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REV. HENRY P. JOHNSON, CONFERENCE PRESIDENT, CALLED BY DEATH

A death which has caused great sorrow over the entire synod occurred in Portland, Ore., on Thursday, January 14, when the Reverend Henry P. Johnson, pastor of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, and president of the Columbia Conference, was called to his heavenly rest. The death came peacefully after seven months of illness.

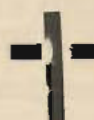
The departed was born November 10, 1878, in Mörrum, Blekinge and came to this country at the age of 3 years. His first home in America was in Wylie, Minn., where his parents had taken a homestead.

His higher education was received at the Chicago Athenaeum, Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas, and Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn., from which he was graduated in 1906. After graduation from the Augustana Theological Seminary, Rock Island, Ill., three years later he was ordained into the holy ministry at the synodical convention at Red Wing, Minn., June 13, 1909. His first charge was Zion Lutheran of Minneapolis, a charge that he loved until death. He served this congregation until four years ago, when he took up the work in Portland. His first and his last sermon was preached in Zion.

Thruout his ministry Rev. Johnson held many positions of trust. He was president of the Minnesota Conference Luther League, member of the Board of Directors of Minnesota College, member of the Board of Trustees of the Augustana Synod, president of the Minneapolis Pastor's Association, member of the Columbia Conference Board of Trustees, vice president of the conference, president of the Emanuel Hospital Charity Board, editor of "The Columbia Lutheran" and the "Korsbaneret," and finally elevated to the highest office in the conference, that of president.

He leaves a beloved family, his wife, Alma E. Johnson, and three daughters, Lois Kathryn, Ruth Margaret, and Dorothy Elizabeth. He is also survived by two brothers, Hjalmar of Chicago, Ill., and Edward of Wylie, Minn., and one sister, Anna Johnson of Minneapolis, Minn. He also leaves a sorrowing congregation and a large host of friends.

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HENRY P. JOHNSON, B. D.

You shall sleep, but not forever. There will be a glorious dawn;
We shall meet to part—no, never. On the resurrection morn!
From the deepest cave of ocean, From the desert and the plain,
From the valley and the mountain. Countless throngs shall rise again.

You shall sleep, but not forever. In the lone and silent grave;
Blessed be the Lord that taketh, Blessed be the Lord that gave.
In the bright, eternal city Death can never, never come!
In His own good time He'll call you From your rest to home,
sweet home.

You shall sleep, but not forever, There will be a glorious dawn;
We shall meet to part—no, never, on the resurrection morn!

THE GREAT WHITE THROING

The words expressed in the title to this memorial sums up in a beautiful way the departed pastor's highest aspirations. God was to him a loving father, who walked with his children in constant companionship. The earth was God's garment by which he made the existence of man one of tolerance and beauty. Salvation was God's greatest gift to a world which he loved, and heaven the highest glory toward which every true Christian should look with gladness.

The Great White Throing constituted Rev. Johnson's farewell words to all his confirmation classes. Concerning this he wrote:

"The Bible is full of references to beautiful incidents. How grand the picture of the heavenly glory! And yet, no human words can be found that would fully express the fullness of that glory. It speaks of the heavenly host of saved souls standing before the throne of the Eternal singing their songs of victory. O, how thrilling heaven must be!"

And later he writes:

"But to make this great white host a possibility, God sent His Son, that the world might be saved thru him. . . . Be faithful, therefore, unto your Lord. 'Hold fast that which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.' 'To him that overcometh will I grant to sit on my throne' . . . 'that you may enter into the gates of the city. Our objective has been that you shall know of God's wonderful salvation.'"

In such terms his great soul out-poured itself. In tense emotion he would picture the beautiful. He would walk on the green mountainside as though he were treading on heavenly carpets, stand before the babbling brook with covered head, sit for hours in silent meditation before the majesty of God's misty canyons, and thru the eye of the white Mound Hood lily see the face of his Master. Then he would return inspired to his pulpit and paint the lovingkindness of the Lord he served.

Again, he would gather up the nobility of his soul in adoring sentences and pour out his emotions in poetry.

"Follow Jesus, for He loves you.

'Twas for you His blood was shed.
He shall lead you to green pastures,
Where by Him you shall be fed.

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS

WHAT SHALL YOU DO WITH CHRIST?

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Febr. 18, and continues forty days. During these forty days Jesus revealed himself to the disciples as the Son of God, our Saviour, and suffered for our sins.

Lent is an opportunity to face our sins, and to try with God's help to conquer them. Every member of the church should take this into consideration, and place themselves before God's mirror, His Son, to see whether there has been something lacking in word and act, in kindness to others, in calmness of spirit, in purity in thought and in deed, or in control of tongue and appetite.

If definite sins are discovered, if the guilt of disobedience accuses you—repent! Not in sentimental outburst to appear pious before men, but in true inward change of mind. If the tongue has spoken bitter words, let it now speak the sweet sentences of love. If your feet have trod the lanes of the world, let them now turn toward holy places. If your heart has eaten the husks of worldly pleasures, let it now be nourished from the fruit of divine virtue.

Self-denial? Yes. It means a denial of the mastery of the lower self in order that the higher part of us may have better scope to grow. The aim is not "giving up", but "giving upward."

Let Lent help you to enrich your spiritual life by the laying aside of all worldly cares and pursuits; strengthen your character by definite discipline.

To do this, come to church. Learn to know Christ better. Read his words and the story of his deeds, his incarnation, his bravery, his sacrifice. Feed upon Him. Catch something of his vision, his purpose for you, for the church, for the world.

What are you going to do about Christ this lent?

"BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD THAT TAKETH AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD!"

"He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors."

"For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground; He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him."

"And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and arrayed him in purple garment; and they came to him and said: Hail, King of the Jews! and they struck him with their hands."

"HE WAS DESPISED AND REJECTED OF MEN; A MAN OF SORROWS, AND ACQUAINTED WITH GRIEF."



THE CONFERENCE AT WORK

Rev. C. G. Bloomquist, Editor.

Both the budget committee and the board of trustees held a meeting in Seattle on January 18. The budget committee has been assigned a real task and the committee went at it in a thorough manner. According to the report the committee made to the board a general reduction of both debit and credit of 20 per cent will be recommended to the next meeting of the conference and if their suggestion is accepted this reduction will become operative from January 1 of this year. The congregations of the conference are as a rule paying their full quota even if to do so they must borrow the money. That is the only right thing to do. Each congregation has accepted the quota as printed in our minutes. It is their chosen part of the cost of our common work as a conference and synod; and it cannot be but that a Christian congregation will meet its obligation even if it is difficult to do so at times. The benevolences we pay represent our missionary effort and every Christian wants to be a missionary. The next meeting of the conference will be held in the Grace Lutheran Church, Spokane, Wash., April 20 to 24. The Grace church is making elaborate preparations for us. It is their intention to decorate their church and in other ways improve their property to the extent of some \$1,600 or \$1,800. Rev. N. William Anderson, 1424 Broadway, Spokane, Wash., is now president of our conference, succeeding the late Rev. Henry P. Johnson. While we sincerely mourn over the passing of the able and capable brother who has left us, we greet the Rev. Anderson welcome among us as our president and we promise him every possible cooperation and assistance. We remind our congregation again of the necessity to have their statistical reports mailed to the Secretary of the Conference no later than February 12. One pastor,

and the only one to report up to date, had his report delivered to the secretary before the end of the week in which the blanks were sent out to the churches. The Columbia Hospital is proceeding with the decorating of the interior of the hospital, the cost being defrayed by friends and organizations in Astoria. Mr. Carl O. Moberg is now managing the institution, with the assistance of a group of able and devoted men from Astoria and Portland. Even now in the midst of the depression it begins to seem as tho this institution will be a source of comfort to our conference in days to come. The Emanuel Hospital in Portland is in the midst of their enlargement program. When the present additions to the main building are completed and placed in use, this will be one of the largest institutions of its kind in the northwest. The present capacity of the institution is fixed to the limit even now when the building operations impose unpleasant disturbances. The board has sufficient cash on hand to complete the building operations and procure the added equipment. Rev. A. M. Green is the outgoing superintendent. We have room for several friends in the Homes for the Aged in Seattle. In case you are among those who long for care and comfort for the remaining days of your life, it will pay you to investigate the accommodations offered in these homes. We aim to maintain these institutions as homes rather than as large institutions for our aged friends who need our help. The charges are very modest compared with the care and comfort offered. The board in charge works on the seasonal basis of \$306 a year for the remaining part of an applicant's life. The length of this period is determined by the actuary tables of the insurance companies. For this modest sum the members of the home get their room and board, medical and surgical care, and a well planned and thoughtfully carried out Christian burial in the Pacific Lutheran Cemetery in Seattle.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

By Mrs. S. E. Johnson, pres.

A LETTER TO THE YOUNG WOMEN FROM THEIR LEADER

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." Dan. 12:3.

Dear Co-Workers of the Y. W. M. S. of the Columbia Conference,

The year 1931 has been carefully tucked away in the files of memories. Some of these memories perhaps are not as bright as we should like them to be. We have all experienced our joys and sorrows and our keen disappointments along with hilarious moments of greatest pleasure.

In 1931 our Y. W. organizations grew. We are happy for each new group and each member of that group. 1931 was an experimental period for these new societies. Now they are established and with boundless enthusiasm they are looking to the future. The older societies join hands with these new friends and together our efforts for advancement cannot fail.

We have a diversified field for work. Our local, conference, home and foreign fields can use the support of each and every member.

We girls love our own Columbia Conference. It is one of the most beautiful places in the United States and glows with the history and achievements of our government. It is also a bright spot in our Synod. There are church centers and institutions which we are proud of, happy to know that we possess and we pray for God's continued blessing on these loved places. May I urge that we as a group of young women learn more of this

conference of ours. It has an interesting past and a far greater future.

Home and foreign missions welcome the interest of the Y. W. M. S. Would it not be an interesting study to learn details of each institution in our Synod. Do you know who represents the Y. W. in China, or which of the workers in India is sponsored by our efforts? Oh, that we might read more and learn more about the work that we are trying to do as a small part of the Women's Missionary Society. After we know what is being done in these various branches, our interest will be such that we cannot fail to carry on with the enthusiasm that is necessary.

To enumerate the possibilities of service through the channels of the Y. W. M. S. would require pages. Perhaps there are some who would question how much is expected? I only urge that you do well that which you undertake. Time flies swiftly and so let us join hands and hearts and make 1932 a better year than 1931. We can do this I know if we work more, love more and pray more.

Sincerely,

Caroline Claeson.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Mt. Baker District held its annual meeting at the First Lutheran church, Vancouver, B. C., January 19, 1932.

Fine reports of the year's work were given by the officers and secretaries of the various branches, although most all show a loss instead of a gain. Total amount raised during 1931 for Home and Foreign Missions, \$944.04.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. E. A. Soderman, Mount Vernon, (re-elected) president; Mrs. O. W. Westing, Vancouver, B. C., vice pres.; Mrs. L. A. Matson, Bellingham, sec.; Mrs. C. E. T. Olson, Mount Vernon, treas.; Mrs. Elmer Anderson, Clearbrook, (re-elected) Young Women's sec.; Mrs. V. Estergreen, Clearbrook, (re-elected) junior sec.; Mrs. Henning Carlson, Mount Vernon, (re-elected) memberships, prayer day, and Mission-Tiding secretary; Mrs. Emily Swenson, Everett, jubileum secretary.

After a nice dinner served by the ladies of the church, we all had the pleasure of enjoying a good program at the Vancouver Girl's Home, at which time, in behalf of those present, Mrs. Westling presented Mrs. Luther Cornay with a gift; which was only a little token to show our appreciation for her untiring services given so generously while in our district. After refreshments were served, we spent a social hour and had the opportunity of inspecting the fine home.

A hearty "thank you" to Rev. and Mrs. Westling and to the members of the church for their hospitality.

Mrs. H. C. Tegelberg.

FROM THE TACOMA DISTRICT

The Tacoma District of the W. M. S. held its annual meeting in the



"The Lord is in His holy Temple."

In our last issue we beheld the holiness of God and the divine glory that fills the whole earth. We may imagine the congregation sitting in awe and adoration before the glorious presence of the Lord and like Isaiah of old cry: "O, Lord, I am a man of unclean lips." Sinful man is being confronted with the holiness of God and his burden of sin becomes heavy. Where is the fountain where he may wash away his stain? Where is the kind, forbearing and sympathetic being who can still the pangs of the terrorstricken conscience? Where is some one who can say: "Thy sins are forgiven thee"? The very soul seems stirred by something mysterious, something tremendous. "I am in the presence of God!" Then follows from the lips of the servant of God: "He is nigh unto them that are of a broken spirit." God is near to the sinner! God is my help! Hear His Words: "Come unto Me and I shall give you rest."

And confidently the pastor continues: "Let us therefore enter before the throne of Grace and confess our sins."

Anthems for February as suggested by Mrs. R. W. Kullberg, choir director of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Astoria, Oregon:

Febr. 7.—"Just as I am." Charles Blout
Solo: "O Saviour, Hear Me" Gluck
Evening Anthem: "Unto Thee I lift mine Eyes" ("Moonlight Sonata") Beethoven
Evening Solo: "Now the Day is Over" Oley Speaks
Febr. 14.—"Yield not to Temptation" Earnest Zellers
Solo: "A Ballad of Trees and the Master" Chadwick
Evening Anthem: "Softly now the Light of Day." Malcolm Marks
Evening Solo: "Trust in Him" Bernard Hamblen
Febr. 21.—"Our Glorious Hope." W. C. Jordan
Solo: "Come, Ye Blessed" John P. Scott
Evening Anthem: "Rejoice in the Lord." William Baines
Evening Solo: "The Prayer Perfect." Ervine J. Stenson
Febr. 28.—"O, Lord, Thou art my God." Lorenz
Solo: "Calvary." Rodney
Evening Anthem: "God's Tomorrow." Ira Wilson
Evening Solo: "Even Song" (Violin Obligato) Scott

Portland, Oregon
January 24th, 1932.

WHEREAS: God in his infinite wisdom has pleased to call from our midst the Reverend H. P. Johnson, be it resolved by the Immanuel Lutheran Church Board of Administration on behalf of the Congregation:

THAT we express our deep sorrow in the loss of our beloved pastor, a faithful servant of God and the Congregation, a sincere friend, whose memory shall always be gratefully cherished by us,

THAT we express our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family in the loss of a beloved husband and father. It is our wish and prayer that God, the Almighty Father may comfort and give you strength to bear your great sorrow.

On behalf of the Board of Administration,

ADOLPH BENSON, Vice-President.

ERIC ULIN, Secretary.

beautiful First Tacoma church Jan. held in the afternoon, when Dr. C. R. 27. Various reports were read, from Swanson delivered a soul-stirring message which we gather that societies have sage and beautiful musical numbers been organized in every congregation were rendered. Mrs. S. E. Johnson, except one. The total membership is president of the Conference W. M. S., 411. The treasurer's report was encouraging in spite of the depression and inspired every one present and gave renewed inspiration for a with her timely and devotional remarks. The officers for the coming year are as follows: Pres., Mrs. Con-

rad Haggbloom; vice pres., Mrs. Ernest Svenson; secretary, Mrs. Carl J. Renhard; treasurer, Miss Effie Frisell; Y. W. S. Secretary, Miss Helen Leaf; J. M. S. Secretary, Mrs. Elmer Johnson; Mission Tiding secretary, Mrs. Edward Young; Membership secretary, Miss Esther Lillquist; Jubilee secretary, Mrs. Carl A. Bengtson; Prayer Day secretary, Mrs. Magnus Johnson; Calendar secretary, Miss Helga Wahlberg; My Missionary for a Day secretary, Mrs. C. G. Bloomquist; Industrial secretary, Mrs. Arthur Eklund.

FROM THE MOUNT BAKER DISTRICT

The annual meeting of the Mount Baker District was held in the New Westminster church, B. C. January 17-19. The meetings were hampered by snow and cold, but were nevertheless well attended. Rev. Carl A. V. Lund and Rev. Luther Cornay were the speakers on Sunday night and Rev. John Billdt on Monday and Tuesday evenings. The congregation has renovated the parsonage and the basement of the church, which now gives a pleasant impression of light and cleanliness. Rev. and Mrs. Otto Westling are busy in a difficult but noble work. Dr. Jos. A. Anderson could not be present owing to the sickness of Mrs. Anderson. The officers elected were: Pres., Carl A. V. Lund; v. pres., John Billdt; secretary, Jos. A. Anderson, and treasurer, O. W. Westling.

THE TACOMA DISTRICT MEETS AT FIRST, TACOMA

The annual meeting of the Tacoma District was held at the First church, Tacoma, January 26 and 27. The meeting began Tuesday evening with services in the outlying congregations and was formally opened Wednesday morning when the president, Rev. E. A. Larson, greeted the delegates welcome and read his annual report. The main business before the meeting was the discussion of the 1933 budget, which was reported by Dr. C. R. Swanson. The budget as prepared by the committee provides for a general cut in expenses and incomes of twenty percent. The district voted to recommend the budget as reported. President for next year is Rev. Carl A. Bengtson, vice president, Rev. C. G. Bloomquist; secretary, Rev. Elmer Johnson, and treasurer, Rev. E. A. Larson. Only one main service was held at which time Rev. Elmer Johnson spoke in place of Rev. C. A. Johnson of Yakima, who was detained by sickness. Dr. C. R. Swanson addressed the Missionary Society in the afternoon. No business of importance was transacted and the attendance was rather small. The services were inspiring, however, and well planned liturgically. The new organ, recently installed, proved to be all that has been said about it, and

we hasten to say that with this inspiring instrument and the efficient organist and choir leader and the well trained choir the church is entering upon the most interesting part of its history.

NEW PASTORS ARRIVE

Rev. Arthur Pierce is now well established in Warren, Oregon, and Rev. C. A. Johnson in Yakima, Wash. Rev. Pierce comes from Firth, Idaho, and Rev. Johnson from Flint, Mich.

The former was born in Holdrege, Nebr. Jan. 6, 1895. He was confirmed 1911. He attended Nebraska School of Agriculture 1916-1918 when he entered the Lutheran Bible Institute of St. Paul from which he graduated in 1922. After graduation in 1924 from the Minnesota College high school he entered Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, and graduated from that school 1927. He was graduated from Augustana Theological Seminary with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in the spring of 1930 and was ordained into the ministry the following June at the synodical meeting at Rock Island. He was married in July 1930 to Miss Florence Johnson of St. Paul, Minn.

In regard to Rev. Johnson we have not yet received first hand information, but we hope to know more about him before our next issue.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

In this issue we meant to report the annual meetings from all the churches in the conference. The task is, however, rather hard to accomplish owing to the fact that most churches failed to send a report. Another hindrance in our way is lack of space. We are confident, however, that reports of this kind are interesting to all the readers—not only locally, but at large.

We begin with

First, Tacoma.

The annual meeting of the First Church, Tacoma, was held on New Years' Day with a record attendance. In reviewing the past, the congregation had reason to acknowledge God's abundant grace and loving kindness. The financial situation a year ago was far from bright, due to the heavy debt on the church property. In spite of all difficulties the current local expenses have been well met with a grand total of about \$15,000 paid out to various enterprises. Included in this sum is \$3,000 paid in interest and \$2,000 on amortization. Besides the regular expenditures a new pipe organ has been installed and extensive repairs made on the Ruston Chapel. The Sunday School had an enrollment of 386. Sixty-three new members had been received and twenty-four organizations were active within the church. The following were elected officers: Secretary, Axel Holmgren; deacons, Gust Hogdahl, Gustaf Paulk, and



What is God's Message to me

during February?

Come, and see what the Church Answers!

Feb. 7—Lent—The Path of Suffering.

Epistle: 1 Cor. 13:1-13.

Gospel: Luke 18:31-43.

Text: John 12:20-33—"The Grain of Wheat Must Die."

Feb. 14—1st Sunday in Lent—Temptation.

Epistle: 2 Cor. 6:1-10.

Gospel: Matt. 4:1-11.

Text: Matt. 16:21-23—"Jesus Refuses to Flee From Suffering."

"COME UNTO ME ALL YE WHO ARE HEAVILY LADEN AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST."

Feb. 21—2nd Sunday in Lent—Victorious Faith.

Epistle: Thess. 4:1-7.

Gospel: Matt. 15:21-28.

Text: Luke 7:36-50—"The Sinful Woman Is Graciously Forgiven."

Feb. 28—3rd Sunday in Lent—The Parting.

Epistle: Eph. 5:1-9.

Gospel: Matt. 26:36-46.

Text: Luke 22:31-38—"Jesus Speaks Parting Words of Warning and Instruction."

sor Karl E. Weiss. On Sunday, Febr. 7, Dr. Ralph H. Long of New York City speaks at the morning worship and also at a mass meeting at 3 p. m. Dr. Long is the executive secretary of the National Lutheran Council.

Troy, Idaho.

Westdala, Troy, held its annual meeting January 2 at 10 a. m. All business was transacted harmoniously and with dispatch. The pastor's report revealed a generally encouraging state of affairs within the congregation. During the past year there has been a steady increase in attendance at both Swedish and English services—the number has varied all the way from about 30 (in bad weather and roads) to over 100, with an average attendance of 70. The interest in the church work in general is growing.

The treasurer's report showed a total income of \$1,938.07. Westdala finished the year in a fine way financially. At the congregational meeting for the taking of pledges, January 12, a sum of over \$700.00 was subscribed for the 1932 budget. The sum exceeds the amount pledged a year ago at a similar occasion.

Westdala's obligations toward Conference and Synod have been paid in full.

Officers elected: J. Alfred Sandell, deacon; Walter Olson, trustee; Alice Bohman, organist; Mrs. David Engberg, pres. Ladies Aid; Mrs. Oscar Kellberg, pres. W. M. S.; Elmer J. Johnson, supt. of Sunday School.

Bethany, Seattle.

The annual meeting was held for the first time on New Years Day and the attendance would indicate that this day will be very satisfactory in the future. In membership the congregation has more than held its own. A deficit of a few hundred dollars was allowed to go over from last year and like a rolling snow ball it increased in size during the year. Steps have been taken to clear it all up and thus cause us to be on the square financially with all the world before we have gone too far.

Miss Mildred Johnson and Thorild Swanson were re-elected as choir director and organist respectively. John Soderstrom, Victor Gustafson and David Nelson are new men on the Board of Administration. Edward E. Almquist was chosen supt. of the Sunday School with John G. Johanson as his assistant. Four communion services will be held in the Swedish language during the year and by a decision of the Board of deacons these services will be held on the specified Sundays at 11:45 a. m. The regular morning worship, which is always in the language of our land, will be shortened on those Sundays so as to make possible a second service at the above stated hour. The every member canvass is now completed and was concluded page 5.

WHEREAS, it has pleased God to take unto himself our fellow laborer, the President of our Conference, the Rev. Henry P. Johnson; and

WHEREAS, his death has brought deep sorrow and bereavement to the members of the family and caused our whole church to sustain a great loss; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, to spread this memorial on our records as an expression of our high regard for his ability and unspotted integrity, his faith in Christ and love of all his people, and for his true Christian greatness as a husband and father.

We sorrow with Mrs. Johnson and the three daughters in the inestimable loss of so noble a husband and father, and with the Immanuel congregation in being deprived of an able, consecrated and devoted pastor and spiritual counsellor. His scholarship, clear vision, balanced judgment, definite convictions, broad sympathies and high devotion to duty will be missed keenly in our Conference.

While our mutual loss is great, and especially so that of the family, yet we sorrow not as they do who have no hope. He was personally faithful to the Christ whom he so ably preached. He is only gone before, awaiting our arrival in the homeland of the redeemed. May the God of all comfort bring peace to all troubled hearts.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to present a copy of this memorial to the bereaved family.

C. G. BLOOMQUIST, Secretary.

Portland, Ore., January 10, 1932.

Clarence Johnson, trustees, C. E. Carl-son, B. B. Bartels, and Charles Sandberg, S. S. snpt., Miss Helen Leaf; works to the satisfaction of all. Every asst. supt., C. J. Ahnquist; dir. of other Sunday afternoon Swedish service, Karl E. Weiss; organist, Mrs. Ares begin at 4 p. m. and close at 4:45. Karl E. Weiss; delegate to the Con- when an organ recital is being held. Terence, Gust Johnson. The church is making plans for the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the congregation to be held in Tacoma gave its annual concert in the October this year. Instead of evening church under the leadership of profes-



OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

MARGARETTA GRANT, Editor



EDITORIAL

Due to the lack of space in this issue, it has been necessary to cut down on the news items received. However, it is not the policy of the Columbia Lutheran to do so, only when necessary, and we hope you will understand. News not appearing in this issue will be found in the March Columbia Lutheran.

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

Debate: What is Truth?

Talks: Lincoln as a Christian, "The Father of Our Country," "Friendship Keynotes," "Jesus is Our Best Friend."

Poem: Patriotic Poetry, Friendship poems.

Vocal: Patriotic selections, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "I've Found a Friend," "Win the Next One to You."

A TRUE FRIEND

Have you a friend who will stand by you through "thick and thin," who will be willing to endanger his life for your protection; who will never speak an evil word about you; who will put in a good word for you whenever the opportunity comes; who is aware of your many faults, but still likes you; who will sympathize with you in time of misfortune and need; who will always be ready with a word of consolation or encouragement who will try to repay you for what you have done for him; who will not fear at the Word of God, but give it due respect; who will kneel down in prayer with you; and who will pray for you every day? If you have such a friend, then you have A True Friend!

—LASSE J. STOHL

Mount Vernon, Wash.

FELLOWSHIP

How precious are the moments—
How dear they are to me
When, all the world forgotten,
I find myself with Thee.

O trysting-place most hallowed,
Where love meets Love Divine,
There is no wish surpassing
The thought that I am Thine.

—ELNA DANIELSON

Curve is a line of beauty,
Straight is the line of duty,
Follow the last and thou shalt see
The other ever following thee.

—EDITH OLSON.

I KNOW SOMETHING GOOD ABOUT YOU

Wouldn't this old world be better
If the folks we meet would say,
"I know something good about you,"
And then treat us just that way."

Wouldn't it be fine and dandy,
If each hand clasp, warm and true,
Carried with it this assurance,
"I know something good about you."

Wouldn't life be lots more happy,
If the good that's in us all,
Were the only thing about us,
That folks bothered to recall?

Wouldn't life be lots more happy,
If we praised the good we see?—
For there's such a lot of goodness
In the worst of you and me.

Wouldn't it be nice to practice
That fine way of thinking, too?
"You know something good about me!"
I know something good about you!"

—SELECTED.

SWEET AND CRUEL

If life is sweet
Why is it hearts must ache and break?
Why is it days must come and go
Bringing woe?
Why is it spirits past
Must cast
Their shadows dark and dreary
On one's way?
Why is it time can't wait
To take
From you those whom you love?
Why is it time does wait
For enemies to show their hate?

If life is cruel
Why is it love blooms sweet and pure
Consolant for a troubled heart
A part
Of life not to be scoffed at,
Scorned?
Why is it fellowships are made?
Displayed
In little deeds of loving care?
Why is it joy, gladness, courage came
For us to share?

But oh, if life is sweet
If life is cruel—
Then I have had my laugh
And now my heart shall ache
And break
But as the calm follows the storm
So soon
Peace shall still my soul
My heart shall then have reached
Its goal.

—HELENA CORNAY.

Bellingham, Wash.

NEWS OF NEWS

The Sharon Luther League of Gresham, Ore., sponsored a New Year's wake with a special program and inspiring devotional service.

The league elected the following officers at their annual meeting: Dr. J. G. Sture, president; Ruby Lekander, vice president; Ted Lind, financial secretary; Doris Palmblad, treasurer, and Lillian Lekander, C. L. reporter. One of the many undertakings that the league is sponsoring is a dinner to be given once a week at the Gresham Kiwanis Club.

"The Ten Messengers," a beautiful well presented pageant, gave the appropriate closing message at the joint New Year's Wake of the Immanuel and Augustana Luther League. The Augustana League challenges the Everett League's basketball team. They, too, are very proud of their record as they have lost only one game this season. The Ladies' Aid of the church started the New Year right by painting the basement of the church. The officers elected to serve during the year are: Anna Roes, president; Clarence L. Nelson and Clarence O. Nelson, vice presidents; Anna Carlson, secretary; Robert Saddler, treasurer; Donald Rudeen, financial secretary.

The Immanuel Luther League also held their annual election, at which time Fredia Peterson was elected president. Mrs. Ruth Davis and Dorothy Peterson, vice presidents; Agnes Peterson, secretary; Alvin Swanson, treasurer and Elsa Hultgren, pianist.

Dorothy Peterson is now home from the hospital where she was confined for three weeks due to a serious street car accident.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ehnquist, former league members, but now of Olympia, were recent visitors, as were Nordis Arneson and Kathryn Johnson, who were home from college.

The Emmaus Choir rendered their Christmas cantata, "The Adoration," on January 3. This was greatly enjoyed as was also the cantata given by the Bethany choir of Seattle on January 10. At the annual meeting of the League, Ted Abener was elected president; Edna Anderson, vice president; Signe Bjorklund, secretary, and Walter Carlson, treasurer.

The Yakima League held their first meeting with their new pastor, Rev. C. Arthur Johnson, on January 14, at which time the following officers took office: Pearlina Lundquist, Rose Lundquist, Isobel Richings, Marie Ring, Alpha Lund, Helen Samuelson and George Lundquist. The social hour

was in the form of an old fashioned spelling bee, closing with a surprise shower on Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brown, who were recently married.

The Luther League of the First Lutheran Church in Tacoma elected the following officers at their annual meeting: Mr. Lloyd Johnson, Leona Linderman, Alice Dahlberg, and Theodore Nelson. A new committee called the "work committee" was formed. The object of this group is that it shall assist the officers in making plans for the coming year. Mr. Becker was voted in as a member of the league.

The Vancouver Luther League enjoyed their monthly meetings when talented Leaguers entertained, as Martin Anderson did on January 15.

From Clearbrook Luther League come the interesting news of two weddings within two weeks. The first of these took place December 15 when Mr. Hilding Loreen and Miss Peggy Love were united in marriage and the other January 1 when a sister of Hilding, Miss Ruby Loreen, was married to Mr. Daniel Haines. The latter wedding was held in the beautifully decorated First Lutheran Church of Clearbrook. Afterward a reception was given in the church parlors, attended by sixty-five guests. Both Hilding and Ruby have been active in the church work at Clearbrook.

The first meeting of the Bethany League in Seattle was held January 8, 1932, and featured New Year's resolutions. The participants were Corinne Lyman, Ruth Bloomquist, Rev. Bloomquist, and Kenneth Nordquist. At the business meeting plans were laid for constructive work during the year. A membership drive is now on as a result of that meeting. Topics for all semimonthly meetings have been selected from the Luther League Department of the Lutheran Companion and musical numbers have already been chosen for the balance of the meetings till summer. A roller skating party is on the program and so is a basket social and a number of other things for the quickening of the social life. Woodrow Weston and Corinne Lyman are the heads of the two competing divisions of the membership drive. It will be a spirited affair and we shall let you know who the lucky winner is when it is all over and peace has again settled down in our midst. It may be of interest to you to know that the girls have better attendance at the Bible classes than did the boys and for that reason it fell to the lot of the latter to provide the cost of a come-together.

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Order of Sunday Services:

Sunday School 10:30 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Luther League 6:30 p. m.

Organizations:

Confirmation class, Sat's at 9:30 a. m.
Choir rehearsal, Tuesdays, 7:45 p. m.
Luther League, 1st Thursday of month
8 p. m.
Tabitha Society, 2nd Thursday of
month, 2 p. m.
Lutheran Brotherhood, 2nd Friday of
month at 8 p. m.
Woman's Missionary Soc., 3rd Thurs-
day of month, 8 p. m.
Young Woman's Missionary Society,
3rd Friday, 8 p. m.
Junior Mission Band, 3rd Saturday, 2
p. m.
Sunday School teachers' meeting, 4th
Thursday, 8 p. m.
Song service, last Sunday of month,
7:30 p. m.

Zion, Everett

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Sunday school 9:30 a. m.

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English Service 11 a. m.
Swedish service 8 p. m.
Missionary Society 1st Wed. 2:30 p. m.
Ladies Aid 2nd & 4th Thurs. at 8 p. m.
Young People (Swedish) 1st Thurs.
at 8 p. m.
Luther League 1st Fri. & 3rd Thurs.
at 8 p. m.
Brotherhood 2nd Monday at 8 p. m.
Choir every Wednesday evening.

REV. HENRY P. JOHNSON

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The funeral was held January 19 at the Immanuel Church, Portland, with interment at Rose City, from where in his lifetime Rev. Johnson had often paid homage to the beautiful Mount Hood, which from this point towers majestically over the landscape. The honor guard consisted of Pastors Carl Renhard and Otto Karlstrom. The speakers were Pastors N. Wm. Anderson, vice president of the Conference; Dr. C. R. Swanson and Ernest Sakrison. The service was beautiful in its simplicity. The organ was played by Prof. Chas. Swanson, organist of the church. Mrs. W. Skans sang "The Great White Throng" and the choir several hymns like "Beautiful Saviour," "Rocks of Ages," "Jesus Saviour, Pilot Me," etc. One could feel thruout the service that the spirit of the departed pastor rested even in the songs.

With Reverend Johnson a true husband, a loving father, a devoted pastor, and a prince of a comrade has past out of our lives—until the shadows are dispersed by the sunshine of heaven.

WHITE THRONE. (fr. page 1)

He shall give you rest by waters.
That are pure and clear and still.
And your hearts with peace and glad-
ness
He in mercy there shall fill."

In this longing for God and the beautiful his character became strong and powerful and he stood like a rugged mountain, solid and unconquered. God had touched his soul and he in turn touched the world for God.

Beautiful in life, his death was an inspiration. Loved by all in life, his memory shall be ever hallowed by all who knew him.

ANNUAL MEETINGS. (fr. page 4)

braced far more enthusiastically this year than formerly. Some have increased their pledges, others are repeating the pledge of the past year and again others have reduced theirs but practically all our members will be using the envelopes this year. We believe our people are willing to do what they can under the circumstances and many have more willingness than money. We are outwardly depressed but spiritually confident.

Emmaus, Seattle.

The special achievement of the Emmaus congregation during the past year has without doubt been the installation of new pews. A very high financial standing has been reached during the year with an income of \$4,688. The budget to the conference has been fully met. The following were honored with offices within the congregation: Deacons, Edward Bjorklund and Conrad Haggblom; trustees, Rurik Eriks and Victor Nelson; organ-

ist and choir director, Mrs. Carl Soderman; pres. Luth. Beth., Edward Bjorklund; L. L. Theodore Abener; Tabitha, Mrs. C. L. Mattson; W. M. S. Mrs. C. A. Bengtson; Y. W. M. S., Miss Edna Anderson; J. M. B., Luther Bengtson; delegate to the Conference, Alfred Wicks, and to the District, William Anderson. In Port Blakely the total amount gathered during the year was \$704. Axel Carlson was elected secretary, John Ostrand and Johannes Johnson deacons, August Larson and John Ostrand trustees, Leonard Larson organist, Hugo Solvin janitor and delegate to the District and the Conference meetings.

Bethesda Olympia.

The total income of the congregation during the past year was \$1,925, a sum that speaks well for this little congregation and shows that it is going forward in every way. The conference budget has been paid in full and a very wise decision made in regard to the future payment of this budget, namely to pay in regular monthly installments instead of quarterly. The new members on the Board are: Deacons, Harry Olson and Oscar Chilen; trustees, Albert Bragg; organist and choir director, Mrs. E. M. Johnson; L. L. pres., Miss Edith Ornes; Sylvia See, pres., Mrs. E. M. Johnson; W. M. S. pres., Mrs. Robert Fredrickson; J. M. B. pres., Miss Velma Bragg. The total income in the congregation at Rochester was \$670 and the conference dues were paid up with the exception of \$80, which will be forthcoming at the earliest convenience. Carl Brandt was elected on the Board of Deacons and Joel Lillquist on the Board of trustees. Mrs. Albert Palmgren was elected organist, Mrs. Carl Brandt pres. of the Ladies Aid and Miss Elvie Forstrom of the Luther League.

Zion, Everett.

The annual business meeting of the Zion Lutheran Church, Everett, was held on Monday evening, January 11. The attendance was good. The spirit was fine. Nothing unusual was accomplished last year but to make both ends meet is a real task and a man's job.

The total income was: \$5,018.96.

The congregation sponsored a three-week Daily Vacation Bible School last spring. About 35 children were enrolled. The result was good. Eleonore Anderson, Rev. John Bilddt were the teachers. A similar school will be held this spring right after the close of the public school.

The new members on the Board of Administration are: Deacons, Claus Peterson and Alf Hogberg; trustees: Ainar Backman and John Bystrom; treasurer, Olof Bond; fin. secretary, Oscar Halst. Mrs. Amelia Sellin was re-elected organist and choir director; Mrs. Emily Swenson was elected supt. in the intermediate department of the

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February Calendar:

Sundays
9:45—Church School.
11:00—Morning Worship.
7:30—Vesper Service—Feb. 14, Swed-
ish, Feb. 28, English.

Organizations

Sylvia Society, Feb. 4, at Church.
Board of Administration, Feb. 2nd.
Luther League, Feb. 18.
Junior Mission Band, Feb. 6 and 20.

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Services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
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Sunday School 9:45

Morning service at 11:00

Evening service at 7:30

Service in Swedish second and

fourth Sunday at 3 p. m.

Confirmation class Sat's 9 a. m.

Missionary Society 1st Thurs. 8 p. m.

Brotherhood 1st Thursday 8 p. m.

Junior Missionary Society Second

Saturday at 2 p. m.

Luther League Second and Fourth

Thursday at 8:15 p. m.

Althea Society 2nd Thursday 2 p. m.

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First Sunday, Swedish

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Sunday School and Bible Classes at

10:00 a. m.

Morning Service at 11:00 (1st, 3rd &

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2nd and 4th Sundays, English.)

Choir every Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.

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Ladies Aid, Second Thursday of month

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Services.

Bible school 9:45 a. m.

Worship10:45 a. m.

Vesper 5:00 p. m.

Service in Swedish Fourth Sunday

at10:45 a. m.

The Ladies Aid meets the First

Thursday, the Missionary Society

the last Thursday, the Priscilla So-

cietly the first Friday, the Luther

League the fourth Friday, the

Brotherhood the second Wednesday.

S. S. and Lucille Johnson in the prim-
ary.

The congregation recommended to
organize a Pastor's Cabinet, made up
of presidents and secretaries in vari-
our organization and the Board of Ad-
ministration to promote the cause of
Zion.

The congregation is looking forward
to a better year in every way. At the
meeting the congregation, unanimously
gave the pastor a rising vote of con-
fidence with the assurance that every
member would support the pastor in
the work.

Salem, Mount Vernon.

At the yearly meeting held at Mt.
Vernon, Wash., Jan. 14 the greatest
point of interest as far as past a-
chievements are concerned was the
new pipeorgan, which was installed
about a month ago. The total ex-
penditure in the entire congregation
totaled about \$10,000. The conference
dues were duly paid, although it was
found necessary to borrow something
over \$500 to accomplish this fact. In-
stead of asking the conference to pay
8 per cent interest on the money, the
congregation thinks it is only right and
proper for them to do it. The follow-
ing were elected officers in the congre-
gation: Deacons, Eric Lindquist, John
Leander, and Victor Frans; trustees,
Jens Lassen, Carl Blade, and Elmer
Hanson; organist, Mrs. E. A. Soder-
man; pres. W. M. S., Mrs. Carl John-
son; pres. Ladies Aid, Mrs. Carl A. V.
Lund; pres. Cederdale Ladies Aid,
Mrs. Herman Stohl; pres. Pleasant
Ridge Ladies Aid, Mrs. E. T. Olson;
pres. trustees, John Sundquist; treas.,
Jens Lassen.

Grace, Spokane.

On Tuesday evening, January 12,
the Grace Congregation held one of its
most successful annual meetings. All
bills for the past year were paid. A
total of over \$1500 was given to Con-
ference and Synod. The Ladies' Aid
had a splendid year, raising approxi-
mately \$1100.

The following officers were elected:
Deacons, E. H. Johnson, S. C. Soren-
son, J. A. Swanson, Gottfred Olson;
trustees, O. D. Siutman, Edward
Florine, E. A. Skone, E. W. Erickson,
E. A. Oslund and Karl Anderson were
elected deacon and trustee respective-
ly to fill the unexpired term of two
board members; Mrs. W. J. Olsen was
re-elected Sunday School supt. for an-
other year; E. A. Oslund will serve as
her assistant; Edward Florine, re-

electd as choir director and Prof. N.
E. Olson, organist. The delegate to
the Columbia Conference convention
will be E. A. Skone. Ernest Claeson
was elected to serve as sexton for the
coming year. The congregation decid-
ed to give the old communion set to
some mission congregation, preferably
within the Columbia Conference. The
congregation expressed its apprecia-
tion to the pastor and his wife for the
communion set which they had donat-
ed to the congregation, and for their
services during the year.

Plans were laid for setting the
church building in shape for the com-
ing Columbia Conference Convention.
The Board of Administration was
authorized to reroof the church, de-
corate completely the interior, install
new carpets, renovate the kitchen and
basement, and make arrangements for
securing seats for the balcony.

Hartford, Wash.

The annual meeting was well attend-
ed and the spirit good. According to
the treasurer's report the income was
in the neighborhood of \$500.00. Due
to unemployment practically all mem-
bers are out of work and thus there
is no income.

Officers elected were: Deacon, Ja-
cob Abrahamson, re-elected; trustee,
John Forsberg; Sunday School supt.,
Miss Elvera Abrahamson and Carl
Forsman; organist, Elvera Abraham-
son; delegate, Emanuel Worlund. The
congregation has not been able to pay
its quota to the Conference budget.

The Luther League has worked out
a program for its meeting for the first
6 months. At these meetings, the pas-
tor will lead in the study of the Book
of Revelation. We hope that much
blessing will follow these studies.

Yakima, Wash.

400 persons crowded the church to
its door when the Sunday School held
their Christmas program on Sunday
evening after Christmas. The congre-
gational meeting was held January 5,
1932.

The following officers were elected:
George Lindquist, sec.; deacons, A. G.
Peterson and Elmer Johnson; trustees,
Carl Carlson and O. H. Gerth; S. S.
supt. Elmer Johnson; auditors, George
Lindquist, Walter Olofson and Ken-
neth Wahlstrom; Conference delegate,
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English services10:30 a. m.

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Vesper Services 5:15 p. m.

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day at8:15 p. m.

Syskonringen, 2nd and 4th Tuesday

at8:15 p. m.

Brotherhood, 3rd Wed. at8:00 p. m.

Ladies Aid, 1st Wednesday.....2:00 p. m.

Woman Missionary Society, 2nd Wed-

nesday.

Young Woman's Missionary Society,

3rd Friday at8:00 p. m.

Junior Mission Band, 2nd Saturday

afternoon at1:30 p. m.

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Sunday School and Bible classes 9:45

Morning Worship 11:00

Luther League "Round Table".....7:00

Evening Services 7:30

Calendar:

Board of Administration 1st Mon. 7:30

Dorens 1st Tuesday 7:30

Ladies Aid 1st and 3rd Wed.....2:30

Luther League 1st & 3rd Thurs. 7:30

Birch Day Social last Friday.....7:30

Junior Miss. Band 3rd Sat.....2:30

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Choir Wed. evening each week 7:30

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Gethsemane, Seattle.

The Gethsemane church has had a comparatively good year, its membership having increased to 1,010 members. (695 adults). 23 persons have been confirmed, 30 couples married, 23 new members have been received. The Lutheran Hospice, which has been supported by the church during a number of years, has been discontinued and the buildings leased to the Columbia Home for the Aged. The income of the congregation has been somewhat over \$11,000. Over \$2,000 have been paid on the conference budget. The lots for the new church building are now paid for in full and the congregation rejoices at being that much closer to the realization of a new church home.

Bethel, Tacoma, and Auburn.

\$1,116.49 was gathered during 1931 by all the treasures of the congregation. The year can be termed a "good" year, with an average attendance of 44 at the morning service and 27 at the evening vesper. The total confirmed membership is 45 with 60 children in the Sunday School. Two weeks Vacation Bible School was held last summer with an enrollment of 16. The officers elected were: Lorimer Langlow, trustee and treasurer; Carl Berglund and A. V. Johnson, deacons; Miss Erna Berglund, organist; Miss Helga Walberg, S. S. supt., and Mrs. Lorimer Langlow, secretary. Monthly birthday festivals have been planned for next year to help defray the expenses of the church. In the Messiah congregation, Auburn, the attendance at services has been 40 and 24 respectively. The membership of the congregation is 60. The S. S. numbers 35 members. 26 children attended the Bible Vacation School last summer. The conference budget is nearly paid, and plans are being made for another successful year. N. E. Gustafson became deacon, M. Johnson trustee, Magnus Johnson organist, Miss Helen Nilson S. S. superintendent, and L. G. Strand secretary.

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