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## Lincoln Speaks-Also To A Present Day America

"We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven; we have grown in numbers, wealth, and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us."

-ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

## Youth and the Church

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the youth?" It is a subject of almost endless debate. There is no final answer to the question. One may list the pros and the cons without really contributing anything to the discussion. We are inclined to answer the question from a point of view where the term "youth" becomes too limited. From the standpoint of the church we must extend the term "youth" beyond the teen-agers, the high school students, and the college youth. We must include the young married couples and the mature younger men and women within the church. Great population movements, larger enrollment of young people in college and universities, and earlier marriages make it highly improbable that the majority of the boys and girls that grow up in a given congregation will remain indefinitely. Without denying that the church always faces the problem of leakage, the fact must not be overlooked that many so-called losses are the direct result of sociological phenomena over which the church as a congregation has very little or no control. The tragic consequence of these phenomena is that many young people who move away, leave for college or enter the service do not associate themselves with the church in their new environment, and upon their return to their home town they often fail to come back to their own church home. Yet, to say that this is the sin of young people only would be most untrue. Any number of older adults, as any religious survey will disclose beyond dispute, are setting the younger generation a very poor example. Our great cities are literally filled with people from rural communities who in spite of their church affiliations at home never

Often the question is asked: "Can the church win have taken the question of church membership in the vouth?" It is a subject of almost endless debate.

Rather than speaking of the church and the youth, I want to speak about youth and the church. If the church is not to be conceived as a mere service station, it is important, I believe, that young people develop a sense of responsibility toward the solution of the question: "Can the church win the youth?" Certainly, our deep concern for the Christian faith is not rooted in the false, but often fixed opinion that the church and Christian faith stand or fall with us. We must combat the notion that we are able to propagate religion in general. This notion is peculiarly attractive to many young people. It is really a sad commentary upon the widespread religious illiteracy among our youth. We need more religion in the schools of the country, and more education in and through the church on the level of the local congregation.

Young people themselves begin to think in terms of keeping the youth of the church by assuming tasks of responsibility. Lack of responsibility is the great retarding factor in much of the church's work throughout the country. We shall have to grade our work with the youth of the church differently today than a decade or more ago. Increasingly we shall have to turn to the question of the place and function of the mature younger adults, married or single. We must look to them for the example and encouragement which they are able to give to those still younger. By their faithful, voluntary participation in the full life of the mature congregation they are proving to the teen-agers, the high school students, and the college youth that the church has something to offer to young people.

I cannot forget the words of the American born bishop, Fjelbu, who on his last visit to the United States said, "My nicest experience here has been my contact with American youth. In your youth you have your most worthwhile assets if they can be given the Christian message in the right way."

To give that message to the youth is the church's function. To give such Christian guidance is the underlying thought in all that we do as a Christian congregation. If we were to do less or do something entirely different we would in effect let our youth down. As we enter the fall activities in the congregation let us all accept such Christian discipline as is inseparable from being a disciple. Are we willing to say with the Apostle Paul: "I press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 3:14).

Ernest D. Nielsen.

(Trinity Church Messenger, Chicago)

## Music of the Christian Church

By Aage Sorensen

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The development of Church Music is possibly as long and involved as the history of the Church itself. To delve into its intricacies would, aside from lack of space, be pointless where this article is concerned, and of little interest to our readers, and since we are primarily concerned with the Christian Church, a brief outline of the Music thereof will serve our purpose.

Music in the Christian Church began with the chant, based upon the Jewish Liturgy, as evidenced in its Psalms and Canticles, and influenced by the hymns of St. Ambrose and later, about the year 600, by St. Gregory. The ninth to thirteenth centuries witnessed a development of polyphonic music (two or more simultaneous voice parts) which incidently laid the foundation of western music, secular and sacred. All was not in harmony however in the progress of music in the Christian Church. Discord and clashes between the church, and elements that sought to introduce secular texts and melodies to the early forms were numerous, leading to decrees by Pope John XXII forbidding, among other things, all polyphonic music which, being of a certain advantage to the church, was none the less a blow to Music.

The fifteenth and sixteenth centuries became a new era in Church Music, again shifting the center of musical activity to the Church but, since the Authority of the Roman Church was broken by the Reformation, new bodies of Church Music were formed particularly in England and Germany. Motets and Masses were the chief forms of the period, while the development of Sacred Organ Music was also greatly enhanced. In Germany, a far reaching influence took place in the establishment of the Chorale, fountain of inspiration for such musical giants as Bach and Buxethude.

With the chorale grew the cantata, Oratorio and Passions, represented by some of the greatest composers in musical history. After 1750, great musical productions became more and more isolated with the exception of the Oratorio, which form has been used by an almost continuous line of composers up to the

present day, gradually however becoming material for the Concert Hall, rather than the Church. It is evident then, that Music, as well as most of the other arts and sciences, has been principally fostered and developed under the guidance of the Christian Church.

It has been said by some authorities that Music is not an essential factor in the Church Service. By what processes of deduction one arrives at such a conclusion is not entirely clear. Music is certainly a Creation of the Lord, and where could it better serve its purpose than in His Service? Praising God with all our heart and soul requires all the faculties at our command, and as singing is one of our most natural forms of expression, how could we think of omitting it? Again, Music, as we have seen, has gone hand in hand with all forms of worship since its very inception, indeed, is an integral part of it. Are the immortal Psalms of David, for example, to be considered unessential? Futher more, we sing in one of our Hymns:

"Englene sang den Først for markens Hyrder."

That certainly does not attach unimportance to the use of music in the service of the Lord but rather the opposite.

Aside from the standpoint of sheer beauty of melody and content, Music serves in other ways in the Church Service. It is important in helping to create the proper religious atmosphere of course but, in the main, it is a factor in emphasizing and underscoring words, passages, and events, which in the form of Anthems, Cantatas, and Oratorios attain a new, lasting, and deeper significance when borne on the wings of song.

As we all know, repetition is one of the simplest and most effective ways of impressing a thought or idea on a person, or group of persons. Music can do this to a point where the spoken word would tend to become monotonous. There are innumerable examples to bear this out, but to quote a familiar one, Handel's, Hallelujah Chorus, we find the word Hallelujah repeated some sixty five times and, in such a way, that with each repetition it attains a greater significance until mounting higher and higher the climax is reached in a mighty and stirring Hallelujah.

Since this article is in conjunction with others concerning the Liturgy of our Church, and the study of how best to express it to meet our present needs, it might be well to make a few pertinent remarks in regard to its relationship with music.

Although Music is gradually entering more and more into the Liturgy of the Churches of our Synod, it has as yet not found a definite regular place therein, in the sense that it is used in Churches of other denominations. Whether it should be united through-

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## Denominations Learn Cooperation By Working Together on World Relief

Sometimes it appears that Protestant denominations compete with each other. But such is not the case as far as world relief is concerned. During the past three years major denominations have been working together very closely in raising funds for relief and reconstruction needs around the world.

Once again, on March 16-23, 1952, they will unite in an appeal called "One Great Hour of Sharing." It is expected that more than \$5,000,000 will be raised through this united effort.

The plan of procedure covers two different areas: denominational and interdenominational projects. Most of the denominations have relief and reconstruction projects of their own. They also cooperate in supporting interdenominational projects.

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After the nation-wide publicity through press, radio and television, each denomination has offerings in its local churches. The funds received are sent back through regular financial channels to the proper relief committee or mission board. They are then allocated to denominational and interdenominational projects.

Besides helping to support the over-all "One Great Hour of Sharing" promotion, each denomination uses promotional material in common with the other cooperating bodies. Millions of pieces of literature are thus used together. In addition, some of the denominations have promotional material of their own.

Here is one great area where the churches of many faiths have learned to work together.

## Danebod Harp

## In Memory of Chris Utoft

Another string on the Danebod Harp has broken after some sixty years of service. It seems to have become my lot to weave memorial wreaths for the members of the old Utoft family, Anders and Mette Utoft, who came from Denmark to Tyler March 22, 1889. This makes the fourth: Niels, Henrik, Frode and Chris. In the Synod Henry was perhaps better known, as he wrote some good articles in "Dannevirke." But all were active in church and community work. The Utoft home was about four miles from Danebod, and my two brothers and I often walked out to spend an afternoon in play with the Utoft

out the Synod or left to the discretion of the individual congregations is debatable. It would seem that our efforts should be directed toward the former with a bit more emphasis musically.

In the process of unification in our Services, we would no doubt be influenced to some extent by the ideas and forms of Churches other than our own. This could be well and good, but, I believe it would be a mistake to literally copy them. There are many things we can learn from each other and profit by, and one of these that comes to mind, and an important one, is the standing of choir and congregation during the singing of Hymns. There can be no question as to the value of so doing, spiritually as well as musically and one might add, physically. It gives a lift to the entire service that we really cannot afford to miss. True, it may necessitate adjustments in our order of service as well as the habits of members of our congregation but it would be well worth the effort. It is within the province of the committee on Liturgy to examine any and all such possibilities of improving and heightening the spirit of worship, making recommendations to that end from time to time that are expedient and advisable.

boys, especially with the two younger as they were about our ages. "Hide and seek" was the main game and then bathing in the old buffalo holes in the creek, said to be made by buffaloes when searching for salt. Many a time did these "bath tubs" serve us in spite of mosquitoes and turtles. Of course, Marie called us all in for lunch. Those were our mutual happy childhood days.

Later the older boys grew up and left home and Chris took over the farm. He found a good wife from the Danebod class of 1908, Mette Pedersen from West Denmark, Wis. In fact three of the Utofts married into families from West Denmark. And a number of others did likewise. So that little colony near Luck, became like a suburb of Danebod. I noticed that fellowship very much last fall when we attended the District convention. Farm life was good for Chris, as he was not too strong. Well do I remember that day in March, 1889 when he was carried off the train, sick with pneumonia. The conductor barely granted him permission to continue to Tyler. It took all summer, I think, to get well. But with outdoor work and his good wife to care for him he succeeded in outliving the family circle.

Oliver W. Holmes wrote a poem: "The Last Leaf," as he was the last on their family tree. Chris and I talked about this last summer at the Danebod Folk Meeting. I, too, am the "last leaf" (Mrs. Chris Utoft too is the "last leaf".) She experienced pioneer life in Wisconsin as her uncle was the first settler there and her father was one of the organizers of the congregation. (The old Pederens of West Denmark.)

I was first at Danebod to bid Chris welcome as a playmate. Now he is first of us two to pioneer Over Yonder, where I hope he some day will bid me welcome. Jesus said: "In my house are many mansions." So kindred spirits should be able to dwell in peace.

In 1950 Chris again was very ill and spent about two months in a Sioux Falls hospital. His wife was with him much of the time. I wrote him and after getting home he tried to answer, but played out after half a page. So his wife finished. The letter was cheerful and hopeful.

By March 5th, when Chris was 75 years, many relatives and friends gathered at the home, sang songs, showed pictures from a trip to Denmark. A real pleasant day for Chris and Mette. They were cozily located in Tyler where they retired in 1940 after 51 years on the farm; now taken over by one of the sons. Another son lives near by and the daughter, Mrs. W. Svendsen, lives at Dawson, Minn.

In the summer of 1951 a trip was made to West Denmark to celebrate their 42 wedding anniversary in the surroundings where they were married; a wonderful trip.

Near the close of the year Chris had some heart trouble, and the last 11 days were spent at the Tyler hospital, well cared for by the good nurses, and in care of the very efficient Dr. A. L. Vadheim. And Rev. Mortensen, who is well known for his kind and inspiring calls, was a faithful visitor. The pastor led in songs, devotion and communion service.

A couple of hours before the New Year came in, Chris slept quietly away—on December 31, 1951. At the funeral services January 3, the pastor spoke so beautifully of those last meetings with Chris and his friends. The church was well filled at the final rites. Here the Utofts had their church home for over 60 years. The pastor also dwelt on the influence a church association can have on a home and community. One of the hymns used at the hospital and also in church was: "Abide With Me." I am sure that the hymn came to Chris as a consoling power. As the new year was almost breaking, and his earthly light was failing, Chris perhaps blended his feeble voice with theirs as they sang "Hold, Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes." - Chris perhaps realized then that he would not be permitted to see "the new year break", but was pleased by hearing the friends sing: "Heaven's morning breaks and Earth's vain shadows flee."

And now as we shall meet no more here except in memory, we are consoled by the sentiment of that last hymn: "We Are in Our Father's Hand." As the large gathering breathed it forth over the casket viewed by them. They sang out their faith in his future, as they sang to Chris's memory: "Sharing in His Life and Light, Peace and Glory, Truth and Might."

How wonderful must be that Spirit Land with its many mansions, where kindred spirits may find mansions where they may dwell in fellowship.

As Chris grew old, God gave him faithful friends, Who brought him comfort and cared for him with love; Who stood nearby to sing consoling words, As his spirit journeyed on—to Realms Above.

Greetings from Memory's Pages through 63 years of fellowship.

Ruthton, Minnesota. Jan. 7th, 1952.

Sigurd Pedersen.

## **Anna Sophia Hostrup**

The news came to us that Mrs. Hostrup of Seattle had passed away. As I think of this wife, mother and church worker, who now after several years of help-lessness and suffering has been called home, there comes to my mind the words from the Book of Acts (14:22) "that we must through much tribulation enter into the Kingdom of God."

I have known Mrs. Hostrup through many years. I knew her when she was in the prime of life, when she with a buoyant spirit took an active part in church and synodical work; and I have visited her after her health was broken and she was helpless as an invalid. But I always found in her a person of a strong character. She never hesitated in expressing her interest in the welfare of her church, the welfare of our synod, the various mission projects; she followed the welfare of her children, and through it all she revealed her faith in God, which was written deep in her heart.

Life has its sunny side, but life also brings the more critical moments. These last years for Mrs. Hostrup undoubtedly gave her many trying moments. But she remained faithful to her ideals of life through it all, and this has its reward: "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."

In my memories I have many recollections of greetings received from the Hostrup home when I in some manner through a visit, a sermon, or probably through an article in one of our papers had been able to spread a little sunshine. Mrs. Hostrup was always ready to express her appreciation of the true values of life.

To characterize her life I would like to borrow the words of the Apostle Paul: "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, and I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give me at that day, and not to me only but unto all them also that love his appearing."

P. Rasmussen.

## Dr. Herman's Book Used To Argue Court Decision

Geneva—(NLC)—A book written by Dr. Stewart W. Herman, director of Lutheran World Federation Service to Refugees, was recently used as argument against a decision of an Allied Court of Appeal in Western Germany.

The book, "It's Your Souls We Want," tells the story of the German Church's struggle against Nazi terror, based on first hand observations from 1936 to 1942, when Dr. Herman was pastor of the American Church in Berlin, and later on, when Dr. Herman was interned in Hitler's Germany. Last month the book was published in a German translation.

Now the German Church press has used Dr. Herman's book as argument against an Allied Court decision refusing Church authority's demand for "compensation of prejudice" caused by Nazi action. The court claimed that the Church was not one of the institutions Hitler wanted to destroy.

## Kristen Kold

The Little Schoolmaster Who Helped Revive a Nation By Nanna Goodhope

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## The Journey Back

One day in early July, Kold embarked on a ship at Smyrna that was to take him to Triest, Italy. He had planned his return trip four years earlier, at which time he wrote his parents about it. It was these plans he now proceeded to follow through. In Triest he purchased a small four-wheeled cart in which he placed all his belongings, with the exception of his savings—about two hundred dollars, in coin. The latter he had sewed into an inner lining of the brocade vest he wore, in such a way that by pulling a thread only one coin came out at the time.

Drawing the cart behind him, Kold now began a tramp that took him two full months; for he walked the entire distance from Triest to his home in Denmark. He could have made it much quicker and perhaps just as cheaply by stage-coach, but he wanted to have time to enjoy the scenery and the many wonderful sights along the way. It would give him something new and interesting to tell the folks back home—he had in mind, especially, the children and the young people. Kold had been offered a free passage all the way to Denmark, by the captain of an old freighter. But it was Kold's good fortune that he had chosen the other route; for the boat sank in the Bay of Biscay with captain, crew, and cargo.

Among the many marvelous sights Kold mentions having seen along the way, none intrigued him more than the huge subterranian stalagmite caverns he explored in Austria. They were artificially lighted and made a tremendous impression on him. He later described them to his pupils with such vivid accuracy that they actually felt as if they had seen them with their own eyes.

He lived frugally on the way back, as was his custom. After a refreshing meal of bread and water from a cool, clear stream or spring, he would occasionally, on sunny days, wash his clothing and hang it to dry on the branch of a tree, while he took a nap. He would often go barefoot to save on the shoeleather, even though the road was rough. It is believed that he spent more money on the vagabonds he met on his way than he did on himself; for he could never refuse to provide a meal for anyone who was hungry. When people inquired about his destination, he would always say: "I came from Smyrna and I'm going to Thisted."

Kold reached Southern Jutland early in September, after eight weeks of interesting experiences. Shortly after having entered Denmark, he met a man who seemed to be in a great hurry. "Why the haste?" Kold said to him. "I'm going to the police to report the death of my wife last night by hanging," replied the man. "Lord Almighty!" exclaimed Kold; "now I know that I am back home, for in Smyrna such a minor matter as suicide would hardly have aroused so much concern."

He stayed with his good friends at Faarballum three weeks, before resuming his journey northward to his home at Thisted. As the early fall air seemed chilly to Kold after being accustomed to a milder climate, he had been wearing a fine fur coat which he brought with him from Smyrna. But he removed it before entering his home town, lest his townspeople should think he was "stuck up." He remained with his family at Thisted two full months. And he spent considerable time with his many friends on Mors, all of them were eager to learn about his many adventures in the strange, far-away land.

But the joy of Kold's home-coming somewhat lessened when he learned that little, if any, progress had taken place during his absence, in the teaching methods of the public schools. He again debated with himself whether he should not take passage to America, rather than wear himself out in a struggle for reforms which apparently the people did not want. It was not until he visited the Snedsted Seminary that he visioned a gleam of hope. Here his friend Ludvig Chr. Muller, who had been one of his supporters at Faarballum, was now the head master. With him a new spirit of life and inspiration had come to Snedsted. For he, too, believed in the power of the Living word, and in the freedom of the teachers to inspire the students to higher living, rather than to cram them full of dead knowledge.

To Kold this gave promise of a new day. It was to him a challenge to get back into the fight against the national and spiritual apathy of his people, and make way for the bird, Phoenix, of which he had spoken so enthusiastically to the young people at Faarballum.

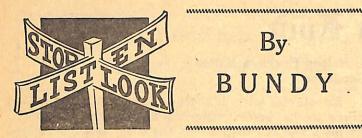
Kold now accepted a position at Holmsland, on the west coast of central Jutland, as tutor to the three children of Pastor and Mrs. Hassenfeldt. As Pastor Hassenfeldt was also a disciple of Grundtvig, Kold was here given full freedom to teach in any way he chose.

## **Would Unite Churches**

New York—(NLC)—Federation of the Lutheran and Reformed Churches of Poland is being pressed by the Polish Government, according to word received from well-informed sources by the National Lutheran Council here.

While details of the proposed unification of the two groups are lacking, it seems certain that the move to federate the Lutherans and Reformed is the first step toward the ultimate elimination of confessional lines.

Under the federation, it is understood, there would be a central administration for the two Churches, and there would also be a merger of some projects and activities. In all likelihood, the positions of authority would be occupied by pro-Communist churchmen.



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TRAVELING. It was a long time since we had seen that old community in Nebraska, where I had spent a few years of my growing life. We decided we would drive around that way even if it was a considerable number of miles out of our way. When we arrived, I noted that everything there was marked with the years that had passed over it. Even the brick church looked older. The road to the nearest railroad town was still the same dirt road on which I had walked so many times the four miles to town. Wonder who lives down the road toward the creek now? and over there to the left is the old house in which J . . . . . lived, and there was R . . . . 's house—he used to come over to my room almost weekly to pour out some of his abundance of living streams which had been made by the spoken inspirations of the great teacher, Kr. Kold; his heart was still running over from the fullness of those days when he had attended his school. The winding road down to the creek with its high wooded banks where I loved to skate on clear winter days was still there, except that the weeds along the road seemed more numerous-and whose mail box is that over there? Mrs. H . . . . . , oh, is she still here? I must see if she is at home—I walked to the back of the house and knocked on the door, first gently, then a few times a little louder, and then I could hear some faltering steps come nearer and finally the door opened. I gave my name—"Oh, are you . . . . ?" "Yes, that's me." "Come in, how wonderful you are coming here -it's many years since we met out at my daughter Elisa's home." I remembered. We sat down in the kitchen, it was easier to prepare coffee out there; I noted that her face was still mellow and radiant. She went back in time to the things that were marked with sacred memories-she found a large box, there was a letter in it which her good intelligent husband of great interests had left her-she always had a feeling that there would be such a letter waiting for her after his departure to another world; She read it to me, that letter. It sounded like a testament of faith which had been laid upon a soul and mind that had anticipated so much. We sang a hymn or two-a prayer—and then a farewell. I felt there was nothing more now that I wanted here, the parting of an age should be my last impression, but I would take its memories with me. Prof, our younger son, could not understand why I had been gone so long—his mind was on the road and the operation of the Ford. He had never sung the words of a song which came to my mind in the memories:

"You ask me, my boy, why this rose is so precious to me, Its leaves are as dead and as dry as they ever could be. You say you will give me of beautiful flowers a lovely bouquet

If I for the living will throw my dead flower away.

Sweet memories, son, are a treasure, a source of delight, Like dreams they come to us and light up the lone-

So bury my rose with my dust, and together we crumble away,

But live where she lives, for true love cannot die and decay."

If we journey through life without ever having had the experience of standing upon the high hills of the ages, we have never discovered where to stand in the present and future span of our years.

THE HOME BUILDERS. It was a cozy place behind a little hill, not far from the busy city streets, and there were evergreen trees close to it-nearby was a little valley. When I came there, an elderly couple were building a future home, they seemed to be past sixty. The wife was up on a ladder painting some windows and he was cutting boards. I said, "Are you building for yourself or for someone else?"
He said, "For myself." "Are you a rich man?" I asked half jokingly. "Yes sir, I am a rich man. I love the Lord." I said, "Fine." I could have gone on from there and gotten a good story of how this man had been pulled out of the clutches of King Alcohol, his face bore all the marks of a man who had been an addict to the curse. And now he was a rich man, "he loved the Lord." I imagine he and the man from the land of the Gadarenes would understand each other much better than we intellectuals and folks who have always lived in decency and thank the Lord because we are not like the other people.

Those folk who have been in the gutters of alcoholism really know what the love of the Lord is; they sing with feeling such a song as:

> "My Jesus I love Thee, I know Thou art mine, For Thee all the follies of sin I resign. My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou, If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus 'tis now.'

But I am not so sure that our average church goer would go and extend a hand of welcome to that kind of a sinner. We are too decent for that—we turn him over to the Pentecostals where they know sinners are loved.

## Medical Supplies in LWR Shipments

New York—(NLC)—Lutheran World Relief during November sent 64 tons of supplies valued at \$124,-121 into five countries-Germany, Austria, Korea, Yugoslavia and the Holy Land, it was reported here by Bernard A. Confer, administrative secretary of LWR.

Most of this relief cargo consisted of clothing, bedding and shoes which congregations had gathered in the early fall. Several hundred toys and hundreds of Kiddies Kits went into Germany for distribution at Christmas.

The month saw substantial shipments of medicines to Yugoslavia, Palestine and Germany. Lutheran World Relief purchased medicines worth \$2,000 in behalf of the Lutheran World Federation's Service to Refugees for the German program, and sent donated supplies valued at \$11,000 in Yugoslavia and the Holy Land.

## Our Women's Work

Mrs. Johanne Lillehøj, Kimballton, Iowa Editor

## In Memory Of Elna Pedersen By Esther D. Sorensen

As a member of the committee that was in charge of compiling material and of the publication of the book, "From Partridge to Askov," giving some of the early history of the community of Askov, of which Elna Pedersen was one of the early settlers, I wish in a very few words to pay tribute to her.

Without the help of Elna the little book would

probably not yet have been a reality.

Inasmuch as her mother, Mrs. L. C. Pedersen, was also a member of the committee, all the work of compiling, etc., was done in her home in order that we

could have Elna's help.

Since having this experience of working with Elna, I am convinced that very few people, even of Askov, realize what a full and abundant life she lived inside of four walls, so to speak. The walls were no barrier to her spirit. Here let me say that within those four walls lived also the mother of Elna, who was very likely throughout those trying years an even stronger personality, living by faith, hope and love. There was a home where walls were sheltering.

I know that through those weeks when we worked together, we learned much about Elna's will to work to her fullest capacity for all that was dear to her heart. The body was frail, but the spirit was strong.

Mrs. Niels Miller was the third member of the committee and we all shared that same rich and inspiring feeling of encouragement Elna gave us.

It will long be cherished as one of life's good memories given us through Elna.

## Mrs. W. N. Hostrup

The news reached me today of the death of my friend through many years standing, Mrs. W. N. Hostrup. She was one of the charter members of "Dansk Kvinder's Mission," now known as the "Women's Mission Society" of our synod. This beginning was made on June 13th, 1908, by a group of women present at the annual synodical convention held that year in Trinity Lutheran Church in Chicago. This group of women gathered that afternoon in the beautiful Humbolt Park to consider what the women possibly could do in creating an interest for a united work amongst the women in all our congregations in the synod.

Mrs. Hostrup was the first treasurer and served as such through many years. She helped write the Constitution of D.K.M. (W.M.S.), and it is still in use

in practically the same form.

I remember how enthused Mrs. Hostrup was and how she worked for the realization of the installation of the new church bell in the Luther Memorial Church in Des Moines, and many other similar projects sponsored by the women of our synod. She was always interested in helping Grand View College and the young

people in general, and especially the young men who were preparing themselves for a work as pastors in our synod. She was an untiring worker, always ready and willing to help a good cause; and as such many will remember her with gratitude.

I would like to close this little Memoriam by quoting the little hymn by Kr. Ostergaard, which became our special hymn at so many of our annual W.M.S.

meetings:

"Lord, I wish to be thy servant And with mind and spirit fervent Work for Thee, and Thee alone. All the gifts I am possessing, Life and hope and every blessing, Thro' Thy grace alone I own.

Lead me, Savior, in Thy kindness, Even when in wilful blindness I would from Thy guidance flee. Send me where it be Thy pleasure, Oh, but let me ever treasure The blest faith: I'm serving Thee."

Mary Seeley Knudstrup.

## District II Women's Mission Society

The annual District II meeting of WMS was held at Central Lutheran Church, Muskegon, Michigan, on Saturday, October 6.

Mrs. William Kester, District Representative, opened the meeting by calling on Mrs. Edwin Hansen for opening prayer and scripture reading. Then we all joined in singing, "Lord, I Wish To Be Thy Servant."

Mrs. Delford Henderson, secretary, read the minutes of WMS meeting in Greenville, Michigan in August, 1950. Communications were read from Mrs. Ida Egede expressing her greetings and appreciations to District II WMS and asking us to support the Home Missions Fund which was voted on at the National WMS Convention at Tyler, Minnesota.

A letter from Christian Children's Fund was read giving information about the care of our Korean child and thanking us for our remittance of \$120.00.

Mrs. Thos. Knudstrup was present and was happy to express her best wishes to District II WMS.

Roll call was taken by each WMS group to report their outstanding project or interest. Mrs. Knudstrup from Manistee reported the collection of eight well-packed boxes of clothing to South Slesvig. Mrs. Richard Sorensen, Marlette, reported from Juhl-Germania that each year they arrange an educational trip to learn Mission needs. (We visited the Blind Institute and Veterans' hospital in Saginaw.) Mrs. Olga Carlsen, Greenville, reported their support of GVC. Freida Nelson, Greenville, reported collecting newspapers for raising funds.

It was decided that each WMS group in District II should send any interesting projects or study programs, etc., to District II Representative, Mrs. Olga Carlsen, Greenville, Michigan, every four months.

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# Paging Youth

ESPECIALLY OF OUR D. A. Y. P. L.

Editor: Ronald Jespersen, Newell, Iowa

## Notes From The President's Study

On January 8 and 9, your DAYPL president attended the annual All-Lutheran Youth Leader's Council meeting, which was held at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota. Youth leaders and youth directors from all the National Lutheran Council bodies and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod were in attendance.

Most of the first day was spent discussing program topics for the year 1953. By the time this reaches you, all societies should have copies of the new "Youth Program," a program manual for Lutheran Youth Groups. If your society has not received its copy, please inform Mrs. Carlo Petersen, 1100 Boyd Avenue, Des Moines 16, Iowa.

In the evening, we viewed a colored sound-filmstrip of the Augustana Luther League convention which was held at Colorado Springs, Colorado, and a forty-minute colored sound movie of the American Lutheran Church Luther League convention, held at East Lansing, Michigan. We managed to get behind schedule, and never did catch up after that.

Before we started our sessions the next morning, we were privileged to sit in on the first half-hour of rehearsal of the world-famous St. Olaf Choir. During the fore noon, we shared recent developments in Young People's League work. I was somewhat disturbed to notice that many of the leaders seemed somewhat pessimistic this year about the whole situation which faces youth; they seemed not to have the under-lying optimism which was formerly present.

The Council has prepared a film-strip on mixed marriage called "And With This Ring" which is supposed to be the best of its kind. If enough societies would be interested in securing this film-strip, it is conceivable that DAYPL would purchase a copy and make it available to the societies. Let me know how you feel about it; if there is no reaction, there will be no action.

Professor Otto Theiss (Missouri Synod) gave a report on his recent trip to Australia and Asia. Among other things, he mentioned that many of the churches in foreign missions are operating a youth program. To me, that was a new concept, but I believe it is accurate. He said that the problem in the Orient was that of Christianity vs. no Christianity, not between Christians. Three fourths of the people of the world are still outside of Christianity. The strategy of the church must be directed to the major problems of our times, he said.

Pastor Leslie Conrad of the ULCA Luther League told of the success of their "Youth Caravans," teams (two each) of young people who spent six weeks during the summer visiting local leagues at the invitation of

the local pastors to help in whatever way the local league needed help. Some of the other groups are using the same technique, all with fine results. Might there be a possibility of using such a plan within our own DAYPL?

Dr. Marcus Rieke, ALC Luther League director gave us further information about the Youth Convention to be held at Hannover in conjunction with the Lutheran World Federation meeting. (A full report has been sent to "Ye Editor"-these are the latest developments). One hundred thirty youth are now registered. A five dollar penalty for late registration goes into effect February 1 (Forms for registration may be obtained from Box 164, Withee, Wisconsin). The registration fee is \$45, of which all but \$5 will be refunded in case you have to cancel. (Remember, DAYPL will pay this fee for you if you were a member November 10th, and if you actually attend). After March 1, there will be no guarantee of travel facilities. You can make the round trip by plane for \$375. Note to adults who may be going -you may secure reservations on these chartered planes, except that a service fee of \$15.00 will be charged for official observers, and \$25.00 for others. The daily program will be published in February. Planes leave June 23, July 6 and 18; return August 5, 15 and 25. You may choose any combination you wish. I will be glad to send further information.

Other papers were presented; and the devotional part of our meetings was well worth listening to. Next year's meeting will be held at Dana College. It was a privilege to attend this meeting as your president.

Only one thing more—A couple of societies have used the film-strip "The Accused," which is available from this study. Use it for one of your programs soon. The only charge is for postage.

Cordially, your president.

W. Clayton Nielsen, Withee, Wis.

January 16, 1952.

### To Be

A few words should have been given in earlier issues to the Lutheran Youth Convention in Hannover, Germany (in addition to those in the minutes from Chicago), since registration after February 1st costs five dollars more than before that date. But if you are going to spend the needed thousand or twelve hundred dollars, and the five dollars is the only thing that remains to influence your decision, "Ye Editor" will pay same. If you decide to give a thousand dollars outright, without the travel, to Lutheran Youth Work, "Ye Editor" will give the five dollars without qualifications. If you want guaranteed secured passage from the official travel agency you must apply before March first. The date of the meeting is July 25 to August 3, at Hannover, Germany. Write to either 164, Withee, Wisconsin; or to 656, Newell, Iowa for further information.

A little nearer most of you are some workshops and summer camps of our own, of which the dates have been set. Well, let's see, the Great Plains District just had a workshop, and the Iowa District plans to hold one at Grand View College February 8-10. The Northern Lighters plan to have their camp on Wood Lake near Grantsburg, Wisconsin from June 22 to 28. The Iowa District Convention and Camp is to be at Newell August 1-8. The Recreation Institute at Danebod, Tyler, Minn., is July 20-26. The dates for other events of DAYPL for the summer have not reached this typewriter yet.

It may interest some of you to know that the Christian Youth Conference of North America (CYC-NA) is at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, August 25-30. We may have 15 youth and 3 adult leaders to represent DAYPL. This is sponsored by the UCYM, which also sponsored "The Call." Did you answer? If not, I believe they will still accept your answer if you send it immediately. UCYM headquarters are at 79 East Adams Street, Chicago 3, Ill.

## Our Church and Our School

One of the curses of the city is the loss of the sense of democratic responsibility on the part of its citizens. In a small community there is traditionally far more participation in democratic processes but even this is more and more confined to local problems. The whole spirit of bigness that is so evidently on the increase in our land is a very real threat to democracy. Even those smaller communities of which we are a part suffer. The most common expression today in respect to issues that face the community is, "What do you suppose that THEY will do now?" "What are THEY going to do in Washington?" "What are THEY doing at the state house; at the city hall; on the church board; at Grand View College?" The pertinent question in a democracy is always: "What are WE to do now?" We the electorate, are the real decision makers, until we abdicate from the responsibility and privilege. When we do this we trade our democratic birthright for a mess of pottage. There is no benediction on that people who make that trade.

These days are such days of decision for our church and our school. After ten years of service as president, Dr. Knudsen has resigned. There are many throughout the synod who are asking, if they have kept any interest, "What are they going to do now at Grand View College?" In one sense the question is fully justified. A committee consisting of the executive committee of the school board and three members of the faculty have been assigned the task of nominating a new president. The school board will appoint one man to that position, presumably guided by the investigation of this committee. This appointment is subject to approval at our national convention this summer. This is the machinery and of course what is to be done must be done by those individuals that we have chosen for the committee and board. But the concern and the policy involved is the responsibility of the whole community which is our church. Our synodical approval underscores this. But in an even more significant manner this is obvious when we remember that our school is a common property and endeavor that belongs to us. The men who investigate and choose the new president are assigned to do a particular job on our

behalf. The man they choose is given the responsibility of administering OUR school. What are WE doing about GVC? What kind of a school do we have and what kind do we desire? These are questions which are very much the concern of not only the responsible committees but of all our members who ultimately possess the real responsibility.

About a year ago a challenge was put to me by a friend, "What is the real justification of Grand View?" My friend observed the many small colleges of our state and region and the fact that a good number of these are church schools. Is it economically and morally feasible to maintain our own unless there is something peculiarly worthwhile accomplished? What is its excuse for existence? The question has probably been asked by a good many of us judging from the number of our own young people who do not attend our own school. It is ridiculous yet true that it often is more difficult to sell support of GVC to those who own it than to outsiders. This is very much the time to seek an answer to such questions and if an answer can be found to direct once more our effort toward its realization.

The most obvious answer to the question could be called wholly secular (which is not a word to be ashamed of.) Who can estimate the significance to our church of a central home away from home for its young people? How many Askovites are (because of GVC) married to Tylerites; how many Californians to Iowans; Nebraskans to Michiganders? How many boys and girls went home to Marquette, to Kimballton, to Dagmar, and to Bridgeport having friends from these other sister churches and knowing far more about our synod, our ministers and our common causes? They have rubbed elbows and exchanged ideas. They have visited churches on choir tours and the like. They have met visiting ministers and come to know those preparing for the ministry. That experience enters into their church membership as they mature and participate in local leadership and attend district and national conventions. One of the pulls to those meetings dates back to a Grand View experience for many. One sometimes wonders how many of us at a national convention are not expressing a desire and an interest that has its roots at Grand This is simply a sociological and a secular justification. As long as we are justified in being a synod there is one good reason for our school. That also makes GVC the responsibility of all of us who feel that the community which is our church still has meaning and purpose. Communication is always vital to community and it is of major importance that our young people rub elbows and ideas.

The second reason justifying Grand View is no s important in my opinion. That is the reason less important in my opinion. which is related to the particular insights into the meaning and nature of life under God that have sustained our church. There are definite implications here for higher education which I am confident have been the guiding principles in the leadership and administration of Dr. Johannes Knudsen. What then is the particular justification of Grand View in respect to a philosophy of Christian education.

Most briefly stated there are three categories of colleges that can be named:

- 1. The secular university which blindly ignores the fact that all life has its source in God. Instead it treats the idea of God as simply another sociological force to be analysed and dissected in King Testtube. Essentially such study can only be described as false study of life as it considers life out of context. The real context of all life is contained in the phrase: "under God."
- 2. The church college which confuses church and school, faith and doctrine. This school imposes its religious categories upon its students as if these are separate from the ordinary content of life. This does not mean that most church supported colleges view their educational responsibilities in this manner. But many do feel that the adjective "Christian" refers almost solely to the number of times that God is mentioned in the classroom and the effectiveness of those periods specifically set aside for religious worship on the campus. Some of these schools seem to be almost ashamed of any expressions that are normal to the life of youth but in spite of this such campuses often accidentally exhibit a community life of brotherhood which in quite another sense may be called Christian. The Spirit is often rebellious to the designs of men, both the pious and the impious, and it is refreshing to note that some Christian colleges are Christian in spite of themselves.
- 3. Grand View has been among those schools which have viewed the whole of life as having religious quality. To put it in other terms, GVC it not a Christian college because it has devotion periods in its daily program. These devotion periods are rather the expression or the result of the prior fact that it is a Christian college! It is the community experience that defines its basic religious character. As such it has in the past avoided religiosity in its search for a kind of life that it has known as Christian. In this respect it has reflected that view of life which has more or less prevailed historically in our church. We have not felt that the defining mark of our Christian living has been either our ability to discuss great doctrines intellectually, or to recite extensively from the scriptures, or to master certain pious ways in speech and act. The word Christian pertains rather to the fact of community, created, redeemed and sustained by God. Community under God. Again, these other features may at various times be natural expressions of this community life but they are not definitive. God's love and grace are the only definition of the Christian.

There is, I hope, nothing particularly new in this article. It has all been said many times before and in my estimation it will need saying again and again in the future. That is the nature of truth which as Kai Munk put it, "cannot be pickled." It must be discovered afresh in every situation by every generation. There is so much in this situation that is tremendously important and at stake not only to GVC and those of us directly involved in its work but also to the entire work and life of our church. The issues that need to be understood are three: 1. The responsibility for decision belongs to all of us. What are WE going to do about Grand View? 2. As long

as there is a justification for our synod there is also one for our school. What does our church and school mean to us? 3. Grand View stands for a unique concept of Christian education. If we are unwilling to abandon an idea that has prevailed in the past, then how can we make it more meaningful in the future.

These issues and questions are important among those to which we need to direct our interest and concern and thinking. They are perhaps as important as any issues and questions that face us today. These pertain to that corner of His vineyard for which we are responsible.

A Faculty Member.

## Heroism

The world stood at attention two weeks ago while the freighter the Flying Enterprise and its skipper, Kurt Carlsen, battled the forces of the sea. In the end, the ship was vanquished, but not the gallant captain! The heroic struggle of Kurt Carlsen against overwhelming odds has become a saga which already is enshrined in the hearts of the American people. His devotion to duty, his unselfish concern for the passengers and crew entrusted to his care, and his courage in the face of great danger exemplify the traits our country wants in its leaders. Carlsen's modest, "I simply did my duty," only adds favor.

This quick kindling of interest in the story of Kurt Carlsen brings to mind the fact that we human beings—and especially the young among us—need the guiding influence of heroic example. The young boy, we are told, should always have before him the pattern of someone he can look up to, someone who fills him with hero-worship. I know of one house-hold where the young son was out of bed before anyone else in the morning to get the paper and to call out to the rest of the family the latest news about Carlsen and the Enterprise. We who are of Danish lineage may well feel a glow of pride in the knowledge that Captain Carlsen has by his deeds proven himself worthy of a small boy's—and a nation's—admiration.

It does not take a dramatic fight at sea, however, to provide heroes for boys and girls. Often fathers and mothers satisfy that need, especially for the very young. What a challenge it is to all parents to live so courageously and so free from bitterness and rancor toward others that they may remain heroes in the eyes of their own sons and daughters! Teachers, too, and all leaders in youth work have that opportunity. Their influence is often easily recognized. But the truth is that each of us, no matter what our sphere of work, may be an example to youth. Often the influence of a man or a woman who lives an "ordinary" life is far greater than he or she recognizes. He may well be a "hero" in the eyes of a child, even though his deeds consist of nothing more spectacular than a sincere devotion to duty and acts of kindness to people around him.

We who are Christian know that God has given in His Son Jesus the ideal example to follow. But we know also that human beings are so weak that sometimes they cannot see the perfect. Then it is that God can use the help of individuals who in their lives show some of the traits that Jesus Himself taught us were good. Heroism is not so much doing great deeds as it is living great lives. As long as there are children and child-like minds, there is a need for the powerful influence of heroic men and women.

Dagny O. Frederickson.

Lincoln, Nebraska.

January, 1952.

## **Lutheran World Action**

Final Report on the 1951 Appeal

		Cash	Per
Church Body	Goal	Received	Cent
*Lutheran Free Church\$	47,839.28	\$ 49,274.46	103.0
*Danish Ev. Lutheran Church	16,641.91	16,871.79	101.4
*Evangelical Lutheran Church_	651,643.71	656,643.71	100.7
*Augustana Lutheran Church	378,255.47	379,752.95	100.4
*United Ev. Lutheran Church	35,270.12	35,270.12	100.0
United Lutheran Church 1	1,580,042.83	1,466,121.82	92.7
American Lutheran Church	564,192.66	510,865.35	90.5
Suomi Synod	26,114.02	16,074.45	61.5
Undesignated		17,054.91	

Totals \$3,300,000.00 \$3,147,929.56 95.3 Special gifts:

For Mutterdienst (Service to German mothers) 16,466.03 From Canadian National Committee 57,000.00

\$3,300,000.00 \$3,221,395.59

\* Over the top.

During the past 11 years, Lutheran World Action appeals sponsored by the National Lutheran Council have raised more than \$31,000,000 among the 10,000 local congregations affiliated with the church bodies participating in the common agency. All the funds have been used for emergency activities at home and abroad, the major share to provide spiritual and physical relief in war-ravaged countries throughout the world.

In addition, nearly \$21,000,000 in food, clothing, medicine and other supplies have been shipped overseas by Lutheran World Relief, the material aid agency of the Council.

The entire program of LWA and LWR has been over and above the regular ongoing work of the church and marks the greatest relief effort ever undertaken by the Lutheran Churches in America or by a denomination of American Protestantism.

Another Lutheran World Action campaign is now underway to raise \$2,900,000 in 1952. The goal was originally planned at \$2,500,000, but an additional \$400,000 was added to the total to underwrite a spiritual ministry to men and women in the armed forces. A similar amount was included for this program last year as a joint effort of the Council and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

The funds raised in 1951 will be devoted to inter-church aid in Europe; the resettlement of displaced persons and refugees in the U.S., Canada, Australia, and South America; orphaned missions in India, Indonesia, China, New Guinea, Tanganyika, South and Southwest Africa, Ethiopia and the Holy Land; Lutheran World Relief; ministry to the armed forces; Lutheran cooperation in Latin America; and cooperative work with other Protestant agencies.

## From The Porto Novo Mission

Seva Mandir, Porto Novo, December 13, 1951.

Dear Friends:

We have received the check for \$50.00, sent us by Johannes Jepsen, from friends in America. It is a very welcome gift. We shall use it for the children's Christmas clothes; for it is clothes they need most right now. I shall give \$5.00 to Gnanamani, as you specified. She has no training as a teacher in a technical way; but she gets her training by going out to the villages with the pupil teachers. She can certainly be a help to Sister Vibike when she gets here. We expect her here any time now.

We will miss Periamme (great mother) very much. At this time of year it was her enthusiasm and cheer that filled us with the Christmas spirit. But we are grateful that you have not forgotten us and the good work she began here, though she is no more. It is your good will and prayers that help the work grow. We are now 150 persons where only about 30 lived when I first came, and more are constantly being added to our family. We need more room. The Government will pay three-fourths the cost of a new Basic Training building, if we can raise the rest.

Mrs. Arunachalam is helping me now. Her husband is in America, and she plans to join him in May. It would be nice if she could meet some of our American friends while she is there and tell about our work. When they return from America, they will come back to the work here.

Again we want to thank you for your gifts and wish you all a bright New Year.

Mary K. Chekko.

In another letter Miss Chekko writes that there are many Christian girls at the home and a number of Christian families living nearby, who take part in the Sunday worship services there. And it is hoped that through Sister Vibike's efforts more will be added; for many have asked for Christian instruction. Miss Chekko also tells us that it was Anne Marie Petersen's hopes and plans to some day erect a "mandapam" (a pillared hall or temple with roof and floor, but open sides) by the lotus pond, with steps down to the water's edge, where all might gather for worship and song. "Wishful dreams," says Miss Chekko; "but who can tell what may yet happen at Seva Mandir? Perhaps some day we may even build here a much needed hospital for women and children." Economic conditions were bad in So. East India last year due to excessive rains, which flooded a large area and ruined the crops.

Gifts for the Porto Novo Mission may be sent to Johannes Jepsen, Rt. 1, Pulaski, N. Y.

-N. G.

## A Call to Christian Stewardship

<del>Հ......</del> Man's Management

In big business capitalism engages management to look after its affairs. In the Christian conception of life, men are God's managers. The Christian manages all things for God and for God's purposes. This is another basic factor in the understanding of Christian Stewardship.

Before God the Christian is a trustee, or steward. The life he is living—every aspect of it—is his stewardship. He is God's manager. The good manager applies this conception in the place where he lives, in the place where he studies, in the place where he works, in the place where he worships. He applies it to simply everthing.

Dr. George A. Buttrick tells about an incident that took place at the funeral of David Livingstone. When he was buried in Westminster Abbey many eyes were fixed on the Negro who stood at the head of the casket. This was the Zanzibar servant who had brought his master's body from the African swamp, asking as his only recompense that he might attend it on its sad journey across the sea. In the matter of ability two men could hardly have lived in greater contrast. Livingstone was rich in talents. The Negro slave had but one talent. His only gift was to look up and follow like a faithful dog. But the two were one because each managed the ability God had given him.

In the Parable of the Talents the main role is played by a man with only one talent. The story is told for people who have limited abilities and resources. The one-talent steward is not a bad man. He is not a drunkard. He is not wasteful. He did not squander his talent. What is wrong with him then? He failed to manage what his Lord had given him.

For the Christian, all of his life is a stewardship. Whatever he is, whatever he has, whatever he does are all managed for God and used for His glory. Whether the Christian be a business man, or farmer, or minister, or soldier; whether he has scientific skill, or muscular strength, or artistic talent, or financial wealth; whether he be in church, or at work, or on vacation, the Christian endeavors to manage everything as a steward of God.

The digging of a ditch is just as much an act of stewardship as preaching the Gospel. Using one's income for the support of his family is just as much an act of stewardship as giving to foreign missions. Taking part in a political campaign is just as much an act of stewardship as witnessing for Christ in the slums of a city. These statements are true providing that these things are done with a sense of managing one's ability and energy and property and time for God and for His purposes.

Let us seek to manage all that we do so as to hear those words from the parable of Jesus, "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

Robert C. Schmidt.

## Books

ANOINTED TO PREACH, By Clovis G. Chappel. 124 pages, \$1.50, Abingdon Cokesbury.

There is nothing especially painful about being X-rayedphysically; on the contrary, there are times when X-rays may prove themselves a blessed preventive against pain. No wonder that the new arrangements for clinical examinations at regular intervals is being hailed with general approval. These examinations are given specifically as a preventive measure against lurking cancer and other serious ailments.

No, there is no need to fear being X-rayed physically. It is rather the spiritual X-raying which hurts. How we cringe and squirm when the X-ray of truth penetrates to the secret recesses of our souls and brings to light all the many things of which we are ashamed. But in spite of the pain and the discomfort, what a blessing it might prove if we were willing to undergo an occasional soul-searching check-up. "Oh what needless pains we bear," because we do not.

As a pastor I have just had the experience of confronting such a discomforting examination. It was certainly worth it. The experience came through the reading of the little book Anointed To Preach, by Clovis G. Chappel. As long as I stay in the ministry I shall discipline myself to read it again at least once every year. And how I wish this book might have come into my hands twenty-five years ago.

I warmly recommend it to all fellow pastors, and not

least to the beginners in the ministry.

Marius Krog.

THE CROSS IS URGENT by Gjermund S. Thompson-Published by Augsburg Publishing House, 425 South 4th Street, Minneapolis 15, Minn. 117 pages; Cloth, \$1.50.

This Lenten book is written by a pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. The meditations were originally given at the Lenten mid-week services in his congregation in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

The entire message of "The Cross Is Urgent" attempts to bring the message of Calvary into the life and circumstances of the individual of 1952. A few of the chapter titles will give some indications of this approach: A Bewildered World Needs the Cross; An Indifferent World Needs the Cross; A Frightened World Needs the Cross; A Redeemed Church Still Needs the Cross, etc.

This Lenten series of seven mid-week meditations and one Easter sermon can be read profitably by the layman as well as the pastor who needs added material for his Lenten and Easter message.

H. S.

## District II Women's Mission Society

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Discussion of the district project followed. Mrs. Edwin Hansen discussed the support of the Home Mission's project as encouraged at the WMS National Convention. It was voted that our District II agrees to support the Home Mission's Project.

It was decided that we give the collection of this meeting to the Home Mission Project. The collection amounted to \$39.42.

Election of officers followed. Mrs. Olga Carlsen of Greenville, Michigan, was elected District Representative for a term of three years to succeed Mrs. William Kester of Marlette, Michigan, 53 ladies were present.

After the hymn, "Hark, The Voice of Jesus Calling." Freida Nelson led us in a closing prayer.

> Mrs. Delford Henderson, Sec. Route 1, Sandusky, Mich.

# Grand View College And Our Youth

## News And Notes From Grand View

PASTOR'S INSTITUTE: The 1952
Pastor's Institute will be held April 2224 beginning at 2 p. m. Tuesday, April
22, and concluding at 4 p. m. Thursday,
April 24. The main speakers for this
year's Institute will be Professor Joseph
Haroutunian of McCormick Theological
Seminary, and Dr. Karl Mattson,
president of Augustana Theological
Seminary. We have furthermore invited Arild Olsen to speak, but it is
not at this time certain that he can

The Stewardship Committee of our church has been granted a discussion period during the Institute for a presentation of their work, and Rev. Enok Mortensen has consented to lecture concerning his work with the early history of our church.

The details of the program will be announced later. We hope that all pastors will put the Institute on their calendars and will come. It helps us greatly in our planning to have reservations made early.

SECOND SEMESTER ENROLL-MENT: The second semester of the school year began Monday, January 28. All the students who had been enrolled during the first semester and who were continuing, had previously been registered, but a fine little group of 15 students registered for the first time. This number compensated for the number we have lost during the semester for normal and natural causes and a number that graduated at mid-year. An interesting feature is that one of the new students is a Korean Veteran, the first one to become a student at Grand View. One of the new students is a man from Denmark, but most of them are recent high school graduates from Des Moines. Three will live in the dorms.

BASKETBALL: When we last reported concerning basketball, the Vikings were nursing a fine winning streak. We wish we could continue the favorable news, but the sad fact is that the record after Christmas is just about the opposite of the record before the holidays. At the present time the Vikings have won seven and lost seven games. The failure of the captain of the team to return to school after Christmas undoubtedly had much to do with the losing streak, and we hope that two new men who joined the team in the second semester will offset the loss. At any rate, the Vikings won the last conference game by a decisive score. We hope that the tide is turned

and that we will be able to report more wins in the future. The State Tournament takes place at Eagle Grove beginning Wednesday, February 20.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: The major activity of the students during the month of January can be spelled out with one word-EXAMS. No sooner was the first excitement of reunion after the holidays over than most students plunged into their review work for examinations. Some did this by the compulsion of a desire-others by the force of necessity. Studies and exams did not prevent other activities, however. The New Year's Dance was celebrated Monday, January 7 and formed a festive culmination of the joy at being together again. The following Saturday a student committee presented an interesting and enjoyable program, and a week later the nurses duplicated the feat. The movie committee added to the entertainment by two fine films: DESTRY RIDES AGAIN, and NICHO-LAS NICKLEBY. Intramural basketball games and spontaneous activities took care of the rest of the activities.

The assembly program featured a report from the Student Volunteer Movement Convention at Lawrence, Kansas, given by Aage Clausen and Don Holm. The following week Dr. Hauser of Plymouth Congregational church gave us an interesting and informative account of his experience in England where he spent several months as exchange pastor. Assembly was canceled during examination week.

TRAVELS: The basketball team has of course, traveled considerably, but one visit should be reported. Saturday, January 26, the team played Clinton Junior College at Clinton, Iowa. The players were quartered in the homes of our congregation, and attended church services together on Sunday morning. The Clinton people gave us a real show of hospitality which we appreciate very much.

During January, Rev. A. E. Farstrup has visited the congregations in the Eastern District, speaking especially to the Sunday School teachers and conducting local Institutes. President J. Knudsen attended the meeting of the Association of American Colleges in Washington, D. C. during the first week of January.

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STUDENTERFEST: The 1952 Studenterfest will be held May 3-4.

#### Notice

FROM SYNOD STATISTICIAN TO ALL DISTRICT PRESIDENTS.

May I respectively request that you contact your congregations with request for return to you of statistical blanks. It is further requested that such blanks be sent me as soon as received by you Please do not hold until all are in.

Respectfully, B. P. Christensen.

> Box 65 Brush, Colorado.

Congregational Pastors please note.

# OUR CHURCH

Perth Amboy, N. J.—A Friendship meeting was held in the St. Stephen's church on Sunday, January 20th, with Pastor A. E. Farstrup, director of Religious Education of Grand View College, as the guest speaker. Friends from neighboring congregations had been invited.

Dalum, Canada-Pastor and Mrs. P. Rasmussen decided to move to Wayne again this winter to avoid the difficult road and weather conditions in and about the rural parsonage. However, Mrs. Rasmussen became ill and has for some time been confined to bed, cared for by her daughter, Ellen, in Rosedale. Esther, their daughter, has also been quite sick, and for some time was a patient at the hospital. A son, Hertel, who is married, had the misfortune of being severely burned in a gasoline explosion and losing some fingers on his left hand. He was hospitalized for a long time, but is slowly improving. Our greetings to the Rasmussen family.

Mrs. P. P. Kilstofte, an early pioneer of the Askov, Minn., community passed away on New Year's day and was laid to rest from the Bethlehem Lutheran church, Askov, on Friday afternoon, January 4th. The Kilstofte family came to Askov in 1912. They have been active in the community and church life of Askov during the many years. Mr. Kilstofte and his sons were engaged in construction work and have erected many large and beautiful buildings in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Mr. Kilstofte died in 1938.

Waterloo, Iowa—Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Johnson, members of St. Ansgar's Lutheran church, have returned from their 3 months visit to the Holy Land. (We brought a very fine greeting in the last issue of LT. "A Letter From Jerusalem" written by Mr. Johnson). Returning to Waterloo they brought with them two children, a boy George, age 4, and a girl, Barbara, age 10, whom Mr. and Mrs. Johnson adopted in Germany. The couple had previously adopted a little boy, Craig, one year old. Congratulations to the Johnsons!

Minneapolis, Minn.—Rev. and Mrs. O. S. Jorgensen, pastor of St. Peder's Lutheran church, have been granted a three weeks vacation to accept an invitation extended by one of their church members, Mr. and Mrs. Niels Clausen, who have a winter home at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Rev. and Mrs. Jorgensen left Minneapolis January 29th and plan to be back again on February 21st. Meanwhile they will enjoy the balmy breezes of the Florida sea coast.

The Minneapolis congregation at its annual meeting voted a \$200 raise in the annual salary of the pastor.

Mrs. W. N. Hostrup, Seattle, Wash., who has been an invalid through several years passed away on Tuesday morning, January 8th. Memorial services were held in the St. John's Luth-

eran church in Seattle on Thursday, January 10th, Pastor J. C. Kjaer officiating. Burial services were held from the Bethlehem Lutheran church, Cedar Falls, Iowa, on Monday, January 14th, Pastor Holger O. Nielsen and Pastor Holger Strandskov were in charge of the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Hostrup were members of the Bethlehem Lutheran church in Cedar Falls through many years. In 1932 they moved to Seattle and have lived there since, enjoying membership in the St. John's Lutheran church. After the funeral services in Cedar Falls and a few days visit there, Mr. Hostrup visited in Des Moines and Kimballton, Iowa, and returned to Seattle, via California. He is now located at the N. W. Danish Home, 10010 Des Moines Way, Seattle 88, Wash.

Rev. Ernest D. Nielsen was honored recently by the University of Chicago with the conferring of the Ph. D. degree. The title of his thesis is "Grundtvig's Conception of the Development of the History of the Christian Church."

Seattle, Wash.—Pastor L. C. Bundgaard, Tacoma, was the guest speaker in the literary society, "Maagen" of the St. John's Lutheran church on Thursday, January 17.

The Annex of the church recently voted to send a \$100 scholarship to Grand View College, to be given preferably to a worthy Ninth District student.

Solvang, Calif.—The proposed Solvang Lutheran Home reports that the architectural plans are going into the final stage and they are now being filed for government priority. At present the Home Board is giving special emphasis on the obtaining of individual donations of \$3,000 to build guest units. One such donation has been pledged and more are in the offing. New material is being printed and will soon be throughout the synod with further appeal for financial help for the erection of the Home.

Danish Paper—If you are interested in getting the proposed new Danish paper, "KIRKE og FOLK," and you did not get the coupon sent from the January 5th issue, send a post card to Rev. Enok Mortensen, Tyler, Minn.

## Salinas, California

The annual meeting of the congregation of St. Ansgar's Lutheran church of Salinas was held in the Parish Hall at 2:00 p. m. Sunday, January 27th, following a potluck luncheon after the morning services. Among various other business matters a budget for 1952 was adopted. Officers for the new year were elected.

An Adult Bible Class was recently started by Rev. A. E. Frost, meeting each Tuesday evening for twelve weeks.

Correspondent.

## Dwight, Illinois

On Sunday evening, Jan. 13, Prof. Carl G. Okerbloom of the Lutherad Bible Institute in Unicago spoke at St. Peter's church on the theme, "Jesus Christ, the Light of the World." A gir's trio from LBI in Chicago sang two numbers and another student led in devotions. Prof. Okerbloom stressed the great need and importance of study in the word of God.

Mrs. Fred Nelson from Morris, Ill., spoke for the women's Mission meeting head at the church on January 16. Mrs. Nelson emphasized that every Christian Woman has a mission in her home in litting the eyes of her children unto the Lord.

On Sunday evening, Jan. 20, Pastor Norris w. Stoa of Morris, Hillinois, spoke to a well-filled church on the subject, "The Living Christ in the Home." In the opinion of the writer of this item, the message just mentioned can be classed with the greatest of the church.

All three of the above messages were very inspirational and were centered on the word of God and left us much enriched. We are thankful that God teaches us what to believe and what to do.

Correspondent.

## Are You Going To Europe?

The Ecumenical Institute of the World Council of Churches, Bossey, Switzer-land, is anxious to have the names of cnurch people from the United States who plan to visit Europe, in order that they may be invited to special religious events and to conferences or short courses at the Ecumenical Institute. Dr. Hendrik Kraemer, director, would ap-spreciate hearing directly from any church persons who will be coming to Europe during 1952, giving the dates of the proposed visit. It is hoped that many visitors will find it possible to include some of the World Council Inter-Church Aid projects, the Youth Department work camps, and the World Council headquarters, in their itineraries. Names, with approximate dates and itinerary, should be sent to Professor Hendrik Kraemer, Chateau de Bossey, Celigny, Switzerland.

## Wanted

Middle aged Lutheran couple for housekeeping and caretaking duties. Mountain Rest Home at Evergreen, Colorado. Season June 1st to October 1st.

Also Wanted: Single man for cook's helper at Eben Ezer Mercy Institute. Experience valuable but not essential; for man with interest in learning institutional cooking. Opportunity to advance to assistant cook. For full information write at once to

B. P. Christensen, Business Administrator, Eben-Ezer Mercy Institute. Box 65 Brush, Colorado.

## Program

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CHURCH COUNCILS AND PASTOR'S CONFERENCE MARCH 12 and 13, 1952, ST. PEDER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12TH.

9:30 to 9:50 A. M.—Morning Devotion:
Pastor Vagn Duus.
9:50 to 12:00 A. M. —District President
Reports: Synod,
District, Congregations, and general discussion.

1:30 to 3:00 P. M.—Work in our congregations (continued). Church Council work and leadership.

3:15 to 5:30 P. M.—Evangelism (Introduced by President Ottar S. Jorgensen). Discussion. Suggested plans of procedure in the congregations.

8:00 P. M.—Meeting in St. Peder's church open to all. Speakers: Pastors W. Clayton Nielsen and Ove R. Nielsen.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 13TH.

9:00 to 9:20 A. M.—Morning Devotions:
Pastor Harold Petersen.

9:20 to 12:00 Noon:—Stewardship: Pastor Ove. R. Nielsen (discussion).

1:00 to 2 P. M.—Summary and Conclusion. Closing Devotions.

Ove R. Nielsen, Dist. Secretary.

### Gifts Received

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Once again a hearty thank you to every giver of these contributions. May we all rejoice and give thanks for knowing, blessings attend our efforts resulting in "Light shineth in the darkness, dispelling it."

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May the year be truly blessed by our Father, still on the throne.

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#### Progress or ?

To encourage toward generous giving to the Santal Mission, can be considered no virtue in me. Every treasurer is deeply concerned that contributions toward the work he or she represents—be on the increase.

Am I wrong?

It has previously been very well stated: As the Lord prospers you, so share with those for whom you as a Christian are responsible.

Many faithful workers throughout the land, have again in 1951 given toward the cause of the Santal Mission and encouraged others to go and do likewise. However, the receipts appear as follows:

Total contribution for 1950 \_\_\$11,221.65 Total contribution for 1951 \_\_ 9,900.90 Pardon my not calling your attention to the danger. Until December 31st, 1951, I was still hoping for the best.

What are we doing about this throughout the glorious days of 1952?

Thanking in advance for cooperation in this great, and so desperately much needed, worthwhile cause we launch out trusting Him who has gladdened our hearts even in the knowledge of enlightened heathen praising God our Father in Jesus name.

Best wishes for the new year.

Dagmar Miller.

#### Notice

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