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## "Life"

"For this is life eternal, that they should know Thee the only true God, and Him whom Thou hast sent, even Jesus Christ."—John 17: 3,

Jesus is the source and the substance of life; he is the Giver of life. For this purpose of giving life he came into the world. "In him was light, and the light was the life of men." For this purpose he has given us the means of grace. Whoever comes to Jesus will receive life and power, a life that is not generated from within, but comes from above. That is true life. "I am the way, the truth, and the life." Life has three enemies-sin, suffering, and death. Wherever any or all of these hold sway, there is no life. But Jesus has conquered these enemies. If he dwells in your heart, then you also shall conquer in Jesus' name and might.

Did you notice that "if"? How shall we have life without knowing Him? How shall we have life without possessing Him? He is the only one who has conquered the enemies of life. Without Him you are fighting a losing fight against the enemies of life.

You need to know Jesus. Where shall you learn to know Him? In His word. When you open your heart for his word. He comes and dwells therein. That is the purpose of the Bible Institutes, that we shall study the Bible so as to find Christ, so that He may dwell in our hearts richly. Pray for the Bible Institutes, and help to make them a success by your attendance. The opportunity is yours, take it.

ERIC H. WAHLSTROM,
President Conference Luther League.

Example and Influence — they are two mighty powers. They either inspire and help or they harm and bring to ruin. The example of parents going regularly to church remains an enduring power with the children for regular church going. The noble influence of parents will ever remain with the children as a preserving power against the evil of the world.



REV. WILLIAM SIEGEL, Spokane, Washington. Lecturer, Tacoma-Mt. Baker Bible Institute.

We should love the church even as Christ loved it. Christ gave Himself out for the church. We should also give ourselves in service, sacrifice and devotion for the church.



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## Editorial

#### The Synod In Session

As this issue of the Columbia Lutheran reaches its readers, the Augustana Synod is in the midst of its convention in Rock Island, III. A very large attendance is expected. This is to be a jubilee convention. The Augustana Synod is now seventy vears old. Its institution of learning in Rock Island, Augustana College and Theological Seminary, celebrates also its seventieth anniversary. The Syond's oldest weekly, Augustana, has this year reached the age of seventy five. There will therefore be jubilating in Rock Island in the great assembly of pastors, lay delegates and other visitors. And it is fit and proper that we rejoice. God hath done wonderful things with us as a Synod. The mustard seed planted seventy years ago has grown into a mighty tree, which now extends its I ranches out over the entire American continent, yea, way out into far away heathen lands. May God bless that jubilee anniversary to the welfare and inspiration of our entire Synod. May He in His great mercy keep all discord at a minimum, if to be that we shall fail to agree on all questions that shall at this convention demand their solution.

At its seventy year juncture the Augustana Synod finds itself almost in a dilemma. This is at least the impression you have received, as you have followed along in discussions that have appeared in our church press. We seem to have lapsed into a period of transition, not only as regards the language question. Different situations seem to have brought about a tremendous amount of stir. Why we should have had more of this in our Synod than they have had in other Lutheran bodies is hard to understand. We have, however, all been one in the faith. The foundation upon which our church is built has not trembled in the least. We hold unitedly to the word of God and the Augsburg Confession as firmly as ever. As long as this is true God will surely lead us through our practical difficulties to a great and glorious triumph.

#### Our Bible Institutes

We have in latter years witnessed among our young people a drift toward the study of the Bible. Our young folks have gathered in almost all parts of our Synod for summer Bible sessions. Some suitable nature spot has in each instance been selected for a weeks encampment. Teachers and lecturers have been on the spot for consecrated service. The Bible has been systematically studied. Inspiring and instructive lectures have been given each day on Bible themes. Divine worship according to established liturgical form has figured prominently in the weeks program. Holy communion has also, at least in some places, been celebrated in connection with the Bible Institute. This was done last year at Colton, where an altar had been erected right out in the open air sylvian temple, where the institute was held. It was an inspiring sight to behold the large number or people, as they filed up among the trees to that altar to commemorate the death of our Lord and Saviour by appearing at His table of grace.

Two Bible Institutes are to be held in our Conference also this year, one in Colton, Ore., July 13-20 and one in Stafford's Park. Lake Sammamish, Wash., July 20-27. Young people will in both places again gather in great numbers. Older folks and children are also cordially invited to come. We feel assured that the above mentioned weeks will be wonderful in inspiration and Christian fellow hip. Our prayer is that God might bless abundantly our Bible Institutes.

We take great pleasure in having the opportunity of making this issue of Columbia Lutheran a Bible Institute number. We wish to serve our young people as well as our entire constituency, and we prize most highly their good will. The publicity for the Colton institute has been prepared by its able dean, Rev. Eric H. Wahlstrom. Rev. Ernst J. Sakrison, the local pastor, is doing a great deal of valuable work in preparation for the young people's event in Colton. We know that with these men in the lead the success of that Bible Institute is under God's guidance assured. Mr.

Arthur Hillman, an able and enthusiastic young man of Seattle, is furnishing the publicity appearing in this issue for the Tacoma-Mt. Baker District Bible Institute. He is a hard worker for the cause in that part of our Conference. We thank God for every young person that is to such a high degree devoted to the best interests of our church. Rev. Ernest G. Svenson, dean of that institute, is an able leader. With the help of God we are assured of a wonderful institute week also at Stafford's Park, Lake Sammanish. The chosen Bible teachers and lecturers will set before those assembled the word of God in a most able way. It is our prayer that a greater number may attend our Bible Institutes this year than ever before.

#### Laborers for the Vineyard

God needs laborers in His vineyard. By the vineyard we here mean the church. He needs pastors to go out with the word of God even unto the ends of the world. Jesus therefore asked His disciples to pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers in to His abundant harvest. But not only does He need pastors. He needs also the services of the men and women that make up the membership of the church.

Sometimes we show amazement at the fact that cults and sects show signs of great prosperity. We ask the question why it is thus. The answer is simple. Usually we find in these cults and sects that every adherent is a missionary. They have virtually made it a hobby to talk about their church and their religious belief. seek as a constituency every opportunity to gain new adherents. What they regard as the light they hold high, wherever they may be. Would that our members were as generally imbued with a like missionary zeal. Our congregations would then increase in numerical strength as never before. The members are after all an important power in the church and not only the pastor. One man cannot in any place in our day build up the church alone. All must labor with the aim in view of bringing as many as possible of the unchurched into the kingdom of Christ. All the disciples of Jesus must heed the call of the Master to go out and "bring them in."

Out here on the coast there is a great need of home mission work. You, dear church member can serve as a missionary no matter what your occupation otherwise might be. You can invite others to come to the services of your church. You can bring to bear influence upon the unchurched to the end that they might finally join your congregation. The voice of a close friend will often count for more than the pleadings of the pastor.

# Tacoma---Mt. Baker District Luther League

The Institute Is Almost At Hand! Are You Planning On It?

The eighth annual Bible Institute promises to be the greatest ever planned for the young people of the Tacoma—Mt. Baker Dictrict. The teachers are excellent,—vell prepared, piritual guides. Strafford Pack was enjoyed last year and has been improved since. The pageant and Luther League convention are new features added to Institute week which should attract a large crowd.

FIND YOURSELF!
KNOW YOURSELF!
BE YOURSELF!
AT SAMMAMISH!
July 20-27, 1930

From Sunday evening to Sunday evening.

Dr. Conrad Bergendoff is a man you will enjoy as Bible teacher. He is a brilliant scholar, one of the foremost young pastors in the Augustana Synod. He has been pastor of the Salem Lutheran Church of Chicago since 1921 and was president of the Synodical Luther League Council for the period, 1924-28. After studying a year at the Universities of Uppsala, Lund, and Berlin, and a longer period at Chicago, he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Chicago in 1928. His book, "The Making and Meaning of the Augsburg Confession," published this year is being well received. He has also written the current Bible Study Quarterly as well as other books and articles. Dr. Bergendoff is noted as a young people's leader. As evidence of this he has lectured at the Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, New York, and California Conference Luther Leagues.

Rev. William Siegel, pastor of the Grace Lutheran Church. Spokane, Washington, will also give a series of studies and be present during the week. He is a young man, a good student, and a forceful speaker. He is heart and soul with the young people.

It will be a real joy to listen and learn from these inspiring men of attainment and spiritual power.

Dr. John H. Groth, of the University of Washington, and also lecturer at the Pacific Theological Seminary of the United Lutheran Church, will speak at the afternion service on the final Sunday. Enthusiastic and culightening as he is, he is sure to have a powerful message for young people.

improvements have been made at Strafford Park since last summer. The outdoor dining hall has been floored and



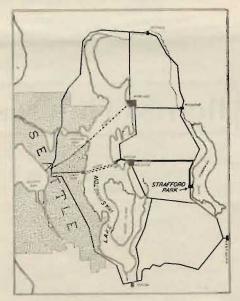
MRS. RALPH OSTROM,
Who takes the part of the Church in the Pageant
"The Church Triumphant," Stafford Park.

screened in. A good sand-clay tennis court has been built, besides a croquet court, and a golf practice green. You will have opportunity to stretch every muscle in your body in games and swimming, boating, and hiking. The bonfires in the evening by the moonlight are unforgettable with their songs and fun. This is an ideal place for a pleasant vacation with the added attraction of the opportunity for spiritual growth.

The rates for rooms and meals will be announced later, but will be approximately the same as last year's, which could hardly have been more reasonable. Make your reservations early. NOW!

Strafford Park on Lake Sammamish is easily accessible either from the north or south by auto. Look for Strafford road

> All Roads Lead to Stafford Park, Lake Sammamish.



Map showing roads as they lead to Stafford Park.

signs. Ferries from Leschi Park, Seattle, go acros: Lake Washington to Medina, and some of them connect with busses to Lake Sammanish.

Rev. P. H. Nordlander will have charge of music at the Institute. Miss Helen L'e' will be dean of women, and Harry L. p. Had. superintendent of grounds. Mis. E'le Friseli, 911 Stewart Street, Seattle, is registrar. Please communicate vich her or the publicity manager, Arthu. Hillman, 306 East 76th street, Seattle, for further information.

Rev. Ernest G. Svenson, the dean, has wo ked out the excellent program which is p inted in this issue. You will want to me when you read the topics for the studies and the discussions.

The winner in the poster contest will be announced soon.

Only a limited number of these papers is being sent to each League. Therefore, when you have read it thoroughly, pass it along to someone else. Be sure that everyene interested gets to see it.

Write at once to the registrar, Miss Effice Frisell, and tell her that you are coming. The committee must know how many to plan on. PLAN NOW TO COME AND MAKE YOUR RESERVATION.

#### The Pageant

"The Church Trinmphant," written by the Rev. Enoch Sandeen, pastor of the Bethel Lutheran Church, will be presented at the Institute on Friday evening, July 25. An outdoor stage will be erected and preparations made for a large crowd. It is worth driving any distance to see this pageant.

Pictures appear in this issue of Mrs. Ralph Ostrom who will take the part of The Church, the leading character in the

REGISTRATION BLANK
To the Registrar, Miss Effie Frisell, Tacoma-Mt. Baker District Luther League Bible Institute, 911 Stewart Street, Seattle, Wash.
I plan to attend the Bible Institute
for the entire period.
for days.
will cook for myself.
(Signed)
Address

pageant, and also a scene from the pageant as it was presented last summer at the Portland District Institute. About two thousand persons witnessed that performance. Everyone was deeply impressed. Dr. C. A. Wendell, of Minneapolis, wrote that "it was worship in dramatic form, and it helped one to realize how gloriously the church might use this fine art-as indeed it once did. It revealed more than ordinary literary ability. The whole pageant was nobly conceived and ably rendered, but the ending was superb. When all the participants assembled, each one carrying a lighted candle and singing, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" the effect was unforgettable; and when they all turned to the altar, kneeling and lowering their candles as they sang "Casting down their golden crowns upon the glassy sea,"-well, I have seen many beautiful things in my days but I am not sure that I ever saw anything of its kind quite so impressive as that." Nothing need be added in praise of the pageant to the words of such a keen appreciator of the supremely beautiful as Dr. Wendell.

Talent from the various Leagues will be used in the music and speaking parts, under the direction of the author of the pageant, Rev. Sandeen.

#### Convention

The twenty-fourth annual convention of the Tacoma-Mt. Baker District Luther League will be combined with the program of the final week-end of the Institute at Lake Sammamish. The business meeting of the District will be held at 6 p. m. Saturday, July 26, and the attention of all delegates is directed to this announcement. Delegates and others who cannot arrange to come for the entire week should plan to come for the pageant on Friday and the convention on Saturday and Sunday, a delightful week end. Those desiring accommodations for the week end should also register now-

Quoting from the last report of the president of the Tacoma-Mt. Baker District Luther League: "The Bible Institute held at Strafford Park on Lake Sammanish, July 20 to 28 (1929) was the most successful of any ever held by this district. The registration was as follows: entire week, 69; six days, 4; five days, 2; four days, 17; three days, 3, and two days 4. an average weekly attendance of eighty-six." Let us improve upon this fine record and make the coming Institute better than the best Tell the registrar that you are coming

IF YOU WANT-

Renewed vigor Physical recreation Wholesome fellowship Lasting memories Enlarged vision

COME TO LAKE SAMMAMISH!

#### Program

Tacoma-Mt. Baker District Luther League Bible Institute, July 20-27

Sunday Evening, July 20
7:30—Opening Service. Sermon "Finding Oneself." Rev. Ernest G. Svenson Monday, July 21
8:30—9:00—Morning Devotion. Rev. Ernest G. Svenson

Svenson.

9:00—9:50—Bible Study. Rev. William Siegel.

10:00—10:50—"The Foundation of the House,"

Dr. Conrad Bergendoff.

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11:00—11:50—Group Discussion. "The Augsburg Confession," Rev. Carl A. Bengtson 7:30—Vesper Service. "Back to Bethel," Rev. William Siegel.

Tuesday, July 22

8:30—9:00—Morning Devotion. Rev. Svenson.
9:00—9:50—Bible Study. Rev. Siegel.
10:00—10:50—"The Children of the House," Dr. Bergendoff

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Bergendoff.

11:00—10:50—Group Discussion. "The Meaning of Pentecost," Rev. John Billdt.

7:20—Vesper Service. "The Glory of the 7:30—Vesper Service. "The Cross," Dr. Bergendoff.

Wednesday, July 23

8:30— 9:00—Morning Devotion. Rev. Svenson.
9:00— 9:50—Bible Study. Rev. Siegel.
10:00—10:50—"The School Room," Dr. Bergendoff
11:00—11:50—Group Discussion. "Juvenile Delinquency," Mr. Henry C. Simonds, probation officer, Juvenile Court, Tacoma.

7:30—Vesper Service. "Is Conversion Necessary?" Rev. Siegel.

Thursday, July 24

Thursday, July 24
8:30—9:00—Morning Devotion. Rev. Svenson.
9:00—9:50—Bible Study. Rev. Siegel.
10:00—10:50—"The Workshop," Dr. Bergendoff.
11:00—11:50—Group Discussion. "What do the

Young People expect from the Church?" Mr. Arthur Hillman.
7:30—Vesper Service. "Spiritual Youth of the Kingdom," Dr. Bergendoff.

Friday, July 25
8:30—9:00—Morning Devotion, Rev. Svenson.
9:00—9:50—Bible Study. Rev. Siegel.
10:00—10:50—"The Sanctuary," Dr. Bergendoff.
11:00—11:50—Group Discussion. "Young People

and the Eighteeuth Amendment," Rev. Carl A. V. Lund. 7:30—Pageant "The Triumphant Church" under the direction of Rev. Enoch Sandeen.

Saturday, July 26 8:30—9:00—Morning Devotion. Rev. Svenson. 9:00—9:50—Bible Study. Rev. Siegel. 10:00—10:50—"The Dedication of the House,"

Dr. Bergendoff. 11:00-11:50-"Question Box" 6:00—7:30—Business session Tacoma-Mt. Ba-ker District Luther League. 8:00—Opening service Luther League

Convention.

Sunday, July 27
7:00—Sunrise service.
Adolph Nelson.
10:30—Divine Worship. Seedoff. Theol. Student

Sermon. Dr. Ber--Closing service. Address, "The Quest of Truth," Dr. John Groth, Professor, University of Washing-

A surprise had been arranged for Rev. E. J. Sakrison at St. Helens, Ore., Sunday. May 25. As Rev. Sakrison with his family returned about 4 p. m. from Mist, Ore., the whole congregation at St. Helens had gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jensen. An interpretation of the gathering was given by Rev. Wahlstrom in a brief address directed to Rev. Sakrison, when the latter received a gift in cash. Rev. S. visits with the preaching of the

word of God the St. Helens congregation once a month. Rev. Wahlstrom serves the church as its regular pastor.

Immanuel Hospital, Portland, held graduation of nurses Wednesday, May 14. Dr. H. E. Carruth of the hospital staff spoke on "A Standardized Hospital." Dr. G. B. Dobbs, president of Pacific University. gave an address on "The Aims of Education." Rev. A. M. Green, superintendent of the institution, spoke words of appreciation and Attorney David E. Lofgren, president of the board addressed briefly the class and presented the diplomas. nurses' pins were conferred by Miss Edith A. Bergquist, R. N., Superintendent of

Mrs. Mildred Anderson Hult, vocal instructor, soloist and choir director of Portland, well known in our Conference, has accepted a call to the Augustana College Conservatory of Music, Rock Island, Ill., and will leave for that place the coming August

Dr. C. R. Swanson took sick shortly after the Conference meeting and was confined to his bed for nearly three weeks. He is now recovering sufficiently to be about his work again. The last Sunday in May he began again to occupy his pulpit, though still very weak. We hope for his speedy recovery to full strength.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernst J. Sakrison, John Carlson and Miss Selma Carlson of Warren, Ore., and Frank Carlson of Portland made a trip to Tacoma the last week in May. Rev. and Mrs. Sakrison extended the trip to Seattle,

Mission Meeting was held in Colton, Ore., May 20-21. Those who took part in this meeting were pastors S. E. Johnson, Henry P. Johnson, A. G. Anderson, Eric H. Wahlstrom and G. K. Andeen.

Rev. Nels Benson, one of our missionaries in China, now home on furlough, visited Portland and Warren Sunday, May 18. In the morning he occupied the pulpit in Immanuel and in the evening in Warren. He returned to California the next day.

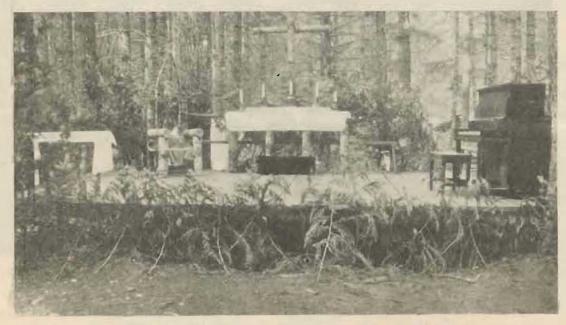
The Editor leaves June 2nd for the Synod meeting in Rock Island, Ill., to be gone one month.

Portland District Mission Band held a rally in Saron Church, Gresham, Sunday, June 1st. Rev. Samuel E. Johnson gave the address and several numbers were contributed by children of the different bands. Mrs. C. M. Franklin, Portland, led the program. The local band served refreshments.

Serve God with your talents, with your money, with your affections. God has called us that we should be His servants,

# Portland District Bible Institute, Colton, Ore.

July 13-20, 1930



INTERIOR OF CANYON CREEK CATHEDRAL, COLTON, ORE.

#### Come Ye Apart and Rest

Life is activity, service, spending. But to be active you must have power, to serve you must have ability, to spend you must have treasures. All these things you must receive first before you can give them. Young people, the church calls you to service. What have you to give? Your own is not good enough. Your own excellencies and powers cannot be used. The church does not want them. It wants the powers of the Spirit of Jesus Christ that you have received from Him. What He has given and sanctified, the talents that He has entrusted to you, those are the very things that the church wants from you. Have you received any? If you have received freely, you may also give freely.

You are invited to the Bible Institute both to give and to receive. You will give your time and your heart to the fellowship of those who gather at the Institute. And there in the Cathedral of the Forest the Lord invites you to sit down with Him while He opens for you the coffers of His heavenly treasures. What you receive will make you richer, happier, more efficient, more "meet for the Master's use."

The Bible study period will be devoted to a study of the prophecy of Isaiah, the Evangelist of the Old Testament. This study will begin Monday morning and continue one hour each day under the guidance of the scholarly and consecrated teacher, Dr. Bergendoff. During the first part of the week Rev. Ernest G. Svenson of Tacoma will bring us inspirational and instructive messages. His place will be taken during the last part of the week by Rev. Carl A. V. Lund from Mt. Vernon.

Wash. Both of these men have recently moved into our Conference and have made wide and varied experiences in other fields of our Synod.

The program arranged provides varied features, yet it is planned so as to form a continuous whole. You will receive the greatest benefit if you come and stay the whole week. But if you cannot do that, we have arranged for special programs that you should be sure to attend. The big days of the Institute are: Sunday, July 13; Tuesday evening; Thursday evening; Saturday evening, and Sunday, July 20.

The bonfire programs will not be very lengthy, but you will enjoy them. Those few minutes around the bonfire will serve as a closing benediction and a gathering together of the thoughts and experiences of the day.

The District Luther League Park, donated by Miss Hilma Olson, will be cleared and put in order. On the banks of the beautiful Canyon Creek will be built the new Luther League Cottage, which will provide rooms for 15 girls. Make your reservation early if you want a room there.

Now, are you coming? Where can you spend a more delightful week than right there in Colton? COME—REST! Rest a while in these stately temples of God, gather strength and power from His word that you may go back into life prepared to serve.

Make all reservations with Rev. Ernest J. Sakrison, Colton. The roads are fine, the woods are in their midsummer beauty, the Cathedrals of the Forest call you to worship and praise.

#### Music

Man, the most dis-harmonious of beings, delights in music, the art of harmony. This is an indication that man was made for peace, for communion with God. There will be a number of musical artists at the Institute. One quartet from Augustana and one from Immanuel will appear on the Sunday programs. The Immanuel Girls Chorus will sing. Some of the soloists who will appear are: Mrs. Hilda Lindborg, Portland; J. E. Wallin, Portland; Jack Kelly, St. Helens; Mrs. Philip Hult, Aagodt and Ole Frigaard, Margaret Anderson, all from Colton. The congregational singing will be led by Rev. Samuel E. Johnson of Portland.

#### Pageant-The Church Triumphant

Our beloved Dean of last year, Rev. Enoch Sandeen, gave us a splendid production of his masterful pageant, The Triumphant Church. Those who witnessed the



A SECTION OF THE AUDIENCE ATTENDING THE 1929 INSTITUTE AT COLTON, ORE.

performance last year and many who were unable to be present have asked that this performance be repeated. Accordingly, we plan to give this pageant again on Saturday evening. Rev. Sandeen will again be present and assist in its production. Do not fail to attend this service.

#### Transportation.

The Molalla Stage Lines again offer the services of their luxurious stages during the Institute week. They leave Portland Terminal, Sixth and Salmon street, every day at 9:00 a. m. and 5:20 p. m. This is 45 minutes earlier than last year, and will bring you into Colton in time for the morning service on Sunday. A stage leaves Colton about 7:00 p. m. on Sunday evening. The fare is \$1.25.

#### Reservations.

Make your reservations early with Rev. E. J. Sakrison, Colton. It will be necessary to bring bedding, if you intend to stay in the Luther League Cottage or in tents. Look over carefully the directions given by Rev. Sakrison in his article in this issue.

#### The Columbia Lutheran

The management of the Institute is exceedingly grateful to the editor and manager of the Columbia Lutheran for their splendid co-operation. The Columbia Lutheran is the official paper of the Conference. Every issue contains many articles of interest to the Luther Leaguers and the members of the church. Send in your subscription now to the manager, Rev. Carl A. Bengtson, 165 W. 65th street, Seattle, Wash. The next issue will contain more announcements and directions for the Bible Institute.

#### Recreation.

The facilities for recreation in Colton are unusual. Tennis and baseball will pro-



THE CAMP GROUND, COLTON



GIRLS' CHORUS, IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, PORTLAND, WHO WILL SING AT THE BIBLE INSTITUTE, SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 13

vide exercise for those who love "the strenuous life." Swimming is provided only a short distance from the Luther League cottage. Opportunities to engage in the more sedate sport of "barnyard golf" will be numerous. Let's see, who was the champion last year? I believe he hails from Astoria. You will find your own best form of recreation, and - you will find those who will enjoy it with you.

E. H. W.

#### Program

Portlind District Luther League Bible Institute, Colton, Oregon,

July 13-20

#### Sunday, July 13

9:45—Sunday School. 1:00—Divine Worship. Sermon by Rev. E. H. Wahlstrom.

-Young Peoples' Rally. Address, "Standards of the Lutheran Church," Dr. Conrad Bergendoff.

7:30-Congregational Singing, led by S. E. Johnson.
-Address, "The Power of an Ideal," Rev.
Ernest G. Svenson, Tacoma.

9:00—Morning Devotion, Rev. E. H. Wahlstrom. 9:45—Bible Study in Isaiah, Dr. Bergendoff. 11:00—Lecture, Rev. Syenson, "Undiscovered Worlds."

7:30—Congregational singing, 8:90—Address, "The Glory of the Cross," Dr. Bergendoff.

Bergendoff.
Tuesday, July 15
9:00--Morning Devotion, Rev. E. J. Sakrison,
9:45-Bible Study, Dr. Bergendoff.
11:00--Lecture, Rev. Svenson, "Inexhaustible Resources."
7:30--Congregational Singing.
8:06--Address, Rev. Svenson, "A Successful Life."

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Wednesday, July 16

9:60—Morning Devotion. Rev. H. P. Johnson.
9:45—Bible Study, Dr. Bergendoff.
11:00—Lecture, "Meefing with God," Rev. Carl
A. V. Lund.
7:30—Congregational Singing.
8:00—Address, "The Love of Christ," Rev. Lund.
Thursday, July 17
9:60—Morning Devotion, Rev. S. E. Johnson.
9:45—Bible Study, Dr. Bergendoff.
11:60—Lecture, "Walking with God," Rev. Lund.
7:30—Congregational Singing.

8:00-Address, "Spiritual Fruit in the Kingdom of God," Dr. Bergendoff.

of God, Dr. Bergendoff.
Friday, July 18
9:00—Morning Devotion, Rev. G. K. Andeen.
9:45—Bible Study, Dr. Bergendoff.
11:00—Lecture, "Talking with God," Rev. Lund.
7:30—Congregational Singing.
8:00—Address, "The Life in Christ," Rev. Lund.
Saturday, July 19
9:00—Morning Devotion, Rev. A. G. Anderson.
9:45—Informal conferences and questions.
7:30—Address, "The Living Word." Dr. Bergendoff.

8:00—Pageaut, "The Triumphant Church."
Sunday, July 20
9:45—Sunday School. Address, Rev. A. G. Anderson.

derson.

10:30—Communion Service.

Preparatory Address, Rev. G. K. Andeen.
Sermon, Rev. S. E. Johnson.

3:00—Institute Mass Meeting.

Address, "I Believe," Dr. Bergendoff.

#### Important

If you plan to attend the Bible Institute in Colton, July 13-20, please let us know. Send us a postal card and tell us:

1-When you are coming;

2—How long you will stay;

3-What accommodations you wish. If you will kindly send this information to the undersigned, we shall do our best to make your stay here during the Bible Institute pleasant.

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possibly in some instances less. You may do your own cooking, or you may take your meals at church, or you may do part of each. Let us know which you prefer. Meals at church, eight days, \$7.00; single meals: breakfast 25c, dinner and supper 50c each. As to rooms and sleeping quarters, may it suffice to say here, that all who inform us about their coming will be taken care of at a cost less than usual. Various and individual arrangements will be made. Those who wish to camp may do so. Here ere wonderful camp sites. Only let us know that you are coming, and when, and what you want.

Here are most wonderful opportunities for outdoor recreations, especially hiking in the woods. If you are interested in this kind of exercise in the open, you should bring suitable clothing and shoes. Other forms of recreation that you may enjoy here is swimming, tennis, baseball, horse shoes, etc.



ALBERT ANDERSON, District Luther League Vice President.

One more thing is important for you to remember when planning for the week of July 13—20. That is the friendly spirit and the home-like atmosphere that you will find in Colton. Again. BE SURE TO LET US KNOW AT ONCE THAT YOU ARE COMING.

On behalf of the people of Colton we extend to you all a sincere WELCOME!

ERNST J. SAKRISON, Colton, Oregon.

#### Entertainment at Augustana

By ELLA L. ANDERSON

The Mizpah Society of the Augustana Church at Portland entertained their mothers at a banquet Friday evening. May 9th at the church parlors. The tables were beautifully decorated with spring flowers and a dinner was served by the members of the society.



MISS EDITH OLSON, District Luther League Secretary.

Mrs. Evelyn Dahlberg made a delightful toastmistress; Miss Esther Eckberg brot a greeting to the mothers and Mrs. S. E. Johnson responded in behalf of the mothers. Miss Esther Johnson rendered a piano solo followed by a song, "My Mother's Faith" by a group of girls led by Miss Guhle Olson.

Miss Virginia Ingman presented Mrs. S. E. Johnson with a gift from the society as a tribute to her recent election as President of the Columbia Conference Women's Missionary Society.

The Society extends its hearty thanks to the committee in charge: the Misses Marie Chalstrom, Anna K. Peterson and Laura Moore for their untiring efforts in making such an enjoyable evening possible.

In the near future the Mizpah Society will take charge of a vesper service. The theme of the program will be, "The Airplane."



DR. JULIUS STURE, District Luther League Treasurer.

#### Talks on Sunday School Teaching

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Last time we stated as a general law of teaching that the teacher should know the past experience of the child and adapt the new lesson to this experience. The fact that our lesson material is already graded will help a great deal in this respect. But there is much for the teacher to do also.

One very effective way of bringing the child's past experience into relation with the new lesson is to ask for the meaning of certain words of the lesson. Do not take for granted that a child knows his lesson when he can recite it. Select some words that you suspect he might not know, and ask for the meaning of these. In the answer to the question: "What does God say about all his commandments?" there are some words that are not so readily understood; such as "visiting," "generation." "inequity," etc. If there is anything in the



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local arrangements.

child's past experience that he himself can bring forth to explain those words, well and good. If not, then you as teacher will have to make the connection for him and recall them to mind. This may be difficult, but that is exactly the difficulty that you as teacher are called upon to solve.

Another effective way of helping the child to understand the catechism answers is to separate the questions. Take for example the question; "What is the Bible?" "The Bible is the word of God, written by prophets, evangelists, and apostles, who were inspired by the Holy Spirit." Make three questions of this: "What is the Bible." "Who have written the Bible," and "How can it be God's word when these men have written it?" The answers are, of course, readily found in the original answer. More questions should be asked in that connection about the authors of the Bible.

The use of illustrations will also help. If you can help the child to illustrate from his own experience, so much the better. Otherwise you will have to select your own illustrations. These must, of course, be familiar to the child. The illustration must be more familiar than the truth it attempts to illustrate. Keep before you the fact that you are teaching a child. You will have to learn to talk as a child and to think as a child, at the same time that you are bringing those influences to bear upon him that will help him to grow from childhood to manhood.

The ideal of teaching is growth. Your lesson should always be a new experience to the child. As that new experience is mastered, another lesson comes with new ideas. The teaching process is concerned with the line of division between the known and the unknown. That line is never stationary in life. The realm of "the known" is constantly growing. The progress of your teaching must synchronize with the advance of that line. If it lags behind, then you are dealing only with what the child already knows, and he loses interest. If you go too fast, then the child is unable to interprete and master the material, it becomes unintelligible to him, and interest and attention is lost. The successful teacher is the one who understands and is able to follow the growth of the child's

ERIC H. WAHLSTROM.

#### A Brotherhood Letter

To the Men of Columbia Conference:

The Fifth Annual Convention of our Brotherhood was held at Bethany church, Seattle, April 26, 1930. A constitution was adopted, and the following recommendations made:

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- I. That the Mt. Baker, Spokane and Portland districts perfect district organizations as soon as possible.
- 2. That Brotherhoods be organized in the churches of the Conference and that the inactice organizations be revived.
- 3. That we observe the following: (1) Synodical Brotherhood Rally Sunday next fall. (2) A Fathers and Sons banquet during the year. (3) Every Member Canvass. (4) Stimulate interest for Lutheran boys' summer encampments. (5) A Brotherhood Bible class. (6) Subscribe for the Columbia Lutheran and Lutheran Men. (7) Conduct a campaign for the placing of our church papers in every church home.
- 4. That we adopt the Brotherhood objectives as outlined by the U. L. C.: (1) To win the outside man. (2) To bring back on the church roll members that have lapsed. (3) To develop the church life of boys that have been confirmed. (4) To increase attendance of men at services.
- 5. To solicit a closer cooperation between the clergy and lay members in all Brotherhood work. We must pray and work harder to successfully harness the man-power of our church.

We have made a good start. Let us now complete our organization and take a more active part in the work of the church.

G. A. MAGNUSSON, Sec'y Columbia Conf. Brotherhood. The

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