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# HAPPY NEW YEAR





## NEW PIPE ORGAN IN-STALLED

The new pipe organ recently installed by the Salem congregation of Mt. Vernon was duly dedicated to the service of God on the first Sunday in December.

This is the second organ to be installed in the conference during the past two months, the other being found in the First church of Tacoma. The Mt. Vernon instrument is said by professor Arville Belstad of Seattle to be the second largest organ north of Seattle, and if true, the Salem church has all the right to be proud over its complishment.

The organ has three manuals and or one thousand pipes with all the lern variations, including Deagan that the lern variations, including Deagan that the constant of the cost is fully ored, having been subscribed mainthru the efforts of the young people hin the congregation.

The dedicatory program was well arranged and drew a large andience. Arville Belstad played the dedication program and Dr. Jos. A. Anderson gave the address. Greetings were given by several pastors who were present.

The organist of the church is Mrs. E. A. Soderman; choir director, Mr. E. A. Soderman, and pastor, the Reverend Carl A. V. Lund.

We hasten to congratulate the congregation, and especially the young people, upon this splendid achievement that has so well completed the interior of the beautiful edifice

## BETHEL CHUCRH RENDERS PAGEANT

At the vesper hour December 20, the Priscilla Society of the Bethel Lutheran church, Seattle, rendered a beautiful pageant of Christmas called "The First Christmas." The characters which were portrayed were Mary, Joseph, an angel, three shepherds, three kings, two cherubs, and pilgrims. Conceiled singing was heard thruout the rendition and added most effectively to the beauty of the pageant.



"The Light ... in the Free of Jesus ... Christ."—St ... id July ... The or setest

sentence spoker by a living many book for a momen' dark vision of the men de doom dismal night, a sluggish mass of corman mysteries, the ghastly hour of evil, the hour of untold crimes. Then turn your eyes toward the eastern horizon. A purple ray is seeking its way over the hilltops mingling its radiant colors with the glittering white of frost-laden pines. The whole firmament becomes ablaze with dashing color. Shadows and darkness seek the abyss of oblivion as high into the azur blue ascends the Candle of the Universe like a highpriest of old into the Most Holy to lay his incense of gold upon the altar of the Most High. This is the light of this world. But even though it may be tumuiteous with fiery splendor, illuminating the remotest corners of the earth and causing the atmosphere to roll in billows of glory for its millions of miles, it is but the reflection of the Light of God, which is the True Light, awakening a race sleeping in sin, awakening it into lifegiving splendor of eternal glory. "I am the Light of the World." That sentence means that there is an essential richness and possibility in humanity to belong to Divinity, that Christ separates the darkness of sin from the light of righteousness, that He turns the drowsiness of the human life into the vigor and strength of the heavenward life, that Christ is the sunrise of the soul. The result is that man finds himself, that the worthless becomes full of worth and the ignoble full of nobility, that man is being transformed from an eartly creature to a heavenly. The better the christian, the better the man. "The Light of the Glory of God is in the Face of Jesus." In accepting Jesus that Glory is also in your face.

the rendition and added most effec- All the characters were genuinesisted of the city wall of Bethlehem tively to the beauty of the pageant, oriental costumes and the scenery con- (Continued on page 7)

## OLGA JOHNSON IS DECEMBER BRIDE

A beautiful wedding was held in the First Lutheran church of Tacoma December 12, when Miss Olga Johnson, secretary of the Conference Luther League and prominent in the young people's work of the conference, was given in marriage to Clarence Grahn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Grahn of Seattle. Miss Johnson is the daughter of Mrs. Edla Johnson, 800 Adams St. N. Tacoma. The church was richly decorated with palms, chrysanthemums and brightly burning white candles. Mr. James Mitchell of Seattle sang two solar accompanies by the organist of the dairch' so played the oridal march. The no and in the com; my of her brother is to the brother wore awn, or centional white beads costume with veil and carries : bonnet of calla lilies. The ceremony via formed by the pastor of the church the reverend Ernest G. Svenson, and was very impressive. The brides sisters, the misses Hulda, Signe and Georgia Johnson, acted as bridesmaids and Mrs. B. Stanley served as maid of honor. They were boquets of roses and chrysanthemums. Mr. Reginald Grahn, brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man and Bernard Grahn, I. Westin, and Richard Wilworth as ushers. After an elaborate reception the young couple left for their honeymoon to the canadian islands. On their return they will make their home in New Belmout apartment in Seat-

## PASTOR RESIGNS PASTORATE

Disappointing news have reached us from Bellingham that Rev. Luther Cornay, pastor of the church in that city, has resigned his pastorate to take over the congregation at Michigan City, Ind. In Rev. Cornay's removal the conference will lose a faithful and efficient worker, who has learned to know the West and its problems. Before coming to Bellingham, Rev. Cornay served the Bethel pastorate, Seattle, for several years.

## COLUMBIA LUTHERAN

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## EDITORIAL COMMENTS

plished, and consider plans and prospects for the days that lie ahead.

The Columbia Lutheran has just completed a rather heetic year and started upon a new year, which, we hope, shall be of still greater accomplishment than the one just passed.

At the first of the year the editorial H. P. Jeanson of the Immanuel church, Portland, who had at that time held the position of editor since a paper became the official organt of the conference. In the ...ing Rev. Johnson became elevated to the presidency of the Columbia ouference and Reverend Eric Wahlstrom of Warren. Ore, was selected as editor Rev. Wahlstrom was chosen because of his well recognized literary experience, and once more the paper was assured good editorial management. His editorial endeavors were soon ended however, when he in turn was elevated to professorship in the Augustana Theological Seminary, Rock Island, Ill. Thus within the brief moment of two months a third change in the editorial office was necessary. This time the present editor was selected and as there has been no "elevation" editor's chair.

publishing - a conference paper in esting items about our congregations, church and for its vast foreign mis- up" advisedly since there was a certhese times is no easy matter. We are He has been ably assisted by Dr. Ios. sion work. So little is said these days tain spontaneity about its genesis glad to state however, that the con- A. Anderson, Sedro-Woolley, the con- about the charity work and the mis- which reveals an increasing local ingregations and the pastors of the con- ference statician. The Missionary So- signary efforts of the church that we terest in this institution. The local Secence have given spleudid support to ciety has been represented by its pres- are apt to forget both its magnitude folks realize that it is spicidal for the the Columbia Lutheran. If this sup- ident, Mrs. Samuel E. Johnson of and its importance. Christians, you Conference and bad policy for the Asport continues in the future and under Portland. Other departments will be must, in the name of the Lord, ar- toria community to increase the exbetter financial conditions, we dare to added as the financial condition of range it so that your own dependents isting indebtedness at the expense of

comes a necessity.

Instead of being a vehicle for gen-

announcements, church news, personal \$1000. news, general news, etc.

editor was to selON departemental paper is yours. editors and three came a better sys. And last, but not least, a condial were what was wanted-not merely too! someone to fill the place. Thus our conference secretary the Reverend C. G. Bloomquist, Bethany, Seattle, was chosen to head the department "The Conference At Work." This choice added authority to the department. In the important new department "Our Young People," Miss Margaretta Grant of the Gethsemane Luther Synod writes under date of December League, Scattle, was selected for her 18 saying that only some 11% of the splendid work as publicity manager of synodical budget had been paid up by the Tacoma-Monut Baker District Bi- the re-pective congregations. This ble Institute, and we dare say that creates a serious situation. Our nathe choice has proved good. In "Know tional life has been aroused in the insupport.

the work of the conference within appreciated by everyone concerned, prises fail because of temporary lack The New Year is the time for stock- the congregations. It wishes to car- His untiring efforts to place the of financial support. Such a tragedy taking. It is the season when we look ry news about the workers in the magazine on a paying basis have would retard the work within the backward at what has been accom- congregations. It attempts to give in- brought good results. Instead of some kingdom of God and decrease the information as to the services, to clari- four to five hundred copies monthly fluence of Christ's church for many fy the meaning of certain customs of distribution we are now near the two years to come. May there arise withthe church, and to stress the import- thousand mark. Instead of about in our various congregations a real ance of worship. For this reason it \$250 per year income Rev. Bengtson enthusiasm for the gathering of the carries special departments for church can now show a net result of nearly necessary funds for all the activities

With these remarks we go back to nodical budgets. The success of the magazine natur- our work with a promise: We shall duties were in the hands of Reverend ally lies with the editorial staff. For do our part for the success of Columthis reason the first act of the new bia Lutheran if you do your part! The

> appointment he was guided—as should clergy, from all parts of the country be-entirely by editorial standards, who have encouraged us with warm Good reporters and efficient writers words of appreciation.-That counts,

## THE CONFERENCE AT WORK

The Stewardship Secretary of our

bia Lutheran now endeavors to assist attle, has done work that should be ous forms of strictly Christian entersupported by our Conference and sy-

Do you know that you may invest your life savings on which you depend for support during old age with that breden grow and be guaranceed a specifa from the same as long as you live? The money you place with the Augustana Lutheran Foundation will be as safe as insurance policies in the best companies doing business in America. Many an aged person finds himself destitute today because the investments on which he depended are either totally lost or "frozen up" indefinitely. This need Rev. C. G. Bloomquist, Editor. not happen to you if proper precaution is taken at the present time. In case you are interested in this matter, you may write to Mr. Otto Leonardson for information, 628 Security Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

A laymen's organization has sprung in his life since, he is still in the Your Conference" we selected Rev. terest of the unemployed, and we up in Astoria, Oregon, the purpose of John Billdt, Everett, who we knew thank God for it; but there is not one which is to assist the Columbia Hoswas the man to dig into the old ar- penny coming from all of this relief pital in the solving of its financial To edit-to saying nothing of the chives of the conference to find inter- work for the many institutions of the problems. We use the purase "sprung prophesy a great future for the paper, the paper permits. Many things can are not neglected. We must, of course, the credit of the Columbia Conference. Changes are necessities of life. Even yet be done-and will be done, as the do our duty towards those in need in The pull to get the hospital out of the in a news magazine this sometimes be- congregations begin to give better our immediate environment, but not "depression" in these times when simat the expense of our special Chris- itar well-established hospitals have The business manager, Rev. Carl A. tian duty. It would be a tragedy difficulty going will be a hard one, crail news and articles only the Colum- Bengtson of the Emmans church, Se- beyond description to have these vari- but not too hard for Astorians, who have won in still stiffer battles for their beloved, historic community.

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Rev. O. W. Westling is now settled in the parsonage in Vancouver and from there directs the Master's work in his vast home mission field. Rev. John A. Martin has already picked up the reins in his new charge in Astoria and is directing the various activities toward a greater future for Trinity. Rev. Arthur I. Pierce has assumed charge in the Warren-St. Helens field. and the congregations rejoice over the fact of having a shepherd again in their midst. The acting president of our Conference, the Rev. N. Wm. Anderson, conducted installation services in both the above mentioned parishes during the early part of December.

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Our Homes for the Aged in Seattle offer the very best of accommodations for aged folks at a rate so reasonable that it does not pay for them to neglect the opportunities offered in these homes. An elderly man who entered one of them some time ago looked so much younger and is in so far better health than formerly that a friend commented on this. In response the man said, "The board is so excellent and the environment so congenial and we are so free from worries that we cannot help but prosper in these homes." We believe that you would do your aged folks a service by telling them of these our homes in Seattle. Accommodations are available for several at the present time. Dr. C. R. Swanson, 911 Stewart Street, Scattle, Wash, will gladly reply to any inquiries regarding these homes.

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The blanks for the various reports will be mailed out within a few days. Our acting President would appreciate very much to receive the pastoral re- So stands the Sun of Righteonsness ports at an early date. We suggest to the pastors of our Conference to sit down at once and make out this report I like to think as sunbeams burst and forward the same immediately to Again o'er vale and fjord, Rev. N. Wm. Anderson. The statistical reports are to be sent to the sec- The glory of our Lord. retary of the conference directly and not to the secretaries of the districts as during the past few years. Kindly take notice of this change. A resolution passed at the Synodical meeting held last June makes it incumbent upon us to forward our conference statistics to the Statistician of the Synod much earlier than in former The meet in our various churches concerned in the matter are, therefore, urgently requested to make up the statistical reports immediately after the amount meetings of the respective congregations and forward the same to Rev. C. G. Bloomquist. 7318 Latona Avenue, Seattle, Wash., not later than February 1, 1932.

sible for your future.



## "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts."

-Every part of our service has its counterpart in heaven. The opening declaration of the holiness of God is an echo of the heavenly chant heard by Isaiah in his vision of the throne: "I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne high and lifted up: and his train filled the temple. Above Him stood the scraphim: each one had six wings: with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said: Holy, holy, holy is Jehovah of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory." And the foundation of the thresholds shook at the voice of him that cried and the house was filled with smoke."-Is. 6:1-4. It is God's promised presence among His congregation and the pouring forth of His overpowering majesty in His Holy temple. This is one of the profoundest parts of the service and should be received by the worshippers in humility and reverence.

Anthems for January as suggested by Miss Mildred Johnson, director of music at the Bethany church, Seattle, Wash.

1st after Epiphany: "The Lord is my Light"	Speaks
Septnagesima: "That Sweet Story of Old"	Parks
2nd after Epiphany: "The Light of the World"	Gray
Candlemas: "How Amiable Thy Tabernacles"	Dean
or	
"Arise, Shine"	Ambrose
"When Thru the Night" (with violin obligato)	."Liebestraum"
"O, Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus"	Ambrose
"Be Glad, O Ye Righteons"	Spence

## Sunshine After Shadow

## OUR CHURCH PAPERS

I like to think when shadows come Into these lives of ours, That like the clouds that hide the sun They bring refreshing showers.

I like to think that as the sun Is just behind the grey, In glorious array.

So, after shadow, we shall see

-Elna Danielson.

Everett, Wash.

## IF NOT YOU, THEN WHO?

If the church members who have been taught the Christian faith, and know a little at least about Jesus Christ and His sacrifice, and His Church, do not attend church, why should the non-church member ever bother himself about going to church? The church member who does not zo to church is simply confirming the non-church person in his neglectful and "The Word of our God shaft stand You may not have been responsible the fence. What evidence are you giv- movement in all missionary work that for your heritage; you are respon ing that you are a Christian? By to thousands may come "the knowledge their fruits ye shall know them.

The Columbia Lutheran wishes to draw the attention of its readers to the fact, that us far as the newspaper field is concerned the C. L. serves ouly the conference. Synodical news of From every wrong and snare. any kind are carefully kept out of its pages. Some have wondered why. The reason is: we have synodical papers for just that purpose. It is the purence as a parish paper, and as such proceeds was for Home Missions. it attempts to give proper support to

## THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

By Mrs. S. E. Johnson, pires.

"For the earth shall be filled sea." Hab. 2, 14.

This is the word of the eternal God condition Church members, you are forever." Isa. 40, 8. The new year but love with little can do must. either with Christ or against Him. is here, let us now take Him at His There is no such thing as being on word and ask for a great forward more not to follow Himof the glory of the Lord."

Our Missionary Societies in the Columbia Conference have done much for missions but there is yet much to be done. A task is given to each of us that no one else can do. Dear members will you not do your very best this year, our jubilee year, that VIC-TORY may be ours thruout the whole Synod.

From the Spokane district come the news that Prayer Day was observed with special programs. Their Mission Societies have also been interested in supporting financially the work that the district pastors have been doing in Mullan, Idaho. May God richly bless the word that has been sown there-

The Spokane district treasurer, Mrs. F. Oberg, reports that in spite of the depression the societies have done well financially, and although probably not as well as last year, let us nevertheless thank God for what has been done toward extending the Kingdom.

From Gethsemane, Seattle, comes news concerning our Juniors - that they have prepared a box for Africa consisting of mounted Bible pictures, handkerchiefs, bandages, etc. Last month they had their annual festival when the pageant, "Tell the News" was presented to a large audience. At this gathering the girls had dressed a few dolls and made tea towels which were sold at the "Candy and Apple" booth. Financially they have done better this year than some years past-These busy Juniors send greetings to the other Junior Bands in the Columbia Conference

Lead them, all the little ones, Oh Jesus in Thy care. Lead them with tenderness and strength

The Immanuel W. M. S. in the Portland district had a successful dinner Dec. 11. The attendance was good pose of the C. L. to serve the confer- and a program was presented. The

The Augustana Young Women's Misthe weekly synodical papers, The Lu-sionary Society had a Christmas Saie theran Companion and the Augusta- on Dec. 11. The income was gratifyna. These two periodicals are of the ing. This group of young women with best calibre and we hope that every their leader, Mrs. E. Dahlberg, are to reader of the C. L. will soon become be commended upon the splendid work a reader of at least one of these also, they have done for missions this past

> A sincere wish to all our workers for Missions for a Happy New Year, may you all find much joy in serving

"The past is gone; the future waits, What will timt future see? with the knowledge of the glory of What will that future see? the Lord, as the waters cover the Perhaps before the year shall close, We shall His glory see."

> Selfishness with much can do witle. It costs to follow Jesus, but it costs

Love is the joy of service so deep that self is forgotten.

## THE IDEAL LUTHER LEAGUE PROGRAM

The question of Luther League programs is one that needs ponderance. Some time ago we received an interesting letter from one of our readers in regard to this question which we ask permission to quote:

"There is indeed much in our Christian life that needs improvement. Our main ambition should be to get right with God. At our Luther League meetings the programs should be altogether Christian programs where Jesus is present from beginning to end. Bible study and prayer should be foremost. Giggling and fun in a wordly sense will then disappear by itself. A most happy and enjoyable social hour can then follow. Everyone will then know what christian conduct means and everyone can go home in a happier mood."

Realizing the importance of this part of our work we set out at once to consult with some of our leaders of youth, asking them to give an opinion that might be helpful to our young people. And here are some of the suggestions rendered:

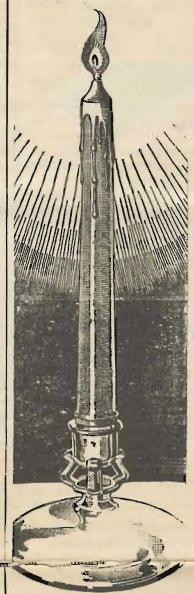
Rev. N. Wm. Anderson, Spokane, acting president of the Conference: "The ideal Luther League program is rendered when all the young people gather every Sunday evening for Bible study, meditation and prayer. This study brings out problems confronting our young people of today and helps than solve their difficulties. The the has the sure, safe, and satisactory answer. Special meetings may be arranged from time to time during the year."

Rev. John Billdt, Everett: "A successful and helpful program is one that will help our young people to develop socially, mentally, and spiritnally for Christ and the Lutheran church."

the Conference Luther League: At ment of its membership. least two meetings should be held during the month with programs prepared and printed for the whole year ahead. There should be a period of every meeting. Other features may be added occasionally for variation."

Rev. J. A. Martin, the new pastor in Astoria: "Wherever young people Christ, they should be allowed to take superintendent of the Kompass Misservice to man made more effective." soul's school for a character that will the initiative in program offerings, sion: "In arranging Luther League local league as well as for the welfare that the League is an organization in profit by thinking them over. of youth, will soon work its way to the church of Christ. At every pro-

of the conference: "An ideal Luther encouraged to arrange their own proreferring to God's kingdom; with the Bible study, speaking, and in the diof our young people toward home. church, and state. A Luther League "The ideal program is one in which tire matter in a special article.



## THE WORD OF GOD TAUGHT IN OUR CHURCHES **DURING JANUARY**

Epiphany—the season of Light.

Jan. 10-1 aft, Epiphany.-The Light of the World as Disciple and Teacher.

Apistle: Rom. 12:1-5. Gospel: Luke 2:42-52.

Text: John 1:14-18. The Light

is from God.

Jan. 17.—2nd aft. Epiphany.— The Light hallows the home. Epistle: Rom. 12:6-16. Gospel: John 2:1-11.

Text: John 4:5-26. — The

Light gives Water of Life. Jan. 24. — Septuagesima.—Sal-

vation comes thru Grace alone.

Epistle: 1 Cor. 9:24-27. Gospel: Matt. 20:1-16.

Text: Matt 19:27-30. — The Believers in the Light shall inherit Eternal Life.

Jan. 31.—Candlemas.—The Presentation of the Light. Epistle: Malachii 3:1-4. Gospel: Luke 2:22-32.

Text: John 1:16-18. - Grace and Truth comes thru the

Light.

than that of a literary society or a a leading part; a program that tends dark while the rest of the world relodge program. The ideal Luther to develop character by awakening vels in light, we have only added to League program emphasizes the spi- the Leaguers to a realization of their the apathy against the church. ritual, is instructive and inspirational, responsibilities to God and Hischurch, Rev. Carl A. V. Lund, president of church as well as the social require- spiritual life of the Leaguers—this is all its members.

> manager of the Columbia Lutheran: ingly difficult to attain." "The ideal Luther League program is faith and loyalty of the members."

Rev. Otto R. Karistrom, Seattle,

in my opinion the IDEAL League pro-Rev. Carl A. Bengtson, Seattle, gram. But—the IDEAL is exceed-

Rev. C. G. Bloomquist, Seattle, sec-

gram Christ must have his rightful considered closed before we have deal for you to let others carry on this Dr. C. R. Swanson, Seattle, veteran place. The young people should be heard from the young people them- work without your support? selves. We are therefore asking them League program deals with questions grams and to take part in prayer, to send in short statements as to their said the Master. This is why deciding problems and work of our church; recting of singing and in the leading with the privileges and responsibilities of the musical part of the program.' Rev. David Engberg, Troy, Idaho: younger pastors to summarize the en- our Master is itself a choice which has

## A COMMENDABLE PRACTICE

It is interesting to note how the congregations within the conference have celebrated the Christmas season.

As expected, everyone held early matin services Christmas morning. When it comes to watch night services the case seems different. churches say that services on New Year's eve is out of question. In two churches the young people have declared themselves absolutely against the service. They wish "to be free" on a night like that.

Very refreshing therefore are the news received from several of our congregations that elaborate services were prepared for the greeting of the New Year. Among these are Colton, Olympia, Vancouver, B. C., Emmaus, Seattle, Salem, Spokane, Hartford, Everett, Salem, Mount Vernon, Troy, Idaho; Astoria, Gethsemane, Scattle, and Portland. In the latter place the Luther Leagues of the two churches celebrate the evening together. Some other churches we take for granted are holding services in a similar manner although they have not reported.

The point is: why let the world crowd Christ out of the celebration of New Year? If the world is permitted to take over the churchly festivals as has been done in the past, we shall soon be unable to hold our own at any time. The editor believes-and by actual experience—that the matter of the watch night service is merely a matter of opinion. It well established, the services will be successful and enjoyable, but if we give in to the worldly clamor for an "exciting" New program must be of different type the young people, not the pastor take Year's eve and leave our churches

"The New Year for Christ" ought to It recognizes the league's responsibil- a program which, through a reverent be the slogan next year among all the ity in the material support of the study of the Word of God, deepens the churches of the conference and among

## IS IT A SQUARE DEAL

For you to neglect the church when Bible study and social contact at that variable form of program which retary of the conference: "The ideal you would not live in a community is acceptable to the members at the Luther League program is of such a without the church? If the church is time when it is used, and which nature that the youth of the church the backbone of any community; the serves to strengthen the Christian through it have their knowledge of center of all our best life; thought, Christ and His church increased, their and development; the greatest builder loyalty to both strengthened, and their of private and public conscience; the Thus we find many a valuable sug-The ideal program, suitable for the programs it should never be forgotten gestion, and if we are wise, we may 80 percent of all charity; and the place where our children receive their However, this chapter cannot be religious education — is it a square

"You cannot serve two masters," serious consequences.



# OUR YOUNG PEOPLE



MARGARETTA GRANT, Editor

This section of the Columbia Lutheran is created and planned with special efforts to meet every leaguer's approval. It is our sincere hope that we will receive from time it more interesting and more friendly. Remember all things work together for good to them that love God. time your contributions to make

## EDITORIAL

### YOU

January is the month of resolutions and suggestions. Primarily it is considered so because it is the first month of the year and like all beginnings it must be a good one. How are you planning for this coming new year?

you along each day or are you planning a fuller more beautiful year than even before?

Let us tarry for a moment and analyze ourselves. Did it ever occur to you that the most interesting person you are aconainted with is yourself-Therefore let us make resolutions so outstrip our yesterdays by todays, to finish than ever; this is our idea: to beautiful day spent with Him. get ahead of ourselves.

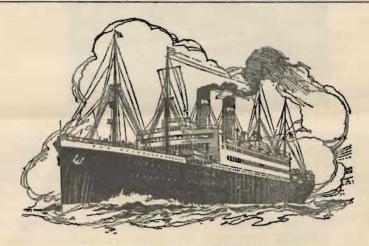
leaguers, is not happiness and content- Cynthia Tilson,

"cost" may be.

## LEADERSHIP QUALITIES

- cheerfully.
- able to deal with people fairly and of Seattle; the results being 32-9. The Leonard Swanson, treasurer. Interligion and social standing.
- your work and yourself.

creatures.—Cicero.



## ARE YOU SAILING WITH US?

### NEWS OF NEWS

Lappy New Year, Leaguers! Along with refreshments. Are you depending on fate to help with this grand, age-old wish comes the ever timeful reminder "news must news from Westdala League in Troy, be in to the editors before the 16th of Idaho. The league held an enjoyable the month." Now that that is writ- Thanksgiving meeting followed by With every rising of the sun ten in black and white we will see games and a puritan lunch served by Think of your life as just begun. what the postman brought us this Alice Bohman and Claudia Borlen. month.

that we may break our own records, Emmaus Lutheran Church in Seattle, is with them again. The league held Your will and plan. Since time began with regular morning services follow- their annual Christmas party on Der T. in been the friend of man, bear our trials more beautifully than ed by a rally in the afternoon at 18. Dr. Swanson gave a brief talk on You and today! A soul sublime we ever dreamed we could, to give as which Rev. Bloomquist and Dr. Unis "Christmas Among Ourselves," fol- And the great heritage of time. we never have given, to do our work were speakers. Communion services lowed by a Christmas program. John with much more force and a finer were held in the evening closing the Nelson, former active member in the I am only one

Know yourself! The best place to in Vancouver, B. C. held their busi- the leaguers. go to find out about yourself is to ness meeting on December 11. The The Salem League of Mt. Vernon And because I can not do everything

During this coming year let us re-held a meeting on December 4 at Sunday, Dec. 6, with Prof. Arville Belsolve to become leaders in our church, which time the following officers were stad of Seattle as guest organist. Prof. our league and in what ever work we elected: President, Fred Ohman; vice Belstad presented a recital on Dec. 15 do. Let us follow Christ thru an- president, Helen Swanson: secretary, which met with high approval to all. other year regardless of what the Clara Carlson, and treasurer, Clarence tertain with their Christmas party on ing Dec. 18 at the Clark home at fulness.

1. Be able to accept criticism of their basketball team. They chal- 1931 were replaced by Martha Sund- hope and quietly wait for the salvalenge any team! On December 16 strom, pres; Carl Abramson, vice pres- tion of the Lord. 2. Keep free from prejudices. Be their opponent was the Bethel League ident; Vivian Clark, secretary, and 3. Have sincere confidence in God, were sung games played and gifts ex- as well. Among interesting decisions and when ye turn to the left. changed.

Men resemble the gods in nothing the Grand Spirit of cooperating with ies of the church. Enough money was awe, the wise man commands our so much as in doing to their fellow other leagues in community Christmas subscribed to take care of an entire esteem, but it is the benevolent man caroling. In order to fulfill their family for the holidays.

pledge to the church budget the league is sponsoring an illustrated lecture

We are always happy to receive

Sunday, December sixth, a con- tle are very happy that their pastor. Concern yourself with but today, firmation reunion was held at the Dr. C. R. Swanson, who has been ill, Grasp it, and teach it to obey league and now of New York, Is But still I am one The First Swedish Luther League spending Christmas at home and with I cannot do everything,

Christ and His temple. Through your greater part of the evening was de- have entertained neighboring leagues I will not refuse to do that Christian efforts, your life and hum-voted to business followed by a social during the past month. The league Something which I can do. bleness to Him, will you know your- hour. Officers elected to serve dur- firmly believes that these inter-league self. Not only will you find hap-ing 1932 were: President, Eileen An-activities bring the young people of piness but you will bring happiness to derson; vice president, Elsie Boren; the Lutheran Church into closer felall whom you encounter. After all, secretary, Ebba Johnson; treasurer, lowship with one another and with And he lived the life of a 'going to do' And he died with nothing done. God. Salems' great pride, their pipement the brightest gem we can wear? The Messiah League at Auburn also organ, was formally dedicated on

> The Bethel Luther League of Seatwhich time the annual business meet-The Everett League is very proud ing was also held. The officers of we note especially one to furnish The Yakima League is upholding Christmas baskets to the needy famil-

The engagement of Dorothy Thorson to Richard Schaube was also annonneed. Miss Thorson is well known to leaguers who attend Bible Institutes and conventions.

The Trinity Luther League, Astoria, sponsored a program over the local radio station K. F. J. I. Monday evening, Dec. 14. The following program was rendered: Piano solo, Ethel Wicks; vocal solo, Mrs. J. A. Martin; violin solo, Mrs. R. W. Kullberg: short talk, Rev. J. A. Martin; vocal double duett, Mrs. Kuilberg, Mrs. Engbretson, Mrs. Hemmingson, and Mrs. Martin: piane solo, Howard Backlund. The league also sponsors New Year's Watch services with program and refreshments. The league, which meets twice each month has a unique feature. Two leaguers read some Bible verse and offer a short meditation.

## TODAY

The past has cancelled and buried deep The Gethsemane Leaguers in Seat- All yesterday—there let them sleep.

But still I can do something.

For he dreamed beneath the moon. And he slept beneath the sun,

-Selected.

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It is good that a man should both

Thine ears shall hear a word behind squarely regardless of their race, re- League held their annual Christmas change of Christmas presents turned thee saying, This is the way, walk ye party on Dec. 18 at which time carols out to be not only useful but playful in it, when ye turn to the right hand,

> The conqueror is regarded with who wins our affection.

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day of month, 8 p. m.
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## REV. JOHNSON REMEM-BERED

conference, and pastor of the Imma- board and their wives gathered at the nuel church, Portland, was remember- parsonage, filling it to overflow with Confirmation class, Sat's at 9:30 a.m. ed recently by his former church in good things to eat and other tokens of Minneapolis with a Christmas gift well wishes. Rev. Bloomquist, who 8 p. m.

Tabitha Society, 2nd Thursday of month, 2 p. m.

Lutheran Brotherhood, 2nd Friday of bas kept him in led most of the time that nevert on the event was a great month at 8 p. m. has kept him in bed most of the time that mement on the event was a great Woman's Missionary Soc., 3rd Thurs- since the synodical meeting last success. Mr. J. P. Anderson spoke on has kept him in hed most of the time that moment on the event was a great

Junior Mission Band, 3rd Saturday, 2 book of which Rev. Johnson is editor, occasion. Mrs. Bloomquist, being an is now ready for distribution, most of important part in the Bloomquist uni-Sunday School teachers' meeting, 4th
Thursday, 8 p. m.

Song service, last Sunday of month, editor's sickness. The book is of great lirthday cake was of giant proporvalue to all members of the synod and tions with fifty candles. is beautifully illustrated and well edited.

### CONFERENCE SECRETARY 50 YEARS OLD

the conference and pastor of the Be- all occasions. The financial situation thany church, Seattle, was pleasantly is most promising, the congregation 10:45 a, m. surprised December 10 by members of having finished its year with all conthe Board of Administration in honor ference and synodical obligations ful-9:30 a, m. unsuspected by the object of the sur- so been well taken care of.

prise-in fact, so much that the event for awhile threatened to become a failure on account of the absence of Rev. H. P. Johnson, president of the the celebrant—the members of the behalf of the board and left the pastor "Korsbaneret," the synodical year- a bathrobe as a warm memento of the

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Evening Services		

Calendar.

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church until sickness came. Was one inspiring speeches bore witness as to her beloved church. She was lovely in are many but whose body is young. David E. Engberg life, beautiful in death.

## FROM THE SICKBEDS.

Dr. C. R. Swanson, Seattle, is again in active service, having spent a few weeks at the hospital recuperating from an attack of influenza. Mrs. John Bildt of Everett is now fully recovered from her operation. Sickness in the parsonages of Bellingham and Bethel, Seattle, has been on the retreat and at the time of writing all seems well. Rev. H. P. Johnson, Port-Ladles Aid, Second Thursday of month work, but we hope it shall not be long Missionary Society meets quarterly.

Luther League, fourth Wednesday of month. land is still unable to take up his



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### C. J. LARSON, 70 YEARS OLD

tion took place last month at War-MATHILDA CAROLINA DAHLGREN the community, Mr. C. J. Larson, was ren, Oregon, when the founder of feted in honor of his 70th birthday. Mr. Larson has been an active mem-Born in Kristdala, Kalmar län. No- ber of our church in Warren and has vember 13, 1858. Died Dec. 10. Gradu- always taken a leading part in all its ated from Kalmar Läravinneseminari- activities. Among the honor guests of um and served ten years as school the occasion were Professor and Mrs. teacher in Sweden. Married Oscar Chas Swenson and Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Dahlgren, Pendleton, Ore. in 1880 and Lonegren, editor of "Oregon Posten", came to Warren 1912. Has served as Portland. A beautiful program was teacher in the Sunday school of the rendered in honor of Mr. Larson and of the lovelist christian characters far the popularity of the object of the and wide. She leaves four children in festivity. A cake with 70 candles Warren, one sister in Chicago and one burned brightly on the table, a very in Sweden. She now rests peacefully fitting eulogy to the youth and vigor in the family lot in the cemetary near of the "70 year old boy", whose years

## BETHEL CHURCH PAGEANT

(Continued from page 1)

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