arrange for a camp again this year; the promises are that a greater number will be there if we can make arrangements in ample time.

Thirteen young people from the west coast are this year attending Grand View College; I think this is the largest number in any one year to go to our school. We hope that these young people will come back to their respective home communities and speak so well of G. V. C. that others will feel inclined to go there.

Niels Nielsen.

DISTRICT IX

Ove. R. Nielsen

When Henry Melchior Muhlenberg cried: "Ecclesia plantanda," (The church must be planted) he could little have known that two centuries later that cry would resound from the hearts of Lutherans on the other side of the continent.

His challenge is only equalled by the one which confronts us today in the Pacific Northwest. It is estimated that one million people have migrated to this area during the past five years. Many of these people came from Lutheran congregations in the Middlewest. Some of them came from ours.

For these latter people we must plant the church. It is not alone a work to be carried out by the ninth district, but by the whole Danish Ev. Lutheran Church in America. We must bring the church to these people. They are ours. It is a challenge that must be met.

We have three pastors in this entire area. Their every hour is required in their attempt to meet the spiritual needs of their respective congregations and to bring occasionally the Word of God to the members of our congregations which have no pastors.

The churches in the Pacific Northwest have lost a gallant worker in the departure of Rev. Holger Nielsen. To date none has accepted the challenge to serve after him in Junction City. Rev. John Enselmann worked hard in Tacoma. He has gone and is now succeeded in that city by Rev. A. W. Andersen. Rev. and Mrs. Andersen are to be commended for their willingness to work out here, after their many years of service in Chicago.

We have had good visiting speakers here during the past year. Each one of these has visited our various congregations: Alfred C. Nielsen, Holger Andersen, Rev. A. W. Andersen (Danish War Relief), Rev. Alfred Jensen and Rev. P. Rasmussen. They were all sincerely appreciated.

All of the congregations in this district have met their synodical quotas in full. This is the second consecutive year that this has been done. Some of the congregations here have already sent in their required amounts for 1944 Lutheran World Action, and the rest of them will be doing so soon. The Danish War Relief project has been accepted by our churches and is being worked at with increasing enthusiasm.

Last year delegates and members of our churches convened in Enumclaw for our annual district meeting. The meeting was very well attended. This year we will meet in Junction City. Already plans are under way to make that a helpful convention. Aage Gribbskov from that congregation has been selected as district delegate to the synodical convention at Medicine Lake.

The summer school in Seattle is doing fine work. For the term which will begin in July, there have been inquiries and applications from places as distant as Montana and California. The summer school program this year will be climaxed with a week at Lutherland.

Other Lutheran bodies have organized to bring the church

to their people who have moved into this area. Some of the actual work is being done by college students from their respective schools. May the Danish Ev. Lutheran Church in America also meet its challenge here. May the words of Muhlenberg which have resounded in hearts here, be heard and become a challenge to all mission minded people in our synod. It is a cause worthy of all out effort. It is never too soon to plant the church. Delay may mean that it will be too late for us to do it here.

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(Continued)

THURSDAY, JUNE 15th

The morning devotion was conducted by the Rev. C. A. Stub. In a challenging message, he spoke about the reality of the work of God, pointing out that Christ does not simply point the way to the truth, but He is the truth. He asked, how can we view contemporary history without seeing the stern lesson we are being taught? Rev. Stub closed his message by stating that these are serious times, and that humanity cannot go on living in evil. God is calling us. This period closed with the singing of the hymn: "Jesus er Navnet Mageløst."

The president of the Synod read two interesting letters from Rev. P. Rasmussen, Dalum, Canada, and the chairman the following telegram from Ruston, La.: "The session of Ruston Presbyterian Church sends greetings. We greatly appreciate the excellent services of your and our chaplain Frantz O. Lund." Signed: Graham, clerk of session. The assistant secretary was instructed to send reply and greetings.

The next item of business was the proposal from Danebod Lutheran Church, Tyler, Minnesota. Mr. Folmer Hansen spoke to this motion. He stated that the people at Tyler had arrived at the conclusion that it was better if the building could be turned over to the synod and used, e. g. for an old people's home. After considerable debate in which many voiced their opinions, Rev. Enok Mortensen presented an amendment to the original motion. The amendment proposed that a committee of three be appointed by the chair at convention at Medicine Lake, Minn., for the purpose of investigating the possibilities of making use of Danebod Folk School. The motion was seconded and carried.

For the sake of record, we also incorporate the substitute motion presented by Mr. S. N. Nielsen, but later withdrawn. It reads: "I move that a committee be selected to see if the Danebod school building can be turned into a community center to be used for recreation and education in everyday life problems for all, young and old, operated and sponsored by the Tyler community for general welfare of same."

Committee Report on the Report of Synod President and the District Presidents.

1. a. We emphatically reemphasize with our synodical president and with Henry Smith Leiper that the church is and must devote itself to the task of being the conscience of the world.

b. We urge close cooperation with the National Lutheran Council and World Council of Churches in respect to the planning of the world peace program.

c. We strongly recommend the president's suggestion that a congregation should interest itself in post war rehabilitation plans and work in close harmony with the agencies already established, — such as America Denmark Relief and Lutheran World Action.

2. We recommend a uniform devotional service for all our churches on the day peace is declared — such service to be planned by the President of Grand View College, Dean of the Seminary, and President of the Synod.

3. a. We heartily endorse the letter from the bishops to our people in Denmark.

b. We further go on record in recommending that a representative from our church be sent by our church to bring a message of good will and cheer to our spiritual brothers and sisters in Denmark.

4. We express our appreciation to our president for his

energetic work in visiting our congregations during the past year. We are sure his influence has been instrumental in bringing the Jubilee Fund and Synodical Subscription to what it is.

5. We are happy to note that most of our congregations are supplied with pastors and are glad that Rev. Steven Mogensen can be welcomed back into the church of his choice and the return of Rev. A. C. Kildegard to good health, the grateful willingness of Rev. A. W. Andersen and Rev. A. Th. Dorf to continue in service. We send our hearty greeting to our chaplains and pray that God will speed the day when they again can take their places among us.

6. Should we not, in view of our recent and many anniversaries, have an historian who would be responsible for the collection and saving of historical material?

7. a. We agree with our president that the time has come when we must pursue a vigorous home mission work in such places as are now already in evidence. We want to emphasize strongly that a minister and a church should belong together. We endorse our president's suggestion that the church Extension Fund be so amended as to allow for both the support of a minister and the improvement and building of church property.

b. This fund to be administered by the Mission Council which shall consist of the Synod Board and our nine district presidents.

8. We urge that pastors who have resigned from a call or have ceased to serve a congregation to respect ministerial ethics, and refrain from doing pastoral work, except in emergency cases and always in full agreement and understanding with the duly called pastor.

9. The problem of Elementary Religious Education seems to be a question among us at present. During the past year the only one to suggest anything, definite was Rev. Ernest Nielsen in an article in the October 5th issue of Lutheran Tidings.

10. We would like to see our National Young People's Society Board of Directors work out a definite plan of procedure in our young people's work.

11. The translation of literature from the Danish language is a challenge and we regret the comparative silence of four years of the Publication Committee.

The president's suggestion about our own printing plant is interesting and tempting but it appears to be a "white elephant".

12. We rejoice that our institutions are presenting a fine record and we are grateful to those departed individuals who have remembered the synod with generous gifts.

13. The committee does not think it advisable to place Lutheran World Action on our Synodical Budget.

14. We move that the convention express its appreciation to our past and present statistician.

15. We move that we accept the very excellent and complete report of our president. B. We move that the president elect, in view of the present economic situation, shall be granted an increase in salary.

Rev. A. W. Andersen

Rev. L. C. Bundgaard
Mr. Viggo Nielsen

Mr. Andreas Hansen
Mr. Jens Sorensen

Point No. 1: No discussion — Accepted.

Point No. 2: Mrs. H. Mailand didn't favor the recommendation. She considered it more feasible to leave the arrangement of such services to the local congregations. Rev. A. Frost related his experiences in Waterloo. Instead of a complete service he would rather have a general outline of such a service prepared. However, Rev. L. C. Bundgaard voiced the opinion that there was a definite need for a complete service which would allow for actual participation by the congregation. Mr. Walter Andersen moved that we leave this task to the individual churches. His motion was seconded, and carried.

Point No. 3. Rev. Alfred Jensen doubted that we should tie the leadership of the synod to this recommendation at this particular time. President Johs. Knudsen protested against any gesture, and questioned the wisdom of the recommendation. The Rev. Alfred Sorensen moved that the recommendation be accepted. The motion was seconded, but lost. However, Point No. 3a was accepted.

Point No. 4: No discussion — Accepted.

Point No. 5: It was moved that the name of Rev. A. Tarpgaard be added to those of Rev. A. W. Andersen and Rev. A. Th. Dorf. Motion was seconded, and carried.

Point No. 6: President Johs. Knudsen called attention to the work already being done by the G. V. C. librarian, Mrs. H. Mailand. He asked people kindly to think of the importance of assisting in collecting historical material to the G. V. C. collection. Rev. Alfred Jensen desired that something more should be done. Mrs. H. Mailand asked for copies of histories of local congregations. Rev. Enok Mortensen speaking from his experiences said that we would have to go out to get the material, yes, at times either purchase it or almost take it. Rev. A. W. Andersen stated that it was the committee's opinion that the Rev. Enok Mortensen ought to be entrusted with this task. Mr. Walter Andersen moved that the Synod Board be charged with procuring an historian and securing funds for the purpose expressed in this recommendation. The motion was seconded, and carried.

The forenoon session closed with the singing of the hymn: "Jesus Draw Thou Near to Me".

We opened the afternoon session by singing "Built on the Rock the Church Doth Stand".

We continued the discussion of the committee report on the synod president and district presidents' reports.

Point No. 7: Rev. Bundgaard explained what the committee meant by the statement that "a minister and a church should belong together." In their opinion it was important that we plan to build churches wherever we send pastors to undertake missionary work. Rev. Alfred Jensen emphasized that we need a definite program for home mission work. He cited such possibilities. Rev. A. W. Andersen explained that the committee had been thinking of the meetings of all of the district presidents, which have been held in the past, when they recommended a home mission council of fourteen members. Rev. A. Frost and Rev. E. Farstrup both objected to the cumbersomeness of such a large committee. It was finally moved and seconded that Point No. 7a and 7c be referred back to the committee. The motion was carried.

Point No. 8: Many pastors spoke to this point. There was full agreement on the principles of ministerial ethics involved. However, the question of the legality of the action of the 1943 convention on this matter was raised. Rev. Enok Mortensen moved that we eliminate Point No. 8 in its entirety. The motion was seconded, but lost. Rev. V. S. Jensen offered a resolution to be added to Point No. 8: "We regard it as a breach of ministerial ethics if any minister in our synod performs ministerial acts in a congregation without conferring with the minister in charge." To this, Rev. Alfred Jensen presented a substitute motion to the effect that we delete Point No. 8 and instead accept Rev. V. S. Jensen's resolution. Motion seconded, and carried. The convention then voted on Rev. V. S. Jensen's resolution. Motion was carried.

Although the motion stated below was made, seconded and carried at a later time, we incorporate it here in order to eliminate unnecessary cross reference. Rev. Ernest Nielsen moved that we, in view of the acceptance of Rev. V. S. Jensen's resolution, revoke paragraph 20, page 105 of the 1943 Convention Report, which reads as follows: "The committee specifically recommends that, if a pastor voluntarily relinquishes his ministry for the period of one year, he must deposit his certificate of ordination with the synodical president until such a time as he may be re-instated by the Board of Ordination." Carried.

Point No. 9: Rev. L. C. Bundgaard raised the question whether the Council of Elementary Religious Education is functioning. Rev. Alfred Jensen read a letter from Rev. Edwin Hansen, a member of the council, in which he stressed his criticism of the inactivity of the council.

The chairman of the convention closed the meeting for the afternoon recess, and the audience sang the hymn: "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee".

The work was resumed with the singing of the hymn: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee". The chairman of the convention called upon Rev. Eilert C. Nielsen to explain why the report of the Council of Elementary Religious Education had not been submitted. Rev. Eilert Nielsen apologized to the convention for his failure to submit a report, and explained the reason.

Speaking to Point No. 9, Dean Alfred C. Nielsen recom-

mended that we act upon the suggestions of the president. He spoke about the preparation of teachers at Grand View College during the years when there was a demand for Danish teachers. However, Rev. A. W. Andersen was inclined to believe that the number of young people who might take such a course would not reach the number of teachers needed in our congregations. Others spoke to this point. In summary their views were, that we should endorse every effort to make Grand View College train teachers for vacation schools and Sunday Schools. Dean Alfred C. Nielsen: Moved that the convention go on record in favor of President Jensen's suggestion that a special course be organized at Grand View College to train teachers for Vacation schools and Sunday schools. Motion seconded, and carried.

Point No. 10: The editor of Ungdom, Rev. Harris Jespersen, and the president of D.A.Y.P.L., Rev. Harald Ibsen, both endorsed the recommendation. They both stressed that it was important that we prepare to improve the work of the young people's societies.

Rev. Holger Nielsen saw a need for a closer integration of the work of the young people's societies with the work of the congregations. All were strongly urged to be present at the youth rally Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Point No. 11a: Rev. A. C. Ammentorp desired to correct the mistaken impression that the committee on publications had been at work for four years. It has functioned only three years. He protested against the wording of section "a", and contended that the committee is not a "do nothing" committee. He stressed that it takes time to produce the type of literature the committee has in mind. Much of the work of the committee cannot be forced.

Rev. A. W. Andersen replied that the committee had not intended to be critical, but complaints had been received against the committee's attitude toward contributors of manuscripts. Rev. Howard Christensen moved that point 11a be laid aside until the committee which is to report on the papers is ready to present its recommendations. Motion seconded, and carried.

Point 11b: Rev. J. C. Kjaer moved that the Synod Board be charged with investigating the possibilities of establishing our own printing plant. Rev. L. C. Bundgaard proposed the following amendment: That the Publications Committee be charged with investigating the possibilities of establishing our own printing plant. The motion was seconded, but lost. The original motion by Rev. J. C. Kjaer was carried.

Point No. 12: Accepted.

Point No. 13: After some discussion it was moved by Rev. Alfred Sorensen to continue with the collection of funds for the Lutheran World Action as we have it without placing it on the budget. Motion seconded, and carried.

Point No. 14: Accepted. Moved and seconded to change the word **committee** to **convention**. Carried.

Point No. 15: This point was referred back to the committee with instructions to bring a motion before the convention stating, the salary the committee recommends. Rev. A. W. Andersen reported back to the chair that the committee move that the Synod President salary be increased to \$3,000.00 per year. He further explained that this was the decision which the committee had reached during its meeting the night before, but had not incorporated in its report. The motion was seconded, and carried. Consequently, the second sentence of Point No. 15 was not accepted.

Realizing the genuine interest and concern with which our people think of the men and women that serve their country, it was natural that this would be reflected in the expressions of those who spoke to this point. Examples were cited of how congregations endeavor to follow the men and women in uniform. And equally important, it was pointed out, that the men and women do appreciate this effort to keep them informed of what takes place at home.

Point No. 15b: Synod president emphasized that the setting up of a service men commission would not relieve the local communities of their work, but establish a most needed clearing house. He also voiced his opposition to include the chaplains on such a commission on the grounds that they are in the army.

Rev. A. W. Andersen doubted that we would be able to undertake such a vast task. However, Rev. Viggo Hansen

believed that we were facing a task which should be done by us. He cited the splendid work done by other synods.

As already alluded to, objection was voiced to placing the chaplains on the membership of a service men's commission as recommended in the third paragraph (1c). Alfred Jensen moved that we change 1b to read: "We endorse the president's proposal that a service men's commission consisting of three members be appointed by the Synod Board to investigate and carry on whatever task can be of benefit — now and after the war — to our church's men and women in the armed forces." Motion seconded, and carried.

Rev. Enok Mortensen moved that the convention reaffirm the statement of principles adopted by the 1943 convention. (This statement is found on page 106-109, 1943 Annual Report.) The motion was seconded, and carried.

The convention sang the hymn: "Lord, for Tomorrow and Its Needs". Meeting adjourned.

Thursday evening, Rev. Vilhelm Larsen from our mission field in Saskatchewan, Canada, gave a very enjoyable presentation of his work there. He emphasized the need of a change of heart in the political situation in Canada if there shall be hope of growth through immigration from Denmark.

The Santal mission meeting was led by Rev. J. C. Aaberg. Miss Dagmar Miller read Psalm 96 and led in prayer. Rev. B. Helland then gave a vivid talk on the progress of our Santal Mission, now known as the Northern Lutheran Church in India. All branches of this work are closely linked together with one purpose, one aim, that of leading the many thousands out of bondage and darkness into the light of God through Jesus Christ. Mrs. Helland closed with a few remarks about the experiences of the Christian Santals in the Mission field.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16th

Morning devotion opened under the leadership of Rev. J. P. Andreasen. We sang the hymn: "Den mørke Nat forgangen er". After the confession of faith, prayer, and scripture reading (I John 4:7-13) we continued the service by singing the hymn: "Dig vil jeg Elske, du min Styrke".

Rev. J. P. Andreasen spoke on the subject: The love of God. We stand in need of being reminded of the profound truth that God is love. Man, as created in the image of God, is most happy when he lives in love. It results in a practical manifestation of our love toward one another. In closing we sang the hymn: "Kærlighed fra Gud."

The chairman of the convention called the meeting to order. We opened the business session by singing, "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty."

The convention secretary read the minutes. The minutes were accepted as corrected.

Before turning the chair over to the assistant secretary, the chairman called upon Rev. Eilert C. Nielsen to read the report of the Committee on Defining Membership. He prefaced the reading of the report by commenting upon some correspondence pertaining to the work of the committee. In conclusion, he moved that the report of the committee be adopted.

The Committee on Defining Membership moves that paragraph 31 of the by-laws of the synod be altered to read as follows:

"a. Directly following the annual convention of the synod, the synodical board shall convene the various district presidents (or their representatives) and in conjunction with these it shall allocate to the various districts the amount of the (current) synodical budget that each shall contribute.

"b. Each district shall be responsible for the collection of the portion of the synodical budget which has been allocated to that district.

"At each district convention a committee, consisting of the district president and a lay member from each congregation represented at the district convention, shall apportion among the congregations of the district that share of the synodical budget allocated to such district. The lay members on this committee shall be elected by the delegates from their respective congregations.

"This allocation shall be made on the basis of the number of contributing members within each congregation. A congregation that has a resident pastor shall have an exemption of twenty contributing members. A congregation that does

not have a resident pastor shall have an exemption of five contributing members.

Erling Jensen — Eilert C. Nielsen — Holger Jorgensen.
(To be Continued)

The District IV Summer Camp

The District IV Summer Camp is to be held July 12-14 at the Pleasant Hill Lutheran Camp, Bass Lake, near Gowen, Mich. Anyone who has not yet registered and who would like

to come can still register with MISS ALICE HANSEN, R. 1, SIDNEY, MICHIGAN.

The District IV Board.

GREAT MISSIONARY SAYINGS

The world has many religions; it has but one gospel.—George Owen.

What are Christians put into the world for except to do the impossible in the strength of God?—General S. C. Armstrong.

CHURCH and HOME

By REV. M. MIKKELSEN

Chiang Kai-Shek has said, that "Unless real cooperation replaces both isolationism and imperialism of whatever form in the new interdependent world of free nations, there will be no lasting security for any of us." And that depends not only on a conquest over our enemies but it means also a conquest in our own hearts.

The isolation which makes life intolerable is a condition of soul-attitude rather than of environment. There is an example of this in the parable of the prodigal son (Luke 15). He left his home in search of personal freedom, and found it only after returning again to that home where he had first discovered the isolation as an intolerable burden.

The new humanity which we hope will be born out of the present struggle, and come to inhabit the new world of free nations, must be a nation of liberated individuals set free from the shackles of isolationism and imperialism both. This is set forth in all clearness in the parable mentioned. Isolation becomes a burden the moment you discover that you are cut off from the channels of life, and, that because of your present circumstances, you are denied the pursuit of such opportunities which otherwise are open to men who, unrestricted by fetters of any kind, are free to develop their basic instincts and direct them into creative channels to their own benefit as well as to the benefit of their fellowmen.

That, under such circumstances, there is a desire to change one's environment is natural, also, by cutting the strings which are tying you down, the liberty you long to obtain is thereby assured; consequently, one may do that and, without counting the cost, abandon himself to unrestrained pleasure in the whirl of world activity.

Since there is a feeling of inferiority involved it is easily understood that the prodigal son, in tearing himself loose from one obstacle, is ready to throw himself at the mercy of another. He is the type that must be mastered until he is not his own but another's. He wanted to feel important. As long as he had money, and could afford to eat and drink as much as he wanted, he thought that he knew everything, and that he was really a big man.

It is remarkable though, that the

same basic instinct, which nearly broke him when he surrendered to it unguided, drove him back to be mastered, not by his father, who had neglected to direct these important instincts during the years when a child's character and personality must be built, but by God. Here he is, at the goal which is the consummation of every human life which is fortunate enough to emerge safely out of the struggle with powerful disintegrators of personality.

The purpose of the parable is disclosed in the announcement of this consummation. It points to cooperation with God and man both as the only foundation upon which security and lasting peace can be established.

Acknowledgment of Receipts From the Synod Treasurer

FOR THE PERIOD FROM MAY 15th
TO JUNE 30th, 1944

Towards Budget:

General:

Congregation, Brooklyn, N. Y.	\$ 180.65
Congregation, Marinette, Wis.	4.00
Congregation, Clinton, Iowa	45.00
Congregation, Des Moines, Ia.	75.00
Congregation, Dagmar, Mont.	47.70
Congregation, Omaha, Nebr.	30.00
Congregation, Rosenborg, Nebr.	57.50
Congregation, Hay Springs, Nebr.	55.00

Pension Fund, Miscellaneous:

Congregation, Des Moines, Ia.	72.10
Congregation, Omaha, Nebr.	1.00
Pension Fund, Pastors:	
Rev. M. Mikkelsen	5.00
Home Mission:	
Offering at convention	240.81
Annual Reports:	
Congregation, Gayville, S. D.	1.00
President's Travel Account:	
Congregation, Clinton, Iowa	10.00
Children's Home, Tyler, Minn.	
Friends at Dagmar, Mont., in memory of Shirley Christensen	10.00

Total to date towards budget \$ 834.76

Received for Items Outside of Budget:

For Lutheran World Action:

Women's Mission Study Group, Ringsted, Iowa, earmarked "War Prisoner Relief"	\$ 13.00
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Friends at Ringsted, Iowa, in memory of Mrs. Anton Dahl	10.50
Lutheran Guild, Withee, Wis.	10.00
Emile Weaver, Brooklyn, N. Y.	10.00
Congregation, Brooklyn, N. Y.	37.00
Congregation, East Port Chester, Conn.	30.00
Congregation, Manistee, Mich.	50.75
Congregation, Grant, Mich.	20.00
Congregation, Germania, Mich.	38.50
Congregation, Juhl, Mich.	57.85
Congregation, Grayling, Mich.	57.00
Congregation, Trinity, Chicago, Ill.	161.70
Congregation, Racine, Wis.	294.80
Congregation, Fredsville, Iowa	106.70
Congregation, Newell, Iowa	128.50
Congregation, Des Moines, Ia.	66.35
Congregation, Ringsted, Iowa	85.10
Congregation, Moorhead, Iowa	12.50
Congregation, Oak Hill, Iowa	24.75
Congregation, Volmer, Mont.	21.00
Congregation, Dagmar, Mont.	120.50
Congregation, West Denmark, Wis.	74.00
Congregation, Bone Lake, Wis.	23.50
Congregation, Askov, Minn.	227.10
Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	78.00
Congregation, Ruhton, Minn.	88.60
Congregation, Argo-White, S. D.	5.50
Congregation, Gayville, S. D.	47.30
Congregation, Viborg, S. D.	47.20
Congregation, Danevang, Tex.	164.85
Congregation, Denmark, Ks.	44.15
Congregation, Cozad, Nebr.	7.00
Congregation, Cordova, Nebr.	52.71
Congregation, Tacoma, Wash.	35.00
Congregation, Junction City, Ore.	89.80

Total to date this fiscal year \$ 2,341.21

For Grand View College, Jubilee Fund — Cash Contributions:

Previously acknowledged	\$18,163.47
Otto Leth, Brooklyn, N. Y.	18.75
Thormod Jensen, Brooklyn, N. Y.	18.75
From Hartford, Conn.:	
Christian H. Larsen	6.00
Aage Moll	5.00
Mrs. N. Lind	1.00
P. H. Flydahl	2.00
Christian Petersen, Bloomfield, Conn.	50.00
Marius C. Frost, West Hartford, Conn.	5.00
Ansgar T. Nielsen, West Hartford, Conn.	25.00
Samuel F. Meyer, Newington, Conn.	5.00

LUTHERAN TIDINGS

Ove Karlberg, Newington, Conn. -----	10.00	Miss Christine Holm -----	50.00	mann -----	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Andersen, No. Newington, Conn. -----	5.00	Mrs. H. J. Hansen -----	18.75	The K. Poulsen family -----	5.00
Einar M. Nielsen, Wethersfield, Conn. -----	10.00	John Rasmussen -----	5.00	Niels Peter Christensen -----	5.00
"A Friend", Wethersfield, Conn. -----	10.00	Mrs. Bertel Nielsen -----	25.00	Laura Madsen -----	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Peter T. Hansen, Troy, N. Y. -----	18.75	Mrs. Olga Jorgensen -----	10.00	Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobsen -----	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jensen, Bridgeport, Conn. -----	25.00	Mrs. Edith Jorgensen -----	10.00	Mr. and Mrs. Hans Olsen -----	2.00
Mrs. R. M. Jorgensen, Manis- tee, Mich. -----	10.00	Rolf Petersen -----	25.00	Thorvald Hansen, Des Moines, Iowa -----	18.75
Mrs. Rita Norden, Manistee, Mich. -----	5.00	Axel V. Teisen -----	25.00	Surplus from bond purchase, Hampton, Iowa -----	4.00
From Muskegon, Mich.: -----		Mrs. Jens Holman -----	5.00	Rev. L. C. Bundgaard, Withee, Wis. -----	5.00
Misses Edna and Thyra Wolk- ersen -----	18.75	Andrew Jensen -----	5.00	Lutheran Guild, Withee, Wis. -----	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Holger Thuesen -----	18.75	Axel F. Larsen -----	5.00	Rev. P. Rasmussen, Dalum, Canada -----	50.00
Miss Elna C. Kildegaard -----	18.50	Fred Madsen -----	25.00	C. F. Brown, Minneapolis, Minn. -----	100.00
Miss Ingrid C. Kildegaard -----	18.50	M. R. Madsen -----	25.00	Mrs. Edel K. Hauritz, Minne- apolis, Minn. -----	10.00
Mrs. Jorgen P. Hansen, Gard- ner, Ill. -----	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. Hans Einar Mose -----	100.00	Marvin P. Jessen, Askov, Minn. -----	20.00
From Greenville, Mich. -----		Mrs. Harriet Mikkelsen -----	1.00	Martin Lauritzen, Viborg, S. D. -----	10.00
Mrs. Stine Andreasen -----	5.00	Einar Andersen -----	1.00	Martin Miller, Viborg, S. D. -----	10.00
Miss Emma Larsen -----	5.00	Christ Nielsen -----	50.00	Danish Lutheran Ladies' Aid, Gayville, S. D. -----	25.00
Christopher Christensen, Tru- fant, Mich. -----	10.00	Miss Kirsten Poulsen -----	5.00	From Dagmar, Mont.: -----	
Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Nielsen- Trufant, Mich. -----	5.00	Axel M. Andersen -----	25.00	Chris Christensen -----	10.00
Peter and Will Helm, Sand Lake, Mich. -----	5.00	Miss Nanna Strandskov -----	5.00	Emil Christiansen -----	10.00
From Grayling, Mich.: -----		Miss Jessen -----	5.00	Irving Andreasen -----	10.00
Mrs. Olga Boesen -----	10.00	S. N. Nielsen -----	1,000.00	Chris Johansen -----	10.00
Ladies' Sr. Aid -----	17.80	From Dwight, Ill.: -----		Axel Nielsen -----	10.00
Lutheran Jr. Aid -----	27.00	Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Eisen -----	25.00	East Lutheran Ladies' Aid, Davey, Nebr. -----	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hansen -----	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. Erlan Von Qualen -----	5.00	Young People's Society, Davey, Nebr. -----	10.00
Mrs. Anna Schjotz -----	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Christensen -----	5.00	From Solvang, Cal.: -----	
Mr. and Mrs. P. Madsen -----	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. Peter Reimer -----	25.00	Agnes Brøns -----	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Ole Wium -----	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. Chris Riber -----	250.00	Niels Brøns -----	5.00
Mrs. Jesse Sales -----	2.00	Miss Ellen E. Sorensen -----	10.00	Axel Andersen -----	25.00
Mrs. Laura McLeod -----	2.00	From Racine, Wis.: -----		Ludwig Andersen -----	18.50
Mrs. N. P. Olson -----	2.00	Mrs. Helga Saabye Jensen -----	5.00	Viggo Tarnow -----	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Christ Johnson -----	2.00	Mrs. Esther Johansen Hansen -----	25.00	Louis G. Andersen and daugh- ter Gertrude, Los Angeles, Cal. -----	25.00
Eva Madsen -----	2.00	Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nielsen -----	10.00	Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Madsen, Inglewood, Cal. -----	20.00
Mrs. A. J. Nelson -----	1.00	Miss Elsie Christensen -----	10.00	Danish Church, Parlier, Cal. -----	160.00
Mrs. Marie Hanson -----	1.00	Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Bilher- Robert Olsen -----	20.00	Neelna and Bob Clausen, Oak- land, Cal. -----	10.00
Mrs. Robert Ziebell -----	1.00	Lt. and Mrs. Alfred V. Hansen, Pasadena, Cal. -----	25.00	Niels Nielsen, Oakland, Cal. -----	5.00
Mrs. Algot Johnson -----	2.00	Mrs. Jens Jensen, Clearwater, Fla. -----	25.00	Alfred and Agneta Borg, Berkeley, Cal. -----	25.00
Mrs. Howard Granger -----	1.00	Miss Camera Larsen, Phoenix, Arizona -----	10.00	Karl J. Moller, Pasadena, Cal. -----	17.75
Wm. Raae -----	10.00	Verner J. Hansen, Washing- ton, D. C. -----	10.00	Mrs. Theo. Andersen, El Campo, Texas -----	15.00
John Bruun -----	10.00	Mrs. Lilly M. Nielsen Kuhn, Waterloo, Iowa -----	10.00	Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weston, Enumclaw, Wash. -----	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Herluf Sorensen -----	5.00	From Cedar Falls, Iowa: -----		Ballard Ladies' Aid, Ballard, Wash. -----	200.09
From Chicago, Ill.: -----		Mrs. Christian Jensen -----	5.00	Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Andersen, Tacoma, Wash. -----	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Andersen -----	10.00	Anna Rasmussen -----	5.00	Mrs. Victor Lauritzen, Wilbur, Wash. -----	18.75
Rev. A. W. Andersen -----	25.00	Mrs. K. Knudsen -----	25.00	Carl A. Sorensen, Wilbur, Wash. -----	18.75
Axel Christensen -----	25.00	Miss Margaret Michaelson -----	10.00	Wilbur congregation, Wilbur, Wash. -----	18.75
Elker R. Nielsen -----	500.00	Miss Julia Madsen -----	10.00	Danish Sunday School, Wilbur, Wash. -----	25.00
Betty Christensen -----	2.00	Peter E. Brown, Waverly, Ia. -----	5.00	From Seattle, Wash.: -----	
Ole Petersen -----	25.00	Mrs. Silas Marks, Hayden, Col. -----	5.00	Mrs. Gertrude Sorensen -----	25.00
Hjalmer Skonning -----	27.50	From Waterloo, Iowa: -----		Rev. Alfred Sorensen -----	25.00
Carl Jorgensen -----	25.00	Mrs. H. Bodholdt -----	10.00	Hans Sorensen -----	5.00
Jack Jacobsen -----	25.00	Mr. and Mrs. O. Boughton -----	2.00	Elise Ellsworth -----	5.00
Elizabeth Larsen -----	20.00	C. J. Langskov -----	5.00	Dr. L. Frolund -----	25.00
M. Andreasen -----	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. Sigurd Stottrup -----	5.00	Harrold Christiansen -----	18.75
John Herskind -----	3.00	Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Miller -----	5.00	Jens Andersen -----	10.00
Geo. P. Jensen -----	50.00	Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Andersen -----	5.00	Harry Falck -----	50.00
Aage Ruggard -----	18.75	Mr. and Mrs. Herman Halver- son -----	5.00		
Albert Lykke -----	6.00	Mr. and Mrs. C. Lauersen -----	5.00		
Carl Nielsen -----	25.00	Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Slechta -----	5.00		
Mrs. Nanna Rasmussen -----	100.00	Mr. and Mrs. P. Hansen -----	10.00		
Corydon Ohlrich -----	25.00	Niels Madsen -----	5.00		
Emil Juhl -----	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Neimeyer -----	5.00		
Miss Marie Thomsen -----	20.00	Mr. and Mrs. David Christen- sen -----	5.00		
Miss Anna M. Holm -----	18.75	Mr. and Mrs. Kristen Hansen -----	5.00		
Thorvald Hoy -----	2.00	Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Larsen -----	5.00		
Henrik Hendricksen -----	2.00	Mr. and Mrs. Einar E. Madsen -----	5.00		
Mrs. Florence Kelly -----	5.00	Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jensen -----	10.00		
		Mr. and Mrs. Hans Andersen -----	5.00		
		Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Reem -----	3.00		
		Mr. and Mrs. Hans Christensen -----	2.00		
		Mr. and Mrs. Niels Jeppesen -----	3.50		
		Mr. and Mrs. Hans A. Tide-			

Laurence Clausen	5.00
Martin Nielsen, Renton Junction, Wash.	25.00
Finer Hansen, Kent, Wash.	10.00
Paul Fisker, Kent, Wash.	10.00
From Junction City, Oregon:	
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reeder	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jacobsen	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Borgaard	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Thorvald Hansen	10.00
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