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***Journey Ends in Iowa**
After a German DP camp, a chance to earn a living
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DP's Need Jobs And Housing Now!

(An Appeal From Dr. Stewart W. Herman, director of The Lutheran World Federation Resettlement Office).

The extent to which Lutherans will be represented among the Displaced Persons and refugees who are to enter the U. S. A. under the Wiley legislation may largely depend upon the extent to which Lutherans in America help us to obtain jobs and housing for these jobless and homeless people!

The DP immigration requirements, as explained to us by Commissioner Ugo Carusi in Frankfurt, Ger-

*The first DPs to come to Iowa were Lutherans. Accordingly, they were cared for by the Iowa Lutheran Welfare Society who housed and fed them for two weeks before they found homes and jobs in Grinnell and Sioux City. The housing was taken care of by Grand View College where the two families occupied four rooms on the third floor.

Dr. Johannes Knudsen, president of Grand View College, relates that the time of their stay at the college happened to coincide with the Junior Camp held there the first week of August, so these two families had their meals in the cafeteria along with the youngsters.

Mr. and Mrs. Lapeinas were from Riga, Latvia, and had fled before the Russians. They had a cute son of five who was the favorite of the camp and rapidly picked up the English language. Mr. Lapeinas was an electrician and Mrs. Lapeinas was an accomplished musician. She spoke excellent English.—Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman and their eighteen year old daughter were more quiet and gave evidence of greater suffering. Mr. Hoffman, who was a dairyman, had been in a concentration camp because he refused to divorce his wife who is part Jewish. Their home was in Breslau.

Mr. Hoffman now has a job making cheese in Sioux City, and Mrs. Lapeinas is employed in Grinnell, Iowa, by the Iowa Southern Utilities. Lutheran people in these places helped them to find living quarters.

many, stipulate that jobs and homes must be listed with the DP Commission in Washington before any other steps can be taken to bring refugees to the United States under recent special legislation. Even though IRO will cover costs of transportation and even though the Welfare Division of the National Lutheran Council will be ready to receive whatever Lutherans are among them, our European field officers are helpless to assist our own people to profit by the new law, which will accept 205,000 persons in two years, unless promises of jobs and housing are forthcoming. Of course we can and shall continue to send people to other countries, such as Australia and Argentina.

Jewish and Roman Catholic agencies have taken generous action to implement the Wiley legislation in favor of their own homeless people. They not only have offices in Europe, such as ours, but they have been extremely busy combing the U. S. A. for work and lodgings into which their immigrants can enter. That is as it should be. We have not been idle in this respect but the unusually large number of Lutherans among the refugees demands constant concentration of effort by all our Lutheran churches if our people are to be properly represented among the newcomers. It has been unjustly said that the new legislation unduly favors the Protestant element among the refugees. This has been denied by responsible Jewish and Catholic personalities. On the other hand, it is distressingly true that Lutherans will not be able to enter the newly-opened door unless the Wiley requirements are ful-

filled. These requirements can not be met by the DP's themselves, but must be met by us.

It remains to be seen whether the sponsoring agencies must guarantee that the proteges will not become public charges after their arrival in the U. S. A., but at Frankfurt Mr. Carusi explained very clearly that the promise of jobs and housing need not take the form of fixed contracts or affidavits. If the sponsoring agencies—such as ours—must put up guarantees, it may be necessary to pass this responsibility on to firms or individuals in the U. S., but what the new legislation seems to request is merely a bona fide "assurance" of jobs and housing.

In free America it will not be demanded that the immigrant must stay in a job which is unsuitable to him or to his employer, but it is hoped that the large majority of employers, as well as immigrants, will

honor the promise they make. This means that no Lutheran sponsor need be "saddled" with misfits, or retain immigrants when this does not fulfill their business requirements. It also means that an immigrant need not fear being held in bondage to an employer or to a job where he cannot settle down to become a happy and useful citizen.

With these considerations in mind, I personally hope that the Lutheran agencies will be given the whole-hearted cooperation of all Lutherans in America, so that we can proceed to solve our part of the DP problem as quickly as possible. This means swift and intense action—now! If you can find a place in your community for a Lutheran DP, get in touch with the National Lutheran Council at 231 Madison Avenue, N. Y.

The Christian Witness In The World

By Miss Sarah Chakko

Address Given at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches, Amsterdam

Public Meeting, August 26, 1948

My background and experience have been basically different from those of the previous speakers and what I am going to say in the next few minutes is based on the Indian scene, for to be realistic in the consideration of this subject one has to base one's statement on a particular place and time. We do not bear witness in the abstract, but to a particular person at a particular time in history. To a more or less degree other countries in South Asia may have the same characteristics as India. But in many details we differ greatly.

We have in recent years heard much of the secularism of our age and the consequent deterioration in the religious values of our people in the past. Taking my countrymen at large I do not believe this statement is true. I grant that among some young pseudo-intellectuals there is a tendency toward secularism which is the result of disillusionment and cynicism. But the bulk of the people of India are still essentially religious. This may be the result of a religion which not merely developed abstract philosophic ideas to meet the needs of the intellectual, but also expresses itself through the simple acts of everyday life, such as the daily ablutions and the eating of the daily meal. In these simple acts the fact of the reality of God is brought home to the simplest man. Deep down in his heart the average Indian hungers for God. It is the easiest thing to start a conversation on spiritual values with the educated man who rides with you on the train or a group of simple village people.

As in the case of other Asiatic countries the impact of the modern scientific outlook has broken the old religious moulds. That which has been custom and caste bound has been shattered—and that is as it should be. "The truth that makes men free" has entered our socio-economic system and we have around us today the debris of the traditions and superstitions of the past. But along with the bad, much that was

good has also been discarded, and to meet the new demands new movements came into being. The most outstanding of these were the Brahmo Samaj and the Arya samaj. Both tried to break new paths and preserve old values. While perhaps the Arya samaj is more vigorous and active than the former the truth is that the hold of both these groups is nothing compared to the new religion of nationalism.

We have today in India—and perhaps also in some of the other countries of South Asia—a combination of nationalism and a revival of the cultural elements of the old faiths. In the minds of many people "Bharat Mata" (i. e. Mother India) has become deified. I have stood several times in the Bharat Mata temple in the holy city of Banaras and watched old and young, educated and illiterate, holy-men and fakirs come in and worship the large relief map of India. The young student generation finds in this nationalism an outlet for their ideals and emotions. In a land which accepts many deities this newest one seems the most potent today. Nationalism in India today has many of the characteristics of a religious cult.

In a country that had been ridden with communalism—not communism—there exists in the minds of many nationalists a definite antagonism toward established religions, believing that these religions are the sources and feeders of the communal outlook. Educational and other institutions maintained by religious bodies are looked upon with suspicion because they are considered to be working against the forces of unification.

In this setting the message of the gospel has been and is being widely preached. In many areas a few individuals have found newness of life and joined the church in spite of bitter persecutions. In other areas thousands of people have come into the church en masse hoping to find a new status and dignity for the individual, and relief from the pressing economic burdens. They seek social, economic and spiritual

salvation. But it must be recognized that to the average Hindu and Moslem Jesus of Nazareth is just a great teacher—a guru—whose words are wise and whose life was exemplary. He is one of the many great and saintly men who have appeared on earth from time to time. This is so clearly seen in a picture that is to be seen in many places in North India ever since the assassination of Mahatma Ghandi in last January. In the background of the picture is a massive stone image of Buddha of mountainous proportions. Towering against it, partially silhouetted against the sky, is a crucifix. One almost gets the impression that the Buddha image is Golgotha itself. In the foreground is a bust of Mahatma Ghandi. The picture carries no name or inscription. As a matter of fact it is self-explanatory, and no inscriptions or names are needed. I believe therefore, that the biggest function of those who bear Christian witness in India is to bring home to the people the uniqueness of Christ, who came to reveal God to man and served as the means of our redemption.

For many the Christian church is associated with imperialism and Western culture—both of which carry unpleasant connotations. We who are both Indians and Christians may try to explain that it was the failure of the Syrian Orthodox Church that made it necessary for this message of redemption to come to the people of our vast land through Western channels; that Jesus Christ cannot be adequately represented by any particular group or culture; that in Christ there is no east and west. But the existence in our country till recently of civil and military chaplaincies and the forms of worship in our churches evolved according to western patterns are not easily explained away. What is worse still is the conviction in the minds of many that the attempt to preach the gospel is not purely altruistic even on the part of Christian Indians, but that it is motivated by a desire to increase their numbers for political bargaining power. The realisation of the goal of a free India over a year ago and the abolition of political representation by communities in the new India opens up for Christians a clearer atmosphere for preaching the gospel. But old ideas so deeply imbedded in the minds of people are not easy to remove.

According to our new constitution religious freedom, freedom to practice and profess ones faith or to change ones faith is guaranteed to us. But as to how these broadly stated rights are going to be interpreted by the provincial governments and applied in specific cases remains to be seen. How it is going to affect the religious education programmes of our Christian educational institutions which have served as vital agencies of evangelisation in the past has also to be closely watched. But all the same I do not believe that there will be any religious persecution as such in India as seem to be the fear of many people in the past.

It is in this setting that the Christian message has to be preached. The work that has been done by the churches has been truly great. They have proclaimed the love and care of God for the individual and society through the gift of educational opportunities, medical relief, social emancipation for the

down trodden peoples, by a new status given to women and in many other ways. But India still asks two very important questions.

1. Apart from a lot of theory in what way has the Christian message recreated society. The Indian looks at what he thinks is the Christian society of the west and is horrified by what he sees. He looks at the Christian church which to him is the family of the redeemed find our life as the body of Christ not particularly attractive. He looks at the church not through the eyes of faith as we do, but through the critical eyes of the one who wonders if we have in us something that he longs to have.
2. The second question he asks is what the Holy Spirit can do for the Individual. He does not want to be told that in Christ Jesus he will find the answer. He wants to know how it has worked for you and me who claims to have found this life. As he looks at us he finds us no different in our daily life and actions at least—from the many who have not accepted Christ. He is looking to see if we are a new creation.

Until the people of India can see a church of which they can say: "Behold how these Christian love each other and all others" and until they see in those who bear the name of Christ the new life that is God's gift to us, people will come to God not because of us, but in spite of us.

Therefore we need:

- a. A United church which will bear a common witness to the redemption power of the Gospel of society and for the individual.
- b. Help to this church both in spiritual resources, personnel and material resources should come not through denominational or national agencies, but through a church that cuts across denominational and national barriers. It should be the enterprise of the church of God in this world not only for oriental nations who are considered to be backward;

but for the whole world which today stands in tragic need. We should face this as a world problem.

- c. It would be disastrous to curtail Christian work in India for financial or other reasons. For the natural conclusion drawn by the people of India outside the church would be that the withdrawal is due to the collapse of imperialism.
- d. Indians themselves should bear the responsibility for the witness to their own people. The reasons for this are obvious and do not need to be belabored here.
- e. We need more laymen and lay women to weave the world of God into the fabric of daily living.

The essence of Christian witness is the same the world over. The Word became Flesh that men may behold the glory and grace of God. We in our lives have to show the power of the Holy spirit to renew and transform life. It is not enough to point to the Master. We have to witness to what has been wrought in us and for our society. That is all that any man can do. The rest is in God's hands. But let us ask ourselves what God has wrought in us.

District IV Convention At Hampton, Iowa

September 24-26, 1948

Delegates, pastors, visitors and the members of St. John's congregation met for three days of inspiration and fellowship at the Dist. IV Convention. There must have been those who had prayed that the Holy Spirit may speak to us; for, He did touch hearts at this convention. It is true that we need more preachers; we also need more consecrated Christians who dedicate their lives to a service of intercessory prayer. Then there will be revival within the church.

St. John's congregation was an excellent host to the convention. The members of the Ladies' Aid, assisted by the members of the Young People's Society, served delicious meals. All members of St. John's, together with Pastor and Mrs. Juhl, are to be thanked for their kind hospitality.

Since the minutes of our business sessions have been sent to all congregations in Dist. IV, this report will deal with the messages which were given during the convention.

At the opening meeting, Rev. Leif Kirkegaard delivered a sermon based on I Peter 2:1-10, stressing the importance of the individual Christian. The Christian is a person who is called out of the life of the world to serve the Living God. Christians are separated people—thinking differently and serving a different Master than the man of the world does. Many people do not like the idea of being separated, set apart, chosen by God to be His own people, to be a people for God's own possession and to be "different" than others. Each Christian should be a worker for Christ as God gives him opportunity in home, church and community.

Rev. Holger P. Jorgensen gave a lecture on the "Church Council and its Responsibility," which should have been heard by every council member in our District. The Church council member should have an abundance of practical sense; he should be a true Christian, continuing to grow in faith, grace and holiness; he should have a love for the local congregation; he should be an active, alive member of his congregation. Rev. Jorgensen pointed out that the council member should always be in church on Sunday morning unless he has a very valid reason.

The pastor should be able to get help and counsel in spiritual matters from the members of the church council, the council member also being a guardian of spiritual life and practice of the congregation.

The Apostle Paul in Titus 1:5-9 gives qualifications for a Church Council member. Every council member must remember that he is being watched, and that the world gets an impression of the local congregation by watching the members of the Church Council. If a council member does something wrong, people will come and say, "Oh, isn't he a member of your Church Council?"

Pastor Jorgensen recommended that Church Council members be installed by the pastor.

In concluding his lecture Pastor Jorgensen gave the collective responsibilities of the Church Council as follows:

- a. Manage church property and finances.
- b. Pool their knowledge and sanely talk the business matter over.
- c. Give serious forethought to the business considered.
- d. To always be prompt in all matters.
- e. To regularly attend church.
- f. Counsel with the pastor on spiritual life.
- g. Visit all church members, especially the sick and sorrowing.
- h. Call on prospective new members.

All strangers and visitors in church should be greeted by members of the Church Council.

At the Friday evening service Rev. Frost brought the message and Rev. Holger Nielsen served as Liturgist. Rev. Frost's text was taken from John 16:1-11. In his message on the power of the Holy Spirit our speaker emphasized that our greatest danger was to belittle, ignore and resist the Holy Spirit. Our Christianity is wishy-washy. Where is our conviction? Where the backbone that we may stand? "How can the fires be kindled when we belittle, ignore or resist the Holy Spirit?" Our people today are confronted on every hand by Secularism and Materialism. We need the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

For devotions on Saturday morning Rev. S. D. Rodholm read the beautiful words from Isaiah chapter 40. These messianic words set to music by Handel thrill us every Christmas season as we hear "The Messiah."

Rev. Rodholm pointed out that for the Christian, God has His own way; God doesn't use the world's road. God says that His Word abideth forever. "It does not wither even though the people do. God has revealed Himself on earth as the Savior."

Rev. Farstrup gave an important lecture on Christian Education in the home. Martin Luther wrote the Small Catechism in order that parents may teach their children in the home. The child breathes the atmosphere of the home. If the home is Christian, the child will be nurtured in the Lord. Christ must be lived in the home. If you want your child to pray, you must pray with him.

Christian education fails if not undergirded in the home. In some of the homes of our church there is no Christian atmosphere. Utterly lacking are signs that Jesus Christ abides in these homes.

In the discussion which followed it was brought out that as far as Christianity is concerned there is often a wall of partition built up between parents and children. Parents and children can talk about and discuss many things; but often when it comes to their relationship to God there is complete silence. This is generally because the family has not had daily family devotions in which a portion of the Word of God is read and in which they pray together. Daily devotions are vitally needed in our homes.

Mrs. Willie Jacobsen of Kimballton directed the W. M. S. meeting on Saturday evening. Rev. Kirkegaard led in prayer, and Mrs. Ezra Miller of Hampton sang the soul-winning hymn "The Ninety and Nine." Greetings were brought by the national president, Mrs. Egede.

Dr. Knudsen gave the address of the evening, entitled, "Creative Christianity." God is creator of all. Sometimes we don't act as if He created all. We often think of the world as static, but it moves according to principles laid down by God. The world is unfolding. Some try to exclude God from the picture.

A good and perfect world is not being developed as there is a contrary force. We as Christians must be instruments for good. Above all, Christ was the Revelation of God. God came down to earth and redeemed us once for all. Christ was the complete Revelation of God.

On Sunday morning at the Danish service, Rev. Alfred Jensen served at the Communion Table and Rev. C. P. Højbjerg spoke. Rev. Højbjerg quoted the wonderful text, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

At the English service Rev. Ronald Jespersen, our newly-elected president, preached the sermon and Rev. Marvin Nygaard served at the Communion Table. Speaking on the prayer of the publican, "God be merciful unto me a sinner," Rev. Jespersen brought out that we American people have an abundance of material things and as a result we are a proud and

selfish people. It is when an individual gets more than enough that he is in danger of falling into the clutches of greed and selfishness. Then comes the danger of falling away from the Christian faith. They forget their God and their neighbor. Our speaker illustrated by pointing out how much money and grain that we Americans pour into the gutter of alcoholic beverages, while peoples of other lands starve.

Our synodical president gave a very good and interesting lecture on the Amsterdam meeting. Since articles have already appeared in "Lutheran Tidings" on this subject, we shall not repeat.

In the evening there were two meetings at the same time, one in English and the other in Danish. This writer did not hear the one in Danish by Rev. Højbjerg, so he cannot report on it. Rev. A. C. Kildegaard spoke on "The Christian and Politics." The general consensus of opinion is that politics is too corrupt for the Christian believer; but a Christian can go into politics and lead a God-directed, Christ-centered life. How the world needs such Christian men in politics! So many men in politics are only nominal Christians. We need twice-born men in public office. John 3:1-16.

Marvin E. Nygaard.

District II Convention

September 24-25-26, 1948, Grayling, Mich.

Convention Motto: "Surmounting The Passiveness In The Lutheran Church."

Pastors, delegates and visitors began arriving at the parsonage of Grayling Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rev. Svend Holm, pastor, in the early afternoon of Friday the 24th. About fifty guests registered by 6 o'clock, when everyone present assembled at Danebod hall for a delicious supper served by ladies of the Grayling church.

Promptly at 8 p. m. the church bell pealed out the call for the evening service with Pastor Svend Jorgensen occupying the pulpit. He gave an inspiring message on the theme, "Christ's Commission to His Church."

The Saturday business session was opened with a Bible Hour by Pastor John Christensen of Ludington, who convincingly emphasized the need for more "Faith and Work" within our churches.

At 10 a. m. Pastor Stub of Greenville, district president, declared the convention open and introduced Wm. Raa, president of our Grayling Church, who in turn extended a hearty welcome to every one.

Minutes of last year's convention were read and accepted. Tabulation of delegates indicated that every congregation in our district was thus represented, with the exception of Victory, Mich. President Stub read the customary district president's report. Because of its various recommendations, a committee of three was appointed to report back to convention later on same.

Congregational Reports—A delegate from each congregation made the usual report for their respective churches upon work accomplished as well as hopes of accomplishments for the future. These reports are quite similar in character and contents. It would suffice here to state that each report indicated a steady growth and also tends to show a real spark of awakening to church responsibility on the part of membership at large in both spiritual and material upbuilding within each congregation, reflected by the fine number in attendance at the early business session. The physical church property in most instances had or was undergoing extensive repair and upkeep.

While these reports are important they are extremely time consuming, and of valuable time that could and should be used in discussing even more important issues in respect to our synod and its problems as affecting each district. At this convention at Grayling the result was that several items of above mentioned nature received no attention but was passed up because of lack of time. It would occur to your district secretary that the district president might call for these reports several weeks in advance of convention and incorporate them in his annual report, thus time gained for other business at convention.

Following the above reports the president introduced Wm. C. Nielsen of Muskegon as in charge of "Laymens Discussion Hour." Mr. Nielsen stated that the assignment given was "Overcoming Difficulties in Practical Church Work." This assignment he efficiently divided into the following five groups, with a chairman for each: **Finance, Attendance, Cooperation, Educational and Mission.** He asked these groups to get together during the noon hour recess and be prepared for presentation of each subject.

Following a bountiful dinner with close to 100 in attendance, session convened at 1:30. A spokesman for each above mentioned groups gave a three-minute outline of opinions, whereupon the meeting was thrown open for general discussion of the subject for five minutes on each. This hour was of great interest and unique in that pastors were completely silent but keen listeners. Mr. Nielsen's efficient way of handling this assignment proved this "Laymens Hour" as a worthy convention highlight.

President Stub gave an outline of the synodical budget as reflected in regards to congregational allocations. A lively discussion followed with the matter finally referred to an Allocations committee.

We adjourned until 4:30 p. m. for a sight-seeing trip to Lake Margarethe and the Hartwig Pines a few miles north of Grayling. At this beautiful spot the Grayling ladies had arranged coffee tables under the shade of the 150-ft. tall majestic Pine trees, now a part of National Forest Conservation. Wm. Raae and Mr. Johnson of Grayling, old time lum-

ber men were able guides and spokesmen for a now past lumber industry. Returning to town, convention convened at 4:45 p. m.

Under consideration came the Home Mission Fund, in which the district now has a sum of \$300 set aside for Home Mission purposes. There being no immediate need for its application to any project the motion was adopted that this fund remain earmarked and that the district board be given authority to use the same, as if and when occasion should require.

Sunday offerings: The meeting voted to divide the Sunday offering evenly between the Santal Mission and Lutheran World Action.

At this point the president asked for report from committee on president's annual report. This committee recommended and the convention voted that the district board as soon as possible appoint a member from our district to serve on the State Planning Board on Lutheran Commission on Evangelism, in which organization our Synod is already represented by Rev. Holger O. Nielsen. The committee further recommended and the convention voted that the congregation in the district carry on vigorously for L. W. A.

Discussion followed as to the time of future district conventions. Some desired the meeting in the spring, prior to the national convention, others in the summer and still others preferred the fall meeting. A motion to leave time of convention to the inviting congregation was lost. No further action was taken on the matter.

Letter from Rev. Holger Strandkov on the subject of D.A.Y.P.L. was read in full and considered at length, and the secretary was ordered to respond to Rev. Strandkov with assurance of our continued support. Rev. Richard Sorensen offered the suggestion that future conventions officially convene at 2 p. m. on first day of convention period for business transactions. No official action ensued on this suggestion.

Camp Site—This committee had been inactive and had no report. Rev. Sorensen asked for the floor and outlined the desirability of the district getting behind a Junior Camp program for youngsters in the age group of 10 to 15 years. A number of opinions were expressed with the result that the following motion was adopted: "That the district board lend encouragement to arrange a Junior Camp program for the district."

Rev. Sorensen further called attention to the need for us to get away from our isolation and cooperate with other churches on both on a local and state-wide basis, and he made the motion: "That we investigate and secure information relative to the Michigan Council of Churches and Religious Education with possible affiliation in view." The motion was adopted.

Election of Officers—First was the office of vice president, incumbent being Rev. Richard Sorensen of Juhl congregation, 2-year term. Motion made and supported that rules be suspended and the secretary ordered to cast unanimous vote for re-election of Rev. Sorensen. Carried. The same procedure was followed in the case of Chris Loding, Greenville, treasurer; Chris. Jensen, Muskegon, trustee; Wm. C. Nielsen, Muskegon, finance committee; Mrs. Irene Henderson, Juhl, Religious Education committee, all for 2-year terms. Carried and elected.

Next Year's Convention Place—Greenville having the national convention could hardly be expected to also handle the district convention and was therefore excused. Muskegon was next in line, but would like to wait another year due to building project of a new church. Marlette-Juhl being next

then extended invitation for 1949; same was accepted with a rising vote of thanks.

There being no time for further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p. m.

One hundred seventeen delegates and visitors had officially registered with the largest delegation of 30 people coming from Juhl-Germania.

A belated report of the district treasurer was made during the closing session, it showing a working balance on hand of \$65.40 (in addition to the earmarked fund of \$300).

The finance committee reported its audit of the treasurer's account and found it correct. The report was accepted.

Again we assembled at Danebod hall for a hearty supper, after which the Mission Society met in the hall with large attendance and the allocation committee met in the church auditorium. The budget was accepted with a small change in favor of the incoming Germania congregation.

At 8 p. m. the bells tolled again to worship. First we heard a musical program by the young people from the Grayling church. The church sanctuary was in darkness at this point due to the failing of electric power, but the candle lights pressed into service enhanced this program with inspiring silence and reverence. An audience filling the church to its last seat heard a forceful sermon by Rev. Paul Wiekman. Rev. and Mrs. Wiekman recently arrived from Denmark and are now efficiently serving our Manistee congregation. His theme of "Forward With Assurance" inspired us with a real deep desire to lend every effort in Christian work.

Sunday's program commenced with Sunday school at 9:45 and was well attended by both children and adults. Morning services at 11 a. m. found the church filled to overflowing. Rev. Edwin Hansen delivered a powerful sermon on "The Fruits of Your Faith in the Community."

At the well filled dinner tables in the Danebod hall about 160 people were served quickly and efficiently by a staff of both old and young ladies of the Grayling church. An expression of "Orchids to them" would be a small tribute for their outstanding efforts in our behalf throughout the entire meeting.

As 3 p. m. came around all too soon for the closing hour, the majority of delegates and visitors had found it necessary to depart for distant homes. This was regrettable, as the small attendance cast a faint gloom upon an hour that should be the crowning glory of any successful convention.

Pastor Stub extended a hearty welcome to the Germania congregation, from the Marlette area, it having recently joined our synod. This was followed by an address by Rev. Richard Sorensen from Juhl, who pointed out the responsibility of parents and congregations to the youth. More should have heard this message, so essential as the topic is to the continued growth of every congregation.

At 4:15 President Stub declared the convention closed, and in appropriate words extended the convention's thanks to our Grayling hosts. Again refreshments were served at the hall, with farewell remarks by several.

B. P. Christensen,
District Secretary.

L.W.R. GETS WHEAT AND MILK

New York—Lutheran World Relief will receive 713 tons of wheat and 30 tons of powdered milk from the two latest CROP trains, which have arrived in Philadelphia and Galveston respectively, it was reported here by Bernard A. Confer, administrative secretary of L.W.R.. Sponsored jointly by Lutheran World Relief, Church World Service and the Catholic Rural Life Conference, the trains were loaded in Kansas and Ohio with gifts of produce from people living in rural areas.

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IN THE WIDE, WIDE WORLD

By Alfred C. Nielsen

What May We Expect From the Republicans?

All the polls indicate a Republican victory in the November election. If this happens, we shall have a Republican administration for the first time in sixteen years. It seems certain that the House of Representatives will be Republican. However, there is some doubt about the Senate in the minds of many people. But if there should be a Republican landslide, it seems likely that the Senate will be Republican too.

The Republican candidate, Mr. Thomas Dewey, is from all reports an able administrator. He has a good record in the state of New York. Republicans tell us that he is the strong man, and will make a strong President. This has been shouted from the house-tops since early this summer. This is a strange talk from that party. For historically the Republican party has not been the party of strong Presidents. Going back to Abraham Lincoln and looking over the records of Republicans who held the presidential office from his time to Herbert Hoover, we do not find many strong men. In fact there were only two. Lincoln, a war President, was a strong man. But he was not chosen because of those qualities. He was a comparatively unknown man with little or no administrative experience. He was nominated because he was from the west, and because he was more available than Seward. The latter had been in the U. S. Senate for some time and had made too many enemies. The record also indicates that when the strong man Lincoln was assassinated, there were many of the Republican congressional leaders who were quite relieved.

The other strong man, and that is open to question, was Theodore Roosevelt. Again the Republicans did not select him because of his strength. It will be recalled that he was given the Vice Presidency with President McKinley in order to get him out of the way and into a place where he could do the least harm. But fate had other plans. McKinley was shot in 1901 and Theodore Roosevelt was elevated to the highest political office in the United States. All such a president maker as Boss Tom Platt of New York could do, was to curse his luck! While President he made much noise, but his administration did not see many great legislative acts put upon the books. But his attitude toward the presidency was big, and a great improvement over most of his Republican predecessors.

Between Lincoln and the present time other Republican Presidents were Grant, Hayes, Garfield, Arthur, Harrison, McKinley, Taft, Harding, Coolidge and Hoover. Among them were surely many good men, but they were not strong men who dominated Congress and led the nation in the sense that Wilson and F. D. Roosevelt did.

Really, it is a bit comical to listen to Republican radio speakers and hear them urge people to vote for Dewey as the strong, capable leader. While Franklin

Roosevelt was the leader, there was a cry of anguish from Republican leaders about dictatorship from the White House.

When Dewey becomes President he is going to have his hands full leading obstinate Republicans in Congress. That is the history of the party, and it is doubtful that Republican leaders will change their spots to please him. Of course, during the political honeymoon there will be much sweet talk, but when it comes to carrying out Mr. Dewey's orders there will be plenty of trouble.

Should the Republicans control the Senate, Mr. Dewey will still have to convince Mr. Taft of Ohio that he should do so and so; and Mr. Taft, while intelligent, is not easily led.

In the House there is a group of leaders who will fight to the finish any progressive legislation that Mr. Dewey may have in mind. Let him try to boss around such Republican stalwarts as Speaker Martin of Massachusetts, Floor Leader Halleck of Indiana, Party Whip Arends of Illinois; H. Knutson of Minnesota, Chairman of The Ways and Means Committee; Mr. Taber of New York, chairman of the Appropriations Committee; Mr. Allen of Illinois, chairman of the Rules committee; Mr. Wolcott of Michigan, chairman of the Banking and Currency Committee; and last and not least Mr. Parnell Thomas of New Jersey, chairman of the House un-American Committee.

Judging by past history, one may say that congressional leadership has always been a Republican theory and practice. If that is what the American people want, we may be sure that they will get it with a vengeance. But it will not be good for our nation or for the world. The truth is that our people will soon tire of it. It does not work. We need positive leadership from the White House, and not least in these troubled times. Yes, we need a good, strong, intelligent President; and a Congress that will follow him.

The unkindest remark so far about the Eightieth Congress was: "The best that money could buy."

SHARP GAINS IN MEMBERSHIPS

New York—Confirmed membership in the five major bodies of Lutherans in America showed a gain of 24.1 per cent in the ten-year period from 1937 to 1947, according to statistics compiled by the Division of Public Relations of the National Lutheran Council.

The survey disclosed that confirmed membership rose from 3,000,420 persons in 1937 to 3,724,615 in 1947, an increase of 724,195. Comparative figures on baptized membership for the same period are not available due to incomplete reports in 1937.

Our Women's Work

Mrs. Johanne Lillehøj, Kimballton, Iowa
Editor

W. M. S. District IV Meeting

Hampton, Iowa, Sept. 25, 1948

The Women's Mission Society of District IV held its annual business meeting in St. John's Church Saturday evening at 7 o'clock during the convention of District IV.

The meeting was opened by singing the hymn, "Jesus, Life and Way to Heaven." Mrs. W. Jacobsen, our district representative, bid us all welcome and asked Mrs. Agnes Holst to lead us in devotions. The secretary's report of last year's meeting held at Newell, was read, likewise the national treasurer's report.

Mrs. W. Jacobsen asked Mrs. Egede, our national chairman, to give a short account of what W. M. S. has done during the past year and what our goal is for the coming year. Mrs. Egede pointed to the report from our national meeting in Solvang, held there in June, that we have now met our obligations toward the Grand View College furniture project with the exception of \$2,749. Further that it be our definite aim to clear that amount this year. Each local society decides for itself how it would like to make its contribution, the method being unimportant. The main thing is that we get together and do all we can for that cause.

Our project for this year is to send clothing, food or money to South Slesvig. Our chairman mentioned that if we send feed sacks, let us send some of the pretty ones too!

A few reports came in that their societies had already last year sent several boxes of clothing to South Slesvig—and "Thank You" letters had been received from different individuals who had received this clothing. Also this year several boxes of clothing have been sent. Let us continue.

A letter from Mrs. Egede was read by the secretary. Her prayer was that as we gather for our district conventions, we may feel the strength of the Church and the need for willing workers in its many branches, and may we in our branch, the Women's Mission Society, do our task day by day remembering that we are in the Master's service.

Dr. Johannes Knudsen thanked the Mission Group for its continued interest in Grand View College. He extended an invitation to come to Des Moines and meet our new housemother of the girls' dormitory, Mrs. Anna Rasmussen.

Mrs. W. Jacobsen of Kimballton was re-elected District representative. It was decided that the collection taken up at the evening meeting should go to the General Fund of W. M. S. to be used as the board sees fit.

After a short pause we met again at 8 o'clock. Mrs. W. Jacobsen again bid us all welcome. The meeting was opened by singing "Work, for the Night is Coming." Devotion was led by Rev. Leif Kirkegaard. Mrs. Ida

Egede extended a greeting from the National Board with thanks for all the gifts that had been given during the past year. Her hope was that our work should take on more and more spiritual value and the little line: "Take my hand, dear Father, and lead Thou me," should be our motto.

After a solo by Mrs. Ezra Miller of Hampton, "The Ninety and Nine," Dr. Johannes Knudsen gave a very inspiring talk on "Creative Christianity."

The collection of the evening was \$70.97.

The meeting closed with the singing of Rev. Østergaard's beautiful hymn, "Lord, I Wish to be Thy Servant," and a prayer by Rev. Leif Kirkegaard.

"Sad is the day for any man when he becomes absolutely satisfied with the life that he is living, the thoughts that he is thinking, and the deeds that he is doing; when there ceases to be forever beating at the doors of his soul a desire to do something which he feels and knows he was meant and intended to do."—Philips Brooks.

Mrs. Aug. Sorensen, Sec.

W. M. S. Meeting At Enumclaw, Wash.

This year the Saturday evening meeting of the Ninth District Convention in Enumclaw, Wash., was sponsored by the W. M. S. A program was arranged which proved to be interesting and worthwhile.

The church was beautifully decorated with vine maple leaves in brilliant colors and with gladiola and other fall flowers. These bouquets all helped to give a festive spirit to the occasion.

Opening the meeting with songs, and with reading of excerpts of President Ida Egede's letter, Gertrude Mortensen gave a short talk on W. M. S. projects and mission spirit. Miss Iola Andersen of Seattle gave a warm, gracious "Thank You" to all who had helped furnish the new dormitory at Grand View College and who had helped with the Jubilee Drive. We were brought to the G. V. C. campus by this talk, so vivid were the pictures which Iola brought to our minds, so earnestly did she portray student life there and the many values gained by attending our church school.

The main speaker of the evening was Dr. R. Otness, clinical psychologist at the Rainier School for subnormal children at Buckley, Wash. Opening his

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talk by quoting from I Corinthians, 13—the 11th verse: "When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things." Dr. Otness used this verse as the basis for his talk.

Dr. Otness plans to devote his life to the children who never grew up, the children, who though old enough, never put away childish things. He explained about the school and its work with its 1,000 children ranging in age from three months to 50 years, yet all children. The projects which the directors of the school are now working for is a hospital and clinic together with the school, so that a study can be made of these children to try to find the cause underlying many of the cases. As it is now, children at this school and at others are well cared for but no study has been made of them. The acknowledgement that such children exist and arrangements made to take care of them vary a great deal throughout the world, and it is a comparatively new idea and field of work. The talk was revealing, challenging, and sincere. On Sunday many of the convention guests accepted Dr. Otness' invitation to come to Rainier School and he showed them personally many of the phases of the work and life there.

Rev. C. Hasle closed the meeting by expressing his pleasure over this contribution to the convention experiences, and led the group in devotions.

An offering was given as the people filed out of the church. It totaled \$32.35 and was divided between the G. V. C. Dormitory Fund and the W. M. S. Fund.

Gertrude H. Mortensen.

District II Council Meeting

Greenville, Mich., Wednesday, Oct. 6, 1948

This meeting assembled at the home of Pastor and Mrs. C. A. Stub and was called into session at 7:30 p. m. by President Stub. The president introduced Dr. J. Burt Bouwman, executive secretary of the Michigan Council of Churches and Christian Education. Dr. Bouwman outlined briefly the high points of objectives of this State organization, with particular stress upon the necessity of Protestant denominations working and cooperating closely together by and through:

Development of Practical Unity in Protestantism.

Adequate Training of Sunday School Workers.

Church Representation Before State and Local Groups.

Training of Our Youth.

Reaching of Now Unreached Children With a Christian Message.

Building of Understanding Between Community Groups.

Rendering Easily Available Its Many Service Resources.

Dr. Bouwman further outlined work already accomplished, and sincerely invited our group of churches to join the M.C.C.

At this point the district secretary was ordered to secure application for affiliation with M.C.C. constitution and by-laws, so that due consideration might be given to affiliate, and present the proposition to our next annual District convention. President Stub extended appreciation and thanks to Dr. Bouwman for his coming to our meeting, and with assurance that the matter would be further discussed.

Business Session: First consideration was appointment of a member from our churches to represent us on the State Planning Board. This board was fully explained at the Grayling convention, which convention had previously ordered the district board to appoint such member. Rev. Edwin E. Han-

sen of Muskegon, Mich., was unanimously agreed upon, and the secretary was ordered to so advise him and also the Area office under which we will function, so that he may receive vital information necessary with this office.

Camp Site: It was suggested and decided that a standing camp site committee be appointed, to watch for possible opportunities that may arise in respect thereto. The following were appointed: Wm. C. Nielsen, Muskegon, chairman; Sam Seiferlein, Marlette, Mich.; Wm. Ray, Grayling; Elmer Ness, Manistee; Rev. C. A. Stub, Greenville.

Junior Camp Program: In line with the suggested action at convention the following committee for the year consists of: Rev. Richard Sorensen, Marlette, chairman; Miss Reta Petersen, Gowen, Mich.; Rev. Paul Wiekman, Manistee.

The above program is for possible summer camp privileges for Junior groups in the 10 to 14-year age group; in such places as may be available for us from time to time and the program is planned to be self supporting through fees paid by participants.

Religious Education: This phase of work was discussed at length, and the district board heartily recommends that a Church Workers Institute, such as was held last year at Juhl, should be encouraged, and the board herewith charges the committee on above to arrange such an Institute at some central location with appropriate publication of the event at such time as the committee may decide best. Committee members are: Rev. John Christensen, Ludington, chairman; Mrs. Olga Carlson, Greenville, Mich.; Mrs. Irene Henderson, Sandusky, Mich.

District Activities—Of many activities that could be carried out, the main one for this coming year was originally suggested by Rev. Stub, that of forming an All Michigan Choir, consisting of choirs from every church in the district. These would be practicing certain musical selections throughout the year, and all combine in a massed choir to sing at our national Synod convention in Greenville in June, 1949.

It was suggested that Aage Sorensen of Ecorse, Mich., choir director at our Detroit church, be asked to assign suitable music and lead the massed choir at the convention. The secretary was ordered to contact him at once with that in view.

Grand View College—Our college was next discussed, with emphasis upon the need of bringing our own college to the attention of our high school youth. It was suggested that this could be done by each congregation in the distribution of school literature and brochures, easily obtained from the college. It was felt that a larger number of our youth would sincerely consider going to Grand View if properly approached and urged. Each congregation might well appoint two or three individuals for this work. We could and should exert ourselves to a greater extent for our fine Grand View College. Let us do it this year.

District Welfare—President Stub said he would do his best in getting around to each congregation this year. His large Montcolm County church affairs keeps him a busy man. The convention suggestion (made after adjournment by Chris Nielsen of Greenville) that we attempt an exchange of pulpits was considered and deemed very desirable. Rev. Stub suggested that this be done on a given Sunday with a visiting pastor in each pulpit. He was authorized to work out a suitable Sunday with the districts pastors and give each his assignment. Pastors traveling expenses to and from assignment be paid from an offering in each congregation on that Sunday, and such amount sent to the district treasurer who in turn will re-imburse each pastor.

District Communications and Information—The board considered it very essential that at least the president and secretary be advised as to who is who on the various church boards and Inter-Church organizations, so that proper persons may be quickly contacted when necessary and such persons be given information as well as return information desired from time to time. Each congregational secretary is herewith requested to send to your district secretary, B. P. Christensen, Marlette, Mich., the following:

Ninth District Convention

The 9th District convention was held at Hope Lutheran Church, Enumclaw, Wash., during the week-end, Sept. 10-12.

The meeting opened Friday evening with a welcome to all guests, pastors and delegates. Rev. C. S. Hasle of Junction City was the speaker for the evening. He preached a sermon on the theme, "The Challenge of Our Lutheran Church."

Saturday morning we gathered again. The church had been beautifully decorated with various fall leaves and flowers—as only our "Tante Karen" can do it. Rev. Jens Kjaer of Seattle gave a very inspiring Bible Hour, taking as his text the 121st Psalm, "I lift up my eyes to the mountain."—It can truly be stated that our majestic Mt. Rainier was very beautiful during our entire convention.

At 10 o'clock the business session was opened. Eighteen voting members were registered. Rev. C. S. Hasle was chosen chairman, and Mrs. Betty Laursen as secretary of the meeting.

The president's and treasurer's reports were read

1. Name, address and title of your church officials.
2. Name, address and title of organization officials such as officers of ladies' organizations, Sunday school staff, Men's clubs, Youth organizations, etc.

Upon receiving such information an official roster can be compiled and sent to each church board. Will you do it now, please!

District Convention—It was unanimously conceded by your district board, that more time is required at District conventions for the business session of same. At this year's convention, several important matters received no attention whatever due to lack of time.

Your board therefore suggests and recommends that our next convention convene at 2 p. m. on Friday of convention period, for the specific purpose of transacting part of its business in that time thus gained.

It was further considered that the gaining of such new time would enable all programs to conclude for adjournment promptly at 3 p. m. on Sunday, and thus give everyone the opportunity to remain for the final closing. Our conventions seem to end to abruptly, and generally only a mere handful remain for the closing program, tending to throw a bit of gloom upon an otherwise fine convention.

Supplies—The board ordered the secretary to secure suitable district letterheads and envelopes for inter-district correspondence.

Lutheran World Action—Discussed and recommended that we continue to work vigorously for this program in every congregation.

Traveling Speakers—The matter of traveling speakers visiting our congregation when such are available was thought very beneficial and recommended. Expenses in connection with same should be born by the inviting congregation.

Adjournment—There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 11:45 with refreshments served by Mrs. Stub.

It was generally conceded that we had a valuable evening in church work, and the type of meeting which should be held more frequently.

B. P. Christensen,
Secretary, District II, Michigan.

and accepted. Our treasury showed a balance of \$561.42. We then heard the reports from the various congregations:

Tacoma is without a resident pastor, but the congregation has been served by Rev. Theyer from the Puysllup Old People's Home. They hope to have their own pastor again soon.

Seattle and Enumclaw had conducted a YOUTH CAMP at Lutherland which had proven a real success.—One of the delegates expressed the wish that a Children's Camp could be conducted at Lutherland also—"for it is the children we have to work with if our church is to continue," said the speaker.

Junction City has built a new parsonage. The entire church and parsonage grounds have been landscaped, and a new sprinkling system installed.

A telegram greeting was received from the District I convention held also during these days at Perth Amboy, N. J.—After the reading of the greeting our meeting voted to send a greeting back to the District I meeting.

Our meeting voted to send an invitation to Pastor C. P. Hojbjerg from Denmark who is in the U. S. at the present time. We sincerely hope that he can arrange to visit our congregations.

Upon a motion to that effect, the District officers were all re-elected by acclamation.—There being no other business we were all invited over to the home of Mrs. Karen Rasmussen for afternoon's coffee. The rest of the afternoon was spent in taking various trips to the many beautiful spots around Enumclaw.

Saturday evening was reserved for the W. M. S. meeting, which will be reported in another part of this issue. It was a very good meeting.

Sunday was as usual the real festive day. Pastor Arndt of Vancouver, B. C., preached the Danish sermon, and Rev. C. Hasle preached at the English service. The Communion service was in charge of Rev. Terrell and assisted by Rev. Hasle. Many attended.

The Sunday dinner was served in the Danish Hall by the ladies of the Sunshine Circle. And at 3 o'clock we gathered again to hear a lecture by Rev. J. C. Kjaer.

After the supper hour, which was served by the members of the Ladies' Aid, the closing session was held with Rev. Charles Terrell and Rev. Theyer as the speakers. After this meeting coffee was served to everyone in the Danish Hall. A number of short speeches and "Farewells" were given and we closed our convention and our fellowship through these days by singing, "Altid frejdig, naar du gaar."

Betty Laursen, Secretary.



From New York to Denmark Via London

By J. C. Aaberg

VI

On arriving at Nyborg, the scenes from Korsør were repeated. People crowded, ran, and jostled each other in order to be first on the waiting train. They also tried to push me around. But I had learned my lesson. I too wanted a seat on the train, and I hustled and shoved with the best of them—or the worst according to one's attitude.

The island of Fyn looks much like Sjælland. The landscape is perhaps a little more rolling, more heavily wooded, and criss-crossed with living hedges than the capital island. But its general characteristics are the same. People living there, however, claim that they are by no means immodest but simply stating the facts when they declare that Fyn is the most beautiful of all the Danish islands and they themselves the most cheerful of all the various kinds of Danes. And the island is beautiful, especially along the coasts with their fine fiords, beautiful woods, and quaint old cities. But being a Jyde, I have been inclined to dispute their claim until last year when a cousin, who had dabbled some in family history, told me that our earliest known ancestors came from Fyn. That was some hundreds of years ago. But blood is thicker than water, they say. I still feel proud of being a Jutlander, but not quite as proud as I used to. May be those Fynboer have something. At any rate my Fyn ancestor showed good judgment in coming to Jylland.

The most beautiful districts of Fyn is along her coasts. But the main railroad runs inland and passes only one of her principal cities. That is the city of Odense, a very old and quite large town which is named after Wodin, the principal god of the Vikings. The city is now a fine modern city beautifully located on the Odense River which has been dredged so that it is passable for quite large steamers. It is best known for its old cathedral of St. Knud, which is named after a king who was murdered before its altar and whose skeleton is still shown in a casket in its crypt,

and as the birthplace of Hans Christian Andersen.

But the station master, a very important looking person in a blue uniform with enough gold braid to satisfy a general, rings his bell for departure, and the train rumbles on through a fine looking countryside and past neat looking villages and small cities. In about an hour we arrive at the Little Belt, a quite narrow, winding watercourse which separates Fyn from Jylland and, like the Great Belt, connects the Baltic with the Kattegat. This Belt formerly had to be crossed by ferry, but it is now—as already mentioned—spanned by an imposing bridge, perhaps about two-thirds of a mile long. The bridge is of massive steel construction supported by overhead spans and resting on a number of concrete pillars sunk deeply into the bottom of the water course. The construction of these pillars in the deep water and swift current of the Belt is said to be an outstanding feat of engineering, involving the invention of many new methods of construction. A number of these methods were later imitated by American engineers in constructing the Golden Gate Bridge at San Francisco. The bridge is double tracked and has, besides, a lane for vehicle traffic and a sidewalk for pedestrians. It is so high that the biggest ships can pass under it unobstructed. On crossing the bridge, one has a really magnificent view of the winding Belt and the hilly, beautifully wooded shores on both sides.

Our first stop after crossing the Belt into Jylland is Fredericia, a fairly large city, known especially from the important battles fought there during the German Danish war, 1848-1850, and as an important railroad center. Here the train stopped just long enough to allow passengers to swallow a lunch, and then we are on our way again, rolling along the Belt toward Vejle. The country is beautiful with rugged, wooded hills to one side and the blue water of the Belt bounded by the green shores of Fyn on the other. Nestled cozily along the Belt with the green hills behind them lie a large number of prosperous looking villages and fine private villas. One could indeed imagine few more beautiful places to live.

The city of Vejle is located on the upper shore of a narrow fiord of the same name which for many miles winds inland from the Kattegat between high woodclad hills. The city is quite large, and its location on the shores of the lovely fiord with its background of green hills can hardly be surpassed for quiet, peaceful beauty.

(To be continued)

Grand View College And Our Youth

Our New G. V. C. Housemother

"Where shall I put this?"

"Well, ask Mrs. Rasmussen."

"How is one supposed to fix this peculiar gadget?"

"Mrs. Rasmussen can do it for you."

During the course of the day, these words or ones similar to them are shouted down the halls in the girls' dormitory.

Yes, I'm afraid we girls are really keeping our new housemother, Mrs. Anna Rasmussen, busy. However, we console ourselves with the fact that she says that is what she is here for and she likes it.

Mrs. Carlo Petersen, last year's matron, took on a new responsibility during the summer—namely, marriage, and with that and teaching, she didn't have the time for another year as matron.

Although Mrs. Rasmussen has come

out here from California, she originally hails from the corn state. Kimballton, Iowa, is where she was born and then she went with her family to Denmark and spent three and one-half years there. She hasn't been to Denmark since but to hear her speak the language one would think she had spent her life there. She was twenty years old when she married. Askov, Minn., was where her two children were born and it wasn't until 1936 that she took them to California with her. That wonderful place (I'm prejudiced of course) has been her home ever since. Mrs. Rasmussen has been secretary to the Danish Counsel in Los Angeles for the past

three years, and she left her position there to come to Grand View.

I'm sitting here at my desk by the window and right now I can see Mrs. Rasmussen out in the flower bed picking a bouquet. It isn't just because tomorrow is Sunday that she is going to add beauty to the lounge, but it is because it's something she does every day. It makes a big difference to have flowers around and there are always some in our living room and library. She even rearranged the living room in the main building by lowering the pictures, adding new ones and switching furniture around. With the new paint job the living room got during the summer, it is a very attractive place now.

I am convinced that our new house-mother is one of the busiest persons around here. She obtained new cleaning equipment for the dorm and informed us the other day that there will be an extra shelf added over our wash basins. Her ideas on cleaning methods have certainly helped us because we want to keep our pretty dorm looking as neat as possible.

She can cook too. The other evening she made some Danish coffee cake and we lucky girls all got a sample of it. It melted in my mouth but I can still taste it.

On being asked her opinion of Grand View, Mrs. Rasmussen answered that she liked it very much and she was happiest when she was working with young people. She says she enjoys them, and I know that the feeling is mutual out here.

There have been no great problems for her as yet, but at the time she is wondering how she can get the girls to find time for sleep, herself included. Also, she is puzzled as to what she will do for flowers when snow blankets the ground. If she were in California, there would at least be winter roses.

I think the Grand View girls all agree that Mrs. Rasmussen is tops and that we couldn't ask for a better mother for our home away from home.

Inger Jensen,
Pasadena, Calif.

Winter School At Grand View College

After two years, in which the rush of taking care of veterans education left us with little opportunity for further effort, Grand View College is again inviting young people to winter school. The teachers for this course will all be regular teachers of the college, the classes will be especially planned for the winter school, and all general fellowship and activities of the college and the student body will be extended to students who enroll.

The time will be November 29—March 4. Further details will be announced in the next issue of Lutheran Tidings. For information write to the office of the college.

J. Knudsen.

Grand View College, Oct. 14, 1948.

MINUTES OF THE NATIONAL D.A.Y.P.L. CONVENTION

Grand Rapids, Mich.

September 1-3

The meeting was called to order by the president, Rev. Richard Sorensen. Following a short keynote address by Rev. Holger Strandskov, roll call was taken. Districts and societies were represented as follows: District I—Erling Andersen and Joy Rasmussen, Denmark, Kans.; Bob Hermansen and Vic Nissen, Hay Springs, Nebr.; Elmer Jacobsen, Marquette, Nebr.; Viola Reeves, Omaha, Nebr.; District II—no representatives; District III—Paul Jorgensen, Minneapolis, Minn.; District IV—Mrs. H. Strand-skov, Dwight, Ill.; Bodil and John Sorensen, St. Stephen's, Chicago, Ill.; Agnes Kildegaard and Marion Rydahl, Greenville, Mich.; District V and VI—no representatives. Pastors present included Clayton Nielsen, Denmark, Kans.; Howard Christensen, Cozad, Nebr.; Richard Sorensen, Marlette, Mich.; and Holger Strandskov, Dwight, Ill. It was noted that Paul Jorgensen, lone District III delegate, had a right to three votes, making the total number of votes 17. Rev. Alfred Sorensen, Chicago, came the following day increasing the number of votes to 18.

Paul Jorgensen and Bodil Sorensen were nominated and elected convention chairman and secretary respectively.

Last year's minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was read and a committee was appointed to audit it.

The proposed agenda was read and approved.

The newly formed senior society in Minneapolis, whose constitution had been approved by the national board, was accepted by the convention. Minneapolis now has two societies.

It was moved and passed that a constitutional amendment be made in Article III, Section B substituting the word "board" for "convention." This change was made so that the national board has the power to accept new societies into D.A.Y.P.L. Under this arrangement a new society would not have to wait a whole year before it could enjoy the advantage of being a D.A.Y.P.L. member.

Rev. Richard Sorensen, president of D.A.Y.P.L., read his report to the convention. It was an optimistic report containing news of concrete steps forward during the past year.

One of the major happenings noted in the president's report was the work of the program committee. During the past year the committee has formulated three programs which were sent to all the societies. Programs for monthly meetings of 1948-49 have already been drawn up, all following the theme of "This Business of Christian Living." At the September meeting the program committee will begin planning the 1949-50 series. Rev. Alfred Sorensen is buying looseleaf manuals to be sent out by the national board to all societies. In these manuals all programs sent out

by the program committee shall be filed so that no material is wasted.

Rev. Howard Christensen reported that the "World of Song" has a balance on hand of \$432.31 besides assets amounting to \$6,000. This is an increase of \$3,000 over last year. During the past year the committee has published a new unit, "Scandinavian Singing Games and Folk Dances," which is sold for 75 cents per copy. The committee is considering another unit with songs of many nations, and/or one with more Danish translations, and/or something completely original, important American documents set to music. It was discussed whether the committee should bind the "World of Song" into one book. The general consensus was against it and the convention went on record urging the "World of Song" committee to go ahead on the proposed units. It was noted that "World of Song" covers can be bought separately lengthening the life of the old books that societies now own.

The "Yule" report showed that of the 3,187 magazines sent out 2,706 were sold, leaving a net profit of \$236.71. Of that profit \$175.00 was turned over to the national D.A.Y.P.L. treasurer. This year the price of "Yule" has been raised to 65 cents per copy.

It was discussed whether D.A.Y.P.L. should pay the editors and business managers of "Yule" and "Upward Trail" a token salary. Because the convention felt that so many others were also contributing their time and talents, it was moved and passed that D.A.Y.P.L. establish the policy of not giving cash gifts to editors and business managers of "Yule" and "Upward Trail" in appreciation of their work.

The "Upward Trail" report showed that it has a balance of \$37.79. It is now being printed ten times a year and has an approximate circulation of 1,000. The editor, Bodil Sorensen, suggested that D.A.Y.P.L. members urge adults to subscribe so that they too would be well informed about the activities of the young people.

The meeting adjourned for the day.

At 1:30 p. m. the following day, the chairman opened the meeting again, the first topic of business being "district activities." District III's proposal "that our D.A.Y.P.L. attempt to support the work of Harold and Mary Riber in India" was read and discussed. A letter was read from Rev. Aaberg, president of our synod's Santal board, listing approximate costs of such a venture. Rev. Aaberg suggested that instead of supporting our friends in India completely, a venture which would involve \$5,000 annually, D.A.Y.P.L. take the responsibility of paying their salary of about \$1,300 a year. Since it was the feeling of the convention that if a more definite obligation be assumed it would exclude the possibility of D.A.Y.P.L. supporting any other pro-

ject, it was moved and passed that the support of Harold and Mary Riber be a major service project of the year. It should be under the auspices of the general board. Paul Jorgensen, District III delegate, suggested that money for this project should not be collected through contributions, rather the proceeds from a special program or social function be earmarked for this project.

District V's resolution submitted to the convention was as follows: "That the national board of D.A.Y.P.L. look into the possibility of co-ordinating several district camps into one at some central point in as much as so many district camps are cancelled due to insufficient registrations." It was moved and passed that the national board could look into the possibilities of such a move but rather than combine the camps more effort should be made towards exchanging leaders and ideas to stimulate district camps.

It was moved and passed that an addition be made to Article IX, Section A, concerning district advisors. "The district advisor shall be a member of the district board with the responsibility of representing the church in all decisions made and actions taken."

Since the synod may soon change its name it was moved and passed that the decisions on the adoption of a new name for D.A.Y.P.L. be postponed until the next convention.

Rev. Alfred Sorensen, our delegate to Valparaiso for the All-Lutheran Conference, presented his report. He expressed his regret that not more of our groups had been present. Throughout the meeting he felt that the young people's program carried out in the Missouri Synod is closer to our program than that of any other Lutheran group. He hoped that in the future our group would show more active participation at these meetings.

The meeting adjourned for the day.

The next afternoon the Christian Youth Conference at which the national D.A.Y.P.L. meeting was being held was discussed. Besides the deep impressions left by the speakers on each delegate the most important idea in the minds of the delegates was the possibility of cooperation with other groups in the local communities. It was moved and passed that the national board be encouraged by the convention to continue promoting UCYM activities on the national level and to encourage the districts and local societies to cooperate with the UCYM groups on state, county and local levels.

Rev. Richard Sorensen reported that he had already sent in the names and addresses of YPS groups in Perth Amboy, Hartford, Greenville, Dwight, St. Stephen's-Chicago, Cozad, Seattle, West Denmark and Minneapolis to the military commander in Germany so that letters could be exchanged soon between German youth organizations and DAYPL societies. He read a letter from the commander thanking him for the addresses and assuring him that the

German groups would be selected with care.

Rev. Holger Strandskov reported that several congregations have established "Friends of Youth" committees and that they have proved to be a stimulus in some societies.

The proposed budget was presented with the estimated income and expense involving about \$1,500.

Estimated Income

"Yule"	\$ 100.00
Subsidy from the synod	500.00
Youth Sunday offerings	100.00
DAYPL membership dues	800.00
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	\$1,500.00

Estimated Expense

"Upward Trail"	\$ 800.00
Program committee	250.00
National board	60.00
Support of UCYM	5.00
Miscellaneous	25.00
Travel Expenses:	
Program committee	125.00
National board	125.00
All-Lutheran and UCYM activities	100.00
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	\$1,500.00

It was moved and passed that the proposed budget be accepted. It was suggested that the individual societies contribute five, ten, or fifteen dollars under the fellowship plan to UCYM in return for which all UCYM material would be sent to them. It was also reported that the synod had granted permission for one Sunday in the month of October to be "Youth Sunday" at which time a special collection would be taken. The money is to be used for sending delegates to important meetings. One-half of the money is to be used by the local delegates, one-fourth is to be sent to the district treasurer for district delegates, and the remaining one-fourth to the national treasurer for national delegates.

A few societies have not yet paid their national dues. It was suggested that if societies understood better what their dues were used for they would not be so hesitant in paying them.

The auditing committee found the treasurer's books to be correct and reported that there was a balance of \$260.42.

The president, Rev. Richard Sorensen, then presented a proposal for what he thought would be more effective D.A.Y.P.L. organization. The following is the proposed schedule:

On or about Oct. 1—Annual enrollment of D.A.Y.P.L. members, election of local society officers, compiling of national mailing list, election or appointment of "Friends of Youth" committee.

On or about Oct. 15—Youth Sunday.

On or about Oct. 22—Meeting of all district officers (or substitutes) and advisors.

On or about Nov. 10—District meet-

ing of all local officers.

On or about Jan. 15—All-Lutheran meeting.

On or about Feb. 15—International Council of Religious Education meeting.

On or about May 1—UCYM ad interim committee meeting.

Summer—District conventions and camps, national meetings, UCYM Regional camps and National meetings.

The program committee and the national board should meet at least twice a year probably fall and spring. It was suggested that one of the national board meetings be held during the week just prior to Studentfest in Des Moines.

It was moved and passed that the national board be instructed to carry out this annual schedule so far as possible and to draw up the necessary constitutional amendments to be presented at the next convention.

In regard to the 1949 D.A.Y.P.L. convention it was moved and passed that the national board ask District IV to try and arrange camp and convention the week following the synodical convention in Greenville. In case this plan should fail the national board should make other arrangements.

It was moved and passed that an addition be made to Article III, Section B as follows: "Concerning young people who desire to become a part of D.A.Y.P.L., but who cannot do so through active participation in the society of a local congregation, may become members of D.A.Y.P.L. by joining the "Unattached society" or in the case of students at Grand View College by joining the "Grand View D. A. Y. P. L. Society."

It was moved and passed that the national board have uniform stationery printed including in the heading mention of "World of Song," "Upward Trail" and "Yule."

The nominating committee presented three candidates for the office of president: Rev. Axel Kildegaard, Harry Jensen and Robert Sorensen. Rev. Clayton Nielsen was nominated from the floor. Rev. Richard Sorensen had been urged to accept renomination but he had refused because of more pressing obligations. When he refused he commented that the D.A.Y.P.L. president must be in contact with high school people. Also young people's work must be his first love for there is no end to what can be done. Rev. Clayton Nielsen was elected.

For the office of treasurer, the nominating committee presented two names: Emery Thomsen and Delores Andersen. Paul Jorgensen was nominated from the floor. Paul Jorgensen was elected. It had been commented that the fewer married people on the board, the better since D.A.Y.P.L. is primarily a young people's organization and not a young married couple's club.

The convention expressed its sin-

cere appreciation to Rev. Richard Sorensen, the retiring president, for his work towards making D.A.Y.P.L. a vital organization.

The convention also expressed its appreciation to all who have contributed to the work of D.A.Y.P.L. in the past year.

It was moved and passed that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Bodil Sorensen,
Convention Secretary.

Special D.A.Y.P.L. Notice

On November 12-13, there will be a national workshop for all district officers and advisors at Grand View College where the national board and others will lead discussions on various practical district and local problems. We will begin our meeting Friday morning and continue until Saturday noon. The final agenda is not yet available, but we plan to make the workshop practical and worthwhile. Especially do we want district D.A.Y.P.L. presidents and advisors or their representatives to be present. Please register as soon as possible with the undersigned. All district presidents have been sent information.

District officers are to set up district workshops for all local officers November 26-27. Local officers please make plans to attend. Your district president should be sending you information very soon.

Clayton Nielsen,
D.A.Y.P.L. President,
Denmark, Kansas.

Bethania Church, Racine, Wis., Lot Sunday Service

More than 150 members of the Bethania congregation met on the new church-location on Sunday afternoon, September 12, to hear reports from their Building Plan Committee. This special service was unique in that an actual floor plan was staked on the lots.

When we met about 3 o'clock coffee, Danish "Kringle" and ice cream was served to everyone. About 3:45 we began our service by singing "Beautiful Saviour." Our pastor, Robert C. Schmidt, read from I Chronicles 28:1-10 and delivered the following sermonette:

"Take heed now; for the Lord hath chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary; be strong and do it." I Chron. 28:10.

In our weekly bulletins and in the monthly paper (Bethania Tidings) your attention has been directed to this verse. These words are from the mouth of King David to his son, Solomon, while addressing the assembly of Israel. The whole nation had assembled to hear its beloved king on this particular occasion.

For 400 years the children had only a tent as their place of worship. They longed to have something more permanent. David wanted to replace the tent with a temple, but God rejected him.

It was not proper for a man of war, one who had shed blood, to build the sanctuary. The task of erecting the temple fell to Solomon. In David's mind, the Lord has chosen his son.

Just as Solomon was divinely appointed so God has chosen us "to build an house for the sanctuary." Even though God's purposes are revealed differently today, He still speaks to us. He speaks through congregational meetings, through conventions, by creating needs, and so forth. We were chosen by God when we realized that a change must be made if the congregation were to grow.

The first step was taken when he decided to re-locate. The decision has been made. It is behind us. There now remain two more essentials. We gain them by enacting the words of David.

"Be strong." This is a necessary admonition. We cannot achieve a new church unless we make up our minds that it can be done. Perhaps the attitude of some is reflected in the words Jesus used to address His own disciples, "Oh, ye, of little faith." We must have faith, confidence, in God. If God be for us, how can we fail? If each member responds with a whole heart, God will see us through it. When the way is the hardest, the darkest, God is present with His power to help. The building of our new church shall be done by His grace. Be strong. Be confident. Have faith. We can do it.

"Do it." There are those who will shake their heads and say, "Building a new church is easier said than done." In the face of such an attitude it would be well to remember that Israel, a poor mountain-tribe, built a temple worth almost five billion dollars. The people gathered gold, silver, brass, iron, precious stones, timber and labor. A temple to their God was achieved. Remember, also, that the same nation, when returning from captivity, re-built the temple. The people returned to their home land practically empty-handed, but restoring the house of God was accomplished because the people "had a mind to work."

The Lord has chosen us to build! Be strong! Do it!

A floor plan was then presented and explained by Paul Jacobsen, a member of the Building Plan Committee.—A sketch of the exterior was described by Arnold Jensen, another member of the committee.—Niels Nielsen, chairman of the committee, offered a few supplementary suggestions and possible improvements of the plan.

Wallace Christensen, chairman of a combined campaign for Lutheran World Action, Church Extension Fund, and Grand View College Building Fund, announced that \$1,200 had been received to date.

Aage Engelbreth, president of the congregation, introduced the members of the Building Finance Committee, composed of Mrs. Alfred Pederson, Mrs. Anker Erickson and Rueben Biehn.

We closed our fine and inspiring Lot

service by singing "The Church's One Foundation" and a closing prayer by our pastor.

A Bethania Member.

OUR CHURCH

Lake Norden, S. D.—A Fall Festival was observed in the Lake Norden-Badger congregation during the week-end, October 1-3, with Rev. F. O. Lund, former pastor of the church, as the guest speaker.

Pastor C. P. Højbjerg was the guest speaker at a Fall Festival held in the St. Stephen's Church in Chicago during the week-end, October 8-10. Your editor and his family was able to drive to Chicago to attend the meeting Sunday afternoon and evening. It was a rare privilege to meet again a former teacher and friend. And although Pastor Højbjerg has passed the retirement age, his message is as forceful as ever. Sunday afternoon he spoke in Danish on "Grundtvig," and Sunday evening he spoke in the English language on "Soren Kierkegaard." Both lectures were masterpieces in content and form, and gave profound evidence of the power of "the living word." Thank you, Pastor Højbjerg for your visit, for your message, and for your inspiring challenge that you constantly impart.

West Denmark, Wis.—A Reformation Sunday and Harvest Festival will be observed in the West Denmark Church on Sunday, October 31. Rev. Holger P. Jorgensen of Des Moines, Iowa, has been invited as the guest speaker.

Dr. Otto Højbjerg, who through the past three years has been in the service of the U. S. Military Educational and Rehabilitation Program in Germany, has recently with his family returned to the U. S. Dr. Højbjerg is now a member of the University of Nebraska faculty in Lincoln, Nebr. His work will be in the Department of Sociology, working primarily through the Extension Division, serving also rural communities on social and economical problems and projects.

The Danebod Folk Meeting held during the week, October 12-17, was well attended by guests from far and near. The guest speakers were the following pastors, C. P. Højbjerg from Denmark, P. Rasmussen from Dalum, Canada, Marius Krog, Lake Norden, S. D., and Dr. Otto Højbjerg from the University of Nebraska. Rev. Enok Mortensen, pastor of the Danebod church, and Director of the Danebod Folk School, gave a daily lecture on "The Great Migrations."

Sigurd Stovring, Askov, Minn., who often has written articles to "Dannevirke" has been confined for more than two months in the Veteran's hospital, Fort Snelling, Minn., after a major hip operation. He is improving favorably and is learning to walk again.—Ejnar Duss of Tyler, Minn., is also a patient at the Fort Snelling Veteran's Hospital,

having submitted to a surgical operation on October 1. He is also progressing well.

Minneapolis, Minn.—The October Sunday Evening Meeting will be held Sunday evening, October 24. Pastor F. O. Lund from West Denmark has been invited as the guest speaker.—Prof. Johannes Terkelsen, Director of Ry "Folkehøjskole" in Denmark, was the guest speaker at the September meeting on Sunday evening, Sept. 26.

Dwight, Ill.—The annual Harvest Festival and YOUTH SUNDAY was observed in the Dwight church on Sunday, Oct. 3. The church was beautifully decorated for the Sunday school service held first, and the regular Harvest Festival service which followed. A special invitation had been sent out to all the confirmed young people from the 1940-48 classes to be present throughout the day, and a large number had responded to the invitation.

At 6:30 a sandwich supper was served in the church parlors. A large number of the congregation and of our young people were present. Rev. Ernest D. Nielsen, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Chicago, had been invited as the guest speaker. He spoke on the subject "The Church and the Youth." Many songs were sung, and a number of short talks were given. An offering was laid on the altar at the morning service for the Youth Work.

Newark, N. J.—Rev. Verner Hansen was installed as the new pastor of the Newark church on Sunday, October 10. This will be the first time for many years that this congregation will have its own resident pastor. We hope to bring more about this installment service in a later issue.

Danewang, Texas—The annual Fall Festival will be held during the week, October 27-31. Rev. Holger Strandkov of Dwight, Ill., has been invited as the guest speaker.

Cordova, Nebr.—September 22 marked the 40th anniversary of Rev. Hakon Jorgensen's work as pastor in our synod. The Cordova congregation had arranged a festivity to honor Rev. and Mrs. Jorgensen for their long and faithful service in the church.—Rev. Harris Jespersen of Kronborg and Rev. Knud Larsen of the UELC church in Cordova spoke at the services in the church. Later at the festive coffee tables in the church parlors several informal talks were given. The Cordova congregation presented their pastor with a money gift and a large bouquet of flowers. Guests had arrived from Newell, Iowa, and from Kronborg, Nebr. Rev. and Mrs. Jorgensen received many messages of congratulations from friends far and near. The congregation at Newell sent a beautiful bouquet of flowers to their former pastor.

Tyler Old People's Home, Tyler, Minn.

Gifts Received

In memory of Mrs. Jens Frederiksen, Tyler, Minn., from friends	\$19.00
In memory of Niels C. Thomsen, Arlington, S. D., from Mr. and Mrs. Martin Jensen, Mr. Anton Albertsen, Mrs. H. C. Christensen and East Badger Ladies' Aid	9.00
In memory of Mrs. John Bollesen, Tyler, Minn., from Mr. and Mrs. Niels C. Petersen, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holm and Lincoln County Fair Ass'n	8.00
In memory of Mrs. Geo. Madsen, White, S. D., from Mr. and Mrs. Sinus Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Niels Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. J. Miller Rishoi, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rishoi, Mrs. Anna Marie Petersen, Mrs. Marie Rieshoi, Mr. Niels Jensen, Mr. Chr. Hansen, Mrs. Olena Jensen and Mrs. Christine Jensen	17.00
Rasmus Mikkelsen, Tyler, Minn., a gift	5.00
From the Danish Ladies' Aid and the English Ladies' Aid Danebod, Tyler, Minn., a new and modern electric range for the Home.	
Jorgen Christensen, Tyler, Minn., donated 20 days of carpenter work in repair of buildings. Thank you for these gifts.	

Johannes P. Johansen,
Treasurer.

Santal Mission

General Budget:

Luther Memorial Church, Des Moines, Iowa	\$ 92.35
Diamond Lake Church, Lake Benton	15.00
Bethlehem Sunday School, Cedar Falls, Iowa	25.00
Marie Olsen, Ruthton, Minn.	10.00
Betty, Alice and Carol Olsen, Ruthton, Minn.	17.57
For Lepers:	
Eline and Laura Jensen, Chicago	20.00
Mrs. Christine Christensen, Hartford, Conn.	1.00
Mrs. Soren Lauridsen, Hartford, Conn.	1.00
Miss Anna Jacobsen, Hartford, Conn.	200.00
Dist. I D.A.Y.P.L. Convention, Denmark, Kans.	23.02
Dist. III Church Convention, Dwight, Ill.	102.00
In memory of Ens. Laurits Muller, Minneapolis:	
Alice Hake, Peter Andersens and Delbert	7.00
Friends and neighbors	21.00
Jorgen Juhl and two other friends	8.00
Imm. Rasmussen, Mrs. Viggo Muller and Thorv. Mullers	

of Kimballton, and Robert Nussles, Chicago	7.00
In memory of Walter Christensen, Gardner, Ill., Mrs. Walter Christensen, Lenora Cerutti and Margaret Morris, Gardner, Ill.	4.00
In memory of Mrs. Karen Bollesen, Danebod, Tyler, Minn., Mrs. Soren Christensen and family, Victor Jensens, Jens Borresens, Anton Buhls, Jens Jessens, Sigrid Ostergaard, Harald Nielsens, Viggo Nielsens, Ruth Sorensen, Ringsted; Aug. Sorensens, Ringsted; Chris. Utofts, Erling Utofts, Wm. Svendsens, Rudolph Utofts, Mrs. Lisa Petersen and family, Lake Benton, Minn.	15.00
Alf Utofts, Mrs. Jenny Utoft, Ove Jensens, Aage Grumstrups, Anna Henriksen, Kristian Henriksen, Niels Henriksen, Hermod Strandskovs	5.00
Mrs. Julius Jensen, Mrs. Geo. Price and Thomas Hermansens	5.00
In memory of Mrs. Kathrine Knudsen Jorgensen, Ringsted, Iowa, Ejnar Petersens, West Denmark, Wis.	5.00
In memory of S. Chr. Dixen, Askov, Minn.: Dagmar and Chris. Marck and Marie and Fred Bisballes, Detroit	5.00
Edelborg and Georg Lindegaard, Ruth and Sigurd Stovring, Askov	2.00
Mrs. Kathr. Tambo and Dagmar Miller	2.00
Gudrun and Emil Hansen, Askov	5.05
In memory of Father, S. Chr. Dixen, Esther and Arnold Sorensen	5.00
In memory of Dixen, J. P. Hansen, Sr., Owen, Wis., Sena Youman, Hans Madsen, Rev. J. L. J. Dixen, Withee, Wis.	6.00
In memory of Henry C. Johnson, Solvang, H. C. Johnson, Harold Johnsons, Axel Berggravs, Solvang	10.00
In memory of Herman Buchardi, Jr., Solvang, H. C. Johnson, Harold Johnsons and Axel Berggravs	4.00
In memory of the following: Herman Buchardi, Jr., Hvolbøl, Henry Johnson and H. P. Jensen, Solvang, by Chris Madsens, Solvang	4.00
In memory of Marius Pagaard's mother in Denmark, St. Stephen's S. S., Chicago, and Robert Nussles	6.00
In memory of Mrs. Anders Winther, Kimballton, Friendship Circle, friends at Kimballton	7.00
In memory of Dr. P. Soe, Kimballton, Simon Faaborgs, Ejnar Faaborgs, Emil Moelk Riddles	5.00
In memory of Dr. P. Soe, Kim-	

ballton, to aid in moving Benagaria hospital to Mohul-pahari, in Santal Parganas, Niels Bennedsens, Fred Bonnesens, Niels Boeldts, Martin Brown, Chr. Brodersens, Martin Christensens, T. G. Jensens, Willie Jacobsens, Viggo Jacobsens, Peter Lillehoj, Martin Olsens, Niels Overgaards, Ed Rasmussens, Emanuel Rasmussens, Jens G. Wests, Ove O. Muller, Thorv. G. Muller, Kimballton 17.00
Mrs. Julia James and children, Colorado 10.00

For Leper Work:

In memory of mother, Mrs. A. Madsen, Askov, by Paula and Herluf Rasmussen and by Dagmar Miller 3.00

Total for September \$ 688.99
Total since Jan. 1 \$7,265.26
Acknowledged with thanks.

Dagmar Miller,
Tyler, Minn.

All M. O. to be made payable at Hampton, Iowa.

Corrections:

- Contributors to Mrs. Winther's memory are: Mrs. Fred Bonnesen, Mrs. Niels Bennedsen, Mrs. T. G. Muller, Mrs. Kr. Kaltoft, Mrs. Anton Christensen, Mrs. Chr. Marcussen and Mrs. Peter Lillehoj, to above amount \$7.00
- Memory gifts for Mrs. Else Marie Johansen, Clinton, Iowa, should read: Curtis Haahrs and Peter Haahrs and Elsie, Ringsted, Iowa, LeRoy Petersens and Max and Kenneth, Dolliver, Iowa, and Wayne Gripentroys, Dunnell, Minn. 5.00

Dagmar Miller.

Acknowledgement Of Receipts From the Synod Treasurer

For the Month of September, 1948

Towards the Budget:

Previously acknowledged \$ 3,277.46

Unassigned Receipts to the Budget:

Congregations—
Clinton, Iowa 50.00
Askov, Minn. 47.52
Omaha, Nebr. 40.00
Seattle, Wash. 82.96

To Pension Fund:

In memory of Mrs. Mette Kristine Johnson:
Astrid and Christ Larsen, Lake City, S. D. 3.00
Sorensen Bros., St. Edwards, Nebr. 5.00

Home Mission:

District I, D.A.Y.P.L.
In memory of Rev. N. P. Gravengaard, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hostrup, Seattle, Wash. 2.00

In memory of Johan Christ Jensen:
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Buckstead, Viborg, S. D. 2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Niels Jespersen, Viborg, S. D. 2.00

In memory of Mrs. Katrine Jorgensen, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Hornswell and Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilson, Armstrong, Iowa 2.00

In memory of Mrs. Geo. Madsen, White, S. D.:
W. S. Tellinghuisen and family 3.00
Mr. and Mrs. Morris Nelson, Sr. 1.00
Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Nelson, Jr. 1.00

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Franklin and family 2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Engel and family 1.00

Directors and employes of creamery 10.00
Mrs. Anne K. Andersen, Vesper Kans. (Lutheran Tidings) 5.00
Misc. subs. to Lutheran Tidings 18.50

For Annual Reports:

Congregations—
Grant, Mich. 1.25
Detroit, Mich. 2.50
Dwight, Ill. 6.00
Clinton, Iowa 1.50
Hampton, Iowa 7.50
Oak Hill, Iowa 4.20
Waterloo, Iowa 3.00
Alden, Minn. 2.50
Tyler, Minn. 10.00
Ruthton, Minn. 3.75
Viborg, S. D. 5.00
Hay Springs, Nebr. 2.00
Los Angeles, Calif. 3.75
Salinas, Calif. 1.50

Old People's Home, Tyler, Minn.:
Congregation, Diamond Lake, Minn. 12.00

Total to budget to date \$ 3,644.92
Received for Items Outside the Budget:

To G. V. C. Jubilee Fund, Cash and Bond Contributions:

Previously acknowledged \$99,736.09
Mr. and Mrs. Hermod Strand-skov, Minneapolis, Minn. 5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Erling Jensen, Ames, Iowa 50.00
Rev. Verner Hansen, Chicago, Ill. 5.00
Bertine and Jacob Norregaard, Unionville, Conn., contribution in bonds, (maturity value \$100) 74.00

Total to date \$99,870.09

To Lutheran World Action: (1948 Quota):

Previously acknowledged, congregations, Ladies' Aids and miscellaneous \$ 6,973.77
Congregations—
Dwight, Ill. 192.00
Waterloo, Iowa 30.00
Kronborg-Marquette, Nebr. 32.25
Seattle, Wash. 174.00

Dwight Andersen, \$5; John K. Buck, \$5; G. O. Johnson, \$30; L. J. Rasmussen, \$5; Viborg, S. D. 45.00

In memory of Frank Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Jens P. Hansen, Viborg, S. D. 2.00
District IV Convention at Chicago, Ill. 31.31

\$ 7,480.33

Previously acknowledged,
Sunday Schools \$ 207.95
Sunday School, Withee, Wis., by Marie Mailund 4.00

\$ 211.95

Total \$ 7,692.28

To Eben-Ezer Mercy Institute:

Congregations—
Oak Hill, Iowa \$ 16.40
Exira, Iowa 14.21
Diamond Lake, Minn. 12.00
Seattle, Wash. 33.10

Danish Seamen's Mission:

Congregation, Diamond Lake, Minn. 12.00
Bethany Ladies' Aid, Ludington, Mich. 5.00

"Valborgsminde," Des Moines, Iowa:

In memory of Mrs. Katrine Jorgensen, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Skov, Ringsted, Iowa 2.00

To Vartov Building Fund:

Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Bundgaard, Withee, Wis. 5.00

Respectfully submitted,

Olaf R. Juhl, Treas.

4752 Oakland Ave., Minneapolis 7, Minn.

NEW ADDRESS—If you move, then write your name and new address in the space provided. Be sure to state what congregation you belong to. Clip this out so that the old address is included and mail to LUTHERAN TIDINGS, Askov, Minn.

I am a member of the congregation at _____

Name _____

New Address _____

City _____ State _____

October 20, 1948

JENSEN, JENS M.
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