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BIBLE INSTITUTES NOW IN MAKING

The executive board of the Tacoma Mt. Baker District Luther league met last Monday at Seattle to hear the reports of the business manager and the dean. Mr. Martin Johnson reported that the price per individual for this year's institute will be even less than last year and thus make it possible for every one to be there. The place of meeting will be the same as last year, namely Draper's Park, Des Moines, and the dates July 23-30.

According to the Dean's report, which was accepted, the teachers, Dr. Bergendoff of the Augustana Theological Seminary, Rock Island, and Dean Gornitzka of the St. Paul Bible Institute, St. Paul, have both accepted and are now preparing their part of the program. The name of the Institute is The Young People's Bible Institute of the American Lutheran Conference.

The program is arranged around the theme: "God's Beautiful Son" and all the music, singing, talks and activities are to center around this thought. A period of half an hour is set aside every morning for prayer and devotional talks on God's Glory in nature as set forth in the nature psalms of the Bible. The Young People will be in charge of the noon hour discussion. After the inspirational service in the evenings, the audience gathers around the campfire to sing songs and to consider: "Christ, the Light of the World." Stereopticon pictures and songs as well as dramatic singing will help to make these moments specially beautiful.

Wonderful singing will be an important part of this week of rest. A chorus and a small orchestra is to be organized on the campus to supply the musical activities during all the daily programs. This will make the Institute even more solid in sentiment than before, it is hoped. On the last Sunday the large chorus from Seattle will again sing under the leadership of Miss Mildred Johnson, and in the afternoon the Tacoma Joint Chorus will sing and also the massed choirs of all the Lutheran churches. This chorus will be accompanied by a large orchestra of over fifty members and is directed by Ronald Hooper of the Ballard First Lutheran church. Mildred Anderson Hult of Augustana Conservatory of Music and other eminent soloists have also been engaged for this Sunday.

LENTEN THOUGHTS

"He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors."
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"For there is one God, and one Mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus."
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"God so loved the world that He gave us His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."
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"If God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."
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"Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow!"
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"As white as snow!"
Which spotless, undefiled,
In radiant purity,
Reflects the light;
So is the heart,
Cleansed of its sin-pollution,
By pardoning grace
Made pure and white.

The pageant for Friday night is under the direction of Mrs. Ralph Ostrom of Seattle and the pastors' "retreat hour" on Thursday afternoon is in charge of Rev. O. L. Haavik, Seattle. Rev. E. C. Knorr of Seattle serves as spiritual advisor. The Publicity committee consists of Miss Margareta Grant, chairman; Miss Ellen Taigen, Miss Irene Dahl and Mr. Inar Botten. The latter three are presidents of the Young People's district organizations in their respective church groups. Contests of great interest to ninety churches participating will soon be announced by this group. A music committee consisting of Rev. Enoch Sauten, Rev. E. C. Knorr, Mr. M. J. Nelson and Mr. L. Torgendahl was selected to consider the selection of suitable convention hymnals. Other committees are to be arranged later.

The Columbia Conference will meet April 26-30 at the Gethsemane Lutheran church, Seattle, Washington. All pastors who have not yet sent in their reports to the Conference president are asked to do so immediately.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Columbia Lutheran is in need of your assistance. The management does not ask you to do anything extraordinary. The paper is in a good financial condition as far as the budget is concerned. And we are happy about that. But subscriptions have not been paid for the last year as consistently as desirable for the welfare of the paper. According to the manager's report, outstanding subscriptions to date amounts to \$314. During the last two years the paper has gained new subscriptions by leaps

TACOMA DISTRICT HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING IN SEATTLE

The annual meeting of the Tacoma District was held at the Bethany church, Seattle, Jan. 31 to Feb. 1. Communion Services, at which Rev. Elmer Johnson of Olympia preached the preparatory sermon and Rev. Carl Bengtson, Seattle, the opening sermon of the convention, opened the meeting. Business sessions were held on Wednesday beginning at 8 p. m. According to the president, the Reverend Carl A. Bengtson, the year has been marked by a greater activity on the part of the young people and a marked increase in spirituality among the membership. Only in one congregation has the membership become discouraged and lost interest. Otherwise it is a matter of doubled efforts to succeed.

At the election of officers, which followed the president's report, Rev. C. G. Bloomquist, Seattle, was chosen president, Rev. Ernest G. Svenson, Tacoma, vice president; Rev. Carl J. Renhard, Aberdeen, secretary, and Rev. E. Arthur Larson, Tacoma, treasurer. In the afternoon the Missionary Society held a rally in the church, at which time Rev. C. Arthur Johnson of Yakima gave the address. In the evening Rev. Ernest G. Svenson of Tacoma, and Rev. Carl J. Renhard of Aberdeen, spoke. The services were well attended and the delegates seemed more than usually interested in the problems of the church.

ANNUAL PORTLAND DISTRICT MISSION MEETING

The Immanuel church, Rev. C. S. Odell, pastor, was host and hostess with the usual hospitality.

The in-exhaustible subject of "Sin,"
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and bonds. This seems to indicate the popularity of the paper. Shall we now let the depression get us? Will it not be possible to scare up one little fifty cent and save the paper? When all these fifty cents have arrived at the office the C. L. will be free of debt. The expenses of printing, etc. are always kept inside the limit of the budget. If the subscriptions are not paid we are just that much behind—and the conference will quit the paper, we are afraid. Rather than permit a good undertaking to fail, let us all try to get hold of those fifty cents. Please!
The Editor.

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THE BIBLE TEACHES:



THAT MAN IS JUSTIFIED BY FAITH ALONE

Epistles to the Romans,—Galatians, etc.

Therefore the Lutheran Church Teaches:

that men cannot be justified before God by their own strength, merits or works, but are freely justified for Christ's sake through faith, when they believe that they are received into favor and that their sins are forgiven for Christ's sake, who, by His death, hath made satisfaction for our sins. This faith God imputes for righteousness in His sight. Romans 3, 4. This doctrine is the principal article of the Christian religion, the real secret of Scripture and by this doctrine, Christ is given the honor due Him, and poor lost sinners have the abiding comfort that God is gracious to them.

EDITORIAL

THE LENTEN SEASON begins this week.

We wonder how many of our readers realize the importance of this season in their church life. Probably they consider all days alike and forget that the church at this time seeks to come into a fuller and more complete relationship with him who died on the cross.

But the very thought of Christ's suffering and death challenges us to a more devout and a more active living. Not long ago we had the occasion to speak to a young man who complained bitterly of "the high cost of membership" in the church. He said that he was doing too much and he would have to quit. "What have you given the last five years?" we asked him. "Oh, I don't know, but it seems a whole lot." "Have you given any more than what the records of the church show?" "No, I don't think so." He had given — in five years — twelve dollars. For that he had been offered 104 regular hours of worship, 104 social meetings, 52 hours of training in the choir and many more hours of beautiful fellowship with pure men and women. In fact, during this time he had acquired a wife from among the young womanhood of the congregation, and, according to himself, that was worth more than gold. "Now, then, I suppose you have availed yourself of all these privileges that the church has offered? When were you in church last time?" "Oh, let me see. Yes, I was there for my wedding four years ago and I was present Christmas morning a year ago." "And you have done too much! Think if Christ would have said that when he could have come down from the cross but would not?"

Are we such workers? No, if you were, you would not be reading these lines. Nevertheless it is well to reason a while with ourselves and consider the value of a time of special refresh-

ing in our lives. Do you know, if ever hearts were in need of living water it is now! The chastisement of God has struck hard and heavily upon us all—but are we any better for it? One congregation reports that out of its 250 members only half attend services at all and only 75 regularly! Whose fault is it? Blame it on the times, yes . . . but another church reports that it also has 250 members but 325 attend the services! They must have a wonderful pastor! Probably—but even a smaller congregation refused to call him because he was not a good speaker! No, the pastor is not great. The membership is not great. But the Spirit of God has taken hold of souls until it has been found necessary to hold prayer meetings twice a week—and no one seems to think that the meeting has lasted too long after three hours duration! (Which reminds us of a person who complained because a festival service, which occurs only once a year, lasted one hour and twenty minutes! Fine longing he must have had for the noble things of life!)

That is the sequel of success in the church: a life filled with God!

Suppose that you make this lenten season a matter of honest approach to God. Go and speak to your pastor about it. You deacons and trustees, bow your knees to God about it. You pastors, take your membership in hand and go out to salvage that which is lost. Would it be too much if at Easter you could report through these columns: God increased our membership on Easter Day with fifty souls. God has done wonderful things.

How it can be done?

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God."—Matt. 6:33. Make this your hearts affection. Place it as the first desire of your life. Make it your business. Live it in your home.

Cultivate a quiet mind.—"Be still and know that I am God." There is a priceless value in sitting still so that God may have a chance with us.—

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee; because he trusteth in Thee."—Is. 26:3. "In quietness and confidence shall be your strength."—Is. 30:15.

Acknowledge to yourself the very presence of God.—"In Him we live and move and have our being."—In the nearness or farness of God lies the solution of all your problems. If God is far away, you are also far away from salvation. If he is near, you are already in heaven. Notice the naturalness of Jesus' prayer, "Father, I thank Thee that Thou hast heard Me."—John 11:41.

Commune with God.—"Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul."—Ps. 25:1. —Meditate on the experience of others who have received light and comfort. Speak to God believing that you are receiving his gift. Look up to him as a child to its father. Then wait patiently for the blessing.

Cultivate a heart of thanksgiving.—"Be anxious for nothing but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."—Phil 4:6.—The more we develop the grace of gratitude, the greater will become our spiritual capacity for God's larger gifts. Saul went out to search for his father's asses and found a kingdom. His heart was not ready for such a great gift, and pride, therefore, took his crown away. David could cry: "Lord, out of the depths I cry unto Thee" and receive an everlasting kingdom.

Confess your sins.—"I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."—Luke 5:32.—Do not hesitate to lay bare your sins daily before Him who has borne your guilt on the cross. He died to take away your sins. Tell Him your secrets openly. Do not fear. God forgives even the crimson sin.

Hold firm the assurance of God's forgiveness.—"If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive."—1 John 1:9. To doubt is to grieve him. To believe is to honor him.

Communicate to others what Christ has done for you.—When the tree is fullgrown it bears fruit. The living life lives. Only dead faith keeps to itself. If you are to have peace in God's heaven bring some one to Christ during this lenten season. Live the overflowing life. "Spread the gospel far and wide."

And lastly: try this verse every day. Sing it. Read it. Pray it. Meditate it:

"O Lamb of God, most holy,
On Calvary an offering;
Despised, meek, and lowly,
Thou in Thy death and suffering
Our sins didst bear, our anguish;
The might of death didst vanquish;
Give us Thy peace, O Jesus! Amen."

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If you are in jail you have a good reason for staying away from the church services says a pastor in Ohio in his parish paper. Here is what he says:

"Is a person ever justified in staying away from church?"

These are classes of people who should not go to church:

(A) Those who are visiting at a place where there is no church.

(B) Those suffering from a contagious disease.

(C) Those whose babies have had croup all Saturday night.

(D) Those who read so slowly that they can't get through the Sunday papers before 11 o'clock.

(E) Those whose automobiles are so high strung that they will break out of the garage unless exercised before dinner.

(F) Those who don't know where church is, or who have forgotten which church they ought to attend, or who have been indicted by the grand jury or who are already in jail.

The above are not present but they are accounted for.

The following need not go to church:

(G) People who are over 99 years of age.

(H) Those who can't stand the minister.

(I) Those who hate music and can't stand the choir.

(J) Those who can't stand the janitor.

(K) Those who can't stand the church officers.

(L) Those who have sworn that they will not attend church until Bryan was elected president.

These are neither present nor accounted for.

The following ought to go to church fairly regularly he believes:

(M) Those who refuse classification (A) to (F), inclusive.

(N) Those who refuse classification (G) to (L), inclusive.

(O) Those who:

- 1) Believe in church.
- 2) Want to see it prosper.
- 3) Want to get some help from it for themselves.
- 4) Want to help others, who enjoy the service more when there is a good attendance.
- 5) Realize that faithful, continuous persistent non-attendance will make the church as dead as King Tut, and a great deal less interesting."

The Rev. Mr. Hartman continues: "About one out of four of our members and a smaller proportion than that of our friends go to church."

What do you think? How many in your congregation are classified under (O)? Can it be possible that three out of four are struggling with croup or measles or are spending the day at Mount Hood, Rainier, Snoqualmie or at American Lake, or hate the minister or can't get bail?

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DO YOU KNOW THAT WHEN YOU SIGNED THE MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE YOU ALSO SAID TO GOD: "NOW I AM READY TO DO THY WILL, O FATHER"? NO ONE WOULD THINK OF ASKING A SERVANT OF THE DEVIL TO RESCUE A SOUL FROM HELL. YOU ARE ASKED TO GO GOD'S ERRAND BECAUSE YOU ARE A CHRISTIAN. GOD CONSIDERS YOU BETTER THAN THE AVERAGE MAN.

NOTICE

The Lutheran Broadcasts on Saturday evenings from the station KVL, Seattle, have been changed so that two broadcasts are held every Saturday as follows:

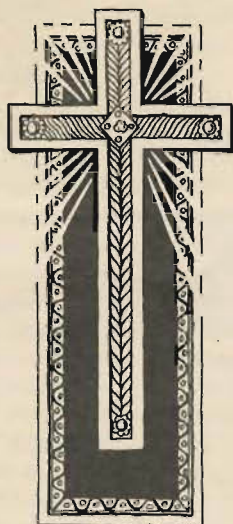
- March 4.—Bethany on KXA at 6:00.
 March 4.—Emmans on KVL at 6:30.
 March 11.—Bethel on KXA at 6:00.
 March 11.—Gethsemane KVL at 6:30.
 March 18.—Emmans on KXA at 6:30.
 March 18.—Bethany on KVL at 6:30.
 March 25.—Gethsemane on KXA 6:00.
 March 25.—Bethel on KVL at 6:30.

These are conducted in Swedish and will feature the Lenten message.

**HE
BORE
OUR
TRANS-
GRES-
SIONS**

by

Rev. Elmer M. Johnson.



**"Surely
our griefs,
he hath borne
and carried our
sorrows;
yet
we did esteem
him stricken,
smitted
of
God
and
afflicted."**

"The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Isaiah 53:6.

On the first day of March, which is called Ash Wednesday, it will be our sacred privilege to enter upon the soul-refreshing season of Lent. It is that season during which we are to focus our attentions especially on the sufferings and death of our Saviour. In spirit we are again to go with the Master "up to Jerusalem." Year by year we make this sacred pilgrimage from Gethsemane to Calvary, not with the idea of meriting anything, but that we may better understand and realize the awful consequences of sin and appreciate His "salvation purchased at so great a price."

In one of the works of the great English preacher, Alexander Maclaren, we find a splendid homily on our text which has the superscription: "The Universal Burden and Its Bearer." The following is a resumé of his words.

I. Consider first the universal burden. The fact that every man is a transgressor of the law of God is the prime fact of humanity, and the all-important truth needed for the apprehension of the very rudiments of the Gospel. We shall never know what we need, nor be able to understand what Christianity, as gathered in Christ—Who is Christianity—offers to do for us, unless our eyes are opened and our consciences made sensitive, to the unwelcome but undeniable truth, that we all "have sinned and come short of the glory of God."

What we think about sin will settle all our religious ideas. If we pool-pool it, then we shall not want a Saviour. If we rightly understand how heavy the burden is, and how impotent we are to get rid of it, then we shall not be ready to believe in the doctrine of every man his own redeemer, but we shall want, not merely a Saviour that talks with us, however wise His words, or a Saviour that walks before us as an embodied realization of the ideal humanity, but we shall want a Saviour that does something for us, and puts out of the way that black load under which we are staggering. Once get a man to feel,

as I pray God that you may feel, "I am a sinful man in Thy sight," and his heart shall cry out for one who shall be to him all that no human being can be, the Lord of his Salvation and the Deliverer from his burden.

II. In the second place look at the One Bearer of the burden. "The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Observe that, in the compass of three verses of this chapter, there are seven distinct, emphatic and harmonious utterances, all bearing on the one thought of the vicarious suffering of the Lord Jesus Christ. 1) "HE hath born OUR griefs." 2) "And carried OUR sorrows." 3) "HE was wounded for OUR transgressions." 4) HE was bruised for OUR iniquities." 5) "The chastisement of OUR peace was upon HIM." 6) "With HIS stripes WE are healed." And they are all gathered together in the final word of the text: "The Lord hath laid on HIM the iniquity of US ALL."

Nothing could be more emphatic, nothing more reiterated, full and confident than this seven-fold presentation of the great truth that Christ lived and suffered and died FOR us because He suffered and died **instead** of us.

However, your sins, taken away as they are by the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ, may yet cling to you and crush you. There is only one way by which the possibilities open to all men by the death of Jesus Christ may become your actual experience, and that is, the simple laying your burden by your own act of quiet trust, upon the shoulders of Him Who is mighty to save.

Most of you know that strange and infinitely pathetic picture that represents the Jewish scape-goat, panting, wounded, ready to die, on the salt margin of the sea of Death, whither it has been hounded with the sins of a nation upon its head. The solitude, the sorrow, the suffering of Jesus Christ are faintly shadowed by that. Lay your hand on the head of the Sacrifice, and say: "Behold! I put my sin where God has put it, on the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world!"

STARVE THE PASTOR?

(The following letter from a layman probably would be of interest to our churches even though it might be interpreted as a defense of high-salaried pastors. At any rate, the gentleman who wrote the letter evidently knows of what he is talking about and his words may well be considered in a time when it might easily be forgotten that the pastor works harder in these times of depression than previously and that many a church would think of lowering his salary before they would ever think of working a little harder to make things go. We let the layman have the floor.)

"Let us starve him to death—We church members are starving the minister, but we are only doing the job in a half-way fashion.

We do give him enough to eat—we merely take from him his self-respect, his initiative, and his chance to broaden mentally, by reducing him to a pittance that will just provide the physical necessities of life.

The salaries of most of us have been reduced—but let's suppose that in addition we are put into such a position that if we mention our financial difficulties, our employer complains; if we get in debt, we are censured by all and sundry; if we appear a bit shabby, we are severely criticized. Yet to the crippling power of a reduced salary a minister must add these other handicaps. He cannot cut corners—the dignity of the Temple must be maintained—its minister must wear a velvet collar, even if he catches his death from visiting the sick in soleless shoes.

But business houses have cut salaries—why shouldn't the Church do the same? True enough as far as it goes, but it stops far short of the real truth. Do we still remember the years from 1920 to 1929? Weren't our incomes increased tremendously in those years? But was the minister's? It was not. In most cases ministers received little if any increase in income during the boom period. We were increased, now we are cut; they were not increased, but we expect them to be cut, too—

The minister leads his people—except in one important point. That exception is in the matter of his own compensation. Here he is at the mercy of us laymen—he must cheerfully accept what we give him. What a wonderful chance we have to destroy the Church—it's so easy to starve the minister!

Our Church proposes to relieve the burden on its congregation by cutting the salary of the minister. The minister gets \$2,000 a year. To cut him to fifteen hundred will save about 3 cents a member per Sunday—hardly worth mentioning, but, like an ordinary voice transmitted into a loud roar through a megaphone, the 3 cents per member becomes a mighty handicap when transmitted into a reduction in the minister's salary.

Of course capable young men will continue to enter the ministry, even when they see the hardships which the average pastor must endure, even when they see his children lacking in life's necessities. Such young men are inspired by love; a living wage means nothing to them—except that the keen edge of their spirit is gradually worn off when they fail to get it.

Our present reduced income may make it difficult for us to carry on and remain hopeful. But our minister must keep his courage up, even if he must spend years and money in preparing for his job, even if he has had few raises, has had to support his family and educate his children out of an always meager salary, and has had, or faces the prospect of having, that salary reduced.

Though a layman, I am in close touch with churches. Here is a letter that recently came to my desk:

"I have never seen anything like the present scarcity of money. Until the present distressed condition overtook the country, our church enjoyed a healthy growth. Our young people's organization and its work is known all over the State and receives frequent recognition from our national magazine. But there is no money here to circulate.

My own compensation for the past three weeks has been as follows:

3 weeks ago	\$12.33
2 weeks ago	16.92
This week	16.73
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	\$45.98

during the past three weeks—and my gas bill runs from \$2.00 to \$8.00 a week. I should hate to confess to you what we are doing in the way of groceries. No, we are not stealing, we are just going without. However, things will improve here as rapidly as they do anywhere. We are not in the tourist business. Our is a rich agricultural background, with celery and citrus crops in the lead."

Is it conceivable that the average member of this Church (prosperous farmers, citrus growers) is reduced to anything like the circumstances to which this congregation has reduced its minister? Even in these times we cannot entertain such a ridiculous idea.

We like to refer to the Church as a lighthouse. What matters it that in a time of great storm and stress we propose to dim the light and cripple its usefulness by depriving the keeper of oil?

But why should I protest? What business is it of mine if the Church is being destroyed—at a time when the world was never more sorely in need of her ministrations? My protest is against work half done. If we are going to starve the minister, let's go all the way—

If it is not easy to get to heaven with nothing but alibis.

REGULAR MEETING of the LSSA of Oregon, Inc.

The meeting was held at Corvallis for the purpose of giving everybody a chance of viewing the work with his own eyes. The campus was duly inspected, and a number of plants visited in which the student pastors of other religious groups (especially the Westminster and Wesley Foundations) do their work. Our Lutheran students gather in a building (rented by the Association) which was formerly a fraternity house; this building also serves as residence for the student pastor and his family.

Free lunch was served at noon to as many guests as arrived in time, and to such students as found it possible to appear and say "hello" to the pastors and other friends of the work. It was a beautiful and heartwarming sight to see.

The students pleaded, in private conversation and later in more formal speeches, that the work be continued and funds for a chapel be made available; while the board members, and other friends of the service, assured them of their interest and support.

Dr. W. E. Warrington, head of the chair of religion maintained by the denominations at O. S. C., praised "the fine work done by your student pastor," and added: "I can truthfully say that you obtain larger results, and reach a greater number of students, in proportion to enrolment, than any other group engaged in religious work upon this campus—and that in spite of the fact that your equipment is the poorest and rather inadequate."

The Association meeting was called to order by President Bogstad, and Rev. C. S. Odell opened with prayer. The following visitors were given the right to speak and vote: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. H. Krueger from Oregon City; Mr. Ree from Eugene; Mr. Alf O. Nelson from Silverton; Rev. P. W. Erickson from Salem; Rev. W. Kraxberger from Oregon City; Rev. Chas. Eppele from Portland.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved without change, as also the auditing committee's report which stated that the secretary's records for 1932 had been duly examined and found true and correct.

Hereupon new directors were elected as follows: Rev. C. S. Odell, for a period of two years, in the place of Rev. S. E. Johnson; Rev. M. J. Olsen, for a period of three years, to succeed himself; Rev. E. Sakrison, for a period of three years, to succeed Mr. Benson; Mr. S. P. Ness, for a period of three years, to succeed himself. The personnel of the board now is as follows:

Serving 3 years: Mr. S. P. Ness; Rev. E. Sakrison; Rev. M. J. Olsen.
Serving 2 years: Rev. L. Ludwig; Rev. P. Kunzman; Rev. C. S. Odell.
Serving 1 year: Rev. R. Bogstad; Rev. Frank S. Beistel; Rev. Wm. Schoeler.

It was resolved that the Association recommend to the various synods to nominate two candidates each at their annual conventions to serve on our board of directors, so that the contributing synods may be officially represented and the LSSA officially recognized. (The secretary is to forward a copy of this resolution to the honorable districts' presidents.)

A resolution was passed that the President appoint a committee of three to suggest revisions of the constitution that will bring it up to date. The men appointed are: Mr. S. P. Ness, Rev. L. Ludwig, Rev. M. J. Olsen, and Rev. Wm. Schoeler as ex officio member of the committee.

The following budget was set up and adopted for 1933:

Salary of secretary and student pastor	\$1,600.00
Entertainment purposes	200.00
Water, light, fuel, breakage of furniture	200.00
Office supplies, job printing, postage, safety box	100.00
Transportation between points, to conferences and board meetings, and to pay for occasional guest speakers.....	125.00
Monmouth— upkeep of Luther House, int. on \$1300 mortgage, fire insurance, janitor, light, water, fuel	175.00
Corvallis—Rent for Luther House	465.00
Telephone, long distance calls and occasional messages	35.00
Expenses in connection with service at Eugene	100.00
Total	\$3,000.00

Possible sources and amounts of income for 1933:

A. L. C.	\$800.00
N. L. C.	800.00
Augustana Synod	300.00
Columbia Conference (A).....	300.00
Pacific Synod (ULC).....	100.00
Board of Ed. (ULC)	200.00
Total	\$2,500.00

The Association meeting now adjourned, and the directorate organized itself as follows: Rev. R. Bogstad, president; Rev. C. S. Odell, vice president; Rev. Wm. Schoeler, secretary and treasurer. Various business was hereupon transacted:

(1) An auditing committee appointed for 1933, to consist of Mr. S. P. Ness and Rev. M. J. Olsen

(2) Resolved that the directorate ratify the resolutions passed by the Association at this session

(3) Resolved that the control of the work in Eugene remain with the LSSA, that the secretary cooperate (as before) with the local pastors, and that \$100 for this service be included in the budget.

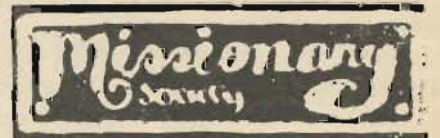
(4) Resolved that the fiscal year of the Association run from January 1 to December 31, and that the regular annual meeting be held during the latter part of January.

(5) Notice was taken of the fine spirit of Christian fellowship and radiant enthusiasm pervading the local student body, and assurances of future support given. In the words of President Bogstad: "This work has meant a great deal to scores of young men and women of our church. It must go on, and we shall do everything possible to raise the needed funds and improve the equipment."

(6) A vote of thanks was extended to the students for entertaining the board and providing the luncheon.

(7) The meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. M. J. Olsen.

Wm. Schoeler,
Exc. Sec. LSSA of Oregon.



The 8th annual business meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Mt. Baker District was held Tuesday morning, January 24th, 1933, at the Salem Lutheran church, Mount Vernon, Wash.

Our president, Mrs. E. A. Soderman, opened the meeting with reading of Scripture and Prayer. After which the officers and secretaries gave their reports of the year's work, which were all accepted. Mrs. Soderman in her fine report stressed the Bible verse: St. John, 15-5, "I am the Vine, ye are the branches; He that abideth in me, and I in him the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing."

The treasurer, Mrs. Chas. Olson, reported a total income for the year of \$750.07, which is about \$200 less than last year. The total adult membership being 164; Juniors, 102; Young Women, 22; and 103 Subscribers to the Mission Tidings. Total number of delegates present, 24.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. E. A. Soderman, Mount Vernon, (re-elected) president; Mrs. H. C. Tegelberg, Everett, vice president; Mrs. L. A. Matson, Bellingham, (re-elected) secretary; Mrs. Chas. E. T. Olson, Mount Vernon, (re-elected) treasurer; Mrs. Carl A. V. Lund, Mount Vernon, Junior secretary; Mrs. Clara Anderson, Clearbrook, (re-elected) Young Women's secretary; Mrs. Heming Carlson, Mount Vernon, (re-elected) Membership, Prayer Day, and Mission Tidings secretary; Mrs. Carl Johnson, Mount Vernon, Jubilee secretary. The recommendations were read and a motion was made and carried to adopt same.

Our missionary program was held in the afternoon. Rev. Lundblad opening same with Scripture reading and prayer; Rev. O. W. Westling gave an interesting talk in Swedish, subject: "Älskar du mig? Föd mina lamm". Other numbers rendered were: Vocal trio by ladies of Mount Vernon; vocal solo, Mrs. Clara Anderson, Clearbrook;

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OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

MARGARETTA GRANT, Editor

EDITORIAL

In order that we have sincere and enthusiastic cooperation for our Bible Institutes it is absolutely necessary that each League give its undivided attention. The Publicity managers have a much larger task than ever before in that we have included so many other Lutheran bodies. It will be greatly appreciated if those who take the responsibilities in their respective Leagues be prompt and efficient.

BIBLE INSTITUTE NEWS COLTON

The Executive committee of the Portland District Luther League met on January 15 in Colton at the home of Rev. E. J. Sakrison, dean of the 1933 Bible Institute. Representatives of several other Lutheran bodies were invited to be present and join with the Portland District Luther League in arranging for the Institute. Those present expressed their favorable comment and approval of hearty cooperation.

Rev. Carl S. Odell will be the Bible teacher. Communications are being made to secure other splendid talent to appear during the week.

The date for the Institute is July 16-23 inclusive and will be held at the District's own Bible Institute Park at Colton, Oregon.

BIBLE INSTITUTE RALLY

The Warren Luther League at Warren, Oregon, will be hosts to the Portland District on Sunday afternoon, April 2. Rev. C. S. Odell will be guest speaker. Musical and vocal selections will be given by members of the various local Luther Leagues.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Inexperienced chairmen frequently find difficulty with parliamentary procedure. If the chairman knows the rules, he may have to face a membership which is either uninformed or indifferent to orderly procedure.

Those who have consulted Roberts' "Rules of Order" have found a set of rules, far too detailed and too technically stated to be helpful for use in a Luther League. The average person will throw up his hands and ask "Why bother?" rather than wade through all the rules given, despite the fact that they are well outlined.

There is a definite value to be gained from observing rules in the conduct of the business meeting. Rules which are understood and practised promote order and prevent misunder-

standing. There is not a League which has not felt the need of speeding up the business meetings, and more attention to the organization of the matters to be acted upon as well as the mechanics of transacting business will do a great deal to expedite matters. Any visitor will be impressed if the business is handled efficiently and quickly.

Are you, as a chairman, careful that the members' remarks are directed to the question being considered? Do you state the motion after it has been made and seconded so that the members will know exactly what to discuss? Do you, as a chairman, remember to call for a negative vote on every question? Are committee reports at regular meetings definitely planned? Do you use a nominating committee at elections? Do you know how to move an amendment to a motion?

If you want the information you need, stated briefly, consult the book "Speech Arts" by Craig. That book has a section on parliamentary procedure and contains a great deal of other helpful material, as its name suggests. While this book is one of the best, there are doubtless others that may be obtained in high school or public libraries.

(This is the second of a series of articles on Luther League problems and methods. The next will be on "Committees").

Begin to save for the Bible Institute now!

NEWS ITEMS

On February 3 the Luther League of the Gethsemane church, Seattle, met at the church when a program was rendered in which Ernest Oberg and Martha Sundstrom of the Bethel church and Rev. Otto Bremer from the University Lutheran church took part. On February 14 the Girls' club were the sponsors of a very successful entertainment, namely a Valentine Silver Tea. Most of the mothers and the daughters of the church were present.

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The month of February has been a red letter day for the Bethel, Seattle, young people. During that month the choir sponsored a grand concert given by the Svea Male Chorus of Seattle, an organization of the highest quality. On Feb. 8 the newly organized Boys' club—an auxiliary to the Luth. Brotherhood—met for its first business meeting. At this meeting a Junior Male Chorus—or the beginning thereof—was organized and plans made for

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IF YOU WERE BUSY

If you were busy being kind,
Before you knew it you would find
You'd soon forget to think 'twas true
That someone was unkind to you.

If you were busy being glad
And cheering people who are sad,
Although your heart might ache a bit,
You'd soon forget to notice it.

If you were busy being good,
And doing just the best you could,
You'd not have time to blame some
man

Who's doing just the best he can.

If you were busy being true
To what you knew you ought to do,
You'd be so busy you'd forget
The blunders of the folk you've met.

If you were busy being right,
You'd find yourself too busy, quite,
To criticize your neighbor long
Because he's busy being wrong.

—Selected.

YOU

There's nothing to fear—you're as
good as the best.

As strong as the mightiest too;
You can win in every battle or test;
For there's no one just like you.

There's only one you in the world to-
day:

So nobody else, you see,
Can do your work in as fine a way,
You're the only you there'll be.

So face the world, and all life is yours
To conquer; and love and live,
And you'll find the happiness that en-
dures

In just the measures you give
There's nothing too good for you to
possess.

Nor heights where you cannot go;
Your power is more than belief or
guess—

It is something you have to know.
There's nothing to fear—you can and
you will;

For you're the invincible you
So let your foot on the highest hill—
There's nothing you cannot do.

—John Schram.

July 23—30! That is the time for
big things.

IF

If an angel from the heavens,
In a glorious array,
Would descend and bring the message
That the Lord was on His way,
Coming down to call His children
Ere the morning sun return;
Would it stir our lives to action?
Would we still His bidding spurn?

Could we then in peaceful slumber
Rest amid a world of sin?
Would we not, with earnest pleading,
Try some soul for Him to win?
If some loved ones had not yielded
To the God of Calvary,
Would we linger ere we told them
Christ had died to set them free?

O how oft we are forgetting
That the Lord may come today;
And we fail to tell of Jesus
While the moments slip away;
Fail to see that hearts are breaking
'Neath the burden of their fears;
Fail to see the face of Jesus
Deeply grieved, bedewed with tears.

Humbly, Lord, I make confession;
Empty me of self, I pray;
Selfish aims and aspirations,
Pride, indifference, delay;
Mould me, Lord, for Thine own glory;
Speak through me Thy savings grace,
Till these other souls about me
Long to greet Thee face to face.

Elna (Danielson) Ericson

A PRAYER

When Sunset's rosy fingers
Touch the West
To leave a fiery crimson
Trail behind
Then human hearts are turned
To Thee and best
By throes of earthly beauty
And sublimar
Thou hast divined.

Dear Lord we know Thou hast
A plan supreme
Which faintly yet, our human
Eyes discern
Give us the strength O Lord
To be expressed
In spite of human frailty and sin
Part of that Dream.
Ebba Sandeen.

It is easy in the world to live after
the world's opinion; it is easy in soli-
tude to live after our own; but the
great man is he who in the midst of
the crowd keeps with perfect sweet-
ness the independence of solitude.

—Emerson

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 Evening Services 7:30

Calendar:

Board of Administration 1st Mon. 7:30
 Dorcas 1st Tuesday 7:30
 Ladies Aid 1st and 3rd Wed.....2:30
 Luther League 1st & 3rd Thurs. 7:30
 Birth Day Social last Friday.....7:30
 Junior Miss. Band 3rd Sat.....2:30
 W. M. S. 2nd Wed. every other
 month 2:30
 Choir Wed. evening each week 7:30
 Confirmation Class Sat's.9:30

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE

(This resolution, together with a card of thanks, has been received from Rev. John Bilddt and family, and we are glad to print it in this issue. The resolution was presented at the funeral of Mrs. Bilddt.)

To Rev. John Bilddt and children:

WHEREAS it has pleased our heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom and love to call from ours midst Hanna Edith Bilddt, the beloved wife of our brother pastor, John Bilddt,

Be it resolved that we as pastors of the Tacoma District together with our wives and families express our heartfelt sympathy to you, our dear brother, and the motherless children in this your heartrending bereavement. May the God of all comfort give you strength to bear this grievous trial, and guide you through this hour of darkness unto the dawning of new light; and may the Holy Spirit sustain you in the hope of meeting your beloved wife and mother together with the Saviour, in the home of the blessed.

There are shadows in the valley,

Where the fired feet must go;
 But we hear the peaceful waters,
 As they murmur soft and low;
 And our Shepherd whispers gently,
 As He leads us onward still:
 "There are shadows in the valley,
 But 'tis sunshine on the hill."

II Corinthians 1:1-10.

In behalf of the pastors of the Tacoma District,

Carl A. Bengtson,
 Enoch Sandeen,
 Committee.

WE EXTEND OUR SINCERE THANKS TO OUR MANY FRIENDS FOR THEIR EXPRESSION OF KINDNESS AND SYMPATHY DURING OUR SAD BEREAVEMENT IN THE DEATH OF OUR WIFE AND MOTHER AND OUR LITTLE ESTHER.

John Bilddt and children.

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a paper was read by Mrs. Carl A. V. Lund, Mount Vernon. The usual reports on credentials and resolutions were read. Also a resolution of condolence to Rev. John Bilddt and family was read at this time. Dr. Jos. Anderson then expressed a few words in commemoration of Mrs. Rev. John Bilddt. Doxology was then sung and the benediction was given by Rev. Lund. A hearty thank you to the

Mount Vernon congregation for their hospitality and for the splendid meals.

Mrs. H. C. Tegelberg.

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The Woman's Missionary Society of the Tacoma District, opened its annual business session on Wednesday, Feb. 1st, at Bethany, Seattle, Rev. C. G. Bloomquist, pastor, with a delegation of about 50 women.

The president, Mrs. Conrad Haggblom, read her report using as a text: "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever," from Hebrews 13:8. Her report disclosed an organized missionary society in every congregation within the district, or a total of sixteen. The total active membership is three hundred, and adding the Life and Honorary Life members we have three hundred seventy-five. Five of our members passed away during the past year. Twelve societies observed Prayer Day. It is hoped that all of the societies will observe this day. The contributions taken on this Sunday go toward the salary of Miss Edna Miller, educational missionary in Africa. Miss Miller is working among the girls in Africa teaching them the rudiments of hygiene, reading, and at the same time has the privilege and opportunity of teaching them of Jesus Christ. The girls are coming out in large numbers to avail themselves of their opportunity. May we not weary in praying and giving for our work in China. In order to help raise our quota, a number of women, or groups, have contributed \$2.50 or one days' salary. It was suggested that those who care to, make such a birthday contribution. The District has been privileged during the past year of having two visitors in its midst, Dr. Betty Nilsson, Missionary to India, and Mrs. Gust Peterson, Home Missionary.

The treasurer's report showed a total income for 1932 of \$1,121.46, distributed as follows: Annual dues \$150.00; Young Women's dues, \$16; Junior dues \$38.75; Sustaining dues \$29.50; In Memoriam \$10; Life Members \$20; Conference Home Mission \$244.67; Bethphage \$21; Columbia Conference Home \$16.95; Deaconess \$8; Girls' Homes \$53; Brick Books \$42.60; Orphanage, Omaha \$3; Furnishing Home, N. Y. \$13.30; Christmas cheer \$19.72; Conference administration \$21.40; District administration \$14.50; Junior administration \$5.40; India \$70; China \$2.24; Africa \$22.05; Africa hospital \$5; Anna Olson's salary \$243.45; literature \$7.06; dime books \$3; building special \$12; treas-

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Reports were given from all department secretaries. The election resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Conrad Haggblom, Seattle; vice president, Mrs. E. G. Svenson, Tacoma; secretary, Mrs. Elmer M. Johnson, Olympia; treasurer, Miss Effie Frisell, Seattle.

An inspiring missionary program was given in the afternoon, when Rev. C. A. Johnson, Yakima, delivered the sermon.

A most hearty thank you is extended to the ladies of Bethany for their kind hospitality. E. F.

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was examined from many angles.

Tuesday, 8 p. m., Rev. Arthur Pierce, "Falling," Mr. Samuel Edwins, "Wages of Sin," Wednesday, 2 p. m., Rev. A. M. Green, "Christ the Sin-bearer," Rev. A. G. Anderson, "Confession."

We regret that Rev. J. A. Martin was ill and unable to attend the meeting. Rev. J. A. Edlund, introductory to communion services, spoke on "Absolution." Rev. E. links us to a past and pioneering age. According to the laws of nature, we can not hope to hear the voice of this warrior of the Cross many more years.

The chairman, secretary and treasurer, Rev. E. J. Sakrison, Rev. Arthur Pierce and Rev. A. G. Anderson, respectively, were re-elected.

A growing feeling within the district for greater referendum on matters involving outlay of funds and capital investments, was evinced by petition and otherwise.

How long, Oh Lord, must we be ruled by this Egyptian taskmaster called Finance?

We have, however, many reasons to thank God; freedom of assembly and worship, should not be underestimated in our day in the light of prevailing world conditions.

By request
Carl E. Nystrom.

COST OF BIBLE INSTITUTE IS LOWERED

In other parts of this paper you have already heard of the plans for this year's Bible Institute at Draper's Park, Des Moines. The question: Can I afford it? must also have presented itself.

We are glad to announce that the Institute this year has been so planned that the whole family shall be able to be there. The cost is less than last year—although it was said then to be at rock bottom prices. This year you may have an ideal week's vacation, a wonderful program and beautiful fellowship all for \$7.00. In other words: \$7.00 pays for the individual room; board and tents for two will be furnished with cots and mattresses, you furnishing the bedding. In addition private tents may be pitched and home cooking be enjoyed. A cafeteria will

be open for your convenience and also a grocery store. Good cookstoves are provided for. A registration fee of only 25 cents is asked of those who do not come under the \$7.000 rate.

What greater news could you wish for? The Institute will be a grand affair. You still have 145 days before that great week. A word to the wise: **save a nickel a day and attend the Institute!**

Martin Johnson,
Business manager.

TACOMA DIST. BROTHERHOOD Meeting Date Approaches.

Laymen as well as pastors of the entire district are strongly urged to make their plans now to attend the coming semi-annual Tacoma District Brotherhood rally, Friday evening, March 31, at Emmanus Luth. church, 165 W. 61st Street, Seattle.

Dinner will be served under the Emmanus Brotherhood auspices at a cost of 35 cents a plate, beginning at 7 o'clock. Rev. Dr. O. A. Tingelstad, president of the Pacific Lutheran college, Parkland, Washington, will be the speaker of the evening. He has chosen as his topic one of vital interest to all: "The Coming Generation on Our Coast."

It is most desirable that all men of the district attend this meeting. Each local Brotherhood should send a delegation of men as their representative for the discussion of matters of prime importance.

John W. Unis, M. D.
Tacoma Dist. Broth. Chairman.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mr. Charles Frisell, father of Miss Effie Frisell, secretary and parish worker of the Gethsemane church, Seattle, died Feb. 12 at the age of 74 years. Mr. Frisell was one of the old timers of Seattle, having arrived at that city 49 years ago from Sweden, where he was born. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Mathilda Frisell, two daughters, Effie Frisell and Mrs. Helen M. Harris, and two sons, Oscar and Walter, all of Seattle.

The Lutheran Brotherhood of the Tacoma District held a short business session Feb. 1 at the Bethany church, Seattle, when the following were elected officers: President, Dr. John W. Unis, Gethsemane, Seattle; vice president, Dr. G. A. Magnuson, Gethsemane Seattle; secretary, Robert Carlson, Bethany Seattle; treasurer, Conrad Haggblom, Emmanus, Seattle.

Funeral services were held last month at the Bethlehem Lutheran church of Sedro Woolley for Mr. Henry Bergman, 91 years old, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. Lundquist, at Seattle. Mr. Bergman went to Sedro Woolley from Sweden in 1890 and was active in the organization and building of our church there. Mr. and Mrs. Bergman's 4th wedding

anniversary was held last July 4th. He is survived by his widow and seven children: Mrs. Lundquist, Mrs. Amanda Lindberg, Charles and Albin Bergman, Miss Hilda Bergman of Seattle and Theodore Bergman of Bellingham and Miss Gerda Bergman of Taikoo, Korea, where she is a missionary. He is also survived by eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He was one of the earliest pioneers of the Sedro district and a much valued resident of that city.

The Svea Male Chorus of Seattle has given concerts of late in some of our churches. They sang last month in Bethel, Seattle, and First, Tacoma. Their singing was marked by tonal beauty and intimate interpretation of the theme.

Death visited the home of Rev. and Mrs. A. K. Vinge of the Norwegian Lutheran Central church, Everett, last Tuesday and carried away little Howard Vinge, nine years old. The boy was crossing Broadway street when a car driven by Jack Beatty, son to Dr. Beatty of Everett, ran over him. He was hurried last Friday, Rev. Vinge, father of the boy, is a member of the Institute Committee of the Young People's Bible Institute of Des Moines.

Sickness has entered into several homes of late. Among those friends who are on the list of recovery we find Mrs. C. R. Swanson and Mrs. Carl J. Bengtson of Seattle. The former has now returned from the hospital and is reported gaining slowly but sure. Orville Sandeen, son of the editor, says that he is feeling fine. He will be forced to rest up for some time yet, however.

Mr. Nels Hanson of the Bethel church, Seattle, passed away last month at the age of 68 years. He was born in Sweden and came to this country fifty years ago. He started grocery business in Ballard 28 years ago and has been one of its best known merchants. He is survived by his wife, Carrie Hanson, four sons, Chas., William Carlson, Arnold, Albert and Eddie Hanson, and two daughters, Edna Peters, and Miss Helen Hanson.

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more activity among the younger men.

Febr. 9 the league was the guest of First Norwegian Lutheran church of Seattle. The visiting league rendered the program and the host served the refreshments. A wonderful time was reported by all the members of the league. About thirty young people from Bethel attended.

Nor should we forget the basketball game between Bethel and First, Tacoma. Bethel won in spite of the fact that Tacoma had to borrow some of Bethel's best players in order to get a score. A return game is scheduled for February 25.

The Zion league, Everett, guest of Bethel Feb. 24. Everett Bethel seem to grow more and more friendly, which is as should be.

The radio program over KVL by the pastor and his "staff" was again held on Feb. 11, when Mrs. Sandeen, Mrs. Violet Schulerberg, Miss Martha Sundstrom, Gösta Johnson and Carl Carlsson rendered the program. These broadcasts are given every Saturday at 6:30 on KVL and at 6:00 on the KXA and all our Seattle churches take part.

Everett entertained the Mount Baker District Luther Leagues at a rally held Sunday, Feb. 12, 1933. Rev. Lundblad gave the principal afternoon ad-

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month at 8 p. m.
Woman's Missionary Soc., 3rd Thurs-
day of month, 8 p. m.
Young Woman's Missionary Society,
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dress and Rev. Lund of Mount Vernon spoke at the evening service. Supper was served by the local league. A good crowd attended.

Friday evening, Feb. 17, the Luther League gave an interesting Valentine social. Refreshments were served by Lillian Berg.

The Westdale Luther League of Troy, Idaho, elected Martin Peterson, president; Elva Kellberg, vice pres.; Ruth Erickson, treasurer, and Marion Peterson, organist. La Verne Kaen, librarian, at their annual meeting held on January 25.

Ruth Peterson introduced her initial meeting of the Salem Luther League, Spokane, Friday, January 27. Miss Peterson is presiding officer and a graduate of the department of education at Washington State College. Her well written papers presented at district meetings and in the Columbia Lutheran have given her a prominence well earned. Besides the president in the official chair are: Byron Swanson, vice president; Roy Vernstrom, secretary; Walfred Nelson, treasurer, and Walter Vernstrom and Signe Peterson ex officio members of the executive council.

Interesting plans have already been completed for the present year regarding the stirring up of interest in Sunday evening services, which have been lacking in attendance. The second Sunday of each month will be devoted to a Luther League evening service conducted exclusively by members of this group.

The Trinity League of Astoria were entertained by Edward Effering and Arnold Aren at the home of Captain and Mrs. Effering on January 26. Margaret Larson was hostess on Feb. 9 when the group met at her home. At this meeting plans were made for the pot luck support to be held in March. A campaign for new members as well as a new plan for the Luther League Round Table was adopted and ready for immediate action.

The Augustana League in Portland held a Valentine meeting in February. T. Edwin Erickson was chairman of the function which proved very enjoyable to all present.

The girls of the league chorns entertained the boys at a Valentine party on February 13 as the home of Esther and Thurston Ulin.

Among the many worth while functions sponsored by the Luther league is the Sunday evening song service at which time the life story of the missionary Mary Slessor is read.

The group also sponsors many swanning parties as well as basket-ball games which are well attended.

The First church of Tacoma's girl's basketball team challenges any other girls team in the conference. For arrangements correspond with the captain, Martha Elmer.

Evadl Benson is in charge of the

radio program sponsored by the Lutheran Young People of Tacoma over KVL, March 7 at 10 p. m.

The choir and league members en-joined a trip to Mt. Tacoma on Feb. 22. The Tacoma Lutheran Council gave a program at the Central Lutheran church on February 12. Two First church leaguers took part in the program, Lloyd Johnson, president of the council was choir man and Arthur Linn gave an address on "Lincoln the citizen."

The Tacoma league has also started Bible studies at the business meetings. This new movement has created a great deal of enthusiasm.

The Emmaus league in Seattle entertained their members with a Valentine party on Feb. 2. As a special feature for the evening they enjoyed the Gethsemane quartette, composed of Ruth and Beda Blomberg, Harry Liden and Fred Nelson.

On Feb. 10 the Emmaus Brotherhood were sponsors of a concert given by the Ballard First Lutheran church. After the regular choir practice on Feb. 14, a surprise Valentine party was held. Two different groups had planned a surprise party without letting anyone else know about it; so consequently both groups were surprised when the time came. After refreshments were served the remainder of the evening was spent in making valentines for each other.

The Yakima leaguers were entertained by Helen Samuelson, Alpha Lund and Mrs. Alice Dean on Feb. 10. After a short business meeting "jig-saw" puzzles were produced and members spent an interesting evening solving them.

On February 23 the league presented a program consisting of motion pictures, a skit featuring the following

members, Rose Lundquist, Helen Sa- and George Lundquist, a quartet com- munselso, Isabelle Richings, Mrs. Alice Dean, Arnold Reerz, Carl Lundquist posed of Ben Reitz, Arnold Reitz, Walter Olofson and Ed Lund. The

Katherine Selander, Ellen Rudd, Lil- lian Anderson and Hugo Holmer are the officers for the Bellingham league.

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