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"Today's Devotions"

By Pastor Harold E. Olsen, Marinette, Wis.

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Today we consider the second of the so-called "I am" passages. This one is found in the 8th chapter of the gospel according to St. John, the 12th verse. "I am the light of the World." Here we are told that God is the light of the world. Let us consider some of the characteristics of that light.

Scientists tell us that there would be little life, animal, vegetable or mineral without light. Even those growing things which seem to find growth in the darkest of places need light and get it, either directly or indirectly. The light is necessary for the process of oxidation which is essential to the growth and life of all things. In this respect the light is the life-giving light.

Light also is known to the world as a preventer of death. In medicine we find variations of light which destroy the death dealing blows of cancer and the many other lethal diseases of the body. In the case of cancer we know that men of medicine have been able to use the particle of light known as X-ray to affect a cure. We also know that in those cases where a cure could not be affected that the X-ray has at least arrested the growth and spread of the cancer germ.

In addition we find light being used in architecture to give heat and comfort. Modern homes are being designed to utilize the light of the outside to heat

man's shelter inside—the shelter that protects him from the natural elements which might in time destroy him. In this sense the light is comforting.

In agriculture and the many other industries of the world we find light employed to give longer working hours and better working conditions so that the production of the many necessities of life can meet the needs of the people. In this respect the light becomes an aid to man's every day living.

And finally, though not least important, light—when directed through the proper lenses—gives color to life. We are not always as conscious of this characteristic of light as we ought to be. Can you imagine this world without any color? It would be a very monotonous place in which to live. Here the light gives meaning and pleasure to life.

This light—the light which gives life, prevents death, gives comfort and help, and gives meaning to life—is God. And we have this light of the world through Christ Jesus, the Son of God. In it and through Him we have a freedom, a freedom which the emancipated Jews did not appreciate. "I am" has spoken once more. May we hear His voice.

Let us pray: O God, the author of Light, we thank Thee that Thou hast taken us out of darkness and into Thy light. Help us by Thy Holy Spirit to receive this Light that we may live unto eternity. In Jesus' name and for His sake we pray. Amen.

Report From Lund

By Dr. Johs. Knudsen

First of all I wish to report that I have completed the second one of my missions by attending the Third World Conference on Faith and Order at Lund, Sweden, as the official delegate of the Danish Lutheran Church. It was a valuable and enriching experience and I appreciate the opportunity to take part.

As a general report and summary of the conference no individual delegate's knowledge and expression can hope to equal the official release, and I am therefore forwarding this statement for your information and edification. It includes an important "Word to the Churches" which I hope will be read by all.

The actual report of the conference, which is a combination of the work of five different sections, is quite lengthy and so concentrated that it is impossible to do more justice to it in a brief report than the analysis of the above mentioned release. It will

be available in print so that it can be read by all those who are interested (and I hope this will include all our pastors), and I look forward to giving a more detailed analysis for those who have interest in further study.

I would like to add, however, a few personal impressions of the conference in general. It was quite different from the conference at Hannover and it is not quite fair to compare the two. Each had their advantages and I am glad that I attended both. I also appreciate the fact that they came in the order that they did.

There was a friendly and intimate atmosphere about Lund. We met in the cozy little university in the shadow of the magnificent old cathedral and we rubbed elbows in an uninhibited way. Especially at meal-time in the student union we had a chance to get acquainted and to exchange views. Much of the per-

sonal advantage lay in this opportunity to get a personal impression of many of the great church leaders of our time. Our sections were of a convenient size and were unhampered by the spectators which were a nuisance at Hannover. We had ample time to work and discuss so that we got beyond the formality and tenseness of being strangers to one another and could settle down to earnest and hard work.

The general atmosphere was one of friendly cooperation and there were no bitter clashes. This does not mean, however, that expression was guarded. To the contrary, it was surprisingly frank. The main cause for this is that "Faith and Order" discussions have been going on for a long time. Differences are by now well known and there is no point in concealing them. There are those who expressed the belief that such discussions have now outlived their usefulness, but for me and all other "freshmen" at the meeting it was a valuable experience to hear all the frank statements. The historical separations and the theological differences of which we had reading knowledge now stood before us in human form and were expressed in living words.

"Faith and Order" is only one of the two main movements. It is the theological one. The other, "Life and Work," or the practical one, got started in Stockholm in 1925. "Faith and Order" followed it at Lausanne in 1927. Both met again in 1937, the one at Oxford and the other at Edinburgh. The two movements were merged to form the World Council of Churches in 1948, and at that time our church had joined. It was represented at Amsterdam by Rev. Alfred Jensen.

The formation of the World Council did not do away with the necessity of the Faith and Order work, on the contrary. The fact that Amsterdam made bold statements about belonging together and staying together made it quite necessary that further studies should be made, not only of the elements that united and separated the churches but of the very nature of the church itself. It was this study of the church that had been assigned to Lund and which had been prepared by several theological commissions. And it was this study which we undertook in our two-weeks session. The section to which I was assigned gave special concern to the problem of the continuity and discontinuity of the church.

The greatest obstacle to church unity is formed by contradictory concepts of the authority of the church and the validity of its acts. On the one hand the so-called "Catholic" churches, i. e. the Anglican (Episcopal) and the Greek Orthodox, maintain the importance and necessity of the office of the bishop who has his authority from the Apostolic church through an unbroken succession. The exclusive necessity of this office is denied by the so-called "Free Churches," as for instance Baptists, Congregationalists, and Disciples, who maintain the authority of congregations and individuals as guided by the Holy Spirit. In this conflict lies the greatest problem and it was the most strongly debated at Lund. No solution has yet been found to the problem, but it was quite evident that some progress has been made. On the one hand, the

"Free Churches" concede that they must pay more attention to the historical continuity of the church, and on the other hand, the "Catholic" groups are willing to recognize and cooperate with the others even though they do not yet recognize fully their ministry. It was encouraging to see the efforts to understand one another, but there is still a tragic and basic difference between the groups.

The significance of Lund was not that we came up with a new formula to which everyone could subscribe so that differences were magically melted away. It was rather that we ground away at our problems so that we arrived at better understanding. There was not only criticism of others but there was much self-scrutiny and confession of shortcomings. The basic sentiment was one of cooperation. Eventually such grinding will give greater results, but there is still a long way to go.

The most dynamic influence at the conference and the most challenging was the voice of the younger churches, i. e. the churches of Asia and Africa. Repeatedly they told us of the urgency of church union in the face of the world's great tensions, and repeatedly they called attention to the sin of maintaining differences whose main cause is found in historical situations long past and passed. No one was left unimpressed and unmoved by their challenge and many of the favorable results came as a result of their pressure.

Hardly less urgent and even more sensational was the message of representatives from behind the iron curtain. They also live in urgency and under tension. But they were sharply divided in their attitude toward their political rulers and brought into sharp focus the great political issue of our time.

Of significance was also the fact that we worshipped together and that we participated in the communion services under the auspices of the Church of Sweden. The joy over the fellowship of this event is tempered, however, by the knowledge that the Anglican recognition of the Church of Sweden probably makes this the only place where all could commune together. Let us hope that the shame of broken communion soon will be lifted from the church.

Let me close with an expression of appreciation for the fact that I was given the privilege of representing our church at the two great ecumenical gatherings of 1952.

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Chaplain Verner Hansen Appeals For Help

Chaplain Verner Hansen is in Korea. He is serving faithfully in the capacity of bringing spiritual help and guidance to the young men in the U. S. service. However, our chaplain is not only conscious of the task which is his officially. He is challenged every day with the tragic conditions of the Korean people, and especially the children who have been left homeless because of the horrors of war.

The editor of "Lutheran Tidings" has just received the following appeal from Chaplain Verner Hansen. He writes that he has for some time debated whether he should send such an appeal to the folks at home, but he has now decided to do so. And we feel certain that there will be many who will respond immediately to this appeal. This then is our chaplain's appeal:

"Korean orphans are everywhere. Many are able to shift for themselves, by living on the lowest of standards, and by stealing what they can lay their hands on. But survival alone is not enough and these blameless victims of a bewildering war deserve some of the happiness which only material things can bring.

The "2nd Infantry Division" has established an orphanage for 85 of these youngsters with a hope to expand as time goes by. The men of the Division give freely to this cause each payday and there seems to be plenty of money available for its support right here in the Division.

But money can only buy a few things here in this tragic land—food, fuel and a few pieces of clothing. With Christmas approaching these children ought to know the joy of ownership and the pride of possession. One small doll could turn a sad countenance into a glowing smile which would recur day after day.

Perhaps some individuals, or church groups, could find the means and the time to wrap a few toys (they need not be new) and send them to these lonely children. They are of all ages, so any variety of plaything would find an elated user immediately.

The address:

**Friendship Home Committee
%Chaplain Verner Hansen
23d Infantry Regiment
APO 248—%P. M.
San Francisco, California**

Gifts intended for the soldiers themselves (candy, olives, sardines, etc.) can be sent directly to me and will be delivered to the men in the bunkers and foxholes and outposts where they are most unavailable and thus most appreciated."

Your editor suggests that our Sunday schools make this a project immediately. And our women's groups will naturally respond also. Any U. S. Postmaster can give details on the approximate postage on packages; and foreign money order can be bought at any P. O. or bank.

Editor.

Letter From Denmark

I am writing this in a beautiful garden which runs down to the shore of Øresund. The sun is shining and the blue waters of the sound are dotted with hundreds of white sails. It is a lovely valley setting. But a few miles away thousands of military men are engaged in maneuvers. It is not easy to forget that we are close to the iron curtain and the threat of war. More than ever, we need to understand one another. My assignment here is to further good will by telling the Danish people of everyday living in America.

In a few days, Arne Sorensen, the author and lecturer, will visit America. He has been there before and I know few people with a more sympathetic

understanding of America than he. Since 1949 he has visited many European countries and he will now live in America for some time. He will visit some of our communities and is willing to lecture either in Danish or English. He speaks excellent English. We have heard him several times at Tyler, and I recommend him most heartily. Congregations and other groups wanting to hear him between October 1 and Christmas, may write him Care of Grand View College. You will not be disappointed in hearing him.

I hope to write more about my trip. So far I have been swamped with invitations to lecture.

Best greetings to all friends!

Enok Mortensen

The District I Workshop

At Newark, New Jersey, May 3, 1952

By Einar Anderson, District Secretary

The District Workshop of the 1st or Eastern District was held this year at Bethesda Church, Newark, New Jersey. Every congregation in the district, with the exception of Trinity congregation in the Bronx, was represented at this meeting, a more complete representation than we had at the first district workshop two years ago.

The meeting opened at 9:30 A. M. with morning devotions by Pastor Willard Garred, after which at 10 A. M. the first topic for discussion, "Stewardship and Evangelism," was introduced by Mr. Viggo Nielsen of the Bridgeport congregation.

Mr. Nielsen began by saying that to him, Stewardship and Evangelism were but two aspects of the same thing and were really one and the same. If we are good stewards we are also good evangelists. If we are good evangelists, we are also good stewards. No one can very well be one thing and not the other, or, be in favour of one thing and against the other. Stewardship and Evangelism go together as one unit and together equal effective discipleship.

What have we done in district I in the way of being good stewards and good evangelists? We are certainly far below the standard where we should be. If we wish to know what is lacking and how to remedy it, the answer is right in our hymn books in Christian Østergaard's well known hymn: "Lord, I wish to be Thy servant." That is the answer. Mr. Nielsen at this point read the hymn to us.

Then he recalled some words which the son of Governor Youngdahl of Minnesota, speaking some time ago in Bridgeport, had impressed on his hearers. When it is necessary for a Christian to make a decision, what is the rational thing for him to do? As a believer in Christ, let him ask himself this one question: **What would Jesus do?** The answer to that question will be the answer to his problem.

Mr. Nielsen didn't evade or attempt to disguise what I am sure all of us knew very well but are prone to apologize for, explain away, or even ignore, that our attitude in regards to the work of the church is entirely too "practical and materialistic" and bears little relationship to what we all profess and ask each time we sing that hymn: "Lord, I wish to be Thy servant." Often to get the necessary funds to make even the most needed repairs and improvements to the church property, we have to ask people to "give till it hurts." How can we give "till it hurts" when we are giving for God's work? The late S. D. Rodholm said, when collecting funds for Grand View College, "don't give till it hurts—give till it makes you happy." That is how we should give when we give to the church. And what use is it to keep talking about possible sacrifices and hardships ministers and their families must often endure, financially and otherwise? How are we going to get young men from our congregations to decide to go into the ministry if they see that the pastor of their church has little happiness or satisfaction in his work there?

Mr. Nielsen then mentioned the Stewardship Manual prepared by the Stewardship Committee of our synod as an excellent guide for getting evangelism and stewardship past the talking stage. It does not need to be followed slavishly, each church will have to apply it in various ways to answer its own special circumstances, problems and needs. But the general blueprint is provided in this manual and it merits careful study. He mentioned also the "Share the Work, Share the Joy" plan worked out by Rev. Richard Sorensen and used in his congregation with a good deal of success. In Bridgeport, they had gone to work on this plan several months previously. Every member of the congregation is on one of four general committees with each committee forming its own subcommittee to tackle special problems or projects.

Mr. Nielsen closed by reminding us (for we all know about these things, and in a certain sense accept them as true, of course) that Christian Stewardship is not some sort of a materialistic pep campaign to get more money but the recognition that God is the universal owner. All things rightfully and really belong to Him alone either by right of creation or redemption or by both. All things, both eternal and temporal, without exception. In reality, nothing belongs to us. What we possess is only a part of God's possessions which, in one way or another, He has entrusted to us. He has entrusted His gifts to men—life, abilities, time, wealth, and everything else. It is all in reality only that which God has entrusted to men of His possessions to use not merely for themselves and their own but also for God and His purposes. We are to administer that which God has entrusted to us for the purposes for which God has entrusted them to us. Viewed in this light stewardship and its other aspect, evangelism, bringing those without into the way of salvation, equals Christian discipleship and nothing less.

During the discussion that followed, the following thoughts were brought out: Everything we give to our local church is in a certain sense for ourselves. What about our fellow men outside of the church? We are stewards there also. In other words, Stewardship and Evangelism are in reality only two words for the same thing, namely, serving Christ. The object in getting new members must never be: what can we get out of them?, but, what can we do for them? The first and all important thing is to get them into the Kingdom of God not simply into church membership and nothing else. Many feel this is the minister's job. But it is also the job of every Christian. Everyone is called to be a disciple.

The delegate of one congregation said they had formed an evangelism committee but that it had failed. The reason given was that it had seemed to all to be merely a membership drive committee. In other words, it had failed because it had not been

placed on the basis of getting citizens for God's Kingdom first and foremost.

Another delegate said that a church board can spend four hours talking about a new plumbing installation, etc. The church board should be, first and foremost, the chief evangelism and stewardship committee of the congregation. In regards to the ever present financial problem of churches not supported by the state, as they are in Europe, the question of tithing was brought up with examples from 7th Day Adventist and other such "extremist" congregations with which some pastors and delegates were acquainted. While we Lutherans sit and smile at them and are always begging for money, they have no financial problems. Are they in reality more zealous for and faithful to the Lord's work than we? They are willing to give one tenth of their income to God's work. Lutherans won't hear of such a thing. And yet we consider them to be not quite up to our standard! A suggestion was made that instead of the tithe, the very suggestion of which makes us uncomfortable, what would happen if each member were willing to give one week's wages to the church each year as his annual pledge. That would be only 2%, not 10% of the year's income. Impossible? But in view of what we **know** (but fail to act upon), can we really give less and call ourselves good stewards? It was brought out several times that talking about money is not "materialistic" and that this word, too often heard in this connection, is only a means of evading what we really know is our responsibility as stewards, not owners, of God's gifts.

After lunch, served by the ladies of the Newark congregation, we returned for the first afternoon session.

Our Synodical Obligations

Our district president, Pastor Viggo Hansen, presented the topic: "Our Synodical Obligations."

Pastor Hansen began by saying that if people understood why money was needed, it would be easy enough to get it. The main trouble is that our congregations on the outer districts of the synod don't know as much as they should about the working of the synod. Therefore they sometimes have a difficult time understanding why so much money (really not so **very** much after all) must go to the synod. The best way to understand what the money is used for is to attend the synodical conventions but too few from our district wish to make the long trip at convention time. And money is not the beginning and end of our synodical obligations and responsibilities. More than that, it is a matter of taking an active interest in and supporting in various ways the various types of work conducted by and within the synod.

The experience of fellowship with the other congregations of the synod is the first and foremost benefit from attending these annual conventions. Only then can we really experience the fact that we are all working together as one group and not simply living our own life as isolated congregations. And beyond the realization that we are all part of one

church group must be the realization that this church group to which we belong is only one part of the Universal Christian Church and that we must do **our** part as a branch of this One Church and not fail in **our** part of the work.

In regards to Lutheran World Action, our synod went "over the top" last year. But that was only because some congregations were willing to pay what some of our congregations wouldn't pay. Do we **have** to support Lutheran World Action? The synod can't compel the congregations to do so. The members of the congregations can't be compelled to do so. But we withdrew once from the National Lutheran Council because our members wouldn't support it. Then we realized that we were completely isolated from the work of the Lutheran churches in this country. After a while, we rejoined the National Lutheran Council. If we want to withdraw from the work of our fellow Lutherans we will soon find that we are completely isolated. That is the answer to the question: do we **have** to support Lutheran World Action?

Pastor Hansen then went to work on the statistics sent in by our congregations to the synod. They were really marvellous statistics in some cases, he said. Then he went into the details, which led into the general discussion.

At this point, the district secretary feels it will be best to draw the merciful curtain of censorship over certain eastern district irregularities in the hope that the delegates present see what can be done about things during the coming year.

Suffice it to say that a contributing member as far as the synod is concerned is anyone who gives anything at all while all of our congregations draw a certain line, employing various devices for cutting down the paying membership total to that line. Since no two congregations are using the same subterfuges, it is no wonder that Pastor Hansen who must look through the statistics before they are sent to the district statistician, could describe them as "marvellous."

It became rather amusing since the delegates of each congregation apparently believed that theirs was the only guilty party. Finally, when one delegate had the courage to confess, one after the other got up courage to make a humble confession.

The question of Lutheran World Action again is something where the censorship will be invoked. Most of our congregations, but not all, have done fairly well. Some have not. There was a good deal of discussion on this, pro and con. One point should be mentioned. Pastor Hansen informed us that during the war when the missions of the Danish Church were left stranded because no money could be sent to them from Denmark, Lutheran World Action sent a total of \$400,000 to India and kept these missions going until the end of the war made it possible for the Danish Church to resume its mission work. This contribution from Lutheran World Action to the Danish missions exceeds the total amount yet contributed by our synod to Lutheran World Action.

In regards to giving in general; Lutheran World Action synodical obligations, congregational obligations, etc., it was stated by someone: "don't tell them

how much to give—tell them to ask God how much they should give.”

The Christian And His Daily Work

After coffee, we returned for the second afternoon session.

Mr. Christian Jensen of Hartford was the speaker at this session giving an account of the Conference on "The Christian and his daily work" held at the Statler Hotel, Buffalo, New York, last February which Mr. Jensen attended as the lay representative of our synod together with Rev. Peter Thomsen.

This general conference, at which virtually every Protestant denomination was represented either by delegates or observers, cut through all denominational barriers in the effort to bring a united Christian witness to bear on the problems confronting our nation today. It was universal in scope not only in being conducted above all denominational lines but in that people representing every occupation in America were present, clergy, professors and college presidents, business men, labor leaders, farmers and so on through the list. In addition, there were 56 representatives from Canada and many European observers. All of these, in general sessions and the committee and subcommittee meetings following added their views and learned the views of others in what possibly was the largest and most comprehensive forum of Protestant Christian thought concerning the bearing of Christianity on daily life which has ever been held.

A short summary of Mr. Jensen's report follows, representing a summary of the main conclusions arrived at by this conference:

Our nation today is not in an enviable position despite the high volume of employment, high wages and etc.

The condition of our national and many of our state and city governments is well known enough through the daily papers. Beneath all this, there is something more serious, of which public corruption is only a symbol, since, if there was an awakened public opinion instead of a general apathy, these conditions could not exist.

In the old days, labor was a matter of skill and creative work. The worker created something, from the first beginnings to its end as a finished product and took pride in his workmanship. Now the worker is only a cog in a vast production machine, turning out one little part of the finished product without any interest in the matter other than to get his pay check as the reward for a week's monotony. With the disappearance of creative work, pride and interest has given way to drudgery and indifference. The worker is an automaton. He works today to eat tomorrow, he eats today to work tomorrow. His home is a filling station where he eats so that he can go out and forget the boredom of daily work in whatever amusements are available to him. Such a person doesn't care much about how the government of his nation, state and city is conducted. On the other hand, he will be ready to listen and be easily taken in by any false promises made by irresponsible demagogues that might seem to promise some improvement of his

own condition. Relations between capital and labor are conducted over a barrier of self interest on both sides.

What is actually wrong, a wrong which can not be either lessened or cured by political or economic problems, is that in our American life God has become a vague concept no longer really taken into consideration.

That is the explanation for our social injustice, troubles between labor and management, and the present state of corruption in public life, and its cause, public apathy.

The individual and the nation needs God 7 days a week, not one hour on Sunday. God and His way of life must be taken into account in all conferences between labor and management, all business concerns, and all political concerns, not just acknowledged and then forgotten while more "practical" considerations dominate the proceedings.

But who is going to put this into effect? Shall the Church interfere in the ways of the world, even in politics? The answer given by the Buffalo conference is a loud and unmistakable YES. The current situation it feels is due to the fact that the Church has been too ready and willing to exist in a vacuum and Christian laymen as well as ministers satisfied to restrict their Christian faith and its practice to one hour on Sunday morning.

Shall the Church interfere with the world? The answer given is that if it doesn't, the world will sooner or later begin to interfere with the Church. Germany learned that the hard way. Furthermore, there is no other organization in the world that can change things for the better.

The Christian laity especially must carry their Christian principles into the life of the world with determination. God and the way of life He has revealed to us through Christ must be brought into all labor-management relations, into labor unions and into business, and, above all, into politics. The main question in regards to any candidate for public office should be, not, is he a Republican?, or, is he a Democrat? but, is he trying to put Christian principles into practice?

An aroused Christian laity committed to Christian principles could bring a change in the social, economic and political life of the nation.

This; to translate Christian principles into actuality in the life of this and all other nations, the Conference feels is the challenge of this century, the alternative being—no one dares to say, but it is not difficult to imagine since the anti-Christian forces are far from weak and we have already had the opportunity of seeing nations captured by an anti-Christian philosophy in our own time.

It is a question of Christian stewardship, of the Christian vocation, which can be and must be exercised by every Christian in whatever walk of life and occupation he finds himself.

The presentation of this report by Mr. Jensen was so absorbing that we were all happy to let the final discussion period go, especially since the topics planned

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Our Women's Work

Mrs. Johanne Lillehøj, Kimballton, Iowa
Editor

The Woman's Mission Society Of The Danish Lutheran Church of America

Minutes of the Business Session of The Woman's
Mission Society held in Omaha, Nebraska,
August 16th, 1952

The members of the W.M.S. assembled in the Senior Chapel of The Dundee Presbyterian Church, August 16, at 6:30 P. M.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Ida Egede.

The Secretary's minutes of the meeting in Tyler, Minnesota were read and approved.

The Treasurer's mimeographed reports were distributed, which indicated a balance of \$1,573.83; of this amount \$522.23 was credited to the Home Missions Fund.

Representatives from the Churches of (Bethania) Racine, Wisconsin, Greenville, Michigan and Hay Springs, Nebraska, to which gifts had been sent, brought greetings and expressed appreciation for the help rendered their building projects. Rev. Erik Moller told briefly how the Congregation in Hay Springs had built their new parsonage. The men, all farmers, with volunteer help had completed the building and the women had done the painting.

Rev. Halvdan Knudsen, Los Angeles, California, thanked for the gift sent to The Solvang Lutheran Home, told of progress of the building program and encouraged individual support.

Mrs. Egede, President, informed us the clothing drive for South Slesvig was discontinued. 170 tons of clothing had been shipped by way of New York City. Mrs. Elsie Stub, in charge of shipping, had written a personal thanks to W.M.S. for the assistance given.

The Womans Missionary Society was asked to continue the clothing drive for Lutheran World Relief.

We decided to continue our project of Home Missions for another year, which had been adopted at the meeting in Tyler, Minnesota one year ago.

The President stated "we have done well during the last year, but we can and should do better, by starting sooner."

The wives of The Candidates for Ordination, Mrs. Harry Andersen, Mrs. Vincent Ligouri, Mrs. Carlo Petersen, Mrs. Harold Petersen, also the wife of Rev. George Melby, were introduced and bade a hearty welcome into the fellowship of The W.M.S.

Mrs. Egede and Mrs. Seeley Knudstrup, honorary president, told of having attended meetings of the Council of Church Women in Des Moines, Iowa and Manistee, Michigan. They related what this organization is doing, emphasizing the observance of the world day of prayer and world community day. Another project of this organization is aid to the mission

among sharecroppers and migrant workers, gifts to the Indian Schools of New Mexico and aid to foreign students.

Mrs. Ardis Petersen, Askov, Minnesota, business manager of Child's Friend, thanked for the gifts sent for promotional purposes. She related the effort of getting the paper into every home where there are children.

It was voted to give the offering at the evening session of the W.M.S. to The Church Extension Fund (the amount received was \$305.00).

The election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. Gertrude D. Sorensen, Chicago, Illinois, (relected); Mrs. Mildred Sorensen, Nysted, Nebraska, Secretary (relected); Mrs. Fylla Kildegaard, Des Moines, Iowa, Treasurer (relected); Mrs. Johanna Lillehøj, Kimballton, Iowa, Editor of Woman's Page, Lutheran Tidings, asked to be relieved of this duty. Miss Amelia Stockholm, Chicago, Illinois, was elected to succeed Mrs. Lillehøj.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 P. M.

Mrs. Gertrude D. Sorensen,
Secretary Pro Tem.

News Letter From Cordova

It seems quite a long time since the Women's Page has had news from our group here in Cordova.

We feel that we have had a busy year with our numerous projects. It all began last winter when we had a new altar picture installed in our church. It is so beautiful that we all felt that the rest of the church needed a lot of renewing to match it. One thing led to another and before we were through we had redecorated the entire interior of the church, refinished the floor, and laid down a new aisle carpet. The altar has new velvet, and one of our members, Mrs. Nels Thompson, who is very proficient with the crochet hook, has crocheted a beautiful new altar cloth.

Everyone helped and I think we all enjoyed working together to beautify our little church. The men did most of the work but the Ladies' Aid provided most of the funds. The parsonage also came in for its share of redecorating.

Our May meeting was a festive occasion. Mrs. Jorgensen had invited us to meet at the parsonage. We invited anyone who we thought might enjoy the afternoon with us. The entertainment committee provided a Mother's Day program and Rev. Jorgensen spoke to us on the significance of Mother's Day. He emphasized the importance of keeping the day free of the commercializing influence which mars so many of our holidays. The proceeds from the "silver tea" which followed the program, was sent to our branch of W.M.S. for the Home Missions project. We have no organized Mission group, but we have occasional meetings devoted to the discussion of Mission work.

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Paging Youth

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

Editor: Thorvald Hansen, Rt. 1, Atlantic, Iowa

Gullible's Travels

In the film, "Bend In The River," there is a scene in which some men are loading a boat with supplies to be shipped upstream on the Columbia to a new colony in the Pacific Northwest. Among the items on the dock are some apple seedlings. Noting that one of the workers is handling the young seedlings carelessly the overseer yells at him, "Hey you! Take it easy on those plants,—don't you know them are apple trees?" The worker stares incredulously at his boss and retorts, "Apple trees? Haw! Them ain't apple trees; I saw one onc't and it was bigger'n a house!"

Well, maybe there's a difference between apple trees. But I'll lay you odds that if the guy who pulled that boner was to take a trip to the orchard country around Wenatchee or Yakima today, he'd be surprised. It's grewsome. The seedling, that is.

Reminds me of the Sunday school boy who was asked by his teacher, "Do you know who made you the way you are?" The little boy came right back with, "God made me very little, but since then I've grew some."

Anyway, it made me think how hard it really is to imagine some old folks as ever having been seedlings. Seems like the older we get the more we tend to lose the characteristics of developmental growth. We're time-building creatures and become the victims of our own habits. Not long ago we read in these pages about one who belonged to that rather rare species who succeeded in identifying himself with youth and young ideas until his death. He liked to call himself "Bundy." I'm glad I knew him, because he helps me to believe in something we all need to realize.

There's not much use in trying to cover up our wrinkles with make-up. Takes quite a bit sometimes. And anyway, those who do are working at the wrong dimension of life. We do have more than one dimension. We have at least three: physical, mental and spiritual. I wonder why we try so hard to stay LOOKING young, when the dimensions that are really important are the other two? We let ourselves grow old, even die, in these two realms because we think no one can "see" them.

Sometimes, though, they are the only ones we ever see. We've all known dolls and casanovas who were devoid of personality. Beautiful but dumb! Add to that combination a void in the third dimension of life—and where is the beauty? Skin deep only, and obscured by inner—I almost said ugliness. But how can a vacuum be ugly? When it is supposed to be filled! It is like looking at your wheat field after

the grasshoppers went through it in the thirties. What was supposed to be ain't. That's ugly.

There's another fellow I've been reading about who had this idea. I expect you'll think he's kind of a radical. Anyhow he had the idea that the spiritual dimension of life is its final determinant. In other words, if rigor pneumos sets in you're done for, even though you might live on for some time in the physical and mental dimensions. He was quite perplexed by and concerned about the fact that people in his day were more worried about rigor mortis than rigor pneumos. I guess it's quite natural for us to be afraid to die, and we seem to be as scared of the guy who wields a heavy stick today as they were. Maybe he was born a thousand—or three thousand years too soon. At least he knew more than his contemporaries about fundamentals. He saw the eternal qualities of spiritual life and at the same time he was aware of its vulnerability.

Well, he was killed himself, in order to demonstrate, I surmise, that death physically is not the worst thing that can happen to one. And you know, I believe he's right about that. Don't you?

Anonymous.

Tentative Program

FIFTH ANNUAL DAYPL WORKSHOP

Grand View College, Des Moines, Iowa
October 24-26

Thursday, October 23

2:00 p. m.—Semi-Annual Board meeting of DAYPL.

Friday, October 24

- 1:30 p. m.—Opening Devotional—Pastor Gudmund Petersen.
- 1:50 p. m.—Orientation and Get-Acquainted.
- 2:10 p. m.—Operations India—Ruth Jacobsen and Solveig Egede.
- 2:30 p. m.—Hannover Youth Convention—Herluf M. Jensen.
- 3:15 p. m.—Relations to other Lutheran groups—W. Clayton Nielsen.
- 3:30 p. m.—Refreshments—by Iowa District Youth.
- 4:00 p. m.—The United Christian Youth Movement—Its Aims, Objectives, and Our Relation To It—Ruth Jacobsen.
- 4:30 p. m.—Reports from the District Presidents, followed by discussion of district and local problems.
- 5:45 p. m.—Supper.
- 7:00 p. m.—Group singing.
- 7:20 p. m.—Preliminary Assignment of Committees for the Annual Business Meeting.
- 7:40 p. m.—Planning Your Programs: Presentation of DAYPL Materials—Ronald Jespersen and Ellen Thomsen. Division into groups for actual planning of programs, followed by an outline of the planned presentation.
- 9:00 p. m.—Recreation.
- 9:50 p. m.—Refreshments, followed by evening devotional.

Saturday, October 25

- 8:00 a. m.—Morning Devotional—by youth.
- 8:20 a. m.—Publications of DAYPL.
- 8:20 a. m.—Paging Youth—Thorvald Hansen.
- 8:40 a. m.—Yule—Harris Jespersen.
- 9:00 a. m.—A World of Song—Howard Christensen.
- 9:10 a. m.—Duties of District and Local Officers.
- 9:10 a. m.—Presidents—President of Great Plains District.

Annual Convention

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Dr. Paul C. Empie, Executive Director of the National Lutheran Council, addressed the convention Thursday afternoon, 1:15 o'clock. Dr. Empie, who had attended the Hannover Conference, had returned to the United States just a few days before the convention. He had been on a tour in Yugoslavia, had attended the Lutheran World Federation Assembly in Hannover, Germany, and then later was a part of the post-Hannover meetings in Berlin, where participants in the Assembly reported to Lutherans in East Germany who could not attend because of the Communist government's imposed travel restrictions.

In bringing his greeting to the convention, Dr. Empie said that the Hannover Assembly "laid a firm basis for the years ahead, even though no world-shaking decisions were arrived at." The Assembly, he explained, interpreted to Americans as well as to others the need for continued sacrifice in world service, dramatized the world-wide character of the Lutheran Church, and created genuine fellowship between churchmen of 52 nations.

According to the NLC director, the Assembly's keynote was struck by Dr. Hanns Lilje, newly elected president of the Federation, who at the opening serv-

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- 9:20 a. m.—Vice-Presidents—Jim Jorgensen, Hampton, Iowa.
 9:30 a. m.—Secretaries—Dorene Andersen, Marquette, Nebr.
 9:40 a. m.—Treasurers—Ellen Thomsen, Minneapolis, Minn.
 9:50 a. m.—Refreshments—Great Plains District.
 10:10 a. m.—Christian Vocations—"What Will You Do With Your Life." Introduction—Pastor Thorvald Hansen. Discussion Leader—To be announced. Unit Leaders—Pastor Ronald Jespersen, Pastor Stephen Mogensen, Pastor Charles Terrell, Pastor Vagn Duus, Pastor C. A. Stub.
 12:00 noon—Luncheon.
 1:15 p. m.—Annual Business Session of DAYPL.
 Secretary's Report.
 Treasurer's Report.
 President's Report.
 Old Business.
 New Business.
 Elections—President and Treasurer.
 Adoption of Budget.
 3:30 p. m.—Refreshments—Northern Lights District.
 4:00 p. m.—Completion of Business.
 4:30 p. m.—Our Annual Calendar—Harris Jespersen.
 4:45 p. m.—Question Period—Discussion of Additional Problems.
 6:00 p. m.—"Banquet."
 8:00 p. m.—Program at Grand View College by the student body.

Sunday, October 26

- 8:30 a. m.—Group Bible study—Subject: "Youth and Prayer."
 10:45 a. m.—Worship Service, with emphasis on Youth.
 12:00 noon—Dinner and Farewell.

N. B. This program is tentative, subject to acceptance of responsibilities by speakers. All who expect to attend should register with Rev. W. Clayton Nielsen, Withee, Wis., by October 15 if at all possible. Housing will be in the college dormitories, so please bring sheets, pillow case, blanket and towel. The only costs will be for food and housing. All district officers, all pastors, and two delegates from each society are entitled to vote.

ice declared, "We are gathered not in parade but on a battlefield."

Dr. Empie pointed out how the National Lutheran Council has been able, due to the generous gifts through Lutheran World Action to help several million refugees for resettlement in our country and other countries. He told the convention, that our office in New York is consulted again and again by the State Department in Washington in regard to the refugee situation. "Only yesterday," he said, "we had a telephone call from the State Department to name a Lutheran on the International Refugee Commission." Due to the fact that we work together as Lutherans of eight church bodies, we can be recognized and can accomplish something.

Dr. Empie pointed out that our Lutheran Chaplains have high rating because of their fine work. We have been told repeatedly that the armed forces have a high regard for the Lutheran Chaplains.

Dr. Empie told the convention about the "little Hannover" meeting in Berlin, which gave the delegates and visitors from America and other parts of the world a unique experience. This meeting was originally planned for the benefit of East German Lutherans who could not afford to travel to the LWF Assembly. Because of the Communist-imposed ban and the growing tension in East Germany, the meeting "assumed double importance." The Lutheran meeting at Johannesstift in Spandau, East Berlin, was attended by some 180 official delegates from the Soviet Zone of Germany, and so many visitors that the assembly hall and the chapel could not room all.

In closing Dr. Empie expressed his sincere appreciation to the convention for the splendid support given by our synod year after year to the Lutheran World Action, and he told the convention audience that the tests ahead of us may be greater than what we have already met; but going forth in the same faith revealed by the Lutherans of America during these crucial years, we shall also experience greater joy in giving in service and in living with our fellowmen.

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The Committee on Lutheran Church Relations had presented a very complete report to the convention especially in regard to the question of possible affiliation with the United Lutheran Church in America. A congregational Opinion Poll had been taken in a large number of the congregations of the synod, and the results of this Poll was also available to the convention.

The Findings Committee for the above report, presented to the convention its report and a thorough and very enlightening discussion followed.

It was announced that the Opinion Poll which had been conducted throughout the synod had given a comparatively small total votes on the matter, and that the result of same revealed an approximately 50-50 vote on the question in regard to the total num-

ber of votes in favor of affiliation and those opposed to it.

After a lengthy discussion, a substitute motion was presented by Rev. A. E. Frost, and after being amended and re-written, was voted on in the following form:

"Whereas the eight Lutheran church bodies of the National Lutheran Council for many years have cooperated most effectively in world wide Christian action on a basis of mutual understanding and recognition of one another's confessional stand,

"Be it therefore resolved: that the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America discontinue the investigation of a basis for affiliation with the United Lutheran Church of America, and

"That the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America support further development of the National Lutheran Council into a federation of the eight Lutheran bodies."

This motion was voted down with an overwhelming majority, 32 in favor, 228 opposed, 10 blank votes.

Another substitute motion was now presented and adopted as the final result of our discussion:

"That the convention instruct the synodical committee on Lutheran Church Relations to continue negotiations with the U. L. C. A. during the next three years in order to gather additional information on many of the details involved, and that the committee submit a progress at the 1953 and 1954 conventions and a final report, including recommendations, for further action at the 1955 convention.

(Signed) Olaf Juhl, Harris A. Jespersen, A. E. Farstrup.

The discussion on this substitute motion was constructive and thought-provoking. Many varied opinions were expressed, but through the entire discussion was an expression of hope and conviction that we as a synod wish to be a part of the larger fellowship of Lutherans in America. Some expressed the view that it is late and we have been delayed in getting into the ever-growing Lutheran merger movement. Others advocated that we should make haste slowly. But it was evident that the convention was conscious of the value of Lutheran Unity, and that this movement is making its impact upon us.

After the closing of debate, a vote by ballot was taken and the substitute motion was voted on and carried. The substitute motion thus replaced Motion 1—in the Finding Committee's report. (This motion had advocated continued study by the synodical committee on Lutheran Church Relations, and to "prepare a complete plan for affiliation, to present same to all our congregations not later than March 1, 1953, and to submit this plan to the National Convention of the synod in 1953.")

Later Rev. O. S. Jorgensen presented the following motion: "That the Lutheran Church Relations Committee be instructed to present a digest of the Lutheran Church Unity movement in America in the Lutheran Tidings." This motion was adopted.

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The Annual Meeting of the Corporation of Grand View College and Grand View Seminary was held during certain periods of Friday and Saturday after the synodical convention each time had recessed,

in order to convene as a body of the above named annual meeting.

The Findings Committee of five members presented its report. We briefly mention some of the more important sections of this report as adopted:

"The committee notes with satisfaction the completion of the enlarged Board of Directors and hopes that inclusion of members from outside our own group will help to broaden our horizon and stimulate further interest in our school in the Des Moines community."

"The committee recognizes the valiant efforts of the Grand View College Alumni Association to aid Grand View College financially and hopes that it may continue its support and also work toward getting other friends of the college interested in supporting the school during the present crisis."

"The committee moves that thanks be expressed to Dr. Johannes Knudsen for his leadership of the College during the years 1942-52 and wholeheartedly supports the election of Dr. Knudsen as Dean of the Seminary.

"-----to thank Alfred C. Nielsen for having served as acting president of the College and Rev. A. C. Kildegaard as acting Dean of the Seminary in the absence of Dr. Knudsen.

"-----that the convention wholeheartedly approves the election of Dr. Ernest D. Nielsen as president of Grand View College.

"-----thanking Mr. Thorvald Lund and Rev. Einar Farstrup for their splendid work at the College, each in his own field."

The following motion was presented from the floor, signed by Rev. Ove R. Nielsen and Henry Jorgensen:

"We move that the By-Laws of Grand View College and Grand View Seminary be amended by deleting the words: 'The election of the president and the dean shall be approved by the annual meeting of the corporation.'"

Considerable discussion followed. Some contended that in giving the full powers to the Board of Directors of the College for the election of the president and the dean, we would thereby forfeit the right of final approval of the convention. It was argued that this would invite a trend away from a church owned and church controlled College to the condition of many other schools having had the same rating and now find themselves as only church-related Colleges in name. Others voiced their faith in the trust given to these men who are elected as the Board of Directors and felt that in submitting an annual report to the convention, the Board of Directors would soon sense and know the disapproval of the convention if a president or dean be chosen who could not entertain the favor and approval of the convention. The motion was adopted. The entire Findings Committee's Report was adopted.

At the Saturday session of the Corporation, Dr. Erling N. Jensen and Rev. Ronald Jespersen were elected to the Board of Directors for a period of 6 and 4 years respectively.

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Proposal No. II reading:

"Regardless of whether or not our Synod affiliates with the United Lutheran Church in America that Article II (Confession) of our Synodical Constitution be re-written so that it will conform with constitutions of other Lutheran Synods.

(Signed) St. Peter's Ev. Lutheran Church, Dwight, Ill."

After a brief discussion, the matter was referred to the Committee on Lutheran Church Relations.

The Board of Ministerial Training, Ordination and Jurisdiction in presenting its report had decided "that Ordination may be permitted, prior to the annual con-

vention if necessary and if considered feasible by the Ordainer." The Findings Committee recommended and the convention adopted the following:

"That with respect to the Board's decision regarding ordination prior to convention, that ordination of regularly called seminary graduates before full-time service begins in a congregation shall be definitely encouraged by the convention."

The Council of Religious Education in its report to the convention advocated further expansion of programs similar to the Midwest Conference on Religious Education held at Grand View College last October. The Findings Committee proposed and the convention adopted the following recommendation:

"That a committee of three, consisting of the chairman of the Council of Religious Education, a member of the synod board chosen by the synod board, and a member appointed by the chairman of this convention, study the advisability of a series of triennial conferences on various phases of our church work (Religious Education, Church Councils' problems and Women's Work) to be held each autumn, said committee to report to the 1953 synod convention."

The convention delegates and pastors were urged further to keep in mind the programs, the Film Library at G. V. C., etc., as constantly offered and recommended from offices of the Council of Religious Education.

The Committee on Liturgy in presenting its report to the convention had included a new proposed order of service for Confirmation, and on Wednesday evening a **Special Liturgy Service** was held with a new proposed Order of Service as worked out by the Liturgy Committee. This committee, Rev. Axel C. Kildegaard, Rev. Marius Krog and Rev. Holger P. Jorgensen, were in charge of the service, the latter giving the sermon on the theme, "The Thrill in Monotony." The committee in its report makes the following comment about the new order of service: "The specific wordings of some parts of the service will be studied further, but the basic structure of the service as it will be conducted is recommended." Undoubtedly many experienced through the service that there were improvements over the old service, although it is always difficult to give justice to a new experience in an order of service the first few times that one takes part in same. Rev. Jorgensen so definitely pointed out that difficulty in his sermon.

The convention voted to ask the Committee on Liturgy to make a further study on the Order of Confirmation, and to "recommend at next year's convention one preferred form of the Confession of Faith for liturgical usage in our churches."

The Board of Welfare in presenting its report gave a fine word-picture of work in various institutions of mercy within our synod. The convention voted its appreciation to all workers within this field, and upon recommendations from the Findings Committee the convention adopted the following statement:

"Recognizing that there is a growing need for nursing care for the old and infirm, the committee notes that there is a 'limited nursing help' at Valborgsminde (Old People's Home in Des Moines) and therefore recommends that the Board of Welfare take steps to remedy this situation at Valborgsminde and wherever it occurs in our welfare institutions."

(To be continued)

Greetings To The Convention

Many greetings came to the convention, We bring some of those which appeared in writing:

From Dr. A. Th. Dorf, Copenhagen, Denmark:

"My thoughts and prayers are with you. It is my hope that this important convention will have wisdom and courage to decide for an affiliation with the other Lutheran Church bodies, in order that our church may become a living part of them and share its spiritual life with them instead of leading a dying existence in a separatistic spirit. Isolation is death."

From Pastor M. F. Blichfeld, Rønshoved High School near Rinke, Denmark:

"We of the Committee on Danish-American Missions again this year send a greeting to the Synodical Board and the Convention."

"We are trying as far as possible to follow your work, even though the distance is great, and our churchly duties are very different from yours. But the Gospel is the same for all of us, wherever we live in this world, we ourselves have great need of it and would like to help others, according to our ability, to receive it and thereby come closer to God. We are surely united in our prayers that constantly more of our countrymen may feel themselves at home in the church of God by you as well as by us."

"The point which presumably is of greatest interest is the question of joining another of the Lutheran Synods in the Country. We hope for you that you may be successful in making the correct decision and find the right time for taking this step."

"We wish God's blessing upon the Convention, hoping it may aid you in your work in the service of the church, and that you may all know the joy of serving and of Christian fellowship."

"Regarding the publication 'Kirke og Folk' (Church and People), you have been sent a separate letter regarding this, so we only add that we shall be pleased to support the publication and will try to secure subscribers in Denmark."

"Friendly greetings to those taking part in the Annual Convention and to the Synodical Board. On behalf of the Committee."

From Pastor M. F. Blichfeld, Rønshoved High School near Rinke, Denmark:

"A group of Danes from the U. S. A. and former Danish-Americans living here are gathered for a meeting in Rønshoved High School and wish to send you all a hearty greeting from here, and we would like to add thereto the following thoughts which we are interested in:

"It has pleased us to see the new publication 'Kirke og Folk' (Church and People), and we sincerely hope that it may be of benefit as long as there is need for it, and that will surely be for a long time yet."

"The old tie through 'Dannevirke' between relatives of emigrants and friends of the Danish Church and you over there will be broken, when it cannot be carried on through a Danish publication. A publication in the American language cannot replace it, as most of those interested here in Denmark cannot read it to advantage."

"We who are gathered here send all of you many friendly greetings. On behalf of the Meeting."

"Dr. Alfred Jensen
Lutheran Convention
Dundee Presbyterian Church
Omaha, Nebr."

The Federation greets your church in convention. Thank God for your prayers and support.

Lutheran World Federation.

From Thorvald Hansen, Canwood, Saskatchewan, Canada:

"Just a greeting from Canwood as none from here will be at the Convention. The congregation of Canwood hereby expresses its sincere thanks and appreciation for all the

Synod has done for us in this field. With best wishes for a good Convention."

From H. Helweg, Helligaandskirken, Valkendorfsgade, Copenhagen, Denmark:

"At the convention now assembled in Omaha my thoughts and sincerest wishes will follow you all and all your work. May God give his blessings and spiritual strength to you and the many more or less important problems on which you have to decide this year. My best wishes and greetings."

From Pastor Harold Riber, Mary and Children, Kaerabani Santal High School, P. O. Kaerabani, Santal Parganas, Bihar, India:

"While reviewing the past year's work and making new plans for the coming one, Mary, the children, and I join you in prayer and ask for God's blessing upon you as you meet there in His Name.

"With 5 years and 12,500 miles separating us from personal contact, many of the current programmes and problems of the Home Church we are not fully acquainted with. But the basic problem of keeping individual and congregational spiritual conviction on a plane where God's love can radiate through us to others, is THE problem of the organized Church throughout the world. May all of your decisions, whether they be the election of officers and committees,—whether they be concerned with pensions, home mission, Y.P.S., inter-synodical relations, Lutheran World Action, publications, or Grand View College—may they all lead us on to a wider and deeper spiritual relationship with our God and our Saviour.

"Next year at this time we hope to be there with you at Convention time—renewing old and making new acquaintances. Thank you, one and all, for the prayerful support sent out to the Sister-Church here in India this past year."

Amsterdam, Holland.

Danish Lutheran Church, Convention
Omaha, Nebraska.

"GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES TO THE CONVENTION."
DANE.

(For the information of those who may not know, that Dane is Dr. Erling Jensen, Ames, Iowa, through several years convention chairman.)

Canwood, Saskatchewan.

Danish Lutheran Convention
Omaha, Nebraska.

"MY BEST WISHES FOR A FRUITFUL CONVENTION WITH GREETINGS."
WILHELM LARSEN.

Rev. Halvdan Knudsen
Danish Lutheran Church of America in Convention
Dundee Presbyterian Church

Greetings to the Convention from the Friendship Circle of Los Angeles. Good news just received to make first payment of \$100.00 for furniture for one room at the Solvang Lutheran Home.

Mathilde Jensen, Secretary.

Rev. Eilert Nielsen extended a greeting from his daughter Muriel, who is serving in the Santal Mission in India. A verbal greeting was also extended from Rev. and Mrs. Lerager in Brush, Colorado.

Dr. Ernest D. Nielsen extended a greeting from Bishop H. Fuglsang Damgaard.

News Letter From Cordova

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At our December meeting we voted to send \$25.00 to the jeep fund. We have had two clothing drives this year. Because we are gaining more knowledge of our neighbors across the sea, we are becoming more aware of our responsibilities towards those unfortunates who have lost so much.

At the present time our Ladies' Aid and the Stew-

ardship committee of our church are planning a special Sunday service in October. We plan to invite anyone who we think might wish to become members of our congregation. There will be a fellowship dinner at noon followed by an afternoon meeting where our delegates to the convention will give their reports. We hope it will be a festive day in every sense of the word. There is a Martha and a Mary in each one of us and it is important that each be given the rightful place in our lives.

Agnes Nelson.

Our Youth

I had the opportunity to attend the District IV church convention in Des Moines, which I want to say was a good meeting.

I was, however, a little disappointed at the lack of interest given to our District DAYPL there and previously.

Our young people of today will be called upon to be our pastors, missionaries and Christian workers of tomorrow. They need our help now—our interest and our cooperation.

Our young people show a decline in interest in DAYPL, but let us all consider first, the interests and cooperation in the homes, the home churches and community, before we blame our young folks, their mistakes and lack of interest and attendance in their district affairs.

I am sure a great deal of help is needed from local pastors to create interest in the local societies, and to help them become interested in district work.

Above all, surely the pastors of the district could arrange to meet at the District DAYPL Convention, with the young folks, give them one Sunday out of a year, to extend their help, support and interest. How can the young people continue their work without this help and encouragement?

Let us all help and pray for our young people. Remind them of the DAYPL National Convention in Des Moines, October 24-26, 1952.

May God bless and help them each and every one in their work.

A Delegate.

District Workshop

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for discussion had already been mentioned and discussed at the earlier sessions.

The District Workshop closed with supper served by the Newark ladies and all returned home with the feeling that an inspiring and thought provoking day had been spent at the Newark church.

Special thanks to the Newark congregation for their invitation and to the ladies of the Newark congregation for making such fine provision for our bodily sustenance and the fellowship around the table which goes with it, without which, even the best "spiritual food" would become a bit lacking in nourishment!

My apologies to the members of the eastern district and all the readers of Lutheran Tidings in general for being so slow in sending in this report. But it is hoped that the lateness in time will not detract from the interest of the occasion which was the second, and again, highly successful district workshop sponsored by our eastern district.

Again the above Report has had to wait because of Annual Convention Reports, etc.—Editor.

Army Chaplains Urgently Needed

A modern version of the Macedonian Call: "Come over and help us" has come to the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel from the Office of the Chief of Chaplains, Department of the Army.

This cry for help concerns the currently acute shortage of Army chaplains. The need for more chaplains has been very urgent for some time but it is becoming increasingly acute with each passing month.

Army Reserve chaplains who come on Extended Active Duty two and three years ago have and are completing their specified tours of duty and are returning to their civilian parishes. The chaplain spaces thus left vacant must be filled by new chaplain candidates drawn from civilian parishes. If these vacancies are not filled the young men and women serving in the Armed Forces at home and overseas will be denied the spiritual ministrations they are entitled to and which were promised them before they entered the services.

The Chief of Chaplains cannot fill these chaplain vacancies unless the Churches supply the candidates from their rosters of young pastors. Supplying chaplains is the responsibility of the Churches. They alone can solve the chaplain problem. One of our Lutheran chaplains stationed at one of our Armed Forces Recruit Training Centers in a letter to the Bureau of Service, dated as recently as 8 September wrote in part: "At this writing we have 540 Lutheran recruits in training. Following the initial interviews with the chaplains 125 from this group have voluntarily requested to be detailed for instruction preparatory to being baptized or confirmed." Thus far the quotation.

Fortunately for these 125 young recruits with a Lutheran background there happened to be a Lutheran chaplain at this training center. Had there not been how and where would these 125 recruits have received their Lutheran instruction for baptism and confirmation?

At another large camp, because of the large number of Lutheran trainees, the one Lutheran chaplain stationed in this camp conducted 12-15 special Lutheran services each month. The average monthly attendance ranged from 1300-1500. This chaplain was recently transferred to Korea. Since his departure there has been no Lutheran chaplain in this camp to provide Holy Communion services for the Lutheran trainees.

There are many other large military installations where no Lutheran chaplains are stationed but where they are desperately needed.

While the greatest need for chaplains is currently in the Army, there is also a continuing need for more chaplains in the two other branches of the Armed Forces—the Air Force and the Navy.

What response will our churches, our congregations, and our young pastors make to this call of the Army Chief of Chaplains for more laborers in these areas of God's vineyard?

Requirements for appointment in the Army Reserve chaplaincy are as follows:

Candidates must be:

- a. Citizen of the United States.
- b. Graduate of college and seminary.
- c. Ordained and in good standing in his church.
- d. Over 21 years of age but under 38 years of age if he requests extended active duty.
- e. Candidates may volunteer to serve for 2 or 3 years, or longer if they desire.
- f. Candidates should apply directly to
**Office, Chief of Chaplains
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.**
- g. Candidates should apply to the **Bureau of Service to Military Personnel, 736 Jackson Place, N. W., Washington 6, D. C.,** for ecclesiastical indorsement.

A Call to Christian Stewardship

A Practical Suggestion

The tithe, giving ten percent of one's income to the Church, is a practical suggestion. It is practical from the stand point of the giver.

In the first place, the person who tithes KNOWS what he is doing. He doesn't say, "I think I am a tither." He KNOWS it. Everyday with every gift he is extremely conscious of God. He is thrilled by it.

When the tithe is taken out of the income, there is always a generous sum on hand to meet every call for a contribution. On Sunday morning the tither does not dig into his pocket to see if he can spare an offering. He goes to the place where his tithe is kept. There he already has set aside a sum from which he can take an offering far larger than the average member of his congregation will place on the plate that day.

Those who lay aside the tithe will not be distracted when the children are ready for Sunday School and ask for their offering. The tither will not be disturbed when his children come for money to pay their dues at Young People's. When the Mission Group, or the Ladies' Aid, meets Mrs. Tither already has her offering and a generous one at that.

An appeal comes for Lutheran World Action. The Pension Fund offering will be received next Sunday. The new home at Solvang is seeking a contribution. The tither is prepared for all of these. He does not grumble and growl when the special needs are presented. He is an able, cheerful, generous giver.

It can be safely stated that tithing is the most satisfactory way of giving that anyone has ever discovered. It is almost a painless way of giving. When the tithe is the first item taken out of the income, it is never missed. Never missed! Why not? Because the tither never intends that the first dime out of every dollar is his to spend. It is God's. The tither has dedicated that much to Him. Those who tither will declare that nine-tenths with the Lord will go farther than ten-tenths without Him. This does not sound like a reasonable line of logic, but the only thing to be said in its favor is that it works in just that way.

Yes, tithing is a painless, practical way of generous giving. There is only one battle to fight. That is the decision to become a tither. After that the rest is easy.

Tithing is a practical suggestion.

R. C. S.

Grand View College And Our Youth

Grand View College Reporting!

From near and far they have descended upon us, and we like it! There are freshmen, one hundred of them, some scared little freshmen, and some not scared, but all wholesome and likable. Some are from our synod, and some are not, but we are happy for each and every one. The sophomore class accounts for thirty-eight of our total enrollment, and the nurses from Iowa Lutheran add forty-five more. So if your arithmetic is as good (?) as ours, you, too, have the answer, 133.

We have students from 11 states with Iowa accounting for 133. Minnesota, second in the list has sent us 15 young people, and the others are as follows: California 3, Connecticut 2, Illinois 4, Michigan 4, Nebraska 5, Oregon 2, So. Dakota 3, Washington 1, and Wisconsin 4. We are also happy to be able to report that we have a student from Edmonton, Canada, and one from Denmark.

In the last Lutheran Tidings, we promised to give a report on the new students and faculty members, so we must keep our promise. Replacing Mrs. Darnell in the field of Elementary Education this year is Mrs. Knehr. Our other new faculty members are Mr. Cook, who is teaching Chemistry, Mr. Speed, in charge of the music, and Rev. Howard Christensen, who teaches Bible and Religious Education in the Junior College.

On Sunday afternoon, September 14, the faculty was at the college to greet the students as they arrived. Coffee was served to the students and to their parents. It was a very fine way to make newcomers feel at home, and a splendid opportunity for those parents who came with their young people to meet the faculty.

Another event of unusual interest to the college community, was the freshmen mixer, which as its name indicates, introduced the town or non-resident freshmen to the 'dorm' students. A couple of nights later, an all-college mixer was enjoyed by students, the faculty families, and the pastor of the college church, Rev. Holger Jorgensen and Mrs. Jorgensen. A lot of good lively games kept us busy all evening.

The first all-student assembly or convocation was addressed by the president, Dr. Ernest Nielsen. In the midst of a very good talk, the alarm clock began to 'alarm'. No harm was done and no time was lost, and now that the alarm clocks have done their yearly duty, we can put them back into moth

balls until next year! (It is fun while it lasts, though.)

So many other events have taken place since the beginning of school it is hard to remember them all. There is, however, a certain amount of levity, a certain amount of work, and a real opportunity to get acquainted with other young people whose interests are similar to our own.

There is another assembly I must mention before signing off until next L. T. On Thursday, Sept. 25, we had the privilege to listen to three women who are all employed by Lutheran Agencies in Chicago. The first to address us was Miss Kostelny, of the Lutheran Home Finding Society. Miss Betty Friedlund of the Psychiatric Dept. of the Lutheran Charities, spoke next in a most interesting manner. The third and last speaker was Miss Emily Ruetz, superintendent of our own Children's Home in Chicago. Miss Ruetz told us a little about the origin of the home, and gave us an excellent word picture of the everyday life at the Home. Who knows? Maybe some of us might be inspired to go into the field of social work. It sounds fascinating, and undoubtedly would be a wonderful vocation for people who like to be of service to mankind.

Perhaps next time we will have something of interest to report about the songsters in our midst. Are you interested????

P. W.

OUR CHURCH

St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Chicago—Mr. Paul Nussle, member of the St. Stephen church, and a pre-seminary student at the Augustana College, Rock Island, Ill., preached the sermon in his home church on Sunday, September 14. He has now returned to the daily tasks of a student after spending the summer in Chicago, where he utilized his spare time for fine work as youth leader in the youth group at St. Stephen.

Miss Rigmor Nussle and Miss Edna Ostrup have left for Grand View College as students of this coming school year.

Hans O. Sorensen, son of Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Sorensen, is now in Japan serving U. S. S. "Chouree".

Menominee, Mich.—Miss Mary Larsen, who attended Grand View College for two years, 1950-52 is teaching at the Menekaunee school in Marinette, Wis. She is the organist and a Sunday school teacher in the Menominee church.

Pastor Aage Møller, Solvang, Calif. has been on a speaking tour in the Nebraska district during the month of September. He recently resigned from the pastorate of the Solvang church. Through many years Aage Møller was

pastor of the Nysted, Nebraska congregation and was also director of the Nysted Folk School.

Every-Member Visitation — The Withee, Wis., congregation arranged for an every-member-visitation on two Sunday afternoons during the month of September. Seven teams of two members each were scheduled to visit every family in the congregation, to answer any question members may have, and to ask for pledges for the coming fiscal year. Cards with the approximate time of the visit were sent in advance to each member of the congregation.

Alden, Minn.—Harvest Festival was observed on Sunday, Sept. 14. Rev. Paul Wikman was the guest speaker. The Ringsted, Iowa, congregation had also been invited to accompany their pastor and many journeyed to Alden on that day to share in a day of rich fellowship.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Our Saviour's Lutheran Church welcomed the new pastor, Jorgen H. Jorgensen, on Sunday, Sept. 21. He had arrived from Denmark on Sept. 19th. Pastor Jorgensen had previously been a student at the Grand View Seminary, before his return to Denmark. He will be installed as the pastor of Our Saviour's Church on Sunday, October 12th, during the District I convention held there this year.

Our Saviour's Sunday school of Brooklyn took part again this year in the annual Brooklyn Sunday School Parade. This has been a traditional annual affair in Brooklyn during the past 123 years, being started back in 1829, and draws wide attention every year.

Kimballton, Iowa—Harvest Festival was observed on Sunday, Sept. 28, with Rev. Thorvald Hansen of Oak Hill as the guest speaker in the afternoon. The church was beautifully decorated for the Harvest Festival morning service; a fellowship dinner was enjoyed during the noon hour, and the afternoon meeting was centered on the theme of the coming week: "Religious Education in the Church and the Home."

On Saturday, Sept. 27, the Kimballton Sunday School took part in a County-wide Sunday School Parade in Audubon, Iowa. About 25 Sunday School floats were entered and approximately 1,000 children took part in the parade, in singing choruses, appearing in pageant scenes, on the floats, etc. The Kimballton float appeared again on Sunday afternoon at the local church with the children again joining in song and in several pageant scenes.

Five young people from the Kimballton congregation have registered at Grand View College.

Vacation In The South—After the church convention Pastor and Mrs. Marius Krog of Omaha, and their daughter, Dana, spent nearly four weeks in "the deep South" on a well earned vacation. On Sundays Pastor Krog conducted Sunday School and worship

service in our congregation at Granly, Miss. Several times during the weeks the people of the colony gathered in the evening for family recreation. They were joined by a group of young men from Denmark, who came from the U. S. Air Base at Biloxi, seventy miles away to join in the activities.

In between serving the Granly congregation, the Krog family went on sight seeing trips to Florida, to Muscle Shoals and Mobile, Ala., New Orleans, La., and Keesler Field, the air base at Biloxi, Miss., where the young men from Denmark are receiving special instruction in radar under NATO.

On the return trip the Krogs went deep into the Ozark Mountains in Arkansas and Missouri; among other places they visited the "Big Spring" near Camdenton, Mo., which delivers 826 million gallons of water per day. The most impressive sight, they tell about, was the "Lake of The Ozarks," north of Camdenton, which consists of ninety five square miles of mountain-and-for-est lakes formed by the Bagdell Dam.

From Grayling, Mich.

Mrs. Emma Johanna Martinson died at Roscommon, September 13th, 1952. She was born in Finland April 11th, 1879 and was thus 73 years old. She came to United States in 1896 and was married to Jacob Martinson March 18, 1903, at Negaunee, Michigan. They had four children. Her husband and two children preceded her in death. She is survived by Ingvald and Elias Martinson. She was buried from our church September 16, 1952.

She was for many years an active member of Messiah Lutheran Church in Roscommon, Michigan. We will all miss her humor and her kind smile.

Correspondent.

Hay Springs, Nebr.

A very happy thought came to the Church Council members of the St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Community church at one of their meetings last October, a year ago. And that thought has become a very real thing at the present time: A new parsonage. Rev. and Mrs. Erick Moller and Arild are very nicely settled there now. This parsonage is on the church property 12½ miles south of Hay Springs, on Highway 87.

One evening shortly after they had moved in, the congregation surprised them with a house warming party; they were presented with a parlor set, table and rug.

It is so nice to have them living here with us on the Mirage Flats. Arild goes to high school in Hay Springs on the big yellow bus with the rest of the farm boys and girls.

We hope that having our minister here among us and as a neighbor, will be a blessing to him and his family as well as to the congregation.

Correspondent.

Conference On Women's Work In The Church

Program for the Conference on Women's Work in the Church
Grand View College
October 17-19

Friday, October 17:

8:00 p. m.—Opening Meeting, "Women in the Church".

Saturday, October 18:

8:30 a. m.—Devotional Period.

9:00 a. m.—Problems and Developments in Organizational Patterns. A Panel Discussion.

10:15 a. m.—"The Pastor and His Relation to the Women's Organizations."

11:15 a. m.—Women's Mission Society.

1:30 p. m.—Program Ideas.

2:00 p. m.—The Women's Part in "The Greater Church."

3:15 p. m.—Problem Areas. Discussion Groups.

8:00 p. m.—Program by the Grand View College Students.

Sunday, October 19:

Morning Worship Services.

2:00 p. m.—The Women's Part in Social Welfare, Mrs. Edmunds of Willkie House.

The Council of Religious Education of the Synod is inviting all the ladies of the synod to participate in this conference. It is hoped that the various ladies organizations will aid in sending a representative or representatives from their group. It is hoped that this conference will be of mutual aid to all in attendance.

The total cost of the meeting will be \$6.00 which includes meals, lodging and registration fee. Those attending will be housed in the college dormitory, so bring along your own sheets, pillow case, blanket and towel. Please send in your enrollment early.

Howard Christensen, Chairman.
Council of Religious Education.

District I Convention

District I of The Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America will hold its annual convention at Our Savior's church, Brooklyn, N. Y., October 10-12. The opening service is planned for Friday evening, and the closing meeting will be held Sunday afternoon.

It is hoped all our pastors will be present, and it is expected that Pastor J. H. Jorgensen will be installed at Our Savior's church at the morning service on Sunday. Congregations are asked to send their full quota of representatives, one delegate for each 35 voting members, or major fraction thereof.

Friends and guests are welcome to attend. All who plan to come are asked

to send their reservations at least one week before the convention opens.

Viggo M. Hansen.
District President.

Our Saviour's Danish Lutheran Church, 193 9th St., Brooklyn, New York, extends a cordial invitation to the pastors, congregational delegates, members and friends of District ONE to be our guests at the Annual Convention of District ONE to be held in Our Saviour's Church, Brooklyn, Friday evening, October 10th through Sunday, October 12th.

Please send your registrations as soon as possible to the congregation president: Mr. David Coleman, 220-51 137th Road, Springfield Gardens (13) Long Island, New York. Kindly specify whether you will be present at the opening meeting, Friday evening, i. e. if you desire lodging for one or more nights.

David Coleman, President.

Our Saviour's Danish Lutheran Church,
Brooklyn, New York.

Silver Wedding

Pastor and Mrs. Edwin Hansen of Muskegon, Michigan, were pleasantly surprised on Sunday evening, August 24, when members and friends of the Grant congregation gathered at the Ashland school gym to help them celebrate their silver wedding anniversary. The usual worship service had been held in the afternoon and the Hansens and their children had remained for the monthly evening gathering, which unbeknownst to them had been arranged as a dinner party in their honor. After a delicious chicken dinner served at attractively decorated tables, Robert Nelson spoke on behalf of the congregation expressing sincere congratulations to Rev. and Mrs. Hansen upon their silver anniversary and presenting them with a lovely silver service and candle holders. A poem written for the occasion by Mrs. Mary Carlson was read after which Rev. and Mrs. Hansen spoke briefly in appreciation of the festivity which had been so beautifully arranged for them. Later the Hansen family showed colored slides from their recent vacation trip to the west coast.

The Sunday evening following, Rev. and Mrs. Hansen were in like manner honored at Central Lutheran church in Muskegon. Rev. Arthur Frost, brother of Mrs. Hansen, had preached at the morning service and the family, including also the Alfred Frosts from Withee, had been gathered at the parsonage for dinner and the afternoon. At 7:30, Christ Jensen, president of the congregation, and Morten Mortensen escorted the pastor and his wife to the church where a large gathering of members and friends greeted them. All gathered about the attractive tables to enjoy a delicious meal at which Earl Jensen served as toastmaster and Robert Jorgensen gave the invocation. Alice

Thuesen was in charge of a short and enjoyable program including a skit dramatizing the courtship of the Hansens, a humorous reading in the Danish dialect, and several vocal and instrumental numbers, one of the songs having been written for the occasion by Mrs. Thuesen. Rev. Frost, who had performed the wedding ceremony twenty-five years ago at Withee, Wis., on September 2, spoke briefly as did also Rev. Richard Hansen of Immanuel Lutheran church in Muskegon. Christ Jensen extended to Rev. and Mrs. Hansen the sincere congratulations of the congregation and presented them with a generous purse. Rev. Hansen at the close thanked all who had shared in making this anniversary such a happy and festive one for him and his wife, after which their three daughters sang the benediction "The Lord Bless You And Keep You" and the entire congregation joined in the Lord's Prayer.

Correspondent.

From Viborg, S. D.

A Harvest Festival was held at Our Savior's Lutheran church here on Sunday, September 14. Included in the festivities was a fellowship dinner at noon honoring the members who had united with the church since Rev. Harold Ibsen took up his service here, about three years ago. There were 108 new members, including the children and the confirmants.

Rev. Ronald Jespersen of Newell, Iowa, who is a child of the Viborg congregation, was the guest speaker. He delivered the morning worship sermon and a lecture in the afternoon, both times to a capacity audience. His messages were inspiring and deeply chal-

lenging. The choir, under the able leadership of Mrs. Lillis Rasmussen, sang well-chosen selection at both meetings.

And there were games in the afternoon for both young and old, including exhibitions of folk dancing by two groups—the children and the juniors. The latter part of the program was under the direction of Mrs. Dagmar Johnson, who in cooperation with Miss Ibsen taught vacation Bible school here in the early summer, to a large group of children.

Rev. Harold Ibsen, our local pastor, was also born in this community, but spent his early youth in Denmark, where his mother took up residence with her three small children after the death of her husband. The pastor's wife is our local organist. She plays well the fine Hammond organ, which was a memorial gift to the congregation by the children and grandchildren of the late Mads Ibsen and wife, former members of our church and the grandparents of our pastor. Both the pastor and his wife are faithful and diligent workers in the church and in the community, of which the fine attendance at church services bear witness.

There was, I believe, in the hearts of the many who were present at the Harvest Festival a sense of deep gratitude for human fellowship and for the unbounded love of our Heavenly Father who so lavishly provides for our well-being both spiritually and materially. May we learn day by day in humble reverence to open our hearts and our minds to Him from whom all blessings flow, that His will may be done on earth as it is in Heaven; for then man shall no longer have fear of the devastation of war and other man-made evils. May we, by His grace, help to hasten the day!

Danish L. Aid, Canwood, Sask.	10.00
Svend U. Hansens, Cedar Falls, Iowa	5.00
In memory of Helga Bennedsen, Kimballton, Iowa, Donald Randolph	1.00
In memory of Carl Sorensen, Kimballton, Iowa, Niels Bennedsen	1.00
In memory of T. G. Muller, Kimballton, Iowa, Karen and Erling Muller, Minneapolis, Minn.	3.00
Anker Hald, Donald Randolph, and Peter Hjuler, Kimballton, Iowa	3.00
In memory of Chris P. Nissen, Kimballton, Fred Bonnesens	1.00
In memory of Astrid and Simon Faaborg, Kimballton, Iowa, Fred Bonnesens and Niels Bennedsens, Kimballton, Ia.	4.00
In memory of Anna Thor, Kimballton, Ed. Rasmussens, Kimballton, Iowa	1.00
In memory of Pastor L. C. Bundgaard, by Friends, Convention, Omaha, Neb.	26.00
Olivet Luth. Free Church L. Aid, Tacoma, Wash.	5.00
H. L. Dahls, Parkland, Wash.	2.00
In memory of Mrs. H. C. Strandskov, by Friends in Minnesota	33.10
Total for August	580.42

Total since January 1st -----\$4,795.14
Acknowledged with sincere thanks to every giver.

Dagmar Miller.

1517 Guthrie Ave., Des Moines, Iowa

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Cash

Mr. Ivan Nielsen, Des Moines, Iowa	\$ 10.00
Edna Linnea Mortenson, Seattle, Wash.	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Art Marck, Des Moines, Iowa	10.00
Laura Boose, 8633 Calumet Ave., Chicago, Ill.	20.00
Ingrid C. Kildegaard, Pleasantville, New York	25.00
Soren Knudsen, Cozad, Nebr.	10.00
Nora M. Hansen, 7214 Greenwood Ave., Seattle, Wash.	10.00
	\$ 87.00
Previously acknowledged	4,981.30
Total cash contributed to 8-25-52	\$5,068.30
Received payment on pledges previously acknowledged to 8-25-52	858.48
Total	\$5,926.48

Thank you for all your gifts.
Grand View College and Grand View Seminary.

Jens G. Thuesen, Treas.

Santal Mission

August, 1952

Toward the General Budget:

Luther Memorial Congregation, Des Moines, Iowa	\$ 59.20
Einer Thorslunds, Mrs. Lydia Rasmussen and Carl Petersens, all of Trufant, Mich.	4.00
St. John's Dan. L. Aid Mission meeting, Hampton, Iowa	5.30
Clara Kjeldgaard, Omaha, Neb.	2.00
Mrs. Lena Buhl, Tyler, Minn.	2.00
Frida Engelbreth, Racine, Wis.	2.00
Mrs. Fensholdt Petersen, Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Nursery Class of Sunday School, Dagmar, Mont.	5.00
Convention (D. E. L. Church), Omaha, Neb.	362.82
St. Stephen's S. S. Birthday Bank, Chicago, Ill.	25.00
Ladies' Aid on S. S. Cradle Roll, Dagmar, Mont.	13.00

N. G.

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 _____

October 5, 1952

Name _____

New Address _____

City _____ State _____

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