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TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF BETHANY, SEATTLE

Bethany Lutheran was twenty-five years old January last. This anniversary will be observed during a two-day festival the latter part of September. On Saturday evening, September 23, there will be a congregational banquet when old memories will be reviewed. On Sunday morning, the 24th, at 11 o'clock we will have communion service with reception of members. At 3:30 in the afternoon a confirmation reunion will be held, sponsored by the Luther League. The anniversary service will begin at 7 o'clock on Sunday evening.

Bethany hopes to have Rev. and Mrs. Karlstrom in its midst throughout the celebration. Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Hanson have been requested to send greetings. The Vice-president of our Conference will deliver the address at the historical meeting Sunday evening, with E. G. Svenson, pastor of the First Lutheran Church, Tacoma, speaking at the reunion. Local pastors in Seattle have been invited and will bring greetings from their churches on Sunday evening, provided it will be possible to absent themselves from their own services. The choir, now consisting of over forty voices, will render special music at the various services as will smaller groups and individuals.

God has bestowed his blessing upon this congregation during these twenty-five years, and the present members propose thus to come together to remind themselves thereof and to thank and praise Him for his goodness. Members of other congregations are invited to attend these services if they are in position so to do.

GLEANINGS FROM THE TACOMA MT. BAKER BIBLE INSTITUTE

The registration for the Bible Institute held at Des Moines last summer reached the sum of 394 according to the registrar, Miss Florence Kohl of Seattle. This constitutes a record for actual registration and is cause for great rejoicing among those who have labored for the success of the Institute. The registration was divided as follows: Augustana Synod, 20; Norwegian Synod, 77; American Lutheran, 24; Norwegian Free, 59; United Lutheran, one; Norwegians (No synodical designation), 11; Unclassified, 39.

A great deal of honor for this result was the efficient publicity provided by

EDITORIAL

The N. R. A.—the National Recovery Act—has set as its purpose to rehabilitate the nation's finances. There is another N. R. A. which is even more needful—the National Religions Awakening. Without this the nation cannot succeed. No happiness, no stability can come from racketeering, from kidnaping, from adultery, from liquor taxes, or from any of the fruits of the "Wicked one." When humility before God, law-abedience, self-respect and neighborly love have entered into the heart of the people, recovery is accomplished, not before. National recovery follows the spiritual recovery, but does not precede it. Let the church begin the awakening by the grace of God. Let the members come together for weekly prayers "to build up their most holy faith", let them go forth to be "lights" and "Witnesses of Truth," let all the congregations of the Columbia Conference begin to cry a threefold "Lord, have mercy upon us" — and mean it.

the publicity committee consisting of Margaretta Grant, Seattle, President, Miss Irene Dahl, Tacoma, Mr. Alnar Botten, Marysville, and Miss Ellen Taigen, Seattle.

LUTHER LEAGUES RE-ELECT ALL OFFICERS

Two Hundred and Eighty Present at the Convention at Bellingham.

Arthur Hillman of Seattle was re-elected president of the Columbia Conference Luther League at its annual convention at Bellingham, Sept. 2-4.

Other officers named were Edith Olson, Portland, vice-president; Sigve Peterson, Spokane, secretary, and Hazel Johnson, Spokane, treasurer. They also were all re-elected.

Margaretta Grant, Seattle, was elected publicity director; Arthur Lyon, of Tacoma, athletic director, and Eleanor Anderson, Everett, statistician.

The convention opened with a banquet at the Bellingham hotel, attended by approximately 200 persons. Rev. Roger P. Oliver, of Moscow, Idaho, was the principal speaker.

On Sunday the delegation grew to record numbers, 286, thus surpassing in numbers any other convention by 88 delegates. This increase in attendance can be regarded as an indication of the rapidly growing popularity of the Conference League and tends to prove the assumption that the young people of the various districts look with favor upon an occasional general get-together.

The spiritual value of the Sunday sessions was evident all thru the day. The program opened at 9:45 a. m. with Bible study under the able leadership of Rev. Wm. Siegel of Spokane and continued with Holy Communion at 10:45. Rev. Carl J. Richardson of Aberdeen gave the preparatory sermon and about 225 persons partook in the communion.

In the afternoon Rev. Roger P. Oliver again spoke. His theme was appropriately chosen and the message a call of the hour. The young people of today, said the speaker, is called upon to take over a world in which most of the bridges are washed out. War and falsehood have reigned long enough. What we need is Christ near us and realized in our daily living. More friendships and less battleships. Preceding Rev. Oliver's address was a talk by Miss Georgia Johnson of Tacoma on "The Daily Expression of the Abundant Life", a part of the convention theme: "The Abundant Life." This discourse is given in its entirety in this issue.

The evening session was a fitting conclusion to a wonderful day. The young people's discussion was ably presented by Mr. Theodor Abner of Emmaus, Seattle, after which Rev. Ernest G. Svenson of First, Tacoma, spoke on "This is Life Eternal", in which he presented the fundamentals of life, its growth and its glorious completion. It was a sermon for thinking youth and was much appreciated.

The visiting musicians and singers included Walter Bernstrom and Miss Virginia Gustafson of Augustana, Portland, Ernest Oberg and Mrs. Enoch Sandeen of Bethel, Seattle, Mrs. Carl Soderman of Emmaus, Seattle, Miss Eleanor Nelson and Roy Hulteen of Bethany, Seattle, Miss Agnes Ramstedt of Moscow, Miss Hazel Johnson of Grace, Spokane, and Miss Ruth Blomberg of Gethsemane, Seattle.

On Monday an excursion was made aboard the steamer "Mohawk" to Doe Bay among the beautiful Orcas Islands. This trip proved a great success and was enjoyed immensely. During the dinner hour the boys of the Tacoma district succeeded in winning the ball game from the boys of the other districts. The Hoquiam-Aberdeen League had previously been awarded the champion cup for tennis.

The convention closed with kind feelings toward the splendid hosts—the Bellingham and Clearbrook Luther Leagues. As one delegate wrote the C. L.: "We had such wonderful time that it is hard to get over it. We are eagerly awaiting next year's convention."

Returning to the business session, which was held on Saturday night in connection with the banquet, we note with pleasure the success which has been enjoyed by the organization during the past year. The reports show determination on the part of the young people to make something out of their league. For the good of other leaguers, who were not able to be present, we have made the following summary of various reports:

President's Report

For many of you this organization is a reality only at convention time and this report should serve to acquaint you with what has happened since the last meeting in Seattle. The Conference Luther League has two continuous functions: to maintain contacts with the Synodical L. L. Council and to assist the District and local leagues in their common purposes.

The Fifth Christian Conference was to have been held last February at Upsala College in New Jersey but for financial reasons was deferred until October 11-15, 1933. This conference will draw young people from all parts of the Synod and delegates to the Synodical L. L. Council from all the conference organizations. The theme to be enlarged upon is "Search the Scriptures."

The necessary finances for the Christian Conference are not yet assured and the Synodical L. L. Council is making a special plea to the local Leagues to take part in a fellowship offering on September 24. Only four Leagues in our Conference took part last year. Please remember this offering even if the amount you can gather is small. It is the purpose of the synodical organization to become self-supporting as soon as possible and the funds gathered through the fellowship offerings and the Aladalooy Association can accomplish the purpose.

Our dues to the Synodical L. L. Council—\$50.00—for the past year were paid and the Columbia Conference L. L. has been budgeted for \$40 for the ensuing year.

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IS HUMANITY STANDING ON THE THRESHOLD OF A SPIRITUAL REVIVAL?

The publication of Darwin's "Origin of Species" ushered in the age of scientific materialism. Few books have so profoundly turned men away from God, Christ, Sin, Grace, Eternity, the great religious ideals and aspirations of mankind, as this book. It was the first successful attempt to apply natural law and natural causes to living beings and to life itself. Ultimately this idea was used to explain mind, soul, personality as chemical reactions.

A Self-sufficient, Self-contained World

Darwin's theory made of the world a great machine, controlled by its own laws and driven by its own power. As the theory spread it was applied to every side and interest of life in the unshakable confidence that if scientists could only know all the material facts of the world they would ultimately understand the innermost secrets of life.

Continual Progress upward

The idea of unbroken progress was early associated with the theory of evolution. A whole prophetic literature arose, prophesying the coming of a super-civilization and a super-race, an age in which science would rule supreme.

No Room for God in a Machine-like World.

Divine providence could have no place in a world of absolute natural law, developing through its own inherent powers. No stronger commentary can be found on the Darwinian Age than the names of its god: "Cosmic evolution," "The world clan," "Purposive evolution." The emptiness of the names is an indication that God was superfluous.

No Need for Divine Mercy and Salvation.

With the sublime confidence in the

coming of a super-race—men like God—was joined the pride in man and in reason. Sin became a social maladjustment and the great moral heroes of the race, Paul, Luther, were discounted. H. G. Wells' conception of God as only a little above men is an indication of the human pride of the Darwinian Age.

Scientific Materialism is Bankrupt.

The great overshadowing fact of the present day is not the economic collapse of the world, is not the stalking shadow of famine and war, is not the nearly universal failure of democracy fifteen years after millions shed their blood to make the world safe for democracy: it is the disintegration of scientific materialism and the view of life to which it gave birth. No more important event in the history of the human mind has occurred in a generation than the crumbling of the foundations of materialistic philosophy.

The Idea of Substance and the Law of Cause and Effect Are Lost.

These two are the foundation pillars of materialism. The final material out of which the world is made must be a solid substance and the world must run its unchangeable course as a machine. As scientists penetrated into the structure of the atom, instead of finding a final, indestructible substance, subject to immutable law, they found only force and chance and destroyed the very foundation of a materialistic philosophy of life. The universe finally is not material and it is not governed by immutable law which allows for no providence or personality.

The Faith in Progress Has Ended in Tragedy.

While scientists themselves undermined materialism, the world war shattered the comfortable delusion of continued progress. With blood and iron, with hunger and pestilence it taught the age-old lesson that civilizations rise and decay.

Tragedy, disillusionment, bewilderment, if not despair, are again the lot of the major part of the human race.

Human reason once again has risen to the heights and failed.

The human race is again lost in the night, seeking understanding in a world of darkness and chaos.

Is This Again the Fullness of Time?

There is a deadly parallel between the disintegration of our scientific, materialistic, machine civilization and the age of Christ. The old Roman religion failed to meet the needs of man in the complexities of the World Em-

pire. The triumphant age of reason under Plato and Aristotle did not conquer heaven itself. It ended in scepticism. The social changes and the growing social disintegration created that profound hunger for salvation existing when the apostles carried Christ into the Roman Empire. That was the fullness of time in Christ's day. The selfsame conditions obtain today to make man humble in the face of the Almighty and anxious for His comfort.

Is there a greater message for bewildered, disillusioned mankind today than a heavenly Father both just and gracious, than the greatest tragedy in our tragic human history: Christ on Calvary?

If the fields of humanity are again ripe for the harvest, if the storm winds of the Almighty have swept through and lifted the poisoned gases of the Darwinian Age, if the Heavenly Father loved even this Godless generation, if Christ died for them on Calvary: What a tremendous call to the Church and to the ministry there lies in the present day!

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The Synodical L. L. gathers statistics covering membership, church activities of Luther Leaguers, nature of meetings and finances in all parts of the synod. The chief census taker for this conference is our dependable and efficient secretary. The total membership of this organization on January 1, 1933, was 1476. When compared with the corresponding figure a year before, which was 1132, one is led to rejoice in a great gain. In fact, Columbia shows a greater gain than any conference in the Synod. But we need to be honest even when dealing with figures. Part but not all of the increase is accounted for by the fact that six Leagues reported this year which were not included last year.

A gain in the number engaged in church activities is noted. Only three Leagues report meeting weekly for Bible Study. Exchange meetings seem to be popular with Salem, Mt. Vernon and Enumans, Seattle having the most. The number of Leaguers whose names have been dropped is considerable each year.

It would be very helpful if all the local Leagues would have their annual meetings in December and be prepared to report before the first of the year. That would give the conference statistician more time but not any too much to comply with the urgent requests of the synodical statistician.

During the past year I wrote a series of articles on L. L. methods for the Columbia Lutheran and also prepared the Senior L. L. topic for July 23 which was printed in the Lutheran Companion and the Luther League Review.

The Columbia Lutheran is again asking our support that the young people's activities may be adequately represented. The magazine is attractive,

well edited and deserves a wide circulation.

During the past year the Conference L. L. officers have kept in touch with each other partly by means of a circular letter. In addition to business of the organization, certain L. L. problems kept recurring in the discussions. They should have general consideration either here or through the columns of the Columbia Lutheran. One common problem is that of keeping both the senior and junior Luther Leaguers active and interested in the same organization. It would seem that our Leagues have succeeded relatively well in holding those under 18 inasmuch as the other Conference Leagues report a much greater proportion of their members over 18. Some conferences have two or three times as many over 18 as under 18 while we have the two age groups more evenly divided.

There is everywhere at some times the problem of getting people to assume responsibilities. One of the Conference Officers asks: Why is it that we do not have competition for responsibility in L. L. work the same as in high school organizations? Possibly we have too long pleaded for workers and begged people to give their time in a way that suggests that whatever is done is to be granted grudgingly. We need to realize that participation in League work is commensurate with benefits derived and should be assumed as a condition of membership.

On the one hand there is the danger of making our League program too popular and to be led into thinking our work successful only when great numbers are attracted. But there is equally a danger in the opposite direction. Our program should be such as will fill the needs of young people everywhere.

May you all as delegates receive spiritual inspiration, practical suggestions and renewed interest to be applied in each locality as a result of this convention.

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending August 15, 1933.

Balance on hand Aug. 15, 1932 \$93.30

RECEIPTS:

Constitutions sold	5.00
1933 dues:	
Tacoma Mt. Baker Dis.	25.00
Sokane District	9.00
Portland District	10.00
Students Aid fund from Spokane District	4.70
Home Missions:	
Collection 1932 Convention Spokane District	29.61
	30.00
	\$206.61

DISBURSEMENTS:

Synodical Luther League Dues	50.00
Postage	1.02
Home Missions:	
1932 Offering	29.61
1932 Budget	12.50
Spokane District	30.00
Synodical Foreign Missions, 1932 Budget	12.50
Students Aid Fund, Spokane District	4.70
1933 Synodical L. L. Dues	40.00

\$180.33
Balance on hand Aug. 15, 1932 \$26.28

We have lived through an age of sceptic unbelief. It cared not for things invisible and eternal. It had faith only in what it could touch, feel, taste, see, and hear. The visible world has lost its splendor and glory. Doubt of God today can lead only to despair. Faith is the great need and the great healing power for humanity today. To learn again to believe, profoundly, joyously, victoriously and to live by that belief is the great need of the hour and the way to happiness.

Membership Chairman's Report

As Membership Chairman during the past year I have through articles in the Columbia Lutheran and directly with the Leagues tried to stimulate more interest in keeping Luther League members. Outside leagues and leagues within our own conference have been notified of members moving into their district from other districts in our conference. I have tried to encourage leagues to increase membership and by so doing to stimulate interest in their leagues by programs, Bible studies, contests and socials so that each member should take an active part in the work of the league.

I would also like to suggest that each league have a definite membership roll and a definite amount of yearly dues to be paid by each member to the local league.

Edith Olson, Membership Chairman

Brief Summary of Statistician's Report.

The statistical reports from the local leagues of the Columbia Conference for 1932 show that we have 1476 Luther Leaguers in the Columbia Conference, there being 33 active leagues.

These 1476 leaguers are engaged in many other church activities. 10 are Deacons, 23 Trustees, 36 Organists, 228 serve as Sunday School Teachers and Officers, 410 are choir members, one leaguer is studying for the ministry and 88 are attending Universities and Colleges. We have 164 members in the Conference who do not belong to a Lutheran church.

Nine leagues had regular Bible study meetings during 1932; 18 others had meetings which were devoted to Bible study, business meeting and social entertainment combined; 22 had meetings at which a program was given, business meeting held and then a social time enjoyed. The 33 leagues in the Conference held 695 meetings during the year and held 72 exchange meetings with other Leagues.

The promptness and complete response in sending in the reports was greatly appreciated and we are very happy to say we were able to send to the Synodical Secretary a 100% report from the Columbia Conference Luther League.

Signe Peterson, Statistician.

A VISIT TO ASTORIA

On August 29-30 we had the pleasure of attending the Fall rally of the Portland district W. M. S. which was held in connection with the regular mission meeting of the Portland district in Astoria, Ore. It was also the meeting of the Conference W. M. S. Board.

The local W. M. S. and members of Trinity had planned an especially interesting and enjoyable program beginning at 7 P. M. with a ferry ride on the broad Columbia followed by a reception at the parsonage under the auspices of the local W. M. S.

Wednesday morning we gathered to-

gether with the pastors for morning devotions after which the members of the district W. M. S. repaired to the parsonage, where a short business session was held. The main business was to elect a district chairman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. H. P. Johnson who has left the Portland district to take up her residence in Tacoma, Wash. Mrs. A. V. Anderson of Portland was elected to fill her place.

Of especial interest was the Mission Tidings Banner brought home from the synodical convention by Mrs. Martin as award to the Portland district for having the greatest gain in M. T. and also the largest percentage of their women as subscribers in 1932. Well done!

At the meeting of the Conference Board the president, Mrs. Martin, reported the resignation of the Junior Secretary Mrs. Malstrom, elected at last Conference meeting, and Mrs. O. K. Karlstrom was elected to fill the vacancy.

Wednesday evening the W. M. S. had charge of the program which consisted of musical numbers, echoes from the synodical convention by Mrs. Martin and an address on "Home Missions and our responsibility" by Rev. Paul Randolph.

We rejoice with Trinity that they have been able to carry on their building program so that they now have the basement story of their church completed and in use for services, and also have remodeled the former parish-house into a splendid parsonage.

We enjoyed our stay in Astoria, the good programs, the inspiring messages, the cordial hospitality, for all of which we say a hearty "Thank you."

God bless the work and workers in Trinity.

Victoria Renhard.

UNCONVERTED CHRISTIANS

One of the most fearsome of modern diseases is called "sleeping sickness." Known only since 1916, it has baffled medical science and caused a multitude of deaths. But spiritual "sleeping sickness" has been prevalent in all ages; has slain unnumbered millions and has invaded the Church of God. David nearly died of it; but fortunately Nathan was sent to waken him. Peter was seized; and only divine compassion aroused him. And today it is the most widespread and the most pervasive disease in the church of Jesus Christ. The victims of the ravages of this disease are unconverted Christians, Christians who have grown cold and worldly in spiritual life. Christians who manifest little active interest in their own church. They are Christians but are "asleep." Though saved to serve, they save not. Though called as Christ's "witnesses," they witness not. They need to be converted. They are Christians; but they have never wakened to the supreme call of missions abroad. They are not wishing, working, praying for conversions at home. Like Peter, they are denying their Master, traitors to the cause; quitters in the warfare. What do these unconverted Christians need? To find out by study of the New Testament what a Christian is. To test themselves by that standard. Then to wake up spiritually.

CONCERNING CHOIRS

How many of the congregation, or even of the choir members themselves, realize the importance and true place of the choir in the church service?

Long ago, before the destruction of Pompeii in 78 A. D. in which he afterwards lost his life, the great Pilny was approaching Rome by the Appian Way, when his steps were arrested by hearing the voices of children singing, the sound coming, apparently, from under the ground.

It was the first choir of the Christian Church, lifting its voice in hymns of prayer and praise from the miles of catacombs in which the Christians had been forced to take refuge to escape Roman persecution.

In these miles of dark, underground passages, the choir had its birth; and from then until the present time, it has had its part in the Christian church service.

And that God intends worship through song to go gloriously on, is shown to anyone who will read the Book of Revelation, which is full of glowing references to song as the highest expression of worshiping feeling, indicating that, in the future as in the past, song is to be one of the noblest mediums for the ascription of praise. "And I heard a voice from heaven as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder, and the voice which I heard was as the voice of harpers harping with their harps, and they sang, as it were, a new song before the throne."

What a feeling of consecration should animate every member of every choir, when he realizes that he is lifting his voice in praise and thanks to his Creator, just as the celestial choirs are doing in heaven!

But do we ever think of it in this light? "Serve the Lord with gladness, and come before His presence with a song", we sing in one of our anthems, but never realize the obligation these words impose on us.

Serving the Lord is never accomplished without work and sacrifice.

If we really believe what we say with our lips, we should be willing to make the sacrifice, and do our work always with the idea that it should be for the greater glory of God.

Our choir needs new members, and the return of past members. But how easy it is to find excuses! "I do not wish to be tied down!" "I do not sing well enough!"

To this latter excuse, I would answer that anyone who can sing a scale and a hymn can learn to sing an anthem.

All of us cannot be beautiful soloists. All organ stops are not equally beautiful as solo stops. But when they are all sounded together, how glorious the effect! Be sure that each stop always does the best it can.

If a mechanical instrument, created by the hand of man, can do that, can not we, created by God, do as much?

I AM



The Christ

I Am Calling You

"I am the Good Shepherd."
"I am the Resurrection."
"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."
"I am the Door."
"I am the Bread of Life."
"I am the Light of the World."
"I am the Christ."

I Am Calling You to a Higher Life

Laughing children, exalted manhood and glorified womanhood are products of my teaching. I bring to the world the essentials of happiness, clean bodies, clear thinking minds, and pure souls.

I Am Calling You to a Sacrificial Life

As I bore the cross, so must men bear the cross for the happiness of man. My Father's law is "Life through Death." I ask you to live for others, to dream of others, to give your life for others. I have given much. I ask much. "Follow Me."

I Am Calling You to Eternal Life

"What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" "Verily, verily, I say unto you, seek ye first the kingdom and all the other things shall be added unto you." Eternal life with Me and your loved ones. Is not this reward enough and to spare?

I AM THE CHRIST

We should not be too individual in our choirs. We should sing not with the idea of entertaining, but of worshipping.

In 1761 Wesley published a book of hymns, "Sacred Melody", and in it is a direction for choirs that might well be posted in some place that would be before our eyes at every service.

"Above all, sing **spiritually**. Have an eye to God in every word you sing. Aim at pleasing **Him** more than yourself, or any other creature. In order to do this, attend strictly to the sense of what you sing, and see that your **Heart** is not carried away with the sound, but offered to God continually: so shall your singing be such as the Lord will approve of here, and reward you when He cometh in the clouds of heaven."

Mrs. Bruce Cameron
in Ebenezer Messenger,
San Francisco.

THE DAILY EXPRESSION OF THE ABUNDANT LIFE

Address given at the L. L. Convention at Bellingham by
Georgia Johnson, First, Tacoma.

The general convention theme, "The Abundant Life," has as its source the last of the tenth verse of the tenth chapter of the gospel of John: "I came that they may have life, and may have it abundantly."

The theme itself suggests that there is a life that is different from the ordinary life, a life that is unusual, more complete, more abundant. The text shows that they — we — may have the abundant life. It is given to us.

What then is that "life" that we may attain it? It is the life lived in Jesus' name. It is the life in which we consecrate ourselves, our hopes, our will and our future to His service and His glorification. It is the life in which the Holy Spirit makes His abode in our hearts and directs and guides us in all things. It might be designated as the life in which we share the very nature of God Himself and in that sharing learn to love Him. It is this love that leads us to the consecration of self to His service. If our love does not lead us to this dedication, it is not real love but merely a passing emotion. If we do consecrate ourselves to Him, He accepts us and He does not forget.

The abundant life, like all other life, is active, breathing, and must express itself or it will die. It breathes through the hearing or reading of the Word of God. It expresses itself by bearing fruit. The abundant life is not "A spiritual easy chair in which we may sit back and twirl our thumbs, but it is a purposeful, wholesome exercise of the life that is ours in Christ." (H. G. Randolph) It is a fruit-bearing life.

If we would live this abundant life and bear fruit we must seek God's will in everything, for of ourselves we can do nothing. This is brought out so vividly in the gospel of John where it says over and over again that Jesus came not to do His own will, but the will of Him by whom He was sent. In the fifth chapter it says, "the Son can do nothing of Himself, except as He seeth the Father do." And again in the same chapter, "of mine own self, I can do nothing." If this is true of the most perfect One how much more true it is of us.

It is true that we may outwardly be very active in religious work, we may be singing in our choirs, an officer of our Luther League or even a Sunday School teacher, but unless we are seeking strength from Him and realize our own inability we are accomplishing nothing. We must first seek His will and then also ask Him for the necessary power and strength to carry out the work.

Jesus wants to show us His will. He wants us to know what is in His inner heart and mind and the work to be

accomplished. He also wants to give us the power and ability to do His will.

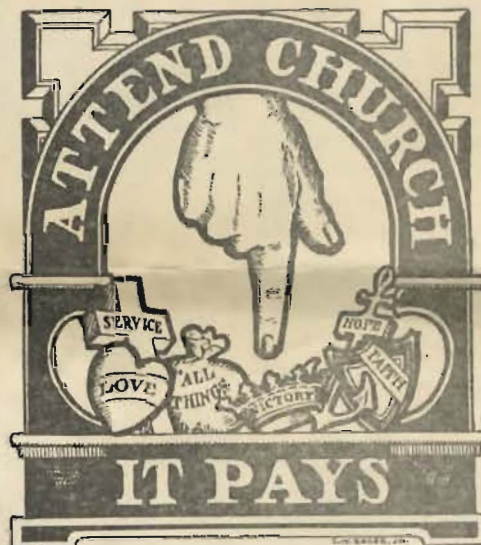
There are, however, certain conditions to be fulfilled before we may know what His will is in our lives. First, we must be children of God. God does not reveal His will to those who have not accepted Him as their personal Saviour and trusted the eternal destiny of their soul to Him. In the second place, we must be willing to let go of things which we may have previously thought necessary to our well-being. We can not do everything and be the children of God. Any unforgiven sin is a hindrance to the Holy Spirit in showing us the way. Any pet sin unrepented and excused is an obstacle to His direction of our lives. We must also be willing to be taught His will although it may be directly opposite to ours, then be willing to do it. If we would say "yes" to God we would be ready to say "yes" to any work that we were asked to do and there would be no shortage of willing workers in our Luther Leagues.

talents that we may have must not be regarded as ours to use as we like and to our own glory for they have been bought with a price—the blood of Christ. We are stewards and must seek His will so that we may glorify His name.

There are some fruits that He would have us all bear. The first of these is prayer. " whatsoever ye ask in My name shall be given unto you." If you have consecrated your entire being to Him you will only want those things that are wanted by Him first.

The second fruit is love towards our fellowmen. Love is a proof to the world that we are His disciples. If we are living the abundant life we will heed His command: "A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another."

We are all here on this earth for the purpose of seeking and saving souls. As Dr. Gorvitzka put it at the Luther League Institute, "Our chief occupation should be to win others for Christ, our vocation to pay the bills." We should serve Christ through mis-



There are diverse ways by which God reveals His will but probably the most accessible is the Word. If we would prayerfully and earnestly study His word we could learn His will. We digest what we receive by putting it into practice.

We must not expect God to reveal His will in its entirety as we set out on some path to which He may have led us. He has promised that "My Word shall be a lamp unto your feet" and we know that a lamp casts only enough light for one step but as we take that step the light goes on ahead for another step. If, however, we stop and begin to look around, our lamp may go out and we would be left in complete darkness.

The maxim that you "learn by doing" is as true in the Christian life as in any other life. We will learn the Master's will by doing it.

God has given us all some special talents by which we may serve Him. Some He has given the ability to sing, others to teach, and still others the ability to make friends easily. But any

missionary enterprises, and our message should be that Jesus died for all.

It is certainly true that the early church won most of its converts thru individual missionary work. Today we seem to find it more convenient to pay our ministers to preach the gospel and leave the saving of souls to them while we go about doing nothing. Our churches are in a spiritual depression because of lack of individual expression.

Our faith is evident from our works and the world will believe that we have faith only when it sees our work. We must first yield ourselves to Him, then seek His will in all things, and finally ask Him for the power and strength to do His will and to live the abundant life.

In the innermost shrine Must thou begin And build with care A Holy Place. A place unseen, Each stone a prayer. Then having built, Thy shrine sweep bare Of self and sin. Thy temple face is chiselled from within.

CHRIST OR CULTURE

Opponents of foreign missions sometimes cite the Japanese Empire as an illustration of a country achieving the highest national status in civilization without the help of Christianity. They forget for one thing that Japan has simply modelled her arts, crafts and inventions after those of western civilized nations that are at least nominally Christian. It is also forgotten that despite all the veneer of culture she has assumed, heathen Japan is morally lower in the scale than any other country in the world. One has only to read the records of such an organization as the Japan Rescue Mission to be convinced of the truth of this. The moral degradation of the nation is appalling. A Japanese newspaper in Tokio recently pulled aside the curtain and bared to the light of day some of the terrible conditions existing there. Here are a few of the facts it sets forth.

There are something like 200,000 illegitimate children born annually in Japan: half a million little ones are rot rid of in various ways each year. Over one thousand babies are forsaken in the streets of Japan every year by guardians. There are numerous "Homes" all over Japan where little girls are trained to be licensed prostitutes. The same paper also reports the terrible fact that the number of children (presumably little girls) under the age of 15 engaged in questionable professions exceeds four millions.

Such conditions as these should call forth the prayers of Christian hearts that the Gospel work may be advanced in Japan. A revelation of this kind serves also to show to what depths a nation can sink without Christ, as most of these crimes against childhood are committed with the full cognizance of the Japanese government. It needs to be said again that no burrowing of the intellect, no multiplication of universities, no building of sky-scrapers, railroads and steamboats, nor the introduction of all appliances of occidental civilization can raise the state of an individual or a nation in God's sight. Such things simply gild the outside of the cup and platter. Within there is still the "filthy rags" of a moral degeneracy that only the blood of the Saviour can make clean, and a spiritual darkness that only His spirit can dispel.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Speaking of church attendance, it is hardly possible for parents to appreciate the value of their example in this matter. It is very evident that where parents recognize their awful responsibility in this matter and are both faithful themselves and in the exercise of their parental authority, insist upon the children's regular attendance, the young people are not habitually absent from the worship of God's house. On the other hand it also is very patent that where the children are allowed to have their own way the family pew is not regularly occupied, even by the parents, and the almost constant absence of the children is distressing and a grave offense against the Saviour whom we all profess to love and serve. One of the delightful and encouraging features of our life in Bethel is the habit of so many of our parents to come to church regularly and bring their children with them. The reason God gave for selecting Abraham to be the progenitor of His chosen people was because He knew that Abraham would command his children in the way of faith and righteousness.

Time wasted is twice lost, since to waste that which cannot be replaced robs us of the thing itself and of what we might have done with it.

Margaretta Grant
Publicity Manager
1610 Forest
Seattle, Wash.

LUTHER LEAGUE

Everyday Activities



"Thy word have I
hid in my heart,
that I might not
sin against Thee.

EDITORIAL

The Leaguers' Friendship Chain

Many of the Leaguers who attended the Bible Institute at Draper's Park have started "the Friendship Postcard Chain." So quickly has the idea been grasped by the Leaguers that the Editor takes the privilege of "passing it on to you."

The chain gives the Leaguers the opportunity of strengthening the many new acquaintances made at Conventions, rallies and Institutes. It keeps the correspondence so glad some that the group meetings become an anticipated reunion as well as a record attendance.

The Editor will gladly furnish the addresses of Leaguers or if you wish correspondence with others, the same will be given.

OUR LEAGUERS

Of great interest to Salem, Spokane, Leaguers was the marriage of one of the members, Elsie Berglund, to Ted Meier on Monday Aug. 21 at Davenport, Wash. Mrs. Meier is a member of the choir and former S. S. teacher.

At a lovely luncheon on Sept. 9, Evelyn Pearson announced her engagement to Harry Olson. This romance is of special interest to all Leaguers as it had its beginning two years ago when the Conference Convention was held at Salem. At that time Miss Pearson and Mr. Olson served together on a committee and became interested in one another.

Miss Pearson has been an active Luther Leaguer and is a faithful S. S. teacher and choir member. Mr. Olson is a trustee and choir member.

The Luther League of the Bethany Seattle Church has begun its fall work with a great deal of enthusiasm. Roy Hulthen being the chairman. Some rearrangements have been made in the basement of the church so as to provide a separate department for the Primary Department of the Sunday school. A number of men have donated their services and thus the alterations and improvements have been made at a minimum cost.

The Trinity Luther League of Astoria, Oregon, held its first meeting in August at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Kullberg.

Devotionals were held, followed by a business meeting and program. Following the program the group enjoyed outdoor games played on the spacious lawn surrounding the Kullberg residence.

Refreshments were served later in the evening. There were over fifty pre-



CONFERENCE L. L. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Edith Olson, Signe Peterson, Arthur Hillman, Hazel Johnson

sent at this meeting and plans were made for delegates and other members to attend the convention at Gresham, Oregon.

The Colton Luther League has taken advantage of the warm summer weather and two of the summer meetings have been outdoor meetings.

Miss Doris Renhard entertained the league at her log cabin by the Canyon Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Taylor entertained the league at their summer home on Milk Creek. The young people spent the evening swimming and taking part in other sports provided by Mr. Taylor as a means of entertainment. A short business and program were also held. In the latter part of the evening all enjoyed a "welmer" roast.

A number of Colton young people attended the meeting of the district Luther League at Gresham. The Misses Ruth and Vivian Chindgren and Margaret Anderson were the delegates. The quartet which contributed music from Colton consisted of Oley Priguard, Aagott Frigaard, Myrtle Jansson, and Herman Chindgren. Esther

Peterson played the accompaniment. Mrs. E. Sakrison was entertained with a party in honor of her birthday. A number of her friends gathered at the Luther League park. Mrs. Sakrison was presented with a beautiful vase as a token of remembrance.

Rev. and Mrs. Sakrison, and son Earl, vacationed at Cannon Beach for several days recently.

Harry Liden of Gethsemane will teach school in Moxee, Washington.

Lasse Stohl was "surprised" at a "fittle" farewell party given for him at Mrs. Selander's home in Bellingham on Sept. 3. Many of Lasse's friends were present as well as many pastors and their wives.

Mabel Hanson of Gethsemane became the bride of Arthur Langlo on Sept. 10.

We hear that Bert Renhard of Aberdeen and Ray Wernstrom of Spokane are "temporary" residents of Portland.

Didn't we have a wonderful time in Bellingham? To our many hosts and hostesses we graciously express our appreciation for the hospitality extended and the thoughtful kindness shown.

LEAGUE SONGS

Tune: "The Old Rugged Cross."

What a merciful Lord in our Saviour
we have,
Who paid for our sins with His blood:
Let's rejoice! We are free! He is able
to save!
Let's arise and proclaim it abroad.

Chorus:
What a merciful Saviour we have,
Who has paid for our sins with His
blood:
He is able and willing to save,
Let's arise and proclaim it abroad.

What a glorious day when we safely
at last
Shall enter the heavenly shore:
Where the Lord has prepared such a
wonderful rest,
Where no tears shall be seen anymore.
Tom Johnson
Portland.

PRECIOUS PROMISES

Fear thou not, for I am with thee;
be not dismayed, for I am thy God;
I will strengthen thee: yea, I will help
thee: yea, I will uphold thee with the
right hand of my righteousness.

Isaiah 41:10.

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Unto the upright there ariseth light
in darkness; He is gracious, and full
of compassion, and righteous.

Psalms 112:4

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Vain is the help of man.

Psalms 60:11

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Ye shall be hated of all men for my
name's sake.

Matt. 10:22.

DAILY THOUGHTS

The time is short; oh, who can tell
How short his time below may be?
Today on earth, his soul may dwell,
Tomorrow in eternity.

If Christ is mine, then all is mine,
And more than angels know:
Both present things, and things to
come,
And grace and glory too.

O let the kingdoms of the world
Become the kingdoms of our Lord!
Let saints and angels praise thy name,
Be thou thro' heaven and earth adored.

Psychology is not Christianity, nor
is the preaching of the "Foolishness
of the cross" synonymous with a fool
preaching foolishness.

Miss Elvira Soderblom of the Everett League is to become the bride of Mr. Oscar Johnson in the very near future. Miss Soderblom has had many showers complimenting her betrothal.

Ruth McGovern of Tacoma has returned home after an enjoyable summer in Pennsylvania.



THORALD SWANSON
Gethsemane, Seattle,

is one of the young people who has made himself useful in a wider field than the local. After his graduation from the University of Washington he has served as organist at Bethany, and has served faithfully on the various Bible Institute committees. He has now taken up instruction in the High School at Prosser, Wash.

Salem Lutheran Church

Corner Broadway and Walnut
Spokane, Wash.

N. William Anderson, pastor
W. 1424 Broadway Ave.
Tel. Broadway 3208

Order of Services:

Sunday School	9:30 a. m.
Swedish Services	9:30 a. m.
English Service	10:45 a. m.
Vesper	5:00 p. m.

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Sedro-Woolley**

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R. P. D., Sedro-Woolley.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
Services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
Morning services in Swedish the first
- Sunday morning of each month.
Ladies' Aid, Mrs. Alice Stromberg,
pres., 1st, 3d, and 5th Thursday.
Luther League, Abolph Fredrickson,
pres., 2nd and 4th Wednesday

CONVENTION AT GRESHAM, ORE.

The 27th Annual Convention of the Portland District Luther League of the Augustana Synod, met at the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Gresham, Oregon, on Saturday, Aug. 19th, 1933.

The convention opened with a splendid banquet at which seventy-five delegates and friends attended. Mr. P. Palmblad of Gresham was the official toastmaster.

A program was rendered by the local League, in which Miss Lillian Lekander, President of the Gresham Luther League gave a welcome. Mr. Albert Anderson responded to the welcome and afterwards Dr. W. E. Brinkman addressed the delegation on "Youth for Christ."

After the banquet and program, the business meeting took place. One of the most important decisions was not to deduct the conference dues. Rev. Sakrison of Colton, Dean of the Bible Institute, gave a report on the Bible Institute Park. This year the Institute has been attended by four times as many as during the previous year. On Sunday at the close of the Institute eight hundred people took part in the services. A swimming pool has been started and when finished will compare favorably with most any modern swimming pool.

The officers elected for the year of 1934 were: Edith Olson, Immanuel Church, President; Lillian Lekander, Gresham, Ore., V. Pres.; Leo Mickelson, Warren, Ore., Secretary; Ray Widen, Augustana Church, Treasurer.

It was voted to sponsor another Spring Rally this year. The dues are to be proportioned according to the membership of each League.

On Sunday morning Communion Services were held for all delegates and members. Rev. A. Pierce gave the communion address and Rev. Ernest Sakrison served at the altar.

In the afternoon at 3:00 P. M. a Youth Rally was held when the following program was rendered:

Vocal Solo—Miss June Overbaugh, accompanied by Stanley Glarum, Augustana L. L. Portland, "Christ in Our Devotional Life", Miss Margaret Anderson, Colton L. L.

Piano Solo—Miss Elsie Johnson, Warren L. L. "Christ in Our Daily Life" Miss Anna Roes, Augustana L. L. Portland.

Vocal Solo—Mr. Oley Frigaard, Colton L. L. "Christ in Our Social Life", Miss Thora P. and Johanna Rasmussen, Astoria.

Piano Solo—Miss Ruth Davis, Immanuel L. L., Portland.

In the evening Rev. Paul Randolph of the Augustana Church gave a sermon on "The Abundant Life for Youth." Mrs. Randolph and Miss Alma Elmquist of the Immanuel rendered vocal solos. The Convention closed with prayer and benediction by Rev. C. S. Odell of the Immanuel church, Portland.

Lutheran Student Work in Oregon
By WM. SCHOELLER

Our Lutheran Student Association has concluded another year of work, and we are planning to give better service as this department of our Church grows older and wins more friends. While, in the past year, we had to labor under the handicaps of faulty equipment and decreased income, yet our work at Monmouth, Corvallis, and Eugene was worth while nevertheless.

What is the aim or purpose of the Lutheran Student Service Association

of Oregon, Incorporated? To serve student pastor's residence and feel at youth. To give friendly guidance and home."

instruction to students away from home during a very critical period of their life. To assist them in making adjustments, socially, intellectually, and spiritually. By keeping young people in contact with their church and encouraging them to engage in Christian activities, the LSSA aims to send them back to their communities equipped and anxious to step into earnest and intelligent church work.

Statistics show that more and more full time Christian workers are coming from our state colleges and universities, where they obtained the specialized training which church workers were often pathetically inefficient in the past. It is high time that our church leaders realize that our state colleges and universities contain wonderful material which, with but little effort, may be recruited for work in the Kingdom.

Says Walter N. James in **Christian Education**: "Students in college are the epitome of contemporary life. They are not originators, nor responsible for things as we have them today. They are the windows through which we may get a view of our present world. If there seems to be irreligion among the young it is the result of irreligion among the generation that nurtured it."

I divided my time last year between Monmouth, Corvallis, and Eugene. The difficulties of serving three institutions are recognized by no man better than myself, but at present no other plan appears to be feasible. I wish there were funds that would enable me to engage student helpers and pay them for the time given to work in our associations. There are many needy students, and they would be glad to earn a few dollars. They would give the time to our work, but necessity compels them to spend their spare hours elsewhere. Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. organizations have learned how much may be accomplished with a few hundred dollars so employed.

It is natural that the campus at Corvallis where I live receives better service than does Eugene or Monmouth. The house in which we conduct our meetings is called "Luther House", and it is open to students at any time. They make good use of the opportunity, too.

"The best friends I have," said one to me, "are the students I met at the Luther House. I enjoy the opportunity of discussing subjects that are of common interest to all college students with a group as congenial as ours. It gives me a chance to evaluate my own ideas and reach conclusions that will stand the acid test."

Of a certain student pastor a student wrote after graduating: "Not everybody lives in a home. There are more houses than homes, and many students from these when at school. It is a privilege, and means more than much to a student, to be able to enter a

Professor P. A. Parsons of the University of Oregon, making a survey of twelve Western state universities and colleges this year, presents the following figures:

91% of the students come from homes where one or both parents are members of the church. Only 46% of the general population were found to be church members.

60% of the students still consider themselves members of a church. In five years of college training there occurred only a 5% drop in church membership.

42% of students have fairly regular (at least monthly) church contacts while in college, 35% have more than occasional contacts.

24% of the students are members of some religious association like our Lutheran Student Association.

What can home pastors do to help our work along?

1. They could have a talk with such students as intend going away to a state institution for their education, telling them of our Lutheran religious campus work and commending it to them.

2. They could write to the student pastor in question, giving him the name of the student or students.

3. They could send a letter of introduction along with the student.

4. They could observe a "Luther House" day, as the Westminster and Wesley Foundations observe annual Westminster and Wesley days.

5. They could interest either their congregation or an organization within the congregation to remember our work with an annual contribution or two.

Those who would like to know more about our work will kindly write to Rev. Wm. Schoeler, 854 Jefferson St., Corvallis, Oregon.

Bethel, Seattle

West 64th & 22nd Ave., N. W.
Enoch Sandeen, B. D., pastor.
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Services.

Bible school	9:45 a. m.
Worship	10:45 a. m.
Service in Swedish Fourth Sunday at	10:45 a. m.
The Ladies Aid meets the First Thursday, the Missionary Society the last Thursday, the Priscilla Society the first Friday, the Luther League the fourth Friday, the Brotherhood the second Wednesday.	

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Lake Stevens, Wash.

Services

Services 1st and 3d Sunday, 2:30 p. m.
First Sunday, Swedish

Sunday school every Sunday, 10 a. m.
Elvera Abrahamson, Supt.

Luther League, first, third and fifth Wednesday at 8 p. m.

Ladies Aid, first, third and fifth Wednesday at 2 p. m.

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 505 Adams Street
 Olympia Washington
 ELMER JOHNSON, Pastor
 1625 Fourth Avenue East
 Telephone 2332
 SERVICES:
 9:45—Church School
 11:00—Morning Worship

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 Cor. No. 19th and Irving Streets.
 Portland, Oregon.
 Pastor, C. S. Odell,
 150 No. 19th St.—Ph. Broadway 1355
 Organist and choir director
 Prof. Chas. Swenson.
 581 Glisan Street Phone Be. 0696
Order of Sunday Worship
 Sund. School & Bible Class 9:45 a. m.
 Morning worship10:45 a. m.
 Evening worship 7:30 p. m.
 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.
 Junior Mission Band, 2nd
 Saturday at 1:30 p. m.
 Brotherhood 1st Friday..... 8:00 p. m.
 Choir Thursday evenings.....7:30 p. m.

Salem Lutheran Church
 Third and Snoqualmie
 Mount Vernon, Wash.
 Carl A. V. Lund, pastor.
 Mrs. E. A. Soderman,
 organist.
 Mr. E. A. Soderman,
 choir director.
 Jens Lassen,
 treasurer.
 A. M. Lindquist,
 mission treasurer.
 Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
 Morning service10:45
 Evening service..... 8:00

Emmaus, Seattle
 West 65th St. and 2nd Ave. N. W.
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 Pastor, Carl A. Bengtson, 165 W. 65 St.
 Treas., Frank Libquist, 1432 W. 61 St.
 Organist, Mrs. Carl Soderman
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Order of Sunday Services:
 Sunday School10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Organizations:
 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.

Swan E. Johnson, Clearbrook, Des.
 Swan E. Johnson, Clearbrook, died at a Bellingham hospital after a five months' illness. He lived in Clearbrook community for the past forty-five years. He was a valued member of the Swedish Lutheran church of Clearbrook, the Whatcom County Dairy-men's Association and the Washington Co-Operative Egg & Poultry Association.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Amanda Johnson, four sons, Walter, Charles A., Harry J. and Arthur R., and four daughters, Mrs. Rudolph Erickson, Miss Amy Johnson, Miss Edith Johnson and Mrs. Oakland.

Funeral rites were held at the First Lutheran church at Clearbrook at 10:30 a. m. the following Sunday. Rev. Harry W. Lundblad officiated. Burial followed in Lakeside cemetery, Clearbrook, under Homer Mark's direction.

Endowment at Emanuel Hospital.
 Establishment of a permanent endowment for a bed at Emanuel hospital has been announced by Mrs. Max W. Hirsch for the Council of Jewish Women, of which Mrs. Charles W. Robison is president. The endowment is similar to one made some years ago on a bed in St. Vincent's hospital.

BIBLE INSTITUTE AT COLTON
 Many people came to Colton in answer to the call, "Come away to a quiet place and rest awhile," saith the Lord. This year there was not only an Augustana Synod Institute, but the American Lutheran Church, the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, the Lutheran Free Church, and the United Danish Church joined in the worship in a fine spirit of friendliness, goodwill, and fellowship.

The first large gathering was on Sunday, July 16th. Despite the financial difficulties of the year, which prevented the attendance of many who wished to attend, about one hundred fifty were registered for the week.

Dr. O. A. Tingelstad and Rev. Carl S. Odell were the Institute teachers. Dr. Tingelstad gave his addresses on the general subject "The Bible", developing its influence throughout the different phases of an individual's life. Rev. Odell conducted Bible studies in the epistle to the Romans, centering the studies around the general theme "God's Salvation." The young people received much inspirational information, a spiritual revival, and a spiritual strengthening from these addresses. Other speakers were: Rev. L. Ludwig, Rev. A. M. Knorr, Rev. Samuel S. Hanson, Rev. Maria J. Olson, and Rev. Geo. Koelker.

Rev. J. A. Towe directed the congregational singing; Miss Esther Johnson was Institute organist, Mrs. J. A. Martin was director of special music, Mrs. H. P. Johnson was dean of girls, and Mr. Herman H. Chindgren the director of camp and recreations.

The new swimming pool on the park grounds added to the enjoyment of the recreational periods. Horses were available for those who wished to ride. Tennis, baseball, and hiking were among the other sports enjoyed. Special social factions were the Neighborhood social given under the auspices of the women of the Colton church, and a tea given by the girls of the "Girls' Cottage."

Music for the evening services was furnished by the different church bodies. An institute chorus was organized. This chorus sang at the evening services, assisting also in the pageant "The Old Rugged Cross," given under the direction of Mrs. A. V. Anderson of Portland.

The evening campfires, where reminiscences of the days activities were given, and favorite songs sung, were enjoyed with usual appreciation of the beauty of nature at night.

Sunday, July 23rd, the last day of the Institute, saw the beautiful Luther League park filled to its capacity. About 800 people were present to hear the closing addresses of the institute teachers. The Institute United Chorus sang, under the direction of Mrs. J. A. Martin, "Open Our Eyes", Macfarlane and Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus." In a most inspiring manner, the institute was brought to a close, as eight hundred voices joined in the official institute song "Living for Jesus."

The Colton Bible Institute is over, but the spiritual blessings we received, there will never be forgotten. Through practical and helpful Bible lessons we young people were drawn closer to our Saviour and God's Word than ever before.

How inspiring the morning sessions were in beautiful Canyon Creek Cathedral. There in God's nature our hearts were eager to hear the message brought to us by our sincere and faithful teachers, Rev. Odell, Dr. Tingelstad and Rev. Martin.

What fun we had during the afternoons at our favorite recreation. We know that during this week true and lasting friendships were formed thru Christian fellowship in our work and play.

We also think of the peace and quiet after sundown and the evening service with its special singing and musical numbers. Then as a fitting close to a perfect day we remember our campfire where fellow young people gave summaries of the day's lessons and we closed with benediction and taps.

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Order of Sunday Services:
 Sunday School and Bible classes 10:00
 Morning Worship 11:00
 Evening Services 8:00

Calendar:
 Board of Administration 1st Mon. 7:30
 Dorcas 1st Monday 8:00
 Ladies Aid 1st and 3rd Wed....2:30
 Luther League 1st & 3rd Thurs. 8:00
 Birth Day Social last Friday..... 8:00
 Junior Miss. Band 3rd Sat.....2:30
 W. M. S. 2nd Wed. 2:30
 Choir Wed. evening each week 7:30
 Luth. Brotherhood 3rd Monday.... 8:00

Gethsemane, Seattle
 9th Ave. & Stewart St., Seattle, Wash.
 Telephone Main 2781.

Rev. C. R. Swanson, D. D., Pastor.
 Effie Frisell, Parish Assistant.
 John Sundsten, Organist.

Services:
 First Sunday of month, worship in Swedish 12 a. m.
 Sunday School10 a. m.
 Worship in English11 a. m.
 Organization meetings every Friday evening.
 Choir every Wednesday evening.

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 7460 Woodlawn Avenue

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 Res. 7318 Latona Avenue
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Robert Carlson, Treasurer
 Res. 7610 15th Ave. N. E.

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Sunday School 9:45
 Morning service at11:00
 Service in Swedish second and fourth Sunday at12:15 p. m.
 Missionary Society 1st Thurs. 8 p. m.
 Brotherhood 1st Thursday...8 p. m.
 Junior Missionary Society Second Saturday at2 p. m.
 Luther League Second and Fourth Thursday at8:15 p. m.
 Althea Society 2nd Thursday 2 p. m.
 Ladies Aid 3rd Thurs.....2 p. m.
 Choir every Tuesday at.....8 p. m.
 Girls' Club 3d Thurs. at.....8:15 p. m.

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Some inspiring impressions that will be remembered by all of us:

The mass meeting on Sunday, July 23rd when 850 people sang the Institute song, "Living for Jesus". The beautiful pageant, "The Old Rugged Cross", given by a group of girls from Immanuel, and Holy Communion, Sunday morning, around the rustic altar

in Canyon Creek Cathedral, when God seemed so near His children.

As Christian young people, we feel that this week spent apart at the Bible Institute has given us much-needed strength and courage to fight the temptations that surround us. That because of this week we will be more loyal, sincere and conscientious workers for Christ and His kingdom.

— A member of the Institute Family.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE COLTON BIBLE INSTITUTE

There were eighteen girls staying at the Luther League Girl's Cottage this year. They represented the Salem, Augustana (Portland), Astoria, Faith Lutheran (Portland), and Immanuel (Portland), Luther Leagues. Mrs. H. P. Johnson was dean of the cottage.

Astoria was well represented at the institute sending over thirty to attend at some time during the week.

Baseball and swimming were the outstanding sports of the week. Sigfrid Nelson's home run with the fair sex cheering him on was an outstanding feature of the ball games.

One of the much visited camps was that of John Olson and Albert Carlson. Here one found the coffee pot always on and a standing invitation to "come in and have a cup." It was also rumored that this camp was very popular for its' dinner invitations.

On Friday all the Institute members joined in a hike up Big Hill with Herman Chindgren as guide. After a four mile hike the leaguers all gathered together at the top of the hill for an hour of story telling.

Tumbling off logs seemed to be a favorite pastime of our ministers. We wouldn't think of mentioning any names.

The good ladies of Colton should get an extra vote of thanks for the good meals served the institute family. The day of the spring fried chicken brought forth all the oh's and ah's of the young people. Meals were always excellent and always on time.

The Swedish dialect of Gunnar Johnson and Ronald Martin kept one guessing as to what they were talking about, but they seemed to get by very nicely

with the girls in charge of the tables at meal time. In fact they had all the names memorized which seemed very much in their favor in getting plenty of service.

Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Sakrison were always the genial host and hostess of the institute. It is surely an inspiration to see this smiling couple lending a hand to this or that, smoothing out the rough spots here or there, and always on the job to make the institute a success.

Two bulletins were issued during the week. One by the "porch girls" who were: Iene Odell, Florence Nelson, Evelyn Anderson, Barbara Robinson, and Dorothy Johnson. The other was by Bertha Lindgren and Hilda Olson.

The Sture-Anderson camp site had been changed this year, but their new camping place was much roomier and their quarters were well laid out. The long table was always found filled to over abundance at meal time, but there was always a good crowd to enjoy it. Ms. Sture took the prize for the champion potatoe eater. She may be a champion in other lines, but this was said to be her most outstanding one.

The eight hundred in attendance at the final Sunday Service was a grand climax to a most inspirational institute week.

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