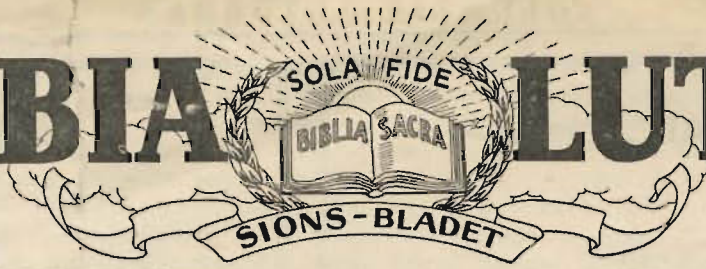


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## CONFERENCE TO MEET AT HOQUIAM, WASH.

### May 1-5 Chosen as Convention Dates

"The Rock and the Church" will be the theme for the Forty-third Annual Convention of the Columbia Conference, which will convene at Hoquiam, Wash., May 1, extending the meetings over Sunday, May 5.

The program will be one of the most interesting ever offered at a conference meeting, according to Rev. Carl J. Renhard, pastor of the host church.

### Opening Service Wednesday

The festive occasion begins on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock when the opening service will be held in the beautiful church of the Saron congregation. At this time Rev. N. Wm. Anderson, president of the conference, will give his presidential message, and Rev. A. G. Anderson of Gresham, Ore., will give the communion address. Wednesday morning a brief devotional period will be held, at which time Rev. C. S. Odell of Portland, Ore., is the speaker. In the afternoon the same day Rev. O. R. Karlstrom of Seattle directs the devotional period and in the evening Rev. J. A. Edmund, veteran of the conference, gives a historical and missionary review of the conference.

### Missionary Festival Thursday

Thursday is ushered in with a devotional period lead by Rev. C. Arthur Johnson of Yakima, Wash., the afternoon period being introduced by Rev. E. J. Sakrison of Colton, Ore. In the evening the Missionary Society holds its annual festival with a program, including an address by Rev. Roger P. Oliver of Seattle. Business sessions are held by both the conference and the Missionary society between each service.

### Brotherhood Convenes Saturday

Concluding business sessions will be held on Saturday after a devotional period in the morning, at which time Rev. Enoch Sandeen of Seattle is the speaker. The afternoon is turned over for recreational purposes, when the delegates will be given the opportunity to visit the ocean beach, which is within sixteen miles distance from the city. The climax of the day is reached in the evening when the conference Brotherhood holds its annual banquet. Rev. Wm. Siegel of Spokane is the speaker on this occasion.

### Church Dedication Sunday

Rev. Arthur Pierce of Warren, Ore., and Rev. A. M. Green of Portland, are the speakers during the Sunday School hour Sunday morning, and Dr. Joseph Anderson of Sedro-Woolley, Wash. and

# LENTEN THOUGHTS

"Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities. All we like sheep have gone astray: and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." "Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in Thee; let me not be ashamed."

Rev. O. W. Westling speak at the morning worship. In the afternoon a Young Peoples Rally will be held in connection with the dedication of the new church building, recently erected by the congregation. At this time Rev. Anderson will give the dedicatory address and Rev. Carl A. V. Lund of Mount Vernon, Wash., vice president of the conference, addresses the young people. Rev. John Billdt of Everett, Wash., and Rev. Paul V. Randolph of Portland conclude the convention in the evening, the latter speaking on the subject: "The Gates of Hell Shall Not Prevail."

### Congregation Organized 1908

Twenty-five years ago work was begun in Hoquiam by Rev. P. A. Mattson, who was then pastor in Tacoma. Rev. M. L. Larson, Rev. L. D. Hawkins, Rev. N. J. W. Nelson and Rev. C. E. Frisk also visited these parts. In the year 1907 Rev. J. A. Levin was called by the conference to move into the territory and establish congregations. He preached his first sermon in Hoquiam Dec. 1, 1907. The first organization meeting was held March 18, 1908, and

a congregation was organized with 33 communicants and 38 children. The first secretary was John Erickson and the treasurer, Matt Strommer. Ernest Eklund was elected organist and is still continuing in this service.

The first church building was owned and operated in conjunction with the Swedish Mission church, but the members of this church later decided to exclude the Lutherans from use of the church and suddenly threw their property out of the church. Saron then bought a small catholic church for \$1,200 and started out on its own initiative. After a few years of progress the congregation found itself in need of a new church and today, thanks to a great extent to its pastor, Rev. Carl J. Renhard, it has a church worthy of any community. Services were held in

An American Lutheran Conference Youth Rally will be held at the Masonic Temple, Harvard and Pine St., Seattle, May 12, at 8 p. m. About two hundred picked singers from the various church choirs of the city are taking part.

## WEDDING BELLS HAVE BEEN RINGING



Miss Anna Victoria Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Anderson of Gethsemane, Seattle, became the wife of Mr. Harold Carl Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Anderson, Friday evening March 15. The ceremony took place in the Gethsemane Church, Dr. C. R. Swanson officiating.

Miss Emma Anderson, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were the Misses Ingeborg Wernlof, Elvera Nelson, Ruth Blomberg, and Valborg Carlson. The flower girl was little Joan Turnblad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Turnblad.

Mr. Russel Anderson, brother of the bridegroom, was the best man. The ushers were the Messrs. Paul Beuson, Richard Patterson, Allen Johnson, and Frederick Nelson.

Wedding music included a number by a quartette of girls and a solo by Miss Anna Johnson accompanied by Mr. Ernest Oberg. The quartette consisted of the Misses Alma Johnson, Isabelle Magnuson, Helen Bernth, and May Bernth.

Immediately after the ceremony a reception was held in the Wilsonian hotel. Following the reception the bride and bridegroom left for a short trip to Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will make their home at 5018 Woodlawn Ave.

Some years ago there was confirmed at Emmaus, Seattle, a class of two members. On March 3rd the Emmaus congregation witnessed these same two young people united in marriage. They are Elsa Lillquist and Rurik Eriks. The ceremony was performed after the morning service by Rev. Carl A. Bengtson. Esther Lillquist was her sister's attendant and Evald Eriks, the groom's brother, was the best man. Elve Lillquist and Gene Koll sang two duets before the ceremony, accompanied by Edna Anderson. Elve Lillquist played the wedding marches. Both the bride and the groom are active in Emmaus and are well known throughout the District and Conference by the Luther Leaguers.

Of interest to the young people of the conference is the recent marriage of Miss Eunice Olson and Mr. Edward Grimmer of Grace, Spokane. Both young people have been active in the Grace Luther League and choir. The candle-light service was performed before many friends of the young couple.

## EDITORIAL

This concerns all our readers.

The subscription list is corrected up to date.

During the last year it has become rather impossible to keep the subscription list free from error. The reason for this condition is not to be found in negligence on the part of the manager. As you know, the editor is also manager—which means a great amount of work. To credit properly each subscription every month and at the same time keep up the editorial work, is too much asked of one person. Accordingly many subscribers are wondering about their subscription date.

Please look over your slip today. If the date is correct, fine. If not, notify the manager at once, as we wish to correct it.

Then—and this is just as important—look once more. If your subscription date reads prior to May 1, 1935, you owe the manager subscription money—fifty cents a year—to that time. If your date says 1930, you owe the Columbia Lutheran \$2.50. Etc.

Sickness has prevented us from issuing the regular March issue.—Can you forgive?

### This is Important

The conference meets May 1. The manager has kept the paper going for two years of depression—a time when advertisements are hard to get.

Now we wish to come to the conference with all bills paid. We also wish to know how many subscribers are going to pay their subscriptions. Some other editor and manager will most likely be elected this year. In that case the present manager would like very much to have all the bills paid, as he has personally guaranteed a conference paper without obligation to the conference. If the subscribers fail him this month, he will have to look into his own pocket for the missing dollars—but that particular pocket is emptier than a hollow tree.

### And Another Thing

You who have written the editor for information, please pardon the silence. We would like to answer each letter, but everything counts when there are many to answer. The explanation given above includes everything. Please forgive.

### And Thank You!

In case this is the last issue in which we have the opportunity to speak to you, may God bless you all for being so kind during the past years. Only one kind of severe criticism has been offered: the paper has grown too small! Many compliments have been bestowed upon our efforts. That kind of warms the heart. Thank you!

## Holy Week



Very properly the week which is ushered in by Palm Sunday is so designated. A peculiar sanctity attaches to these days. They recall the events that constitute the climax not only of our Lord's earthly ministry, but also the Triune God's eternal plan of salvation.

The week opens with our Lord's royal entry into Jerusalem. It is a march of triumph. The days that follow are marked by a series of vehement verbal assaults made upon Jesus by His enemies. He parries every thrust. In graphic parables He exposes their evil plans and the doom that their course will bring upon them.

On Thursday evening He gathers with His disciples in the upper room. He institutes the Blessed Sacrament. He speaks so tenderly to these men who will soon experience one shock after another. He crosses the Kidron and enters Gethsemane. His Passion begins.

He is arrested. He is dragged from one tribunal to another. The night is made ghastly by the physical, mental and spiritual tortures to which He is subjected. The scene shifts with kaleidoscopic rapidity. At last the insistent demand is satisfied. The sentence of death is confirmed. Jesus is led away to be crucified.

On Calvary the last act of the Passion occurs. The Son of God dies after hours of agony on the cross. As Good Friday, the anniversary of that day is remembered. So the ransom was paid for a humanity dead in sin and lost to God. So God and man were reconciled. We are verily bought with a price.

Before Good Friday's sun sets His body is laid to rest in Joseph's tomb. Saturday is the one quiet day in this momentous week.

Then on Sunday morning the glad tidings are heard: "He is risen; He is not here." No power of earth or hell could hold that mighty Lord. His prison bars He bursts. The Resurrection is the crowning miracle of His redemptive work.

Surely, this precious and blessed Holy Week deserves to be especially observed. Christians will gladly do that.

### EASTER GLADNESS

Joyously we Christians hail the rising of the Easter sun.

Through the weeks of Lent we shared the agony of the first disciples as they saw their Master shamed, abused, condemned, crucified and buried. They had trusted in Him, they had loved Him, they had hoped for such glorious things through Him. And now He was dead! Their faith was shattered, their love was eclipsed, their hopes were blasted.

Ignorance was the cause of their sorrow. They did not realize that thru suffering and death His saving purpose would be achieved and blessings eternal be secured for them.

We know that. We know the meaning of that tragic scene on Calvary. And yet we sorrow with the disciples. We see ourselves as perpetrators of these crimes against the Holy One of

God. Our sins caused His deep affliction. We bow our heads in penitence and mourn at the sight of the cross.

But sharing the sorrow of the disciples we also share their tremendous joy as they found the grave empty and gradually grasped the fact that His body had not been stolen, but that He had arisen, triumphant over death. Then was their faith restored and magnified, their love became more fervent and their hopes most boundless. Their Master was indeed the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Saviour of the world.

That is what the Resurrection preaches to us too. And that is why we join those men and women in lifting up our hearts to God in joyful exultation, in jubilant thanksgiving. Sinners though we be, He can save to the uttermost. Our enemies are defeated. The guilt of sin is cancelled. The penalty of sin is paid. "He was

delivered for our offenses, and was raised again for our justification." He lives to assure our trembling hearts and to assuage our damning consciences. He lives to guide us through life's perplexities and through death's shadows. With Him we now live in happy contentment. With Him we shall die in fearless hope. With Him we shall be in heaven's bliss through endless eternities.

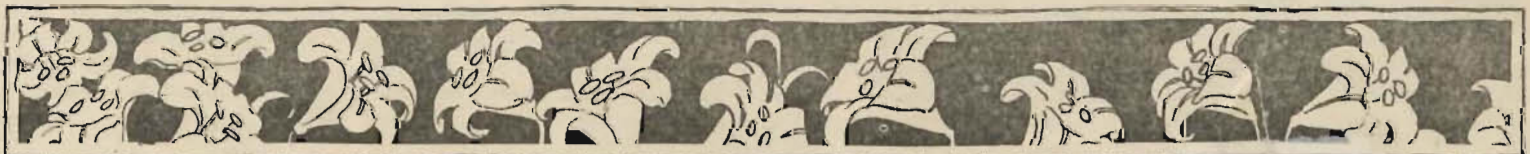
### Augustana Choir Broadcast

The Augustana choir of Augustana College, Rock Island, Ill., broadcasted twice during March from Chicago over the National and the Columbia Broadcasting systems, but remained unheard in the Northwest due to the failure of the local stations to relay the broadcast. The Editor has received the assurance, however, from station KOL in Seattle that a broadcast of this celebrated choir will be featured by

it April 13 at 9 a. m. If all plans carry, we should be the favorites this time. The choir hopes to make a tour of the West in 1936 and '37 according to the director.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE

A Sunday School Institute has just been concluded in Seattle. The Institute was held under the auspices of the four Augustana churches of the city and featured several speakers, among them was Rev. J. V. Nordgren of Rock Island who spoke each evening on some phase of the Sunday School work. His addresses were well planned and were received enthusiastically by the audiences. As this Institute was arranged entirely by the Seattle churches, there was no time for Rev. Nordgren to visit other congregations, but a visit will be made in other parts of the conference later.



ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Editor has a little helper. His name is not yet known, but he is a husky little fellow. Mrs. Sandeen is now back from the hospital and all is well.

Dedicatory services will be held Palm Sunday morning at the Gethsemane church, Seattle, when a painting, "Christ on the Cross" by Olle Hjortzberg will be hung over the pulpit. Hjortzberg is director of the Swedish Royal Academy of Art in Stockholm and "Christ on the Cross" is said to be the most valuable painting ever hung in an Augustana church. We shall have occasion to refer to this painting more fully in our next issue.

It is reported from Spokane that plans are being made by the pastors of the American Lutheran Conference to establish a Bible Institute at Spokane College. The Institute would be patterned after the Lutheran Bible Institute at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Roland Swanson, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Swanson of Seattle, is the president of the Senior class at the Pacific Lutheran College, where he has studied during the last two years. Roland is a popular young man among the students. We are glad to note that plans are being made by which he may become a member of the student body of Augustana College, Rock Island, Ill., next fall.

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J. M. S., 2nd Saturday ..... 2:00 p. m.  
L. L., 2nd & 4th Thurs. .... 8:15 p. m.  
Althea Society, 2nd Thurs. .. 2:00 p. m.  
Ladies Aid, 3rd Thurs. .... 2:00 p. m.  
Choir every Tuesday ..... 8:00 p. m.  
Girls' Club, 3rd Thurs. .... 8:15 p. m.  
Luth. Brotherhood 3rd Monday.... 8:00

The basketball tournament, held in Tacoma-Mt. Baker District, although not run off as smoothly as was expected, has finally been completed. This year the trophy goes to the team from the Grays Harbor League. This team was the winner of the Southern division and since no team was organized in the Northern division they will receive the trophy at the District Convention at Everett.

Following are the standings of the Southern division teams:

	Won	Lost
Grays Harbor	8	1
Gethsemane	7	1
Tacoma	3	5
Bethel	3	5
Emmans	0	8

The winners found strong competition in Gethsemane's team. The first game between the two was won by Gethsemane 17-14. Then Gethsemane journeyed to Hoquiam and dropped a game 30-18. This left each team with 7 wins and 1 defeat. The play off was played at the Green Lake Fieldhouse, in Seattle, on March 23. After a hard fought game Grays Harbor won 28-18.

Now that the basketball season is over the Athletic Committee is planning a soft-ball tournament, and all the leagues who wish to enter a team should start thinking about it. Further details will be mailed to each League.

A "surprise" wedding was held recently at the Pacific Lutheran College when Miss Rose Brooks of Tacoma was united in marriage with Mr. "Ted" Nelson, Dean of Men at the college. Mr. Nelson is widely known in the conference, having been field agent for the college and manager for the choir. He is a member of the First Lutheran Church of Tacoma and is a graduate of the College of Puget Sound. Mrs. Nelson hails from Baltimore, Maryland, and has been associated with the Public Garage in Tacoma. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson plan to establish a residence in Parkland in the near future.

We are glad to hear of the complete recovery of Dr. Conrad Bergendoff, Dean of the Augustana Seminary and candidate for the presidency of the Augustana College and Theological Seminary, Rock Island. Dr. Bergendoff has spent a few weeks of rest in Florida. Dr. Adolph Hult, professor of Church History in the same institution, is still in Florida recuperating after a severe illness.

Rev. John Bildt has declined the call extended him by the Troy, Idaho, pastorate. Rev. Reuben Norling of Denver, Colo., has been called to Moscow, but has not as yet intimated his decision in regard to the call.

The Executive Committee of the Tacoma-Mt. Baker District recently met and chose May 18-19 as the dates for the 29th Annual Convention which is to be held at Everett.

Plans have already been laid for an exceptionally fine program, and the Everett League is working hard to make this convention a most interesting and enjoyable one.

A Cathedral Hour has been introduced by the Bethany Luth. Church of Seattle. Roger P. Oliver, pastor. The program opens with fifteen minutes of organ meditation by Mrs. Oliver, who ranks as one of the finest church organists in the conference. Later Rev. Oliver conducts an Old Testament character study and leads in Lenten meditation. The service is rendered to the glow of candle light and has proved very popular, bringing out an attendance for the evening service of approximately one hundred. Improvements in the church school rooms have now begun, making for greater privacy of the classes.

A joint meeting of the Westdala Lutheran League of Troy, Idaho, and the Trinity Lutheran League was held at the Westdala church, Wednesday Mar. 6. Prof. R. N. Peterson of the Troy Public Schools gave a talk on his trip to the World's Fair. Several musical numbers were given. A feature of the evening was a baby contest. The winner was Miss Irene Bohman. A delicious lunch was served. About sixty were in attendance.

The Mission Society gave a program Sunday evening March 17. A pageant "The Golden Link" was given by a group of women. Other musical numbers were given. Ole Bohman and R. N. Peterson gave talks about Missions. A good attendance was had.

The Brotherhood of Central, Yakima held their father and son banquet the evening of March 15. The program included vocal numbers by John Groenig, piano selections by Kenneth Wahlstrom and a talk by Reverend Roger Oliver of Seattle. Rev. C. Arthur Johnson served as toastmaster and invocation was given by Rev. C. E. Lindquist. The St. Patrick theme was used in table decorations of green tapers and streamers. The dinner was served by the Ladies Aid members under the direction of Mrs. O. Peterson and Mrs. C. E. Lindquist.

Mr. Chester Johnson of Immanuel Portland, has recently returned from New Jersey where he visited his father and brother. On his return trip he stopped at Rock Island and attended some of the sessions of the Youth Conference. He found them very interesting as well as inspirational.

The Immanuel Congregation of Portland was host March 1st to all the new members received into the congregation during 1934 and up to March 1935. The men of the congregation took full charge of the program and the Ladies Aid had charge of refreshments and the social hour. A very enjoyable evening was spent and everyone was given the opportunity of meeting the newcomers in the congregation and extending a hand of welcome.

On Feb. 17 the members of Emmaus were the guests of the Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church at the vesper service. Rev. Carl A. Bengtson spoke and the Emmaus young people furnished several musical numbers.

Dr. C. R. Swanson, Conference Treasurer and pastor of the Gethsemane Lutheran Church of Seattle, left recently for Chicago, where he attended the meeting of the Synodical Budget Committee.

The Grace Luther League of Spokane, under the able leadership of its new president, Carl Hillman, is this year working for new lighting fixtures for the church.

Sunday March 3 the league sponsored a concert. A large audience enjoyed the splendid music given by Mrs. William S. Hawkins, soloist; Miss Lucille Ramstead, accompanist; Mr. J. Riley Chase, organist; Mr. Harold Chase, flutist; and Mr. N. E. Olson, pianist.

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Prayer service Wednesdays.....8:00 p. m.

Organizations

Ladies Aid, 1st Wed. at .. 2:00 p. m.

Luth. L. 1st & 3rd Tues.....8:00 p. m.

S. S. teachers 2nd and 4th

Tuesday ..... 7:45 p. m.

W M S quarterly 2nd Thurs. 2:00 p. m.

Zuriel Third Friday.....8:00 p. m.

J. M. B., 2nd Saturday at.....1:00 p. m.

Brotherhood 1st Friday..... 8:00 p. m.

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### PORTLAND DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE FLANS BIG YEAR

The Portland Dist. Luther League executives had a meeting recently and made the plans of the luther league work for the summer. The Luther League Spring rally is to be held April 28th at the Augustana Church. This rally is held for the purpose of interesting luther leaguers in the Bible Institute and collections taken at the time are used for the furtherance of work in the Luther League Park. Many improvements are being made on the park through Rev. Sakrison and Colton Luther Leaguers effort and the help of the S. E. R. A. The Bible Institute is to be held July 21st to 28th at Colton.

The District Luther League convention will be held August 18th with Immanuel, Portland, as the host league.

A poster contest is being sponsored by the Portland District, the winner of the same to receive as a prize one week's stay at the Bible Institute.

### THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Col. Conf. Woman's Missionary Society will convene at Hoquiam, Wn., Rev. Renhard, Pastor, May 1 - 5, in conjunction with the Columbia Conference.

Program as follows:

Thursday, May 2nd, 1935.  
9:00 a. m. Executive Board Meeting.  
10:00 a. m. Business Session.  
1:30 p. m. Home Mission Program.  
Friday, May 3rd.  
9:00 a. m. Business Session.  
1:30 p. m. M. Y. W. Rally. Lead by Miss Martha Elmer, Col. Conf. Y. W. Secretary.  
7:30 p. m. Woman's Miss. Festival.  
Saturday, May 4th.  
9:30 a. m. 15th Anniversary pro-

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gram of the Junior Missionary Society. Lead by Mrs. O. R. Karlstrom, Col. Conf. Jr. Secretary.  
1:30 p. m. Prayer Service.  
2:30 p. m. Executive Board meeting.

The 14th annual meeting of the W. M. S. of the Portland district of the Columbia Conference was held in the Augustana church of Portland Feb. 19th.

There were 58 present at the meeting. Our Conference pres. Mrs. J. A. Martin was in charge of the devotional period.

Mrs. Earl welcomed us to Augustana. Response by the undersigned. Mrs. A. V. Anderson, our dist. pres., gave us a fine report of our missionary work during the past year. There are 343 members, a gain of 44 adults. One new Y. W. M. S. has been organized during the year, at Astoria, Oregon. This makes 3 Y. W. M. S. with 74 members. A gain of 24. There are 6 J. M. B. societies with 188 members, a gain of 52. Mrs. Fred Jensen, our dist. treas., gave a fine report of the finances. An income of \$1,084.50.

The Portland dist. W. M. S. received a gift of \$200 from the will of the late Mrs. Theresia Stromquist.

A vocal trio and a vocal solo was rendered by members of the Y. W. M. S. of Augustana. The officers for 1935 are as follows: Mrs. A. V. Anderson, pres.; Mrs. A. M. Green, vice pres.; Mrs. David Lofgren, sec.; Mrs. Fred Jensen, treas.; Mrs. Herman Chingren, membership sec.; Mrs. Emil Muhr, Mission Tidings sec.; Miss Esther Ekberg, Y. W. M. S. secretary; Mrs. A. L. Swansen, Industrial sec.; Mrs. E. J. Sakrison, Junior sec.; Mrs. Julius Sture, My Missionary for a Day.

The ladies of Augustana served the evening meal. Our guest speaker for the evening was Rev. Elias Newman who spoke on the topic, "The Faith of the Church and Missions to the Jews."

Mrs. C. S. Odell.

The Trinity W. M. S. & Y. W. M. S. of Astoria, Ore., held their Home Mission Festival Tuesday evening, March 26th to a packed house. A candle light service with the pageant, "The Challenge of the Cross," was most beautifully given. Miss Johanna Rasmusson took the part of Evangel, and the Disciples were Harriet Westersund, Sylvia Grimstad, Adeline Sather, Anna Mackey, Edith Rasmus, Marit Jean Backlund, and Miss Mabel Johnson. Howard Backlund served as organist and Miss Lorraine Martin as pianist. Mrs. J. A. Martin was the director. The Girls Chorus and Trinity Church Choir assisted in the Service.

The W. M. S. will hold a "Silver Tea" at the Parsonage for the Girls Home in Vancouver, April 10th.

Because of inclement weather in Vancouver in January the annual meeting of the Mt. Baker District W. M. S. had to be postponed.

Therefore we met in Mt. Vernon, Wash., at the Salem Church Feb. 17 to 19, in connection with the regular District Mission Meeting.

The business meeting was held on Tuesday morning with the chairman, Mrs. E. A. Soderman, presiding. All the reports of the work during 1934

were read and approved. These reports did not show any gain in the W. M. S. membership since quite a number of the older members had died. We still have just 155 members. There was one new Life member and several new In memoriams. The Treas. report showed a nice increase in the money handled. We sent in better than a dollar per member for Home Missions, but did not meet our quota for Anna Olson's salary.

Twenty-two delegates were present, all societies except Hartford and Vancouver were represented.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. E. A. Soderman, Chairman; Mrs. H. Tegelberg, Vice-president; Miss Margaret Carlson, Secretary; Mrs. Chas. Olson, Treas.; Mrs. H. Carlson, Prayer Day and Mission Tidings Secretary. These were all re-elected. Mrs. Elmer Anderson elected Junior Secretary, Miss Agnes Loreen, Y. W. Secretary; Mrs. R. Ericson, Membership Secretary.

It was decided to use the afternoon offering for Anna Olson's salary. Decided to give \$1.00 per society for a Jewish worker in New York City.

The Junior Rally is to be held in Mt. Vernon, April 7.

We received most encouraging news about the Home in Vancouver, through Mrs. Arvid Hawkins. We are so thankful to God for the new Matron and the work she is able to do. The Mt. Baker District promised to encourage the work in every way possible.

In the afternoon of the same day the W. M. S. gave a Missionary program celebrating our 10th anniversary. Mrs. H. Tegelberg read a splendid History of the work written by Miss Carlson the Sec. Mrs. Elmer Anderson sang for us, in her usual pleasing way. Dr. Jos. Anderson gave the main address, using as a theme, "Mary, as an example for Women church workers." Various reports and resolutions were read. The Chairman and Treasurer were each presented with a corsage as a token of thanks from the District.

After this session we had coffee and a real birthday cake. Rev. Billdt, assisted by several others, sang "Happy Birthday to you."

In the evening a service was held to close the District Mission meeting with Rev. O. W. Westling as the speaker. And thus closed another happy meeting.

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